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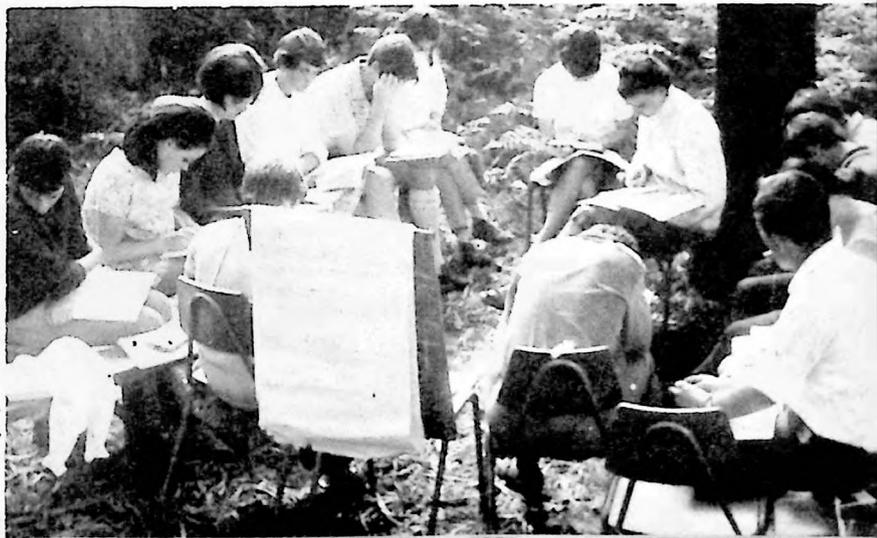
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WORLD CONVENTION,
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(IN 200 DAYS)



W. CARL KETCHERSIDE . . .

Editor, *Mission Messenger*,
St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A.

(This is the 11th in a series dealing with
World Brotherhood and World Conven-
tion personalities.)

Movement or Monument?

As a member of that segment of the disciple brotherhood which does not employ mechanical instruments in public and corporate praise to our Father, I am thrilled to be able to send greetings to his children, and my brethren, who will be hosts to the World Convention during this year. While financial circumstances make it impossible for me to attend, I will be with you in spirit, and will be fervently praying that yours will be a mountain-top experience.

I refuse to believe that the restoration ideal has lived out its day and should now be interred in the cemetery of dead hopes without a tear being shed. Instead, I hold that in this day of ecumenical discussion there is a greater need than ever for what Alexander Campbell called, "A movement to unite true Christians in all of the sects." Historically, we came on the scene as a unity movement when the religious world did not want unity. It would be a tragedy if we legislated ourselves out of existence at the very time when that world was clamoring for unanimity in the Spirit.

It is unfortunate that our carnality and immaturity led us into strife and division, and it is imperative that we bridge the chasms which have often grown wider and deeper with the passing years. We can never accomplish this by partisan debate. It can only be done by dialogue in love. We must begin with a firm resolution that we will make nothing a test of fellowship which God has not made a condition of salvation. I dare not require more of a man to be my brother than the Father requires of him to be his child.

There are contributions which we are uniquely qualified to make to the realm of contemporary Christendom. One of these is a working demonstration of the royal priesthood of all believers and the universal ministry of the saints. We have often paid lip service to this ideal without truly practising it. We must find a means of implementing it so that we no longer think of ministry as the exclusive function of a special caste, but the humble service of every child of God. In our day, ministry behind a pulpit stand may be the least effective form we can render.

We must recapture a passion for souls which will drive us out of the little worlds we have constructed through fear, and into the big one into which he calls us. Our meeting houses must become arsenals, not battlefields; filling stations, not parking lots; launching pads, not resting places. If our hearts can be kindled with the flame of evangelism we can again light the world with that fire which burns but does not destroy. And that fire will make holy the ground upon which we stand as did the bush on the slopes of Horeb. Let us continue to be a movement and not become a monument!

PAIN!

PAIN!

By
LLOYD COOKE

Shooting pains wrack the body of our world.
Nor does it signify the age; for what does it
matter when years are added to millions.
No! Pains are the pointers!
The little things which aim at life and feeling:
A little boy with amputated leg, lost in a
Lousy war that eats like an acid, and
Appalls with its stench.
A Jewess — whose mind bears scars of a
Severed family — the smoke of human flesh
Still stinging sensitive nostrils.
A Negro — bearing the bumps and bruises
Of his white fellows.

Pain is a pensioner passed by as too old!
Pain is a kindness just ignored — or
Accepted condescendingly.
Pain is the scorn handed out with vicious intent!
Pain comes in disappointment when someone
We feel for — tramples under foot the
Offer of ourselves in love.
But only in feeling, and suffering and pain
Can crucifixion lead to resurrection and—
Painlessness!

PREACHING AND THE WORD OF GOD

By GRAEME CHAPMAN, B.A.



At the heart of the gospel is the message of Jesus Christ crucified, risen and glorified. This was the world shattering news that trembled off the lips of the early Christians. This was the "Word of God" they had to proclaim.

The "Word of God" is an expression used in the New Testament to cover a number of different things. The three major entities referred to as the "Word of God" are, the scriptures, the message of the Gospel, and Jesus himself. There is no contradiction in each of these three being referred to as "The Word of God" for they neatly dovetail. The O.T. scriptures point to, and evidence a preparation being made for Christ. The N.T. scriptures detail his life and teachings and explain their significance. The message of the gospel is the focal point of the activity of God in Christ who as the Word has been, from the beginning, the medium of God's self revelation.

The Spirit's descent upon the early disciples at Pentecost and his stimulating and empowering them to witness to God's mightiest of all acts in Christ — their preaching of the Word of God — brought the Church into being. It was through the preaching of the Word in the power of the Holy Spirit that the Church has continued to grow. As Barth puts it, "the Church has been us by means of the Word."

God builds the Church by building individuals into it. We become members of the Church by being born again — as Jesus intimated to Nicodemus. The question of the mechanics of being born again is answered by Peter who wrote, when addressing himself to Christians, "You have been born anew, not of mortal parentage, but of immortal, through the living and enduring Word of God . . . and this Word is the Word of the gospel preached to you." The Word of God is implanted within the womb of the personality and when germinated by the activity of the Holy Spirit triggers a spiritual pregnancy that results in spiritual birth.

If it was through the preaching of

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the Word of God that God brought the Church into being, if it is through the continued presentation of the Word of God that he is continuing its growth and development, if it is through the preaching of the Word of God that men and women individually, through their being born again, are built into the Church, it is surely evident that if the Church is to continue in existence, she must continue to preach this Word.

To oust the Word of God from our preaching, to so emasculate it that we are left with an innocuous "dogoodism," is to prostitute our calling as Christians and to fall our Lord. It is imperative that the Church preach the Word. As Paul insistently put it when writing to Timothy, "Preach the Word, be instant in season, out of season."

To preach the Word—the Word of God as it centres in Christ, concerns His death, burial and resurrection and is discovered in the entirety of its explanation in the Bible—would seem at first glance a simple straightforward matter. In one sense it is. The message is simple and clear. Yet when it comes to getting this message across, particularly in the preaching situation to people "en masse," a great difficulty arises.

There was a day when preachers could be assured that the great majority of those they were ever likely to address had great respect for the authority of the Bible, even if they did not wholly accept that authority.

Today, wherever we stand to address a large group of people, there are many who do not accept the Bible as the authoritative Word of God. There are many, furthermore, who are unfamiliar with its rich symbolism, even its basic contents.

When preaching the Word of God in our transitional age the preacher finds himself in a dilemma.

Helmut Thielicke makes the point that every preacher in preparing his message should make sure that it is intelligible not only to church members but to John Doe outside the Church. To attempt this is almost an impossible task.

When we address church members we are talking to people who share com-

mon thought patterns, to whom biblical symbols mean something. To these the Bible is authoritative and when quoted in the language of the Authorised Version strikes a responsive note.

When we address those who are outside the Church, we are talking to people to whom the Bible is not authoritative and who have been taught to call in question every "authoritative" statement. To get through to these we need to adopt a different approach. We need to think as they do, and discovering the concentrated essence of that aspect of the Word of God that relates to their experience, let this living Word, through its own spiritual energy, have its effect upon them and bring them to a discovery of its authority.

To get through to these two groups in one address is almost an impossibility. The older Christians, familiar with the Authorised Version, appreciate an appeal to authority, a swathe of Bible verses, and are lost when you set out to relate the Word of God to secular man in the latter's idiom.

