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**OVERSEAS
MISSIONS**

..... to give light to those
who sit in darkness

ANNUAL OFFERING

JULY 6



EVERYTHING FOR CHRIST
—EVERYTHING THROUGH CHRIST

in medical work in NEW GUINEA



DOCTOR BOY AT BUNAPAS HOSPITAL TREATING PATIENT.

IT is almost 11 years since the commencement of our mission work in New Guinea. There have been many changes—many missionaries have come and gone. Many have been the disappointments, frustrations, problems and sometimes it has seemed that insurmountable barriers have faced us both as individuals and as a mission. There have been times of loneliness, times of weariness that can only be known to those who have spent time in the tropics. Sometimes after a long day we have been awakened and had to trudge down the hill through heavy rain, mud, and slush, to help with a woman in labour. In the early hours of the morning we trudge up the hill again carrying buckets of linen, ready for washing. (No indigines are willing to do obstetric washing). On occasions, babies have been delivered in pouring rain in a yam garden or out in the bush during the small hours of the night.

Much time has been spent on the river on Infant Welfare patrols in open canoes, with the heat of the sun, glare of the water, and often drenching rain. There have been days spent trudging through mosquito-infested jungle, ankle deep in mud; stretches of kunai grass, where the sun beats down mercilessly, the heat rising from the ground making one's head throb so that it seems almost at bursting point. Then, after all, we sometimes arrive at our destination to find that the women and children have decided to go to the bush for the day rather than come to the clinic.

Appreciation —

FROM THE OVERSEAS MISSION BOARD

The Overseas Mission Board expresses sincere appreciation to all members of the Australian Churches of Christ for the encouraging support given during the past year.

On our mission fields in India, New Guinea and the New Hebrides, the sick have been healed, the hungry fed, the homeless given shelter, the illiterate taught to read and young Christians nurtured in their faith.

Through distribution of Christian Literature, Bible Correspondence, Translation of the Scriptures, Radio Broadcasts, personal evangelism and village preaching, the Word of God has been published, and many have been led to Christ.

To maintain the present work and accept new opportunities, \$161,000 is needed during the 1969/70 financial year. To make this possible, will you prayerfully consider increasing your giving this year to Overseas Missions?

ANNUAL OFFERING — SUNDAY, JULY 6

There have been the days in the hospital where we may only have seen 20 or so folk with microscopic sores and imaginary aches and pains. On other days numbers have been much larger, with several seriously ill, an emergency case to go to Madang, and with the knowledge that one of the neglected children that so often seem to end up in the sister's home, is crying and wanting attention.

By SISTER BETTY SONSIE

There are the constant problems of discipline of staff and supervision of patient's work. There is constant thieving of hospital linen, etc., the battle against the everlasting spitting of betel nut, and general unclean habits the patients like to bring with them to the hospital.

There have been the anxious times where we have been watching over a semi-conscious child—once a missionary's child was dangerously ill with one of the strange tropical fevers of unknown origin—with no response being shown to drugs given. When there is a midnight emergency with no radio channels functioning, we wonder what to do, where to turn for help. And in a time of real need—a voice from deep within says, "Be not dismayed—fear not—I am thy God."

This is the God we have come to present to these people—but how? We know he is the answer, but how can we tell these folk who so often appear uninterested when we begin to speak of Christ?

What has been accomplished for Christ and through Christ in eleven years?

We could look at statistics and see the vast reduction in the death rate of children between one and six years of age. We could show you many old folk now living who would long since have died but for medical treatment we were able to give. A reduction in the number of sick folk being treated, the small number of tropical ulcers, etc., now seen. Fears concerning childbirth are fading. An awareness of the need for cleanliness is increasing.

But, you say, "What! No souls won for Christ through medical work?"

Christ healed the multitudes. How many returned to say thank-you and then follow him? Christ felt the physical and spiritual needs of those around him. He felt his own human weakness and frailty—but he did what his Father had commanded him to do.

We know that eventually, whether in this generation or the next, his Holy Spirit, through the seed sown will take root in the lives of these folk who are also precious to him, only as we in his strength continue to strive to do everything for him and through him.

RAMBHAU OF AMBARNATH

IT was my first visit to Rambhau's home. I shook hands with him but his hand was as rough as a steel file. His face was dark, sunburnt and rugged, but it gleamed with joy and peace which we do not see in his own non-Christian tribe. He greeted me with a "Praise the Lord, Brother." It was neither "Salaam" nor "Namaste," the usual greeting expression. It was a greeting of a spiritual man. Rambhau's hands are rough because of milking buffaloes at 3.30 a.m. every day and because of his own carpenter's trade, but he has a warm and tender heart.

Rambhau learnt carpentry in Baramati during the service of H. H. Coventry, but he also learnt about Jesus. He left his idols and began to live for the Lord Jesus.

Rambhau came to Ambarnath in 1935 and has lived there since then. He is a carpenter, a dairyman and a small building contractor, but above all he is an evangelist at heart. Wherever he goes he seeks opportunities to speak about his Lord.

Last October, he brought a young man with him to the church in Bombay. After the service Rambhau introduced this man to me and said, "Pastor, will you baptize this Hindu man and his wife?"

I was a bit surprised, because in these days there are not many baptisms from the Hindus. This man was about 30-years-old.

"But, Rambhau, we must teach him the way of the Lord. I will come to Ambarnath to talk to the family," I said. Rambhau agreed. But when I went to Ambarnath on my usual visit and talked to this family, they were already taught in the way of the Lord. The man and his wife began to testify of the redeeming power of Jesus in their lives. This man was bound by terrible habits and one was smoking marijuana. His wife had become very miserable because of this bondage. But when he heard that Jesus sets man free, he surrendered his life to the Lord—and complete deliverance came in an instant. The man became free. Rambhau had done a good job. How my heart was leaping with joy when I listened to this testimony!

A GLIMPSE AT BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE FILES

EACH day as I work my way through the filing cards I often think of the 11th chapter of Hebrews, where we have the list of the faithful mentioned. Many of our students, who by faith have come into the promises of God, are like these faithful ones of the Bible.

Here is one, a young girl in government service in Bombay. Since January she has been rejoicing in her new found faith in Christ, the only one in her family who is a Christian. There is no fellowship for her in her family, but she is continuing in prayer for them and witnessing to her new-found faith. She realised at the beginning what the cost would be, but she was ready to give up everything for Christ who had done so much for her.

On my desk is a letter from a student in Nagal. His number is 3289 J. He is a high school boy, one of the world's teenagers. There are some questions that he wants answers for. One is, "My friends ask me many times, why are you reading the Bible? Why are you following such Bible Correspondence Courses? What shall I say to witness before them?" Another question is, "How can I become a real friend with Christ?" His last question was on prayer, "How many times

By PASTOR B. C. BHONSLE

On November 16, 1968, I had the joy of baptizing five souls, among them there was this couple. Now we are calling this man, "Vishwas" and his wife "Asha" which means "Belief" and "Hope" respectively. (Faith or Belief is a masculine abstract noun in the Marathi tongue).

Rambhau and his wife are teaching these new-born sons in the way of the Lord like Aquila and Priscilla of old.

Quite recently we heard a report from Ambarnath that Rambhau and Vishwas went to distribute gospel tracts in a very big Hindu fair. They were shouting while giving out the tracts, "Please take and read God's letter for you."

Rambhau himself is a "living letter" among the Hindus and Moslems. They say, "If any one wants pure milk—milk without water added—let him go to Rambhau Jadhav. He is a Christian. He won't deceive."



Pastor Bhonsle, of Bombay, baptizing near Ambarnath.

By HAZEL SKUCE, India

a day are you praying? What are the main points to use at the time of prayer? Please help me, I want to learn from you." Let us pray for this teenager, that he will soon come to the place of giving everything for Christ.

These two young people and many others are in need of our prayers as they begin their Christian life. I will be going to Bombay in a day or two to see Miss Kadam and would ask that you would continue to remember us both in your prayers and for the young people in Operation Mobilisation as they have fellowship with her for Bible study. It is a joy to have such young people as the Operation Mobilisation to do the follow-up work for us and, what is more important, spending time in fellowship with the young enquirers. We are far from our students, but these young people are prepared to contact them on our behalf. The Operation Mobilisation have groups throughout India, and we only need to pass on the name and address.

Time will not permit me to tell of others, who also by faith have received the promises of God, but they have begun their walk with Christ, and may we all be diligent to do our part in upholding them in our prayers.

Challenges from Overseas Missions Leaders



SIR PHILIP MESSENT,

President, World Convention of Churches of Christ, Chairman, Federal Overseas Mission Board.

AS we approach the Annual Offering for the Overseas Missions, the Federal Board makes a confident appeal to the brotherhood for a very generous response. Not only are we able to report the winning of souls in all three of our Mission Fields, but we are particularly thrilled to report growing evidence of spiritual maturity in our native churches.

In India, we have a number of highly-qualified and deeply-consecrated Indian leaders who are accepting increasing responsibility in the churches, in evangelism, the "radio" work and so on. Richard Powell tells of fine prospects of "radio programmes," tracts and correspondence courses, if we can obtain the finance. The Indian churches are praying and making contributions for the New Guinea work.

Brethren will rejoice with us in the missionary spirit moving the members in the New Hebrides. They continue to establish a mission among their own people on Santo and other islands. Two of their number, August and Maylene Ben, are working as missionaries in New Guinea.

Even in the young church in New Guinea, there are instances of members anxious to share their new found joy with their friends.

Brethren, this is God's work, the need for this work is urgent, the results are most rewarding.

May God move us all to a generous response to this appeal.

W. LAKE

West. Aust. Overseas Missions Committee.

"EVERYTHING for Christ — Everything through Christ." These two statements are complementary for do we not agree that everything "for" Christ is in direct relationship to our appreciation of the fact that everything we are, and hope to be is "through" what Christ has done?

We commend Thomas for his statement, "My Lord, and my God," and we frequently ventilate the dictum in our preaching of the gospel, that if Christ is not Lord of all, he is not Lord at all. But is he Lord of all?

I am fully persuaded that our surrender to the claims of Christ is in proportion to our acceptance of the truth that our inheritance is "through" Christ.

We should read again Paul's reminders in Romans 3: 24-25, and 5: 1, 9, 11, and note that our justification is through redemption, our propitiation through faith in his blood, the remittance of our sins through the forbearance of God, and our peace, eternal joy and freedom from wrath are through our Lord Jesus Christ.

How we value the love and concern of God for us will govern our response to his claims on our substance for others on mission enterprise.

C. G. TAYLOR,

N.S.W. Overseas Missions Committee.

WHO sets the limits? When we fail to pray and give as we should to Christ's work, we put a curb on God. Our calm, reasonable faithfulness sets the limits. Paul had other ideas. He took a long look at Calvary, and his response was, "The love of Christ overmasters me." God had set no limits, neither would he. Jesus had said, "Go into all the world," and for Paul and the rest that was enough.

People with this spirit made the great missionary advance of modern times. They achieved a figure of one-third of the world's population as being at least nominally Christian. But it is now estimated that, even if Christian churches maintain their missionary commitments at their present level, only 20% of world population will be Christian in 2000 A.D.

This is no time either for missionary retreat or a holding strategy. It calls for the seemingly impossible—advance! We can only do it if we forget all about limits in our response to Christ. Who dares to set the limits when our Saviour's Cross points north, south, east and west?

SHOULD MISSIONS BE INVOLVED IN EDUCATION?

In the New Hebrides, the answer is "Yes." The British Government has very few schools and if the missions were not involved in educational programmes, very few of the people would be able to receive an adequate education.

Why should we involve ourselves in the education of our people? First of all, without education the people would be unable to read for themselves the wonderful truths in God's Word. Second, the people need to be able to raise their standards so as to take their place in the world today. Many of the elders in the church bemoan the fact that they have not had the same opportunities for education as the young people have today.

Being involved in educational programmes offers wonderful opportunities to witness for Christ. We begin with devotions each day—something that cannot always be done in Government schools at home. The children learn to look to Christ at the beginning of each day to lead them and give them his strength and love for each day. Lessons in many subjects can be planned to point out to the children ways in which Christ's love and power are shown. For example, in nature study and health, the wonders of God's handiwork can be studied and his love and care for our bodies can be brought out. Social studies gives an opportunity to show how God has worked through Christian people and nations in bringing into being many of the things we now take for granted, such as hospitals and schools. The children see that everything good they have and enjoy comes through Christ.

C. BUTLER,

South Australian Overseas Missions Committee.

"EVERYTHING for Christ — Everything through Christ," do we believe this? Paul, the first great missionary, did, and he proved it by his life, his teaching, and his work.

God has placed us in a wonderful land of prosperity and freedom, and if we value these things and are Christian, we will think of others who are less fortunate.

Our missionaries have seen the need and have accepted the challenge, and are giving of their best for Christ—but what about you and me?

Missionary enterprise becomes more complex and costly each year, so let us get with it and give to the Lord's Overseas work as we have never done before.

There are open doors inviting us to expand our work in the New Hebrides and New Guinea. We can enter these fields and have a share in winning souls for Christ if we accept the challenge and support our mission work.

How will they hear without a missionary?

How will our missionaries go without being supported?

P. A. JORDAN,

Victoria-Tasmania Overseas Missions Committee.

PAUL, in some of his letters to the churches, uses the metaphor of the Church being the Body of Christ. As the body has many different members, so members of Christ's church have different functions in service. Some are committed to preaching, some to teaching, others to healing, helping and organising.

Thus those who represent us on the mission field are using their special gifts which have been developed through training and experience. They are also using the highest and best gift—that of Christian love—as they share the gospel of Christ with many who are in need.

REX ELLIS,

Queensland Overseas Missions Committee.

WHEN Peter said, "I am going back to fishing" (John 21: 3), he was virtually saying, "I'm fed up with waiting around for Jesus to do something. I know how to run my life better than he does. I'm going to be my own boss."

Later on, Paul, the fellow apostle of Peter, made it quite clear who Jesus is, this Jesus whom we so casually repudiate. He said, "The whole universe has been created through him and for him."

Peter was a slow learner when it came to understanding that the man who told him to launch out into the deep was not just a carpenter intruding on a fisherman's trade. Are we any better at this lesson than Peter?

