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## *The Townsville Story —* *So Far!*

You will remember that at Federal Conference, 1952, it was resolved "that the Federal Home Mission Board assist the churches in North Queensland" and "that the Queensland H.M. Committee conduct an investigation into the need of churches in Northern Queensland and report to the Federal Executive." At the 1954 Federal Conference, the following was adopted in the Federal H.M. Board report: "The Melbourne (Federal) Conference resolved that we assist the churches in Northern Queensland. It also resolved that we ask the Queensland H.M. Committee to conduct an investigation as to the need of the churches in Northern Queensland and report to us. The Queensland Committee went ahead and speedily forwarded its report. It recommended that

(a) A circuit between Charters Towers and Townsville be established, with a preacher residing at Charters Towers and ministering on the basis of three weeks at Charters Towers and one week at Townsville. This was to be regarded as a temporary expedient. Later it was hoped some better plan would be implemented.

(b) A full-time preacher to be placed at Mackay. To put these recommendations into operation would require a subsidy of £16 per week, and the Qld. H.M. Committee suggested this as the amount the Federal H.M. Board should contribute. In view of the heavy commitment in establishing the work at Canberra, we were unable to accept the recommendation of the Qld. Committee and notified them of our decision. We were urged to reconsider our decision, which we did, but although sympathetic towards the Qld. brethren,

Stanton H. Wilson, Secretary Federal Home Mission Board.

we regret we were unable to alter our decision."

In 1955 the Federal H.M. Committee began subsidising work in Charters Towers, Mackay and Townsville, but only in a limited way because of its heavy commitments to the maintenance of the work in Can-

berra and the subsequent appeals to the brotherhood for the Canberra Building Fund.

### CANBERRA SELF-SUPPORTING!

In June last, it was announced, at its Tenth Anniversary Luncheon, that Canberra was self-supporting. Today, in the National Capital, is a great self-supporting church, one of the largest in Australia, with buildings worth £45,000 that are a credit to Australian Churches of Christ. Canberra having at length become self-supporting, the Federal H.M. Board was enabled to reconsider its policy regarding Northern Queensland in the light of new and astonishing developments which had taken place. Accordingly, the Secretary, in August, visited the three centres being subsidised, and as a result of conferences with the Townsville church, the Qld. H.M. Committee and the Federal H.M. Board, it was agreed: "That the Federal H.M. Board withdraw from Charters Towers and Mackay, on the assurance that the Qld. H.M. Committee will assume full responsibility for the care and financial assistance of these two churches." This would free the Federal H.M. Board to concentrate its efforts and financial support in the city of Townsville.

### THIS MUCH HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

The Townsville church has sold its former building, in Hermit Park, and has bought a half-acre block on the corner of Park and Albury-sts. in the suburb of Pimlico. The site is accessible and ideally situated in a pleasant residential area. On the actual corner is a (revenue-producing)

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Townsville from the Air. —by courtesy, Walkabout.



flood-lit tennis court, and on the Albany-st. frontage is a modern three-bedroom manse, well appointed and in excellent order. The grounds are well laid out with lawns, gardens, shrubs and palm trees. The Townsville church paid cash for this property and has acquired a wonderful asset for the future development of the work in this great Northern city.

The Qld. H.M. Committee and the Federal H.M. Board are both impressed with the prospects, and are agreed to jointly subsidise the work enabling, as promptly as possible, a full-time minister and his family to occupy the manse and an all-purpose hall (approx. 70ft. x 30ft.) to be erected in such a position as to enable (at some later date) a chapel to be built on the corner site, where the tennis court now stands.

### TOWNSVILLE ITSELF.

To visit Townsville is a stimulating experience. Optimism is in the air. Townsville is a thriving industrial centre, with an assured future. It has two large meat-works and new industries are starting up on every hand. Houses are hard to acquire and rentals are high. In the city streets, parking meters have been installed to lessen traffic congestion. In little more than a decade the population has grown from 35,000 to 51,224, so that it has now surpassed Toowoomba and has become the second largest city in Queensland. This thriving University city is the unofficial "Capital of the North." Its £5,000,000 copper refinery handles 40,000 tons of copper from Mt. Isa every year, and exports it after processing, from its busy sea-port. Four big sugar mills rail 170,000 tons of raw sugar, annually, to its enormous bulk-sugar loading terminal. George Farwell (in September *Walkabout*) says that last year Townsville exported 85,000 tons of copper concentrates to Japan, 43,000 tons of zinc concentrates for Germany and Belgium, 52,000 tons of lead to Britain and 30,000 tons of frozen and chilled beef for Britain and U.S. ports. The prosperity of the city is reflected in its rapidly developing residential areas. To the north, south and west whole new suburbs are springing up, and even the leisurely Magnetic Island, five miles out to sea, is fast becoming another suburb of this lovely tropical city.

### THE CHURCH THERE.

In this most important city, we only have a church membership of 30; while in Toowoomba, a slightly smaller city, we have a robust congregation of 300! The Townsville church is justly proud of its group of loyal and capable young people. The church is looking forward — in faith in God and the Australian brotherhood to help them establish

a strong witness for Christ and New Testament Christianity. Here, surely, is our opportunity to give this wonderful word "brotherhood" practical meaning in a city whose development and prospects are phenomenal.

The 173 churches throughout Australia who have forwarded their contribution for Federal Home Missions this year, may justly feel a sense of real partnership in this project. It is hoped that the remaining 215 churches will eagerly seize this opportunity for partnership in this promising venture, for Christ and his Church.

That is the "Townsville Story" so far — the support of all our churches, through Federal Home Missions, will make for even greater progress.



## News of British Churches

Through the generosity of Disciple churches in U.S.A., Overdale College is to have a resident tutor for the 1961/62 session. He is Dr. A. Wake, Professor of Church Music at the College of the Bible, Kentucky. Dr. Wake conducted the World Convention choir at Edinburgh. In addition to his work in the College, Dr. Wake will visit Ministers' Fraternals and groups of churches, to give advice on matters of worship and music. Mrs. Wake will accompany her husband.

Margaret Watson, a member at Avery Hill, London, is to serve for a year under the auspices of the United Christian Missionary Society. She will work among refugees under the direction of C.I.M.A.D.E., the French Protestant Refugee organisation.

After a furlough beset with illness and hospital treatments, Mr. and Mrs. V. Smith returned to the Mission at Nyasaland a few months ago, it was hoped in good health. Disquieting news of Mrs. Smith has now been received, indicating some form of heart trouble. Further particulars are awaited with a measure of anxiety.

Mrs. Robert Halliday, a pioneer missionary with her husband, has died in Scotland. She was in membership at East Kilbride. Robert Halliday did pioneer work in Burma, and was honoured for his translation work.

An increasing number of Sunday Schools is holding vacation schools for children during school holidays. Some schools report an increased attendance on Sunday and new scholars gained.

A number of new ministries began in September. Among others are the following: J. E. Francis at Burnage, Manchester; R. J. Bade at Falkirk; D. Powis at Leeds; K. Simpkin at Moseley Road, Birmingham.—G. J. Hammond.

# NOTES FROM THE READINGS

as suggested for

Sunday, Oct. 29

JEREMIAH 32: 1-15.

"Through the act of purchasing a field in Anathoth (which he believed was prompted by God) at the very time when Jerusalem was under siege and he himself was in prison, the prophet showed unmistakably and dramatically his belief that the land had a future" (Hyatt).

"shut up" (v. 2). — Jeremiah was in prison, charged with treason.

"the right of redemption" (v. 7). — "Jeremiah held the first right of purchase as next of kin. His cousin asked him to exercise this right, so that the property might remain in the family" (Welch).

"that which was sealed . . . that which was open" (v. 11). — The purpose of making a double copy, which was the practice with papyrus deeds and clay tablets, was to preserve a record, though the outer copy became worn and illegible" (Welch). "The open copy could be consulted at any time without breaking the seal" (Hyatt).

"thus saith the Lord" (v. 15). — "The redemption of the field at Anathoth became symbolic of the Lord's redemption of Israel" (Hopper).

1 THESSALONIANS 5: 1-24.

After stressing the need to be on guard for the sudden coming of the day of the Lord, Paul gives pointed advice on how Christians should live.

"thief in the night" (v. 2). — In the sense of its suddenness and unexpectedness. "The phrase suggests to the apostle an interesting and apposite figure. The Christian is living in the light of day. He not only need not fear the thief in the night, but he must live in the light of day" (McCown).

"comfort yourselves" (v. 11). — "Encourage one another and build one another up" (R.S.V.).

"to know them" (v. 12). — "Acknowledgement" (N.E.B.); "respect" (R.S.V.); "get to know" (Phillips).

"warn them that are unruly" (v. 14). — "Admonish the idle" (R.S.V.); "keep a check on loafers" (Moffatt).

"comfort the feeble-minded" (v. 14). — "Cheer up the despondent" (Goodspeed).

"Quench not the Spirit" (v. 19). — "Do not stifle inspiration" (N.E.B.); "never damp the fire of the Spirit" (Phillips).



