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## CONGRESS OF EVANGELISM AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

NOT long ago a church officer said, "When we get a new minister we shall want someone who is evangelistic and will keep off politics and poverty—which is all we get from our present man!"

As far back as we can remember there have been those in the church who have protested against what was said to be an undue emphasis upon the social gospel. The criticism continues. The World Council Assembly at Uppsala last year was attacked by some evangelicals who declared that the gospel came a poor third after poverty and race discussion.

This alleged conflict of purpose is hard to understand. Jesus himself cared for the souls of men and for their bodies and minds. It is natural enough for some to specialise in evangelism and others to major in social concerns. The church has been doing both since Acts 6. The two

activities are simply different aspects of the one gospel, and the gospel itself is harmed if an emphasis upon one is taken as evidence of the absence of the other, as, for example, the foolish criticism of Billy Graham who has often urged a renewed social thrust.

In a report of the first U.S. Congress on Evangelism held last month, "Time" magazine says that the Congress challenged the churches to rejoin the battle for social reform. Leighton Ford, one of the Graham team, said, "When men of privilege abuse their power and refuse justice, sooner or later violent upheaval is bound to come . . . It is to the shame of the Christian church that we have been so slow to face the demands of the gospel in the racial revolution." Ford attacked evangelical apathy (if not active opposition) toward social action in the U.S. and declared that "a commitment to Christ is a commitment to social reform."

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### "BOUND BY GOLD CHAINS"

The poet Tennyson is not read or known so much today as he used to be. I remember a time when my brother and one of my sisters could recite from memory long passages from *Morte D'Arthur*. Among the last words ascribed to the dying King Arthur are those that urged Sir Bedivere to constant prayer. By prayer for oneself and those who are called friends

" . . . the whole round world is every way  
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

My purpose is not to write specially about prayer, but about the "gold chains" which bind friends-in-God all over the round world. We are not bound to God in sonship unless we are bound in fellowship with our brother man.

The Associate-Editor of *The Australian Christian*, in a letter to me, wrote: "World Convention is in the air down here." The World Convention is a great assembly, a spectacular demonstration. One can gain deep personal fellowship with only a few people out of so large a company, and I incline to the view that the most lasting results of a Convention on this scale emerge from the smaller groups and fellowships into which the Assembly is broken down. This reflection arises out of experience of the two World Conventions which have met in Britain—Leicester, 1935 and Edinburgh, 1960.

I am conscious of some strong links with Australia, in terms of personal friendships. In 1933, as a student at Overdale College, Selly Oak, Birmingham, I was due, according to the established tradition, to be promoted from sharing a study-bedroom to having a room of my own. However, in that year a new student was to come from the district of Underdale, Adelaide, to Overdale, and Principal Robinson thought it would be good for two men who were about the same age to room together. So I had to wait longer for the privilege of occupying a single room, but enjoyed the far greater privilege of forming a friendship with Lyle Burdett. Though Lyle Burdett was born in Britain, he had received an indelible impression from his church experiences in Australia. He and his wife, Connie, have given distinguished service as missionaries in the Central Provinces of India.

Lyle also served for a five-year period as Minister at Evington Road, Leicester, following Eric Hart, an Australian. The Australian link continued with Stanton H. Wilson, well known and respected in your country. He and his wife have given splendid service.

Harold Gross is another helper from Australia. He is caring for a group of churches, mainly situated in small towns and villages, with one in Barrow, a ship-building town. Harold Gross has a lively and vigorous approach to his ministry, is blessed with gifts of leadership, and is a brotherly man who is strengthening links in the gold chains that bind us all to God.

It would be impossible to assess the contribution made to the life and thought of Churches of Christ in Britain by Walter W. Hendry, trained for the Christian ministry at Glen Iris. As minister, committee member or chairman, as President of the Annual Conference, as preacher, General Secretary and writer in the *Christian Advocate*, he enriched and inspired us.

Unfortunately, it is not my expectation to visit Australia. A friend and colleague, Ernest Gray, who for many years did a great work of building up in Malawi, and is now minister at Oadby, near Leicester, is one of those who might have stronger reasons for making the trip. The Grays have a married son living "down under," so may feel the pull of family as well as church relationships. Those who attend the Eighth Assembly of the World Convention at Adelaide will have the opportunity to develop old friendships and form new ones. Others who will simply pray, think and read about the Assembly will make their own response to the occasion. I hope they may sense a "tugging" in the links of the gold chains which bind us together and hold us to the feet of God.



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(England)

(This is the fourth in a series dealing with World Brotherhood and World Convention personalities).

# South Australian Conference



W. J. PHILP  
President, 1969-70

The 95th State Conference is now in the record books. Our President, W. N. Heath, of the Maylands church, with roots deep in the activities of our State work. He was a genial and helpful chairman of meetings. Through the year he and his wife had visited many of the churches and proved again that from among us are men of real ability who are leaders and thinkers, dedicated to Christ and the church. "Bill" (with affection, and sometimes undue familiarity!) had the happy knack of effacing himself, but just seemed to be there.

Attendances at meetings were not good; in fact, they suggested a symptom of lessening impact upon memberships by Conference, or else a slackening interest in the corporate activities of Churches of Christ. Business sessions were well

### By E. P. C. HOLLARD

attended, but when it came to Conference Sermon, Youth and Home Mission night, one could only wonder where the throngs were. Some years ago we went out of the Adelaide Town Hall because it was too small; now it could be too large! However, a comfortably filled Flinders Street Baptist Church for the "Sermon" found a mightily rewarded group of people.

Guest preacher was Lloyd G. Cooke, of City Church, Hobart. He spoke to the Ministers' Session and shared his life as distinct from his theology, and it was splendid. Conference sermon "The Marks of Love" was a refreshing challenge to the church to evidence the marks of the Lord upon it.

For many years the S.A. Conference Tea has been a high point in fellowship, but in recent years the Delegates' Tea has displaced it. This year K. J. Harvey, of Brighton Gardens, introduced the subject of "Planned Giving." The aim is that, having received a copy of the address the delegates will then refer the material back to church boards. Following the tea the President's Reception was held, and Mr. Heath gave his Presidential Address, "Magnificent Obsession." In this session our Presidents always have the opportunity to give their impressions through the year of office, and stress the challenge of the future as they see it.

The usual round of good fellowship

was evident in the Pioneer Afternoon, Ministers' and Ministers' Wives' sessions. This year the spotlight was on Aborigines' Missions with Sonny Graham from Norseman Christian Centre as the featured speaker. At the Christian Union section two visitors, Dr. J. T. E. Renner, of the Lutheran Church, and Rev. T. Byard, of the Methodist Church, made statements regarding the matter of unity.

One of the highlight addresses was "A Layman Looks About" by our own L. A. Braddock. In an unassuming manner, but with evident authority, he cut something of a swathe around him. It's a long time since one of the lay brethren gave such food for thought. Two of the country ministers, A. M. Arnot, of Murray Bridge, and B. Duff, of Mt. Gambier, led devotional sessions.

Business of Conference usually has two reactions: those who couldn't care less and so stay away, and those delegates who faithfully fulfill their representation and contribute to the discussions and debate. One of the encouraging things was to see a number of younger men as delegates and sharing in the discussions.

Figures are always taken as a true picture, and may be anything but that. Losses were the story of the year. There was a decrease of 247 for the year, making a resident membership of 9,817 in the State. The weekly communicants decreased to 5,080. Giving was maintained to some extent, and the churches gave \$406,864. These losses are not an actual gauge of the situation simply because about 12 churches failed to send in returns. One figure which disturbed, and was commented upon several times through Conference, was that of the baptisms only 12 did not come through youth auxiliaries or from young people. The statistically-minded saw a dire situation in this. Only 12 adults added to 76 churches!

Reports from the Departments indicated a healthy and varied programme. Home Missions is involved in a new cause at the rapidly growing Tea Tree Gully area, and this will work with Windsor Gardens to form a circuit. With aid from the League of 2000 a house will be erected on the land held there, Reg. Brand will move from Albert Park church to minister. The Social Service Department had hopes of erecting a large new rest home addition at St. George's, but

this fell by the wayside because of council by-laws. The Dept. of Christian Education is busy making the new curriculum known and finding a ready response from Bible Schools and church boards.

The Budget Committee gave the brotherhood some close reading, and came up with a number of recommendations. A suggested re-allocation of amounts budgeted for various Departments was suggested. Financial demands upon some Departments is finding that belts will need to be tightened. It is possible that staff reductions might be needed. The Budget Committee pointed out, and sensibly, that decreasing numbers must have this result. Several of their recommendations needed far more attention than the time of Conference could allow, so another meeting of delegates is being called before the end of the year to attend to matters untouched.

Two department leaders were up for re-election, I. J. Chivell as Executive Secretary, and A. R. Jones as Social Service Director. Both were re-appointed for a further term of three years.

Officers of Conference for the coming year will be:

President, W. J. Philp, minister at Brooklyn Park. Mr. Philp has been well known among us as a singer of note, teamed with the late E. C. Hinrichsen as song-leader, and on coming into the ministry served the Strathalbyn-Pt. Sturt-Milang circuit for eight years. He is in his fourth year at Brooklyn Park.

The Vice-President is K. G. Dawson, of Cowandilla church. Most active on the local scene, he has worked with the Christian Union Committee for some years.

Other Executive officers (aside from Departmental representatives) are I. J. Chivell; M. D. Williams, Assistant Secretary; L. C. F. Higgins, Treasurer; S. R. Beck, D. K. Beiler, C. L. Fitzgerald and M. A. K. Crosby.

Next year Adelaide will be a frantic place as preparations for World Convention and Federal Conference go ahead. This will mean that State Conference will not be held in its usual way, but a simple changeover of officers in something of a "one day" effort.

Several recommendations were to hand. One (somewhat time honoured) from Colonel Light Gardens to have Confer-

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## FEDERAL BOARD LOOKS FORWARD

The Annual Conference of the Federal Board of Christian Education brought together the State Directors, who are all members of the Board, and three executive members, at Monbulk, Vic., Aug. 12-15. Mrs. Avril Chapman, Secretary of the D.C.E. of the Associated Churches of Christ in N.Z., and Richard Lawton, the Board's Director/Editor-elect, also shared in the conference.

Reports were presented concerning Youth Evangelism in the States. Discussion centred on making the present efforts more effective in reaching the large mass of young people outside the church. The Directors agreed to carry out further investigations concerning evangelism within their States and to circulate findings and helpful information. Evangelism will continue to be an important concern of Federal Board-State consultation and action.

