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Outline on the Principles of the Y.P.F.

The four-fold ideals which we have taken of Worship, Service, Study, and Fellowship are judged to be the the fundamental principles which underly our emulation of the virtues of Christ in building a Christian character.

Worship:

is prayer to God. Of the types each has a definate purpose and thought pattern. They are;

Praise is the highest form of worship. It is the adoration and love of man for God.

Intercession is prayer for others.

Thanksgiving is prayer of appreciation for ourselves and others.

Penitence is prayer acknowledging wrongdoing and asking forgiveness of God.

Personal prayer is the individuals own in behalf of help, guidance, and spiritual understanding.

Worship is exemplified by living and acting according to our own convictions, experiences, and conceptions of the meaning of Christ.

Corporate Communions.
Union Services.
Personal Evangelism

Service:

is doing for others aside from the common courtesies of social customs of this life and receiving ourselves the benefits that knowledge of such an act brings to the doer.

Sacrificial is giving up a personal desire or pleasure for the satisfaction which may or may not accompany the aiding and working for others.

Thoughtful is using mind and body to the benefit of others while not radically altering ones own plans or purposes.

Service is manifested in acts of helpfulness in the in the home, church, society community, and in working toward the infinate goal.

Personal Responsibility
Activities in Parish
Betterment of Others

Fellowship:

is the ability to adjust ourselves to new contingencies in enviroment and personalities in a manner which will promote social equibility and a sincere desire to understand the life of others.

Christian has no limits or racial bounderies.

With Christ a vivid personal experience of ones soul through spiritual contact with Him.

Social probably the most common and easiest to carry out in daily life.

Intellectual is making an honest effort to apply oneself to make for wider conception.

Fellowship is proven to be true only when one can readily adjust himself to every instance of contact with others.

Spiritual
Promoting class equality
Thru studying and observing the habits of others.

Study:

is the acquisition of knowledge of all things concerning this complex life on earth, particularly those which show us our place in relation to other ideals. It is the broadening of ones scope of learning through observation and knowledge of the experiences of others

Spiritual which is concerned with the souls and minds of our conscious make up is of great importance in directing our own ways and our attitudes towards others.

Material which is concerned with all the combined subjects in relation to our position on this state of worldly affairs.

Study is a prime requisite to building character of a Christ like nature which shall be aided by the knowledge of the truths and ideals of the ages.

Study of any nature which leads to a finer vision and higher ideals of a true Christian.

Please discuss and send in suggestions promptly either constructive or critical. It is to be the voice of the whole group and will therefore contain some contradictory phrases which will later be compiled and the best used to further the work.

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INSTALLATION SERVICE-- ST. PAUL DISTRICT Y.P.F.

Rector: We have finished our year's work. These officers of the past year have done well and are now ready to turn over the keys of their office to those who have been selected to this honor and responsibility for the coming year.

To you who are retiring we express our appreciation for your work during the past year, and the hope that this experience of service ma, lead you into further service of our Lord and Master.

(Then turning to the newly elected officers)
To you newly elected officers we pledge the cooperation of the members of this Fellowship. You have been called to the highest service a young person can render in the Chur ch, that of leadership; and we trust that you will find joy and success in this work for the Master.

To the President)
The office which you hold as president is a most important one. Members of the District will look to you for leadership. As president you are required to preside at all meetings and g to guide the District in all its work to the best of your ability. The responsibility is great. The need of your best effort is great. Do you accept this responsibility placed upon you by your fellow workers? (I do.) Will you endeavor to carry out the duties of your office to the best of your knowledge and ability. (I will) May God richly bless you in all your efforts a s President of this District.

To the Vice President)
The office you fill as Vice-President is by no means an unimportant one. Your duties are to take the chair in the absence of the President, to cooperate with the President in all matters, and to be of real assistance in every way. Your greatest work will lie in placing yourself at the disposal of the President and to help further his plans. Do you accept the responsibilities placed upon you by the members of the district? (I do) Will you make the effort to fulfill your duties to the best of your ability? (I will) May God richly bless you in all your efforts as Vice-President.

To the Secretary)
It is your duty as Secretary to keep the minutes of all meetings. Through your office will come information from outs de districts, and xx ix through it this information must pass on to the members of your District organization. It is an office which will require time and personal service. Your fellow workers in the group have placed this most important position in your hands. Do you accept the responsibilities of this office? (I do) Will you make an earnest effort to fulfill the many obligations of your office. (I will) May God richly bless you in all your efforts as Secretary.

To the treasurer)
The duties of the office of Treasurer of this District are often arduous and sometimes unappreciated by thoughtless members. But there is no position of greater responsibility in this organization than that of Treasurer. In the following of your office as Treasurer will you keep a simple cash account with the record of all moneys received and expended, and be prepared to submit a report of the financial standing at each meeting and a complete report at the close of your term; and to collect all moneys and expend same as directed by the District (I will) Will you endeavor to fulfill these obligations to the best of your ability? (I will) May God richly bless you in allyour efforts as Treasurer.

To the Chancellor)
Your office as Chancellor of this group shall be to advise, counsel and help the officers in maintaining the true spirit of theYPF in all thier work, Upon you rests the task of careful considerstion of each new problem that it is rightfully administered according to the ideals of this organization. Will you endeavor to fulfill these obligations to the best of your ability? (I will) May God righly bless you in all your efforts as Chancellor

To the Disrtict Representative)
Your office as District representative is one of considerable importance not only to the District but to the Diocesan organization Executive

		Points	100%
1	Attendance at Rallies %	(each)	10
2	Council	1 each member	2
3	Convention	5 each member	10 (5)
4	Parish %	(Yearly)	25
5	Monthly Corp Communion %	(monthly)	5
6	Annual Whitsunday do %	(Yearly)	10
7	Contributions to District Bulletin on time	25 each time	25
8	Participation in Parish work, a - Sunday school teacher b - Acolyte c - Boy Scout work (Girl Scout) d - Choir e - Welfare work f - Altar guild g - Misc (council) %		50
9	Fellowship Increase (Confirmed -pay dues)	5 each member	5
10	Outsiders confirmed thru Fellowship	10 do	10
11	Hosts to other groups in District	5 each time	5
12	Misc (Such other points as Council shall deem fit to add to this list at any Council meeting.)		

Course of Church studies, Discussion Group - Ad

It has for some time been evident that the Silver Trophy Cup has not accomplished the purpose for which it was started - stirring up interest in uniting the groups in the St Paul District into one whole body toward a common purpose. The Cup, having been won for the third time and thereby being retained by the group for good, cannot be put up for projects in the future and a change is being recommended to more evenly divide participation in the fourfold purpose of the YPF. It is recommended that the following honor point system go into effect Monday preceeding Whitsunday, points to be added one year later and award made at each annual election Rally in May. It is recommended that the Award be a large church banner which shall be carried in procession by group holding it at all Rallys or public functions held by the District. It is recommended that the Vice President of the District be given complete charge and responsibility of keeping check and that the various group presidents be responsible for adivising the Vice President. Final check shall be audited by the Clergy Advisor who shall be the final judge of any question arising as to points and awards.

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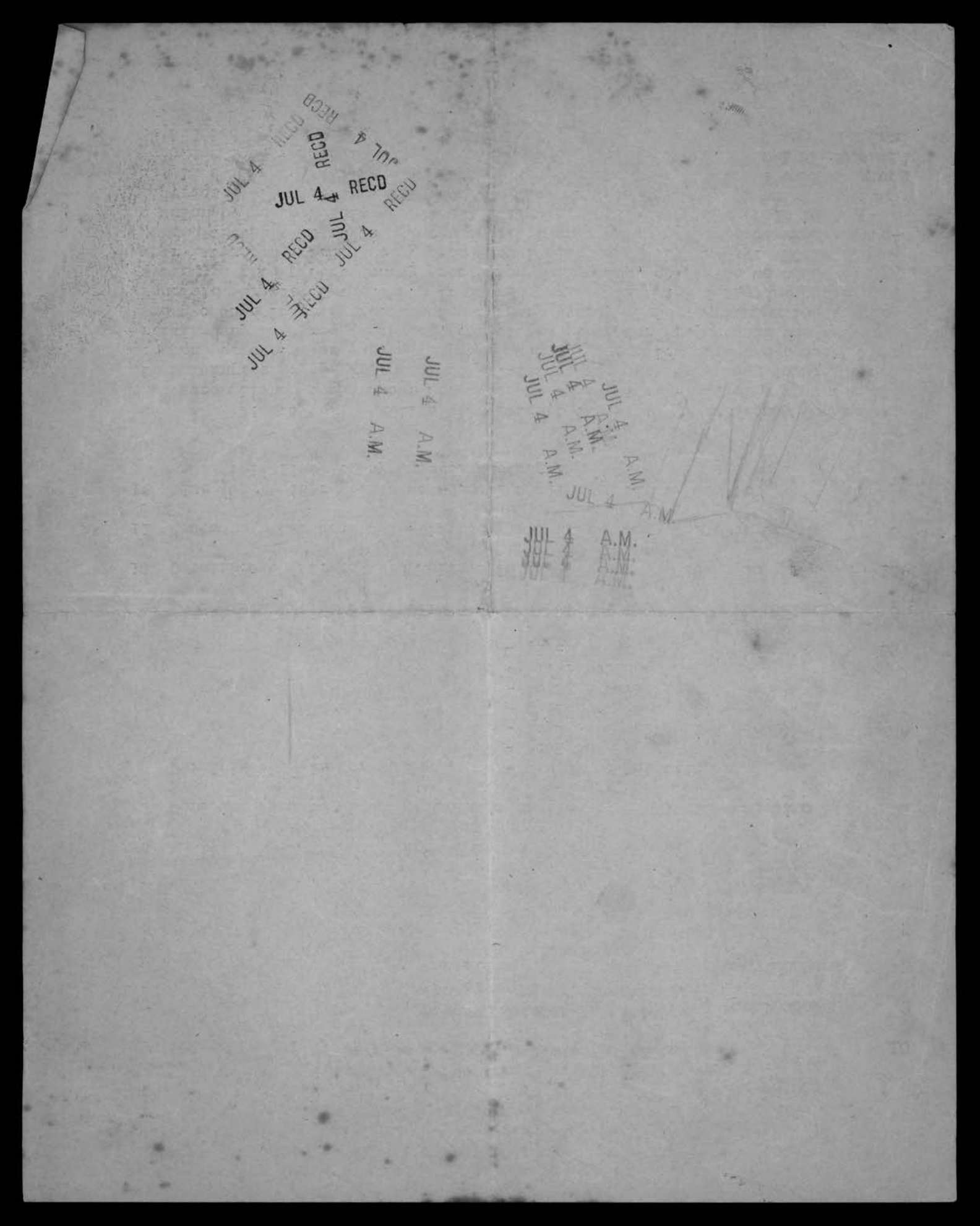
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BY-LAWS TO DIOCESAN CONSTITUTION

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ARTICLE I (Art. XII Constitution)

Sec 1 The officers of the St. Paul District Young People's Fellowship shall be:

President	Treasurer
Vice President	District Representative
Secretary	Chancellor

Advisor (Member of Clergy)

Sec/2 ELECTION

The officers shall be elected for a term of one year at the Annual May Rally to be held the third Sunday of May of each year. No officer shall be elected to serve more than two consecutive terms.

The Executive Committee shall, prior to the annual election, elect a Nominating Committee of one member and an alternate from each fellowship which shall meet at least three weeks before the May Rally, nominees to be made known to all members of the Council at least one week prior to the election.

The Nominating Committee shall prepare and submit a list of candidates dates of not less than two for each office, at the Annual May Rally.

A majority vote of those present, who present membership cards at the May Rally, shall be necessary to elect and voting shall be done by ballot.

The President and Vice President shall have been a member of the Council or Executive Committee, and the Chancellor a member of the Executive Committee, for one term to be eligible for nomination.

No nomination speeches shall be made on the floor at the election.

In case of a vacancy on the Executive Committee by reason of resignation, inactivity for a period of two months, or any other cause, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill such vacancy, six votes being necessary to elect.

Sec.3 DUTIES OF OFFICERS

President The President is the leader of the St. Paul District and shall be responsible for the work thereof. He shall preside at all meetings and shall be a member, ex officio, of all Committees.

He shall have power to call all general and special meetings at such times and places as he shall deem advisable and most convenient for all parties.

He shall have power to appoint any and all committees for the furtherance of District work except as limited by the By-Laws.

He shall visit, officially, each Fellowship of the District at least once each year during his term of office.

Vice President — In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the President. He shall succeed to the presidency in the event that office shall become vacant.

Secretary — The Secretary shall keep a permanent and accurate record of all minutes of meetings of the Executive Committee, District Council and Rallies.

He shall handle all official correspondence and keep a record of same.

He shall present a summary of the year's work of the District at the Annual May Rally. This summary shall be kept on file.

He shall sent to each group President a brief account of the actions of the Executive Committee within a reasonable period after each meeting of the said body.

Treasurer — The Treasurer shall keep a permanent and accurate account of all money taken in and disbursed.

He shall be empowered to pay bills only after they have been approved by the Council or Executive Committee and approved by the Advisor.

All money shall be deposited in either the First National Bank of St. Paul or the American National Bank of St. Paul, in the name of the St. Paul District Young People's Fellowship and be drawn by checks signed either by the Treasurer or President.

He shall present a report of the District Funds at all meetings and a summary at the May Rally.

District Representative — The District Representative shall represent the District Council on the Executive Council of the Diocesan Y.P.F.

He shall attend all meetings of the St. Paul District Executive Committee and Council and the Diocesan Executive Council.

He shall keep the District Council and the Diocesan Executive Council informed of pertinent actions of the other body.

Chancellor — In the absence of the President and Vice President the Chancellor shall assume all duties of the President and preside at meetings.

He shall have an advisory capacity to the officers of the District and shall be versed in District By Laws, Diocesan Constitution and By-Laws, Council and Executive Committee legislation and Robert's Rules of Order.

He shall take an active part in unifying the District, establish-

new groups, and shall perform such other incidental and special duties as may be allotted him by the President.

Advisor — The Advisor of the District shall be a clergyman.

He shall act in an advisory capacity to the District in general.

Sec 4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, District Representative, Chancellor, Advisor and two Councillors.

Councillors shall be elected by the District Council from its membership at first meeting following election of District officers. Each member shall have one vote.

The Executive Committee shall have power to perform such duties as may be necessary to further the work of the Fellowship in the District and shall be subject to call by the President at such time as he shall deem necessary in the furtherance of the YPF work.

A quorum at an Executive meeting shall consist of five members, one of which shall be the President or Vice President, one the Secretary or Treasurer, and one the Chancellor or Advisor.

Sec 5 THE DISTRICT COUNCIL shall:

Consist of the District Officers and the President and Secretary of each Fellowship or their substitutes. Unless a substitute is an officer in his group, he shall present proper credentials in writing to the District President before a meeting, signed by his group President, in order to participate in the Council meeting.

Meet at least four times each year in advance of the District Rallies.

Have a voice in all matters affecting the District as a whole and may recommend any matter pertinent to the District as a whole either to the Executive Committee or the Annual May Rally.

By a majority vote of those present at a Council meeting where a quorum is present, authorize the expenditure of money as may be deemed necessary to the furtherance of the District work, subject to the approval of the District Executive Committee.

In the event that any District Officer shall be a voting officer from his Fellowship, he shall be entitled to vote as representing that Fellowship. In case of a tie vote then shall the District President only be allowed to vote. In all other cases District Officers shall have no vote in the Council.

Notices of regular meeting shall be mailed by the Secretary to each member ten days or more in advance of such meetings. Any meeting with less than ten days written notice shall be deemed a special meeting.

A quorum at a regular meeting shall be a majority of those entitled to a seat in the Council and also a majority of groups represented. In case of a special meeting a quorum shall consist of 75% of those entitled to a seat in the Council and also groups represented.

Two ballots from any one Fellowship shall be a maximum. A Council member shall have but one vote.

Sec 6 LEGISLATION

All important measures, such as District Rallies, Projects, matters of policy, and expenditures of more than ten (10) dollars originating in either the Executive Committee or the District Council, must be submitted to and passed on in their final form by both groups.

Council or Executive Committee acts shall be binding only during the term of that body, but must be read at the first meeting of these two bodies for consideration by the newly elected Council and District Officers.

Sec 7 AUDITING COMMITTEE

An Auditing Committee, composed of the Chancellor and Advisor and one other member of the District, appointed by the President, shall check the books of the District Treasurer before the Annual May Rally and at such other times as the President shall deem necessary.

Sec 8 TIME OF TAKING OFFICE

The newly elected District Officers shall take office immediately upon adjournment of the May Rally and shall be installed by one of the Bishops during the service at the first Rally in the Fall.

The new Council shall become effective immediately upon adjournment of the May Rally. Old members shall hold over until this time, irrespective of the date of the annual election in each group.

ARTICLE XI

RALLIES OF ALL THE FELLOWSHIPS IN THE DISTRICT shall, if possible and at the discretion of the Executive Committee, be held four times a year.

A Fall Rally for stirring up enthusiasm for the year's work and outlining the year's program. Installation of District Officers.

A Winter Rally in the form of a social affair.

A Lenten Rally which shall have as its primary purpose a religious service.

A May Rally for consideration of recommendations of the Council and Executive Committee and election of District Officers.

The District President shall read the lessons at all rallies or services in which he takes part.

If the Diocesan President be present there shall be two lessons,

Attorney at a regular meeting shall be a majority of these groups

the Diocesan President reading the first, the District President the second. In the absence of the Diocesan President, the Diocesan Vice President, if present, shall read the first lesson.

ARTICLE XII

Parish groups joining the District organization shall be presented by the District President and admitted by the District Advisor at one of the Rallies.

When admitting new members into parochial groups the admission service shall be used at the discretion of the group.

Each group shall elect its officers the week following the District Rally.

ARTICLE IV

Only members in good standing in the Diocese (holding membership cards) shall be allowed to vote at any meeting or hold office in the District.

Membership cards must be presented to vote at Annual Election.

ARTICLE V

A District Bulletin shall be issued during the second week in every month from September to May inclusive and shall contain all notices and news of interest for the furtherance of the YPF movement for all members. A Bulletin Committee consisting of the Editor, Circulation Manager, and Business Manager, shall be appointed by the President and approved by the council at their first meeting. This committee shall have charge of all matters regarding District news and publicity and appoint other members with the approval of the Advisor. The Editor shall be a non-voting member of the Council.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

These By-Laws may be amended at the District May Rally provided that the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the District Council in writing at least one month prior to the Rally and notice thereof given to each parochial group at least one week prior to the Rally. A three-fourths vote of the voting members present shall be necessary to adopt the amendment, with at le at two-thirds of the parochial groups having a voting representative of not less than thirty per-cent of the number recorded to have paid Diocesan dues, before voting can be accomplished.

Unless inconsistent because of District By-Laws, Robert's Rules of Order shall be the authority and guide of procedure in all matters of the District.

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

We are persuaded that the work of the church which it is our purpose to extend and stimulate rests on the basis of eternal truth. We purpose to seek Jesus who is in the world and through a growing companionship of worship and service with Him to follow Him bravely in an adventure of Christ-like living which of its own joy, and truth, and grace shall bring others to Him.

ARTICLE I Name

The name shall be the Young People's Fellowship of the Episcopal Church in Diocese of Minnesota, and it shall be uniform in every parochial group in the diocese.

ARTICLE II Purpose

The purpose of the Young People's Fellowship shall be to encourage its members to follow Christ and to share with others their experience with Him that Christian leadership and character may be developed within them. The organization shall establish, unify, and stimulate the effort of the youth of the diocese through a definite program of worship, service, study and fellowship.

ARTICLE III Membership

Any young people's group functioning as a unit of the Episcopal church shall be eligible to membership when it obtains the consent of its rector, its president and vice-president are communicants of the Episcopal church, it accepts this constitution and by-laws as a basis for its activity, and it makes written application to the Executive Council.

Members-at-large, where no parochial group is established, may be admitted to the Young People's Fellowship of this diocese upon payment of diocesan dues.

The admission service shall be conducted by the diocesan or district officers for all new groups and members-at-large as soon as possible after they have been recognized.

ARTICLE IV Officers & Administration

The officers of this organization shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and three advisors; one of whome shall be a youth, who has been a former diocesan officer; one a layperson; and one a clergyman. All officers shall be communicants of the Episcopal Church.

The officers shall be elected for a term of one year at the annual convention. A majority vote of the registered voting delegates shall be necessary to elect, and no officer shall serve for more than two consecutive terms.

The clergy advisor shall be appointed by the Bishop within one month of the close of the annual convention in conference with the executive council. The clergy advisor shall be the official connection between the church in the diocese and the executive council of the Young People's Fellowship.

ARTICLE IV (Continued)

Theaofficers shall perform the duties pertaining to their respective offices. The vice-president shall succeed to the presidency in the event that office becomes vacant.

The Executive Council shall consist of diocesan officers, diocesan advisors, district presidents, and district representatives. Each district shall be entitled to one representative. The diocesan advisors shall be voting members of the council.

ARTICLE V Districts

Districts may be established by the Executive Council. The districts shall be responsible to the Executive Council for the diocesan activity in their territories, and such other duties as may be delegated them by the Executive Council. All district officers shall be communicants of the Episcopal Church and they shall be president, clergy advisor, and such others as the districts may choose.

ARTICLE VI Annual Convention

An annual convention shall be held each year at such time and place as may be designated by the executive council. Parishes and Missions with one or more parochial groups shall be entitled to two delegates for the first twenty five members or part thereof and one additional delegate for each additional fifteen members over twenty-five; whose current dues are paid.

Parishes having one or more members-at-large whose current dues are paid shall be entitled to one voting delegate at the annual convention.

A quorum for the transaction of business at the annual convention shall be two-thirds of the registered voting delegates.

ARTICLE VII Constitution

This constitution shall be effective for all Young People's Fellowship districts and parochial groups, who may adopt by-laws providing they do not conflict with the statutes of any higher division.

This constitution may be amended at any annual convention providing that the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the executive council in writing at least two months prior to the convention and be incorporated in written notices sent to each parochial group at that time. A three-fourths vote shall be necessary to adopt the amendment with a majority of parochial groups having voting representation, before voting can be accomplished.

Roberts Rules of Order shall be the guide for all parliamentary practice except as where inconsistent with this constitution or its by-laws.

BY-LAWS

SECTION I Membership

An inscribed and signed form embodying the constitution along with a copy of the by-laws shall be given each parochial groups when it is recognised.

When admitting new members into parochial groups the admission service shall be used at the discretion of the group.

SECTION II Election of Officers

A nomination committee chosen by the president with the approval of his officers shall meet and nominate at least two members for each office prior to the day of elections.

The report of the nominating committee at the annual convention shall summarize the Y. P. F. experience of its candidates. Nominations from the floor shall consist of a brief summary of their nominees Y. P. F. experience.

All nominees shall consent to their condidacy previous to their nomination.

All officers with the exception of the clergy advisor shall be installed at the concluding service of the convention to take office immediately. The terms of all officers and advisors shall expire at the same service the following year.

SECTION III Duties of Officers

The president shall be responsible for the activities and extension of the Young Peoples Fellowship in the diocese. He shall have power to call any meeting as herein provided. He shall make an annual presidents report at the convention.

The vice-president shall co-operate and be responsible to the president for any duties delegated him.

The secretary shall keep a permanent and accurate record of all meetings sponsored or participated in by the organization. He shall keep a duplicate file of the members and officers of all groups, districts, and members-at-large.

The treasurer shall keep a permanent and accurate record and be responsible for all monentary transactions of this organization. He shall keep a duplicate file of the members and officers of all groups, districts, and members-at-large. with a complete record of their standing.

The advisors shall act in an advisory capacity to the officers and the executive council.

SECTION IV Executive Council

District representatives shall be elected from among and by the voting membership of the districts.

A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of two-thirds of the members entitled to vote with a majority of districts represented, and at least three diocesan officers present-one of whom shall be the president or vice-president, one the secretary or treasurer, and one of the advisors.

SECTION IV (Continued)

The executive council shall:-have power to fill all vacancies in diocesan offices by a three-fourths majority vote.: have power to call or sanction any meeting it shall deem advisable in the interest of the Young Peoples Fellowship: meet at least six times a year. Notice of regular meeting shall be given at least ten days in advance.:-have power to determine matters of policy not herein provided for, provided however, that they shall hold only until the following annual concention, when they must be presented as amendments to these statutes.

SECTION V. Finances

The annual dues and assessments of the organization shall not exceed fifty cents (50¢) per capita. Dues shall be due and payable on or before March fifteenth of each year, the number of voting delegates to the annual convention shall be apportioned according to the paid dues of that date. Membership cards shall be issued in receipt of dues.

All disbursements over three dollars shall be approved by the executive council.

Money shall be deposited in a bank designated by the executive council at its first meeting. The account shall be registered under the signatures of the president, treasurer, and one advisor to be designated by the council. Provision shall be made so that any two signatures shall be necessary to withdraw.

SECTION VI. Standing Committees

An auditing committee appointed by the president shall audit the books of the treasurer at least once each year prior to the annual convention.

A program commission shall be appointed by the president with the approval of the executive council. A chairman, sub-chairman on each of the fourfold ideals, worship, service, study, and fellowship, and the clergy advisor shall comprise the commission. They shall be responsible for compiling, and issuing at least once every two months, program material from the committee on ideals and such other material as the executive council shall give them. All material must be approved by the clergy advisor before its issuance.

The president shall appoint at least three other members on the four committees of worship, study, service and fellowship; the sub-chairman of the commission to act as chairman of these same committees. Four advisors shall be appointed by the president to work with these committees. Each committee shall collect, compile, and prepare for the commission, material pertaining to their respective fields.

SECTION VII Convention

The secretary shall prepare a report blank with the approval of the executive council to be sent out thirty days prior to the annual convention to each parochial group in the diocese. These reports shall be returned to him at least ten days before the convention for compilation and presentation to the convention.

Parochial groups where at least ten members have not paid dues for the current year shall have convention privileges as provided for members-atlarge.

SECTION VIII (Continued)

Voting delegates and visiting delegates shall hold membership cards for the current year to be eligible for attendance at the convention or to hold office. Dues of voting delegates shall have been paid before March fifteenth of each year.

Only voting delegates from accredited groups and parishes shall be entitled to voting privileges. In case of tie votes, the president shall cast a ballot.

SECTION VIII By-Laws

A revised copy of these by-laws shall be sent along with any amendments to the constitution to each parochial group following the convention.

These by-laws may be amended at any annual convention by a two-thirds vote of the registered voting delegates provided that a majority of groups have representation.

Witnessed on this the Twenty-Seventh day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-Five.

Frederick L. Searing Jr.
Signed President.

Jessie Asplund Secretary.

Irven G. Thomas
Advisor.

Approved and authorized by

F. A. McElwain Bishop,

Diocese of Minnesota.

ST.PAUL DISTRICT YOUNG PEOPLES FELLOWSHIP

Purpose:

We are persuaded that the work of the church which it is our purpose to extend and stimulate, rests on the basis of eternal truth.

We purpose to seek Jesus who is in the world and through a growing companionship of worship and service with Him to follow Him bravely in an adventure of Christ-like living which of its own joy and truth and and grace shall bring others to Him.

Prayers:

Our Heavenly Father in whose hands are the world's and children of men, we ask Thy Blessing upon the work of the Young Peoples Fellowship in this diocese; that whatever we plan and whatever we do may serve Thy purposes. In particular we ask that the love of Thee and our fellows may so grow and dominate our lives thatwe may be able to offer ourselves to Thee and those by whose character Thy Kingdom may be strengthened and beautified. Above all, keep ever before us the vision of our Lord Christ and of His will. Through the same Jesus Christ, Our Lord who liveth and reigneth with Thee and The Holy Spirit, Our Lord, world without end. Amen.

O Christ be near us that beholding Thee
I may beleive in God and be set free.

Hymn:

Father we come with youth and vigor pressing
Gladly to serve as Thou wouldst have Thine own
Grant that we may Thy Holy name confessing
Promise to know the Christ and make Him known

Be with us, Lord, we kneel in supplication
In bonds of Fellowship before Thy throne
By fervent prayer, by willing consecration
Help us to know the Christ and make Him known

YOUNG PEOPLES FELLOWSHIP

OF

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH ON THE HILL

CAMPFIRE SONGBOOK

HAIL, MINNESOTA!

Minnesota, Hail to thee,
  Hail to thee, our college dear
Thy light shall ever be
  A beacon bright and clear;
Thy sons and daughters true
  Will proclaim thee near and far
They will guard thy flame
  And adore thy name,
Thou shalt be their Northern Star.

Like the stream that bends to sea,
  Like the pine that seeks the blue,
Minnesota, still for thee,
  Thy sons are strong and true;
From thy woods and waters fair
  From thy prairies waving far,
At thy call they throng
  With their shout and song,
Hailing thee their Northern Star.

THE MAN ON THE FLYING TRAPEZE

Once I was happy, but now I'm forlorn
  Like an old coat that is tattered and torn
I'm left in this wide world to fret and to mourn
  Betrayed by a maid in her teens.
Now this girl that I loved she was handsome and swell,
  And I tried all I knew her to please,
But I never could please her one quarter so well,
  As the man on the flying trapeze---O-O-Oh--
(Chorus)
He flies thru the air with the greates of ease,
  This daring young man on the flying trapeze,
His actions are graceful, all girls does he please,
  And my love he has stolen away.

Now the young man by name was Senor Bonislang,
  Tall, big and handsome, as well made as Chang,
Where'er he appeared, how the hall loudly rang,
  With ovation from all people there.
He'd smile from the bar on the people below,
  And one night he smiled on my love,
She winked back at him, and she shouted "Bravo"
  As he hung by his nose up above---O-O-Oh--

(Chorus)

MY BONNIE LIES OVER THE OCEAN

My bonnie lies over the ocean,
  My bonnie lies over the sea,
My bonnie lies over the ocean,
  Oh, bring back my bonnie to me.
(Chorus)
Bring back, bring back, oh, bring back my bonnie
  to me, to me,
Bring back, bring back, oh, bring back my bonnie
  to me.

Last night as I lay on my pillow,
  Last night as I lay on my bed,
Last night as I lay on my pillow,
  I dreamt that my bonnie was dead

(Chorus)

Oh, blow ye winds over the ocean,
  Oh, blow ye winds over the sea,
Oh, blow ye winds over the ocean,
  And bring back my bonnie to me.

(Chorus)

Last night as I lay on my pillow,
  Last night as I lay on my bed,
I slept with my feet out the window
  Next morning the neighbors were dead.

I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE RAILROAD

I've been working on the railroad,
  All the livelong day,
I've been working on the railroad
  Just to pass the time away.
Don't you hear the whistle blowing
  Rise up so early in the morn,
Don't you hear the captain shouting,
  Dinah, blow your horn.

MINNESOTA, HAT'S OFF TO THEE!

Minnesota, Hats off to thee,
  To your colors, true we shall ever be,
Firm and strong, united are we,
Rah, rah, rah for Ski-U-Mah!
Rah, Rah, Rah, Rah,
Rah for the U. of M!

HOW DO YOU DO?

How do you do, Mister .....
How do you do?
Is there anything that we can do for you?
We'll do the best we can,
We'll stand by you like a man,
How do you do, Mister .....
How do you do?

OH, HERE'S TO MR.....

Tune: Ach Du Lieber Augustine

Oh! here's to Mr.....
Mr.....
Mr.....
Oh! here's to Mr.....
He's with us tonight.
He's with us, God bless him;
God bless him, he NEEDS it,
Oh! here's to Mr.....
He's with us tonight.

SOUP! SOUP!

Tune: Hail, Hail, the gang's all here.

Soup, Soup, We all want soup,
Tip your bowl and drain it,
Let your whiskers strain it.
Hark, Hark, the funny noise.
Listen to the gurgling, boys!

Meat, Meat, bring on the meat!
Fresh and juicy cow meat,
Ham and pickled pig's feet,
Lamb chops and pork chops too,
Any kind of meat will do!

SMILES

There are smiles that make us happy,
There are smiles that make us blue,
There are smiles that steal away the tear-drops,
As the sunbeams steal away the dew.
There are smiles that have a tender meaning,
That the eyes of love alone can see,
But the smiles that fill my heart with sunshine,
Are the smiles that you give to me.

MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME

The sun shines bright in the old Kentucky home,
"Tis summer, the darkies are gay;
The corn-top's ripe and the meadow's in the bloom
While the birds make music all the day.
The young folks roll on the little cabin floor,
All merry, all happy, and bright;
By'n by hard times comes a-knocking at the door,
Then my old Kentucky home, good night!

(Chorus)
Weep no more, my lady,
Oh, weep no more today!
We will sing one song for the old Kentucky home,
For the old Kentucky home, far away.

They hunt no more for the possum and the coon,
On the meadow, the hill and the shore;
They sing no more by the glimmer of the moon,
On the bench by the old cabin door.
The day goes by like a shadow o'er the heart,
With sorrow where all was delight,
The time has come when the darkies have to part,
Then my old Kentucky home, good night!

(Chorus)

The head must bow and the back will have to bend,
Wherever the darky may go;
A few more days, and the trouble all will end
In the field where the sugar-canes grow.
A few more days for to tote the weary load,
No matter, 'twill never by light;
A few more days till we totter on the road,
Then my old Kentucky home, good night!

(Chorus)

LOVE'S OLD SWEET SONG

Once in the dear, dead days beyond recall,
When on the world the mists began to fall
Out of the dreams that rose in happy throng,
Low in our hearts love sang an old sweet song.
And in the dusk, where fell the firelight gleams
Softly it wove itself into our dreams.

(Chorus)

Just a song at twilight, when the lights are low,
And the flickering shadows, softly come and go,
Tho' the heart be weary, sad the day and long,
Still to us at twilight, comes love's old song,
Comes love's old sweet song.

IVAN SKIZAVITZSKY SKIVAR

The sons of the prophet were hardy and bold,
And quite unaccustomed to fear;
But the bravest of all was a man, I am told
Named Abdul El Bul-Bul Ameer.

If they wanted a man to encourage the van
Or to harass the foe in the rear;
Or to storm a redoubt, they would set up a shout
For Abdul El Bul-Bul Ameer.

There were heroes in plenty and men known to fame
Who fought in the ranks of the Czar;
But none of more fame than a man by the name
Of Ivan Skizavitsky Skivar.

He could sing like Caruso, both tenor and bass,
He could play on the Spanish Guitar;
In fact, quite the cream of the Muscovite team
Was Ivan Skizavitsky Skivar.

One day this bold Muscovite shouldered his gun
And walked down the street with a sneer;
He was looking for fun when he happened to run
Upon Abdul El Bul-Bul Ameer.

"Young man", Said Bul-Bul, "is existence so dull,
That you're anxious to end your career?
For, infidel, know you have trod on the toe
Of Abdul El Bul-Bul Ameer.

"So take your last look at the sunshine and brook,
And send your regrets to the Czar;
By which I imply you are going to die,
Mister Ivan Skizavitzsky Skivar.

Then this bold Mameluke drew his trusty chibouque,
Crying "Allah-il-Allah! Akbar!"
And with murderous intent he most suddenly went
For Ivan Skizavitzsky Skivar.

On a stone by the banks where the Neva doth roll
There is written in characters clear;
"Oh, stranger, remember to pray for the soul
Of Abdul El Bul-Bul Ameer."

While a Muscovite maiden her vigil doth keep
By the light of the cold Northern Star;
And the name that she constantly shouts in her sleep
Is Ivan Skizavitzsky Skivar.

THE COWBOY'S DREAM

Tune: My Bonnie

Last night as I lay on the prairie,
And looked at the stars in the sky,
I wondered if ever a cowboy,
Would drift to that sweet by and by.
(Chorus)
Roll on, roll on;
Roll on, little dogies, roll on, roll on,
Roll on, roll on;
Roll on, little dogies, roll on.

The road to that bright, happy region,
Is a dim, narrow trail, so they say,
But the broad one that leads to Perdition,
Is posted and blazed all the way.
(Chorus)
They say there will be a great round-up,
And cowboys, like dogies, will stand,
To be marked by the riders of Judgment,
Who are posted and know every brand.
(Chorus)
I know there's many a stray cowboy,
Who'll be lost at the great, final sale,
When he might have gone in the green pastures,
Had he known of the dim narrow trail.
(Chorus)
For they, like the cows that are locoed,
Stampede at the sight of a hand,
Are dragged with a rope to the round-up,
Or get marked with some crooked man's brand.
(Chorus)
And I'm scared that I'll be a stray yearling,
A maverick, unbranded on high,
And get cut in the bunch with the "rusties",
When the Boss of the Riders goes by.
(Chorus)
For they tell of another big owner,
Who's ne'er overstocked, so they say,
But who always makes room for the sinner
Who drifts from the straight narrow way.
(Chorus)
They say he will never forget you,
That he knows every action and look,
So, for safety, you'd better get branded,
Have you name in the great Tally Book.
(Chorus)
Roll on, roll on;
Roll on, little dogies, roll on, roll on,
Roll on, roll on;
Roll on, little dogies, roll on.

HOME ON THE RANGE

Oh, give me a home, where the buffalo roam,
And the deer and the antelope play;
Where seldom is heard, a discouraging word
And the skies are not cloudy all day.
(Chorus)
Home, home on the range,
Where the deer and the antelope play,
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

Where the air is so pure, and the zephyrs so free,
And the breezes so balmy and light,
I would not exchange my home on the range,
For all of your cities so bright.
(Chorus)
The Red Man was pressed from this part of the West,
It's unlikely he'll ever return,
To the banks of Red River where seldom if ever
Their flikering campfires burn.
(Chorus)
How often at night when the heavens are bright,
With the light of the glittering stars,
Have I stood there amazed, and asked as I gazed,
If their glory exceeds that of ours.
(Chorus)
Oh, I love the wild flowers, in this dear land of ours,
The curlew I love to hear scream,
I love the white rocks and the antelope flocks
That graze on the mountain tops green.
(Chorus)
Oh, give me a land where the bright diamond sand
Floes leisurely down the clear stream,
And the graceful white swan goes gliding along
Like a maid in a heavenly dream.
(Chorus)
Then I would not exchange my home on the range,
Where the deer and the antelope play,
Where seldom is heard, a discouraging word,
And the skies are not cloudy all day.
(Chorus)
Home, home on the range,
Where the deer and the antelope play,
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word,
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

THE MAN ON THE FLYING TRAPEEZE

Once I was happy but now I'm forlorn
Just like an old coat that is tattered and torn,
Left in this wide world to fret and to mourn,
Betrayed by a girl in her teens.
Now this girl that I loved she was handsome and swell,
And I tried all I knew her to please,
But I never could please her one quarter so well
As the man on the flying trapeeze oh-o-o-o--
Chorus: He flies thru the air with the greatest of ease,
This daring young man on the flying trapeeze,
His actions are graceful, all girls he does please
And my love he has stolen away.

Now this man by name was Signor Bonislang,
Tall, big and handsome, as well built as Chang,
Where'er he appeared the hall loudly rang
With ovations from everyone there.
He'd smile from the bar on the people below,
And one night he smiled on my love,
She winked back at him, and she shouted "BRAVO",
As he hung by his nose up above, oh-o-o-o---
Chorus:

Her father and mother were both on my side,
And very hard tried to make her my bride,
Her father he sighed and her mother she cried,
To see her throw herself away.
T'was all no avail, she went there every night,
And threw him bouquets on the stage,
Which caused her to meet him, how he ran me down,
To tell it would take a whole page, oh-o-o-o---
Chorus:

One night I, as usual, went to her home,
Found there her mother and father alone,
I asked for my love, and soon t'was made known,
To my horror that she'd run away.
She packed up her boxes and eloped in the night,
With him with the greatest of ease,
From two stories high he had lowered her down,
To the ground on his flying trapeeze,oh-o-o-o---
Chorus:

Some months after that I went into a hall,
And to my surprise I found there on the wall,
A bill in red letters which did my heart gall
That she was appearing with him;
He'd taught her gymnastics and dressed her in tights,
To help him to live at his ease,
He'd made her assume a masculine name,
And now she goes on the trapeeze,oh-o-o-o---
Chorus: She floats thru the air with the greatest of ease,
You'd think her a man on the flying trapeeze,
She does all the work, while he sure takes his ease
And that's what became of my love.

POLLY-WOLLY-DOODLE

Oh, I went down South for to see my Sal,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day;
My Sally am a spunky gal,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.

Fare thee well, fare thee well,
Fare thee well, my fairy fay,
For I'm off to Louisiana,
For to see my Susianna,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.

Oh, my Sal, she am a maiden fair,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day,
With curly eyes and laughing hair,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.
(Chorus)

Oh, I came to a river, an' I couldn't get across,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day,
So, I jumped on a nigger, 'cause I thought he was a hoss,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.
(Chorus)

Oh, a grasshopper sittin' on a railroad track,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day
A-pickin' his teef wid a carpet tack,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.
(Chorus)

Oh, I went to bed, but it wasn't no use,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day;
My feet stuck out like a chicken roost,
Sing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.
(Chorus)

Behind de barn, down on my knees,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day,
I thought I heard a chicken sneeze,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.
(Chorus)

He sneezed so hard wid de 'hoopin' cough,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day,
He sneezed his head and tail right off,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.
(Chorus)

Fare thee well, fare thee well,
Fare thee well, my fairy fay,
For I'm off to, Louisiana,
For to see my Susianna,
Singing Polly-Wolly-Doodle all the day.

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May 6th and 7th

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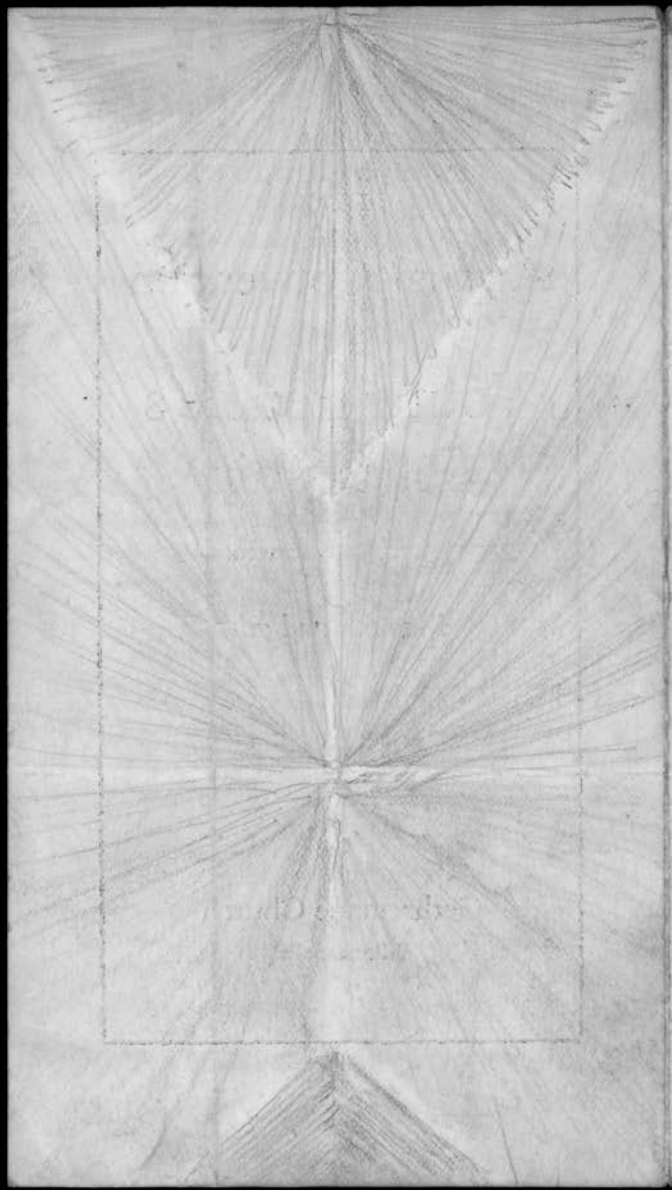

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GETHSEMANE CHURCH, MINNEAPOLIS

PROGRAM

Friday Evening, May 6

Motion Pictures 5:30

Dinner 6:30

Entertainment 7:30

Addresses 8:30

Fellowship ..... Rev. F. D. Tyner
St. Luke's, Minneapolis

Worship ..... Rev. E. Croft Gear
St. ~~Paul's~~ Luke's, Minneapolis

Service ..... Ven. E. W. Couper
Archdeacon of Minnesota

Study ..... Rev. E. H. Eckel
St. Paul's, ~~Minneapolis~~ St. Paul

Preparation Service 9:30

Saturday Morning, May 7

Holy Communion 8:00

Breakfast 9:00

Business Meeting 9:30

Bishop's Charge 10:30

LIST OF PARISH ORGANIZATIONS CONSIDERED MEMBERS OF THE

YOUNG PEOPLES FELLOWSHIP, DIOCESE OF MINNESOTA

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			Membership 1932
1 -	ALBERT LEA		Blank
2 -	APPLETON		Blank
3 -	AUSTIN		25
4 -	CANNON FALLS		Blank
5 -	FARIBAULT		11
6 -	LITCHFIELD		Blank
7 -	MANKATO		12
8 -	MINNEAPOLIS	1 All Saints	Blank
9 -		2 Bishop Whipple Memorial	Blank
10 -		3 Gethsemane	Blank
11 -		4 St Andrews	Blank
12 -		5 St James	20
13 -		6 St Johns	20
14 -		7 St Lukes	14
15 -		8 St Marks	28
16 -		9 St Pauls	15
17 -	NORTHFIELD		Blank
18 -	RED WING		20
19 -	ST PAUL	1 Ascension	21
20 -		2 Christ	Blank
21 -		3 Messiah	20
22 -		4 St Clements	25
23 -		5 St James	16
24 -		6 St Johns WB	15
25 -		7 St Johns the E.	25
26 -		8 St Marys	13
27 -		9 St Mathews	10
28 -		10 St Pauls	31
29 -	ST PETER		Blank
30 -	WABASHA		Blank
31 -	WASECA		Blank
32 -	WILLMAR		Blank
33 -	WINONA		15
		Total Membership 1932	356
		New Organizations since last convention	14
		Estimated Membership 1933	600

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GREETINGS AND COMMENDATION

Greetings to the Young People's Fellowship
of The Diocese of Minnesota:

I am sure that you know my real and deep affection for the young people of this diocese, not only because of what they are in themselves now, but also because of what they are capable of being in the days to come. It is another expression of this affection that I send this greeting with the proposed program. The great need of our Young People's Fellowship is concentration on an adopted outline of work together with determination to carry it through. I pray God to give you His grace that this program may be a means to that end.

Greetings in our blessed Lord,

Affectionately yours,

F. A. McElwain

The two main factors involved in a successful Y.P.F. in any parish are those of leadership personality and of program material. Every priest should secure some outstanding person with the capacity for leadership to take up the work of the Young People's Fellowship. To help such leaders with program suggestions and materials, the diocesan Program Commission was appointed. Hard work on their part has produced material that should be invaluable to all clergy and lay leaders of Y.P.F. groups. Diligent and faithful use of this material by clergy should give the necessary program content and suggestions for helpful young people's meetings.

I earnestly commend the suggestions of the Program Commission to every priest of the diocese.