J. E. BROOKE (Balwyn, Vic.) considers . . .

# The Deepening Quality of Christian Grace

On the whole, Paul was happy about the church at Philippi, which he loved best of all. There were, however, some things which caused him disquiet, the deeper because of his very love for them. There were some differences, and even divisions, between the members.

He appealed to two women, Euodias and Syntyche, to "be of the same mind in the Lord," and he asked one of the members, whom he calls his "true yokefellow," to help these women to attain unity and harmony.

Now, in chapter 4, verse 5, to describe the grace which they needed to deal with such a situation, he uses a great, rich word, which is evidently inclusive of several shades of meaning.

This word, which the Authorised Version translates "moderation" ("Let your moderation be known to all men") is, according to Dr. William Barclay, "one of the most untranslatable of all Greek words." As evidence of the difficulty of arriving at the exact meaning, he points to the number of different translations.

Musing over several of them, the thought came, not only that they each had some helpful suggestion to make, but also that, considered in a certain order, they pointed to a progressive deepening of the quality of Christian grace.

Think, first, of the word in the Authorised Version — "Let your

## MODERATION

be known to all men."

To moderate means "to keep within measure of bounds, to reduce in intensity." Here what is clearly in view is the anger and hard feeling which the difference and division have aroused.

Anger, we need to recognise, is a natural human trait. Psychologists tell us that, in its raw state, it is a force designed to defend us against danger. Psychologically, it produces a jolt of adrenalin, giving strength to overcome a challenge.

It is obvious, however, that anger can easily get out of bounds, with disastrous results, so it must be wisely controlled. Various practical suggestions are made to help moderate an attack of anger.

There is the advice to "count ten," or more, if necessary, to give yourself time to cool down. There is the prescription, "Use a mirror immediately the attack comes on." Many have found it helpful to work off the

surplus adrenalin in the physical effort of some game or work.

Well, all that is helpful so far as it goes, but it doesn't go so very far. Moderation is only a very early stage of Christian grace.

The Revised Version makes an advance on this: "Let all men know your

## FORBEARANCE."

Here the thought is of the attitude toward the person with whom one is in a disturbed relationship.

To forbear means to "carry forward," when the natural tendency is to want to drop the relationship, and have no more to do with the person. Another word with a like meaning is to "tolerate," or "lift the weight" of the one who has grieved or hurt us — and such can be a very heavy weight. Or, in colloquial English, we "put up with" him.

It helps to put up with a person to try to think what they themselves may have to put up with. Let us reflect that we do not know what may be their trying temperaments, temptations, and sorrows. It is always a good thing, when someone lashes out at us, to try to think, as impersonally as we can, of what it may have been that has made them so unhappy.

Again, we may be more forbearing if we stay to consider how others put up with us. We are by no means perfect, yet we expect to be understood, tolerated, treated with courtesy and kindness, and generally liked.

Most of all, we need to remember God's infinitely greater forbearance with us. There is no comparison between his amazing patience with us and the trifling annoyance we are asked to bear from our fellows.

Moderation — forbearance — and Ronald Knox seems to go a little further when he renders the verse, "Give proof to all of your

## COURTESY."

Of course, courtesy may be merely a matter of manners. It may be purely formal and coldly correct, an expression of personal dignity rather than of any care for another.

One may be carefully courteous because he disdains to demean himself by being anything else. Like those whom Christina Rossetti described as "all-courteous out of self-respect."

Though, even at that, it may be said that manners are better than

no manners, and politeness far preferable to rudeness.

But courtesy, in a Christian, is disinfected of self-regard in its possession by the spirit of love, and love, as Moffatt translates Paul, in 1 Corinthians 13, "is never selfish . . . always eager to believe the best, always hopeful, always patient." Christian courtesy is more sensitive to others' feelings than to its own standards.

Supremely, Christian courtesy is Christ-inspired. "Courtesy," by definition, is "the kind of behaviour required at court, in the Sovereign's presence," and the Christian is courteous, with the finest courtesy, because he is conscious of being ever in the presence of the King of kings."

The meaning becomes richer still when we read, in J. B. Phillips, "Have a reputation for

## GENTLENESS."

The finest things in life need gentle handling. If, with the tip of your finger, you were to touch the gauzy wing of a butterfly, and then were to examine your finger under a powerful microscope, the area of contact would look like the floor of a shambles, a wilderness of wrecked and devastated loveliness.

So, if we could see with the eyes of the spirit, we would realise that human hearts are terribly vulnerable to the rough handling of insensitivity and impatience.

Let us never be afraid or ashamed of being gentle. Gentleness is neither feeble nor inefficient. On the contrary, gentleness is strong, and all true strength is gentle.

Gentleness is God's own method of power. "Man opens a blossom with a crow-bar; God opens it with a sunbeam." Therefore, as Charles Dickens exhorted, "Have a heart that never hardens, a temper that never tires, a touch that never hurts."

Our conception of Christian grace has been deepening from stage to stage, but perhaps the deepest note is sounded in the New English translation: "Let your

## MAGNANIMITY

be manifest to all."

Magnanimity is great-heartedness. This translation takes into account the thought of "yielding" which is in the original word.

The truly gracious Christian, in any difference, is ready to yield all he



can, in the sense of suppressing personal resentment, waiving personal rights, bearing personal injury, and making no rejoinder save that of love and goodwill.

It was said of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow that his whole life was bathed in sympathy and long-suffering. This gentleness of character left its mark upon his most expressive face, which Charles Kingsley said was the most beautiful human face he had ever seen. He was gentle to those who injured him, and most forgiving.

Edgar Allan Poe, whose great genius could not lighten the dark places of his morbid nature, accused Longfellow of plagiarism and utter want of originality.

Longfellow's reply to this tirade of abuse was to lecture to his class at Harvard upon the rich poetic genius of Poe, and the marvellous music of his poems. It was the only reply his great heart could give.

Likewise, they said of the great English church leader, Cranmer, that to injure him was the surest way to secure his goodwill.

Tennyson puts upon the lips of Thirlby, in *Queen Mary*, this splendid tribute to him:

"To do him any wrong was to beget  
A kindness from him, for his  
heart was rich,

Of such fine mould, that if you  
sow'd therein

The seed of Hate, it blossom'd  
Charity."

So! — Moderation, forbearance, courtesy, gentleness, great-heartedness — how deep have we gone in the quality of our Christian grace? How much are we really Christians?

D. G. HAMMER (Maylands, S.A.) discusses . . .

## "ACCUSING THE BRETHREN!"

"Whatsoever things are lovely . . . think on these things" (Phil. 4: 8).

When a missionary visited a certain church, he had some trenchant criticisms to make concerning the people amongst whom the Mission was at work. One of the young people of that church said, wonderingly, "He doesn't seem to have much love for the people!" While refraining from the obvious comment that there was little enough to love in those particular people, I was impressed by the fact that the young lady felt that the missionary should love his people! It is not always an easy thing to do. Nor is it only missionaries who are guilty at times of this lack of love. There have been preachers similarly afflicted.

"Praying Hyde" (as he was often called) had an experience in prayer that affected his whole life. His biographer claims that much of his power in prayer came from it. While Hyde was a missionary in India, resting in the hills, he was burdened about the spiritual condition of one of the Indian pastors of his Mission, and felt constrained to pray for him. "O God!" he began, "Thou knowest that brother, how . . ." Then he stopped. He had intended to say "cold", but a Voice seemed to say to him, "He that toucheth him toucheth the apple of mine eye." Hyde was horrified, feeling that he had sinned in "judging" his brother. Even worse, he felt that he had been guilty of doing the actual work of the devil, who (in Revelation 12: 10) is distinguished by the name, "The Accuser of the Brethren." Hyde tried to recall some good things to say about the pastor in his prayer, and quite easily remembered how this particular man had given up all for Christ, had withstood persecution from his own relations, and had worked for years with a difficult congregation.

With these thoughts in mind, he was able to make his prayer one of thanksgiving. He said that when he later went back to the plains he found that the pastor had received a spiritual uplift, much about the time he had been praying for him.

### DEVILISH WORK!

Having read this incident, I began to recall missionaries from various scenes of labor, who, on furlough, told graphic stories of the weakness and failures of the Christians in the countries in which they worked — things that good taste would never allow them to say of the Christians of their own home country! I am not sure that I haven't been guilty of this sin myself. Devilish work indeed! The "Accuser of the Brethren" has never been short of employment in this regard, nor will he be until his final overthrow. There is so much in all of us that is not above criticism. He will easily find enough to maintain his "day and night" schedule of accusing before God — a kind of satanic opposite to the intercessory work of Christ! "He ever liveth to make intercession for us."

Why is it we give the devil gratuitous assistance in his devilish work? Why not leave it to him, and train ourselves to think and pray more positively! How pathetic when even our prayers are colored by the critical spirit we allow to develop, and are used to "accuse the brethren"! Perhaps we all have enough of the Pharisee in us to want to say, "I thank thee that I am not . . . even as this publican."

