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## CHURCHES ARE ON THE WAY TO A NEW CHRISTIAN

### THE MESSAGE FROM MONTREAL

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Montreal, Canada, August 5

The fourth World Faith and Order conference closed at McGill University on July 26 with the affirmation that the Churches of the world "are on the way to Christian unity."

The two-week meeting, sponsored by the World Council of Churches, brought together some 500 Anglican, Protestant and Orthodox theologians. The Roman Catholic Church was represented by five official observers and 15 guests.

It was the most widely representative Faith and Order conference yet held.

The conference issued a message, "A Word for the Churches," in which it affirmed that the Montreal gathering had made it clear that God is "shaping a world which contains many if it is one world, except by self-destruction."

"In that world we Christians find ourselves being drawn and driven together. This is what we mean when we speak of an 'ecumenical reality' which takes shape faster than we can understand or express it."

The message recognized that there are still complex problems to be solved before unity will be achieved and noted that it has become "increasingly clear that many of our long-deferred positions are irrelevant to God's purposes. We will find it hard to keep to or abandon."

"Again, the message observes that the changes from the five sections 'reflect an experience that we are adequately conveyed in print' but asserts that these reports put questions which the churches on their return home will share with those who went to Montreal."

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#### VITAL ISSUES

"We dare not claim that we have been truly conscious of such vital issues as the struggle over nuclear disarmament, bitter racial conflict, scientific technology, and social change."

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us: He is faithful and He will do it."

The message was signed by the Right Reverend Oliver S. Tomkins, Bishop of Bristol, England, conference chairman; Professor Henri de Lubac of the Swiss Protestant Church Federation; Chrysostomos, Metropolitan of Athens; and Dr. Albert C. Outler, Perkins School of Theology, Dallas, Texas, vice-chairman.

An appraisal of the conference was made later by one of the three officers responsible for organising it.

Dr Paul S. Minear, newly-elected chairman of the Faith and Order Commission, said that the chief frustration had been due to the "difficulties of turning multilateral conversations into bilateral statements and cause procedures are not fully adapted to the needs of such conversations."

#### AN APPRAISAL

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brought with us certain notions concerning what this conference should be, what its report should contain, what advances should be made, and the Holy Spirit said, '...disorganised our neat little scheme...'

He said the failure was due to attempting too much too quickly, "refusing to give up our goal of mutual understanding and at the same time insisting on dealing with ecumenical reality which resist imprisonment in dogmatic formulations."

## DR BABBAGE FAREWELLED

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, August 5

During his ten years in Melbourne, the Reverend S. Barton Babbage has played a prominent role in Church and community affairs, and in the dual position of Ridley College and Dean of Melbourne has made personal contacts and enjoyed the friendship of a considerable number of people.

Evidence of the esteem in which he was held by the wide range of interests was given at the Chapter House on Tuesday, July 26, when a public farewell was tendered for this when Dr Babbage visited him on the occasion of a university teaching post in America.

The farewell followed Evening at the cathedral, and at this service the lessons were read by Dr G. S. Beetham, a member of the Cathedral Chapter and chairman of the Ridley College council, and Canon L. L. Nash, Hospitality in a Chapter

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Their last official function was at Ridley College on Saturday afternoon, August 3, when another new building was dedicated and opened. This time it was a new dining hall and assembly hall.

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To be present for the opening of the much needed dining-room that needs considerable work instead of in shifts, was a source of great satisfaction to the principal.

## BISHOP FROM KENYA

### TOUR OF SIX STATES

A man whose name made headlines, the life of the Kilikuyu Church in Kenya ten years ago will tour Australia from September 16 to November 8.

He is the Bishop of Fort Hall, the Right Reverend Obadiah Karuri.

He led the Christian resistance to the Mau Mau movement; his cathedral, the Murumbi Memorial Church of Fort Hall, is a continual reminder of the many Christians who died rather than take the Mau Mau oath.

Since then he has done much to foster understanding among men of all races in Kenya.

The bishop was born in 1907. He was a teacher for ten years before his ordination, and was appointed Assistant Bishop of Mombasa in 1955.