Faithfully yours,

Stephen E Keeler

Our Heavenly Father who through Thy Son Jesus Christ didst send Thy Holy Spirit to guide His disciples into all truth; we beseech Thee to be with the Young People's Fellowship of this diocese in their plans for study and work. Grant them loving persistence; intelligent loyalty; and whole hearted willingness to serve that these plans may be acceptable to Thee and helpful to Thy Chruch; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

- Bishop Mc Elwain

INTRODUCTION

"Where will we go to find material for our programs and worship services?" has been the recurrent cry from Young People's groups since the beginning of the movement. Various methods have been tried to supply this need. For the past two years in the Diocese of Minnesota monthly bulletins containing programs and services for that period have been sent to parishes and missions. Many favorable comments have been received from those who used them. However, realizing that more lasting results may be obtained by planning for longer periods than a month, the Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese in its 1934 Convention recommended that a complete set of programs be published and placed in the hands of group leaders early in the Summer that they may more effectively plan their work for the whole year. Accordingly a Program Commission was appointed which has worked out the following Worship suggestions and Programs.

HOW TO USE THESE PROGRAMS

Those who worked out these courses have tried, above everything else, to be practical and helpful, and to write, not from the standpoint of satisfied Churchmen, but for the youth of the Church who seek to know more of the mission and work of the great institution of which they are a part. They are in no way to be followed through program by program, but intelligently used through careful planning ahead and adaptation to the needs and interests of each group. They may be used in their entirety as the basis of a full year's work for they are broad in concept and diversity of subject matter, yet they focus on one great Body, the Church. These programs are not magic. They will not work if taken a day or so in advance. But, if taken as the basis of a planned year's work there is material here presented which will revitalize our organizations in Parish, Mission and Diocese.

Each of the units has the same general plan. A brief sketch of the material comes first and is followed by suggested questions and practical applications - the main idea being to give information along broad lines and then bring it down to the individual that he may see his part in it and feel himself a part of a living organism. At the close of each program a list of books and pamphlets for collateral reading will be found. Materials here suggested may be found in most Rector's libraries, or may be secured from the Diocesan Library of the Woman's Auxiliary. The co-operation of Rectors, Advisers, and Leade is essential. Much good can be accomplished through a consecrated following of these programs. Too much emphasis cannot be laid upon the need of preparation and planning ahead, or seeing the whole. A careful portioning out of the work at the beginning of the year with a goal in view and a vision of what they wish to accomplish will bring lasting and gratifying results.

HINTS TO ADVISERS

A great deal of criticism is heard of young people and Young People's Work, and though some of it is just criticism, it might be well to discover the cause of the criticism. In practically every instance, it could be traced to lack of the proper kind of adult leadership; a leadership that lacked a

sympathetic understanding of the needs and problems of young people; a leadership that lacked a comprehensive view of the whole program of Young People's Work; a leadership that lacked a belief in those whom they are supposed to lead. Therefore, each adviser should be a consecrated man or woman who has a genuine love for young people; a sympathetic understanding; and a willingness to give time to the individuals in the group. He must work with and not for them. He should keep himself in the background as much as possible in order that leadership may be developed among the young people. He must enter fully into the lives of its members and be in the best sense of the work their confidante and their friend. He must keep faith with the members in all things, set for them a high standard of personal life and effort, and never consider anything for the good of the organization and its members as too much trouble.

He should be thoroughly familiar with the whole program of activities of the Young People's Organization. He should be present at the regular meetings, all Executive Committee meetings, and be on hand for fellowship and service activities. He should be actively interested in ALL the work of the organization.

HINTS AS TO HOW TO CONDUCT A MEETING

1. START ON TIME and have everything in readiness in order to avoid confusion.
2. The President should have a complete program before him.
3. Be SURE that the program is prepared -- hymns, prayers, etc. selected.
4. Clear up all business as quickly as possible. Extended debate is fatal and should be tabled for consideration by a committee with instructions to report at the next meeting.
5. Always keep a balanced program, using the four-fold ideal of the Y. P. F. as a skeleton around which to build.
6. Never extend your meetings beyond the allotted time.
7. Have the Secretary keep accurate minutes of every meeting including Executive Committee meetings.
8. Use "Roberts Rules of Order" as the basis for conducting the business of the organization.

   a. The Order of Business --
      -The President opens the meeting with the words "The meeting will please come to order".
      -The Secretary reads the minutes of the previous meeting.
      -The Treasurer makes his report.
      -The President then asks for unfinished business.
      -Then the various Committee reports are asked for.
      -And any NEW business.

   b. On the making of motions - Every motion must be made, seconded, then repeated by the President, before voting. If there is to be any discussion, the place for it is after the second has been made. Debate may be cut short by calling for the question. If there are any amendments they must go through the same process as the original motion.

WORSHIP SERVICES

It should be the goal of our worship to personalize God and make Him real to each individual. All life centers about that which we worship, be it high or low. When we set our "spiritual sights" on things, and not on God; on secondary objects instead of on the "Primary Object," our life falls short of its real purpose. It is in seeking our high calling that the purpose of life is revealed to us. And, when our worship centers on this same "Primary Object" a fellowship results which is the basis of Christ's teaching. It is the Brotherhood of Man which is the basis of Christ's teaching. It is the Brotherhood of Man worked out in the group. When this group spirit is magnified we are able to see something of the strengthening contribution which the Young People's movement has in the life of the Church.

Services of Worship may mean everything or nothing. They may be our trysting place with God or a thing to be finished as quickly as possible. Worship Services are the vehicle which leads us to an experience of fellowship with God. Through this experience there evolves a harmony with the spirit of God which leads us to a knowledge of the purpose of life. Thus, we are enabled to secure the harmony and peace which is the key to the Christian life.

In this year which the Presiding Bishop has called all Churchmen to indicate and demonstrate to every man how he may work the Purpose of God Into his home life, this occupation and civic responsibilities Young People have a very real share in this great effort. Not only are they the Church of tomorrow, but they are the messengers of hope and confidence to those who are living through a charging order. It is on the youth of the Church that the responsibility rests for the building of a new order on the firm foundations of Jesus Christ. Through consecration, thought, and well-worked out worship services much of spiritual value may be revealed to each individual and a real contribution made to the Presiding Bishop's Call.

Along the line of worship there are a number of ways in which the spiritual call to the youth of the Church may be made clear. There are the services which open each meeting; the monthly Corporate Communions; and various special services. Among the latter there are: Admission service for New Members; Installation service for New Officers; Preparation for Holy Communion; Litanies and services for special periods of the year. All the above services used in their proper place with reverence and sincerity cannot help but carry to and every participant a call to the highest in life.

CORPORATE COMMUNIONS

It is imperative that each group meet for one Corporate Communion each month. The third Sunday in the month, at the early service, has been designated by the Diocesan authorities as the time which each group should join in this great corporate act of worship. Consult with your Rector as to the best possible time asking him to use special prayers. Before each such Communion a Service of Preparation should precede whenever possible. On Whitsunday, the birthday of the Church, the National Corporate

Communion of all Young People's groups takes place. At this time make it a point to have a Preparation Service beforehand using at the same time special Prayers for the Y. P. F.

VESPER SERVICES

The Services which precede each regular meeting of the Y. P. F. should be varied frequently. For general use the Order of Evening Prayer used in shortened form as an excellent skeleton around which to build a service. Do not overlook the Family Prayers on p. 575 ff in the Prayer Book. The latter may be used for a whole Worship Service. There are also many appropriate Litanies in "The Grey Book" (see Reading List). If the Leader in charge of each worship service will devote some thought to the nature of the theme for the evening - hymns, prayers, and program may be united toward the general topic.

Some may wonder how Evening Prayer may be so adapted for the Evening Service. Here is a very elastic example:

After the opening hymn:
-Read one or two of Opening Sentences on p. 21 and 22.
-The Lord's Prayer (in unison) after the words by the Leader, "Let Us Pray".
-The Versicles (top of p. 25).
-A Psalm (see p. 344 for table of Appropriate Psalms and Selections for Special Occasions.)
-The Gloria Patri.
-The Lesson (Use the Epistle or the Gospel for the Day).
-The Nunc dimittis followed by Floria Patri (all standing).
-The Apostle's Creed.
-The Versicles and Responses on pp. 30 and 31 in P. B.
-The Collect for the Day and the two Proper Collects (p. 31).
-Close with the Grace, and another hymn.

With a little study the Chapel Leader may work out many splendid services which will merge into the general theme for the day.

HYMNS

It is well, if possible, to open and close each service of Worship with a hymn. Find those which the members of the group know and like to sing. Use them as a starting point. From time to time a few well selected new hymns may be added. In the selection of hymns for any one service keep two things in mind - the Church Season and the subject to be presented at the meeting. For example, if the Season is Advent and the subject "Social Service", two suggestions would be "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel", and "Lord, Speak to Me".

At times of admitting members, Installation of Officers, or a like occasion, one of the hymns sung should be the Official Y. P. F. Hymn. It reads as follows and is sung to the tune "Ancient of Days":

Father, we come, with youth and vigor pressing,
Gladly to serve as Thou wouldest have Thine own,
Grant that we may Thy Holy Name confessing,
Promise to know the Christ and make Him known.

Hymn - continued

Be with us, Lord, we kneel in supplication,
In bonds of fellowship before Thy throne,
By fervent prayer, by willing consecration,
Help us to know the Christ and make Him known.

Feed us, dear Lord, that we may rise victorious,
Filled with the power that comes from Thee alone,
Inspired with zeal, we face life's challenge glorious,
Eager to know the Christ and make Him known. Amen.

PRAYERS

Prayers for various occasions will be found on pp. 35, 575 and 580 in the Prayer Book. Also, we present the following additional prayers:

Prayer set forth by the Bishop of Minnesota for the use of the Young People's Fellowship:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who, through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, callest every generation to its task, bless and guide, we beseech Thee, the members of the Young People's Fellowship of this Diocese in all their plans and work for Thee; show them the glorious beauty of Thy Kingdom and strengthen their wills to aid in bringing it to fulfillment, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Church-Wide Endeavor:

O God, who art the source of knowledge and of power, mercifully look upon thy people in their time of need. Illumine the minds, strengthen the wills, kindle the hearts of Bishops, Pastors, and Congregations of the Church. Grant that by them all thy loving purpose may be known, and through thy Grace abundantly fulfilled, even the redemption of mankind which thou hast promised through thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.
-Suggested for use by The Presiding Bishop.

For True Discipleship:

O Invincible Christ, who hast taught us that he who seeks to save his own life shall lose it, but that he who is willing to lose his life for thy sake and thy Gospel's shall save it: Teach us to scorn a way of safety which is merely a way of sloth, and inspire us to make our lives an adventure with thee; that so we may become worthy comrades of those courageous souls who in every age have left all to follow thee, and following, have found in thy service their exceeding great reward. We ask it in thy Name. Amen.

A Prayer for Youth:

Thou Lord of all life continually more abundant; True Fountain of all youth of the spirit; we are Thine own in that youth. Life is before us; challenging us, urging

us forward. Be Thou our Guide and Guard lest false pleadings persuade us; and false seemings bewilder us. We need Thee as the standard of our true growth. Help us to grow into understandings of Thy truth and into a sharing of Thy purposes. Strengthen our wills that we may not yield to temptations, nor grow impatient when others do not seem to understand us. We consecrate our youth to Thee, O God of New Life; and we enlist in the adventure of generous self-forgetfulness, following the Captain of our Faith, Jesus Christ, the strong Son of God, and our Leader. Amen.

- Phillips E. Osgood

For Christian Social Service:

Almighty Father, who settest our minds on fire with the vision of a more perfect society here on earth, in which justice and righteousness and brotherhood shall be established, and the relationships of mankind organized according to thy will; grant us, as humble laborers working with thee, the inspiration of thy Presence, that we may think always those things which are just, and do those things which are right, that so through us thy will may in a large measure be established upon the earth; through Christ our Master. Amen.

A Prayer for Freedom from Race Prejudice:

O God, who hast made man in thine own likeness and who dost love all whom thou hast made, suffer us not because of difference in race, color or condition, to separate ourselves from others and thereby from thee; but teach us the unity of thy family and the universality of thy love. As thy Son, our Saviour, was born of a Hebrew Mother and ministered first to His brethren of the House of Israel, but rejoiced in the faith of a Syro-Phoenician woman and of a Roman soldier, and suffered His cross to be carried by a man of Africa, teach us also, while loving and serving our own, to enter into the communion of the whole human family. And forbid that, from pride of birth and hardness of heart, we should despise any for whom Christ died or injure any in whom He lives. Amen.

- Mornay Williams

For World Peace:

O God, in whom all men live and move and have their being, who in these stirring days art teaching the nations that they must learn to live together, in justice and in peace, as one family in thee: Give us wisdom to see that we are all members one of another, and if one member suffers all the members suffer with it. Help us to make the good of all our aim, all for each and each for all. Give us such love of our own country that we would help her to be first in Service, first in Peace, first in Justice, Generosity and Fraternity. Give us Courage resolutely to stand for the hard Right, gladly to suffer hardship for the sake of a better world, fearlessly to

strike a blow for freedom and for Brotherhood. Give us that inner happiness which comes of living close to thee, seeking to do thy Will -- and use us, Lord, use us for thine own purposes, just as thou wilt and when and where. Amen.

- Bishop Scarlett.

A Thanksgiving:

O blessed Master, Who upon earth didst draw youth unto Thyself so that they gave up all of worldly things to follow Thee, we thank Thee for the youth who hear Thy call today. Draw them through disciplined enthusiasm into ever deepening knowledge of Thy companioning love and sustaining power, so that in loving contrition they may adventure wherever Thou wouldest have them go in joyous service and witness, in Thy dear Name. Amen.

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ADMISSION SERVICE
INTO A YOUNG PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION

(The Leader or Adult Adviser should stand before the Altar rail with the candidate or candidates)

Rector: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Leader: (All standing) Reverend Sir, I present unto you this person (or, these persons) to be received into the Young People's Fellowship of _____ Parish.

Rector: Are you persuaded in your heart that you understand the full significance of the ideals of this organization, and are you willing, with God's help, to try to live up to them in your daily life, and help other young people do the same?

Candidate: I am.

Rector: What are the Ideals?

Candidate: Worship, Study, Fellowship and Service.

Rector: Do you promise to accept these ideals and work for them so long as you are a member of this Fellowship?

Candidate: I will endeavor by God's help so to do.

Rector: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer.
The Y.P.F. Prayer.

Litany of Personal Consecration --

V. That it may please Thee to grant us by Thy Holy Spirit to hear evermore clearly Thy voice calling us to a deeper devotion to Thy service;

R. O Lord, hear our prayer.

V. For a continual sense of Thy abiding presence and a consciousness of Thy guidance in our daily lives;

R. O Lord, hear our prayer.

V. For a spirit of willing self-denial that we may give gladly and freely of self and of substance for the work of Thy Kingdom;

R. O Lord, hear our prayer.
V. For a spiritual insight to realize more fully our influence on others, and grace to use it only and always for Thee;
R. O Lord, hear our prayer.
V. For inward light to see how far short we have come to the divine purpose for us, and for strength continually to try to measure up to the stature of Jesus;
R. O Lord, hear our prayer.
V. For a deeper understanding of Thine infinite love, of the power of prayer, of the joy of service, of the meaning of fellowship, of a knowledge of Thy will for us;
R. O Lord, hear our prayer.

(Adapted)

Give ear, O Lord, to our prayer and vouchsafe to bless this (or, these Thy servants) Thy servant, whom we are about to receive in Thy Holy Name to share in all the spiritual blessings and life of this Fellowship, and grant that by Thy grace he may lead a godly life in Thy Church, advancing in holiness, and assisted by the prayers of this Fellowship obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Candidates then stand and the Rector turning to the candidates says to each candidate) --

Rector: I receive and admit you _____ into the Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese of Minnesota, to share in its privileges and duties. May the spirit of the blessed Master make you strong in His service.

Let us pray.
Grant us, O Lord, the royalty of inward happiness and the serenity which comes from living close to Thee. Daily renew in us the sense of joy, fill every corner of our hearts with light and life that we may be diffusers of life and meet all ills and troubles with gallant, high-hearted happiness, giving Thee thanks always for all things. Amen.

(In unison still kneeling)
O God, our Heavenly Father, in life's morning we come to Thee for guidance through its entire day. Help us always to follow Jesus in the paths of righteousness, walking in His footsteps. May we, as He did before us, not only increase in wisdom and stature, but also in favor with Thee and our fellow men. Keep us in Thy love that we may glorify Thee in our labor and life. Bless us with health and strength and purity, and give us all a will to serve Thee in every good work, so that we may make a better world for all people to live in, and become worthy of Thy presence in a brighter world hereafter, for Jesus sake. Amen.

Blessing.

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Treasurer's Report

Up to _____ *19*____ *payments have been made on your church subscription as follows:*

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Very truly yours,

_____ *Treasurer*

*No.*_____. *Date*_____

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DUPLEX-RICHMOND, VA. Q. R.-7

Service of Installation for the New Officers of a Group --

(This service may be very appropriately used with the Vesper Service.) After the Grace the Y. P. F. Hymn is sung during which the outgoing and the newly elected officers advance to the Altar rail. The Congregation remains standing during the Installation service.

Rector:
We have finished our year's work. These officers of the past year have done well and are now ready to turn over the keys of their office to those who have been selected to this honor and responsibility for the coming year.

To you who are retiring we express our appreciation for your work during the past year, and the hope that this expeirnece of service may lead you into further service of our Lord and Master.

(Then turning to the newly elected officers)
Rector:
To you newly elected officers we pledge the cooperation of the members of this Fellowship. You have been called to the highest service a young person can render in the Church, that of leadership; and we trust that you will find joy and success in this work for the Master.

To the President:
The office which you hold as President is a most important one. Members of this group will look to you for leadership. As President you are required to preside at all meetings and to guide the Fellowship in all its work to the best of your ability. The responsibility is great. The need of your best effort is great. Do you accept this responsibility placed upon you by your fellow workers? (I do.) Will you endeavor to carry out the duties of your office to the best of your knowledge and ability? (I will) May God richly bless you in all your efforts as President of this Fellowship.

To the Vice-President:
The office you fill as Vice-President is by no means an unimportant one. Your duties are to take the chair in the absence of the President, to cooperate with the President in all matters, and to be of real assistance in every way. Your greatest work will lie in placing yourself at the disposal of the President and to help further his plans. Do you accept the responsibilities placed upon you by the members of your group? (I do.) Will you make the effort to fulfill your duties to the best of your ability? (I will.) May God richly bless you in all your efforts as Vice-President.

To the Secretary:
It is your duty as Secretary to keep the minutes of all meetings. Through your office will come information from outside interests, and through it this information must pass on to the members of your group. It is an office which will require time and personal service. Your fellow workers in the group have placed this most important position in your hands. Do you accept the responsibility? (I do.) Will you make an earnest effort to fulfill the many obligations of your office? (I will.) May God richly bless you in all your efforts as Secretary.

To the Treasurer:
The duties of the office of Treasurer of this group are often arduous and sometimes unappreciated by thoughtless members. But there is no position of greater responsibility in this organization than that of Treasurer. In the following of your office as Treasurer will you keep a simple cash account with the record of all moneys received and expended, and be prepared to submit a report of the financial standing at each meeting and a complete report at the close of your term; and to collect all moneys and expend same as so directed by the Fellowship? (I do.) Will you endeavor to fulfill these obligations to the best of your ability? (I will.) May God richly bless you in all your efforts as Treasurer.

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The newly elected officers will repeat the following:

I pledge myself to the service of the Young People's Fellowship of _____ Parish and promise faithfully to fulfill the duties of the office to which I have been elected during the coming year following the Ideals of the group of: Worship, Study, Fellowship and Service.

Then the members of the group will repeat the Y.P.F. Purpose:

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We are persuaded that the work of the Church which it is our purpose to extend and stimulate rests on the basis of eternal truth.

We purpose to seek Jesus who is in the world, and through a growing companionship of worship and Service with Him to follow Him bravely in an adventure of Christ-like living which of its own joy and truth and grace shall bring others to Him.

Let us pray --

The Rector shall close with such prayers as he sees fitting for the occasion plus the Blessing.

A SELF-EXAMINATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Our Father, who are in heaven, etc.

O Holy Father, help me, I beseech Thee, by Thy Holy Spirit, to recall to mind all the sins of the past day and give me grace truly to repent of them, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

HAVE I LIVED THIS DAY TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY --

FOR HIM

1. IN GRATITUDE to Him for my life's humble possessions and the rich joys of health and home, church and friend, that no envy or bitterness has made me forget His love.
2. IN SERVICE to Him by performing my duties of the day as for Him alone, that no act or labor has been unworthy of His blessing.
3. IN FAITH of His work among men and my share in that task, that no worldly fears and anxieties may have hindered another's belief.

FOR OTHERS

1. IN GRATITUDE for the benefits of our common life, in not having caused another pain or sorrow by a thoughtless word or unkindly act, that all men may live in peace and good will.
2. IN SERVICE for our common good by helping where I could, quietly and without thought of praise or reward, that none may know want or hardship.
3. IN FAITH of our common brotherhood, by compassion for all of whatever race or tongue, that not one has ever been along or friendless by any neglect of mine.

FOR MYSELF

1. In having kept my body well, my mind clean and my heart pure that it may be an acceptable temple unto God.
2. In earnestly having tried to be a better man or woman today than I was yesterday that I may the sooner reach the fulness of my stature in body, mind and soul, to the glory of God, the help of my fellowmen and my own joy.

Heavenly Father, for these and for all my other sins which I do not now remember, I am heartily sorry, firmly intend to amend and humbly ask Thy forgiveness. Make me more watchful and help me serve Thee better tomorrow; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

READING LIST

Unless otherwise listed the following books are available at:
The Church Book Shop,
83 South Ninth St., Room 207,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Worship

Prayers

The Grey Book, A Series of Litanies , Preparation Services and Prayers for General and Private use.
Church Book Shop $ .60

Robbin's, The Way of Light, a Series of Prayers for General Use.
Church Book Shop

In His Presence - Hall's Book Shop, Baston $ 2.00

Preparation Manuals

Slattery, The Holy Communion and How to Prepare for it.
Church Book Shop $ .35

God's Board - Church Book Shop

Knowles, The Practice of Religion - Church Book Shop $ .75

Fasdiek - The Manhood of the Master
The Meaning of Prayer
Church Book Shop
(various prices)

Church Book Shop

Recreational

Successful Stunts , K. F. Rohrbaugh
R. R. Smith $ 1.50

Powell, Recreational Leadership for Church and County
Abington Press $ .80

Phunology - Harbin Cokesbury Press $ 1.25

Advisers

James V. Thompson, Handbook for Workers with Young People
Alington Press $ 1.50

Harry T. Stock, Christian Life Problems
Association Press $ .35

L. S. Hollingsworth, The Psychology of Adolescence

L. S. Hollingsworth - Appleton $ 2.50

General

Addison, Our Expanding Church, A Pamphlet on Missions $ .50

Wilson, the Divine Commission - A brief, readable history of the Church $ 1.00

Fiske & Eaton, The Real Jesus - A readable life of Christ $ 2.50

Atwater, The Episcopal Church $ .60

Wilson, What a Churchman Ought to Know $ .35

Clerymans History of the Prayer Book.

All above available at Church Book Shop.
Guide Book for Young People's Organizations Compiled by
Miss Dorothy May Fischer, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York
Young People and Their Leaders
Harry Thomas Stock (C.M.H.-85)

All above available at
* * * * *Church Book Shop

Valiant Christians We?
by Miss Dorothy May Fischer

The pamphlet published under the above title is available at the Church Missions House Book Store, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York City at 25¢ per copy.

We have read this book carefully and find in it material for discussions along lines of Personal Religion presented in a way which cannot help but rouse the interest of members of the Y. P. F. It presents a challenge to the youth of the Church in such a way that they cannot help but open the paths of the Christian Life. Miss Fischer has done a remarkable fine piece of work.

"Valiant Christians We?" would make an excellent introduction to the units contained in this booklet. As an opening for our fall work there could be no better.

SUGGESTED HELPS

Note: The following can be used throughout this entire series as reference books:

The New Testament
The Prayer Book
"The Faith By Which We Live" - Fiske *
"A People's Life of Christ" - Paterson-Smyth *
"The Syrian Christ" - Rehbony*
"Studies in the Character of Christ" - Arthur Kearney - 60 cents - Morehouse

INTRODUCTION

"The Body of Christ" - Report of 1930 Congress of the Episcopal Church *
"The Church and the Individual" - Bp. Reese 5 cents - Pilgrim Press - 14 Beacon Street - Boston, Mass.
"The Church and Youth" - Glenn - Pilgrim Press - 10 cents

LEARNING BODY

"Why Go To Communion" - Bp. Page - Pilgrim Press- 5 cents
"Why Go To Church" - Bp. Sherrill - (same as above)

PRAYING BODY

"The Lord's Prayer" - Glenn Clark - 25 cents - Church Book Shop - 83 South Ninth Street-Minneapolis
"How To Pray" - Rousmaniere - 10 cents - Pilgrim Press
"Practice of Prayer" - Sturgis

LOVING BODY

"The Greatest Thing in the World" - Drummond
"The Christian Way of Service" - Grenfell - 10 cents - Pilgrim Press

WINNING BODY

"The Church's Mission Today" - Sturgis - 5 cents - Pilgrim Press
"Reasons for Missions" - Addison - 10 cents - Pilgrim Press
"The Good Shepherd" - Oliver *
"The Ministry for Laymen" - Leon C. Palmer Brotherhood of St. Andrew 202 South Ninteenth Street Philadelphia

* These books may be had from the Woman's Auxiliary Loan Library of the Church Book Shop, 83 South Ninth Street, Minneapolis.

FIRST UNIT

THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST

INTRODUCTION: What is the average conception of "the Church"? (Get ideas of several before continuing)
The Church is the Body of Christ, a living organism, of which Christ Himself is the Head, and the individual Believers the Members.

"Head" is taken for one that hath rule and preeminence over others. Christ is the only spiritual head of His Church both in respect of eminence and influence. He communicates life, motion, and, strength to every Member or Believer.

Biblical authority for this statement:

Ephesians 1:22,23 - Colossians 1:18 and 2:10 - Ephesians 5:23 - I Corinthians 11:3 - Ephesians 2:20 - St. Matthew 21:42 Christ, the cornerstone. Call attention to the fact that the cornerstone is the first in the angle; whether it is disposed at top to crown it or at the bottom to support it.

Compare the spiritual Body with the physical one. What motivates our hands, our feet, our lips? What does this teach about the relation Christ should bear to the Members of His Body? What is done with a diseased member of the physical body, if it cannot be healed? What would happen if the member was not removed? Do you think the spiritual body is likewise affected by a "diseased member"? Discuss some of these diseases or "spiritual infections". Indifference, selfishness, jealousy, gossip, love of pleasure and of money, failure to worship, to pray, to feed on God's Word (Spiritual malnutrition).

What happens to physical members severed from the body? Can the ear see? The eye hear? Every individual member of the spiritual body has its own particular function just as each member of the physical body is designated for some particular task. When just one member fails, the body, physical or spiritual, does not function normally.

As a bacterial infection entering the blood stream infects the whole physical system so does an apparently small thing in the spiritual life slowly, but surely, become a habit that permeates and diseases until the spiritual life slowly ebbs out. What kind of members are we? Are we ruled by the Head?

Does the physical head ever fail to rule the body? Cite insanity and brain tumor. The spiritual Head never fails but just as foolish and wilful children sometimes refuse to be governed by those

in authority so some spiritual members refuse to be guided by Christ, the Head of the Spiritual Body.

Illustration: I once knew a fine upstanding young man with an unusually keen mind; a splendid physique; and a fine position. His eyes began to trouble him - only he, himself, was conscious of it. Even the specialist whom he consulted could detect no trouble. His discomfort increased until he consulted the specialist once more, insisting that something was wrong. By this time the trouble had advanced to such an extent that there was no question as to the cause - a brain tumor. I was in a position to watch it develop; he became dizzy; unable to control his legs, his hands, his eyes - could not think or talk logically - wandered about not knowing where he was going or where he had been - one day a bit better, the next worse, until finally physical death overtook him. It was one of the saddest things I have ever seen.

Just so sin affects a Member of the Spiritual Body. Often it is only apparent to the Member, himself, but, unless he is ruled by the Head that never fails, it finally develops until he is useless to himself and to every one else.

Suggestions for this meeting: If possible it would be well to have this subject matter presented by a doctor as well as by one of your own young people - one dealing with the physical body; the other with the spiritual application.

Closing Prayer for Submission to Christ, the Head

O, Lord, who knowest what is the better way, let all things be done as Thou shalt please. Give what Thou wilt; as much as Thou wilt; and when Thou wilt. Deal with us as Thou knowest best, and pleaseth Thee, and is most for Thy honor. Set us where Thou wilt, and deal with us in all things as Thou wilt. Behold, we are Thy servants, prepared for all things; for we desire not to live unto ourselves, but unto Thee. Grant that we may do it worthily and perfectly through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST
continued

I. A LEARNING BODY

INTRODUCTORY QUESTION: What does our Spiritual Head, Christ, want us to do as Members of His Body, and how are we to know His will for us? While here on earth, Christ set forth some very definite characteristics which He wanted His Body, the Church, to bear; those things which would distinguish them from the "world" (the unregenerated world). By a study of the life of our Lord we find that these are the same characteristics which distinguished Him in His humanity, from those about Him. We also find that He set these forth in two very definite ways:

By Example - bearing them Himself
By Commandment - admonishing those who were to follow Him to do likewise.

If we are already Members of His Body it is well that we know what characteristics we are expected to bear; if we are just considering becoming a Member of that Body, we should know what is to be expected of us as healthy "Spiritual Members".

Just as the physical body, by direction of the head, grows and develops, so spiritual life requires "spiritual growth". This brings us back to that charge of Bishop Mc Elwain delivered to members of the 1934 Young People's Fellowship Convention in the Diocese of Minnesota:

Spiritual Growth

Extensive growth - that which can easily be observed through the outward eye.

Intensive growth - that which can be sensed by those with whom we come in contact; individually and collectively.

Unconscious growth - which works like leaven, toward maturity of perfection. "Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect." St. Matthew 5:48. "Perfect" here implies full development, growth into maturity of Godliness - not sinless perfection.

In studying the life of our Lord as the Head of His Body, the Church, we find certain evidences of His maturity in Godliness and first among these we will consider the evidences of His being a "Learning Body".

1. Examples:
   a. In the Temple when but 12 years old - St. Luke 2:42-52 (Have incident related)
      What does His lingering in the Temple indicate? Thirst for the knowledge of God. With what do we gain knowledge? The mind. What does mind imply? Understanding, judgment, memory, design or intention,

thought, soundness of mind. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. Philippians 2:5.

What does learning imply? Receiving instruction, to imitate, to take heed, to practice.

See St. Luke 2:49. What does Christ's reply to His parent's inquiry and anxiety imply? That all learning should be motivated with the desire to be "about our Father's business" Discuss this as it influences whatever He calls us to do - teach, preach, heal, carry on business, establish homes (This is a splendid opportunity for a vocational guidance meeting).

b. His knowledge of God's Word:

What did He term the Word? Ephesians 6:17.

When did He use it as His only weapon? Luke 4:1-13.

Have this incident about His temptation related. Note especially verses 4,8,12. Is the Word of God still practical as a weapon against Satan? Mention some common temptations and the portions of Scripture with which they may be met.

Examples: Irreverence - "God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth"
Failure to pray - "Pray without ceasing"
Discouragement in your task - "Blessed is the man who endureth unto the end for when he is tried he shall receive the crown of life which the Lord giveth to them that are faithful".
Unkindness and enmity - "Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."
Selfishness - "God loveth a cheerful giver" (Note that this does not necessarily mean material things, but time, talents, etc.)

(Note: These are but a few of the many examples there are - the good leader will prepare many others or ask someone to assist him in preparing them)

2. The Commandment to Learn: St. Matthew 28:30

a. "Come" unto Me

b. "Take my yoke upon you" For what purpose is a yoke? Yoke is for two, Christ and you. There is a legend which says that Christ as a carpenter was a maker of excellent yokes and that He always insisted that the one for which a yoke was made be brought to Him that he might fit it properly and so place it that there would be no unnecessary rubbing or friction. This is a beautiful thought, that we may bear whatever He wills for us, with His yoke placed upon us, without being bruised or unnecessarily burdened.

c. "I am meek". This implies no weakness but rather, strength in self-discipline, not easily provoked to wrath.

d. "Lowly in spirit" - humility, as a fruit of the Holy Spirit.

e. "Learn of Me"
How do we learn to know a person better each day? Compare this same method with learning of Christ.
(1) By communing with them - The Holy Communion (See Chapter XX "The Holy Communion" "The Faith by Which We Live - Fiske)
(2) By talking to them - Prayer
(3) By listening to them - Silence after Prayer - "Be still and know that I am God"
By listening also through His Word - Regular and careful study of the Bible.

A Prayer for Learning

Blessed Lord, Who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Thy Holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST
continued

II. A PRAYING BODY

INTRODUCTORY QUESTION: What is Prayer? Prayer is bringing God and the soul together and leaving them alone - Bishop Fiske

It is the effort of human spirit to have conscious communion with the Divine Spirit. Why, then, did Christ pray, for we learn by a study of His life that He was a Praying Body. Because in coming among men He had laid aside His divine majesty and had to live a man's life under its ordinary conditions. He prayed because Prayer is the source of strength for human kind. He must preserve fellowship with the Father if He was to know the Father's will and be strong to do it. His praying His serving; His loving and His winning were constantly interwoven throughout His ministry. We have been considering the Church as the Body of Christ. Our Risen Lord is now a life-giving Spirit. Just as the physical body breathes constantly, consciously or unconsciously, so must the Body of Christ, collectively and individually, depend ceaselessly upon "Spiritual breath."

"Prayer is the Christian's vital breath.
The Christian's native air".

What is the law of the physical body with regard to breathing and exercise? The more actively it exercises, the more deeply and freely it must breathe. When applied to the Spiritual Body does this account for the seeming lack of breath and inability to exercise spiritually? Let us consider then, Christ as a "Praying Body."

1. Examples:
   a. When? St. Mark 1:35 St. Matthew 14:23 - This (St. Mark 1:35) was just before he began a tour of Galilee. What do these references teach us about how to begin and end our day? About preparation for our work?
   663-664 b. Where? St. Luke 5:16 and 6:12.
   695 698 c. Why? St. John 11:41,42.
   d. For what? St. John 14:16,17 (Gift of the Spirit)
   664 e. St. Luke 6:12, 13. Does this account for His choice of Disciples? What does this teach us about preparation for some specific task?
   636 f. How did He prepare to meet His last great conflict? St. Mark 14:32,35,36,37 and 39. Do you think some of us, like the Disciples, are asleep while He is interceding for us and for those others whom we should be winning to Him?

   683 g. What and for whom was His last prayer? St. Luke 23:34
   h. The Lord's Prayer - our model.
   i. His great Intercessory Prayer (If you wish to devote more time to this series one whole evening might be spent on this last prayer - St. John 17 - with its seven petitions:
   (1) That I may glorify Thee - verse 1

(2) Life eternal to as many as have been given Him - verse 2. Call attention to definition of "life eternal" verse 3. Call attention to verse 9 "I pray for them"
"Lord, help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way
That even when I kneel to pray
My prayer shall be for others."
Call attention also to verse 20 - What does this imply?
That He is not praying for us alone, but for all those who are reached through us.
(3) That they might have my joy - verse 13
(4) For the safety of Believers - verses 15,16
(a) From the evil one
(b) In the world (meaning "world system" - kosmos)
(5) For the unity of Believers - verses 20,21
(6) That the world may know and believe - verse 23
(7) That those of His may be with Him where He is - verse 24

2. Results of His Being a Praying Body:
a. He was able to teach others to pray - St. Luke 11:1 Notice that He never taught His disciples how to preach but how to pray.
b. Wisdom
c. Success
d. Courage
e. Forgiving Spirit
f. Love for God and His Fellowmen
g. Friendliness (I have called you friends)
h. Desire to serve - healing and winning (physical and spiritual
i. Faith in God's purpose for His life.

3. His Commandments to Pray:
677 a. St. Luke 18:1
456 b. St. Mark 14:38
622 c. St. Matthew 5:44
d. I Thessalonians 5:17,18
e. Philippians 4:6
f. St. Matthew 6:6 Who (Thou) Where (In Thy closet) When (When thou hast shut the door What (Pray to Thy Father) Result (And Thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward Thee openly - Answer Thy prayer.

4. Hindrances to "Spiritual Breathing"
a. No effort on part of the Member - James 4:3
b. Bearing a grudge - St. Mark 11:25,26
c. Lack of confession, getting right with God - Isaiah 55:7
d. Lack of faith - St. Mark 11:24 James 1:6 Hebrews 11:6

NOTE: Have brought illustrations of answered prayer and of faith - Herewith a simple illustration of child-like faith: The young brother of a Y.P.F. member in your own diocese planted a new kind of seed - supposed to

be vine. So great was his faith that when he had done his part in planting the seed, God would water and care for it to the extent that it would develop and grow to maturity, that he built the trellis at the same time that he planted the seed. Christ said, "Unless ye become as little children ye shall not enter the Kingdom of Heaven".

The Nature of Prayer

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire
Uttered or unexpressed;
The motion of a hidden fire
That trembles in the breast

Prayer is the burden of a sign,
The falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye
When none but God is near.

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If radio's slim fingers
Can pluck a melody
From night and toss it over
A continent or sea;

If the petaled white notes
Of a violin
Are blown across a mountain
Or a city's din;

If songs, like crimson roses,
Are culled from thin blue air,
Why should mortals wonder
If God hears prayer?

- Ethel Romig Fuller

Suggestion: Have someone sing as a solo at this meeting, "Teach me to Pray."

NOTE: It is suggested that this material be used in at least two programs, dividing at "Commandments to Pray".

THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST
continued

III. A LOVING BODY

INTRODUCTORY QUESTION: What is the first and great commandment? St. Matthew 22:37-40. The love which controls the Body of Christ is primarily love to God or our Heavenly Father. This is typified in the Bible by the love between father and child - a love which is confident of God's love and care and which, in a child-like spirit, seeks to do only that which is pleasing to God. To the extent to which the love of God becomes perfect, slavish fear of God disappears. Why? I John 4:18. Throughout His ministry we find that there were constant manifestations of Christ as a "Loving Body".

1. Examples:
   a. Love of God manifested in His desire to do His will - St. John 4:34 5:30 6:39.
   b. Love for little children
   c. Love for those around Him and a passion for souls - feeding the five thousand
   d. Love for sinners - Mary Magdalen
   e. Love for His enemies - praying for them

2. Results of Love to God:
   a. Humility - a love appreciation of God's love for us - St. Matthew 18:4 St. Luke 14:11
   b. Thankfulness to God - Romans 1:21 St. Mark 14:23 St. Mark 8:6
   c. Obedience to God - I John 5:3 St. John 14:23,24 St. Matthew 5:48
   d. Fidelity - that attitude of mind which refused to let anything separate one from God who is the object of his faith and love - that quality which separates him from the "world system" which does not acknowledge God - Philippians 3:8 St. Matthew 10:22 St. John 8:31 and 15:4
   e. Joy - flowing from constant consciousness of God's love and care - Christ's joy - St. John 15:9-11 - Our joy - Philippians 4:4 Joy and peace - Romans 5:1. Should make service to God delightful I John 5:3. "Full joy" St. John 16:24. What do these references imply about so called "long faced Christians"?
   f. Love to fellowmen - its absence is a proof of lack of love for God. Christ our Head, says love, heal, teach, win. What is our reply?

      I John 4:20,21 St. Matthew 22:39. In the incident of the feeding of the multitude what did Christ's procedure imply? That the soul cannot be fed and the body starved. They cannot be separated. We are created body, mind and soul. What does this imply about the healing mission? The teaching mission? About sacrifice in giving?

The Larger Prayer - continued

But now I pray for Love;
  Deep love to God and man,
A living love that will not fail,
  However dark His plan.

And light and Strength and Faith,
  Are opening everywhere;
God waited for me till
  I prayed the larger prayer.

- Edna D. Cheney

O God, Who hast prepared for those who love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee that we, loving Thee above all things, may love our fellowmen and may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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CHRIST'S GIVING

The spirit of self-sacrifice stays not to count the cost.
Christ did not of His mere abundance cast into the empty
treasury of man's store;

The First and Last gave until even He could give no more;
His very living; such was Christ's giving.

Love to Fellowmen - continued

(1) Its scope - universal, includes all nations of the world "Go ye into all the world" The Greeks despised as Barbarians all beyond the Hellenic race - The Stoics introduced a certain degree of cosmopolitanism but it was only a theory, never took any practical shape - the Jews looked on the Gentiles with disdain. Compare these with Christianity.

(2) Its nature - not altruism and philanthropy lacking the divine element of the eternal welfare of men - it is not necessarily intimacy but love in a sense of good-will; desiring for others all that is good - educationally, physically and spiritually - and nothing that is bad.

(3) Results:
(a) Justice (b) Kindness (c) Courtesy
(d) Unselfishness (e) Chastity
(f) Truthfulness (g) Tolerance (not criticism except of self)

"Just stand aside and watch yourself go by;
Think of yourself as 'he', instead of 'I'.
. . . . . .
Pick flaws, find fault; forget the man is you,
And strive to make your estimate ring true
Confront yourself and look you in the eye -
Just stand aside and watch yourself go by."

The Larger Prayer

At first I prayed for Light
Could I but see the way,
How gladly, swiftly would I walk
To everlasting day.

And next I prayed for Strength;
That I might tread the road
With firm, unfaltering feed and win
The heaven's serene abode.

And then I asked for Faith,
Could I but trust my God,
I'd live enfolded in His peace
Though foes were all abroad.

THE CHURCH, THE BODY OF CHRIST
continued

IV. A WINNING BODY

INTRODUCTORY QUESTION: What is "Personal Evangelism"? Telling the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Sharing that which we have with others that their life may be more abundant - that they may have LIGHT. What did our Lord say about light? St. John 8:12 and St. Matthew 5:14. In your estimation, what is the "more abundant life"? A comfortable home life with happiness and love about us. Contrast this with home life in some of the oriental countries - the birth of a baby girl in China and Japan - life of women in Africa. Knowledge - aesthetic, that we may see the beauty in things around us - art, music, nature, etc. and practical, that we may be able to care for ourselves, earn a livlihood and be of some use in the world. But this is not enough for man was also created with a soul. So life abundant must also include a development of spiritual life. Personal evangelism then, may be termed the taking of "Christ, - not Christ-ianity - to the whole world; that part which is around us and that which is foreign - to us but not to God. Does this involve winning both at home and abroad? Let us remember that the most religious people of Christ's time were His own people, the Jews. However, He did not devote His entire life and time to them. On the contrary it was to them He said, "The Kingdom of God is within you" or "is come nigh unto you". "You" here is plural, meaning, "I, the Kingdom of God am here among you"(Jews). They knew it now however; they could not understand or believe. He then turned to the Gentiles and they in turn became missionaries unto the Jews. Does this signify so-called "foreign missions"? Personal evangelism is spiritual exercise. What happens to the physical body that does not exercise? Apply this to the spiritual body, or to a member of it. Let us, then, consider Christ as a "Winning Body".

1. Examples:
   a. The Woman at the Well of Samaria - St. John 4:6-30. Have the incident related. She was a racial alien; a religious heretic; and a social and moral outcast. Emphasize verse 14 "the water I shall give you". What does this signify? The indwelling Spirit. Note the significance of water in Christ's ministry and teaching. What was His first miracle? St. John 2:1-10. There was a spiritual lesson in this miracle as apparently it was a symbol of that which He had come to do. You will notice that He did not create wine out of nothing but that He asked the servants to fill the jars with water. Many students of the N. T. think that He was attempting to show that He did not come to destroy that which already existed (the Law) but that He had come to develop from it the Gospel. Note also that the servants were asked to fill the jars. Christ can accomplish nothing without our first doing our part and utilizing that which is at hand. Is this practical? What does His presence at the wedding feast signify? That He had come to hallow

times of joy and gladness. What does His association with the Woman at the Well and the Servants signify? Humility, being willing to associate with all men that He may bring the Light to them. Let us remember that water was a very precious thing in this country and He told the woman at the well that He would give her water with which she would never thirst. With what sacrament are we promised the "indwelling Spirit"? What evidence do we have that the woman was won to Christ? Vs. 29 What did she do? She immediately told others that she had found Him and had communion with Him (Communion in the sense of conversation - meeting Him in the body. This is the next step after believing. St. Matthew 10:32. Do you think this means that we must stand up in some public place and say, "I believe, etc."
What opportunity have we in the Church for confessing Him when we have reached an age when we can decide for ourselves? By what means outside of this particular sacrament (Confirmation) can we confess Him?

What happened in verse 30? What does this teach us? She hastened to tell others of Christ and her spoken acknowledgment of Him brought others to Him. Sincerity and loyalty always brings this result. Have you brought anyone to Him?

b. Zacchaeus - St. Luke 19:1-10
What statement made by Christ shows that Zacchaeus was won? Verses 9 & 10. What does his action in verse 8 signify? A change of heart with a desire to share that which he had with others. Does this involve only material things? What are some of the other things we may share? Selfishness is the great sin of the world - it paralyzes enjoyment, material and spiritual. The cure for it is "sharing".

"Let self be crucified and slain and buried deep,
and all in vain,
May efforts be to rise again unless to live for
others."

c. Nicodemus - St. John 3:1-16
What does his coming in the night signify? He had much to lose in a material way because of his high position. He was interested but was afraid to let anyone know of it except Christ, Himself. He was a scholar; one of high standing and great influence Contrast with the Woman at the well. What does "Ye must be born again" signify? The Holy Spirit is known as "the Giver of Life" (Nicene Creed) "Born of water" typifies what sacrament? Had Nicodemus known as Christ knew that the living fetus in embryo floats in water and is helped to the birth by it, into the kingdom of nature, he would have seen the beautiful analogy to which

Christ referred in speaking of the Sacrament of Baptism. "Of the Spirit" signified what sacrament? Christ said, "Unless a man be born again he cannot see the Kingdom of God". What does this mean to you? Have you ever said when you cannot understand a thing, "I can't see it?" That, I think, is what Christ meant. "Unless you are born again, you cannot see or understand Me." Nicodemus' next question proved Christ's statement - "How can a man be born again?" [illegible] could not comprehend spiritual things. Do you think man, however gifted, refined and intelligent or moral, can obey and please God unless He is born again? What about obeying the command, "Do this in remembrance of Me"? There is no doubt but that the things of God are foolishness to the one who has not been "born of the Spirit". He is blind to the glories of God.

"Blind"

The Spring blew trumpets of color; her green sang in my brain,
I heard a blind man groping, "tap, tap" with his cane.
I pitied him in his blindness but can I boast "I see".
Perhaps there walks a Spirit close by, who pities me.
A Spirit who hears me tapping the five sense cane of my mind
Amid such unguessed glories that I am worse than blind.

- Harry Kemp

Notice that Nicodemus, so far as we know, never won anyone else; told no one of Christ. Compare this with the Woman at the well. Are we secret Disciples?

d. Winning the Disciples - St. Mark 1:16-20
"Come unto Me" - first command. Then "Learn of Me". Now, "Come after Me". They had to make a choice.

"Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide.
In the strife of Truth and Falsehood, for the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight,
Parts the goats upon the left hand, and the sheep upon the right,
And the choice goes by forevor 'twixt that darkness and that light."

- Lowell

Note the "straightway", no hesitating on their part. Decision is the backbone of character.
II Timothy 1:3,7.
From what and to what is He calling us today?

