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(Vic.)



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(Vic.)



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B. Reid
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(Vic.)



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(S.A.)



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D. G. Willis
(Old)



A. B. Withers
(Vic.)

CARINGBAH SCORES AN ACE

By ENID TITTERTON

THE Caringbah church is warm and friendly, some of the most consecrated and hardworking people are among our number, and we have varied fingers in the brotherhood pie. The services are well-planned and inspirational. Yet with the rest of our brotherhood, we are still troubled.

What has happened to our outreach? How much are we growing? What positive steps are we taking to present Christ to our communities? Is there anything we, as churches, can do?

An All-age Christian Education programme is at least a part solution. By this means the Church is geared into action, engaging every age group in fellowship, Bible study and open discussion. It provides an excellent venue for friends, neighbours and other contacts weary of the more formal church worship services.

Excited by the vision of what A.C.E. can do for a dawdling church, and fresh from Naracoorte, S.A., it wasn't surprising that A. G. Leane in his first year of ministry at Caringbah recommended to the church that it investigate such a programme, an important factor being that we had the offer to purchase an attractive and roomy cottage immediately opposite the church. The church resolved to purchase the cottage, and a Temple Day appeal to assist in its finance yielded a heart-warming \$4,092. In March, 1971, the deeds of the property were handed over and the church became legal owners of No. 2 Jacaranda Road—now affectionately dubbed "Jacaranda House."

Interest was keen, and the church rallied enthusiastically to a half-night of prayer, also a "family conference" at Stanwell Tops. We were ready for action!

Just two months later we were set well and truly back on our knees, our new spate of "get up and go" effectively nipped in the bud. The local council had refused us permission to use the cottage! Our very own house of dreams! Was it then destined



to be a \$26,000 mistake? I don't know, but I'm sure to run ahead of you? Make up your mind for you, I'm sure, impulsive, too sure of ourselves? It was suddenly so obvious, all without him we could do absolutely nothing.

With spirits humbled and dependent we prayed for him to show his will and place his hand upon the Council. Some six weeks later we were granted the use of our house for 12 months. Not satisfied and believing "if God be for us, who can be against us?" we appealed again. And on Aug. 31 we received approval for a three-year term. Three years. Long enough for us to dig in and get things well going, and short enough to remind us that faith is a prerequisite for blessing.

On Sept. 19, forty folk assembled and six groups were formed for the first session in Jacaranda House. A.C.E. was "off the ground," and we were a happy family, from the times in the supervised nursery to "Pop," just 80-year-old. Pop loved by all, is a young Christian, physically blind, with a deep hunger for the Word. A.C.E. is going to satisfy it.

Already a strengthening bond is evident among A.C.E. members and new arrivals quickly respond to the friendly informality, both in discussion groups and afterwards over a "cuppa." A special joy is the participation of our teenage lads.

The church of tomorrow will largely depend on the extent of communication with young people by the church today.

So we have caught the vision, and a step of faith has been taken. Ahead, Christ is leading, and the way to new life for Caringbah has, we believe opened.—E.T.

NEW HOME FOR ABORIGINES' MISSIONS

A tremendous ministry has grown for travellers in transit, casual arrivals and missionary holidays. Many of our Aboriginal people are catered for in this way. From January to June under the Butler succession, the Conroy Street flat has only been idle on fourteen nights. This new flat is most versatile in the way rooms can be used either in conjunction with the residence or the flat.

The brick and tile building only sixteen years old, was passed by architect, builder and Housing Commission authority as good construction, in sound condition and excellent value. The block is small, requiring minimum upkeep yet room for the brick built family barbecue and extra length garage. A \$2,000 reticulation system serves both front and rear lawns. Replacement of a sleepout with two brick rooms now building, will provide office, study and bedroom.

The Board gave careful consideration to seven other Mission developments pending, but each of these is being, or can be, cared for financially through other channels. It was therefore concluded that the decision should be made to secure this home as the Board's permanent home base. This is being achieved without requiring mortgage interest costs and is of course, saving previously needed monthly rental.

A plaque is being affixed in memory of the late Mrs. L. M. Dickson whose bequest substantially made possible the purchase. The Board's new address is: 26 Marradong Street, Mt. Lawley, W.A., 6050. Phone 24-3672.—A. M. Bell, Chairman.



IMMEDIATELY following the July meeting of the Federal Aborigines' Mission Board, word came through of the finalising of a substantial bequest from the estate of the late Mrs. L. M. Dickson, of N.S.W. This, with two smaller bequests, will contribute in due course nearly \$30,000. The question arose whether now was the time for the Board to establish its own permanent home for its secretary and administration quarters.

An eminently suitable property came under notice in Marradong St., Mt. Lawley. A good neighbourhood, close to a shopping centre, and within reasonably short distance of the city, interstate rail terminal and airport. An important feature was the inclusion of a completely self-contained granny flat. Through the unselfish and committed service of David and Doris Ham-

FAMINE IN SHRIGONDA

By R. P. VEAL, India

Most of the world knows that India is presently confronted with the largest influx of refugees that history has ever known. Millions of people have flooded into the states of West Bengal, Meghalaya, Assam and Tripura, bringing a trail of misery, privation and hunger in their wake.

Many are aware that there is also a state of calamity in Bihar as a result of the floods in 13 of 17 districts. The Railway Minister who surveyed the area by air reports that the scene was most frightening. "I have never seen such floods in my life. Rolling masses of floodwaters were stretching to the horizon."

But perhaps not so many are aware that in our own Mission area there is terror, fear and grief in the eyes of thousands of people who are presently facing drought conditions, which are described in today's papers as "unprecedented in 100 years." To the people in the Shrigonda area drought conditions are very familiar—perhaps such

conditions may be regarded as normal—but nothing so far can compare with the situation as it is here now. Last year the crops almost failed. I say "almost" because some farmers did reap a bag or two of grain. But in this year there have been no rains at all up to the time of writing. And there have been no crops planted. We are now half way through August, and no sign of rain. While it is still not too late for rains to come, there is every reason for concern for the next six months. Rains now would assure some crop in five months' time, but until harvest the situation will worsen considerably.

In Shrigonda village most wells have already dried up. Of all the drinking bores that were drilled in March, only a few are still holding water. Practically all of Shrigonda's drinking water is being brought into Shrigonda by tanker from six miles away. The Government is doing all it can, and considerable assistance is being re-

ceived from various agencies, but the immensity of the problem concerns us greatly. We do have a Food-for-Work programme operating at present which is benefiting over 6,000 people. Every effort is being made to expand this programme at least temporarily, to cover the critical period ahead. Despite our best efforts, however, our contribution will be very limited.

Compared to the refugee problem in West Bengal, and the floods in Bihar our problem here is small. But we are close to the situation and we feel it keenly. Daily almost, delegations of people come to plead their case and request to be taken on some Food-for-Work project. It is extremely hard to turn them away. Yet on the other hand, having reached the limit of our resources, it is equally hard to say yes to their requests. When Jesus asked Philip about bread for the 5,000, Philip had a peep in his purse and said, "We have only 200 pence. Not enough to give them a crumb each."

Like Philip, I find myself looking at the 2,000 bags of grain in our stores—supplied by C.A.S.A.—and wonder how far it will go amongst so many thousands of hungry people. Surely it will take another miracle to give bread to the hungry multitudes in this area.

In these days I am reminded of that time when Elijah locked up the windows of heaven and walked away with the keys in his pocket. Of how "he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit." Even tonight as I write these words I can hear—above the noise of the wind which has blown daily for three months—the sound of drums and the wailing of people in the village as they call upon gods that cannot hear, and pour water on stones that cannot feel. Could it be, I wonder, that the Lord will use this critical situation to turn the attention of some at least, to the one true and living God—the God of Elijah—the God who hears and answers prayers.

This is not being written as a Macedonian call for help. It is a brief word meant to inform. It is a request to our Australian brotherhood to pray for the situation here in "OUR INDIA." It is a prayer that this critical time will be used to turn men to know Him, whom to know is life indeed.

P.S. While all the wells in Shrigonda town are dry, all three wells on the Mission compound have good water; our bore has good water, and we are still irrigating our small crops! But we know why this is!

Common Market in Pulpit

(LONDON). British church leaders have joined in discussion over Britain's entry into the European Common Market. Although the issue is primarily one of politics and economics, church leaders agree that the future of the European Economic Community is of great concern to Christians. Many ministers are expressing support for membership in sermons and church periodicals.

In "the great debate", bishops and clergy are among the leading pro-Marketeers although the British Labour Party at its recent annual conference voted five to one against Britain's entry.

The Bishop of Guildford, Dr. George Reindorp, said in his October diocesan letter, "As a Christian, I want to cement more closely the bonds of culture, the treasures of literature, the realms of music, all the common aspirations which make Europe and ourselves natural partners and span the minor differences of language and custom."

