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THE THIRD THREAT

There are many things that make it harder today to win a harvest for Christ. Secular influences are growing stronger and self-declared atheists are more numerous. Within the church there are increasing doubts of the relevancy of God to our daily life, and this is weakening the witness of Christians. This war on two fronts is difficult enough, but there is a third power that is daily growing in strength.

The third power is found in the fact that as Asian peoples are passing through revolutionary changes, they are turning to their ancestral religions with a new hope. Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam have in recent times become even more significant in the life and thought of Asian peoples.

Paul Devanandan, Director of the Christian Institute for the Study of Religion and Society in Bangalore, India, said, "These resurgent faiths are determining factors in the national and international outlook of modern man today. Whatever form the modern revival may take, whether in the case of the intellectual, the common man, or the illiterate villager, it finds expression in a new sense of pride which is sensitive to criticism or disapproval. Non-Christians everywhere make the claim, 'Our religion is as good as any other.'" The three ancient religions each claims to have the answer to the sickness of the world and often charges that Christianity is not able to find a cure.

Another writer, L. Harold de Wolf, of the Boston University School of Theology, has said that earlier Protestant missionaries to Asia generally gave a rather low estimate of the religions they encountered. Such religions did not appear to offer any serious competition with regard to moral and spiritual values. There has now been a marked change that is not explained by a more generous understanding on the part of the missionaries in the field. The religions themselves have changed, and they now offer much more that is morally and spiritually attractive.

We must rejoice in ethical advances wherever they are seen, but we must face the realities of the situation where the ancient religions are now presenting a unity which the Christian churches have not achieved, and a missionary enthusiasm which often puts the home churches of the missionaries to shame.

The rising of this third power in the form of reactivated ancient religions applies more to India than to our other mission fields, but there will be significant changes in New Guinea and the New Hebrides as opportunities come there for the expression of nationalism and social advance.

It is obvious that more and more demands will be made of us at home and abroad if we are to be true to our Christian mission. We must strengthen the Church with the assurance that comes to a people that knows that it is the body of Christ. We must enter the secular world with the conviction that it is also God's world and can be won for him. And we must dedicate ourselves, our missionary servants, and our material resources for the declaration that Christ is indeed, and alone, the Saviour of mankind.

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A DEFINITION FOR OVERSEAS MISSIONS

BY R. S. A. McLEAN

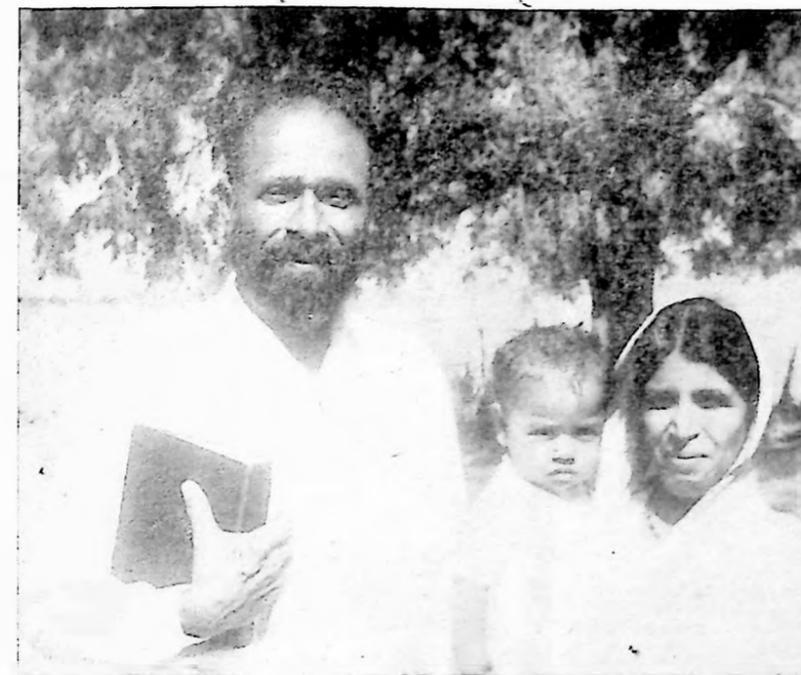
A church study group was once asked to explain the meaning of Overseas Missions. They arrived at this answer: "Overseas Missions is taking Christ to the Nations. Missionaries leave their own land and travel overseas to take Christ to others."

The definition seems to be reasonable, but it is wrong, because we do not take Christ anywhere. Jesus never said, "Take me," but "Follow me." Dr. D. T. Niles said, "A missionary does not take Jesus Christ to Africa. Jesus Christ takes him there."

Wherever we go we find that Jesus Christ is there before us. To Dr. Niles we owe the great emphasis on the "previousness of Jesus." Jesus is always before us in any situation, making the mission of the Church fall into place as only part of the mission of God.

If we cannot define Overseas Missions as taking Christ to other lands what explanation can we give? The answer is found in Paul's sermon which he preached to men of Athens on Mars' Hill. When speaking about the Unknown God, Paul said, "Him declare I unto you." Declaring Christ to men is the mission of the church and Overseas Missions is simply the church in one land fulfilling this mission in another. Following Christ, a missionary goes to India and proclaims, "Christ is here, him declare I unto you."

When Christ was born in Bethlehem, an angel declared his coming into the world by saying to the shepherds, "Behold I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord." When Christ returns the voice of the archangel shall declare his coming. An angel declared his first coming into the world, an angel shall announce the return of Christ in person, but in the period between



Christ is declared to people at Shrigonda, India, through the Witness of Pastor and Mrs. Dongre.

these two great events, God has given men the task of bringing men the good news that, here and now, Christ is at the door of their hearts.

Christ is in the uttermost parts of the earth; he is in the most remote village; he is at the door of every man's heart, but millions pass through this world without knowing that Christ is so near, because no one declares him to them.

Christ has commissioned us to declare him by preaching his gospel to every creature. He has given this task to men, not to angels — let us not fail him.

How do we declare Christ overseas? Jesus revealed himself to men as he fed the hungry, demonstrated his love to little children, gave peace of mind to the demon-possessed, healed the sick, restored sight to the blind, and went into the towns and villages proclaiming the gospel.

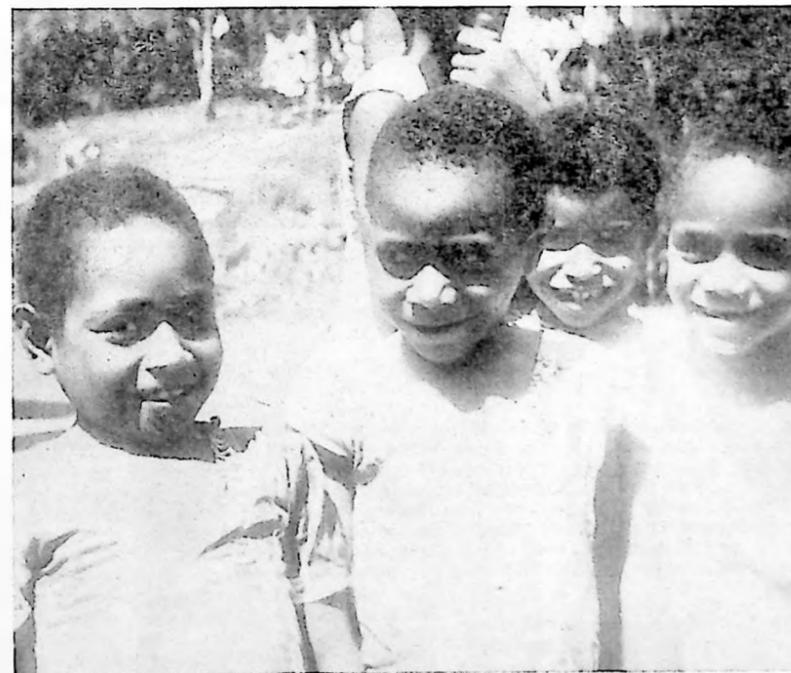
By continuing in this ministry commenced by Christ himself, we declare Christ to men and thus fulfil the mission Christ has given to us.

Australian Churches of Christ declare Christ to people overseas by . . .

- Providing food for famine-stricken people.
- Maintaining Homes for destitute children in India.
- Teaching 2,500 children in mission schools.
- Healing fevered and pain-wracked bodies in Mission Hospitals.
- Distributing Christian Literature.
- Enrolling students in India, Malaysia, Singapore, Nepal, in Bible Correspondence.
- Preparing young people for the ministry.
- Preaching the gospel in homes, villages and towns.

Only a few actually leave our shores and follow Christ to another land, but all may participate by praying earnestly and giving liberally. Without going overseas you can say to someone in India, "Christ is here, him declare I unto you" as you faithfully support those who have gone forward.

The Annual Offering which will be received on SUNDAY, JULY 3, will provide an opportunity for you to participate in the mission of Christ overseas.



Christ is Declared by Caring for New Hebridean Children in Schools and Hospitals.



Labourers Together — Reg. Combridge and Mark Liu, an Island Church Leader, saw timber for the New Church Building.

ADVANCES IN TECHNICAL EDUCATION

BY
REG. COMBRIDGE

What is wrong with Missions and missionaries today? What next, a Technical School? Why don't they get on with preaching the gospel?