Dean Olafsen told of the interesting work being done amongst Young Adults in Victoria. For example, Young Adult Conferences, in which young adults engage in creative activities and wrestle with key Christian issues such as "Communicating the Gospel" were mentioned.

Significant work in the Young Adult field is also being done in other States.

Miss Bonnie Bates of the Methodist D.C.E., introduced a vigorous discussion of new approaches in Adult Education. Churches are exploring a number of positive ways of constructing courses and providing areas for study by adults. The Board's policy is to promote the growth of adult Christians through the study of the Word of God and its meaning for their life. It was noted that the Christian Life Curriculum will provide extensive study resources for adults.

These areas of concern and planning indicate something of the way in which

the Federal Board is seeking to offer its services to all churches throughout Australia. At the Special Board Conference held in June, 1969, the following statement of policy was adopted:

"The Federal Board of Christian Education is promoting the Christian Life Curriculum as the best lesson material available to most of our churches. The Federal Board of Christian Education re-affirms,

—that it recognises the right of each church to decide which lesson material it will use in its Christian Education programme;

—that it wishes to serve in every possible way churches which are not using this material;

—that it will continue to offer its services in Christian Education development, research and co-ordination to all Australian States and churches."

A Christian Life Curriculum Editorial Sub-Committee said they were impressed by the clear representation of the Churches of Christ position and the able presentation of the scriptures in the draft manuscripts considered. The availability of teaching aids, teacher training materials and helps to worship, would be a definite advantage of the C.L.C.

State Directors reported on the progress in their States of training for using the new curriculum. The educational values of the Christian Life Curriculum are being presented in teacher training programmes throughout Australia.

Melbourne, January 4-10, 1971, is the venue for the Fifth National Youth Convention. "The Man at the Centre" was chosen as the Convention theme. Bible Studies, workshops, evening meetings and tours are now being planned for what promises to be another exciting Convention.

considered again. A resolution expressing disapproval of State Aid to private schools was not accepted.

Conference usually has a gap or two insofar that familiar faces have dropped out. Many missed "Ma Tippett" who for years had been Conference Catering Convener. She had passed to her reward only weeks before. H. R. Taylor, doyen of ministers, historian, one-time Conference Secretary, is still hale and hearty and much in evidence.

### FOOTBALL GOSPEL

(Qld.). E. T. Hart spoke on "The Gospel According to Football" at the final church parade for football teams at Albion church on Sept. 14. Churches of Christ fielded an Under 18 and a C Grade team this year and both reached the grand finals. Trophies were presented to outstanding players at a smorgasbord dinner where presentations were also made to Don Jefferies and Stan Scamp without whom it would not have been possible to field our teams. The Brisbane Church Rugby League president praised the Church of Christ players, coaches and

officials for the enthusiasm of the club during the year.

Youth Director, A. C. Male, patron of the club, proved most popular when he commented that if Christ had been alive today he probably would have played football and possibly Rugby League!

On the Sunday evening Mr. Hart spoke of the need for players in the game of life to abide by the rules and heed the commands of the Captain. Arthur Davis, Kenmore College student, professional sprinter, and C Grade winger scored with this one: "Did you know that Moses was a tennis player? "Yes—he served in the courts of Pharaoh!"

## QUESTING



WITH

A. E. WHITE

Is it wrong to say, "The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated," when referring to our Sunday morning communion and worship service?

Our people have usually avoided using the word "sacrament" when referring to the Lord's Supper (and also baptism). "Ordinance" has been preferred.

It is probable that our objection to "sacrament" was based upon our strong desire to show that we were not following the practices of other church groups, although there may have been some dispute with the word itself.

The R.C. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (or Eucharist) was associated in our minds with transubstantiation, the doctrine that the substance of bread and wine was miraculously changed into the substance of Christ's Body and Blood. There were also other unjustified additions to the scriptural presentation of baptism and the Lord's Supper. The R.C. and the Anglican Churches recognise seven sacraments, and there have been as many as 30 attributed to the R.C. Church.

Further, the word "ordinances" is used in the King James version of the Bible, and we were very careful to use Bible words whenever possible. It must be added, however, that "ordinance" is never used specifically in scripture for either baptism or the Lord's Supper.

The usual definition of a sacrament is: "an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace." The significance of an ordinance is that it is a command or a regulation.

However, we do recognise that baptism and the Lord's Supper are means of grace. Where they are observed in faith and sincerity, the Lord is present. It is important to realise that the grace is in the Lord himself rather than in the water or the bread or the cup through which he is presented.

It is noticeable that the word "sacrament" is being used more by our presidents today. I think that this is due to a greater communication across the barriers of our churches, rather than a sign that our position is changing. We hear more, and we read more of what others in the churches are saying, and it is customary for those others to make greater use of the word.

It does not seem to me to be "wrong" to use "sacrament," but if it offended anyone it would be better not to use it. In fact, most of us get along quite well without calling the Lord's Supper by either term.

### "THE AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN"

## SHORT STORY COMPETITION

We invite writers, or writers-to-be, to enter a short story competition for 1970.

#### Conditions

1. The story may be on any theme so long as it has some Christian content, and to be from 1,500 to 2,500 words in length.
2. The closing date is March 30, 1970.
3. The story may be hand-written or typed. If typed, please double space.
4. First Prize: \$50.00, Second Prize: \$20.00 (donated), to be awarded by a well-known Australian author.
5. HOW TO ENTER. The name of the author must not appear on the manuscript. The author will write his or her name and address on a slip of

paper and place it in an envelope which will then be sealed. The author shall then write on the front of the envelope the title of the story. The envelope and the manuscript are then to be placed together in a large envelope and addressed to "The Australian Christian Short Story," 119-125 Hawke St., West Melbourne, Vic., 3003.

6. "The Australian Christian" reserves the right to publish the winning entries.
7. No correspondence can be entered into regarding the competition or the judges' decisions.

### RECOGNITION OF PRINCIPAL

The Board of Management of the Woolwich Bible College, together with the N.S.W. Conf. Exec., have planned a public "recognition" of the work of Principal A. W. Stephenson, M.A., in conjunction with the College "Graduation Service," Friday, Nov. 21 at 7.30 p.m. in Enmore Tabernacle. 12 exit students (seven men and five women) will be featured as they conclude the course.

Principal Stephenson is well known throughout Australia not only as an

Editor of "The Australian Christian" and as Editor of "Austral Graded Lessons," but also for his service and leadership at Woolwich Bible College and his association with the N.S.W. brotherhood since 1951.

It is anticipated that many will want to express their appreciation of his work and a fund has been opened so that folk may have opportunity to do so. Donations may be forwarded to the Woolwich Bible College treasurer, A. M. Cave, 36 Koombalah Ave., Turramurra, 2074.

### MEN TAKE OVER

(Belmore, N.S.W., B. Armstrong). The church Men's Society experimented successfully with special Father's Day services. C.M.S. men filled all offices at morning service with Norm. Edwards presiding. Over 100 at family tea heard Max Barnett, a chemist, from the Blakehurst Baptist Church, who sternly advised young people especially to refrain from taking to drugs "for kicks." At 7 p.m. the special song service featured hymns not in Sankey's Hymn Book. Harry Handley led the service with Geoff. Corkill doing the reading, two solos by George Marley. Delroy Brown was guest preacher for day.

### MEMORIAL GIFTS

(Marrickville, N.S.W., R. C. Dixon). New pews, pulpit and tract rack were presented on Sept. 14 by Mrs. Gwen Benson and family at a dedication service in memory of the late Tom Benson . . . One young girl has confessed Christ and Mrs. Thompson has been baptised . . . Efforts to reach the New Australians in our district through gospel recordings and literature in many foreign languages are continuing . . . Mr. Dixon was one of the N.S.W. delegates at the Christian Unity Consultation in Melbourne . . . Church saddened at the death of Mrs. Hayden after a long illness. Sympathy is extended to the Roose and McInnes families.

### MISSIONARY CONVENTION

(Burwood, N.S.W., M. H. A. Pieper). One of the main features last month was our Missionary Convention. Guest speaker was Ray Ewers, minister at Kingsford. We were joined by several independent missionary groups who provided displays demonstrating their special activity. An outcome of the 1968 Convention was the launching of a faith offering to permit sponsoring of a missionary on the field. Our aim was \$750. Pledges exceeded this sum. Receipts exceeded the pledges. The church approved the recommendation to raise the goal this year to \$2,000 and sponsor a second living link. . . . Recent additions by faith and baptism were Mrs. Taverner and Andrew Su.

### GRAHAM ON T.V.

(Sydney). 34 television stations across Australia will carry the Billy Graham Melbourne and New York Crusades during October and November.

The four programmes will be shown at weekly intervals commencing, in most areas, from October 4. Although some of the Melbourne Crusade meetings have been shown on television, principally in Victoria, these current programmes will be new to Australian audiences. They will be copies of the special colour series produced for the United States and Canadian colour television market.

### C.W.F. MISSIONARY RALLY

(Vic.). The rally was experimental and proved well worthwhile. It was held this year at the East Kellor church where the ladies served a welcome cup of tea on arrival.

Missionary Committee Supt., Mrs. Heard welcomed over 200 ladies to morning session. Ladies travelled from Castlemaine, Harcourt, Ballarat, Geelong, Frankston as well as many suburban and outer suburban churches.

"Lowana Singers" from Cheltenham, delighted all with musical items, at both morning and afternoon meetings.

Morning session highlighted Home Mission work. Speakers were D. H. Smith, Mrs. Hurren, T. T. Robinson and Mrs. Weedon. Mrs. Strack interviewed Mr. Ots and Mrs. Gossip from East Kellor, and Mrs. Edwards, from Norlane, regarding various aspects of their particular areas.

C.W.F. President, Mrs. Muller, presided after lunch. Mrs. G. R. Stirling gave the devotions, emphasising need of prayer for the College of the Bible, the faculty and students.

Mrs. St. Aubyn then interviewed the following on the various aspects of missionary work: Mrs. D. Smith on her recent visit to India; Miss J. Hunting on New Guinea; Mrs. B. Edwards, a New Hebrides returned missionary; Mrs. Brunton on the child support scheme for Aboriginal children; and Mrs. D. West on Aborigines on the reserves.

## 7 WARD

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

This week something rather funny happened.