"Follow Me" in Prayer. "Pray without ceasing." "In every thing by prayer, with thanksgiving."

"Follow Me" in Love. "Love one another as I have loved you."

"Follow Me" in Kindness and Forgiveness. "Be ye kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving one another."

"Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

"Follow Me in Worship. "As His custom was He went into the Synagogue on the Sabbath Day."

"Follow Me" in Winning others. "I, if I be lifted up shall draw all men unto Me."

"Follow Me" in Giving. "Freely ye have received, freely give." Give of time, talents, friendliness -- of our very lives. "He that loseth his life for My sake shall find it."

"Follow Me" in Suffering. "Take up your cross and follow Me."

"Follow Me" and I will make you,
Make you speak my words with power,
Make you channels of my mercy,
Make you helpful every hour.
"Follow Me" and I will make you,
Make you what you cannot be,
Make you loving, faithful, Godly,
Make you even like to Me."

Have solo "My Task" sung at this meeting.

2. Commandment to be a Winning Body:
The Great Commission - St. Matthew 28:19-20. Stress each phrase. Contrast with those given at the beginning of His ministry.

Beginning	End
"Come Unto Me"	"Go Ye Therefore"
"Learn of Me"	"Teaching all Nations"
"Take My Yoke Upon You"	"Baptizing them in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost

Promise: "And lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world"

This is the logical sequence of the Christian life:

Come unto the Father
Learn of Him by being with Him, talking to Him, listening to Him - then Go, and win others.

Did Christ live what He taught? Give examples. Forgiving, etc.

Do you think the saying, "What you are speaks so loud I can't hear what you say", is true?

> "You are writing a Gospel, a chapter each day,
> By deeds that you do; by words that you say.
> Men read what you write, whether faithless or true,
> Say, what is the Gospel according to you?"

Do you think the Gospel we write may account for our lack of winning and teaching in some instances. A Chinese went to the native pastor telling him he wanted to be a Christian. "Has someone preached Christ to you?" asked the pastor. "No, but my neighbor has lived Him".

Have someone tell briefly the story of "The Good Shepherd" by Oliver.

The disciples had come to Christ; they had been with Him, watching Him teach both by example and by word of mouth. Now straightway they followed Him; going out to teach and win. To us is the Great Commission, the justification of the teaching, healing, and winning mission <u>everywhere</u>. Are we "Winning" Members of the Body of Christ?

Note: Divide this last material (IV) in two programs, beginning the second at "Commandments to be a Winning Body".

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CHRISTIAN SOCIAL SERVICE

Section I

St. Luke, Chapter X, 29-37:-

". . . . And who is my neighbour?
And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.
And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.
And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.
But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him.
And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.
And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.
Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?
And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise."

Social Service is a Christian characteristic. Regardless of the fact that it may be administered by political or governmental organizations, as is so often the case, Social Service in the complete sense had its beginning in the above parable of Jesus. It is in this beautiful illustration that He first gave to the world this message that one could no longer think only of himself, but that he was now his brother's keeper, and that the welfare of every individual was the concern of every other individual.

Jesus, in this parable, did not tell us what we should do. Through an appeal to our conscience instead of to our minds, He left to us to develop the methods by which we are to help others depending on the extent of our love of God and our neighbor.

In our great cities, and in time of national calamity, the individual is too small to cope with the needs. It is here that our social agencies are employed, through greater efficiency and greater resources, to extend necessary aid. One had best remember, though, that the motivating principal behind these charities is Christian, and it is to people of the Christian faith that these charities must look for their greatest support.

These organized charities, however, are only for large groups of people, or for great emergencies. They cannot and do not attempt to satisfy the personal needs of so many people. It is here that the Church, by means of its clergy, its staff, its funds, and its members, always will find a larger task that

can fill. For service is not merely charity, it is the giving of ourselves to those who have need of us. In whate'er capacity that may be:

"The Holy Supper is kept indeed,
In whatso we share with another's need.
Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare.
Who gives himself with his alms feeds three,-
Himself, his hungering neighbor, and me."
- - Lowell.

Is it Christian Service for one to help another: with study? with work? with personal problems?

"Every Churchman can measure, almost at a glance, what is, at this present time, required of him by the trust committed to him that he shall be himself in heart and will, in prayer and offering, a Missionary."
- - The Archbishop of Canterbury.

It is our purpose to discuss the work of the Department of Christian Social Service of which the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes is Executive Secretary. Below are listed projects which come under that head.

COMMUNITY WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS: If a given type of needed welfare work is not being done, the parish might well undertake it as a community responsibility.

LOCAL JAIL: "No religious life is complete in which our love to God fails to overflow into the hearts of jail-birds."
- - Dr. Charles N. Lathrop.

COMMUNITY CARE OF THE AGED: The fact that the county poor farm ministers to people whose very presence proves their scarcity of friends accounts for the indifference with which the average community treats it.

RURAL WORK: The Rural Work Fellowship was organized in 1924 and is a means of contacts to clergy in the rural fields.

THE CHURCH AND INDUSTRY: Religion, as viewed by the Christian, must permeate every relation of life. It has a bearing upon the way men earn their bread as well as upon the ways they live in family or worship God. The division is promoting the Industrial Fellowship of the Episcopal Church.

EXTENSION COURSES: The Cincinnati Summer School or "The Summer School in Social Service for Candidates for the Ministry and Junior Clergy" originated in 1923. It is conducted under the joint auspices of the Departments of Social Service and Extension Courses and the Diocese of Southern Ohio. It is directed by Dr. William S. Keller as his voluntary contribution to the life of the Church. Students are given a two months' intensive course of social case work in social agencies of Cincinnati. Field work is supplemented with lecture courses. The students

are being effectively trained in applied religion.

CHURCH SOCIAL INSTITUTIONS: Our Church has, at present, seventy-nine hospitals; fifty-five homes for the aged; eighty-two children's institutions; thirteen houses of mercy; and eight shelters and settlements of various kinds. The organization and standards of these institutions vary considerably. Some are progressive; others conservative and averse to change and suspicious of new methods. An improvement of social method should increase rather than lessen the spiritual purpose of such an institution.

Since 1926 the Third Sunday after the Epiphany has been annually set apart as "Social Service Sunday". The aim of the day has been to enlarge the social vision of the parish and to afford both priest and people a particular opportunity to pray for the building of the Kingdom of God on earth. The day's function has been to draw renewed attention to the social implications of the Christian religion and the fact that the practical working out of these implications should begin in the immediate community which that parish is set to serve.

Discussion:

Does Christian Social Service mean more than Social Service?

How would the Social Service value of a minister rate in a community?

On what does his value depend?

What value is there in cooperation between the organized social agencies and the churches?

What relation has our church to a local settlement house? to a hospital? to the city mission? to any rural work?

Section II - City Missions.

In New York City, the church maintains a staff of thirty to forty full-time workers. They are priests and deaconesses who do personal work as well as hold services in the following institutions: all municipal and county hospitals; insane asylums; men's and women's jails; juvenile courts; homes for orphans and dependent children; tubercular people; the unemployed; transient and migratory workers; the unfortunate girl; unmarried mothers; social service and community work in settlements.

In most cities, however, this great mass of unfortunate, dependent, and shut-in individuals has been long forgotten by the church.

St. Mark's Church, San Antonio, Texas, is a splendid example of a downtown church meeting the needs of its own community. There three emergency lunch rooms for children are maintained. They are under a general chairman, and a chairman for each room who is assisted by two volunteers who do follow-up case work among the families whose children come to the lunch room. Very little money is allowed for maintenance, and the general chairman keeps on the lookout for donations of milk, bread and other foodstuffs. The operation of these lunchrooms is one of the many activities of the social service department; another is use of parish houses and guild halls for educational and recreational purposes.

Some parishes, mainly in Rhode Island, have seized the opportunity of filling a need in their communities. The exact program necessarily varies with the community; but, on the whole, they furnish opportunity for reading, table games, music, group social activities, and crafts.

"A parish social service committee or its equivalent in every parish. The Department of Christian Social Service has long urged the formation, in each parish, of some group to assist the rector in applying locally the social teachings of our Lord. It has felt that otherwise that portion of Christ's Gospel of love and service might easily fail to become articulate in that particular congregation."

- -The Rev. C. Rankin Barnes.

In Minneapolis and St. Paul, in our own Diocese, there has been very little social service done by the Church. Some of the churches have held services in jails or poor farms from time to time, but it has been up to the individual parish or group and has not been at all organized. However, Gethsemane Parish has long administered to the patients at Glen Lake Sanitorium for tubercular people. It is this type of city mission work that is now to be enlarged under the direction of the Rector and with the assistance of the Rev. Perry Gilfillan.

The following are excerpts from a letter received from a patient at the above mentioned Sanitorium who has received much blessing and joy from the Gethsemane "Parish Visitor" and the friendly visitations from that Church:

Dear Mr. Pardue:

I don't believe you can ever half realize the food for thought and comforting phrases I have gleaned from its pages during my shut-in hours, which have been close on to two years.

Particularly outstanding have been the daily meditations by the Rev. Harry S. Longley which I can't recall ever having read any religious book that was more inspiring and yet so instructive.

. . . . . One can't help missing regular Sunday services over so long a period of absences from the Church we all love. And Episcopal services one Sunday evening a month and a regular communion each month has all been most helpful. What would we have done without our Church friends? Oh, to be out in the world again and to help support my Church, of which I am very proud to be a member. That is one lesson my shut-in period has taught me.

Sincerely,

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Discussion:

Think how much attention Jesus gave to meeting the physical needs of people.

What place should helping people's physical needs have in a Christian program? What place does it have?

In the missionary work of the church abroad, what emphasis is placed on meeting physical needs through medical and similar activities? Why?

List the evidences and agencies of philanthropy beyond the direct influence of the Christian religion; list the same where the Christian influences have been felt.

Just how much relief work, formerly done by the Church, has the Community Fund and Community Chest taken over? Do you feel that, as a Christian, you have done enough when you give to such a fund?

References:

Luke 4:16-22
Mark 1:21-34
"City Mission Idea" by Jeffreys
"Present Day Problems of Crime" by Currier
"Windows in Henry Street" by Wald
"Community Health Problems" by Burnham

Section III - Hospitalization.

St. Luke's Hospital, Japan.

How many thousands of Americans have returned from a visit to Japan's hospitable shores enriched by their contact with the beauty and color of its ancient civilization? How many Japanese, in turn, have visited the United States and many other countries to return with new methods and ideas which, with remarkable energy and skill, they have applied to the furtherance of their national development. The possibilities of mutual benefit inherent in the further development of cordial intercourse between the two countries are without limit, and in this process there is no agency which promises to be more fruitful in service than St. Luke's International Hospital in Tokyo.

St. Luke's is more than the greatest humanitarian effort of our church; it is the living evidence of the life work of a man of Christ, who for 29 years has served without financial reward in the front lines of the Church Militant, one man serving an empire of eighty millions.

St. Luke's is an international hospital founded by Americans and conducted, since its founding, under the direction of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church. All but two of the forty doctors on its staff are Japanese, and they include many of the leaders in the medical profession of Japan. All but five of its one hundred and thirty-five nurses and technicians are also Japanese. Its director is an American - Dr. Rudolf Bolling Teusler, who, not only because of his standing as a surgeon and administrator, but because of his knowledge and understanding of Japan, gained, through twenty-seven years residence, the confidence of Japanese and foreigners alike.

A ceremony takes place in Tokyo today which will arouse the pride and sympathy of every American, and every nationality represented in this country will share these sentiments. There is nothing "national" about the occasion except the energy and foresight of its moving spirit. The importance of a cornerstone is that it binds together the two walls of a building, and the new St. Luke's International Medical center is an example of what can be done on a striking scale by the well-directed cooperation of Americans and Japanese. The laying of the cornerstone brings in sight the end of the task which the founder of the hospital began 17 years ago. Looking back over the history of the project, it is clear that the secret of its success has been in the large view which Dr. Teusler took from the outset. With a grasp of essentials and a confidence in the future which marks the really constructive mind, he projected an international medical center which, besides furnishing the capitol with an efficient hospital, would furnish the medical profession of the country with an example and a standard.

St. Luke's began 28 years ago in an abandoned hospital building in the Tsukiji District, the old foreign concession of Tokyo. Its founder, Dr. Teusler, has been its director throughout its life and is its head today. The first structure of St. Luke's was completely unfurnished and unequipped, and had room for but

eight in-patients. The need, however, was overwhelming, and, by dint of gifts, fees and earnings of the staff, and still more through the remarkable relation of confidence which developed between Dr. Teusler and the Japanese, the hospital had grown by 1914 into an institution of 90 beds. During the World War, St. Luke's furnished the first American Red Cross unit to serve the allied forces in Siberia.

On September 1st. 1923, earthquake and fire brought to Japan the most frightful disaster in recorded history. Over 150,000 persons perished, for the most part in the conflagrations which followed the earthquake. In this catastrophe not a member of the St. Luke's staff deserted his post and not a patient was lost. The earthquake damaged the elevator service beyond repair; stairs were so broken as to hang by single timbers. Nurses and attendants, however, carried patients safely into the street; driven thence by fire they transported their charges into the foundations which had been recently laid for a new hospital building. St. Luke's was one of the first alleviating agencies to be at work in the devastated city. In its own neighborhood it set up milk stations, and, at the request of the municipality, the Hospital extended this service until 32 such stations were under its direction. Its own building was utterly destroyed, but through the personal interest of General Pershing, a tent army hospital was rushed from Manilla. Soon a barrack hospital was complete, built of lumber donated by the government. In 1925 fire again visited St. Luke's and laid it two-thirds waste. It was quickly rebuilt from the proceeds of insurance, and the plant thus constructed, consisting of 15 one-story buildings, serves today.

An institution which served less vital needs would never have survived these checks and catastrophes. St. Luke's has emerged from each more deeply rooted in the life and affections of the people, and more widely known for its service. It numbers among its patients Japanese of every class and social station.

It is the ambition of every civilized nation to contribute to the common fund of medical knowledge and to make its own achievements fully available to other countries. Through St. Luke's, the United States demonstrates to Japan the branches of medicine in which America excels: surgery, sanitation, and nursing. St. Luke's acts as a clearing house for medical thought and as a center for the dissemination of the most modern Western practices in medicine. Of the 17 senior doctors at the Hospital, 14 have been trained abroad - 10 in the United States.

The goal of St. Luke's, already partly attained, is development into an international medical center, an institution equipped not only to care for the sick, but to train nurses and doctors, to educate the public in health matters, to watch over the sanitation of the city, and to act as a center of exchange for medical thought.

<u>The Episcopal Church in the Rochester Hospitals.</u>

To this world famed center thousands come each year, and as their physical suffering is relieved through medical science, so

their spiritual and mental needs are ministered to by the Protestant Episcopal Church through her hospital chaplain. Probably no single piece of work in the Diocese of Minnesota has advanced with such rapidity during the last year as has that carried on in the Rochester hospitals by our chaplain, the Rev. George L. Brown. Soon after coming to Rochester, Mr. Brown was asked to call upon patients who registered no church affiliation. 3,678 calls were made on these persons during the year; while during the same period he made 4,786 calls on Episcopal Church patients.

Mr. Brown ministers to patients from every part of the world and from every walk of life. To those who are ill he brings cheer and comfort by distributing Prayer Books and administering the Holy Communion. He visits the members of the families who accompany the patients; befriending the lonely; helping the distressed; counseling the perplexed and rendering other greatly varied types of service in the name of Christ and the church. An important feature of the work is the extensive correspondence which the Chaplain carries on with clergy of other cities to which the patients return, that these clergy may continue the ministry which he has begun.

Two former patients of the Hospital pay the following tributes to the work of our Church: "I know of nothing that makes me feel that the old church is still the greatest one on earth, any more than does the attention given its communicants by the clergy at Rochester. I was a stranger among strangers; far from home; weary; sick and without hope. In less than twenty-four hours, the hospital Chaplain was by my side giving me aid and comfort. He was a great help to me during my illness. A noble work, keep it up!" "I am able to laugh and talk with you tonight in spite of my illness because of what is in my heart, and that has been put there by your Chaplain."

St. Barnabas Hospital.

St. Barnabas Hospital, our own church hospital, was started in 1871 by the Rev. David Buell Knickerbocker, Rector of Gethsemane Episcopal Church. At first the hospital was called the Cottage Hospital. Within two years it had outgrown its quarters and was given a large dwelling. The Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker was the first superintendent and although the Brotherhood of Gethsemane took an active part and the women of the parish organized for work, the great burden of providing daily bread and care rested on the Superintendent. The present Chaplain, the Rev. Elmer M. Lofstrom, is on call at all times for patients of all denominations, and he holds services in the Chapel on the first floor each Sunday at one-thirty, with a Communion Service on the first Sunday morning of the month.

St. Barnabas has been first in a number of important steps in the progress of medical care. The first dispensary in Minneapolis was opened in the basement of the hospital, and the first medical inspection of children in the public schools was made by St. Barnabas Medical Staff through its social service department.

Section IV - Christian Service in the Rural Field.

"Ministering to the isolated is one of the oldest missions of the Church. In the early days of Christianity there was no definite place for worship and Christ and his Apostles and followers went through the countryside calling together little groups of people.

It was a friendly ministry of person to person adapted to individual needs and local conditions, and every Christian recognized his individual responsibility."

As the number of Christians grew, the Apostles began writing epistles to carry the Christian message to individuals. Later, churches were established.

Our Church in the rural community has a very responsible mission. The need for keeping the small church open is great and all church people in town or city should feel a personal responsibility toward them. A large percentage of young people leave their homes in rural districts and move into cities for continuance of education and life work. Those young people should have Church Schools and pastoral care during their early years, so that when they move into cities they will transfer their church loyalty to the city parish. The young people who stay in the rural community have great responsibility for leadership in their home field. Many a Vestryman of a big city parish has been a member of a very small rural church.

There is a wealth of program material about our rural friends: Indians; Negroes; Immigrants; Mountain Whites; Unemployed; Seasonal Workers; Berry Pickers, Harvesters; Patients in city hospitals from the country. After studying about these neighbors, church groups might well decide upon a special field and make a definite plan for giving personal service: visits to hospital patients; post cards of cheer; Periodical Club literature mailed; friendly entertaining of groups in Parish Houses.

Isolated families not able to take active part in a Church could have correspondence memberships in a church Y. P. F., G. F. S., Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and Church School.

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Section V

Albert Schweitzer - A Christian

Few people in pubic life today are worthy of more admiration than Albert Schweitzer. Here is a man who has studied the life and teachings of Jesus as a scholar, and who has had the strength of character to live a life which bares witness to his reverence for and belief in the teachings of Jesus; a man who has lived a life "more abundant", a life full and complete,- not necessarily always happy, but always appreciative and enriching.

Born in Alsace, that curious province on the Rhine which is half French and half German, in 1875, he grew up in a home of culture and religion. Both his father and mother had musical talent, and his father was an Evangelical minister. A true spirit of religion and tolerance, and a keen appreciation of music and the arts was his birthright, and it is in these two fields that the major part of his life has been spent. A student of world religions, and Chrisitianity in particular, his writings, written while at college and in his early years as a minister in Germany, are amon the finest books on theology.

As a musician, due to his early training which began before he entered school, he has attained the ranking of one of the world's greatest organists, a pupil of the great French organist Widor, who this past year played his last organ concert, at the age of 90. He is the author of several books on the interpretation of Bach choral music, and a master of organ-building.

Surely a master in either of these two arts, such as Schweitzer is, might feel justified in a life of ease, but not he! At the age of thirty, already world famous, he undertook to put into action an idea which he had had from his youth,- that ofnliterally interpreting the teachings of Jesus. Having resolved that when he had reached the age of thirty he would spend the rest of his life in active service to those less fortunate, he now enrolled as a medical student, with the further object in mind, of going to Africa as a missionary doctor, in order to help change the miserable conditions that exist there.

Perhaps you have thought what so many of his friends thought, that it was foolish and unnecessary for so talented a man as he to waste his life among the heathen. His religion is not the religion of thought alone, however. It is one of putting into action the principals of Jesus and his religion. Here, he said, was the only way he could voice an audible protest to the greed and selfishness that grips the world, for a lige of service is the greatest method of teaching.

His pioneering and missionary work in the heart of the African jungle is a thrilling adventure. He, alone for the most part, was required to build his own house and hospital shelter, and to undertake the task of healing the natives, teaching them sanitation, and teaching them Christianity at the same time.

Nor was this all, for after a day of work in the tropical sun, he would often sit up far into the night, pouring over some treatise on the religion of St. Paul, or else practising on the piano which had been equipped with pedal attachments, like an organ, and which was the gift of the Paris Bach Society. For when his money had given out, he would return to Europe, touring the Universities as a lecturer on theological subjects, or else playing on the great cathedral organs of Europe to raise money to enable him to return and carry on his work in Africa.

In his book "The Forest Hospital in Lambarene", he relates an interesting incident of his life in the jungle. Many of the natives are infected with disentary diseases, due to the drinking of polluted water from the stagnant tropical streams. One of his hardest tasks was to convince the natives that they must not drink that water, but only water from a spring, such as was near the hospital. Time and again, however, the natives would come to him to be cured, only to return to their homes and repeat their folly. In a fit of despair after one such incident, he threw himself on the ground, asking himself why hd had been foolish enough to come here to Africa and to attempt to teach these ignorant negroes. One old native heard him say this, and said to him,"You may be a fool in the eyes of man, but not in the eyes of God". A partial understanding of the nature of God had penetrated the native's head.

One need not ask what the outstanding characteristic of his writings is,- it is evident in every act of his life. It is a love of human nature,-"Reverence for Life" as he calls it,- a reverence for life in all its forms, a reverence that comes from the conviction that all thought must eventually conclude that the way of Jesus is the only way for humanity. He concludes his autobiography with these lines:-

"How much of the work I have planned and have in mind shall I be able to complete? My hair is beginning to turn. My body is beginning to show traces of the passing of the years.

"With calmness and humility I look forward to the future, so that I may not be unprepared for renunciation if it be required of me. Whether we be workers of sufferers, it is assuredly our duty to conserve our powers, as being men who have won their way through to the peace which passeth all understanding."

Lambarene,
March 7, 1931

Suggested books for reading:
"The Forest Hospital at Lambarene" by A. Schweitzer
"Out of My Life and Thought" by Schweitzer
"Albert Schweitzer" by John Dickinson Regester

"DECENTLY and IN ORDER"

INTRODUCTION.

The titles of this course, "Decently and In Order" are words taken from the writings of St. Paul. They are likewise the title of a book by the late Dr. W.C. DeWitt for the use of students in Pastoral Theology and to which we shall make reference from time to time in the course. But Dr. DeWitt's book deals largely with the ceremonial and ritual of the church. It is not the purpose of this course to treat those subjects interesting as they may be. They are a subject for seperate study. What we are concerned with is Churchmanship in the truer meaning of that word. We are concerned with the organization of the church. We propose to make this course a study to create an intelligent appreciation of how the Church as the Body of Christ, as the visible evidence of the Kingdom of God on earth, functions "decently and in order."

We shall consider in this course the details of how the church is organized and how the responsibilities are assigned. And it is our hope to create in the minds of the youth of our church a deeper appreciation of the excellance of her polity. We have a glorious heritage and we believe it to be in accord with the plan of our Lord himself for His Church.

The first questions that seem to suggest themselves for general discussion are:

1. How far are we justified in studying and emphasizing the Church?
2. Is not there a danger that in studying the Church we shall neglect the Gospel?
3. Just what is the relationship between the Church and the Gospel? Is one human and the other divine?
4. What does St. John mean when he says, "The Spirit and the Bride say come."?
5. What is the position of the Church in the New Testament?

For help in presenting these questions we suggest to the leader the book "The Church-Idea" by Dr. W.R. Huntington, Chapter One

I. THE PARISH.

(A) What is a Parish? Who may organize a parish? How is a parish organized? What is the difference between a parish, a mission and a preaching station? What are the cannonical provisions regulating parishes? (Can. 57, Gen. Canons)

(B) What is the corporate name of your parish? When was it organized? How was the name selected? What is the state law regulating parishes?

It is suggested in connection with the presentation of this section that a copy of the articles of incorporation of the parish be secured. Also if there are any charter members of the parish still living that they be asked to give details of the organization of the parish. Care must be exercised here not to become too involved in personal anecodotes. Old timers have a tendency to bring in too many of these. If a fairly complete picture of the organization of the parish can be secured it would furnish a splendid subject for dramatization. Charter members of parishes are a rarety in this diocese. If the Y.P.F. can secure and preserve data of the early histories of their respective parishes they will be doing a great historical service to the diocese. Additional help along these lines might be secured from the historian of the diocese, The Rev. Dr. F.L. Palmer, 598 Lincoln Ave., St. Paul, who also would appreciate a copy of whatever original information you might be able to uncover.

(C) The Annual Parish Meeting. Cannn 2[illegible] Diocese of Minnesot
Is called by whom?
What is the date? How determined? Sec. 7979 & 7980 Genr'l Laws of Minnesota.
What is its purpose?
What is the order of procedure? Who Presides and who may vote at the annual parish meeting? Canon #18 Dio. of Minn.

(D) The duties of communicants. Canon 44 Gen. Canons and [illegible]4 Dio. Canons

If you move from your parish what is your duty to keep in good standing?

Is there any provision whereby you might become automatically ex-communicated? Who has the power to ex-communicate? How can one ex-communicated be restored. Pryr. Bk. Rubrics p. 84

(E) The Marriage Canon (Canon 43, General Canons)

John Jones and Mary Smith plan to be married in the Episcopal church. What are the canonical requirements to be complied with before the ceremony can be solemnized? What are the cannonical impediments that would prevent their marriage or annul it if preformed? Can a divorced person be married in the Episcopal Church? Under what conditions?

Who may perform a marriage in your parish church?

What are the legal requirements of marriage? Does the church law supercede the State law?

Is your rector obligated to perform your marriage or anyone else's?

In the opinion of the Church is marriage a contract enetered into with the intention of keeping the same for life or is it an indissoluable union that can be broken only by death?
What justification is there in your mind for the churches teaching? In view of modern conditions and modern thought should she revise her attitude or insist upon it more strongly than ever?

II. THE VESTRY AND RECTOR

A. The Vestry

In addition to the General Canons and the Diocesan Canons probably the best brief treatment of this subject is the booklet, "What Every Warden and Vestryman Should Know" by Henry Anstice. Your Rector and Vestry probably own copies. We cannot go into much detail here as to the differences between Parishes and Missions. A close reading of Diocesan Canons 16 and 17 will indicate some definite distinctions. What is the difference between a Vestry and a Bishop's Committee?

Imagine for a minute that your Y.P.F. is an Annual Parish Meeting about to elect a new Vestry. What are the qualifications of Wardens and Vestrymen? (Diocesan Canon 20) How many must there be? Are Women eligible? What are the chief arguments against placing women on Vestries? Must members be communicants? (Dioc. Can. 17, Sec. 4) Is the Rector a member of the Vestry? How many vacancies occur on the Vestry? To whom may a Vestryman resign? May the Rector, Wardens or the Vestry itself discharge a duly elected member? When vacancies occur how are they filled? (Dioc. Can.20)

Arrange a group of the Y.P.F. members to represent a full meeting of the Vestry of your Parish. By previous assignment the various members should each be prepared to describe his duties. The following questions will be a helpful guide.

Chairman. Who is he? (General Canon 58; Dioc. Can. 17, Sec.5; Minn. Statutes of 1927, Sec. 7981) Does he have a vote on all matters? In case of a tie vote does he have a deciding vote also? (See Anstice, p. 12) Who appoints committees of the Vestry?

Wardens. What is the distinction between Wardens and Vestrymen? Also between Senior and Junior Warden? When may a Warden preside? (Dioc. Can. 17, Sec.5). For other duties see General Canon 20, Sections 1 and 3; Prayer Book rubric, p. 73; rubric in Office of Institution, p. 565; Diocesan Canon 19.

Clerk. Must he be an elected vestryman? (Dioc. Can. 20) Must he also act as Secretary of the Annual Parish Meeting? (Ibid) Are his records important and how? How are they preserved? If he also acts as a Financial Secretary what additional duties are involved?

Treasurer. How elected? Must he be a Vestryman? (Dioc. Can.20) What are his duties? What reports are expected of him, by individual contibutors, by the Vestry, and by the Parish? Must his accounts be audited? If so when and by whom? (Gen, Can. 53, Sec. 4)

Vestrymen. See Diocesan Canons 19 and 20 again. Who is responsible for the care of Church property, for repairs, for salaries, canonical offerings and assessments, and other expenses? Who may mortgage, sell or raze Church property? (Gen. Can. 50) May the Vestry rent the Church? What are the duties of the Vestry when a vacancy occurs in the Rectorship? (Gen.Can. 11 and 12)

B. The Rector

Distinguish between a Rector and a Priest-in-charge as to manner of selection and as to responsibilities. What is Locum Tenans? What constitutes a valid call to a Rectorship? (Gen.Can. 20; Gen. Can. 22, Sec. 3)

See the "Office of Institution" in the Prayer Book for the manner of installing a Priest as Rector of a Parish. Have someone read this office in advance and be prepared to enumerate the mutual responsibilities of Rector and Parish as mentioned therein.

The basis of this study is General Canon 21, on Ministers and their Duties. Have some prepared member sketch those duties.

What control has the Rector over Church property? (Gen. Can. 21, Section 4, Subsection 2)

Who is responsible for the music of the Church? (Gen. Can. 49 For religious education in the Parish (Gen. Can. 21, Sec 2, 1 and 11)

To whom are all assistants responsible? (Gen.22,Sec.3,II; Gen Can. 21, Sec. 1, 1)

Who may orgainze, change or disband parish organizations such as clubs, guilds, societies? What are the responsibilities of such organizations to the Rector? (See Anstice, p.24; DeWitt, pp. 240, 241; Gen. Can. 21, Sec. 1)

On what condition may a minister officiate in the Parish or cure of another minister? (Gen. Can. 21, Sec. 4) Who may invite another minister into your Church or Parish for any ministerial function? (See also Dioc. Can. 15, all sections)

What recourse has a Vestry if the Rector neglect the regular services of the Church? (Gen. Can.21, Sec.4, 11)

May clergymen be tried by the Church for misconduct? (gen. Can. 28; Dioc. Can 24)

What records must a Rector keep? (Dioc. Can. 13. Sec. 2) Are they important and why? How should he dispose of them when leaving?

How may the relationship between Parish and Rector be dissolved? (Gen. Can. 42)

III HOLY ORDERS AND THE BISHOP

A debate might be arranged on the proposition : "Resolved, that the Eposcopal Church is unnecessarily strict in her method of selecting, training and authorizing her clergy."

In the course of the debate or as a special project some individual or committee should trace for the meeting the steps to be taken by John Doe, one of their own members, in becoming a Priest of the Church(See Gen. Canons 1 to 9)

Distinguish the status of Lay Readers and Clergymen. (Gen. Can 26) Also Deacons (GEn. Can. 22)

Have some girl describe the place of Deaconesses in our Church. (Gen. Can.24)

Subject for debate: "Resolved, that the Canons of the Church should be so changed as to permit women to be clergymen on an equal basis with men."

Should our system of suthorization of clergy be changed so as to permit "ordination" by Priests instead of Bishops? Should each congregation simply select some available member from among themselves to act a s their minister? Speculate a little upon the effect of such loose methods upon the integrity of the worship, doctrine, unity and sacraments of the Church.

Have some member present a paper upon the meaning and value of the Apostolic Succession (Chapter VII in "the Episcopal Church" by Atwater, gives one of the clearest brief explanations available of "The Historic Ministry".)

Let a committee trace the Apostolic Succession of one of our own Bishops back to the first American Bishops. (See list in any recent Living Church Annual, where each Bishop and his consecrators are numbered)

Trace the steps in the selection and consecration of a Bishop. (See National Church Constitution, Article II and Diocesan Constitution Article XVI) (Note how basic the Episcopacy is in the life of our Church. Name some other branches of the Church that are Episcopal in the historic sense.

Distinguish between Diocesan, Coadjutor, Suffragan and Missionary Bishops. What is an Archdeacon?

Name a few duties of a Bishop. Is the authority of a Bishop in our Church absolute? Must authority be commensurate with responsibility?

Must a Bishop have a jurisdiction? May he be "translated"? May he resign? Is he subject to discipline?

IV. THE DIOCESE

In the previous program we discussed the office of the Bishop and Holy Orders. In this program we are going to discuss the household of the Bishop or the Diocese for that is what the word diocese means. We then in this Episcopal church of our are living in a household which is the territory under the jurisdiction or leadership of a Bishop. Or look at it in this way. You have a friend coming to visit you. First of all you will taker her to your home and introduce her to the head of that home, your parents, But the friend has come primarily to visit you and so after you have complied with the social requirements of good manners you will naturally seek some portion of your home where you can visit without disturbing the rest of the family and yet you will not so seclude yourselves as to be rude and inconsiderate of the other members of your household. In the course of your friends visit you will show her things of interest in your community or town and you will without question have thoughts and ideas to discuss about your state and country in common. Now this same general idea applies with regard to your relationship to yar church. You belong to a parish which is your corner or room in the household of the diocese which in turn is a part of the community of the larger group of churches thrught the world. Naturally your primary interest in many ways will be that particular part of your household which is your own responsibility, your parish. But if you are the kind of a person you ought to be you will not sulk in your room refusing to bear your share of the responsibilities of the whole household nor will you allow your household to shirk on its share of the responsibilities of the community or the world at large. It is because so many of us are not good citizens at home and in our state and in the Kingdom of God that conditions are what they are. With these introductory remarks we turn now to ourown household for a detailed study of how it operates.

1. Distinguish between a diocese and a missionary district? How is a diocese organized? A missionary district? Art. V and VI Gen Constitution.

2. What is a Cathedral? From what is the name derived? (See The Quest of the Sangreal-Tucker, Chap. VII) What is the Cathedral of this diocese? What is its corporate name? Who founded it? What particular distinction in the history of the American Church does it have? (See Faribault, Encyl. Britanica)

3. What are the boundries of the Dioese of Minnesota? Under what diocese is the other part of the state of Minnesota? What are the boundaries of the several deanieries in the Dioc. Minn. ? What are the names of the several Deans and how are they selected (Dioc. Minn. Consti.) and Dioc. Cannons 23)

4. What is the standing committee and what are its duties? How are they selected? (ArtIV, Gen. Consti.) If the bishop of a Diocese dies and there is no Bishop Coadjutor what are the Powers and functions of the Standing Committee? What were the conditions in this Diocese upon the sudden death of Bishop Edsall? (See also Art. VII Dio. Consti. Sec. 5. Gen. Art. 11 consti.)

5. What is the Diocesan Convention? When does it meet? How are the delegates elected? Who is the President? (Arts. II, III, IV & V Dio. Consti.) What is the manner of voting? (Art. VII? Dio. Consti.) What is the order of procedure? (Cannon 8, Dio. Canons. It m ght make an interesting subject to dramatize the sessions of the Diocesan Convention or s me particular portionof it. Get in touch with the delegates from your parish to the last Diocesan convention and get them to help you with this.

6. What is the Bishop and Council? how provided for? How are the members chosen? Canon 22, Dio. Canons) What geographical custom has arisen in the selection of members of the Council ? What was the Council originally called? What are the several departments of the Council and who are the h ads of these departments? What are the functions of those departments.

7. How are the expenses of the Diocese met? Distinguish betweem the Episcopate Assessment and the Missionary Apportionment? How is each determined? (The total for the diocese and the individual amounts for the respective parishes) Do you know what yours is in each case for your parish.

8. Diocesan Institutions? Consult the last Journal of the Diocese and make a list of the several diocesan institutions. If you did not do so under the course on Christian Social Service, it is suggested you plan a pilgrimage to one of the nearby diocesan institutions or you might make a pilgrimage to some other institution. One of the officials of one of the Diocesan Institutions might be asked to address your group

V. THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

1. What is the official name of the church? (P.E.C.U.S.A) What is the incorporated name under which the National Council operated? (Canon 60) When was this name adopted?

2. Compare and contrast the relationship of the National Church and the Dioceses with the relationship of the National Government and the several States.

Compare the powers of the Presiding Bishop with the powers of the President.

Compare the powers of the General Convention with the power of the National Congress.

3. The Provinces. Their number. What dioceses are included in the sixth province. Province of the North-West? What is the Provincial Synod? How is it's membership made up? Give a general summary of the present powers of the Provincial System as outlined in Canon #54 of the General Canons? What powers were granted to the Provinces at the last General Convention? It has been proposed that more power be given to the provinces and the Provincial Synod. Do you think this would be advisable and, if not, why? (See Lam Conf. Report, Report IV, Sec 3)

4. The National Council. Canon 61 outlines the formation and powers of the National Council. It is suggested that this topic be treated by some member making a study of this canon and presenting the various duties and powersof the National council in a paper incorporating in this paper not only the facts of the canon but also such other information as may be gleaned from the copy of the last issue of the Church's Program and The Spirit of Missions. Your rector should be able to give you additional suggestions for this topic.

5. The Woman's Auxilliary. What is it and what constitutes its membership? What work does it do? Follow the same procedure as in the preceeding paragraph using the little red book "The Woman's Auxilliary in the Life of the Church" as a basis for the paper. Are the girls of the Y.P.F. members of the Woman's Auxilliary? Are they entitled to membership?

6. Subject for debate: Resolved that it is impossible to be a good church man unless one subscribes for and reads The Minnesota Missionary and Church Record and at least one other national church paper. The affirmative may be given the priviledge of listing the several national church papers.

7. What are some of the other agencies auxilliary to the Natioal council and what are some of the things they do? Consult the Spirit of Missions and write to headquarters for further and more detailed information.

VI. THE GENERAL CONVENTION AND THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE

(A) THE GENERAL CONVENTION

What is the purpos of the General Convention? What is the authority for its powers? (Consti. of the Church) How often does it meet?

How is it made up? What are the two divisions of the House of Deputies? How are the Missionary districts in this country represented? How are the Missionary districts in territroy beyond the U.S.A represented?

What representation does the church in China or Japan, for instance, have in the General Convention? Are the Constitution and Canons of the Church binding ypon them, or any section of the Church outside the territorial limits of the U.S.A.

Who is the Bishop of Mexico? Discuss the relationship of the Mexican Church to the General Convention.

Get a copy of the proceedings or consult a file of the Living Church General Convention Daily or some other national church paper and give some of the outstanding features of the last General Convention. Where did it meet andwhere is the next one to be held?

(B) THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE

At whose invitation does it assemble? How often does it meet? What is the position of the ArchBishop of Canterbury in the Lambeth Conference? What powers has the Conference? Can it pass any legislation that will be binding upon any church represented in the conference? Name the several churchs represented in the last Lambeth Conference? Where does it get its name? What was the position of the Presiding Bishop of our church at the last conference? What Bishop of Minnesota was the Preacher at one of the sessions of the Lambethe Conference and when?

Secure a copy of the proceedingsof the last Lambeth conference and present for discussion some of the topics that were discussed ther . First reading thru the Encyclical Letter and noting the several main headings mentioned therein. Particularly interesting discussions may be developed from reading the conference attitude on such subjects as Church Unity, Race Relations, Peace andWar, Marriage and Sex, The Anglican Communion and Youth and Its Vocation.

What particular step in Church Unity was presented at the last Lambeth Conference and came up for final action at the General Convention of 1934 of our church? What Suffragan Bishop in the United States is acting under special orders for work in connection with the non-Nordic peoples? By whom was he consecrated? What forward step is this in the cause of Church Unity?

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HISTORICAL PERSONALITIES

The purpose of this course is two fold: First to give a brief outline of the church in England and show how the Apostolic Succession of the Anglican Communion was established in the British Isles and the carried to America, and second, what a rich heritage we of the American church have to pass on to our descendants. Certainly it would be hard to find a more interesting group of men then these hardy pioneers who established our church under hardships which are almost impossible for us to visualize. Men who refused a life of comparative ease as priest of some well-established parish that they might spread the Kingdom in a wilderness where most of their journeys had to be made on foot, and who had to live the roughest kind of a life on the frontier where it was possible to secure only the bare necessities. For any group outside of the Diocese of Minnesota, we suggest that you follow this outline through Bishop Kemper and then fill in the last three papers with men from your own Diocese.

There is a Bibliography at the end of this series and most of the books mentioned can be obtained from the Loan Library of the Woman's Auxiliary which is in conjunction with the "Church Book Shop", 83 South 9th Street, Minneapolis,. Your rector will probably have books in his personal library which will cover a large part of the series. The Divine Commission by Wilson, Lights and Shadows of a Long Epesipote by Bishop Whipple and Tanner's, History of the Diocese of Minnesota are almost indespensible. We expect to publish biographies in the Minnesota Missionary of the men covered in these last two books for those who cannot secure copies of them. If you find it necessary to use the Loan Library Books, we would suggest that you reserve these books some time before you expect to use them so that they will be sure to be available.

I THE EARLY CHURCH IN ENGLAND

This first paper in this course is designed, not entirely around a particular personality but to give a background of the Anglican church which will complete the picture carried on in the other papers which cover the growth of the church in America and more particularly in our own Diocese. The founding of the church in England is of course a subject which should be very carefully handled and you as leader would do well to follow the outline as given as this covers known facts about which there can be no question.

(1) Bring out the fact that Christianity was brought to England by the Gaulish merchants and Roman soldiers who came to the Island; Tertulliam an early historian mentions that there are Christians in England about 208 AD.
(2) Give the story of St. Alban, the first English Martyr, (about 304 AD).
(3) We know that three British Bishops attended the Council of Arles in 314.
(4) We also know that British Deacons, Priests, and Bishops attended the Council of Nicea in 325.
(5) The Roman Pope Gregory sent Augustine with 40 monks to

England in 597 Gregory landed at Kent and found the church established in Kent. King Ethelbert was not a christian but Bertha, his queen, was and had her own church and chaplain.

(6) These two branches of the church, the Scotch-Irish and the Roman merged and worked more or less together altho they had different customs and kept different dates such as Easter.

(7) Wilfred got these differences settled at the Council of Whitby in 664 and the earlier branch (Scotch-Irish) left England entirely to the Roman Mission.

(8) This church continued until 1215 when the Barrons of England drew up the Magna Carta which stated that the church of England was to be free of foreign domination, however King John contined to acknowledge the supremacy of the Pope and the kings following him continued this acknowledgement until the English Reformation when the Power of Rome was completely overthrown in England. The first prayer book in English was published in 1549.

(9) The English church was fully organized by Arch Bishop Theodore of Tarsus (note that he is from the eastern orthodox church) in about 669. It was he who arranged the church into dioceses and it is interesting to note that at one time Theodore did not obey the commands of the Bishop of Rome.

II BEGINNINGS OF THE CHURCH IN AMERICA

Read the chapter "The Colonial Church" in Wilson's "The Divine Commission" and bring out the following.

(1) The church brought to American by the colonists, the first service being at Jamestown in 1607 and continued under the Bishop of London until after the revolution.

(2) The church was strong in the Middle and southern colonies but strictly taboo at first in New England - did the Puritans come to America because of their devotion to the cause of religious freedom?

(3) Tell of the S.P.G. and its great work and what we owe it, bring out how they tried to get Bishops for the colonies and what the obstacles were both in America and England.

Samuel Seabury - The First American Bishop

Outline Bishop Seaburys life bringing out the following points.

(1) Being rather a quiet and reserved man he is one of the last men you would expect to leave a lasting impression on the church.

(2) Being an ardent Tory he was most unpopular with the Patriots of the Church, from New York south most churchmen were patriots in fact two thirds of the signers of both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were churchmen including Washington, Marshall, Jefferson, Hamilton, Franklin, Madison, Lee, Livingston, Wayne, and Morris.

(3) How and by whom he was elected a Bishop, that the English Bishops refused to consecreate him and that he was finally consecrated by the Non-Juring Bishops of Scotland in 1784. Tell who they were.

(4) How he returned to American, how he was accepted there and how through Dr. White the validity of his orders were finally accepted.
(5) How we owe our beautiful Communion Service to him and his other great Gifts to the church, the influence of his unquestioned purity of character firm belief on the church.

William White - The First Bishop of Pennsylvania

Outline Bishop Whites life bringing out the following points.
(1) How he differed from Bishop Seabury, he being an ardent patriot and Chaplain to the Continental Congress.
(2) Tell of the conferences of 1784, 85, and 86, Dr. White's part in them and their accomplishments. Dr. White's part in the Canons of the Church.
(3) Where he was consecrated and by whom.
(4) What did he give to the church.

In your discussion groups bring out the following:
(a) Places of consecration.
(b) Why the English Bishops had not and did not want to create American Bishops.
(c) What great contributions each made.
(d) The differences in the two men.

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III THE CHURCH SPREADS WESTWARD

Philander Chase - The Pioneer Missionary

Give Bishop Chases life based on the following outline.
(a) Dates of birth, ordination and consecration.
(b) Where did he carry on his missionary work?
(c) With what opposition did he meet in furthering his plans for a seminary in the west, how did he succeed.

In your outline of Bishop Chase bring out that his restless and roving spirit was the same spirit that settled the west. Summarize the different dioceses he worked in and the institutions he started. Even after becoming a bishop, he helped work his own farm. Note the antagonism of the east to his proposed Seminary in Ohio. Tell of the Bishops arriving at a mission where the denominational ministers were holding a "Protracted Meeting" which had lasted a week and how he got them all to join in a "Prayer Book Service".

Jackson Kemper - The First Missionary Bishop and the first Bishop of Wisconsin.

Give Bishop Kemper's life based on the following outline:
(a) What was the significance of his consecration as a Bishop in 1835?
(b) Where was his territory as a bishop?
(c) Where was the scene of his greatest influence?
(d) What did he do for Minnesota?
(e) What characterized Bishop Kemper all through his life?

There was not a mile of railroad west of the Alleghanies in 1835. Chicago was a frontier village and Milwaukee a village. For eleven years he had no home, his jurisdiction was larger than Eastern Europe. Bring out that he was a tireless worker, carving the parochial work to others, he

set out by stage and river, visiting all of the rude settlements he could reach. What was his reason for wanting a seminary and how did his first one prosper? He made a trip of four months' duration going from St. Louis to New Orleans, then east to Georgia, Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, back to New Orleans and then north again to St. Louis. After these four months of the worst kind of roughing it, did he rest? He immediately started north and reach Wisconsin (which included Iowa and Minnesota at that time) and travelled most of this immense territory holding services mostly at parts near Indian Reserves and small settlements. One night he slept in a one-room log hut with ten others, one of whom was a negro. He declined the Bishopship of Maryland preferring the hard work of the western frontier. His first visit to Minnesota was in 1843 and his first confirmation was in Stillwater in 1848.

IV THE EARLY CHURCH IN MINNESOTA

Outline the lives of the following men giving their outstanding accomplishments and their outstanding characteristics.

Rev. E. G. Gear — Mr. Enmegahbowh (Indian)
Rev. James Lloyd Breck — Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson

In your outline try to make these live; don't give a dry outline of their lives.

Father Gear was a large striking appearing man, jovial and kind, endowered with an untfaltering faith, and was a man who had the courage of his convictions. "His eyes were black with heavy eyebrow; his countenance beaming with a smile. One cannot forget that face, whether he spoke in fersuasive tones, or expressed the strong convictions of his heart." It was he who was the real "Father" of our Chippeway Missions. Read his address to the Diocesan Council of 1858 (page 176 - Tanner).

