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The Church Invincible

THERE are two remarkable statements: (1)

"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16: 16); (2) "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Matt. 16: 18). The first was made by Peter, and as the "good confession," is the central truth of the Christian faith, the one and only "credo" necessary for followers of the Lord. The second was uttered by Jesus himself, and is really an enunciation of the rock-truth of his divine Sonship, and the defence that this truth provides for the church which is built upon it.

The scene depicted is the familiar one of Jesus at Cæsarea-Philippi questioning his disciples as to their knowledge of him and their conception of his mission. This was a critical period in Jesus' career, for as verse 21 of the same chapter tells us: "From that time forth began Jesus to show unto his disciples how that he must go unto Jerusalem . . . and be killed, and be raised the third day." His mission was becoming clearer to him. Not only was he the Messiah, the chosen deliverer, but also the divine Son, the Saviour of the world and the Founder of the church.

The Rock. Truth

Considerable disputation has arisen over this particular passage of scripture. The Roman theologians, in their endeavor to find proof for papal authority as vested in what they have been pleased to call the apostolic succession from Peter, have sadly misinterpreted this text. According to them, Peter is regarded as the foundation rock upon which the church was built. On the contrary, however, Christ made play upon the words, as follows:

"Thou art Peter (petros—little rock), and upon this rock (petra—bedrock) I will build my church."

It is obvious from other references that Christ's divine Sonship, the truth which Peter had laid bare in his confession, is the bedrock truth upon which the church is built. "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 3: 11), so that the scripture definitely reveals the great fact that:

"The church's one Foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word."

His Sonship

The resurrection, which incidentally is the best-attested fact in history, is the most powerful vindication of his divine Sonship. As

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Ed., preacher of Victoria Park,

Western Australia, writes con-

fidently of the future victory of

the church over the world.

Peter, preaching in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost, has it: "This Jesus hath God raised up" (Acts 2: 32). The apostle then proceeds to quote the words of David as recorded in Psalm 16: 10: "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell (sheol), neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption" (v. 27), using this prophetic utterance as evidence of the fact that Christ, the anointed One, went down into hell, broke the chains of sin and of death, and arose triumphant, eventually ascending to the place of intercession at the right hand of the Father. What further evidence is required, says Peter—"God hath made this same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ" (v. 36).

The Offensive

For this reason the church which he built upon the evidence of his own divinity is able to take the offensive in the continual warfare against evil. In this modern age the church has been subjected to greater persecution than at any other time since the days of the Emperor Nero. Yet she has stood four-square; and though her outward organisation has remained intact. And this has been possible through the power of the risen Lord. Those words of the apostle, "the power of his resurrection," are not idle words. It is this power, this inner resistance, that turns the defence into offence, so that Christ's followers, in his strength, are enabled to march forward as the church militant, wielding aloft the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God (Eph. 6: 17). It is our task to carry the fight into the enemy's camp. The cry is ever—

"Onward, Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before."

His Power

It becomes evident, then, that the secret of it all is faith in him who died and rose again. His power brings victory.

Returning for a moment to the latter portion of the statement of Jesus at Cæsarea-Philippi, it will be noticed that, following his affirmation of the building and firm foundation of his church, he says, "and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Now there are two possible interpretations of this well-known passage. In the first place, does it simply mean that the gates of hell shall not prevail against the church? But if so, you protest, what of the dark eras in our history when it has seemed only too patent that the forces of evil have not only prevailed, but have well-nigh left the church in ruins? Or again, even in apparently most enlightened days the subtlety of the evil one has brought about so much division in the ranks of believers that his relentless undermining has been tantamount to prevailing against the church.

In looking at the passage again, however, does it not seem a more consistent interpretation to consider the word "it" as referring to the rock truth of Christ's Sonship rather than simply to the church? If this point of view is followed up, we see a complete unfolding of the meaning of this portion of scripture. Seeing that the gates of hell were unable to prevail against the Christ at his death ("Thou wilt not leave my soul in sheol"), it is his power that gains the final victory for the church. And even though Satan has oftentimes prevailed, though he has repeatedly sown tares amid the wheat, and wrought schism even among God's own elect—yet, through the power of Christ, in the final analysis the church will prevail. Here we have something akin to what Paul had in mind when in the second Corinthian letter he wrote: "Now thanks be to God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ" (2 Cor. 2: 14). It is in his triumph rather than ours that we share. His church prevails merely because of his power. The apparent victories of evil over good are, in the light of this sublime thought, only transient or passing phases. The ultimate triumph of the church is assured—because she is his church, and his victory shall be the victory of his disciples.

His is the invincible spirit that gives power to his invincible church. So, the church invisible—in becoming the church indivisible—will also be the church invincible.

Function of Social Service Dept.

Social Problems

IN spite of the many social services pro-I vided by the government and secular agencies, there are still many cases for which little or no provision has been made. Seeing that government services and most others are prescribed, there is a wide field of service left for the church. It cannot be claimed, however, that this field is in any sense adequately covered. There is the case of the illegitimate child, or more correctly speaking, the illegitimate parent. The matter of a maternity home, provision for which is often neglected, the placing of the mother in suitable employment, and often, the child in a A case of this kind is often bristling with problems, and these, very often, are those of the individual alone. The problems of adolescent years, many of which involve patience, time and money. Employment of the kind desired and for which years of preparation have been spent is not always easy to find. Suitable board is perhaps even more difficult to find. The married relation is often strained, and not only advice is needed, but action involving courage and demanding experience and money. In some cases it has been found that truth is stranger than fiction. The woman is often defenceless. If the church does not act she is without hope. The problems of old age and infirmity are too well known to need repeating. To provide a home to accommodate twenty or more guests, however, does not solve the problems of every aged person needing a home. There are hundreds of such folk for whom the pension payment is altogether inadequate to meet the charges demanded by private homes. Among these are children of God who knock at the these are children of God who knock at the door of the church. The problems are not so much those of the State as they are of the church. What of the boys and girls "who will not be controlled"? Some of these come from our Bible schools. Shall we leave them to the police courts and the reformatories without an effort to save them? the problems arising from debts which often are contracted because of illness. How often do we find good people at the point of despair because the outlook appears to be hopeless? Direction as well as assistance is required. Where shall we go in our trouble? Who will help us? are questions the Christian church should answer. Perhaps a little reflection will provide the answer.

Hospital Visitation

The Social Service Department has completed arrangements with Mr. Charles Young, who has served during the war as chaplain with much distinction, bringing credit both to himself and the church, to engage in a special ministry of hospital visitation early in the new year. This ministry is not intended to substitute that of his brother preachers, but will give the church definite recognition in our hospitals, and it is confident, will open up a Christian service, the extent of open up a Christian service, the extent of which will far exceed our highest expectations. The acceptance of the financial obligation is made possible by Mr. Young's own generous attitude towards this special ministry and the encouraging word of his brethren, some of whom have already committed themselves to practical assistance. A fuller statement will practical assistance. A fuller statement will appear later. In the meantime the Social Service Department requests that this new departure will find a place in the prayers of the brethren.

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Australian Religious Film Society

Following representations made to us by the conference executive with regard to this society, and having in mind the value of visual education, our cheque for £50 has been forwarded. This committee is seized with the value of the opportunities such a society offers the churches of some co-operative teaching. Churches of Christ cannot afford to ignore such a movement.

Liquor Reform

The present government, afraid to accept responsibility for introducing necessary

liquor reform, has been baiting the opposition for some time now with a view to securing united action. No one party is willing to say or do anything which might offend liquor say or do anything which might offend liquor advocates. Such an attitude seems to indicate that every party recognises the tremendous power of the business. We may be assured that any legislation which may be enacted will follow consultations with vested interests, but it is too much to expect that "local option" will be restored to the people.

Christian Guest Home

On July 12 Miss Ellen Scott, the only remaining guest who entered the home at the opening, passed to be with her Lord For many months she suffered a physical decline which left her frail body desperately weak;

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The City Temple, N.S.W.

Ethelbert Davis, our New South Wales correspondent, writes of the early days of a

Sydney church, evangelistic rallies, dishonesty in business and the motive in worship.

THE City Temple congregation is about to fused to act dishonestly and told the manager lose its preacher. A. C. MacLean has resigned after a ministry extending over nearly eight years, and has accepted a call to the church at Epping. He concludes his ministry toward the end of October.

