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## INSOMNIA AND COMPASSION

Our open-ended story this week (see page 24) tells of a man who could not sleep because of unpleasant noises. At first the coughing of some ricksha men kept him awake, but after some days he found that the noises did not disturb him.

Well, people learn to sleep in spite of all kinds of noises. Folk sleep beside busy highways with traffic noises all night. Shift workers can even sleep in the day time with children filling the air with sound. People can get so used to noise that they are sometimes awakened by an unexpected silence.

It is possible, though, that one can get so used to the misery of others that it no longer hurts to see and hear the evidence of their troubles. Surely it is the task of the church to see that men and women are not allowed the kind of repose that comes from the blunting of compassion.

If we hear about a thing often enough it may become just a part of vague sounds of our world, and is no longer a strident call for help. The hunger of India is one instance. After our first interest is expressed in sacrificial giving we need to be reminded that there are still areas in India where the need is as desperate as ever.

Sometimes I am asked, "Why don't you give Vietnam a rest?" Well, we haven't talked about it much lately, but now that the subject is raised I must respond by saying that the Vietnamese themselves do not rest easily. We are still involved and have at least as much responsibility for seeking a path to peace as we have for continuing in the war.

The refugees, in Asia and Africa in particular, must also be constantly remembered. When families are expelled from their homeland it is not enough to feel a passing sorrow. Their claim upon their brothers of every race in every land is a continuing call.

It is beyond our capacities even to become acquainted with every area of need, let alone provide the answers. But perhaps we can do something specific about some special area that God has laid upon our heart — to learn about it, to think about it, pray about it, and make a commitment.

It is not our intention to keep you awake at night, but we feel impelled to urge you to be alert in the day time.

Do not let the edge of your compassion be dulled because suffering is so common.

## THE D.L.P. AUCTION

The official Democratic Labor Party, which is really an unofficial Roman Catholic party, came up with a few price tags on its preference votes for the coming Victorian State election. There was widespread criticism of the blatant display of opportunism.

Ever since the split in the A.L.P. which resulted in the formation of the new party, many State and Federal governments have been determined by D.L.P. preferences. Although it has no lower House representation in either State or Federal parliaments (it has two Federal Senators), this smallest of the parties has used its minority powers to great advantage in bargaining for its targets. But this is the first time that the party has used its threat of allocation of preferences so openly.

The Victorian D.L.P. leader, J. A. Little, said that increased aid for independent schools would be a factor in determining the use of preferences. He did add that there were other factors, but it is clear, from the history of the party, that State Aid for schools is the dominant issue.

The preferential system of voting was introduced to promote fair representation, but a small disciplined group can produce a result that is unfair by any standards. It is possible in the present method for a candidate to secure twice as many votes as his nearest opponent and still not win an election.

There is not much hope for a change in the voting system, so we shall just have to learn to live with the D.L.P.

Likewise, there is little hope, in these days of political realism, that all of the other parties will tell the D.L.P. to get lost. Even enemies are likely to find something that they can call friendship if it suits their political advantage. Herod and Pilate did!

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## TO WALK ON THE WATER

*We want to walk on the water, Lord;  
(Act of no actual service  
to any man—  
But terribly grand  
For the self-esteem!)*

*Don't ask us to feed the multitudes;  
Our hands might suddenly  
Smell of fish,  
And crumbs would catch  
In our trouser cuffs.*

—Marjorie Lou Stump.

# MISSION SURVEY PACKS A SURPRISE

BY VAUGHAN HINTON

Surprise of the month — and a pleasant one at that — has been publication of the A.C.C. Division of Mission survey of Australian Missions.

The last such survey was in 1959, and that was based only on figures for personnel, and not giving to missions. The latest lists both people and money given.

The report comes as a pleasant surprise, for it shows that, during a period when many would claim the churches have begun to decline in influence and spiritual power they have, in fact, increased the number of missionaries sent overseas and to Aboriginal missions in Australia by 1965 — and found the money to finance them.

It is also worth noting that the increase in missionary personnel is spread broadly across all denominations, though the Roman Catholic Church showed the greatest numerical increase, more than doubling its numbers from 609 in 1959, to 1,330 in 1965, the year on which the new figures are based. Part of this increase is due to the inclusion of Aboriginal mission personnel not included in the 1959 Roman Catholic figures.

The Anglican Church, with two mission agencies, increased its personnel from 371 to 482; the Presbyterian from 99 to 137; the Methodist from 255 to 335; the Baptist from 111 to 133; Congregational remained steady at 37; the Churches of Christ rose very sharply from 30 to 108, as did the Lutheran Church from 101 to 267, and the Salvation Army from 63 to 101.

Mission bodies not directly related to a denomination increased their personnel from 652 to 895, and small church groups from 492 to 584.

### PERSONAL CONVICTIONS.

The statistics seem rather dull or uninteresting until one realises that every one of those 4416 clergy and lay men and women are serving in a mission today because of a personal decision, and their conviction that this is what is required of them. Lally account for 2,924 of the number.

Of this total 47 per cent are working in the Pacific, 22 per cent among Australian Aborigines, 20 per cent in Asia. In all you can find Australian missionaries serving in 76 countries overseas — and there is no part of the world, not even China, excluded.

They make up some of the 80,000 Christian missionaries now estimated to be serving in countries or situations other

than their normal ones, for this is the most recent figure available for the total international missionary force.

### CURRENT GIVING.

Second point of especial interest in the Division of Mission survey is its listing of current Australian giving to overseas and Aboriginal missions. This is the first time this figure has been revealed.

In 1965, it stood at \$7,069,186 per annum, with Roman Catholic missions receiving \$2,509,572; main-stream Anglican and Protestant Church missions receiving \$2,732,176; independent mission groups \$682,354, and small churches \$1,145,084. The survey gives no indication of the amounts spent in specific overseas countries.

For the boards related to the Division of Mission, giving ranges from \$470,000 to the Church Missionary Society, and \$468,316 to the Australian Board of Missions — both Anglican Church bodies — to \$430,880 to the Methodist board; \$341,246 to the Churches of Christ; \$291,800 to the Presbyterian; \$283,818 to the Baptist; \$200,894 to the Lutheran; \$179,422 to the Salvation Army, and \$54,800 to the Congregational.

The report also notes that Australian Inter-Church Aid provides about \$148,000 to finance mission projects, and currently spends \$16,500 on personnel attached to mission schools, hospitals or church-related institutions.

While, overall, the figures for missionary personnel and giving seem excellent, it would be rather hasty to assume that this is, in fact, the case.

### HOW DOES IT COMPARE?

Before we start patting ourselves on the back we need a survey that shows how church-giving for overseas missions compares with expenditure and personnel within Australia.

Certainly the annual income to mission agencies of \$7,000,000-odd shows up rather differently when we know that one — not the largest — denomination in one State spends half that much each year on buildings alone.

Nonetheless, it is difficult to get past the example of commitment and dedication represented by that figure of 4,416. Every unit represents a person for whom faith is something more than a pleasant hour in the company of friends at 11 a.m. each Sunday.—By Vaughan Hinton, A.C.C. Staff writer.

# KEEPING WATCH ON THE "WATCH-TOWER"

BY HAROLD LONG

"Watch Tower" is the propaganda arm of the "JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES" sect, and for the sake of this article, the terms are being used synonymously. Their rate of expansion (trebled in last decade); their vigilance in door-to-door sale of propaganda; their radical revolt from basic, fundamental, Biblical teaching are advanced as reasons for the need to "keep watch."

## I. Facts To Be Realised

Although I am obviously taking strong issue against their erroneous doctrines, it has been with the object to appreciate and not merely to depreciate, that this article has been written.

Most of us know that this sect was the brain-child of Charles Taze Russell, in the late 1800's. When he died, in 1916, he was succeeded by "Judge" (self-styled) Joseph Franklin Rutherford. "The Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society" was set up by Russell in Pennsylvania, U.S.A. At first, members of this sect were known as "Russellites," but about 1930 assumed the name "JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES."

In this country they got under way in Melbourne about 1903, and though slow at first, soon began to gather momentum. As conscientious objectors in wartime, they have refused to salute national flags; and declined to vote in political elections. They were banned by our Commonwealth Government in 1941 as seditious and subversive. They had this repealed two years later and were awarded rather princely "damages."

Their peculiar interpretation of "the taking of blood," causing them to resist blood transfusion under any circumstances has again drawn public attention to them. One of them was convicted of manslaughter in 1960, in Melbourne, following the death of an infant.

## II. Techniques To Be Recognised

Because of their manifest sincerity and, practically without exception, their propensity for steady talking, and their seemingly endless Scripture-quoting, many subscribe to the fallacious view that "they know their Bible." Yet they are mostly ignorant of the Scriptures and certainly floundering when it comes to "rightly dividing the Word of Truth." Although their persuasiveness blinds with "science" the average church-goer who hardly ever pick up their Bibles.

They have a manual, bound in such a way as to appear to be a "Bible," but

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which is, in fact, a classified list of Bible references (all lifted out of context) gathered under certain headings like the telephone "Pink Pages," and they draw on this far more than any over-all, balanced knowledge of the Bible. The Bible is thus slanted and interpreted for them.

Let them exhaust their few proof-texts learnt from memory, and match their doggedness by getting them off their "hobby-horses" and you will find that they are as lost in the Bible as they would be in "The Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam."

Another of the techniques calculated to capitalise on the milk of human kindness is their practice of sending juveniles to your door vending their magazines with a well-rehearsed prattle that permits no interruption, much less able to respond to intelligent questioning. Many good-hearted people purchase their wares rather than squelch the well-meaning youngster.

While one may not applaud their methods, yet we should recognise their zeal, however misguided. Every devotee of the sect is encouraged to put in AT LEAST ten (10) hours per month on door-to-door calling; of which a tally is kept, all in their own time and at their own expense, of course. Australia-wide, the sect claims it visits EVERY household at least twice a year. (How well we know it! If only they wouldn't call around Sunday morning just as we are getting ready to go to church!!)

If all who owed allegiance to Churches of Christ and New Testament Christianity were ONLY HALF AS KEEN we'd be embarrassed trying to cope with the expansion!

## III. Teachings To Be Scrutinised

The writer is here confining his remarks to PRO and not ANTI "Watch Tower" sources. An article that appeared in "PIX" comparatively recently, by J. A. Wilson (a leading exponent in Australia at that time), "What Do JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES Believe?" a tract from their own centre in Strathfield, N.S.W.; their EMPHATIC DIAGLOTT (Greek and English) by Benjamin Wilson, and published by "International Bible Students' Association"; "The Harp of God"; and "Salvation," by "Judge" J. F. Rutherford; "This Means Everlasting Life," and a number of other "Watch Tower" publications.

Obviously an article of this brevity cannot be expected to embrace the scope

of their departure from "orthodox" belief, so it is restricted to THREE points with which Churches of Christ would take issue.

### (1) THE GOOD CONFESSION.

That Jesus is THE Christ THE SON of the Living God (Mark 8: 29; 1 John 2: 22; 5: 1), etc. . . .

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES say, "Jesus was NOT God the Son" (p. 58 "Creation"); "He was a perfect man, nothing more, nothing less" (p. 111, "Reconciliation"); "Christ Jesus the divine was born three days after the crucifixion" (p. 245, "Deliverance").

### (2) THE RESURRECTION.

"... that he (Christ) rose again the third day according to the Scriptures . . ." (1 Corinthians 15: 1-4), etc. . . .

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES say, "The man Jesus must remain dead for ever if he is to be a substitute for Adam. By that is meant he could not be raised up out of death as a man and still provide the redemption price for fallen man" (p. 128, "Reconciliation"). "The Scriptures do not reveal what became of that body" (p. 172, "Harp of God").

### (3) THE BODY OF CHRIST: THE CHURCH.

"... I will build my church . . ." (Matthew 16: 18); "... Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it . . ." (Ephesians 5: 25), etc. . . .

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES say, "The ecclesiastical systems, Catholic and Protestant, are under the supervision of the devil . . . and therefore constitute the antichrist" (p. 222, "Deliverance"). "Clergymen, forming a part of the world, are therefore enemies of God" (p. 91, "Deliverance"). "The fixed number of the 'elect' is 144,000," and they (naturally) are a selection from within the ranks of "J.W.'s."

What more is there to be said? Really, to take some of their statements at their face value, THEY PUT THEMSELVES OUTSIDE the fellowship of those called "Christian"!!

In fact, the existence of such sects and cults as abound these days is, in some senses, an indictment upon "orthodoxy." One cannot reflect on the integrity of these good people. In most cases, they've turned away hungry from formal churchianity to something that certainly challenges their commitment if nothing else!

# N.S.W. 82nd CONFERENCE



P. H. MORTON  
President, 1967-1968.

"To God be the glory! Great things he hath done."

This was the general response to the N.S.W. 82nd Annual Conference. The theme was "Jesus Only," and the President, Charles Cole, presided helpfully over all sessions.

The Conference Choir, under the baton of Alan Rae, of Marrickville, provided appropriate music, and a fine atmosphere for the Rallies. All meetings were held at Enmore, except the Conference Sermon Session in the Sydney Town Hall.

## Departmental Rallies

Conference commenced with a crowded Youth Rally, on March 11. Features were a splendid "Personal Witness" item presented by the Belmore C.E., and a challenging message by the guest speaker, Fred Nile, Dip.R.E., National Director of C.E. for Australia.

The Youth Conference sessions, on Sunday afternoon, March 12, had Mr. Nile, and Harold Long, of Epping, as special speakers.

Conference was officially launched with the President's Reception, at 6 p.m., on March 13, when Charles Cole reported on brotherhood activities throughout the year, and the incoming President, P. H. Morton, gave a brief resume of his hopes and plans for the future.

The Christian Women's Fellowship 73rd Annual Conference, under the presidency of Mrs. C. J. Mackenzie, gathered in all-day sessions on the Tuesday, the principal speaker being Mrs. D. Mann, of Warrawong, who highlighted some of her experiences during her recent visit to the Indian Mission Field.

The Missionary Rally, on Wednesday evening, sponsored jointly by the State Overseas Missions Committee, and the State Aborigines Missions Committee, was addressed by Hariba Waghmode, who presented an interesting picture of opportunity among our Indian churches. The Men's Work Tea, on the Thursday night, had F. J. Stephenson, of Chatswood, as speaker, while the message delivered to the Social Service and Boys' Home Rally, on Friday evening, was brought by David Oldfield, minister of Hornsby church, and at present Acting Superintendent at "Dunmore House" Boys' Home.

At the Home Mission and Bible College Rally, on Saturday evening, March 18, a

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moving presentation entitled "The Fields Are White . . ." encouraged the large gathering to greater efforts in personal devotion to Christ and concern for the spiritual needs of men and women. New students at Woolwich were featured, the incoming Conference President, P. H. Morton, of Burwood, was introduced to the gathering, and recognition made of the services of Charles Cole during the year just concluded.