At the council of 1859 when it did not seem possible for the delegates to agree on a candidate for Bishop, Father Gear asked them to adjourn and pray for guidance, after they reconvened Bishop Whipple was elected by a large majority and was then unamiously elected.

J.L. Breck, "The Apostle of Wilderness" devout and restless, burning with zeal to extend the Kingdom, almost a legendary figure. One of the three men who started "Nashotah", the moving spirit in the "Associate Mission" of Minnesota, the founder of the St. Columbia Mission, one of the founders of Seabury.

He seemed to thrive on hard work and as soon as he had one station started and well on its way, he started another, always in new fields. After Seabury the restraints of civilization all around him were not easy to bear. So the devoted Missionary again looked westward and went to California where he immediately plunged into the starting of a seminary, a boy's school, and a school for girls.

ENMEGAHBOWH: Here is a story book character, read his life in Tanner and Lights and Shadows, (especially his own

version on page 497 L. & B.). Tell the story of his deciding to go back to his home after the Protestant Missionaries left the country and what decided him to stay, his visit with Jenny Lind in Philadelphia, etc.

WILCOXSON: The Itinerant Missionary", a man who refused the largest, oldest and by far the richest parish in the Minnesota of the fifties. In one period of seven months he walked over two thousand miles and traveled an additional six hundred by boat or carriage in serving his charges. He was in charge of all stations on the St. Croix and Minnesota Rivers from Stillwater to Mankato, besides not satisfied with this territory he conducted services and started churches over a range from St. Cloud to Albert Lea. Certainly here is a modern apostle.

V BISHOP WHIPPLE * THE FIRST BISHOP OF MINNESOTA

Review Bishop Whipple's life based on the following outline.
(a) Reasons for a separate diocese and Bishop.
(b) Date and place of Council at which he was elected.
(c) Date and Place of ordination and consecration
(d) Brief outline of his life.
(e) What monuments to his memory did he leave?

If you visit the Indian Reservation at Birch Coulee today, you will find in practically every home there a picture of Bishop Whipple and the older Indians will talk to you by the hour of the things he did for them and what he meant to them. In addition to this, you will find that he was known and appreciated by prominent people, not only in the United States but in Europe as well. He was undoubtedly Minnesota's best known figure internationally. In 1888 he was picked to preach the opening sermon at the Lambeth conference, a conference of the entire Anglican Communion, and he later preached the sermon at Salisbury Cathedral, England, commemorating the 1300th anniversary of the baptism of King Ethelbert, the first christian Saxon King.

VI BISHOP WHIPPLE AND THE CHURCH IN MINNESOTA

What were the personal characteristic's that contributed to his great success; illustrate:

For example:
His Baptism of the Actress.
His stand on Low and High Churchmanship.
His bravey at the Sioux Treaty meeting at Standing Rock.
His learning to fill teeth that he might be of greater service to the Indians.

You will find many other similar ones as you read this remarkable man's life.

When in the east one of the Bishops said to him, " I have an earnest man who desires to study for Holy Orders, but we are too poor to care for him." He answered, "Send him to Faribault, it will cost you nothing" and continued, "I trust

God for this work". This was in 1875 when Minnesota was still a frontier.

On his way East to deliver a report on Indian Conditions he was advised to omit some of his bloeheat charges as they might place him in personal danger, he answered "They are true, and the nation needs to know them! And so help me God, I will tell them, if I am shot the next minute!"

Read his report mentioned afore "On the Moral and Temporal Condition of the Indian Tribes on our Western Border" as an example of his fearlessness in standing for the right.

Outline the life and work of his coadjutor. and successors and give a short history of your own Parish.

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FRIDAY, APRIL TWENTY-SIXTH

3:00 P. M. REGISTRATION AND HOSPITALITY ASSIGNMENT.

6:30 P. M. OPENING DINNER.

WELCOME:
Richard B. Tudor, President of St. Clement's Y. P. F.
The, Rev. Douglass H. Atwill Rector of St. Clement's Church.

SONG FEST
Led by the Rev. G. E. Brant.

ADDRESS
The Rev. Theodore O. Wedel, Ph. D. National Secretary of College work.

ANNUAL REPORT
Diocesan President, Frederick L. Searing.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

THE BISHOPS CHARGE
The Rt. Rev. F. A. McElwain, D. D.

9:00 P. M. COMMITTEE MEETINGS—VOTING DELEGATES.
Social Hour—Visiting Delegates—With Address by the Rt. Rev. S. E. Keeler, D. D.

10:00 P. M. PREPARATION SERVICE FOR CORPORATE COMMUNION
Bishop McElwain.

Program

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SATURDAY, APRIL TWENTY-SEVENTH

8:00 P. M. CORPORATE COMMUNION SERVICE
Bishop McElwain
Bishop Keeler

8:45 A. M. BREAKFAST

9:30 A. M. ADDRESSES ON CONVENTION THEME

D. Louise Hatfield, St. Paul, Minnesota.
The Rev. Thomas M. Baxter, Austin, Minnesota.

10:15 A. M. BUSINESS SESSION

1:15 P. M. LUNCHEON

6:30 P. M. BANQUET

Frederick L. Searing, Presiding
St. Clement's Parish House.

8:00 P. M. ANNUAL CONVENTION DANCE.
St. John's Parish House.

Program

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SUNDAY, APRIL TWENTY- EIGHTH

8:00 A. M. CORPORATE COMMUNION SERVICE

The Rev. Douglass H. Atwill.
Service of Rededication of Officers and Members to their task.

11:00 A. M. MORNING PRAYER AND ADDRESS WITH INSTALLATION SERVICE.

The Rev. Douglass H. Atwill.
Retiring Diocesan Officers.
Address:
Frederick L. Searing.

Memorandum

St. Paul, Minnesota.
January 20th, 1936

Mr. Frank Freidmann,
144 S. Fairview,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Frank:

Following is a list of the activities and projects of the St. James Y.P.F.

1. Shortened evening services.
2. Corporate Communions
3. Speaker - The Rev. Perry Gilfillen
4. Followed Diocesan programs.
5. Parties - Halloween, Christmas, New Years and roller skating parties with other Y.P.F. groups.
6. Sleigh rides with our own group and with St. Peter's and Ascension Y.P.F's.
7. Painted the chairs, purchased new curtains for the Guild Hall and bought new oil cloth for the tables.

Hoping this is the information you desire, I am

Yours in Fellowship,

Jerald Jensen

Jerald Jensen
Pres. St. James Y.P.F.

January 20, 1936

Report of St. Matthew's Y. P. F.

The first meeting held by St.Matthew's for the fall was on the last Sunday in September, when the group went near New Brighton on a pow-wow. About twenty-five were present at the first meeting.

At the first business meeting, in October, the following appointments were made by the president:- Chairmen of committees- Worship - Frank Brey: Fellowship - Glen Morrissey: Study - John Hauck: Service - Elizabeth Wetherbee: Food - Mildred Anderson. Since then, the chairman of the study committee has resigned and his duties have been taken over jointly by the rector and president.

Upon notification that we were to hold the fall rally for the district, preparations were immediately begun. The whole group took part in the preparations. The rally was well attended and we were able to show a slight profit over expenses.

For a study project, we decided to take the newly formed St. Ansgarius Y.P.F. group from Minneapolis, which had been organized by Rev. Aanestad, and help them in getting a better understanding of the workings of the fellowship. To this end we invited them over for an evening in November. They were much better organized than we had anticipated, so in the future our relations with them will be on an equal and sharing basis. We feel we have something in common having the same rector.

At Thanksgiving time we brought food and money and made up two Thanksgiving baskets for poor families.

Throughout the latter part of November and December, we had discussion topics led by Rev. Aanestad. The subjects came under the head of "Symbolism in Our Church". These were stopped for the holidays and a new series, a continuation of our last year's study of "Psychology and Religion" will be taken up starting Jan. 26.

The Y.P.F. again took part in decorating of the church for the holidays. Also a Christmas party was held the Friday after Christmas. Tobogganing and a visit from Santa were the chief forms of amusement.

Twelve of our group attended the Social Rally held at St. John's parish hall January 10.

We have resolved to eliminate as many as possible the outside activities which interfere with our regular study programs until after Lent, and consequently have only the study program planned until after Easter.

Respectfully submitted,

James Fisk

President, St. Matthew's Y.P.F.

St. Paul, Minn.

2117 Knapp St.
Monday night

Dear Frank,

As our old secretary was just forced to resign this last week, I was unable to get the minutes of all the meetings to get exact dates or follow more closely our activities of the fall. However I believe that I have hit all the high points in our fall's program.

I will call you up in a very few days about the proposed roller skating party which I was so foolish as to allow myself to be placed at the head of. That's not sarcasm but just the truth because I've got so much to do I'm wearing myself down to a frazzle. Anyway, I'll call you up soon.

If anything is missing in this, let me know and I'll fix it up immediately. Boy, I can sure appreciate the job it must be being head of this district and my whole heart is with you, kid. But there has to be someone with 'get up and get at 'em' at the head of the works and you're IT.

So long, Frank

Tom Cook

Jan 21, 1936

Dear Frank,

Here is the information which you wished.

Sept 8 & 15--Get-together meetings

Sept 22-Discussion on Diocesion programs by Rev. STillwell

Sept. 29-Lantern Slides and lecture on "Life of Christ"

Oct 6-Discussion by Rev. Stillwell on "Christ and War"

Oct. 13-To Bishop Kemper service (We start at 6:00 and would-n't have time to eat and have meeting before going to service)

Oct. 20-Dio. program material.

Oct. 27-Rally

Nov. 3-Rev. STillwell dicussion on racial problems and ~~it~~ ~~their~~ relation to war.

Nov. 10-Discussion on the different problems of youth. Round table with out a leader.

Nov. 17-Discussion on going out. Relation between boys and girls.

Nov. 24-Stir-up service. No meeting.

Dec. 1-Rev. Stillwell--World's greatest men. Dio. part I

Dec. 8-Dio. prog.sion

Dec. 15-Dio. prog. St. Peter's invited on short notice. Few from there able to attend.

Dec. 22-Special Christmas program. Hymns, stories, poems, instrumental music. Social and pop-corn later.

Dec. 29-Meeting and decided to rearrange committees and increase enthusiam. Working out fine so far.

Jan. 5-Church Epiphany party.
Jan. 10-Rally at St. John's.
Jan. 12-Dio. program.
Jan 17--Sleighride with St. Peter's and St. James at former's.

Jan 19-Dio. program (Last two meetings had Social chairmans which had arranged games and plays for social hour after meetings. Very successful.
Holloween Party, Roller skating on Dec. 1, Decorated church for Christmas. Booth at Church carnival. Planning minstrel for future.

Sincerely

Harvey Stiefel

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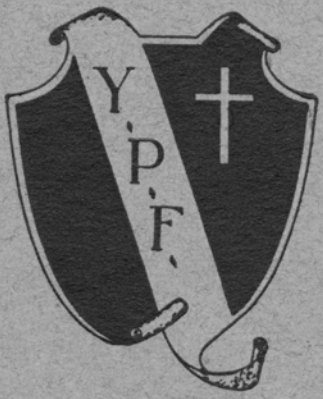

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PROGRAM

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FRIDAY, APRIL TWENTY-SECOND

4:00 P. M. REGISTRATION OF HOSPITALITY ASSIGNMENTS.

6:30 P. M. OPENING DINNER

ADDRESSES OF WELCOME
John R. Fenwick, President, St. Mark's Y. P. F., Lake City.; The Rev. Henry Kiessel, Rector, St. Mark's Church, Lake City.

SONG FEST—Led by Fred Putnam, All Saints Y. P. F., Mpls.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT, Walter D. Montgomerie, Diocesan President.

BISHOPS' GREETINGS—The Rt. Rev. Frank A. McElwain, D. D.; The Rt. Rev. Stephen E. Keeler, D. D.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS — Committee Appointments.

8:30 P. M. PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

9:15 P. M. CORPORATE COMMUNION PREPARATION SERVICE—The Bishop's Charge.

PROGRAM (continued)

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SATURDAY, APRIL TWENTY-THIRD

7:30 A. M. CORPORATE COMMUNION SERVICE

The Rt. Rev. F. A. McElwain, D. D.; The Rt. Rev. S. E. Keeler, D. D.

8:30 A. M. BREAKFAST

9:00 A. M. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

10:15 A. M. CONVENTION ADDRESS

The Rev. Harold B. Hoag, Burlington, Iowa; Provincial Director for Young People's Work.

11:00 A. M. ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

1:00 P. M. LUNCHEON

Special afternoon activities will be announced.

7:00 P. M. ANNUAL BANQUET

9:00 P. M. THE CONVENTION DANCE

PROGRAM (continued)

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SUNDAY, APRIL TWENTY-FOURTH

11:00 A. M. MORNING PRAYER AND ADDRESS

Service in charge of retiring officers; Address by Walter D. Montgomerie; Installation of Officers, The Rev. Henry Kiessel in charge.

THE CHRISTIAN VIEW OF DEATH

St. John xi, 25-26

A Sermon preached by the Rev. E. H. Eckel, Rector in Trinity Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma, III Easter, April 14, 1940.

THE CHRISTIAN VIEW OF DEATH.

"Jesus said unto her, I am the Resurrection and the Life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believeth thou this?" -- St. John xi, 25-26

This sublime declaration and the question which follows were addressed to Martha, as she came out to meet her Lord and Master. The words were spoken to comfort and re-assure her in her grief over the death of her brother Lazarus. They were intended to tell her that what we call death cannot interrupt fellowship with Christ. If a man believe in Christ, although his body dies, his true self lives on. Or to put it in other words, no believer in Christ shall ever die, so far as his spirit is concerned. In Christ we see Life in its fullest and truest triumphing over death, and the believer in Him shares that triumph, because he shares that Life here and shall share it more completely hereafter.

No wonder this declaration is repeated at the very beginning of the Church's Burial Office. These words are not "the tolling of a death knell." They are"chimes of eternal joy and hope." They tell us that death is, like birth, only another transition into a larger, fuller, freer life. They make the entrance of the Christian into the next world a beautiful and zestful adventure, with a continual widening of interests and sympathies, a "going on from strength to strength." They make of the grave a quiet resting place for the tired, worn-out body, but for the spirit a gateway into the Paradise of God in the blessed companionship of Him who has gone the way of death before us and in the fellowship of all whom He has redeemed and who love and serve Him. No wonder, I say, that these sublime words are repeated at the beginning of the Burial Service. For they strike the keynote of that service and express the very essence of the Christian view of death.

It is fitting that, during this Easter season, we should give some thought to the Christian view of death as it is presented in the pages of the New Testament and as it has come down to us in the faith and practice of the Church. For there is no doubt that it is difficult for many of us to re-capture that calm and confident faith that has ever upheld and comforted the true disciples of Christ in the presence of death. <u>This</u> world is ever with us. The eternal world seems so elusive, so unreal. It is so easy to view death from our poor, limited, human, <u>this</u> - worldy standpoint -- as the disappointment of our hopes, separation from our loved ones, frustration, dissolution, finality. It is so hard to view it from God's standpoint as release and liberation for higher, worthier service. It is so easy to acquiesce in the hopelessness of Ingersoll when he described life as "a narrow vale between the cold and barren peaks of two eternities." It is so hard to attain the triumphant confidence of a St. Paul, who could say: "to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

There is a pathetic passage in Carl Sandburg's life of Lincoln which the biographer thinks may have been touched up in the telling, but which is no doubt substantially true. It is said that Willie Lincoln, the son of the President, having died on a Thursday, his father in grief on the following Thursday "shut himself away from all society," and again on the next Thursday "would see no one." On the invitation of Mrs. Lincoln and her sister, Mrs. Ninian Edwards, the Rev. Dr. Francis Vinton, vicar of historic old St. Paul's Chapel, New York City, came to the White House and in the course of conversation with the President admonished him that he was unfitting himself for his high post by giving way to his grief. Heathen, not Christians, mourn the departed as <u>lost</u>.

"Your son," said Dr. Vinton, "is <u>alive</u>, in Paradise. Do you remember that passage in the Gospels: 'God is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for <u>all</u> live unto Him?"

Starting from the sofa, as one aroused out of a stupor, Mr. Lincoln exclaimed, "Alive! alive! Surely you mock me."

"No, sir," said the clergyman; "believe me, it is the most comforting doctrine of the Church, founded upon the words of Christ Himself.

The President gazed at him a moment, and then, stepping forward, threw his arm around Dr.Vinton's neck, and laying his head upon his breast, sobbed aloud. "Alive? Alive?" he repeated.

"My dear sir," said Dr. Vinton, greatly moved, as he twined his own arm around the weeping father, "believe this, for it is God's most precious truth. Seek not your son among the dead; he is not there; he lives today in Paradise! Think of the full import of the words I have quoted. The Sadducees, when they questioned Jesus, had no other conception than that Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were dead and buried. Mark the reply: 'Now that the dead are raised, even Moses showed at the bush when he called the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. For He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for all live unto Him!'"

The clergyman went on to say that God had called the President's son into His upper kingdom-- a kingdom and an existence more real than this-- and suggested that what seemed so inexplicable to Mr. Lincoln might be a part of God's plan for the ultimate happiness of him and his family.

The words with which Dr. Vinton, a priest of our Church, brought comfort to the sorrowing heart of Abraham Lincoln were no words of merely conventional sympathy. They were of the very essence of that Divine revelation which is contained in the Gospels and in the New Testament and which permeates the Church's Burial Office from start to finish.

That Burial Office, especially if it be used in conjunction with a Requiem Eucharist attended by the family of the departed, has in it all the elements that inhere in the Christian Religion, expressed with all the solemnity and restraint that are befitting in time of sorrow.

It begins, as I have said, with our Lord's great declaration to Martha: "I am the Resurrection and the Life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never die." It goes on with the words in which Job, in the midst of his affliction, attained an insight of faith without parallel in the Old Testament: "I know that my Redeemer liveth... whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger." Then the Apostle Paul reminds us, "We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out." And to these words are added Job's unconquerable affirmation of faith rising above adversity: " The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

In the Psalms we are reminded, as is most salutary, of the shortness and uncertainty of human life and human planning. Here we are strangers and sojourners, as all our fathers were. "The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone." In other words, the appointed Psalms tell us that this world is but the vestibule to eternity, that life here is a school of character and soulmaking, and that our highest wisdom is to trust in God, who "is our hope and strength, a very present help in trouble."

In the lesson from I Corinthians xv the Apostle Paul presents the risen Christ as "the first fruits of them that slept," and goes on to expound the Christian hope of the resurrection of the body in the last great day. And what does he tell us? Does he say that in the last great day God will bring together in some magical way the identical particles of oxygen and hydrogen that went into the composition of our earthly bodies,

in order that our souls may inhabit those bodies through all eternity? "Thou foolish one, that which thou thyself sowest is not quickened except it die: and that which thou sowest, thou sowest not the body that shall be, but a bare grain." In other words, this earthly body is but the temporary habitation of the soul, which is cast aside at death, which we lay away in the grave with all due reverence and affection, recognizing, however, that it is but a dead husk, and that the real person of our friend or loved one is not to be sought there in the grave, because he is in God's keeping. The "bare grain" of which the Apostle speaks in metaphor represents the immaterial part of human personality, the vital principle wherein are stored the things that have survival value -- memories, affections, aspirations, decisions, the very essence of personality. This essential personality survives the loss of the natural body with no more impairment than is caused by the loss of fingernails and hair, because it carries with it the life-principle that is capable of assembling for itself a new body perfectly adapted to its new environment in the world to come.

In the alternative Lesson from Romans viii the Apostle reminds us that we are children and heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ - and goes on, in an eloquent climax, to proclaim that nothing "shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord". And in the other alternative Lesson our Lord himself comforts us with the revelation, "In My Father's house are many mansions," and gives us His precious promise, "I go to prepare a place for you."

It is obvious that sermons are unnecessary in the service for the Burial of the Dead, for the service itself conveys to the attentive hearer far more profound sermons than can be uttered by any living preacher. And eulogies are out of place, because high and low, rich and poor, saint and sinner, young and old alike come to the grave needing the redemption of our Lord Jesus Christ, trusting in His merits, and casting themselves on the infinite mercies of God.

It is obvious, too, that the hymns and anthems used in this service must be carefully selected, so as to be in keeping with the dignity and solemnity thereof and also in full accord with the teaching and spirit of the rest of the service. They must, in fact, be either from the authorized hymnal or in the language of the Scriptures or the Prayer Book. We do not tolerate such trite and inane effusions as "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" (where do the Scriptures mention any such destination for our immortal souls?), or "In the Garden," or "The City Foursquare." Once I yielded to pressure and under protest permitted "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" to be sung at a funeral in this church. On the way to the cemetery a visiting priest who had part in the service remarked to me:

"I never hear that song sung without being reminded of a Roman Catholic priest out in Denver who permitted it to be sung in his church. Soon afterward he received a letter from his bishop to this effect:

"'Dear Father ------:

'I understand that in a moment of weakness recently you allowed a song called "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" to be sung at a funeral held in your church. I just want to say that if you repeat the offence, you will be banished to the beautiful isle of Nowhere.'"

And quite right! Christian faith is not a tissue of vague sentimentalism, but something strong and definite. And, of course, comparatively few hymns are appropriate for funerals. Certainly, to choose a hymn because it happens to have been a favorite of the deceased is a very poor reason. But strong hymns of definite Christian faith, such as "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," "Rock of Ages," "Abide with Me," or Easter hymns like "The Strife is O'er, " or the one beginning "Jesus lives! Thy terrors now
Can no longer, Death, appall us"--
or worthy hymns descriptive of the joys of Paradise and Heaven (such as "Ten Thousand

Times Ten Thousand" and Jerusalem the Golden") -- or the excellent selection of hymns under the caption, "Burial of the Dead" -- these are appropriate, and should be used in preference to others that are out of keeping with the spirit of the Burial Office.

The service at the church goes on, usually, with the recitation of the Apostles' Creed, because of its great affirmations, "I believe in God the Father Almighty ... And in Jesus Christ .... crucified, dead, buried ... (risen) ... I believe in the Holy Ghost: the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints: the Forgiveness of sins: the Resurrection of the body; and the Life everlasting. Amen." Then follow (at the minister's discretion) the Lord's Prayer, a prayer for the departed, a prayer for the bereaved, a prayer for all those present, and the benediction. The brief service at the grave commits the body to the ground "earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust" in the "hope of the Resurrection unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord," and commends the soul of the departed unto Almighty God.

There is one great virtue in the Christian view of death as it is set forth in the Scriptures and prayers of the Burial Office, and that is its simple realism -- a realism uncontaminated by morbidity and fear, but shot through and through with "the confidence of a certain faith" and "the comfort of a reasonable, religious, and holy hope." And that is as it should be, for we are bidden by the Apostle to "sorrow not, even as others which have no hope."

The modern tendency to treat the approach of death with a conspiracy of silence, or to soft-pedal all mention of death, or to substitute for it such euphemisms as the word "passing", is neither sensible nor wholesome nor Christian. I have a good deal of sympathy for the impatience with which Bishop Wilson of Eau Claire once treated the objections to the words, "If I should die before I wake," in the familiar children's prayer, "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep." People object to these words because they suggest unpleasant thoughts to a child's mind. (They never did to me when I was a little boy saying this prayer.) Parents, says Bishop Wilson, "insist on substituting some sentimental expression that says nothing and let their children grow up to an emotional shock someday which is absolutely inevitable. Children should be educated to face the facts of life. One of the surest facts is death. They ought to be trained to meet it in a Christian way ... The sentimentalizing of the Christian Religion is the best way to rob it of its practical usefulness. It was never intended to be a poetic phantasy of roses and dew-drops. It is meant to meet the facts of life as we have to live it. Show me how death can cease to be a fact, and I might consider voting for a revision of this little prayer." Amen, say I! There is food for thought in what the Bishop says.

Death is a universal fact which should be courageously and wisely faced. There is a time-honored petition in the Litany, "From battle and murder, and from sudden death, Good Lord, deliver us." I believe that expresses a sound Christian instinct. Death is something to be prepared for, and the Christian believer may well pray that he be allowed time to prepare for it. Of course, the best preparation for it is "always to live in such a state that we may never be afraid to die." But I confess that for myself I <u>don't</u> want the approach of death to be kept from me, if I die of a lingering illness. I want the ministrations of the Church in my last hours -- her priestly absolution and <u>viaticum</u> or last Communion, so that I may be fully prepared in heart and conscience for the great transition , and may "walk through the valley of the shadow of death" in the companionship of the Good Shepherd. I reecho from the bottom of my heart the sentiments expressed by John Henry Newman in his poem, "Hora Novissima";

"Whene'er goes forth Thy dread command,
And my last hour is nigh,
Lord, grant me in a Christian land,
As I was born, to die.

"I pray not, Lord, that friends may be,
Or kindred, standing by,--
Choice blessing' which I leave to Thee
To grant me or deny.

"But let my failing limbs beneath
My Mother's smile recline;
And prayers sustain my laboring breath
From out her Sacred shrine.

"And let the Cross beside my bed
In its due emblems rest;
And let the absolving words be said,
To ease a laden breast.

"Thou, Lord, where'er we lie, canst aid;
But He, who taught His own
To live as one, will not upbraid
The dread to die alone."

I'm sure that isn't morbid. I'm sure it is deeply Christian to want to die, in all humility and penitence, with the assurance of God's forgiveness of one's sins and with the Sacramental assurance of the companionship of the Good Shepherd.

Speaking for myself again I am sure I enjoy the good things of this life as much as anyone. I enjoy the companionship of loved ones and friends. I love the comforts of home. I thoroughly enjoy people, both as individuals and as crowds. I love nature in all its varied moods and changing seasons. I love the out-of-doors. I love travel. I love reading. I love art and music and drama. I am thoroughly in love with my work. But if I were told that I must die tomorrow, though I shrink as much as anybody from physical suffering, I believe I could face death calm and unafraid. Because I believe in my heart of hearts that death is "the most beautiful adventure of life," and that all the good things of this life put together are but dim shadows of those good things which through the mercy of God we shall some day find when we pass through the grave and gate of death into the larger, fuller, richer, more glorious life of the world to come.

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DISTRICT GROUPS ORGANIZE FOR FALL WORK

IS YOUR YPF THE SAME OLD THING?

My dear YPF Workers:

I am taking advantage of the generosity of the Editor of The Crusader to send you a message for the beginning of the fall work.

The great danger to overcome is the feeling that what you are doing is "the same old thing" That remark is spurious and a much used alibi, but it is false. Work is never the same and what the Church looks for from the Y.P.F. is to contribute that enthusiasm and freshness of outlook which are the very nature of young folk.

The Christian religions and Christian experiences are ever new and every person's outlook is just a bit different from that of the other one.

So with a will and with joy and a determination to make the Fellowship count definitely in our Master's Cause and for His Church, let us begin our fall work together and on time.

My love to each and every one.

Affectionately, FRANK ARTHUR McELWAIN

ACTIVE GROUP BOOSTS PARISH MORALE

I am happy indeed to have a word of mine included in this first issue of The Crusader.

The Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese of Minnesota is one of our most effective organizations for Diocesan morale and achievement. A parish which has a Young People's Fellowship really living up to its spiritual and social ideals is a fortunate parish. Our chapters are strong and active exactly in proportion as their leadership is consecrated to the two-fold ideal of spiritual and social vitality.

Faithfully yours, STEPHEN E. KEELER

DIOCESAN Y.P.F. PROGRAM MATERIAL READY FOR DISTRIBUTION; ORDER YOUR COPY NOW!

The Diocesan Program Commission that was appointed at the convention last spring has issued a wonderful seventy page booklet containing a wealth of interesting material for the use of all groups. This accomplishment represents the best program outline and broadest scope of material ever released by the Diocesan organization. After a spring and summer of constant study and composition, this program book may now be secured from the District President or the Diocesan Office for 35¢.

FIRST COUNCIL SESSION TO SET RALLY DATES

As the groups of the St.Paul District begin preparation for a year of advancement through the four-fold purpose of our organization, all groups are planning their initial meetings on Sept.16 or 23. These first gatherings of the chapters, as members return from their vacations, will be mostly informal and plans for the fall season are completed. During the summer months, extensive plans have been made by Diocesan and District officers so that the individual organization may immediately start on the work for the year. The first District Council meeting of the fall will be held Thursday evening, Sept. 13 at St. Clements. Plans for the Fall Rally to be held during the latter part of October, will be made and suggestions for the furtherance of our work will be discussed. Present indications are that the District group and the local chapters will reach a new peak of Y.P.F. progress.

MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT PLANS FALL RALLY

The Minneapolis District is making extensive plans for the coming year. At a council meeting at St. Marks on August 14, preliminary plans were made for the Fall Rally of the District to be held on October 21, when the District members go to St. Lukes. The next Council is to be held at St. Andrews on September 12, at which time the program for the year will be completed.

All groups in Minneapolis will start meetings during September. The members of Gethsemane group will open the year on September 16. St. Marks is to start their Y.P.F. year on September 23 and on the following Sunday other chapters will commence their activities.

The Young People's Fellowship at St. Marks held an informal reception for the new rector, Rev. Chas. P. Deems. Dancing was enjoyed in the Fireplace Room of the Parish House and refreshments were partaken of on the lawn.

ANOKA Y.P.F. CONDUCTS UNION SERVICE

The Anoka Y.P.F. was in charge of the United Young People's Service sponsored by the United Young People of Anoka on Sunday afternoon, August 5. The address was delivered by Richard R. Emery of St. Paul, Past Diocesan President, whose subject was "A Strange Paradox". About fifty members from the Twin Cities attended.

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THE CRUSADER GREETS YOU

"A vigorouw concerted action in the defense of a cause or advancement of an idea." In this definition of a crusade you find the purpose of our paper. This first issue begins the fifth year for a news medium in our district work. Our plans for the coming year are greater, our hopes higher, and our efforts more intense than have ever been manifest for this publication. We believe that with these extensive plans, we will be able to make this endeavor a most essential part of the crusade which the Y.P.F. is carrying on for the youth of the Church.

UNIFICATION AMONG FIRST OBJECTIVES

The absolute need for cooperation in the work of our organization was never more graphically shown than in the excursion project during the past summer. And perhaps the possibilities for a worthwhile and remunerative undertaking have never been as good,but the lack of support from member groups in the District was so great that the help of the few faithful members and groups was minimized. The members of the committee in charge deserve the commendation of the whole district for their untiring work and unselfish endeavor in this excursion. Their plans,with the exception of publicity, were taken care of in a wonderful manner and the results in no way reflect the time and energy they put forth to further the project. It is regrettable that the monetary profit was made so small by the neglect of duty and tardy efforts of nearly all group presidents and beyond them by the members of the local organizations.This past undertaking should not curtail future projects but it shows the need to overcome the disregard for responsibility and lack of cooperation now present in our work. Perhaps the first task for the year will be to secure a greater unity and spirit of cooperation within the district, thus to prepare for the pactice of the higher aims of the YPF.

Greetings to the young people of the St. Paul District and the Diocese:-

We are stepping into the eleventh year of the Young People's Fellowship in the Diocese of Minnesota, the beginning of the second decade, which should prove even better than the last. I know it is the desire of each one that your own Y. P. F. group should be the best. Let's all put our shoulder to the wheel in an effort to make it so. Then when we pause in 1944 to look back, we may see even more progress in our last ten years than our predecessors made.

To those of you who have not secured your book of program material, compiled and issued this summer by the Program Commission appointed at the convention, I urge you to order your copies at once through your District leaders. This is the finest piece of work that has ever been accomplished in this Diocese and I congratulate those people who spent a good many hours of their time in the interests of the Y. P. F.

Throughout the coming year let us not forget Bishop McElwain's charge at our last Diocesan convention, --"Extensive growth in numbers, intensive growth in purpose and unconscious growth in reaching toward full maturity." Toward this end may we travel.

I take pleasure in congratulating the St.Paul District in their organization of a District paper. It should be of great assistance in bringing a closer companionship between the groups.I wish the Editor and his staff all the success in the world. Sincerely yours,

Frederick L. Searing, Jr.
Diocesan President.

ON FRIENDSHIP

Since life, the days' earth clinging clouds had held
My soul a tyrant from love and light,
Then, as like hoarded sunbeams had compelled
Gray clouds to scatter and release their might
You came ! And in your companionship I found
The love and hope I had missed and wanted so.
You came, and softer light circled me 'round
As when at sunset clouds gave way to glow.
Though you are leaving now, there will remain
The painful afterglow of memory.
E'en the murk of midnight will be vain
Because the stars will hold your light for me
May God, Himself, be generous to you
In lingering days and memories, too.

--Edward J. Yench
St. Pauls Y. P. F.

This first issue of The Crusader is being sent gratis to all members. To defray the cost of mailing and paper, a subcription rate of 25¢ for the remaining eight issues has been set.Place your subscription with your representative.

THE GROUPS OF THE DISTRICT IN REVIEW

St. James' Church -- Dorothy Danielson

The activities of the Y.P.F. members at St. James' during the summer months were placed in the hands of three committees (these including the entire membership of the organization) each being responsible for an outing during one of the months of June,July and August. On Friday night,Sept. 7th, the last of the outings was held in the form of a powwow at Spring Park.

As many members of the District may already know, the former president of our group, Ray Severs, was married to Miss Mildred Lane of Winnipeg, Canada, on July 28th. Four of our members,Betty Emery,Francell Gundlach,Charles Isakson and Jerald Jensen, motored up to Canada to attend the ceremony. A group of our young people, including Diocesan President Fred Searing, met Mrs. Severs when she arrived here from Canada on Aug.18. On the following Saturday night,the YPF gave a party at the Church in honor of the newlyweds.

The first meeting of the fellowship will be held on Sunday,Sept. 16,at five p.m. The fellowship will also meet for Corporate Communion at 8 a.m . which will be preceded by a Service of Preparation on Saturday at 7 p.m. The installation of new officers will take place on Sunday morning.

The group is following the Diocesan program for its study during the year. It is looking forward to starting a YPF for the young people of St. Peter's.

The Fellowship of St. James' regrets that it will soon lose one of its most able and earnest workers past Diocesan President,Richard R. Emery, when he enters Seminary this fall. However,we are proud to have had him as a fellow-worker and member,and we wish to thank him for the enthusiasm he has inspired in us through his association with us.

Christ Church ---- Everett Grunz

The Christ Church group is planning to use the new program quite extensively and intensively during the coming year. A committee will be appointed to handle the allocation and arrangement in a sequence best suited to the group. Franklyn Hansen,our president,was present at the Summer Conference and he promises a lot of new ideas will be put forth this year to stimulate the group's activity.

Mr. Owen,our advisor,built a sailboat during the winter and spring and spent a good many hours with it at our campsite on Lake Independence.

The group has tentatively decided to build a portable stage,a good deal larger than the one we now have to enable us to give larger and, we hope, better productions.

Two prominent YPFers from our group, Gerald Grunz and Thomas Hitchcock, plan to enter Macalester this fall where engineering will be their chief study.

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Church of the Messiah --- George Davis

Since the last Solemn Evensong Service, Messiah YPF has had no meetings. The annual picnic in June was a gay affair with old and present members joining in a day of pleasure and amusement.

Messiah YPFers have spent most of the holidays at East Shore Park,White Bear, those whose names appear in the guest book are: Betty Benham,Carl Smith,Eddie Hamm,Grace Formo, Henry Whitbeck, Alice Nordquist,Buck Jones, and the cottagers themselves, Paul LaFaver, Luke Effertz, and George Davis. The list doesn't stop there by any means, in fact its like a good ramble around the district including names of Chester Gaskell,Libby Ann Fitch,Walter Montgomerie,Bob Baker,Todd Pett,Juliet Stiefel,and Mary Jane Atcheson.

Gossip has it that Paul LaFaver made a sailboat and what does that mean? Our representative in the Minneapolis strike was Hank Whitbeck, who was a member of the National Guard.George Davis Spent a few days at White Iron near Ely, Minn., as an added vacation from his summer's home at White Bear.And did Betty Benham have a sunburn while vacationing at our East Shore Park?And who was the fellow with the new Plymouth coupe, Betty? At this writing, Grace Formo is getting ready to act as maid of honor at her sister's wedding. How many times,Grace? It must be rather nice to be ill in a hospital,isn't it,Carl? --Especially if one can meet such good companions. And we understand that the group has a golf team,too. How about it,Ed,Hank, and Carl? We hear that Ed Hamm "Paid" a visit to Justice Marsh this summer, some fun,Eh? Dick Wolff escaped us and spent the vacation at Balsam Lake. And Kenny Tyler, of course,has had many new notches in his belt, seems strange that under each a girl's name appears.Hows about it,Ken?

Our first meeting of the fall season will probably be held in a week or so, an informal gathering to get together and plan for the coming year. Messiah members have spent a grand summer swimming,golfing,shooting,tennis,loafing etc., and are ready for a season full of activity. Are you all with us?

Chapel of the Resurrection -Fred Morse

The group at the Chapel of the Resurrection has not been holding meetings during the summer but it is planning to work again this fall toward enlarging and furthering the group. New officers were elected at the last meeting of the spring. Those elected to carry out the plans for the next year are Fred Morse, president; May Monks, vice president; Irving Kimbert, secretary; and Charles Nord, treasurer.We are all looking for a splendid year and toward furthering the work of the organization in our own group.

YOUTH IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME SOMEBODY AND TO DO SOMETHING.Munger

St. Pauls' Church -- Betty Jane Howe

Welcome, Young People! We are soon to start another year of our Young People's Fellowship at St. Pauls'.

We have not been an active group during the summer but there has been a good attendance at our monthly Corporate Communions. We will have a meeting to formally open our year on September 16th. A meeting was held last Sunday to complete plans for the big Fall Festival and carnival we are having at St. Pauls' on the nights of September 13, 14 and 15. We hope that all the members of the District will visit us during these three evenings. We'll be expecting you.

During the coming year,we will follow the Young People's Diocesan Program in formulating our study curriculum.

Many members of the group have taken trips and pleasant vacations during the summer. Among the most interesting of these was that taken by Dorothy Norton, our vice-president. By the way, we understand that several of our young people have been exchanging post cards during the summer. Who might they be?

St. Clement's Church -- Barbara Hagmann

A grand and glorious ice cream social was held by the group at St. Clement's to open the summer season. Peggy Poore,our social chairman, was in charge assisted by Virginia Terry,Dorothy Cooper,Cynthia Connelly,Peggy Lovering,Betty France and Mary Miller as waitresses. An orchestra furnished music for the dancing held in the parish house. About three hundred attended.

Meetings of the group during the summer were confined to Corporate Communion Services on the third Sunday of each month. Following the services, waffles and other fine breakfasts were served to the hungry Church-goers. The masculine element of the chapter helped the Church by delivering the "Plus Effort" banks.

Due to the extremely hot weather the tennis tournament was a sizzle, I mean a fizz le. The tournament was attended bya few of the more perspiring,I mean aspiring players and loyal YPFers.

A great many of the members have been out of town for the vacations. The president went to -- oh, dear, I promised I wouldn't tell that! Peggy Poore spent most of her time golfing at Midland Hills course where she is a member. Also among those on vacations out of town were Dorothy Cooper, Barbara and Polly Hagmann, Gordon Graham,Libby and Lucille Fitch, Cynthia Connelly,Vernon Johnson, and Fenwick Atwill. Three members of our group were in attendance at the Summer Conference,and we expect to receive much benefit from the ideas they received.

In order to make your next carnival, entertainment or bazaar a success,a very attractive arrangement can be made with the Associated Sound Broadcast Equipment Company. The low rental fee can be paid from solicitation of ads from merchants to be used between musical or verbal entertainment.

St. Johns' Church ----- Fendall Lyon

St. Johns' young people, under the leadership of Robert Baker, president for the coming year, have not been idle during the summer.

At a recent meeting plans were developed for a house to house survey of the neighborhood of the Church to see if there is a demand that the facilities of the Parish House be opened to the community. The Parish House,formerly called the Church Club, used to have swimming and gym classes open to the public, regardless of religious affiliation. Club meetings were held there and neighborhood organizations could rent the auditorium for dances and lectures. This policy was abolished several years ago, and since then the building has been used solely for a center of the parish activities. However it has been felt that if there is a demand in the community for the facilities of the Parish House, the old arrangements should be restored. The YPF have agreed to conduct the survey, and a report will soon be ready.

A Mississippi river dance on the Capitol Steamer was sponsored by the group on August 27th. A vigorous ticket selling campaign was launched by the members and a large number of YPF members from St. Paul and Minneapolis attended. The money gained through the venture will be used for improvements in the Church.

Early in August a group of approximately twenty members met at the Parish House and went on a picnic at Reginald Faulkner's farm,a few miles above Marine on the St.Croix. The afternoon was spent in swimming and after supper everybody gathered about a crackling fire and sang and told stories.Another picnic was held at Vivian Krag's cottage on Lake Minnetonka on August 26.

The bonds of matrimony claimed two of St. Johns' Y.P.F. members recently. Raymond Staeheli,former president, was married to Corrine Dose on August 18, the night of the big storm that struck St. Paul. The Church was without electricity at the time of the ceremony, and those who attended said that the service, performed in the light of flickering candles, was very impressive. St. Johns YPF wishes Ray and Corrine the best of luck and hopes they will not forget to return sometimes to the YPF meetings.

St. Matthew's Church ----- James Fish

Most of our members have been out of St.Paul on vacations and we have held no meetings during the summer months. We expect to start our fall work within the next week and we will have a very active and enthusiastic group during the year. John Hauck and Betty Cartwright were in attendance at the Summer Conference from our group and they promise to help us with the many helpful suggestions and ideas they received from the sessions.

The difficulty is not so great to die for a friend, as to find a friend worth dying for. -- Home

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St. Mary's Church ---- Elizabeth Seekins

Open House on Sunday, September 16th, will be the initial meeting of the YPF at St. Mary's. Letters will be issued to all the young people in the parish. This special meeting will be called to order at 5:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend. The four-fold purpose of the YPF the aims of the St. Mary's group, and how the chapter intends to carry out the four-fold program will be explained.

A business meeting will be held on Sept. 23 at which time questionnaires will be filled out. On September 30 the weather permitting, an outdoor meeting will take place.

A general outline for the meetings was made at the last St. Mary's Council meeting.On the first Sunday of the month all the important business will be discussed and decided, the second week a special speaker will be present, the third week will be Social Sunday, and the fourth Sunday will be Hobby Day.

And That's Thirty for September.

Ascension Church ------ Juliet Stiefel

With many members out of town for the vacation period, Ascension group did not have any outstanding accomplishments during the summer. But the members of the group have plenty of tales for the fall months. They will enjoy hearing more about Rev. F. E. Stillwell's trip to the Episcopal Mission at Cass Lake, Minn.This year the mission was named "Galilee". He reports that the most impressive sight during his stay there was two bishops, Keeler of our Diocese, and Kemerer of Duluth, shingling a cottage. A picture of this was taken, but it is not available for publication. Which Bishop bought it out of existence? Rev. Stillwell also admits that he caught a tiger muskie and upon further questioning says this specimen of fish is sought by all fishermen. He modestly refuses to disclose the size of his catch.

About twenty-five members attended a picnic at Phalen Park during the summer. And now, with our members back for their fall work, we anticipate a really worthwhile season.

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DIOCESAN YPF APPROVES DECENCY CAMPAIGN

At the meeting of the Diocesan Executive Committee held at St. Marks,Minneapolis, Monday evening September 10th a unanimous motion was carried adopting a resolution favoring the campaign for decency in motion pictures. The following resolution was adopted:-

Whereas, the average motion picture productions shown on the screens of our theaters are beyond the moral and intellectual boundaries of common decency,

And whereas,an organization has been set up to bring about a reform of this distasteful condition,

And whereas, the aims and objects of the Y.P.F. are in exact accord with this movement,

Therefore be it resolved that the Y.P.F. of the Diocese of Minnesota cooperate with the Catholics, Jews and Protestants and accept the pledges of the Protestant League for Better Motion Pictures and join with them in distributing them and promoting their use through all the Y.P.F.s in the Diocese.

Be it further resolved that in order to fully realize the benefits of such a reform, and to help reach the ultimate goal of clean and decent motion pictures that the same pledges be distributed to all secretaries of each district, or where district are non-existent, to the secretary of the local Y.P.F.'s and that they distribute the pledges to all the young people under their jurisdiction or in their parish not later than October 1. Be it further resolved that each district parish report back as to the degree of their use.

Pledge cards will be distributed in the St.Paul District within the next two weeks and it is hoped that each group will expedite the handling of them.

ST. PAULS' CHURCH SPONSORS FALL FROLIC

Come One! Come All! Where? To the Second Annual Frolic and Festival to be given at St. Paul's Church September 13, 14 and 15. The Y.P.F. will have charge of the dancing. We want you all to come and dance to the strains of Charlie Sieb and his orchestra. The prices are low--so get up a crowd and come out any one of the three nights.

Besides dancing, there will be bands, "Bingo", that entrancing game,and a well supplied country store. Now don't forget the dates, Sept. 13, 14 and 15.

About 175 Church workers from throughout the Diocese attended the Annual Summer Conference at Carleton College, Northfield June 16th to 23rd. Well-known teachers of nationwide experience taught the classes.

EXCERPTS FROM ELSEWHERE

Each month during the year, The Crusader will present items of interest taken from other papers throughout the land. We are exchanging issues with many news organs sponsored by the Y.P. F. and the Young People's Service Leagues---this is the name of our organization in parts of the country. We are pleased to use these bits of thought and information from the other groups and believe that they will be beneficial to our chapters.

From the Diocese of Alabama come reports of two very successful summer conferences. An issue of their Diocesan organ, The Alabama Spirit, contains many interesting notes from the first of these. One very good column includes notes from the diary of the camp Walter Winchell. We believe some of the Minnesota young people should pay us to withhold some of our inside dope from the Carleton Camp.

"Our Diocesan organization exists solely to give a UNITY to all of our individual endeavors; it exists to serve as a CLEARING HOUSE for ideas on every phase of our common work; it exists to give a LARGER VISION to individuals when it focuses the attention upon the larger group; it exists to BEAR WITNESS to all men that Episcopal young people are alert to their responsibilities and opportunities as potential Christians." --
The Bulletin - Diocese of Western N.Y.

And another group had an excursion. The Diocese of Newark had their sixth annual Boat Ride and Outing on June 16. All the members boarded the S. S. Waukota and sailed to Playland Amusement Park at Rye Beach, N.Y. --- This from a most interesting paper, The Fellowship News of the Diocese of Newark.

Is it a habit? The members of the Pine Bluff, Ark. group recently engaged in a Scavenger Hunt. They found it easier to secure the mayor's autograph than a 1913 nickle. (Make it any nickle). And we were reminded that our own Rev. Atwill lost a clerical collar a few nights ago to a Y.P.F. member in such a hunt.

The Diocese of Ohio sent representatives to a retreat sponsored by the Ohio Council of Religious Education where the leaders of 9 denominations, the YMCA and YWCA, and similar organizations discussed problems of youth, the merits and faults of their respective groups and other pertinent topics. Through study and analysis they discovered common faults in their programs and methods of correction for each. --- From news in the Monthly Greeting of the Diocese of Ohio.

One of the most interesting columns in the Sentinel, issued by the Y.P.S.L. of St. Pauls', San Diego, Calif., is on Hymnology. The Crusader staff would welcome the assistance of anyone in the St. Paul District who would volunteer to write such a series of articles for us.

WHY WE GO TO Y. P. F.

"Going to YPF tonight?"
"Just try to keep me away!"

