



FEBRUARY 1985

ARCHONS PLANNING A GALA SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY WEEKEND, MARCH 2-3, 1985

Once again, New York will be the center of attention in observance of the Sunday of Orthodoxy when Archons and their families and their friends throughout the United States and Canada will gather in order to celebrate the first Sunday of Lent with the triumph of Orthodoxy, the symbolical historical event of the restoration of the holy icons in the 8th century, the event which best describes the commitment in the 20th century of all Archons to be "Defenders of the Faith".

On Saturday, March 2nd, at the Waldorf-Astoria, all Regional/State Commanders will gather for a luncheon/meeting at 12 noon. At this meeting, the Offikiali Archons will meet to exchange ideas on an informal basis on recent developments relative to the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Turkey and the United States. The regular meeting of all Archons will follow from 3 to 5 p.m., at which time the National Commander will give his annual report, and the newly selected candidates will receive their charge and ecclesiastical induction to the rules and regulations of the Order from His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos, who is also the Exarch of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Following the meeting, the evening's festivities will begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. and the banquet at 7 p.m.

Among the many honored guests at the banquet, the main speaker will be Bishop Crumley of the Lutheran Church of America, and Master of Ceremonies will be the popular TV news broadcaster of ABC Mr. Ernest Anastos, who is also a devout Greek Orthodox Christian and active communicant of his parish.

On Sunday morning, at the New York Holy Trinity Archdiocesan Cathedral, 319 E. 74 St., a hierarchical divine liturgy will take place with Archbishop Iakovos officiating, with the assistance of many of the bishops of our Archdiocese, as well as priests and deacons. Highlight of the morning religious services will be the investiture by His Eminence Arch-

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Archons in procession carrying holy icons during the hierarchical divine liturgy on the Sunday of Orthodoxy at the New York Cathedral of the Holy Trinity.



Left photo: Archons receiving icons from the hands of His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos. Right photo: Archon George Livanos, Master of Ceremonies for the 1984 Banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria. Seen also in photo is Rev. Dr. M.B. Efthimiou, executive officer and Dr. A.G. Borden, National Commander.



ARCHONS TO SPONSOR SYMPOSIUM ON GREEK-TURKISH RELATIONS

Under the chairmanship of Dr. Harry Psomiades of Queens College, a Symposium on Greek-Turkish relations, with a history of these relations since the fall of Constantinople in 1453 up to the present times, with a concentration on the Lausanne Treaty is being contemplated for the spring of 1986. The site will be New York, and invited to this symposium will be academi-

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RESOLUTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE ECUMENICAL PATRIARCHATE

Among the many Resolutions voted on by legislatures, assemblies, congressional districts, and various other gatherings relative to actions taken toward petitioning the Turkish government to protect the Greek Orthodox families in Turkey and relative to the civil and human rights at the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the following are samples of these organized efforts on behalf of the Ecumenical Patriarchate:

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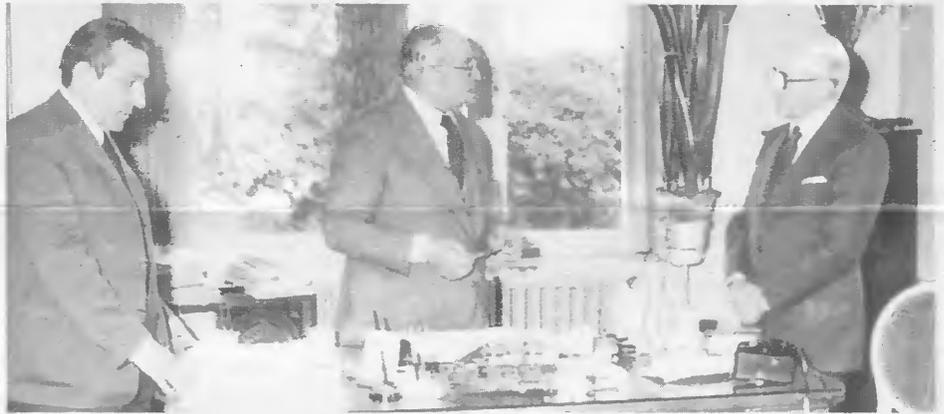
cians and scholars in the area and field of history, political science, theology, and other related areas which would contribute to a deeper understanding of the rift between Greek and Turks through the centuries. Several meetings have taken place with His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos, and, most recently, Dr. Psomiades, along with Prof. John Rexine of Colgate University, attended a reception/meeting following the vesper services of St. Andrew the Apostle on November 29, 1984 at which time preliminary plans were outlined for this auspicious event. A budget of \$10,000 was approved, as a preliminary step, and Prof. Psomiades who will be visiting Greece in January, will approach several academicians from Greece inviting them to attend this symposium so that the gathering will be an international one, and from which positive steps may be initiated for furthering a better understanding of this important topic. A commemorative journal will eventually be published of the proceedings of the symposium. Other nationalities will be invited including Turkish academicians, to attend and participate in the symposium.