If the whole universe came into existence "through him," this means that all of India, all of New Guinea, all of the New Hebrides, all of Korea, all of Indonesia and all of me belong to the Lord.

If the whole universe was designed "for him" then my life must be directed towards him. That is why I am involved in missionary work by praying and giving.

Christian love is a love that does not count the cost of sacrifice and those who are serving on the mission fields have sacrificed time, position, finance and many of the comforts that others enjoy. Such sacrifice is immeasurably greater than most of us are called upon to make.

We are called to give our support, to uphold the work in prayer, and to give financial assistance, thus helping Christ's ambassadors and our representatives to render their service efficiently and effectively. In commending the service of those who have the gift of preaching, teaching, healing and helping, Paul has a message for us also. "Let the man who is called to give, give freely." In view of the world's need and the service given on our behalf to minister to that need, dare we do less?

... By **KAYE WILLIAMS**

We have personal contact with the children in ways that are denied to others in the villages who do not attend school. We get to know the children, their characteristics, strengths and weaknesses, and can gear our lessons to meet their needs and help them to grow in their Christian lives. As well, the children are able to get to know and trust us and know that they can bring their questions and problems to us.

Looking back at some of the girls who have passed through the senior class at Ndul Ndul during the last four years, three are now studying at Banmatmat Bible College, six are training to be nurses at the hospital here, seven are teaching in our village schools, two have gone on to secondary schools, others are at Ranwadi Senior Primary School and still others have married and are establishing Christian homes. We praise God that as they have learnt that everything comes through Christ and can be done in his strength, so they are ready to give everything for him in their efforts to win others to their Saviour. Do pray for the young people who are in all our Mission Schools, that they, too, may come to see Jesus Christ and know him as their Saviour, and live for him for the rest of their lives.



Classroom where Miss Williams teaches, Aoba, New Hebrides.



MISS DIANNE CATTS

Miss Catts, teacher at Chungribu, had special study leave last summer to study at Summer Institute of Linguistics.



MISS ROSALIE ROFE

Miss Rofe has been working alone at Asau Village since early 1968. Reinforcements, particularly teachers, are needed in New Guinea.

GIVING THE PEOPLE GOD'S WORLD —IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE

There are many groups of people living along the Keram River and its tributaries; in the foothills of the Schrader Ranges and on the Ramu River above Chungribu who are crying out for our missionaries to bring them God's Word.

All of these villages speak mutually intelligible dialects of the language which is also spoken at Chungribu and Tsumba. This is certainly the biggest language group our mission has contacted.

This is a challenge to us to give these people the Word of God in their own language. We have the New Testament in Pidgin English, but why should people from Tsumba go to preach to people who speak the same language, but read from God's Word to these people in a different language? This makes Christian faith a foreign thing, and identified as something belonging to the white man.

What can be done about this? Some work is being attempted by missionaries who have done the Summer Institute of Linguistics course to prepare them for work in this language. A big job lies ahead. They must first learn the language and work out which sounds are significant in the language and require a symbol in the alphabet. Then the grammar must be analysed and eventually translation can begin. This is a programme to take many years.

For a translation to be useful, people must be able to read it. It is also desirable, therefore, to put out reading primers and literacy materials which can be used by literate villages, under supervision, to teach others to read.

The mission is in contact with people from about seven other language groups, all of whom deserve to have the Word of God in their own language—the language they learn first from their parents, and use most.

OPPORTUNITIES AT ASAU —IN SCHOOL AND VILLAGE

In school each day there are twenty-nine children, eager to learn, not only the secular things but also about Jesus Christ. The Bible stories are well known. Some children are now learning to apply these stories and to discern how they should live. Others are aware that a Christian's standards are different, but are unwilling to commit themselves. Some of them have become Christian. Each of these children presents a challenge since we do not know which of them the Lord has chosen to be a church leader in the future. While there is still opportunity it must be taken to teach them about Jesus Christ and to build up those who believe.

Christian Endeavour and Young People's meetings are designed to train young folk in leading as well as teaching them to "dig" into the Word of God themselves. The Young People's meetings are completely run by the young people.

On Sunday there is fellowship around the Lord's Table, and on each morning at 6.30 a.m. there is opportunity for fellowship in prayer as Christians meet together to pray to God. This is an attempt to help them have a daily prayer time.

These things are opportunities for Christians to be strengthened and built up. As I think of Asau, though, I realise that I never see, or very seldom see, about 70% of the people. What of these? There is opportunity for the missionary to talk with them on odd occasions, but the main opportunity lies in the church itself. Here are people whom individual Christians see, work with, play with, and talk with. Some are aware of their opportunities, others are content to drift along as it suits them. There is opportunity to present a faithful, steady witness to Jesus Christ, who is the only one who can save, give victory over Satan and a lasting inner peace.

"EVERYTHING FOR CHRIST — EVERYTHING THROUGH CHRIST."

REINFORCEMENTS URGENTLY NEEDED

for PERMANENT or VOLUNTARY SERVICE

on

OVERSEAS MISSION FIELDS

NEW GUINEA

- NURSES and
- TEACHERS (married or single)

NEW HEBRIDES

- NURSE
- TECHNICAL WORKER (with experience in diesel engines, lighting plants, etc. Single man preferred).

PRAY FOR THE PROVISION OF THESE WORKERS

TO MAINTAIN

PRESENT STAFF AND TO SEND REINFORCEMENTS

GIVE LIBERALLY ON SUNDAY, JULY 6

◦ HOT, HUMID, DEDICATION

MALAYSIA

By PRINCIPAL AIR-CHAPLAIN G. J. CROSSMAN

Life is leisurely in Hong Kong. Four long queues of people lined up to have their passports checked by Immigration prior to departure. I was within five or six of the top when the loudspeaker announced the final call for my Pan Am flight. I requested that I might move ahead so as not miss the aircraft. The elderly Chinese turned to me and said, "Relax. It will be alright; we're going on that flight, too!"

But I did not relax till I was on the aircraft. However, it waited! It waited another 15 minutes.

Malaysia proved warmly hospitable on the afternoon of my arrival. The journey from Singapore to Penang in Northern Malaysia involved three brief stops at Malacca, Kuala Lumpur and Ipoh. The temperature in K.L. was 96 degrees. The hot, humid weather continued for my seven days' Staff visit to R.A.A.F. Butterworth. Monsoonal-type rains had been forecast but did not arrive.

Malaysia had always interested me from the reading of World War II campaigns and its subsequent developing struggle to nationhood. The view from the aircraft of paddy fields, native long huts and mountainous jungle country is fascinating. One moment you are flying over jungle, the next you are coming into land at an airport where the city seems to have been carved out of the jungle.

At Butterworth, Chaplain John Richardson, our Congregational Chaplain, was my personal aide, and accompanied me to all of my appointments.

Butterworth was a series of conferences with people on Chaplaincy matters, chapel facilities, welfare activities, visits to units and people.

When one is travelling in the tropics, laundry becomes a problem; particularly as one has to change twice, sometimes three times a day.

My Indian house-boy, Mannion (his name has another dozen or so letters before that) was quite interesting to talk to, and we had frequent yarns during my stay. He likes to "yap-yap" as he calls it. He would make a good companion for a lot of ministers. He is the eldest of seven children; his father has a heart condition and cannot work, so Mannion supports the family. He will not entertain the thought of marriage until his next brother is old enough to support the family.

Mannion earns what is considered to be good money as a house-boy—M. \$150 per month (A. \$1=approx. M. \$3.50). He hopes to graduate to a mess steward, which is worth M. \$250 per month.

The Base is on the mainland, opposite Penang Island. My quarters were a mere 25 yards from the Indian Ocean which should have been lovely to swim in but is forbidden. The Malays pour their rubbish and effluent straight into the sea.

A two-minute swim in the water is sufficient to induce a combination of hepatitis and fever of various kinds.

On the Saturday night we drove 20 miles to Sungai Petani, which is not far from the border of Thailand. The new Church of England of St. Philip and St. James was dedicated and the youth centre was blessed by the Bishop of Singapore and Malaya, the Rt. Rev. Chiu Ban It.

The service started at 6 p.m. and lasted for two hours, followed by refreshments. It was quite warm and the old "butcher shop" type fans did not help much.

The vicar is an Englishman, Rev. Peter Broadbent, who spent 20 years in Australia and for the last six years has served in this area.

There was baptism by immersion of two teenage Chinese girls; and confirmation of nine boys and girls of different races.

My Congregational Chaplain was a little surprised to see Anglicans administering baptism by immersion. A reading of Acts was recommended.

The sermon by the Bishop was brief and to the point. He spoke of Phillip being a worker and a friend to people who wanted to meet Jesus; and James as an evangelist, who organised the church. He summed up by saying the church today needs this combination.

The church is racially integrated — Indian, Chinese, Malay, British and Australian.

At the R.A.A.F. School at Penang I was welcomed by a boy and a girl, the two Senior Prefects. About 950 R.A.A.F. children attend this school. The teachers are Australian and serve on contract.

Housing for the local people varies. The Malays in the main live in Kampong huts; the Indians have timber houses, the Chinese have a better type house, usually brick or concrete.

The busy traffic is often made hazardous by the push bikes that seem to weave in and out all over the place. Car horns seem to be always sounding. The reason given is that if you are involved in an accident—whether in the right or wrong, doesn't enter it—"did you sound the horn?" If not, guilty! So everyone blows the horn for passing or anything, just to be on the safe side.

One evening I had dinner with Wing Commander and Mrs. Bob Wade and family, formerly of our Canberra church.

I made the journey home from Butterworth in a slow "Hercules" transport with overnight stopovers at Darwin and Richmond, N.S.W.

The 18 days in S.E. Asia, with almost 13,000 miles of flying and 1,000 miles by road, were full of interest and gave new insights on a number of subjects. This was certainly a good way to spend my annual holidays. My family think I lived on "Cloud 9"—so many slides were cloud scenes from aircraft windows!

QUESTING



WITH

A. E. WHITE

What does being a Christian mean in today's computerised, jet-propelled, electronic age?

Being a Christian today means what it has always meant — commitment to Christ.

Your question suggests that living in our "c., j-p., e. age" is like living on a different planet where the rules have all been changed.

There is no need to discuss here the differences that have taken place in our society — there have been fantastic changes in more areas and at a faster rate than we have ever known. But the changes are within our physical world and not from it.

Next month man will probably step upon the moon and set up the U.S. flag where it will catch no breeze (or, as a gesture that man has come of age—the U.N. flag?). Once upon a time the 3,000-mile barrier of the ocean was just as formidable as the 250,000-mile space barrier between us and our nearest neighbour. Earlier still, it was quite an adventure for primitive man to move from the valley he knew to the unknown dangers of the next one.

Every great adventure of man's progress was significant, but the moon is as much a part of the physical universe as the next valley.

In addition to technological changes there have been great social changes, but man is still man. He may be healthier and live a little longer, and do a lot of things his ancestors never dreamed were possible, but he is still man, making today's adjustments to today's environment.

The physical man and the social man is also the spiritual man. God is as much a part of universe as ever he was, and we can know him as men and women have known him in every generation.

Being a Christian today means making a commitment to God as he can be known through his ultimate revelation—Jesus Christ his Son. We make a commitment to a Person.

Next we make a commitment to others. Once we know God in Christ we belong to all of God's family everywhere. The implications of our involvement with and responsibility for each other are incredibly wide and demanding.

In partnership with God and man we are then to set out on an adventure of the body, mind, and spirit, as challenging and satisfying as anything that man has known. This is the finding and the fulfilment of God's purpose for mankind.

God hasn't changed, and man hasn't changed. All that has changed is the scenery and the background of the stage where the divine-human drama is being played out.

QUEENSLAND 1969 CONFERENCE

1. **Ministers' Seminar** at "Camp Cal" Conference Centre with Dr. Jauncey leading the ministers in highly provocative studies that challenged the men of the pulpits to rethink many of their time-honoured practices. Col Smith, of Annerley, led the devotions and each of the 43 ministers present gave reports of his church's witness. Merv. Bedwell (Albion) and Les. Armstrong (Ann Street) are President and Secretary, respectively, of the Ministers' Fraternal.

2. **Ladies' Day** at Conference was led by Mrs. Chapman (Annerley) with Mrs. E. V. Lawton, President of the World C.W.F., as guest speaker. The Conf. Pres., L. G. Martin, also spoke.

3. **Conference Rallies** at Camp Hill and Zillmere proved to be highlights of the Brotherhood gatherings.

Ministers from provincial centres participated in the services that packed out the chapels on each occasion. Intercessory prayers for brotherhood departments and special introductions to hymns were used. Dr. Lloyd Jones, of Melbourne, was guest speaker at all Conference sessions.

4. **Ministers' and Wives' Luncheon.** President of the Qld. Ministers' Fraternal Association, Merv. Bedwell (Albion), chaired this annual function attended by 17 ministers and their wives at "The Canberra." Les Armstrong (Ann Street) introduced the study on the "Magnificent Ministry."

5. **Business.** The Conference President, Lloyd Martin (Annerley) who is Queensland's Chief Crown Prosecutor, was in the chair. Using his theme for the year, "Following Christ," the friendly spirit and attitude of congratulations for a splendid year of service was reported by all departments and committees.

In frank discussion that had no bitterness to fan the occasional differences of opinion, the Conference showed an increase in membership from our churches and sounded the note of praise to Almighty God.

Some Notices of Motions passed were:

Directors—"The Directors of Departments and the Principal of the College be ex-officio members of their respective Committees with full voting right on all matters excepting those affecting their own position and status."

Men—"The incoming Executive investigate ways of commencing a Men's Department of our brotherhood."

Christian Unity—"A notice of motion altering the constitution to set up a Christian Unity Committee be brought to the next State Conference."

Personal—"C. R. Burdeu was to be sent a Conference greeting on reaching his 80th year."

6. **Serving the Queensland churches, 1969-70**

Conference Officers: Conf. Pres., D. Collins; Senior Vice-Pres., A. C. Male; Treasurer, S. L. Neil; Secretary, K. W. Ludgater; Assoc. Sec., Miss D. Boyd.

Conference Executive: M. J. Bedwell, W. Hovard, Mrs. E. Potter, C. Smith.

