The Clergy Corner

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The Apostle Matthew in his gospel, the twenty-second chapter and the fourteenth verse states, "For Many are called, but few are chosen. I would like to rephrase his words, as found in the King James version, of the scriptures fit say, "Many are called, but few hoose to come to Christ." Why if it so many fail to choose the way of Christ? Why is there such a poor response to His pleas of "Come unto me?".

The first reason might state, is that they are too preoccupied with other things, that they give little thought to spiritual matters. You remember the farmer, that Jesus spoke about in His Parable, how he was taken up with his large harvest, He decideed without thinking of the future, being in God's hands, that he would build a new and larger barn to store his crops in the next year. God reminded him that there might not be a next year. For God called for his soul.

The second reason is that we often postpone our decision to a later date. We are like the man Felix, when spoken to by the Apostle Paul, concerning his soul, turned to Paul, and said, He would call for him to consider his spiritual decisions, at a more convenient time.

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ual decisions, at a more constitution.

The third reason some might now list, is because they feel it is too much of a risk, they might have to give up too much; the rich young ruler that Jesus spoke to reacted in this manner when Jesus asked for his soul and his wealth; as well. The young man went away sorrowful.

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There is a book called the Prophet, by Asch, has this underlying theme. The prophet tried to get his people to go home from the captivity, which they were under But they would not listen. It was too much of a risk, they now had tousiness in the land of entity and had they gone back, they would have had to start all over again, had they gone back to Israel.

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Then of course, there are the homest ones, feeling unfit, or unworthy. Moses felt unfit to lead the chlidren of Israael. Other biblical men of God discovered none are worthy. It is only by the grace of God that we do become worthy and it is by God's gift of his son Jesus Christ, that we do become worthly in his sight.

The solution is simple, we are to come to God as we are, as the Hymn Writer says, "Just as I am without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me. And as thou biddest me come, to thee O Lamb of God I come, I Come." Then of course, there are the

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From Our Files

ceived an invitation to attend the Genesee County Music Festival to be held in Cuba this Spring. Mr. and Mrs. Almon Wood and daughter, Ann were Sunday guest-at the home of Mrs. Wood's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wesely Canfield in Belmant.

Belmont.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nye and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Dodge and family attended the 25th wedding anniversary of their brother Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dodge, held at their home in Wellsville, Sunday. The Friendly Class of the Methodist Church held their Feb meeting at the home of Mrs. Harold Emery, Tuesday evening. A 7:30 dessert was followed by 8 business meeting and entertainment. It was a Valentine party with Velentine decorations being carried out. carried out.

February 19, 1948

The proposed new basic formula for State Aid to Central Schools as released this past week by the Governor's Committee on the State Educational Program, would raise the State Aid for Andover Central School from \$81,500 to \$96,200, an increase of \$14,700.

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The Elm Valley Hustlers 4-H Club led by Lawrence Perkins, won \$30 in the Third Annual. Better 4-H Club Program Contest' which is conducted thru the office of Dairy Specialist H. A. Wellman of Cornell University and sponsored by the Sears Roebuck Foundation.

A daughter, Patricia Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gath February 16.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Thies of Niagara Falls are parents of a daughter, Susan Aileen. Mrs. Thies 12 the former Aileen Walsh of Andover daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fdward Walsh

over daughter of Mr. and Mrs Edward Waish.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher of Syracuse are parents of a daughter born Feb. 18. Mrs. Fisher is the former Dorothy Nobles of Andover and Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles are the maternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Carson are parents of a daughter born Feb. 18.

Bayless Sheffield Bassett of Alfred, died Feb. 14 at the Benson Nursing Home in Almond. A son Harold of Oneida survives. Burial was in Alfred Rurai Cemetery

Harold of Oneida survives. Burial was in Alfred Rurai Cemetery Mrs. R. J. Cook brought to The News Office, Wednesday, an oddity in the world of eggs. The egg was laid by a Red Rock Hen was a doubler with two complete eggs in one. The outside egg wasligh. Inside it was the usual white and yolk and another complete normally formed egg, shlel and all.

Andover raised \$812.16 in the March of Dimes Drive which ended Feb. 14. Mrs. R. E. Femplo was Andover's Chairman for the 1948 Drive.

Ernest G. Greene died at his home on Center Street, Feb. 15

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School Taxes

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We have been instructed by the Board of Education to collect all taxes free of fees from September 7th to October 6th, 1978. From October 8th to October 31st at 2%, in compliance with Chapter 687, print 3215 of the Education Laws of the State of New York which provides that the tax returns to the county treasurer must be made on or before November 15, following the tax levy.

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following a five year illness. Ho was born in the Town of Alfred Jan. 26, 1893, a son of Maxon and Mary Capin Greene. In 1926 he married Minnie L. Brandt, who survives with three brothers, Edward of Alfred Station, Harry of Tampa, Fla., and Clarence of Silver Valley. one sister. Mrs. Milford Crandail of Independence. Burial was in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

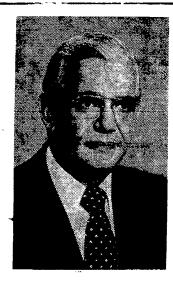
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Pvt. 1st Class Eldon I. Kaple son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kaple of Andover, has been assigned as a Military Training Guard to accompany the bodies of returned American War dead on their final journey home. PFC Kaple volunteered for this duty A a Train Guard he travels on funeral trains composed of special mortuary ears used to transport remains from the used to transport remains from the Port of Embarkation to the 14 dis tribution centers which make the

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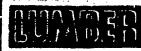
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