There is an interesting thing in connection with the City Temple which few of the younger generation know anything about. Over half a century ago the present building was purchased. The building was originally erected by the Free Thought Society of Sydney. The "Evening News" of sixteen years ago, in a write up on the City Temple, said that the society brought out one of its leading lights from England to open the building and give lectures. With due ceremony the building was lectures. With due ceremony the building was dedicated to the cause of science, literature, art and humanity. The lectures, however, did not draw paying audiences, and the building was soon on the market. It was purchased by the Sydney congregation, and was opened for Christian worship on Sept. 29, 1895. Isaac Selby, who himself had given lec-tures in the building, but who had been led to accept Christ, dedicated the building to the service and glory of God, and preached in it the first gospel sermon. Since that day in September, 1895, hundreds have found Christ within its walls.

Evangelistic Rallies

An interesting and successful experiment was made in the inauguration of a series of evangelistic rallies, conducted under the auspices of the Woolwich Bible College. present eight of these rallies have been held. In some instances the attendance has run into The meetings have been held, hundreds. some on the Friday night and some on the Saturday night. On each occasion an openair witness preceded the service in the build-ing. The meetings have been held in different districts. Students of the college have had the most prominent place on the programme, and as a result are gaining valuable experience. Some of the students have displayed marked ability in presenting the gospel invitation. If the enthusiasm so far experienced is maintained, it may lead to a real revival of evangelistic interest in the churches.

Dishonesty in Business

We have recently had young men and young women come to us in distress over the dishonest things they have been called upon to do in their places of business. Some of them have refused to submit to the conditions and have walked out. One young man flatly re-

that he would not lie for him or for anyone else; he was immediately promoted.

A foreman in a big business firm came and said, "I wish the church would wake up and try to bring more honesty into business. Present conditions are deplorable. I have to be dishonest in my business every day. it only the living of myself, my wife and my children depends on it. I'm unhappy; I hate it; it troubles me. God never intended that I should be sick every day with hatred of the fraud and misrepresentation; yet what can I do? I'd go to another job and find the same conditions there. To my mind, the conditions under which the worker labors to-day is not the worst phase; it is the lying, the dishonesty and the sheer robbery of the public." Then he added, "I want you to understand that I am not a Christian by any means." There is certainly need to bring Christian principles into business.

A Dream

I wonder if I am permitted to record a dream? I'll chance it, anyhow! I had fallen asleep that night, thinking over my Sunday morning subject, "Reality in Worship." During the night I dreamed that I had been invited to speak at a church where formerly I had ministered. As I sat at the table and the emblems were being distributed one man said, "I always bring my own wine, it is better than the stuff used here." the Supper another man got up and found a broom and started to dust the cobwebs a broom and started to dust the conwents from the window, saying as he did so, "Those cobwebs get on my nerves." As the hymn was being sung a young woman thought aloud and said, "I wish they would sing that hymn to a tune that had some 'pep' in it." When the presiding brother called on me to speak he said, "We are glad to have our brother with us to-day; I always remember how he used to recite, 'Stop! for thy tread is on an Empire's dust." Waking suddenly I wondered if it were intended to be a reminder of the way some people worship. One man's mind is on his own appetite and not on the blood of sacrifice. Another has lost sight of the spiritual, and has his whole attention disthe spiritual, and has his whole attention distracted by material things. A young woman longs for "pep" rather than solemn communion with her Lord. The presiding brother forgets all the prayer-born spiritual messages given the church through the years, and remembers only a poem recited at some social gathering. "God is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

Former Shrigonda Girl Married

HINDU HUSBAND INFLUENCED

MISS EDNA VAWSER has forwarded a Marathi letter, with its English translation, received from one of our former girls at Shrigonda. The letter gives the impression that this Christian girl is living in an atmosphere of tranquility and peace, an unusual occurrence under such circumstances, and is giving a splendid witness. Miss Vawser sends her own account of the girl's wedding and the sequel.

"The girl's father was in financial difficulties and arranged the marriage of his daughter to his own advantage a year ago. The wedding



Shrigonda Girls, India.

From such a group was the bride of our article taken. This picture was a baptismal one of a few years ago.

did not take place then, as the father was apprehended by the law, rightfully or wrongfully I do not know. He was not detained for very long. However the wedding was postponed until this summer. The bridegroom was a Hindu and the bride a Christian. She has fretted about it for months, and at the end almost starved herself in protest. The father came and asked the pastor to go out to Dhoraja to perform the ceremony. To have a Christian marriage both parties must be Christian and the ceremony must be performed in daylight. The father was told, and he said that the young man was willing to be baptised and become a Christian. I went with the preacher, as it was in the summer, when our other missionaries were in the hills. When we arrived we found that all preparations were in hand for a Hindu ceremony-the vessels, the canopy, and the girl dressed as a Hindu and her face hideously colored with yellow, black and red. I protested vigorously in front of the Hindu people, and sent the girl to wash and to dress properly. I did not leave her after that. She was glad that I had come. We spent the rest of the day talking to the Hindu women, singing, and of course praying. After dark the bridegroom arrived. They had come a long way on foot, and the people were very tired. The wedding feast was prepared and would not keep. A Christian wedding was not resulted that pight Christian wedding was not possible that night. They came to me with their troubles. I asked if the man was still prepared to be baptised. He said 'Yes.' We had taken a drum with us because there was almost no water avail-able. We had a baptismal service, and then the man was welcomed into fellowship. The young couple signified their intention to be wedding feast and music. Next morning they were married according to Christian custom. I had told Maina of her responsibility in regard to her husband. She had her wish; God had heard her provers. gard to her husband. She had her wish; God had heard her prayers. Now this young man was to be truly won for Christ. He had to be taught. She would have to set up the family altar and teach him. She would have to be faithful in her own prayer life. She has since written to say that they are very happy. She reads to him. He cannot read and she is teaching him. They have their

prayers in the home with the in-laws, for she lives in the home of her husband's people. All are very interested, and have treated her exceedingly kindly. I liked the look of the young man and his people; they seemed good. May God bless that home and keep that young couple faithful and true to him."

R. CAMPBELL EDWARDS

WITH the passing of Mr. R. Campbell Edwards, overseas missions have lost a very loyal and sympathetic friend. His benefactions to the work of missions were numerous. Some of these gifts will stand as memorials; others are enshrined in the hearts and lives of those in our various fields who have been helped.

His practical aid to Dhond Hospital includes hospital ward in memory of his daughter and memorial chapel to his mother.

In addition, numerous gifts were given over the years to the general work of the missions, the latest being £125 to the Indian appeal (1946) and the Baramati Fellowship Centre, £125 (1946).

Our late brother belonged to the pioneer group, and as they pass from our ranks one by one we mourn their passing.

To the family the F.M. Board express deep Christian sympathy, and commend them to our loving heavenly Father.

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C.E. News and Notes

R. Greenhalgh

THE QUALIFICATIONS OF A SUCCESSFUL CONVENER

- C Conscientiously consistent and consistently conscientious.
 - O Obedient to the dictates of Christ as Head of the church to which you belong.
- N Never slow in introducing new ideas.
- V Very informative to your committeemen.
- E Each member of your committee made a co-partner in the work of your committee.
- N Never behind time. Always punctual.
- E Energise and enthuse your committee members by your own energy and enthusiasm.
- R Remember you are a branch manager in the firm of "C.E."; your branch must "pay." Every member on your committee has got to pull his weight with you, otherwise your committee will come out on the "debit" side.

If we work out the above acrostic in detail we will evolve the true characteristics or qualifications of a successful convener, so that every convener should be able to obtain a fair idea of the really important position he or she undertakes when accepting the responsibility of a convener.

A good convener will be thrilled by the idea that his or her committee members are to a great degree dependent on the lead given by him. But in addition to passing out good hints and new ideas, he should be able to draw from his committee members new ideas and fresh methods for carrying out the work of that particular committee, so that the committee may be worked on a co-operative basis—each putting in his or her best from the convener down to the most timid or backward member.—"Queensland Endeavorer."

C.E. RALLY COINCIDES WITH CHURCH'S JUBILEE

ON Saturday, July 20, the Cottonville (S.A.) church of Christ societies held their annual rally, which was the first service of a series celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the church.

There were 120 present, representing 27 societies, several district unions, and the national union. Mr. Frank Hollams, who was a preacher for six years at the church, was the chairman. The report of the year's activities was read by the co-superintendent of the intermediate society, Mr. S. R. Beck.

A combined junior and intermediate choir, under the leadership of Mr. A. A. Glastonbury, gave an item entitled "The Good Shepherd." This item comprised the singing of four hymns, interspersed with short, relevant explanations by Mr. J. E. Brooke, the minister and president of the Cottonville societies. The pieces, "He shall feed his flock," "King of love," "The ninety and nine," and the 23rd Psalm to Mr. James' air, were rendered in an impressive style.