Our superintendent doesn't come every week to the Royal Children's Hospital because of her commitments to the other hospitals but this Monday she came and one of the boys who hadn't seen her before asked Aunty Alice, "Is that dark one your helper?"

Aunty Alice with her head in her case to hide her giggles (after all the dark one is her boss) replied,

"Yes, and we have lots of other helpers."

"Who gives you all the things?" was the next question, and then, "Why do they?"

"Because they want to let you know that Jesus loves you and that they are sorry you are sick and want to help you feel much better."

The Sister on duty who had been standing close by listened to all the questions and answers and then went about her work.

Maybe her silent questions were answered, too!

## OPEN FORUM

Letters express the viewpoints of the writers. Acceptance for publication does not necessarily imply endorsement by Churches of Christ or by the Editor. Letters should not exceed 250 words and should bear the name and address of the writer.

### HOSPITAL SUNDAY

To the Editor,  
The Victorian Hospitals and Charities Sunday Committee, of which the Melbourne Lord Mayor of the day is traditionally the chairman, will hold its annual appeal to help our hospitals and charities on Sunday, Oct. 26. This will be the 96th appeal made since the churches first started to help Melbourne's hospitals in 1873.

I would be most grateful if you would commend the appeal in the columns of your paper as the committee is very concerned that the appeal has gradually fallen off during the last five years though strenuous efforts have been taken to arrest the decline.

All our church leaders commend the appeal to their congregations and I feel that churchgoers will respond if the need for generous giving is brought to their notice.

Last year expenses amounted to 10.6% of the total received and this by present day standards must be viewed with some degree of satisfaction.

I would appreciate any help you are able to give our work for Hospitals and Charities.

—E. W. Best, Lord Mayor,  
Chairman.

### CHURCH FINANCES

To the Editor,  
With reference to church finance, there is concern in our churches about the extravagant and unrealistic spending of departments and the pressures that are made upon the churches to meet this spending.

As I see it, a brotherhood committee's purpose is to spend the money the churches give it and do what work they can with it, but committees make plans which are quite unrelated to their income and then press the churches to supply the finance.

It is wrong for us to live beyond our means.—R. D. Clark (Qld.).

### MISSIONARY GROUP BIRTHDAY

(Nth. Williamstown, Vic., K. H. Pitt). Missionary Group birthday was attended by Mrs. R. Muller (C.W.F. Pres.), Mrs. Thomas played the guitar and rendered solos, and Mrs. R. Haden was speaker. . . . B. L. Pryor, of Essendon, addressed the church on Christian Life Curriculum . . . Four people have been baptised and received into fellowship. Another from B.S. has made his decision. Miss Lillian Morgan was soloist following baptisms on Sept. 14 . . . Church has been saddened by death of a foundation member, Mrs. Selina Tovey. Sympathy is extended to her family and loved ones.

## LETTERS FROM TERTIUS

### JAUNDICE

To the Editor,

As a youth I always thought that the people in our church were the salt of the earth, good people, easy to know and like. I knew that some of them had some odd ideas and some of them were a bit eccentric, but that made them more interesting. I liked them.

That was until I spent a day out on a picnic with one of the church families. It turned out that this family was the only truly good and Christian family in the church. They said so themselves. They told me everything that was wrong with all of the other people in the church. I wondered how I could have been so blind. The next Sunday at church I could hardly bear to worship with such an unsavoury lot. I even began to think of looking for another church where there were a few more Christians, instead of just myself and one other family.

But of course that was before I found out about two diseases. Jaundice of the Ear and Jaundice of the Eye. This form of jaundice prevents the sound and light waves from the good and true and beautiful, from reaching the ear drum or the retina. It is terribly infectious.

Hoping you are the same,

TERTIUS.

### CHURCH NEWSPAPER COMPETITION

Each week, hundreds of churches produce a news-sheet—to announce coming events, to report the past, to share personal joys and sorrows, and to promote the Christian faith and life.

They come in all shapes and sizes, colours and styles. Some are very good, and some are not so good.

In order that the good may be improved and that the best may be shared, the Vic.-Tas. Dept. of H.M. & Evang., have invited churches to submit their weekly newspapers for comments and

appraisal. No financial award is offered, but it is hoped that the churches will share in this search for the best that can be done with our local news-sheet. There will be two categories: Churches with 100 members or less; and churches with more than 100 members.

To enter, all that is required is for churches to send three consecutive issues of their local church paper to the Department's office at 217 Lonsdale St., Melbourne, 3000. Closing date is November 10, 1969.

### THANKSGIVING

(Fremantle-Hilton, W.A., F. Rees). On Sept. 21, thanksgiving service featured a display of groceries given for welfare work in the local area at the suggestion of the C.W.F. It was also parade night for Boys' Brigade. The choir sang the "King of Kings" and there were items by the Girls' Junior Choir and a trio of clarinets . . . Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie Thomson, from Vic. Mr. Thomson addressed his home church on Sept. 14 . . . The Junior C Grade team won the premiership in girls' basketball. The senior teams were runners-up . . . A "flashback" of the beginnings in 1945 of the Carnarvon Mission was presented in picture and story by D. G. Hammer at C.W.F. Clothes for a girl at Norseman Mission were on display.

### HOME FROM WORK TEAM

(Oakleigh, Vic., T. V. Weir). Norm Woodward has returned from New Guinea after spending two months with the work party . . . Church expressed appreciation of eight years' leadership of Boys' Explorers by Harvey Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have been farewelled . . . C.W.F. birthday included some items from S.S. concert . . . C.Y.F. programme included slides on Mill Valley Ranch, visits to Squashaway, "Herald" office, ice skating, and the Springvale Crusade . . . 21 from Oakleigh and Dandenong shared in prayer breakfast led by A. A. Avery.

. . . G. R. Stirling and E. C. Keating were speakers at 53rd anniversary. H. Walpole and Mrs. G. Reaby were soloists. M. Mathers arranged P.S.A. which was compered by K. Masterton. The ladies prepared excellent meals . . . Over \$140 was raised for Overseas Relief . . . Members have inspected the nearly completed manse . . . E. J. Miles is meeting with us again.

### MANSE PURCHASED

(Ascot Park, S.A., C. G. Dredge). The church has purchased its own manse, a suitable property at a very reasonable price which includes carpets, lighting, oil heating and air conditioning. Possession will be obtained at end of Oct. . . . The film "Crosswords of History in the World of the O.T." has been screened.

### L.I.F.E. AT INVERELL

(N.S.W.). The Director of H.M. & Evang. in N.S.W., Kevin E. Crawford, together with Malcolm McArthur, visited Inverell to conduct a Lay Institute For Evangelism. 20 members of the local congregation participated in the practical visitation exercise on the Sunday afternoon. As a result, there is an effort on foot now to present Christ to every household in Inverell over the next few months . . . Maxwell Hall is the minister.

### SECOND STEP AT KNOXFIELD

(Vic.). David W. Nancarrow, an exit student from the College of the Bible, will commence a part-time ministry at Knoxfield at the beginning of 1970. Mr. Nancarrow has served during 1969 as student minister. The Knoxfield project was pioneered by Boronia and buildings were completed in 1964. Since then College students have exercised ministries and Mr. Nancarrow's appointment represents a major move forward in the church's strategy for the area. A full-time ministry will be envisaged as the next step. This year the church has involved itself in a wide range of programming to bring itself into contact and dialogue with the community. The Vic.-Tas. Dept. of H.M. & Evang., is associated in this move with the Boronia-Knoxfield congregations.

### BOYS' SUNDAY SPECIAL

(Chelsea, Vic., D. R. Oakes). Boys' Sunday activities included buffet (smorgasbord) for men and boys catered for by C.W.F. Guest speaker was Phil. Andrews. The film "Mirror! Mirror!" was screened. . . . W. Gill, of Bible Society, was speaker on Sept. 20 . . . Explorer boys shared in D.C.E. inter-club camps at Monbulk and Hall's Gap . . . Kinder. and Primary Depts., averaging about 30, are now strongest part of S.S. . . . Familiarisation studies now being planned for when C.L.C. books available.

### LOSSES AT BALAKLAVA

(S.A., S. R. Baker). Church saddened by the death of Mrs. Elaine Whiting on Sept. 2, aged 44 years. She was a very talented person and will be greatly missed. Deepest sympathy is expressed to the husband and young family and loved ones. Also to the family of Mrs. Jessie Webb who also passed away . . . C.M.S. invited all church members to their monthly meeting and Mr. Baker showed slides of last World Convention. . . . Church basketball girls held social evening to celebrate C Grade winning grand final. B Grade were runners-up.

## 40th CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

BENTLEIGH (Vic.)

Sunday, October 5

- 11 a.m.: "The Church Family at Worship." Preacher: Mr. A. E. White, B.A., Editor "Australian Christian."
- 3 p.m.: P.S.A. Programme by Churches of Christ Choral Society.
- 5 p.m.: Fellowship Tea.
- 7 p.m.: "The Church Witnesses." Preacher: Dr. E. R. Killmier, M.D., Conference President.

Soloist: Mr. Valentine Woff.

### FETE BRINGS \$325

(Carnegie, Vic., M. Glezendanner). The ladies held a fete on Sept. 19 and raised approx. \$325 . . . John Caulfield has accepted a position with the S.A. Educ. Dept. and will be lost to us here . . . Mrs. Knowles, from England, visited us. . . . Miss Sue Peck is back in fellowship. Miss Skellern has returned after illness. . . . Max McColl and E. Thompson have been co-opted to officers' board.

### THREE BAPTISMS

(Horsham, Vic., R. T. Baxter). Three were immersed on Aug. 17. Guest speaker was Bryan Greenwood, of O.A.C. . . . Ladies from Haven and Horsham joined with district churches for fellowship at Kaniva on Aug. 5. Numbers attended the half-yearly convention at Ararat . . . Dr. Killmier (Conf. Pres.) was guest speaker on Aug. 24. Sympathy is extended to Herb. Atkins whose mother died on Aug. 20 after a short illness.

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7 p.m.: Outstanding World Fair film, "Man in the 5th Dimension."  
Lunch and Tea provided for all.