### PULLING EACH OTHER TO PIECES.

Unfortunately it is not only missionaries (and sometimes preachers) who are addicted to this critical spirit. Some of our best church

families go home after the Sunday morning service and have "grilled preacher" for the first course of their dinner. Let us give them full marks for being sufficiently interested to go over what has been said. The sermon should be able to bear analysis, nor should the preacher be able to use his pulpit for pontifical pronouncements which have to be taken as infallible! There must be some right of reply to save us from slovenly or ill-considered statements. (When your preacher isn't on his knees, make sure you keep him on his toes!) But — even if it requires a good deal of research and recollection, it must surely be possible to find something worthy of appreciation in the morning's address. It is here that those who are old-fashioned enough to begin the sermon with a good text of Scripture have an edge on the rest. It is hard to criticise a good text.

If criticism only stopped there, it would not be so bad. Preachers have to learn to take it. But some people seem to live out all their church lives in a poisonous miasma of criticism and suspicion. It is both refreshing and rebuking to read again Phillips' translation of James 4: 11: "Never pull each other to pieces, my brothers." By comparison, the New English Bible seems just a little too weak (or refined) to meet the needs of some hotbeds of criticism that come to mind: "Brothers, you must never disparage one another."

### WATCH FOR THE BOUNCE!

There is nothing new in the thought that the one who suffers most from criticism is the critic. Acid has a nasty habit of eating out its own container first of all. But it is equally true that positive, helpful thinking and praying rebounds on the one

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# Religion in the Australian Army

Having just completed a period of nine months as P.D. Chaplain at the Army's Recruit Training Battalion at Kapooka, N.S.W., I feel that the people of our Churches should know of the prominent place given to religion in the Australian Regular Army.

There are three religious groupings, namely the C. of E., R.C., and P.D. (or "Protestant Denominations"), the last-named being made up officially of seven denominations (Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Churches of Christ, Salvation Army, Congregational and Lutheran). Every man has the right of approach to a Chaplain of his own group, as well as automatically meeting him at his initial interview and on his Character Guidance Course.

The Army Chaplain has five main opportunities of presenting his message.

1. By personal interview of the recruit by a Chaplain of his own faith (in our case, the P.D. Chaplain), on entering the unit.
2. Each recruit, during his first few weeks, does a "Character Guidance Course" of about 17 hours' duration, concentrated into one week under the guidance of a team of up to 12 chaplains for approximately 240 men.
3. A regular contact with spiritual subjects is maintained by "C.O's Hours," conducted by the Chaplain and occurring officially at weekly intervals in many units.
4. Opportunity is given to each man, once his training is finished, to volunteer for a Moral Leadership Course. These are conducted in denominational groups for advanced discussion on the meaning of our faith and its application to life.
5. Finally, there are regular church parades held in most units, usually at weekly or fortnightly intervals. Though these are not compulsory, the Army gives every possible en-

couragement to the men to attend, and there are very few who miss out.

Thus the average soldier finds greater opportunity and encouragement to practise his religion than he ever would in civilian life. As seen in the Recruit Training Battalion, these sessions add up to one period of training in every sixteen for the 750 recruits at present in the unit.

The Character Guidance Course commences with the idea of the Bible as "The Maker's Instructions," and attention is then focused on the Ten Commandments under the following headings: 1-2, Our Duties to God; 3-5, Authority; 6, The Value of Human Life; 7-8, Sex Morality; 9-10, Honesty and Truthfulness.

Having here seen the standard required, we then think of "The Natural Means of Strengthening the Will," followed by "The Spiritual Means." The Course concludes with a church parade, and each recruit has opportunity to assess frankly the value of the course to himself on a questionnaire which can be anonymous. Remarks often made are such as these — "Deepened my religious faith — cleared my mind — gave me peace of mind" — and often the suggestion is made that such courses should occur in civilian life to give opportunity to all young people to attend. The highlights are when such a comment as the following is made: "Led me to personal commitment to Jesus Christ and the Christian way of life." We have appreciated the help of "The Glideons," who present each man on the course with a New Testament.

The method used for each subject is that of an initial lecture on each subject by a Chaplain, followed by "Syndicate Discussions" (with groups sometimes as small as 5 or 6), followed by an Open Forum. Each night of the course a film is used, including two of the well known "Fact and Faith" series.

Behind this changed attitude to religion on the part of the Army (for undoubtedly it is a changed attitude) lies the realisation that the current cold war is a war of ideas, and the official post mortem on defections to Communism from U.N. troops in Korea revealed that the greatest single factor which sustained the others was "a firm religious faith." Accordingly we find that the Australian Army describes its attitude to religion thus: "... the attention of all ranks is directed to the importance of religion in the Army. With the temporary loss ... (of home influence, etc.) ... it is

doubly important that suitable opportunity should be afforded for the practice of religion. Attendance at religious services should be regarded as a desirable adjunct to training ... " And many other such expressions could be cited.

In such an atmosphere as this, your P.D. Chaplain has the greatest opportunity yet of reaching the manhood of our nation. He will be able to use it the better if he has your prayers. Furthermore, in the event of your knowing of some young man who is entering the Army in N.S.W., it would be of great help if a note were sent to The Chaplain, (P.D.),

1st Recruit Training Battalion,  
Kapooka, N.S.W.  
—Chap. J. H. Butterss.

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## "For Unity"

(A Hymn for Oct. - No. 360, Oct. 29).

Perhaps we could assess the importance of a hymnwriter by, first, his total output of hymns and, second, the proportion of these which have survived — some sort of index, firstly, to his ambitions and, secondly, to the extent to which his ambitions were justified!

Christopher Wordsworth, Bishop of Lincoln, was described as "great scholar and expositor, noted theologian, wise ruler in the church, holy, humble, self-denying, irresistible in his honesty, intelligence and affection." We can progressively whittle down the number of his hymns from the 127 in *The Holy Year* to a maximum of about 16 still available today — I have not found more than nine in any one book — and finally to about six ever finding at all wide use. It certainly appears that his ambitions outran his ability!

Searching for reasons for his undoubted literary ability not having full rein in his hymns, we find that the good bishop attempted to present in hymn form every topic and sub-topic touched by the services of his church, that he sought in Scripture the primary source of his hymns and that he considered "sound doctrine and the saving of souls" the first duty of a hymn. One of the most "wooden" hymns we have seen — its weaknesses the more obvious because its Scripture origin is instantly identifiable — came from Wordsworth's treatment of one of the most glorious literary passages of Scripture!

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who practises it, to the great enrichment of his life and thought. The one who encourages another finds encouragement himself. The one who finds something worthy of praise in those around him is building for himself a praiseworthy life. For our own spiritual self-preservation it is vitally important to be always looking for the good in those whom we meet. There is an obvious Shakespearean influence in E. V. Rieu's translation of Matt. 7: 2 (Penguin Classics): "As you give, so will you receive, measure for measure."





(Notes supplied by R. S. A. McLean).

### Experiences in India

#### R. S. McLean in India.

After staying at Baramati for a fortnight, I return to Shrigonda to visit places not contacted during my first visit.

It was my privilege last Sunday to preach to the Shrigonda church. The church building is quite large and was filled, as girls from the Shrigonda Girls' Home and people from the village came to worship. After the service, under the leadership of Shantabai Choudhari, the girls sang choruses and recited passages of Scripture.

On Sunday afternoon, I went to Dhorja with Mr. and Mrs. Coventry. This village is about eleven miles from Shrigonda. The little meeting room was crowded with people who listened with interest to the gospel message. At Dhorja we have a school which has an enrolment of one hundred and ten. A number of young men from this school are now attending colleges and some, having graduated, are now actively engaged in Mission work.

As yet, there is no church building at Dhorja, but Mr. Coventry is encouraging the people to commence work on a building and finance it as far as possible themselves.

On Tuesday, we went to Ahmednagar, a fairly large city, situated about forty miles from Shrigonda. We spent most of the afternoon with the students from our Mission who are studying at the American Marathi Mission College. These young men spoke with enthusiasm about the service they would like to render after graduation. We must pray that avenues of Christian service will be open for them.

During the last two days the missionary staff has gathered at Shrigonda for fellowship and prayer. This

has proved a refreshing time for all. We are optimistic about the future of our work in India. We see great opportunities about us and realise that it is our responsibility to take advantage of these opportunities while the doors for missionary endeavor are wide open. We prayed about these things as we met together. We plead with our friends in Australia to join with us in praying for the needs of this great land.

### Dhorja Educational Report, 1960-61.

#### B. V. Coventry.

The school has had an average attendance throughout the year of between 90 and 100. The enrolment, which last year was registering over 140, has been cut down to approx. 110. A revision of roll resulting in removal of names of those who have been non-attenders for so long has brought our enrolment to a more accurate figure of actual scholars. Within the town there are still many children who, though of school-going age, are not interested in attending. Their parents also being indifferent, means that they are to be numbered among India's future illiterates.