Mr. Howard Earle, from Kaniva (Victoria), who is the national Bible study superintendent, was the speaker, and his message was most helpful, especially from an Endeavorer's standpoint.

Supper was served at the close, and old members who had returned for the rally signed a record, which will be kept for historical purposes.

ITEM FOR JUNIOR RALLY

AN Item such as this gives opportunity to use up many members, and is most effective if presented well, especially if those taking part speak up well. Each child has a card bearing the words, with appropriate verses of scripture or suitable solos for some. Alberton (S.A.) Methodist society presented this at its annual rally on July 27.

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Prospect (S.A.) church of Christ intermediates assist in the support of an aborigine child, and the girls have provided sets of clothes and many knitted articles for "wee Katle" of Norseman mission.

Cottonville church of Christ (S.A.) society supports a leper child and an aborigine child. Recently the members all wrote to two of their past members now on the mission field in India, and 15 letters were received in reply.

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Here and There

A memorial service to the late R. Campbell Edwards will be held at the Camberwell chapel. The date will be announced as soon as possible.

In response to many enquiries concerning the churches of Christ hymnbook, the Austral Co. is able to state that suitable paper has been procured, and that an edition is being printed as quickly as possible. As soon as books are ready further notice will appear in this paper.

"One Hundred Years" is the title of the Centennial history of churches of Christ in Australia. It is a "statement of developments and accomplishments," and has 176 pages, with attractive cover. Copies may be obtained from the Austral Co. at 3/9 paper covers, 4/9 cloth, plus 4d. extra if posted.

F. T. Saunders advises that 1945 offering for the Federal College of the Bible has reached the total of £1666/14/10, which is over £5 ahead of previous best offering. Material for 1946 offering is now being despatched, and it is hoped that the aim of £2500 will be reached. That sum is needed to balance budget this year.

The Ladies' Hostel of the College of the Bible, Glen Iris, Vic., has been blessed with some good friends, and recently has been given 12 dining chairs that greatly add to the comfort of the lady students. The chairman of the board, Dr. W. A. Kemp, earns the thanks of the students and of his fellowmembers on the board for his interest in this way.

The newly-formed Christian Youth Fellowship of Launceston churches, Tasmania, held first meeting on Aug. 24. Twenty-eight young people enjoyed a social, educational and competitive evening. The following officers were elected for ensuing year: President, E. Stevens; vice-president, A. Orr; secretary-treasurer, Miss T. Masterman; others on committee, Miss J. McKenzie, R. Gullidge and M. Olding.

At Inverell, N.S.W., on Aug. 4, a presentation of a reading lamp was made to A. Hall (former church secretary), prior to his departure for Sydney, where he will reside. Acting-secretary now is C. Stone. On Aug. 11 a young married man confessed Christ. Meetings keep up well, and L. Wylie's addresses are inspiring. Average attendance at C.E. meetings is 19. Church is glad that Will Laidlaw is out of hospital. Mr. and Mrs. T. Smith have moved to Coffs Harbor, and a presentation of two books was made to them on leaving.

In Gympie district, Old., during August, E. Trudgian, J. McLellan and P. Stalley acceptably exhorted church. Service on Aug. 25 was broadcast. There was a good service at Rossmount on Aug. 25, and a successful C.E. district rally at Amamoor on Aug. 17. Several more birthday gifts for church jubilee have been received. Mr. Fisher visited Bundaberg on Aug. 21 to conduct induction service of Mr. Dallinger. Sympathy of church is extended to relatives of H. Jensen, who passed into his rest on Aug. 19 after a period of sickness in local hospital.

Major R. Smith (Salvation Army) spoke on a recent Sunday at Unley, S.A. Two returned Service men, Doug. Lawrence and Alan Redman, gave an interesting picture evening on "A Trip to England, Europe, and America." There was a good attendance of young people. On evening of Aug. 25, Nurse Claire Harrison sang an enjoyable solo. A car-load of members visited new cause at Kilburn in morning. An interesting discussion on Sunday morning service took place at midweek meeting on

Aug. 14. Certain improvements in morning meetings have since been observed and appreciated.

At Fremantle, W.A., on July 31, Mrs. Nightingale (president of W.A. Sisters' Auxiliary) presiding, a successful conference of sisters of Fremantle, Palmyra and Cottesloe was held. James Gordon addressed gathering at afternoon session. Dorcas and Church Aid Society was visited by W.A. Women's F.M. Committee, with Mrs. Arthurs leader, for annual F.M. rally; 14 was raised for F.M. work. Mrs. Kirman and Miss Entwhistle are enjoying fellowship with church on transfer from Northam District. On Aug. 18 one young girl made the good confession. F.M. offering reached £9/10/-, and Living Link F.M. effort for May, June and July totalled £47.

In three weeks at Launceston (Margaret-st.) there have been three confessions of faith, two baptisms and one reconsecration. A series of chart-illustrated Bible studies of the second coming, held on Wednesday evenings, is creating good interest. The marriage of Miss Win Cumming and Henry Street was celebrated on Aug. 21. Eleven members are attending Federal Conference. In absence of S. H. Wilson, Mr. Kingdom exhorted and A. Griffiths preached the gospel on Aug. 25. At a fellowship hour at close of evening service on that date, those going to Federal Conference were farewelled. Recent visitors have included Mrs. G. Nicholls and Mrs. Rogers, of Melbourne; Miss E. Cumming, Sydney; Miss Alice Barton, College of the Bible, Melbourne.

Good interest is maintained in all services at North Fitzroy, Vic. John Turner has recommenced his work, and his addresses are appreciated. Women's Mission Band held successful meeting at which Mrs. Turner was Bible speaker. Many members are sick. school entered largest number for annual examination for many years, gaining one prize and some in honors list. School has raised £6 for Dhond Hospital, £5 being from kindergarten. Cricket club held annual meeting; A. Arnot was elected president; R. Shephard and V. Foster vice-presidents. Explorers interchanged leaders with East Preston and derived mutual benefit. Girls' Club has been divided into senior and junior divisions. Youth Department recently held a successful social.

The church at Boort, Vic., has been greatly helped by the visit of W. W. Saunders and K. A. Macnaughtan. Commencing on Aug. 16 and continuing until 27th, Mr. Saunders gave interesting addresses at Boort and Pyramid Hill. "Happy Hour" at 4 o'clock for school children was well attended and eagerly looked forward to. Mr. Saunders preached at gospel service on 16th, also on Sunday morning of 25th, and in afternoon gave Bible school an interesting address. Evening service was conducted by Mr. Brian Carr (Baptist minister of Rainbow). Mr. Saunders and members of church went to Pyramid Hill for evening service. On Aug. 27, final night of mission, K. A. Macnaughtan joined Mr. Saunders (he had been at Wedderburn), and delivered a splendid address to a large congregation. Pyramid Hill brethren helped by their presence on the final night.

At Dimboola, Vic., visiting speakers at recent services have been F. Sherriff and C. Jackel, Mr. Jackel giving a lantern lecture at a social evening on Aug. 22. A porch has been added to front of building and a room to back of building, making good improvements to chapel, this being result of working bees on Saturday afternoons. Bible school scholars Beryl and George Swalwell were prize-winners in their divisions in annual examinations. Mr. Fechner and G. Ashmore are convalescing after injuries due to accidents at their work. Good meetings were held on Aug. 25, when volunteer mission was commenced by Messrs. Long and Whitmore.

Children's sessions on week days are very well attended, and a happy time of service is enjoyed. Delegations of members from Warracknabeal, Horsham and Kaniva have been present to have fellowship in presenting gospel message at week-night meetings.

In the Northern Circuit, S.A. (Long Plains, Owen, Avon), lecture and preaching in circuit by S. E. M. Riches (Mission to Lepers) have been enjoyed. On Aug. 14, G. R. Stirling in-spired Long Plains C.E. 14th birthday rally; 100 present. Thirty from Balaklava included A. Hutson, president Northern C.E. Union. All Owen entrants to scripture examinations passed. John Marshman winning first prize in Div. 3. Guild is becoming a valued feature. N. G. Noble spoke at Grace Plains and Mallala Methodist services on Sept. 1, while A. R. Broadbent conducted Avon Sunday school anniversary. Avon S.S. and Guild are bright spots in circuit work. Long Plains Guild sent 22 rugs to India, and are busy with Social Service second UNRRA clothing appeal. On Long Plains Guild sent 22 Aug. 31, a new Junior Endeavor Society was formed, with Mrs. Murray Daniel superinten-dent. Relief is felt at recovery of W. H. Parker, church and circuit treasurer, in Riverton Hospital. Recent circuit meeting held at Pinery elected D. J. Daniel president, Lance Marshman secretary, W. H. Parker treasurer. These, with two from each of the three churches, to be executive. It has been decided to buy a new car for use of circuit evangelist. N. G. Noble.