The Conference Sermon Session, in the Sydney Town Hall, on March 19, proved to be a worthy witness to the traditional view of members of Churches of Christ of the Scriptures as the final authority in faith and practice. In this great service our N.S.W. churches shared with the B. and F. B. S. in their 150th Anniversary celebration. The guest preacher was Dr. J. T. Watson, General Secretary of the Bible Society, London, who took as his subject, "The Bible as the Word of God." The Conference Choir, and soloist Phil. Goldfinch, provided the musical side of the programme.

## Highlights of the Business Sessions

Conference Executive report gave prominence to Federal Conference, Sydney, October 16-22, 1968; World Convention, Adelaide, 1970; Broadcasting; the "Christian Messenger," and the recent purchase of a Multilith Off-set Printing Machine, to be operated jointly by Conference Executive, and the Departments of Home Missions and Evangelism, Christian Education and Social Service. A further new service available to churches will be the recently developed Christian Advertising and Publicity Agency, which is enlisting the aid of a panel of experts and will operate as a sub-committee of the Executive.

The Department of Home Missions and Evangelism assisted, through subsidy and pastoral oversight, the churches at Belrose-Nth. Balgowlah, Broken Hill, Campbelltown, Cardiff, Engadine, Liverpool West, Murwillumbah, Naraweena, Nth. Sydney and Penrith. The challenge of new areas such as Nth. Turramurra, Dapto, and Mt. Druitt, was also brought before Conference. Training in Evangelism, particularly in the vital field of "personal witnessing," has been a notable aspect of the work of the Director.

The Bible College report stressed the

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financial difficulties which the Board is facing. The increase in married students has made it necessary to enter into a programme of alteration and additions to the College property, for which extra finance must be found. Through the generosity of Miss Ashwood, further provision has now been made for undergraduates, as well as graduates, to receive financial assistance toward fees in connection with University studies. The State Christian Women's Fellowship was thanked for splendid support in regard to the supplying of the new stove for the College kitchen, and the students were commended for the fine quality of the Woolwich Magazine. It was also reported that over 20 churches received assistance from student-pastors during the year.

The Department of Christian Education appealed to the brotherhood for greater support financially in view of heavy commitments in the possible development of the second Youth Camp Site at Lake Macquarie. The Department was commended for its splendid management of the Book Room, its conduct of Evangelistic Crusades — Crusade '64, '65 and '66, organised by Youth Conference, its effective Camping Programme, in which so many young folk are brought to a commitment to Christ — and its vigilance regarding Bible School Lesson materials.

In relation to the report on the Consultation between representatives of the State Department of Christian Education and the Federal Board of Christian Education a resolution was unanimously passed that, because of the favorable reports from schools using Standard Publishing Lessons Materials, the Department be requested to approach Standard Publishing (Christian Churches, U.S.A.) with a view to having these lessons considered for use in N.S.W. schools.

The Aborigines Missions representatives reviewed the work at Carnarvon, Norseman, Esperance and Balladoran, and it was noted that of the personnel serving on our native fields, 17 workers are from N.S.W. A. D. Pallett, of Norseman, in Sydney because of the serious illness of his brother, addressed the delegates.

The Overseas Mission Committee highlighted India, New Guinea and the New Hebrides, and the presence and personal

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# THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

BY PRINCIPAL A. W. STEPHENSON, M.A.

AS WATER IS to the body, and air to life, so is the ministry of reconciliation to this world. This is a must. The world is divided. East is against West. China against Russia; Israeli against the Arabs. The Whites are divided from the Blacks, the Communists from Capitalists. Religious sects war against one another. Family feuds fan hatred.

Today the world is a cauldron seething with strife. This is not new. Since sin came into this world, men have followed the lead of Cain. If the world's unrest is the product of sin, sin can be traced to rebellion against God. When David had robbed Uriah of both wife and life, he cried to God, saying, "Against thee, and thee only have I sinned."

Left to ourselves, speaking humanly, all is hopeless. The only end for this world, so far as we can see, is total disaster. While man has not the answer, God has.

The work of healing all the world's diseases was commenced by God and was announced at the Cross when Christ died for our sins (2 Cor. 5: 18-21).

To reconcile is to make peace where once there was war and strife, to bring love where once was hatred, to bring unity where once was division.

Any rascal can set man against man, but only God inspires moves toward peace and good will. When Christ came into this world the angels sang their heavenly praise because he had come to reconcile man with God and man with man. He came with the message of peace and reconciliation. This big word "reconciliation" may scare people, but it is simple in meaning: it points to the act of bringing men together who have been set at odds with one another. The only sure grounds for making peace between people is to point them to the way which God has presented in Jesus Christ. He is the sure way to peace and to God.

When the younger son demanded of his father the money that was his due, he went off into a far country and separated himself from his father,

A devotional talk given to students at the N.S.W. Bible College at Woolwich.

both by distance and by way of life. He was soon in trouble. He not only grieved his father, bringing sorrow into the home, he also brought tragedy into his own life.

Here was a family at odds within itself. Like many families in our present society, and like the whole human family, this home was divided by sin. But this young man came to himself and saw his own foolishness. He decided to go home. The father was more than ready to meet him, yes, even before the son had set out on his homeward journey.

God is ready to accept us back into fellowship even before we decide to return to him. In all reconciliation, both parties to the dispute must be ready and willing to meet one another. In our disputes with Heaven, God is ready to forgive before we are, it only means we must make a move and then there will be reconciliation. This has been possible because God, since Calvary, has been in Christ reconciling the world unto himself.

This ministry of reconciliation has been given to us. We must, therefore, so present Christ to men that they will be constrained to set aside their rebellious attitude and come back to God with a humble and contrite heart. It is our task to bring peace where there is now discord. We must become peacemakers and not strife makers. It is easy to do things that divide a home, a church, a brotherhood, a nation and a world, but the more difficult task is to reconcile parties that have been divided. To this task we must set our hands.

Even in a Bible College this ministry is needful. Human weaknesses and frailties become obvious when people come to live together. How easy it is to play on such weaknesses and cause sorrow and division! Sometimes this is done in fun, but such frivolity often causes heartaches. Our task is to become peacemakers and to reconcile brother with brother, and student with student, and so create unity within the life of the college. Then, in such an atmosphere of love, the Spirit of God can work and bring forth fruit unto his glory. Yes, to us all has been given the ministry of reconciliation.



## PROBLEMS IN CONGOLESE CHURCHES

Dr. Stephen J. England, a leader in the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) in the U.S.A., found Christianity fractured "almost beyond belief" in Congo. He said there were people in upriver villages telling stories about "five different gods," the deity being divided in their minds along the lines of Western denominations.

Dr. England is professor at the Graduate Seminary of Phillips University, Enid, Okla., and immediate Past President of the International Convention of Christian Churches.

"My impression of the Congo church is that while it is immature in church administration, it is striving to find its own identity, and its leaders have a deep longing for the Christian gospel and the best way of conveying it to the people and using it in shaping of the new nation," said Dr. England.

He suggested that priority be given to educating ministers and other church leaders, developing urban programmes and lifting the level of theological understanding of the entire membership.

Another view was reflected in the report given by the Rev. Louis Johnson, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan (U.S.A.), following his tour of the American Baptist missions.

"The church in the Congo is in a real crisis," Mr. Johnson stated. "There appears to be a breakdown in communications between the missionaries and the Congolese. They seem to be saying two different things."

Complimenting Baptist hospitals and schools, Mr. Johnson stated that he found missionaries "competent," though they are "generally living in another age. Some are sensitive, while others exhibit little or no awareness of the revolutionary times in the Republic."

Mr. Johnson also charged that the mission programme had failed to develop a strong indigenous church.

"One gets the feeling that we are just floating. There is no apparent concerted strategy in our three basic areas of operation" — educational, evangelistic and medical.

"Lay people have very little voice in the church in the Congo," he reported.

Taking issue with charges levelled at the denomination's mission programme, Dr. Chester J. Jump, executive secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Societies, agreed that a "crisis" exists in the Congolese Church.

"But it does not centre on the attitudes of missionaries or their relationship with Congolese leaders. The crisis arises," he said, "from economic, political and tribal factors. It is the crisis of a newly emerging African nation, in which the Christian Church is one of the brightest points of promise."—E.P.S.

## QUESTING

WITH  
A. E. WHITE



Two men in our church had a fiery and, it seemed to me, most unfriendly squabble about a social question at our annual business meeting. These two Christians had completely different views on the topic. Should the church bother with social questions at all? If your answer is yes, how does one come up with the right answers?

You apparently expect me to say Yes! so I will do so at once. Yes, the church should bother about social questions. God is concerned with man, and society is made up of people. Social questions concern people in relationship with each other, and it is absurd to think that the church can be the church without doing something about the social environment in which man lives.

Take slavery, for example. Slavery was a social question. It still is in some areas. The Christian answer was that no man has the right to own another. Christians — and non-Christians — worked hard to change society in relation to slavery and eventually succeeded. During the struggle there were Christian slave-owners and Christian abolitionists. Some slave-owners were often compassionate and gentle. Some Christian slaves often knew a true liberty greater than their masters. But so long as one man owned another, the concept of slavery had to be fought.

Child labour was another example. What society did to little children in the early years of the industrial revolution is one of history's most sickening pages.

To take an interest in social issues is not to deny the primary task of the church, which is evangelism. Indeed, social concern is an extension of the passion of evangelism. As James said, faith is dead unless it is expressed in social action (Jas. 2: 14-17).

Poverty, racial discrimination, drug access, war, vandalism, delinquency, divorce, marital infidelity, crime and its punishment, under-privileged children, physical and mental disabilities, conscription, alcoholism, poisonous literature, etc., are all social questions which could justifiably be considered by a church considering at its annual meeting the affairs of her Lord.

They are a part of evangelism because evangelism is interested in saving man within this life as well as for the next.

I must agree with you that the church does not always speak with one voice on these matters and what happened at your business meeting could happen again. The absence of brotherliness must be deplored, but it would be better for men to speak strongly out of deep conviction than to ignore such significant matters. (More next issue).

## CONCERNING MISSIONARIES

Jack Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith have been twenty-one years serving in the New Hebrides, at present at Ranmawat on Pentecost Island. They are serving their last term.

An opportunity came for Mr. Smith to gain employment in Melbourne. As it had to be accepted or rejected immediately, permission was granted to Mr. Smith to shorten his final term of mission service. He is already in Melbourne and will be joined by Mrs. Smith in May or June.

Miss Ruth Edgell. Miss Edgell went out to the New Hebrides last September and has been serving with Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Combridge on Maewo. Unfortunately, she had to return to Australia for medical treatment, and underwent an operation at Bethesda Hospital, Melbourne.

Her specialist expects that she will be able to return to her missionary service after convalescence. She is at present staying with Mrs. Goss, 333 Swanston-st., Melbourne.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Edwards, and Gwenneth and John, leave Melbourne, by train, on Monday, April 17. They will return to the New Hebrides by sea, departing from Sydney.

## BOX HILL CHURCH (Vic.) 56th ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

First Day — April 30 —

Theme: "Reflections of the Past."  
11 a.m.—Worship Service. Speaker: K. J. Clinton.

3.30 p.m.—Pleasant Sunday Afternoon.  
Speaker: E. Miles. Guest Choir: Maryborough Ladies.

5.15 p.m.—Fellowship Tea.

7 p.m.—Gospel Service. Speaker: F. Youens. Guest Choir: Maryborough Ladies.

Final Day — May 7 —

Theme: "Visions of the Future."

11 a.m.—Worship Service. Speaker: I. Mullen.

3.30 p.m.—P.S.A. Speaker: K. Harvey.

5.15 p.m.—Youth Tea.

7 p.m.—Gospel Service. Speaker: M. Gray. Guest Choir: Campbell Singers.

## ACCOMMODATION IN CANBERRA

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Faculty members included: H. W. Street (York-st., Ballarat); A. Stevens (Manifold Heights); J. Byrnes (Brougham-st. and Mt. Clear, Ballarat), and H. G. Feary (York-st., Ballarat). Mrs. H. Hunting and Miss R. Roberts (Melb.) acted as Camp Mothers. Mrs. E. Thomas was Chief Cook for the 17th consecutive year. Guests this year were Ray and Betty Veal and family.

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• ABORIGINES MISSIONS

# NEW CHAPEL AT CARNARVON



The completion of the final stage of the Carnarvon Christian Centre has been a wonderful achievement. It has meant hard and sacrificial work on the part of many people — both of those of the Carnarvon Mission, and of members of the church in the Carnarvon area. It has all been done in the best traditions of missionary service.

Saturday, March 18, was "open house" at the Centre, when the whole plant was thrown open for inspection. People from the town and from the surrounding district took the opportunity to see the bright, airy chapel, so well suited to the climate of the north-west, yet restrained in design and conducive to worship. The entrance is through a wide vestibule which joins the general purpose hall and the chapel, and which provides a very necessary breezeway between them. It is possible to take out the glass wall at the back of the chapel and continue the auditorium area over the vestibule and into the hall. In this way very large crowds could be accommodated for special occasions.

The chapel is ceiled with acoustic tiles. The walls consist largely of tinted glass windows, all of which can be opened. Additional air movement is obtained by opening lower sections of the windows which extend down to the floor. The seating is in dark green vynex, of open-backed style. Platform furniture is of laminex, in a wood grain, which tones well with the feature wall and baptistry behind the platform. The western red cedar feature wall was made possible by a project of the W.A. Youth Groups. Many other groups and individuals have

helped to make this chapel possible, including the W.A. League of 500 which made a "call" to help the establishment of the church in the district in its own home.

On Saturday evening, the Billy Graham film, "Lucia," was shown to an audience of about 260. A gospel appeal was made afterwards and there were several decisions for Christ.

The Sunday services were graced with a choir especially gathered for the occasion. Lance Fisher, Mission Field Superintendent, presided at the communion service, with both our native and white brethren serving. 240 present. David G. Hammer, who had been first missionary in the area, brought the message, making mention of the opportunity opened to this church to demonstrate true Christian love and fellowship, as

Christians of both Aboriginal and European backgrounds shared together in a manner surely unique in Australia.

At the evening service, conducted by Harold Fitch, Bob Williams spoke and Mr. Hammer showed slides giving a record of God's blessing and guidance over nearly 22 years in the district. When an appeal was made for commitment, several adults and some young people responded. There were around 270 people present at night. With few visitors in the area at present, this represents splendid interest on the part of local people.

The church has been engaged in voting for the first official board, and native people are being introduced into this system of church government. The first business meeting of the church took place the following Wednesday.

## SCRIPTURE UNION IS 100!

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Children were led to a personal faith in Jesus Christ, and needed to be strengthened by reading the Bible, so the Children's Scripture Union was started. But there was soon demand for adult

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# WHERE IS CHRIST?

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I read the Bible, because someone said, if we want to find and know Jesus, we should read his word. In this Book I found that Jesus himself said, "Behold,

## BY AUGUST BEN (A New Hebridean's Testimony).

I stand at the door (of my heart?) and knock, if anyone hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him and he with me." These words gave a little relief to my heart, but still I did not open my heart completely to hear his voice.