Well may these be the thoughts of some! Let us explore the reasons, and then decide our attitude. On the Island of Maewo, at Nasawa village, we conduct a technical school. We have two fine cement brick workshops and, we pray, soon a new school building, if funds are forthcoming.

Over the years education has been part of the task of the Missions because there has been no other education for these people. If they are to read the Word of God they must be taught to read. And so the task of teaching and assisting those less fortunate than ourselves becomes a part of our task in presenting the gospel to these people and demonstrating the love of the All-Compassionate Saviour.

We have people living in houses where whole families — parents, teenagers and babes in arms, cook, eat and sleep to-

gether. We train boys to use tools, train them to build, in permanent materials, better homes, better furniture out of the materials at hand. When Christ comes into the heart, he also comes into the home, so people in the Islands want to build better homes for a better way of life. They need to be, and are taught basic fundamentals in the Technical School.

Above all this stands a challenging and startling fact. The British Government has a plan to hand the administration over to the New Hebrideans within the next six years. There are also other powers who are vitally interested in this move. What will become of the work of the Mission? It must be handed over to the indigenous church as soon as possible.

In fact, we may have to pass on the whole responsibility sooner than we may hope. What of our buildings, hospitals, boats, engines, electric plants, X-rays and all the valuable equipment in use? It is imperative that we advance our technical education with haste and train

workers in all fields to be able to maintain and operate all these things. We have good workshops, dormitories, but no school. This has been passed by the field and the Board, but to date there is insufficient funds.

To train Christian young men to carry on this work, and to lay their talents at his feet in the service of the church is going to cost them, us, and you, something. Much has been done, but there is a great deal yet to be done.

Let us together hear his voice, and lift up our eyes and look to the harvest as we support the Overseas Missions Offering, and dedicate what we offer, and the work we do in his Name, ever remembering — "THE NIGHT COMETH WHEN NO MAN CAN WORK."

Since Mr. Combridge submitted this article the Campbell Edwards Trust in Victoria has offered \$2000.00 towards the erection of the classroom on Maewo, provided a further \$2000.00 is contributed by gifts forwarded to the Federal Overseas Mission Board for this purpose.

ZACCHAEUS: PASTOR — TEACHER

BY J. EDWARDS

Zacchaeus is a married man, with three of his own children, and three others for whom he cares. He was one of the first boys from Pentecost, in the New Hebrides, to go to Londua, and finished his studies several years ago. Since then he has been the village school teacher at Ranmawat. Last year he was given the opportunity of attending a short Teacher Training Course at the Teachers' Training School at Vila. He is now on one year's probation, and should, at the end of the year, be registered with the Government as a teacher.

He studied at Londua with the view of

becoming a pastor-teacher, and he has been just that. He shares in the leadership of C.E., prayer meetings and singing class. He teaches the young people to sing as a choir, presides at the Lord's Supper, and is a forceful preacher. When no missionary is available he conducts the funeral services for his people.

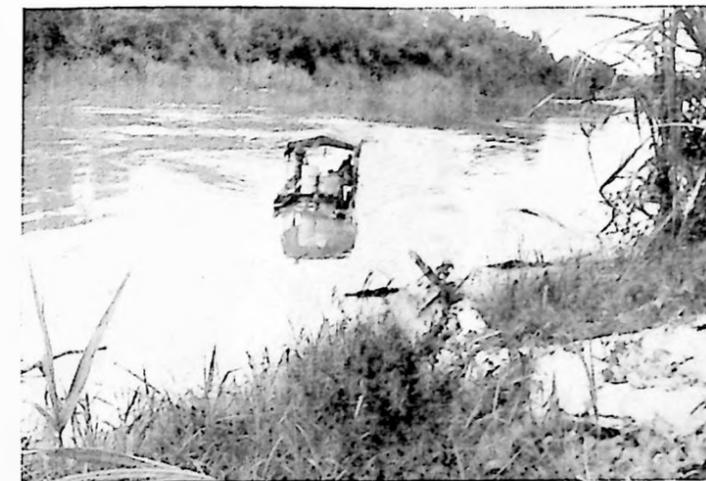
His wife is a deaconess, and takes her turn in cleaning the church, the preparation of the Lord's Table, and assists in the baptism of female candidates. She also shares in the leadership of Women's Fellowship. When a child has

been unable to attend school, because they were a long distance from a school, Zacchaeus and his wife, Lilly, in several instances have taken the child into their home and cared for that child until he or she was ready to come to Ranwadi for school.

He has a real concern that the people should walk in the way of Christ, and at times is outspoken when some of the people start to do things which are contrary to the Spirit of Christ. He has been deeply challenged by the call of our New Guinea Christians for a New Hebridean teacher to go to New Guinea as a missionary teacher.

NEW GUINEA AFTER EIGHT YEARS

BY F. W. BEALE,
Chairman, N.G. Field Council.



The Ramu River flows much the same . . .

The Ramu flows much the same after eight years, yet there are changes. Here new sandbanks, as we learn when the canoe runs on them, where before it was deep water. Here a new channel.



. . . but Changes Are Taking Place.
Soma and his wife Ana after baptism.

It is almost a picture of the work in New Guinea. Changes take place so slowly that they are hard to see from day to day.

The people follow their traditional ways. A few hours' work a day to get the basic food. The bulk of the time is still spent sitting, waiting for the material benefits of life to fall in their laps. The money that the mission has paid out for services and goods has meant more axes, clothes and household items. But that is superficial change. Take away the Mission and they would be back where they were eight years ago.

The people wanted schools. Where once children wandered aimlessly about the villages or bush, now they can brightly answer in English or read sensibly from books. But as far as we can see, nowhere yet is there any endeavour to apply what has been learnt to better their daily lives.

Tung population has grown from 128 to 175 people in eight years. Before the Mission came, deaths kept pace with births. Now medicine brought by the

Mission is saving lives. But the people are still ready to sit, amid flies and mosquitoes, getting the same old sicknesses. Yet underlying these unchanging ways, there are some fundamental differences.

Where once each and everyone was governed by their own emotions and their own personal ancestral spirits, now some at least allow God to work in their lives. A church has come into being. Men and women have submitted themselves to God, and in New Guinea that is a radical change. Traditionally no man was boss or chief. Each was a law to himself. One would ally himself to another for mutual benefit, but the allegiance could be terminated at any time at will of either.

Now some are learning that allegiance to God demands their total surrender, which is not to be terminated at will. It takes time, there is rebellion at times, but step by step some at least are moving towards that committal. The changes are there, under the surface.

WITNESSING FOR CHRIST IN NEW GUINEA SCHOOLS

How much store do we set by education? Do we realise what it means for us, just to be able to read and express ourselves? Having been here in New Guinea, I realise more and more what a privilege it has been to have the opportunity of schooling.

The people here in the Ramu area are just beginning to see the advantages of education. However, their aims in having education are somewhat different to ours in giving education. Prestige and prosperity come to those with education, and these folk are now conscious of their lack as they see educated Papuans and New Guineans doing work previously done by Europeans, and the odd few from neighbouring villages who have good jobs outside the area.

In our schools we have endless opportunities of witnessing for Christ. Above all we have the privilege of introducing these children to him "whom to know is

BY ROSALIE ROFE

life eternal." The daily Scripture lessons are keenly listened to and absorbed. How far this goes in influencing parents and other folk we don't know, but the Holy Spirit will use what is told by these children as they go home and retell these stories.

Already children from the schools have become Christians and are seeking to witness for Christ in school and at home in the villages. One lad at Chungribu

takes a turn once a month, leading a service in an outer village. His glowing face as he returns is evidence of the joy he finds in this service.

Doors are wide open to us to send teachers to establish schools in other villages. In fact, few weeks pass without someone alluding to a future school in his village. One feels most inadequate and in a quandary when told, "You must talk strong to all Australia (i.e., the church) to send us some teachers." What our answer is to be depends on YOU.

A DAY IN THE VILLAGES

BY INEZ GROVES

Already it is hot and we know that, whatever else lies ahead, there will be plenty of heat from the sun, very little shade, lots of dust and lots of people. Always people, for this is India, with her teeming millions scattered throughout thousands of little villages, as well as in the big cities.

By 8.30 a.m. we are at the Mission Compound in Shrigonda to be greeted by fifty-odd patients. The day's work of ministering to the needs of the sick has begun. As we work, our Bible-woman and evangelist speak to the patients and children of their need of Christ. By 4.30 p.m. we have finished consulting, and set out for Bhangav. This is a small village, the people extremely poor, many have not sufficient money for food, let alone medicines, and all seem to wear a look of hopelessness.

Each week we see familiar faces, such as the young father, a leper, who comes for tablets; the little ten-year-old girl, just recently married, who is anaemic; babies suffering from gastro-enteritis; children with boils, others with T.B. — the list is endless. Always people, always sick folk needing help. An old Granny comes, carrying a little three-year-old girl. She is a very sick little one, and, after being examined, Dr. Thomas says she must come into Dhond for specialist treatment. His provisional diagnosis is T.B. Meningitis. "How can we come to



Using the Mobile Dispensary, a team of Evangelistic and Medical Workers regularly visit Villages far from Dhond Hospital.