## S.A. & W.A.

### CLOTHING SENT

(Kensington Park, S.A., Walter Bartlett). C.W.F. displayed and sent clothing to Janet Baron, of Carnarvon Mission. Also on display were new and second-hand material made into garments by our ladies for Aborigines' Mission . . . Kensington Park exchanged ministers and communion Presidents with Lenswood in August . . . The boys' basketball team, K Grade, won the 1969 premiership. Graham Burdon won trophy for best and fairest player . . . The film "Vietnam Profile" was shown at an evening service. \$34 was donated for relief work in Vietnam . . . Many church members have been absent owing to sickness. Mrs. Stevens is recovering from her operation at R.A.H. Mrs. Cremin has moved from R.A.H. to Northfield and is improving.

### G.R.S. VISITS W.A.'s STH. WEST

(W.A., G. B. Carslake). Vice-Principal Stirling was guest of the S.W. churches. He visited Bridgetown, Collie and Bunbury. A welcome guest at the final rally was Mrs. Fitzgerald whose late husband was minister here 57 years ago . . . Our minister appeared with a panel on the local T.V. channel 3 programme. The film "Signposts Aloft" was screened and a pasty supper followed . . . D. Pyne has been elected church secretary in place of D. Kuhl who is going to Kenmore next year . . . Sufficient applications have already been received for 12 aged persons' flats in addition to those being built. More enquiries are always welcomed . . . 20 C.W.F. members attended the annual S.W. Women's Conf. in Collie.

### MINISTER RETURNS

(Applecross, W.A., L. P. Austin). The church welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Austin and family back from Exmouth on Sept. 7. Visiting speakers assisted us during the six months. The C.W.F. provided wall-to-wall carpet in the manse prior to the return of the Austins . . . Our ladies paid a visit to Manning . . . Two of the girls' basketball teams reached the finals . . . Young people recently featured a film and coffee night. Several young men have commenced reading during morning worship services . . . Several new scholars commenced S.S. and the first of the quarterly socials was a great success . . . Mr. Temple and Mrs. Fielding are both in hospital.

### WOMEN OF THE WEST

The singing of favourite hymns led by Mrs. Duke opened the September Auxiliary meeting.

Mrs. A. H. Walkington shared the prayer text, "God is my strength and power: He maketh my way perfect."—2 Samuel 22: 33. Mrs. G. A. Ewers led in prayer of intercession.

The roll call was answered by 64 ladies representing 23 C.W.F.'s. Mrs. Keith Jones, of Melb., and Mrs. Johnson, of Geraldton, were present.

Ladies were encouraged to write personally to Mr. Whitehorn protesting against the suggested hours of liquor trading especially on Sundays and Christmas Day. Also that no further facilities for drinking alcohol in hotels or clubs be granted.

Focus: D. G. Hammer. As September is College Month, Mr. Hammer reminded the women of the C.O.B. offering; also that there are three W.A. students at the

C.O.B., four at Kenmore and six at Woolwich. He gave a brief report of these students and asked for prayer support for them. Mr. Hammer continued with a Bible study from Phil. 3.

Sixty ladies from the city made a bus trip along the coast. Fellowship was shared with the Mandurah C.W.F. Accommodation available for the missionaries and the children from our Norseman Mission were inspected and the need for improvement noted.

#### Prayer and Praise Points:

- That the building plan for the Carnarvon church manse has been approved.
- For the many Aboriginal people suffering from the 'flu.
- For the finance necessary to maintain the Christian broadcasting programme presented by the Norseman Mission.
- For Richard Powell, India, and his heavy W.A. itinerary in October.

—Dora Gordon, Sec.

### LENSWOOD DECISIONS

(S.A., H. E. Paddick). There were two decisions for Christ in August . . . On Aug. 24 the church celebrated its anniversary. Mr. Paddick was speaker at both services . . . On Sept. 14, Bob Anderson (W.E.C.) showed slides and spoke of his work in India . . . The annual meeting was held on Sept. 18.

### FOCUS ON POVERTY

(East Vic. Pk., W.A., I. Allsop). The church had a special week-end "Focus on Poverty," Sept. 5-7, with special speakers including R. Vincent, Senior Lecturer in Social Work at W.A. Inst. of Tech., and Rev. G. Jenkins, Sec., W.A. Temp. Alliance . . . The third term of series on Christian Educ. commenced on Sept. 14 . . . Sandra Preedy was in Adelaide as our representative in the basketball championships . . . Mrs. Hatton is meeting with us again following an operation . . . A carpet fund has reached \$135.

### PRICKLY SUBJECTS DISCUSSED

(Clovelly Park, S.A., A. W. Morris). Youth groups from neighbouring churches met with our young people to discuss "White Australia Policy," "Aboriginal Land Rights" and "Right to Protest." Inter. and Senior Youth Groups both held a progressive dinner . . . I. J. Chivell spoke at an A.C.E. programme

on the World Convention and our world brotherhood, and showed slides of his recent American visit . . . The film, "No Greater Love" has been screened, showing some of the outreach work taking place in Vietnam . . . The Over 21 Group met to listen to a tape on the Second Coming by Dr. Sidlow Baxter . . . The church anniversary featured a family tea, followed by informal groups at the tables with singing, items, readings, etc., in lieu of the normal gospel service . . . Recent speakers have been A. R. Jones, D. Sander, J. Birt and L. Rowe.

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Mr. Williams is a member of the Nth. Essendon Church of Christ and is on the Executive of the Vic.-Tas. Christian Men's Fellowship.

He has wide experience in civic and community activities. He has been a Councillor for eight years and was twice Mayor of Essendon, the youngest councillor to hold that office. As Mayor he pioneered the Mayoral Prayer Breakfasts which have been used as a model for other similar Prayer Breakfasts.

A successful businessman in Nth. Essendon, his concern for people and their welfare has led him into many areas of service. He was a leader in the establishment of the successful Citizens' Advisory Bureau, he is president of the Y.M.C.A. Management Committee, a member of the High and Technical School Council, and is a Life Governor of the Civil Ambulance Service.

His youth and enthusiasm, coupled with a wide experience, made him a natural choice for endorsement in the electorate of Burke.

### NEW HALL CONSIDERED

(Parkdale, Vic., B. Crowden). A committee is investigating requirements for a new hall and the first move has now been made to establish a New Hall Fund. . . . A local training conference was led by Dr. G. Whiting of the Adult Committee of D.C.E. Three groups have been formed to study the booklet "Education for Christian Living." . . . Half-yearly business meeting was held on Sept. 17. Mr. Crowden has accepted a further three years' term of ministry.

### COMBINED FOR GOSPEL

(Sth. Melb., Vic., B. Heath). The Sth. Melb. and Middle Park churches are combining for gospel meetings every fortnight . . . The church has been saddened by the loss of two aged members, Mrs. Gowty and Mrs. Poad . . . A S.S. camp was held on Sept. 5-7 led by Mr. Heath and S.S. Supt., Miss Harvey. 28 scholars and parents attended . . . The girls' basketball team won the premiership.

### NEW AT SWANSTON ST.

(Vic., Dr. Lloyd Jones). On a recent Sunday morning three men and three women were baptised and seven new members were welcomed into the church. The church's ministry among both Asian and Australian University and College students continues to be a rewarding experience. A series of Sunday luncheons together with our Teen & Twenty Teas have regularly drawn groups of 70 and upwards . . . The church held two special "calls to prayer" for the restoration of Dr. Jones to his full work and there has

been a wholehearted response by the church. We are most hopeful that he will soon be fully sharing in the work of the church . . . Mr. Tudor has shared the preaching with a number of visiting ministers and, with a number of the congregation, have carried additional responsibilities . . . Mr. and Mrs. Nell Wescombe have been accepted for service next year with the Far East Broadcasting Company. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lyall have just returned from an extended holiday in Honolulu.

### N.I.C. INFORMATION

(Hartwell, Vic., M. J. Savage). On Sept. 14, B.S. staff had luncheon in hall after morning service and were given information re New Life Curriculum by G. J. Lord, D.C.E. representative. A local Christian Education Committee, with the minister as convener, has been formed to co-ordinate youth activities . . . Church welcomed home Miss D. Hancock after her overseas tour . . . Recent visitors have been Miss Letherland (U.K.), Mrs. Halliwell and C. Woonton (N.Z.). . . . N. Ross is making good progress at home after discharge from hospital.

### MANIFOLD HEIGHTS IS 44

(Vic., A. E. Stevens). The church celebrated its 44th birthday on Sept. 21. L. F. Barker, of Balwyn church, was guest speaker. Two foundation members were present: Mrs. Alma Ross and Mrs. Freeman. Mrs. Ross told interesting stories of early days at Drumcondra . . . We combined with other Geelong churches for "Studies in Acts" with G. R. Stirling, with special youth services and combined choir on Sept. 14.

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  - Grade pupils according to school grade rather than age.
  - Make sure that the school is graded according to the nine grades of the "Christian Life Curriculum," from Nursery to Adult.
  - Allow one hour for the class session in every grade.
  - Encourage teachers to lead the worship in the class as an important and related part of the whole session.
  - Closely link the school with the worship of the Church.
  - Make sure that every teacher has a grade manual as well as a teachers' course book.
  - Obtain and use the teaching aids which will be available in the teachers' packets.
  - Use the recommended song books: "Songs for Early Childhood"—Kinder. "Songs & Hymns for Primary Children"—Primary. "Songs for Worship"—Junior & Inter. "Songs of Faith"—Youth.
  - Make use of all the available resources such as the take-home books, pupil enrolment cards, etc.
  - Plan for camping as part of the Christian education programme for Intermediate and Youth grades.
  - Creatively plan to use the many and varied activities suggested in the teachers' course books.
  - Provide adequate equipment and facilities for the church's educational programme.
  - Consider finance for Christian education as a responsibility of the whole church.
  - Make plans for a closer link with homes and families.
  - Introduce Adult Christian education classes if these are not already in existence.
  - Introduce "team teaching if at all possible.
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## Editorial (continued from page 2)

The Congress chairman, Oswald C. J. Hoffman, a Lutheran, insisted that evangelism is not only "proclamation" but social action as well. Tom Skinner at 27 is a Baptist minister, but as a 14-year-old negro gang leader in Harlem he had 22 notches on his knife handle for "cuts" he had inflicted on his enemies. Skinner, who had an intense conversion experience, thinks that evangelical churches must lead the fight for social justice because it "takes regeneration from Jesus Christ to change society."

Mark O. Hatfield, who is a U.S. Senator, is a keen evangelical and also an outspoken activist. He says that evangelism cannot be separated from social commitment. He argues, "You can't see merely the soul of man. There is also the hunger of man, the sickness of man, the indecent obscene poverty of man."