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Home Missions Committee: Mrs. C. Baker, K. Barwick, K. Burkhead, E. Berthelsen, R. Dewar, B. Ellemor, J. Everard, D. Gehrke, D. Giezendanner, I. Martin.

Aborigine Missions Committee: M. Barfield, C. R. Burdeu, G. R. Ellis, K. Mitchell, R. Tinney, J. Wiltshire, H. Weil.

Social Service Committee: R. Burdeu, H. Curtis, K. Mitchell, Mrs. W. Wiltshire, G. Brown, D. Cranston, R. V. Holt, S. L. Neil, A. Owens.

Brotherhood Advancement Fund: W. Hovard, K. Ludgater, H. Payne, R. Proud, A. Surtees.

Property Committee: G. Anderson, G. Haigh, A. Hilford, L. Neil, G. Owen, B. Scott, L. Thomas, R. Prince.

Preacher Placement & Advisory Board: L. Armstrong, A. C. Male, A. Surtees.

League of 500 Organiser: Mrs. E. W. Potter.

Youth & Christian Educ. Committee: G. Boxhall, L. Brooks, C. Cobine, C. Colston, J. Donaldson, A. Dunn, J. Flood, L. Müller, I. Neumann, J. Smith, R. Smith, H. Weil, G. Wiltshire, K. Wiltshire, N. Monson.

Overseas Missions Committee: G. R. Ellis, W. Finger, Miss A. Haworth, Mrs. H. Heyworth, D. Howell, R. Malcolm, Mrs. S. Smith, A. Webb.

Historical Committee: A. Boettcher, Mrs. A. Boettcher, C. R. Burdeu, E. Potter, Mrs. E. Potter.

Building Advisory Committee: D. Cranston, R. Proud, R. Tinney, D. Usher, F. H. Winter.

Added to the Conference Business Session were the Conference President's Address, in which Lloyd Martin dealt with the theme "Following Christ—Victoriously," and a session entitled "I Challenge the Brotherhood."

Some kind of Conference "privilege" existed in which speakers were able to be brutally frank without necessarily being labelled as belonging to one or the other "school of thought."

Colin Smith (Annerley), Mrs. Bedwell (Albion) and Doug. Willis (Northern Missioner) were chief challengers on the subject of "Evangelism Today!" Audience participation was the maximum in the time allowed and Dr. Lloyd Jones was given the task of summing up.

6. **Sunday Worship.** Held at the Brisbane State High School auditorium, this year's concluding service was unusual and inspiring.

For the first time women took part in the service with Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Lawton leading in prayers for the emblems. Des Collins, of Camp Hill, was inducted as Conference President for the ensuing year and announced his theme of "What shall it profit God?" and urged all to test their actions and attitudes by this standard. A. C. Male (D.C.E.) was welcomed as Senior Vice-President of Conference.

The Conference Choir rendered two items and Dr. Lloyd Jones gave the address.

All that has been described above illustrates in some way the vibrant, virile, concerned fellowship that is willing to experiment, evaluate and has the courage to commit to practice some of these findings. Conference in Queensland has come of age.

Queensland

CITY & COUNTRY EXCHANGE

(Mackay, Qld.). For the exchange visit on May 24-25, 28 Rockhampton young people arrived at 1.15 a.m. by bus, and were immediately transported to the homes of their hosts. The combined youth group were at Bucascia next day for singing and games and an address by Ron Watson, local C.Y.F. leader. After swimming and hiking in the afternoon they attended the Youth Crusade at the Methodist hall where B. Nowitzke showed the film, "08," and Rev. Lloyd Semple, of South Aust., gave an address. At night, Mr. Risson preached and one of the visitors made his decision . . . On May 25, R. Sansome of R'ton, was preacher . . . A young man was received into fellowship on May 11 . . . A. McK. Surtees met with the Board to plan for coming of De Welt evangelistic team . . . A. C. Risson is minister.

LOSS OF ELDER

(Kedron, Qld.). L. Thomas and family were farewelled on June 1 on leaving for Sydney. Mr. Thomas had served as an elder, was responsible for the commencement of Boys' Brigade at Kedron, and had served on brotherhood committees . . . There have been three recent baptisms from young people's group . . . A. Surtees, H.M. Director, shared with the church, May 30 and 31, to consider stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure.

MINISTER TO LEAVE

(Chinchilla-Hopeland, Qld.). D. J. Schofield, B.E., Dip.Ed., L.Th., Dip. R.E., concludes his ministry in July to serve in N.S.W. as Bookroom Manager, Conf. Sec., and interim preacher at Narraweena. . . . C.E. Convention had G. R. F. Ellis, Kenmore College Registrar, as Bible study leader and guest speaker. There were large gatherings at the Welcome Tea and Rally at Chinchilla Civic Centre and the gospel meeting. The C. of C. Hopeland Y.P.C.E. (represented by Marlene Davis and David Holt) won the Jennifer Williams Memorial Annual Bible Quiz . . . 30 attended Christian Educ. Leadership Training Course over six weeks.

HIGH SCHOOL EVANGELISM

(Gatton, Qld.). The minister, D. Usher, continues to serve at the High School where another student indicated her willingness to accept Christ and later at the Ma Ma Creek anniversary service responded to the invitation. Gatton church united with Ma Ma Creek for the anniversary . . . Teacher training tapes were presented by the minister at a recent S.S. teachers' meeting . . . The men provided Mothers' Day tea for about 100. At the gospel service two mothers responded to the invitation, one for re-dedication and one to accept Christ as Saviour. Danny Van Heet, who has only been a Christian for six months, gave his testimony and concluded with a beautiful solo, "I wish I had given him more." . . . The annual S.S. picnic was held at Helidon Spa. Swimming, organised games and races were features of the day.

CHURCH IN CO-OPERATION

(Camp Hill, Qld.). The following members were appointed to positions at recent State Conference: Des Collins, Conf. Pres.; Allan Male, Senior Vice-Pres.; Don Cranston, College Board, Social Service and Building Advisory; Mike Barfield, Aborigines' Committee; Bruce Scott, Property Committee; Ron Tinney, Aborigines' Committee and Building Advisory; Ivan Nosworthy, Dept. of Youth and Christian Educ.; Allan Webb, College Board and Overseas Missions. The first of the Pre-Conference Rallies was held at Camp Hill Chapel. The church library celebrated its first birthday recently . . . 100 attended a "Focus on Asia" Rally. A special offering is received and set aside each month for an Asian project, and a special prayer meeting is held every Saturday morning . . . The Director of the Youth and Christian Educ. Dept., A. C. Male, recently shared a week with the Camp Hill church in "Department/Church Relationships." He visited all auxiliaries, met with the officers, and preached on three occasions . . . At Sunnybank Crusade, Allan Webb was evangelist, Ron Tinney, songleader, Alan Mitchell, pianist.

GOING TO VIETNAM?

. . . Or know someone who is there?
C. Wayne Briggs is a Church of Christ minister from San Francisco. He is stationed in Saigon at present as a special representative for his church to the U.S. Forces in Vietnam.

If he is informed of the names and location of any Australians over there he will be glad to pass on to them information about congregations meeting at 25 different locations. He is also able to visit wounded men in hospitals, and provide other counselling in spiritual assistance.

The address of Mr. and Mrs. Briggs is 7 Nguyen Thong, Saigon, Vietnam.

AT THE LORD'S TABLE



Lo, Here is a Miracle!

At a businessmen's luncheon the other day said a company manager, "The wife goes to church and I believe in God, but I can't take in that stuff about the virgin birth. It is like Jonah and the whale. You can't prove it. Anyway why aren't there miracles today?"

To this I answered, "How about these astronauts who fly at incredible speeds through vast areas of space, circle the moon and safely return to the earth? Is that not a miracle? You can't prove it. Do you believe it? You say you believe in God. Surely you believe the Creator of the universe can vary the pattern of his creation. A virgin birth should be no stumbling block."

There are miracles in plenty if we will but see them. Think of this communion feast given by a Carpenter of Galilee in a borrowed room. Is it not a miracle that almost twenty centuries later when pyramid building pharaohs are forgotten we meet around the Table in memory of him?

This feast is limited neither by time nor space. Here the rich, the poor, the monarch, the wayfaring man, the learned and the illiterate, those fair of face and those dark of skin meet on common ground and receive the same rich blessing. In Christ's presence we are all of the same stature for we all have the same need.

God is Spirit and they that worship him in Spirit and in Truth know the miracle of his presence around this table and in their lives. They need no other miracle.—H. J. Payne (Qld.).

THANKS FOR THE BREAD

Lord, open our eyes that we may see, our hearts that we may receive and our lips that we may speak for you.

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BOOK CLUB

To the Editor,
I would like to inform your readers that this College is making our Book Club available to all the brethren. We are offering to members every month a condensed book which can be read in an evening and which gives the heart of one of the significant books of our time. We are hoping to stimulate greater reading of Christian literature. The cost is \$6 per year (\$4.80 to ministers). Applications should be made to me personally.

—James H. Jauncey, Principal, Kenmore Christian College, Kenmore, Qld., 4069.

NEW BLOOD

To the Editor,
Following the report of committee elections for the Vic.-Tas. Conf., then the similar report concerning the W.A. Conference, I would like to make a plea for a re-think about who gets elected, and who staffs these committees. Although the whole system itself should be closely examined for its efficiency for the 1970's, at least one aspect could be remedied by our State Conferences—if they were courageous enough.

I have become convinced that no "professional" State worker should hold his office for more than 8-10 years. All directors, or associate directors of departments, should relinquish their jobs after this time. These people should get into departmental work with a view to having a limited time to develop their policies, then get out!

No one is irreplaceable. If a department is to keep abreast of the times and give creative leadership it must change its staff, for all men have but one approach, one style, one bias of interests. Our whole

society is moving and changing at such a pace these days that our State committees should get a new lead every 8-10 years.

The Vic.-Tas. Conf. report drew attention to the fact that only 10% of the members elected to committees were under 35 years of age. Youth gets little say or opportunity in Churches of Christ! Today's world demands a bigger voice for the under 35's on boards, departments, and as departmental staff. Let's have more new blood!—A. F. Cant (Vic.).

GIVING TO OVERSEAS MISSIONS

To the Editor,
As the question arises every so often that Overseas Missions receives so much more than any other department of our Conferences, could we make a few observations which may help to enlighten our members?

Let us observe that our fields in India and the New Hebrides have a Conference of their own, and in due course a Conference will be formulated in New Guinea. Can we go a step further and add these to our Federal Conference as if it were another State Conference, for these Conferences on our mission fields are involved in activities identical to those of State Conferences?

Missionaries and National Workers conduct departmental work which includes schools, hospitals, Social Services (e.g., Children's Homes and Relief work), literature and radio. The Conference in the New Hebrides conducts a Bible College. It is through these activities that many people have come to see the love of Christ in action, and to understand the mission of the church.

In addition to the work conducted by Conference departments, the missionary and National Christians are actively involved in direct evangelism and local church activities, such as C.W.F., Discipleship Classes, Bible Schools, etc.

Missionaries carry through a wide

range of activities and need many skills. We are not able to have an expert for each department. These people—our representatives—live under climatic conditions very different from Australia. They do not complain, they live to take Christ to the people whom they have gone to serve.

By curtailing monetary aid we are in danger of hindering the spread of the gospel where our loyalties lie.

—B. L. Williams (Vic.).

CHRISTIANS FOR PARLIAMENT

To the Editor,

The threatened decimation of the Christian fellowship among Federal Parliamentarians and the near election of a Church of Christ minister in the Queensland elections just held indicates two things. Firstly, the establishment, whether it be of either political party, does not want men of independent thought and the voters ("church going" or otherwise) are sick of the mendacity of the professional politician and will favour men of Christian principle regardless of party label.

The incumbent challenged here was a member of the Cabinet in a constituency generally regarded as a blue ribbon Government seat. Yet our young Church of Christ minister (a novice to politics) at least topped the poll on straight out votes.

For goodness sake let Christians unite for the Federal elections to put into office men (and women) pledged to uphold the Christian traditions of this once predominantly Christian country, irrespective of party allegiance.

There was a time when past Federal and State Cabinets included members of the Churches of Christ and they can do so again.—P. C. Williams (Qld.).

ABORTION

To the Editor,

After reading the article by Alan Matheson ("A.C." May 17) the the paper by Dr. T. A. Banks (The Pamphlet Club No. 167) plus many and varied articles on abortion over the past few years, I can no longer refrain from making a stand in favour of revision and liberalisation of the abortion laws.

I cannot comment as a doctor, a minister, a social worker or a lawyer, but I can comment as a woman and a mother. I can feel some of the panic and fear that a pregnant woman must feel knowing that her baby will probably be born blind or mentally deficient; I have seen what a traumatic experience it is for a young, unmarried girl to carry a baby to term, deliver it and have it taken away from her for adoption; I can imagine the anxiety of a mother whose income is lower than the bread-line, and who will soon have another child to clothe and feed—all situations which could be alleviated by abortion.

Christ showed compassion to people in trouble and need; we must also show compassion as we think logically and responsibly about this vital social question.

The voices and opinions of many men have been heard on this subject. Now it is time for women to commit themselves without fear of the inevitable criticism, to a cause which vitally concerns all women and society generally.

—Helen Paver (Vic.).

AMENDMENT TO VIC.-TAS. LIST

When the names were published of those elected to the brotherhood departments of the Vic.-Tas. Conference, 1969-1971, the name of V. L. Gole was inadvertently omitted from the Dept. of H.M. & Evang.

VICTORIAN C.W.F.

The first Council meeting of the new Conference year was attended by 168 delegates and visitors representing 56 churches.

The President, Mrs. Muller, introduced the Rev. Geoffrey Fletcher who gave a stimulating address on the work and aims of the Lay Institute for Evangelism.

A welcome was extended to Miss Ruth Edgell who brought a greeting from the women of the New Hebrides.

The Golden Bag offering to date for "Bethany" was \$2,059.85.

Prayer of Intercession was given by Mrs. Page, especially remembering Mrs. Somsie who was ill in New Guinea. Dates to remember:

Missionary Rally, Aug. 13, at Milleara Rd., East Keilor church.