On the other hand, secular man is almost completely unable to understand what you are talking about if you confine yourself to addressing your older "authorised" members—and this is not wholly explained by Paul's comment about the "natural man" receiving not the things of the Spirit.

In private conversation this difficulty does not arise, but when addressing a group it does. What are we to do? We have a responsibility to these church members, who, when we deviate from their set thought patterns, find us unintelligible. We also have a responsibility for those who are hungering after Christ but who feel with Muggidge that "the Church's presentation of Christ disguises rather than reveals him."

We are aware that we must rely upon the Holy Spirit. We are aware that prayer for all our hearers is of paramount importance. Yet admitting this does not help us directly with the problem of how to construct the address so as to facilitate the work of the Holy Spirit.

What is your answer to all this?

A Strategy for Renewal and Growth

By G. R. STIRLING, B.A.

The pioneers of the Restoration Movement believed that the Church would accept their witness, and that then the Movement would cheerfully die, to become part of the life of the one Church of God. But whilst they were set to die, they lived and grew with zest and purpose. They were the most vigorous "terminal cases" in history. They had a job to do before they died, and as it required strength and vitality, they lived with eager enthusiasm, determined that when death did come, in the purpose of God, they would die with their boots on.

If we, their descendants, believe that our witness to the whole Church is sufficiently important to warrant a separate existence, we likewise must make our witness as a strong, purposeful, ongoing Movement.

THIS WILL REQUIRE A STRATEGY FOR RENEWAL AND GROWTH. Some suggestions are offered, not as a final word, but to stimulate our thinking at grass roots levels.

I. A Strategy of Witness from Strength.

1. AMONGST OURSELVES.

This involves vigorous outreach and development together with a strong witness to our convictions, not in competition with other churches, but for the sake of the whole Church.

2. IN THE ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT.

This involves three things:

- I. A clear understanding by all of our people of the unique offering we have to make to the Christian Church.
- II. A clear witness from strength in inter-church councils to our convictions.
- III. A humble willingness to listen to the convictions, and to observe the practices of others, convictions and practices which they likewise believe to be essential to the whole Church.

3. IN POSSIBLE UNION NEGOTIATIONS.

We should be willing to sit down with others in discussion and negotiations, **WITHOUT PANIC.** Panic may be of two kinds: 1. That of eager beavers who at first sniff of negotiations think that soon we will be in the big comfortable united church and all our troubles will be over; 2. That of those whose habit is to react fearfully to any new situation, and who say when negotiation is mentioned, "Look out, they are going to sell us down the drain!" We should be adult enough to bring our convictions to the table, and adult enough to withdraw from the table if it seemed necessary to do this in order to maintain our witness to truth.

4. IN THE WORLD.

If there is anything at all in the idea that we have preached for nearly 200 years . . . that of getting back

behind the accretions to basic Christianity . . . we should be able to display to the world a relevant, streamlined, lively, powerful, essential Christianity. This would of course involve chipping off our own accretions and making up our minds about what this New Testament Christianity is that we aim to restore.

II. But Strength Requires Growth.

It is obvious that the witness of a declining, dispirited, debilitated community will be ineffective. Strength compels attention, gives the impression that the witness is validly life-producing, and commands respect for convictions behind it. There is no strength in either the status quo nor in decline and retrenchment. A witness from strength demands vigorous growth.

WHAT DOES GROWTH INVOLVE?

1. Strong local congregations.
2. New churches.
3. Revitalised and in some cases re-grouped elder congregations.
4. Sharply increasing vital statistics.
5. Imaginative programmes of outreach in service, evangelism and pastoral care.
6. Lay-training in pastoral and evangelistic responsibility and action. Leadership training. Training in mission in the community.
7. The support by the churches of costly programmes of mission by Conference Departments.
8. Promotion of training in the witness of Churches of Christ to the Church and to the world.
9. Joint witness, service and evangelism with other Christians. Churches of Christ taking the lead in dynamic and imaginative community service and inter-church service enterprises.
10. A new look at the ministry of all Christians, with special reference to the trained "full-time" ministry and getting the best out of the total ministry.
11. Finding ways and means of stopping the too easy assimilation of our people into other denominations when they move to other areas. Finding ways of assisting them to make our witness wherever they settle.
12. Encouraging our local congregations away from fierce independence towards a sense of responsibility for one another and for the whole brotherhood and its witness.
13. The giving of lots of money. Moving ahead with lots of faith. Being willing to risk colossal failures, rather than attempting nothing for fear of failure.
14. And basic to it all, at personal levels, a determination by us all to give priority to Christ as Lord of life.

THE NEXT ARTICLE WILL GO INTO GREATER DETAIL ABOUT A STRATEGY FOR GROWTH.

WORD TALK

No. 7 MARK 10: 32 RSV.

"Jesus was walking ahead of them."

Just think of that! Jesus, we are told, "was walking ahead" of his disciples. What was so unusual about that? Is there some deep significance in the words?

At first sight that might seem only to refer to the physical presence of Jesus, and nothing more. Here was a little band of men, walking along a dusty country road, as they made their way towards the city of Jerusalem. They had been chatting together, when suddenly they realised that their Master was no longer in their midst, and that in simple fact "Jesus was walking on ahead" of them. (Jerusalem Bible).

Now, there would probably be in their minds no doubt that this was rightfully his proper place, for he was their lord and leader, and as such, they recognised that it was right for him to be "leading them on." (Norie's translation). They knew that the first place really belonged to him, for they were coming to see in him God's eternal son, and the Saviour of the world. In this they anticipated Paul, that veteran crusader of the cross, who later on said that Jesus Christ should stand first in everything (Col. 1: 18).

So, they would not be terribly surprised when Jesus stepped out in front of them, and adopted this privileged position, so that "he was leading the way." (N.E.B.). They had come, by and large,

to expect this sort of thing from him—his gifts, his power, his teaching, and his character had all marked him out as the one who was worthy of leadership.

When we look carefully, therefore, at those words—"Jesus was walking ahead of them," we can sense that what seems to be a simple action was really a prophetic practice. When Mark pictured Jesus leading the way, he was surely indicating his supremacy. Down the years Jesus has always been ahead of the Church, in spirit and in practice, showing his people the way, setting before them an example, and providing them with insight. That is his place—out there, ahead of his people, the great filio leader of Iffol So, when, he stepped out before his friends this was a hint of the true position he would always want to occupy.

FOR TODAY: In the life of the church, and of the Christian, this is the position that he eagerly wants to accept. It is his place! He wants to pioneer the path, to show the way, setting the pattern, outlining the purpose, and providing the power. In "the difficult business of Christian living," as Dick Shepherd used to call it, Jesus always walks before us showing the way, and teaching us to live life as it ought to be lived, with resolution, dedication, and joy.—R. V. AMOS.

o TELEPHONE MANNERS

DO YOUR OWN THING! BUT DO IT RIGHT!

You have heard it said that some otherwise quite charming people change character at the wheel of a car. True indeed. Since the telephone has become just as indispensable as a car, the same can be said of some individuals with a telephone in their hands.

Who has not suffered at the hands of a brow-beating telephoner? Having got your ear, some callers go all out to say all they want to say regardless of anything you, the unfortunate called one, may want to utter. It is the same story as that of the monopoliser of conversation, only worse. The monopoliser seems to be influenced by the fact that his audience is unseen. He cannot see the expression on your face so assumes that it is eager and interested, while all the time it is the strained look of one yearning for release.

I remember that I used to think my father quite eccentric in his habit of thinking first what he had to say, then dialling, saying it and ringing off. Now, after suffering at the hands of many poor callers, I am inclined to his method.

However, whether we favour the concise method or prefer to be expansive on the telephone, Good Manners require that we be considerate. An unnecessarily long call when others are waiting for the telephone, either public or private, is unforgivable. It is also most inconsiderate to embark on a lengthy chat to a friend without first enquiring whether it is convenient. In fact, it should be a general rule, after greeting, to enquire whether this is a suitable time to talk, bearing in mind that the called one may be engaged with visitors, just about to leave for a dentist appointment or very busy in some other way. Remember that the telephone call is the great intruder of all times. It is no respecter of time or persons. For instance, you would not go bursting into a person's house for a friendly call at odd and late hours. Why do it on the telephone? If you must, at least make sure that it is convenient.