Dhond? Just give us tablets, even an injection, and she will be all right."

The answer comes back, "If she is not brought to Dhond she will die; she is very, very sick, you must bring her in with us tonight." But still they answer, "No." The villagers have gathered and try to force them to take the child for treatment. Isaac, our evangelist, tries to explain how desperately sick she is, all to no avail. We see the Granny and father walking off home with the little girl. Taking her to die in the darkness of their little mud and brick house.

Something has gone out of our day. We feel sad, helpless, and frustrated as we drive off to Dhorja, our next village. Darkness has fallen, and again the enormity of the task before us is seen.

These people are so ignorant. Where can we begin to educate them? They are bound in the evil and darkness of superstition, ignorance. They live in a world where love is not known, where there is no hope, and no God to hear them.

On the other hand we are surrounded by love and hope. We pray, and God hears, loves and cares. Brethren, How do we bridge the gap, how do we communicate God's love to the heathen and the lost? How?

Jesus said, "It is not the will of your Father . . . that ONE of these little ones should perish."

God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself . . . and hath committed unto US the Word of Reconciliation.

THESE BOYS CAME TO CHRIST

BY DOROTHY GEYER



Boys from Baramati Boys' Home.

Today three boys from the Baramati Boys Home are being baptized. All three were committed to our care by the Juvenile Court. Harshwan has no father. Ankush's Hindu father had leprosy and died last year. Neither has heard from his mother for over six months. Shankar's father is a leper also, and has three "wives." These are the boys who have come to Christ for salvation and life.

Harshwan is eighteen. He says that he believes Jesus is the Son of God and his Saviour, and that when the pastor recently asked who wished to be baptized, he decided it was high time he accepted Christ openly. He displays the fruit of the Spirit. Not specially clever, he studies conscientiously; given any task, he performs it faithfully, and he is always keen to share in the church's witness to Christ.

Ankush is also nearly eighteen. He says that he needed, and has found, Christ's forgiveness of sin. His heart is fixed. His grasp of the gospel is sure and happy, and he is determined to be Christ's good follower.

Shankar is sixteen. He says, "Master (Boys' Home Supervisor) has often preached to me, and I've really loved Jesus for a long time."

All these boys have been with us since they were very small, and how good it is that, in spite of such sad backgrounds, they have been provided with a Christian home in which they can respond so naturally to the love of Christ.

OUTREACH IN MALAYSIA

BY HAZEL SKUCE

"My Word shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that for which it was sent."

In our day one of the most important things that we can do is to teach. In our churches the teaching ministry is paramount. In many of our homes neighbourhood Bible Classes are formed. In our contacts with men, saved and unsaved, we seek opportunities to teach the truth of God. No lasting Christian work has been done without gospel literature. God caused his revealed message to be committed to writing, and preserved as an authoritative and infallible guide for believers.

Today, on the mission field we have realised the need there is for Bible teaching. We have been able to share in meeting this need with the Bible Correspondence Course. Not only have we our share of this ministry within India, but we have been used in the outreach into Malaysia. Today, throughout Sabah, Malaysia, we have a large number of



teenagers and others enrolled in the Bible Correspondence Courses.

With all of the students who are enrolled from Malaysia, there is not one who has had a Christian background. What a great opportunity we have in giving these young people the Word of God. Many of these students, in this coming year, will be taking their places in the world, and we have the privilege of leading these young minds in the right paths.

In one of the High Schools where we have a large enrolment of students, we have at least fifteen young people of the Matriculation class doing the Course. These young people have an average age of 17½ years. It was one of these young men, a Muslim, who wrote and said that he was willing to follow the commands of Jesus.

To us has the responsibility been given to reach these young people for Christ and to give to them the Words of Life. Let us not fail in this great task.

I AM A CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM

BY H. M. WAGHMODE

In response to our advertisement for teachers in a daily newspaper, a Mohomedan University graduate wrote for work in our Mission High School, Baramati. He is a graduate in Persian and Urdu languages. In his application, at the end he wrote, "I am a candidate for baptism." To his application he has attached a certificate from a pastor, who also at the end wrote these words, "He is a candidate for baptism." Now you will wonder how this has come about.

It is simply this. The man has been studying the Bible through a Bible Correspondence Course. At times when he found some difficulties he went to the pastor for help and explanation. As he was reading the Word of God with an open mind the light of God was entering his heart and illuminating his mind and soul. As more and more light came to him the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour began to dawn in his heart. As a result of all this, now he is willing to put all his faith upon the Lord Jesus as his Saviour and is willing to be baptized.

There may be hundreds of such people who feel shy of standing and listening to the gospel preached on the road side, but are quietly, honestly and secretly seeking the truth about God and his way of salvation. As Jesus of Nazareth is that Way, the Truth and the Life, and we are his living evidences, his gospel must go forth with all power and force in this hungry and dying world of ours.

Is it, then, worthwhile to preach? Of course it is more than worthwhile! It is worthwhile not only because of its visible results, but also because of invisible, impellent imperative of the Lord Jesus, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

It is not fruit, but faith, not visible results, but the invisible power of God in us that forces us out into the world to preach, teach and baptize.

We do thank God for your partnership in preaching the gospel of Christ, and solicit your continued prayers for such many quiet seekers and secret believers in the Lord Jesus.



and application cards for the Bible Correspondence Course are available from racks. Display boards on the wall highlight current events, places, organisations and Bible Text Posters. These often bring forth comments which lead to opportunities to speak more about the things of Christ and salvation. This was especially noticeable during Christmas, Easter and Bible Correspondence Course displays.

The weekly evangelistic meeting is held outside the Library, and Bible Filmstrips are screened on the Library wall. Boarding boys assist with music and singing, and Pastor S. A. Jadhav usually gives the message and filmstrip commentary. Every two months we have a programme of movie films, which are made up of educational, health and Biblical films. Attendances at these meetings vary from 50 to over 200, most being non-Christians, and at least half those present are children.

BARAMATI FRIENDSHIP CENTRE

(Est. 1947)

BY R. POWELL

A blackout had just plunged us into darkness. Waiting for the lights to come on again, conversation developed with two men who had been reading newspapers in the Friendship Centre. One commented on the darkness of the night, and soon the librarian, Satwaji Jadhav, began talking about how mankind is in darkness, but Jesus Christ has said, "I am the Light of the world, he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." We talked with these two men for some time and finally gave them a Marathi Gospel each as they were leaving.

Work and opportunities at the Friendship Centre are many and varied. We have two sections, one for men and the other for women. Books and magazines may be borrowed in English, Marathi and Hindi. Daily papers and copies of the Bible are also on tables for reading. There is a bookstall with Bibles and Christian books for sale. Facilities are provided for playing table tennis. Tracts

THE LOVE OF CHRIST CONSTRAINETH US . . .

A few months ago there came to Ranmawat Hospital a young woman from a neighbouring island. She was one of the most difficult patients I have nursed, and one of the most ungrateful. Constantly demanding, complaining, and almost never saying "thank you." She suffered from a chronic illness which affected her personality. An illness difficult enough to bear in an enlightened country where medical help is no further away than the end of the telephone; but an intolerable burden out here, where all members of the com-

munity need to be able to do their share in the gardens, and where the nature of any illness is little understood, and a chronic illness less so; where those who complain, or are ungrateful, are left to fend for themselves.

Many were the talks that I had with the nurses, helping them to understand that this girl's difficult nature was the result of her illness, and that she needed all the love and care we could give her. Little improvement was shown, in spite of our treatment, but she did have some remissions when she was more cheerful.

By Sister JEAN DELANEY -
New Hebrides.

After three months here she went to Ndul Ndul for further investigations, but she worsened and died there — alone and unwanted. We later learned that she came from a backward village and was the number two wife, and that her death was little mourned.

While she was here she heard the Good News of Christ — did she respond? We may never know, but we do know that because of His constraining love her last months were a little happier and more comfortable than the long years before.

TELLING THE PEOPLE ABOUT CHRIST . . .

I had often wondered just how I would go about "telling people about Christ." Previously my opportunities of witnessing for him were not many, but by his grace he has given me such a chance to do this that I can only "Stand All Amazed" before him in wonder and awe.

One particular person to whom I witnessed is foremost in my thoughts. He was an elderly man who came into the "House Boy" where I was staying in the small village of Pir, and sat down by a few smouldering embers that was

all that remained of a cooking fire.

I at once had the "sureness" that here was a person whom the Lord had sent to me, that I might tell him of Christ. We were alone, apart from a dog or two, sleeping on the ground nearby. As I mentioned, I was sure the Lord had sent this man to me, so without further ado, I asked him if he knew Christ. His answer was in the negative, "Mi no savi." I commenced by asking him about the spirits and gods he and his people worshipped, what they did for him, and if he had ever spoken

BY JOHN GRAHAM
New Guinea

with them. He seemed to ponder over this for some time, and then finally came the reply, "No."

I spoke with this man for a little while, telling him of Christ and his love, and how he lives eternally and offers this same eternal life to all who will believe.

I know not the outcome of this talk. The Lord alone knows that, but it could be that another soul has found the joy and the peace of a personal relationship with Christ.

IS IT INCONVENIENT? . . .