As a teacher in our mission school, I had to give devotionals to the children. One night, as I prepared the devotional for the next morning, I opened the Scriptures to John 14. One of the verses spoke to me as never before, "That where I am there ye may be also" (v. 3). An invitation of the King of kings to one such as myself. "What will I wear to go into his palace?" That moment I realised I was a sinner, I saw my sin, I heard the Lord knocking on my heart's door. I let him in at once and things changed, the burden of my heart rolled away, Christ is my Saviour and my Lord.

I continued to teach, worked with the missionaries, other school teachers and leaders of our churches. I learned to love my Saviour dearly.

It was discovered that my heart was not normal. I went to New Zealand for treatment. After a large operation on my heart, my health received a "new birth." Do people have "double-healings"? My soul was freely healed and

my body received healing. For 14 years before the operation my activity was limited, but now I am able to make up for all I lost. The Lord has dealt wonderfully with me.

In all of these experiences, the Lord kept saying, "I have healed your soul and body freely, what will you do for me?" When I returned to the New Hebrides I thought I would continue to be a teacher. However, at the commencement of the Bible College I felt that God had called me to attend and train for the ministry of his wonderful Word.

What the Lord has done for my soul, he will do for anyone who is willing to believe in him. It may be in a different way from my experience — however, the Lord is knocking on the hearts of all men and women, and he will keep knocking. Do you realise you have a need? Without Christ in your heart, what do you possess? Are your possessions good for eternity? Have you heard his voice?

If you do give yourself to him, he will ask you, "What will you do now for me?"

—August Ben.

## FOOD SHIPMENT ARRIVES CALCUTTA

Keith Skillicorn, in a recent letter said, "Your precious gift of food has arrived in Calcutta, and I am arranging for it to be forwarded to Daltonganj by rail. We can take all you can send. Sarguja is now declared the worst hit area by reason of its remoteness. Folk in some areas are existing on leaves and grass. Yesterday I was called to pick up a case collapsed by the side of the road, due to starvation.

Through N.C.C. Relief Committee here in Sarguja, my wife and I are operating a colossal programme which provides work for 4,000 labourers on 44 projects, which means 20,000 beneficiaries are getting food. The crisis months will be May, June and July."

The Overseas Mission Board will send a further consignment of wheat to assist in famine relief in Bihar, on the "Barpeta," leaving Adelaide on April 10.

## "FATHERS IN THE FAMILY"

"Fathers in the Family" is the theme of the National Marriage and Family Week which will be observed by churches and community organisations throughout Australia, May 14-20.

A leaflet setting out suggestions for the observance of the week has been widely distributed and already there are signs of unusual interest in the 1967 theme.

It is hoped that on Sunday, May 14, "Fathers in the Family" will be used as the sermon subject, and that women's men's, youth and young adult groups will use the theme for their meetings during May. A suggested programme is printed in the leaflet, which may be obtained from the National Marriage and Family Week Council, 1st Floor, 100 Flinders-st., Melb.

In Victoria, the A.N.Z. Bank is sponsoring an essay competition for young people, on the subject, "The Role of the Father in the Family." Particulars may be obtained from any branch of the A.N.Z. Bank in Victoria.

The widely representative Council is greatly encouraged by the increasing observance of the week. The President of the Council is Dr. C. J. Wright.

## REFUGEES

Burundi is a small and hilly country with few natural resources with but one of the densest populations in Africa: 92 inhabitants per square mile (compared with 7 per sq. m. in the Congo), 2,600,000 in all. Its soil is relatively poor, the hillsides difficult to cultivate and the rainfall erratic. On Jan. 1, 1966, there were an estimated 65,000 refugees in Burundi (52,000 from Rwanda, 13,000 from Congo). The number of Congolese has more than doubled since then. —U.N. High Commission for Refugees.

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## OPEN FORUM

### IN PRAISE OF SPACE.

To the Editor,  
 Congratulations on your literary use of white space. A brilliant example of this is page 3, in April 1 issue, when large type highlighted the theme — LIBERTY — and repeated it in lesser type magnifying 60 words of an unknown Brazilian poet. The forlorn picture of a mother and child, with questioning eyes, was also a powerful unfolding of your theme, and more effective than slabs of type. God in his creative processes displays a liberal use of space — the magnificent spaciousness of the heavens declares his glory.

The white space relief sections in "The Last Word" column of the journal enhance the wisdom and truth of utterances you choose to set forth.

The intention of this letter is in terms of grateful recognition of the editor's ability and the effective craftsmanship of compositors.

—Will R. Hibbert, Vic.

### LONG TIME READER.

To the Editor,  
 I recently enjoyed an article by B. J. Combridge stating the value that the "Christian" had been to him.

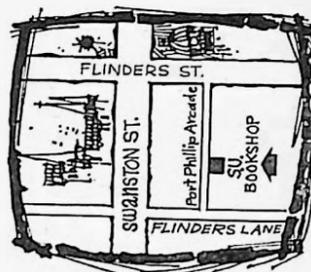
My grandfather, T. S. Lyle, was a foundation member of the first Church of Christ in Victoria, at Prahran.

He came to Adelaide in the late 1850's and became a member of the Grote St. church. He and my father became members of the North Adelaide when it was formed, and I joined in the same year, 1885.

As long as I can remember it has been my privilege to have the church paper to read, and as I am now nearing 95, I expect I am one of the oldest of your readers. I was agent for the "Christian" for many years for the Maylands church, and know somewhat of

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To the Editor,  
 I rang a disconnected number, and a very gracious young lady announced my lack of success with no tone of censure, and promised that I would not be charged for my neglect to do the sensible thing and look up the book. I was feeling quite warmed towards her when suddenly she announced, "This is a recorded voice." Rather taken aback, I continued to listen while she went through her routine again and again, each time reminding me "this is a recorded voice." I thanked her and hung up.

That night I said my prayers and jumped into bed thinking. I wondered if perhaps my prayers were a bit like the message of the young lady of the disconnected numbers; if my amen in the name of the Lord at the end might just as well be saying to God, "This is a recorded voice." Maybe God wants to get on to my line, and all he gets is the same routine, dull and monotonous and the same over and over.

Even when I skip the usual routine and try to launch out on to some real praying, I still find myself using "churchly" words and phrases, and avoiding coming to grips with God by asking him to bless the Hottentots.

I wonder what God would think if I skipped the "recorded voice" stuff and said, "Lord, I don't feel like praying tonight because I feel flat. I could think up some good appropriate things to say. I could even go through the usual routine. But it wouldn't be honest. God be merciful to me, a sinner. AMEN."

Do editors say their prayers?

TERTIUS.

the difficulties you have had from a financial point of view.

Of course, I do not know what steps you have taken to overcome them, but thinking the matter over I wondered if you had tried to increase your list of subscribers by writing to each church individually.

I believe some churches are paying for a subscription for the paper to be given to a member, but surely every church could do this: Larger churches could do more.

I sincerely trust that you will soon overcome your difficulties, and that the "Christian" will be a source of information, enjoyment and a means of blessing to our spiritual life for many years to come.

—Wm. C. Lyle, S.A.

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## • BACKGROUND TO THE MORNING READINGS

# COLOSSIANS

Part 2 :: Chapters 3, 4

BY C. E. BOWSER, B.A., Dip.Ed.

### Introduction

As we saw in the previous study, the principal aim of this epistle was to glorify Christ. The church had been afflicted with evil doctrine which had obscured the greatness of his person and caused confusion as to his real nature.

In the first two chapters Paul emphasised that in Christ dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. This was the theme of the letter. Now in the third chapter, he begins to apply this great truth and fact to the individual's life. Since the very first verse of the third chapter begins with "if," there is obvious connection with what has gone before. Thus some of the roots of the practical implications of the impact of Christ on the individual's life are to be found back in the previous chapter.

### Risen with Christ

We saw that gnosticism was the basis of most of the errors at Colosse. The second chapter concluded with Paul combating one of these errors. Many taught that because matter, or material things, was evil, the Christian must live an austere life, practising vegetarianism and other forms of abstinence so that the spirit could rise to greater heights.

This was treated in the final verses of the second chapter. However, some of the extreme followers of this heresy took rather a different approach on the whole question. These extremists taught that matter was completely alien to the individual, and that the Christian could do what he liked. Thus any sin that he committed was not committed by his real self, but by his physical body.

This type of thinking had arisen in other churches in early times for a variety of reasons. As always, Paul combats this by drawing attention to the fact that a Christian is a changed character. In chapter, v. 12, he reminds the Colossians that in the act of Christian baptism they were buried with Christ, and through faith in God's power working in their lives they had been raised to a new life. Thus this third chapter follows on from the implication of a new life in Christ requiring a new perspective in living.

He clearly states, in verses 1-3, that the Christian cannot do "as he pleases." Since he is now a changed person, the things of this material world should have no further hold on him. In so

doing Paul is not only combating the evil present in the church of his own day, but under God's Spirit showing all ages what God requires in the Christian's life.

### Newness of Life

Our human nature leads us naturally to desire certain things. We have a natural affection for the material things of the world, for we are human, and human things appeal to all. When we see beyond human and material things in Christ we must make a conscious effort to change our affections and let the fuller things, the spiritual things, which God can give be the object of our desires.

Thus, in chap. 3: vs. 5-10 and 12-17, he tells us to "put to death" (N.E.B.) the parts of us that merely seek physical things, and let the Spirit of God which is now our possession take control. If we look carefully at this passage we will see that this will not take place in the life without effort. He gives a series of imperatives which show that we must try to live as God requires. However, we are not left to our own resources to follow some strict code. The power to live the risen life comes from Christ himself, who is spoken of in v. 11, as "being all and in all." There is need for us ever to realise the great Power that is available to each of us to live a full and abundant life. All this is possible because we are arisen and have "new life."

There are many passages in the New Testament which stress this theme. Perhaps the best ones we may note and compare with this section of Colossians are Galatians, chap. 5; Romans, chaps. 6 and 12, and Ephesians, chap. 5. In each of these, life in fuller perspective and depth is shown to the Christian churches. Not unimportant on this topic is the first epistle of John, with its strong emphasis on the eternal nature of the life we have through Christ in contrast to the natural life and desires we have in the world which is "to pass away with its lust."

### New Attitudes

We must realise that the Ancient World was no less troubled with racial prejudice and class distinction than our own. Hence we find, in verse 11, in the midst of the instructions about the "new life," a clear statement that "in

Christ" all distinctions of race and status are swept away.

There must have been a real challenge to the readers, as there should be to us, to show what Christ can do in changing the life. If in the midst of prejudice and hate there was shown love because the person was "in Christ," it must have been a wonderful testimony to Christ's power to transform even the natural attitudes of people. We might well ask ourselves: has the redeeming power of Jesus Christ taught us to see no distinction in others, but merely a brother in whom Christ dwells?

### New Social Values

From verse 18, of chapter 3, to verse 1 of chapter 4, we have a series of exhortations about relationships with one another in the personal field. This type of practical, commonsense advice has never lost its value. However, there is something quite interesting which emerges from the advice given to servants and masters.

Already Paul has set down the principle that slave and master are no different in the sight of God, and should treat one another as brethren in the Lord, yet there is no suggestion that in their social relationship they should change. The emphasis on their relationship is that they be absolutely just and fair with one another.

The Christian can make his best contribution, it would seem, when he does everything as to the Lord (v. 23). His new life will find its worldly expression in the way he discharges his responsibilities. Rather than be a revolutionary, perhaps the greatest impact we can have is to live Christ, doing all things as unto him. In this way we can bring nothing but honor to his name. These social responsibilities we should carry out sensibly, courteously, and making full use of our time to witness to his name.

This is the essence of verses 3-6 of the final chapter. Paul was in bonds. He accepted the fact, redeemed the time by turning his imprisonment to the service of Christ, walked in wisdom towards all with whom he came in contact and knew how he ought to answer every man.

Thus in doctrine, in life, and in witness the whole epistle encourages us to give Christ the pre-eminence.



## QUEENSLAND

### "CHRIST IS COMING"

(Chinchilla, Qld.). The Churches of Christ in the Western Downs district recently held a fellowship weekend with the theme "Christ Is Coming." Speakers were I. Martin (Kingaroy-Murgon), D. Schofield (Chinchilla-Hopeland), D. Paddon (Roma), and A. Weedon (Dalby). Attendances averaged about 150.

### TEEN WEEK RESPONSES

(Kedron, Qld.). The challenges presented during Teen Week, early in March, have stimulated the work amongst the young people. Many new contacts are attending. The church contacts are attending. The church shared in district services arranged by local Ministers' Fraternal during Holy Week. Dr. J. H. Jauncey was guest speaker at a meeting arranged by St. Andrew's Church of England Men's Society. Over 100 men from nine congregations in the district attended, including Roman Catholic. . . . K. Birkhead, Conf. Pres., was speaker at morning service on March 19. . . . At the youth service on April 2, a young man was baptized. The monthly "Hideway" was held the same night.

## — INTERSTATE NEWS —

### N.S.W. BROADCASTS IN APRIL

(N.S.W.). Churches of Christ broadcasts over 2CH Sydney:

Daily Devotions, at 8.45 am. — Friday, April 21 — Graham Warne, North Turramurra.

Church Service — Sunday, April 23 — Church of Christ, Bexley North. Preacher: D. G. Hammer.

### TASMANIAN RELIEF

(N.S.W.). It was announced at the recent Conference that N.S.W. churches have exceeded \$4000, thus far, for Bush-fire Relief.

### N.S.W. PRAYER LIST

1. The N.S.W. Home Mission Fields — particularly in new spheres as Dapto, Orange and Macksville, and older, inner-suburban areas, like North Sydney.

2. The newly-established C.A.P. — Christian Advertising and Publicity group in N.S.W. — that its activities may be widely used for the spread of the gospel of Christ.

3. Belrose church, in its Mission, April 15-30, with Kevin Christensen as evangelist, and Roger Foletta, and in spiritual "follow-up."

4. Lidcombe's special week of meetings, April 16-23, with E. T. Hart and Alan Rae.

5. CRUSADE '67 — August 22-26, in the "Grace Auditorium," Sydney, with George Wood, of W.A., as guest evangelist.

### FAREWELL TO DENBY HOLMES

(Hurstville, N.S.W.). A farewell service was held for Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Kathy and Brenda, on March 22. About 250 were present and greetings from brotherhood committees were given, and appreciation expressed by local fraternal and all auxiliaries, with many gifts. Mr. Holmes, after five years of fruitful ministry, has joined the military forces as Chaplain. His closing weeks were marked with many decisions and baptisms. . . . At the annual business meeting, elders were elected: W. Walton and W. French. The 1967 Budget was ratified. . . . The church is grateful to the Social Service Dept., which has agreed that E. T. Hart engage in a part-time interim ministry. G. Towle, student minister, will assist.