(NEXT TIME: VANESSA writes more on "TELEPHONE MANNERS.")

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TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 5.30 p.m.

C.M.F. Tea & Annual Meeting —

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 5.45 p.m.

WHO'S HAVING US ON?

To the Editor,

The longer I live the more I think that there must be some super-rich practical joker laughing his head off because he has taken the whole world for a ride in a gigantic hoax that has made April Fool's Day all the year round. It must have been he who had the "pull" to have a bunch of art critics appearing to "drool" over a piece of board from the floor of a paint shop, and hung in a gallery, until now everyone is mad on modern art ("It is so delicately and boldly catalytic, darling!").

He must have had the money to ensure that every record maker pressed millions of thud-a-second cataphonic discs, until a whole generation was brain-stormed into thinking it is music and that they like it. His secret agents must be everywhere creating big belly laughs for him by turning out onto the streets shaggy haired, bell bottomed, duffel coated, unwashed creatures, keeping everyone guessing if they are males or females.

He must be behind the idea now current that students go to universities for sex and pot and demonstrations and slot machine pill dispensers; and that America will forever protect any small nation that jumps on the bandwagon of one of her lesser economic wars; and that "humour" that once only graced lavatory walls is now the epitome of good literature and good theatre.

It could only have been an agent of his who could dress up men of God like old ladies, and have them first saying their prayers to God piously, and then solemnly announcing the death of God, and then baptising little babies to save them from his wrath. And who but he could have organised the bogus crusade of bewildered parsons to knock the church, and then have them wondering why people no longer support it?

His latest macabre joke is to have newspaper magnates piously printing sensational pictures of underprivileged children with dis-tended bellies to stir our sympathy, while the governments they support solemnly cut down on food production.

If there is such a universal hoaxer, I wonder who the devil he is!

TERTIUS

OPEN FORUM

NOT WINE

To the Editor,

It is embarrassing to hear the use of the word "wine" in relation to the Lord's Supper.

I hear it from the platform and I find it in a number of hymns in our hymn book, but in all the scripture references to the Lord's Supper I fail to find the word "wine" used. Could that be merely a coincidence or were the writers or the translators of the scriptures all biased tectotalers?

The drink used in the Last Supper and by the N.T. Church is referred to as "a cup," "the cup," "this cup," "the fruit of the vine," "the cup of blessing" and "the cup of the Lord." In 1 Cor. 10: 21 we read: "You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of devils."

Does any one suggest that the "wine" used in the Communion is not alcoholic? In that case it is not wine for wine is essentially a fermented juice.

Jewish priests were forbidden the use of wine when on their course of duty (Lev. 10: 10). Are we to presume that Jesus, our High Priest, would choose to flout the law of God when exercising his priestly office in initiating the Communion service?

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What is the meaning of Ex. 12: 15 and 12: 19 which referring to the Passover period says, "Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses." Is not this a prohibition against fermenting or fermented material at this period? If so there could not have been any wine present at the feast of the Passover when Jesus set up the Lord's Supper.

Would anyone say, "Why should we worry about trifles like this?" Surely one does not need to be told that the use of wine by some churches is much quoted by advocates of the liquor trade and by devotees of Bacchus, to justify indulgence. Such churches are putting a stumbling block in the way of salvation, as also are we in our careless use of the word.

In 1 Cor. 8: 13 we read, "If meat make my brother to offend I will eat no meat while the world standeth lest I make my brother to offend."

Jesus said (Luke 17: 1): "It is impossible but that offences will come; but wee unto him through whom they come." — E. L. Button (N.S.W.).

WORLD AND THE CHURCH

To the Editor,

The individual Christian, however he may feel he ought to act in his relationship with the world, the Church, Universal, of which he is a member, in response

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to the message of salvation has turned his back on the World's ways.

The work of the Church is not to occupy itself with trying to improve the material standards of the World, but to win followers of the Christ.

The Christians in their turn by consistent behaviour will lighten the thinking of unbelievers and they in turn will do the improving.

Let the Church be true to the commission to go into all the world and having made disciples teach them all their Lord commanded and he would be with them. In his prayer he said: "I pray for them; I do not pray for the World."

Charity is a great thing, but to think it is the Churches' responsibility to put right the world's ills is asking too much.

— S. B. Hibbard, N.S.W.

VIETNAM CHILDREN

World Vision has over 10,000 children under its direct care in South Vietnam and of these, 836 are financed by Australian giving.

50 YEARS AGO

April, 1920

Here and There. Gifford Gordon, while driving to his appointment at Numurkah, Vic., was capsized from a jinker, and received injuries which will incapacitate him for a few weeks. . . . A number have responded to the appeal made by Reg. Enniss for 100,000 pennies for the Glenhantly building. Gifts, large or small, will be received with gratitude. . . . Three former students of the College of the Bible have recently qualified for the B.A. Degree in Melb. Univ.: A. C. Garnett, L. McCallum, and F. J. Sylvester. A. C. Garnett, in addition, gained first class honours in the March final examinations and qualifies as Master of Arts. He also secured the Laurie Prize in the School of Philosophy.

Grandma Morris. Born in 1820, Grandma Morris celebrated her 100th birthday in Sydney. Four children were living in 1920: Chas. Morris and Mrs. A. E. Lilburne of the Ballarat church; Tom Morris of Swanston St. church, and Mrs. Ashwood, of Sydney. Mrs. Morris and her husband were married in London and sailed for Australia in the ship "Mirza-Poer" which arrived at Sandridge (Port Melb.) in 1854.

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VIC.-TAS. CONFERENCE

SHORTENED

For several months a sub-committee worked on the format of the Vic.-Tas. annual conference. A questionnaire sent to all churches dealing with a number of aspects of conference revealed that a majority desired a shorter time spread of meetings. Conference has therefore been shortened by one day. Conference will commence on Sunday, April 26 and conclude on Friday, May 1.

Business Procedure

Departments will have only thirty minutes to present reports. It is being assumed that all delegates having received their handbooks four weeks before conference will have read the reports and departments will simply move and second the adoption of their report without speaking to the various clauses seriatim. They will then have ten minutes in which to present highlights and future phases of their work. The succeeding twenty minutes will be used for questions and discussion from the floor of conference on the departments' reports and work. This procedure makes it essential for delegates to read the reports prior to conference and to be prepared to make questions and comments terse and to the point.

Deliverances

Another innovation is the adoption of the New Zealand practice of departments appending "deliverances" to their reports. These are motions arising from matters in the report which require conference approval or decision. It is hoped that these "deliverances" will be dealt with in thirty minutes allotted to departments.

Hospitality

Folk coming from the country or interstate to attend conference are reminded that hospitality will be provided in church homes for any who may need it. Mrs. R. D. Nelson assistant secretary of the Vic.-Tas. C.W.F. is hospitality convener. Her address is 29 Blackwood Street Murrumbidgee phone 56-5028. Any communication received by Mrs. Nelson will receive prompt attention.

"The Gospelaes"

Those who would like to hear and meet personally the young men whose group photo appeared on the front cover of the

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previous issue of this journal will have the opportunity of doing so at the conference united gospel witness in the Melbourne Town Hall on Sunday April 26. "The Gospelaes" will present instrumental and vocal items with a modern beat during the service.

VICTORIAN MINISTERS

The Victorian ministers will meet at the Brotherhood Centre on Monday, April 6, at 10.30 a.m. The speaker is Don Grant, representing "The Lay Institute for Evangelism," on a topic of real concern for all our churches.

Any nominations or matters of business for the annual meeting on April 28 would be appreciated.

FROM THE WEST

(BURWOOD, Vic.). The Burwood Church and the Vic.-Tas. Dept. of H.M. and Evangelism announce that I. E. Allison, presently ministering at East Victoria Park, W.A. Church, has accepted the invitation to minister at Burwood from 1971.

Mr. Allison expects to complete studies for a B.A. degree at the end of 1970. He is currently also serving in a part-time capacity as Secretary to the W.A. Council of Churches.

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7 p.m.: Welcome to associate minister.

Sunday, April 12, 11 a.m.: Worship and Communion. Expositions on Mark.
7 p.m.: Dr. Andrew Gih. of China and Indonesia.

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NEW ENGLISH BIBLE

By Dr. A. G. ELLIOTT

In addition to a special service in Westminster Abbey, London, there were similar gatherings of "Thanksgiving" held in many parts of the English-speaking world on March 16, to mark the occasion of the release of **THE NEW ENGLISH BIBLE**, published for the first time in this modern translation as a whole. The Oxford and Cambridge University Presses, in conjunction with the British and Foreign Bible Society, produced the New Testament in 1961, and are together again in this new venture.