About sixty years ago, in China, Hudson Taylor, having dived from his junk into the river to save a drowning friend, searched in vain for the body. Seeing some Chinese fishing near by, he called for their help.

"Come and drag here," he said, "a man is drowning."

"It is inconvenient," was their reply. "Don't talk of inconvenience; a man is drowning," he cried in an agony of mind.

"We are busy fishing," they replied, "we cannot come."

Out on the mission fields, our missionaries are in daily contact with people in desperate need. There are people starving for bread and for the Bread of Life. There are people who need healing for their sick bodies, and salvation for their souls. Like Hudson Taylor, our workers on the mission fields in India, New Guinea and the New Hebrides cry, "Come and help us."

Are we too absorbed in our own affairs that we find it inconvenient to respond?

On Sunday, July 3, we shall be given the opportunity to answer.

How much shall I give? The question should be, "How much shall I withhold?" But if you insist on having a definite answer — "Is Ten Dollars Too Much?"

Is ten dollars too much?
When you remember
It could help
A hungry child
Receive food, a sick person
Receive healing, an illiterate
Understanding.



BY R. S. A. McLEAN

Is ten dollars too much?
When you know
It could enable
A lost sinner
To hear God's Word
And be saved
For eternity.

Is ten dollars too much?
When you hear
Of people living
Without Christ.
Enslaved by idolatry
Dominated by evil spirits
Dwelling in darkness.

I am not rich
Yet I pay
More than ten dollars
Each year for television,
Plants for the garden,
Maybe birds' seed,
Pleasure trips in my car.

Considering these things,
Ten dollars is not too much
For me to give
On Sunday, July 3rd.
It is the least I can do
For people beyond the seas
Needing Christ.

—From "Missionary News."

CHRISTIAN UNION

"IN CONVERSATION"

RESTORATION NOW

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No. 14

BY CHARLES DOW, M.A.

What does the Restoration mean? To Thomas Campbell it meant a necessity for a change of emphasis from Reformation to Restoration. Our loss is that he never spelt out his understanding in detail. His son Alexander saw the role of Restoration as that of a catalyst. "To reduce to practice the simple form of Christianity expressly exhibited upon the sacred page," Walter Scott claimed. "It supplied what was not articulated by the Campbells — the ancient gospel." Barton Stone saw the real task as that of restoring the spirit of New Testament Christianity.

Second generation leaders of the 19th century movement also reveal confusion about what Restoration really meant. James McGarvey felt it contained certain strong literal imperatives; whereas James Garrison saw it as a principle which demanded a high degree of fluidity. Similar differences can be documented.

This confusion about the principle which was "to end division and become the highway for unity and evangelism" was not nearly as clear as first thought, or may still be thought. It was not long before the first eruption took place and into being came the second part of the trilogy of the "Restoration Movement." This is known as Church of Christ (non-instrumental). Twenty-five years later a further schism which had been apparent for some time became a reality. In the U.S.A. they are referred to as the Independents, or supporters of the North American Convention as differentiated from Disciples of Christ or Co-operatives.

Whatever group we may align with, the real question which needs to be faced about Restorationism is: "What do these cleavages say to us?" Do we take sides and leave the question begging? Or are we thrown back to ask ourselves whether the question of Restoration has any validity for our modern church scene?

The fruits of Biblical criticism have made us aware that the "ancient order" is not easy to duplicate. Do we duplicate the structure at Jerusalem, Corinth, or Philippi? Extreme emphasis upon the Restoration Principle fails to understand the historical character of the Church, and instead of uniting tends to perpetuate division rather than act as an enzyme for healing the shattered bones of the Body of Christ. Undue emphasis tends to make the Holy Spirit a static force at a certain point of time instead of being an ever present quality.

Does this mean that the heritage to which we have made a very real com-

mitment is invalidated? It depends upon our understanding of the past. At the heart of the Restoration Principle is the Lordship of Christ. We rightly love to say there is "No Creed but Christ." Our plea for Unity based upon this Lordship as the only test for fellowship is being increasingly validated.

The history of protestantism reveals the search for the essential nature of the Church. Disciples of Christ in the United States and Churches of Christ in Australia are part of this great movement sharing in this continuing search. But in seeking do not let us bind ourselves to certain aspects of our tradition which have no validity in the light of honest scholarship.

There are real positive values contained within the seed idea which can and will be used by God if we but dare allow him. The call to love and trust where differences exist, and yet live together, is surely not invalidated. The freedom for individual liberty should be a fact and not a cliché.

Too long we have clung to the early prejudice of Alexander Campbell against theology. God is using men with keen insights to shake the very foundations we have of the Church. They are reminding us that if the "Primitive Church" has anything to say to us it is this call to be involved with God's creation, and not to isolate ourselves from the world for which he suffered. This is part of the Restoration Principle that needs reincarnation.

There is still something for us to say within the context of this principle which was held up by our Fathers, but equally we need to be reminded that there is a need for drastic revision of what we mean. This principle will be validated by a sharpening of our focus on real issues and we must not be sidetracked by historical unrealism.

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A. E. WHITE

Why don't Churches of Christ ministers preach about the Second Coming of Christ?

Who says they don't? I think that some of our ministers preach as often and as enthusiastically about the Second Coming of Christ as any preachers of any church. I can well remember that in past years our own preachers were prominently featured at most inter-church Second Advent Conventions.

On the other hand, it is possible that many of our preachers seldom preach specifically about the Final Coming of our Lord. There could be many reasons for this, and none of the reasons need be a lack of belief in the doctrine.

I seldom preach on this theme, although in my sermons I frequently refer to the fact of the coming of Christ. The Bible clearly teaches that Christ will return, although the time of his coming and the manner of his coming are beyond our knowledge.

Ministers of many churches have, at various times, set dates for the return of Christ, but all of the date-fixing proved erroneous. Our own preachers have seldom indulged in date-fixing, but some have claimed that events in the world indicate that the return of Christ will be very soon.

They may be right, of course, but almost as much harm can be done in pointing to a near return as by fixing actual dates. The expectancy is often related to political events, social immoralities, and scientific advances. Even in my brief life-time, the Kaiser, the Pope, Hitler, and Stalin, have all been pointed to specifically as fulfilling Biblical prophecies concerning the Second Coming.

Another thing that has worried some ministers is that living in expectancy of the near return of Christ can actually be a distraction from Christian witness and service. There was one stage when I would go long distances to hear sermons on the Second Coming, and I became conscious of many who were so busy looking for the Second Coming of Christ that they seemed to ignore the implications of his First Coming, an event that is kept always in the present tense by the active operation of the Holy Spirit. Such folk were so busy looking up to heaven for a glimpse of Christ that they were quite useless as servants of Christ in the local church.

The Second Coming is, of course, a legitimate theme for preaching, but it is possible that some of our ministers, who believe firmly in the Christ who will come, are giving their immediate attention to the proclamation of the Christ who is already come as Redeemer and Lord.

SPOTLIGHT ON W.A. YOUTH

GIRLS - GIRLS - GIRLS!

The May school holidays again proved a popular time for girls to go camping at the J. Rhodes Camp Site at Waterman's Bay, W.A.

Forty girls and leaders shared in the Intermediate Girls' Camp from May 16-20. Miss Fay McCulloch acted as Camp Director, and the studies and project activities, based on the booklet, "Come, Follow Me," were led by Miss Merle Peacock.

The first Junior Girls' Camp, May 21-25, was attended by 90 girls and leaders, and Miss Elaine Fallows was the Director. A second Junior Camp, May 25-29, was attended by 55 girls and leaders. This was directed by Miss Peacock. The studies, projects, morning and evening devotions at both Junior Camps, were prepared and led by Miss Peacock, and dealt with the subject, "Getting to Know the Bible."

Mrs. Mill was the Camp "Mum" at all camps, and the catering was carried out by seven hard-working women of the brotherhood. Near perfect weather was a feature of the three camps.

THE YOUTH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE VISITS CHURCH BOARDS.

Members of the W.A. Youth and Christian Education Committee have been kept busy in recent weeks, visiting nearly all metropolitan Church Elders' Boards. Three members of the Committee have acted as a deputation to each local Board meeting, and have introduced the subjects, "Reasons and Remedies for the Leakage Which Occurs in Our Church Schools," and "The Dimensions of Our

Task," in the field of Christian Education and in Youth work in particular. Discussion between the Committee members and the Board members has then followed.

In the weeks, months and years ahead, it is hoped that these matters will again be discussed by the Boards, and by local youth leaders and church members. And it is hoped, that this discussion will result in action.

TEACHER TRAINING AT THE CHRISTIAN CENTRE.

The Youth and Christian Education Committee announces four Teacher Training sessions at the Christian Centre, Beaufort-st., Perth, on Sunday afternoons during the month of July.

These sessions will commence at 3 p.m. and conclude approximately at 4.30 p.m. on July 10, 17, 24 and 31.

Sessions will deal with "Preparing to Teach," "Aids and Methods," "Story Telling," "Activity Work and Projects," "Understanding the Child You Teach." Duplicated notes will be available, and the cost for the four sessions will be 50 cents. (This course will be similar to the 1965 three-week course.)

Registration forms may be obtained from your church school superintendent.