Evening Fellowship Camps: Sept. 12-14; Sept. 26-28, at Monbulk.

Next council meeting on July 4 at 11 a.m. Speaker, R. Powell.

—M. Nelson, Asst. Sec.

JACK MANALLACK IMPROVES

(Subiaco, W.A.). The condition of Jack Manallack, minister at Subiaco, who was injured in a road accident whilst returning home from Victoria, has improved dramatically.

He has now been transferred to the Shenton Park Rehabilitation Centre and it is hoped that after about six week's treatment he will be on his feet again.

Mr. and Mrs. Manallack are most grateful for the prayerful concern that has been expressed throughout Australia.

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LETTERS FROM TERTIUS

"EXPERTS IN GOODNESS AND SIMPLETONS IN EVIL."

(Rom. 16: 19, N.E.B.)

To the Editor,

I am writing to make a mild protest about the omission of Romans 16 from the Sunday morning readings on the Churches of Christ calendar. Was this the work of a cloak-and-dagger critic doubting the Pauline authorship of this chapter? Or was it an act of thoughtfulness on the part of the compiler, having in mind the amateur Sunday morning reader struggling with Asyncretus, Sosipater, Philologus, and Aristobulus? I'm sorry the churches are going to miss it.

At our church, eyebrows would have been raised about Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchreae. (Tut! Tut! How could she be "the husband of one wife"?)

And what a pity to miss Urban, the first apostle to the "secular city," and Narcissus, who gave up admiring himself and brought his family into the Lord's fellowship, and the toiling twins, Tryphaena and Tryphosa, and Prisca and Aquila who stuck their necks out for the Lord (see N.E.B.).

And Romans 16 is the only place in the Bible that mentions my name-sake Tertius, the amanuensis, who sneaked in a greeting. (I often wonder if that greeting is inspired!)

Our minister has been making heavy weather of some of the earlier chapters of Romans. He could have had some light-hearted relief with a sermon on "Shake Hands With Rufus" (v. 13, Phillips).

"To God the only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen." (v. 27).

TERTIUS.

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● Because the Church is changing.

An intensive and renewed interest in Bible Study over the past few years has resulted in a new and deeper understanding of the mission of the Church. The planned learning programmes within the churches must reflect the faith of the church and help members hear what Christ is saying through the scriptures.

● Because of the recent developments in our understanding of the ways in which people learn.

Although not fully understood, the processes of education have been considerably clarified. The complementary roles of the teacher and pupil in learning have been thrown into sharp focus. There are new tools for education available—e.g., audio visuals and programmed-instruction.

These God-given insights must be used by the church in communicating the gospel of Christ to children, youth and adults.

● Because in producing the "Christian Life Curriculum" in co-operation with the Joint Board of Christian Education, a greater stewardship of ability and finance is achieved.

More resources for the teaching task will be available within the economic structure of the schools. The best that the combined churches can offer is being offered to Christ.

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in order that the Gospel of Jesus Christ may be seen as relevant in a modern world;

in order that the Gospel of Jesus Christ may come alive through a study of the Bible;

in order that the Gospel of Jesus Christ may be communicated in such a way that persons will hear and respond to his call;

in order that we may be faithful stewards of his resources.

150th Anniversary in Tasmania

The 150th Anniversary of the establishment of the Tasmanian Auxiliary, B. & F.B.S., was marked on May 8, 1969. The Auxiliary was formed at a meeting in old St. David's Church, Hobart, on May 8, 1819.

A feature of the celebrations was the Commonwealth Council meetings in Hobart. The Council, composed of two men from each State meets with the Commonwealth and State Secretaries and other key members of the Commonwealth staff each year.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Special guests for the occasion were the Rev. E. A. and Mrs. Cline. Mr. Cline has been Bible Society Secretary in Vietnam for the past eight years.

A Jubilee Dinner was held in the delightful setting of Laetare Gardens, Moonah.

The Lord Mayor of Hobart extended a Civic Reception to the Bible Society members on May 8. The Bishop of Tasmania and the Chairman of the Bible Society

in Australia (the Hon. G. J. Foot, M.L.C.) responded to the Lord Mayor's welcome.

That evening a Jubilee Rally was held in the Hobart Town Hall. It featured the Rosny Children's Choir and a film "Trials of a Translator" was screened.

As a gesture to the Bible Society in Tasmania the Australian Broadcasting Commission featured a symphony concert in St. David's Cathedral on May 9.

At a youth rally in the Hobart Town Hall on May 10, the address was given by Mr. Iga Kila, who is Administration Secretary for the Society in New Guinea.

The Jubilee Service of Thanksgiving was held in St. David's Cathedral, Hobart, on May 11 and telecast by the A.B.C. The Dean of Hobart (the Very Rev. Michael Webber) led the service assisted by the Bible Society Secretary in N.S.W., the Rev. A. F. Scott. The lesson was read by the Hon. G. J. Foot, M.L.C., and the preacher was the Rt. Rev. Clive Kerle, Bishop of Armidale and a Vice-Pres. of the United Bible Societies.

MEN'S WORK SAVES

(Georgetown, N.S.W.). Men have effected a big saving by building new toilet blocks by voluntary labour . . . Evening C.W.F. meetings are being held monthly. C.W.F. has given \$300 to the building extensions . . . D. Wade (Elder) is very much improved in health after treatment in Concord Hospital . . . R. F. Goode, of Murwillumbah, was speaker at 29th anniversary services. He showed slides of his world tour, with emphasis on Israel. Mr. Holloway has been on vacation and evening services have been conducted by church groups with good congregations.

"FRONTIER" PROTEST SYMPOSIUM

(N.S.W.). A symposium, entitled "The Aust. Community and Student Protest" has been arranged by Australian Frontier in the Teachers' Federation Auditorium, 300 Sussex St., Sydney, June 28, 2 p.m.-5 p.m. The chairman will be Prof. Chas. Birch, of the Univ. of Sydney.

Three student leaders will speak briefly. Other speakers will be George Molnar, lecturer in Philosophy at the Univ. of Sydney, and an American visitor, Professor Michael Scriven, Professor of Philosophy at the Univ. of California at Berkeley, who will speak on "A Viewpoint from Berkeley."

Admission is 80 cents (students 30 cents). Tickets from Australian Frontier, 26 O'Connell St., Sydney.

ACCEPTS FURTHER TERM

(Hornsby, N.S.W.). The minister, D. A. Oldfield, has accepted an invitation to serve for another four years from Jan., 1970 . . . Speakers at the 63rd church anniversary were E. Long (local Baptist minister), and Mr. Oldfield. On May 24 an anniversary tea and social evening were arranged by the ladies . . . Mrs. E. R. Bishop succeeds Mrs. Oldfield as C.W.F. president.

HOW IT STARTED . . .

Dunce

Name given to a poor scholar or one of dull intellect. It began with John Scotus who came from Dunse, in Scotland. At the time of the introduction of the new theology he was an uncompromising supporter of the old theology and opposed the new learning and the classics. He was accordingly regarded as the arch enemy of progress and learning. The description "Dunse" was given to him and his followers were called Dunsers. The name later became "dunce" and was used to describe anyone who was opposed to learning or couldn't learn.

BIBLES SOLD OUT

(India). Hmar-dialect Christians in Manipur and Assam provinces bought up, in less than four months, a 5,000-copy edition of the Bible published in their language, and selling for what amounted to about two days' salary for the head of a family.—"The Christian."

The Alcohol Problem

There is a commendable interest today in the question of alcoholism. Particularly is it related to the desperate plight of the confirmed alcoholic. In Victoria alone it is estimated that there are 50,000 of these helpless people.

As there is no cure for them it is most necessary that prophylactic treatment should be used to the utmost, to prevent people—particularly the young—coming to this dependence on alcohol. Of course, the first line of attack—and this is true of every drug of addiction—is that we should set a good example ourselves and encourage others not to begin taking alcoholic drinks. To the degree that people will abstain, and help others to abstain, the problem is lightened.

In addition all the scientific facts about the action of alcohol—even in small doses—should be widely spread and constantly emphasised. In the body alcohol is a dehydrator and, therefore, an irritant; and is also a fat solvent, interfering with the insulation of certain nerve tracts, and thus destroying their function.

But knowledge does not always protect. Modern scientific man—of whom some theologians are so proud—does not live according to his knowledge. He still does things that he knows are detrimental to his health. Why? Because he likes to do them. And why does he like to do them? Because someone he admires also does them.

There are two things we can do.

First, because of the present emphasis on secularisation, there is great need to get among the people, especially the young, where they are, to understand them, bear their burdens and their problems, and share our convictions with them. Christianity has a unique power here to change the heart.

Second, to support the organisation, the Temperance Alliance, which is coordinating the Christian view on alcohol. This is an institution that needs our money and our prayers, plus our full allegiance. For it applies the power of Christianity at the strategic points where it will have the best effect.

—E. R. Killmier, M.B., B.S., President, Vic.-Tas. Conference.

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mem.=No. of members.

s=Secretary.

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Mooroopna: m., R. A. Clydesdale (pt.); s., J. Atkinson; mem., 26; "AC" 3.

Moreland: m., V. Quayle; s., W. Green; mem., 76; "AC" 16.

Morwell: m., J. E. Paver; s., D. R. Wakefield; mem., 72; "AC" 20.

Traralgon: m., D. E. Stewart, B.A., Dip. M. & E. (Eng.); s., J. H. Burrage; mem., 13; "AC" 1.

Mt. Evelyn: m., D. Kernick (pt.); s., H. B. Graham; mem., 33.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Manly: s., T. J. Jones; mem., 15; "AC" 1.

Marrickville: m., R. C. Dixon; s., C. H. Maxwell; mem., 124; "AC" 17.

Mayfield: m., J. Anderson; s., R. C. Aird; mem., 127; "AC" 3.

Mosman: s., C. A. Murray; mem., 75; "AC" 5.

Murwillumbah: s., D. K. Thompson; mem., 84; "AC" 11.

QUEENSLAND

Marburg: m., K. Berston (st.); s., R. J. Nicholson; mem., 64; "AC" 3.

Marvborough-Baddow-Hervey Bay: m., T. Ede and L. van Laar; s., J. C. Ferguson; mem., 162; "AC" 11.

Moorooka: m., W. Glezendanner; s., R. J. Nean; mem., 34.

Mt. Walker: m., S. C. Rogers; s., F. Smith; mem., 37.

Murarrrie: m., W. Chapman (st.); s., G. H. Eager; mem., 25.

Murgon: m., B. Rice (st.); s., A. Johnson; mem., 16.

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Moonta: s., Mrs. C. Watts; mem., 19.

Mt. Hill: m., B. J. Ricketts; s., C. R. Young; mem., 14.

Mt. Compass: m., H. E. Greenwood; s., L. H. Jacobs; mem., 53; "AC" 7.

Mt. Gambler: m., B. F. Duff; s., D. S. Finnis; mem., 50; "AC" 6.

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CHANGE AT WANGARATTA

(Vic.). The church regrets the inability of H. W. Street to continue in the full-time ministry for health reasons, but looks forward to the coming of A. B. Withers in 1970 . . . A special Marriage Commemoration service was effective . . . There have been four decisions . . . The results from the Planned Giving Programme have been maintained satisfactorily . . . Young Explorers have 40 on the roll and the Good Companions 46. . . A. E. Moore was elected elder with 100% vote.

TO END MINISTRY

(Caulfield, Vic.). The minister, F. A. Youens, has announced that he will not be available after the conclusion of his present term in March, 1970. The church is seeking another minister . . . At the annual meeting a number of speakers expressed appreciation for the strong and helpful leadership given by Mr. and Mrs. Youens at Bamba Rd. Many former members and friends returned for the 49th anniversary to honour Mr. Youens at the last anniversary for which he will be minister . . . Two have been baptized and received into membership, and Ann Verity made her decision . . . Recent speakers have been Barry Baker and K. A. Macnaughtan . . . Two ceiling fans have been provided by the ladies . . . Young people won 15 awards at the recent B. & F.B.S. competitions . . . Our church is conducting the services at the Oakleigh Guest Home during June . . . The church offers sympathy to those who mourn the death of Mrs. Cornish. She was recently welcomed as a member.

THINGS TO COME

VICTORIA

JUNE:
18 C.O.B. Winter School, 7.30 p.m.
20 Explorer Indoor Sports (to July 5)
21 F.O.Y.A.
25 C.O.B. Winter School, 7.30 p.m.
27 Good Companions' "Leaders' Teach-In," Sth. Yarra.

JULY:
2 C.O.B. Winter School, 7.30 p.m.
2 Group Training for Young Adults (nine Weds. to Aug. 27)
4 Good Companions' Festivals.
5 Eastern Dist. All-Day Hike.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

JUNE:
22 Brotherhood Sunday, all S.A. churches.

QUEENSLAND

JUNE:
13-16 Rockhampton Motorcade, Emu Park.
21 Drama Festival, D.C.E.

NEW SOUTH WALES

JUNE:
21 Don DeWalt All-Day Session for Ministers, Elders and Deacons at Burwood.
28 B.S.W.F. "Teach-in" at Greenacre.
22-28 S.T.D. Examination Week.
27-29 Gullbulla House Party.
Don DeWalt Missions in Burwood, Lismore and Wollongong.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

April, May, June, on Wednesday afternoons, a Training Course for voluntary social workers conducted by the Social Welfare Committee in the Christian Centre.

JULY:
4-6 Women's Convention, Waterman's Bay Campsite.

WORLD CONVENTION ADELAIDE — 1970

SECRETARY GAINS AWARD

(Wembley, W.A.). Geoff. Mogridge, church secretary, has been awarded a Gleddon Travelling Fellowship and intends to go to U.S.A. or Canada later this year to complete his doctorate in engineering . . . A. D. Pyne and his wife have left on a world trip . . . Geo. Smith, Director of the Christian Welfare Centre, has commenced an interim ministry here . . . Duxie Bateman received a presentation when being farewelled prior to her marriage in New Zealand . . . Gordon Moyes spoke to 100 young people, many from Shenton Park church, at a Coffee Club. Several of our young people shared with Geo. Smith in the monthly service at Fremantle prison . . . The badminton club has recommenced.