Since it is common knowledge that there are varied opinions as to the authority of the books of the Apocrypha, the standard edition has been prepared so that it is available either with or without the Apocryphal writings. Originally, going back some twenty-odd years, three panels of translators were appointed, to effectively carry out the work on the New Testament, the Old Testament, and the Apocrypha. In addition, a fourth panel was created, together with a number of subsidiary committees of researchers and consultants, to be responsible for the elucidation of questions arising in theological, literary, linguistic and stylistic areas.

Professor C. H. Dodd, in addition to being the general director of the project, also served as convener of the N.T. panel. The O.T. panel, which had a much longer task, because of the greater amount of material to cover, was convened by Professor G. R. Driver, while the group working on the Apocryphal documents was led by Professor W. D. MacHardy. The various committees of consultants in associated fields of Biblical scholarship worked chiefly under the direction of Professor G. D. Kilpatrick and it was largely as a result of the efforts of these groups that the latest edition of the B. & F. B. S.'s Greek Text, with revised

critical apparatus, was published in 1958. Much of this preliminary work, in translation, revision and interpretation, which was also the outcome of earlier collaboration of Dr. Kilpatrick with the great German scholar, Dr. Erwin Nestle, was used as a basis for the first part of the production of the New English Bible, the New Testament (N.E.B.) in 1961.

As has been expressly stated, this Bible is intended to be entirely free from "any denominational or doctrinal bias." Furthermore, it is not in any sense a revision of the Authorised Version, produced in 1611 by the King James translators on the basis of the earlier work of William Tyndale. Neither is it intended to replace it. While the earlier version is still probably more suitable for sophisticated readers, this latest publication is designed especially for every-day use, and couched in "market-place English" finds a more ready acceptance by the common man. The N.E.B. translators have deliberately departed from the tradition of "Biblical English," persisting for more than four hundred years, from Tyndale, through the A.V. and the R.V. of 1881 to the R.S.V. of 1952.

For the Old Testament in particular, which now completes the N.E.B., ancient versions, such as the Greek Septuagint, the Latin Vulgate and the Syriac Peshitta have been employed to give greater clarity to the Hebrew Text. Moreover, the recent discoveries at Qumran of the Dead Sea Scrolls have made the task of accurate translation much easier.

The result therefore is "authority" coupled with "communication." Consequently, with this new translation open before them, readers will know at least two things: first, they are reading the Word of God — and God is speaking to them; and secondly, they can understand what he is saying.

SKILLED AUSTRALIANS WANTED

The Overseas Service Bureau has launched a national campaign to inform skilled Australians about the 1971 Australian Volunteers Abroad programme.

A.V.A. is a national scheme enabling trained Australians to serve in the developing countries of Asia, Africa and the Pacific.

The Bureau, a community organisation which runs the A.V.A. scheme, is sending around Australia a group of three returned volunteers to speak to university and college students, to various organisations and clubs and to other interested groups.

They are Miss Suzanne King, a secondary teacher, Mrs. Pauline Hayden, a double certificate nurse, and John

Hughes, a qualified accountant. All three saw service with A.V.A. in Papua and New Guinea last year.

Since 1964, close to 500 volunteers have so far served in 14 developing countries. Volunteers have included teachers, nurses, tradesmen, farmers, engineers, technicians, librarians, accountants, graduates, matriculants and other skilled persons.

A.V.A. provides selected volunteers with insurance and international air fares and negotiates with overseas employing bodies who provide sufficient living allowances to cover food, accommodation and pocket money. This year, over a hundred Australian Volunteers Abroad are serving overseas.

NEW AID REQUEST

Australian member churches of the World Council of Churches have received a request from the Council's Executive Committee to give not less than 2 per cent of their total income for development aid.

Australian member churches are the Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregational Churches and the Churches of Christ. The Salvation Army and the Greek Orthodox Church are members through their world bodies.

The request is contained in a letter from the World Council's General Secretary, Dr. Eugene Carson Blake.

While the 2 per cent appeal is expressed in financial terms, Dr. Blake's letter said it implied "a radically new understanding and commitment by the churches and their members." He referred to the recognition that giving money is not the only obligation; churches need to educate their members to press for change in unjust structures at national and international levels.

In Australia, the World Council's 2 per cent request is expected to go first to the Christian Union departments.—A.C.C.

24 CHURCHMEN TO TALK

Twenty-four prominent Australian churchmen will take part in this year's meeting of the Joint Working Group of the Australian Council of Churches and the Roman Catholic Church, at Mt. Alverna Retreat House, Wahroonga, Sydney, May 25-29. It will be the fourth such meeting.

Its theme will be the churches' ministries. The understanding of the priesthood and the validity of various ministries has long been a stumbling block between churches, and this will be one of the issues discussed.

A. W. Stephenson will represent Churches of Christ.—A.C.C.

INTERPRETING 20th CENTURY THEOLOGY

Professor Norman Young will lead a series of four lectures and discussions on "Faith, Theology and the 'Death of God'".—April 9, 16, 23 and 30, 1970, at the Toorak Presbyterian Church, Toorak Road, Toorak, Vic. The titles for each night are: "From 'secularisation' to the 'Death of God'"; "Some Variations on the 'Death of God' Theme"; "From Death to Life—Theology and Society"; "From Death to Life—Theology and Hope."

The course, arranged by the Victorian Council of Christian Education, is concerned with a crucial issue of our time. It will help thoughtful lay men and ministers to understand where the "Death of God" debate has moved at the present time.

Professor Young has gained a reputation as an excellent speaker and teacher. Each night, after a lecture, there will be opportunity for questions and discussion.

Registration forms are available from local churches or from the V.C.C.E., 100 Flinders St., Melbourne, 3000 (83-5814). The cost is \$2 for the series.

80th Birthday for Popular Pioneer

A large gathering of friends visited William Treasure, of Tumbay Bay, S.A., to celebrate his 80th birthday in February.

Among the callers were the State Treasurer, Sir Glen and Lady Pearson, the manager of the Bank of Adelaide, and Malcolm Walker, Mrs. Treasure's nephew, now secretary of the East End Market, Adelaide. It was also a happy occasion to meet Pastor and Mrs. Edwards.

Six old friends, all 80 or over, came to celebrate with him.

In 1908 with his parents, Mr. Treasure came from Yorke Peninsula to Eyre Peninsula. They chartered the well-known "Investigator" and from Port Victoria came to Tumbay Bay, bringing the family, furniture, family possessions, machinery and 11 horses.

Arriving safely at Tumbay Bay they then journeyed by buggy to their new farm of 2,200 acres, which by hard work and pioneering they soon developed into an established farm.

Mr. Treasure was always interested in social, church and political affairs and is still a constant reader of Parliamentary Hansards.

In the early days he was associated with Butler branch of the Agricultural Bureau and was also a member of the Butler and Ungarra Debating and Lit-

erary Societies serving on many occasions as president.

He was first president of the Wheat Growers' Association when that body was established at Ungarra.

1910 FORD

In 1910, with his Ford car, he was one of the first to introduce the automobile to Eyre Peninsula.

In 1923 he purchased a British Wallis tractor, thus helping to pave the way to mechanisation instead of horses.

At 22 years of age he started local preaching and still preaches a good sermon.

He served four years as president of Eyre Peninsula Churches of Christ Conferences and on coming to Tumbay Bay to reside, served 30 years as treasurer of the Tumbay Bay Church of Christ.

COUNCILLOR

In 1935 he was elected to the District Council of Tumbay Bay where he served for 20 years as councillor for Lipson Ward.

He married Doris Walker in 1921. Mr. Treasure has been described as a good pioneer and citizen, with a great sense of humor, a friend to many, likeable, hospitable, humble but dignified and altogether a very exemplary character.

—"Port Lincoln Times," 5/2/70.

Two delightful solos were rendered with another challenge—"Nothing but Leaves" and "Give Them One Chance to Live."

The speaker, C. Flood, in his own inimitable fashion, brought into focus the total work of Home Missions in this State.—L. Watson, Asst. Sec.

RECOGNITION DINNER FOR C. H. DOW

(S.A.) The Dept. of Christian Education for S.A. arranged a Recognition Dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Dow to show their deep appreciation of their work over the past two years.