### HORNSBY AND BROTHERHOOD

(N.S.W.). At the recent State Conference the following members were elected to serve on Conference Committees — Mrs. R. Bartholomew (C.W.F. Ashwood House Comm.); Mrs. T. Smith (C.W.F. Boys' Home Comm.); R. F. Bartholomew, D. A. Oldfield and T. Smith (Boys' Home and Young Men's Hostel Comm.). . . . D. A. Oldfield conducted a well attended Good Friday service at 9 a.m. L. Riggall conducted a House Party over Easter at Katoomba, for the Young People's Bible Study Group. . . . Miss J. Borham was soloist on March 19. R. Bartholomew conducted the gospel service on March 26, in the absence of the preacher on Boys' Home work.

### HOUSING COMMISSION CONSULTS WITH CHURCHES

(Churchill, Gippsland, Vic.). The Churchill Committee on Church Co-operation held its Annual Meeting to review past developments and plan for 1967. Representatives of the Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian Churches, and Churches of Christ have responsibility for arranging ministry to the new town of Churchill in the Latrobe Valley.

The meeting was preceded by a consultation between the Church Committee and members of the Victorian Housing Commission, which discussed Community Development and the church's part in it. The Rev. Peter Arch, minister in Churchill for the co-operating churches, stressed the church's concern for community welfare, and the consequent need for facilities where members of the community could meet. The Housing Commission representatives promised sympathetic consideration of the problems raised by the Consultation.

The Churchill Committee for Church Co-operation agreed to continue the policy of renting a Housing Commission residence for a parish meeting house. Th's house was at the present the only community place in Churchill.

### MISSIONARY CAMP

(Hall's Gap, Vic.). 44 ladies travelled from Melbourne to share in a weekend of workshop, study, fellowship and fun with 30 from country areas. Mr. Clinton visited camp to take part in the Friday evening programme, and Miss D. Geyer and Mrs. B. Edwards were among the leaders of the workshop activities. The Saturday evening "International Carnival" was conducted by Mrs. B. Amos, with Mrs. Beasy, from Portland, as pianiste. Mrs. Butler (Horsham) and Mrs. Page (Hamilton) led in devotions. Mrs. Morrison's group presented a "Morning Coffee" play, and campers enjoyed a scenic bus tour of the Grampians. Mrs. Candy led the early morning communion service, and campers further shared in the studies of the booklet, "Saints — But No Haloes," presented by Mrs. H. Hall.

### MINISTER'S TERM EXTENDED

(Maidstone, Vic.). At the half-yearly meeting David White was invited to continue his ministry for a further three years. . . . On Feb. 28, a bus load of ladies attended Church Convention at Belgrave Heights. . . . Prayer meetings attendances are growing. . . . Our young people are most enthusiastic about sport. Cricket and basketball are most popular. . . . Three of our ladies attended C.W.F. Camp at Hall's Gap.

### TEACHERS MARRIED

(Warrnambool, Vic.). Two of the B.S. teachers were married recently. Gloria Hill, who was married to John Redman, had given years of service in the school and as C.E. Leader. Les. Porter is B.S. supt. He was married to Judy Mason. . . . Easter services attracted many visitors. . . . The Bible study Home Fellowship on Wednesdays is growing in interest.

### • FOCUS ON ARCHIVES

## BOOKS, PAPERS AND THINGS

By E. P. C. HOLLARD

Sunday, June 9 1957, possibly passed with little clamour, we cannot recall any rivers changing course, or mountains being removed. However, on that date a young man in Adelaide was appointed Archivist for the S.A. brotherhood.

The Executive made a wise choice, for David Whyatt has developed something of exceptional value to the churches and the historical knowledge of the State. From humble beginnings he has accumulated a store of "books, papers and things" sufficient to satisfy the hungriest of essayists, historians, writers of theses. The churches, and individuals, promptly responded to David's plea for material, and now the strong room set aside in 189 Gawler Place is quite inadequate to handle the excellent filing system and material available.

At present over 250 books, 150 pieces (brochures and the like) have been catalogued, with over 150 to be finalised. Whoever knew that old Kermodie St. church, North Adelaide, was an amalgamation with a church at Archer St.? The letters from 1885 are all there. Minutes from a number of churches, Departmental records going away back to the beginnings of Conference activities are intact. Pamphlets announcing missions (e.g., the Kellem-Richards campaign); copies of the now defunct State papers; programmes of the opening of buildings, conferences, and even sound recordings of the Youth Choir and the Federal Conference Choir. Cuttings from the Press since 1955 relative to Churches of Christ, plus personal accounts of church affairs (here Elliott Arnold's splendid story of Port Pirie church is valuable).

Among the books is Campbell's "Four Gospels" (this is not Alexander Campbell), published in 1799, and once possessed by Barton Warren Stone and brought to Australia by T. J. Gore. Wrapped up in this story is an air of mystery which whets the appetite.

Close association is kept with the Federal Historical

Society in Australia and the American Historical Society in Nashville. Both of these organisations have referred interested people to David Whyatt. Direct contact is maintained with the Adelaide Archives and Public Library, the National Library in Canberra.

One of the thrilling events was the discovery of the Campbell documents several years ago. Through the busy work of David Whyatt this important event received publicity in varying and unexpected quarters. The modest David has built for himself a reputation of worth. Whilst visiting the Historical Society in U.S.A., over a year ago, the Curator spoke in glowing terms of the work in Adelaide.

What can local churches or individuals do to share in this thrilling activity? Items of interest from local churches, old records, Restoration Movement books of older vintage, letters which have an historical content (and even though personal, their value becomes enhanced). In other words, we might be constrained not to hold bonfires of old "books, papers and things" without looking for intrinsic values which might be contained in them. Parce! them up, send to Mr. Whyatt, and let him determine their real value. It is a service he yearns to give.

The Archives contain material which has value for those interested in writing theses, compiling church histories, preparing for debates, articles for conferences, and a variety of occasions and interests. They ought to be used.

Mr. Whyatt gives a personal word, "This is just more than collecting; but to make information available, and thus educating people to an understanding of the present position among us." This sums up his attitude and purpose. It is of interest to note that David Whyatt became our archivist because he heard a sermon on the "People and Position of Churches of Christ." His keen desire to continue the echo of that lecture is worthily expressed in South Australian Archives.



## WESTERN AUSTRALIA

### WOMEN OF THE WEST

"Grant me thy influence in the morning and show me which way to walk," was the theme of the morning meditation, led by Mrs. J. L. Pallot, immediate Past President. The soloist was Mrs. C. R. Johnston.

The President, Mrs. C. B. Reid, welcomed 88 ladies, including W.A.'s Living Link: Mrs. K. Ludgater, of Londua, New Hebrides. She brought greetings from the New Hebridean C.W.F.'s. It was a joy to welcome Mrs. W. Rowe, back after long illness.

One of our foundation members, Mrs. Etheridge, celebrated her 89th birthday in Royal Perth Hospital.

Mrs. Ladbrooke, senr., of Harvey, was guest speaker at the tea table on Women's Day of Conference, March 29.

### Reports.

Financial Statement: Balance in hand, \$1,055.85.

Home Missions (Mrs. Sonsee): Encouraging reports come from Applecross, with increased church and B.S. attendance.

Aborigine (Mrs. J. L. Pallot). Through correspondence, Mrs. L. Fisher thanked all who had offered hospitality to the

missionaries and children during Christmas vacation. Clothing lists have been sent to C.W.F.'s. The Carnarvon Christian Centre was opened on March 18. Continue to pray for the young people as they settle into new environments in Perth.

Overseas Missions (Mrs. Ladner). Mrs. A. Fletcher is available for speaking appointments.

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (Mrs. Robertson). Literature for male patients is urgently needed.

Social Service. Mrs. Horton introduced Miss B. Doddemeade, newly-appointed deaconess, to the meeting. She will be working with the Welfare Centre and "Karingal."

The guest speaker was Nigel Gardener, Field Officer, Good Neighbour Council. —D. M. Gordon, sec.

### MISSION PLANNED

(North Perth, W.A.). The church business meeting, March 9, was told of special services leading to an Evangelistic Mission later in the year. A Harvest Thanksgiving service was held and a Tenebrae service was conducted on Palm Sunday. Two young people recently committed their lives to the Lord. The S.S. picnic was held on March 6. . . . The C.W.F. screened an Inter-Church Aid film at their social. . . . The church extends sympathy to Mrs. Bone on the death of her husband.

### TALENT SCHEME LAUNCHED

(East Victoria Park, W.A.). A social was held on March 17 to launch a Talent Scheme to finalise at the end of July. . . . At church annual business meeting, C. Bridge agreed to continue as treasurer for another year. . . .

Several members have been received by transfer and one by baptism. . . . Church is grateful to all visiting speakers for their services. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Peddey and baby are leaving to live at Port Hedland.

### CARNARVON BAPTISMS

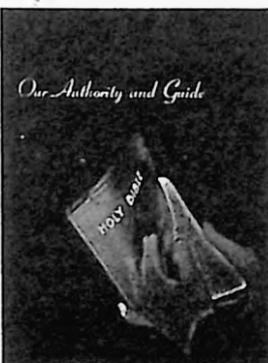
(W.A.). On a recent Sunday evening the new baptistry was used for the first time when 11 were baptized into Christ. . . . The annual meeting appointed L. M. Fisher, R. Field, H. Fitch, R. A. Jones and R. Williams as elders. . . . Easter meetings were held from Friday to Sunday evenings. Film-strips were used and the film, "Three Minutes to Twelve," was screened. There were good attendances at all meetings.

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## Focus on W.A. Home Missions . . .

### Building Plans

Dianella and Wembley Downs are studying plans prepared by their architect for first unit buildings.

### Expansion

Applecross has bought new communion glasses and chairs to provide for the increasing numbers attending the church services. The youth contact programme is also experiencing rapid expansion.

### Manse To Be Painted

The manse in Joondanna requires painting and quotes are being sought. T. Morrison has been elected convener of the Manse sub-committee in the absence overseas of H. W. Seaby.

### Preachers' Removal Fund

This co-operative fund of all the churches has been able to reimburse \$160 to the Applecross church towards the removal of L. P. Austin from South Australia. The fund is administered by Home Missions.

### Billy Graham Crusade

Churches are asked to forward to the Home Missions secretary the names of present members who were converted in the Graham Crusade, 1959, also to look ahead to March, 1968, re the booking of bus transport to the Perry Lakes Stadium.

### Geraldton Mission with Geo. Wood

Much prayer and thoughtful planning is being given to this evangelistic mission, to be conducted later this year.

### Rivervale Sunday School Over 100

The school is growing. Church service attendances have also been increasing. A Y.P. C.E. has been formed. "The striking and impressive feature of the work at Rivervale during the past month has been the united spirit of purpose and devotion."

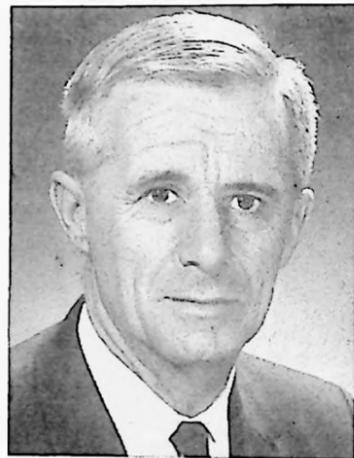
### East Victoria Park

The average morning attendances in February were 61. Several members have moved into the district. "There is tremendous scope for ministry through the East Victoria Park church," says our Home Missionary, I. E. Allsop. By the way, we congratulate him on his University exam. success last year.

## CHURCHMEN WIN FILM AWARD

(Melb.). One of the annual features of Melbourne's "Moomba" is an 8mm film competition for amateurs. This year there were 63 entries, including 15 from overseas. Second place went to South Africa and third place to Germany.

The "Moomba" trophy for first prize was won by Terry Lane and Ken Pinches, of the East Preston church. Mr. Lane is the minister there. Their film, entitled "Encounter," a 15-minute study of a young schoolboy from a poor home, and his envious reactions to a highly privileged boy in the city's wealthy section. Colin Bennett, in "The Age," wrote that the little picture's appeal is greatly enhanced by the excellent handling of its hero. The principal characters were two boys from the East Preston Sunday School.



G. R. Stirling.

# APPOINTMENT TO GLEN IRIS

The College of the Bible, Glen Iris, Vic., announces that G. R. Stirling, B.A., has agreed to accept a position on the College staff, to take effect in the latter part of 1968.

Appreciation is expressed for the gracious attitude of the Board of Officers of the Canberra Church of Christ, with whom representatives of the Federal Conference Executive and the College conferred. It is the desire of all that a suitable successor to Mr. Stirling be secured before he relinquishes the ministry with the church at Canberra. K. A. Jones is continuing in a part-time capacity with the College for at least another year, depending upon the condition of his health.

Mr. Stirling's task will be one of multiple functions. It is planned that office assistance will be arranged to enable him to engage in creative responsibilities. He will be responsible for public relations, supervision of College property,

the combined duties of housemaster and chaplain to the students, and will take over the part-time lectureship of A. E. White, B.A., which is chiefly concerned with Practical Church Work (Pastoral Theology).

After careful consideration the Board has decided that Mr. Stirling's position will be described as that of Vice-Principal. This title is used to describe one responsible for a particular area in the life of the College, as distinct from the area for which the Principal is responsible. It is not intended to convey any suggestion that the Vice-Principal is necessarily to be a successor to the Principal.

The Board is quite sure that Mr. Stirling's past service to our Australian brotherhood, and his high standing, will commend his appointment to all concerned.

On behalf of the Board of Management,  
F. P. Chipperfield, Chairman.

## THINGS TO COME

- APRIL: QUEENSLAND**  
24-27—Minister's Conf. — Caloundra  
28-30—State Conference.
- NEW SOUTH WALES**
- APRIL:**  
15 —SQUASH TOURNAMENT, Lane Cove. (D.C.E.)  
15-30—Belrose Mission — with Kevin Christensen.  
16-23—Lidcombe "Week of Meetings" — with E. T. Hart.
- VICTORIA**  
16 —Conference — Public Rally — Melbourne Town Hall.  
21 —Good Companions — Swim Night.  
23 —C.Y.F. Leader Training for Executive Members.  
25 —North Western Dist. Conf.  
28-30—Good Companions — Senior Leaders' Camp.  
29 —Explorers' Hike and Barbecue.  
29 —Young Adults — "Foya."  
30 —C.Y.F. Leader Training for Executive Members.
- MAY**  
Explorers' Service Month.  
Seminar on "Christian Reading."  
C.E. Area Training Sessions.  
5-12—Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.  
7 —Annual Offering — Department of Christian Education.  
12 —C.Y.F. "Impact" (Dept. of Christian Educ.).