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- Senate Resolution No. 742 offered by Senators Geo-Karis, Philip, Sathikas, Berman and McDonald.
- Southern Californial Ecumenical Council, Rev. Eugene L. Boutelier, Executive Director
- Michael Pritchard, Adm. Secretary
- State of New Jersey
- General Assembly
- Resolution by Assemblymen Boccini and Paterno
- Congress of the United States
- House of Representatives, Wash., DC
- Sponsored by Matthew F. McCue, Edward J. Derwinski M.C., Leon Panetta M.C., Bob Livingston M.C.
- Texas House of Representatives
- Honorable James M. Collins, Congressman
- State of New York
- Legislative Resolution
- Assembly No. 168 by member of Assembly Spano, Brodsky, Burroughs, Berraga, Butler, Connors, Dwayne, McCann, O'Neill, Orazio, Thalomi, Vitaliano and Yievoli
- Congress of the United States
- House of Representatives, Wash., DC
- Elliot H. Levitas, 4th District, Georgia
- Proclamation, City of Atlanta
- Office of the Mayor, Andrew Young, Mayor
- Ohio Senate
- 115th General Assembly of Ohio
- Senator Harry Meshel, President,
- Thomas A. Smith, Clerk
- California Legislature
- Senate Resolution, Nicholas C. Petris, 9th Senatorial District

COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED FOR THE NEEDS OF BALUKLI HOSPITAL

Based on a "Patriarchal action plan" last year and introduced to its first fall meeting of the National Council by Regional Commander Tom Demery of Detroit, a committee was established in order to evaluate the needs of the Balukli Hospital in Constantinople. The committee was made up of Drs. Papps, Harovas, Flessas, and Vasilas. In No-



BALUKLI HOSPITAL. Dr. A.G. Borden seen with officials of hospital, Dr. Karamouratoglou, Director (left), and Mr. Zambazoglou, Chairman of the Board (center).

vember, 1984, the committee submitted a report based on the findings of Dr. Demetrios Flessas who visited the hospital in the summer of 1984 when he met with Dr. Karamaratoglou, the Medical Director and Dr. Tzambazoglou, Chairman of the Board.

The committee's conclusions which the National Council will be dealing with in the calendar year 1985 are as follows:

1. The hospital complex consists of approximately ten single story buildings, five of which are being utilized whose condition was rated "fair or poor". It is a 60 bed hospital with the following breakdown: (approx. figures)
 - 300 medicals; 70 surgical and gynecologic; 15 pediatrics.
 - 160 psychiatric
 - 250 nursing and old facility

Each of the wards consists of approximately 30 beds with "adequate" toilet facilities.

Repairs are difficult to achieve and building permits are not obtainable. Most repairs are done without a permit, and by being in the good graces with the local authorities.

It was difficult to get a clearance standing with the financial situation. The BUDGET is approximately \$5,000 with a deficit of about 25% annually. Support is obtained from the church, private donations and the community. The reimbursement rate for this hospital is low - \$2.00/day.

The EQUIPMENT is very old, and

outdated by several generations and many pieces are 1930 vintage.