B. F. Huntsman, chairman Victorian Young People's Department, writes: "During the last few years, the success of the work of the Victorian Churches of Christ Young People's Department has made it necessary to strike new patterns such as the appointment of a co-director, the development of two camp sites, the establishment of seven district youth fellowships, a periodical conference of auxiliary representatives and the anticipated appointment of- a field worker for girls' work. Now that the department has negotiated the war years, Mr. W. R. Hibburt has prevailed upon the department to redeem its promise of October, 1945, to release him as youth director. they have reluctantly done, and are happy to announce that Mr. L. A. Trezise has accepted the position of State director. In 1947 the department will function as a Board of Christian Education with V. C. Stafford as director and as a State department with L. A. Trezise as director. Mr. Hibburt has expressed a willingness to continue until Mr. Trezise is free to assume his duties in March. The ministry of Mr. Hibburt for over 30 years has been related to youth work. He has made no future plans other than assure the department that he hopes to help carry to fruition certain of the department's projects in a voluntary capacity."

1946 FEDERAL SCRIPTURE EXAMINATION. Prize-winners.

Scholars.

Div. 1.—Victoria: Noelle Merlyn McIntyre, Doncaster.

Div. 2.—Victoria: Irene Gwenneth Williams, Yearinga.

Div. 3.—Tasmania: Shirley Martin, Sandhill.

Div. 4.—New South Wales: Shirley Winch, Sth.

Div. 5.-Victoria: Irma Grace Morrison, Hartwell.

Div. 6.—Queensland: Edith Jones, Bundaberg.

Div. 7 .- Victoria: Joy Anne Turner, Camberwell.

Div. 8.—Tasmania: Norman Beechey, W. Hobart.

Div. 9.—New South Wales: Mary Stace, East

Div. 10.—Victoria: Alice Elizabeth Ashley, Oakleigh.

Teachers.

Div. 11.—Victoria: Miss Marjorie Buckingham,

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Tasmania

Mole Creek .-- On Aug. 11 E. Stephens, jun., of Invermay, conducted services at Caveside and Mole Creek. L. Stephens' solo was appreciated. Mr. Thomas gave use of his car for visit. On 25th L. Cooke welcomed P. Byard into church, by transfer from Margaret-st., Launceston.

Queensland

Albion,-On C.E. Convention Day, Aug. 4, I.C.E. conducted morning service. At evening service Mr. Finger, with aid of slides, told of his work in New Hebrides. Mrs. Ian Munro was welcomed on 4th by transfer from Chatswood. Six Sunday school scholars obtained passes in examination. The wedding of Miss Molly Price and Edwin Enchelmaier took place on Aug. 10. This wedding was followed by that of Miss Naney Munro to Mr. Charles Shepherd.

Roma.-All church services are well attended, and meetings are being conducted by local brethren. On Aug. 11, A. S. Cooke conducted gospel service, which was broadcast. Bible school and C.E. Society are practising for anniversary of church. Church is looking forward to arrival in January of Vic. Parker as preacher of church. On Sunday afternoon some members of C.E. Society, known as the Tract Band, distributed tracts to homes in The help given by some younger members of church at hospital on Tuesday nights is appreciated.

Bundaberg.—Services on Aug. 18 were well attended. Mr. Jenner, of Sudan Mission, was speaker in morning. Induction service for Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Dallinger took place on 21st. There was a large gathering. Fisher came from Gympie to conduct service. H. J. Whitney, president Ministers' Fraternal, spoke a word of welcome, as did the Mayor, Mr. F. H. Buss. J. Wissman spoke on behalf of church. Mr. Fisher brought greetings from Gympie church and was pleased to pay a visit to Bundaherg after an absence of twenty years. Mr. Dallinger thanked all for warm welcome. Sisters M. Larder, J. De'Oberitz, C. Chappel and S. Haaman rendered items.

Western Australia

Perth .- £90 has been received for special fund towards brotherhood centre. On morning of Aug. 25, C. H. Hunt gave a helpful talk. In evening Miss E. Griffiths rendered a solo. A. Ware (Wembley) preached in absence of J. K. Robinson at Kalgoorlie.

Harvey .- Meetings have improved. month Mrs. Thurrowgood entertains choir members at supper; they render invaluable help to evening services. Miss Rose McNeil was to evening services. Miss Rose McNeil was honored by a coming of age party and presentation. Mr. Livingstone is training Bible school for anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. L. Roesner were surprised by a good number who attended prayer meeting to wish them God's blessing as they left for Eastern States on a well-earned holiday. Mr. Roesner for years has served as secretary of church, and Mrs. Roesner in past years was organist. They also celebrate their silver wedding anniversary. A suit-case was presented as a token of esteem. On Aug. 15 many young people met to congratulate Len Jones on his 21st birthday. A suitable presentation was made.

Subiaco.—During August each gospel service was of a special nature. On 4th, L. Buck Campaigners for Christ) was speaker. On 11th (Orange and Flower Sunday) the three grades

of C.E. took many oranges and flowers to Home of Peace, sick and elderly folk. Following tea at chapel, I.C.E. formed choir for service, while six of their young men assisted with prayer, readings and short talks. Aug. 18 the service was a "Lily" one. Aug. 25 a men's service was held, three men assisting Mr. Raymond. Mr. Lake has accepted responsibility of boys' clubs for remainder of year. Mrs. P. Armstrong has been appointed cradle roll superintendent. E. Gough and Miss B. McIlwraith gained honors in second year of C.E. efficiency examination and G. Smith in first year. Graham Underhill came top in temperance essay competition. It is regretted that J. Etheridge, due to his wife's continued indisposition, deemed it wise to resign from church officers' hoard. I.C.E. recently held a house party and a games evening. Girls' club successfully conducted a fete on Aug. 24 in aid of church building fund. Bible school adult discussion group conducted by R. Raymond continues to grow; present membership, 16.

South Australia

Kilburn.-11 a.m. service on Aug. 25 was conducted by six brethren from Unley church. In all 31 were present. A. E. Brown was speaker. 51 attended morning Bible school. At 7 p.m. Miss E. B. Bartlett, L.L.C.M., of Croydon church, recited "This, My Son," 21 being present.

Mile End .- On Aug. 12, a kitchen evening was held in honor of Miss Gwen Hart and Lyall Aird, prior to their marriage on Aug. 24. During Mr. Webb's absence at Kadina anniversary services on Aug. 18, A. Coin and W. Green addressed church. Services on Aug. 25 were addressed by J. Buxton and J. E. Webb. Church had fellowship with N. Gavros and M. Gregory, Ladies from Glen Iris college, on vacation. Mission Band held a pleasant afternoon on Aug. 28 in home of Mrs. Warwick (formerly Miss L. Creer), in honor of her recent marriage.

Flinders Park .- On July 28 Mr. Stirling, youth director, spoke at morning and evening services, also addressing Endeavor societies and Bible school. On Aug. 7 Don Edwards was immersed, and on following Sunday received into fellowship. On Aug. 18 Mr. Johnson, of York, spoke at morning service. Mr. Hollams spoke at York in connection with Port Line men's group Sunday. The secretary, H. Francis, is making good progress in hospital, and hopes soon to be discharged. Sympathy of church is extended to the preacher in the serious illness of his brother. On Aug. 25 a hymn board to memory of late Keith Webb was unveiled by his mother and received on behalf of church by G. Houston.

New South Wales

Bexley North .- During August, addresses were given by R. Greenhalgh and J. Henderson. On 11th, one young woman made the confession, J. Henderson preaching. Women's Fellowship had successful afternoon, when "shoes" were brought towards building fund, over £7 being received. This fund now stands at £42. Aug. 25, at morning service, a garden seat in front of church building was dedicated to memory of late Mrs. H. Creek, a pioneer member. Church elders, Messrs. Saville and Greenhalgh, spoke of early work and Mrs. Creek's chare in it share in it.

Kingsford.—At Sunday school meeting on July 28, an aborigine young girl from La Perouse mission conducted meeting and pre-sented a helpful story to children. On Aug. 6 sented a helpful story to children. On Aug. 6 Mrs. Telfor, of Zanana Bible and Medical Mission, gave a flannelgraph demonstration on work of this mission, at Ladies' Guild meeting. On night of Aug. 12 Mr. Wade, of United Abo-rigines Mission, gave an interesting lantern lecture on the mission work. Mr. Read gave helpful addresses at all Sunday services during August. Prayer meetings have been held regularly on Thursday nights.