## WEDNESDAY SPECIALS

(Dandenong, Vic.). A new series of midweek meetings commenced on March 15, with a big rally of district churches to hear Jack Edwards tell of New Hebrides missions . . . On March 22, it was Recreation Night, with social games, favorite records and slides . . . 36 of our young people shared in a weekend camp at Monbulk with Berwick and Brighton churches . . . L. Dyer and K. Heath were guest speakers at B.S. anniversary . . . Other visiting speakers have been Cyril Minns, E. Baxter and W. T. Atkin. The latter spoke to the C.W.F. (afternoon). The Combined C.W.F. visited Oakleigh Guest Home to supply a programme and afternoon tea . . . Three more food parcels have been despatched to India for Dhond, Baramati and Shrigonda.

## UNCONVENTIONAL NIGHTS

(Unley, S.A.). Each month we are to have an "Unconventional Evening Service." The first, on March 19, had 130 present. There were at least 30 overseas students at the meeting, most of whom received hospitality for the evening meal. Pastor Lee, a Chinese pastor, preached in Mandarin with the aid of an interpreter. The service was led by the President of the Overseas Students' Fellowship, and other students took part. Dr. John Lawton arranged the details . . . A booklet giving "Programme Activities for 1967" related to the theme, "A Living Lord and a Living Church," has been prepared by our minister, R. V. Holmes, and a special sub-committee . . . There were Easter Camps at Longwood, Balaklava and Barmera, arranged by the Christian Educ. Dept., and several of our young people attended . . . The combined service, with Baptist and Congregational Churches, in our church on Good Friday, at 8 a.m., had 240 present. 205 were communicants . . . Mrs. E. V. Lawton (our World C.W.F. President) arrived in England on Easter Saturday, in time to welcome a new grand-daughter (Kirsty Jane Lawry), aged five days. Mrs. Lawton is staying in Sussex with her daughter Lindy, and son-in-law Peter Lawry, and is returning to Australia in April.

## PREACHERS' PROVIDENT FUND

Preachers and Church Treasurers are reminded that contributions to Superannuation Accounts and Church Subsidies are now due for the year 1967. Cheques should be made payable to "The Preachers' Provident Fund," and forwarded to the Fund's Treasurer, H. Bell, 13 Rounce-ave., Forestville, N.S.W.

## OPENING OF . . . NEW YOUTH CENTRE AND FACILITIES

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APRIL 29 - 3 p.m.

Tennis Tournament. Barbecue Tea, followed by  
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## • TASMANIAN FIRES

BY REUBEN BOXHALL.

# THE AFTERMATH

(SEE COVER PICTURE)

Our cover picture comes from Salvator Rd., West Hobart, Tas. — less than a mile from the City Centre. This was the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Cooper, two members of our Collins St. church. Mr. Cooper — Bill to his many friends — will be 79 years of age in May. He has been a Church of Christ member for 65 years, and he is a life-member of the R.S.L. (he served in the 1914-18 War), he has been Grand Secretary and Grand Master of the Loyal Orange Lodge since 1925, and he is currently President of the Hobart Branch of the Aged Pensioners' League.

Bill's burnt home was 125 years old — it was originally part of an estate of 5½ acres, and was then known as "Hillside." It was built by convicts.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are at present living in part of a house directly oppo-

site their burnt-out home, and within 50 feet of it. When I called on them they appeared quite comfortable, despite the fact that they are by no means "over-furnished."

Bill was busy posting out a fire-relief cheque to a burnt-out pensioner, and told me their Pensioners' League had received fire relief funds from other Leagues.

When I asked him what his plans were for the future, he said, "I am going to have a new home built on the old site." This resolution is typical of so many victims of the fires. Despair, never — confidence, ever! Here is a motto to take into our Christian life.

Thank you, everyone, in every State, who has remembered the bush fire sufferers in prayer and in donation.

## EASTER UNION

(Ascot Park, S.A.). On Good Friday, the Baptist minister Mr. Barlow spoke at the combined communion service with Parkholme Baptist Church . . . On Easter Sunday the special service portrayed the journey from Jerusalem to the Cross. The minister C. G. Dredge, presided . . . On April 2, there was a youth service at night. A coffee hour followed at which Brighton Gardens young people were guests.

## ADDITIONS AT FLINDERS PARK

(S.A.). There have been six baptisms and five confessions in April . . . The pre-Easter service was held on March 19, with Methodist Church, with the Easter service being held in our chapel.

## DEVONPORT DECISIONS

(Tas.). There were two decisions by young men in March. On March 19, two S.S. girls were baptized and on April 2, a young man was baptized. . . . On March 11, a number of G.L.B. personnel held a picnic at Deloraine. . . . The men painted the roof of the chapel on April 1 . . . In the afternoon about 100 parents and friends of boys went to Gillam's farm to join in the fun of the B.B. soap-box Derby.

## TRAGIC EASTER ACCIDENT CLAIMS TWO LIVES

(Vic.). When two cars collided on Easter Monday night two lives were lost. In one of the cars were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. West senr. of the church at Red Cliffs, their daughter Helen, and their son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Dennis West of the Bayswater church. Mrs. West senr. died almost immediately, and Mrs. West, jnr., passed away in hospital the following day.

Mr. and Mrs. West (nee Margaret Mears) were married at Bayswater last January. The Wests were returning to Red Cliffs from Merbein. In the other car were four soldiers returning to Adelaide.

## YOUTH SERVICE

(Invermay, Tas.). On March 19, a special youth service had as its theme, "The Light of the World." Those taking part were Stanley Bailey, Ian Lynch, Peter Ford, Andrew Comer, Helen Madden and Pat Fitze. C. J. Heier gave a short address . . . The annual meeting, on March 16, elected: sec., H. G. Byard; asst. sec., Geoff. Hays; treas., Wal Bailey. . . . A sports club meets each Friday, and as many as 20 young people have gathered in recent weeks.

## CAMP AT MORAWA

(W.A.). The Northern Districts' Easter Camp was held on the G. D. Carslake's property. 70 campers came from Perth, Geraldton and Morawa. D. G. Hammer, Fed. Sec. of the Aborigines Board, led six sessions of study. The discussion periods led campers to see that the New Testament pattern of Christianity is extremely relevant to the 20th century. At a camp-fire testimony meeting young people shared their experience of Christ. The camp communion service had Kevin Berston, of Manning, as preacher. All travelled to Morawa for the evening service. The local Junior High School brass band, and some visiting players, gave a recital of sacred music prior to the service. D. G. Hammer addressed the capacity meeting.

Mr. West, senr., Helen and Dennis all received serious injuries, but are now off the danger list. They are expected to be patients at the Mildura Base Hospital for about three months.

The sympathy of the brotherhood goes out to the families whose loss is so great. The West family have been among the most faithful at Red Cliffs for many years, and their dedicated talents have wonderfully assisted the life and witness of the church.

The Mears family are equally prominent in Bayswater church, where Margaret's father was secretary many years.



## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

### CHRISTIAN FAMILY WEEK, S.A. May 7 to 14, 1967.

The theme for this year will be "Developing Standards in Your Family." Churches should commence planning immediately to ensure the success of the week in your church. Use the week to reach families in your area. Stress the importance of the Christian Family. Plan now for—Special Sunday Services; Family Outing or Family Social; Discussion Groups on Family Responsibility; Mother and Daughter and Father and Son evening. Special films are available for discussion and inspiration. Also literature on marriage and family life.

### C.M.S. RE-FORMED

(Glenelg, S.A.). Church programming beginning to speed up since new ministry of E. P. C. Hollard began. C.M.S. has been re-formed. Morning services average 170; evening services have doubled, with teenagers attending loyally. . . . Easter services united with Congregationalists and Methodists. The Inter-Church Council, an outcome of the Church and Life Movement, meets regularly, and includes ministers from every church communion in the City of Glenelg. . . . Several church families abroad on tours.

### PRESIDENT AT HARVEST

(Loxton, S.A.). Harvest Thanksgiving services were held on March 19, with the Conf. Pres., S. E. M. Riches, as guest speaker. Following the church tea, Mr. Riches explained the functions and policy of the Home Missions Dept. A special thankoffering was well supported. . . . Several car loads of girls attended the annual Girls' Brigade service at Barmera.

### TWO CONFESSIONS

(Victor Harbour, S.A.). There have been two recent confessions. . . . The Women's Fellowship did exceptionally well with the Milk for India project. . . . Harvest Festival services were well attended, with the evening service being supported by the choir. . . . Prior to Easter the choir, led by Miss H. Sinkinson, presented "The Story of the Cross."

### ALLAN FROST TAKES THE FIELD

(Adelaide). The selection of Allan Frost for the Australian Test Team to tour New Zealand brought rejoicing among the churches in Adelaide. He is now in Melb. playing for Favell's team against Simpson's.

Allan and his wife are active members of the church at Maylands, and his commitment to Christ is undenied. This young man has been a credit to cricket for his unswerving loyalty to Christian standards.

Behind his choice lies a story of courage. In his earliest years he suffered from polio, and it was thought that his chances of living a normal life were doubtful. In school years he persevered with his desire to play sport, and later

### DAY OF PRAYER

(Whyalla, S.A.). Mrs. Dungey, wife of the Headmaster at Whyalla Tech. High School, was guest speaker for 120 ladies at World Day of Prayer service. Morning coffee was later served in the church hall. . . . C.W.F. elected as pres., Mrs. Joy Hughes; sec., Mrs. Lorraine Watson; treas., Mrs. Gwen Tregloan. . . . \$29 was raised by ladies in Mite Bags for Building Fund and Dhond Hospital. . . . Four young people have come to reside in district as schoolteachers. . . . 100 attended when Youth Club screened "The Day of Triumph." The Youth Club also held a 24-hour camp at Port Gibbon. . . . C. E. Watson, Director of I.T.I.M., was guest speaker on March 4. . . . Both services have increased attendances this year. Four members attended Northern Dist. Conf. on March 7. . . . P. Smith and A. Kittel are recovering after surgery.

### BRIGHTON GDNS. CELEBRATES

(S.A.). The minister, C. H. J. Wright, was preacher at the 12th anniversary services on March 12. A musical programme, arranged by the choir-master, Peter Tillet, was presented at 4 p.m. by the Domine Singers. This was followed by a church fellowship tea. At evening youth service, a young man made his confession of faith. 140 young people attended monthly coffee by candle light service. . . . At the annual business meeting, on March 15, Messrs. L. Drummond, G. Miller and K. Matthews were elected deacons. K. Ladner was elected B.S. supt. Reports showed active membership now to be 269, and an average attendance over the past year was 193 a.m., 134 p.m. . . . Stainer's "Crucifixion" was presented by church choir on March 19. Soloists were Thomas Edmonds (tenor) and Geoffrey Gore (baritone).

### SUCCESSFUL MISSION

(Gawler, S.A.). The following men helped to make this mission, March 5 to 12, a success: W. N. Bartlett, G. G. Filmer, E. P. C. Hollard, A. J. Ingham, W. J. Philp, C. R. Stock, C. E. Watson. Participating were Churches of Christ at Willamstown and Kersbrook, and the Gawler Baptist Church. The meetings were most stimulating. They provoked discussion and proved mutually helpful. Two confessions of faith and one re-consecration were recorded. At the last night over 200 were present. A thank-offering amounted to \$72.

### MODERN PLAY

(Kensington Park, S.A.). "Prototype," a modern religious play, was produced by the minister, K. Parry, for Palm Sunday. A combined family and B.S. service was held in the morning. The Good Friday service was held at 9 a.m. . . . A recent youth service was followed by fellowship hour and the screening of films. \$31 were raised. . . . On March 12, the evening service took the form of a discussion, "Is Christian Faith Necessary in This Age?" . . . C.W.F. provided a social afternoon for elderly folk and friends in the district. Musical items were given by Mesdames McAllister, Parr and MacKay. The Easter service was held in the church, with afternoon tea being held in the church hall. . . . The Harvest Thanksgiving service provided a good supply of groceries, fruit and vegetables for the Christian Guest Home at St. George. . . . Mr. Hoffman is again in the Adelaide Hospital.

### GRANDFATHER AT BAPTISM

(Goolwa, S.A.). When H. E. Greenwood, minister at Goolwa, baptized Cheryl Bowey, recently, he was assisted by Arthur Neighbour, Cheryl's grandfather. Mr. Greenwood has moved into new manse. A team of young men helped to prepare the manse, garage and exterior. It will be a relief to Mr. Greenwood to unpack his books and furniture. . . . Attendance at prayer meeting is increasing each week. . . . Gerald Burgar conducts song session at gospel services.

### B.S. REACHES OUT

(Balaklava, S.A.). B.S. teachers and scholars recently forwarded parcels of clothing and tinned foods costing \$80 to three young people they are supporting, one in New Hebrides, another in New Guinea, and the third in Baramati Boys' Home. Scholars have received letters of appreciation from each of them. The B.S. also gave \$10 to Christmas Bowl Appeal. . . . Goods from Harvest Thanksgiving display were given to local hospital and Everard Park Rest Home. . . . Good Friday service was held in Methodist chapel. Easter Sunday evening service was led by four of our C.W.F. Members and campers from Balaklava Camp attended. . . . Mrs. M. Webb was baptized and received into fellowship.

### WIDE RANGE

(Dulwich, S.A.). Talks at adult fellowship after-service gatherings on Sunday evenings have included "Our Aborigines," by Miss Elaine Treagus; "Medicine and Religion," by John Baker; and a discussion, "What Good are Religious and Semi-Religious Gramophone Records?" Youth group talks were by Dawn Chivell ("Six Weeks in India"), and Bruce Masters ("Community Aid Abroad").

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messages of Hariba Waghmode (India) and Mr. and Mrs. David Hammer and Miss Diana Catts (New Guinea) greatly added to the interest of the report.

The Christian Unity Committee reported on the wide distribution of the booklet, "Finding Purpose Today," the splendid response to the churches to the "Christian Life Crusade," and the task of the Committee in interpreting the mind of the N.S.W. brotherhood in regard to the Uniting Church of Australia.

The Social Service Department emphasised the on-going task in the Homes for the Aged, at Pendle Hill, Croydon, Hornsby, Thirroul — and the new venture at Newcastle. Plans for the Nursing Home have been modified to comply with new Government regulations, while other features reported on were Hospital Chaplaincy and the activities of the Inter-Church Trade and Industry Mission.

The Boys' Home and Young Men's Hostel Committee was commended for a very fine work, both at Pendle Hill and at Marrickville.

The Building Advisory Committee has been concerned during the year with the future of City Temple and Enmore properties.

The Finance Co-ordination Committee and its work brought forth much discussion out of which a decision was made to call a special conference for further consideration of brotherhood methods of finance.

### Conference Officers

The following were elected to office for the coming year:

- President: P. H. Morton.
- President-Elect: H. M. Long.
- Vice-President: J. R. G. Morris.
- Secretary: E. T. Hart.
- Associate-Sec.: O. Wainwright.
- Treasurer: R. H. Wakeley.

### Devotional Sessions and Fellowship

Fellowship during Conference was enjoyed around the meal tables, provision being splendidly cared for, as usual, by the Catering Committee of the C.W.F. under the direction of Mrs. Milne; and also at other less formal gatherings such as the Ministers' Wives' Fellowship meeting at Woolwich College, and the Annual Cricket Match between the Ministers' Fraternal and the Bible College Students.

