

Consecration of Bishop-Elect.

The Very Rev. George Craig Cruickshank, Dean of Dunedin, is to be consecrated Bishop of Waiapu in St. John's Cathedral Church, Napier, on Friday, February 2, the Day of the Festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He is to succeed the Rt. Rev. G. V. Gerard, C.B.E., M.C., who resigned the See last April in order to continue as senior chaplain to the forces overseas.

The service which will commence at 10 a.m. will be taken by Archbishop West-Watson, assisted by the Bishops of the Province of New Zealand.

A welcome will afterwards be extended to the new Bishop at 3 p.m. in the Synod Hall.

The Service of Enthronement will be held on Sunday, February 4th at 11 a.m.

Arrangements have been made for this service to be broadcast by 2YH Napier.

Easter.

The Easter period this year comes much earlier than usual. Good Friday will be on March 30.

PRAYERS FOR HOLLANDERS

The Netherlands Prime Minister, Professor P. Gerbrandy, addressed the following telegram to the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of Westminster, the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, the Federal Council of the Free Church and the Chief Rabbi of England:—

"By unsurpassed trials of murder, robbery, arson and destruction the enemy threatens the people of the Netherlands with a terrible fate. Famine is imminent. In all churches in Holland our people will undoubtedly implore the aid and mercy of the Almighty. Many millions of Dutch people will be greatly comforted by the knowledge that others elsewhere join them in prayer.

"May I, therefore, for the sake of the people of the Netherlands, so sorely tried, appeal to you to lead the faithful under your care in special prayer to the Almighty imploring His aid and succour in their present plight."

—Netherlands Indies Government Information Service.

TE WAI POUNAMU COLLEGE

The Te Wai Pounamu Maori Girls' College is the only post-primary school for Maori girls in the South Island, and it concentrates on training girls for entry to the teaching and nursing professions. Many of the former pupils are now engaged at native schools throughout the North Island, and all of them are earning an increasing reputation for the school. Because of its size the school has a "family" atmosphere as distinct from an institutional one. The maximum number of pupils that can be accommodated is 36. The girls receive a very practical education, with special emphasis on house-craft. All the work of the school is done by the girls, the seniors taking it in turn to be completely responsible for one phase of the house-keeping. The school has been established for 35 years and has at present girls from all over the South Island and from the Chathams.

The school is regarded as a training ground for potential leaders of the Maori race, and the idea is to help the girls to fit themselves for leadership of their own people. The position advertised in this issue will be of special interest to teachers who have an interest in and a sympathy with the Maori race and a desire to assist in its welfare and advancement.

Diocesan Library.

The following books (catalogue number in parenthesis) have been added to the library:—"Mothers and Daughters," by Mrs. Osborn Hann; "Now You Are Engaged," by Mrs. Osborn Hann; "Marry While You May," by R. H. Soar. The above three in "Christian Home Series" in folder (150 A). "Marriage Minus Motherhood," by a Mother; "Fathers of Four," by One of Them. The above two in "Christian Home Series" in folder (150 B). "Christopher Climbs the Fells," by Phyllis Grham (151). "A Child's Personal Religion," by Noel E. Nicholl (152). "Ronnie and the Commandments," by Mrs. Osborne Hann (153). "The First Three Years," by Reginald Lumb (154). "The Next Three Years," by Reginald Lumb (155).

The literature secretary reports that "Wave of Prayer" maps are available (two for each branch if required), and on application could be posted with copies of next issue of "The Workers' Paper."

NEW VICAR OF ST. PETER'S, WELLINGTON.

Archdeacon E. J. Rich.

Archdeacon E. J. Rich, who has been vicar of St. Matthew's Church for 14 years and Archdeacon of Wairarapa for four years, has been appointed Vicar of St. Peter's Church, Wellington, and Archdeacon of Wellington, in succession to the late Ven. W. Bullock. He will take up his new duties after next Easter. Archdeacon Rich went to Masterton from Taihape.

Archdeacon Rich, who followed the late Archdeacon Bullock as vicar of St. Matthew's, Masterton, in 1930, was born in Villa Rica, Paraguay, on February 8, 1894. Educated in Hawke's Bay, St. John's College, Auckland, and Victoria University College, Wellington, where he took his B.A. degree, he served in the last war with the New Zealand Medical Corps from 1915 to 1919. After returning from the war he entered Holy Order and was ordained deacon by the late Bishop Sprott in 1919 and priest in 1920. His first clerical appointment was curate of St. Thomas', Wellington South, in 1919, and two years later he became vicar of St. Cuthbert's, Berhampore. From 1924 to 1930, when he went to Masterton, he was vicar of St. Margaret's, Taihape. He is a grand chaplain of the Masonic Grand Lodge of New Zealand.