There is, though, no question as to the change in the attitude of people towards an education for their children. This can be seen particularly with regard to that for girls. Whereas a few years ago we seldom had more than one or two non-Christian girls, and also very few Christian, today we have several, some of them being numbered amongst the smartest in their classes. It is with real interest that we watch the change in the people's attitude, not just toward education, but toward the school generally.

We are grateful to our staff for their faithful service through another year. There was one change in staff last year. P. K. Ghodke was transferred to Baramati to work in the Evangelistic Dept., and as a replacement Kisan Ramphale, himself an old Dhorja Boarding Boy, was employed. We are anticipating that we will have an extra teacher this year to enable more time to be given to the higher grades, and prepare these lads more adequately for High School. We must commence the teaching of English so that our Dhorja lads will be able to fit into the High School at Baramati. This is a subject we hope to commence within a week or two.

Exam. results were good as compared with recent years. We had 66 per cent. pass of those who sat for their exams. Four out of six passed.

The teachers are also required to undertake responsibility towards the Adult Literacy programme of the Education Department. They have been able to help a number to read or improve their reading. Our buildings are badly needing repairs, and this has come in for comment by the Educational Inspector. We have therefore planned to undertake some of these repairs as early as possible, which in effect means as soon as we can obtain supplies.

Following the recent Poona floods, our scholars brought along their Naya paisa to send along as a contribution to the flood-stricken victims, their gift being made through the Times of India fund.

We end here by expressing our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for another year of being able to witness through the medium of this institution. And we further pray that we may continue to seize every opportunity to further the gospel through this village school.

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## New Secretary

### Victoria-Tasmania Conference

The reception room of the Churches of Christ Centre, Lonsdale-st., Melb., was packed to capacity on Tues., Oct. 10 for a service to mark the induction of W. W. Saunders as full-time Vic.-Tas. Conference Secretary. W. A. Thompson (Conf. Pres.) presided over the gathering, following a brief song service led by A. R. Haskell. R. C. Bolduan (immediate Past President) led in prayer, and the C.E. Quartet gave two brackets of appreciated items. Mr. Thompson outlined the Executive's hopes and plans in extending an invitation to Mr. Saunders to succeed Miss Haines as Secretary. C. G. Taylor (Pres.-Elect) gave a brief address before officially inducting Mr. Saunders to his new office.

Mr. Saunders expressed appreciation of the trust and confidence of his brethren, and referred to the work he was somewhat reluctantly laying down as Secretary of the Victorian Temperance Alliance. He was grateful for the fine work done by his predecessor, Miss Haines, and sought the prayers and co-operation of the churches.

He introduced Graham Gilmour to the gathering as the newly-appointed Asst. Secretary. Mr. Gilmour made a brief response.

Supper fellowship brought a happy evening to a close. Prior to the meeting, dinner was served to the Conference Executive and Centre staff by Mrs. Lowrey and her helpers.

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Today's hymn ("Father of all, from land and sea") was written for the Nottingham Church Congress of 1871 and bore the title "For Unity" — not surprising when we note the repetitions of "May we be one." It is a hymn worthy of use by a people pledged to unity, and its prayers to Father, Son and Spirit seek unity here and hereafter and between nation and nation, high and low, young and old.—F.J.F.





### Theme for the Week:

### "WORLD-WIDE RELIGION"

#### Sunday, October 29

1 Peter 3: 13-18.

Thought Text: "Do not be afraid or disturbed . . . enthroned Christ as Lord in your hearts" (vv. 14, 15, Knox).

Persecution was a daily threat to the lives of Peter and his readers. There was much to make them afraid, but Peter saw one force able to hold them fast — the power of the indwelling Lord. "Concentrate on being inwardly completely devoted to Christ in your hearts," he urged them (Phillips).

That is still sound advice in the midst of today's anxieties and fears. Indeed, it's as old as Isaiah, with his quiet confidence, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee" (Is. 26: 3). If Christ fills heart and mind, and his will directs our deeds, he gives all needed peace and strength.

Lord, strengthen this day all those facing a struggle of loyalties. Grant them the courage to give thee first place in life. Amen.

#### Monday, October 30

1 Peter 4: 6-13.

Thought Text: "Be hospitable to one another without complaining" (v. 9, N.E.B.).

"Without secretly wishing you hadn't got to be" is the striking way J. B. Phillips expresses the last phrase. Christian homes, in New Testament times, had a special significance, providing both a resting-place and preaching-centre for travelling evangelists. Paul and Peter knew what it was to be offered their hospitality joyfully; knew too, probably, the deep hurt of being given it grudgingly.

Many church workers today have treasured memories of those who have opened their hearts as well as their homes to them when they have offered hospitality. Such hospitality has often been the beginning of some of life's most rewarding friendships.

# WHEN SOARS the SOUL

## A Week of Daily Devotions, Based on Readings Suggested by the "Book of Family Worship"

Lord, help us to make our home a centre of Christian warmth and helpfulness. Amen.

### Tuesday, October 31

1 Peter 5: 1-11.

Thought Text: "Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you" (v. 7).

Andrew Murray used to say: "In time of trouble say: I am here by God's appointment, in God's keeping, under God's training, for God's time." It makes all the difference, to believe, not only that we are always in God's care, but that no anxiety is too small or too great to take to him.

Our Lord looked in pity upon man's all-absorbing preoccupation with matters of food and clothing. "Your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things," he said. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." "Your Heavenly Father knoweth" — what comfort to our need, and challenge to our faithlessness, lie in those words!

For all thy guiding care of us, and the daily wonder of so great a love, we give thee thanks. Amen.

### Wednesday, November 1

1 Kings 8: 22-30.

Thought Text: "Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place: and when thou hearest, forgive" (v. 30).

These words are the recurring motif of Solomon's prayer. For this writer they will always be linked with the memory of a tall, thin, aging man, painfully pulling himself up into the pulpit of Scots Church, Melbourne, for the Wednesday lunch-hour service. When he spoke, you forgot physical limitations. But in praying he seemed at his best, gathering up all our needs and drawing us together in such real devotion that when, at the end of his prayer, he would say, "Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and when thou hearest, forgive," the words sent a thrill through at least one worshipper.

The late Dr. Frank Boreham preached and prayed as one who rejoiced in the forgiveness of God. He knew what it meant. Do we?

Cleanse us, O merciful Lord, of any unforgiving spirit to others. Amen.

### Thursday, November 2

1 Kings 8: 33-43.

Thought Text: "Thou knowest the hearts of all" (v. 39).

This was the lesson Samuel had learnt, in the midst of choosing a king: "Man looketh on the outward

appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart" (1 Sam. 16: 7). He knows us as we really are; nothing is hidden from him.

That is a thought to sober us, when we link it up with John's words about the believers to whom Jesus would not trust himself, "for he knew what was in man" (Jn. 2: 25). But there is hope in it, too, for no one knows and believes in our possibilities like Jesus does. Who but he could ever have seen Peter the Rock in Simon the Impetuous, or Matthew the Evangelist in Levi the Tax-Collector?

Search our hearts, O God, and cleanse them of all that stops us from being what only thou, by thy grace, canst make us. Amen.

### Friday, November 3

1 Kings 8: 44-61.

Thought Text: "There hath not failed one word of all his good promise" (v. 56).

Solomon looked back with gratitude on the rich heritage of God's chosen people, and on the way God's promises to Moses had been abundantly fulfilled. God had always kept his word; Solomon believed he always would.

In the thousands of years since, the same thing has been proved true, over and over again: "There hath not failed one word of all his good promise" — not to Moses alone, but to all who put their trust in him. No wonder Peter, who both heard and proved the promise of his Master, "Lo, I am with you always," could write of "exceeding great and precious promises" (2 Pet. 1: 4).

As thou hast never failed us, O God, help us not to fail thee, but to keep true and steadfast to thee to the end. Amen.

### Saturday, November 4

Isaiah 42: 1-12.

Thought Text: "He shall not fail nor be discouraged" (v. 4).

Nothing would turn God's Messiah from his chosen task. Discouraged in one sense he might often be, but never to the point of giving up. "I come to do thy will, O God" — that was the master-motive of his life.

Paul knew bitter hours of discouragement and disappointment, but he pressed on. "I never lose heart!" was his brave retort to life (2 Cor. 4: 16). And the reason? "The transcending power belongs to God" (v. 7, Moffatt).

From the week's discouragements we turn to thee, O Lord, for fresh vision and courage. Keep our hands to the plough, our faces to thy future.



# HERE AND THERE

The Bond-Gadge mission at East Bentleigh, Vic., entered the third week of its planned six-week "New Life" campaign on Oct. 15. Average nightly attendance for the first eight meetings was 196, and to that period four decisions had been recorded. The mission is being sponsored by seven churches (East Bentleigh, Bentleigh, Caulfield, Carnegie, Cheltenham, Ormond and Brighton).