QUEEN'S BADGE.

Miss Jill Cugley, of Subiaco, was recently awarded the Queen's Badge for her work in the Girls' Brigade. Jill has been a splendid member of the 1st Subiaco Company (Churches of Christ) for many years, and as a B.S.M. Staff-Sergeant has assisted with the leadership of the Cadets and Juniors at Subiaco.

C.Y.F. CAMP

(Perth, W.A.). The C.Y.F. organised a very successful camp at Roleystone during Foundation Day weekend. 50 young people from the City, Inglewood and East Victoria Park churches attended, under the leadership of T. A. Morrison and I. Allsop, and studied "The More Excellent Way," by H. F. Gross. A combined youth demonstration evening was held, May 27. The purpose was to assist the Youth auxiliaries publicise their activities. . . . The Church Board has decided to contribute \$2 per week towards the establishment of an effective work at Albany.

200 WOMEN

(Ipswich, Qld.). At C.W.F. birthday luncheon, 200 women were present. In the chapel a sacred programme was held, with Mrs. Plint (Conf. Pres.) as guest speaker. . . . Evening Women's Fellowship continues with great interest. Last month, after the devotional session led by Beryl Gibbs, we had a demonstration on how to re-pot plants. . . . Mr. Roberts has formed church basketball teams of girls and boys. . . . The church cricket team won the premiership in 2nd Grade, also a cup, and they hold the shield for 12 months. . . . The Christian Men's Fellowship had a successful picnic at Redcliffe, over 200 children and parents attending.

EDWIN ROBERTSON AT CANBERRA

(A.C.T.). A Church and Life Movement public meeting was held in our church on June 1, at which Rev. Edwin Robertson, of London, was the speaker. 260 attended. The ladies of the church provided supper afterwards. G. R. Stirling interviewed Mr. Robertson in a feature programme on the Church and Life Movement on Channel 7. . . . Christian Literature Week was observed with large numbers of people purchasing books. . . . Miss Marilyn Skinner, of the Canberra School for Deaf, spoke of her work at the monthly meeting of C.W.F. . . . The Girls' Brigade won the Battalion sports on May 28. . . . David Pederson was farewelled prior to departure for U.S.A. He was recently engaged to Jacqueline Furler. . . . On Pentecost Sunday there was an exchange of pulpits throughout Canberra. Mr. Lawton preached at National Memorial Methodist Church, Mr. Stirling preached at O'Connor Methodist, and Rev. Perry Smith, of O'Connor Methodist, preached at our morning service.

VICTORY FOR ULVERSTONE

(Tas.). Intermediate Endeavourers achieved outstanding success as the result of five months' hard study, at the Australian final of Quiz Championship which was held at the Albert Hall in Launceston during recent National Convention. Two Ulverstone girls, Annette Clarke and Elisabeth Taylor, senior S.S. scholars, and Jillian Wilson, from the Burnie Baptist, made up the team for the Church of Christ. The quiz was conducted from the Book of Acts, and the final was held before an audience of over 1,000 people. These girls won the Aust. Championship by defeating Sth. Aust. Ulverstone church recognised the girls' success by making them a presentation on May 29, at morning service. . . . Every part of the work is encouraging as the church looks forward to C. J. Robinson commencing as minister in November, 1966. He will replace R. Byard, who has been serving for over 12 months in an interim capacity. Church is grateful to R. Gillam, C. Burt, L. Taylor and H. Crowden for recent pulpit assistance.

NATIONAL DIARY

- JUNE:** VICTORIA
24 — Junior and Senior Good Companions Worship Services.
19 - July 31 — CHURCH AND LIFE MOVEMENT GROUP MEETINGS. Nation-wide weekly broadcast. Associated programmes on Radio and TV.
- NEW SOUTH WALES**
22 — "Christian Life Crusade" begins in local churches — and church "home-groups."
27 — Ministers' Fraternal — 10 a.m., City Temple. Speaker: Detective - Sgt. Raines.
- SOUTH AUSTRALIA**
1, 8, 15, 22, 30 — Marriage Guidance Course.
24-25 — Edwardstown: Church Life Conf.
26 — Prospect: 73rd Church Anniversary. Hindmarsh: 111th Church Anniv.
- QUEENSLAND**
2 — Inaugural Meeting of 19 Plus "Young Adults/Young Marrieds."

THIRTY IN C. and L. M.

(Fullarton, S.A.). Thirty members have registered for group participation in Church and Life Movement, and attending non-members are showing interest. Local "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" committee arranged educational tours of district church institutions. Churches of Christ Christian Rest Home at St. Georges was visited on May 29 by 25 people, representing four denominations, including five Roman Catholics. Much interest was shown. Ministers' Fraternal conducted a United Act of Worship at 8 p.m. on Pentecost Sunday, 200 being present from four congregations, held in Glenunga Methodist Church. Rev. Peter Newell, St. Stephen's Anglican, gave the sermon.

INTO FELLOWSHIP

(Ascot Park, S.A.). On May 29, Albert Fix and Brian Harris were received into fellowship. After evening gospel service young people attended a coffee hour at Dr. K. Crowley's home. . . . On June 5, the Girls' Brigade had a church parade at morning service. Forty girls attended. . . . Maree Holt and Glenys Horner were welcomed into fellowship following their recent baptism.

CIRCUIT PLAN

(Gawler, S.A.). The officers of the Williamstown and Gawler Churches of Christ, together with I. J. Chivell, Sec. of Conf., met on May 30, and agreed to a circuit plan by which G. Setsman, present minister of Gawler, will be also the minister at Williamstown from the end of June, until the arrival of their new minister early in 1967. Williamstown will commence the morning service at 10.30, enabling Mr. Setsman to preach at the a.m. service in both churches. . . . Two car loads of brethren from Gawler paid a visit to the Black Forest Rest Home on May 26, and entertained the folk there with slides of New Guinea.

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Where people have to live on a pension or relief today, and a crisis occurs such as sickness or an accident, severe hardship usually results, and so often the family will go short of food. High house rentals often leave insufficient for food

and clothing and the family is impoverished.

Because of high rent a family hit by sickness was left penniless, and on several occasions were without food. Clothing stocks were reduced to a minimum, and furniture insufficient to give the barest comfort. For this family a cheaper rental was found, and other needs supplied, sufficient to help them feel that they were living in a land where there should be no want.

The Church Welfare Centre often assists such families referred by State and voluntary organisations, as well as churches, and provides food, clothing, blankets, furniture, rental payments and other finances.

DEATH OF L. D. JACOBSON

(Copping, Highcroft, Nubeena, Tas.). The churches express Christian sympathy to the family of L. D. Jacobson, who died suddenly. He gave long and faithful service, first at Kellevie, and later at Copping. . . . The churches have each contributed to Milk for India and Wheat for India appeals. . . . Four young people have recently been baptized at Copping. . . . Major McEvoy, of the Salvation Army, showed slides of Salvation Army work at Nubeena on June 22, and spoke to the C.E. at Highcroft on the following Tuesday evening.

Youth For Christ

AMERICAN TEENAGERS

(Melb.). On June 25, at 7.45 p.m., in the Melbourne Town Hall, a team of six American teenagers will provide the programme at the Youth for Christ Rally. The purpose of their visit is, through

word and song, to share with Australian teenagers their faith in Christ. The young people are all active in local churches in the U.S.A., and each has been responsible for raising funds for this trip. During the programme one of the members of the team will be bringing the message. Seat reservations for groups from churches may be made at Youth for Christ office, 747 Burke-rd., Camberwell. Phone 82-1528 (Melb.).

DECISIONS FOLLOW FILM

(Northam, W.A.). Following the monthly youth tea, on June 5, the challenging and dramatic gospel film, "Something to Die For" was screened. Two decisions were made. A display of books and booklets in the chapel entrance has attracted interest and is recommended to aid Christian growth. . . . Ladies of the C.W.F. held an all day of sewing recently. . . . Brethren from Northam are helping with the ministry at Dalwallinu.

ABORIGINES MISSIONS

CARNARVON STAFF

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Fisher — Field Director, Christian Centre. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Fitch — Acting Superintendent, Teens Cottage. Mr. and Mrs. R. Jones — Works Manager. Mr. and Mrs. R. Aitken — Senior Girls. Mr. and Mrs. G. Butler — Junior Boys. Mr. and Mrs. R. Field — Senior Boys. Mr. and Mrs. H. Folland — Office. Mr. and Mrs. I. Foot — Carpenter. Mr. and Mrs. S. Ogilvie — Junior Girls. Mr. and Mrs. R. Schmitt — Hostel. Miss D. Butler — Home Girls. Miss H. Martin — Junior Buds. Miss E. Lincoln — Relieving. Miss H. Stocombe — Dining Room and Kitchen. Miss O. Laird, Miss G. Griswood, Miss B. Winch — Primary; Miss Marie Jones, Assistant.

LOYALTY CAMPAIGN

(Maylands, W.A.). "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life," was the theme for a week of special meetings held to introduce a loyalty in attendance campaign, to run for three months. Geo. Powell, our minister, with George Smith, State Director of Social Welfare, brought the messages, and with special singing, meetings were very helpful and inspirational. The young people especially are to be commended for their enthusiasm and loyalty in this matter.