The evangelist versus activist contention is not the only divisive problem of the church, but its solution would at once double our capacity both for evangelism and for ministering to human need. We must present the whole of Christ to the whole of man. We divide our Lord when we halve his gospel.

### TERM EXTENDED

(Morawa, W.A., A. Anderson). At annual church business meeting A. Anderson's term was extended by another 12 months taking it to end of 1971. Chairman for coming year is R. H. Carslake; Sec., B. McIlwaine; Treas., G. Barr . . . S.S. anniversary theme was "Room at the Cross" compiled and presented by A. Anderson to best attendance yet. Guest speaker was G. Ewers of Perth. Two S.S. scholars and a young man were baptized . . . Pat Thygesen returned home after working holiday in Qld. . . . The challenge of the gospel is presented at each Friendship meeting of the ladies which still attracts town ladies. The Sept. meeting was a slide evening . . . Inters. and Teens' groups maintain good attendances. Young Adults have started weekly get-togethers for roller skating and trampolining.

## THINGS TO COME

### NEW SOUTH WALES

- OCTOBER:  
6-9 N.S.W. Ministers' Fraternal "Refresher" and "Joseph Whelan Memorial Lecture-ship." Lecturer: K. A. Macnaughtan, of Victoria.  
12 Woolwich College Sunday.

### WEST AUSTRALIA

- OCTOBER:  
6 Ministers' Families' Social Evening, Subiaco, 7.45 p.m.  
8 to Nov. 19 Leadership Course every Wed., 7.30-9.30 p.m. at Youth Council, 9 Museum St., Perth, W.A.  
25 Northern Suburbs Officers' Consultation on New Areas, Inglewood, 4 p.m.

### QUEENSLAND

- OCTOBER:  
4 Golden Age Retirement Village Opening by His Excellency The Governor.  
9-12 Dept./Church Relationship Programme. Roma. A. C. Male.  
25-26 Half-Yearly Conference, Harlaxton.  
26-31 Dept./Church Relationship Programme. Dalby. A. C. Male.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

- OCTOBER:  
5 11 a.m. Broadcast, 5 C.L. from Yatala Gaol. A. R. Jones preaching. 9.30 p.m., "Plain Christianity," 5 C.L. from Yatala Gaol.  
19 After-church Fellowship—Union Theatre, Adelaide University. Theme: "Law in Our Society."  
25 Boys' Brigade Display Day.

## New Features . . .

In this issue of the "A.C." we have a new column for juniors. You will find it inside the back cover, conducted by Jay. Jay will be with us each issue, and he will welcome bright word and picture puzzles sent to him care of the "Christian" office.

In the next issue, we shall commence two new features. One is "WORD TALK," a look at some unusual texts. The other is about "GOOD MANNERS," a painless course on the art of being respectable without being stuffy.

Also, we announce in this issue a short story competition. We are often being asked to print stories, so we thought that we would first find some of our own. You will find details on page 5.

**COVER:** While the Vietnam war drags on with a small but significant Australian commitment, we are reminded that 16 years ago, Australians fought in the savage Korean war. More than 300 Australians died and most of them are buried in the United Nations Memorial Cemetery at Pusan. The picture of the cemetery (supplied by the Melbourne "Herald") is a grim reminder that our involvement in Asia can be costly.

### JACK MANALLACK OVERCOMES

(Subiaco, W.A.). Our minister is doing extremely well following his serious accident in May. He is back in full service and is walking unaided. He is still receiving physiotherapy treatment. We are thankful for his splendid spirit in overcoming the pain of past months . . . The C.W.F. held a birthday party on Sept. 12. It especially honoured Miss Trix Taylor who was 80 on 16th. Miss Taylor is much loved and respected and has been associated with Churches of Christ

### CHANGE IN CAPITAL

(Canberra, A.C.T., C. H. J. Wright and R. W. Lawton). Mr. Lawton will conclude his ministry at the end of December to take up his appointment with the Federal Board of Christian Education. C. Dredge will begin his ministry in Jan., 1970 . . . Recent speakers at Young Adult Fellowship have been Mr. Fraser, Labor candidate for the A.C.T. in the Federal Elections, and Mr. Maher, the Liberal candidate. Over 100 attended Mother and Daughter Girls' Brigade banquet at Ainslie . . . "Betty and Brian" were guest singers at family night at Ainslie on Sept. 28 . . . Lyons have commenced a series of Saturday evening house parties. Mr. Lawton has been awarded the Bachelor of Divinity Degree (Hons.) by the University of London . . . G. R. Stirling visited the Canberra churches on Sept. 7 and spoke on the work of the College of the Bible . . . Dr. Fitzhardinge recently addressed Ainslie C.W.F. on "Russia."

### HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN INTERIM

(Aldgate Valley, S.A., B. V. Coventry). J. Baker, Hospital Chaplain, conducted an interim ministry during Mr. Coventry's absence overseas. Mr. Baker was farewell on Aug. 31. Following a youth service, he was presented with a cheque for hospital work, and Mrs. Baker received a sheaf of flowers. Molra Baker was guest soloist. On Sept. 7, Mr. Coventry was welcomed home . . . Other speakers have been C. P. Hughes, S. E. M. Riches, Messrs. Whitford, Hoyle and Dover . . . Lance Brune met with the officers to discuss the church hall . . . J. Oinn is making slow progress after return from Adelaide Hosp. . . . The

for over 60 years. As a nursing sister she worked at Moora, Wooroloo, and Fairbridge Farm. After her retirement she took the position of Sister at Boans Dept. Store. She has always worked among the sick and still visits to care for those who are house-bound. She has been an active worker for "Meals on Wheels." Miss Taylor cut the two-tiered cake made and decorated by Mrs. Blake-more. Two other 80-year-olds, Mrs. McMahon and Mrs. Humphries, lit the candles.

B.S. has commenced a moon competition to develop talents. The Kindergarten has lost the services of Christian Norton who has moved to Unley.

### G.R.S. IN THE WEST

The Vice-Principal of the College of the Bible, G. R. Stirling, has been in Western Australia visiting the churches. From Aug. 16 to 31 he was with city and country churches, district conferences, and Carnarvon Mission.

### HONOURED FOR LONG SERVICE

(Qld.). Audrey Haworth (Ann Street) who has served many years on the Qld. D.C.E. was honoured at the 21st Annual Sports Day with the presentation of an inscribed book. Audrey had arranged the Sports Day catering for 19 of the 21 years of its occurrence. Bill Hovard (Ann St.), "Uncle Bill" of camp-time, Secretary and Treasurer of the D.C.E. for many years, was similarly honoured at the 21st Annual Sports Day with the presentation of an R.S.V. Bible.

### DIPLOMA STUDENTS 1945-63

Students of the College of the Bible who qualified for the Diploma during years 1945 to 1963, and who do not have University Matriculation, are invited to communicate with the College concerning this matter, with a view to the possibility of Matriculating.

### S.A. MINISTERS' FRATERNAL

Monthly meeting, Gawler Place, Mon., Oct. 6, 10.30 a.m. Speaker: Sir Philip Messent. Subject: "World President, Churches of Christ Convention, looks at the Church of Today."

### 'ARCHITECTURE AND WORSHIP'

On Oct. 15 at 8 p.m., the Victorian Standing Committee on Worship has arranged a discussion evening on the theme of "Architecture and Worship" at the Board Room, Church of Christ Centre, 217 Lonsdale St., Melb.

Melbourne architects, R. Drayton and I. Smith, both active members of Churches of Christ will lead discussion on patterns of worship and their architectural setting. Views will be shared regarding the design of chapels to stimulate vital and relevant Christian worship. All persons invited.

### "IT TAKES A BUSY MAN"

(Balwyn, Vic., L. F. Barker). The church is grateful to Cliff Carr who has again offered his services as B.S. Supt. . . . Fathers' Day services were highlighted with men's choir, and Frank Evans as speaker . . . C.W.E.F. enjoyed camp at Monbulk and Betty Johnston was soloist at devotions . . . Recent speakers have been Dr. Bowes, Mr. Macnaughtan and Frank Richards who showed slides and spoke on the "New Guinea Work Party." . . . Shoppers' service has re-commenced.

### CAMP FURTHEST OUT

(S.A.). Roland and Marcie Brown will lead a "Camp Furthest Out" at "Nun-yara," Belair, S.A., Dec. 29, 1969 to Jan. 2, 1970. Details from Mrs. I. J. Joy, 7 Kildonan Rd., Warradale, S.A., 5046.

### C.L.C. ENDORSED

(Hampstead Gardens, S.A., M. Williams). Ken Ladner from the Brighton Gardens church presented an outline of the Christian Life Curriculum to the church officers and B.S. leaders who accepted the recommendations he brought . . . Richard Powell preached on Sept. 14 and spoke of the missionary work in India. At night our own young people presented a dialogue entitled "These Things are Written."

### YOUNG PEOPLE ACTIVE

(Victor Harbour, S.A., T. Laurie). The attendance of young people at all services is still growing. Four were baptised recently. On their own initiative the young people decided to give \$11 per month to support a Vietnamese child. . . . The church has farewell Chris. Bray who was called up for National Service . . . Led by K. Roberts, bright singing was enjoyed by all at S.S. anniversary. Rev. Haire, of Pt. Elliot, was guest speaker . . . Women's Fellowship raised \$56 at a stall for World Vision.

### CROSS WAYS ON A.B.C.

Commencing on Oct. 5, a new religious programme will broadcast over A.B.C. Radio. It is designed to provide listeners with an opportunity of hearing experts in various subjects speak in some depth on matters of basic concern.

### ATHEISM DEFENDED

Prof. Michael Scriven says that atheism is necessitated because of absence of positive proofs of God's existence. He defends his point of view in discussion with Prof. Chas. Birch, the Rev. Bruce Smith, and Graeme de Graaff, at Macquarie Univ., N.S.W., A.B.C. Television, Oct. 5, 9.25 p.m., N.S.W., A.C.T., Vic.

### GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL

(Melb.). The First Annual Festival of Gospel Music will be presented in the Dallas Brooks Hall on Sat., Oct. 25 at 8 p.m.

The programme is being jointly produced by Sunday Night "Sing Out" and Melbourne Baptist Youth Fellowship and will be the first musical programme of its kind.

The festival is to be compered by national television personality, Gordon Boyd, and the participating artists will comprise musicians from Sydney and Adelaide as well as local talent. Proceeds will be used to further the work amongst young people as performed by Sunday Night "Sing Out" and Melbourne Baptist Youth Fellowship.