So runs any typical after-Church salutation of any of us young people. What is the attraction that makes us so eager to attend the meetings of our organization? Of course, we have very enjoyable programs, delightful suppers, and beautiful devotionals. These factors are always important in making our get-together successful, but there is something more than this, something which binds us all together, even in name, and it's Fellowship. At our meetings we have a chance to mingle with our fellow workers, exchange viewpoints on various subjects, and enjoy that feeling of friendship that is inspired by associations like ours. There are two great principles of the Christian religion: first, fellowship with God; and second, fellowship with His children. Let's enjoy our Sunday nights to the utmost in this way, for there is no better way to demonstrate these principles than through the Young People's Fellowship.

--Marjorie Samuelson
St.Pauls' Y.P.F.

THE CRUSADER SOLICITS YOUR COOPERATION

Revenue for the operation of The Crusader must be derived from three sources namely, subscriptions, advertising, and projects. While we expect, of course, to keep the cost of this publication to a minimum, nevertheless, we must have the undivided support of the entire district in order to successfully issue the paper.

The subscription rate that has been set is extremely reasonable in comparison to the benefit that will accrue to the individual members and collectively to the groups if we are able to completely execute our plans for the year. The charge for the year will be 25¢ for each subscription. This first issue is being sent to all members, but hereafter will be sent only to those with paid subscriptions. Please do not delay in paying your quarter to the Circulation Department or to the group representative in your parish.

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FALL RALLY TO BE AT ST. JAMES NOV. 4th

DIOCESAN YOUNG PEOPLES LEADERS WILL MEET TO FORMULATE PLANS FOR THE COMING YEAR

Leaders of the Young Peoples' Division of the Department of Religious Education and members of the Diocesan Executive Council will hold a joint meeting October 15 at All Saints' Church, Minneapolis.

The purpose of this meeting will be to make necessary plans for the furtherance of the work of the young people of the Church in the Diocese of Minnesota during the coming year. Many important matters will be discussed and decisions of this combined gathering are expected to aid materially in mapping the procedure of the Young Peoples' Fellowship and the work of the Diocesan Young Peoples' Division.

The meeting has been arranged, and will be presided over, by Rev. Gordon E. Brant, of Minneapolis, Chairman of the Department of Religious Education, and Frederick E. Searing, Jr., of Mankato, Diocesan Y. P. F. President.

DIOCESAN PROGRAM BOOKS PROVE INTERESTING

Extensive use of the Diocesan Program Books has been started during the last month by nearly all the groups of the St. Paul District and the other member groups of the Diocesan Young Peoples' Fellowship.

Reports have been received through presidents and clergy that indicate that this piece of program material is proving of immense value to the individual groups in formulating the study periods.

Undoubtedly this is the best program material that has been issued by the Diocese for the use of the YPF. It ranks as one of the finest program outlines available for the use of young people thruout the country.

Those who have not yet ordered their copy of this seventy-page program and information book are urged to purchase one immediately through their District President or the Diocesan Office. The price, which covers only the cost of materials used in its makeup, is only thirty-five cents.

CRUSADER STAFF SPONSORS DANCE AS PROJECT

In order to raise additional funds to defray operating costs of the Crusader, beyond mailing and paper costs that are paid for by the subscription rate, the staff will sponsor an informal dance on Friday, November sixteenth.

Arrangements are being made to secure a well-recommended popular orchestra at a suitable hall so that an enjoyable and pleasant dance will result.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES AND CHARGES FOR COMING YEAR BY BISHOPS ADD TO PROGRAM FOR INITIAL RALLY OF THE YEAR

The initial rally of the St.Paul District for the year will be held at Saint James Church on November 4. This gathering will open with a service in their Church at Orange and Greenbrier streets, commencing at 6 p.m. The worship service will be conducted by Charles Isakson, Ray Severs and Catherine Bellows. During the services, Bishop McElwain will officiate at installation ceremonies for the newly elected officers for the year. Those who have been vested with the cloaks of leadership include Chester Gaskell, president, Paul LaFavor, vice president; Dorothy Newcomb, secretary; Frank Friedmann, treasurer; and Carl Smith, chancellor. Rev. Conrad Gesner is District Advisor.

Following the services, supper will be served and the meeting held in the Montgomery Masonic Temple on Payne Ave. and Jessamine Streets. Charges for the coming year will be presented to the District members by Rt. Rev. F. A. McElwain and Rt. Rev. Stephen E. Keeler. It is expected that many notables of the Church, who will be visiting the Diocese for the rededication ceremonies at Faribault will remain for the rally.

Members of the St. James Fellowship, under the leadership of their president, Charles Isakson, are making plans to entertain the largest Fall Rally ever held in the District and an inspired and enthused membership is expected to attend this first rally. Remember, November 4- 6 p. m. - St. James Church - Orange and Greenbrier streets.

NATIONAL PROGRAM VALUABLE AID TO GROUPS

The very excellent program book, sponsored by the National Cooperating committee has been overshadowed in this Diocese partially by the use of the Diocesan Program Material Book. It is very opportune; however, to point out the inestimable value of this national program material. The committee in June undertook to sponsor as a national program book "Valiant Christians We?" by Dorothy May Fischer, National Secretary for Young People. This booklet contains a wealth of interesting material for the use of groups who do not wish to use the Diocesan Program in its entirety. The groups would benefit greatly by analyzing the suggestions for topics as well as the extremely valuable supplementary bibliography. Copies may be obtained throuth the Church Missions House at twenty-five cents per copy. Any additional information may be secured through the district officers upon request.

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PUBLIC EDUCATION PLAN NEEDED FOR FILMS

During the past two years, much has been written and spoken concerning the quickest and surest way of "cleaning up" the movies.And now that our organization through the Diocesan Council,has adopted the pledge card plan as a means for centralizing the protest of the Young Peoples' Fellowship against the conditions now present on the screen, it is appropriate to diagnose the reasons for such a plan.

Many reformists have been talking of whitewashing the movies before,but their plans have fallen because they failed to realize the cause for the indecencies they were attempting to combat.It is not the principle of block-booking as they have tried to have abolished. This is a minor matter in comparison with the fact which stands out: the public must be educated to patronize better pictures and then the magnates will be unable to make enough to warrant the undesirable shows.

At the present, therefore, with the people as the judges, it is possible for them to hold the whip-hand in demanding the decent pictures.No theater can exist when its patrons renounce the pictures it screens.It is estimated that at least half of those attending the shows which do offend common decency are not in sympathy with the filthy portrayals that have come to be the screen's most profitable ventures.And it is that 50% that gives the theater owner his profit.

It is only through a concentrated action similar to that which we have adopted that will point out the benefits of the shows wherein education, instruction and amusement are combined; and when the majority of picture enthusiasts patronize only this better type of film entertainment, the problem will be solved. If, through concerted action, the public forces the issue directly to the theater owner, the result will be felt through the booking agencies, and beyond them by the studio magnates who will wince while their incomes decrease and in response will be forced to release only the best in motion pictures attractions.

WHICH ARE YOU?

In a certain small town there were two men who were known for their indolence. These,for the sake of convenience, we shall call John and Jim.

Also in this town were two other men who were known for their willingness to bet on anything and everything. We shall call these two Bill and Bob.

It so happened that Bill and Bob were standing in front of the general store speculating on the weather. Jim, as was his wont,was lying at full length under a large maple.John was lounging on a box in the shade of the store's canopy.John and Jim were brought up as subjects of Bill's and Bob's conversation.Bill maintained that John was the laziest man in six counties.Bob held that Him was.So it doesn't seem unnatural for Bob and Bill to wager.To prove who was the lazier was the next thing.Bill had a sudden inspiration--he went into the store and bought two sacks of tobacco, motioning for Bob to follow, he walked toward John.

"John," he said, "here's some tobacco for you."

John, without changing position, put out his hand and drawled, "Thank y'."

The pair then walked over to Jim and repeated the operation.

On hearing Bill's offer, Jim mumbled, "Would y' please put it in m' pocket?"

Of course, Bill lost the bet.

Now all this may sound rather confusing, but it concerns something that has set me thinking.When we go to church are we somewhat like Jim? Do we sit passively in our pews saying to ourselves,"Well, I came.Let the rector do the rest."We hope that perhaps,sponge-like,we'll "soak up" enough spirituality to last us until the next Sunday. I'm afraid it won't work. John made some effort, though it wasn't much. Can't we stretch forth the hand of prayer and active attention and say, "Give me grace, O God, to do Thy Will"?

Are we like John or Jim? Everett Trunz

Space requirements for the month make it necessary for us to eliminate our intended resume of the work of the organization in other parts of the country. We do want to salute the many papers in the other Dioceses who have been kind enough to exchange issues with us and wish them all possible success in their efforts.We wish to tell the District members that we will include this exchange service in next month's issue becuase of the interest you have shown in their ideas and plans.

Subscriptions are NOW due
Some pay when due
Some never seem to
How do you do?

Additional suggestions for a Social Service Project to be undertaken by the District Y.P.F. will be appreciated by your president. Please communicate with him.

GROUPS IN REVIEW

ED HAMM NAMED PRESIDENT OF MESSIAH GROUP

On September 23rd, Messiah YPF held a special election meeting and Ed Hamm was elected president for the remainder of the year, due to the resignation of the president elected at the annual meeting.

The group had an informal party on September 21st at Betty Benham's. This was a barbecue party and all had a grand time; Messiah would like to thank Mrs. Mae Benham for her wonderful hospitality.

Messiah loses a splendid worker this year in Vernon L.S.(Buck)Jones. Buck has entered Carleton College on the Carleton-Seabury plan as a representative of the Diocese of Duluth of which he is a member.Buck has had charge of four churches in the northern part of the state during the summer and expects to continue serving them while attending Carleton. Heres wishing you all the luck in the world, Buck.

Messiah is rather a scholastic-minded group this year, a large number of members having enrolled in the University, University Extension, and in the adult education groups at various St.Paul Y's.

Things we miss now that summer's gone include:- Paul LaFavor's bird shooting, Carl Smith's golf clubs, Betty Benham's curly headed "Shuey", Grace Formo's billowing frocks, Ed Hamm's car----top down and loaded with the gang, George Davis's impromptu Sunday suppers, Hank Whitbeck's National Guard hours.

Messiah has gone over the top in its Crusader subscriptions,having subscribed 100% and having a number of outside subscriptions.

All good things come to an end and so even this,kind reader, must call a halt.

George L. Davis

PROGRAMS AT ST. PAULS VARIED FOR OCTOBER

The fellowship of St.Paul's Church is planning a very interesting program for the month of October. As a group we have decided to have our Compline Services three times a month and some other appropriate evening service on the fourth Sunday.

The group regrets the departure of one of its most earnest workers during the past summer in his visit home, Robert Wolterstorff, who is in Iowa attending school. Thanks,Bob, for all your help in our Fall Frolic.

On Sunday,October 7, officers for this coming year were installed and on Oct.14 we are going to have a speaker. Oct. 21, we are to have an entertainment by some talented young dancers under the direction of their teacher,Miss Laura Hoffoss. October 28, will be a Big Surprise for everyone who comes to YPF so don't fail to attend this meeting.

We are going to spend time each Sunday on our Diocesan Program of Study, which we know will be very interesting.

Well, we'll be seeing you all at the Rally on November fourth.

Betty J. Hauge

FRANK K. OWEN TO WRITE HYMNOLOGY SERIES

Beginning with the November issue,the Crusader will have the pleasure of inaugurating a series of articles on Hymnology by Frank K. Owen, organist and choirmaster at Christ Church.

PAY YOUR SUBSCRIPTION AT YOUR NEXT MEETING

ST.MARYS GROUP STARTS INTERESTING SEASON

St.Mary's YPF has welcomed many new members in the last few weeks. At the Open House held Sept. 18, which was held for parents and prospective YPF members, we expressed our hopes and plans for the year,and we seem to have acquired plenty of help for a successful year.

This year our YPF feels it has a very definite purpose and as it is part of the Church we must uphold the Christian ideals. Since the charge given by Bishop McElwain is the stressing of spiritual growth, this will be our purpose for the ensuing year.

We are definitely following the Diocesan program prepared for the young people. Last month we had discussions on "The Church ,the Body of Christ as a Learning Body", and as a "Praying Body". This month at our meetings, we are going to continue study, and on October 7th,we studied, "The Church, the Body of Christ as a Loving Body".

Then we are starting a series of new discussions. These will be talks by various missionary personalities active in foreign fields. This series starts on October 21, when we will discuss Christian Social Service which includes organizations our Church is helping. Oct. 28, we are to learn about city missions in St.Paul, Minneapolis, New York, and San Antonio, Texas.

October 7th, the program was planned so that all the members could bid "goodbye and good luck" to Thurlow Baker, a member who has been active in our organization for many years. Thurlow leaves to study at Seabury Western and is the fifth member of our group to go there in recent years. Good luck, Thurlow!

Elisabeth Seeking

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE INSPIRES ST.MATTHEWS

The first regular meeting of St. Matthews YPF was held Sunday night,Sept.30. At this meeting we witnessed the results of our one-week membership drive. Nine new members joined our ranks.We also had present our new advisor,the first one we ever had at St. Matthews,Mrs.A.W.Gurney. Following our service, the traditional lunch was served by two members. Then we had a short business meeting, planning the framework for the coming year of activity. The study program will follow the fourfold purpose laid out during the Summer Conference.The social end will be held up by pow-wows,sleigh rides, tobogganparties, and the like, according to the season. After the meeting, we all joined in playing games. Those who were present at this meeting for the first time were:- Charles,Hedlund,James Frost, Betty Bartelt, Bob McPherson,Bob Clarow, Beverly Loring, Betty Cox, and John (Old Kaintuck) Steers, who is in the city attending school.

Most of the members are attending the University.Others are going to John Marshall H.S.,Minneapolis,and Mechanic Arts High School in St. Paul.

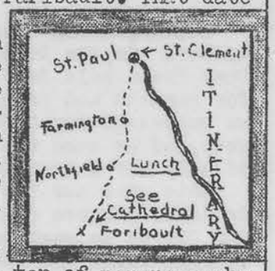
James Fisk

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT RALLIES FOR THE YEAR

November 4	- Study	- St. James
January 11	- Fellowship	- St. Marys & St. Matthews
March 24	- Lenten	- Ascension
May 19	- Election	- St. Clements

ST.CLEMENTS TO MAKE CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE

On October 14 our fellowship is going to the Cathedral at Faribault. That date will be Homecoming Sunday in the parish and the young people will leave for the Cathedral City following services in the Church. Several cars will make the trip, and there will be a picnic supper on the journey home.



Our kingdom for a ton of papers, maybe we better make it two tons for that matter. Anyway, the fellowship had a paper sale September 29. Fenwick Atwill was in charge of the sale, and the last report was that he, with the help of all the members had made the sale a success.

That wonderful, clever, (pardon my ravings but it was good) poster that Chester Gaskell designed showing the activities of the group and which won first place at the Diocesan YPF convention last year is to be on display at Atlantic City for the General Convention.

I had to lower myself to bribery to get the necessary quarters lastweek. The bribe was that all who paid (except IOUs) were to get their names in the paper so here goes: After the meeting on Sunday Dick Tudor, Chester Gaskell, Walt Montgomerie, Barbara Hagmann and a few others (who didn't pay---yet) were entertained at home of Peggy Poore.

During September, Dick and Bob Tudor were in charge of programs. Bob gave a very interesting talk Sept. 23 on, "Principles of Public Relief". Next week, Dick spoke on one of the first topics in the new Diocesan Program book, which we plan to use this year, Both subjects were well prepared and the group had very lively discussions on the questions. Last Sunday Mr. Atwill lead the discussion on Bishop Whipple's work in the Church.

Saturday, Sept. 29, Rev. Mr. Atwill was planning to take the YPF and his Bible class on a picnic, but due to the "Nawsty" weather the picnic was called off. All were disappointed but may the next time selected be ideal for a fall picnic.

Barbara Hagmann

STUDY COMMITTEE REPORTS AT CHRIST CHURCH

The committee on the Diocesan Program at Christ Church YPF has formulated a plan of presentation to be used by the group. One or two leaders will be appointed for one section, the committee will gather the material and give it to the leader or leaders on or two weeks in advance of the scheduled program. The leaders will in turn digest it and present it to the group. This will lighten the load considerably and, furthermore, there will be less excuse for falling down beside resulting in a more interesting and well balanced study program.

Christ Church chapter gave a farewell party for William Silver last month. Bill was awarded a scholarship by the University of Southern California. Our fellowship will miss him as a fine fellow and a faithful member. Good luck, Bill. We know you'll make a fine lawyer.

Everett Grunz

First worship God; he that forgets to pray, bids not himself good morrow or good-day. (Randolph)

MINNEAPOLIS FALL RALLY TO BE AT ST.LUKES

Rev. Conrad Gesner, advisor of the St. Paul District, will be the speaker at the first rally of the Minneapolis District, to be held at St. Luke's Church, October 21. Vesper services for the Rally will be taken be members of the District Council and the choir will be composed of all young people who wish to sing in it.

Bishop Whipple Memorial Chapel Young Peoples' Fellowship has been doing some very interesting work. Using the book, "Valiant Christians We" as a program nucleus, they have had lectures by members of the group on the lives of Al Capone and Dr. Grenvel. For the next two meetings they are going to have reports on Hitler and Albert Schweitzer. The following meeting will be devoted to a discussion comparing the lives of the men which they have studied with the life of Jesus Christ. This group is one of the smallest, yet most outstanding, groups in the Minneapolis Area.

The YPF of Gethsemane, Minneapolis, is working hard on a program to cover the period from October 1st through December and will present an interesting and instructive outline of activity.

The Minneapolis District Council at its last meeting went on record in favor of the pledges for "Better Motion Pictures". At this meeting, plans were completed for the Harvest Moon Party held last Friday evening at St. Marks. Each parish was sent an invitation in the form of a court summons. All those attending were costumed as farmers or farmerettes.

St. Marks, Minneapolis, began their meetings Sept. 23rd with an increase in membership of twenty-five. On Sept. 21, about 35 of the members attended a dinner party at the Curtis Hotel for the fellows who are leaving for school, Bob Poehler and Art McCracken. Following the dinner, the party repaired to the home of a parishioner for the remainder of the evening.

St. Andrews group sponsored a Bunco Party to raise some money to complete a layette for a young couple recently married. The girls of the group are forming a sewing club and are going to make the clothes needed.

Caroline Rose

ASCENSION YPF, STILLWATER, BEGINS MEETINGS

A small group of interested members of the chapter at Ascension Church, Stillwater, are making plans to increase their membership and begin an active YPF in the parish. Two representatives were present at the Summer Conference and have many recommendations to aid in planning a program and the activity for the coming YPF year. Miss Helen Tolen is president of this fellowship.

MINNEAPOLIS CLERIC TO ADDRESS JOINT MEET

Rev. Perry Gilfillan, of Minneapolis, will address the members of the groups of St. Clements and St. Matthews at the meeting of the former group on Oct. 28.

Give us your suggestions and criticisms.

"I DON'T MEAN MAYBE!"

(This article, by Rev.H.G.Wrinch, is the first of a series by St. Paul Clergy.)

Perhaps there is no spirit more consonant with Christ's life and more synonymous with true Christian faith, than the words, "I don't mean maybe!" To me they suggest that infallible confidence, that power of conviction, that faultless determination that marked the manner of Him of whom it was said, "Never man spake like this Man," for He spoke as one having authority.

A Christian, therefore, is one who says to himself and to the world: "I don't mean maybe!" About what? Well, I should say first of all, about his promise to God. He recognizes and remembers that one day, not many years ago, he was brought to the Font, and he promised to renounce sin, to believe the Christian Faith, to obey God in all things, and "to fight under His banner, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end." He is determined, by God's help, to keep his promises. To do that, in order to serve Him faithfully and victoriously, he must confess Him, he must worship Him, he must commune with Him and serve Him, with all that he possesses. In other words, the Christian young person is one who says: "I believe in God the Father Almighty, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord," and "I don't mean maybe."

He is the young person who says, "I am a worshipper," and "I don't mean maybe." I'll be in my place in His House on every Sunday morning.

He is the young person who says, "I remember Him best in His own sacrament of the Altar, because it helps me remind myself and my fellowmen best of the joy of sacrificial living," and "I don't mean maybe."

He is the young person who says, "My Church is not merely a shrine of ease and comfort, but a monument to my Christian energy. God is not merely my Father but OURS, and therefore my confessions and my professions, my worship and my communions, are measured largely by my service to men," and "I don't mean maybe."

Then the Christian young person is the one who says, "I don't mean maybe" about God's promises to man. The victory, the triumph of life, is based absolutely upon the promises of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Who but a fool can say that Jesus did not mean what He said when He spoke of Himself, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life"? This was not "maybe," it was certainty--the certainty of Perfect Faith, of Perfect Knowledge, of Perfect Living.

Yes, the Christian young person is he who says: "I believe that God is the Father Almighty, Saviour, Redeemer, and Sanctifier of mankind," and "I don't mean maybe."

The world will believe us and surrender to us, when it finds such faith. The young people of the Church will develop unlimited influence when they can say with assurance, "I don't mean maybe!"

BRING YOUR CRUSADER QUARTER TO THE RALLY

Those who wish to avail themselves of the convenience may subscribe to the Crusader at the Rally at St. Jame's on November fourth. Facilities will be arranged so that a representative can take your name - your address - and your 25¢.

NEW PROGRAM BOOK STUDY THEME AT ST.JAMES

The fellowship of St. James' has not been as successful in securing new members thus far as it had hoped to be, but the attendance of old members at these first fall meetings is much better than might be expected. This improvement is largely due, perhaps, to the interest in the Diocesan Program which we have been following with much success. At the first of these programs we had as our guest speaker Dr. Arthur Johnson whose able presentation of the material served as a spur to us to work harder on the programs we would be called upon to present and also to attend every meeting during the coming year.

We are adopting a system new to us in taking the attendance record. As the secretary calls the roll, the person signifies his presence with the quoting of a Bible verse. We were all surprised, both pleasantly and unpleasantly, the first evening and hope to be better prepared as a whole in the future.

We have formed quite a habit of going on to one of the members' homes for a social get-together following our meeting at the church. Our hostesses on the two occasions this year have been Ellen Johnson and Edith Mack.

On Friday night, September 28th, a surprise party was given as a farewell to Richard Emery. It was a novel affair consisting mainly of a Scavenger Hunt, in which we managed to scare up many odd articles such as a milking stool, three oil lamps, a copy of Alice in Wonderland to say nothing of the signatures of various city notables and proprietors of restaurants.

We are glad to have the pleasure of inviting the District to hold its Fall Rally at St. James' Church. We have never had the members of the District as our guests and consequently we hope to see everyone there.

Dorothy Danielson

STUDY CHURCH BACKGROUND AT ASCENSION YPF

We celebrated the 45th anniversary of the founding of our Church, Sunday, Sept. thirtieth, by having Mr. E.R.A.Messenger speak to us on what he remembers of the first Church on the South side of the river. We learned that services were first held in a red schoolhouse at Kaposia, now called South Park.

Because of the celebration of anniversaries this month, our group has begun the study of the Diocesan Program dealing with Church History. A talk has been given about Bishop Seabury and the start of the Episcopal Church in America. We will discuss Bishops Chase and Kemper on one Sunday and Bishops Gear and Breck on the next, On the last Sunday of the month we will talk about Bishop Whipple.

There will be a Harvest Festival in our Parish House on Friday, October 26, and the YPF will have charge of the fish pond.

The YPF will put on a play during the first week in December under the direction of Mrs. Genet Warner Mample.

Juliet Stiefel

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! Friday, Nov.2

Attend the Big

COUNTRY FAIR

at St. John's Parish House

Portland at Dale Eight P.M.

ST.JOHNS MEMBERS MAKE OPERETTA SELECTION

"An Old Spanish Custom" is the title of an operetta to be given by St.Johns' members on December 14 & 15. Filled with unusually beautiful music, the operetta is likely to be an even greater success than "Bulbul",which was the last musical venture of the group. Try-outs were held last Sunday and work on the production will start immediately.

With the opening of fall meetings on Sunday,Sept. 16, St. John's young people began to look forward and plan a season of activity and fellowship.A special installation service was held and all the new officers were formally entrusted with their duties.

Abandoning the old plan of supper before each meeting,St.Johns members first attend chapel,then the business session, following which light refreshments are served. The Chapel Services are held in the chancel of the Church with a vested choir leading in chanting Evensong.

The question,"Resolved,that the United States should control the munitions industries in this country", stirred up much excitement at the meeting Sept.30. Bob Baker and Reg Faulkner opposed Tod Pett and Herbert White.

John Myers, who recently has joined the group, gave a short talk to the members a few weeks ago. Using the famous race horse,Dan Patch, as an example, Mr. Myers showed convincingly how many seemingly unsurmountable obstacles in life may be overcome and that like Dan Patch, we should strive to be "Thoroughbreds" and have our fellow men recognize us as such.

Wendell Lyon

RAMBLES AROUND THE DISTRICT REVEAL THAT:

...The St.James group surprised Richard Emery by going to see him off Sunday,the seventh when he left for school. The YPF presented him with a desk lamp.....The group at Messiah is sending out an SOS; it seems that the group has more boys than girls and is looking for three or four girls,not members of any fellowship so how's about it, youse gals?.....It has been rumored around that an orchestra of four fellows from Christ Church played over KSTP.We haven't been able to establish their identity yet,but from all reports, they did very well.Come on, fellows, why the reticence?.....And by the way, St.Paul's is having a Halloween party in October sometime.....Christ YF conducted a talent search for their program the other night. Volunteer impromptu performers entertained the group.The results were interesting and provided a lot of amusement. All you need is a good Master of Ceremonies.....Ascension and St.James YPFs pow-wowwed together Oct. 6 at Happy Hollow.....We understand that the money received at the fall project will buy new chairs for St.Pauls Parish House.Really,it's quite embarrassing for the president when there are guests,and the slats in the chairs have the funniest way of disappearing so that one can fold up in a chair and with a loud crash land on the floor.....But we hear that this group is planning a Card Party for October 19th -25¢ per couple -8 p.m. and maybe that is to help along the cause.

SMALLER YPF GROUPS PLAN PROGRAM FOR YEAR

The group at White Bear is beginning again this fall the work of the fellowship in their parish. We expect to have encouraging reports from this YPF as the organization of the group is completed.

The members of the YPF at the Chapel of the Resurrection are already working toward interesting programs through the four-fold purpose of our organization.

A group is being organized at St. Peters and officers have already been selected for the coming year.James Lodge is president of the group.

NEXT ISSUE TO INAUGURATE MAILBAG COLUMN

Beginning next issue, the Crusader will publish a "Mailbag" column for the use of District members who wish to give their views on young people, the Y.P.F., or related subjects.Writers are requested not to exceed 75 words and the shortest and most interesting letters will be given preference. The name of the writer must be included on the letter although, if preferred, it will not be printed.

DIOCESAN BETTER MOVIE CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY

The pledge card plan, adopted by the last meeting of the Diocesan Council,and announced in the last issue of the Crusader is being slowly but surely put in effect by the organization.

Pledge cards, setting forth the plans and principles of the movement and providing a uniform plan for voicing the objections of the Young Peoples Fellowship to the ever-present obscenities and distasteful portrayals on the screen,are in the hands of the individual groups, and results are beginning to reach the Diocesan leaders.

Groups who have not yet explained this plan are urged to discuss it at an early meeting and, if possible, to devote some of their program preparation to a study of it. The pledge cards when signed are to be returned to the District President.

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BISHOP FREEMAN SPEAKS HERE ARMISTICE DAY

Rt. Rev.James Freeman, Bishop of Washington, addressed large audiences in both St.Paul and Minneapolis on Armistice Sunday, speaking before united Episcopal congregations.

Asserting that present conditions point toward another tragedy like the World War, Bishop Freeman stated that if the nations forgot the articles of the Kellogg Pact, chaos would result. In conclusion, Bishop Freeman said, "What the world needs today is a reaffirmation of the simple principles laid down by the Prince of Peace. It needs a revival of sane religion. I challenge you to a new crusader, and on the banner of life will be emblazoned the Cross of your Lord."

In Minneapolis, Bishop Freeman pointed out that Jerusalem, Rome, and other powers have fallen because they were built on insecure foundations and the conceit of a people who trusted in their own strength. Our way to peace, he said, is through "a type of Christian character that distinguishes us above all that possess genius, wealth and power".

St.Paul committees were headed by Rev. Conrad Gesner, Advisor of the District Y. P. F.

ST.MARYS SPONSORS HEGER,THE MAGICIAN,NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT IN BIG ENTERTAINMENT FEATURE

On Friday,Nov.23,St.Marys YPF is going to sponsor an hour andforty-five minutes of Heger,the Magician.The curtain goes up at 8:30 sharp and the small admission fee is only 40¢. Heger is well-known in his work and performed the famous Rope Trick as a feature at the Auditorium November 10. St. Marys is fortunate in being able to sponsor this wonderful program for members of the District.

Heger, with his assistants, Yvonne and Ali Bahdor,will present a program in five portions. The first, Magic in Vaudeville Style, will depict many intriguing feats of magic. Following this will be a series of tricks in Drawing Room Magic.The third section will disclose Fortune Telling Magic in which Heger will disclose where science ends and fakery begins in fortune telling.In the fourth part,Heger will explain the magic of 100 years hence,including genuine hypnotic exhibitions and explanation of spiritualistic phenomena.The program will conclude with a fast-moving display of Magic Pageantry to round out a marvelous evening of mysticism and fun.We hope all will be present at St.Marys Hall on November 23rd at 8:30 p.m.

We were disappointed that no contributions were received that merited putting in our Mailbag this month.Send your thots to the Mailbag, c/o the Editor.

BIGGEST FALL RALLY IN HISTORY HELD NOV. 4

About 275 members of the St. Paul District gathered at St.James Church on Sunday, Nov. 4, for the largest and finest Fall Rally ever held in the District.This exceeded by about 75 people the largest previous attendance for this inaugural rally of the year. Following the services at the Church,which included installation of new officers, the members were served supper and enjoyed a very pleasant meeting, Rev. Russell Ingersoll,curate at St. Johns, was the speaker. Others who spoke included Fred Searing,Diocesan President; Rev.Traian Demian,pastor of the Roumanian Orthodox Church, who is working with members of our District in forming a young people's group at his Church;Robert Tudor who outlined Social Service plans for the year. Bishop McElwain was present and gave a message of greeting and inspiration to the membership. The District extends its thanks to St.James Y.P.F.for the wonderful manner in which the Rally was conducted.

ST.PAULS SPONSORS SPECIAL ADVENT SERVICE

The Young People's Fellowship of St. Pauls-on-the-Hill invite the members of St. Paul and Minneapolis Districts to a special Advent Service to be sponsored by their group on Sunday,Dec.2nd,at 7:45 p.m. The Rev. Mr. Tyner of Minneapolis will be the guest speaker and his subject will be of interest to all young people.

SOUTH MINNESOTA RALLY TO BE HELD THIS WEEK

The Y.P.F. of the Southern Minnesota District will hold their Fall Rally Saturday andSunday,Nov.17 & 18, in Austin.The meeting will open Saturday evening with a dance and entertainment. Sunday morning a Corporate Communion will be held and at 11 a.m.a special Morning Prayer for young people will take place. Following dinner at the Austin Hotel, the regular meeting will convene.Speakers will be Louise Hatfield, Former Diocesan Secretary; Chester Gaskell,St. Paul District President; and Frederick Searing,Diocesan President. The meeting will close early Sunday evening.

CRUSADER SUBSCRIPTION RATE CHANGED TO 20¢

Effective immediately,the subscription rate for the remaining issues of The Crusader is changed to 20¢.This does not include back issues andthose desiring back numbers will be required to pay the full subscription rate of 25¢. This is simply for those who have joined our ranks too late for the first three issues and are entitled to a reduced charge. Those who have not subscribed are urged to do so at once through their group representative.

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ORGANIZATION MUST PRECEDE MOVEMENT

During the coming year, the National Cooperating Committee,which is working on a national basis for the youth of the Church,and the Diocesan Y.P.F.will stress the fact that our groups are members of a movement in the Church rather than an organization. It is pointed out,and rightly so, that we should be making efforts to spread, not an organization,but a plan of both local and missionary benefit for our members who are in line for the responsibilities of Churchmanship.

No movement such as is proposed by the plan is capable of maintenance without the backing of a stable organization. As yet the influence of a national organization has not been felt in the Diocese,and the Diocesan organization cannot be considered the ultimate of successful operation. Perhaps it might be well to make plans for a firmer foundation in the organization before proceeding at too great a rate with the work entailed by a movement.

We should plan this year to establish a more cohesive Diocesan background and a stronger national organization that will be powerful aids in furthering the higher purposes and ideals of the Y.P.F. In the unstable condition that our foundation is at the present, we could not do justice to the advancement and spreading of a movement which,when properly organized, will be a tribute to a well-laid foundation.

OUR EXCHANGE EDITORIAL

"...It is time for each group to take stock.Are we making better Christians of our members,-are we making our lives richer and our personalities broader,-are we developing leaders,-are we contributing to the life of our parishes?...The best group is the all-around one,so let us polish our edges,and become four-square thru better study,more genuine worship,thoughtful service and wholesome fellowship...We are working for better individuals,a better Y.P.F.,a better Church and a better world. Think on these things as our goal throughout the year."

--The Alabama Spirit-
Diocese of Alabama.

NEWS OF THE MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT

The District of Minneapolis held its Fall Rally at St. Lukes' on Oct. 21. The choir was composed of members of the YPF groups throughout the city. Bob Beecher, Chas.Crawford, and Caroline Rose lead the devotions, during which Rev. Gordon Brant installed the officers for the year, Mary Taylor, president; Bob Beecher,vice president; Chas.Crawford,treasurer; and Caroline Rose,secretary. Rev. Mr. Gesner,advisor for the St. Paul District was guest speaker on the subject, "The Lighting of Temples". Fred Searing,Diocesan President said a few words to the group. Others who spoke briefly were Chester Gaskell and Robert Tudor of St.Paul and Rev. Mr. Gilfillan, Twin Cities Missionary.

The Harvest Moon Party given on Oct.5, was a great success. Almost everybody who attended was in costume. Cider and doughnuts were served. With the profits of the party, the Minneapolis District was able to pay the Bishop $50.00 which has been outstanding for some time.

Preliminary plans were made for a Quiet Day for the District at the October Council meeting. December first has been set as the date and Gethsemane Church will be the place; plans will be completed at the November meeting on the 13th.

St.Johns group is conducting a Membership Drive and held Open House this week. Bishop Whipple Memorial Chapel:Last month being the month of study for the group,it is the month of play in November. On Nov. thirtieth, they are having a Circus, side shows and all.The members have been combing the neighborhood in search of "kids" who will be "a monkey in the zoo" or "the big bad wolf".At present they are looking for lions. Admission will be 10¢

All Saints: This group is going to study Church Government.The first lecture is to be The Church and the Human Body;the second, Annual Parish Meeting; third, Vestry Meeting;and fourth,The Duties of a Rector.

St.Marks: On the Saturdays that the Minnesota Gophers played out of town,St.Marks YPF sponsored Football parties. With the proceeds they plan to do some social work in cooperation with Rev.Mr.Gilfillan, the City Missionary. On Dec.26th,the group is holding its Annual Masquerade Party.

St.Pauls: Following election of new officers on Nov. 4, plans for the remainder of the year will be formulated. Two programs now arranged are "Personalities I Met During My Husband's Term",by Mrs.Theo. Christianson,wife of the Ex-Governor, and "Personalities at Atlantic City" by Dr. Knickerbacher,rector of St.Pauls.

St.Andrews: This group is planning to sponsor a Sunday afternoon Organ Recital, to be followed by Evensong and a special meeting. Although the guest organist has not yet been chosen,the choir and leaders will be members of the Y.P.F. Invitations will be extended to all members of their parish and groups of the YPF in the city.

"A great deal of good can be done in the world if one is not too careful who gets the credit". A Thought for this month from the YPF paper, "The Log",Diocese of Los Angeles.

ST.JOHNS YPF PREPARES OPERETTA PRODUCTION

With all the leading roles assigned, rehearsals for"An Old Spanish Custom"have been under way for the past month at St. John's Parish House. The response of the whole group has been enthusiastic, and a large chorus has been at work under the direction of Mr. Grant Kelliher. Leading parts are to be sung by Reginald Faulkner, Mary Wigginton, Ray and Corrine Staeheli, Vivian Krag,Betty Baker,John Myers,Yvonne Roge,Lucia Brown and Peggy McKechnie. The operetta will be given the 14th and 15th of December and promises to be a great success. The singers all were carefully selected, many of them having had experience with the St.Paul Civic Opera,and the music of the operetta is exceptionally beautiful.

About fifteen Roumanian young people, under the leadership of their pastor, Father Demian, paid a visit to St.Johns a few weeks ago. The group has been newly organized and Father Demian wished them to see how a meeting might be conducted.

On Friday evening, Nov.9th, the Parish House was a scene of unusual activity.The YPF sponsored a"Country Fair" and throngs crowded around the gayly decorated booths. Dancing was enjoyed, and soft drinks were served.

Following the successful pow-wows held earlier in the season, a large number of members went out near the Sibley House at Mendota on Oct. 19 and gathered about a blazing fire, where old songs were sung and everybody had a good time.

ASCENSION GROUP CHOOSES PLAY FOR DECEMBER

"Stop! Go!" by Phelps and Short,is the play that has been chosen for presentation during the first week in December by members of Ascension Y.P.F. Those chosen for parts are Orlo Hoye, Dorothy Newcomb, Harvey Stiefel,Harvey Wilcox,Kenneth Newcomb,James Jobe,Helen Colbeth,Muriel Dunn and Violet Perron. Mrs. Genet Warner Mample will direct the players.

Like many other groups, we are using the "Program Material for Y.P.F." in our meetings. On Sunday,Nov.11,Ruth Stillwell spoke on "The Church-the Body of Christ". Next Sunday,Rector's Night,Rev. F.E.Stillwell will talk on "How to Use the Bible". Esther Dunn will lead the discussion on, "The Church-the Learning Body".

Our YPF entertained the young people of Christ Church at a party in the Parish House Friday,Nov.2. For those desiring to dance,an orchestra was furnished; for the people who did not, games were played in different parts of the building.

An Old Spanish Custom

AN OPERETTA

Produced and sponsored by St.Johns Y.P.F.

ST. JOHNS PARISH HOUSE -
- 8:00 p.m. -
- Portland Ave. & Dale St.

Dec. 14 & 15th TICKETS 50 & 75¢

ST. CLEMENTS YPF FOLLOWS VARIED PROGRAM

On Oct. 28, the YPFers of St.Matthews Church were the welcome guests of our YPF for our meeting.Rev.Perry Gilfillan, Twin Cities Missionary, was the speaker. Everyone enjoyed his talk on the work in City Missions and the methods used to overcome the many obstacles encountered.

Nov. 1, Rev.and Mrs.Atwill celebrated their silver anniversary. During the reception that was held,they were presented with a large silver tray by all the organizations in the parish. Girls from the YPF helped serve.The YPF extends its best wishes to our rector and Mrs.Atwill.

Dorothy Cooper and her assistants are to serve breakfast following Corporate Communion service November 18.

Following the successful play that we gave last spring,some of the industrious members are looking for a good play to present this year.The committee is headed by Vernon Johnson.

In line with the discussions of the day,we are planning a debate on the subject of World Peace.

On last Sunday evening, we were the guests of those jolly good members of St. Pauls Y.P.F. where a very enjoyable meeting was held.

ST.MARYS STUDIES CHRISTIAN SOCIAL SERVICE

St.Marys young people hold a Corporate Communion every third Sunday of the month and following the service serve breakfast.

Our organization is still meeting with great success in using the Diocesan Program for its discussion. Continuing in a study of Christian Social Service on Nov. eighteenth we will have a discussion of St.Lukes Hospital,Japan. On Dec.2, we are to see what is being done by the Church in the Rochester Hospital and Dec.9,we're going to hear about St. Barnabas Hospital in Minneapolis.Last evening,Armistice Day Wilbur Andre told us of World Peace. In our missionary study, we intend to study missionary personalities in the form of ten-minute talks.

St. Marys also invites all the young people to attend the performance of Heger the Magician in their Parish House Friday evening,November 23, at 8:30 p.m.

CHRIST CHURCH COUPLE HEAR WEDDING BELLS

Minister:Do you promise to take this man for butter or wurst?
He: Liver alone,I never sausage nerve!

And so on Sunday, Oct.28, Florence La Planta and Lloyd Sigsworth were duly joined in the bonds of matrimony.We wish the bride and groom a happy voyage on the marital sea.

Wednesday,Oct.24,St. James Y.P.F. and our group sponsored their second annual Masquerade Dance. While the attendance was below expectations, all present enjoyed themselves immensely. Prizes were given for the best costumes and the best waltzers.

Members of our group participated in a Quiet Day observance conducted by Rev. Russell Ingersoll,curate at St.Johns, on Thursday, November first.

ST. MATTHEWS PROGRAM SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED

A definite program for discussions at St.Matthews was mapped out by a committee composed of Charles Fish,chairman,Caroline Smart,and James Frost. From now until the Christmas season,we will study the history of the Church.From Christmas to beginning of Lent,we will take the origin and working of the Church in America,and through Lent we will discuss personal religion and worship.Other committees,one for each of the four divisions set forth in the Carleton Conference,have also been named.

October business meetings were held on the 7th and 21st.On Oct.14,we all gathered in our Sunday worst and drove out near New Brighton for a picnic. Excellent weather and a harvest moon added to the enjoyment of the outing. Oct. 28th, we were entertained by the St. Clements group. We are beginning to formulate plans for the next District Rally which we will hold in conjunction with St.Marys on January 11.

St. Matthews tried a new method in obtaining new members this year and would like to pass it on. It brought a 200% increase in our membership. A list was made of all possible prospects in our district and two old members were assigned about 6 of these names and called on them personally once or twice. It was surprising how our membership figures jumped.

PROGRAM INTEREST INCREASES AT ST.JAMES

The members of the fellowship of St. James were becoming discouraged because, although the material offered in the Diocesan Program proved very interesting, it failed to promote much roundtable discussion,andtherefore there was some talk of dropping the Program. However,the program presented at the last two meetings have brought forth the most lively discussions we have ever had, and we have great hopes for the future.

On Oct.24, the fellowships of St.James and Christ Church sponsored their second annual Masquerade Dance. Due to the fact that plans were started only two weeks in advance and that it was given little publicity, the success of last year was not repeated.

A Preparation Service was held at the Church Saturday evening,Oct.20th, and was followed by Corporate Communion the next morning

May we point out that a portion of the income of The Crusader comes from our advertisements and your patronage of those concerns and groups who advertise will be appreciated.

MEMBERS AT MESSIAH VARY DISCUSSION TOPICS

Nov.18-Solemn Choral Evensong-we hope to make this our finest service and extend to all groups a cordial invitation.

Dec.2--Choral Evensong and Homecoming, for all old members, andthose members of our group that are now married,this will be followed by a program and reception.

Last week our meeting started without a definite plan, just an informal dinner table discussion group,but the result was most interesting, Some of the things that came up for debate were Personal Religion Buchmanism,The General Convention,the religions of various members of our group and their thoughts of the service, and Buddhism.We hope to have many such interesting periods of discussion andthoughts. Why don't you try this in your group?

Andnow for a little gossip. Member a plea we made for more girls in our group? Well, we welcome two new members to the group, Mollie and Trudie Renz.--We'd like to know who it was that excited Carl the other night in the rain so that he boarded the wrong streetcar. We didn't get any invites to a pheasant dinner so Hank Whitbeck wasn't such a good shot.Seems if Geo Davis and Trudie accidently meet quite often at noon,-what's behind it all? Buck Jones reports from Carleton that he is playing theorgan every Wednesday morning for the service the Episcopal priest has in the chapel at the college-congrats, Buck, we know your'e OK after being our YPF organist for two years.Here's a treat for Messiah YPFers--Rev.Ferguson has promised to bake us an old fashioned fig cake.He also started our Penny Collection andnow we think it a keen idea so will keep it up andhelp pay for stamps,etc.

INTERESTING PROGRAMS PLANNED AT ST.PAULS

This month St. Pauls YPF has a very interesting program planned. On Nov. 11, we held a puppet show during our meeting and as our guests we had St.Clements and Chapel of the Resurrection. Nov.18,we'll have as speaker, Mr.F.O.Kinney, who will speak on"The Value of Music in the Lives of Young People". The program for Nov.25 will be taken from the Program Manual.

Dec. 2, Advent Sunday,we are planning a special evening service and we cordially invite every Y.P.F. group to come to this service. Rev. Mr. Tyner of Minneapolis will be the speaker. Please plan to attend this service at 7:45 p.m.

As you all know, St. Pauls has a new curate, Rev. Leslie Knorr Young. We are certainly happy to have Rev. Young with us as he is such a help with our YPF.

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FRIDAY
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23
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The Young People's Fellowship
S.T. MARYS EPISCOPAL
Laurel and Howell Ave.

SURPRISE LAUGHTER

THE HISTORY of HYMNS

Frank K. Owen - Choirmaster -Christ Church

In attempting to write a series of articles, such as this,on the History of our Hymns and church music in general, as the music of the church in mediaeval times solely consisted of hymns and psalms,I realize that I am attempting to do a tremendously big task, perhaps much bugger than I am able to do justice to. I will, however,endeavor to do my best to make this interesting subject as edifying and attractive to you as possible.My purpose will be achieved if I know that there has been created in some of my readers a desire to known hymns and the music of the church better.

I have long been of the opinion that church congregations and especially members of church choirs should know their hymn book better. There are very few who really know just what musical gems the hymn book contains. People are satisfied with knowing "the old standbys" which when put to the test are often amongst the poorest hymns in the book. I shall have more to say along this line in a later article. Perhaps we who are in charge of the music in our churches are to blame.Nevertheless I hope that by the end of these informal talks you will feel that you have profited a great deal for the time taken in writing them, and that perhaps you will be able to form an opinion as to what is really good in our church music.

If there is any question that comes into your mind regarding anything that I have to say about hymns and the music of the church please feel free to send your questions to me and I will do my best to answer them through these columns.

I am going to have some very candid things to say regarding the musical settings and the poetry of our hymns, which I sincerely hope will not cause any bad feelings.When all is said and done,there are only one man's opinions, perhaps a little idealistic just the same sincere and certainly a goal to aim for.

It is a well known fact that music has tremendous powers over the human emotions, even centuries ago before it was considered an art.Luther said,"Music is one of the most glorious gifts of God It removes from the heart the weight of sorrows and the frustration of evil thoughts". If music is the expression of the human emotions it seems quite logical that sacred music should be the expression of purely religious emotions. A famous author once wrote,"If you want to touch my heart, you must first begin by showing me that you have touched your own", which I believe applies that a man who writes music for the church must, in addition to being a musician, be a deeply reverent and religious man. His music will tell us what he is.

Hymns and music do appear to have been used in the services of the Christian church from the very earliest days.There is no evidence to show us what kind of music was used, or how it was sung or played. Several places in the New Testament confirm the fact that music was used in St.Matthew XXVI-30 we read, "And when they had sung a hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives", Again in Ephesians V - 19, we read"Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual song, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord". There are several other places where mention is made of music. A few other references from the sayings of other great men would further confirm the fact that music was used by the early Christians.