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CHURCH NEWS

SIX BAPTISMS

(Horsham, Vic.). On May 8, six young people were baptized at the evening service . . . Since the Planned Giving Campaign the church giving has increased by 38 per cent . . . The church was pleased to welcome home, on term holidays, John Freibel and Barry Cutchle, from Kenmore Bible College, and Peter Barnett, from Swinburne Tech. . . . On May 28, C.E. Society carted wood for church members who cannot get wood for themselves . . . A party of Ararat young people visited the C.E. Society on June 5, for tea and programme. After the gospel service they had a sing-along at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. Fulton.

PENTECOST ANNIVERSARY

(Maidstone, Vic.). Pentecost Sunday was the church's 17th anniversary. Many members and friends were present from other churches. G. Bradley presided, T. Pope and C. Batley were readers, and H. L. Pietzsch was preacher. Mr. Pietzsch was supt. of the S.S. for many years. Over 100 attended tea in church hall. Douglas Thomas, of Gardiner, was among those providing entertainment.

S.S. TRAINING

(Springvale, Vic.). S.S. teacher training classes, under the guidance of the supt., have been well supported . . . The C.W.F. (afternoon) spent a day of fellowship with Mrs. Beanland, Tecoma. The ladies also had a mending and packing day for the Social Service Dept. . . . Graeme Smith spoke to men's tea on Everyman's Huts . . . Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. A. Knight, of Tas. . . . Three young men are in training for Boys' Explorer leadership . . . The C.W.F. (evening) held its 6th anniversary on May 16. They were entertained by St. Andrews Glee Club, of Box Hill. Mrs. June St. Aubyns, Pres. of C.E.W.F., led devotions . . . The minister, L. G. Armstrong, and Mrs. Armstrong were in Tas. for the Nat. C.E. Convention and "Woman to Woman" Evangelism. Sue Nettlebeck and Dorothy Daff represented the young people. . . . Several young people went on a local High School sponsored tour of Tas.

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• BEHIND PRISON WALLS

"Let Him That Stealeth, Steal No More"

BY A. R. JONES, A.U.A.,
Chaplain, Yatala Prison.



As the chaplain sat talking over lunch one day with two prisoners, the question was asked, "Why do men steal, there must be some reason for it?" "There are a number of reasons why men steal," the chaplain replied. "You tell me why you think men steal."

The conversation that followed was interesting and enlightening. One of the men, now converted, said, "I know why I wanted to live by stealing — it was sheer greed and laziness. I had no intention of working, and I wanted what other people had."

The other man said, "I feel there are a couple of reasons why men steal. Take Bill, for instance (Bill had just been arrested again and was facing charges of larceny) — Bill has to be important and the only way he can be important is to steal. That's why he went over the top (escaped). It made him very important in the eyes of the others. The other reason is that men steal for "kicks." It's the only way they can get anything out of life. They like to see how close they can go without being caught."

MISSIONARY VISITORS

(Devonport, Tas.). The church has enjoyed fellowship with R. Gaskin, of Ghana, and Mr. and Mrs. K. Hanson, of Wycliffe Bible Translators . . . Members and leaders of L.B.B. paraded and took part in the service . . . Sympathy of church is extended to Mrs. Howard in the loss of her husband . . . On May 22, Mr. and Mrs. I. Jordan, Miss V. Murrett and Miss C. Burt brought reports of National C.E. Convention, Launceston. Musical items were enjoyed . . . S.S. scholars competed in B. and F. B. S. Bible competitions in Baptist Hall on May 4.

The trouble is that men, while they are young, may do this kind of thing for "kicks," they will steal cars and other property, but it becomes a pattern of life which they find it hard to break. If you were to ask a psychologist, he could give you many reasons why people steal, and would say that it occurs mostly with boys who are insecure and unloved. They will take things they do not want.

The writer remembers a lad who stole nine bikes in a fortnight. He also had a bike of his own, and a step-mother who was neurotic. He was starved of love and most insecure in himself, and he stole symbolically — stealing the thing he wanted most in life — love.

Can these men be helped to live a different life? Yes, they can (even the habitual criminal). Christ gives men a new outlook on life and a new set of values. When men find the love of God, they find a new love for man, a new respect for people's person and property. For them to take what belongs to others is quite alien to their new way of thinking. Christ can, and is, changing men — that they steal no more.

BIBLE PREACHERS

(Warrnambool, Vic.). On May 29, S.R. Baker, Pres. of Conf., and T. Fergusson, both working with the B. and F. B. S., were visitors to our pulpit . . . The Salvation Army and Church of Christ had a combined meeting on June 2. Ladies of the church attended a Bible Society meeting at Church of England, also a combined meeting at Congregational Church to hear Mrs. N. Frost, State Chairman of Freedom from Hunger campaign. C.W.E.F. is busy sewing and knitting . . . C.W.F. held social afternoon to finance Aboriginal boy's clothing parcel.

CHURCH NEWS

N.S.W. BIBLE STUDY DIPLOMA

The N.S.W. D.C.E. is producing a series of programmed reading courses on various aspects of teacher training, Bible study and leadership. David Schofield, B.E., Dip.Ed., has developed most of the courses on behalf of the committee. Although he has moved to Chinchilla, Qld., Mr. Schofield is planning to keep an advisory eye on the development of the courses. They are set on Standard books available from The Bookroom (N.S.W.).

The Bible Study Diploma course consists of 8 units. Five are compulsory, Units 1 and 2, Bible Study; Unit 3, Doctrine; Unit 4, Christian Life; Unit 5, Christian Life. The three electives cover: Bible backgrounds, particularised study in New and Old Testament; Christian Education, Leadership, Christian Life, Church History, Doctrine.

The courses are proving of great interest. Over 50 are doing the State Teaching Diploma. The prospectus on the courses is available from the D.C.E. at 10 cents per copy.

CHURCH LIBRARY

(North Essendon, Vic.). The church library is proving a valuable asset. It contains many of the latest books which are widely read . . . Mrs. Thompson has celebrated her 90th birthday . . . Renovations and extensions to the church buildings are progressing well . . . 40 mothers accepted the invitation to attend the Primary and Kindergarten Depts. of the B.S. on Mother's Day. There were 81 children present . . . Senior C.Y.F. held a successful camp at Anglesea. Young folk from Moreland and Milleara shared with them . . . W.E.F. meetings are very well attended. A recent street stall raised \$144.

EVANGELISM PREPARATION

(Mitcham, Vic.). The church is preparing for a Visitation Evangelism programme by cultivating contacts in their homes. Church members have signed Prayer Commitment cards to undergird the project . . . Explorer Boys are grateful to Bert Burden for their new springboard . . . The church secretary, N. Ryan, has won a three years' scholarship for study at Oxford University, and will leave with his family on Aug 4, 1966. . . Mrs. Berwick and Mr. Lindsay are in hospital . . . C.W.F. visited Channel "O" studios.

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A VETERAN RETIRES

CHRISTIAN UNION DEPT. EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

As a result of ill-health, H. A. G. Clark did not seek re-election to the Christian Union Dept. at the last Victorian Conference. The Department has conveyed to Mr. Clark the following minute, which it recorded at its May meeting.

"The Department of Christian Union wishes to place on record its deep appreciation of the services of H. A. G. Clark over many years. With C. C. Dawson, G. W. Mitchell, R. P. Morris and A. W. Stephenson, Mr. Clark was one of the original members of the Committee for Christian Unity which was appointed by the Victorian Conference in 1935. Since that time he has maintained a close connection with the Committee until failing health made his withdrawal necessary this year. Even during war years, when his service as a chaplain prevented active committee work, he was putting his ecumenical concern into practice as he ministered to men of many communions.

"Mr. Clark was an observer for Churches of Christ at the Evanston Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1954. He served as the first paid part-time secretary of the Victorian Council of Churches. In latter years he was one of the representatives of Churches of Christ on the Council; and served with distinction and faithfulness.

"In Mr. Clark wide experience and a broad educational background are combined with a deep personal faith in Christ and a love for the brotherhood and the ecumenical church. In his preaching and writing, as well as in his own person, he has contributed greatly to the cause of Christian Unity, and we thank God for his long association with us."

We hope that Mr. and Mrs. Clark find satisfaction and joy as they look back over their many years together of faithful ministry. — H. F. Gross.

FIERY CLIMAX

(N.S.W.). Padstow Aerosphere Crusade ended on an exciting note on May 22, when the fibre glass cover on the electric motor caught alight during the song service and burned furiously. Water from the baptismery was used to extinguish the fire. Two fire brigades which were summoned arrived after the fire had been put out. When the fire started the Aerosphere soon filled with smoke, but the large congregation, under song leader, Max Harrison, continued singing. These continued even in the dark, when the lights failed. When the electric motor burned itself out and the Aerosphere began to come down, the congregation quietly filed out of the meeting.

The fibre glass cover of the electric motor was completely destroyed, and the motor itself extensively damaged, as also the fittings for the heating system. The Aerosphere itself being made of fire-

proof material was undamaged by the blaze.

An overflow crowd attended the meeting which continued in the Church of Christ chapel nearby. Doug. Willis spoke on the subject, "Whose Fool Are You?"