LAB and X-RAY personnel consist of one and possibly two individuals.

NURSING is fair with few qualified individuals, mostly Turkish, as is the maintenance, housekeeping and dietary departments.

The PHYSICIAN STAFF consists of 18 full-time individuals, and approximately half being Turkish.

There are approximately 3,000 admissions a year with a ratio of 4 to 1 Turks, of the 50 plus years old category.

The NURSING and OLD AGE FACILITY catered almost entirely to the Greek population. For the most part, very poor.

The facility was clean with a T.V. in each room, care was good and the food adequate. The rooms are dormitory style. There is a small chapel to satisfy their spiritual needs.

II INTERNATIONAL ST. NICHOLAS SYMPOSIUM HELD IN DEMRE (MYRA), TURKEY

For the first time in hundreds of years, scholars and participants of 15 nations met in Demre-Antalya in a four day symposium in order to discuss the life and times of St. Nicholas as well as to acquaint themselves with the historical ruins and natural beauty of this area which was once a thriving Christian Orthodox community from the Apostolic times down through later Byzantium.

The American delegation was headed by Metropolitan Silas of New Jersey and led by the Rev. Dr. Miltiades B. Efsthiou, representing the Archdiocese as well as the Order of St. Andrew the Apostle. Professor Deno Geanakoplos also represented the Order and was a participant in the symposium delivering one of the key papers on the life of St. Nicholas at the symposium.

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Seen with Archbishop Iakovos at the annual 1984 Banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria are, from left to right: Mr. Beys, Consul General of Greece; A. Athens, Pres. of U.H.A.C.; E. Derwinski, Consultant to State Dept.; Dr. A. Borden, Nat'l Commander; T. Manassis, Banquet Chairman; Fr. Efthimiou, Exec. Officer; A. Kakovris, Cyprus Mission.

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bishop Iakovos on behalf of the Ecumenical Patriarch of the following individuals who have been deemed worthy by their local parish, their bishop, Archbishop Iakovos, the National Council of Archons, and the Ecumenical Patriarch to receive their Offikia and to be inducted into the Order of St. Andrew the Apostle. This year's candidates are as follows:

George A. Aretakis, Accountant, who is an active member of the Church of the Archangels, Stamford, Conn.

Arthur G. Dukakis, successful businessman, who is an active member of the Church of St. Demetrios, Weston, Mass. and active for many years with the institutions of the Holy Archdiocese.

Dr. Elmer B. Vogelpohl, Medical Doctor, who is an active supporter of St. Basil Academy and the Theological School in Brookline, Mass. and as well as the St. Photios Shrine, St. Augustine, Fla.

Demetrios A. Bakalis, graduate of the Holy Cross Seminary, cantor for many years of the Church of St. Nicholas, Detroit, Mich. of the Diocese of Detroit, and active in a leadership role for the camps for the youth of the Diocese.

George Pavlos, Architect, who is active in the Church of St. George, Philadelphia, Pa., and active in civic affairs.

E.P. Terry Mitchell, businessman, member of the Archdiocesan Council, and active supporter of many programs of the Archdiocese.

Michael S. Lagos, businessman, active in the Church of St. Luke, Broomall, Pa., and supporter of many Archdiocesan endeavors.

Angelo G. Stoulis, businessman, active in the Church of St. Luke, Broomall, Pa., and involved in philanthropic projects as well as endeavors relative to the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

Arthur Koumantzelis, businessman, active in the Church of St. Demetrios, Weston, Mass., active supporter of the Hellenic College and other religious projects.

Harry G. Plomarity, businessman, active in the Church of St. Nicholas, Corpus Christi, Texas, and involved with the projects of the Diocese of Denver and the Holy Archdiocese.

Dr. Christ T. Kopan, Ophthalmologist, ac-

tive for many years on a church, Diocese and Archdiocesan level.

George P. Gabriel, businessman, member of the Archdiocesan Council and involved with various programs of the Archdiocese.

Nicholas Royce, businessman, active on a community, and Archdiocesan level, and for many years involved with the concerns of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

John H. Secaras, businessman, member of the Archdiocesan Council and involved in many of the programs of the Holy Archdiocese.