Rockdale.—On Aug. 11 Mr. Acland exhorted church, and at night Mr. Burns preached, when a young man confessed Christ. Congratulations are extended to two Bible school scholars on securing prizes in annual examination. On Aug. 18 Mr. Hogg exhorted church and Mr. Burns continued his series of addresses on prophecy fulfilled. The two young men who recently made the good confession were immersed. On Aug. 25 Mr. Burns spoke morning and night. Visitors included John Martin, home on holidays from country. Church extends sympathy to R. Wilson (formerly of Rockdale) in the loss of his wife.

Broken Hill .- Aug. 25 was second Sunday of Bible school anniversary services, and these formed a climax to several days of special meetings conducted by G. R. Stirling. Bright Hours were held from Wednesday to Saturday, Aug. 21 to 24, and a good number of little folk gathered. Anniversary tea and prize-giving on and prize-giving on Aug. 22 proved a great success, when 60 children and 35 adults sat to tea. Workers and Endeavorers enjoyed Mr. Stirling's talks on youth work on Friday and Saturday evenings, while his addresses at anniversary services on the Sunday were appreciated. School choir sang acceptably under leadership of Mr. Pad-Scripture examination results were pleasing. Between the two schools the twelve scholars who sat received certificates, and Miss I. Evans, of Wolfram-st., received first prize in teachers' division. Visitors from S.A. welcomed to recent services were Mrs. Lamont, Semaphore, Mrs. Jarvis, Maylands, Mrs. Tregloan, Whyalla.

Victoria

Warragul.-Interest in meetings continues. Ladies' Guild held another stall successfully. Mrs. Handley has been very ill. Church extends congratulations to C. W. Pedersen on his success in recent Shire elections.

Ascot Vale.-Mr. Patterson was speaker at morning service. A number are laid aside. Mrs. Easy is still unable to attend service; Mrs. Young has not been well. A number were successful in examination, Rosemary Hendry gaining a prize. Social Service offering was £3/15/-.

Brighton.-Six members are in Adelaide to attend Federal Conference. Principal A. Haddon, of N.Z., was speaker on morning of Sept. 1. Jansen Holloway was welcomed into fellowship by faith and obedience. For home-coming day an offering aim of £250 has been set to start a fund to instal a new baptistery and organ.

East Kew .- Meetings have been fairly well attended last few weeks. Church was glad to see Mr. Turriff back after illness in hospital, but was saddened to hear of death of Mrs. Wood. On Aug. 25 Mr. Wigney was speaker at both services. Miss W. Moore was soloist at gospel meeting, at close of which a young woman made the good confession.

West Preston.-Good results were obtained by pupils who entered for Bible school examination. Speakers at morning services re-cently have been C. Watson, H. B. Turnham and Mr. Fisher, Mr. Withers preaching at evening services. At close of gospel service on Aug. 25, a young lady made the good con-fession. Splendid attendances are maintained at all services.

Dunolly .- Practice for anniversary has commenced under leadership of Mr. Mackenzie. Bible school scholars took part in foreign mission display at evening service on Aug. 4. A gift evening was given Miss Rose Atherton prior to her marriage to Ron Haden. They were married in chapel on Aug. 17, Mr. Young officiating, assisted by Mr. Mackenzie. Interest is maintained by all auxiliaries. Mr. Mackenzie continues to labor with church. First

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of a series of addresses was helpful. Mr. Dixon, from Bet Bet, spoke at services on

Reservoir.-On Aug. 20 a kitchen tea was tendered to preacher of church (Mr. Alcorn) and Miss Pearl McInnes. Many useful gifts were presented, and a happy evening was spent. The wedding service on Aug. 31 was conducted by P. D. C. Alcorn, brother of the bridegroom, from Queensland. Services on Sept. 1 were addressed by V. L. Russell in morning and by J. Plummer in evening.

Wangaratta.-Attendances at morning evening services keep up well, Mr. Wakefield delivering helpful addresses. Y.P. Society enjoyed two visits to homes of G. Jackel and C. Ashmead. Several members are sick-Mrs. Ray Patrick, Mrs. Kershaw, Miss E. Ashmead, and P. Patrick. Sympathy of church is extended to Mrs. Hancock in loss of her sister, and to Mr. Kershaw in loss of his cousin. Bible schools are practising for anniversaries. Several members are visiting Adelaide for centenary celebrations. An enjoyable talent social was held during month by Mrs. Pressley and Mrs. J. McIntosh.

Carlton (Lygon-st.) .- Miss Tui Osbourne and Mr. L. Daffy have been received into fellow-ship after their baptism. Newly-formed Youth Fellowship held a tea, followed by election of officers and making of plans for future. Gifts of 13 dozen oranges and violets were taken to Salvation Army Home and Carlton Home, Keppell-st. Sympathy of church is extended to its secretary, A. W. Johnson, and Miss Johnson in the passing of their aged mother, also to F. Drakeford in the sudden death of his wife. The preacher (C. G. Taylor) and six officers, as well as several others, are visiting Adelaide for Federal Conference.

Preston.-A happy social evening was held on Aug. 21, a kitchen tea and welcome being extended to Mrs. Ron Salisbury, who recently arrived from England. Mr. Combridge extended welcome on behalf of church, and handed over the gifts received. Speakers on Sept. 1 were Mr. Buckingham (morning), from Social Service Department, and W. Gray (Coburg) at night. Prayer service on Aug. 29 was conducted by Ray Fisher, who gave an interesting address. Miss Hazel Sinclair, interesting address. Miss Hazel Sinclair, superintendent of kindergarten for several years, was married on Aug. 31, A. Withers (West Preston) officiating in absence of B. J. Combridge at Federal Conference.

Ringwood.-On Aug. 7, 22 were present, when a Ringwood and Croydon combined ladies' meeting was held. Mrs. Cunningham (returned missionary), from Ringwood Presbyterian, was speaker. On Aug. 15, Eastern District Women's Conference held quarterly meeting. Matron Grey, of City Mission, was speaker. On Aug. 16 a party of young people journeyed to Chinese Mission, Queensberry-st., Carlton, and took charge of C.E. meeting. On Aug. 24 several charge of C.E. meeting. On Aug. 24 several attended Eastern District young people's camp union. Young Men's Club had pleasure of hearing Petty Officer Jeff. Williams tell of his experiences whilst away with Victory Con-

Surrey Hills .- Morning and evening meetings Surrey Hills.—Morning and evening meetings have continued to improve, Aug. 4 being highest average for month. On July 28 Reg Williams was haptised and welcomed into fellowship of church. On Aug. 11, Youth Council held quarterly youth tea, when 30 young people were addressed by W. F. Nankivell, following which monthly youth service took place in chapel, when W. Williams gave an address on discipleship and Alan Tait rendered two fine solos. Eastern Suburban Christian Youth Fellowship held social in school hall to welcome back ex-Service personnel on Aug. 17, 120 back ex-Service personnel on Aug. 17, 120 young folk being present. Church members

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were glad to renew fellowship with V. Collins, on leave from Forces.

Footscray.—At annual business meeting on Aug. 14, deacons elected were: C. Cordy, A. Clencie, W. Easton, S. Harding, G. Jones, A. Kaye, H. Pietzsch; deaconesses, Mesdames W. Easton, J. Herdman, Hansen, H. Ivory, F. Luke; secretary, H. Easton; treasurer, J. Herdman; organists, Sisters Ledger and Carter; auditors, C. Cordy and W. Jackson; agent for "Christian," I. Buckley. A talent quest run by West Suburban Youth Fellowship was successful. Sunday school anniversary Footscray.-At annual business meeting on was successful. Sunday school anniversary practice, under leadership of W. Easton, has commenced, and concert practice under Mrs. Hughes. Church work is progressing favorably with J. I. Mudford as preacher and Miss Gill as deaconess. On Aug. 18 a young lady made the good confession and was baptised the same evening.

Camberwell.-Much sickness prevails amongst members—Mrs. A. Clarke, Mrs. S. Chipperfield, Mrs. Carter and Malcolm Peters are all in hospital. On Aug. 21, the women held a successful afternoon at home of Mrs. J. Abercrombie. At inaugural meeting of Men's Society on Aug. 20, the following officers were elected: Chairman, F. R. Ryall; deputy, Don Peters; secretary, A. W. Cleland; treasurer, S. Chipper-field. Twenty men were present. At young people's tea on Aug. 25, R. Bolduan was speaker. G. Scambler and H. Bartholomew assisted at evening service. Social Service offering amounted to £18/4/5. Due to sacrificial work by Messrs. Brown and Fordham, manse was built for £1300. Rob Malcolm has left for Brisbane to be married. Fourteen members have gone to Adelaide for Federal Conference.