Other outspoken pro-Marketeers include the Bishop of Southwark, Dr. Mervyn Stockwood. One of the most ardent advocates of British membership, he wrote in his diocesan letter of the need for a united European "family" to avoid a repetition of past conflicts. "The fact is Britain cannot exist by itself. Britain is part of Europe and its people are Europeans. And it is as Europeans that we must consider the future . . ."

Among the two Anglican archbishops and 24 diocesan bishops in the House of Lords, support is likely to be almost unanimous when the Lords' vote is taken. Roman Catholic and Free Church pronouncements on the issue have also emphasised the contribution which Britain could make to European stability and aid for developing countries. Both themes have been stressed by the British Council of Churches. The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have written in their diocesan letters of Europe's obligations to a "desperately needy world."—E.P.S.

RING THE BELLS!

By Lloyd Cooke

H. E. Luccock records that during the second war the church bells were reserved to be used as a warning of invasion. "Church Bells" (he says) "should always warn of invasion!"

Did you hear that tiny tinkle—like—a bell?
That was my church speaking its message amidst
The screaming urgencies of revolution and change!
A cracked piece of plaster falls in the chapel—
Not from the booming of the bells—but a noisy
Jack-hammer that shudders the surroundings, and
Raps home its message of progress.
The congregation stands to sing "Blest be the tie
That binds,"—and a "hot-rod" shoots through
The yellow light to go—nowhere—quickly!—But
Emphasises its going with unmuffled exhaust pipe!

The mass media tells of drama far and near—,
Of ransom bid, explosion loud—of earthquake, flood and
Fire. But—as a gesture to the Man who turned an
Ancient world to face about—, the Rev. X reports
There'll be a fete to help the parish fund!!
Ring! Ring the bells! The forces of the Eternal are
Arrayed for the inevitable invasion! Invasion of the
Unsuspecting world in judgment!—or maybe—to bring
Renewal into the Pig Pen of the Prodigal.
For invasion must come—in part, to relieve
The tattered garrison of a besieged church—and
Re-equip her for her mission.

WORDS TO TREASURE

The man in the pulpit wants to speak so as to be understood by all; only to find that he is separated from them by a barrier which he seems comparatively helpless to surmount. More helpless, I am afraid, than he thinks. Certainly no headway can be made by resorting at last to the historic faith of the Christian Church. If only we had never wandered so far away from it, everything would be all right. But of all tongues else that tongue is now most foreign. Neither does the secret lie in using the language of the man in the street. Too often his language is the wrong language. Nor in addressing him where he is. Too often he is in the wrong place. It is simply not true that all a preacher needs is to find out what people want, or think they must have, and give it to them. . . . Young and old ask their questions, and as week follows week the sermon tries to get together an answer. But what are the questions? "How can I find a little peace?" they would like to know in the midst of turmoil.

FAITH IS NO PRESCRIPTION

By PAUL SCHERER

in "The Word God Sent."

When they lose their money, or a job, or somebody they love, it's "Where then should I turn?" Does it make any sense to advise such bewildered folk, in one way or another, to have faith in God? If we could hold on to any distinction at all between the religious and the secular, would it be fair to say that as a rule what they are looking for is a religious answer to a secular question? And there are no such answers. Whatever correlation may be possible has to take place at profounder levels. In the New Testament peace is relevant not so much to secular as to religious anxiety. If there is no trace of that to begin with, down where the ultimate questions are asked and the ultimate answers are given, then the only thing possible for anybody is the counter-fell of peace which is sentimentally, a kind of "premature sanctification," as a friend of mine has called it, the illusion of security. As for faith in God, that is always a priority and a preventive, never a prescription!

MY NEIGHBOUR'S PEN



DID HE RISE?
Many years ago, Sir Edward Clarke, K.C., wrote, "As a lawyer I have made a prolonged study of the evidences for the events of the first Easter Day. To me, the evidence is conclusive, and over and over again in the High Court, I have secured the verdict on evidence not nearly so compelling. Inference follows upon evidence and a truthful witness is always artless and disdains effect. The Gospel evidence for the resurrection is of this class, and as a lawyer, I accept it unreservedly as the testimony of truthful men to facts they were able to authenticate."
—Victor Maddick in "Scono."

UNUSED RESOURCES

If we are to be witnesses to the Unity of Word and Action, we must cross some of the frontiers of our own inhibitions, inadequacies and failures. As Christian congregations, large or small, we lack the serious purpose of consultation for concerted action. In spite of a considerable amount of activity, how rarely is it possible for us to find time for group discussion in which we can relate the problems of daily living to the insights of the Word of God—the Bible. Life today is highly specialised. We need experts in every field. We have some of those experts in our own churches. Are we taking advantage of their knowledge, are they willing to make it available? Isn't it true that the men of our churches are becoming less and less committed to the Christian community? Can we legitimately claim that we are making a positive planned Christian impact on our work environment? Or are we simply being as "decent" as the next man in a difficult and mentally exhausting work situation?
—K. C. Burdett in "Christian Advocate."

MASS MEDIA

In view of the wide sweep of today's media throughout the whole population, it would be disastrous if the church either neglected or underestimated their effects. . . . we have seen that the church has failed to take the Mass Media seriously. It has seen them as a medium for spreading the gospel according to the techniques learned in theological colleges for the presentation of homilies and religious points of view. That is. . . Mass Media has been seen as nothing more than an extension of the pulpit.
A new concept of evangelism, based on research, must be forged. . . . the more the pervasive influence of Mass Media spreads into every lounge room, the more obvious it becomes that the traditional ecclesiastical priorities are outmoded.
—Quoted in "Vic. Baptist Witness."

WHAT IS UNEMPLOYMENT?

No one really knows how many unemployed people there are in Asia, Africa, and South America. Statistics do not even begin to tell the whole story because many of them are not registered as wanting work. However, for the millions of people who have no work, unemployment means harsh, dehumanising poverty. It means—
To be insecure. Without regular work there is no income. There is no unemployment insurance and no social security. You live only from one day to the next.
To be uninformed. The poor have no telephones, no television, no radio. Newspapers cost the equivalent of a day's pay. Besides, many unemployed have never learned to read.
To be ill-health. Sickness and suffering are caused by lack of food and very often lead to job losses; a vicious circle in a hopeless situation.
Unemployment is the price that millions of people pay in a world that is divided between haves and have-nots, a world that has little time left to find answers to the pressing economic and social problems facing two-thirds of its population.
—"World Communiqué."

Worship in the Woolshed!

WORD TALK

"THE church isn't the building," said K. J. Patterson, while showing slides of some beautiful new brotherhood church buildings. "It's the people who worship inside."

His words, at the "Picnic and Inspirational Day" on the Roediger's farm, South Cunderdin, on Oct. 11, were so appropriate. One town dweller whispered to his neighbour during the communion service led by the Conference President, "I'm not used to the odours of a shearing shed." "Can't smell a thing," came the answer—from a local shearer!

While the day was primarily held as a get-together for isolated members of the Central and Eastern Wheatbelt, all Churches of Christ in the area gave good support: Mukinbudin, Merredin, Bruce Rock, Narembeen, Corrigin, Northam and the host church, York. There was a warmth of fellowship which isolated members miss so much. Even the children caught the spirit of the day when they took turns with each other's bathers to go into the pool.

WOMEN OF THE WEST

Mrs. L. W. Ladner presided at the Oct. Auxiliary meeting, and Mrs. Ellement led the morning meditation, prepared by Mrs. Van Leen, Collic. Mrs. J. A. Stewart led in prayer of intercession.

Roll call was answered by 68 ladies representing 22 C.W.F.s. A special welcome was extended to Mesdames Sonny Graham, Norseman; Groves, Ballarat; and Clarke, Box Hill (the latter two are voluntary workers on our Aborigine Mission stations); Mrs. Don. Butler, and Mrs. V. Conigrave, after illness.

It was with regret that Mrs. C. W. Digwood found it necessary to relinquish her interim ministry as Prayer Slip.

The guest speaker was R. Davies, secretary Aged Persons' Homes Board. He brought a progress report on the new Joon-danna Project and, in particular, the 20-bed nursing section which is the Women's Auxiliary's special \$2,000 project.

SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS:

Social Service (Miss V. Dean): A farewell has been tendered to T. Morrison, Director Christian Welfare, Mrs. K. Eaton is now working in the Christian Welfare Centre.

Aborigines' Missions (Mrs. J. L. Pallo): Extracts were read from Mrs. Fisher's letters relating the encouragement of the outreach work at Robourne and Pt. Hedland. Mrs. Sonny Graham brought a greeting and told of the work at Norseman.

Overseas Missions (Mrs. Ryall): An audio-visual has been prepared (and is available for those interested) by the W.A. Work Party on their recent visit to New Guinea.

Twenty-one ladies attended the 5th C.W.F. Convention at Rockingham.

—Dora Gordon, Secretary.