The programme is designed to suit all tastes and will present a wide range of various forms of gospel music. Invitations are to be sent to leading music critics and musicians in Melbourne to demonstrate the high quality of musical talent found in Australian artists who have dedicated their abilities to conveying the gospel in music.

Seats for the programme, costing \$1 or \$1.50 can be secured by contacting The Ticket Secretary, phone 232 3022.

### CAPT. COOK HYMN COMPETITION

(Qld.). A prize of \$100 is offered for a hymn with words and music suitable to use in devotional services to be conducted in conjunction with the Captain Cook Bi-Centenary Celebrations in 1970. The submitted words and music must be original, not previously published, broadcast or publicly performed. Entry forms may be obtained from the Dept. of Labour and Tourism, 3rd Floor, Treasury Bldg., Queen St., Brisbane, 3000. Entries close on Nov. 28, 1969.

### CHOIR ON T.V.

(Unley, S.A., R. V. Holmes). Our choir, led by Mrs. Heitzman, recently provided musical portion of a Sunday morning Legacy service which was televised by the A.B.C. . . . On Sept. 14 after lunching at the church, 50 members listened to Paul Criddle of Brighton Gardens. From his experience with life assurance representatives Mr. Criddle illustrated and stressed the need for training to help communicate the message of the gospel to others, and to become worthy witnesses for our Lord and his church.

### MINISTRY CONCLUDES

(Albion, Qld.). M. J. Bedwell's ministry at Albion has concluded . . . "Extra mile" efforts for Home Missions have yielded almost \$200 . . . The Purple Percolator—an after-church fellowship for young people—attracted 150 at its first meeting . . . Jim Surtees is recovering from surgery and is receiving further treatment.

### FOR THE SEYCHELLES

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Wescombe, of Croydon Vic., have recently been approved as candidates for the Far East Broadcasting Company's new project in the Seychelle Islands. The Wescombes have three children—Steven 5, Deborah 2, and Sharon 11 months.

Neil and Ruth are no strangers to missionary work as they have already served four years in India with the Ramabal Mukti Mission.

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The Wescombe's home church is the Swanston Street Church of Christ in Melbourne.

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(N.S.W.). A major Evangelistic Crusade is being planned by the Liverpool West church. It is to be a Crusade with a difference.

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D. Norling is the minister.

### ORANGE BAPTISMS

(N.S.W., R. N. Hawkins). Following a series of discussions in their home, three adults were baptised together with a teenage girl . . . The film, "Back to Jerusalem" was screened . . . J. Wiseman, a building supervisor, spoke at prayer meeting on "Christ in His Profession." . . . Our minister, Mr. Hawkins, has been chairman of the speakers' panel for Freedom from Hunger . . . Recent special services involved Richard Powell, missionary on furlough, and a team of students from Woolwich Bible College.

### TEAM FROM TAMWORTH

(Inverell, N.S.W., Maxwell Hall). Roger Foletta, from Tamworth, was guest speaker for the S.S. anniversary, Sept. 6-7, which had the theme: "Serving the Saviour." Ten of the Tamworth young people also journeyed over for the occasion which featured an anniversary tea and concert, and a teacher dedication in the Sunday morning service. Prize-

giving and items at night were followed by Mr. Foletta's challenging message.

The C.W.F. raised a further \$30 for the organ fund with a garden party at the home of Mrs. B. Cann . . . The Bible Study meetings have been discussing The Holy Spirit . . . Church was saddened by the death of Mrs. Young. Her kind and loving manner had won the affection of all who knew her. Sympathy is extended to Mr. Young, and also to the relatives of Reg. Fox who passed away recently.

### MUCH SICKNESS

(Goolwa, S.A., H. E. Greenwood). Sickness has been prevalent in the district affecting B.S., C.E., and church. Janet, daughter of Brian Skewes, B.S. Supt., is in hospital; June Spencer, just returned from hospital . . . Ralph Oke, Pres. Southern Conf., spoke at both services recently. Church pleased to renew fellowship with Mr. and Mrs. Oke and family. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Greenwood and Frank Tuckwell were delegates to S.A. Conf.

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

Mrs. Beekingham presided over the September meeting, when 110 women represented 22 city and three country churches at Caringbah to celebrate the W.C.W.F. anniversary.

The 14th W.C.W.F. birthday worship service was adapted for the devotional session, after which Caringbah ladies very ably presented an inspirational and stirring play entitled, "Climb Every Mountain." The play was written and produced by Mrs. Titterton.

Mrs. Kirby's solo was greatly appreciated as was other musical items rendered by Caringbah ladies.

During September the fellowships have sent in their Aboriginal clothing parcels — 25 chests of clothing have been packed and dispatched to Aborigines' Mission centres.—Rita Dickson, Sec.

### YOUTHQUAKES

(N.S.W.). The special series of youth gatherings in N.S.W. held at Greenacre and called "Youthquakes," have attracted an aggregate of well over 3,000 in attendance in six rallies. Geared to teen-rhythm, with straightford, hard-hitting gospel messages, the varied programmes continue to be well supported. A feature of each youth-meet, called "Fresh Faces," is entering a new phase with a first prize of \$50 for the best entrant in the next six rallies.

### GOSPEL SOUND SPECTACULAR

(N.S.W.). Young folk from Sydney and suburban churches have been involved in the series of Gospel Sound Spectacular competitive programmes planned and organised by the N.S.W. Christian Broadcasting Association. The groups were finally narrowed down to 13 contestants and of these six competitors took part in the grand final in Sydney Town Hall.

## Victoria . . .

### HEALTHY POVERTY DAY

(Moreland, Vic., V. Quayle). Poverty Day was held on Sept. 3, resulting in an amount of \$267 for food for those in need. Many of the members gave the equivalent of one day's pay to the appeal. Artists from other lands, Greece, India and China, entertained about 40 members after a buffet tea. Mr. Quayle worked hard to make this effort such an outstanding success.

### WORLD C.W.F. SERVICE

(Bayswater, Vic., M. D. Keatch). Guest speaker at the World C.W.F. service was Mrs. Muller (Conf. Pres.). Mrs. Alice Bullen, Mrs. Joy Steer and Mrs. Norma Clinton assisted Mrs. Betty Keatch in leading the service. The Church of Christ "Yukana Singers" rendered two numbers. The offering for World C.W.F. was \$10.34 . . . Two people were baptized during morning service.

### MILK FOR INDIA

(Harcourt, Vic., J. Byrnes). C.W.F. arranged Porta-Gas cooking demonstration on Sept. 15, with proceeds for "Milk for India" Fund . . . Fortnightly cottage prayer meetings well attended . . . Y.P. attended "Youth for Christ" Rally in Melbourne on Sept. 20 . . . S.S. anniversary on Sept. 7 had J. White and D. Coleman as speakers.

### FACE LIFT

(Croydon, Vic., A. B. Clark). The church hall has been renovated and painted inside . . . Miss Carolyn Clarite showed slides of her overseas trip to raise funds for the C.W.F. Ladies have completed a parcel of clothes for a 15-year-old Aboriginal girl and have sent two parcels of haberdashery to Mrs. J. R. Thorpe of Norseman. The C.W.F. completed scrap books and made novelties for hospital visitors . . . Several new members have been welcomed in by transfer and two girls by baptism . . . The Campbell Singers were present at an August service . . . The tennis club has entered three teams in the summer competition.

### INSTRUMENTS FOR HOSPITAL

(Footscray, Vic., F. B. Alcorn). The church has provided \$300 for surgical instruments for the hospital in the New Hebrides, and \$300 for furnishings for a missionary worker's home at Norseman. . . . C.M.F. led service on Sept. 17. Cyril Minns was speaker and the men formed a choir . . . E.F. ladies presented a variety programme titled "Journey Down the Murray." Athol Leach assisted . . . Williamstown ladies conducted a missionary programme. Mrs. Muller, C.W.F. Pres., participated . . . On Sept. 7, a church family service included the B.S. . . . The film "Hidden Treasures" has been screened.

NOBLE PARK, Vic. (A. B. Titter). On Aug. 17, Dr. E. Killmier, Pres. of Vic-Tas. Conf., was speaker . . . A successful fair was held on Sept. 2 . . . K. Macnaughtan representing the J.E.W., gave an illustrated talk on Palestine . . . Mrs. Gregson has been in hospital.

### SUNRAYSIA CAMP CENTRE

(Vic.). Much time and effort has gone into improving facilities at the Sunraysia Camp Centre in recent months.

Responsibility for various buildings has been assumed by district churches. Re-decoration of dormitories by Red Cliffs and Dareton-Merbein churches has resulted in a much more pleasant living situation. Mildura church is responsible for the main assembly hall and kitchen area, and improvements here include installation of combustion stoves, hot water service and improved storage. Much of the cost of stoves and hot

water installation was met by the Sunraysia Dist. Women's Conf.

The centre has facilities to accommodate 80 campers, and has proved most popular with both our own church camps as well as many outside groups. 15 different groups have conducted camps there this year.

Sixty children attended a junior district camp in the Sept. holidays. 74 teenagers from the Sunraysia district and the Barmera-Berri-Loxton districts were also in camp in Sept.

The centre is becoming increasingly well-known and enquiries for its use are growing.

### RETIREMENT OF MATRON

(Vic.). Miss E. L. Head, Matron of Emmaus Rest Home, Murrumbidgee, from May, 1962 to September, 1969, has retired.

A farewell function was attended by residents of each section of the Emmaus Rest Home, members of the staff and the Dept. of Social Service, Matron Pearce of the Will H. Clay Nursing Home and Sister Blundy, representing Matron Gall, of the Christian Guest Home.

Among those who expressed appreciation were the chairman of the Department, G. A. Grainger, W. R. Hibbert

and W. T. Atkin. Mrs. W. Chiffey, a resident at the home, made a presentation on behalf of the residents. F. M. Combridge, on behalf of the department, presented Matron Head with an electric frypan and a cheque.

Miss Head spoke of her happy association with the home over the years and expressed thanks for the gifts and words of appreciation.

Mrs. R. Bawden, a staff member, will take charge of the home pending the appointment of a successor to Miss Head.

Musical items were given by Mrs. B. Ferguson (homes visitor for C.W.F.) and the Emmaus Ladies' Choir.

