

5,000 DELEGATES OPEN A GREAT CHURCH CONCLAVE

Portland, Ore., Sept. 8.—The 47th triennial convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in America opened here Wednesday, with a monster mass meeting. Delegations from every diocese in America and from many foreign countries participated. The great civic auditorium was banked high when at 10 o'clock the white-robed choir of 250 voices marched down the main aisles to the swinging, stirring strains of "Onward

Christian Soldiers." As the last note died away, the ranks of the choir opened to form a white-walled lane down which 110 members of the house of bishops, each churchman robed with the flowing vestments of his office, marched to their places on the rostrum. At their head strode the Most Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, of St. Louis, Mo., presiding bishop. The choir then formed its ranks and proceeded to its place upon the rostrum.

The opening prayer was said by Rev. Alexander Mann, rector of Trin-

ity Episcopal church, Boston, Mass., president of the house of deputies. Dr. Henry Austice, of New York city, secretary of the house of deputies and Dr. J. F. Nelson, secretary of the house of bishops, then read the special bible lessons arranged for the occasion. The Right Reverend Edward T. Lines, bishop of the diocese of Newark, preached the sermon of exhortation to the assembled delegates. Bishop Walter Taylor Sumner, of the Diocese of Oregon, was master of ceremonies.

Hundreds of churchmen partook of the holy communion this morning in the Episcopal churches throughout the city. The houses of bishops and deputies celebrated their corporate communion in Trinity church, while the delegates to the Triennial convention of the Women's Auxiliary made their communion at St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral.

This afternoon the various houses and departments of the convention were in session for preliminary organization, and the business for which 5000 and more delegates and members of the church are assembling here was in actual motion.

One of the most elaborate social events of the General Convention has been set for tonight, visiting bishops and their families will be entertained as the guests of Bishop Walter Sumner at Bishopcroft, the Oregon Episcopal residence. The presiding Bishop, Bishop Tuttle, and his sister, Miss Sarah R. White, of St. Louis, Bishop and Mrs. Thomas F. Gaffor, of New York city, and Bishop and Mrs. Walter T. Sumner will receive the guests.

The actual business of the convention will start tomorrow, including any preliminary work which was not completed today. The reports of various committees appointed at the last general convention will be received as the initial movement of the machinery of the great gathering.

The city of Portland has opened its heart to the visiting clergy and lay delegates. Hotels, apartment houses and private dwellings have their quotas, and many delegates who brought their families with them have taken houses for the period of the convention, which will be about three weeks.

Almost as many clerical dollars may be seen on the streets now as were fezes when the annual convention of the Mystic Shrine claimed Portland for its own.

Sample of Famine Flour Arrives From Russia

New York, Sept. 9.—The first sample to reach this country of the now famous "famine flour" of the Russians has been received in New York at the offices of the National Lutheran Council, an American relief organization working in Russia in cooperation with the American Relief Administration.

Gritty, dark brown in color, and smelling like new earth from the garden, this substance of which the starving Russians bake their bread appears unpalatable, unwholesome, and totally unfit to be eaten. No substance like it is used for food, nor would be tolerated, by the people of any portion of the United States. The "flour" is composed of the ground up seed of Lebeda, with clay mixed in for adhesiveness. It has been used for eighteen months throughout the Volga region, wherever American food was unable to penetrate, and is now in use in the Ukraine and the Black Sea area, where the famine is still raging.

The particular sample received by the National Lutheran Council left Russia by way of Poland, being carried along by the cholera refugees who streamed across the border to the west last spring. It was not taken out of Russia as a curiosity to be exhibited, but as the only food to be carried along on the weary journey of several hundred miles on foot. The little box was sent to America by Rev. Rudolph Kersten, Canadian pastor from Bashaw, Alberta, who volunteered last year to go to Poland to take care of a vacant Lutheran parish which includes four cities and 140 villages. Rev. Kersten believed that as soon as Americans actually saw the unbelievably filthy food on which the refugees were dependent they would do everything in their power to rush aid to Europe.