Dimitrios Psaltos, financier, active member of the Church of St. Spyridon, New York, N.Y., and the institutions of the Holy Archdiocese.

Tom Korologos, businessman, active with the various programs of the Holy Archdiocese and its institutions.

George L. Strike, Business Executive, active in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Cincinnati, Ohio, and in many community endeavors.

Emanuel Athanasiades, Professor of Greek Studies, from Arlington, Va.

Basil P. Papachristidis, Shipowner, with a Doctor and Master of Philosophy degrees, active in the Church of St. George in Montreal, Canada for many years.

Hercules N. Papacostas, Lawyer, active on the Archdiocesan level, representing the Archdiocese in various projects in Greece.

James Cavalaris, Real Estate Interests, active and interested in all projects of the Archdiocese and Ecumenical Patriarchate.

Stamos Zades, Professor, President of his parish council, supporter of the Archdiocese and active in philanthropic organizations.

Gus Psaras, businessman, great benefactor of his community and active supporter of the Archdiocesan Institutions.

Charles C. Fourkas, Public Accountant, active in the Church of St. George of Hollywood, Fla., and supporter of his church's and communities projects.

John Rakkou, Bank Vice President, active supporter of all the Archdiocesan Institutions, and an active member of St. Spyridon Church in New York.

Nikitas Drakotos, Realtor, an active member of St. Spyridon Church in New York,

and active supporter of the Archdiocesan Institutions.

Nicholas Fisfis, a businessman from Philadelphia, Pa. has been active both in civil matters and church projects.

Although many celebrations sponsored by the Archons will take place nationwide, the center of attention will be in New York because all regional and state commanders are urged to attend the New York meeting and religious services. In any event, all Archons are requested to wear their full regalia of sashes, medallions, pins, crosses, etc. so that now that the Order has become a major voice in the affairs of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the visible presence of the members of the Order at various functions throughout the United States would enhance the overall objective of bringing the local community and civic leaders attention to the needs and existence of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, headquarters of World Orthodoxy. Note: for those planning to attend the New York festivities, the banquet will be held in the Empire Room of the Waldorf-Astoria on Saturday evening, March 2nd. Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m. and banquet is at 7:00 p.m. Reservations are \$60.00 per person, reservations along with the check payable to "The Order of St. Andrew" should be mailed to: Order of St. Andrew, 8 East 79th Street, New York, NY 10021. This must be done as soon as possible to insure better seating. For any questions or specific requests, please call the Program Chairman, Archon Deputatos Anastasios Manassis, (212) 687-0980.

ARCHON MEETING HELD IN DENVER

Last fall a general meeting was held for about 100 Archons at Denver, CO. Present was His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos, who spoke to those present by referring to an article in the New Yorker Magazine which spoke favorably of the efforts for a better understanding of the Turkish government. Also present at the meeting was Mr. Cleo Zambetis, Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa who addressed the group and who cited the importance of Ahepa and the Order of St. Andrew working together for the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Other speakers were: Dr. Borden, Andrew Athens, George Chimples, Tom Demery, and many others all of whom made constructive suggestions for consideration by the National Council in order to better serve the needs of the Order and the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

Dr. Borden announced the formation of the committee which would include non-Greeks also, to visit the Turkish Ambassador in Washington, the Greek government, and the Ecumenical Patriarchate, in order to evaluate its present and future status. This will take place following the return of Congress from the Christmas recess.

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ARCHONS STUDY PLAN FOR PATRIARCHATE

Andrew Manatos, Washington Counsel for the Order of St. Andrew, as well as for other groups in the attempt to coordinate efforts in order to provide a mechanism through which Greek-American organizations can establish common positions on select national issues of importance to the Greek-American community, has outlined a year's basic plan in a letter addressed to Dr. Anthony G. Borden, National Commander of the Order. Some key points in his plan are as follows:

"I would suggest that my office establish a working lunch in Washington every other month. . . I would suggest that the luncheons be arranged with groupings such as:

Key members of the House and Senate and their staff who have an interest in this issue and have a great deal of influence upon the White House, the Defense Department, and the State Department.