### MISSION EMPHASIS

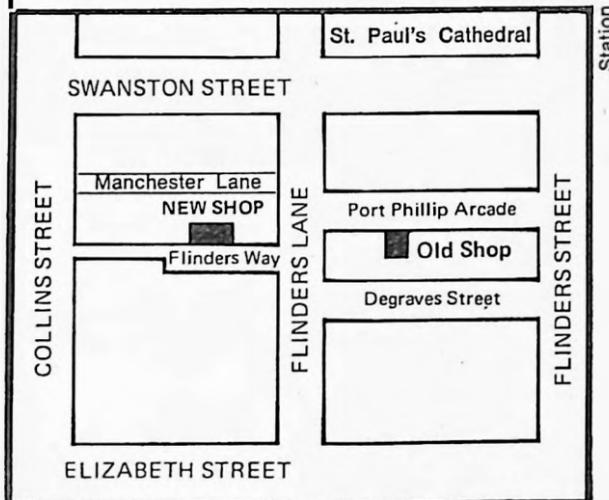
(Maidstone, Vic., D. White). Several missionaries have been featured speakers including Mrs. Lunden and D. De Welt. . . . Mrs. Weatherhead taught C.W.F. ladies how to make a variety of low cost toys for Christmas gifts . . . Frances Hockings has been accepted for training by Wycliffe Bible Translators. . . . Good Companions do spring cleaning work for 50 cents to raise funds . . . The new youth club, "Klump," is impressive.

### YOUTH AID HUNGER APPEAL

(Vic.). Mildura church Youth Club shared in an outreach activity when it sponsored a variety concert and organ championship, the proceeds of which will go to the Freedom from Hunger campaign. The hall was filled to capacity, and over \$100 will be handed over to the appeal.

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**MOORE - HEATH.**—The faculty and students of the College of the Bible have pleasure in announcing the engagement of Suzanne Moore to the Student President, Barry Heath.

**LANG-SPIKER.**—The engagement is announced of Isobel, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lang, East St. Kilda, to Stefan, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Spiker, Dunolly.

**PICKERING-LONG.**—Mr. and Mrs. Doug. Pickering, West Pennant Hills, N.S.W. (formerly West Croydon, S.A.) announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Susan Dorothy, to Bruce Fraser, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Long, Epping, N.S.W.

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(New York). The Episcopal Church has voted to withdraw \$2 million of deposits and investments from three major banks who have joined in a move to extend \$40 million credit to the Government of South Africa. The action was taken as a protest against the apartheid policy. The Episcopal action followed the decision by the United Methodist Board of Missions to withdraw \$10 million in investments from First National City Bank for the same reason.

### "BLACK MANIFESTO" REJECTED

(U.S.A.). Several major denominations have rejected the "Black Manifesto" which demanded \$500 million in "reparations" from Christian churches and Jewish synagogues. Among them were the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church, the R.C. Archdiocese of New York, and the General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples). However, these churches admitted the injustices in the American society and pledged stronger action to end the causes of desperation among black people.

### STHN. CALIFORNIA CRUSADE

(U.S.A.). The Graham Crusade will begin in the Anaheim Stadium on Sept. 26, and close on Oct. 5. A Council of Laymen is assisting the Crusade. It will head the Bible Discussion Leadership Training Programme, assist with posters, bulletins, and other literature, assist in recruiting the 5,000-voice choir and the 3,000-man ushering team.

## "THE AUSTRALIAN CHRISTIAN"

### 50 YEARS AGO

(From "The Australian Christian," October, 1919)

Who Wants the Gospel? The newspapers are asking for synopses of "spiritual" sermons rather than "topical." A chaplain asked his audience if they wanted his "popular" address or a gospel message. Three voted for the lecture, 800 voted for the gospel and 200 made decisions. F. W. Norwood, well-known Baptist preacher and Y.M.C.A. worker, said that he had more conversions among soldiers during the war than in all the rest of his ministry. Some make a mistake in supposing that men want preachers to discuss politics or to settle some economic problem. When men go to church they want to hear about the gospel of Christ.

Here and There . . . H. J. Heinz, of Pittsburg ("57 varieties") left over a million dollars to religious, educational and charitable organisations and institutions. He was deeply interested in S.S. work . . . D. Stewart, of Castlemaine, has accepted an invitation to serve as evangelist in the Huon district of Tasmania . . .

Tea v. Wine. Mr. Sachse, M.L.C., that seer of the legislative halls, gives the unsolicited assurance that it is better to drink wine produced by white men than tea grown by Mongolians. This somewhat vague reference to the White Aust. Policy does not make wine any less injurious to the gastronomical organs of humanity because it is made by white men.

### JOINT USE OF BUILDINGS

(Iowa, U.S.). When the First Christian Church at Oelwein was destroyed by a tornado the congregation had enough money to rebuild, but it considered ecumenical possibilities first. It has been decided to share permanently with the Presbyterians in the use of their buildings and to invest the insurance money in some form of community witness. A community recreation centre and low-rent housing for the elderly are two possibilities being considered.

### NEW MEXICAN CHURCHES

(Mexico). Four new churches are being established by the Assoc. of Christian Churches (Disciples) in Mexican cities this year because of the rapid urbanisation there. There are 40 Mexican congregations listed in the Year Book and the A.C.C.M. has problems in trying to stretch its regular 11 pastors or to place them most strategically. The cities are to have priority in the use of college trained ministers in the expectation that city churches will rapidly become self-supporting.

### MISSIONARY DECLINE

(Utrecht). The number of non-R.C. missionaries in the Portuguese colony of Angola has fallen from 258 in 1961 to 50 today. Many of the missionaries who were refused re-entry visas are working in neighbouring countries hoping that Portugal's policy in Angola will be modified. Portugal has often accused missionaries and the churches of supporting the national movement to overthrow the colonial government.

### W.C.C. AID FOR BIAFRA

(Canterbury, Eng.). Despite an attempt from the floor to banish the word "Biafra" from the terminology used by the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, a resolution to increase the appeal to \$5,000,000 from the churches "for relief in Nigeria/Biafra" was carried overwhelmingly.

A Nigerian Methodist, P. Taiwo Odumoso, a member of the Military Governor's office, Ibadan, Western Nigeria, said that the W.C.C., by using the word "Biafra" was the only international body

that was giving Biafra recognition as a separate identity. He said churchmen in Federal Nigeria believed that the World Council was being used as a tool in the political struggle.

During the lively debate, Captain Jan Orner, acting director of the Division of Inter-Church Aid, Refugee and World Service, said that when the staff of the World Council used the word "Biafra" they did so with no political implications. "But," he added, "we need to have a practical term for what is going on."—E.P.S.

## Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



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"As new members, we'd like to make a modest pledge. Of course, we don't take up much room . . ."

## QUEENSLAND C.W.F.

September devotions were in the hands of the Camp Hill ladies led by Mrs. K. Male. The theme was taken from the W.C.W.F. Handbook Birthday Programme, "Christian Joy." As the programme had been prepared by two Paraguayan women, the lovely Legend of the Paraguayan National Flower was read. Other facets of "Christian Joy" were brought out in the various readings and prayers and after the united closing prayer, all remained standing as we listened to a beautiful taped rendering of the Hallelujah Chorus.

Mrs. Chapman introduced the Conf. Pres., Des. Collins. He spoke of Two Great Events which are eminent in the world today, viz., Communist domination and the Second Coming of our Lord. He said we must in these days, daily listen to Jesus, talk about Jesus and witness for Jesus.

A number of ladies met at the College for the Kenmore Convention, August 22-24. The theme for the convention was "The Church in Thine House." Lectures were given by Rev. Ray Hunt, Methodist minister, on "The Church Without a Building," Alan Webb on "Evangelism Among Families," Vincent Tan, a Chinese Evangelist, working in the high rise apartment buildings in Singapore, also spoke. Philip Jauncey spoke on "Group Psychology" and F. Ewers on "The Pattern of Cottage Fellowship." This was followed by a taped lecture by Dr. Jauncey on the theme.

—E. L. Robbins, Asst. Sec.

## CHURCH GROWS UP

(Margaret St., Toowoomba, Qld., Arnold C. Caldicott). A little over three years ago the Harlaxton church assumed complete autonomy after a 40-year joint ministry with Margaret St. and Crown St. And now after 16 years of administration by Margaret St., the Crown Street cause has been given its independence. 42 members have been transferred from the Margaret St. roll to Crown St. The Crown St. work began as a S.S. and gradually breaking of bread and gospel services were introduced. Student ministries at Crown St. have given continuous leadership, and a gradual growth towards autonomy. A unique era in our Toowoomba church history has come to an end. There are now three churches in Toowoomba, and for the first time in over 40 years Margaret St. is on its own. Terry and Joy South, Kenmore College, who had the oversight of Crown St. at the time of its becoming a separate work, terminated their ministry on Sept. 21.

## TYPEWRITER FOR NEW GUINEA

(Ma Ma Creek, Qld., V. G. Boettcher). C.W.F. supplied new clothing for an Aboriginal boy at Carnarvon Mission and also donated \$20 towards the cost of a new typewriter for use of Dorothy Howden on the New Guinea Mission field . . . E. F. Cole extended the sympathy of the church to Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Boettcher on the sudden death of their daughter-in-law, Loretta . . . Janelle Wilks was immersed on Sept. 21 . . . Four men attended working bee at Golden Age Retirement Village, Southport, on Sept. 7 . . . Dr. Barry Pitt was guest speaker at a recent C.E. meeting and smorgasbord tea held at the home of Bob Cole.

## OBITUARY

### Dr. W. C. McCallum

The death occurred in Indianapolis, U.S.A., of Dr. William Cecil McCallum on July 19 at the age of 89 years. He had gone to Indianapolis for a family reunion. He was born in S.A., the son of John and Martha McCallum (nee Nankivell). The family later moved to Kaniva, Vic., in the pioneering days and became associated with Churches of Christ. Dr. McCallum was the last surviving son of the four who entered the ministry—Donald, Percy and Les—better known to the Australian brotherhood. He had one ministry in Australia which was at Hobart but on returning to America he became minister of the church at Alliance, Ohio, which he served for 35 years until his retirement in 1953 when he became Minister Emeritus. Dr. McCallum's sister, Mrs. Eva McCann, of Camberwell, is well known in our Victorian churches and deepest sympathy is offered. It is hoped that the story of this remarkable family will appear in The Digest of the Australian Churches of Christ Historical Society.