Bendigo.-On Aug. 11, Y.P.S.C.E. visited White Hills society and conducted meeting. Mr. Mathieson recently journeyed to Shepparton, when he gave an address, illustrated with slides, at a half-yearly C.E. rally. Mrs. Peck, who for health reasons has been staying in Bendigo and had fellowship with church over the past three months, has returned to Bayswater. Jean
Jones is progressing favorably after operation
for appendicitis. Church offers sympathy to
Mrs. Trabinger in the loss of her sister-inlaw, Mrs. Robt. Fames. Good Companions and law, Mrs. Robt. Eames. Good Companions and Explorers Clubs continue to have good meetings, and enthusiasm is high. At church halfyearly business meeting on Aug. 28, encouraging reports were received from church and auxiliaries. Appreciative reference was made to Mr. Mathieson's leadership. Membership showed increase of eight, and finances showed very satisfactory credit balance. Building debt reduction has averaged £200 per year over past three years.

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- 2. Judith Wain, State School No. 484, Coburg.
- 3, Beverley Chandler, State School No. 484, Coburg.
- 4. Joan Simpson, State School No. 4314,

Section B-"Why Christians Regard Easter as Important."

- 1, Norma Miller, Girls' School, Vere-st., Collingwood.
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BIRTHS

GRAHAM (Allan).-On Aug. 23, at Women's Hospital, to Jean and George—a daughter (Margaret). Special thanks to doctors and staff.

HOUSTON .-- At "Airlie," Ivanhoe, to Ruth and Cecil-a daughter. Both well.

DEATHS

HALL .- On Aug. 29, at his residence, 6 Ruytonst., Burwood, Edward Mackie, dearly loved husband of Fanny Martha, and loving father of Annie (Mrs. Piper), Edith (deccased), Florence (Mrs. Hinrichsen), Edward, Mabel (Mrs. Bell), and Emily (Mrs. Wickham), aged 85 years. In God's care.

JACKSON .- On Aug. 10, at her residence, Gladstone-ave., Aspendale, Annie, loved wife of the late Harry Jackson, North Melbourne, and only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hannis, of Prahran. Dearly loved friend of E. Clark and family, of Mordialloc. "And so he giveth his beloved Mordialloc. sleep."

JOHNSON.—On Aug. 25, at her residence, 160 Stewart-st., East Brunswick, Sarah Jane, widow of the late Alfred Johnson, dearly loved mother of Alf., Florrie (dec.) and Elsie, aged 87 years. "Sweet peace, the gift of God's love."

IN MEMORIAM

LIGHTOWLERS .- In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, John Henry, who went to be with Christ on Aug. 27, 1933. "Forever with the Lord." -Inserted by his loving wife and family.

LYALL.-In memory of Alex. A., the dearly loved husband of Nellie Lyall and loving father of Sidney and Clifford (deceased), who passed away Sept. 2, 1937. Ever lovingly remembered.

MACDONALD .- In loving memory of mother, who died at Horsham on Sept. 12, 1932; also my dear brothers, Harry, killed in France on Aug. 15, 1918, and Morrison, who died at Beau-fort on Sept. 19, 1925. Too dearly loved ever to be forgotten. "It is only till he come." -Mary.

SILVER .-- In memory of my brother-in-law, Mr. H. D. Silver, who passed away Sept. 7, 1944. "Uncle."

-Inserted by Ida M. Potgieter.

CROYDON (VICTORIA),

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY AND HOME-COMING, SEPTEMBER 22.

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4, Eva Binns, State School No. 1402, Errol-st., Please write G. Parker, Bayswater-rd., Croydon, by Sept. 18.

Obituary

Mrs. F. Aisbett

ON June 26, at Townsville, Qld., while on a U holiday tour, Mrs. Florence Aisbett passed to be with her Lord. Our sister gave her life to Christ at York-st., Ballarat, Vic., when she was but a girl, and when the church there was then known as the church of God. She came from a fine Christian home, and exhibited in her own life those lovely Christian traits that are the inspiration of many a minister. Coming to Burwood, Vic., in 1910, Mrs. Aisbett had fellowship, at first, with the Methodist church, but transferred her membership to Hartwell church of Christ when the church began in the local hall. Here our sister won the esteem of all who knew her by her gracious Christian spirit. The writer has cause to thank God for her sweet influence, for she was never known to speak a harsh or she was never known to speak a narsh or critical word, while she toiled unceasingly to extend Christ's kingdom. To her sorrowing husband and devoted daughters, Florrie and May, the church at Hartwell offers heartfelt sympathy, but rejoices in the memory of a life nobly spent and beautifully lived.—C.J.R.

Robert Henry Bardwell

ON June 28, 1946, at Yarra Junction Hospital, U Victoria, after an illness of only a few days, R. H. Bardwell, at the age of 75 years, was called into the presence of his Lord and Saviour. Eight days before his illness he entered into retirement with his daughter Olive and her husband among the hills at Yarra Junction. At last he and his dear wife were able to get-away from the noise and bustle of city life and to settle down to what they expected would be a quiet, restful experience. The future was bright with promise. After so many years of service, and at times, struggle against misfortune, the quiet rest was well deserved. God, however, had for him an even better rest than that he had planned. He was a man of exceptional ability, and this he consecrated to the service of God. His father, William Bardwell, with several other brethren, started meetings in the M.U. Hall, Lower Hawthorn, and Robert became associated with this church in his very early years. His membership goes back over 57 years. He was secretary for a number of years, and served as deacon, a leader of the Mutual Improvement Class, a member of the choir, and exhorted the church most acceptably. He was also a foundation member of the church at Hampton when it met in Campbell Edwards' home, and back 34 years. Twenty-seven years ago he lived in Ivanhoe, and helped to establish the church in this place. Taking up his residence in Northcote 24 years ago, he took an active part in the church there. Later he returned to Hawthorn, and again identified himself with this church. In later years by reason of afterwards in the Hampton Hall; this goes this church. In later years, by reason of family bereavements, ill-health and the effects of the depression, he could not take any active part in the work. His dear wife, who survives him, was closely associated with him in

all his service for the Master. For many years he was a member of the Social Service Committee, and was in turn president, secretary and treasurer. The history of this department of conference would not be complete without a reference to his outstanding ability and faithful service. He is remembered by his brethren as a Christian gentleman, whose life adorned the gospel he professed to believe. His tired body was laid to rest at the Box Hill cemetery, where a few friends had gathered to honor his memory and to express gathered to honor his memory and to express sympathy with the bereaved. The sympathy of a host of friends is offered to Mrs. Bardwell, Ethel (Mrs. Bowers), Olive (Mrs. Brown), Stan (Parkdale), Don (Murrumbeena), and Beryl (Mrs. Cross).—W. H. Clay.

Mrs. T. Dunn .

THE church at Mayfield, N.S.W., sustained a grievous loss when Mrs. T. Dunn passed away on Aug. 7, after a very short illness. From the beginning of this church our sister has been one of our most consistent and faithful members, and has been interested in every aspect of the work. Although her life was lived very quietly since coming to this country from Scotland, Mrs. Dunn endeared herself to all who knew her by her love and good works. The funeral services in the chapel and at the crematorium were attended by a large number of neighbors, friends and church members who paid tribute to the sweetness of character of To her bereaved husband and our sister. son we tender our sincere Christian sympathy. -R. M. Wilson.

Miss E. Scott

ONE of the original guests in the Christian U Guest Home, Oakleigh, Vic., died at the age of 79 years on July 12. Miss Scott was many years associated with the church at Warrnambool. She loved her Bible, and had a surprising facility for locating any particular psalm, incident, or text of scripture. She exercised a gracious influence in the Christian Guest Home during her eight years' residence, and manifested patience and for-titude during many months' confinement to bed. She was always interested in religious instruction in State schools. The writer was assisted by W. H. Clay at the mortuary chapel and graveside.-S.N.



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Open Forum

FOR "CHRISTIAN" READERS

(Correspondents are reminded that letters should not be more than 300 words in length, that names and not pseudonyms should be used, and that once a writer has had his say on a particular topic he should leave the way open for somebody else. We do not desire unsatisfactory crossfiring. The insertion of a letter does not imply editorial approval of its contents.—Ed.).

THE PALESTINE QUESTION

WOULD like to express appreciation of re-L cent inclusion in your columns of two references to important topical social prob-The article on Jews in Palestine was a well-presented statement, with a conclusion with which I am in full accord. The second reference was by Mr. Alcorn respecting Communist activity in the Queensland strike, which, although I am not in accord, I welcome because it opens a vital matter that should be discussed by Christians.