In 1958 he was appointed Bishop Suffragan of Fort Hall within the Mombasa diocese, and when in 1960 that diocese was divided into four, he became Bishop of Fort Hall.

## RIDLEY COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Dr Leon Morris, warden of Tyndale House, Cambridge, since 1960, has been appointed Principal of Ridley College, Melbourne. He expects to assume his duties at the beginning of the next academic year.

Dr Morris, a graduate of the University of Sydney, London University, was Vice-Principal of Ridley College for 12 years before taking up his present position at Cambridge.

He is a New Testament scholar of international reputation and has published several books.

He succeeds Dr S. Barton Babbage, who has accepted a three-year appointment as Professor of Apologetics at Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia. Dr Babbage has been Principal of Ridley College for the past eleven years. He left for America on August 5.

Dr Morris will take up residence immediately.

## CHINESE PRIEST FOR THE MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

The Reverend Stephen Wong, a fifty-three-year-old Chinese priest, arrived in Melbourne on August 5 to join the staff of the Missions to Seamen. He has a wife and two sons, Timothy, 20, and John, 17.

At the triennial conference of Missions to the Seamen in Melbourne and readers held in 1962 it was urged, again, that the Chinese mission should be taken to provide a chaplain of Chinese nationality to deal with the tremendous increase in the numbers of Chinese seamen in Melbourne.

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Padre Wong comes from Hong Kong where, since 1953, he has been headmaster of the K'ai Yan Boys' School.

Two-fold colony to Melbourne's new Chinese mission, which will be attached to the staff of St. Paul's Cathedral

under the Dean of Melbourne, but his work will be permanent and temporary residents.

He will succeed Canon George Thomas as chaplain to the Chinese Mission of the Epiphany in Little Bourke Street, the Anglican church, which has ministered to members of the Melbourne Chinese community.

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#### COLLEGE PROGRESS

He had been a distinguished head of Ridley College, with an alert mind, and during his regime academic standards had risen, and there had been material progress in the shape of new buildings.

The sentiments of the Old Ridleyans were expressed by the secretary, the Reverend A. G. Church, with a mention of giants in the land, and a continuing influence.

Mr Smith, the Senior Student of Ridley College spoke from a personal point of view, as one benefiting from the improvements to Ridley College through the principal's work and influence.

To be in his presence was to be stimulated, and there was now a certain excitement in Ridley to expand, because it was now in firm foundations.

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## SURPRISE PARTY FOR BISHOP

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Banbury, August 7.—On Sunday, July 28, the Right Reverend R. G. Hawkins, Bishop of Banbury, and Mrs Hawkins were quietly celebrated their silver wedding when, after evening, more than fifty members of the Cathedral Chapter, adult choir, young fellowship and altar servers of the cathedral arrived at Banbury for the surprise party to celebrate the occasion.

A very pleasant evening followed, during which the toast of Bishop and Mrs Hawkins was proposed by one who was present at the wedding 25 years ago in Bristol, England. He is the Reverend Mervyn Gibbins, permanent deacon on the staff of the cathedral, who is the altar server at the Nuptial Mass.

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### OPENING OF SYNOD AT WHITBY

By MICHAEL J. LAURENCE

(Synopsis.) The Synod of Whitby, which opened at the Stranahan Abbey, to the west of the city of York, during the week of August 6, 1963, was held to decide whether the Church of Northumbria followed the rest of Western Christianity in celebrating the festival of Easter or kept to that of the Celtic Church. It had hitherto, and also to see if Northumbria would follow the customs of Western Christianity in the matter of the tonsure and other customs. It was also to see if those of the Celtic and British Churches, it is most important to notice that there was no question of doctrine to be decided and that the Faith of the Celtic Church had never been questioned.

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As an act of courtesy, King Oswy then invited Bishop Agilbert to explain the origin and authority of the Roman customs. He said that he had declined the invitation, saying he could not speak English and would require an interpreter, but asked if Wilfrid might speak on his behalf. He had but recently returned from Rome and he agreed with all he would have said had he himself been speaking.