70 YEARS AT ORGAN

(Malvern, Vic.). Mrs. F. Locke has completed 70 years of playing the organ — a truly wonderful effort . . . Ian Adams and Ken Verge are sharing the pastoral services and evening preaching. Principal E. Lyall Williams preaches on Sunday mornings . . . The church sympathises with Mrs. Pfeifer in the death of her father . . . Harmony has been supplied by Ian Cleland, Walter Franklin, Arthur Haskell, C.E. Quartette and the Part-Time Singers . . . The Youth Clubs held their first church parade for some time.

DAWSON ST. MINISTRY

(Ballarat, Vic.). F. C. Hunting has accepted a further term of two years' ministry from Feb., 1970. Miss Jan Hunting is home on extended missionary furlough from New Guinea . . . J. Morris has been elected board chairman. Following an alteration to the constitution, Mrs. F. Burnham was elected deaconess, the first in the history of the church . . . Recent speakers have been D. H. Smith and A. A. Avery.

SUPPORT FOR "SHIELA"

(Croydon, Vic.). May was "Lamington Month" and enough money was raised to support "Shiela" in India for this year . . . At monthly youth service Barry Baker, from Ringwood, was guest speaker. Young people gave a choir item and B. Hicken gave her testimony . . . C.W.F. visited Tullamore Hospital at Montrose. Ladies are collecting clothing for Social Service Dept. . . . Mothers of B.S. children were entertained at luncheon on May 27, when a play-reading was given . . . The Young Marrieds' tea was held at the home of Coral and Norm Thomas . . . A speaker from the Society of Prev. of Cruelty to Children visited C.W.E.F. . . . Mrs. Lacey is recuperating from hepatitis.

DECISION AT HARVEY

(W.A.). A young man made his confession . . . Y.P. from Scarborough spent a weekend in Harvey helping with the gospel service . . . A. W. Ladbrook presided over the half-yearly South West Conf. rally at Bunbury. Guest panel were from the Christian Union Committee, Perth. W. Thornton, from the Bridgetown-Mandurah church, took the services, while Mr. Ladbrook exchanged for his Presidential visit.

MINI-MISSION

(Cheltenham, Vic.). Our 1969 Mini-Mission is being held each Sunday night in June in the Cheltenham Public Hall. Music is by the "Mini-Mission Choir," "The Missionaires," the "Lowanna Singers," David Ashton, organist, David Hoffman, pianist, and Claude Gadge, song leader. Gordon Moyes speaks on "The Living Faith" and questions and opinions are invited from the audience. . . . The Boys' Explorers held a successful Mum's Night . . . Our "Lowanna Singers" are popular and have many engagements for next few months . . . The catering committee has donated \$140 to church funds.

\$5,000 FOR CHAPEL

(Brooklyn Park, S.A.). A sacrificial giving campaign has taken the chapel fund past \$5,000 . . . Young people from Western Suburban churches combined for after-church Sunday Fellowship Hour. . . . A new record has been established for Sunday morning services . . . We joined with other churches sponsoring and providing facilities for Family Life Week, Sunday afternoon prayer vigil and special Family Guest service concluding visiting programme . . . Young Marrieds met for barbecue and discussions on parenthood with C. H. Dow (D.C.E.) and I. J. Chivell . . . The Women's Fellowship is assisting a young family in difficult circumstances.

PICTURES OF N. HEBRIDES

(Lenswood, S.A.). Ross Atwell and Frank Filmer showed slides and told of the mission at New Hebrides from its commencement . . . On June 1, three were baptized at Grote St. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Harvey have been received into fellowship.

PROTESTANTS AND R.C.'s

(Bunbury, W.A.). The local church combined with the other churches in daily prayers for unity leading up to Pentecost. On Pentecost Sunday, G. B. Carslake, chairman of Ministers' Fraternal, preached at combined service from the Roman Catholic pulpit. Over 450 packed the cathedral . . . S.W. churches solidly supported the half-yearly Conference Rally in Bunbury. B. Stitt presented a stimulating paper on Evangelism. After a buffet tea the film, "Heritage to Destiny" was screened. The State Union Committee led a discussion on unity. The C.W.F. rally had Mr. Stone speak about the Gelorup Slow Learners' workshop in Bunbury and Mrs. D. Hammer led devotions . . . As a result of the Bible Society visit with a worker from Vietnam, an anonymous donation of \$235 was given for this work . . . 26 have enrolled in the Winter Correspondence Course with Glen Iris College.

FREEDOM OF LIVING

(Morwell, Vic.). Young People's service featured a panel discussion: "Freedom of Living" . . . After-school "Happy Hours" for Primary children, June 3-5, had an average attendance of 65 . . . The minister, John Paver, attended Mental Health Seminar, conducted epilogue on GLV10, and gave Morning Thought on 3UL.

MAYLANDS IS 60

(S.A.). 150 attended the anniversary tea on May 14 with the meeting following being chaired by W. N. Heath, Conf. Pres. On the next evening, five past ministers of the church were present. H. R. Taylor (first full-time minister, 1910-16) spoke for the others. A presentation was made to W. Tompsett, the surviving foundation member.

The Friday youth rally, in conjunction with the Dept. of Christian Educ., and assisted by the Brotherhood Youth Choir, attracted 300. A church picnic was held at Loftia Park on the Saturday.

Homecoming and Thanksgiving on May 18, had G. R. Stirling as guest speaker, and the Maylands Choir under leadership of Miss V. White. The thank offering amounted to \$618.00: half to go to assist the translation of the scriptures into the New Hebridean language, and half to go to the College of the Bible.

CHATSWOOD ON RADIO AUST.

(N.S.W.). In the A.B.C. series "Churches of Australia" the Chatswood Church of Christ will be featured on June 29. It will be heard on Radio Australia only.

LONG PLAINS-OWEN CIRCUIT

(S.A.). Long Plains. Anniversary held in April had the theme "Space and Man and God." C. Dow was guest speaker for S.S. anniversary. Two of our young people were baptized in April . . . The C.W.F. is doing a series of Bible studies at their meetings. Owen: W. Magor, from Scripture Union, was speaker at S.S. anniversary. Combined S.S. picnic was held at Parra Wirra National Park . . . The new baptistery in the church has been completed and there have been three baptisms . . . The Ladies' Guild had Pastor Samuels, representing the United Aborigines' Mission in S.A., speak and show slides at their birthday meeting . . . Owen I.C.E. are planning a "walkathon" to raise further funds for Austcare.

CAMPERS LEAD SERVICE

(Fremantle-Hilton, W.A.). Thirty of our young people led the gospel service at Mandurah to climax a camp there at Anzac weekend. W. Duke was camp leader with Mr. and Mrs. L. Ladner as "father and mother." Bible studies were led by Ray Roberts . . . Two young women have been baptized . . . C.W.F. visited a local "C" class hospital and presented a programme in recognition of the mothers there. C.W.F. also shared in the Mothers' Day service . . . In Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sonsee visited the church of their son, Don, a student at C.O.B.

COURT MOVES OUT

(Box Hill, Vic.). As Box Hill Court has now vacated our school halls, facilities have greatly improved . . . Marrieds, mothers and grandmothers conducted the gospel service on Mothers' Day which included an all-female choir. Mrs. Ron Muller, newly-elected C.W.F. State Pres., was speaker . . . Owing to a transfer to Queensland, Ron, Ritter and family were farewelled . . . Rhonda Earl is now Supt. of Primary Dept.

TASMANIAN C.W.F.

The Tasmanian District C.W.F. Conference was held at Margaret St. church, Launceston, on May 25, 1969. 60 women heard the address by our Vic.-Tas. C.W.F. President, Mrs. R. Muller. Mrs. M. R. Wilson and Mrs. C. B. Cripps sang a duet and there was a solo by Mrs. L. G. Read.

Highlights of the report:

Bicheno: The Executive launched the Bicheno Camp Furnishings Project two years ago and a total of \$531 has been given. Two flats are completely furnished.

Bethany: All C.W.F. groups supported our Children's Home with food, clothing, practical help and finance; and the level of giving has been maintained.

Aborigines' and Overseas Missions: Special mention was made of the long and faithful service of Mrs. H. E. Sulzberger as Overseas Mission Supt. and to the practical work of Mrs. N. Bradshaw as Aborigines Supt.

DISTRICT SURVEY

(Kensington Pk., S.A.). The officers for churches at Maylands, Magill, Dulwich, Lenswood, and Kensington Pk. met to discuss future efforts in district . . . The church has 59 active members and 19 on S.S. staff . . . Speakers for the S.S. anniversary were W. Bartlett, R. Holmes, H. Prime and N. Gavros. Mr. Barnes conducted the choir, R. Dix was organist and Mrs. Mackay was pianist . . . C.W.F. has a missionary hour prior to monthly day meetings when letters are read and

EXTENSIONS

(Gympie - Monkland, Qld.). Church hall extensions 30' x 30' on two levels will be completed this month . . . One young man confessed Christ and was baptized . . . The pastor's second daughter is to leave for the mission field—Mr. and Mrs. Reid farewelled before proceeding to Nepal. . . . Arthur Clarke concludes ministry here at end of year . . . The church will conduct a mission in August holidays.

TEACHING MISSION

(Clovelly Park, S.A.). Frank Hunting, of Ballarat, conducted a 10-day teaching mission in May. Song leader was Len Hearndon . . . The American Teen Team entertained at final A.C.E. meeting for term . . . \$40 was raised at latest C.W.F. jumble sale. The ladies have held prayer group sessions in homes of members who cannot readily come to meetings . . . Don Hunt has had to retire from position of B.S. Supt. because of long illness. H. McLachlan will succeed him.

Activities: All avenues of brotherhood work were supported, and there was active participation in Women's World Day of Prayer, Community Day and Fellowship Day of the Women's Inter-Church Council of Tas., National Council of Women, and Meals on Wheels.

Mrs. T. Sice relinquished the position of Pres., and welcomed our new Pres., Mrs. Dorothy Hartam. Mrs. Hartam is well known to us all for her Christian character and consistent work in many avenues of service.

In the week following the Conf. the Vic.-Tas. C.W.F. Pres., Mrs. Muller, visited centres in the State and shared with us the many avenues of service open to women through C.W.F. The Vic.-Tas. Pres., Dr. E. R. Killmier also spoke to combined meetings throughout the State.—D. A. Allen.

prayers offered . . . A cooking demonstration was given by Metropolitan Research.

ADULT EDUCATION

(East Vic. Pk., W.A.). The church is having three terms of Adult Education meetings on the subject of "Foundations of Faith," "Responsibilities of Faith" and "The Community of Faith." . . . Evening services now start 7 p.m., Sundays for the winter months.

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NINE CAMP DECISIONS

(Vic.). 93 boys and girls aged 10 to 13, attended Junior Camp conducted by Ballarat churches during May school holidays. Campers came from 13 country and city churches. J. Timms was Director. He also prepared study and Quiet Time material. F. E. Clark was music director, with M. R. White as recreation director. Guest leader, W. Whitton, of Fairfield, N.S.W., closed each day with devotions. A Question Box session revealed searching enquiries, and after a gospel message, nine young people made the Good Confession. The Sunday morning offering of \$13.00 and canteen profits of \$17.00 are to be offered to the Bethany Children's Home in Tasmania.

WORKING FOR OTHERS

(Balwyn, Vic.). C. Carr has been elected Asslt. Sec. of Conference, and six other members were elected to various committees. . . . Mothers' Day celebrations had C.W.E.F. as choir, and older ladies taking part in the service. C.W.F. celebrated its birthday with a coffee morning at the home of Mrs. Smith, when members brought at least a cent for every year of age. They then entertained the Oakleigh Guest Home patients with a Pleasant Afternoon. . . . Recent speakers have been Alan Emmett, Richard Powell, Ted Keating and Frank Richards to whom a cheque was presented from all auxiliaries for work in New Guinea. . . . Noel Trickey is our first member doing National Service training, and church is keeping in touch with him in exchange of letters.

THREE BAPTISMS

(Sunshine, Vic.). There were three baptisms on May 25. . . . Y.P.C.E. is led by Robert Wiseman and Lois Cordy. The programme features the ancient art of fencing and a lecture on photographic processes. . . . The combined C.W.F. groups' birthday meeting took the form of a "Shell Display" and an address by Rev. R. Haley, of the Albert Pk. Baptist church. . . . Mrs. Osterman was made a presentation in recognition of 21 years' service as treasurer of the Ladies' Guild. . . . Mr. and Mrs. R. Cordy have returned home from South Africa, but Mr. Cordy is still convalescing after his recent illness.

VICTORIA

FAMILY CAMP

(East Bentleigh, Vic.). Two significant events here were the Family Camp at Monbulk at which G. R. Stirling was guest speaker, and the number of young people making their decisions for Christ. These confessions followed from membership classes conducted by Mr. Robinson and visits to the Billy Graham Crusade. . . . In July, E. C. Keating, of H.M. Dept., will conduct a programme of stewardship and outreach.

FRIENDSHIP VISITING

(Robinvale, Vic.). The programme of monthly friendship visiting is continuing to enrich the church. . . . L. Keatch, Sunraysia Conf. Pres., addressed the church. . . . Mothers' Day service featured a tableau presented by Mrs. W. G. Chislett. The youth service was led by C.Y.F. . . . Outgoing missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. D. Sennitor, spoke at a house meeting. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harrison spoke at C.E. and Prayer meeting. . . . Miss Dianne Moeg has commenced nursing training at Ballarat. C.Y.F. presented her with a writing case in appreciation of services as treasurer.

CHURCH MEMBER HONOURED

(Box Hill, Vic.). The new wing recently opened at the Box Hill Hospital was named after R. H. L. Sparks, a member of the Box Hill Church of Christ. Reg. Snarks, who for 28 years was a councillor of the city, promoted the building of the hospital and has been its president since its inception.

JUNIOR CAMP

(Swan Hill, Vic.). Junior Camp at Wood Wood, May 16-19, was attended by 24 children and six leaders. David Marr, minister at Echuca, was study leader. . . . Christian Men's Fellowship visited homes of older members of congregation in friendship visitation. . . . D. H. Smith, Dept. of H.M. and Evang., visited district on June 1. . . . During minister's absence in Perth due to his father's illness, services were conducted by local speakers.