The Ministers' Session, all day Thursday, was addressed by Australian delegates returned from the recent Berlin World Conference on Evangelism, Dr. E. H. Watson, Rev. David Mack, and Rev. Geoff. Fletcher.

Listed in the Conference Handbook as "Spiritual Thrusts," helpful devotional sessions were conducted on the general theme of Conference, "Jesus Only," by Harold Long, of Epping, David Hammer, of Bexley North, Geoffrey Hopson, of Beverly Hills, and Brian White, of Telopea. In all, a deep spiritual tone prevailed and a strong challenge to greater commitment of heart and life to Christ was urged.

### Resolutions

#### Internal — concerning Brotherhood Activities:

(a) That Conference direct the Department of Christian Education to investigate the suitability, availability and promotion of Standard Graded Lesson Materials (U.S.A.) with a view to making recommendation, according to their judgment, to churches in N.S.W.

(b) That Conference give authority to Executive to send "observers" to committees of an interdenominational nature as the Executive may decide as being in accordance with the wishes of Conference.

(c) That Conference establish a Brotherhood Centre Investigations Committee comprising the Executive Secretary and two members of the Property Trust, Financial Co-ordination Committee, and Building Advisory Committee — to investigate the establishment of a centre, or centres, for worship and Departmental work; to consider the effectiveness or otherwise of City Temple and Enmore properties; and to report not later than 1968 Conference.

### N.S.W. C.W.F. CONFERENCE

"Trust in the Lord," was the theme of the 73rd Annual Conference of C.W.F. in N.S.W. In her opening devotional, the Incoming President, Mrs. F. Elsmore, said, "Each day is an untrodden path," and challenged the women to emulate the fishermen disciples in their Enthusiasm, Patience, Endurance, Faith, and Unconditional Surrender. The solo, "Beside Still Waters," was feelingly rendered by Mrs. A. Green.

Mrs. Gladys Mackenzie presided in the pleasant outgoing manner which has endeared her throughout N.S.W. 450 women were present, including new ministers' wives and those new to the State, Mesdames Hammer, Hopson, Warne, White and Wylie.

Greetings from General Conference were brought in person by the President, Charles Cole, who also expressed appreciation of the work of Mrs. Mackenzie and the C.W.F. sisters, and of his visit to the Women's Retreat at "Gilbulla."

An obituary report was presented by Mrs. S. Jones, who led in prayer for bereaved dear ones, and a suitable solo was sung by Mrs. D. Gowans.

Reports of all committees were adopted and appreciation expressed, and especially to Miss H. Rofe, a most efficient treasurer. An amendment to the Constitution was passed to include a Publicity Secretary on the Executive. After election of Officers, Superintendents and Committees, a small presentation was made to the two retiring Superintendents, who each have rendered many years of devoted service: Mrs. D. Corlett (Bible College), and Mrs. Milne (Catering). Visitors from Queensland and W.A. were welcomed.

Informative "Spotlights" were given by

#### External — concerning Our Wider Witness:

(a) Protesting against increasing Sunday entertainment in N.S.W.

(b) Supporting instruction in Sex Education and right Family Relationships, with a Christian emphasis, in N.S.W. Government schools.

(c) Urging both State and Federal Governments to investigate research into causes of juvenile crime.

(d) Requesting the Government of N.S.W. to limit any extension of the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages, with particular regard to places frequented by young people.

(e) Commending the Federal Government for liberalising its Immigration Policy to admit Asians into Australia.

(f) Urging the Federal Government to review Aged and Invalid Pensions in the light of rising costs of living.

(g) Pledging support, by prayer and other means, to church members:

- (i) who sincerely participate in armed conflict, or
- (ii) who conscientiously refrain from such participation.

(h) Commending brotherhood involvement in Asia by urging our young folk to serve in overseas voluntary schemes, both Christian and Civil.

—A.G.E.

Miss Diana Catts (New Guinea), Mrs. Bloore (Federal Conference), Bruce Armstrong (Special Effort), Mrs. Taylor (Aborigines Missions — clothing needs, etc.), and Mrs. Elsmore (C.W.F. programme for 1967/68).

Recognition was made of Senior Sisters in the form of gift biro pens.

The afternoon Call to Worship was led Mrs. R. Elbourne.

A welcome was extended to representatives of Women's Inter-Church Council, Mrs. Badger and Mrs. Gilbert, who responded. Mrs. R. J. Anderson presented a "Spotlight" on the work of our churches in the district of Newcastle, where the ladies are eagerly looking forward to assisting with the work of the new Nursing Home.

"As I Walked Down the Street," was the title chosen by Mrs. R. D. Main for her address, which graphically described her visit to her son John, and Val, and their little daughter on our mission station at Indapur in India. "Shock," she said was her main reaction, and "Indescribable" the poverty we at home cannot begin to comprehend.

The second of two beautiful choir items was brought by Chatswood ladies, after which Mrs. Mackenzie welcomed the Incoming President, Mrs. Elsmore, who responded and thanked Mrs. Mackenzie for her year of untiring service, presenting her with a copy of the Scriptures. The newly elected Officers, Superintendents and Committee members were introduced, and a prayer of dedication offered by Mrs. J. Henderson. A happy and helpful Conference day closed with the prayer hymn, "Christ of the Upward Way" and C.W.F. benediction.—P. Henderson, Publicity Secretary.

# PERSONAL

## DISCIPLESHIP

Irene Burdett, Marrilyne Griffen, Kaye Spencer, Susan Waterhouse, Ken Robson, Warren Grant, Lynette Hilderbrand, Ararat, Vic.  
 Ron Cook, Reservoir, Vic.  
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 Janet Harris, Coburg, Vic.  
 Chery Anne Bovey, Goolwa, S.A.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. Holland, Warrnambool, Vic.  
 Mrs. Maxine Webb, Balaklava, S.A.  
 Gail Barber, Cheryl Went, Chin-chilla, Qld.  
 Sherrin Lee, Wendy Pearce, John Walshe, Devonport, Tas.  
 Jean Kelly, Geoffrey Ryder, Nita Dowker, Laurence Barney, Lena Barney, Pearl Barney, Gladys Barney, William Tiddums, Christine Douglas, Christopher Field, Graham Schmitt, Carnarvon, W.A.  
 C. Campbell, J. Wells, D. Weir, Blackburn, Vic.  
 Phillip Baldwin, Julie Gillman, Koongarra Park, S.A.  
 Colin Hubbard, Jennifer Veall, Lynda Roberts, Geoffery Pollard, Elaine Brand, Heather Smith, Flinders Park, S.A.  
 Susan Waterhouse, Warren Grant, Ken Robson, Lynette Hildebrandt, Kaye Spencer, Lois Brooks, Rae McKenzie, Ararat, Vic.

Tom Myerscough, Brian Burke, Boronia, Vic.  
 Ralph Hounsel, Maidstone, Vic.

## MEMBERSHIP

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pederson, Mt. Gambier; Mrs. S. Bishop, Brighton Gardens, to Glenelg, S.A.  
 Mrs. Smith, Mildura; Margaret Clydesdale, Shepparton, to Malvern, Vic.

## MARRIAGES

Valerie Fitzpatrick to Kevin Lynch, Coburg, Vic.  
 Glenys Clark to Max Moody, Malvern, Vic.  
 Marjorie Webb to Lance Brune; Dianne Carslake to Robert Millar, Dulwich, S.A.  
 Gloria Hill to John Redman; Judy Mason to Leslie Porter, Warrnambool, Vic.  
 Leigh Degeut to Neil Griffin; Pam Simersall to Jeff. Fraser, Glenelg, S.A.  
 Sue Fishburn to Roy Green, Dandenong, Vic.  
 Dorothy Haydon to Alan Anderson, Nth. Essendon, Vic.  
 Margaret Maguire to Graham Fly; Joan McInnes to Raymond Parker; Nonie Sinclair to Richard Carl; Marylin Viggers to Gordon Lees, Boronia, Vic.

## DEATHS

Mrs. Scanlon, Malvern, Vic.  
 Cyril Newell, Goolwa, S.A.  
 Margaret Lesley West, Bayswater, Vic.  
 L. Hollett, Koongarra, S.A.  
 Elsie May Chandler, Nth. Williamstown, Vic.

## GOLDEN WEDDING

PARK - PRIOR. — At the Imperial Coffee Palace, Hobart, Tas., Josiah, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Park, Lake Bolac, Vic., to Elsie Glenthorne, A.T.C.L., L.E.T.C.L., only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Prior, Hobart, by evangelist, W. J. Way, on April 12, 1917. Present address, 21 Faraday-st., West Hobart, Tas.

## RUBY WEDDING

MITCHELL - WOODBRIDGE. — Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Mitchell announce with pleasure the 40th anniversary of their wedding celebrated on April 23, 1927, by the late J. I. Mudford, at the Church of Christ, Newmarket, Vic. At home, 1 Carson-cres., Hawthorn, Vic., Sunday 23rd, 2.30 p.m.

## APPRECIATION

VAUTIER. — Mr. R. Vautier and family express their deep appreciation to all their kind friends who have sent expressions of love and sympathy following the death of our invalid daughter and step-sister, Rosealind Ruth, recently. Mother and daughter are now united and "with Christ, which is far better."

## ENGAGEMENTS

CANN - NEWMAN. — Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cann, Inverell, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Lyn, to Dennis, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Newman, Inverell, N.S.W.

CHISLETT - GEYER. — Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Chislett, Boundary Bend, Vic., have much joy in announcing the engagement of their elder daughter, Robyn Faith, to Kenneth Robert, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Geyer, 7 Hillview-rd., North Balwyn, Vic.

FLETCHER - GRAYDEN. — Mr. and Mrs. C. Fletcher, 7 Amelly-cres., Reservoir, Vic., announce with pleasure the engagement of their younger daughter, Judith, to Bruce, only son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Grayden, 209 Dundas-st., Preston.

HODGES - THORNTON. — The engagement of Barbara and Bill was announced on April 8, 1967. Present addresses, 7/482 Barkers-rd., Hawthorn East, and College of the Bible, 7 Elm-rd., Glen Iris, Vic.

JONES - MARTIN. — With pleasure the engagement is announced of Helen, only daughter of Mrs. M. V. Jones, of Sandford, and the late Mr. A. R. Jones, to Ian John Douglas, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Martin, Tecoma-st., Red Cliffs, Vic.

PEARCE - PHILLIPS. — Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pearce, 6 Gardner-st., Box Hill South, happily announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Jan Elizabeth, to Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Phillips, 8 Kildare-rd., Floreat Park, Western Australia.

WELLS - SEUMAHU. — Mr. and Mrs. A. Wells, Wedderburn, Vic., have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their third daughter, Dianne, of W. H. Clay Home, Murrumbena, to Steve, of 101 Ferntree Gully-rd., E. Oakleigh, Vic., second son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Seumahu, Amboina (Indonesia).

## SILVER WEDDINGS

HODDER - MACDONALD. — Flora and Frank announce with gratitude the 25th anniversary of their wedding, celebrated April 9, 1942, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Unley, S.A.

MOORE - BOXHALL. — Les and Gladys have pleasure in announcing the 25th anniversary of their wedding, solemnised at Collins-st., Hobart, Tas., Church of Christ by the late L. A. Bowes, on April 14, 1942.

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## DEATHS

CROSSMAN. — On April 1 (suddenly) at Preston, Vic., Mabel, of 288a Dunmore-st., Pendle Hill, N.S.W., dearly beloved wife of the late William John, loving mother of Marjorie (Mrs. Stevenson) and Geoffrey; fond mother-in-law of Gordon and Heather, loved Nana of Donald, Dianne, Kathryn, Margaret, Allison, John and Geoffrey. "In God's care."

NOBLE, Letitia Bertha. — On March 31, 1967, at the Christian Guest Home, Oakleigh, Vic., beloved wife of the late Norman Garfield (late of Murray Bridge, S.A.).

## IN MEMORIAM

BERNETH, Lily Ethel. — In loving memory of my dear wife, and our mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother, who departed this life on April 17, 1965.

Her cheerful ways and smiling face  
 Are pleasant to recall,  
 She had a smile for everyone,  
 And died beloved by all.  
 "For ever with the Lord."  
 — Lovingly remembered by Albert, Ethel and Ted, Allan and Helen, and families.

BOAKE. — In loving remembrance of Russell James, called home April 2, 1965, loved only son of Clarence and Florence, and dear brother of Dorothy and Lorna.  
 "Sometime we will understand."  
 — Inserted by Florence Boake.

CUTCHIE. — Everlasting memories of Albert, who departed this life April 11, 1966, loved husband of Mary, dear dad of Janice, Shirley and Barry; father-in-law of Harold and Gerald; grandpa of Grant and Lyndell Howlett, Joanne, Andrew and Kim Mitchell.  
 "Till we meet again."

HILBIG. — Treasured memories of Elva and Ern, died April 13, 1966 (result of accident). Beloved friend of Mabel Buckley. "Will always be remembered."

ANNETTS, Lexie. — In loving memory of a devoted wife, mother and grandma, called home April 15, 1965. "Someday, sometime, we'll understand."  
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### BRIAN DOWSETT FOR COBURG

(Vic.). Brian Dowsett has accepted the unanimous invitation of the church to lead in our ministry, commencing Jan. 1968 . . . A workshop has just been completed on the theme, "Getting Acquainted with Your Bible." Each of the three evenings began with a "Pot-Luck" Tea (smorgasborg). Visual aids, lecture methods and discussion techniques helped us understand the unfolding drama of the Bible . . . A Maundy Thursday Communion service portrayed the dramatic scene from the Last Supper. This was again a most helpful experience as we shared our oneness by drinking from a single cup . . . Janet Harris has been baptized . . . The Monday night Youth Fellowship held a youth camp at Lyonsville. This group consists of a majority of young people with no church background. The study theme was challenging, "I Want the Facts, Man! About Me!"

### MISSION PREPARATION

(Malvern, Vic.). The church is busy preparing for a mission, April 16-30 . . . John Brooks acted as guest organist on Easter Day. Soloists have been Mrs. R. Kilmier, Glenys Besson and John Butcher . . . A basketball team has been formed by girls . . . Cricket club held church parade and presentation of trophies . . . John Blucher has been reappointed treasurer of the church. Budget for 1967 was adopted at church finance meeting.

### THREE DAYS' MEETING

(East Preston, Vic.). The annual meeting was again held in three different sections over a three-day period. All retiring officers were returned . . . The Temple Day target of \$1,000 was exceeded by \$91. This amount will be distributed to worthwhile causes . . . The S.S. picnic was held at Valley View . . . Children from poorer homes are being taken to S.S. each Sunday by Member's private car, and contact with families is being maintained.

### MIDLANDS DIST. CONFERENCE

(Vic.). The Midlands District churches held their Half-yearly Conference at St. Arnaud on March 19. For the first time these meetings were held on a Sunday, all business details being dealt with previously. This arrangement proved very successful, with over 70 attending both the 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. meetings. Maryborough, Dunolly and Wedderburn closed their evening services and travelled to St. Arnaud to combine in the Conference services. Bet Bet was also represented.