Members of the Dept. and Conference Executive members were the guests at the dinner held at Brooklyn Park which was catered for by the women of the Brooklyn Park church.

The dinner enabled brotherhood representatives to express verbally their sincere thanks and good wishes to Mr. Dow. A cheque was presented to Mr. Dow and a sheaf of flowers was sent to Mrs. Dow who is in hospital.

S.A. WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Mrs. Saunders presided over the March Conference meeting which was attended by 175 ladies including 142 delegates. The obituary observance was presented by Mrs. M. Williams.

The women's project in S.A. to bring an Asian delegate to World Convention in October now stands at \$339.

After routine business, the Home Mission Committee Rally was led by Mrs. Kruger.

R. R. Brand, newly-appointed minister to Tea Tree Gully-Windsor Gardens, focused attention on the challenging growth rate of development in this, and surrounding districts. He concluded with a devotional thought.

BALAKLAVA SERVES DISTRICT

(S.A., James Dow). The Northern Dist. Conf. at Whyalla elected Stan Shepherd as Conf. Pres. for 1970. Mr. Dow as Vice-Pres., and Rodger Baker as secretary. These men are all from Balaklava. . . . The C.M.F. combined with the Methodist M.F. to hear Len Beadall talk on his work in Central Australia as a surveyor. . . . The Women's World Day of Prayer was conducted in our chapel. . . . W.C.F. inspected the buildings at St. George's Rest Home, provided afternoon tea and presented groceries. . . . Mr. Dow has compiled a pre-Easter Family Devotion booklet for each home. . . . Mrs. Colin Shepherd and Bruce Clark are back in fellowship after hospitalisation.

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40 STUDY CONVENTION BOOK

(UNLEY, S.A., R. V. Holmes). Forty met on three Wednesday nights to study the World Convention Book's section on "The Good News — As Basis of our Fellowship." At following Sunday night service four representatives reported briefly and our minister spoke on "The Church — Family or Club."

Harvest Thanksgiving gifts were given to Christian Rest Home at St. Georges and Morialta Protestant Children's Home. . . Youth service on March 22 featured a thirty-minute film dealing with experiences of Thomas, the apostle. . . Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burns have celebrated their Diamond Wedding, with happy family reunions and many congratulatory messages. . . The church has welcomed Mrs. Edda Thomas and children on return from Dhond, India, also Mr. and Mrs. Williams and family from Windsor Gardens.

UP AT HARLAXTON

(Qld., Bruce Roberts). Best ever attended annual business meeting showed work in good heart with increased attendances on previous year. . . Over 100 young people share in the various weekly youth groups. Numbers have risen in the B.S. . . Smorgasbord tea and coloured slide competition (with 604 entries) aided manse fund. Champion slide was won by Les, Male. . . Recent speakers have been Des. Collins (Conf. Pres.) and Lyle Morris (Eidsvold).

AWAITING MINISTER

(ESSENDON, Vic.). The church is awaiting the ministry of C. S. Badcock at present serving as Army Chaplain. He is due to commence with us in July. . . Recent speakers have been S. Sewell, A. E. White, R. Barnes, W. A. Jenkins and C. Ware. . . Y.A.F. are holding inspiring meetings. Max Grant is president. . . Mr. and Mrs. Knez, from Mildura, have been welcomed. . . The cricket club has reached the final four. . . F. Summerton and Mrs. Harrison are in hospital.

THINGS TO COME

- SOUTH AUSTRALIA**
- APRIL -
3-5 Church Life Conference at Forestville.
10-11 "Sprung Club" Jumble Sale for project.
8-12 School of Evangelism at Victor Harbour.
20 Metropolitan Workshop for all S.S. teachers at Maughan Methodist Church.
25 Study Day conducted by "Sprung Club."
25 Planned Giving at Mt. Gambier with K. D. Horne.
- VICTORIA**
- APRIL -
5 D.C.E. N.W. Dist. Youth Programme
10 Impact.
13 Girls' Swim Sports—Richmond
14 D.C.E.-C.W.F. Educ. Programme.
17 Sthn Div. Youth Coffee Night.
24 D.C.E. East Dist. Youth Programme.
24-26 Enacted Couples' Camp.
26-30 Vic.-Tas. Conf.
- QUEENSLAND**
- APRIL -
11 Shindig at Kenmore Christian College.
16-19 State Conference.

WORLD CONVENTION ADELAIDE — 1970

OUTREACH TO NEW GUINEA

(ANN ST., BRISBANE, Qld., L. G. Armstrong). When one-third of active members attended annual general meeting the church has committed itself to support financially a native preacher in the New Guinea mission field. Members will contribute \$450 per annum. Missionary and field will be selected by the Overseas Missions Board. . . A new fellowship room to be known as "The Fanny Ratcliffe Memorial Room" will be erected at rear of chapel above social

PRAYER & PLANNING, N.S.W.

A group of ministers in churches under the direction of the N.S.W. Dept. of H.M. and Evang. met at Engadine church, on Feb. 12, for a Prayer and Planning Session. Present were the N.S.W. Director of H.M. and Evang., K. E. Crawford, G. J. Warne, D. Norling, C. Crago, N. Flint, R. Hawkins, R. B. Ewers, D. W. Smallbone, R. Smith, B. Reid, G. Towle, G. Poulton and B. H. White. Topics considered included "The Minister's Devotional Life," "Plans for 1970," "Shepherding Programme," and "Prayerful Planning for Progress."

GROUPS LEAD SERVICES

(CHADSTONE, Vic., B. J. Jenkins). The church programme gives each group in the church a chance to lead an evening service. . . Mr. Jenkins showed slides of his visit to the Expo '70 site at a service held on the weekend that Expo opened. . . Men of the church assisted us with our repainting programme. . . Inter-school Christian Fellowship groups have begun at Chadstone and Waverley High Schools with our minister as counsellor.

VISITORS SERVE HOBART

(Tas., L. G. Cooke and R. E. Pfeiffer). Among the Victorian visitors to the Tasmania District Conference were Mrs. Barnett, C.W.F. President, and Dr. K. R. Bowes. Dr. Bowes was preacher at Collins St. for both Sunday services and Mrs. Barnett spoke at Conference on Sunday afternoon and also informally at the manse on Wed. evening. . . Recent church life features were the Harvest Thanksgiving services and the church annual meeting. . . Three young people have been baptized. . . The church extends sympathy to Doreen Hardwick in the death of her mother.

HIRED CHAPEL

(ORANGE, N.S.W., R. N. Hawkins). After two years of meeting in the manse, the church has moved into a hired chapel. The church group who used it before have ceased their witness. It is in a good location, outside the main shopping centre, but on a main road. We have full use of it for a very nominal cost. . . The second anniversary meetings had C. Cole of our Social Service Dept. and his wife as guest speaker and soloist. The Aust. director of World Vision, G. Irvine, conducted a missionary week-end in Feb. The film, "Season of the Long Rains" had its Australian premiere here. . . A new youth club is encouraging. . . Mr. Hawkins is still being supported in part by the church at Tamworth.

hall, from a bequest of over \$4,600. . . Monthly family fellowship meetings cater for groups of all ages with suitable leaders. . . Board leaders are L. Vincent, chairman; R. H. Culbert, deputy chairman; L. J. Mainwaring, treasurer; and N. Watson, secretary. . . Mr. and Mrs. E. McIntosh celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith observed their silver wedding anniversary at a function in the church hall on March 14.

THRIFT PAYS

(QUEENSTOWN - SEMAPHORE, S.A., G. Setsman and J. Wise). The takings of the Thriftway Shop at Queenstown were \$968 over 29 weeks. . . The Queenstown church and S.S. services have been co-ordinated and are held from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. . . Pioneer camp was attended by our young men. . . An Easter cantata was presented by the Queenstown choir at combined service. The choir will take part in Semaphore's 60th anniversary. . . The church was saddened at the death of Mrs. D. H. Broadbent. . . Harvest Thanksgiving goods were given to our Rest Home and Morialta Children's Home. . . Rosina Jackson has commenced at Adelaide Bible Institute.

MT. DRUITT

(N.S.W.). The B.S. at Mt. Drutt, now in its fourth year, continues to make an impact in the district. A Sunday morning communion service is now held in a hired hall in Linden St. Mr. Gurney, of Woolwich Bible College, is student-pastor. This growing work is receiving support from the church at Doonside which, with the N.S.W. H.M. Dept., has been instrumental in fostering the advances already made.