AIM OF \$1,500

(Springvale, Vic.). Great interest is being shown among members in the recently-launched "Workathon" talent effort, with the aim of raising \$1,500.00 by August. . . . Special prayer groups are in action for our "Springvale Crusade" in Sept. . . . Discipleship classes are being conducted, following many referrals from the Graham Crusade. . . . Sunday morning worship services are now held at Springvale Stn., in place of the 4.30 p.m. meeting. Average attendance is 25. . . . The B.S. is still growing, and the attendance is more than double since we commenced last July.

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Catering for 40 campers, the setting is ideal for a family camp—all under the one roof—a study conference or just a different camp in the country.

The local Marburg Committee have co-operated splendidly with the Director, A. C. Male, in the launching of "Teen Ranch." Led by Jim Nicholson, a local builder, and the student minister, Kevin Burston, the Marburg Committee have

wisely utilised the natural potentialities of the building and site.

The enthusiastic singing of "You Laid Your Hand, Mighty Lord, on the Range" from the Department's booklet, "Something to Sing About," is in direct contrast with the groans and hopeless mutterings of the casualties of the liquor traffic a few years ago in these same rooms, who had nothing to sing about or live for.

During the camp the young people fed kangaroos at a neighbouring home, walked overland to the Tallegalla Radio-Telephone Station, and visited a farm to see the milking of the cows.

"Teen Ranch" has three more bookings before the end of the year and it is the "Department in Action's" prayer that many young people will find the "Lord of the Range" near to them by having this place as a camp-site.

"CAMP CAL." OPENINGS

(Qld.). Sir Francis Nicklin, retired, former longest-serving Premier, officially opened two units, "Hibiscus" and "Allamanda," at "Camp Cal," Caloundra, recently. Mrs. E. V. Lawton, C.W.F. World President, officially opened "Frangi-panni" and "Francissia."

Each unit is equipped with super-sagless beds, ladders, and individual cupboard space for each camper. One unit is complete with foam-plastic mattresses and covers. The units are divided into two sets of six beds which are ideal for family camping or group camps which the Department plans to inaugurate in the future.

Len Brooks, the enterprising Chairman of the Committee, chaired the proceedings and called on Jonathan Smith (Ann Street) to introduce Sir Francis, and Ronda Culbert (Ann Street) to introduce Mrs. Lawton, Claire Cobine (Sunnybank) and Lyn Miller, Assistant to the Director, presented the guests with a set of Qld. D.C.E. glasses embossed with the Department's unique symbol, as a memento of the occasion. Des. Collins, Queensland's new Conf. Pres., performed his first official duty by bringing the brotherhood greeting.

Excellent accommodation is provided at Camp Cal. for all types of camps. Two sports ovals, basketball and volley ball courts, and open-air chapel are well used throughout the year. Interstate visitors may well consider using these new units as stop-overs on their tours. A self-contained cabin, "Brooklyn," which has to be seen to be believed, is available for holiday bookings. Enquiries to the Director at 426 Ann St., Brisbane.

NEW BUILDING SPECIALS

(Ipswich, Qld.). Following the opening of the new building at Leichhardt, T. Watson, of Southport, conducted a week of special meetings. . . . After 15 months without a minister the church gave a warm welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Ern Stevens and family from S.A. The chairman was Peter Burnham and the charge to the church was given by Des. Collins, Conf. Pres. E. T. Hart gave the charge to the minister. The ladies provided supper.

1969

EIGHT CONFESSIONS

(Bundaberg, Qld.). There have been 8 confessions of Christ and of these seven have been baptised. . . . The ladies now meet weekly, every second meeting taking the form of a cottage prayer time. One meeting a month is held at Sims Road, where the work is really going forward. 160 children are on the B.S. roll there, and numbers are increasing. Weekly worship services and fortnightly gospel services are held at Sims Road. Some of the local folk regularly attend. Our minister, Rob. Holt, conducts the services both in the city and at Sims Road. . . . The young people are working to provide a chain saw for the New Hebrides. A lamington drive and a concert helped this cause.

MA MA CREEK ANNIVERSARY

(Qld.). V. T. Parker, of Sunnybank, was guest preacher at 84th church anniversary. Gatton church, with their minister, D. Usher, combined for tea and evening service. Vocalists were Mrs. J. Evans, Miss J. Roberts and R. Poole of Ma Ma Creek, and the Wegner sisters and Miss Hawck, of Gatton. There was one decision. The chapel was beautifully decorated for Mothers' Day by Mrs. H. Rosenberg and Mrs. C. Roberts. Two young ladies made decisions. . . . A new brick enclosed room holding a 2,000-gal. tank is an acquisition to chapel. . . . 100 attended State Conf. C.W.F. Rally and luncheon on May 22. . . . An exchange youth weekend (from Hawthorne, Brisbane) climaxed with the visitors taking the service on May 25. . . . V. G. Boettcher is minister.

LAMINGTONS & COAT-HANGERS

(Rockhampton, Qld.). \$54.00 was raised by the William St. C.W.F. when they held a lamington drive. . . . Miss Glensy Nelson was baptized after making her decision at Easter Camp. Greg. Chappell has also made confession of faith. . . . The C.Y.F. visited Mackay, May 23-25. . . . The Good Companions made \$24.00 by selling coat-hangers. . . . Mrs. Dempsey is on an overseas trip.

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 Steven Slater, Anne McKay, Kevin Hayes, Beverley Finlayson, Linda Page, North Williamstown, Vic.
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MARRIAGES

Beryl Daer to Rex Gray, George-town, N.S.W.
 Beverley Lang to David Clement; Dawn Brewster to Russell Campbell, East Bentleigh, Vic.
 Pauline Frame to Barry Clark, Chinchilla, Qld.
 Janice Leng to Philip Renfree, Mildura, Vic.
 Judith Green to Gary Dalton, West Preston, Vic.
 Rhonda Murley to Ken Coventry, Clovelly Pk., S.A.

DEATHS

Mr. Cameron, Morwell, Vic.
 Mrs. Rose Cornish, Caulfield, Vic.
 Mrs. E. Newham, Noble Park, Vic.
 Mrs. Patience, Mr. Mathews, West Preston, Vic.
 W. Carrick, Malvern, Vic.

BIRTHS

GREEN.—Elwyn and George, Roger and Nerida, are happy to welcome Lyndal Elisabeth, born on May 20. 39 Reeattard., Trevallyn, Launceston, Tas.
 SCHOFIELD (Mealey).—To David and Elaine, a daughter—Karen Estelle, born May 4 at Chinchilla Hospital, Qld. Sister for Esther Elizabeth. We praise God for His gift.

ENGAGEMENTS

CHAPPELL - TAYLOR.—Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Chappell, Linton, Vic., and Mr. and Mrs. A. Taylor, 18 Disraeli-grove, Pascoe Vale South, Vic., announce with pleasure the engagement of Rosalie and Adrian.
 FREEBAIRN-GIBSON.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Freebairn, Owen, S.A., have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their younger daughter, Margaret, to Mervyn, College of the Bible (formerly Toowoomba, Qld.).
 NEWMAN - STANFORD.—The engagement is announced with pleasure of Geraldine, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Newman, of Rockingham, W.A., to John, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stanford, of Harvey, W.A.
 VERCO-PAYNE.—Mr. and Mrs. Donald Verco, Bordertown, S.A., have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their eldest daughter, Carolyn, to Leonard, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Payne, Edwardstown, S.A.

MARRIAGES

GOWTY-THOMAS.—The marriage of Judith, daughter of Mrs. M. Gowty, of 10 Thames-st., Frankston, Vic., to Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Thomas, of Brighton, S.A., will be celebrated on June 14, 1969, at the Blackburn, Vic. Church of Christ; Pastors F. Langford and A. Cant officiating.
 OWENS-DREW. — The marriage of Maie, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Owens, 5 Carrington-rd., Mayfield, N.S.W., to Leigh, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Drew, 20 Marriott-rd., Moorabbin, Vic., was celebrated at the Church of Christ, Mayfield, on June 14, 1969, at 1.30 p.m., R. J. Anderson officiating.
 ROBERTSON - DUFFY.—Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Robertson, 15 Parker-st., Pascoe Vale (Strathmore church), Vic., have much pleasure in announcing the wedding of their only daughter, Judith Anne, to Wilson John, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Duffy, Nyah, Vic., at Coburg Church of Christ, on Saturday, June 14, at 11 a.m., W. W. Saunders officiating.

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 FINCH, Reuben.—On April 26, 1969, at Auburn, N.S.W., dearly loved husband of Hilda, father of Vida, Thelma, Ina and John.
 WALKER, Thora (nee Bennett).—On May 25, loved wife of Vic. (Red Hill, S.A.), mother of Graham and Ian, dear life-long friend of Joyce Sykes. Aged 51 years. "With her Lord."

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S.A.'s NEW CIRCUIT

May 4 marked the official commencement of the new circuit formed by Williamstown, Kersbrook and Gawler churches. For many years Gawler has had a ministry of its own and the Williamstown-Kersbrook circuit had a minister residing in Williamstown, but serving both churches. For the last two ministries the circuit minister has also served as chaplain to the Woodside Military Camp. With the concluding of the ministry of Rodney Tippett on his transfer to a military establishment in Victoria the churches at Williamstown and Kersbrook entered into discussion with Gawler about the nature of the ministry in the area. As a result the new circuit has been established.

Rex Chamberlain who has been minister at Gawler is now ministering to the three churches. To make best use of the minister's time the Gawler church morning service is at 9.30 a.m. A circuit committee has been formed with representatives of the three churches and the present arrangement will be discussed again in 1970. Not only will the circuit help each of the churches at the point



REX CHAMBERLAIN

of finance, it will also make possible a more effective ministry to the area in which these three churches are located.

Mr. Chamberlain took his appointment at Gawler on his return from New Guinea in 1968. S. R. Beck, Federal President and Chairman of the H.M.C., spoke at Gawler on the occasion of the first service in circuit and inducted the new minister to the work at Williamstown. W. N. Heath, State Pres., shared in the service of welcome at Kersbrook.—K.D.H.

EARLY MORNING SERVICES

(Ascot Pk., S.A.). Instead of the 11 a.m. service on May 25, forty attended an 8 a.m. prayer meeting. At 8.45 a.m. there were ninety at communion. At night four young people were immersed and received into fellowship.

MINISTER MARRIES

(Murray Bridge, S.A.). Our minister, M. Arnot, has been married to Miss Joy Lewis, in Melbourne. W. Heath was guest speaker on May 25 . . . A Church Life Conference was conducted recently by C. H. Dow. Committees have been formed for discussion on the various findings. . . . Miss E. Hammond, representing the B. & F.B.S., was speaker at the last C.W.E.F. meeting . . . A group of young

people enjoyed a Sunday hike on the outskirts of the town. Afternoon tea was provided at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Long . . . Mrs. O. Edwards, who has left the district to make her home at Whyalla, will be greatly missed.

MINISTRY IN PROSPECT

(S.A.). After a ministry of three years Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Stevens were farewelled on leaving to serve the church at Ipswich, Qld. K. J. Edwards is serving in a part-time ministry . . . The church was thrilled at the recovery of Bob Blaskett who spent over 10 weeks in the Royal Adelaide Hospital . . . Mid-week prayer meetings are now being held in private homes . . . The annual Thanksgiving Day was held on June 8.

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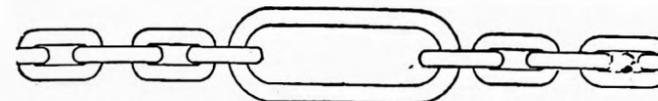
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Ecumenical Students

(Vic.). In the first ecumenical venture of its kind in Australia, about 500 senior students from four Box Hill schools attended a combined church service—planned and conducted by the students themselves.

The service, held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, in Whitehorse Rd., Box Hill, was sponsored by the Box Hill Inter-Church Council.

The girls from the convent of Our Lady of Zion selected the hymns and led the choir, Box Hill Boys' High School chose the scripture reading, St. Leo's boys selected and read the prayers, and two students from the Box Hill Girls' Technical School held a dialogue in which they discussed the merits of a church youth club.

GUITARS

The hymns were sung to the accompaniment of guitars.

The guest speaker at the service was the Rev. David Cox, who was sent out by the Victorian Council of Churches at the request of the student committee.

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FOUR WEEKS' COURSE

(Chelsea, Vic.). Local Education Committee commenced Christian Education 4-weeks' course for all teachers and leaders in all auxiliaries. Instructors are D. Oakes, L. Smith, V. Longthorp and B. Crowden . . . New chapel is now finished and working bees will attend to beautification inside and out for official opening in July . . . Monitoring committee plans a "Renewal Programme" (in giving, service and loyalty) to commence in July.

UNITED SERVICE

(Preston, Vic.). There was no evening service on May 25. Folk attended the annual service of witness in the Preston Town Hall where John Bishop was preacher . . . R. N. Gilmore was guest speaker at C.W.F. birthday when he told of his experiences at the W.C.C. Assembly at Uppsala. An offering was received for Inter-Church Aid.

NOBLE PARK (Vic.). Sympathy is offered to relatives and friends of Mrs. E. Newham, who died on May 17 . . . The Y.P. conducted evening service May 18 . . . The S.S. anniversary speakers were W. Bertram, K. Turner and A. B. Titter . . . The C.W.F. held a sewing day for the Dorcas Society on June 4.

AUXILIARY ACTION

(Peel St., Ballarat, Vic.). Another young lady has confessed Christ and has been baptized by the minister, J. T. Timms . . . C.Y.F. visiting speakers have included Alan Bonney, Carnarvon Aboriginal Mission; Don Butler and Sonny Graham, of Norseman Aboriginal Mission; W. F. Rattray, from the Good Neighbour Council of Vic.; Isaac Apababalo, noted evangelist from Ghana; and A. E. Stevens (Manifold Heights). The newly-formed C.Y.F. basketball team is performing well. Two junior teams also compete, coached by Mrs. Joan Coates. . . . Mrs. P. Timms, assisted by Allanah Kerr, has taken over leadership of the Junior Good Companions . . . Our Explorer Boys combined with the Church of Christ York St. Club for a weekend hike through Werribee Gorge led by E. Talbot and D. McLeod, returning for a church parade on Sunday night . . . The B.S. conducted its annual picnic at Jubilee Lake, Daylesford. . . . There were 32 additions to the church by faith and baptism in 1968, the highest reported by Vic.-Tas. churches . . . Two families were united in membership when a wife and a husband of members joined the church. . . . M. White and E. Talbot have been added to the officers' board.