### Eliza Harriet Haworth

Following a prolonged illness our much respected and beloved sister, Mrs. Haworth (Hanna) died on July 21. Mrs. Haworth was a woman of great faith and fortitude. Though restricted through physical handicap she attained much more than many. Refusing to give in to her physical disability she worked in many different roles. She served as Women's Conference President for three years visiting most of our Queensland churches. She has been active in her association with the B. & F.B.S. In later years when restricted to her home she had continued to serve through many tasks including sewing, machining, and jam making, the proceeds of which all went to needy causes. Her main interest lay in women's activities and in the work of our youth and Christian Education Committee. Our sister though suffering much pain most of the time never failed to cheer her visitors and give to them encouragement. We realise that those who were closest to her will truly miss her. We are aware also that her home call came as sweet and blessed rest following a life well spent. She is survived by a son and three daughters, Ray, Esme, Audrey and Merle, and their respective partners. The services at Ann Street and at Mt. Thompson were conducted by the writer and V. Parker and W. Geizendanner.—L. G. Armstrong.

### Mrs. Bon Taylor

The church at Moreland (Vic.) was saddened by the death of Mrs. Bon Taylor on July 16 after an illness extending over one-and-a-half years. Coming to Moreland from the church at Middle Park, Bon proved herself to be a devoted and most loyal and enthusiastic member. She found and shared a faith which made hers such a radiant life. She offered herself and her talents to Christ and with a sense of consecration and devotion served him well in so many and varied ways. We lovingly remember her ministry at the organ which enriched the services of worship and witness. Her work in the C.W.F., both at Moreland and in the wider field of Women's Conference, will long be remembered. Bon served as an officer of the church for a number of years and made valuable contributions to the discussions of the Officers' Board. For many years she enjoyed playing tennis with the church teams in the Baptist and Churches of Christ Tennis Association. We admired her for the brave spirit in which she "carried her cross with a smile." Her outgoing personality prompted her to be thinking of others more than herself and made her rich in faith, love and friends. It could be said that the world is poorer by her passing, but we would rather say the world and the church were richer because she lived amongst us. Very large and representative gatherings at the Moreland church and the Fawcner Crematorium bore witness to the esteem in which she was held. Our sympathy and our hearts have gone out to Bon's husband, Arnold, sons Neil and Adrian, and to Margot and Rosalie. —V. Quayle.

## NATIONS UNDER FIRE

(Canterbury, Eng.). Rhodesia and the great powers came under fire at a meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches.

A report from the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs (C.C.I.A.) said the new constitution of Rhodesia must be regarded as "merely continuing a course of human injustice which the Christian conscience must reject."

The commission also stressed the need for a deeper understanding of the psychological situation in the Arab nations, which feel that the great powers, by their support given to the establishment of the State of Israel, have done injustice to the inhabitants of Palestine.—E.P.S.

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## OVERSEAS MISSIONS

# Enchanting Thailand

After spending several weeks in India, Bruce Coventry and I arrived in Bangkok on August 8, at 9.30 p.m.

As the big K.L.M. jet airliner from New Delhi approached the Bangkok Airport, I remembered the many pleasant and informative days spent in Thailand in 1964 during the East Asia Christian Conference, and realised that it was a wonderful privilege to visit this enchanting land again.

Thailand is a country better known to travellers from the U.S.A. than Australia, and being much closer to Australia it is difficult to understand why more Australians do not visit this wonderful country. Bangkok has many attrac-

By R. S. A. McLEAN

tions for the tourist with its numerous Buddhist temples, gardens, waterways, floating market, etc. But to me it is the people that make Thailand so enchanting. They are most attractive in appearance and in character courteous and gentle. The visitor to Thailand feels that he is welcome wherever he goes.

Our purpose in visiting Thailand was to investigate missionary opportunities. We were met at the airport by Richard Carlson, a Disciple of Christ missionary working in Bangkok. He informed us that Mr. and Mrs. McAnallen were in Bangkok and would be prepared to take us out to Nakon Pathon where they are serving as missionaries with the Disciples of Christ under the Church of Christ in Thailand. Nakon Pathon is about 40 miles away from Bangkok, and we welcomed the opportunity to visit this area. The British Churches of Christ commenced the work at Nakon Pathon over 60 years ago, but when they could no longer support the work, our American brethren accepted the responsibility.

Nakon Pathon claims to have the tallest Buddhist pagoda in Asia, and is regarded by the Buddhists as being a holy city. In this city and at Sam Yek, 12 miles from Nakon Pathon, our American missionaries are actively involved in all aspects of missionary work, educational, medical and evangelistic. They have opportunities for expansion into areas where there is little or no Christian witness and advised us that missionaries from our Australian churches would be more than welcome to assist in this work so that the challenge might be accepted.

They advised that evangelistic workers, teachers, nurses, agriculturists are needed. The Thai Government has a quota system in issuing visas. A certain number are issued each year to each country, so a limit is placed on the number of personnel from each country wishing to live in Thailand. The American quota is filled very quickly and there is a long waiting list, but we understand that Australia never reaches its quota, so more Australians could enter. Once a visa has been granted, it is permanent providing the missionary does not extend his or her furlough beyond 12 months. Short-term workers as well as permanent are welcome. At Sam Yek we met a young American girl who was serving as a voluntary teacher. She is staying in Thailand for 12 months and is living with a Thai family and she is enjoying every moment of her stay. We learned that there is a need for a doctor to serve as a locum at a hospital on the River Kwai.

Thailand has a population of approx. 35 million, and the number of Christians total about 33,000. It is a Buddhist country, but the doors are open for the Christian missionary. During our stay in India, it was confirmed that the doors are closing against overseas missionaries.

We met missionaries in New Delhi who firmly believed that with the growing opposition in some areas towards Christianity, the presence of the foreign missionary is an embarrassment to the Indian Church, and only adds to the resentment. We did not feel that this was the position in the area where we are working. However, it is obvious that as one of our Indian brethren expressed it, "It is five minutes to midnight as far as the foreign missionary is concerned," his day is nearly over in India.

The Overseas Mission Board believes we should still support the work in India even if missionaries are no longer able to work there, but the reduction of missionary staff in India should not mean a reduction in the total number of missionaries overseas. We could not absorb the number of missionaries that have served in India in our work in New Guinea or the New Hebrides. The possibility therefore of supporting workers in Thailand or Indonesia (see previous article in "A.C." Sept. 6, 1969) comes as a challenge and we request prayer that we might indeed know God's will and the leading and direction of the Holy Spirit in this vital matter.

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Some seven summers since, Simon's second son, Samuel, saw Sophia Sophronia Spriggs somewhere. Sweet, sensible, smart Sophia Sophronia Spriggs. Sam soon showed strange symptoms. Sam seldom stayed storing, selling saddles. Sam sighed sorrowfully, sought Sophia Sophronia's society, sang several serenades silly. Simon stormed, scolded severely, said Sam seemed so silly, singing such shameful, senseless songs.

(SECOND SEGMENT SOON).

### THE CUT'S THE THING

HOW many minutes would it take to cut up a piece of cloth 25 yards in length; cutting one yard per minute? (Answer below).

"LIFE isn't very fair to us men. When we are born our mothers get the compliments and the flowers. When we are married our wives get the presents. When we die our widows get the insurance."

### FIGURE FUN

THE number 9 plays a big part in many mathematical tricks and paradoxes. Its use in the following produces a multitude of "8's".

0 X 9 + 8 = 8  
9 X 9 + 7 = 88  
98 X 9 + 6 = 888  
987 X 9 + 5 = 8888  
9876 X 9 + 4 = 88888  
98765 X 9 + 3 = 888888  
987654 X 9 + 2 = 8888888  
9876543 X 9 + 1 = 88888888  
98765432 X 9 + 0 = 888888888  
987654321 X 9 - 1 = 8888888888

Answer:

Answer to "The Cut's the Thing" is 24 minutes.

# THE LAST WORD . . .

**My Mama, A Woman in Prison**  
 With every moment I am counting higher heavenward . . . When I know you to be smiling, full of faith, all is well. I am not suffering at all anymore, and everything is humanly pleasant and without terror . . . All the currents of my chequered life are flowing together, and all my wishes are being fulfilled: I shall remain young in the memory of all of you . . . I shall not have to suffer any more. I am being allowed to die as Christ died—for mankind . . . I love the world, I bear no hatred, I have eternal spring.

Your child.  
 —"Libertas" was the wife of the head of a resistance group. She was executed by the Nazis in December, 1942.

"The true test of intelligence is not how much we know how to do, but how we behave when we don't know what to do."  
 —John Holt.

Respect is what we owe; love is what we give.

A decision is what a man makes when he can't find anyone to serve on a committee.



Gossip is something negative that is developed and then enlarged.

Fun is like life insurance: the older you get, the more it costs.  
 Kim Hubbard.



The only safe and sure way to destroy an enemy is to make him your friend.

The young bride had sad news for her husband when he returned from his day's work. "I feel terrible," she sobbed. "I was pressing your best suit and burned a hole in the trousers."  
 "Don't worry about it," said the husband. "I have another pair of pants to that suit."  
 "Yes, I know," was the reply, "and it's lucky that you have. I used them to patch the hole."



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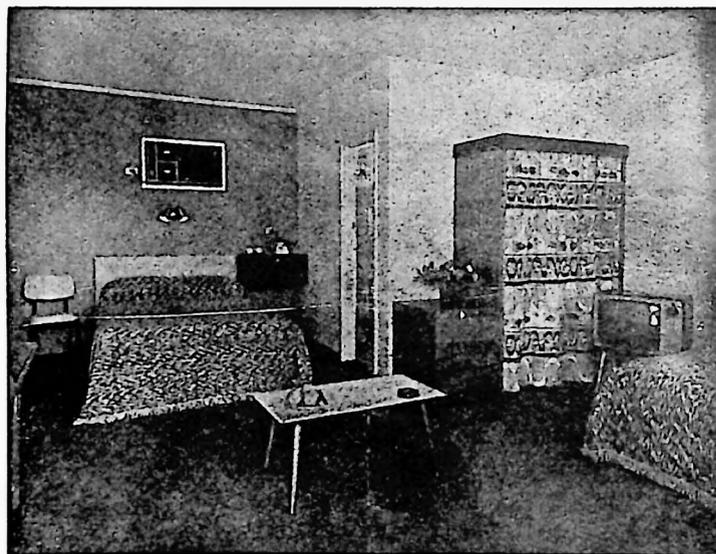
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