MET THE GOVERNOR

(BENDIGO, Vic., Roland Pritchard). The Boys' Club leader, Ian Lacy with club members Gregory Donnellan, Michael Hanly, Wayne Buttner and Gregory Pollock were guests of the Governor at the Annual Garden Party at Government House. . . The annual meeting of the church elected G. Doolan as elder. The secretary is Mrs. C. F. Houston, and the treasurer is Ron Lacy. Alan Graham is assist. sec. . . The Girls' Club held its annual sports meeting at Eppalock on March 22, but heavy rains made sport impossible.

MISSIONARY SPEAKERS

(APPLECROSS, W.A., L. P. Austin). Two missionary speakers have stimulated the ladies in recent weeks: Mrs. Shirley Ludgater and Miss Marge Britza. Two parcels have been sent to Carnarvon. . . The recent Church Life Conference at Lefanu House made a strong impact. . . Elders elected at recent elections were P. Hughes and A. Cull. . . The church sadly farewelled Miles and Beite Green and family to Canada, and welcomed Miss Kaye Kempton from Maylands who has taken the leadership of the basketball. Five teams have entered the winter competitions. . . S.S. picnic was held at Mosmans. . . The Y.P. have taken a close look at the structure of their group and are planning to make it more effective.

WHITE PAPERS ON LIFE AND FAITH

MORATORIUM A moratorium is an act or decree authorising a delay in payment of a debt or an obligation. It is not quite clear why the word was chosen for the May 8-10 demonstration against Australian involvement in the Vietnam war. In some ways, the holding of such a demonstration on such a large scale (the organisers hope it will be large!) is a bit puzzling. It is fairly obvious that the U.S. and Australia would both like to opt out of Vietnam and will take the first opportunity to do so.

If people wish to demonstrate that is their right, but the call by Dr. Jim Cairns for general stop-work and stop-study by workers and students seems irresponsible. It is not hard to imagine how Dr. Cairns would react if the Prime Minister requested commerce, industry, and the schools to close for one day to demonstrate our solidarity with the U.S. in the sad Vietnam business.

The action by the Moratorium Committee could create a climate in which violence could easily occur. If the demonstrators interfere with the rights of other citizens and the police acted to protect those citizens, or if the police protected the demonstrators against the others, resentment could easily spill over into violence. Dr. Cairns and the organisers sincerely deplore violence but their genuine desire for a peaceful demonstration will not absolve them from responsibility if their words and actions provoke violence.

And is not this provocative? A statement was drawn up by the Vietnam Moratorium Committee, and sponsors were invited to sign it. The Sponsors' Statement included the following section, "We further request, in agreement with the aims of this campaign, that all actions taken be of a peaceful, non-violent nature." Many copies were distributed and signed before February 2, 1970, when a further meeting of the Victorian Campaign Committee passed a resolution to delete the passage in question. Why was this done?

As no satisfactory answer was forthcoming, the Inter-Church Committee on Peace withdrew from the Moratorium the support it had previously pledged. The Victorian Trades Hall Council has also decided not to support the Moratorium. It is hard to escape the view that moderating influences have been provoked into withdrawal. If so, we may well ask who will be led by Dr. Cairns on May 9.

GOOD GRIEF! Dr. J. Sidlow Baxter writing of the millenium: "There shall be a racial dictatorship of absolute righteousness, administered everywhere by devoutly godly officers of the Crown of Crowns; a Christ-dispensed distribution in which the meek shall inherit the earth. . . with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked." (Isa. 11: 4). When graft and fraud and crime receive such immediate death-sentence, they will at last disappear." ("The Strategic Gospel of the Bible").



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NEW CONSTITUTION

(OAKLEIGH, Vic., T. V. Weir). A new constitution adopted at the annual business meeting replaces the now inadequate provisions of the original Standing Orders. This will allow greater efficiency in church business and activities. Appreciation was expressed to Mrs. Merla Herdman who resigned after many years of excellent work as Supt. of the Kindergarten. Also to S. Lunn, who has resigned after 13 years' service with the school . . . Adrian Dean has been appointed B.S. Supt. Ken Masterston has been appointed as elder. Mrs. M. Gilbert, Mrs. D. Nash and Mrs. V. Ponter are deaconesses . . . The cricket team, after reaching the semi-finals, was defeated by four runs.

TO ASSIST NEW CAUSE

(PARKDALE, Vic., B. Crowden). Church officers and leaders have co-ordinated special activities planned for this year . . . The church will assist the new cause being established in Corrigan Road, sponsored by Springvale church, to the extent of \$10 per week . . . The Women's World Day of Prayer was held in our chapel. The address was given by Mrs. V. Morrison . . . The church is involved in plans for an Inter-Church Council for the Mordialloc area.

A. W. C. CANDY TO RETIRE

(RESERVOIR, Vic.). The church has reluctantly received the resignation of the present minister, Claude Candy, to take effect from the end of November. This will bring to a close a most productive ministry of four years. The announcement has also been made of his retiring from the full-time ministry as from that date . . . A dedication service for elders, deacons and deaconesses was conducted on March 15. New elders are R. Ellis and K. Wookey . . . After almost 18 years of membership and faithful service, Mr. and Mrs. T. Clift and Terry have transferred to Berwick. Suitable presentations were made on March 15 . . . A foundation member, Mrs. Welsford, has been transferred from the Royal Melbourne Hospital to Greenvale for extensive therapy treatment. The amputation of her leg had been necessary . . . The bi-monthly Youth Gospel Service is followed by the "Coffee Den." Everything is arranged by the young people.

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YOUTH DIRECTOR

(NORTH BALWYN, Vic., A. R. Pigion). The church has unanimously endorsed the appointment of C.O.B. student, George Warren, as Youth Director for 1970 . . . Assisted by a small team of Youth Counsellors, George, together with his wife, has already met with the young people at an after-church Coffee Hour Fellowship, and plans for the year are being developed.

YOUTH CLUB ADVANCE

(HARCOURT, Vic., John Byrnes). Our youth club has 26 members, a gain of five new members in 12 months . . . The Christian Endeavour has now been formed with a keen interest and good attendances . . . Added interest is being taken in the C.W.F. with new syllabus. . . . All officers were re-elected in their former positions.

TRASH 'N' TREASURE

(NTH. WILLIAMSTOWN, Vic., K. H. Pitt). A "Trash 'n' Treasure" stall run by the C.W.F. raised \$101.00. Other C.W.F. features were an illustrated talk on France by Mrs. G. Hickman and a tour of the Botanical Gardens with Mrs.

W.C.C. ON VIETNAM

As six months have passed and no discernible progress in the Paris official conversations has emerged, nor has the danger of a possible re-escalation disappeared, the Executive Committee of the W.C.C. addresses the following appeals to all the parties involved:

1. We welcome and support the appeal of the U.N. Secretary-General for "the emergence of a broad-based national government in Saigon that has the confidence and allegiance of most factions in South Vietnam" and commend it to all the parties concerned.
2. We also urge that accelerated steps be taken which will create conditions that would lay the foundations of peace by and for the Vietnamese in their country. Such steps as a minimum, should include, a determined stand against the re-escalation of the military activities and against acts that could lead to it, and against any actions that might spread or widen war activities in adjacent countries (such as is the case presently in Laos).

SPECIFIC APPEALS TO THE DIFFERENT PARTIES

Besides the general appeals we also

Morris, of Gardiner, as guide . . . The minister has accepted the unanimous invitation of the church to continue his ministry for a further two years from the beginning of 1971 . . . C.Y.F. "Silence and Faith" night looked at some of the seemingly contradictory aspects of science and Christianity. The film "The Prior Claim" was screened . . . L. C. Withers, chairman of the Dept. of H.M. & Evang., was speaker at C.M.S. . . . The sympathy of the church is offered to Mrs. Dorgan in the death of her mother, Mrs. Sutton.