14 FOR DEDICATION

(Boronia, Vic.). 204 were present on May 11 when 14 children were presented by parents at a dedication service for parents . . . Nine new members by baptism and transfer have been welcomed. There have been four additional confessions . . . B.S. teachers' training classes organised by the Inter-church Council was held in our buildings . . . A welfare fund is being established to help those in need . . . A petition signed by 63 was forwarded to the Prime Minister urging that Australia export free wheat to Asia instead of free bombs.

FOUR BAPTIZED

(West Preston, Vic.). On May 25, Jennifer Rann, Rhonda Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Hooper were baptized. Mr. and Mrs. Hooper were ably supported by the presence of friends from the Christian Foundation for the Blind.

OUR MAN FROM BIAFRA

(Ormond, Vic.). Noel Flint, recently returned from service for the Aust. Council of Churches in Biafra, was guest speaker on June 8 . . . Four special meetings followed the opening of the Christian Educ. Centre—a marriage re-dedication service, when Jean Milne was soloist; a youth night with Gordon Moyes as speaker; an after-church youth fellowship night with G. R. Stirling and the Campbell Singers when 300 attended, and a parent and teacher night . . . A committee has been formed to cater for weddings, etc., in our hall. Mrs. Reeves is convener.

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J.M. (N.S.W.): No. "To have each of you learn how to win his wife in purity and honour." (1 Thess. 4: 4). One in every twenty babies born in the U.S.A. are conceived out of wedlock. Consider the unhappiness to mother and child. In sex, unlike other bodily functions, there are two people to be considered. The risk to health of promiscuous sexual intercourse far outweighs any physical benefits. "Slightly soiled—greatly reduced in price." Consider the essence of marriage is its permanence. The best defence against the lust of the flesh is a good offence in the word of God.

R. & T. L. (Vic.): Society's attitude to sex before marriage is not the main issue that the individual faces in this moral question. In the Bible we read "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Let us heed this as a direction rather than a command. We are all aware of the usual inevitable results of pre-marital sex relationships, the unwanted child, social non-acceptance, lack of security, etc. It is the Christian's responsibility to make a strong society by not allowing himself to add to social problems. However, the decision is one for each individual. One must live with one's conscience, to reason and face reality.

A.R. (N.S.W.): For the non-Christian (who is still under God's law whether he believes in it or not), as for the Christian (i.e., those guided by God's Word) the answer must be the same under any and all circumstances; no. Fornication, i.e., sexual activity between unmarried people, whether they are "in love," or not, is explicitly and repeatedly condemned in scripture: "Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolators shall inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Cor. 6: 9-10). "Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; adultery, fornication, uncleanness . . . of the which I tell you before . . . that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." (Gal. 5: 19-21). Thus: "Let marriage be held in honour—esteemed worthy, precious (that is) of great price and especially dear—in all things. And thus let the marriage bed be (kept undishonoured) undefiled; for God will judge and punish the unchaste (all guilty of sexual vice) and adulterous." (Heb. 13: 4. Amplified N.T.).

B.C. (Vic.): In my own personal opinion, I do not feel that there can be any justification of sex before marriage. I feel that the two individuals should have a mutual understanding and a respect for the feelings of the other person, which I think shows love like that described in 1 Corinth. 13. In modern society it is harder for young people in that they have to wait longer before they can get married because of lengthy courses involving years of study with little or no income, but I think that this sacrifice has a lot more meaning after marriage.

J.W. (S.A.): Sex today is an everyday thing. Sex is a part of living. I personally feel that sex before marriage is a thing that should be discussed by both parties. The couple should weigh the "pros" against the "cons." If the couple are to marry, then I feel that sex can be justified, but I personally feel this would take the thrill, excitement and longing for each other on their wedding night. People say that sex before marriage is often the cause of divorce later in life. Sex is criticised by older people, but I feel that it is a marvellous thing.

there before moving with her husband, Clarrie, to the church at Maylands. There she continued the interests begun at Norwood and was also active in the Women's Conference for many years. Her children have continued the strong interest in the church which was characteristic of her home. Max and Ray have served State and Federal committees in the brotherhood. To these and the two daughters, Gwenda (Mrs. V. Lanston) and Ailene (Mrs. Botting) we extend our very warm Christian sympathy and love. To Clarrie Johnson we also extend our sympathy in the loss of such a partner of a long and happy marriage. Four ministers, A. J. Ingham, I. J. Chivell, A. R. Jones and C. L. Smith took part in the funeral service.—C.L.S.

Ron. Tuckwell

Ron. Tuckwell was baptized at Milang, during the ministry of Ira Durdin, and received into membership of the little historical church at Pt. Sturt, S.A., in 1929. He continued in membership there for 10 years. In 1939 he married Miss Beryl Yelland, daughter of the well-known William Yelland family of Pt. Sturt. The young couple moved to a dairy farm on the Middleton Road, and transferred membership to Goolwa church where they continued for 30 years. He was well known and respected. He had a happy disposition and was strong in Christian fellowship with the church. He was a keen bowler, widely known and respected for his Christian witness. He died on April 16, 1969. A large crowd gathered for the service in Goolwa church and at Pt. Sturt Cemetery. Services were conducted by R. Oke and H. E. Greenwood. Ron. Tuckwell lived to see all his family commit their lives to Christ. His Christian witness lives on. Ron. is survived by his wife Beryl, five children, Allen, Barbra (Mrs. Mathews), Margaret (Mrs. De Boo), Glenice and Raelene. To all the family church extends Christian sympathy.—Arthur Neighbour.

CURRICULUM PREPARATION

(Parkdale, Vic.). Local Education Committee is busy with study relating to the introduction of the Christian Life Curriculum . . . C.Y.F. conducted the evening service on May 25. Lee Bullock was speaker . . . Girls' Good Companions had a Mothers' Night on May 26 with 50 girls and their mothers and friends present. Mrs. G. House is leader . . . Stan Allison was guest speaker on June 1 representing Aborigines' Missions.

FIVE FROM CRUSADE

(Nth. Williamstown, Vic.). Five young people from church, who made decisions at Graham Crusade were baptized . . . A youth service with the theme, "Love, Marriage, and Christ" also featured Mr. and Mrs. Ron Ellis ("Gospel Guitars") as guests . . . "Magnificent Mothers" was the theme for Mothers' Day. C.W.F. led worship service. Footscray C.W.F. led meeting here recently.

YOUNG DISCIPLES

(North Balwyn, Vic.). Morning communion and baptismal service on June 1 was led by Young Disciples who read the scriptures, offered prayers, and assisted at the Lord's Table . . . Decisions for Christ were made recently by three B.S. scholars . . . Members are attending College of the Bible Winter School, and "Your Child and You" lectures at Doncaster church . . . A considerable amount was collected in district door-knock appeal for Austcare . . . Four members of B.S. staff shared in all-day Christian Education Conference for Superintendents and ministers . . . The church football club has had a long run of victories in recent weeks.

Victoria . . .

MISSIONARY COMES HOME

(South Yarra, Vic.). Y.P.C.E. had a barbecue at the C.O.B., and on May 20 they had a missionary meeting at which a past member, now a missionary, Bob Gladman, was speaker. \$40 was donated for machines to play gospel recordings in New Guinea . . . Club 13 had a night of squash and bowling at the Malvern Squashway . . . On May 25 a sing-song was held in the home of Mr. Storey . . . Ray Evans is now in Vietnam serving with the Regular Army . . . Good Companions entertained mothers prior to Mothers' Day. Y.P.C.E. also had its Mothers' Night. The meeting was led by Mrs. M. Smith, and Mrs. Dorning spoke. A number from the Afternoon and Evening Women's Fellowship groups took part in the evening service on Mothers' Day.

TO CONTINUE

(Mildura, Vic.). Dean Hamilton has accepted the unanimous invitation of the church to minister for another three years from October, 1969 . . . An under-shepherd plan is in progress . . . Sunday evening services frequently take the form of helpful discussion groups . . . A group of young people joined with others from some S.A. churches in a camp at Barmera, S.A. Two of our boys made decisions there . . . A plan for regular exchange of ministers with Dareton has been instituted.

FOUR BAPTIZED AT BOX HILL

(Vic.). On Youth Sunday, May 25, four young people were baptized and a lad accepted Christ as Saviour . . . The film, "Signposts Aloft" was shown and an After-Church Fellowship arranged by C.Y.F. . . . Explorers cut and distributed firewood for needy folk . . . Peter Sum-

ner spoke on "A Blind Date" to Y.P.S.C.E. . . . \$81 donated to Leprosy Mission when Mr. Cann spoke at C.W.F. meeting (as result of box collection and C.W.F. offering) together with knitted scarves . . . Mrs. Price has attained her 96th birthday . . . A donation has been made toward the New Guinea work team . . . Noel Spencer, still on crutches, welcomed back after long hospitalisation, and Mr. Hiron after seven weeks in Tasmania.

DIFFERENT SUNDAYS

(Dandenong, Vic.). During Mr. Clinton's interim ministry, "Sunday Evenings With A Difference" have been held. A hot buffet meal was served followed by music from the group, "Believers Incorporated," then a Moody Institute science film, etc. The second of these features was on May 18 when about 200 attended . . . For the winter months Sunday evening services commence at 5 p.m. . . . Mr. Ritchie has celebrated his 91st birthday . . . Lloyd Read, of Launceston, was a recent speaker . . . C.W.E.F. arranged a "Happy Housewife Demonstration" for mothers . . . Mrs. C. Warmbrunn has been in St. Andrew's Hospital for several weeks.

LOCAL STEWARDSHIP

(Chadstone, Vic.). The Fourth Planned-Giving Programme was begun and operated by local personnel, directed by minister, P. Perry . . . Monthly 20 C.S.W. (20th century style worship) is proving challenging and popular . . . Another Sunday evening feature was a Question Night. Panel consisted of R.C. priest, C. of E. minister, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and local lay persons . . . Young teenage Coffee Club very popular . . . Tennis club has three teams entered in winter comp. . . Miss M. Coventry has retired from B.S., and is now leading Good Companions . . . Losses by transfer interstate, etc., have led to a reduced membership and lack of sufficient leadership in teenage work.

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BOOKS —

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"THE WILD CHILDREN OF THE URALS" by Floyd Miller (Hodder & Stoughton). Aust. \$3.85.

In 1918, while the First World War was drawing to an end and while Russia was convulsed with revolution, a group of 800 Russian children, from Petrograd and the Baltic provinces, was sent to summer camps on the eastern slopes of the Ural Mountains. Their well-to-do parents hoped that the children would benefit from the Siberian summer climate and expected that the revolutionary disturbances would be over when the children returned at the end of the summer.

Three years later, in 1921, the last of these children was delivered home, after an incredible series of adventures and a journey right around the world.

In summer, 1918, Reds were fighting Whites all over Russia and even in the wilds of Siberia. When the World War ended, some countries transferred their armies to Russia to fight on the side of the Whites. The children were caught up in a hopeless situation and had to flee from successive groups of guerrillas and soldiers, roaming the countryside in bands. Food could not be obtained by normal means and the children resorted to stealing in groups; however, they always remained in contact with each other and with their teachers.

On the other side of Siberia, in the Pacific port of Vladivostok, the American Red Cross, Siberian Division, was operating to rescue 55,000 Czech soldiers who had also been caught in the cross-currents of war and revolution. The existence of the starving children was brought to the notice of an American, Riley Allen. Red Cross workers were sent into Siberia to gather up the groups of children, and in July, 1919, three rescue trains were sent to transport them to Vladivostok, where they arrived three months later and were housed on a rocky island in the bay.

International politics continued to dog the lives of the children and to make the rescue operations more complicated. The Trans-Siberian railway had been blown up in many places and could not be used to take the children home. The Japanese controlled the area around Vladivostok and prevented any attempts at return by land. Anti-Bolsheviks in the U.S.A. were horrified at the thought of returning the children to Red Russia, and suggested a new life for them in the U.S.A.

Through all these crises, Riley Allen kept his determination to do what decent humanity and Red Cross principles required of him—to return these children to their parents, regardless of politics. When life in Vladivostok became im-

possible, an old ship was hired to transport the children across the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans to Petrograd. Life on board ship was hazardous and even more dangerous were attempts, while the ship was in port, to prevent the children reaching Russia. Landfall was made in Finland and negotiations then proceeded with the U.S.S.R. government for the return of the children. In 1921, in batches, they crossed a bridge over the Little Black River, between Finland and the U.S.S.R., and the American Red Cross workers almost regretfully realised that another project was over.

This book is highly recommended for a number of reasons. It is an exciting true story, full of pathos, suspense and unexpected twists. It illustrates vividly the tragic effects of war and revolution on individual lives. Most of all, it shows how human determination and devotion can overcome political and international difficulties in order to carry out a humanitarian project of some magnitude. It restores one's faith in human nature and it enhances the reputation of the Red Cross.—B.M.W.

"AN ON-GOING CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT" by G. R. Stirling, B.A. (Federal Department of Christian Union). 20c.

The recently-appointed Vice-Principal of the Federal College of the Bible, Melbourne, has done a distinct service to the whole Australian brotherhood in revising his former pamphlet on Churches of Christ and Christian Union in the light of the relevancy of this whole matter amongst our churches at the present time.

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Members of prayer meetings, study groups, youth camps and also concerned individuals everywhere in our churches, will get much help and guidance from these pages. If we interpret Mr. Stirling aright he believes Churches of Christ have still got a great deal to contribute to the cause of Christian Union but they need to look again and see just what it is they claim to base their contribution on. Here, in this pamphlet, is one place at least where they can learn.

Supplies of "An On-Going Christian Movement" are available from the Secretary: Federal Department of Christian Union, 246 Highfield Rd., Burwood, Vic., 3125.—M.J.S.

"ESCAPE FROM REASON" by Francis A. Schaeffer. (Inter-Varsity Fellowship Pocket-Book). Aust. 55c.