Socrates the historian relates of Lemnatus (A.D. 49-107) that in a vision he saw the heavens opened, and heard the heavenly choirs praising the Holy Trinity in alternate chants.

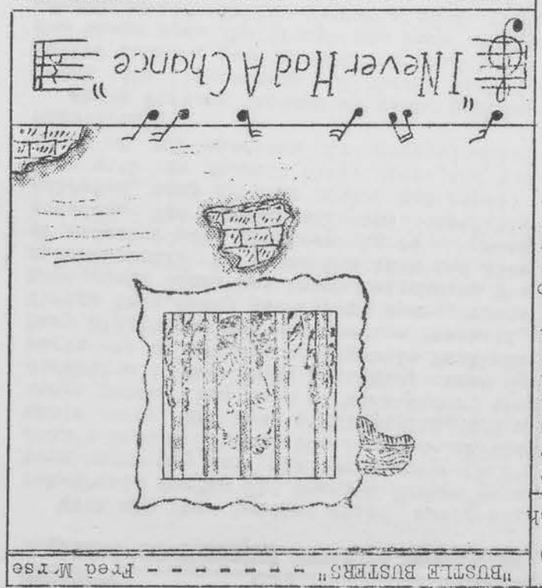
Pliny the younger (A.D.62-110)relates that the Christians met together at sunrise on special days and sang hymns of praise to Christ antiphonally.

In the next article we shall study a little about the lives of the men who were the founders of church music and as the best writers of music in their field.

Minneapolis groups are invited to send in a synopsis of their important news through our Minneapolis representative, Caroline Rose.Also any subscriptions they have.

MINNEAPOLIS Y.P.F. PLANS APPRECIATION DAY

The Young People's Fellowship of Gethsemane, Minneapolis,is making plans for a Missionary and Appreciation Sunday to be held January 27,1935.The Y.P.F. will conduct an Evensong Service, the members of the group will compose the choir,and supply two lay readers. The purpose of this day is to show the appreciation of the YPF to Gethsemane for the part the parish has done to help the group andto help in furthering Mr. Gilfillan's work as City Missionary.The fourth Sunday is left open on the program calendar for discussions, and on Oct.28,the group took up the question of War and Peace, reaching the same conclusions obtained at a similar discussion during the General Convention, that the U.S. should not take part in any war, except in defense ofthe United States, or its possessions.



ST. MATTHEWS PROGRAM SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED

A definite program for discussions at St.Matthews was mapped out by a committee composed of Charles Fish, chairman, Caroline Smart, and James Frost. From now until the Christmas season, we will study the history of the Church. From Christmas to beginning of Lent, we will take the origin and working of the Church in America, and through Lent we will discuss personal religion and worship. Other committees, one for each of the four divisions set forth in the Carleton Conference, have also been named.

October business meetings were held on the 7th and 21st. On Oct. 14, we all gathered in our Sunday worst and drove out near New Brighton for a picnic. Excellent weather and a harvest moon added to the enjoyment of the outing. Oct. 28th, we were entertained by the St. Clements group. We are beginning to formulate plans for the next District Rally which we will hold in conjunction with St. Marys on January 11.

St. Matthews tried a new method in obtaining new members this year and would like to pass it on. It brought a 200% increase in our membership. A list was made of all possible prospects in our district and two old members were assigned about 6 of these names and called on them personally once or twice. It was surprising how our membership figures jumped.

PROGRAM INTEREST INCREASES AT ST.JAMES

The members of the fellowship of St. James were becoming discouraged because, although the material offered in the Diocesan Program proved very interesting, it failed to promote much roundtable discussion, andtherefore there was some talk of dropping the Program. However, the program presented at the last two meetings have brought forth the most lively discussions we have ever had, and we have great hopes for the future.

On Oct.24, the fellowships of St.James and Christ Church sponsored their second annual Masquerade Dance. Due to the fact that plans were started only two weeks in advance and that it was given little publicity, the success of last year was not repeated.

A Preparation Service was held at the Church Saturday evening, Oct.20th, and was followed by Corporate Communion the next morning

May we point out that a portion of the income of The Crusader comes from our advertisements and your patronage of those concerns and groups who advertise will be appreciated.

MEMBERS AT MESSIAH VARY DISCUSSION TOPICS

Nov.18-Solemn Choral Evensong-we hope to make this our finest service and extend to all groups a cordial invitation.

Dec.2--Choral Evensong and Homecoming, for all old members, andthose members of our group that are now married, this will be followed by a program and reception.

Last week our meeting started without a definite plan, just an informal dinner table discussion group, but the result was most interesting, Some of the things that came up for debate were Personal Religion Buchmanism, The General Convention, the religions of various members of our group and their thoughts of the service, and Buddhism. We hope to have many such interesting periods of discussion andthought. Why don't you try this in your group?

Andnow for a little gossip. Member a plea we made for more girls in our group? Well, we welcome two new members to the group, Mollie and Trudie Renz.--We'd like to know who it was that excited Carl the other night in the rain so that he boarded the wrong streetcar. We didn't get any invites to a pheasant dinner so Hank Whitbeck wasn't such a good shot. Seems if Geo Davis and Trudie accidently meet quite often at noon,-what's behind it all? Buck Jones reports from Carleton that he is playing theorgan every Wednesday morning for the service the Episcopal priest has in the chapel at the college-congrats, Buck, we know your'e OK after being our YPF organist for two years. Here's a treat for Messiah YPFers--Rev.Ferguson has promised to bake us an old fashioned fig cake. He also started our Penny Collection andnow we think it a keen idea so will keep it up andhelp pay for stamps, etc.

INTERESTING PROGRAMS PLANNED AT ST.PAULS

This month St. Pauls YPF has a very interesting program planned. On Nov. 11, we held a puppet show during our meeting and as our guests we had St.Clements and Chapel of the Resurrection. Nov.18, we'll have as speaker, Mr.F.O.Kinney, who will speak on "The Value of Music in the Lives of Young People". The program for Nov.25 will be taken from the Program Manual.

Dec. 2, Advent Sunday, we are planning a special evening service and we cordially invite every Y.P.F. group to come to this service. Rev. Mr. Tyner of Minneapolis will be the speaker. Please plan to attend this service at 7:45 p.m.

As you all know, St. Pauls has a new curate, Rev. Leslie Knorr Young. We are certainly happy to have Rev. Young with us as he is such a help with our YPF.

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A LITTLE NEWS FROM AROUND ABOUT

Moderation is essential in all things and if one follows these four fields moderately, not over-emphasizing any particular one,then the Church will win a great follower of Jesus Christ.--Says the Spotlight of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, in pointing out the necessity for a well-planned program around the four purposes.

The Y.P.S.L. of All Saints',Lakeland, Fla.,are starting a League Library of books for young people for the use of its membership. That's a mighty fine idea to copy.

The Mountain Province Churchman,published for young people of Mountain Province, Philippine Islands,offers so many ideas to use that it is hard to find one any more interesting than the other. One gem we'd like to pass on is, "An unwilling gift is not a gift. It is an extraction...When it comes to money for Christ's sake, He can do more with quarters offered joyfully than with fat checks whose signers groan with reluctance".

The Fellowship News of the Diocese of Newark quotes their president as saying, "The Church today needs young people as the leaders in all fields of the Fellowship program...It is one thing to have a program that challenges us, but it is another to maintain that program and have it move forward as the interests and visions of the young people move forward".

"Getting new members should not be,but is, a selling job.To sell anything,you have to be soldon it yourself. If you have an indifferent attitude, don't expect any of your friends to become enthused. Boost up your chapter and it will grow".--So says the Log of the Diocese of Los Angeles..

Many would like religion as a sort of a lightning rod to their houses, to ward off by and by, the bolts of divine wrath.--
--Beecher.

It is too often seen, that the wiser men are about the things of this world, the less wise they are about the things of the next.---Gibson.

The morning of life is like the dawn of day, full of purity, of imagery, and of harmony. --Chateaubriand.

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COMMITTEE SELECTIONS MADE AT CHAPEL GROUP

On October 21,we had our special guest James Fish,a member of St.Matthews YPF.He told us of the many things their group is doing and how we could make our meetings more interesting.

Our choirmaster,Mr. Hunter,is planning to form a choir composed of YPF members. On Oct.30, we had a Hallowe'en party with committees in charge of May Monks, Rita Lee,Jean Graler,Doris Cartwright. Our YPF is planning to entertain the members of the Roumanian Orthodox Church on Sunday, November 25.Our group is going stong now, and we sent fourteen members to the Rally.

It is appropriate to take this space for a word of thanks to our representatives in the parish groups.It is their cooperation that has helped keep you informed about the news of other chapters. They are our emissaries and your ideas and suggestions will be relayed to us by them. Give them your articles and your contributions for the Mailbag,if you wish.Those who are assisting us at present include:- Ascension,Juliet Stiefel;Chapel of Resurrection,Fred Morse; Messiah,George Davis; St.Clements,Barbara Hagmann;St.James,Dorothy Danielson; St.Johns,Fendall Lyon;St. Johns(White Bear),Robert Bloom; St.Marys, Elisabeth Seekins;St.Matthews,James Fish; St.Pauls,Betty Jane Howe;St.Peters,Geraldine Gadbois.The staff extends thanks and best wishes to Everett Grunz,Christ Church representative,who is leaving the city to travel through the South this winter.Best wishes,Everett. Now remember,if you've any suggestions,or don't like the way your own news is written,consult your representative

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We are sorry to report that Frances Armstrong,member of the Crusader staff,was the victim of an unfortunate automobile accident last weekend. We extend to her our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

We hope you enjoyed the new features this month -- and we are waiting to start new ones if you'll but tell us your wishes.

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Merry Xmas

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FELLOWSHIP RALLY SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 11 AT ST.MARYS: PROGRAM AND DANCE FEATURES

The Fellowship Rally for the District will be held Friday evening,Jan.11th, at St. Marys. This is the first time that a District Rally has been held on a weekday evening but advance notices point to an exceptionally large turnout.The Y.P.F.of St.Matthews is cooperating with St.Marys to sponsor this event. An attractive program has been arranged and everything is being done to make this rally bring more fellowship between the groups and a better spirit of friendship among all members in the District. In addition to an interesting program, a well-known orchestra is being provided for dancing. Light refreshments will be served. A small fee of 15¢ per person is being charged to defray the expenses.

DISTRICT SPONSORS REVISED DECENCY PLEDGE

At the last session of the District Council, a revised form of the Legion of Decency pledge was presented and accepted. This is to be presented to District members and a concentrated effort made to point out the beneficial results obtained by group endorsement of the movement,and to secure the signatures of all District members.In order to present the new pledge more effectively, most groups are planning to devote a program session to the subject of the movies and the effect of a pledge such as is being used.

BISHOP KEELER ASKS GROUPS FOR ASSISTANCE

Chapters of the Y.P.F. in the Diocese have received a letter from Bishop S. E. Keeler concerning a Social Service project for the next few months.At the last convention,such activity for the organization was endorsed and this endeavor is the first opportunity afforded to cooperate in such an undertaking. The letter set a quota for each group to contribute in order to defray the expense of a car for the use of the Rev. Perry Gilfillan, City Missionary. The remarkable work being done by Rev. Mr. Gilfillan has been handicapped by the lack of transportation facilities and this project is most appropriate.This is being handled by the Diocesan Church Office.

ST.JAMES GROUP WILL CONDUCT QUIET DAY

The Rev. Earl B. Jewell will conduct a Quiet Day at St.James during the month of January. Although a definite date has not been decided upon as yet, St. James' group wishes to extend an invitation to all who are interested to attend.

On December 30,St.Pauls Y.P.F. invites all to attend an impressive Christmas pageant. There will be a Feast of Lights and all members will participate in the pageant.

DISTRICT COUNCIL TO MEET MONTHLY

The District Council, composed of the District officers and the presidents and secretaries of the groups,decided at its meeting December sixth to hold regular meetings the first Tuesday of each month. This move was taken to give more chance for discussion among the leaders, and to speed the Council's action on important matters which have been laid over for as long as three or four months for action.

The Council also endorsed a revised pledge which will be used in the campaign for better motion pictures. A proposed outline of the four-square group was presented and discussed. This outline will be studies in the near future by the individual groups in an effort to clarify and emphasize the purpose of the Y.P.F.

THE Y. P. F. CALENDAR

Each month, we are going to publish in The Crusader a calendar of events for the following four weeks. This will not include regular meetings,unless some special program in the interest of the entire District is being held. It is mainly for assistance in eliminating conflicts of service and social projects among different parishes. Please make use of this.In this first calendar,complete information has not been assembled,but arrangements are being made for all events to be included next month.

Dec. 23 - St.Mary's group presents a Christmas pageant,Dicken's "Xmas Carol".

Dec. 30 - St.Pauls sponsors pageant and Feast of Lights.

Jan. 4 -- St.Peters sponsors 3-act comedy, "Aaron Slick from Punkin Creek".

Jan. 6 -- Messiah has Choral Evensong Service at 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 7 -- District Council meeting.

Jan. 11 - District Fellowship Rally at St. Mary's Parish House. Everyone be present and let's all have a good time.

LOUISE HATFIELD NAMED DISTRICT CHANCELLOR

Miss Louise Hatfield,of St.Marys,past District and Diocesan Secretary,has been elected by the Executive Committee to fill the unexpired term of Carl Smith,of Messiah, who has resigned as District Chancellor.

FIVE MEMBERS-AT-LARGE ADMITTED TO Y.P.F.

During the Southern Minnesota District Rally, the Diocesan Y.P.F.inaugurated another forward step in admitting to membership in the Y.P.F.five young people, from parishes where there was not at the present a possibility for an organized Y.P.F. The new members from New Ulm, and Chatfield were admitted during the two-day Rally at which Chester Gaskell and Louise Hatfield,both of St.Paul, were the principal speakers.on the program.

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WHAT IS THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS?

When the Christmas season approaches each year, one is faced with the query, "Just what is Christmas"?

The crime of commercialization which has overshadowed the better side of so many things, has undoubtedly played an enormous part in destroying that which has been called, "the spirit of Christmas". No longer is the first thought toward the meaning of the word, but rather it is of business and bargains, profit and presents.

Of course, the spirit of giving is one of the prime factors of the season, but that type of spirit which should prevail has been so obscured in our hustle and bustle for supremacy and satisfaction for ourselves that we fail to think of others who may not be able to participate in our glamorous orgy. Yet they are the very ones who realize the true meaning behind the season.They are those who know that it is the will, not the gift which makes the giver.

How sublime the word Christmas really sounds to those who think of its full meaning. There is something in the sound of the word that commands us to listen to the voice of the needy and those in distress. The word Christmas awakens our better feelings and brings us to a realization of our duty to others. In that spirit will be find the fuller and finer benefits of the season for ourselves.

OUR EXCHANGE EDITORIAL

He who fears criticism is hopeless. Only those who do things are criticized. The idler is lost sight of in the march of events, but the doer is watched and criticized.To hesitate for fear of criticism loses the battle, while the doers march on to victory and triumph. If your cause is just, be not afraid of criticism;advocate it,expound it, and,if need be,fight for it.Critics always have been and always will be; but to the strong-minded,they are a help rather than a hindrance.

--The Y.P.F. Monthly.

The Crusader staff sends to one and all

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The History of Hymns

Frank K. Owen - Choirmaster,Christ Church

Number Two

It is true that the music of this early church was nothing like the music known today. The human voice under influence of strong and deep feeling naturally says what it has to say in something of a monotone,and it is not difficult to imagine at the close of a sentence or phrase the voice would naturally drop. We go through this procedure in our everyday speech.With this idea in mind it is not very hard to trace the origin and development of the plainsong chant. Two of the oldest hymns that have come down to us through the ages are the Sanctus and Gloria of our Communion service.It will be noticed that these are not metrical, and were in all probability sung in the manner described above.

There were some hymns written by St.Ephrem,the Syrian,who is sometimes called the first Christian Hymnologist.These have been translated into English but none of them have found their way to our hymn books.

The early Christians discouraged all outward signs of excitement.This was shown especially in the music they used which protrayed the inward quietness of their religion.The words were recorded but we have no record of the music that accompanied them. The hymns were most likely sung in the traditional manner and the tunes, such as they were,were passed on verbally from generation to generation.

For a period of nearly 400 years tradition alone has ruled the tuneless melody used in the services. Church authorities were beginning to think it necessary to write this music in a permanent form which should establish a usage common to all.

St.Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, (340-397)is given credit as being the first to arrange and record hymns and music for the church. This great bishop was a musician as well as a poet. His tunes were founded upon the ancient Greek scales.Three of these Ambrosian hymns are to be found in our present hymnal. They are numbers 8, 11,and 28. The plainsong tunes to 11 and28 are, in all probability,similar to those used many centuries ago.St.Augustine,in his"Confessions" says that "he was moved to tears by the hymns of Bishop Ambrose as he heard them sung by the congregation in the Church of Milan".

It was not until 200 years later that the next forward step with regard to church music occurred. To St.Gregory,then Bishop of Rome, and who was later made Pope,goes the credit for these developments. His name is always synonymous with a certain type of music he sanctioned for use in the Church of Rome. It must not be thought for a moment that St.Gregory was the writer of all the music that bears his name.Some historians deny him any credit whatever as a composer of church music.But we do know he was a musician of the highest order,and he knew just what type of music was best suited for the use of the church. He most certainly should be given credit for rejecting the frivolous andworldly stuff that apparently had been gradually creeping into use in the church.

This great Bishop is credited with four great reforms. He instituted the antiphon, he founded a school of music at Rome, invented a system of church music,and introduced a form of notation by means of Roman letters. ---Continued page 3,column 2.

ST. JOHNS SPONSORS OPERETTA DEC.14 & 15

The stage is now almost set. Friday night, December 14th, the curtain will ring up on St. John's greatest musical venture, the operetta "An Old Spanish Custom". For weeks the large cast has faithfully been rehearsing under the capable direction of Grant Kelliher and Mrs. B. Sommers (Mary Elizabeth Crosby); the stage force has been at work preparing the colorful scenery. Tickets have been distributed for sale and a capacity audience is expected to attend on both nights. With such outstanding singers as Mary Wigginton, Reginald Faulkner, and Raymond Staeheli, the performance will be an even greater success than "Bulbul" which was presented two years ago.

The new program policy of the group was inaugurated Nov.18 with the presence of State Treasurer Julius A. Schmahl,who gave a talk on the early days of Minnesota's statehood. Mr. Schmahl discussed the life of Bishop Whipple, whom he knew personally, and told about the formation of early governmental institutions in Minnesota. The following Sunday a puppet show provided entertainment, and on Dec. 2nd the group honored the first anniversary of Mr. Gesner's arrival with the presentation of a bronze medal. It has been planned to have a series of talks by outstanding men in St. Paul's literary and art circles. The speakers, who will appear on the Sundays following the operetta, have not yet been definitely selected.

Sunday evening choral vespers, led by the newly formed Y.P.F. choir, have been very successful.An anthem is given every week and the choir and congregation together chant the prayers and responses. Reginald Faulkner is the organist for the group.

A Christmas vacation program of dances and sleigh ride parties has been planned but the dates have not been chosen as yet.

XMAS PAGEANT TO BE GIVEN BY ST. CLEMENTS

Members of St.Clements YPF will again help the faculty of the Sunday School in staging a Christmas pageant for students at the annual children's service.The YPF sponsored it last year with much success and this year's performance promises to be even better than previous pageants.

On Dec.16,Corporate Communion service will be held in the morning and during the regular meeting,a motion picture is to be shown depicting the evolution of phone, radio,etc. Vitaphone effects will used in this showing.

As another item in their project for the vestry, the members sponsored Heger, the Magician,On December 7th.

The Crusader Staff would welcome the services of another typist. Anyone who would be able to work two evenings during the first two weeks of each month is asked to get in touch with the Editor. Thank you.

ST. PETER'S Y.P.F.
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-- -- A three act comedy -- --
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CRUSADER PRESENTS FILM ESTIMATE SYNOPSIS

The Crusader is priveleged to present, commencing this month, a synopsis of the Film Estimate Service, a weekly service secured with the permission of The Educational Screen,Chicago.We invite you to call the Editor for more complete reviews of films.We receive this service weekly, and will welcome your inquiries. In this service which The Crusader is giving its subscribers,the films are rated for (A)-adults; (Y)-ages 15-20; (C)-children.

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES (Ann Shirley)-Human appeal of well-known story captured in a refreshing manner.-A,charming;Y,excellent C,very good.

CAPTAIN HATES THE SEA,THE (MacLaglen)- A rollicking,well-acted story of voyage of shipload of assorted humans-good,bad and crooked.Much drinking objectionable.--A, amusing;Y,perhaps; C,doubtful.

COLLEGE RHYTHM(Penner,Oakie,Brian)-Rated as-A,absurd;Y-ridiculous;C-not the best.

GIRL OF LIMBERLOST (Dresser,Morgan)-Much of the charm of popular story has been lost by over-emphasis on morbid theme. A,hardly; Y, better not; C, no.

FLIRTATION WALK(Powell,Keeler) Pleasant, musical romance with colorful settings. A,pleasant;Y-entertaining;C-prob.good.

365 NIGHTS IN HOLLYWOOD(Dunn,Faye)Stupid title for feeble mixture of farce, and musical comedy. Harmless, but dull. A,mediocre; Y,worthless; C,no.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS(Hull,Wyatt)Splendid screening of Dickens masterpiece,retaining characters,plot with fidelity and charm. A & Y, excellent; C,too mature.

THE MERRY WIDOW(Chevalier,MacDonald)The original is jazzily modernized beyond recognition.A,good of kind;Y,pernicious.

TRANSATLANTIC MERRY-GO-Round(Carroll)- A hectic series of exciting events in fast tempo--radio-singing--jumbled ethics.For A,depends on taste; Y,unwholesome;C, no.

JANE EYRE(Clive,Bruce)-Well screened but stilted at times.Acting sincere and true to book.A,interesting;Y,good;C,no interest.

KID MILLIONS(Cantor,Merman)-Hilarious as Cantor musical slapstick.Less vulgarity than ever-A,depends on taste. Y,amusing; C,perhaps.

LADY BY CHOICE(Robson,Lombard)-Notable role by Robson as gin-soaked,lying old-woman.-A,good of kind;Y,doubtful;C,no.

WEDNESDAY'S CHILD (Thomas,Morley)An appealing story with some roles wellplayed A,good of kind; Y,better not; C-no.

WHITE PARADE,THE (Young,Boles)-Splendid film;sincere,human and dramatic;-A,good; Y, very good; C- no interest.

Miscellaneous Reviews.

Full estimate will be given on request.

CASE OF THE HOWLING DOG-A,fair;Y & C,no.
CRIMSON ROMANCE--A, hardly; Y & C, no.
DUDE RANGER--A,hardly; Y,fair; C, good.
GRIDIRON FLASH--A,mediocre; Y & C, no.
HAPPINESS AHEAD-A,pleasing; Y-very good.
KENTUCKY KERNELS-(Wheeler & Woolsey)Less vulgarities than usual- A, good of kind.
LEMON DROP KID--A,mediocre; Y & C, no.
LIMEHOUSE BLUES-A,hardly; Y,unwholesome.
PECK'S BAD BOY-A,pleasing; Y & C,very good

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St.Gregory rearranged many of the Ambrosian hymns and melodies in such a way that now we find the chant was no longer recited on one note sung to a syllable;but rather, sometimes several notes would be sung to a syllable depending on the importance of the word.

WHY NOT DO A LITTLE WORK?

As president of a Y.P.F.group, I know that one of the great problems a leader encounters is the securing of support in the group's activities. Few people are willing to offer suggestions;fewer still are willing to help carry them out.

The following remarks are addressed to that group of persons who do not wish to work.

The first excuse that is offered is usually,"I haven't time". In some cases, this is a perfectly valid excuse and the president will recognize it as such, but in a majority of instances it is simply the first line of defense against a task which may be difficult and unpleasant.

The second standard excuse is,"I don't know how." The way to learn is by doing. Take a committee appointment; work under the direction of your chairman, and in due time you'll be perfectly capable of handling a committee yourself.

The third objection is,"No matter what I do,I get criticised."This is,unfortunately, quite true. If you are doing constructive,progressive work a certain minority will always be antagonized.If you don't arouse some adverse criticism you probably are not accomplishing anything. Sometimes you get valuable pointers from the criticism which will help you in the work. If you do,accept it gladly without feeling that it is a reflection upon your work. All of us make mistakes and fail to see the best ways of doing things. Before you start feeling sorry for yourself find out what your rector has to stand; and he can't even defend himself, while you can.

The fourth reply is, "I won't". There is no answer to this except we have presupposed that you have an interest in the work of Christ. If you look upon the Y.P.F. exclusively as a place to spend a social evening, you should be elsewhere. The Y.P.F.is a church organization,existing for pleasure it is true,but also and primarily to help spread the Kingdom of Christ in this world. If this is to be done, you as an individual member must work earnestly,faithfully,and prayerfully leading when called upon to do so,and at other times giving your wholehearted support. This is the only basis on which your group can prosper.

--William DeVere Hunt
St.Paul's Y.P.F.

BUDDHISM FURNISHES PROGRAM AT MESSIAH

On December 16th, Messiah have planned a most interesting program following a short business meeting. Mrs. Lilly, who was born and raised in India and who has recently returned from a trip there,will speak on Buddhism;this is to be followed by a general discussion. This is the first of a series of discussions on the various religions of the world. A Xmas party is being planned and members will be notified of the date. Messiah's news seems short, but we meet only twice a month. We pack each meeting full of thought that carries over from time to time.

Executive meetings of St. Paul's group don't break up until the wee small hours. Wee wonder why?

ST.MARYS PRESENTS DICKENS "XMAS CAROL"

Dicken's "Christmas Carol" is to be given in St. Marys church auditorium the evening of December 23rd at 8:00. Admission at 15¢ per person will cover the costs of production. This will be our project for the month and we hope that many others besides our own parishioners will come and enjoy this production with us. It is under the direction of Louise Hatfield,with Larry Gates in the lead as Scrooge, Wilbur Andre will take the part of Fred,and supporting them will be Harold Ponthan, Donald Ruth, Jeanne Repp, Norma Nilsen, and the Rev. Mr. Zoubek. St. Marys is also planning to entertain the District Social Rally with St. Matthews on January 11th. Nov. 25, We enjoyed hearing of the experiences of The Rev. Perry Gilfillan as City Missionary. For the month of December we are studying the organization of the Church. Dec. 9th we studied "The Parish", Dec. 16th, we will discuss "The Vestry and the Rector". Dec.30th we'll learn about "Holy Orders and Bishops", and Jan. 6 "The Diocese" will be the subject discussed. We will finish this study in January with "The National Council" and "The General Convention". St. Marys sends to all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

WHITE BEAR Y.P.F. PLANS MANY ACTIVITIES

Our group has started and finished several projects. First, the group contributed food with candy and nuts for three Thanksgiving baskets, which were a great success. As a coming attraction we have planned a play titled: "Wanted: A Cook", the date as yet has not been set. Our Rector, The Reverend F.H. Davenport, brought forth the suggestion of spending an afternoon in religious service and amusement at the Ramsey County Home.This also is without a date because the members in the play wished to spend a good deal of their time in practice and would also like to attend this meeting.

ST. PAULS TO ENCOURAGE CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Our Y.P.F. has been very interested in the accomplishment of The Rev.Perry Gilfillan, and so we are contributing to a fund for which to buy him a car. We hope all the other groups will cooperate too, and present this gift as soon as possible. We are trying, as a group, to get more of our young people to attend the Church services as there seems to be a slack in this. As Xmas approaches we are planning as a group to go to some institution and sing carols.Our group is also making scrap-books for various homes and institutions.As a project it is succeeding just fine.

By the way, we hear that Thurlow Baker, who is studying at Seabury Western, has been getting along fine. District members especially from St.Marys,are watching his progress with a great deal of pride. And speaking of Seabury, we were all glad to see Richard Emery on Thanksgiving. After all,turkey tastes better up here in good old Minnesota, eh, Dick?

He is no good Christian who thinks he can be safe without God, or not safe with Him.
--Henshaw.

ST.JAMES YPF STARTS SOCIAL SERVICE STUDY

On Friday night, Dec. 7th, a Musical Pot-Pourri was sponsored by the Y.P.F. of St. James.We were proud to have among the entertainers several of the talented Y.P.F. members of the Diocese, and were extremely sorry that plans were not made in time for us to inform everyone about it. It was something well worth attending.

We were pleased to have the young people of Ascension Church, Stillwater,and St. Peters Church as our guests on the 9th of December. Our speaker for the evening was The Rev. Perry Gilfillan, City Missionary, whose talk on social service was unanimously enjoyed, and proved an opportune subject for our group inasmuch as we are now commencing the series of programs in the Diocesan pamphlet under "Christian Social Service".

Plans are now being made for the installation of the new members of our group to be held sometime before January first.

CHAPEL Y.P.F. GROUP ORGANIZES CLASS.

The Chapel Y.P.F. plan to have a Sunday School class composed of the Y.P.F. members. In this class we will study books on "The Life of Christ", and "The History of the Episcopal Church in America". The parents may be invited to attend a service of our Y.P.F. sometime this month. We also plan to have a candy sale in the very near future.

QUIET DAY MEDITATION HELD IN MINNEAPOLIS

Last Saturday,the Minneapolis District sponsored its first Quiet Day in Gethsemane Chapel.The Rev. E.C.Gear led in the four meditations---God and Our Relation to Him; The Church; the Holy Communion; Personal or Private Devotions. It was a very inspiring day for all who attended.

ST.MARKS,MPLS,PLANS INTERESTING PROGRAMS

On Dec. 16,St.Marks group,Minneapolis, is to sponsor the presentation of "The Messiah",sung by their choir and that of Central Lutheran Church. Following this, the group will hold a reception for all Episcopal nurses in Minneapolis hospitals. The following Sunday, five members of the group who are attending Seabury-Western will be guests and will outline their reasons for entering the ministry.

Keep your mind open,but not vacant.

DAY & NIGHT SCHOOL

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Thomas F. Kennedy ----- Vice President.

The Mailbag Forum

We are pleased to inaugurate our Mailbag column below. Won't you write us on the subject that is bothering you,or any ideas or suggestions you think will benefit the members or the organization.All we ask is that you keep within 75 words, and we would like to have contributions signed,although this is not compulsory.

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Dear Friends:-

We wish to extend to all the members of the Y.P.F.,their advisors and members of the Clergy a deep appreciation for the cooperation we have had during this year.

We look forward to a year of greater endeavor, greater fellowship and unfailing support of the ideals of the movement.

We take this opportunity to send our sincere best wishes for the coming holiday season to all.

--The District Officers.

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An Old Timer Says:

T'other night our minister was talkin' to a group of us fellers,and the subject was "faith". We all agreed that those we have faith in, we don't fear - and that we look our doors, not agin our friends, but agin thugs and robbers - those people who have lost their faith in humanity, and in whom we have lost our faith.

Now,it jest came to me that maybe that is what's wrong with some of us young folks. We've shut our doors agin God,because we can't make a physical friend of Him - can't see whom we are placing our faith in - and we haven't learned how to make Him our spiritual friend - the one we can turn to when we need somebody other than those friends we see every day. Let's see if we can't open up our doors to this friend who is standing at our threshold, knocking.

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Dear YPFers:

I wish to express my hope that each and every one of you may experience a most joyful Christmas season and a very Happy and Prosperous New Year, in which we may all attain closer companionship with Jesus, Whose birthday we will soon be celebrating.Let us not forget that He gave His life for us, so that we might become better men and women. So let us always bear in mind that we purpose to seek Jesus, Who is in the world,and thru a growing companionship of worship and service with Him to follow Him bravely in an adventure of Christ-like living, which of its own joy and truth and grace shall bring others to Him.

Sincerely yours, Frederick L.Searing,Jr.
Diocesan President.

DISTRICT TO HANDLE DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

At the Diocesan Council meeting,it was decided that St. Paul & Minneapolis dues were to be paid through the district and then forwarded to the Diocesan Treasurer in a lump sum. This will facilitate the handling of the dues of 25¢ per member, which are to be in the hands of the District Treasurer,Frank Freidmann, shortly after the first of the year. More news concerning this will be sent the groups from the District officers.

THE NEWS OF THE NATION.

Each month we try to prepare this column of exchange items just as late as we can in order to include all the interesting ideas which come from different parts of the country.And then,we find it a difficult job to select the best facts from all the exchange papers we receive. If there is any subject on which members would like information from other cities we will be glad to find it for them if they will call on us.

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The organizad young people of the Diocese of Illinois form units of Gamma Kappa Delta."The Herald"of St.Marks,Glen Ellyn, indicates that a pledge was made to their parish for 1935 of $50.00.

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Sunday, January 6, will be Personal Evangelism Sunday in the Province of Sewanee according to "The Chimes",recently organized paper of that section.All members are planning services and programs in harmony with the theme.

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Y.P.F.members in San Diego,Calif,will follow an old custom again this year and sing Xmas carols at the homes of those who are ill on Xmas Eve. The groups in St. Paul who plan to do this will know that others throughout the country are participating in a "national carol-sing."

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The Diocese of Pennsylvania has adopted as a project,a Thank Offering for the Episcopal Hospital. The results of this as an annual project are most gratifying and illustrates another way that we can aid in the service side of our purpose.

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All Saints' Day was especially designated in the Phillippine Islands for the boys and girls of the Church schools to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries and hold services in memory of those who had passed beyond.

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Chapters not paying their dues within the time limit in Alabama are assessed a special fee; which reminds us that altho is isn't done in Minnesota that way, the District is collecting the dues and your promptness would be appreciated.

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And as we go to press,we just received the first issue of "The National Broadcast for Young People", to be issued bimonthly for young people leaders by the National offices. It will bé full of suggestions and program material.We are going to plan to circulate its ideas among the group presidents.

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And may we take this space to send to send a sincere holiday greeting to all our exchange friends throughout the land.

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ST.PETERS TO SPONSOR PLAY ON JANUARY 4th

On Sunday, Dec.2,members of St. Peter took part in a very lively and interesting discussion led by Francis Blinkhorn on Religious Freedom of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Since our first meeting the group has grown steadily and we hope to keep on progressing.We are exchanging visits with St. James group. We were their guests last Sunday and will entertain them Dec. 16, Our group will fill baskets of food for the needy as a Xmas project.

We are giving a three-act comedy called "Aaron Slick from Punkin Creek" on Friday, Jan. 4th. Tickets at 25¢ may be secured from any of our members.We hope to have a good attendance from other groups.

JUST A-RAMBLING AROUND

The members of the Y.P.F. of St. Jame's are to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Severs at a Christmas Party to be held at their home on the 30th of December...Did you know that when Messiah holds a Solemn Enevsong service, every member has a part in the service?...Bill Hunt,president of St.Pauls group, has gone very domestic.We hear that he has developed a pastime of embroidering the shield from the head of the Crusader on some dish-towels for the group...So far, it has been the smaller YPFs that have the highest percentage of subscriptions to The Crusader...After deciding to hold a meeting the first Tuesday of each month,the Council found its first date would be New Year's Day,so-o-o-o the meeting will be Held January 7th...An unusually high percentage of YPF members sing in their respective choirs...This issue is likely to be a couple of days late being mailed,therefore we are advancing our news deadline to the first of the month New Year's,notwithstanding...We will be pleased to accept subscriptions to the national paper, The Challenge, at 25¢ a year.

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OFFICERS SCHEDULED FOR GROUP VISITS.

In endeavoring to be of greater actual service to the individual groups,and being confident that only in this way will we fulfill the duties of our office,this policy has been adopted.

Each officer shall have under him several groups for which he shall ace as representative in the executive sessions. The number of visits is not stipulated but purely voluntary. Wherever possible it shall be at least once a month. After each visit a short written report will be placed on file and this will enable us as well as our successors to carry on the work in an efficient manner. These will not apply to the president whose duties are set forth in the by-laws. The groups assigned to each officer are:-
Chancellor, Louise Hatfield: St.Matthews St. Mary's, and St.Clement's.
Secretary,Dorothy Newcomb: Ascension,St. Peter's,St. Andrew's,and Chapel of Resurrection.
Treasurer, Frank Friedmann: St. Paul's, Christ Church, and Ascension,Stillwater.
Vice President, Paul LaFavor: St. John's St. James, Messiah, and St.John's,W.B.

DISTRICT SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE NAMED.

One member from each group in the District has been named to a District Social Service Committee under the chairmanship of Paul La Favor, vice president of the District. This committee will start immediately to investigate current social problems and the work the YPF can do to correct them. Members of the committee:- Ascension, Helen Colbeth; Christ, Harold Benscoter; Chapel, Fred Daggy; Messiah, Harriet Smith; St.James, Gerald Jensen; St. Johns, Nita Stewart; St.Marys, Kitty Steel; St. Matthews, Alanson Harris; St. Pauls, Wilma Keil; S.St. Paul, Lewis Ferguson. Others are to be named from St. Clements,St.Peters,White Bear and Stillwater.

DIOCESE AGAIN SPONSORS POSTER CONTEST

Those who were in attendance at last year's Diocesan Convention will remember the interest and enthusiasm in the first annual poster contest. The convention went on record as recommending the continuation of this contest and it may not be too soon for your group to plan its entry. More details should be available next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF JANUARY 1, 1935

6/1/34	Balance on hand to incoming officers	$ 14.96	
	Excursion deposit		10.00
	Excursion proceeds	41.84	
	General expenses of operation to date		10.25
1/1/35	BALANCE ON HAND		36.55
		$ 56.80	56.80

Respectfully submitted,
Frank J. Freidmann.

DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP RALLY GREAT SUCCESS.

Over one hundred and fifty members of the St. Paul District gathered last Friday evening at St. Mary's Guild Hall for the annual District Fellowship Rally. It was the first time that this event has been held on a weekday night,and its reception by the membership proved the wisdom of the change in date.Dancing was enjoyed by a majority of the members in the lower hall while many others played cards and community games in the upper room.A variety of entertainment features were capably handled by Don Gurney and Larry Gates as masters of ceremonies,and kept the party moving at a lively rate with plenty of activity and amusement for all the members. Prize dances and a door prize drawing added to the entertainment program.Light refreshments were served toward the conclusion of the best fellowship evening ever held in the District. Several Minneapolis members were present and out-state visitors included Harold Umhoefer,Diocesan Advisor,and the Diocesan President,Frederick Searing,Jr. The rally was under the joint sponsorship of St.Matthews and St.Marys groups.

DIOCESAN PRESIDENT TOURS SOUTHERN MINN.

Frederick L. Searing, Diocesan President, has just completed an organization trip through the sections of the Diocese in which the Y.P.F. has not been active. On this trip, he visited Tracy, Minn., where the possibilities for the formation of an active group are improving;in Pipestone, although little has been done in Y.P.F. work, it is felt that interest may be aroused very soon; and in Fairmont,work has been started toward organizing an active group of young people. While the benefits of the trip will not be immediately felt,it is thought that a foundation has been laid in that part of the Diocese for the development of the Y.P.F.

REV.R.R.INGERSOLL TO BE ORDAINED JAN. 25

The ordination to the priesthood of Rev. Russell R. Ingersoll,curate for the last six months at the Church of St.John the Evangelist, will take place January twenty-fifth in Seattle, Wash.,Mr.Ingersoll's birthplace. The ceremony will be performed in St. Mark's Cathedral with Rt. Rev. S. Arthur Huston, bishop of the Diocese of Olympia, officiating.

The Rev. Mr.Ingersoll is a graduate of the University of Washington and the General Theological Seminary in New York City. He came directly to St.John's following his graduation from the latter in May, 1934. Since his arrival here he has been very active in YPF affairs, and was speaker at the Fall District Rally.

The ordination sermon will be delivered by Rev.Conrad H.Gesner, rector of St. John's, who was invited to preach on the occasion by the Bishop of Olympia.

The Rev. Mr. Ingersoll will return to resume his duties as curate at St.Johns.

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LOOKING TOWARD THE FUTURE.

It is customary at the beginning of every year to look briefly back at the events of the past and then to plan for the future. In doing this, it seems to us that one big fault of the past should be corrected and that is tha shortsighted ness of our endeavors.

The truth is that for a long period our organization was actually looking backward. Precedent and its correlative sins were always the guide for our acts, and this curtailed all progress. This is apparently eliminated but we have reach ed the stage when we look only at the present. All our thoughts and our plans are solely for this year or this month or this meeting. Let's look ahead!!

It has been said that,"The great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are going." Our economic crisis was caused by the failure ten or twelve years ago,to plan for the future. In our YPF work, it is equally true that progress has not been made because we planned only for the per iod from September to May and even those plans were taken from the past years.Let us look forward!!

One part of our work in which this is especially true is our leadership. Those who have been leaders have failed to try the abilities of their subordinates, and consequently when they finished their work, no capable successors were available.This is true in our parochial groups and in our larger organization.

Henry Ford has said,"Tomorrow we marvel at our shortsightedness of today".May the future of the YPF act as a monument to careful,onscientious planning of program, leadership and purpose.

OUR EXCHANGE EDITORIAL

At the heart of our whole problem lies the dishonesty of those who call themselves Churchmen and will not do their part. There are thousands and tens of thousands of the faithful who by their constant prayers,by their gifts,by their vision, by their service are holding the line;for these we thank God.But there is an equal number of nominal communicants who,enjoying the benefits of the partnership,are not baring in its responsibilities.They are crippling the work of the Church,staying its advance,shackling the Body of Christ,denying their discipleship and hindering the coming of the Kingdom.
---From the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops at the General Convention.

THE FILM ESTIMATE SERVICE

The following Film Estimate service is printed with permission of the publisher and may not be copied. Complete reviews may be secured by calling the editor.

BABES IN TOYLAND(Laruel,Hardy)-Hilarious and often burlesque;always clean. A-amusing; Y-humorous; C-exciting.
BACHELOR OF ARTS (Brown,Louise,Marsh) A-too juvenile; Y-interesting;C-good.
BEHOLD MY WIFE (Sidney, Raymond)-Dubious motivation, weird ethics.-Unwholesome.
BIG-HEARTED HERBERT(Kibbee)-Fast-moving, with clean fun. A & Y- prob. amusing.
BRIGHT EYES (Temple,Dunn)-Fine,wholesome and amusing. A & Y- very good; C- good.
CARAVAN(Young, Boyer)Romantic mixture of nonsense,music, and gypsy costumes. A-rather good; Y-doubtful; C- no.
CHU CHIN CHOW (Robey,Wong)-Skillful,well acted play more vivid than verbal scenes of original story. Too strong for C.
DESIRABLE (Muir,Brent)-Everybody in romantic excitement and froth of social functions.-A-fair; Y-not worthwhile.C-no.
EVELYN PRENTICE(Powell,Loy)-Finely acted strong story. A-good of kind; Y-doubtful.
FORSAKING ALL OTHERS(Crawford,Montgomery and Gable) -Gay parties, amusing dialog, much slapstick--A-depends on taste; Y-doubtful; C-no.
FUGITIVE LADY (Rice,Hamilton)-Confused crook story with wholesome romance outweighed by sordid action.--A-mediocre; Y-doubtful; C-no.
GAY BRIDE (Lombard,Morris) - Trash.
HOME ON THE RANGE (Brent,Coogan)-Hash of absurd situations in"modern"horse-opera.
IMITATION OF LIFE (Colbert,William)Dramatic story well handled but slow-moving. A-interesting; Y-mature; C-too mature.
LOVE TIME (Asther,Patterson)-Light,wholesome romance depicting F.Schubert, makes appealing film.--A-pleasant. Y & C-good.
MAN WHO RECLAIMED HIS HEAD (Rains)--well played by Rains, and strong in depicting causes of war.--A-interesting; Y-mature.
MENACE (Michael,Cavanaugh)Murder thriller, effective cast,some harrowing scenes. A-good of kind; Y-thrilling; C-no.
ONE EXCITING ADVENTURE(Barnes)-Light,intriguing crook comedy.-- Fairly amusing.
PAINTED VEIL (Garbo,Marshall)-Depends on taste for adults. Not for Y or C.
POWER (Veidt;Hume)-Forceful portrayal of novel "Jew Suss".A-notable; Y-strong.
PURSUED (Ames,Jory)-Lurid sex melodrama, with no interest.A-hardly; Y & C - no.
PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS(Lederer,Bennett)-A deftly done romantic comedy.-A-amusing; Y-doubtful; C-no.
READY FOR LOVE(Arlen)- Cheap farce-Trash.
ROMANCE IN MANHATTAN(Rogers,Lederer)Sincere,appealing story. A-pleasant; Y-good.
TOMORROW'S YOUTH (Moore)-Appeal of child actor,but far-fetched.-A-hardly;Y-maybe.
WE LIVE AGAIN (Sten,March)- Serious,elaborate drama,notably well-acted.--A-very good of kind; Y-mature; C-no.
WHAT EVERY WOMAN KNOWS- (Hayes)--Masterpiece for intelligent enjoyment with cast in finest roles to date.-A & Y-excellent.
BROADWAY BILL (Loy,Baxter)- A, fine of a kind; Y- perhaps. Excellent human interest comedy.
LITTLE MINISTER,THE (Hepburn)- The classic is beautifully screened.A & Y-excel.
MIGHTY BARNUM,THE (Beery,Menjou)Typical Beery stuff,but amusing;depends on taste.

What men want is not talent; it is purpose; in other words, not the power to achieve, but the will to labor--Bulwer.

Pay your Diocesan dues before March 1st.

"STOP! GO!" GIVEN AT ASCENSION THIS WEEK

The YPF at Ascension Church has been very active during the holidays. There have been many rehearsals for the play, "Stop! Go!", which is to be presented January 17 and 18, Thursday and Friday evenings, at the Parish House, Morton and Ohio Streets. The YPF had a party in the Parish House, December 27 which was visited by Santa Claus and entertained by a three piece orchestra. As usual, the YPF undertook the task of decorating the church for Christmas. The club made a cupboard for its own use in the basement of the newly decorated Parish House. This month the mothers are giving a kitchen shower to stock it at the home of Mrs. E. J. Stiefel.

The month of January offers an exceptionally interesting program. At the Jan. 6th meeting the four fold purpose outline and the new district decency pledges were studied and discussed. Following the meeting we will join in the Parish celebration of Epiphany, an annual party for all parishoners. The Rev. Perry Gilfillan, Twin City Missionary, will discuss his work at the Jan. 13th meeting. On the following Sunday the YPF of South Saint Paul will be our guests, and we shall try to make it a model YPF meeting. A discussion on "Ideals of Worship for Young People"will be lead by Juliet Stiefel. The last Sunday of the month will consist of a discussion of Sir Wilfred Thomason Grenfell Missionary and physician, conducted by Violet Perron.

VISITORS INVITED TO MESSIAH EVENSONG

Calendar for January

January 6th Solemn choral evensong at 7:30,followed by reception and refreshments.
January 11th District Social Rally at St. Mary's.
January 20th Regular service,supper and business meeting, 6:00 P.M.

Calendar for first part of February

February 3rd Solemn choral evensong at 7:30. Social hour and refreshments.
February 17 Service,supper and discussion meeting, 6:00 P. M. topic being, " The Religions of China."

Messiah's meetings are open to anyone interested in the work of the Young People's Fellowship and visitors from other YPF groups aremost welcome.

ST. JAMES GROUP MEETS WITH ST. PETERS

The Y.P.F. of St. James was accorded the privilege of conducting an exemplary meeting at St. Peters Church on Sunday, December 16th. Afterwards a delightful hour was spent in playing games.