Meanwhile, some of the church officers repaired the auxiliary petrol motor which had previously been damaged by vandals and re-inflated the Aerosphere.

Later, a large number of the congregation retraced their steps to the Aerosphere where a young man was baptized.

The Crusade ran for three weeks. Les Pilkington was pianist. Eight people made primary decisions. Two were baptized during the Crusade.

Adventure Time, conducted by the minister, H. C. Wheat, included talks by Bruce Armstrong, films and audio visuals. These attracted large numbers of boys and girls each afternoon during the first week of the mission. The evening meeting averaged over 100.—H. C. Wheat.

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FOR THIS ISSUE
CLOSED EARLY BECAUSE OF
HOLIDAY WEEKEND.

VIC. MINISTERS' WIVES

The Ministers' Wives' Association will hold the Annual Meeting on June 20, at 11.30 a.m., in the Centre. Mrs. Waterman is to be our speaker.

SECRETARY CHANGE

(Fawkner, Vic.) Owing to ill-health, Mrs. K. J. Rowley has resigned as church secretary. R. E. Paterson has been elected to the position . . . Bi-monthly evening services being held with Pascoe Vale . . . Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keltner have left on four months' long service leave around Australia . . . Church is participating in Church and Life Movement . . . Roy Rowley, B.S. scholar, made his decision, and with Suzanne Kettner is receiving pre-baptismal instruction.

EVANGELISM CONTINUED

(Hartwell, Vic.) Continuing Planned Evangelism, a number of members visited contacts in their homes and gave personal invitations to be present as guests on June 5. A number of visitors accepted and attended service when C. H. Dow, minister of Coburg, gave a challenging address. Choir rendered special anthem. At night two young men were baptized, and two young people took part in service . . . Literature table proved to be of interest, and over \$60 worth of books and recordings of Gospel Songs by Miss J. Milne were purchased.

BROTHERHOOD FILM

(Cheltenham, Vic.) The sound color film, "Churches of Christ," was screened after church, on June 5, by N. F. White. J. D. Watt gave focus on Men's Society. This film concluded a month of study on Church Unity, at which 160 members took part . . . 189 attended Mother's Day service, at which a choir of 21 ladies sang . . . 70 girls now meet in various age groups in Good Companions. 30 young people from St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Highett, joined with C.Y.F. in Sunday morning discussion . . . R. V. Longthorp brought focus on Dept. of Christian Education, and spoke to C.Y.F. after-church fellowship. 40 ladies attended C.W.F. when Mr. Moyes was speaker . . . 27 men attended men's tea and heard a speaker from Alcoholics Anonymous . . . 45 Intermediate scholars from Bible School attended church parade and luncheon . . . A team of 45 young people and leaders joined with Ararat C.Y.F. in a weekend camp at Hall's Gap over Queen's Birthday weekend, the programme including tours, dis-

cussion, sports, tutorials, social activity, worship . . . Mr. and Mrs. McCashney and Mrs. Redgen made decisions in May, and Mrs. G. Dunning made rededication.

RECORD ATTENDANCE

(Balwyn, Vic.) Over 70 lady-shoppers stop for a "cuppa" and informal devotions in a friendly atmosphere of the Shoppers' Service . . . C.W.F. birthday meeting had as speaker, Mrs. Saunders, of the Salvation Army . . . Men and boys have done wonders with church garden and have painted steps . . . Two young people have made decisions for Christ . . . Youth Camp at Belgrave Heights well organised and enjoyed.

QUARTERLY RALLY

(Warracknabeal - Brim, Vic.) The film, "God of the Atom," was filmed at the quarterly rally. Instead of a circuit tea, an after-church fellowship farewelled Mr. and Mrs. Ian O'Brien, who have moved to Ararat . . . Stawell church arranged a S.S. scholars' camp at Hall's Gap, May 20-23, for youngsters aged 10 to 13. Eleven attended from Warracknabeal and Brim. B. C. Snoxall was study leader, with the theme, "This is the Life." Several Warracknabeal young people indicated a desire to follow Christ. . . . Manse study groups have been started at W'beal, and will be held periodically. The first dealt with methods and difficulties of hospital visitation.

COMPARISON

(Oakleigh, Vic.) On the past few Wednesdays the church has been considering our position, faith and practices in relation to those of the Uniting Churches . . . The Primary dept. of the B.S. is collecting powdered milk during this month to be sent to India . . . On June 5, the church had the highest number of communicants for some time, 205 . . . Two decisions have been registered at recent gospel services.

CHILDREN'S MISSION

(Footscray, Vic.) A well organised Children's Mission was conducted by E. G. Kernick, minister, and John Morrow, M.B.I., during school holidays. Over 120 attended a family tea on May 29, followed by a gospel service . . . Mrs. Kernick has undergone surgery at Royal Melbourne Hospital, and will be there for several weeks . . . From gifts being continually received from church members, 17 food parcels have been sent this year to missionaries and Indian families. \$95 has been forwarded for the Wheat for India appeal.

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OBITUARY

Mrs. Frank Butler.

When Mrs. Frank Butler passed away at the age of 89 years, the church at Hartwell, Vic., lost one of its oldest and most faithful members. A member of the Tinkler family, she was associated with the church all her life. She was baptized at North Fitzroy and later moved with her husband to Red Hill, where, together, they shared actively in the life and witness of the church there. Their latter years were spent at Hartwell. Mrs. Butler's ministry was many-sided. For many years she was organist and a Bible School teacher at Red Hill. She expressed herself well in letters and ministered to many people by writing to them when they were ill, or facing some particular problem. Funeral services were conducted at the church at Hartwell and at Springvale, and a large and representative gathering paid tribute to her life and expressed the esteem in which she was held. N. Gilmore assisted the writer in the service at Hartwell. We express Christian sympathy with her son Len, his wife and family, and all other relatives.—G. A. Whiting.

Mary Ann Hargreaves.

With the death of Mary Ann Hargreaves, on April 12, the church at Carnegie, Vic., lost a very faithful member and one of those truly choice characters with whom it was always a delight to share. In her 88th year, she very peacefully passed from the scene of this limited life into the limitless and timeless expanse of God's presence. The whole of her life was given entirely to Christ and the church. Her baptism at Prahran, when she was 14 years of age, marked the commencement of unbroken relationship with her master. Except for a period of her late teens and early married life, spent in several country districts, the remaining 35 years of her life were given in continuous service at Carnegie. Her main auxiliary interests were with the Women's Mission Band and Midweek Fellowship. Whilst in membership at Carnegie she experienced the great joy of seeing her husband and seven children, and many of her grandchildren decide for Christ. Her husband and one daughter pre-deceased her. The large gathering of people at both the service in the chapel and the Burwood Cemetery was indeed an eloquent testimony to her life.—R.E.H.

James Edward Bryan.

James Edward Bryan died on May 23, at Croydon, Vic. He was 80 years of age. He had lived the greater part of his life at Molesworth, and was a farmer of the fine stolid style. He had strong opinions and could express them without making enemies or bad friends, being highly respected by his neighbours. It was not until the Graham Mission came to Melbourne that he made a definite decision for Christ and later was baptized at Croydon. He was faithful in his membership and held his giving as a part of essential stewardship. He was extremely kind and ready to lend a helping hand wherever he could, despite an accident which left him with only two fingers on one hand. Services were held at the Croydon church and at the Lilydale Cemetery, conducted by J. Lloyd and the writer. To his widow, and other relatives, deepest sympathy is offered and the hope that is in Christ shared. The world is poorer in the loss to this life of Jim Bryan.—W. J. Thomson.

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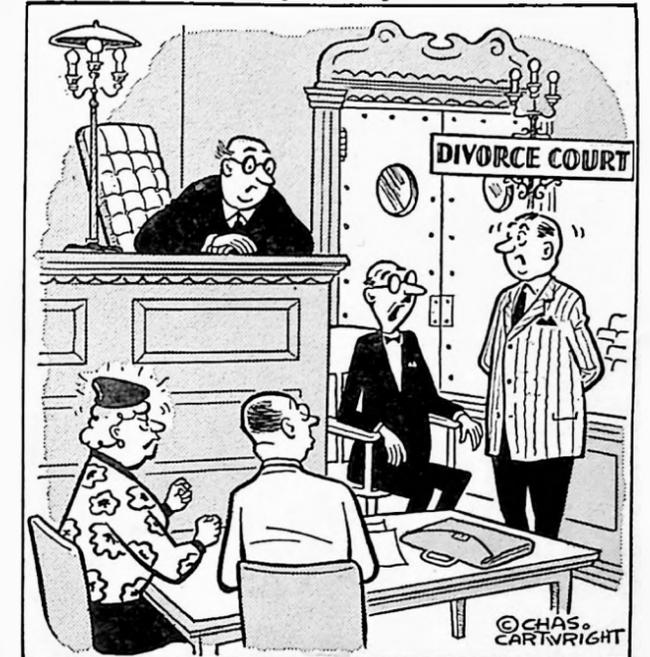
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MISSIONARY ISSUE. Where We Labor. Japan: Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Davey. China: Miss Rosa Tonkin. India: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Strutton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Watson, Miss F. Cameron, Miss F. Tole, H. R. Coventry. New Hebrides: Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Filmer, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Waters, A. B. Chappell. Sydney: Mr. and Mrs. John Sing. Melbourne: Mr. and Mrs. W. Jame. Living Link. "The idea of supporting a missionary in the foreign field, as well as a preacher of the gospel at home, should be the object of every live missionary church. (J. E. Thomas). HERE AND THERE. J. W. Baker has entered upon the 14th year of his ministry at Nth. Fitzroy. During his ministry, 500 have received letters of transfer to other churches, but the Nth. Fitzroy church is today stronger than ever . . . Bro. Morrow, M.L.C., will open the new chapel at Mt. Compass on June 26 . . . N.S.W. had a magnificent temperance victory. Progress voting figures were: For 6 p.m., 329,458; 7 p.m., 5,055; 8 p.m., 20,344; 9 p.m., 169,774; 10 p.m., 1,532; 11 p.m., 3,677 . . . The loss of Lord Kitchener is mourned. The Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. W. R. Inge, said that he knew Lord Kitchener was deeply religious and a good Christian. Internationalism. The quiet work of O. A. Carr, G. L. Surber, A. B. Maston and T. J. Gore did more to fraternise Australia and America than did all the bluster and all the show of flags and plumes and ships and guns and rockets during the visit of the American Fleet.