NEW MEMBERS

(SUBIACO, W.A., J. A. Manallack). Three new members, Terry Aiken, Margaret Wilkie and Elizabeth Wilkie were welcomed into fellowship on Oct. 10 after their baptism. All are Girls' Brigade members. . . . Church members visiting homes of B.S. scholars and Girls' Brigade members, invited them to share as families in our new Family Service at 11 a.m. each week. Families all sit together for the first part of the worship and children witness the communion, then they move to their classes while parents continue their worship. . . . The Girls' Brigade took part in the State Display on Sat. Oct. 9. Our band featured in the two performances and again at the march and rally on Sunday afternoon.

LOSS OF FOUNDATION MEMBER

(MANDURAH, W.A.). A foundation member, C. Pearce, died at the age of 94. The church extends sympathy to his wife and family. . . . Mrs. Martin, the mother of Owen Martin, a member, has been baptized. . . . Mr. Cook and family spent a week around the missions and spoke at S.S. anniversary at Norseman. He will visit Bunbury for a short mission. . . . Ladies continue with sewing meetings for Aborigines' Missions and Social Service. Mr. Stewart, from Perth, collects garments.

"ISSUE" GROUPS

(BUNBURY, W.A., G. B. Carslake). During the week there are six groups studying "today's issues" in homes. The resource material is from the C.I.C. kit, and covers poverty, permissive society, censorship, and religion in life. This is being used as a preparation for a six-day mission with Ron. Cook, Oct. 26-31. About 50 are attending. . . . Over 40 Y.P. attended a combined camp with Harvey at Binningup and used the studies based on "Live for Kicks." . . . The film "Journey to the Sky" was screened recently.

VISITORS TO YORK

(W.A., A. J. Gordon). Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Stirling of the C.O.B., led in a Bible Study at a combined Northam-York Ladies' meeting. . . . A Friendship Luncheon, attended by many ladies from surrounding districts, was addressed by the Women's Conf. Pres., Mrs. Ladner, on the work of C.W.F.s throughout the State. . . . Following two recent gospel services, the church saw slides of Mr. and Mrs. K. Roediger's trip to Great Britain and Eur-

No. 39—1 PETER 4: 18 (K.J.V.)

"Righteous Scarcely Saved."

"Righteous" and its associated words is found some 200 times in the N.T. In 1 Peter 4 a quote is used from Prov. 11: 21 (LXX) concerning the suffering of Christians. Suffering for the Christian should not come as a surprise for we are expected to share in the sufferings of Christ. God's judgment begins in God's house hence the righteous suffer first. The righteous because of the extreme nature of their suffering will be saved only with great difficulty ("scarcely"). So how much more will the unrighteous suffer?

This is a difficult passage to understand. In the O.T. "righteousness" is thoroughly Hebraic and foreign to our mind. It comes only if demands of a relationship are met. We live in many relationships with other people, with the State and with God. But righteousness was seen best in the covenant relationship with God. God had chosen Israel and blessed her and Israel had to keep the relationship by obeying the Commandments.

The N.T. concept of righteousness by justification by faith is a development of this. God in Christ restores man's righteousness while man is helpless in sin (Romans 5: 8) provided he accepts God's salvation in Christ. This may lead to suffering for Christ's sake as predicted by Jesus (Matt. 5: 11; Matt. 10: 16-23) and as glorified by John (Rev. 7: 14). Under persecution the righteous are saved only with great difficulty, but they are saved!

FOR TODAY:

Man has always travelled to be righteous. How a man becomes righteous before God is the basic theme of Romans. In every generation men have discovered this for themselves. 454 years ago this week Martin Luther nailed his 95th theses on the Cathedral Door. He had rediscovered that men are righteous by their faith in Christ through God's grace (Romans 1: 17). 233 years ago John Wesley, a runaway Anglican missionary, discovered he could be righteous through his faith in Christ on hearing Luther's comments on Paul being read. 52 years ago Karl Barth wrote a commentary on the same passage and re-directed theological thought to man's righteousness through God's grace. "I was like a groping man climbing a dark bell tower, who stumbled and grasped for a rail but instead grabbed the bell rope." Six years ago the Vatican Council II accepted the identical position of justification by faith—*solus fide, sola gratia, sola scriptura*. This year the leading R.C. theologian Hans Kung attacked Roman infallibility both of Popes and Councils and the whole doctrine of man achieving salvation by works. Once more righteousness comes by faith!

To be righteous is always a contemporary search. Man discovered in every generation "Not the labours of my hands could fulfil Thy Law's demands, all for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone!" Scarcely saved? Yes, but the righteous are saved.

LETTERS FROM TERTIUS

TOOT! TOOT!

To the Editor,

I stopped for petrol at a wayside country garage. The notice said, "PLEASE TOOT FOR ATTENTION." It occurred to me that many of us spend most of our time tooting for attention, without any one saying please!

I slip away into one of my grieved silences (I never sulk). I'm tooting for attention. The wife bangs pots and pans and grunts. She's tooting for attention. The kids play well together until one of us comes into sight. Then the fighting starts. They are only tooting for attention.

I wonder if teenagers are tooting for attention with their psychedelic clothes, their hair do's, and their various arrangements of facial fuzz! Most of the time the adult world exploits them, ignores them, or if it takes notice criticises them, fears them, and accuses them of upsetting the status quo. Maybe all the kids are doing is trying to get the adult world really to notice them and care about them. Tooting for attention perhaps?

I have a wicked thought. Do you think that the wonderful ladies at the church who outdo one another with the church flower arrangements and the church dinners are tooting for attention? God bless them if they are. We seem reluctant to let them do much else in the church.

And when we all get together in groups don't we all toot so loud for attention that we can't really hear one another? At such times I find myself tooting like Gabriel on Judgment Day. I suppose it's because my family has built up a resistance to my tooting.

We all seem to need encouragement, acceptance, and affection. What a pity it's the sort of world where we have to toot for attention!

Three hearty toots for the editor!

TERTIUS.

AT WOOLWICH

(N.S.W.). At the Woolwich Bible College Graduation Service at Enmore Tabernacle on Nov. 19, eight men and two women will graduate. The graduation programme will include messages from out-going students and by David Eagling, of Hurstville church, formerly principal of Banmatmat Bible College, New Hebrides.

The missionary emphasis has been considerably stepped up in the past few years. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Dixon have helped in extending the course in the fields of History of Missions, Comparative Religion, Practical Missions and Survey of World Missions. There have been visits from leaders in missionary activity of a varied nature. These have included Don. Butler, secretary, Federal Aborigines' Mission Board; Robert Callaghan, Director of the Asia Pacific Christian Mission; E. J. Neal, Director of the Sudan Interior Mission; F. H. Griffiths, representing the South Seas Evangelical Mission; Nursing Sister Dorothy Holstein, of Dhond Hospital, India; O. A. Gibson, evangelist with Open Air Campaigners; and N. Alan Tucker, of the Middle East General Mission.

In recent weeks deputation teams, mainly consisting of senior students, have moved around the churches in N.S.W.

Another gratifying feature of College life has been the increasing number of commitments to Christ and baptisms in churches where Woolwich students have been serving and the general evidence of evangelistic activity and spiritual awakening.

50 years ago

Here and There . . . At the Alblon, Qld., mission conducted by Harward and Robbins there were 16 decisions. . . . The Coburg Tent Mission, Vic., with E. C. Hjarichsen and Les. Brooker, closed with 97 confessions. . . . Special gifts at Murray Bridge netted over £50 towards the new manse. . . . H. M. Clipstone celebrated the conclusion of seven years' ministry at Castle-maine by accepting an invitation for a further term. . . . Harrington C. Lees, vicar of Swansea, has accepted the position of Anglican Archbishop of Melb. A gratifying feature is that he has pronounced evangelical sympathies.

Churches of Christ Collegiate School (S.A.). The Board of Management guarantee a first-class Young Ladies' School early in 1922, with thoroughly efficient staff, and every home comfort, if the names of 15 young Lady Boarders and 20 Day Scholars over 10 years are sent to the Hon. Sec., E. W. Pittman. The Primary Department is already in existence under the efficient direction of Miss Elva Uncle.

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OPEN FORUM

STATE AID

To the Editor,

I read in "A.C." Oct. 2, that D.O.G.S. is mounting a campaign to persuade our government to withdraw all forms of aid to church schools—"to prevent Government aid for any kind of religious purpose."

If we are going to allow private schools to operate, it seems to me that it is in the best interests of the whole community for such schools to be as effective in education as possible. State aid has existed for many years in such matters as availability of training, and so on. Direct aid is being paid where schools can satisfy Education Departments that they are efficient and prepared to submit to annual inspection. Their curricula must be approved, and if their standards are unsatisfactory they may be derecistered. Such valuable oversight by the State ensures better opportunities for all Australian children, and no doubt cost governments less than providing total educational programmes themselves.

Before we rush to join "the common people" to whom D.O.G.S. looks for support and funds, we must ask ourselves whether withdrawal of Government money from church institutions is what we really want. Are we conscientiously to decline aid at present being used for our old people's homes, children's homes, social services work, hospitals, Aborigines' missions, and schools in New Guinea? How about tax deductions and sales tax exemptions? Too many Protestants seem happy to accept all they can get for our own enterprises, but deny it to others.