DIAMOND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart, of Boronia, celebrate their Diamond Wedding on March 24. Mr. Stewart was in the ministry for 36 years and since his retirement has served in several part-time and interim ministries.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart are both 83 years of age and are in membership with the church at Boronia, Vic. Some of the churches they have served include Dover, Tas.; Shepparton, Parkdale, Footscray, Geelong, Thornbury, and Emerald; all of Vic. Mr. Stewart was also a song leader with E. C. Hinrichsen the evangelist.

address the following specific appeals to the four parties involved:

1. To the U.S.A. To refrain from methods of warfare which by long-term damage to the soil and vegetation further endanger the life of human beings, and from destruction of villages and "search and destroy" missions.
2. To South Vietnam. To provide immediately for fuller political and religious freedom and ensure that prisoners are treated with due regard to internationally established standards.
3. To the Provisional Revolutionary Government. To refrain from acts of reprisal and bombings against the civilian population.
4. To the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. To release lists of U.S. and allied prisoners and show to the satisfaction of world conscience that it acts towards them in accordance with international standards of humanitarian law.

The Executive Committee of the World Council of Churches also appeals to all peoples to exert their influence on their governments to seek, in all possible ways, peace in Vietnam."—A.C.C.

N.S.W.

RADIO MINISTRY

(N.S.W.). Churches of Christ in N.S.W. through the courtesy of the N.S.W. Council of Churches, continues to conduct an effective radio session over Sydney station 2CH every Sunday evening, at 5.45 p.m.

The convener for several years has been Dr. A. G. Elliott and in recent months those who have shared in the session have been Bruce Armstrong, Graeme Chapman, David Surtees, Dennis Nutt, Graham Warne, Ray Ewers, Franklin Elliott, Roy Dixon and Brian White. Many contacts have been made and help given to listeners not only in N.S.W. but also as far afield as Victoria and Queensland where the A.W.A. Network is received.

ALL-AGE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(N.S.W.). On March 1, the church at Telopea, N.S.W., led by the minister, Brian White, Dip.R.E., began an All-Age Christian Education and Family Worship programme. Commencing each Sunday morning at 9.30 a.m., this programme provides for the spiritual growth of the whole family, including a Crèche at one end of the scale and a Senior Citizens' Group at the other end. The session concludes with the communion service and the folk are out of church by approximately 11.15 a.m. Group leaders and teachers meet regularly each Wednesday evening to prepare for the Sunday programme.

A. G. LEANE AT CARINGBAH

(N.S.W.). A. G. Leane was inducted by Dr. A. G. Elliott. Greetings were brought by various representatives, including State Conference and local and brotherhood fraternal. Manse improvements comprised the addition of a study, further bedroom and enlarged kitchen. The entire work was carried out by tradesmen within the congregation . . . Attendance at mid-week prayer and Bible Study meetings has increased to 45 . . . In four weeks we have witnessed 15 primary decisions, two rededications and six baptisms.

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N.S.W. 85th Conference

(N.S.W.). As a new departure, the N.S.W. Conference Executive has planned the annual Conference this year for the month of May. In addition, much attention has been given to streamlining the actual meetings in order to highlight the more vital and major issues involving brotherhood activities.

Synopsis of Conference meetings:

NELSON BAY

(N.S.W.). The new work at Nelson Bay received many holiday visitors. R. J. Anderson and John McCosker, of Mayfield, have given appreciated assistance in preaching. Each Sunday evening gospel film sessions are presented and the influence of the meetings is already extending well beyond the confines of Halifax Park holiday centre. Mr. Reeson continues to lead in this growing field.

MISSION POSTPONED

(DAPTO, N.S.W., J. Baek). The mission planned for this year has been put off due to the unavailability of speakers. Anniversary guest preacher was Keith Farmer from Canley Heights. Mr. Baek has accepted an extension of ministry to the end of 1971 . . . A training session in evangelism was conducted by Kevin Crawford and Malcolm McArthur on March 6, 7 and 8. 16 members shared the course and eight folk visited 90 homes in the Dapto district. The weekend was climaxed with over 70 sharing in the Youth Night Gospel Service . . . 10.30 a.m. Sunday worship is proving popular with members and we would remind intending visitors of this new time . . . The board is releasing Mr. Baek to conduct a four-day mission at the church at Whyalla, S.A. after the World Convention . . . Lorraine Inglis was unable to continue as Captain of the Girls' Brigade and is succeeded by Leslie De Vries . . . A new Bible Studies group has been started in the Koonawarra Housing Commission development. Known as a "Seekers" group, it will consist of interested non-Christian folk in that area. The group will be led by the minister, Jay Baek.

Saturday, May 16, Youth Rally; Sunday, May 17, Youth Conference; Thursday, May 21, Christian Women's Fellowship State Conference. Evening, Opening Business Session; Friday, May 22, Evening Rally; Saturday, May 23, All-day Business Session. Evening Rally; Sunday, May 24, Brotherhood Witness Service (Sydney Town Hall).

AUBURN CRUSADE

(N.S.W.). During the week of February 22 to March 1 the church at Auburn was stirred by the splendid contribution toward the outreach in the local district of the talented team known as the "Gospel Heirs," led by well-known singer, Fred Grace. Allan Rae is minister.

VISIT FROM H.M. DIRECTOR

(ASQUITH, N.S.W., D. Krause). K. E. Crawford, H.M. Director, was speaker on Feb. 8 and gave information of the growth of newly-established churches in N.S.W. . . . A teacher, pupil, and parent evening marked the commencement of the S.S. year . . . The young people conducted the evening service on Feb. 22. The film, "Prescription for Doc," was screened . . . The young adults have commenced a Sunday night after-church Bible study.

K. LUDGATER AT WOOLWICH

(N.S.W.). Keith Ludgater, of Londua in the New Hebrides, gave an informative lecture at Woolwich College on the general development of missions in the islands and also spoke of the growing opportunities in the fields of language and translation.

WATCH IT! (Answer to puzzle on page 19).

There are plenty of clues. I sat on Tallow's left. Dough sat opposite Tallow. Therefore, Bones sat opposite me on Tallow's right. But we are told that Bones sat on the butcher's right. Therefore Tallow is the butcher. Dough is not the baker, so the baker is Bones. Therefore, Dough makes candlesticks.

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First published in 1964, this story about a witchdoctor of the Amazon who became a missionary to the jungle reads like a novel. It tells from within the way in which faith came to Elka and his people in the jungles of British Guiana. How Christ was able to transform the lives of these primitive folk is one of the best stories of missionary adventures.

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"The Easter bunny brought me a present, too—
300 people I haven't seen since LAST Easter!"

TASMANIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Tasmania District Conference was held March 14-15. Host church was Collins St., Hobart whose members are to be complimented on the way they provided for Conference gatherings. Members attended from most of the churches on the island. Visitors from the mainland included Dr. K. R. Bowes from the College of the Bible, D. H. Smith, secretary of Dept. of H.M. & Evang. W. W. Saunders, Vic-Tas. Conf. Sec., and Mrs. M. Barnett, President-elect of Women's Conference.

Proposals for the re-structuring of Conference were presented and passed. 1. The Tas. District Conference to be structured more as a Convention with Conference time limited to appointments, elections and essential business.

Open Day at Woolwich

"Open Day" at the Bible College at Woolwich was held on March 14, with an overflow gathering, largely representative of the churches and youth groups in the Sydney metropolitan area.

In a brief outdoor service led by Dr. A. G. Elliott, greetings were presented by the N.S.W. Conference President, John Morris, the State C.W.F. President, Mrs. D. Beckingham, and the Chairman of the College Board, G. H. Sloman. Greetings and good wishes were also read from Gordon Stringer, of the College of the Bible, Glen Iris, Vic., and Dr. James Jauncey, of Kenmore Christian College, Qld. David Forrest, the Student President, read the scriptures, and Mr. Sloman conducted a short session of "Dedication" in which Dr. Elliott was committed to the Lord in prayer in his new task as Principal of the College.

In addition, Mr. Sloman inaugurated an Australia-wide appeal on behalf of the College Board designed to raise the sum of \$20,000 towards a new building block to be erected in the College grounds for the accommodation of married students, to be named after A. W.

This took effect at the 1970 Conference. Less time was given to business. The Saturday afternoon "question and answer" session and the evening "sit-in" were appreciated features. 2. Quarterly meetings are to be held of Executive, Committee representatives, ministers of churches, and delegates from all churches to promote the total work.

Sincere regret was expressed that the President-Elect, C. Neville, found it necessary to resign owing to recurring illness. The prayers of the churches are with him and his family at this time.

Office-bearers for 1970 are: President, C. J. Heier; President-elect, L. Boxhall; Secretary, W. Fleit; Treasurer, S. C. Burtt, representatives on Vic-Tas. Committee, L. Read and L. Moore.