The king having given permission, Wilfrid explained that the customs he had brought to Northumbria were those which he had learned from Rome itself, that great city where St. Peter and St. Paul had been taught and where they suffered martyrdom, and that he was not only in Rome that he had learned these customs, but where he had travelled in Italy and Gaul, and he had found many of the customs of the East, Greece, and indeed throughout the world, which were the Church of Christ, existed.

### BOYS' SOCIETY JULBEE IN QUEENSLAND

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Brisbane, August 5

The golden jubilee of the Church of England Boys' Society is being celebrated in the Province of Queensland. It is perhaps the biggest task ever attempted by the Queensland executive of the society.

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and added contemptuously that he was on the islands in a very remote sea. Bishop Colman, deeply distressed at Wilfrid's answer, said it was strange to hear that he had been so rudely treated, but he then rested on the authority of the Celtic Church, and the principles, whose great wisdom was acknowledged everywhere.

### EASTER

Wilfrid had followed him did not mean St. John was foolish, but he had followed by the Sun, and the Apostles had been so used to set aside the observances of the Law which had been given to Moses.

## COUNCIL WILL CO-ORDINATE AID TO REFUGEES

A.C.C. SERVICE

Australian Churches and community and Service organisations will work together for the relief of refugees through a co-operative council formed last week in Sydney.

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## CARDINAL LEADERS SPEAK AT MONTREAL MEETING

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Montreal, Canada, August 5  
A Roman Catholic cardinal joined with three leaders of the World Council of Churches on July 21 in presenting a public program during the fourth World Faith and Order conference here.

The meeting featured Cardinal Paul-Emile Léger, Archbishop of Montreal, and Principal George Johnston, of the Holy Trinity School of Theology, United Church of Canada; Metropolitan Athanasios, of Hlas, of the Greek Orthodox Church, Montreal; and Dr. W. A. Visser 't Hooft, general secretary of the W.C.C.

Participants and observers agreed that the setting and circumstances constituted a significant ecumenical milestone.

Cardinal Léger referred to the meeting as "an answer to the common prayers of Christians" and as one of "the promises signs of that unity which Our Lord prayed."

The Roman Catholic prelate credited the faith and order movement with doing much to spread the desire for unity throughout the Christian world. He also acknowledged the gratitude the sincere desire and firm belief that the various churches here to establish unity among those who rejoice in being united in faith to the Lord Jesus, the cardinal said.

### IN JEOPARDY

"However, while we are able to stand together in common prayer for unity, we are forced to admit even this is in jeopardy because of our hesitation to accept unity which is so widely welcomed by our prelates set us up against the world because our ignorance is unable to penetrate the veil behind which are the unfathomable depths of Christ," Cardinal Léger declared.

"The concept of unity," the cardinal said, "we need more than prayer, we need action. It is through communion with his Eucharistic Body and Lord truly bring us unity," he said.

His discussion here taking place shows that the different Churches do not have identical notions about the Eucharistic mystery. It is because of these differences that we cannot celebrate together the eucharist.

## WARNING IN SOUTH AFRICA

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, August 5  
A warning was issued in Cape Town last month that South African whites who believe they must "join forces to protect themselves, if necessary by force," against non-whites are creating a dangerous, tense atmosphere.

A lead editorial in "Protestantism," an independent mass paper edited by Dr. Beyers Naude, moderator of the Dutch Reformed Church of Southern Africa, Transvaal, cited a "dangerous spirit of defeatism" among some whites. The church in the past has taken strong stands against apartheid.

It said those proposing self-protective action against non-whites are "wrong, because we are convinced that despite hindrance and injustices often suffered by non-whites, there is still an amazing amount of good in the world, and co-operation among the majority."

The editorial urged South African Christians to seek "maximum justice for a maximum number of inhabitants of all races," and told them that "it is now silent in this situation that the hands of Communists and agitators, who will stir up as real life and stir up fighters for rights of man."

## AND W.C.C. LEADERS WILL CO-OPERATE

London, August 5  
It is likely that half of the largest missionary societies in England and Scotland will co-operate with the World Council of Churches in Africa, with the end of next year.