—Dorothy Cant (W.A.).

UNDIVIDED FELLOWSHIP

To the Editor,

It was tremendously exciting to read the York Street, Ballarat, advertisement in the "Christian." One heard rumours that this church was really alive and the news that it's outgrown its chapel would seem to confirm them. It may, however, pose an accommodation problem! May I express the hope that the members will squeeze-up, move in more chairs, knockout a wall, but don't jeopardise their precious fellowship by dividing into two services!

—H. Scambler (Vic.).

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MISSIONARIES WITHDRAWN

(Montreux). The White Fathers, a Roman Catholic mission order, has withdrawn from Mozambique. The committee of the Commission on World Mission and Evangelism of the World Council of Churches passed this resolution on Oct. 2:

"The committee has noted the decision taken by the General Council of the White Fathers to withdraw all its missionaries from Mozambique because it judged that for them a point had been reached where their continued presence looked like tacit collusion with an unjust regime and a betrayal of their solidarity with Africans in other parts of Africa; and commends their action to the attention of all the member bodies of the C.W.M.E. who, now or in the future, may find themselves at a similar point of crisis both in Mozambique and in other countries."

The resolution will be sent to the 44 affiliated councils which comprise the Com-

mission on World Mission and Evangelism.

Dr. Philip Potter, director of the C.W.M.E., said the resolution stems from a concern to assist churches and mission agencies which are in situations where human rights and religious liberty are endangered.

After the withdrawal of the White Fathers from Mozambique the Catholic Bishops' Conference there issued a statement which said: "Happily the attitude of this institute (i.e. the White Fathers) was not shared by the other congregations working in Mozambique where they are doing work of a missionary nature and of social advancement that is worthy of the highest praise. In the same way those in charge of other non-Catholic Christian churches, in spite of meeting difficulties which are not less, persevere in their witness of faith and of love for the populations they serve."—E.P.S.

"BRIDGEBUILDER" DEMAND

Since the Sept. 1971 issue of the Vic-Tas. Home Missions publication "Bridgebuilder," there has been a steady demand for additional copies. Supplies are nearly exhausted. Considerable interest from interstate and New Zealand has also been in evidence. Reports indicate that numerous churches are currently working on detailed 1972 plans. "Bridgebuilder" has the twofold aim of helping to bridge the communication gap between Department and local church, and between the local church and the community.

THINGS TO COME

QUEENSLAND

- NOVEMBER:**
12 Kenmore Christian College Graduation.
13 Men's Rally at Brotherhood Centre.
28 Home Missions Offering.

NEW SOUTH WALES

- NOVEMBER:**
5 State C.W.F. Meeting — City Temple, 11 a.m.
19 Woolwich College Graduation Service — Enmore.
29 N.S.W. Ministers' Fraternal, Burwood, 10 a.m.

VICTORIA

- NOVEMBER:**
CHAIN OF PRAYER—Dept. of H.M. & Evangelism.
5 Eastern Dist. Youth "Guy Fawkes Night."
6 Explorers' Hike, Barbecue and Presentation Night.
19 College of the Bible Graduation and Ordination at Lygon St. Chapel, 8 p.m.
20 F.O.Y.A. Break-up.
27 C.E. Wind-up Night.
28 Annual Offering, H.M. & Evang.
30 C.M.F. Christmas Dinner, 5.45 p.m. at the Centre.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

- NOVEMBER:**
6 Carinya Village Fair, at Carinya.
13 Pionera' Outing, arranged by Women's Auxiliary.
13 Children's Eisteddfod, arranged by Youth and Christian Educ. Com., Subiaco Church Hall.
19 Aborigines' Christmas Tree, Christian Centre.
23 H.M. and Hospital Visitation Rally, Christian Centre, arranged by Women's Auxiliary.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT

(NTH. ESSENDON, Vic., R. H. Hillier). The church regrets that Mr. Hillier will terminate his ministry at the end of 1972, or earlier by arrangement . . . Women's Evening Fellowship held a fashion parade on Sept. 6 . . . The first day's response to the One Day's Pay for Overseas Relief was \$270 . . . Members collected for the Freedom from Hunger Campaign . . . For a series of sermons on Prayer, the minister prepared printed material for continuing study.

FOR GEELONG

(Vic.). The church at La Trobe Tce. has confirmed the appointment of R. V. Amos (Surrey Hills) as our new minister to commence a three-year ministry on March 15, 1972.

MINISTER APPOINTED

(TAREE, N.S.W., R. B. Whan). On Oct. 17 it was announced that the invitation to W. D. Howard, now ministering at Hamilton, N.S.W., had been accepted. He will commence his ministry at Taree in March, 1972. R. B. Whan, the present preacher, plans to return with Mrs. Whan to their former work in New Guinea in February, 1972 . . . Miss Dorothy Holstein, our missionary in India, spoke to the church on Oct. 5 and Roy Greenhalgh gave the message at night . . . Mr. Mills was on deputation work for Woolwich Bible College on Oct. 12. He also spoke at Wingham.

GIVING UPLIFT

(MAYLANDS, S.A., N. S. Moore). The Finance Committee reported on the first full quarter of the Planned Giving Campaign. In the corresponding period of last year \$566 was given to brotherhood departments. This year was \$883, an increase of \$317 . . . 6 n.m. services have been well attended . . . Discipleship classes are being conducted . . . Our young people were in camp at Lonewood over the Eight Hours Day weekend, and on the Sunday evening the church joined them in worship, and stayed for supper . . . The church regrets the death of Mrs. Barr, one of our old and respected members.

FOR INDIAN HOSPITAL

(CHELTENHAM, S.A., R. W. Saunders). On Oct. 10, with Ron. MacLean preaching, Pam Millikan singing, and Keith Simons as projectionist, missionary fervour was kindled. \$214 offering was received to put new concrete floor in operating theatre, Dhond Hospital.

CO-ORDINATED SERVICE

(DULWICH, S.A., C. H. Dow). The annual meeting supported the establishment of a United Parish of Dulwich Church of Christ and Rose Park Congregational and Methodist Churches. The two latter churches have also voted favourably. As soon as the Methodist church has gained the approval of their Conference the innovation can go ahead, and inauguration services are planned for Nov. 28, when Dulwich's minister-elect, Milton Drake, will be present. Aim is not amalgamation but co-ordination, with certain combined activities, especially in youth work . . . K. Allison has succeeded K. Crosby as Dulwich church secretary, and J. Glover has followed L. Roberts as treasurer.

FIRST DECISION

(TWEED HEADS - COOLANGATTA, Qld.). The first baptismal service was on Oct. 10 for Joan Welch from Tweed Heads . . . The Youth Group is growing and church sees a tremendous challenge in this area . . . A combined barbecue was held with Murwillumbah youth at Condong . . . The church has received Mr. Acland's resignation due to health reasons, and Don Paddon will maintain a part-time ministry from Oct. 17 . . . Southport women shared in C.W.F. meeting on Oct. 7. Miss Callanan was speaker . . . When Youth for Christ campers from Lismore shared fellowship with us at morning service on Oct. 3 they helped make a record attendance of 120. Ian Berthelsen gave challenging message to young and old alike.

SUCCESSFUL STEWARDSHIP

(ULVERSTONE, Tas., C. P. Clayden). E. C. Keating (Field Officer, Dept. of H.M. and Evang.) launched a very successful Planned Giving Programme. 58 adults and 25 children shared in a family tea, and over 75% of the membership pledged sacrificial and regular giving for the next three years. This has resulted in a renewed commitment in all areas of the church's work . . . The new building has been steadily progressing. The foundations and steel framework are now completed . . . The Girls' Brigade celebrated their first birthday. There are 23 girls on the roll . . . Ladies attended the State C.W.F. Camp at Hobart. Mrs. D. Strack, guest speaker at the camp, addressed the midweek prayer and Bible study meeting . . . Two house group Bible study meetings commenced with an average of five ladies attending each group.

GOOD RESULT

(PARKDALE, Vic., D. Stow). Proceeds from the annual fair held on Oct. 2 has amounted to \$596.00 . . . A baptismal service was celebrated on Oct. 17 . . . C.W.F. Evening Group visited Emmaus on Oct. 19 . . . A Bible Study group is held one Wednesday morning each month, arranged by Mr. Stow.

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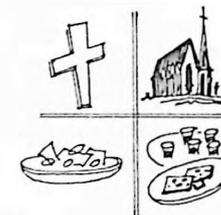
For God took the sinless Christ and poured into him our sins. Then, in exchange, he poured God's goodness into us!

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(2 Cor. 5: 20 — 6: 1, "Living N.T.")

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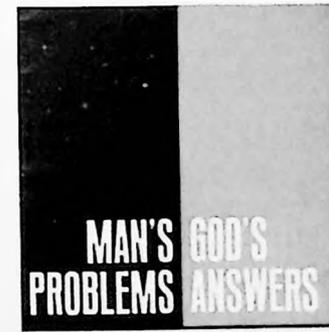
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Brighton Gardens is a big church with more than 190 communicants, a budget approaching \$400,000 a week, 352 scholars in the school and a strong supporting youth programme.