Space precludes detailed reference to both matters, but in view of letters that have already appreared, please allow brief comments respecting Palestinian question.

Mr. Lowe states the Balfour Declaration did not consider a Jewish State in Palestine. The actual words used by Balfour in his letter to Lord Rothschild, as chairman of the British Zionist Federation dated November 2, 1917, were: "H.M. Government view with favor the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of the existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country."

Whilst it may be argued that "national home" has a different implication to "Jewish State," yet it cannot be denied that Zionist opinion has always understood the Declaration as supporting, ultimately, a Jewish State. (See "The Problem of Palestine," by Dr. Maude Royden.)

Then referring to a 1943 statement by Dr. Weizmann, Mr. Lowe says: "This is the kind of statement that the Arab resents." Does he wish to infer that it is only since 1943 that the Arabs have resented the Jews in Palestine?

Pierre Van Paasen in "Days of our Years," chapter-entitled "After Seven Centuries," gives very graphic details of the ruthless opposition of Arab ruling landlord classes in 1921 onwards, before special emphasis was being given to a Jewish Commonwealth. Reference to the same chapter, where particulars are given of the beneficial transformation of the Jewish area, including benefits to the Arab inhabitants, will undoubtedly provide reasons for the then, and present, opposition of feudal-minded Arab leaders.

Much more could, and needs to, be said; but acknowledging this to be a political ques-tion, let us be careful we do not support a repetition of the Nazi technique of using the Jews and Communism as a screen for reactionary tendencies.—L. O. Collyer, Jindivick, Vic.

CHRISTIANS should stop worrying about the U Balfour Declaration or the Mandate over Palestine and read again what God has to say in his Book in regard to this matter. It seems to me that there will be no lasting peace in Palestine or the world until the Jews are safely settled in the land given to them by God and recognise Jesus as their Messiah.

Did God actually mean what he says in the

Gen. 12: 2, 3, "I will make of thee a great

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nation . . . I will bless them that bless thee and curse him that curseth thee, and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed."

Gen. 15: 18, "In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt' unto the great river, the river Euphrates," etc.

Gen. 17: 7, 8, "I will establish my covenant between me . . . and I will give unto thee," "all the land of Canaan for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God."

Has God changed his mind in regard to these promises and cast off Israel? Paul in Rom. 11 says definitely, No. God hath not cast off Israel. A glance at Jer. 31: 31-37 (still to be fulfilled) confirms this, ". . . . if heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the Lord."

Ezek 36: 22-24 gives the reason: "Therefore, say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God, I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy Name's sake, which ye have profuned among the heathen . . . when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land." (See also Ezek. 39: 21-29.)

Paul in Rom. 11: 25 states, "Blindness in part is happened to Israel until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in (and not only to Israel), and so all Israel shall be saved," etc. . . . "There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob."

There are many other prophecies in God's word (for I believe it to be so even if modern scholarship does not) which indicate that the Jews will be gathered back to their own land some day, and when God's day arrives, neither Arab, Russian, Balfour declaration, mandate or unbeliever will prevent it.

As regards Jewish terrorists, we know and have read what a change the pure gospel of Jesus Christ has made and can make in the vilest of sinners, so can imagine what could happen to the Jew when "he cometh with clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him" (see Rev. 1: 7 and Zech. 12: 10) .-A. H. Fergeus, Gardiner, Vic.

THERE are occasions, unhappily, when words are used to conceal real meanings, and of the Jews and Palestine this is very true. Perhaps those who are most sure of the present situation in Palestine may ponder over these questions:-

How many of the Jews in Europe and Palestine are Communists?

Is Russia supporting the emigration of Communist Jews to Palestine?

What would happen to the democracies' oil concessions from Iraq and Haifa if Communists governed Palestine?

What would happen to the democracies, or other nations, where millions of Jews still resided, some holding key positions, if a powerful Jewish commonwealth were established?

Why did the Arab representatives (above all people) visit the pope—the Vatican being the most consistently bitter opponent of Com-munism?—Wilkie Thomson, Wagga, N.S.W.

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Social Service Notes

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but despite this, her spirit was strong. Up to the last she gave sure testimony of the faith by which she had been sustained all her years. Too much praise cannot be given to Mrs. Ross and her staff for the loving ministry of nursing which had been rendered so unstintingly. The chaplain, S. Neighbour, assisted by W. H. Clay and E. J. Collings, members of the committee, laid the tired body to rest at Fawkner in "the sure and certain hope." Mrs. King, a sister of Miss Scott, is a guest at the home. Our sympathy is extended to her and all the relatives.

The Camberwell choir, under the baton of Mr. E. Peters, recently visited the home and delighted the staff and guests with a splendid programme of music. Such kindly acts are highly appreciated by the committee. Many churches are constantly remembering the home in a practical way by sending gifts of fruit, vegetables, groceries and other edibles. Such kindness merits the praise of the brotherhood.

The Children's Home

Arrangements have been completed with the fire insurance office in settlement of our claim resulting from the fire of May 21, and a commencement has been made to restore the damaged portion of the building and to make such alterations as are necessary to the purpose the building will later serve.

The Hospital

Plans are before the committee for alterations and additions to the building which are being considered in the light of the estimates. A decision with regard to the future, largely, must be arrived at only after the financial aspect has been well weighed. Costs vary from £4000 to £40,000. The committee continues to function in the belief that "all things are possible to them that believe." The Social Service Women's Auxiliary, with this in mind, and with the approval of a well-attended meeting of women of the churches, courageously accept the greater challenge, and will make their annual appeal to the brotherhood at the close of the year.

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CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN N.S.W. YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

"A QUEST for the Best" was the theme of a great Christian Endeavor rally held in City Temple, on Saturday, Aug. 17. Endeavorers gathered in force to make it a great meeting. After a rousing song service, lea by Mr. Alex Surtees, items were rendered by After a rousing song service, led Endeavorers.

Mr. Ralph Amos, chairman of the Christian Endeavor section of the Young People's Department, challenged all by his address. This was further enforced by the dramatisation, "Victory Through Christ."

A choral rendering of the consecration hymn brought the meeting to a fitting conclusion.

A "Happy Hour" was recently conducted by the director at Mortdale. As a result, new members were added to school. The work here was handicapped by lack of workers. Three young men from the Rockdale church, anxious to do a wider service for the Master, are now willingly assisting in this centre.

Again, another very successful "Happy Hour" has just concluded at Carramar. The attendances reached 100, and at the conclusion nine girls approached the director, desiring to dedicate their lives to Christ.

The "Child Evangelism" campaign will receive a further impetus at the next meeting of the Superintendent's Guild. The campaign will be brought to a climax just before Easter The department is planning for next year. the demonstration to be held on Sept. 27.

NORTH SUBURBAN CONFERENCE

QUARTERLY rally of North Suburban Conof ference (Melbourne) was held on Aug. 22 at North Fitzroy chapel. S. Prentice presided, and opening prayer was led by J. Turner, who was welcomed back after illness. items were appreciated, Miss V. Barnden being soloist and Dr. Killmier leading choir.
C. Watson reported some progress in work at East Preston, which is financially assisted through this conference. East Preston has great possibilities, being one of the districts where a big home-building programme is developing. Address of evening on "Preserving Our Plea" was delivered by E. L. Williams, who said we need to know the plea, to preach and practise it, and to commend it by godly living. Mr. Williams emphatically, and in an interesting manner, outlined the plea for Christian unity on the basis of the New Testatian unity on the basis of the New Testa-ment. After the address questions were invited and answered by the speaker, and ap-preciation of his presentation of the restora-tion message was expressed. Eleven district tion message was expressed. churches were represented at rally.-A. R. Lloyd.

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An important duty of the Christian teacher or preacher is the instruction of believers, in realistic, scriptural terms, as to principles of stewardship and giving. In First Corinthians the Apostle Paul moves from discussion of the greatest powers in the world, faith, hope, love, to discussion of Christ's victory over sin and death, the victory in which believers share. "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." From here the apostle proceeds with, "Now concerning the collection," and gives this specific instruction, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16: 1). In Second Corinthians Paul writes thus: "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you: that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" (2 Cor. 9: 6-8).