Over the past two months of intensive discussion, the majority members of the staffs of both societies, the Methodist Missionary S.P.G. and the General Conference of the United Methodist Church, have agreed to support merger.

S.P.G. has 641 missionaries in Asia, the West Indies, the Pacific and Africa. There is an administrative staff of 130. London. Last year £809,000 was given for its work.

U.M.C. missionaries are in the Dioceses of Zanzibar, Nyasaland, the Moderator of the South-West Tanganyika and Leobonho. There are 215 missionaries, 30 on the headquarters staff; £200,000 was given for their work last year.

Bishop Eric Trapp, secretary of the U.M.C. in Africa, said merger would do away with a measure of overlapping.

With the two provinces formed in the last ten years in Africa, mission societies could longer control policy, but their staffs would be able to pray money and manpower.

### PLEA FOR NO HINDRANCES

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, August 5  
The action head of the new united Lutheran churches in Africa, mission societies must "cease to have different steps in this church" in such matters of church organization.

Bishop John M. Mbof, Africa's first Lutheran bishop, made the plea to the enlarged assembly of the Lutheran World Federation's Commission on Africa.

"Please leave it to us to take our own direction," he said. "Let us not be divided by the Church order and practice that are different in each of our churches."

"Our purpose is to have a Church of our own," he said. "We do not want a half-Church."

The African Church leader recalled that the seven Tanganyika Churches which in June took final action to merge have received different traditions and inheritances from different missionary societies.

Bishop Mbof urged the agencies and their missionaries to refrain from bringing their difficulties into the creation of one Lutheran Church in Tanganyika," citing as examples the "differences in liturgy (and) Church leadership" and the "differences in church presbyters or bishops."

### RECONCILIATION

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, July 15  
A spiritual rift between the Lutheran churches in Germany and Jews has been made by Dr. Marcus M. Mbof, of Copenhagen, Chief Rabbi and Secretary of the Jewish Community in Copenhagen.

Addressing the annual conference of the Lutheran association of European Protestant journalists at Copenhagen, Dr. Mbof declared that "we do not serve any sensible purpose by continuing to create divisions between Christians and Jews in the last days of our century."

He cited, as symptomatic of the rift, the destruction of synagogues, damaged or destroyed during the war, and the refusal of the State to pay reparations for the damage.

He said, there is a "tragic note" in the rebuilding of so many new synagogues with State funds for many of them.

## KIRCHENTAG THEOLOGY AND JAZZ

ANGLED NEWS SERVICE

London, August 5  
The eleventh German Evangelical Congress opened on July 24 in Dortmund with a ceremony on the town square, at which Dr. Kurt Schulz, Bishop of the Evangelical Church in Germany, presided.

This is the first Kirchentag since these regular mass meetings of German Protestants and clergy began after the war, not to be attended by delegates from other churches.

The Berlin wall was cut within a few weeks of the last congress, held in both parts of the city, in 1961.

The theme of this year's Kirchentag, "Living with Christianity," is intended to refer to more than the political division of Germany.

The main emphasis, and the reason for choosing Dortmund, a Ruhr industrial centre, is to give the congress the chance to spread the Christian message and inter-denominational problems with which religion is faced today.

To emphasise the ecumenical character of the Congress, a Roman Catholic bishop, Dr. Franz Hengstler, is one of the speakers.

The Kirchentag aims to bring the Church nearer to people. According to a recent survey, 60 per cent of West Germans are shown on the census as Protestants only. The Congress can be classed as practising Christians.

Although Bible study and theology, the organisers, to attract the young, included popular and musical evenings (including jazz with chorally sung hymns) and a television quiz.

Mr. Oswald Kirk, of the Southwest, is one of the speakers. The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Reverend Bishop F. T. Cusack, the Reverend Bishop of Durham, the Reverend Brian Cramp and Mr. Mark Williams.

The Reverend Bill Wright, Anglican Chaplain to the Bishop of Durham, is chaplain at the Ecumenical Centre at Durham.