The next meeting of the Vic.-Tas. Ministers' Association will take place at the Churches of Christ Centre on Nov. 6, 1961, at 2 p.m., preceded by lunch at 1 p.m. Dr. Percy Jones will be the speaker, on the subject, *The Roman Catholic Attitude Toward Christian Unity*.—R. E. Hillbrich, sec.

F. Leivesley, who has resigned as minister at Lismore, N.S.W., will be succeeded in the new year by K. Christensen.

The seventh annual weekend Conference of doctors and ministers will be held at Cheltenham, Vic., on Friday evening and Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4. Papers will be given on *The Mind of the Medical Man* and *The Mind of the Clerical Man*, and there will be an opportunity for discussion. Further details and application forms are available from the Hon. Secretary, Archdeacon G. T. Sambell, 73 Queensberry-st., Carlton, N.3 (phone 34-3378).

The Federal Committee for the Promotion of Christian Union joins with our Federal President (K. G. Mundy) and Federal Conference Executive in asking all churches to support the Call to Prayer for the Third Assembly of the World Council of Churches, meeting in New Delhi, India, next month. The Federal heads of all member Churches of the Australian Council of Churches have issued the Call, urging special remembrance on the first Sunday of the Assembly, Nov. 19.

A very enthusiastic group of young people from the Burwood and Penrith churches, N.S.W., gathered at "Faulconbridge," in the Blue Mountains, over the Labor Day weekend, Sept. 29 to Oct. 2, in an unusual Visual Aid house-party. The programme was arranged by Franklyn Elliott and Neville Snow. Miss Jean Murray gave some very helpful demonstrations and led in constructive discussions on various aids for use in Christian Education, both in B.S. and Adult Christian Education activities. Mrs. G. Murray did an excellent job in making provision for the culinary needs of the group. Demonstrations of methods of pre-

paring original flannel-graph and jelly-pad materials, 35 mm. filmstrips, with accompanying tape-recorded commentaries, the making of slides and the general use of aids in lesson presentation, proved to be of considerable practical value. The fellowship throughout the weekend was stimulating, and the devotional and Quiet Time sessions were on a high spiritual plane. It was generally agreed that practical "workshop" house-parties of this nature could be repeated with profit.

Church anniversary services at Balwyn, Oct. 7-8, were uplifting experiences. Sat., 7th, thanksgiving service presided over by J. E. Brooke (minister), with film, "Talents," and song-service led by Val. Wolf. Sunday, 8th, a.m. service was again crowded and extra seating had to be provided. The speaker was K. A. Macnaughtan, president Eric Patterson, with past members taking part, and soloist from Salvation Army. The evening service proved another time of happy fellowship and inspiration, with speaker E. L. Williams, and soloist L. Williams, and after-church hour of fellowship led by Ken Sturgess, and presided over by the minister, brought stirring meetings to a close, with a total offering for Temple Day of £704/10/-. Greetings were received from overseas members, and all were pleased to see Mr. Parsons present after prolonged illness. Mrs. Oliver's health is improving.

The next meeting of the Federal Conference Executive will be held on Thurs., Oct. 26, at the Churches of Christ Centre, Melbourne.

Members of our churches in New Zealand and an African travelling on the "Southern Cross," were entertained in Melbourne while their ship was in port on Oct. 10-11. They were S. T. Gumbo (described as an African ambassador from the Mission Field); missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. B. Kirby and their three children, all from Dadaya, Rhodesia; and a business man and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. I. Mitchell, who have spent over five years in England. All were journeying to New Zealand. A. E. White, Mrs. J. Strack, with members of the Overseas Committee, enjoyed the company of these people in visiting places of interest, several of the Social Service Homes and the College of the Bible; a buffet luncheon, catered for by Mrs. Lowrey and her helpers, gave 30 people the opportunity of talking with these visitors and later listening to greetings which they brought.—B. L. Williams, sec.

## Opening of Chapel MURGON, QLD.

In April, 1960, a number of isolated members of Churches of Christ were contacted in the Murgon district by the minister of the Kingaroy church (H. C. Wheat). These people expressed their desire for greater fellowship, and the Kingaroy church began considering the possibilities of opening up a work in that area. During the month of June the Qld. State Evangelist, David Mansell, with Claude Gadge as song-leader, conducted a New Life Campaign in Kingaroy. The Murgon members attended with their friends, several of whom made decisions at the meetings. On the last Sunday of the mission a service was held at Murgon, the Butler Factory Welfare Hall being engaged for the occasion. These services were continued, twice a month at first and then every Sunday afternoon. Some Kingaroy members journeyed to Murgon every Sunday to assist in the service and in the All-Age Sunday School.

The church was granted affiliation with the Queensland Conference in March, 1961.

When the local Baptist chapel was offered for sale in September the Murgon members, although only fourteen in number, went forward in faith, borrowed the money and purchased it. This was later removed to some land in Thorn-st., which the church had purchased.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, the chapel was officially opened by David W. Mansell. Outside the chapel the minister, H. C. Wheat, welcomed the large crowd and introduced the removal contractor, C. J. Chapple, who presented the key of the building to Mr. Mansell.

The service inside the chapel commenced with the singing of the Doxology. Mrs. J. Hayden presided at the organ.

The Shire Chairman, J. Krebs, brought a welcome and greeting on behalf of the people of Murgon.

The Hon. C. F. Adermann spoke in his capacity as Federal Member and also as chairman of the Board of Officers of the Kingaroy church.

Greetings were brought by a number of other churches and friends.

The items brought by Mrs. McNicol, and a quartette comprising Mrs. Wheat, Mrs. McNicol, C. F. Adermann and H. G. Whatman, were much appreciated.

David Mansell brought a challenging message upon the theme, *Restoration, Evangelism and Unity*.

The afternoon tea served by the ladies under Mrs. Seng brought a very happy occasion to a conclusion.





# OUR FAMILY PAGE

## Mistaken Judgments

In his biography of Field Marshal Montgomery, Alan Morehead tells us that when Montgomery was at Sandhurst, he was told, "You are quite useless, you will get nowhere in the army." History has shown us how mistaken that judgment was.

Other famous men, too, can tell of similar experiences. Vaughan Williams, the famous musician, was laughed at because he "would go on working at music when he was so hopelessly bad at it." When he was at school, the writer, G. K. Chesterton, had a master who once commented to the boy — "You know, Chesterton, if we could open your head, we should find no brain, but a lump of fat."

It is recorded also of the great Winston Churchill that he remained three times as long as anyone else in the third form. When one realises that this was because he was considered bad at English of all things, and remembers his famous speeches and writings, it gives one pause for thought.

What had all these men in common? Whatever their critics had to say, they never gave up — they believed they could do it and nothing could stop them.—A.W.H.

## Influencing Our Children

Don't let's be ashamed then, of influencing our children. We do it whether we try to or not. So, let's openly and honestly try to influence them for good — and to introduce them to Jesus as our Friend, and theirs.

Have you ever heard it said: "What you are doing is shouting so loudly that I can't hear what you are saying." What a pitfall this is to us parents, particularly mothers. Day in and day out, trying to train our children to be polite, to be clean, to be truthful, to be kind, to be cheerful, to be obedient, to be hard workers, to be careful of their own things, and other people's! The list is endless.

In all these things, of course, an ounce of action is worth a ton of

talk. A child learns far more from what we do than from what we tell him to do.

If we are inconsistent, if we do one thing and say another, then we are locking for trouble. Let's try to make our teaching and our example agree.

An elderly woman was once talking to a representative of the church who was visiting her.

"Oh, yes," she said, "I used to work for the church. And I always sent my boy to Sunday school. But, what was the use? He's turned out no good, after all."

What was she aiming at in training her child? To make her son dutiful and useful to her? To turn out a good, respectable citizen?

She certainly seemed to have been aiming to use the Sunday School as a sort of moral insurance agency against him "going wrong." Her aim was altogether too low and too superficial.

Let's aim high in training our children: we want them to know Jesus and to follow him. "Put ye first the Kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you."—Jean Yule, Presbyterian Life.

## Hope

Lorie C. Gooding.

Hope is an eastern window  
Facing the rising sun,  
Where the tide of morning comes  
flooding

When the ebb of the night is done.  
If I had one gift to give you  
To carry you through the night,  
I would give you an eastern window  
To watch for the morning light.

—Gospel Herald.

A Quaker put up a sign on a vacant piece of ground next to his house. It read, "I will give this lot to anyone who is really satisfied."

A wealthy farmer drove by and read the sign. He stopped and meditated, "Since my Quaker friend is going to give that piece away, I may as well have it as anyone else. I have all I need, so why should I not be satisfied, and qualify for the gift?" He went up to the door and explained why he had come.

"And is thee really satisfied?" asked the Quaker.

"I have all I need, and am well satisfied," said the farmer. "So should I not be given this piece of ground?"

"Friend," said the Quaker, "if thee is satisfied, what does thee want with my lot?"

## The Christian Missionary

Not only in the words you say,  
Not only in your deeds confessed,  
But in the most unconscious way  
Is Christ expressed.