Key journalists who have an interest in this subject and would be most likely to write favorable stories about it.

Key administration officials who interface with officials of the Turkish government and have a great deal of influence with our country's government.

Religious groups and individuals who might be particularly sympathetic to this issue and who carry a great deal of influence with the executive branch.

Private sector individuals and organizations who work closely with the Turkish government in business and non-business relationships and who might be interested in encouraging the Turks to be more reasonable on the Patriarchate issue in an effort to reduce American pressure against military aid to that nation.

Other Greek American organizations in an effort to generate additional efforts by them regarding this issue and to make possible a total coordination of activities."

Since Mr. Manatos welcomes suggestions and constructive criticisms, all Archons are urged to communicate with the National Commander who, will in turn, relate these suggestions to Mr. Manatos.

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ORDER OF ST. ANDREW AT THE 27th BIENNIAL CLERGY-LAITY CONGRESS

At the Clergy-Laity Congress held at the New York Hilton, New York City, in July 1984, the Order of St. Andrew the Apostle, the Archons, were not only present and visible with successful meetings and attendance, but had one of the most successful booths at the Congress. The booth presented materials, books, and pamphlets that were distributed to the delegates and visitors. A continuous slide presentation was presented throughout the day and this met with a great deal of success and interest to all who visited the booth. The slide presentation was of: The Historic Meeting Between Patriarch Athenagoras and Pope Paul VI in 1963, when both these prelates visited Jerusalem; the other was of the pilgrimage led by Dr. Borden and Fr. Efthimiou to Holy Lands and the Ecumenical Patriarchate and Halki in

timidate the Greek Orthodox faithful in Istanbul and the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

d. The Balukli Hospital.

e. Actions on regional and state levels in order to win support for our cause in arousing public interest to the issues.

f. Meetings with various individuals, religious leaders, and heads of state, relative to the conditions in Constantinople.

The following goals for the Order were outlined to the delegates:

1. To organize a 3-day conference concerning Greek-Turkish relations for the last five centuries with emphasis on violations of treaties, especially the Lausanne Treaty, and abuses of human rights. (This conference will be held in the fall of 1985 or spring of 1986.)

2. Obtain resolutions from all state



The Archons who participated in the meetings of the 27th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress in New York.

the summer of 1984, just prior to the Congress.

One of the Archon highlights was the attendance of over 200 Archons as a group to the July 4th celebration at St. Bartholomew's Church, New York City.

The breakfast meeting held at the New York Hilton was graced by His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos and Metropolitan Maximos of Stavroupolis, the Patriarchal representative to the Congress, who spoke to the Archons and helped crystallize the thinking of new strategies for efforts on behalf of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

Kimon A. Doukas, first Vice-Commander of the National Council of Archons, gave a report of the Order to the General Assembly of the Congress. He noted that at this Congress, there were more members of the Order present than at any other Congress. In the report to the delegates, the following, in summary, was outlined:

a. The meeting of the Archons with His All Holiness Patriarch Demetrios, and Patriarch Diodorus of Jerusalem.

b. Highlights of the places visited in Turkey and Jerusalem.

c. The various Turkish efforts to in-

legislatures and proclamations from all governors.

3. Intensify our publicity and visibility.

4. Continue activities informing our government in Washington.

5. Cooperate with organizations such as UHAC, Alliance, Ahepa and promoting our cause.

6. Approach influential religious leaders personally.

7. Encourage our state/regional commanders and Archons to become more active in informing the public and the government in their respective areas.

8. Distribute more pamphlets throughout the country.

9. Intensify our support of the Patriarchal hospital in Balukli and the summer orphanage camp, and continue the annual pilgrimage to the Patriarchate.

10. Insure that all Archons celebrate the Sunday of Orthodoxy, Patriarchal Day during Lent, and the Feastday of St. Andrew the Apostle in November. The Commanders communicate with the Diocese bishop and the National Commander about the programs and the policies of the Order and subsequently pass the information to the Archons.

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