On Saturday,January 5, a surprise party was given for Melvin Biessler at which members of St. James were guests.

STRAYED, DELAYED, OR MISLAID? ?

What? Some news. The staff has tried every means to get news in promptly but still late enough to include the latest facts. This month we thank representatives from Messiah,St.Marys,St.Matthews, and St. Johns for promptness. The others were late or else we had to call or meet members to get the news. And by the way we're still waiting for news from Stillwater's newly organized group. Write us next month, will you?

HUNDRED & FIFTY SIGN DECENCY PLEDGE

One hundred and fifty-eight members had signed the revised Decency pledge at a preliminary check. The group membership and the numbers signed are:-

Church	No. of Members	Pledges In
Ascension	22	16
Ascension,Stillwater	No report	
Chapel of Resurrection	20	12
Christ Church	15	4
Messiah	14	6
St. Andrews	20	12
St. Colements	22	12
St. James	15	10
St. Johns, St. Paul	70	10
St. Johns, White Bear	20	11
St. Marys	30	16
St. Matthews	15	8
St. Pauls	30	19
St. Peters	18	12

ST. MARY'S HAS TALK ON SEABURY SEMINARY

St. Mary's YPF has enjoyed a grand month. On Dec. 23 a successful performance of Dicken's "Christmas Carol" was given, from which our Christmas pledge to the church was paid. On Dec. 30 Thurlow Baker, who is attending Seabury Western Seminary in Evanston told us about the buildings, the classes, and the life in general at the Seminary.

We didn't finish the discussions from the Diocesan program last month, but we plan to do so in January. The 6th we discussed "Holy Orders and Bishops", and on the 13th, "The Diocese"; on the 20th, the third Sunday of the month, we will have our regular corporate communion service. In the evening St. Paul's-on-the-Hill is coming to visit us and give a puppet theater play "Alladin's Lamp". On January 27 we will study "The National Council" and Feb. 3 we will finish the Diocesan program by studying the "General Convention."

PLAY, MEMBERS DRIVE PLANNED BY CHRIST CH.

The members of Christ Church have completed plans for a membership campaign to be conducted in the next month. A feature of the drive will be a get-together night and an outdoor party for the members and the prospective members.

Christ Church group has started rehearsals for the play, "Easy Money" which will be given shortly after Easter. In line with past productions by the group, it may be expected that this will be well worth while.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE MADE AT WHITE BEAR YPF.

St.Johns group, White Bear,have made a definite program outline to follow each month. On the first Sunday, a discussion meeting is held.The next week,an outside speaker is heard and the third Sunday is for a service project. The last week in the month is Rector's night. Rev. A. H. Lealtad of St. Paul will be the guest of the group on January 13th,-Among the future happenings of the group are plans to give a play, "Maid Wanted", at an early date. Officers of the group now are Ronald Robertson,president;Dorothy Hetchell vice president;Virginia Hetchell,secretary; and Isme Robertson,treasurer.

ST. PETER'S Y.P.F.
presents
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HYMNOLOGY

It must be understood that music up to the ninth century had been sung in unison. A Benedictine monk of St. Armand in Flanders by the name of Huckbald (840-930) is generally credited with being the first one to attempt part-writing. He called his system "Organum". It would sound very ugly to our modern ears as it was made up of successions of 4ths 5ths and octaves. Students of Harmony will readily see that these are just the progressions that are strictly forbidden nowadays because they are unmusical and empty. Try playing on your piano the Doxology for instance. Play the melody in the soprano; now along with it play the alto five notes below each note in the melody and you will have a fair idea as to how this system sounded.

Now we come to the name of Guido,Prior of the Monastery at Avallana. He developed the "Organum" method of Huckbald and now called it "Diaphony". Although his system is said to have been not quite so disagreeable as the previous system it was still quite crude. Guido is also celebrated as the inventor of the "Sol-Fa" system. His ideals were not kindly taken to by some of his contemporaries, in fact, the bitterness and jealousy of his enemies was so great that he was compelled to resign his office in the Monastery of Pomposa. It is chronicled that Pope John XIX later reinstated him after he had proved his theories by teaching the Pontiff to sing correctly at sight in one lesson.

The invention of the sharp and flat for raising and lowering the pitch seems to be the next step in the development of music. This was the work of one Franco of Cologne. Little did he know how this device would be used and abused many centuries later. Franco was a scientist and a writer of works on subjects other than music. Other things invented and introduced by Franco were the use of triple time and the use of a third in the harmony.

It will be noticed that all the men that have really had a vital part in the development of music, with the exception of Franco, have been connected with the church. It seems to me that all this goes to show that music is essentially a churchly art.

The use of harmony,which was being developed at great speed was growing. The growth was so great that we now find that we have two distinct schools. One who was standing by the old method of counterpoint and the other striving for a greater system of harmony.

In this period, it was customary for the users of counterpoint to construct all part music on a given melody called a "canto fermo". Often secular melodies were used as "canti fermi".Not being content to use the melodies only, composers would actually retain the words to which they were originally set.We find in some of the old Masses that sacred words would be sung by the choir while the tenor, who was usually given the canto fermo would sing the words of a love song. It is very fortunate indeed that this was a period of transition into one of greater advancement in church music.

There is one name that stands out in this early contrapuntal school. It is

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that of Josquin des Pres (1460-1515). He was a Belgian but spent most of his time in Italy, and was considered the greatest musician of his day. There is very little left of his work; but the fact that he was considered such a great man in many countries merits mention here.

This brings us up to the period of Reformation. It was a great upheaval of the religious world, and quite naturally had its effect on the music of the church. The church was divided broadly into three distinct schools of religious reaching,The Roman, Anglican and Lutheran. It is easy to see this sharp division of the sixteenth century would divide the music likewise into three different schools.

The music of the Roman church centered around the Mass as the great public service. The Lutheran church, having rejected the old ritual music,focussed its attention for the time being on the development of the Chorale. The Anglican church centered its work around the services of Morning and Evening Prayer and the service of Holy Communion.

The Mailbag Forum

"WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT IT?" Any and all letters from members of the various YPF groups, discussing, questioning,suggesting will be gladly published in this column.

To all District Members:-

Using the facilities of this paper, I am asking each of you for your cooperation in the collection of Diocesan dues.

This year,contrary to custom, the dues are being handled through your district officers.They undertook this job,because they felt that it was to your benefit to do so and also because it is the chance for the District to show that we are really organized and operating. I hope that you will aid your officers to the utmost of your ability.Have your group's officers send the dues and names to:-
Frank Freidmann,144 S. Fairview,St.Paul.

The deadline is March 1st. You are the District, and its responsibilities are yours!! Thank you.

Frank Freidmann
District Treasurer

To Members of the St.Paul District:-

As Editor of your paper,I feel correct in addressing this letter to you in reference to Diocesan news in The Crusader.

We have been informed that henceforth, meetings of the Diocesan Council are to be "closed to outsiders". It is regrettable that actions of the Council (what few are taken) have reached the point where secrecy is essential. Our members have every right to meet with the Council to present ideas and to receive information, and when its work in open session is as it has been recently,we shudder to think of the results of"secret security". In giving you the news in this paper, it is necessary that we have the correct facts. We would not feel it proper to print vague and unauthentic notes from these meetings. While this situation is present, we hope you will understand the reason for the exclusion of Diocesan information in the Crusader and bear with us.

Sincerely,
Walter D. Montgomerie

ST. PAULS' Y.P.F. PLAN MEET

The St. Paul's group is continuing its efforts to introduce the adults of the parish to young peoples' work. The Christmas pageant which we presented was very favorably received by a large percentage of the parish which attended. In order that the adults may learn what we do at a normal meeting,we are presenting a tea, January 27th, to be followed by a meeting conducted along customary lines. The committee in charge plans to follow a spring motif in the decorations of the hall and the group members will wear spring attire.This promises to be one of the outstanding undertakings of the year.

January 13th we are having a discussion group on a subject from the program outline of the Diocese.

January 19 we are having a sleigh ride after which we will return to the Parish house for refreshments. The evening will conclude with dancing.

ST. JOHN'S BUSY WITH HOLIDAY PARTIES

Near capacity audiences applauded both performances of "An Old Spanish Custom", the operetta given by St. John's groupat the Parish house on December 14 and 15. It is estimated that over one hundred dollars will have been made when all the ticket money has been turned in. Out of this sum fifteen dollars will go as St. John's contribution toward the fund being established to purchase a car for Rev. Perry Gilfillan, City missionary. The rest of the profits will be used to help clean the interior of the church, a job which has already been partially completed by the young people.

A sleigh ride was held Saturday evening, Dec. 22, and about thirty of the members attended. After meeting at the parish house, the group drove to Como Park, where they met the sleigh. A two hours ride followed, after which everyone returned to the Parish house for a hot supper. The affair was such a success that another ride is being planned for the near future.

Members of the YPF, including the cast of the operette, spent Sunday evening, Dec. 16, at the home of John Myers.After a delightful supper,various forms of entertainment kept everyone busy. There was dancing and pool in the basement amusement room and upstairs a large group sat around the piano and sang Christmas carols and music from "An Old Spanish Custom."

The New Year was appropriately welcomed in by the Young People at a gay party in the Parish house. An orchestra provided dance music and balloons, paper hats, streamers, and noise makers made the party a very colorful one. A bunch of mistletoe, hung in the center of the room was a huge success for some people.

CHAPEL OF RESURRECTION MEMBERSHIP LEAPS

The membership of the new group at the Chapel of the Resurrection has been growing rapidly and now there is a roster of twenty. On January 20, Rev. C.H. Gesner District Advisor, will be present to conduct an admission service for the new members. Later in January,the group has planned a sleigh ride party after which the group will partake of oyster stew at the home of their rector. The new members and the added activities are certain proof that our group is steadily progressing.

PLAY IN FEBRUARY PLANNED BY ST. CLEMENTS

With the spirit of Christmas--better to give than to receive- the YPRers of St. Clements furnished happiness for a family of five children. Presents were collected and wrapped and taken to the family on Christmas Eve.

Frank Countryman, Fenwick Atwill,Frederick Bathke were in charge of a sleigh-ride on Jan. 3, and a rough, but enjoyable party was held. Following the ride (?) refreshments were served in the parish house.

About twenty young people went singing carols Xmas Eve, and after the carolling returned to the home of Rev. and Mrs.Atwill for refreshments.

The meeting on January 6 was used to discuss all the plans for the next few months. Plans were completed for a play on February and a definite program outline was drawn up.

XMAS PROJECT, PARTY OCCUPY ST. MATTHEWS

St. Matthew's accomplishments during the month of December, while not many in number, were of some real value. At one meeting a short talk was given by a member on the Nazi situation in Germany and the forthcoming Saar Plebescite. After his talk the whole group joined in a discussion of this subject,tackling it from the point of the religious persecution in Germany. Discussions seem to be our chief method of learning.

The following Sunday found us taking advantage of the snow covered slope across from the church in a real tobogan party. After we had gotten our bumpings, we adjourned to the Parish hall for sandwiches and coffee.

We tackled a project for Christmas. We arranged to fit out completely a needy family with food, clothing, and toys. It was a negro family of five. We wrapped all the presents up and put the names of those for whom they were intended on the outside. We delivered them personally Monday afternoon before Christmas.

Our church was beautifully decorated for the Christmas. The work was done mainly by the Young People's group, who assisted Rev. Aanestad all day Monday.

Our annual Christmas party came on Thursday evening, January 3. After tobogganing a while, we went to the Parish hall where we played ping-pong and other games. A feature of the evening was the distribution of gifts by a belated Santy. Refreshments topped this off.

Active in helping plan for the January social rally with St. Mary's were John Hauck, Gertrude McPherson, Betty Cox, Beverly Loring, and James Fish.

Happy New Year.

ST. ANDREW'S, SO. ST.PAUL, ELECTS OFFICERS

New officers elected recently by St.Andrews YPF,South St.Paul,include the following:- Hawley Cropsey, president, Jack Lavine, vice president; Juliann Kennedy, secretary;and Betty Krayenbuhl,treasurer. The group has been using the Diocesan Program to advantage and is now taking a very active part in the District. They have plans for a dance and sleigh ride party for the near future..

ST. PETERS' PLAY POSTPONED TO JANUARY 17

The play to be given by members of the group at St. Peters, "Aaron Slick from Punkin Creek", has been postponed until January 17th,because of the holiday activities of the group.

THE NEWS OF THE NATION

Herewith are a few notes from different papers which we receive from around the country. We are now planning to have these exchanges available at the monthly council meetings for reading and copying.

As mentioned last month we are receiving "The National Broadcast" from the national offices every alternate month. On the i ntervening months, we expect to print additional news from the National Secretary. Inasmuch as the last edition was available at the last Council meeting, we are not repeating the excellent Lenten program outlines but will send a copy to those desiring it.

From Berkeley,Calif.,comes news that a YPF button, which is presented to outstanding members and workers in YPF, has been bestowed on Alfonso Gomez,a student from Guadalajara, Mexico at the Church Divinity School in Berkeley.

The Interparochial League of Montgomery Ala. has charge of the Masonic Home Service at regular intervals.On Dec.30,they presented "Bethlehem", amystery play,and their members took the parts.

The Diocese has undertaken as a project the establishment of a Diocesan camp.

The District Council meeting should be a forum for the interchange of ideas in all the fields of the YPF endeavor; the experience of one group may solve the problem of another.--So says the Fellowship News of the Diocese of Newark.

We received a new paper, "The Gators' Gabble",from Diocese of Florida.This was the initial issue but because of pessimism at their convention was disbanded. Sounds a lot like home.

The YPF Call, of Rhode Island, points out that"Variety in meetings is mose essential for continued interest. Programs of one type grow wearisome.An element of surprise should be added by keeping secret some plan for the meeting."

The Spotlight, an interesting exchange from Pennsylvania,this month carries the plans for a Standard Point System for Fellowships which will be used in that Diocese.Such a plan would be worked well here in our District, if not in the Diocese.

Through the Monthly Greeting of Cincinnati, we learn that their Provincial objective is "to create in every parish or mission a group of young people who are trying to find the real meaning of the Christian religion through planned study of at least one Gospel;planned programs of the worship of Christ; and service in Christ's name for the realization of the Kingdom of God in the community."

True knowledge of ourselves produces a true humility. The self-centered life is a life of loneliness and despair. A life united with God in penitence is a joyful life.

Your suggestions and various criticisms are welcome and helpful. Please let us have your ideas.

ON THE SUBJECT OF WORSHIP SERVICES.

Many of the best Y.P.F. groups in some phases of the work fail to realize their possibilities because of lack of concentration on their worship services. These may mean everything or nothing. They may be our trysting place with God or a thing to be finished as quickly as possible. Worship services are the vehicle which leads us to an experience of fellowship with God.Through this experience there evolves a harmony with the spirit of God which leads us to a knowledge of the purpose of life. Thus,we are enabled to secure the harmony andpeace which is the key to the Christian life. Prayers which may supplement those in the Diocesan Program are the following, the first as an opening and the second as a closing prayer;-

Almighty Heavenly Father,send down on this Chapter of the Young Peoples' Fellowship an outpouring of Thy Grace, rewarding them richly when they are sluggish and meeting their every need.Amen.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we ask Thy guidance and blessing for all the aims and hopes of the Young Peoples' Fellowship. Help us to deepen daily habits of devotion, and to be faithful communicants and worshippers in the church.Teach us to walk in the light and avoid the works of darkness,that we may have true fellowship, one with another. Fill us with a spirit of service.Sanctify our whole vision of life with high and holy ideals. We ask this for Jesus sake. Amen.

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LENTEN DEVOTIONAL SERVICES ARE SCHEDULED

A most inspirational and appropriate series of Lenten Services is being lined up for the members of the YPF during the coming Lenten season. On March 8th, members of St.Peters will be host to a service conducted for District members by the Rev.Messrs.R.R.Ingersoll of St.Johns and L.K.Young of St. Pauls. This service will be held on the"World Day of Prayer" which has been set aside by young people of all denominations for services in preparation for a more productive Lent for the youth of the churches.Although plans are not final,it is expected that we will have a light lunch before the service so that members may meet together in inspirational fellowship with one another and then join with the two curates of District parishes in this opening devotional of the Lenten season.

On March 24th, the groups at Ascension and Christ churches will cooperate in sponsoring the annual Lenten Rally at the latter church. Details of this rally will appear in the March Crusader. It is also planned to have another devotional service before the end of the Lenten season to complete the series which should be a most helpful part in our Lenten devotions and activities.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION SCHEDULED IN ST.PAUL

The eleventh annual convention of the Diocesan Y.P.F. will be held in St. Paul April 26, 27 and 28. Action by the District Council assured the cooperation of all groups in working toward a most successful undertaking. As yet the Church which will act as convention headquarters has not been selected.Several groups are now discussing the project with their parish authorities and definite announcement will be made next week.

RUMANIAN YOUTH INVITE DISTRICT TO DANCE.

Members of the Rumanian Orthodox young people in St.Paul andSouth St.Paul have extended an invitation to all members of the YPF to attend a social get-together and dance at their hall, Woodbridge and Atwater streets,on February 23rd.A small charge of 15¢ will be made.It is expected that a large number of YPFers will be in attendance at this affair,arranged by these Rumanian young people especially for our members.

RAMSEY YOUTH GATHERING TO BE NEXT WEEK.

The 19th Annual Ramsey County Young People's Conference,sponsored by the Ramsey County Sunday School Assn., will be held February 21,22 and 23rd in St.Paul. Six groups of YPF members are engaged in this organization and many of our members plan to attend the sessions of this conference, which will present speakers of national importance on subjects of interest to all young people today.Complete information may be secured from rectors.

"THE GOOD FAIRY" PRESENTED AT ORPHEUM BY CRUSADER STAFF ON WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Combining a first-class movie presentation with a vaudeville show of unusual wholesomeness and versatility, the next Crusader project promises to be an outstanding success. Tickets are on sale by staff members, group representatives and District members for the show at the RKO Orpheum Theater on February 22nd at the regular admission price of 40¢. The film will be "The Good Fairy", a musical comedy with Herbert Marshall and Margaret Sullavan that has drawn exceptional preview endorsements. At our request,a special review was sent by the Film Estimate Service which says, "An excellent comedy, a fine choice for your purposes. Expert Molnar play,dialog sparkles, four major roles well played.A joy for intelligent adults,thoroughly entertaining to youth,even children will get many laughs although romance is large part of film. Whimsical, highly improbable but character interest is keen. Love motif is fine and true, the ending sound, and suspense and interest are finely maintained thruout.Comedy by Morgan and Owen delightful and Sullavan does an utterly charming role."

The vaudeville bill which opens that evening has three acts billed as we go to press and they appear above the average in box-office appeal. "Buster Shaver and His Tiny Stars,Olive and George"open the show with a dazzling revue.These midjets will be remembered as the brilliant performers in "The Mighty Barnum".Another act features, "The Female Cab Calloway, Martha Ray" in an unusual song presentation. One comedy act lined up already is featuring, "Al Norman & Co.", Broadway's newest and funniest comedians. This five act bill in conjunction with such a wonderful film will make a most enjoyable entertainment at the regular prices and the cooperation of the theater management will make this a worthwhile project if the District supports it wholeheartedly.

N.W. YOUTH MEET TO BE HELD MARCH 8,9,10.

"Christian Youth Building a New World" is the theme of the Northwest Christian Youth Conference to be held March 8,9,10 in Plymouth Congregational Church,Minneapolis.This is one of 25 such gatherings being held during the first ten days of March throughout the country under the sponsorship of associated youth organizations. It is expected that upwards of 25,000 will participate in the meetings which are all concerned with the enrichment of life,with calling individuals to a real commitment of their lives to Jesus Christ, with helping young people and their leaders to improve their work, and with enlisting all in the unfinished tasks of the Christian Church. Information may be secured from Rev.Herman Sweet c/o Westminster Church, Minneapolis.

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ATTEND THE CRUSADER THEATER PROJECT

In spite of the lack of space which is confronting us in this issue due to the interesting,though crowded,District calendar, we feel it imperative to again point out the necessity for your help in our forthcoming Crusader project.We have made every effort to arrange an attractive program for your entertainment on February 22nd at the Orpheum theater,and ask that you avail yourselves of the opportunity to enjoy this show and at the same time help our financial status which while not critical needs bolstering for the spring issues. Come yourself, bring your friends and let's make this a big success. This appeal is directed mainly to those who pass every such enterprise with the thought "let the other people go". We need the cooperation of everyone in order to realize a maximum benefit.If you need additional tickets or have been unable to get yours, they will be delivered if you'll call the editor up to noon of the day of the performance.

IN THE LATE MAIL WE FIND THAT----

--On March 3rd, Dr. Franklin of Macalester College will address the members of St.Pauls-on-the-Hill on the subject"Living with your Parents".

--Young people of Gethsemane,Minneapolis, have increased their membership 125% in the current YPF year. They have been beginning their meetings with a supper at 6 p.m.followed by their devotions in the church chancel. The parish organist preludes the service with a short recital. Two of the members read the service and Rev. Pardue gives a short meditation on personal religion or some phase of our Chirstian living. After the service, the group meets for a lecture or discussion on some question of interest.

--Members of the Stillwater YPF met with the members of White Bear group Sunday, February 10th.The Stillwater group signed their pledge cards 100%. They are now working with the guild circle in providing choir vestments. Members meet for a corporate communion on the third Sunday of the month.

--There will be a meeting of all those interested in a new Diocesan constitution on February 26th at a place to be given your presidents within the next week.

FIRST SOCIAL SERVICE REPORT GIVEN GROUPS

The newly organized District Social Service Committee,under the chairmanship of Paul LaFavor, met simultaneously with the District Council on February 12th, and brought in the following recommendations:- That the individual groups hold a Clothing Dance or Party preceding Lent, admission to be an article of clothing and the proceeds would be distributed by a worthy social service agency.Also that during Lent, a Food project be held to provide Easter baskets to the needy in plans similar to those used at Thanksgiving and Christmas.All groups not now engaged in definite social service work are urged to follow these plans and make reports to the committee. Further plans to be used after Easter are under advisement.

SYNOPSIS OF FILM ESTIMATES PRESENTED

The staff regrets that due to space limitations this issue, we are unable to present the film estimate service in detail. We list the films here in a general summary and ask that you call the editor for complete information on these--or any other pictures--at any time.

Shows with highest recommendations for all ages include:-
County Chairman-good work by Will Rogers
Clive of India-Masterpiece(Coleman,Young)
President Vanishes-rather exciting.
Lives of a Bengal Lancer-good, but excit
Secret Bride-(Stanwick)-stupid title for well acted thriller.

Those shows considered interesting for adults and young people especially,are:-
Here is My Heart-(Crosby,Carlisle) Good.
Sweet Adeline(Dunne)-Burlesque - amusing
Babbitt (Guy Kibbee)-Fairly good for all
Gilded Lily (Colbert)Good dialog-amuses.
Man of Aran- A British production which is impressive and notable.
Night is Young (Laye,Navarro)-Pleasant.

Others which present interest in small degree are:-
It's a Gift - W. C. Fields very good.
Music in the Air -Fairly good for youth.
West of Pecos-Above the average western.
Father Brown, Detective- - Rather good.
White Lies-(W. Connolly) - Fair of kind.

ENLARGED DIOCESAN CHURCH PAPER ORGANIZED

For some time the Diocesan Department of Publicity has been working out plans which will wmable them to send a revised "Minnesota Missionary and Church Record" to every family in the Diocese monthly. The new issues will contain 36 pages, be issued on the 15th of each month and are to include news of all the Diocesan organizations. A nominal charge of 10¢ a year is being made to comply with postal regulations.

DUES DEADLINE FOR PRIVILEGES IS APRIL I

The last day on which Diocesan dues of members will be accepted is April 1stin accordance with rulings of the Diocesan and district committees.Dues will be accepted after that date, but late payment will not allow the member to attend the Diocesan Convention or vote at the District Election Rally.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL MAKES CONVENTION PLANS

Although the unwarranted banishment of young people (including press-representatives) is still being ridiculously enforced at Diocesan Council meetings, we are able to give you herewith a synopsis of their last meeting.

Ten members answered the roll call.The treasurer's report printed elsewhere in this issue was read and accepted. A communication from Pauline De Vaney of Worthington requesting further information on the YPF was read. This followed as a result of the recent trip into the southwestern part of the diocese by the president. Letters were read from Rochester and Red Wing stating that they would be unable to entertain the next convention. A letter from the Rev. Gardiner M. Day, editor of the young people's page in"The Churchman", was read expressing congratulations on the Diocesan program material.

Under new business it was decided that only those persons whose dues were paid by April 1st would be eligible to attend the convention,either as voting or visiting delegates. It was decided that only voting delegates and the three district presidents be placed on convention committees. After discussion, the Council carried a motion that a committee consisting of the three district presidents secure from their districts suggestions as to changes in the Diocesan constitution, to be referred to the Council at its next meeting and thence to the Convention Constitution Committee.The theme for the next convention was selected as "Forward,Youth!". It was decided that at least one of the convention addresses be made by a yount person and Miss Louise Hatfield was selected for this address. Decision was reached on the Ciocesan Poster Contest which is contained elsewhere in this issue.

COME SEE "MR. BOB"--ST.CLEMENT'S PLAY

Come one,come all to see "Mr.Bob", given by our Young People. When? We have not decided. But be sure to remember that you have a date for the questionable night at the St. Clement's Parish House. Oh, by the way, "Mr. Bob"is the title of a play to be presented by Vernon Johnson, Dick Tudor, our honorable president, Peggy Poore, Cynthia Connely, Betty France,and Dorothy Cooper.The play will be directed by Mr. K. Dreher.

Sunday,the 27th,we were greatly honored by the presence of John Donohue at our supper meeting. He spoke delightfully and sometimes very seriously on "Probation Court" and the dangers threatening to keep our young people from the straight way.

MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT YPF SPONSOR DANCE

Bob Owens and his orchestra furnished the music for the dance sponsored by the Minneapolis District of the Y.P.F. at St.Mark's parish house, Minneapolis,on Friday evening, February 1. The committee in charge of arrangements included Miss Mary Taylor,Miss Carolyn Rose,and Mr.Bob Beecher, district president,secretary & vice president,and Mr. Arthur Burry of All Saints' parish. A good crowd enjoyed the dance and entertainment.

Have you paid your dues?

MUSICAL PROGRAMS OCCUPY ST. JOHN'S GROUP

The operetta, "An Old Spanish Custom", which was so successfully presented by St. John's Y.P.F. in December, will be repeated February 15 in the Parish house under the auspices of the Business and Professional Women's Club of St. Paul. The original cast has been re-assembled and rehearsals have been under way for several weeks. The group will receive one third of the gross receipts for the performance.

The Choral Club of St. Thomas College will present a musical program at the Sunday evening meeting, February 17th. Fred Wiggington, a member of the club, arranged for the entertainment to be given.

Reverend Russell R. Ingersoll,who was advanced to the priesthood recently in Seattle,the city of his birth,has returned to St. John's to resume his duties as curate. The morning following his return a special Y.P.F. Communion service was held in the church, at which Mr. Ingersoll was the celebrant. While he was in Seattle,Mr. Ingersoll addressed a diocesan Y.P.F. rally--telling of the work being done among the St. Paul groups.

Another sleigh ride party was held on January 11. Leaving the Parish House about fifty members drove to Como Park where two sleighs awaited them. After a ride of two hours everyone returned to the Parish House and enjoyed refreshment and dancing.

A large number of members have recently formed a Y.P.F. Choral Club under the capable direction of Grant Kelliher,musical director of the group. Several recitals will be given by the organization sometime in the future. For those who do not care to sing, a Dramatic Club has been organized by Mrs. Ben Sommers. This group will work on some one-act comedies to be given as part of the regular Sunday evening entertainment programs.

LARGER ST.PETER GROUP HAS BUSY PROGRAM

The St.Peter's group is pleased to report that their membership has taken a sudden increase during the past few weeks. Among the projects the group is undertaking are distributing and collecting the Thank offering banks,and providing flowers for the altar one Sunday of the year. Another sleighride is being planned for the near future.

"Aaron Slick From Punkin Crick",the play recently given,was a success despite the cole weather and will be presented again sometime after Easter.

A birthday party was given on Jan.27 by the parents of Jeannette Wittick to which all the members of the group were invited.

RUMANIAN GROUP WILL BE GUESTS OF ASCENSION

Programs for the coming month will be taken from the Diocesan Program Book, those having proved most interesting and beneficial to our members during the year.

We have invited the Rumanian Orthodox group to meet with us February 17,their rector being Father Dmian.

In the near future we will present our play,"Stop!Go!" at St. Lukes Episcopal Church in Hastings.

STATION STPC IS ON THE AIR -- LISTEN IN

The Crusader staff has set up this new column "Station STPC"to act as the local outlet for "The National Broadcast", the ci-monthly paper issued by the National Secretary for Young People. Make use of this valuable information and call the editor for reprints of complete articles.

The World Day of Prayer in which young people of all communions are asked to be a part, and in which our Church takes an active part, will be held this year on March 8th,first Friday in Lent. A "Service for Young People",prepared for this day is available from the Book Store,281 Fourth Ave.,New York at 2¢ each, $1.50 a hundred....Outstanding material for programs include the following:-"Follow Me", a splendid discussion outline which may be obtained from Miss Emily Aldrich, 223 W.Seventh Street,Cincinnati, at 15¢."The Prophets and Problems of Life", a series of discussions on outstanding messages of the prophets and their application to the life problems of today by S. Weston (Pilgrim Press @ 35¢ paper). "Social and Religious Problems of Young People",by S. Weston and S. R. Harlow (Abingdon Press-$1.75)on religious,national,international and ethical problems and social relationships of young people...."Try Something New" -the title of leisure time suggestions for YPF groups - in four sections, 1-Have a dramatic workshop. 2-Make reading your hobby. 3-Inexpensive handcrafts 4-Games for grown-ups. Each section 10¢, or all for 35¢...Did you know that there are 1810 YPF and YPSL groups with an average membership of only 21 while there is an average of 35 in all the youth organizations in the Church?....Have you read "New Careers for Youth"by Walter B. Pitkin, dealing with the job outlook for young people from 17 to 32?....A long list of Lenten program material is available and a reprint will be sent if you call the editor....This information came to you through"Station STPC",the St.Paul Crusader outlet for "The National Broadcast".

ST. MATTHEW'S STUDY PRESENT DAY TOPICS

Adopting a new plan for meetings until the Lenten season,St. Matthew's dropped its study program and inaugurated the idea of having individual reports by members and group discussions of important controversial topics of the day. This plan will be in effect only until Lent, when we will start a well-planned study concerning personal religion.

January 6, St. Matthew's played host to Fred Searing, Diocesan Y.P.F. president, and Grant Day, president of the Southern Minnesota district. Fred gave a short talk on the progress of the groups in the state.

Our services will be permanently in charge of Donovan Gurney and Charles Fish who were appointed chaplains by President John Hauck;January 27th we were given a personally conducted tour through the Church--the various symbolisms being explained by Rev. Aaenstad.

Taking an active part in St. Matthew's Guild's annual Mardi Gras in March, we will conduct a Bingo game and take care of the checking. We had planned a pre-Lenten carnival for about this time,but cancelled it to aid in the success of the Guild's project.

MEMBERSHIP INCREASED BY PLEA FOR "GIRLS!"

Feb. 17th--Service at 6 p.m.followed by supper.A talk on the Religion of China by the Rev. L.R.S. Ferguson with a general discussion by the group after.

March 3rd--Solemn choral evensong at 7:30 followed by refreshments and a social hour.

March 17th-Service at 6 p.m. followed by supper and business meeting. Important for all members.

March 24th-District Lenten Rally, more later on this, but keep the date.

We of Messiah wish to report that in one of the earlier issues of "The Crusader" when we put in a plea for girls for our group,we were a bit skeptical as to the results and were we surprised!! Here they are six of them: Harriet Smith, Virginia Hartsten,Trudie Renz,Elsie and Bernice Williams, and Eleanor Starr. Welcome to our Group and we know you will have a swell time.

With the addition of three new members Messiah makes a bid for the most widely scattered membership. From the North, South,East,and West they come. We have two from North Lexington,two from outside the city in West St.Paul,one from way out on the East side,five within the Parish boundary,two from the vicinity of the old church,and three from the center of town. As you already know we are on the edge of town,being just two blocks from the River Drive.

'Member the cold spell we had when the thermometer registered many degrees below zero? Well,the Sunday it was so cold and with our gang from all over,we had the largest attendance of members we have had this season.

CHAPEL OF RESURRECTION GIVE SLEIGHRIDE

Members of the group at the Chapel of Resurrection enjoyed a sleighride party on February 2,after which a light lunch was served. The sleighride was very successful and resulted in a few new members for our group.

On February 3, we were privileged to have a speaker from the Y.M.C.A. present to speak to us.

We have planned quite an active program for the month ahead and expect our group to continue its growth in numbers and in enthusiasm.

SUMMARY OF DIOCESAN TREASURERS REPORT AT January 31, 1935.

Receipts:		
Cash on Hand 4/21/34	$143.54	
Gross receipts-convention	253.10	
TOTAL		$396.64
Disbursements:		
Faribault for convention	232.25	
Convention printing	18.60	
Convention ribbons,etc.	14.25	
Poster Contest Scholarship	11.50	
St.Marys Hall(Conv.Damage)	5.00	
Cut of Diocesan President	3.00	
Postage expense to date	10.00	
Record books purchased	3.40	
TOTAL		$298.00
Balance receipts over disb.		98.64
Interest recd. on bank acct. (N.W.Nat'l.BankMpls)		4.06
Total cash on hand 1/31/35		$102.70

Note: -There is also on deposit in the Citizens' State Bank,St.Paul(now closed) the sum of $30.67.

History of Hymns
by—
Frank K. Owen

Since the Reformation much has been done to popularize the metrical hymn.The name of Martin Luther (1483-1546) seems to stand out as being one of its chief exponents. He introduced the "Chorale", which to my mind is one of the most dignified and substantial forms of hymn tune that we have. There are some who deny Luther this honor, but there is no doubt that he was the medium through which the chorale gained much prestige. Our hymn book contains just one of his own tunes, the well known Luther's hymn, and very fittingly set to the words, "A mighty fortress is our God". Luther is supposed to have heard a wayfaring man sing this melody and it made such an impression on him that he used it, perhaps in modified form,for his hymn "Ein feste burg", of which "A mighty fortress" is a translation. It is very probable that he was influenced a great deal by Johann Walther who was his chief musical advisor,and who published the first hymn book in 1524.

The church hymnal does contain many examples of this stately German Chorale type of tune. Who knows a more dignified tune than Cruger's hymn,No.422, or Nicolai's "Wachet Auf" -No. 62. These noble tunes seem to gain in impressiveness if sung in unison, that is when all the voices sing the melody.

The Rev. John Wesley was one who did a great deal in introducing the chorale type to the English speaking religions. They had, of course, been used earlier than this but people probably looked on them much in the same light as we today look on our "modern music".

There is very little known of the early English writers of hymns and tunes. For the most part they have written somewhat after the style that we know today. Some of them are of great beauty and their harmonic made-up is very simple. About the year 1553 Dr.Tye,who was organist at Ely Cathedral, published a collection of original hymn tunes which he called "The Actes of the Apostles translated into Englyshe Metre". One of the tunes from this collection is in our present hymnal No.124. Another man by the name of William Hunnis of about the same period wrote some original music to some original words which he called "Seven Sobs of a Sorrowful Soul". Hunnis,by the way,was the first man to write an "Amen" at the end of hymns. None of his tunes have found their way into our modern hymnal. With a title like that I should think they were fit only for the theater and not for the church.

The well-known hymns of Thomas Tallis (1520-1585) were written and published about 1560. There are two examples of his work in our present hymnal. It might be interesting to examine for a moment the famous "Tallis" Canon. The "Canon" when applied to music means "imitation.". In other words another voice will sing or play the same melody that has already been done. To go back to this particular canon,No.25,play or sing the melody over and then take the tenor voice part but begin on the last beat of the first full measure and you will soon notice that you are hearing the very same thing that the sopranos have just sung only that the tenor is a full measure behind. You will probably find out that the tenor is a full measure short so add the measure that you left out at the beginning and there you have it.It seems to me that it is very interesting to know these little peculiarities about hymn tunes.

Next month we shall see what an important part Folk tunes have played in our hymn tunes.

ST.MARYS TRAVEL AROUND WORLD IN MEETINGS

During the month of January,St.Mary's Young People did considerable traveling by merely listening to the programs scheduled for the Sunday evening meetings. The Sunday before the Rally,we went to Hawaii and heard about the Episcopal Church there,the Hula dances and their meanings,and the various races inhabiting the island. The next week we went to Japan and heard about St. Luke's Hospital. The following Sunday St.Pauls on-the-Hill gave a Puppet Show of "Alladin and his Wonderful Lamp" which is a Chinese story.

February we started by studying Albert Switzer, Feb.10 the Episcopal Church in Rochester Hospital discussed by one of the members of our Y.P.F. Bishop McElwain is coming to St. Mary's for confirmation on the third Sunday in the month and had promised to come early and give us our Corporate Communion. Breakfast will be served afterwards by the Y.P.F. Feb. 24 we are going to hear about Y.P.F. in the United States and the General Convention and the National Council.

At present our project is a short play to be given in cooperation with the Rector's Aid of the Church.The Proceeds that the Y.P.F. make from this project will be used to give scholarships for convention.

SKATING PARTY AND PLAY IN MONTH'S PLANS

The Christ Church Y. P. F. held a membership drive, but due to the bad weather conditions only a few new members were received. The Rev. Mr. Conrad Gesner gave us a very interesting address called "The Sons of God".

Saturday, Feb. 2,a skating party was held at the Lake Como cottage of The Rev. Mr. W. S. Howard. Each person attending was charged 15¢ for which refreshments were provided.

Sunday, Feb. 10th, rehearsals for the play, "Easy Money", to be given after Easter; The leading man has not yet been chosen,but the leading lady will be Ruth Delano; Other members taking part will be Franklyn Hansen,Harold Benscoter,Helen Krakalis, Dorothy Hess, Ruth Hansen,Lois Olson,Frank Boylan,Vivian Sanders, and Ed Wolter. Mr. Frank K. Owen is directing.

A campaign to raise money for the current expenses of the church is being held. To this the Y.P.F. is pledged $75.00.

The fellowship is continuing to give the semi-monthly parties at the homes of some of its members.The member who entertains provides refreshment and games. A small charge of 15¢ is made per person, and the money is put into the treasury of the Y. P. F. Plans are going forward for a party to be given about Valentine' Day.

ALUMNI NIGHT, "CLEANUP", IN ST. JAMES PLANS

The project which the Y.P.F. of St. James has decided to undertake for the year is painting and fixing up of the basement of the church. Just how well or how extensively this will be carried out will be determined by the proceeds taken in from the play to be presented on the 2nd and 3rd of May.

One of our meetings during the coming month will be devoted to Alumni Night. We have never attempted anything of the kind in the past and we hope to make it a success that will merit yearly repetition.

Judging from the enthusiastic talk going around, St. James should have a record attendance at the Diocesan Convention. Everyone is making plans to go, so do not be surprised if we are there almost 100%.

All we need is one more toboggan and off we go on a gala party at the dandy new toboggan slide at Phalen. But until we get another one, all we can do is hope the snow does not melt before that time.

HAPPENINGS IN THE OTHER DIOCESES:

The newly issued "Bulletin" of the Diocese of Western New York announces a new pin for the members at 30¢ each. They are silver with the letters "YPF" raised.

Another new paper is started in the Diocese of Lexington, Ky., with the desire to "Be a means of extending good fellowship for a greater and better Diocese". That's one benefit from all YPF papers.

One of our correspondents in California says that the trouble is that "most of us young people haven't got 'what it takes'", which has some truth if you think it over.

"The Monthly Greeting" from Cincinnati contains a wonderful bibliography on program subjects, among which are Race Relations, Industrial Relations, War and Peace, Motion Pictures, Recreation. Call the editor for complete data on these.

The League at St. Pauls, San Diego, Cal., has maintained a "service fund" for the last three years and recently purchased a red velour curtain for their stage at a cost of $230.

The groups of District One, Oregon, Went together to present an amateur theatrical night, proceeds of which were used for a worthy service project.

Robert Wolterstorff formerly active in the YPF in St. Paul, is now president of a group of the Gamma Kappa Delta, corresponding organization, in Davenport, Iowa. Among their activities will be a tri-city meeting on Feb. 24th for the groups of Moline and Rock Island, Ill, and Davenport. The group will s onsor a play, "The King-fish" on March fourth and fifth.

SCORING BASIS FOR POSTER CONTEST DECIDED

The second annual poster contest held in conjunction with the Diocesan Convention is announced. Miss Louise Hanzlik Gethsemane parish, Minneapolis, has been appointed chairman of the poster committee. The posters will be judged on the following basis:- Scope of activity---40% (Worship 10, Study 10, Fellowship 10, Service 10); Arrangement-25%; Originality-25%; Neatness-10%. For further information write Miss Hanzlik c/O The Church Book Shop, 9 E. 8th St., Minneapolis.

The Mailbag Forum

This is the time of year for all good YPFers to say what they think. So send in your ideas to the Mailbag and let's open the discussion of your questions.

The Old Timer Again:-

Seems to me that lots of us young folk would be a great deal happier if we'd not worry so much about how becoming we are, and worry more about what we are becoming. Young Peoples' Fellowship work should build leaders, not create a group of followers. All or us should know where we're going-and make plans to get there. The older folks are sort of looking to us to carry on, it'd be a shame to let 'em down, now wouldn't it? Let's see what kind of leaders we can build, and if we can't all be leaders, let's be so close behind that the leaders can't afford to slip.

Members of the St. Paul District:-

May I take this opportunity of expressing to you my appreciation of the very kind invitations you have extended to me to attend your various rallies and functions during the year. Also, to congratulate you upon the very find and efficient way in which you are carrying on the work and purpose of the Y.P.F.

Please remember that I am here to assist you in any possible way and at any time you may see fit to call upon me.

With all best wishes and prayers for continued success and blessing in that which you are going, I am, Very sincerely

Gwendolyn G. Thomas
Diocesan Advisor

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CHRIST CHURCH ENTERTAINS RALLY MARCH 24.

The annual Lenten Rally of the St.Paul District will be entertained at Christ Church, Sixth and Pleasant avenue, on March 24th. The rally will open with an organ recital by Frank K. Owen at 5:30. The service at 6:00 will be read by the president of Christ Church YPF, Franklyn Hansen and lessons will be read by Chester W. Gaskell,Jr.and Paul LaFavor, District president and vice president, respectively. An admission service for new groups recently admitted to the District will be conducted by the Rev. Conrad H. Gesner, District Advisor. Following the service, dinner will be served at a nominal charge of 15¢ in the parish house. The speaker at the rally, at which 225 members are expected, will be John Myers of the chapter at St. Johns-the-Evangelist, who will bring to the young people a message of interest and inspiration.

YPF MEMBERS PLAN PART IN LENTEN SERVICES

Many members of the District attended the Lenten devotional service held March eighth in St. Peters Church. Meditation services were under the leadership of Rev. L.K.Young and Rev.R.R.Ingersoll and the closing prayers were taken by Rev.W. Y.Whitehead. It is planned that another service will be held under district auspices during Lent. Most members have made plans to attend the union services held each Tuesday evening, remaining on the schedule are the following:-
Mar.19 - Rev.F.D.Butler,formerly of St. Johns,St.Paul. Services at St. Johns.
Mar.26 - Rt.Rev.H.H.H.Fox, Bishop of the Diocese of Mont. Service at St.Clements.
Apr. 2 - Very Rev. K.B.O'Ferrall of Detroit,Michigan.Service to be at St.Marys.
Apr. 9 - Rev. R.D.Crawford of Omaha,Nebraska will preach at service at St.Pauls.
Apr.16 - Rev. C.P.Deems, of Minneapolis, will speak at service at Christ Church.
All services will commence at 7:45 pm.

Y.P.F. GROUPS RESPOND TO RECOMMENDATIONS

Many of the parochial groups in the District have complied with the suggestion of the District Social Service Committee in sponsoring pre-Lenten projects the proceeds of which are to be used by the committee in its work and the clothing which was received will be distributed to needy families. The recommendation of the committee for Lenten endeavors is a Food project,staple goods that are received being used in making Easter baskets for delivery to those in need. This committee,composed of one member of each group under the leadership of the District vice-president,PaulLaFavor,is planning to investigate possibilities fof future social service activity and would welcome suggestions from members.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS WILL BE AT ST.CLEMENTS ON APRIL 26,27,28

The eleventh annual convention of the Diocesan Young People's Fellowship will meet in St.Paul on April 26,27,28. Headquarters will be at St.Clements Memorial Church, Portland and Milton streets, and registrations,services and sessions will be at that Church, with the exception of the convention dance which will be held Saturday evening in St. Johns Parish House, Portland and Dale streets.

Registrations should be in the hands of the committee before April 20,according to the early releases from the Diocesan officers. The committee on hospitality is composed of Richard Tudor, St. Clements; Robert Baker,St.Johns; William Hunt, St. Pauls; Franklyn Hansen, Christ Church; and Donald Ruth, St. Marys. The usual registration fee of $2.00 will be charged and this will include meals and lodging for two nights. It is important to note that no registrations will be accepted for part of the convention.Sessions will be open to all Y.P.F. members hosever, and they are invited to attend.

The registrations will open the convention Friday afternoon,while committee sessions and a preparation service will occupy the sessions following the introductory speakers and annual messages of the Bishops at the Friday evening dinner. Saturday morning will open with a Corporate Communion. The annual business session and presentation of the convention theme, "Youth in the Forward Movement", will command the attention of the delegates during the forenoon. Completion of the business and election of officers will be finished early in the afternoon, after which the visitors enjoy a free period until the annual banquet and dance. Services and installation of officers will conclude the convention sessions on Sunday noon.

Speakers at the convention will be Bishop McElwain, Bishop Keeler,Rev. T.M. Baxter, of Austin, and Miss Louise Hatfield of St.Paul, the latter two will be in charge of presentation and development of the convention theme.It is hoped that this list will be augmented by the addition of at least one nationally known young people's leader.

PROJECT AT CARLETON CHAPEL BEING STUDIED

Plans for participation by the District in a project to refurnish the chapel at Carleton College,Northfield,will be discussed at the next Council meeting Suggestions for the undertaking have been secured from the Rev. Mr. Haupt, college chaplain, and will beincorporated in the report and recommendations to be made by a committee, headed by Carl Smith, which has investigated the project. It was announced at the last meeting that Minneapolis District would be unable to assist in the endeavor.

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LET'S GET ORGANIZED

One can think of many industries which are known to all of us by their principles of operation and the faith shown in their methods by the public. Also one can call to mind instances where organizations, not long existent, have the admiration of everyone for their promotion of worthwhile ideals. In studying the records of these institutions and societies,we find that they do not owe their success to an original set of lofty purposes. Rather their history reveals that they started with a well-conceived objective and also with a definite and organized plan to aid in the fulfillment of their aims. After a time the process of strengthening the organization becomes,as it should,only secondary to the attainment of the goals set.

At the present time we are in a peculiar position in our own organization. We have approached perfection in neither our foundation nor the development of our asserted purposes. There is no question but that the reason for this has been the lack of a comprehensive,yet adequate,set of rules. It appears from the early announcements that a study of constitution changes and by-law set-up will be an important order of business at the coming convention. It should be the initial step in making a stronger Diocesan Y.P.F. Following the creation of these rules,which are the practical background of any smooth-working society, the fulfillment of the higher purposes of our movement is imminent. Less time will be needed for "running" the organization, and more time may be devoted to developing its finer ideals. The fact to remember is that the step is needed at some stage and that the sooner we take time to consider it, the sooner will we start toward our goal.