Is it a beatific smile?  
A glory light upon your brow?  
Oh no! I felt his presence while  
You laughed just now.

For me 'twas not the truth you  
taught,  
In you so clear, to me so dim,  
But when you came to me you  
brought  
A sense of him.

And from your eyes he beckons me  
And from your heart his love is  
shed,  
Till I lose sight of you and see  
The Christ instead.

## If You Want to be Loved

Don't contradict people, even if you are sure you are right.

Don't be too inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friend.

Don't underrate anything because you don't possess it.

Don't believe that everyone else is happier than you are.

Don't conclude that you have never had any opportunities in life.

Don't believe all the evils you hear.

Don't repeat gossip, even if it does interest a crowd.

Don't jeer at anyone's religious belief.

Learn to hide your aches and pains under a pleasant smile. Few people care whether you have earache, headache or rheumatism.

Learn to attend to your own business.

"Do unto others as you would be done by."

Those who feel it is all right to tell little white lies soon go color-blind.—Firefighter.

A cynical-minded gentleman was standing in front of an exhibition of local art talent labelled "Art Objects."

"Well," he announced to the attendant in charge, "I can't say I blame Art for objecting."





# INTERSTATE CHURCH NEWS

Alice Smith to Elwin Nichols, Highcroft, Tas.

Beverley Barker to Will Geiger, Wattle Park, Vic.

## Fallen Asleep

Mrs. F. Pierson, Glenelg, S.A.

J. C. Atwood, Portland, Vic.

Mrs. H. Hannam, Maylands, S.A.

## Discipleship

Mrs. Bray, Glenda Bray, Beverley Major, Rhonda Dorning, Lynette Nichols, Joy Robinson, Allan Cook, Robert McEwan, Ivanhoe, Vic.

Carolyn Battle, Margaret Brunton, Fullarton, S.A.

Julie Flack, Myra Gorrie, Barbara and Colin Grinter, Christine and Jeanette Rosengreen, Ararat, Vic.

E. Stirling, East Preston, Vic.

Miss M. Saunders, Bruce Ninnies, Forestville, S.A.

Mrs. Johnson, Miss Carter, Lawrence Fletcher, Albert Park, S.A.

B. Topley, Maylands, S.A.

Cheryl Becroft, Lynette Sherwood, James Keatch, Warragul, Vic.

## Membership

Mr. and Mrs. Heitzman, Judith Heitzman, Whyalla to Unley, S.A.

Mr. and Mrs. Nancarrow, John and Rodger Nancarrow, from Balaclava; Mr. and Mrs. P. Bennett, from Beverley; L. Cotton, from Mile End to Glenelg, S.A.

John McGuire from Sunshine; Barbara, Cheryl and John Ring, from Ormond to Ivanhoe, Vic.

Mrs. Oram, from Semaphore; Miss Byatt, from Unley to Fullarton, S.A.

Mrs. V. K. Hateley, Invermay to Launceston, Tas.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Martin, Oakleigh to Boronia, Vic.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Nicholas, Peter Nicholas, Cheltenham to Brighton, Vic.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hibburt, to Carnegie, Vic.

Mrs. Harris, West. Aust. to Sunshine, Vic.

Mr. and Mrs. V. McDowell and Peter, Blackburn to Morwell, Vic.

## Marriage

Rosalie Adams to Peter Johnston, Ivanhoe, Vic.

Marion Craig to Anthony Harber, Brighton, Vic.

## NEW SOUTH WALES

Inverell (G. H. Earle). — B.S. barbecue on property of J. Jackson, celebrated success in Efficiency Campaign. Films later screened in hall. Boys' and girls' club enjoyed slides on Boys' Home (Pendle Hill) after meeting, Sept. 30. Combined churches' picnic held at Inverell station, Oct. 1. Guest speaker, C.W.F. 3rd, Miss McBean (headmistress, Ross Hill Infants' School). B.S. and services continue monthly at Delungra. Splendid services, Oct. 7-8, to mark 56th anniversary of church. W. Palmer (Conf. Pres.), guest speaker at all services. Saturday, Temple Day; chapel open 2 to 4 p.m. for members to spend a short time in prayer and dedication, also to bring thankofferings; total £428. United service of thanksgiving at 7.30 p.m. Sunday services well attended, with many isolated members travelling long distances to be present. Fellowship tea followed by community singing. Inspiring gospel message by Mr. Palmer concluded celebrations.

Hornsby. — R. Bartholomew conducted monthly after-church fellowship, Sept. 17, Oct. 8. B.S. anniversary, Sept. 24. Guest speakers R. Hewitt and E. Oswald. Church supported mission at Asquith. C.W.F. conducted mystery car drive to Clontarf, Oct. 1. Work on manse nearing completion. Recent speakers: Messrs. Cole, Dallinger, Ellerby, Fennell, Matthews, Read, Williams.

Rockdale (C. J. Mackenzie). — Church was host to Bible College faculty, students and staff for tea, Sept. 16. Happy evening held, with 80 at tea and follow-up meeting. Students conducted both services, 17th. A. Leane and D. Croot were speakers and R. Foletta, soloist. Boys' and Girls' Life Brigade paraded at morning service; two young girls made good confession. B.S. anniversary, 24th. L. Thomas (Marrickville) and A. Anderson were speakers. Concert and prize-giving, 26th. Church picnic at Avalon, Labor Day holiday. C.W.F., Oct. 4, had guest speaker, Mrs. Palmer (Inter-Church Council). B.S. picnic, Neilson Park, 7th.

Lismore (F. Leivesley). — 77th anniversary, Oct. 6-9. Special speaker, H. M. Long (Sydney). New church hall at Goonellabah (suburb of Lismore) was opened.

Marrickville (P. E. Thomas - int.). — Attendances well maintained. Recent speakers: F. Manning (Regions Beyond Mission) and Principal A. W.

## AUST. CAPITAL TERRITORY

Canberra (G. R. Stirling, B.A.). — Over 50 Y.P. attended camp, Sturt Island, Sept. 29-Oct. 2. First of two Sundays devoted to B.S. anniversary, Oct. 8, with dedication of teachers and special singing by children. Attendance: 179, a.m.; 231, p.m.; 174, communion.

## TASMANIA

Margaret-st., Launceston (C. J. Robinson). — Sept. averages: a.m., 143; p.m., 78; communion, 126. G. J. Foot spoke, Sept. 3, on behalf B. & F.B.S. C.W.E.F. spring millinery parade raised £26 for Overseas Missions and Church Furnishing Fund. They also visited Nth. Tas. Home for Boys, supplying programme and supper. R. A. Ferrall gave illustrated travel talk on Russia to C.M.S. Ladies from local Dutch congregation visited C.W.A.F. Church badminton team successful in "knockout" tournaments. Several members ill. Following amounts forwarded: Bethany Boys' Hostel, £90; Overseas Missions, £331.

Tasman Peninsula Circuit (E. K. Morrison). — Nubeena-Highcroft: C.M.S. discussed The Church and Social Problems; C.E., Great Men with a Great Faith. Kellevie: Finishing touches put to work undertaken at Bethany prior to opening of new wing. Mr. Wallace (B. & F. B. S.) visited all three churches, screened film, Aboriginal Genesis, 15th to 19th. N.J. Warmbrunn (Conf. Pres.) visited with Mrs. Warmbrunn, 24th.

## QUEENSLAND

Chinchilla (A. Norling). — Orle decision and baptism. C.E. annual rally, P. Woolford guest speaker. C.E. also journeyed to Roma, and took active part in meeting. Many attended Kingaroy for Half-Yearly Conference.



Stephenson (Woolwich). Mrs. R. H. Wakeley, guest speaker C.W.F., Oct. 3, showed slides illustrating trip to World Convention, Edinburgh. Well attended youth gospel service, Oct. 8, Y.P. taking part, and Roger Foletta (Woolwich) giving address. Church family picnic (ten car loads) at Kurrajong Heights, 2nd. Church extends sympathy to family of late Mrs. R. Kennedy.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

**Fullarton (J. C. Cunningham).** — Mr. Wright recovering from serious illness. Ladies' Guild packing Christmas parcels for missionaries. Twenty Y.P. enjoyed camp at Longwood with Henley Beach Y.P.

**Glenelg (C. E. Curtis).** — 36 women from C.W.F. visited Gawler. Dr. Salter (Northfield) spoke to C.M.S. Y.P. meet for Inter-Church Bible study each month. B.S. picnic well attended. C. G. Taylor (Melbourne) speaker a.m., 1st. Minister actively engaged in Conference President's duties.