Guest speaker was R. V. Longthorp, who, with a team of youth leaders from Melbourne, led the sessions for the Dept. of Christian Education.

The theme of the day's programme was "The Church at Work — Teaching." This was subdivided into: 1. What do

we teach?, and 2. How do we teach? Under the first section, the use of an audio-visual, "Battle on a Small Planet," and buzz-group discussion, enabled such questions as: "What is the distinctive Christian message to the World?", and "How is the Gospel good news?" to be fully answered. The aims of Christian Education were then outlined and leaders in C.Y.F., Explorers, Good Companions and S.S. teaching, shared thoughts on their work. Members of small churches in particular, gained a valuable insight into how the brotherhood is handling Christian Education.

Fellowship tea, at 5.30 p.m., was capably served by the St. Arnaud C.W.F. Mr. Longthorp spoke again at the gospel meeting.

The next Midlands District Conf. will be held at Maryborough on Oct. 15.

### 67 AT TEA

(Swanston-st., Melb.). With commencement of University year, many new students and nurses have been welcomed and at first Teen and Twenty fellowship tea 67 were present. Young people have commenced a separate Sunday night prayer group. B.S., which for years met at 11 a.m., began its sessions at 10 a.m. on March 19 . . . The "Know Your Bible" course of addresses introduced last year for Sunday nights, has re-commenced with a pleasing response. Notes of these sermons are now sent to inquirers in all States . . . Missionary giving for the first five months of the financial year has reached \$1,824 . . . Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ruth Stevenson in the sudden loss of her daughter, Mrs. John Waddell. The church grieves the passing of one of its oldest and most loyal members, Les. Mitchell . . . A recent visitor at services was Rt. Hon. C. F. Adermann, P.C. Minister of Primary Industry. Mrs. Harry Lyall improving from recent illness . . . Increase in attendances has marked recent services with 160 present on a recent Sunday morning. The minister, Dr. Lloyd Jones, is now in his fourth year of ministry and welcomed six new members into the church on March 19.

### BACK TO SHEPPARTON

(Vic.). A. E. White was guest speaker during the City of Shepparton "Back to Shepparton" celebrations. Church also welcomed back several former resident members. A family tea was well attended, and at this function, Mrs. Glasson, a most regular attender at the services, was presented with flowers, and a most fitting reference was made to her long standing with the church at Shepparton. She was baptized in the first church meeting place in 1900, 67 years ago . . . Half-hourly devotional services were held each evening, Monday to Thursday, prior to Easter. A family service was held on Good Friday. In the evening our chapel was the venue for the combined churches service . . . On Easter Sunday the evening service used an audio-visual presentation of the death of Christ, with suitable recorded music . . . Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. T. A. Ferguson, and her daughters and their families, in the loss of her husband and their father. Mr. Ferguson was the loved immediate past minister of this church.

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### ALL-AGE PROGRAMME

(Nth Williamstown, Vic.). All-age Christian Education programme is being looked into to see if it can be adapted in the life of the church . . . Colac church appreciated the services of W. Griffith, E. Thatcher and R. Haden on March 12. . . Interesting evenings were held by C.W.A.F. and C.M.F., when Mr. and Mrs. Milne showed films of their recent Japan trip . . . Cricket club held a barbecue at J. Hope's home to raise funds for equipment . . . C.Y.F. joined in district rally at Essendon, on 19th, and had dinner and afternoon country drive . . . T. Bryant artistically arranged the wonderful supply of goods for Harvest Thanksgiving on March 19. All goods were sent to College of the Bible. The film, "Thirty Pieces of Silver," was shown during evening Thanksgiving service. Temple Day offerings from all auxiliaries were also received . . . The sympathy of the church is extended to family and friends of the late Miss Elsie Chandler.

### BUILDING FOR EAST BENTLEIGH

(Vic.). The members have been greatly encouraged by the generous gift of building and contents by the Gardenvale church. Gardenvale is also supplying cash for removal and re-erection expenses. D. H. Smith photographed aspects of rebuilding . . . The response to the Review Planned Giving programme, led by Kevin Harvey, made it possible to reduce the H.M. subsidy by half . . . Mrs. J. Strack was speaker, and Miss J. Milne soloiste, at the Women's World Day of Prayer meeting held in our chapel . . . Mrs. Morrison, of Hartwell, attended a recent ladies' meeting . . . Nell Gilmore was speaker when 40 men attended Men's Tea on March 5 . . . The B.S. had a record attendance of 166 in Feb. The picnic was held at Ferny Creek . . . The C.Y.F. combined with Good companions and Boys' Explorers for a Moonlight Bay Cruise . . . C.Y.F. attended "F" Day in strength, and were greatly inspired to share in brotherhood activities. . . . T. T. Robinson is minister.

### SEVEN AT ARARAT

(Vic.). Over the past few weeks there have been seven responses to the call for decision for Christ . . . At the annual meeting, R. Selwood and G. Judd were elected as elders . . . The C.Y.F. now has 50 members. Miss B. Foster is president . . . A Lodge service, on March 19, had the "Gospellers" from Ballarat assisting.



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### FEATURES CAPTURE INTEREST

(Robinvale, Vic.). The gospel services have featured a P.M.G. Panel discussing "My Belief in God," a youth service, "Four Responses to the Crucifixion," B.S. special hymns and poems on Resurrection Night . . . The combined service on Good Friday, in Presbyterian Church, was chaired by F. A. MacGregor and addressed by E. K. Morrison . . . Family fellowship at Boundary Bend discussed, "Have I a Soul? Is It Immortal?" . . . Prayer meeting welcomed Pastor Doug Nicholls as speaker during recent trip . . . Congratulations to Neil Rogerson, who added the under 14 swimming championship to his list at recent High School swimming sports . . . Ladies and young people have enjoyed their respective camping experiences.

### EXPLORERS GO ADVENTURING

(Vic.). The Annual Adventure Camp is now an important part of the Explorer Boys' Clubs Calendar, and a most acceptable part too. The 1967 Camp will rate as the "best yet" in a mighty line up of successful camps. Over 100 boys and leaders "invaded" the mining township of Wood's Point (114 miles from Melb., elevation 3,500 ft., principal export — gold) on the Labor Day weekend. Tents were set up along the creek and old miners' shacks lawfully commandeered.

On the Saturday night the boys put on a picture show for the locals and raised over \$20 for equipment for the local State School. Activities included bushcraft, inspection of the Morning Star Mine, sports, cooking, riding the flying fox. Camp leader was Howard Weedon, worship sessions led by R. V. Longthorp.

### ARROWSMITH AT BLACKBURN

(Vic.). A united churches thanksgiving service was held in March, on the 150th anniversary of the B. and F. B. S., Canon H. M. Arrowsmith being the guest speaker . . . At the annual business meeting of the church, on March 15, the following were elected to office: sec., D. Nelson; asst. sec., B. Graham; treas., G. Daff; elders, W. Jones, F. Minahan, J. McCann. After 13 years of faithful service as church treasurer, J. McCann did not seek re-nomination . . . Junior cricket team were premiers in their section . . . Daryl Stephens has been elected president of Eastern District C.Y.F. . . . J. Edwards, on furlough from New Hebrides, was guest speaker, March 19, when three men were baptized.

### MINISTER RETURNING

(Castlemaine, Vic.). On March 19, C. W. Jackel, our minister, was well enough to visit and meet the members of both Harcourt and Castlemaine churches. Mr. Jackel reported that he was slowly recovering and that it would be about three weeks before he would be back to full-time service in the churches. The church is grateful to the speakers who have helped. Recent speakers were S. Hewett (Ballarat), A. Mudford and J. Martin (Bendigo). At the annual meeting, on March 14, Mrs. M. M. Cattermole was elected secretary, and all other officers and deaconesses were re-elected. H. Peeler was made a life elder of the church . . . Mr. Peeler is in hospital, but is recovering . . . The offering for Tasmanian Fire Relief was: Castlemaine, \$38.50; Harcourt, \$12.

### CLEAR OF DEBT

(Harcourt, Vic.). The hall is now clear of debt, and much credit must go to C.W.F. for their sterling work . . . At annual business meeting the officers were re-elected to former positions. After three months of Planned Giving, the treasurer reports that compared with same quarter of previous year, contributions are up 100 per cent. . . . On March 12 Fellowship was enjoyed with minister, C. W. Jackel. He is much improved and hopes to resume duties during April . . . Members of C.Y.F. ably conducted morning service on April 2.

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## OBITUARY

Flora Leah Lambert.

Born at Beaconsfield, Tas., in 1898, Flora Leah Dennis spent her formative years there, where she met Ernest William Lambert. The two were married in Launceston in 1929, and spent the next few years at Wonthaggi, Vic. The young couple set up their home in Mackay in 1934. There were three children, Dennis, Keith and Nita.

In 1937, when the Church of Christ began its activities at Mackay, Mrs. Lambert and her husband transferred their membership to this congregation from Tasmania, continuing in fellowship to the present. During the years which followed, Leah Lambert succeeded in endearing herself not only to her family, but to countless folk who appreciated her friendship.

Many people still residing in Mackay, as well as some in the southern States, can speak of the way Mrs. Lambert always offered help in times of need. She was a woman who could seldom be found idle, as her busy fingers were always at work making something for somebody. She endured more than her share of suffering during her lifetime, and particularly in recent years. A series of major operations reached its climax in the middle of March, and after a courageous struggle for survival, Mrs. Lambert died on March 21, aged 68 years. Her eight grandchildren, to whom Mrs. Lambert was so devoted, will join their parents, their uncle and their grandfather in mourning the passing of their dear grandmother.—K. J. Jenner.

F. L. Mitchell.

Les Mitchell was brought by his parents to the Swanston Street (Vic.) church, 81 years ago, as a babe in arms, and during his whole lifetime was closely associated with its life and work. Baptized by James Johnston, in 1899, he was an active member for 68 years, and there were few areas of the church's witness that he did not share. He was in his place up to two Sundays before his sudden death on March 4. In business the name of Mitchell is a household word in Melbourne, and none is held in higher esteem. He was a man of enterprise, diligence and the highest integrity. In the church, both local and brotherhood, Les Mitchell was admired for his generosity, dependability and strong devotion. He was a man of deep conviction and lived by principles he would not compromise. His wide sympathies and support were suspected but not really known by many, for he did not display his giving. Frequently, in order to conceal it, he would deliberately give credit to others for it. The large number of people helped by him is not known, even by his family. Les Mitchell belonged to the first student group, in 1902, when Australian College of the Bible was begun. He was active in the founding of our Homes for the Aged in Vic. and Qld. His missionary concern was wide. He rejoiced greatly in the presence of many young people in his church in recent days and especially interested himself in the Asian students in our midst. His family, of course, loved him, for he was

a devoted husband and father. When the writer spoke with him a few minutes before his passing, his concern was for them. The deepest sympathy of the church is with his dear wife, Ethel May, sons, Ken, Doug, and Max, and daughter Dorothy (Mrs. Dain). The crowded Swans-ton-st. chapel paid its eloquent tribute to this man as leaders of all sections of the community shared in the service conducted by the writer.—L.E.J.

Cyril Newell.

A well known and highly respected Goolwa member passed away recently. He was a regular attendee at communion, and in younger days was a keen supporter of the B.S. For over 30 years his property, known so well as the "Tea

Trees" (S.A.), was the annual picnic ground patronised by young and old alike, and very many pleasant memories remain of that source of Christian fellowship. After Mr. Newell's retirement from the farm, some years ago, he went to live with his daughter, Marion, and her family, at Port Elliot. Although living eight miles from the church, Mr. Newell, until failing health prevented him, attended most regularly at worship, driving all alone Sunday after Sunday. His life bore testimony of a sincere faith and love for his Saviour. He is survived by his wife, his daughters, Marion and Margaret, and sons, Lyal and Leon. The church extends sincere Christian sympathy to all the family.—A. Neighbour.

## VICTORIAN NEWS

### FOUR FOR RESERVOIR

(Vic.). Church recently welcomed four new members into fellowship. Young man baptized recently at evening worship. . . . 93 were present at Good Friday service, when R. Ellis provided appropriate recordings. Offering for Children's Hospital amounted to \$31.20 . . . Young Men's Indoor Sports Club just commenced.

### OPEN-AIR SUNDAY SCHOOL

(Nth. Fitzroy, Vic.). The B.S. is giving two new ventures a trial. One is an open-air school in playground adjacent to church. The second is an after-school hobbies club. Both are arousing interest . . . The 94th church anniversary, on March 19, had former members leading worship: A. O. S. Baker, V. Walters and G. Raisbeck. L. Crisp was morning speaker, and N. S. Moore spoke at night. Mrs. J. Turner was soliste, and Robert and Russell Price were duetists. At the P.S.A., the West Side Players presented "The Christ of the Concrete City" . . . The young people spent the March 10-22 weekend in camp at Marysville.

### UNITED AT EASTER

(Caulfield, Vic.). A combined Easter service, with Methodist, on Good Friday, was held in Bamba Rd. church. The minister, F. A. Younes, led the meeting. E. Croxford, Methodist minister, spoke on "Sacrifice" . . . The church reports three teenage decisions on March 26 . . . A special meeting was called for overseas Focus recently, the objective being to extend Overseas outreach.

### BROTHERHOOD INTEREST

(Dunolly, Vic.). The church is functioning well. Average attendance at services this year is 28. The roll shows an active membership of 27. Every church home receives the "Australian Christian." The officers, in an endeavour to provide more funds for the brotherhood, have agreed to give the entire offering to the various brotherhood departments, on the day scheduled for offerings to be received . . . Harvest Festival gifts, on March 12, went to the C.O.B. . . . Our S.S. combined with Bet Bet S.S. at Vaughan Springs in the annual picnic . . . C.W.F. sent cakes to

a missionary and a soldier in Vietnam, and help to support a student in New Guinea . . . 25 folk represented Dunolly at the Midlands Dist. Conf., held at St. Arnaud on March 19 . . . The minister and C.Y.F. shared in an Easter camp at Daylesford . . . R. Pfeifer is student minister.

### NEW YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

(Hampton, Vic.). The new Youth Fellowship is proving successful . . . All officers were re-elected at annual meeting, and J. McLarty was added to the Official Board . . . L. Chapman conducted evening service on March 26. . . . Attendances at evening services show improvement. Nine new scholars have been added to B.S. during month.

### 40TH ANNIVERSARY

(Boronia, Vic.). The church celebrated its 40th anniversary on March 19, with C. Gilmour Pres.-elect, Vic.-Tas. Conf. as preacher . . . All Boronia churches combined for Good Friday service at Presbyterian Church. Our minister, J. Manallack, was speaker . . . The church is to approach interested bodies with a view to establishing a full-time Chaplain at Boronia High School . . . The A grade cricket team was defeated in the final. Top scorers, W. Manallack 54 and A. Nelson 46 . . . The Explorers' Club is catering well for the boys of the church. There are nearly 100 on the roll. The Good Companions are also flourishing — 15 new members being enrolled last week . . . H. Shields was elected as an elder.