The church has always been well led in ministry and never better than now with its two minister team of Kevin Harvey and Colin Curtis.

Situated in Adelaide's southern suburbs its programme ranges from Elderly Citizens' Groups to a Youth Coffee Bar and involves intensive pastoral care to a wide range of group activities.

Brighton Gardens is very much a Church of the Community it serves. Once a Home Missions "baby" it now "mothers" other work and gives extensive support to the wider work of the brotherhood.

OTHER CHURCHES WHICH HAVE BECOME SELF-SUPPORTING IN RECENT YEARS

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Engadine is a southern suburb of Sydney with a population of 15,000 increasing to 20,000 in five years.

This church commenced in a home. Five Sydney churches assisted in buying land and providing full-time ministry on the basis that support would be reduced by one-fifth each year. Mr. and Mrs. G. Warne were appointed in 1969. Membership has grown to 44 with a Bible School of 120. Future plans include the erection of a Day Kindergarten and continuation of visitation to each residence in the area.

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THIS WILL BE A HOME MISSIONS CHURCH

In May, 1971, members of the new church at Springvale South, Vic., shared in a ceremony to place a sign on land recently purchased. The sign indicates the intention to establish a building on the site. Meetings are being held in a local public hall and the church is continuing to grow. This story is repeated around Australia as new church development is planned. Home Missions Departments are involved in planning now. At a later stage, Departments will provide finance for a ministry.

GOALS ARE IMPORTANT

Home Missions' goals are to equip churches for action, stimulate church growth and give support as needed.

OTHER SITES HELD OR PROPOSED

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THIS IS A HOME MISSIONS ACTIVITY

In each State, Home Missions Department staff members spend considerable time in sharing and planning with local churches. Discussions range over such matters as new church development, programme planning, ministry, evangelism, stewardship, and church strategy.

Here E. C. Keating of the Vic.-Tas. Department confers with representatives of a local church board.

OTHER SITES HELD OR PROPOSED

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S.A.

THE manse of the Windsor Gardens-Tea Tree Gully church is in every sense a "House-Church." Located at Tea Tree Gully, the meeting room of the house just meets the needs of more than 40 members. The adult group has spilled over into the lounge. Children use the original room and other rooms of the manse. C. G. Flood joins R. R. Brand in ministry in 1972.

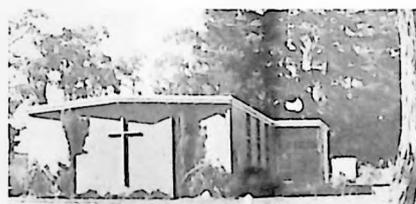
N.S.W.

TWEED HEADS-COOLANGATTA is on the border of Queensland and N.S.W. The church began in 1969 in the C.W.A. Hall. In 1969, Mr. and Mrs. G. Richardson offered to provide a church building. They purchased land in a key location and erected the building, which was opened in February, 1971. R. Acland ministers on partial support. Church membership is 38.



Vic.

KNOXFIELD church serves a growing housing development in what was not long ago an orcharding and farming area. Young married couples are moving into the district and the church is a growing and active fellowship of people. Emphasis has been laid on informality and a flexible approach to worship and church life. D. W. Nancarrow serves in a part-time ministry.



Qld.

1,184 MILES north of Brisbane, Cairns church members witness baptism in Barron River. Queensland's Northern Missioner, Doug. Willis, conducts an itinerant ministry to 60 families scattered over thousands of square miles of the North and outback. The growing 30,000 Cairns population and expanding Mt. Isa, are major centres of evangelistic outreach.



Tas.

ULVERSTONE church members are in the midst of building a new chapel of modern design by voluntary labour. A church is more than buildings and the congregation is active in its outreach to the community. A feature of the current building programme is the practical help coming from numerous friends and contacts.



W.A.

A SCHOOL unit and manse are being built in this fast growing suburb of Dianella. The site is opposite the Plaza Shopping Centre. A lobby, class rooms, covered paved areas and courtyard are proposed. Services commenced in 1964 and have been held in local halls. Membership is 40 with a school of 90 and 65 involved in youth work.





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ON LIFE AND FAITH

SUPERSTAR The rock opera "Jesus Christ Superstar" is now launched on a profitable run in New York. It has been condemned by Christians for portraying the Christ without acknowledging his divinity or the Resurrection. Now, further protests have come from the American Jewish Committee which claims that the opera wrongly puts the primary blame for the crucifixion upon Jewish priests. The Christian position is that all men, past and present, were and are responsible for the suffering and death of Jesus. In an analysis of the play by Gerald Strober for a committee on inter-religious education, Jewish priests are unfairly shown in the opera as "hideously inhuman and satanically evil, contemptuous, callous and bloodthirsty," and that there is no support in the New Testament for this extreme characterisation. Strober says that "in arbitrarily laying all the blame for Christ's death on a group the viewer knows to be Jewish, whether the text says so or not, Jesus Christ Superstar is insufficiently thoughtful, potentially mischievous, and possibly a backward step on the road to improve Jewish relations." Picketing the play and writing objections to the newspapers are two ways of registering disapproval. These are fairly negative reactions, and we feel strongly that what is needed more than anything is for Christians to demonstrate something of their Master's quality of life, and to show acceptance of and concern for all peoples. The greatest offence to Christ and the Bible is not from those who reject them in whole or in part through books, plays, and musicals, but the failure of those who claim to be Christian to live according to their faith.

DOWN WITH THE DO-GOODERS! The Minister for Customs, Mr. Chipp, has had a few things to say about the "apathetic do-gooders" who are pressing the Government for more aid to the Pakistani refugees. He said that if Australians really did "give a damn" about the refugees, at least \$20 million could be raised by the public. He deplored the way that people keep running to the Government expecting everything to be done for them. It must be true that many people are not giving much, maybe many are not giving anything. Others have given a great deal. The Australian National Council of Churches (surely included among Mr. Chipp's "do-gooders"!)) has consistently urged the Government to give much more in aid, and has itself sent at least \$70,000 from its member churches. The Melbourne Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church (another "do-gooder" group) has also sent \$70,000. Church people and others have given through Austcare and the Freedom from Hunger Campaign. One of our churches, in one morning, recently gave over \$300 for such a cause. It may not be kind to remind Mr. Chipp that while his Government has promised \$3 million in aid, it has been reported that only about \$50,000 has so far actually been sent, but it is appropriate to remind him that one reason that we have a Government is that it can and should act responsibly for the nation. We are certain that he would not want his principle of public aid for Pakistani refugees to be applied to other international undertakings, the Vietnam war, for example. Mr. Chipp surely would not urge that we wait upon public subscription to raise the \$100 million a year (!) required to support our involvement in Vietnam. Why is it that so much can be given so readily to one part of Asia, and so little given, reluctantly and slowly, to another part of Asia? If a decision were made from the standpoint of need there is no question where our priorities would lie. The "do-gooders" so readily condemned by Mr. Chipp are merely asking that the Government act consistently and responsibly.

GOOD GRIEF! Bad Samaritan! Mrs. Bob Hayes, of Box Hill North, says a friend aged 90 tripped and fell in Lewisham Rd., Windsor. Bloke came up, propped the old man against a fence. The old bloke winced with pain. The other chap says: "Look, I'd like to help you, but I'm late for church." The old bloke struggled home and went to hospital where his broken collar bone will take weeks to heal.—"Herald" (Melb.).

\$999.99

(CHATSWOOD, N.S.W., C. G. Taylor). Richard Blake, area supervisor for the Freedom from Hunger campaign, reports that over the whole day, an amount of exactly \$999.99 was collected. . . . At the Adult Bible Class talks were given by Mr. Taylor on the faiths of Islam and Buddhism, with accompanying film strips. . . . The Boys' Club, instructed by J. Simell, won a silver cup in a narrow victory over Denistone East Gymnastics Club. . . . L. Larcombe, accompanied by his 6 ft. robot, Torro, captured the imagination of the children at the Youth Day, when items were given by the children and prizes were

distributed. . . . Recent speaker was Peter Jamieson, Aboriginal preacher from Norseman, W.A. . . . A church family camp was held at Stanwell Tops, in conjunction with North Turramurra church. Study leaders were C. G. Taylor, J. G. Shaw, J. Bacik and A. McRoberts (Dapto). A "Nicht to Remember" was composed by Alan Fax, with many items being contributed by talented members present. Fines of 20 cents each, for any or no particular reason, were collected to send a gift to our Living Link missionary, Miss Rosalie Rofe. . . . Congratulations to Grahame Dickson who gained a credit in the B.S. exams.