**Mile End (C. W. Jackel).** — Two decisions for Christ. Fine attendances at services. Men's choir formed. Youth tea (50 present) enjoyed talk on Woolwich College life by Stephen Thomas. Samuel Buli and Graeme Jackel (Woolwich), on vacation, took active part in many services. Training class functioning effectively each week. W. E. Jackel spoke at gospel service. J.C.E. conducted cottage service at home of Mrs. Rawlings. Minister represented W.D. Ministers' Fraternal at naturalisation service. Western Dist's C.E. rally outstanding success; items by juniors much enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Burrow (Bolivia) appreciated at C.E. rally and Women's Fellowship respectively, also Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Roberts (Medical and Bible Mission). B.S. anniversary had excellent attendances and singing. Miss O. Moore efficient leader; C. Jackel, L. Fitzgerald, J. Luff and K. Horne speakers. Films, *No Vacant Chairs* and *Does Christ Live in Your Home?* screened Oct. 1, p.m. Minister has given two series over nine weeks at O.A.C. fellowship. Budget system accepted again on grounds of previous success, having distributed over £416/5/- last quarter alone to brotherhood causes. Youth Council conducted concert at Home for Incurables. Of the 16 who entered B. and F. B. S. Scripture Reading Eisteddfod, four gained distinction. B.S. made increase of 20. H. White now school visitor. A. Pigdon (J.E.W.) spoke at p.m. service.

**Unley (C. H. J. Wright, B.A.).** — Oct. 1, World Communion Sunday featured a.m., when Panisnan Siregar (Indonesia) and Rudolph Chan

(Malaya) read Scripture lessons. M.A. Coombs speaker p.m. Y.P. from 12-14 years attending discipleship class, conducted by minister. Unley choir joined Edwardstown choir in presentation of musical programme to celebrate 2nd anniversary of Edwardstown choir.

**Beverley (W. A. Russell).** — 77th B.S. anniversary, Sept. 24, 27, Oct. 1. Theme, *The Word of God*. Speakers: J. Halbert, Dr. H. Steward, W. Philp. Prize-giving, 27th, included film, *Does Christ Live in Your Home?* screened by Mr. Lucas (B. & F.B.S.); Bible quiz and items by scholars. At after-church fellowship, farewell said to Mr. and Mrs. P. Bennett and family, moved to Glenelg.

**Flinders Park (J. B. Baker).** — Successful anniversary; record attendance and offering. Speakers: J. Lewis, A. Cremin, J. Baker, John Halbert, D. Pearce, B.S. supt. Regular monthly screening of films in new hall. Members of Aborigine Comm. gave talk and showed slides at C.W.F. Ladies making parcel of goods for Woodville Spastic Home. Av. communicants 174; offering, £60.

**Maylands (D. G. Hammer).** — Church saddened by passing of Mrs. H. Hanam, while visiting daughter at Ungarra. Splendid attendances at B.S. anniversary. Special speakers included Rex Chamberlain (an old Maylands boy), Lloyd Jones, B. Burt and R. K. Sansome. C.M.S. invited number of men to special men's service. Mrs. A. Anderson recovered from illness.

**Ungarra.** — Successful B.S. anniversary, Oct. 1, guest speaker, Geoff. Prime (Tumby Bay). Scholars sang well under leadership of Ron Pugsley. Communion services well attended; many families returned from spring holidays. C.Y.F. met for scavenger hunt, Sept. 26; devotions led by Ron Pugsley and barbecue supper enjoyed at home of Keith Lawrie.

**Albert Park (C. E. Watson).** — Y.P. attended united youth tea at Woodville Methodist, Sept. 24. Basketball teams held wind-up social and presentation of trophies, 30th, after successful season. C.W.F. working for sale of works. B.S. picnic held at National Park. 3 have been received into membership by faith and baptism.

**Forestville (N. Gavros).** — Av. communicants, 112. Two Y.P. welcomed into fellowship. 40th B.S. anniversary; theme, *Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever*. Tea for past and present teaching staff followed by scholars' pageant, *Take My Life*. J.C.E. members held social. A. S. Tinsley spoke to Y.P.S.C.E. Basketball premierships won by girls' A and boys' A, B and F grade teams. Every player in first three of these premierships teams is member of church.

**Tarpeena (R. V. Holmes).** — First birthday party G.L.B. held, and chapel packed with parents and friends. Evening was conducted by leader, Captain B. Smith. Church visited by A. R. Jones (S.A. Social Service Director), who spoke at p.m. service.

**Grote-st., Adelaide (L. E. Jones, B.A.).** — Oct. 1 saw first of Christian Forum programmes, when C. G. Taylor (editor *The Australian Christian*) was guest speaker. Choir sang anthems. B.S. picnic at Morialta, 9th. Dr. Duff Forbes, World President J.E.W., speaker at special rally in chapel, 8th. Mr. Taber and Miss West convalescing. C.Y.F. entertained at tea by Mr. and Mrs. Brooks at Allenby Gardens, 6th.

## VICTORIA

**Ivanhoe (H. W. Street).** — Four tennis teams reached finals of winter comps., one team becoming premiers in their grade. Annual business meeting held, all auxiliaries showing good interest. Following elected: elders, Messrs. Anderson, Dorning, Earl, Rowe; deacons, Messrs Fisher, Chipperfield, Prentice, Hammett, L'Green, Nankivell, Launder; B.S. supt., A. Reed; deaconesses, Mrs. Street, Mrs. Anderson. Fortnightly after-church fellowship meetings continued with good attendance. 44 Y.P. enjoyed hike and barbecue on Show Day.

**Carnegie (A. R. Lloyd).** — Miss N. Brown (Dandenong) soloist, p.m., Sept. 24. After-church song session held at home of Mr. and Mrs. Mudge. Tennis team finished 2nd. B.S. anniversary, Oct. 1 and 8. Speakers: W. Marshall (Glen Waverley), C. Stebbins (Youth for Christ); G. Moyes (Ascot Vale), A. R. Lloyd. Singing under leadership of I. Ferguson. Members assisting New Life mission at East Bentleigh. Table tennis team runners-up in finals. Explorers won outdoor sports. Five boys made good confession. Eight Y.P. received 100 per cent. school marking. Mrs. W. Hawkins home after surgery.

**Caulfield (R. C. Dixon).** — Family camp, Oct. 6-8, at National Fitness Camp, Mt. Evelyn; 68 members attending. Film, *I Beheld His Glory*, screened on the Saturday night. Campers returned for evening service, Sunday. W. A. Brown conducted a.m. service whilst minister was at camp. R. Story home from Mexico.

**Gardiner (F. A. Youens).** — Bright singing conducted by Graeme Williams feature of happy B.S. anniversary services, Sept. 24; Oct. 1, Ron Brooker and local speakers brought appropriate messages. B.S. girl and a father made good confession. At p.m. service, Oct. 8, B.S. lad confessed Christ, and young lady made re-consecration. Over that weekend,



Hamilton ladies made return visit to C.W.E.F. and church enjoyed fellowship at worship.

**Maryborough** (R. E. Pritchard). — Successful B.S. anniversary, Oct. 1; singing was credit to leadership of Bev. Drake. R. W. Brooker (Melbourne) guest speaker. Anniversary continued, 8th, with primary and kinder. In afternoon, Mrs. A. Barnard (Salvation Army) guest speaker, and scholars received prizes. At conclusion of evening service, with R. Pritchard as speaker, teenage boy accepted Christ. Midlands youth rally held in chapel, 7th, with representation from five sister churches.

**Mitcham** (K. Bowes, M.A.). — Kinder hall painted by men. Cottage prayer meetings continue well attended. B.S. anniversary, Oct. 1-8. Visiting speakers: E. J. Miles, L. Seith, R. C. Horman. Feature of anniversary singing by scholars, under leadership of D. Beasy. Some achievements in B.S. during year were: Primary dept. begun and equipped; film projector and film strips purchased; youth teas and school socials held regularly. Av. attendance scholars, 82. Church combines with local churches in after-church prayer meetings for Leighton Ford Crusade.

**Boronia** (J. A. Manallack). — Avs. Sept.: a.m., 128; p.m., 51; communicants, 113; B.S., 154. On Sept. 24, minister exchanged pulpits with W. Thomson (Croydon). Mr. Whitby (Sudan United Mission) spoke p.m., Oct. 1, and screened film of Mission's work in Africa. Successful family camp, Monbulk, Oct. 6-8, with nearly 70 members in attendance, including over 20 C.Y.F. members. R. Hillier (Thornbury) capably led studies. Speakers, 8th: E. Baxter and F. Olsen. At C.M.S. tea, cartoonist, Bruce Petty (Doncaster), spoke of tour of South-East Asia. Church farewelled Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hibburt, who left district after many years of loving service at Boronia. C.Y.F. held debate with Bayswater C.Y.F.

**Brighton** (S. H. Wilson). — Sept. avs.: a.m., 130; p.m., 82; communicants, 137. School concert outstanding success. Nine new scholars recently added. Minister conducting series of discipleship classes. Organ recital held 24th, proceeds of which will aid St. Andrews C. of E. Rebuilding Fund. Several valuable reference books added to library. S. Lowe spoke to C.M.S. on South America, Oct. 2. 37 Y.P. attended C.S.F. breakfast at N. R. Arnott's home; Ward Patterson (U.S.A.) speaker. W. E. Stockton (B. & F.B.S.) addressed church, 8th. Frank Yates recovered from accident. Mrs. Merle Davey home from hospital.