### CALL FOR MORE OVERSEAS HELP

ANGLED NEWS SERVICE

London, August 5  
"We are fuelling our own predicament making all sorts of administrative improvements while the Church overseas is calling to its mother, whose arms are all too often unheeding," said the Bishop of Ceylon, the Right Reverend Cuthbert Barclay, on 20 July.

The bishop was speaking at the World Missionary Fellowship in Warwick.

He supports Bishop Huddleston's contention that people in Britain were lukewarm in their support of the overseas.

"We are not progressive like the Methodists or Anglicans," said Bishop Barclay. "We are not so much in a large population increase."

In Christian literature, the Methodist Church and its infirmal in contact with the Church of England.

At home, the picture was one of a growing gap between the Christian stewardship and financial campaigns and to put it bluntly we were "further away from each other."

### S. AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE

ANGLED NEWS SERVICE

London, July 29  
The Archbishops of Canterbury and York and the Bishop of London have announced the Reverend G. S. Neill, of Northampton, as a Fellow of S. Augustine's College, Canterbury, as from January next. He will be in charge of the pastoral and academic work.

## OUR BEST BOOK "BYRS"

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## SHOESTRING SURVEY . . . 2

## LONDON HOWDEN YORK

By ELIZABETH ROBIN

FROM Lincoln to York along the route we travelled was about 90 miles, the weather was, so far, being kind to us.

We camped near a little village called Corringham for the night and were sitting in the Dormobile, quietly eating our meal. It was very still and quiet. The moon was just appearing when out on the road juddered and we and he began to sport there, quite unaware of our presence.

His large ears twitched as he jumped around and although it wasn't March we thought in an amusing way he looked "As mad as a March hare."

Whilst passing through Howden, near the Isle of Axholme, we were greeted by a Yorkshire lady who asked us if we would like to be shown over the splendid parish church, once a great Minster. (At the Bishop's Manor House, right next door, the date carved over the doorway is 1350).

She was a most hospitable soul, and after inspecting our Dormobile and inviting our married daughter and her granddaughter to be the same, she explained that she knew a great deal about the church because she had spent all her life in the village and had given much time to the service of the Church.

Recently some modern carvings to replace furnishings damaged in a serious fire had been completed and our friend pointed out that the craftsman had left his trade mark on the work—a tiny carved mouse—and here and there throughout the church were other mice to be found.

## TREASURES

Among the treasures preserved for centuries here are some thirteenth and fourteenth century School of York works, the rarest being a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary with a Dove on her shoulder.

Several ancient chests remain which belong to the great day of the Minister with its riches and enclosures, and they are doubtless well used in those past times. One is remarkable in that it is made of one oak tree only.

Although the church is only a parish church now it is very large compared with an Australian parish church, and yet the portion which remains was originally only the nave of the great Minster.

Mr Smith, with very York-shire hospitality, insisted that we go back with her to her brick two-storey cottage, where in his brick wall, built in the town's narrow winding main street, and surrounded, inside the wall, with a broad beautiful garden of roses and other summer flowering plants trained on arbours and in large trees.

## HOSPITALITY

Egg-and-sausage pie was on the menu, and as travelling seemed to sharpen our appetites we did great justice to her cooking. We always treasure the memory of this lady with whom we felt we just had to be so much more friendly than that it overrode even on us, complete strangers—in her village.

When we arrived at York, we were greeted by the tourist bureau officer to see the famous York Museum collection, which was formerly the private property of an antiquary by the name of Dr J. L. Kirk.

To house the treasures given to the City of York by Dr Kirk, the old prison for females (built 1760) had been taken over, and we felt we just had to see what had been made of this old prison.

How can I describe what we saw as we entered the building? We were transported, in the twinkling of an eye, from this century to the preceding one.

We suddenly found ourselves in the Kirkgate—a complete village street, with cobbled paths, a life-size horse harnessed to a harness cab, with a cabbie walk-

ing outside one of the little stores for a lady to finish her shopping.