ALL-AGE EDUCATION

(HORNSBY, N.S.W., D. A. Oldfield). On Oct. 17 at a church dinner the proposed All-Age Christian Education programme was adopted. The Evangelistic Committee will now implement the programme. Opportunity was taken to honour Misses H. and E. Tewksbury in recognition of over fifty years of service to the Hornsby church. Mrs. A. E. Bell (C.W.F. Pres.) presented them with flowers. Mr. Oldfield expressed a word of appreciation. Ron. Bartholomew, as an elder of the church and President of Conference, presented them with a daily devotional book in recognition of their splendid contribution. . . . A young lady has been baptized. . . . A young people's camp for 18 and over was held at Coal-cliff, led by Mr. Oldfield. Speakers at Hornsby were Messrs. Riggall and Dalinger.

TWO BAPTISMS

(CROYDON, Vic., A. B. Clark). Two baptismal services were held. Two young people were welcomed into fellowship and three others by transfer. . . . Tennis club has five teams in Summer competitions. . . . A family worship service on Sept. 19 had as guest speaker Mrs. Smith of the Scripture Union. . . . Tennis club annual meeting and church parade was held. A. B. Clark is president. G. Jenkins, sec., and J. Holden, treas.

ONE DAY'S PAY

(MILDURA, Vic., D. Hamilton). Church members participated in the "One Day's Pay for Overseas Aid." Many of the young people gave time in collection for Freedom from Hunger appeal. . . . C.M.S. recently visited shut-in members and Ern Straub showed slides of New Guinea where he visited with a work team from the Mildura Baptist Church. . . . A series of Sunday morning activities to emphasise adult education has commenced. . . . A ten-week fellowship aims at a deeper understanding of the Bible, to see each Book in relation to the whole plan. . . . A focus on the College of the Bible arranged and taped by Keith Fechner, an exit student this year, was used as a Sunday night programme.

YOUTH TRAVEL

(Vic.). 38 young people and leaders from Mildura, Red Cliffs and Dareton churches went by bus for a weekend at Warracknabeal, arranged by Warracknabeal and Brim churches. All visitors were billeted in members' homes and shown real country hospitality. Fellowship was shared with young people from Bendigo, Horsham, Kaniva, etc., as well as Paster Doug. Nicholls and family.

BLAKE PRIZE

86-year-old artist, teacher, writer and lecturer, Desiderius Orban, again won the Blake Prize competition for Religious Art, and Commonwealth Bank award of \$1,000.

His painting, Transition to Christianity, in green and gold tones is described as having an extraordinary depth of pattern, feeling and colour.

The Darcy Morris Memorial Prize for the best non-abstract religious painting was won this year by Keith Looby who previously won that prize in 1969.

Another interesting entry hung at the exhibition in the Commonwealth Savings Bank, Sydney, is by Susan Harcho Karke, a Papuan schoolgirl who is the designer of Papua-New Guinea's national flag.

SOUTHERN BAYSIDE VINTAGE TRAIN PICNIC

ON the day when thousands attended the V.F.L. Grand Final hundreds were attracted to the Southern Bayside Churches' Vintage Steam Train Picnic at Mornington.

The idea of hiring a steam-hauled train for a church picnic was considered for some time by the Cheltenham S.S. teachers. The initial minimum cost of hiring such a train — \$228 — was rather frightening. However, the teachers felt that such a new idea would be sure to catch on, and the church immediately agreed to stand by the Sunday school should financial difficulty be encountered.

The Southern Bayside Conference Committee later came to know of Cheltenham's plans and suggested that a similar function on a district basis could be held. At this suggestion, Cheltenham voted to invite the Southern Bayside Churches to share in the proposed picnic.

Mornington Park, on the foreshore near the Mornington Yacht Club was secured for the venue, also the adjacent pavilion. Kentucky Fried Chicken proved the most convenient and economical method of providing lunch for a large number. In addition, rice salad, green salads and rolls were provided with the main meal, plus afternoon tea, drinks, cakes and buns. Meal tickets, and train tickets printed especially by the Railways were distributed the Sun-

day prior to the picnic, and with 750 people registered, catering had to be stepped up, the chicken order increased to 1,000 pieces, and a truckload of salads prepared on the Friday evening before the big day.

Picnic day dawned bright and sunny, and hundreds of people waited excitedly at stations all along the line. Stops were made at Cheltenham, Parkdale, Chelsea and Frankston and the train itself aroused a great deal of interest from onlookers, as well as providing a unique way for the passengers to mix together socially. Features at Mornington included games and races, and a kite-flying competition, followed by lunch, the serving of which was no mean feat. Forty servers dispensed lunch in forty minutes. The train return journey began at 4.10 p.m.

Although the preparation and excitement of the day are now only a memory, the accounting is still to be finalised. However, with total receipts amounting to \$975 including some \$35 donated, it appears that expenses will not outweigh income which, considering that picnics usually "cost," is a very satisfactory conclusion.

SPORTS HONOURS

(ORMOND, Vic., L. Barker). Our teams have done exceptionally well in sport. A football team entered for the first time. Lloyd Warburton won the association best and fairest award. He also won the goalkeeping with 150 goals. The club was declared the best and fairest club in the competition and also won the premier-ship. Anne B'nce and Jenny Melthuzen won association trophies for basketball. . . . Ladies of catering committee donated \$200 towards hall debt. . . . A concert was given by "The Changing Moods." Proceeds were divided between Dept. of Christian Education and our hall debt. A film was recently screened showing the work of the Leprosy Mission.

C.O.B. FOCUS

(BAYSWATER, Vic., Dr. K. Bowes). S.S. anniversary was led by Daniel Hills and pianist Wayne Clinton. The early evening service was in the form of a play-reading, presented by the scholars: "Youth Going Christ's Way." Speakers were the Rev. Knox (Methodist) and Dr. Bowes. College of the Bible focus was a panel who interviewed K. J. Clinton and Dr. K. Bowes.

POVERTY DAY

(MORELAND, Vic., V. Quayle). Special Poverty Day appeal resulted in \$341 being contributed. A tea programme was a feature. . . . Mark and Graeme Yarwood have been baptized. . . . B.S. anniversary featured the film, "The Family that Changed the World." Youth service was conducted by "The Doncastairs," a group of young people from Doncaster. . . . The sale of the church property is proceeding satisfactorily and closing services are planned for Dec. 12. A big day is expected as former members return home for the last time.

H.M. VISIT TO CASTLEMAINE

(Vic., J. Byrnes). Two representatives of the Advisory Board and Dept. of H.M. & Evang. discussed the work here with Mr. Byrnes. . . . Mrs. Cooper has been welcomed back after a long illness and surgery. . . . The C.W.F. Fete was held on Sept. 17. . . . Peter Mitchell from the Dept. of H.M. & Evang. presented slides of the work being done by the department in helping the various churches. . . . The Young People's Fellowship viewed films and slides shown by J. Revell of a trip around Australia. . . . A. Stevens of Manifold Heights church, was guest speaker at the S.S. anniversary on Oct. 24.

BACK FOR 60th

(HAMPTON, Vic., J. E. Paver). When the 60th church anniversary was celebrated on Oct. 10, C. L. Smith, former minister, was guest speaker. 135 people were present at buffet tea and old photos and slides were on display. . . . An Explorer Club has been formed. . . . The music committee has suggested new hymns and tunes, and a "Workshop on Worship" is being conducted. . . . At the B.S. anniversary on Sept. 26, afternoon tea was served to parents and scholars, scholars took part in readings and singing, and a film strip and commentary was presented.

SERVICE RECOGNISED

(PARKDALE, Vic., Des. Stow). The church half-yearly meeting expressed its gratitude to Mrs. Wells for her efforts in supervising the removal of the debt on the church building. . . . C.W.E.F. had a work night for Children's Hospital. . . . Members joined in the vintage steam train to Mornington with other Bayside churches. . . . Fathers and Sons shared a tea and service on Sept. 26. . . . At a family worship service, B.S. scholars took part as readers and presented a "play." At night, a young lady accepted Christ as Saviour.

ELDER AT BELMONT

(Vic., D. A. V. Thomas). R. A. Banks has accepted the invitation to serve as an honorary elder of the church at Belmont. . . . All elders, deacons and deaconesses are involved in a study of "Now For Newness" (Alan Walker) and provocative pamphlet "Strategy for the Seventies." . . . Newly-formed music club is organising a concert. . . . B.S. anniversary services on Oct. 10 and 17 were presented in three sessions: Kinders and Primary; Junior and Intermediate; Youth group and Music Club on final Sunday evening.



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REFRESHMENT THROUGH WITHDRAWAL

Thirty-five men met at Stanwell Tops Christian Conference Centre for the Annual Ministers' Refresher Course.

The theme for the 1971 "Refresher" was "The Holy Spirit and Revival." Allan Webb, associate minister of the Swanston St. Church, Vic., was guest lecturer.

The opening lectures dealt with a Theology of the Holy Spirit. For every "how" question in the scriptures, there is always the Divine answer—"The Holy Spirit." How can this be? How can we pray? How can I witness? How can I live the sanctified life? The answers were found in tracing the work of the Holy Spirit in inspiration and illumination, assurance and sanctification, repentance and conversion.