**East Preston** (T. V. Weir). — Girls' Day observed, Oct. 1; Good Companions paraded both services. Organ-

ist, J. James, has resumed services after surgery. B.S. appeal for £25 for Ranwadi was over subscribed. Church congratulates E. Trewella and K. Chatley, who have qualified as Youth Club leaders. C.W.F. raised £130 from jumble sale and apron parade. At C.W.F. church parade, 8th, a club member made her decision for Christ. Midweek fellowship prayer group attracting good attendances.

**Mildura** (R. Hilford). — A. Anderson visited Sunraysia for week and addressed C.W.F. district Overseas Mission rally. He also shared his experiences with church and auxiliaries at Sunday services and during week meetings. School anniversary, Oct. 1-8. Speakers: R. V. Longthorp (Assoc. Dir., Dept. Christian Ed.), V. C. Stafford (Fed. Board Christian Ed.), Mrs. Briguet (Baptist, Mildura) and R. Hilford. Building of new school hall progressing.

**Swan Hill** (G. A. Harrison). — Good attendances both services on Oct. 8. I. Baker (B. & F.B.S.) speaker p.m. Saturday night fellowship, Sept. 30, had good attendance. Church planning series of meetings with Youth for Christ team. Mr. Anderson, snr., has left hospital after surgery. Minister will work full-time in district during College vacation.

**Kaniva** (G. A. Grainger). — B.S. picnic held Bills Gully, Sept. 23. Youth Fellowship held games, barbecue and films on lighted Adelphi tennis courts. J. J. Potts spoke at Y.P.S.C.E. on Politics. Family church school, Oct. 1; third series on Light of the World. B.S. anniversary same day. Explorers have 35 on roll and av. of 26.

**Noble Park** (W. P. Payne). — Many members prevented by sickness and age from attending services. Sympathy of church extended to minister, wife and family in Home call of Mr. Payne, snr. W. W. Saunders (Vic. Temperance Alliance) speaker a.m., 24th. Churches of Christ Choral Society provided concert, 21st, proceeds in aid of Sewing Room to be built by J. Edwards, New Hebrides. Youth auxiliaries report happy fellowship and increased membership.

**Northcote** (A. B. Withers). — B.S. anniversary, Oct. 1. Cradle Roll and kinder, prizes presented in afternoon. K. Mason (C.O.B.) speaker, p.m. Children sang well under leadership of J. McDonald (Rosanna Baptist) at both services. Innovation was project display in hall, where lesson books and work of scholars, along with new lesson material, were on show.

**Surrey Hills** (R. A. Ryall). — Sept. 24, Temple Day service, held a.m., with speaker W. F. Nankivell (former minister). Offering £739. B.S. anniversary afternoon and evening, with

John Lloyd and R. Ryall speakers. Children sang at both services under leadership of Max Carr. Weekend family camp held Monbulk, 29th. Much fellowship enjoyed; good work done in study groups under direction of Miss Bonnie Bates and minister.

**Morwell - Newborough** (L. G. Armstrong). — Several members travelled to Warragul, 7th, to attend Field Day with Gippsland Churches of Christ. W. A. Thompson (Conf. Pres.) spoke a.m. service, 8th. To raise funds for purchase of additional equipment in B.S., teachers held social evening, when £12 was raised. In conjunction with midweek prayer meeting, Home and Family Fellowship Study Group has been introduced, with specially prepared audio-visual aids. Church welcomed family into membership.

**Chelsea** (K. Hank - K. Hilli). — Man baptised p.m., Oct. 1. C.Y.F. tidied church property and planted flowers. After-church fellowship at home of Mr. and Mrs. A. King. 45 athletes, parents and friends attended annual inter-club sports, when Junior Explorers gained 2nd place. V. Longthorp (Assoc. Director, Dept. Christian Ed.) guest speaker a.m. service. B.S. anniversary attracted large congregations. Speakers: A. Lake, L. Brooker. Singing led by R. Ratten.

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**CLINTON (McArthur).** — On Oct. 9, at Margaret Coles, to Norma and Ken., 413 Mountain-hwy., Bayswater, Vic., God's gift of a son — Peter Norman. Both well. Baby brother for Wayne, Janis, John and Andrew.

**RYALL (Galloway).** — On Oct. 8, at St. George's, Kew, Vic., to Betty and Roger, a daughter — Heather Frances. Both well.

**DEATH**

**HANSEN** — Alice May, on Sept. 19, 1961, our beloved sister, who passed to be with her Lord. "Until the day dawns and shadows flee away."  
—Will and Dorothy Nightingale, W.A.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**DAVIS** — Ethelbert, called to be with the Master, Oct. 6, 1956. Cherished and fadeless memories of a wonderful father.  
—Heather and Len Rasmussen.

**LE PAGE.** — In fond and loving memory of my dear wife, Lucy Lynda, mother of Theo., Frank, Vern., Dorothy, Jean and Len, who was called Home, Oct. 11, 1957.

"In the sweet by and by

We shall meet on that beautiful shore."

—Inserted by Everest and family.

**CROSSFIELD.** — In loving memory of my husband and our father, Ernest Samuel, passed away Oct. 18, 1960.

—Inserted by his wife and family.

**CROSSFIELD.** — In loving memory of Ern., died Oct. 18, 1960, brother-in-law of Merle, Elsie and Bill, Nell and Harry and families.

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**FLEET - REYNOLDS.** — Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Fleet, Whorouly, Vic., have pleasure in announcing the 25th anniversary of their wedding celebrated on Oct. 17, 1936, at Warracknabeal Church of Christ, by the late G. T. Black.

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## OBITUARY

Verona Vetella Goode.

On Thursday, Sept. 28, the church at Murwillumbah, N.S.W., was saddened as Mrs. R. F. Goode passed away after an illness of seven weeks. Her memory will ever be held in tender regard by the church for which she did so much. For seven years Mrs. Goode provided a meeting place in her home for the church at Murwillumbah, and right up until the time of her death she was C.W.F. treasurer. Mrs. Goode made her confession of faith and was baptised, Feb. 9, 1930, by the late William M. Ewers at Hamilton, N.S.W. Since then she has served the Lord faithfully and well in the churches at Hamilton, Rockdale, Inverell and Murwillumbah. As the wife of the headmaster of the Murwillumbah High School, Mrs. Goode won the esteem and affection of the entire community by the way in which she gave unstinting support to her husband in his work. Evidence of this esteem was seen at the funeral service, which was conducted in the Church of England building by B. E. Cavill, in the presence of an estimated seven hundred mourners. Those present were drawn from every denomination in the district, including the Roman Catholic Church. All Protestant ministers attended. There were over two hundred wreaths, and a guard of honor was formed by High School students and members of the Ladies' Bowling Club. Rob Goode, a son, was organist for the service. To her husband, R. F. Goode, her daughter Peg, and her son Rob, the church extends its deepest sympathy. —B. E. Cavill.

John C. Atwood.

The death occurred of John C. Atwood on Sept. 20 at the Portland and District Hospital, Vic., after several weeks of patient suffering. Mr. Atwood made his confession of faith and was baptised nearly four years ago. During recent months he had suffered much, but always remained bright in himself. He was aged 77 years when called Home by his Heavenly Father. During his membership he was regular in his attendance, and made steady spiritual growth. He was loved for his quiet and sincere nature. We rejoice in the faith which he had in Jesus Christ. To his wife and children we express our sympathy in his departure from us, but gladly look for that day of resurrection when we shall be united in Christ. Services were conducted at the Portland chapel and cemetery on the 22nd. We pray God's comfort for his loved ones, and commend them to his love and care. —C. G. Henderson.

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On Sunday, Sept. 24, our young sister fell asleep in Christ just a few days before her 23rd birthday. She was baptised at Malvern-Caulfield, Vic., in 1953, and continued in faithful discipleship, exhibiting always a beautiful Christian character. She was her Form captain when at Mac-Robertson Girls' High School, and commanded the respect of all in all places. Before her marriage to Max Parnell (whom she met at Monbulk Youth Camp), when her parents moved to Glen Iris, she gave time and service to the clubs and B.S. at East Malvern, but continued in her worship at Malvern. After her marriage she lived at East Oakleigh, and eventually transferred to the Oakleigh church. Her life was too short to have accomplished all that a long life can do and her generation is the poorer without her. But she has left to us memories that shall be cherished. To her husband (who has been bereaved of parents and wife since his marriage) and small son Mark, her parents (Mr. and Mr. W. Leng, of Canberra), sisters Nancy (Mrs. Reg. Williams), Jennifer and brother Tony, loving sympathy is extended. This was shown by the very large gathering and floral tributes at the Malvern-Caulfield chapel and the lawn cemetery at Springvale where services were conducted by the preacher of the Oakleigh church, E. J. Miles, assisted by the writer. We thank God for the hope that we have in Christ and that her spirit, serene and bright, is in his keeping.—W. J. Thomson.

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