For the shops, for example, the glasse, coppermith, apothecary, glasse-maker, silver-smith, wine merchant, sporting goods (cricket bats and other—our modern eyes oddly shaped yet recognisable in our modern eyes—oddly stocked correctly to period in the confectioner's shop, the sweet shop being made of "Conversations"—little pink and white cards with a greeting or message such as "I love you" and "I am sorry" and the police station provided a padded cell—a small rectangular room with a quilted interior, walls, ceiling and floor, too.

Only one small space, about six inches square, and only barely barred, was left on the wall to permit the miserable inmate to see outside.

The padded cell was specially planned for the desperate or deranged prisoner; so that he could not crash his head against the stone walls and so shorten his journey there summarily.

In addition to the Kirkgate, there is now also "The Princess Mary Court," arranged in much

the same way and named for the Princess Royal.

For Lincoln provided for us to delight in a woman's eye, to the "Streets" already described, there are the period rooms—the Victorian parlour, the drawing room, the bedroom, ornaments, antiques, stuffed birds, and, of course, the inevitable altar, up against this is shown the simple nineteenth century altar, the altar typical of a Yorkshire modern, with turf, righlight for illumination, and a which wall in the window to avert the evil eye.

## YORK MUSEUM

Next again, an eighteenth century paneled dining-room of Georgian style, with a large, heavily beamed Jacobean dining-room.

Then there is a music section with many ancient instruments with "how-harpochord, spinets, horns, serpent, harps and many other curious old instruments (many of them made when churches were equipped with a musician's part) which when the great held their balls.

The use of copper and brass for domestic and artistic pur-

poses has been and still is much used in England, and here in the York museum were many ancient stoves set out with their curiously shaped kettles and pots in gleaming metal.

Against the dark timbering common in earlier times, the wood would be a very cheerful sight.

The cathedral at York has recently been in the news with the marriage there of the Duke of Kent to a Yorkshire lass—and so its interior will be known to many who have never had the good fortune to visit England.

The cathedral is immense and the soft light filtered by the magnificent stained glass in the windows I think the guide told us the East Window was the largest sheet of stained glass in Europe) is very lovely.

The city itself is a proud one in which old and new seem well blended.

From the times when York was a Roman stronghold and called Eboracorum to the present day, it seems to have been able to wear greatness as a queen does—with dignity and charm.

Its strange, interesting streets, with houses "like blowy women" all hanging over the city and made ancient entrance gates (one at Monkgate, an original Roman one) evoke tradition and interest and we left with regret to continue our journey over the moors and Wharfe.

Soon after we left York it started to rain and it poured all night. However, we found a spot to park and made ourselves warm and comfortable for the night, and in the morning the sun was shining again.

## DICE CAST ON ALTAR

## OLD CUSTOM REVIVED

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, July 29

The ancient practice of casting dice on the altar of the parish church of St Ives, Huntingdonshire, was revived last month by the new year, the Reverend R. O. Jennings.

A number of children went to the altar in couples to throw the pair of ancient dice to decide which six of them should win now Bibles.

The tradition dates back to the will of Dr Robert Willde, of 1875, in which he left an amount of £50 to be spent annually on Bibles which were to be given to six children in the town who were of good report, under 12 years of age, and able to read the Bible.

The Bibles were to be allotted by casting dice. Originally this was done upon the altar of the parish church, but this tradition ended more than 100 years ago. In recent years the children have stood for their Bibles in a local school.

The rector said, after the service: "The Bible is often neglected. People in the Church of England are not aware of the people in the country at Bible time."

"The Free Church people are better and our Roman Catholic friends are better. I think this will help, I think it is a good thing to revive old customs like this. And it is good fun."

"I do not think anybody will be upset by gambling on the altar. I will leave the decision to the parish which decided who should succeed John Learcort. If that was not gambling, I do not know what was."

## ECUMENICAL POST

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, August 5

Mr Peter Day, editor and general manager of "The Living Church," a weekly Church paper published in London, was elected first ecumenical officer of the Protestant Episcopal Church's National Council.

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, August 5

The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has appointed the Reverend John Wilkinson, tutor of St. George's College, Jerusalem, as editorial secretary.

Mr Wilkinson succeeds the Reverend David Morgan, now Rector of St. Bride's, Fleet Street.