Stephenson, in recognition of his services to the Australian brotherhood and to the churches in N.S.W. over many years.

Afternoon tea was provided by the College Ladies' Committee led by Mrs. R. Single, after which there was opportunity for a general inspection of the College properties. Coloured slides of past and current college life, together with a missionary exhibition in the Lecture Rooms and a historical display in the Library relating to the early days of the Restoration Movement in Australia proved extremely interesting and attractive.

CRICKETING PREACHERS

(N.S.W.). On March 9 the members of the N.S.W. Ministers' Fraternal met at Bexley Oval to play the annual cricket match against the students of Woolwich College. The Fraternal batted first and managed to make 103 and after an indifferent start the College team soon overtook this total, Ken Bond top-scoring with a solid 51 not out.

ENDURANCE TEST

(DEVONPORT, Tas., E. W. Taylor). On March 8, B.B. Sections 2 and 3 paraded. B.B. Section 1 held camp at Clayton while a number of boys from the older group climbed Mt. Roland as an endurance test for badge. . . The church annual meeting was held on March 11. . . Church extends sympathy to Keith Hardwick on the death of his mother, and also to Mrs. C. Lee in the death of her father. . . Two W.E.C. girl students are helping with youth work this year. Miss Jan Parsons, of Ghana, gave an illustrated talk on mission work. . . The Boys' Brigade entered a decorated float for the Dahlia Festival Parade. . . A 'family picnic' was held on March 2 at Picnic Point, Ulverstone.

MINISTERS' PICNIC

(N.S.W.). The annual outing organised by the N.S.W. Ministers' Fraternal and their wives and families was held at Lane Cove National Park, Feb. 23. The Fraternal President, Roy Dixon, welcomed new ministers and their wives as they came to share in the work in the State.

NTH. SYDNEY MISSION

(N.S.W., Noel Flint). Gems for Joy Mission was a great blessing, there were 12 re-dedications and two commitments to Christ. B.S. youth work and evening services have shown increases. . . The church is reaping a harvest among young people who come from all walks of life. . . A new venture of fellowship and Bible Study is held on Thursdays. After a hot meal, a Bible study on Revelation is conducted by Dennis Foletta and then devotions by Noel Flint. . . Two members have recently given \$1,000 each to the manse fund. Mr. and Mrs. Flint have been seminar leaders for the Lay Institute for Evangelism. . . Our brethren have been in demand as speakers at other churches, I.S.C.F.'s, etc.

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OVERSEAS MISSIONS

Adult Literacy

By ROSALIE ROFE, New Guinea

It is a moonlight night—the moon shining silver on the coconut palms. The village houses are dark silent shadows and there is an atmosphere of quietness and peace. As the missionary watches, smiling in the beauty and solitude, another shadows detach themselves from the houses—they make their way to the house where the missionaries are staying. Their grotesque shapes suggesting that they are carrying something. Here and there is a red glow. As so often happens in New Guinea it is impossible to remain outside for too long—the mosquitoes tend to destroy any peace. The missionary leaves the beauty and peace of the night to the mosquitoes and goes inside.

Almost the entire village has gathered and the slight of many small children (some already asleep), pots of food, bedding, large supplies of betel nut and tobacco and glowing pieces of firewood indicate that they have come to stay for a considerable time. The missionaries' hearts sink slightly—haven't they spent the whole day either walking or sitting in an uncomfortable dug-out canoe visiting another village? Aren't they due for a rest? Aren't their eyes already heavy?

The old Lulual (headman) seats himself in a good position to hear all that is said so he can interpret what is said by both sides. Then the talking begins. "Give us some food from God's Word." One missionary tells them of God's love and begins to explain the way of salvation—she finishes, the old man repeats it in their language. After a bit of discussion and a few questions someone says, "We understand now, tell us more." So the other missionary continues the story of God's love for man and so it goes on. The children all sleep, the betel nut and tobacco supplies dwindle but still the talking goes on, each person intently listening to what God has to say. After five hours, most eyes begin to droop and it is decided rather regretfully to break up the meeting.

Seeing this, Aileen Draney and I realised afresh the urgent need there is for literacy. The people in this village produced a New Testament, obviously well

handed and, from their questions, well read. The Holy Spirit is their real teacher as he is the one who produces the fruit, and no one else has been there to help them. They realise that they are very much lacking in the basic tool of reading with comprehension and long to have someone to help them understand more fully God's way.

In some 40 villages along the Keram we discussed the possibility of their sending some men to Asau to begin some training in teaching so that they could go back to their villages and teach, both adults and children, in Pidgin. At that time we were given some 20 names and other villages said they wanted to talk it over more first, before suggesting a name. Since returning from the patrol other names have been added to the list. These men have been chosen by the villages who will support them and are coming without any promise of remuneration in any way since we have no money available. We have told them that we can give them the knowledge but they must be willing to accept the responsibility of supporting these men with food, whilst they are at school and then later when they are teaching.

The Asau people have said that they will build a large house to house these men and have made land available for gardens. The course is due to begin in March and for the initial course numbers will be limited to 12, because of responsibilities involved in conducting a normal English school as well as usual station work. It is hard to know whom to choose from all the names that have been submitted so that we will be able to reach into some of these relatively untouched areas.

Besides learning how to teach, every possible opportunity will be taken to give the Word of God to these men who can, in turn, take it back to their villages.

We are looking to you for prayer support in this venture, and also for any practical assistance you may be able to give. Some finance will inevitably be involved and later on some assistance will probably be needed to clothe these men and their families.

JAY'S COLUMN IS FOR Juniors

WATCH IT!

THE four of us had a square-table conference—I, the butcher, the baker, and the candlestick-maker. I sat on Tallow's left; Bones sat on the butcher's right. Dough, who sat opposite Tallow, is not the baker. Who makes candlesticks? (Answer on page 17).

HOWLERS

"CANNIBAL is two brothers who killed each other in the Bible."

WIFE: Just think, dear, it's 47 years ago today that we became engaged.

Professor: Is it? Then it's high time we got married.

MY NEIGHBOUR

THE gentleman who lives next door Comes in to visit me. And weighty questions we discuss The while we drink our tea.

"What makes fleas go bothering dogs?"
"Don't cats have funny eyes?"
"Are all the birds aware that oxen are very wise?"

"Do slaters curl themselves up tight
So they can warm their feet?"
"What makes the onions smell so queer
And roses smell so sweet?"

"Which do you think you'd rather be,
A toad frog or a sheep?"
"Do little fish close both their eyes
When they go off to sleep?"

The gentleman who lives next door,
Although he's only three,
Dislikes my vast ignorance
Each time he visits me.
—Signora Laune.

JUNIOR COMPETITION

IN the next issue we shall announce a prize competition for some of Jay's Juniors. The first competition will be open to boys and girls between 10 and 12 years. A book annual will be awarded to one boy or girl in each State. Be ready!

BIBLE CHARACTER ALPHABET

- A was a monarch who reigned in the east. (Esther 1).
- B was a Chaldee who made a great feast. (Daniel 5).
- C was truthful when others told lies. (Numbers 13).
- D was a woman heretic and wise. (Judges 4).
- E was a refuge where David spared Saul. (1 Sam. 24).
- F was a Roman, accuser of Paul. (Acts 26).

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If I should lose my sight and never see again,
I'd always hold two things within my memory —
Gulls poised in silvery flight above a cobalt sea,
And clumps of yellow aspens quivering in the rain.

—Helen M. Lehman.



Want of care does more damage than want of knowledge.



There is only one way of seeing things rightly and that is seeing the whole of them.—Ruskin.

"When two elephants fight, it is the grass which suffers."
—African proverb applied to Vietnam.

"I once made a movie. I won't say how bad it was, but six countries use it in place of capital punishment."

—Ex-producer.



There are three kinds of people: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who have no idea what has happened.



A man took his nephew duck-shooting. "Now, just watch your uncle bag one of those birds," he bragged, as he raised his shotgun. The shot missed.

"Lad," said the uncle as he gazed wonderingly after the retreating birds, "you're seeing a miracle. There flies a dead duck."

Ignorance is responsible for interesting arguments.



When you say, "Things aren't what they used to be," don't forget to include yourself.



Habits are either bolts or stickers, cork or lead. They hold you up or keep you down.



What's that badge on your arm mean?" asked the girl at the air pugnant.

"I'm a parachutist."

"What's that?"

"A bloke who climbs down trees he never climbed up."

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