Then followed a discussion of the work of the Spirit in Revival. "Revival" was defined in terms of "Restoration" or "breathing in of the Spirit of God." "The Strategy for Revival" provided some practical applications of this "theory" for us. Certain historical instances were examined which indicated that the basic ingredients for revival in our day would be an abso-

lute searching of our hearts before God, and earnest persistent prayer.

Mr. Webb's concluding lecture dealt with "Revival in S.E. Asia," and sounded more like a reading from the Book of Acts! Supporting lectures were delivered by Graeme Chapman, Senior Lecturer at the Woolwich Bible College. Mr. Chapman specialised in an historical analysis of Revival Movements, and presented an exhaustive survey of movements of the Spirit of God in the life of the church.

The daily programme commenced with a series of morning Bible Studies led by F. A. Elliott, Chaplain to Sydney University with the "Navigators." Mr. Elliott's studies were based upon the book of Colossians, and emphasised the fullness of Christ.

Opportunities for fellowship were abundant. Some even found time for nine holes of golf! Others contented themselves to the rounds of the mini-golf course. Evening programmes were likewise varied. An "Interaction" between a selected panel and the audience provided the setting for a lively discussion concerning the "Role of the Minister."—G. J. Warne.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR STUDIES

(WOOLWICH, N.S.W.). Final year students at Woolwich Bible College have been engaged in a series of extra-curricular seminars on the art of broadcasting, conducted at the Christian Broadcasting Assoc. studios, in Five Dock, Sydney. Theory and practice of modern communication methods and ways of "getting over" the gospel message proved valuable.

Through co-operation with the Dept. of Applied Psychology at the Univ. of N.S.W., students have shared in a specialised course in Social Counselling, augmented by tape recordings and prepared notes.

RETURN — TENFOLD

(LIVERPOOL WEST, N.S.W., O. R. Clark). Twenty people received \$3 each for three months in recent Talent Effort and \$600 was returned. . . . Fact and Faith Films have been used after family teas monthly for six months, attendance averaging 85. A number of interviews at gospel services have created interest. . . . Early morning prayer meetings have been commenced. . . . The church is very grateful for recent gift of a piano. . . . A Saturday night Coffee Shop was held "Circle Inn", attended by 80 Y.P. . . . The exterior of the manse is being painted.

TEMPLE DAY OFFERING

(PADSTOW, N.S.W., J. Sedman). Temple Day offering was \$543.84, and the annual meeting challenged the church to further consistent evangelism. \$120 has been donated to Banmatmat Bible College. Pentecost, New Hebrides. . . . Film strips on "Christian Living" have been presented at "Christian Living" meetings. . . . C.W.F. held mid-week prayer meetings. . . . C.W.F. held display of "Christmas" missionary gifts. Miss N. Fallock, missionary from East Pakistan, presented a message and showed slides. . . . Mr. Sedman with variety films on gospel services has included colour films on Christian witness and outreach. . . . Recent Christian speakers have been G. Walker, of North Parramatta, and Laurie Haskey, of Woolwich Bible College.

STUDENT SERVICE

(PENDLE HILL, N.S.W.). Attendances are encouraging and Mr. Drown, Woolwich Bible College student serving with the church, has been making personal contact with a large number. 33rd church anniversary services, including fellowship tea, were highlights, with guest speakers R. Hewitt, J. P. Henderson and R. Drown. After-church gathering was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wright.

PREACHING FORCE

(N.S.W.). There has been an acceleration in the field of evangelisation in N.S.W. churches. Many and varied efforts have been put forward, commitments made and follow-up activities initiated. Among those involved have been David Hammer at Penrith, Keith Farmer at Auburn, Alan Leane at Mosman, Maurie Pieper at Seven Hills, Kevin Crawford, Charles Cole, Max Hall and Allen Elliott in a teaching campaign at Wyoming, and Graeme Chapman in a similar venture at Pendle Hill.

INVERELL CONVENTION

(N.S.W., R. Craig). The first "Keswick" type Christian Convention which was held here Oct. 8-10, was sponsored by the Ministers' Fraternal. It represented the churches of Inverell and the surrounding districts. Main speaker was Murray Ramage, Presbyterian minister, a Sudan Interior missionary, John Warner, spoke of the work in Somalia. His talk was illustrated by colourful slides. Mrs. Plint, of Margate, Qld., conducted the women's sessions on the Saturday morning and afternoon. . . . Fun and fellowship was had by 34 young people at a long week-end camp on a property 30 miles from Inverell.



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BIRTHS

CAVILL (Woolan)—To Linda and Graham, at Box Hill Hospital, Vic., a son—Scott Andrew—on September 27, 1971. Brother for Suzanne and Janelle.

GERRAND (McGregor)—To Jan and John, a son—David John (10 lbs. 10 oz.), on September 22. Both well. Brother for Geoffrey.

ENGAGEMENTS

ABERNETHY - GODDARD — Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Abernethy, Blackburn, Vic., and Douglas, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Goddard, Oakleigh, Vic., are happy to announce their engagement.

HAMMER-SMITH—Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Hammer, of Kenmore Christian College, Qld., have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Dawn, to John, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of Hopwas, Tamworth, Staffs., England.

McCULLOCH-STOCKS—The engagement is announced of Lorraine, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Stocks, of Wilston, Brisbane, to Stephen, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. McCulloch, of Gore, New Zealand. Stephen and Lorraine are presently in London.

SIZE-HURREN—Mr. and Mrs. L. Size, East Ringwood, and Mr. and Mrs. P. Hurren, Blackburn, Vic., are happy to announce the engagement of Stella and Ron.

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APPROACHING MARRIAGE

HOUSTON-McILHAGGER — It is with pleasure we announce the marriage of Lois McIlhagger and Wayne Houston, at Auburn Church of Christ, N.S.W. Lois is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Goninon, and Wayne's parents are Mr. and Mrs. R. Houston, of Cabramatta, N.S.W.

APPRECIATION

ST. KILDA past members give thanks for the sweet renewal of fellowship and enjoyable hospitality provided on Thanksgiving Day. Special thanks to "The Christian" which, in some cases gave the only source of contact to enable presence on the occasion.

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DEATH

SHAW, Hannah—On Sept. 28 at Stawell District Hospital, Vic., Hannah, loved wife of Clarric, sister of Jessie (Mrs. Folkes). Her whole life was dedicated to the Church of Christ. "Together with the Lord."

IN MEMORIAM

BUCKINGHAM—Cherished memories of my beloved husband, Alec, passed away (suddenly) Oct. 29, 1957; also our loved eldest son, Edward Marcel, Jan. 11, 1933, aged 22 years (result of accident). Ever remembered. "Safe in the arms of Jesus—till the Resurrection morn." — Inserted by Florence Buckingham, "Bangalore," 40 Emma St., Caulfield, Vic.

HADDOW—Treasured memories of my dear husband, Nat., and our loved father, who passed away on Oct. 22, 1965 in Perth. "Remembered always with love."—Inserted by his loving wife and family.

HILLBRICK—In loving memory of our dear parents, Mary Adeline, passed away October 20, 1970, and Harold Herbert, June 28, 1965. "In God's care."—Inserted by Neil, Joy (Mrs. Fiedler) and families.

JACKSON—In loving memory of my parents, John Barclay (August 26, 1945) and Annie Alice (November 4, 1970). "In the sweet by and by, We shall meet on that beautiful shore." — Joan.

JONES—In loving memory of my wife, Freda, our mother and grandmother, passed away Oct. 27, 1961. "Forever in our thoughts."—Her loving family, George, Ron., Pat., Christopher, Robert and Kathryn.

JONES—Treasured memories of our loved sister, Freda, called home Oct. 27, 1961; also our dear brother, Roy, passed away May 30, 1970. "Our loved ones reunited."—Clare and Vic.

JONES—In memory of Freda, of the Footscray, Vic., church, passed away October 27, 1961. Sister of Roy (dec.)—Treasured memories from sister-in-law, Elsie.

RICHARDS—Treasured memories of my dear husband and our father, John Loftus, called home Oct. 30, 1958; also granddaughter Glenda (Williams) Oct. 12, 1959. "Beyond the sunset." — E. Richards and family, Seaford, Vic.

SPERRITT—Cherished memories of Frederick James, called home at Ballarat, Vic., Oct. 29, 1966. Beloved husband of Ruby, loved father of Cliff, Maurice, June and Gwendia. "Forever in our hearts."

SUMMERTON (Sell)—In loving memory of our dear mother, grandmother and sister who passed away on Nov. 5, 1969. —Audrey, Ben., Gary, Sue., Terry, Lyn., Wayne and Leah, Ivy and Reg. "Always in our thoughts."

RETURN THANKS

MANNING—Mrs. Marjorie Manning, Joan, Beth and Crofton, sincerely thank friends and relatives from near and far for telegrams, floral tributes, letters, cards and prayers. We have been wonderfully upheld by prayer. God bless you all.