New York City Health Commissioner Royal S. Copeland, who has had tests made of the flour for its food value states that persons eating bread made of it would receive no nourishment, while the digestive organs would be so affected as to cause certain death. It is his opinion that it is a "terrible thing that those people are forced to fill their stomachs with such stuff. It contains no nourishment to speak of. It satisfies appetite, but not hunger. It starves off the pangs but results in certain death."

The Dramatic Department of the Woman's club will hold an important meeting in the Old Adams County Bank at 7:30 o'clock Saturday evening. All members are urged to be present.

DOINGS IN SOCIETY

CLUB CALENDAR

Wednesday
Tri Kappa, postponed from Tuesday to Wednesday—Florence Haney. Auction Bridge—Margaret Smith.

Thursday
Ladies Aid of U. B. church with Mrs. Frank Hurst.
Woman's Society of Baptist church with Mrs. Harve Schroll.
Calvary Aid Society with Mrs. E. W. Jackson.

So-Cha-Rea Club will Marie Murtaugh—7:45 p. m.
Eastern Star at Masonic Hall.
Work and Win Class of U. B. Church—Mrs. Jennie Schlickman.
Delta Theta Tau with Mrs. Mayme Herber, 6:30 p. m.
Delta Theta Tau shower—Mayme Herber.

Missionary Society of Evangelical church at the church—2 p. m.

Friday
Zion Lutheran Aid Society at school house, 3 p. m.
D. Y. B. Club of U. B. Church with Mrs. Tom Fisher, 7:30.

Philithae class—Mrs. Brice Butler. W. R. C. at G. A. R. Hall—2 p. m.
Epworth Leaguers meet at church at 6:30 to attend Simpson church.
Loyal Daughters class of Evangelical church with Mrs. Carl Hammond.

Saturday
Pastry sale by Baptist Woman's Bible class at Schmitt's meat market.
Dramatic Department of Woman's Club at Old Adams County Bank—7:30 p. m.

Tuesday
Pot Luck supper—Rebecca Lodge.

The home of Mrs. B. J. Griswold on West Wayne street, was the scene of a very charming tea and reception, given this afternoon between the hours of 3 and 5, by Mrs. Griswold and Mrs. J. B. Crankshaw, in honor of Miss Margaret Vesey, who is leaving in the near future for South America. The spacious rooms were attractively decorated with a variety of garden flowers and the guests, who were the members of the Mary Penrose Wayne chapter of the D. A. R., were received by the hostesses. Miss Vesey was formerly registrar of the local chapter of the organization.—Ft. Wayne News.

The Philathae Class of the Baptist Sunday School will meet at the home of Mrs. Brice Butler, Friday evening at 7:30. Mrs. Will Winnes will have the program. Let every member be present.

The 71st anniversary of the Rebecca Lodge as a fraternal order will be observed by the Decatur lodge with a pot luck supper on Tuesday evening, September 19th in the lodge hall and every member is urged to be present. The Rebecca lodge will be, seventy-one years old on next Tuesday and throughout the state the different chapters will give a program or hold a meeting in celebration of the anniversary.

Mrs. Mylott and Mrs. Avery were hostesses at the meeting of the Rebecca Lodge held last evening in the lodge hall. The usual good entertainment was given and the meeting was well attended.

Miss Helen Niblick, bride-elect of next Saturday, was the guest of honor at a charming party given by Mrs. Burton Niblick at her home last night. A number of parties have been given in honor of Miss Niblick since she announced her wedding date recently.

The W. R. C. will meet on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the G. A. R. Hall. All members who received badges on Yeoman Day are requested to return them on Friday at this meeting. Arrangements will be made to attend the district convention to be held at Marion, Ind., on Sept. 19.

The Loyal Daughters Sunday school class of the Evangelical church will meet at the home of Mrs. Carl Hammond on Winchester street, Friday evening. The parcel post sale has been postponed until a later date.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church will meet at the church Friday evening at 6:30 to attend the Simpson church. Automobiles will be provided. Everyone is invited to come.

The Delta Theta Tau sorority will give a shower for Miss Genevieve Bremerkamp at the home of Mrs. Clarence Herber tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Shifferly entertained at dinner Sunday the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shifferly, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Shifferly and daughter, Doris and son, Eldred, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brown and daughters, Lois and Ariz, and Miss Rosa Fuhrman. In the afternoon they were

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