Now it follows that every faithful Christian must see to it that he is informed, thankful, systematic, sacrificial and joyously enthusiastic in regard to his worshipful offerings in the house of the Lord. And are we not powerfully aided in this by our experience at the Lord's table? As Elmer S. Freeman has it: "Jesus said of the bread and wine as he blessed and distributed them to the disciples at the and distributed them to the disciples at the first Lord's Supper, that they were his body and blood. The very next day the tragic meaning of his words appeared, for his body was literally broken and his blood shed upon the cross. This makes us realise, if anything can, that at the communion table we must offer to God not only our material possessions but ourselves—our body and blood, so to speak-as a sacrifice to him."-G. J. Andrews.

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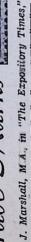
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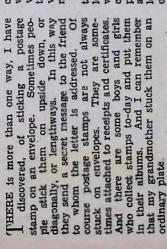
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Some of Barrie's friends may have thought at first that this was a strange trick to play on them. Later, however, they would look up at the stamp on the

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ceiling and think of it as something by which to remember him. It was always there as a reminder that he was their friend and that he had been a visitor in their home. It was his trade

We all have our trade marks. Sometimes young people have a habit of leaving trade marks that are not very welcome—like muddy footmarks on the carpet and greasy finger-prints on the polished furniture. No one can appreciate those. But it is much worse to leave behind a memory of sullen temper or selfish greed. Those are marks no one likes to see. We can, however, leave behind us marks of kindness and helptimess that will gladly be remembered by those who know us.

Maurice Maeterinck was a Frenchman who wrote a fairy play for young folks of all ages. The inspiration of it came from "Peter Fan." It was called "The File Bird." Maeterinck once came to see Sir James Barrie at his London flat and, before he left, he took a pencil and wrote on the wallpaper over the mantelplece, in French: "Homage of admiration to the father of 'Peter Pan,' grandfather of "The Blue Bird." When Barrie afterwards moved to another flat he had that piece of wallpaper torn of and framed it. It was a mark of kindly appreciation that had made him glad and he wanted to keep it. Maeterlinck had left a trade mark that was good to remember.

What about the marks that are left behind by us? They may not be visible to the eye, but they are noticed and remembered by our friends. Do we say unkind things that leave a hurt place in the hearts of others? Or do we live in such a happy, loving way that our friends are glad to remember the last time we were with them, and look forward to the next?

There is no doubt we all leave our distinguishing mark wherever we go. The best of all marks for us to leave is that which reminds others of Jesus. We must ask Jesus to dwell in our hearts

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so that he may change our lives by his power. Then as we go through life we shall be able to leave marks of sympathy and kindness that will help to lead others to him.

Mind That Stop

C. M. Hepburn gives a lesson on the punctuation marks of life. Do you know them? Here they are.

A MONG school subjects which worries to you most? Some of you, it may be, are not very good at grammar. One to the things that used to bother me times still does, was punctuation, dividing sentences with the necessary points and marks. It was quite a relief to me it therefore to find in a bookshop a short time ago a small book with the title, "Mind the Stop!" It was further sume med up as

"A handy and really original book on the ever open question of punctuation."

This matter of putting in stops, however, has often worried and puzzled even famous writers; for instance, that celebrated American writer Mark Twain. On one occasion he had a novel idea for saving himself, although not his unhappy editor, trouble. At the end of an article he sent to his publishers he put a string of stops:

and wrote underneath, "Please scatter these throughout according to your taste."

There are punctuation marks, however, in life too, and unlike Mark Twain, we have to put them in ourselves, if we are to make the most of life. Suppose we take one or two instances of it.

One not to forget to use is ?—a in question mark. It is only by asking valuestions we shall learn about life. So it's well to put in plenty of them swhen you are young. A short time ago a member of Parliament said that, when he was a teacher, he had a pupil who would think that seven sevens were forty-six. So one morning he made in him say twenty times, "Seven sevens are forty-nine." When he said it for the twentieth time he turned to his master and said, "Why are they?" Now that a lad was worth teaching, because he wasn't satisfied to soak things up like blotting paper, but was anxious to understand and so persisted in asking why. So, although it may be a bother some-

times to parents and teachers, keep on asking questions, put in plenty of question marks, for that is one of the pathways to knowledge.

Another important punctuation mark we should use frequently is !—an exclamation mark. An exclamation mark indicates wonder or surprise. Sometimes when we see a magnificent sunset thinking the sky with exquisite colors, we can't help exclaiming, "Oh! how wonderful!" And it's a dull soul indeed that is never stirred to admiring wonder. It's good, too, to be struck with wonder sometimes for this reason, that "the steep white way, of wonder," as someone remarked, is one way that brings us nearer to God. One writer, after speaking of the wonderful works of God, such as the sunsets that are never twice the same, goes on to say:

All of the things that man controls,
The visions that he makes true,
Never were half so wonderful as
The miracles God can do.

And then an appropriate punctuation mark to finish with us.—a period, a full stop. Now that is one thing we need in life as well as in letters. It's unwise to rush about all the time and never rest. Isn't that one of the objects of holidays? Sunday, for instance, is God's great full stop; for not even he who made the heavens and the earth thought it wise to work on without a stop. So there is no question we need our rest, taking things quietly one day in the week that we may be ready for the duties of the other six days. And there's also this. God is thought of in the Bible as saying, "Be still and know that I am God," for it is only by being still and making a stop to think about him what we will be able to know him as we ought.—Selected.

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teresting allusion concerns David's campaign against the Philistines (2 Sam. 6). frost." The mulberry is very susceptible to frost. Indeed, it is known as the "Wise Tree" because it delays its leafing until the frosts are over. An inmulberry, as, for instance, in the Psalm: "He destroyed their vines hall and their sycamore trees ously as poplar or sycamore or mulberry. Several passages seem clearly to indicate mulberry, as, for instance, in the '8th Hebrew word has been translated vari-'HE mulberry is mentioned times in the scriptures, although the with

He was told to take up a position near some mulberry trees. "When thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees," etc. Some have suggested that the sound was to be a signal of God's presence.

be clearly heard. As in the plane and the oak tree, he leaves of the mulberry came right the end of the branches, making a ent of the tree in which sounds would

That mulberries were grown in Palestine about 160 years B.C. we know from the first book of Maccabees (Apocrypha), when we read that the king of Israel, when preparing his fighting elephants for battle, showed them the blood of grapes and mulberries.

To-day we learn that Japan is pro-ducing food from the mulberry tree, not for silkworms, but for hungry people.

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SMALL MOVEMENTS

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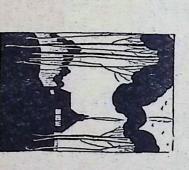
"A Sunday school teacher, having told her class the story of Joseph and the coat of many colors, put this question: 'Who forced Joseph into the pit?' The answer came pat from the smallest lad: 'Please, miss, Mr. Bevin.'"



Bible Quiz

About a well-known Animal.

- 1. Who was a shepherd in Midian when called to lead the children of Israel? 2. What animal's blood was to be prinkled on doorposts by the children
- 3. Who is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world?
- 5. Who went searching for his brothers at Dothan while they were minding able do when a sheep was lost? 4. What did the shepherd in the par-
- Dothan while they were minding
- 6. Who is the good Shepherd who gave his life for the sheep?
 7. Whom did David consider was his
- 8. When David was a lad what work did he do for his father? Shepherd? 9. Who did Jesus say was "better than



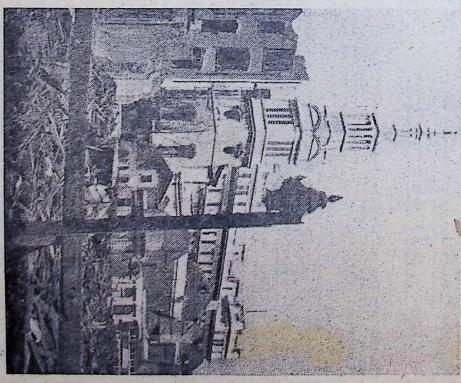
1. Moses. 2. Lamb. 3. Jesus. 4. Left the ninety-and-nine and searched for the lost sheep. 5. David. 6. Jesus. 7. The Lord. 8. The work of a shepherd. 9. Man.

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allow men and women and young people to receive enough food and clothing to provide for needs is this land of Australia. We do not know how fortunate we are. In many lands in Europe and Asia, millions of people are cold and hungry; there is not enough to meet their needs. To build ance the world and to save people from the wrecks of war, the church must rise up and lead the people back to the ways of God and to human brotherhood. Young men and women are needed for this task. Naturally they must be trained for service. There are Bible colleges where future church workers and missionaries may receive training. Helpful experience may also be gained in your Christian Endeavor Society. Train for service and use your talents for God and for the purpose of helpful to lead the world into the peaceful ways of the Lord. While such service involves sacrifice, it brings its rewards.