### S.S. INCREASE

(Maidstone, Vic.). The S.S. has a record enrolment of 180 pupils . . . The missionary appeal has reached \$900 . . . Both our cricket teams, senior and junior, won premierships . . . There was a baptismal service on April 2 for Ralph Hounsel.

### EASTER MESSAGES

(Hartwell, Vic.). Although many were on holidays, good attendances were features of services on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Appropriate messages were given by M. J. Savage, and Easter anthems rendered by choir . . . Morning sermons are based on readings from Colossians . . . The midweek service has been studying a series on John 3: 16. . . . Mrs. Everett is now in "Stanhope" Private Hospital.

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## REVIVAL IN GHANA

(Accra, Ghana). One year after the downfall of Pres. Kwame Nkrumah, who warred on organised religion, there is striking evidence here of a revival of religious fervour.

The evidence cited by Lloyd Garrison in a dispatch to the "New York Times" was the thousands of Ghanaian Protestants who attended a service in Accra Stadium marking the first anniversary of last year's February 24 coup. A year ago, under Mr. Nkrumah, such as open-air service in a Government-owned stadium would have been unthinkable.

The sermon was delivered by the Rt. Rev. Richard Roseveare, Anglican Bishop of Accra, who was expelled by President Nkrumah in 1962 and, for more than three months, denied re-entry into Ghana.

In an allusion to Mr. Nkrumah's nine-year-long campaign first to isolate, then to control church leadership, Bishop Roseveare declares:

"History teaches us over and over again that you can force a man to fear but you cannot force a man to love. You can force a man to conform but you cannot force him to believe."

The Government not only made the stadium available, but provided the Ghanaian Army band to lead the hymns and permitted the programme to be printed on Government stationery.

Seven of the eight members of the ruling National Liberation Council are Christians and all seven attended the ceremony. The eighth member is a Moslem.

All religious denominations report that church attendance has increased markedly since the coup. But Bishop Roseveare cautioned against over-emphasising the significance of what he called the "numbers game."

"It is not the quantity but the quality of the faith that counts," he said.

The bishop attributed the rise in religious observance since the coup to "natural reaction against the public neglect of God for so many years."—E.P.S.

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—Aust. Road Safety Council.

## JAPANESE CHRISTIAN

Dr. Masatoshi Matsushita, prominent Japanese Christian educator, will be a candidate for Governor of Tokyo in elections to be held April 15. Dr. Matsushita, 66, president of Rikkyo (St. Paul's) University until his resignation in late February to accept the gubernatorial nomination, is supported by the Democratic Socialist Party and the Liberal-Democratic (conservative) Party.—E.P.S.

# My Neighbour's Pen

WHAT OTHER JOURNALS  
ARE SAYING

## INTO EUROPE.

There seems little doubt that the pendulum has swung far in the direction of a British entry into Europe. The travels of our peripatetic Prime Minister . . . are a clear indication of the direction of official policy on this issue, whatever disagreements there may be about details . . .

The churches, too, should go into Europe. The factors that are compelling Britain to be part of a European community are also factors that should bring home to Christians the need for corporate thinking and activity, the creation of a Christian witness that knows no national bounds.

—“British Weekly.”

## THE POPULATION EXPLOSION.

Take just one country — India. Unless the birthrate is drastically reduced, a population that has doubled since 1901 will double again — to 1,000,000,000 people — by 2,000 A.D. In the next 30 years India's exploding cities will have to absorb 140 million new immigrants. Throughout the non-Western world, where the church is weakest and smallest, the multiplication of non-Christians will increase the fastest. By 2,000 the world will have moved significantly toward total urbanisation. Misery will have increased more than affluence, resentment more than understanding.

—A. Glasser in “Christianity Today.”



## MORMONS AND NEGROES.

Negroes can have simple membership in the Mormon church; they are promised that they will go “straight to the celestial heaven.” But . . . the fact remains that though any white male in good standing over the age of 12 can be admitted to the Mormon priesthood, Negroes are specifically excluded from it. This is discrimination on the basis of race, a discrimination that imputes inferiority to Negroes.

—“The Christian Century.”

## CHILDREN OF VIETNAM.

With the intensity of the bombing over Vietnam now reported to be greater than the combined bombing operations in all theatres at the height of World War II (A.B.C. News, 10/3/67), it is estimated that “some recent search and destroy operations have resulted in six civilian casualties to one Viet Cong.” (Congressman Clement Zablocki, after a visit to Vietnam early in 1966).

Four of those six casualties are children, according to estimates based on a UNESCO population survey carried out in 1964, and confirmed by the testimony of hospital records in Vietnam. Now, something of this grim story is getting through. A million children dead, maimed or burned in Vietnam since 1961.

—Bruce Silverwood in “The Spectator.”

## OPEN-ENDED STORYTIME

### THE BLUNTING OF COMPASSION

The late Bishop McConnell told of once being in Shanghai for several weeks. At night, through the window of his room, he could hear the continuous coughing of the ricksha men outside. Their coughing kept him awake. When he went to the window he could see them sitting under the street lamp. For a fare of a few cents these men would pull a person a mile or more in a ricksha. Then, at the end of the run, sweating, they would take off their thin shirts to cool themselves, and would cool too quickly. This would lead to colds and coughing. “I asked myself,” the Methodist bishop said, “if I could ever get used to that dreadful sound.” Then one morning he awoke and realised that he had slept through the night without hearing the men. After two weeks he had ceased to hear them. He had gotten used to “that dreadful sound.”

## THE MUSIC WEAPON.

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**FAMOUS ENGLISH PREACHERS.** An article by J. C. F. Pittman, in England as Chaplain with the army, referred to some of the famous preachers he had heard. Dr. J. D. Jones: “It was committed to manuscript. Nothing was lost by reading. The large building fills up rapidly, other places of worship being helped at times by Dr. Jones' overflow.” Dr. Campbell Morgan: “. . . he is the ablest expositor of God's Word I have ever listened to.” Dr. F. B. Meyer: “It was an inspiration to shake hands with this aged warrior.” Dinsdale T. Young: “He is of powerful physique and exceptionally strong voice.”

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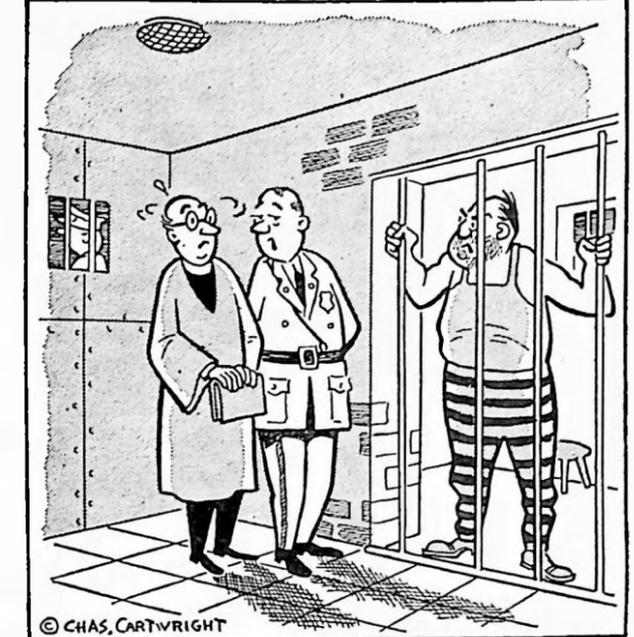
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# IT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

BY W. R. HIBBURT

## IF ONE REALISES THAT VERBS ARE WINDOWS

It is a human being's privilege to fashion his inner life. Listening to oneself proves a revealing exercise if one is transparently honest. Verbs expose the inner life. Christian psychologists agree that no one has really learned to live until he can convincingly say to himself the twelve great verbs of life. They are:

- I am — the power of self-knowledge.
- I think — the power to search out.
- I know — the power to accept facts.
- I feel — the power to appreciate.
- I wonder — the power to reverence.
- I see — the power to have vision.
- I believe — the power of adventurous faith.
- I can — the power to act and accomplish.
- I ought — the power of conscience.
- I will — the power of consecration.
- I serve — the power to be useful and devoted.
- I love — the power of God without which all the rest mean nothing and can accomplish nothing.

Rita Snowden, in one of her sermon-like essays, points out that verbs tend to disclose the weakness of our faith. She claims that our nouns are good — Saviour, Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend, Prophet, Priest and King — and our adjectives are stronger — gracious, merciful, noble, divine — but our verbs are weak. Since verbs are the very sinew of speech, one needs to give serious attention to one's verbs and judge the sinews of one's faith.

Our Lord was strong in verbs. If there was one verb more than another used by Jesus in intimate conversation, it was the verb "do." "My meat (my very life) is to do the Father's will" (John 4: 34). His relationship with others depended on this verb, "Whosoever shall do the will of my Father . . . the same is my brother, my sister and mother" (Matt. 12: 50).

Jesus challenged his disciples to transparent honesty. Such honesty is implicit in self-examination. Credit must be given to psychology in its endeavour to aid such transparent honesty by encouraging serious dialogue with one's innermost self by conducting a personal inquiry as to what motivates the "do" in our attitudes, actions, ambitions and loyalties.

The mind is capable of such serious introspection and able to confront itself with its motives. It often proves a humbling experience to discover that the primary motive reeks with selfishness and is far removed from Christ's motive of doing the Father's will.

The fashioning of one's innermost self is dependent on constant examination. Verbs often give a clue that motives are due for examination. Jesus gave such a clue to his disciples when he told them that, "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them." The verb "do" puts sinew into a Christian's behaviour.

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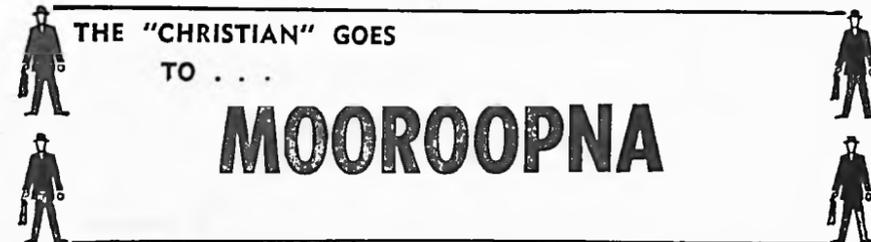
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THE "CHRISTIAN" GOES

TO . . .

# MOOROOPNA

## PART 2.

(continued from April 1).

We met Daisy Higgins last week. She has four children. Although she is small and frail, she has a big heart and a deep devotion to her family. She needs all of the resources she can find — for there is now no man to share the life and leadership of the home. The eldest son, John, was absent. Last year he won a competitive scholarship provided by the "Save the Children Fund," and is now a pupil at Mentone Grammar School. Daisy and her family claim to be descendants of Princess Truganinni of Tasmania.

There are about 300 Aborigines — half-or quarter-caste, even less — in the district, and as many live in Shepparton and Mooroopna. Most of them once lived on the river bank, now they have either Commission homes, or homes built by the State Board. Some have built their own. Many of them are former residents of Rumbalara, the experiment in Aboriginal housing one mile away from Mooroopna.

As fast as houses at Rumbalara empty, they fill up again. These people are the hard-core problem families. Some of them have had Commission homes but could not maintain them. There are drifters who come here from other places. Very few of them are from local families.

Rumbalara is filled with problem families; deserted wives and unmarried mothers and children — easy prey to prostitution. They need social guidance, and Rumbalara is the worst kind of settlement for this kind of person.

When Rumbalara ("Rainbow Town"), was established, there were many who were aghast at the idea, including the late Bill Payne, of our Echuca church. Mr. Payne knew and loved the Aborigines, but his attitude was not based on sentimentality. Because of his practical outlook he was asked to go to Melbourne to talk to the authorities about the Rumbalara project. He said that the building of such a settlement, two miles away from Mooroopna would seem like a statement that the Aborigines were not wanted in the town. The girls would be in as great moral danger as in the shanty town Rumbalara was replacing; the boys would be just as much tempted to idle, shiftless living; prostitution would flourish; the segregated settlement would encourage the worst elements rather than the best; and the depraved white man would not be deterred.

All the warnings were of no avail and the buildings were erected. Seven politicians were at the opening — it was just before an election! It was publicly

announced at the opening that two Melbourne firms had promised to provide blinds and curtains for every home, a promise that has not yet been kept.

The politicians do not go that way these days, for the fears for Rumbalara were realised. I saw one girl, if girl is the right word, who has had three children but no husband. I heard stories of white men who came with liquor, for a night of "fun" with the women. I learned of children who wanted to study as members of large families in small homes, with no internal doors of any kind! No wonder the prospective students gave it away. I heard about the mornings when Mooroopna's Sunday School was small because the night before there was a late night noisy party at Rumbalara and the children were still in exhausted sleep.

Roy Clydesdale showed me around the settlement. He knows the district and the people, probably better than anyone else. As Secretary to the Water Trust and Electricity Co., he was deeply embedded in community affairs. The Aborigines were a part of his community! As a Justice of the Peace, he often deals with them from the bench. As a minister he is completely accepted by them. As a friend he gives a helping hand. On my afternoon there, he was making arrangements to instal a refrigerator in one of the houses, a gift from one of our churchmen in another country city.

I do not pretend that one quick glance at Rumbalara makes me an expert on the Aborigine problem, nor do I suggest that the problem is easy to solve, but Rumbalara type answers do not encourage us to believe that the authorities always know what they are doing.

It is probable that some families would make any building as undesirable as those at Rumbalara, but there are underprivileged, ill-educated, anti-social white families that can make as ugly a mess. Some of these live in shanties, too, not far from Rumbalara.

I have no doubt that there are many officers with the Aborigines Welfare Board who are as dedicated and concerned as anyone could be about their work and responsibility. I do not suggest that Rumbalara is their fault. But it is a thing of shame for all of us and a better way must be found.

Right now, they are enlarging the houses at Rumbalara by adding an extra room with an open fireplace — this will help a little. Little dark boys were playing in deep open trenches, evidence that sewerage is coming — this will help a lot. But the provision of sanitation and warmth will not touch the real problem of Rumbalara.

There are many families who have found success. Naturally they are not all of our church. Some are Methodists, Baptists, Seventh Day Adventists and Roman Catholics. Every case of a good home is further evidence that the basic problem is not racial, but lack of opportunity and education.

The physical, moral, and spiritual needs of Rumbalara are a national problem, a State problem, and a local community problem. In all of these areas we need men of wisdom, compassion and courage, together with the resources to give big answers to big problems.

Our church at Mooroopna is a part of the local community. It is small and its opportunities are limited, but it is surely a part of the answer.

We wish it well in its continuing ministry.

But perhaps the Roy Clydesdales, the Tyrell Turiffs, the Witticks, and others, would say that our good wishes are not enough.

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**Husband:** "Only for a couple of days. Then it wore off."