Dr. Schaeffer says that he has come to the point where the word "Jesus" can be a word to fear. He listens critically when he hears it because, as one to whom the Person of the historic Jesus and his work mean so much, the word "Jesus" is often used today as a "contentless banner, and our generation is invited to follow it. But there is no rational content by which to test it, and thus the word is being used to teach the very opposite things from which Jesus taught . . . and nowhere more than in the new morality which follows the New Theology."

This, then, is the end of the long tortuous pilgrimage in man's escape from reason which took a new turn when Thomas Aquinas opened the way to autonomous humanism—a self-contained philosophy by which man turned upside down the old dichotomy. That old dichotomy was wrong because it gave an unreasonably low place to nature. God and the soul of man were everything—nature and the physical man were, at the best, inferior, and at the worst, nothing. Aquinas saw a unity between the spiritual and the natural and much good came from his emphasis. However, man finally reversed the previous order and placed himself and nature on top. The spiritual, if it exists, is valueless.

The church has been infected with this philosophy and is no longer able to communicate the Christian gospel to many who are inside the church and to the majority of those outside it. It is as though we are speaking to them in a foreign language.

This small book of 96 pages is an attempt to show the Christian system as a balanced and rational view of man, his origin, and his destiny.

FAIR FOR OTHERS

(Vic.) The Croydon Church of Christ is an average size congregation with a membership drawn from a wide section of the community.

Recently this church became increasingly aware of the desperate need in various areas of the world and at the same time became conscious of a growing desire to do something positive towards the betterment of some sections of the community at large.

As a culmination of these desires it was agreed that a "Fair for Others" would be conducted as it was considered that this would provide the opportunity to—(a) identify the church with the community; (b) express our concern for those less fortunate; (c) strengthen our fellowship through working together for something worthwhile.

Part of the proceeds was for the Maroonah Hospital Appeal and the president of this society was invited to open the fair. Projects were also adopted in two other areas—Aboriginal and overseas welfare. Specific projects in these areas were later nominated from a list provided by our own brotherhood departments.

As the congregation was involved in planned giving this effort represented second-mile giving on the part of many. Some of the most enthusiastic workers for the fair were pensioners who because of their limited income cannot give very much in cash; this was an opportunity for them to use their other talents and they gave generously of their time and labour in making cakes, sweets, jams and toys.

The men of the church made wooden toys and in this way got to know one another better. Fellowship was the keynote of the actual day.

It would all have been worthwhile if we had only taken \$50 but in actual fact the gross takings were well in excess of \$500. It is realised that the idea of a "Fair for Others" is not original and that the money raised falls far short of some similar efforts, but the church at Croydon recommends this idea to any other church in a similar position.

THEY WANT TO MARRY

Attraction to marriage is the single most important deterrent keeping young people from becoming priests, nuns, and brothers, according to a survey of 80,000 Roman Catholics in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, U.S.A.

SEAFARERS' PROBLEMS

(Rotterdam). Seven Christian agencies ministering to the needs of the world's seamen were represented at a planning meeting preparing for the forthcoming International Consultation on Services to Seafarers, when about 75 persons are expected at the completely ecumenical consultation, August 24-28.

The seafarer's life and problems will be thoroughly aired in the first phase of the consultation. Then the response of the voluntary agencies and organisations will be put beside them to see whether the latter are adequate.—E.P.S.

"THE AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN" 50 YEARS AGO

(From "The Australian Christian," June, 1919.)

Smoke at Y.W.C.A. Trouble has arisen with the Y.W.C.A. in England, owing to the Y.W.C.A. Council permitting girls to smoke at its canteens and hostels. Some branches are so dissatisfied that they have severed their connection with the Council.

The Power of Priests. Dr. Foley, R.C. Bishop of Ballarat, said that "the parish priests had two great powers given to them as representatives of Jesus Christ on earth: the authority to offer the sacrifice of the Mass and the power to forgive sin." He declared that upon the altar the sacrifice of Jesus was offered up again at the Mass.

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WOMEN IN HOSPITALS

(S.A.). More than 200 women have already been trained as hospital visitors through the courses conducted by Women's Inter-Church Council. The first four courses were held at Marion, Cheltenham, Marryatville and North Adelaide, and were attended by women from nine denominations.

Two more courses are planned for June/July.

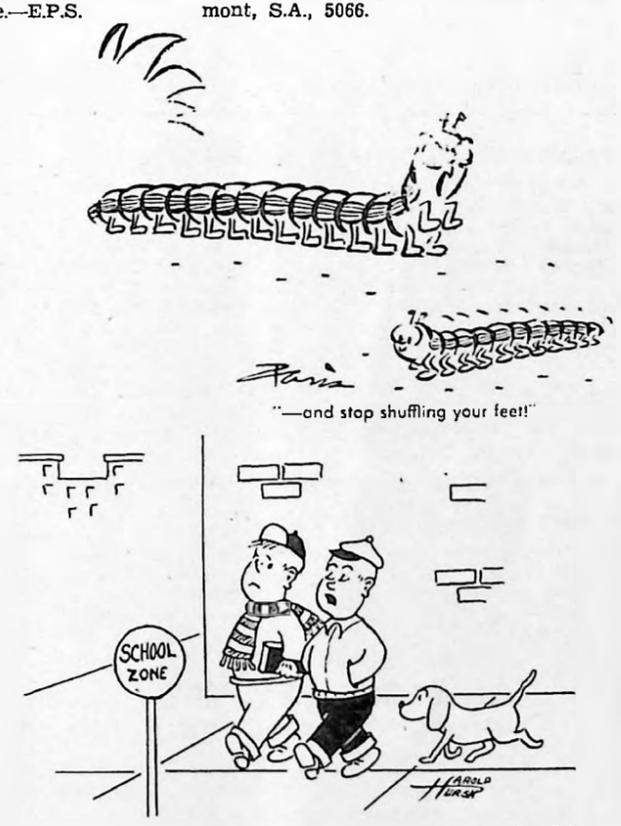
One will be held in the Church of England Hall, Military Rd., Grange, on Wednesday mornings June 11, 18, 25 and July 2 and 9. The other will be in the Churches of Christ Hall, Goodwood Rd., Col. Light Gardens, on Monday mornings June 23, 30, and July 7, 14 and 21.

Both courses are from 10.30 to noon. The lecturer at Grange will be the Rev. F. Hansen, Chaplain at Queen Elizabeth Hospital; and the lecturer at Col. Light Gardens will be the Rev. A. Farr, Chaplain at Glenside Hospital.

Those who attended at Marion and Cheltenham are at present involved in co-ordinating their visiting that their training might be wisely used.

Interest is being shown at Elizabeth and there are plans to have a course in that city as well as at St. Peter's and Unley and Port Adelaide in the near future. Some country towns will have these courses as well.

The cost for each person attending is \$1.00. For further information contact Mrs. T. R. Howie, 9 Buchan Ave., Beaumont, S.A., 5066.



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N.S.W. D.C.E. "TEACH-IN"

Doonside church was the location of the first B.S.W.F. "teach-in," an experiment in teacher training. For a good Sydney representation and visitors from Newcastle the instruction and workshop sections proved most helpful.

Delroy Brown supervised most sessions and the Director, Bruce Armstrong, led the closing devotions.

Attendance in the afternoon hit 120. Most stayed for tea provided by the Doonside ladies, while some new faces appeared at night. The project was voted a success. The normal "live in" holiday weekend session formally conducted in June, will give way for further "teach-in" style programmes.

DECISIONS AT DAPTO

(N.S.W.). Three people made decisions for Christ recently. A baptismal service was held at a morning service when Mr. and Mrs. Smith were baptised. The parents of the five new babies born recently also attended this service when a special prayer of dedication was offered. . . . We have commenced a church paper, "The Christian Courier," published fortnightly and forwarded to homes in the area we have contacted. . . . Representatives from 30 families attended the course "Your Child and You." As well as being very informative and helpful to those parents who attended, many who were not church members have shown an interest in the activities of the church. . . . A fete held in April raised \$188 for a much-needed second S.S. bus. . . . J. R. Back is minister.

PADSTOW MISSIONARY CONVENTION

(N.S.W.). The church held a missionary convention, April 27 to May 4. The main speaker was Carl Davis (Evangelical Alliance Mission). Representatives of: Overseas Missionary Fellowship; Wycliffe Translators; South Sea Evangelical Mission and Andes Evangelical Mission showed slides and films of their work during the convention.

Guest artists were Misses M. Gasnier, I. Hanbury, C. Teasdale; Messrs. T. Withnall, K. Sutherland, Barry Ewels, G. Tldey and Mrs. Tarrant.

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MINISTRY CONCLUDING

(Nth. Turramurra, N.S.W.). G. J. Warne will conclude his ministry at the end of August to take up the work being sponsored by the Home Missions Dept. at Engadine. . . . M. R. G. Fiedler was elected as elder, secretary is R. J. Taylor and treas. is K. D. Parker. . . . 22 from Boys' Brigade camped at Garie Beach on Anzac weekend. . . . A church picnic car rally was held at Mitchell Pk., although each car driver and navigator were not on speaking terms on arrival! . . . 20 members participated in Austcare collection. . . . Sympathy expressed to the Hore family in the passing of Mrs. Hore's mother, Mrs. Fancourt, who was a foundation member of Paddington church and on our isolated membership roll.

FAREWELL TO FAMILY

(Asquith, N.S.W.). Bob and Judy Harris and family have moved to the Gosford area. Judy has been Kinder. Supt. for two years and Bob has worked with the Y.P. and C.Y.F. They were presented with a plaque as a pledge of esteem.

GIRLS' BRIGADE DISPLAY

(Canley Heights, N.S.W.). The Girls' Brigade presented an excellent display. They gave items of skipping, P.T., tambourine playing, singing, skits, and a devotional to a packed hall. Miss Sandra Smith won the coveted cup for top marks and efficiency. Miss Ruth Harris received a special award for being champion girl five years running. . . . Mothers' Day gospel service was conducted by the youth fellowship. Gospel services average around 100. . . . Two young people were baptized recently. . . . Women's Fellowship held a very successful Mothers' Day luncheon, smorgasbord style. . . . The S.S. picnic was held in Liverpool.

Last November the church promised \$1,000 to missions. As an expression of progress the Treasurer, L. G. Badger, presented three \$100 cheques to representatives for living link missionaries. They were to Mr. Barnett for Francis Woods (Wycliffe Translators); Mr. Billett for Mr. and Mrs. Parsons (Borneo Evangelical) and to Mr. Knight for Alan and Val Bonney on our Carnarvon station.

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BLACK CONFERENCE DEMANDS \$500 MILLION FROM CHURCHES

A five-page "Black Manifesto" calling on American churches and synagogues to give \$500 million in "reparations" for various black projects is now being presented to denominational executives and prominent local churches.

Adopted by the first National Black Economic Development Conference attended by 700 blacks in Detroit, the manifesto warns that blacks will "disrupt" the activities of "racist" churches and synagogues and seize selected religious agencies if the demand is not met.

The nation-wide programme of disruption began May 4 when James Forman, director of international affairs for the Student Non-Violent Co-ordinating Committee, disrupted the Sunday morning service at interdenominational Riverside Church in New York to read a list of demands. These included rent-free office space in the church for the National Black Economic Development Conference, unrestricted use of the church's phones, radio station and classrooms, and 60% of the church's income from stock

and real estate. He gave the congregation until May 11 to meet the demands.

Earlier Mr. Forman had presented the manifesto to two national officers of the Episcopal Church, Bishop Stephen Bayne and Bishop Brooke Mosley. Presiding Bishop John Hines was out of the country.

Bishop Bayne said, "We believe in the demands presented to us; we have supported some of them. I don't question the morality of reparations. . . . I'm not even questioning the \$500 million figure; black people are probably entitled to a lot more."

But he told Mr. Forman and the Rev. Lucius Walker, Jr., chairman of the Detroit conference who accompanied him, that it was "unreasonable to think this is the way to go about raising this amount of money from the church."

"We are a powerless institution utterly dependent on the contributions of people, and this kind of confrontation tactic will accomplish nothing at all," he said.

—E.P.S.

BAPTISTS IN W.C.C., B.C.C.

(London). The report on Baptists and church unity was adopted by a large majority attending the annual assembly of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland. The vote was 1,125 for, 356 against. This means that the Baptist Union will remain a member of the British Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches.

Dr. Raymond Brown, of Torquay, speaking as a conservative evangelical, said there was no compromise involved in sitting down with other Christians and that the ecumenical issue should not become the test of theological orthodoxy.—E.P.S.

PRESBYTERIAN LOSSES

Two Presbyterian churches in Great Britain have reported a loss of membership. The Church of Scotland said membership dropped by 18,190 in 1968 to a total of 1,201,833 on the Communion rolls. The Presbyterian Church of England experienced a loss of 1,975 communicant members in 1968. It now numbers 63,091.—E.P.S.

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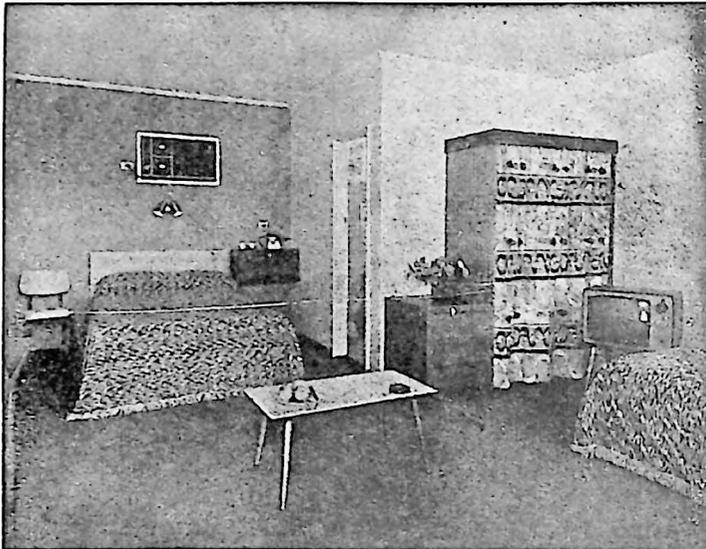
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