"The end of life is to be like God,and the soul that follows God will be like Him". -- Socrates

We are sorry to pass on to our members the news of the sudden death of Henry G. Raab,an Eastern member of the National Cooperating Committee, known to many of our members for his untiring and inspirational work for the YPF. Mr. Raab had only recently accepted the editorship of The Challenge, national YPF paper.

STPC, THE NATIONAL NEWSCASTING STATION

Station STPC,the YPF newscasting outlet for exchange news around the country brings the following notes from other of the YPF centers.

If your group is planning an Easter play or pageant write the editor for a copy of the excellent list available.And also for a selected list of Lenten reading material for young people.A pamphlet of "Discipleship" is the first piece of literature put out by The Forward Commission and is recommended for use during Lent. National Youth Week will be on from April 27 to May 4, and information and programs may be secured by writing the National Youth Week Committee, 35 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago. The National Commission on Evangelism is sponsoring a plan for a Spiritual Forward Movement by young people. In essence, the plan is to form prayer groups that will meet twice a month in an effort to develop the devotional life of the individual and the groups. Write the Director of Evangelism 3510 Woodley Road, Washington,D.C. For those groups wanting something beneficial,yet unique, to use as a project, an interesting one is the Moorestown Quest, described in the Churchman, February 15. Members of our Diocese are particularly urged to study the Forward Movement in preparation for the theme of our convention,"Youth in the Forward Movement".... These thoughts from The Nat'l.Broadcast.

One of the most important resolutions passed at a meeting in Alabama was to urge on the groups the need of properly preparing their devotional programs so that the spiritual lives of the members might be deepened.

The Buffalo Region (N.Y.)is conducting a Lenten Institute on Monday evenings. The subject of Discipleship" is being considered by outstanding leaders.

The Diocese of Newark recently held a "Presidents Conference" in which all the presidents and committee chairmen met to discuss with the Bishops the plans for the future of the organization.

On March 24, Gamma Kappa Delta members at Glen Ellyn, Ill. will have a Chinese supper, prepared by Chinese caterers, as a speaker a Chinese student at the U. of Chicago, and Chinese entertainment.

"The Snap" of Diocese of Texas says, "Theres only one way to any goal,Forward. The status quo was never meant for youth and our challenge, our opportunity is Forward."

The YPSL at St.Pauls, San Diego, is to have a concentrated program on the Worship ideal. They say, "The League must grow spiritually or it will backslide; there is no middle course".

The YPF Monthly of Portland,Ore. has a rearranged staff and the initial issue is most interesting. Congrats to them.

ST.PAULS MEMBERS PLAN PARTY FOR CHILDREN

St. Pauls YPF has changed the time of its meetings to 5:30 so that their members may take part in the Lenten evening services in the Church at 7 p.m. The group is making plans for a party to be given for underprivileged children. They are making scrapbooks to give to children in the various hospitals.

RUGGED INDIVIDUALISM .

Rev. L.R.S.Ferguson - Church of Messiah.

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Rugged individualism is a phrase much in vogue at the present time. It is a question just how many who hear it and use it know what is meant, especially as applied to the political life of the nation. Whether we agree with it or not as far as political America is concerned is of little consequence, but it must be of vital concern to all when applied to the social,moral, intellectual and spiritual life of the nation is concerned. Let us consider it in its spiritual relation to the problems of the immediate and present. Everything in life has its spiritual side. You do not think so? Let us go deeper into the question.

First let us get a glimpse of our modern everyday life. We, or at least the most of us, are superficial in our reading, our conversation, our learning and certainly in our spirituality. To many God is intangible, unfathomable and unknowable.When we begin to grasp the fact that everything in life has its spiritual side, then and not until then does God become a reality--Fathomable and understandable . You are a student in some institution of learning. One of two things is characteristic of you and is reflected in your school work. You are deeply in earnest striving to master that you may be prepared for the battle of life or you are indifferent to the opportunity afforded you by the state or you may be in some institution of learning through parental compulsion. The spiritual side is revealed by your own personal attitude toward the whole problem. Superficiality or indifference to anything we do reveals our real character and the spiritual significance of our lives.

Church membership is one thing, but personal consecration to our Lord Jesus Christ is another. The relation of the Church to any vital question of morals, economics or political issues is the sum total of the personal interest and concern of its individual membership. Our spiritual life flows not from the Church but from God through the Church to us. God deals not with us collectively, but personally and individually. In death we stand stripped of Church, friends, and relatives and must be weighed in the balance of God's justice tempered with His mercy.

CHRIST CHURCH PREPARES FOR LENTEN RALLY.

Christ Church members are engaged in preparations for the District Lenten Rally on March 24th.

Because our last plea for new members was not very satisfactory, we are going to hold another campaign from March 5 to 17; this time we are going out in pairs, and personally visit all young people of our church who are not already members of the YPF and also our former members who have not been attending our meetings. On March 17th we are going to hold a very special meeting to get our new members interested and acquainted.

One of our bi-monthly parties was held February 15th with Valentine's Day for a theme. Ruth Delano was the hostess.

FORWARD MOVEMENT INTERESTS ST. MARYS YPF

The Young People's Fellowship of St. Marys has found its program full this past month, and it looks as though March will keep us exceedingly busy. Our discussions have followed the Diocesan program handbook with the exception of one which dealt with the relation of the theater to the church. Other subjects we studied were Albert Sweitzer, St. Lukes' Hospital in Tokyo,Church Policy, and the Orders in the Church.The largest project for the past month was a colonial minuet directed by Louise Hatfield given in conjunction with the entertainment"Today and Yesterday", sponsored by the Women's Guild. It was successful, so we hear. On February 23,Bishop McElwain made his annual visitation and celebrated Corporate Communion at the early service followed by our breakfast. One of our YPF members was confirmed at the later service. We welcome Norma Nielson into the larger fellowship of our church.

During Lent we are stressing the Forward Movement of the Church. A vesper service will be conducted by the YPF at five o'clock each Sunday at which time a member will give an address, with the service and music by the group. Subjects of these talks will be the seven points of the Forward Movement as outlined by Bishop Hobson. Those giving talks will be Wilbur Andre, Larry Gates, Don Ruth, Kittie Steel and Louise Hatfield. In addition during Lent, Mrs. C.S.Boyles will deliver a series of discussions on the New Testament.

We are looking forward to a play to be given May 1st,and rehearsals are in full swing. But first,the Diocesan Convention is being considered;the group is anxious to attend because for many of them it is to be their first YPF convention.

ASCENSION YPF TO SPONSOR PICTURE EXHIBIT

The membership of Ascension chapter of the YPF willsponsor an exhibit and illustrated lecture of the famous Reed collection of Indian pictures at their parish house on March 26 & 27.

On the last Sunday of each month, the YPF cooperates with the Men's Club in a monthly Community Program. Our meeting starts an hour earlier, and we hold the service at 7:30. Many of the community attend the service and then go to the parish house for the program. On Feb.24, we had the St.Paul Leisure Time Orchestra and the YMCA Players in a most interesting program.

The Young People of the Roumanian Orthodox Church were our guests one meeting and a good number of us enjoyed the delightful party they gave later.

On February 28, we gave successfully a party in the Parish House, admission was a garment to be used by the District Social Service Committee.

Now that our rector is free every Sunday evening,we are returning to our custom of designating the first Sunday of each month as Rector's Night. This month the Rev. Mr. Stillwell will inaugurate a series of talks on the Bible. In connection with the District Social Service project, we are studying the section on this subject in the Diocesan Program.

SOCIAL SERVICE WORK FEATURED AT ST.JOHNS

The Choral Club of St. Thomas College, under the direction of Cecil Birder, was guest at St.Johns YPF on February 17. A supper was served to 95 persons, after which the club presented a short concert that was enjoyed by everyone.

One of the most inspiring talks given recently was made February 24 by Miss Anne Baker, a social worker at Elliot Hospital of the University. Miss Baker discussed social service and its relation to Christianity and filled her talk with many personal experiences and observations that were extremely interesting. The Christian spirit that must prevail in all social service work and the great opportunity to bring hope and happiness to suffering people were among the points emphasized by the speaker.

In an effort to increase the social service work of the organization,Rev. R. R. Ingersoll told of a destitute family some miles north of St.Paul. Living in a bare house,the walls of which are papered with old magazines to keep out the cold, are six children ranging in ages from 3 to 17 and their parents. In answer to his plea, the YPF members on the following Sunday brought a large supply of garments and staple goods. These will be sent to the unfortunate family.

The newly formed dramatic club has begun rehearsals under the direction of Mrs. Ben Sommers,and the choral club,led by Grant Kelliher,has been at work for more than a month.

Members wish to extend their heartiest congratulations to Rev. and Mrs.Conrad H. Gesner on the recent birth of a baby girl. They look forward to the time when she will be a member of the YPF.

ST.CLEMENTS PRODUCTION PROVES SUCCESSFUL

On Thursday and Friday,Feb.28 and Mar. 1,our fellowship at St.Clements presented a play called,"Mr.Bob",and inspite of sickness and full calendars proved most successful. The stage sets were remodeled for the production and the proceeds are to be used for parish support. Those who took part were Vernon Johnson, Betty France, Dorothy Cooper, Peggy Poore, Cynthia Connelly,Dick Tudor,Walter Montgomerie. It is understood that after the performances contracts were offered some of the cast by Mecil de Cemille.

The YPF sponsored a Sea Supper in conjunction with Nathan Hale Chapter D.A.R. on the last Sunday of February. The members sang several enjoyable sea songs.

Plans are being made to entertain the District officers in March and we are also working on our plans to entertain the sessions of the Diocesan convention.

CHAPEL Y.P.F. PLANS POST-LENTEN AFFAIR

Members of the chapter at Chapel of the Resurrection with the cooperation of their Mary Alice Guild are going to give a dance at St. Johns Parish House after the Lenten season. As this will be the first project of this nature undertaken by the group, it is hoped that District will cooperate after the definite date is announced within the next few weeks.

MPLS. CHAPTERS HOLD LECTURES,DISCUSSIONS

Most of the parochial units of the Minneapolis District are having special Lenten courses in the form of discussion and lecture series. The groups at Gethsemane and St. Ansgarious will conduct a series under the direction of the Rev. Perry Gilfillan on the subject, "The Choice of Important Things in Life". St. Marks members will hear lectures on the theme, "The Characters Leading to the Crucifixion", those being considered include Judas,Pilate,Herod, Peter and disciple,Mary the Mother of Christ.

The Northwest Youth Conference held in Minneapolis March 8, 9, 19 occupied the attention of many Minneapolitans, and at least two persons attended from each of the groups while several advisors were present at the sessions.

The Fellowship at St. Lukes is preparing a play to be given after Easter.

FRIDAY LECTURE SERIES PLANNED AT MESSIAH

Messiah Fellowship wish to announce a series of lectures to be given every Friday evening during Lent in the Church on the corner of Cretin and Juno streets at 7:30 p.m.

The subject of these talks to be "The History of the Church" and will be given by the rector, the Rev. L.R.S. Ferguson. This will be a most instructive and interesting series of talks and the members of the District and their friends are invited to attend.

Other activities of Messiah YPF for the future include:

March 17-Regular business meeting
March 24-Lenten Rally-Christ Church
March 31-Discussion meeting
April 7-Choral Evensong
April 21-Business meeting and Election of officers.

ST. JAMES MAKES PLAY PRESENTATION PLANS

"The Charming Intruder"will be expecting you at St.James on the nights of May second and third.The members of the cast of this delightfully different play have not yet been selected but we guarantee a very enjoyable evening of entertainment.

We were pleased on February 24 to have with us the District President, Chester Gaskell, who made his official visit.

An "extra special" Valentine Party was given at the Church Saturday, the 16th, the success of which certainly justified the efforts put forth by the committee.

Plans are now under consideration for discontinuing the Diocesan program during the Lenten season and adopting one with a theme of personal religion.

ORPHEUM PROJECT NOT COMPLETELY SUPPORTED

Possibly because of conflicting dates, but probably because of insufficient interest in the work of the Crusader by a majority of District members,the Orpheum project did not reach the anticipated goal, and consequently other means for support are now being studied. It is to be noted that the following groups were among the leaders in ticket-selling,but also significant that staff-members sold more than any individual group:-St.Matthews,St.Pauls,St.James and Chapel of the Ressurrection.

History of Hymns

No. 6 - Frank K. Owen

Folk tunes have played a very important part in the make-up of our modern hymnal, as have adaptations and arrangements from other sources.This custom has prevailed to some extent at all periods of church history,more especially at the times of reform and revival. The main reason for this seems to be to encourage congregations to join more heartily in the singing by giving them some tune that is known to all and adding words more or less sacred. I am not so sure that this has been a good thing. The practice might not be so bad if the origin and associations of the tune were not known, but when a tune has had all its connections as a drinking song or a love song I cannot conceive the idea of using it in church as a medium of praising God.

Often we come across a tune that,owing to its construction musically, is more suited to the use of the church than for any secular purpose. The German chorale of Luther's time is a fine example of this. A good many love songs were used for the reason I have already mentioned, but they were remodelled,so to speak,and divested of their rhythms and the result in many cases is a stately devout tune.

In England this kind of thing has also been going on for some time. About the first half of the nineteenth century a man by the name of William Gardiner published two volumes known as "Sacred Melodies". Gardiner was a stocking manufacturer in Leicester. He was very fond of music and had a thorough knowledge of the masters. He was an enterprising type of man and one that would always go the other fellow one better. He constructed an oratorio called "Judith"in which various selections from Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven were strung together by connecting links of his own. He offered Beethoven one hundred guineas to write an overture to this concoction but did not even receive a reply to his letter. The volumes of "Sacred Melodies" were made up entirely of arrangements from the works of the great composers. It is possible that the two instances of his work in our hymnal are really melodies taken from some great work.

Occasionally we hear of national anthems being pressed into service as hymn tunes. Our hymnal has the music of the English, Russian and Austrian national hymns. In some old books are to be found arrangements of "Rule Britannia" and "The Marseillaise". Another old English song used in our hymnal is an arrangement of the famous "Battle of Agincourt" song.

France is probably the original home of the troubadours and the folk song. There are several examples in our hymn gook. The Easter carol No. 555 is a fine example of a folk tune. One can readily see how melodious and rhythmical this tune is. It is in all probability one of the early 12th century May-day songs and is still sung in some parts of France. A man by the name of Clement Marot was famous for his work in translating a portion of the Psalms. These were set to the tunes of the popular dance music. Later these were finished and it was possible to trace practically all the tunes back to their source as popular French or Flemish songs. Hymn No. 339 is another fine example of a folk song but of a different type. This particular tune in all probability came from the north of France as the melodies from that territory were not as jovial as those from the south.

SPEAKING ABOUT THE CONVENTION --- ---

A few things to take into consideration in anticipating the forthcoming convention are listed so that you may check your group on them.

The Diocesan Poster Contest promises to outdo the splendid efforts made by many groups last year,so don't delay the work on your exhibit. Details were given in the last issue and a circular has been sent your president on the subject.

Diocesan dues are to be paid by April, without fail. Groups not complying with this requisite are jeopardizing their participation in the convention program, so send your dues to Frank Friedmann, at 144 South Fairview Avenue, St.Paul,Minn.

A new plan is being inqugurated this year with regard to the convention committees. Only voting delegates will be seated on committees. This will make for smoother-working committees and insure better results. However, it means that your group should elect as delegates the members most conversant with YPF and who will most capably represent you. A special program is being planned to entertain other members during the committee meetings.

The names of the voting delegates are to be sent in early and those of all who are attending from your group should be in by April 20th.

QUIET DAY SCHEDULED AT ST.JAMES APRIL 6.

Members of St.James Yount People's Fellowship announce that a Quiet Day and meditation will be held at their church, Orange & Greenbrier streets,on Saturday, April 6th,from 1:30 to 4:30. The Rev. E. B. Jewell, rector of Christ Church, Red Wing, will lead the service,to which all members of the District are invited.

READ THIS EXCHANGE EXCERPT TWICE

In view of the forthcoming elections in groups, districts and dioceses, the following letter from Bishop Sanford, of the District of San Joaquin,to delegates at their convocation,bears studying.

"I have observed a growing tendency to take the election of Diocesan officers casually. The only persons you should nominate, whether clerical or lay, are those you are persuaded have the best qualifications.To nominate or vote for men or women merely because you wish to honor them or because they are your friend is vicious and insures weak and inefficient executives. It may be the way of the world but it should not be the way of the Church.Our constituency is so small that it is possible for us to know and weigh each others qualifications. Let each of you come to the Convocation prepared to choose such officials as in your judgment are best qualified to fulfill the responsibilities you are laying upon them."

The Diocesan Bulletin

PERSONAL RELIGION SUBJECT AT ST.MATTHEWS

Having passed through a month devoid of anything more unusual than our regular meetings, St. Matthews is preparing its Lenten program with great care. A committee headed by Charles Fish has been working with Rev. Aanestad in preparing what should be our best planned and most ambitious program of the year. The theme of the study program will be Personal Religion.

March fifth was a gala day for all the organizations at St.Matthews as they all joined forces to stage a big pre-Lenten Mardi Gras. The YPF took care of a big part of the program as they decorated the church, took care of the checking, provided for dancing, prepared the posters and ran the "Bingo" game.

St. Matthews had a representation of six at the dance given by the Roumanian young people.Practically all of our members attended the "Good Fairy" Washington's Birthday at the Orpheum,an average of two tickets per person was sold by the members.

MYSTERY-MOVIES PREDOMINATE ENTERTAINMENT

In the following ratings,the legend is A)Discriminating adult. Y)Youth. C)Child.

The last few months have seen a trend back toward the mystery films and here are the current presentatins in review:-
GREAT HOTEL MURDER (McLaglen,Lowe)Fairly engrossing yarn with some farce.A,Y)Good.
LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE--Crude slapstick
MURDER ON A HONEYMOON (Oliver,Gleason) A lively murder-mystery.A & Y)Good,excites.
WHITE COCKATOO (muir,Cortez) Complicated mystery melodrama. A & Y)Good. C)Heavy.
MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD (Rains) Splendid screening of Dickens story. Very good.
AFTER OFFICE HOURS (Bennett,Gable) An amusing improbability. Good of a kind.
CHARLIE CHAN IN PARIS (Oland,Brina) Same series,but new elements.Good,entertains.

The outstanding films for entertainment and good acting include:-
DAVID COPPERFIELD (Perfect cast) One of finest films ever made and deserves a universal attendance by young and old.
DEVIL DOGS OF THE AIR(Cagney,O'Brien) Is good for all - thrilling for children.
GOOD FAIRY (Sullavan,Morgan) Well-acted, finely screened, wholesome amusement.
THE IRON DUKE (Arliss) Masterfully played,interests,impresses. Mature for (C).
LITTLE COLONEL (Temple,L.Barrymore) Very sentimental but charming.Excellent show.
RUGGLES OR RED GAP (Good cast) Master in comedy,finely played,intelligent,for all.
ONE MORE SPRING (Baxter, Gaynor) Whimsical but stimulating. A)Pleasing. Y)Good.
SCARLET PIMPERNEL (Leslie Howard and fine cast) Notable film, rare romantic drama A & Y) Excellent. C) Too mature.
RIGHT TO LIVE (Clive,Brent) Distinctive, well-acted.Mature,not sensational. A)Excellent. Y) Good. C) No interest.

Shows which will appeal for their difference include the following:-
SILVER STREAK--Vivid picture of modern aluminum train. Thrilling, interesting.
HELL IN THE HEAVENS (Baxter) Vivid picture of tense life of air-fighter. Good.
BABBOONA (Martin Johnson)Africa strikingly pictured,educates.Very good for Y,C.
WINGS IN THE DARK (Grant, Loy) Airplano picture with character interest,thrills.

The Mailbag Forum

For the April Convention issue of The Crusader,we anticipate numerous contributions which we shall be glad to use BUT they must be in the hands of the editor April 3rd,not too long,and with the name of the writer, although this will not be used,if specified.Make this your column!

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Dear Friends:-

I am of the belief that there is noone who enjoys receiving their copy of "The Crusader" more than I do. I look with pride on the work being done in the St. Paul District, as your district is still home to me although I at present am residing in the state of Iowa.

Through the fine cooperation of your staff each member of our organization received a copy of "The Crusader". The papers did much toward the awakening of a new interest in our members.

A musical comedy, "The Kingfish", was written and produced two evenings to capacity crowds. Profits were $150. and a portion will be turned into a fund for new Eucharistic vestments.

Speakers for a series of Lenten meetings will include the Bishop of Iowa,the Dean of the Cathedral,Chaplain and Sister Superior of St.Katherines School,and two other local priests. We will also give a dance on Easter Monday.

Sincerely yours, Robert M. Wolterstorff
Pres.,Gamma Kappa Delta,Trinity Cathedral
Davenport, Iowa.

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DIOCESAN MEET OPENS APR. 26th

The eleventh annual convention of the Young People's Fellowship, Diocese of Minnesota, will be held on April 26, 27 and 28 at St. Clements Memorial Church on the corner of Portland and Milton streets, St. Paul.

A large registration is anticipated from the fifty parochial units throughout the four districts of the diocese and from the members-at-large residing in communities where no YPF is established.

The theme of the convention, following closely the program of the National Church will be, "Youth and the Forward Movement". The program is as follows:-

FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH

3:00 p.m. - Registration and hospitality assignments. (It is earnestly requested that you register between 3 and 5 p.m., if possible, and avoid last minute crowds)
6:30 p.m. - Opening Dinner - Frederick L. Searing, presiding.
Report of Dispatch of Business Committee.
Welcome - Richard Tudor, president of St. Clements Y.P.F.
Welcome - Reverend D.H.Atwill, rector of St. Clement's parish.
Songfest- Led by The Rev.G.E.Brant, rector of All Saints', Minneapolis.
Convention address - The Rev. T.O.Wedel, Ph.D., National Secy. of College Work.
Presidents Annual Report.
Committee Appointments and Announcements.
Bishop's Charge,-Rt. Rev. F.A. McElwain, Bishop of Minnesota.
8:30 p.m. Committee Meetings.

Note: While voting delegates are in meetings, there will be a get-acquainted hour arranged for visiting delegates and this group will be addressed by the Rt.Rev.S.E.Keeler, Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

The first session will be concluded in a preparation service for Corporate Communion, conducted by Bishop McElwain.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH

8:00 a.m. - Corporate Communion Service Bishop McElwain and Bishop Keeler
8:45 a.m. - Breakfast in parish house.
9:30 a.m. - Convention address - Miss D. Louise Hatfield, St.Paul, former diocesan Y.P.F. secretary.
9:50 a.m. - Convention address -The Rev. T.M.Baxter, rector of Christ Church, Austin, advisor of So.Minnesota district.
10:15 a.m.- Annual Convention Business Sessions.
1:15 p.m. - Luncheon in parish house.
6:30 p.m. - Annual Banquet at St. Clements, followed by dance at St.Johns Parish house, Dale and Portland streets.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH

8:00 a.m. - Corporate Communion Service Re-dedication of officers and members to their task.
10:00 a.m.- Admission service for new members.
11:00 a.m.- Morning Prayer and Address.
Installation Service - Rev. Mr. Atwill.
Morning Prayers - In charge of the Rev. Mr. Atwill, Jessie Aslakson, diocesan secretary, and Gordon Schneidler, diocesan treasurer.
Address - Frederick Searing, Jr., diocesan president.

ADOPT PLAN TO TEACH AT GILLETTE HOSPITAL

Recently the St. Paul District undertook the first definite institutional work to be carried on by this group when its members began assisting the present Episcopal workers in the Gillette Hospital for Crippled Children. Rev.G.C.Weiser, of St.James parish, and Mrs. Chas. H. Nichols, who for a good many years has been engaged in directing the Sunday School classes for the Protestant division of the hospital asked the assistance of additional workers to teach in the Sunday classes. Services are conducted on the third Sunday of each month by Rev. Weiser and classes are held on the other Sundays. A good proportion of the patients are confined to bed and must be visited individually. This project has presented a great opportunity for the YPF to spread the gospel of Christ through their contacts.

The classes begin at 9 am. It is necessary for at least two members to be present each Sunday for eleven months of the year. It is not necessary for the same members to be instructors each week as the personnel of the wards is continually changing.

The plan was first presented at a joint meeting of St. Clements and St.Pauls and met with instantaneous response and enthusiasm, the members volunteering for the month of April. Those who have been scheduled are Richard Tudor, John Wheeler, Betty Hullsiek, Janet Parsons, Peggy Haas, Elizabeth Ann Fitch, Barbara Hagmann, Polly Hagmann, and Frances Lawlen. Anyone wishing to assist in this worthy project is asked to communicate with the District social service chairman, Paul La Favor, 739 Central Avenue, St. Paul.

GROUPS TO DISCUSS CARLETON CHAPEL PLANS

The Carleton Chapel Committee made its recommendations at the last meeting of the District Council, but no final action was taken. Finding that the project in its original proposal would take a well-laid plan for the future, it was decided that the groups should discuss the various recommendations in their meetings, so that their presidents might report to the next meeting of the Council. Among the suggestions offered were the provision of a cross, of pews for the chapel, and of prayer books and hymnals for use in the chapel.

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DELEGATES CHALLENGED WITH FUTURE WELFARE

The eleventh annual convention of the diocesan YPF offers a challenge to the members of the organization. It brings with it the opportunity to establish definitely the place of the young people in the life of the Church. We have survived the first decade and have built up an interest in our organization which is a tribute to its past and present leadership. Our problem at this time is to maintain the best of the work that has been done while making a more firm foundation for the future functioning of our union.

Progress begins with getting a clear view of obstacles. We are bound to encounter many of them, but two are very apparent. Too many of our members have tried to let the ideals of the YPF carry the complete burden of advancement. If we but realize that it is necessary to give a thought to adequate physical background for these worthy ideals which are admittedly within our reach,our problems will easily diffuse. Another obvious fault is that we like to pattern all our procedure after the examples that have been set in preceding years. It has been said that, "Hope springs not from what we've done,but from the work that's just begun". It is to be hoped that our delegates will make a conscientious effort to delve into the present and future possibilities of all the legislation instead of standing on the precedents that have been a burden in the past.

The last meeting of the Council passed a motion recommending that each group hold a particular project such as a food or paper sale for the support of the Crusader. It was suggested that those groups which have already scheduled a project might set a percentage for this purpose. It was further decided that no nmes of contributing groups or amounts given are to be announced. Those groups who are in accord with the work of the Crusader are asked to cooperate so that this year's obligations may be met and a reserve set up for the coming year.

"CHARMING INTRUDER" WILL BE AT ST. JAMES

Countless stories have been written about stepmothers, but few so eventful as the one which revolves around the unwanted stepmother in the play, "The Charming Intruder". As previously announced, it will be presented by the YPF of St.James on the 2nd and 3rd of May. Mrs. Orth, whose capable guidance made last year's play a success, is again our directress.

On the fifth of May all the members of the organization will take part in and will be in charge of the regular morning service at the church as is our custom on Low Sunday.

Our group is using the pamphlet "Discipleship" for its study during Lent. Although the discussion is in charge of a leader, it is conducted informally in an attempt to draw everyone into it.

Our delegates, Betty Emery and Donald Seestedt, and a good percentage of our members are looking forward to attending the Diocesan Convention.

SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAM RECEIVES SUPPORT.

The District Social Service committee has received a favorable response from a majority of the groups toward its recommendations. A summary shows the following facts,which may be incomplete because the local chairman have not reported as requested:-

Five groups (Ascension,Chapel,Messiah, St.Johns,St.Marys) cooperated in gathering clothing for distribution.

Six groups(St.Pauls,St.Marys,St.Johns, St.Clements,Messiah,Ascension) are working on the Easter food project suggested.

Various groups have reported some different type of work being done, but no report has been received from St. James, St. Peters,St.Matthews, White Bear,Stillwater.These chairman are asked to report to the District chairman so that we may have a united stand in this work.

REVIEW OF MOVIES SHOWS DECLINE IN VALUE.

Following the notable films reviews in March, this month's list reveals a lack of entertaining screen attractions.Those probably of the best include:-

LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY (Rogers)Best of his to date.A & Y) Excellent; C) Very good.
LITTLE MEN(O'Brien,Moore)Human story,well filmed. A & Y)Pleasant; C)Good but sad.
ROBERTA (Astaire,Rogers,Dunne) Elaborate
SEQUOIA(Parker) Good photography of wild life.Unusual.A & Y)Interesting; C) Good.
NAUGHTY MARIETTA(MacDonald,Eddy)Delightful,well screened. Excellent for A & Y.
VANESSA(Hayes,Montgomery)Fine characterizations,well-acted.A,Y)Good; C) No.

In line with recent custom,there are a lot of musical spectacles,including:-

FOLIES BERGERE.Gaudy,too much Chevalier.
SCANDALS OF 1935.Amusing,but stupid.
LOTTERY LOVER.Thin,but lively musicomedy of U.S.Naval cadets. Amusing.
GOLD DIGGERS OF 1935.Too many "effects".

Interesting for light entertainment are the films: Mississippi; Whole Town's Talking; Mills of the Gods; West Point of the Air; Others will be given on request.

ST. JOHN'S Y. P. F.

May 17th SPRING DANCE 9:00 o'clock

$1.00 Couple The Parish House on Portland & Dale streets. 75¢ Stag.

At this time, with the members of the Church taking part in the great Forward Movement and more especially with the theme of the convention on the subject, we feel privileged to present an article written expressly for the Crusader from the offices of the Movement in Cincinnati, Ohio.

WAKE UP, CHRISTIANS!

Billy Sunday once said,"When the Episcopal Church wakes up,look out. They'll take some following."

On Sunday, March 23, a voice was heard from Cincinnati,over a nation-wide hookup calling the Church to wake up and go forward. It was the voice of Bishop Hobson of the Episcopal Diocese of So.Ohio. The Bishop didn't mince matters.He called a spade, a spade. He told a million listeners that the Church is standing still --even worse that it was slipping back. He recited alarming symptoms which point to shrinkage of Church support, and the abandonment of some of the Church's finest work.

He accused Church-members of unpardonable ignorance of Christ's teachings and commands, and of the church's duty and work in the wide-world.

He pointed to the empty pews saying, "Don't stop to listen to me. If you are able to go outside, put on your hat and coat and go to your church at once."

Bishop Hobson is the appointed national leader for a Forward Movement in his Church. He got his commission at the Atlantic City convention last fall when 35,000 of his Church attended one mass meeting.

672,000 copies of a little book called "Discipleship" were sent out. This is a manual of devotion for each day of Lent. It has been used wherever the U.S. flag flies - as far as the Philippines.

In it seven duties are claimed from every disciple of Christ:

1. To turn from self to God. Solfishness must go.
2. To follow Christ by obedience in everyday life.
3. To learn by studying the gospels and other Church literature; by joining study classes; by using the mind.
4. To pray daily - at least the Lord's prayer and thanksgiving at meals.
5. To serve by working for the home, in the Church,for the community,for society and the world.
6. To worship.This is a plain demand for church attendance. It means that the Church claims right-of-way over golf, motor parties and week-end visitors who keep their hosts away from religious duty.
7. To share. Christians must give more, not left-overs but real offerings. This includes not only their money, but their time,influence and personal energy.

Although, quite rightly, Bishop Hobson did not presume to address any but Episcopalians, he has a great fan mail from Christians of many denominations who are thanking him and wishing the cause Godspeed. In return,the Bishop is glad that this Movement is apparent in other Christian bodies. A new spirit is awakening Christians to discipleship that is real.

The symbol used is that of a ship struggling forward against a head sea.It was donated by America's foremost artist in stained-glass,Charles J.Conning.

The Movement in its second phase is continuing on to Whitsunday. An Easter-Pentecost manual is now ready,"Disciples of the Living Christ".

ST. CLEMENTS ENTERTAINS DISTRICT LEADERS

Members of St. Clements YPF have been hosts to our executive leaders during the past month. On one evening, the diocesan president,Fred Searing,was present and covered the plans of the convention which will be held at our Chruch the end of this month.

On March 31,we were hosts to the fellowship from St.Pauls,and at this meeting the district officers were in charge. A model meeting was held following the service which they conducted. Louise Hatfield,district chancellor,gave an interesting and educational talk on St.Lukes' Hospital in Tokio, Japan. Between using sugar lumps as dice and coffee spilling, the social end was well taken care of.It is to be hoped that both organizations will profit from the earnest work of the representatives in executive offices.

It has been decided that we will decorate Easter eggs for the unfortunate children in the hospitals. We also are contemplating a roller skating social.

The delegates from our group were selected as Chester Gaskell,Margaret Poore, and Elizabeth Ann Fitch, and many of our members will be on hand to greet you at the convention.

SPRING DANCE COMMITTEE NAMED AT ST.JOHNS

A spring dance will be given on May 17 by St.Johns. The idea was discussed recently and Mary Wigginton, Ray Staeheli, Corrine Staeheli, John Myers and Nina Stewart were appointed to arrange for affair. By raising the charge for YPF dances to one dollar a couple, a really good orchestra and entertainment can be secured and by sale of tickets throughout the parish,the party is sure to be a success.

The steamer,Capitol will soon be back again,and St.Johns group will sponsor an excursion on Monday night,July 8th; last year the venture was a great success, socially and financially, and there is every indication that it will be again.

Presented with the opportunity of giving a recital in the near future, the Choral Club has been hard at work lately and the Dramatic Club is preparing a one act play,"The Man in the Bowler Hat",for presentation before the group.

Mr. George Fairclough has kindly asked the Young People's Choir to sing with the parish choir in its presentation of Stainer's,"Crucifixion" on Palm Sunday.

Two extremely find speakers have addressed the group in recent weeks. The Rev.Austin Pardue,of Minneapolis,told us about his former work in the Chicago slums and the difficulties encountered while trying to break up criminal gangs of boys. Bishop McElwain was the speaker at the last meeting in March,and gave a helpful talk on the Forward Movement of the Church.

Attendance at the recent meetings has been breaking all previous records. When Mr.Pardue spoke there were about 80 people present, and every week there is an average of 60 attending the meetings.

JOINT ST. ANTHONY PARK EFFORT RESULTS IN SPECIAL EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, PAGEANT.

The sun will rise Easter morning with special significance for young people of St. Anthony Park. On Easter Sunday the combined young people's organizations of St. Matthews YPF, the Congregational and the Methodist Episcopal will present an Easter Pageant in the beautiful park opposite St. Matthews Church.

This is the first time these young people have ever joined forces in any venture and the fact that it is on Easter, adds special note. The pageant has been written and will be staged entirely by young people from these three churches. It is to be called"The Way of the Cross."

A cast of about twelve characters has started rehearsals and they will be augmented by a mixed chorus and an orchestra.Miss Evelyn McManigal,of St.Matthews is the general chairman, and working under her are committees for costumes,publicity,music,and for the breakfast to be served following the pageant.

Seven in the morning has been set as the time and everyone is welcome to come and see this early Easter religious pageant.

ST.PAULS YPF TO TEMPT WEATHER IN POW-WOW

St.Pauls YPF group is looking forward to a joyous Easter and then a glorious convention.In preparation for the latter two voting delegates, Virginia Hullsiek and William DeVere Hunt,have been elected and a number of members are making plans to attend.

In the coming month we plan to have our first pow-wow of the year. If past history is an indication of the future, one may expect a terrific rain storm on that day,May 5,but rain or shine, we go.

The meeting following the convention will be devoted to an official report of convention activities and a swapping of tales on how the spare time, if any, was spent.

The group had a very enjoyable meeting at St. Clements and we were pleased to find that the groups mixed rather well, which unfortunately is not always the case.

Well, we'll be seeing you at the convention, and may we all behave as ladies and gentlemen.

CHRIST YPF HOLDS SUCCESSFUL MEMBER DRIVE

The campaign for members recently held by the YPF of Christ Church was very successful. At our campaign meeting on March 17,we had an attendance of about 40 members and prospective members. Miss Mary Proal Lindeke gave an extremely interesting talk on her social work in the women's prison in Massachusetts. Bishop McElwain,who was present at this meeting briefly addressed the young people. A group of very interesting programs has been planned for the Sundays in April. There will probably be no meeting on Easter Sunday evening.

GRMAT NORTHERN DISTRICT ADDED TO DIOCESE

The Great Northern District of the Diocese of Minnesota was organized Sunday,March 24,at a get-acquainted meeting held in Litchfield with YPF members present from Willmar,Benson,Paynesville,Appleton,Litchfield. Frederick Searing,the diocesan president, conducted the meet.

The afternoon activities opened with a business meeting at which time information concerning the forthcoming convention in St. Paul was presented. YPF reports were given by Art Burry,Bob Beecher, Mary Taylor, of Minneapolis, and Mr. Searing.

Following a supper in the parish house the district was duly organized and Miss Shirley Samuelson of Appleton elected as president; Betty Richards, Benson, vice president; Ferny Mortinson, Litchfield, secretary;Dorothy Clay,Willmar,treasurer and the advisors will be Rev.W.E.Harmann of Litchfield,Rev.W.C.Bimson,Willmar,and Robert A.Rayner of Appleton. The meeting closed with a worship service.

VARIED ACTIVITIES PLANNED IN MINNEAPOLIS

Recently,the YPF of Gethsemane heard a lecture by Rev.Perry Gilfillan which was followed by a group discussion. The subject was The Emotional Element in Current Problems. Their plans include work on their poster and for a dance after Easter.

The YPF of All Saints' combined with the Womens' Auxiliary in sponsoring a tea, at which Mr. Paprilia, a Filipino, spoke on International Relations.

On April 7, St.Andrews YPF held a Fellowship Night. The group divided into sections which played checkers, chess, ping-pong,and cribbage. After a time,the sections changed and played another game. Jeannette Revord will speak on Palm Sunday on the Altar,its vessels and symbols.

In the near future the YPF of Bishop Whipple Memorial Chapel is planning a pilgrimage to Faribault to see the Cathedral, and also Shattuck and St. Marys schools. After Easter they will present two plays, "Thank you Doctor,"and "Postern Gate".

At St.Marks,we find the group is undertaking a great deal of social work. The Archdeacon Parcells of North Dakota spoke to the group on the Indian work, and appealed for funds for seeds and so this group has embarked on that project. They also have donated $10.00 toward the purchase of stationery for Mr.Gilfillan's work as Twin Cities Missionary.

ST.PETERS YPF TO REPEAT PLAY PERFORMANCE

St.Peters' YPF is planning to send two voting delegates to the spring convention and those selected are James Ledge, president, and Francis Blinkhorn secretary of the group.

We have given up the dessert at our Sunday evening suppers during Lent.

The play, "Aaron Slick from Punkin Creek", will be presented again May 10th in our guild rooms. The price will be 25¢ for adults and 15¢ for children. Everyone is invited.

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SPEAKING OF THE CONVENTION, DID YOU KNOW

...Those who are registering for the convention,either as voting delegates or as visitors,must present a"credential slip" when registering?These have been sent to presidents - additional blanks may be obtained from Jessie Aslakson, 4721 Colfax Ave.,So., Mpls,Minn.....That some of the groups have not rendered their report to Miss Aslakson,and must send them immediately to get them accepted?...The poster contest promises to be most interesting and the prizes will be awarded only after a close decision? The posters are to be taken to the headquarters on the opening day....That the members are particularly fortunate in securing as a speaker,The Rev.T.O.Wedel,PhD., National Director of College Work?It is not often that a man of such prominence is able to arrange his schedule to include conventions,and it is a pleasure and a distinction to have him as a guest.....The registration fee for the convention is two dollars and includes lodging for two nights and four meals? Sunday breakfasts will be served by the delegates' hosts...That St. Paul registrations must be to Richard Tudor,1082 Linwood Place,by Apr. 20th?....That Fellowships are entitled to a minimum of two delegates with one additional for each twenty-five paid diocesan dues?....Parishes or missions without organizations where there are members who have paid dues are entitled to one voting delegate?....Visiting delegates are welcome, provided their diocesan dues are paid?....That all persons are eligible to the services and business sessions, whether or not they are registered?

GILFILLAN CAR PROJECT NEARING COMPLETION

The project advanced by Bishop Keeler, to secure a car for the use of the Rev. Perry Gilfillan, Twin Cities Missionary, is drawing to a close. However, some of the groups have not paid the amount they pledged for this cause,and a few did not make any response. It is hoped that they will give this their immediate attention.

FAR ROADS BECKON

When Winter looses up its grasp and Spring comes gently in
As snow and ice, reluctant, steal away -
Then rushing rivers soethe and boil their way along to sea
And leap and run nd laugh and gurgle as a child at play.

'Tis ever then that far roads beckon, begging me to come...
And wander o'er the world at Fancy's call;
To feel the blast of desert sands' hot breath upon my cheek,
Or climb the crags of mountains held in Winter's icy thrall.

To scour the seas in ships with sails full-bellied to the winds
That flow to lands where Lotus-eaters dwell.
Amid their happy dreams--as I would live in mine, could I
But go - when far roads beckon me, and I am 'neath their spell.

--Carl M. Smith.

LENTEN PROGRAM SERIES INTERESTS ST.MARYS

During the past month St.Marys YPF has carried out their Lenten program by means of Sunday night vesper services. The first address was given by Larry Gates on the topic, "A Disciple Turns". Wilbur Andre next discussed the value and necessity of prayer. Louise Hatfield followed with a discussion of the Forward Movement as connected with the YPF purpose. Katharine Steel and Donald Ruth are to give the concluding talks of the series. Also,under the leadership of Mrs. C.S.Boyles,we have been studying the New Testament and this has proved most interesting and educational to the members. For our social service project the group is collecting old magazines and clothes, which will be used to help needy people. In addition the YPF is gathering old lesson leaflets,arranging them in order, and sending them to missions which are in need of such material. Our play is in full swing and rehearsals are becoming more numerous for "Clarence Decides", to be given May 2 and 3 in combination with the District School planned by the Rector's Aid. Thirty-one have paid diocesan dues and Donald Ruth and Elizabeth Seekings have been chosen as delegates to the Diocesan Convention.

SLIDES TO ILLUSTRATE GROWTH OF THE BIBLE

Ascension YPF had one hundred percent attendance at the Lenten Rally. We also expect to send a good representation to the Quiet Day at St.James.Members of the YPF together with members of the Mens' Club have formed a baseball team, which will play in the Riverview Church League so we never resort to the weather as a topic for conversation; everything is baseball. We will have a good number at the Diocesan Convention the last week in April.

As the first Sunday of the month is Rector's night, we will have Rev.Stillwell talk to us; he plans to give an illustrated talk on the Bible. The slides will depict the growth of the Bible. The YPF will not meet Palm Sunday,as many of its members will sing in the choir cantata, Schnecker's "The Story of Calvary" to be presented that evening. The last Sunday of the month is the business meeting which will be followed by the Vesper service and the monthly Community Program. At the program, the G. A. R. will present an American flag to the Y.P.F.

MESSIAH GROUP MAKES PLANS FOR SPRING HOP

April 21--Easter Sunday there will be no meeting on this evening.

May 5- 6 p.m.--Annual Election

7:30 p.m.--Solemn Evensong and installation of officers. Social hour and refreshments after the service for those wishing to stay,a silver collection will be taken for this.

May 11--Messiah's Spring Dance.

Where? Business and Professional Womens' Club - 4th & Robert - Frontier Building.

How Much? Seventy-five cents per couple, or forty cents a single ticket. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Fellowship and at the door. How about making it a date?

May 19--YPF Day at Messiah.The Fellowship to have charge of the 11 a.m. service. Details will be given later.

HYMNOLOGY — by —

Frank K.Owen,Choirmaster,Christ Church.

In the nineteenth century, there was another burst of enthusiasm on the part of hymn and hymn tune writers. Perhaps the fact that the Methodists had been so busy writing hymns and tunes to suit their particular branch of religious thinking had spurred the Anglican folks on.I cannot say that,while the musicians and poets were very prolific in their writings, they produced many good tunes, although many of them have become quite famous. Many of them we have learned to love, not particularly because they are good musically but because of some sentimental associations that they have. Again, some hymns would not sound right to us unless they were sung to certain tunes. It is quite a difficult thing to look at this in an unbiased way.One man, Dr. Gauntlett, is said to have written 10,000 tunes of which only six have been incorporated in our modern hymnal. It would be very interesting indeed to see how many of the hymns written in this century will stand the test of time. I would like to be able to peruse a modern hymnal two hundred years hence.

Some of the men who wrote hymns during this period are Dykes,Goss,Stainer,Smart, Hopkins,Monk,Wesley and there are several others. Their tunes are very much the same. There seems to be very little originality displayed in their tunes, which followed for the most part the few that have lived from the previous century though I would say that they were not as successful musically. It must be confessed that these tunes lack the sturdiness and boldness of the German Chorale type, or the simplicity and sincerity of the Folk song or Plainsong type. One authority has applied the term "Gentlemanly" to these tunes.

Most of this work was done in England, but the disease was soon caught in this country, and this same century saw men writing in this same style.It was during this period that the so-called Gospel hymn was brought out and developed.These tunes are very popular with people and as long as there is a demand for them composers will continue to inflict their works upon us. Suffice it to say that most of these tunes belong on the theatrical stage rather than in the church. Perhaps they have been tried out there and were found to be unsuccessful and were relegated to some hymn book.

These very interesting and instructive "Directions to Singers" were written as a preface by Wesley to his Sacred Melodies:- 1. Learn these TUNES before you learn any others;afterward learn as many as you please. 2. Sing them exactly as they are printed here. 3. Sing ALL. Let not a slight degree of weakness or weariness hinder you. 4. Sing LUSTILY, and with good courage. Beware of singing as if you are half dead or asleep;lift your voice with strength. 5. Sing MODESTLY. 6. Sing in TIME. Whatever time is sung, be sure to keep with it. 7. Above all, sing SPIRITUALLY. Have an eye to God in every word you sing.

Perhaps it would be a wise thing if those of us who have anything to do with the music in our churches would have some copies of these "Directions" made, and distributed among the choir and congregations.

WHAT OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE ARE DOING

Each year young people in Alabama take the Bishop's Test, a series of questions prepared by their Bishop for consideration. A committee selects the winning papers and a Silver Loving Cup, with the winner's name is presented for possession during the next year.....Officers of California district convocations are holding their meetings in parishes where the YPF is not entirely satisfactory,instilling new ideas and interest in them. ...."Young Churchmen of Southern Ohio" is the name of the newly organized consolidation of all the youth in that Diocese whose aim is to "provide young people with an association for the cultivation of loyalty to our Lord Jesus Christ and His Church".....Unquestionably the most interesting paper we receive is"The Churchman" from the Philippines, yet it defies our efforts to quote it by having articles which in part would not convey full meaning, and which in full show the very essence of the Church's program.... The Cycling Troubadours of the Church Army have been touring through Florida spreading their messages of cheer and inspiration and have been of vital help to young people there, we are told..... The YPF throughout the country has no accepted pines or badges but they are prevalent on the two coasts.We hope to have some on display at the convention,.... "The Spotlight" of Pennsylvania, always interesting,is planning a handbook for a May issue which will include the history, traditions,and other facts of the organization.....Portland, Oregon forms the only association of groups in their Diocese but it is to be the nucleus and the testing ground for a Diocesan fellowship.

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