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DEMAND FOR BIBLES

(Buck Hill Falls, Pa.). Delegates from 27 countries, attending the largest international meeting of the United Bible Societies in the organisation's 20-year history, were told by Anglican Canon Herbert M. Arrowsmith, of Australia, a U.B.S. Vice-Chairman, that the Bible Society movement is in peril unless churches and private donors provide more generous aid.

"The aggregate total of the United Bible Societies' three-year budget," he said, "is expected to reach more than \$36 million, of which 65 per cent has come from church donations or individual gifts.

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This was said by the Rt. Rev. H. Burns Jamieson, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of England at the opening session of the Assembly.—"B.W."

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DEFINITION OF EVANGELISM.

To the Editor,
With reference to "Questing" in "A.C." 23/4/66, the formulation of the Madras Foreign Missions Council, is a good definition, but can one really define Evangelism? We cannot always know if they enter the fellowship inside the Church.

Christ, the greatest evangelist, said, "... Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel, baptizing, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

Now we may not be able to lead all to the waters of baptism, but we can, at an appropriate time, take, or make, the opportunity to baptize them with a little fire from our own fullness, of the Holy Spirit, share with them, whether they be friend, or stranger, inside the Church, or outside.

The latter is really stimulating to the small evangelist, and who can say how far the fire will burn? A strong fire leaps here, and there. It takes a lot of something to quench it! "The power of the Holy Spirit is the driving force of true Evangelism!" They are twined together, as is God, and his Word, in his Book.

—G. E. Austin, S.A.

CALL FOR HELP.

To the Editor,
Recently the writer was shown over a large Catholic institution by the Sister in charge, who is highly regarded for her selfless service. To the comment, "This must require a very large staff," she replied, "Yes, we could not do a quarter of the work if it were not for our dedicated Sisters, and similarly dedicated voluntary workers, they are wonderful."

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LETTERS FROM TERTIUS . . .

A GOOD PASTOR

TO THE EDITOR.

Our minister is a good pastor. He even visits at night because nobody seems to be home in the day time. He called on our family the other night. It was a nice visit. He took an interest in the whole family and asked after each one of us. I like to hear him talk. He has a clear, ringing voice, and speaks slowly so that we can be sure of getting everything he says. He even leans forward towards us in his eagerness. He speaks a bit too loud, though. This may be because he's getting a bit deaf. He kept asking us to repeat what we were saying. But the visit was a real spiritual uplift. He said such nice things about God. It was such a nice visit that most of the time I didn't even realise the TV was on.

Do editors write their leaders with the TV on?

TERTIUS.

securing suitable staff, I found myself asking some questions. Do we as a people lack the necessary dedication or are there large untapped resources for this kind of Christian service?

Within our church membership we certainly have many trained personnel, both in the nursing and domestic field, who serve both as individuals, and in other organisations, and the many calls for overseas mission service find a ready response.

Can it be our people are unaware of the church's pressing needs within its own institutions, right here in our midst, for dedicated personnel? Has another religious body been able to exalt the honor, dignity and privilege of this kind of service to attract dedicated women, where we have failed?

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I cannot believe that, as a church, we lack either the personnel or the willingness to render this "inasmuch" service. Surely it is that the challenge and urgency of the need has not been felt by sufficient numbers to bring the needed response. We — members of the Churches of Christ — you and I — built these Homes, etc., and it's our responsibility to supply the necessary Christian staff.

—Alice Mathieson, S.A.

PYRAMID HILL MISSION

(Vic.) The Ministers' Fraternal of Pyramid Hill and Mitiamo districts organised a 3-day mission in Pyramid Hill, April 29, 30, May 1, with J. Oswald Sanders as guest speaker. All meetings were held in the Church of Christ, with an average attendance over 130. Local ministers assisted at all services, when the speaker's theme was "The Great Doctrines of the Faith." A highlight of the weekend was a combined communion service, when our minister, C. G. Henderson, presided at a service which 145 attended. The mission was also assisted by an electronic organ and a combined church choir. Because of Mr. Sanders' vast travelling, his personal viewpoint on Vietnam was interesting, and this also made him a very fitting speaker for Commonwealth Youth Sunday, which was held in the Pyramid Memorial Hall, and was filled to capacity. The mission proved to be a worthwhile effort on the part of the churches.

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THE "CHRISTIAN" GOES TO . . . A COUNTRY CELEBRATION

About 123 miles north-east of Melbourne is Benalla, a Victorian town with a population of several thousand. In it the Christian faith is presented and upheld by churches of six communions. Amongst these is one of our congregations.

Commenced under the auspices of and given oversight by the Wangaratta church, the congregation maintained a steady witness for several years. Then removals so reduced numbers that in 1963 the meetings lapsed. About eighteen months ago members from the Melbourne area moved to the town and district. This resulted in a successful effort to recommence a meeting for worship and communion.

On May 22, this recommencement was celebrated with an anniversary luncheon and service in the readily-made-available Methodist Hall. Regular attenders number only about twelve. This little group undertook the task of catering for some eighty people who had accepted invitations to share in the occasion. They did it lavishly and well.

Many of those present were folk from Alexandra, Melbourne, Wangaratta and Yarrowonga, who had assisted at the

services throughout the year, and to whom, in this way, the Benalla members wished to express gratitude and thanks.

This scribe presided over, and other visitors participated in the conduct of the communion service. R. G. McPherson, until recently treasurer of Mt. Evelyn church, but who now lives at Lurg and renders valuable service to the Benalla cause, gave an address. He urged distrust of self and strong reliance upon God for success in Christian witness and victory in Christian warfare.

Was the occasion worthwhile and effective? Undoubtedly? Inter-church fellowship and goodwill have been strengthened by the co-operation given by the Methodist Church. The Benalla congregation has been heartened by fellowship with and the interest shown by so many. Having accomplished so successfully what could well have been a too-ambitious task, they will go forward bravely to the task that is theirs undaunted by the difficulties and discouragements which so often beset a small work. All of which must be pleasing to the Lord of the church and useful to him in accomplishing his purposes amongst the people of the community. —W. W. Saunders.

SOUTH-EASTERN DISTRICT WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The quiet Wamponny countryside became a hive of industry on May 4, as 63 women converged from Mt. Gambier, Tarpeena, Naracoorte, Keith, Bordertown, Mundalla and Wamponny churches for the business session of the Sth. Eastern District Women's Conference.

Mrs. D. Verco, Pres., welcomed all, and introduced morning devotional leader, Mrs. D. Oakes. Mrs. T. Mason led in Obituary Prayer, as we paused to remember Mesdames A. J. Hunt, O. Peake, Morton, and Pomery, snr.

Project offering — "Vehicle for India Fund" — realised \$473.28, and from animated presentation and discussion emerged the Project for 1966-67 — "Royal Adelaide Hospital Chaplain."

Group reports revealed a conscientious interest in and support of Local and State Christian activities, whilst a display of several cartons of groceries labelled C.O.B., showed a tangible interest by S.-E. Women in the Federal College of the Bible.

Office-bearers for the coming year — Pres., Mrs. G. Brown; Pres.-Elect, Mrs. T. Mason; Vice-Pres., Mrs. E. Buckley; Sec., Mrs. W. E. Fisher; Asst. Sec., Mrs. Crafter, and Treas., Mrs. A. Dinning.

Ninety women gathered for the afternoon session. Devotions were led by Mrs. D. Verco, and a lively and interesting time followed as guest speaker, Mrs. N. Tiver, told of the warmth of welcome and spiritual awareness of the American people, as experienced by her during her 18 months' sojourn in the U.S.A. She feels the Americans outstrip many other countries, including our own, in their genuine interest in spiritual matters.

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I met thee on the mountain way!
But better still, dear Lord, I pray
That thou wilt give me grace to be
In rich companionship with thee
Along this busy market place;
Here let me see thee face to face.

—R. S. Cushman.

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Joe: "No, not any longer."

Moe: "Lucky for you! How did you
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Joe: "I married her."