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Keith Fackner to Murray River Circuit

(S.A.).

Mervyn J. Gibson to Roma (Qld.).
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PROJECT DAY

(CAMP HILL, Qld., Peter Burnham). The S.S. conducted its first Project Day. Children prepared posters, models, scrap books, essays and colouring cards. An Eisteddfod was held in the afternoon. Mrs. Merle Ludgater was the judge and adjudicator. Merryyn Male received the highest tally of points for the day . . . Mrs. Carved died after a long illness . . . Ladies' Fellowship presented a programme to the old ladies at "Hillcrest." Each lady was given a gift and some sweets. Misses Jan Griffiths and Gay Spencer have been accepted by Q.B.I. and A.B.I. respectively for 1972.

ELDER RESIGNS

(ENFIELD HEIGHTS, S.A., R. C. Sack). After many years of faithful leadership, A. Harris has resigned as elder. The resignation of the secretary through ill-health was submitted by R. Townsend. D. Porter is the new secretary . . . Visiting speakers have been Pastor Winkler, Vice-President of S.A. Bible Society, and L. Payne, State C.E. President . . . Five years of service to the local Girls' Brigade by Miss Chris Bonney, of Prospect church, was marked by the church and the girls with presentations. Chris is shortly to be married . . . Mrs. K. Watson has replaced L. Yon as B.S. Supt. For family reasons Mr. Yon had to resign. Mrs. D. Porter replaces D. Watson as school secretary . . . Mr. and Mrs. S. Whitfield were farewelled on their departure for Cairns . . . R. C. Sack concludes ministry here in Feb., 1973. . . . The church was saddened at the death on Oct. 11 of aged member, Mrs. R. Oke, who had been seriously ill for some months.

B.S. IN ACTION

(GOOLWA, S.A., B. Beck). At B.S. anniversary on Oct. 3, the congregation spent 20 minutes looking through classrooms to see the B.S. in action. Mr. Beck was speaker at both services. Richard Owen led night services assisted by senior scholars with the subject "Change in my Lifetime," illustrated by three generations of one family: Arthur Neighbour (1890), Betty Spencer (1929), and Allan Spencer (1956) . . . The B.S. picnic was held at Currency Creek in Rex Fidock's paddock. The church has been encouraged by help from city and A.B.I. speakers . . . The Mini-Club, led by Brian Beck and Loraine Burgar is well supported.

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COMBINED SERVICES

(CHINCHILLA-HOPELAND, Qld.) The theme for Western Churches Fellowship weekend at Hopeland was "A Right Sense of Values." Guest speakers were R. Holt, Dalby, Mr. Clark, Kingaroy, and Mr. Rice, Murgon. The Hopeland Hall was packed for the Sunday morning service with folk from Dalby, Kingaroy, Murgon, Chinchilla and Hopeland. On Sunday afternoon groups discussed the theme . . . The ladies combined for a meeting with Miss Vi Callanan who brought devotional talk

and Mrs. Robbins spoke on Home Missions. The proceeds from the sale of aprons went to buying material for clothing for missions . . . W. Flett, Tasmania, spoke on Oct. 2 . . . S.S. anniversary took the form of a Country Western Hour. R. Holt, Dalby, was guest speaker . . . J. Christensen, of Rosevale, was present with Mrs. Christensen and spoke at Chinchilla.

HOLIDAY CAMP

(ASCOT PARK, S.A., S. R. Baker). 45 attended a holiday weekend young people's camp held at Pt. Sturt. Serious studies as well as recreation were arranged . . . On Oct. 17, Malcolm Fuller was baptized. Robin Frost was soloist.

PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

(NAMBOUR, Qld., R. McLean). Our C.W.F. had Mrs. Risson, Qld. C.W.F. Pres. as guest speaker. Parcels have been sent to Baraman, Shrigonda and a medical parcel to Dhond. An Aboriginal boy's set of clothing was sent . . . A fashion parade was held for the kitchen fund, against a background of floral arts created mainly by Ed. and A. Jackson. \$78 was raised. . . . Weekly prayer meetings are being held in various members' homes . . . G. Hopson was a recent speaker.

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BOOK REVIEWS

OLAVE BADEN-POWELL

By Eileen K. Wade. (Hodder & Stoughton). \$4.90.

This biography of the leader of the Girl Guide Movement surprises us with the notice that she is still active in her work with her beloved girls. Lord Baden-Powell died in 1941 at the age of 84. Olave was much younger than her husband and in 1969 she celebrated her 80th birthday and her Fiftieth year of service as Chief Guide.

Lieut. General Baden Powell, or "B-P" as he was known to millions throughout the world, was a soldier who served in India and Africa prior to the South African War. There he defended Mafeking for six months and stayed on to organise the South African Constabulary. He began Boy Scouts early in this century and is also credited with having founded the Girl Guides. However, he insisted that the girls' movement just happened. A group of girls, envious of the excitement of the boys' camping and fun, dressed in boys' uniforms, invaded a Scout parade, and were solemnly inspected by B-P. This recognition was enough to get the Movement started. For a time the girls were an offshoot of the Scouts, but in 1915, B-P obtained a separate Charter for the Movement. Olave, who was wife, secretary, and chauffeur to B-P, became Chief Commissioner of the Guides in 1916 and for more than 50 years has impressed her own personality upon the world-wide activity. Many former Guides will welcome this story about their Chief.

PLAIN TALK ON JAMES

By Manfred G. Gutake. (Zondervan).

A devotional commentary on the Epistle of James. It is conservative in theology, written in everyday language and has an abundance of practical illustrations. The fifty chapters are helpful in devotional reading, and also for preparing devotional messages. They are also strongly evangelical in character.

YOUR FAMILY AND THE LAW

By Anna Frenkel. (Hodder & Stoughton). 90c.

The author is a barrister and the book seeks to give families some help in understanding what rights and privileges are protected by law and what duties are required in family relationships. Some of the laws of our land are stupid and ought to be changed. Others are helpful and protective and ought to be known more widely than they are. No book will enable one to set up practice as an amateur solicitor, but this one removes a lot of misconceptions and gives plain language guidance in times of family crises.

WHY I AM STILL A CHRISTIAN

Edited by E. M. Blaiklock. (Zondervan).

This book had its origin in a university debate between the writer, then Professor of Classics, and the Professor of Philosophy, a declared atheist. The discussion provoked widespread interest and Professor Blaiklock decided to assemble testimonies from academics all over the world. This collection includes contributions from a philosopher, a medical doctor, a physicist, a biochemist, an historian, a scientist, and a musician. In a day when there are those who think that Christianity has been discredited and is supported only by weak-minded men or over-sentimental women, it is salutary to read these acknowledgements of faith by scholars who, many of them, are at the top of their professions.

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By Fran Johnston. (Zondervan).

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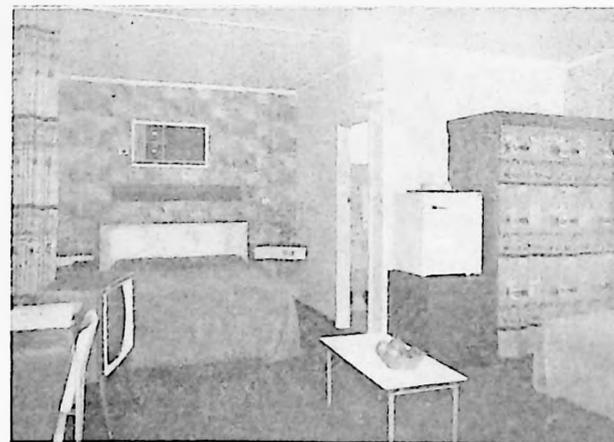
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In 1 Cor. 3: 11, Paul said, "Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid which
is Jesus Christ." Christ alone is the foundation and Rock upon which the Church is
built.

Peter also speaks of this in 1 Peter 2: 4-6, "To whom coming, as unto a living stone,
disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious. Ye also, as lively stones,
are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices,
acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture;
Behold I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious, and he that believeth on him
shall not be confounded." The foundation of all the faithful is Christ, because they
are established and grounded in faith in him. For everyone who has faith in Christ is
founded upon him. How is Christ the foundation and the chief stone? In that faith
begins with him, and is perfected and completed in him and by him.

The Church is the bride knit to him by a love that never ends. In Jeremiah 31: 3,
we read, "I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness
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Christ, the Chief corner-stone. When we sing with meaning, "Draw me nearer, nearer,
Lord to thee," we know that he will.

Christ is the Foundation of the Church, because it begins from him, and is finished
in him and through him.

Paul said, "According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise
master-builder, I have laid the foundation," that is by teaching the faith of Christ: He
points out, "Another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth
thereupon." That is his spiritual life in Christ.

Paul adds, "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus
Christ."

Thus the apostles built when they taught the doctrine of Jesus Christ. But which
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Grew dawn. (Norman Gale).



Far more people are ill because they are unhappy, than are unhappy because they are ill.—Dr. L. Weatherhead.



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