## ORGAN MEMORIAL

AT KENSINGTON

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Adelaide, August 5

St. Matthew's Church, Kensington, has been asked to provide a memorial to Canon Harold St. John, a former rector for 26 years.

The Archdeacon of Adelaide, the Ven. Robert St. John, has performed the dedication, assisted by the rector, the Reverend T. J. Hayman. The organist is Mr David Hale.

The organ solo was dedicated as a memorial to the late Mr K. Steele, a leading layman who worshipped in the church for 50 years.

The opening recital was held two weeks after the dedication. Mr James Govekovich also showed the variety of stops in the rebuilt organ.

The 50-year-old organ was rebuilt and added to by George Fincham and Son, of Melbourne.

S. Matthew's Church, Kensington, Diocese of Adelaide.

## LOCAL CHURCHES HIDING FROM SOCIAL CONCERNS

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, August 5

The National Council of Churches' eighth annual Ecumenical Institute at Black Mountain, U.S.A., heard a strong criticism of local churches which "hide behind the peaceful walls" of their buildings and "let the world pass by on the other side."

One speaker, the Reverend Will D. Campbell, director of the Southern Project of the N.C.C. Department of Racial and Cultural Relations, said that both northern and southern churches have failed in their struggle "so late in the day they may find it difficult to convince the Negro community that they are sincere."

Sponsored by the N.C.C. Southern Office, the institute was designed to increase understanding and co-operation among Christians in the south.

Mr Campbell, one of the south's foremost race relations specialists, urged delegates to press 17 denunciations to the N.C.C. assembly which were to make human dignity and mortal danger in this most serious crisis of the century has yet faced.

He reminded them that the N.C.C. recently established an emergency Commission on Religion and Race with authority to move at once in mobilising the national Council's 31 member denominations in the nationwide struggle for equal rights.

The commission's programme, he said, will include attempting to "protect the lives and safety of Negroes trying to obtain their rights. He also said the commission is prepared to participate in demonstrations "where and if necessary."

Mr Campbell noted that the N.C.C.'s president, industrialist Irwin Miller of Columbus, Ind., was named by President Kennedy to head the new presidential Commission on Religion and Race.

The Reverend Carl R. Key stressed that "there isn't any such thing as a Church if it isn't part and parcel of the community. Churches that try to dodge the many social concerns of the day are simply non-Churches."

He charged that ministers and church members arguing that the Bible supports segregation are "simply not thinking logically."

Such persons, he asserted, "are picking the Bible to pieces in a worse way than if they took a pair of scissors and cut out all the pages they didn't like."

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## ENTHRONEMENT IN PERTH NEXT MONDAY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

The enthronement of the Archbishop of Perth, the Most Reverend George Appleton, will take place in St. George's cathedral here next Monday, August 12, commencing at 11 a.m.

A new public-address system is being installed to replace the old one, the A.B.C. will record the service, a commercial TV station will televise it and the cathedral organ is being mended.

The cathedral, therefore, presents a scene of much activity, while, behind the scenes, those who work on plans for seating arrangements, parking of cars and rehearsals call ensure the smooth running of the proceedings.

An informal reception to the archbishop and Mrs. Appleton will be held that afternoon in the South Perth Civic Centre.

Invitations to a civic reception in honour of the archbishop and Mrs. Appleton, have gone out to the clergy and their wives, and to a large number of other people, for Tuesday, August 13, at noon.

The meetings of synod commence in the afternoon of this same day. Various other matters have been arranged for this week.

On the Wednesday in synod week.

## ROMAN CATHOLIC LAITY SPEAKS

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, July 29

The International Catholic Information Service has met in Brussels to discuss "Mission and Freedom of the laity in the world."

After several participants had spoken out against signs of paternalism and clericalism in the established Church, Mr. Y. J. inter alia, president of the International Confederation of Christian Trade Unions, described how only a "complete decentralisation" had allowed trade unions to set up in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

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week. Evening will be sung in the cathedral at 6.30 p.m. This will enable members of synod and visitors to share in this service. It will be presided over by the cathedral organist and choir.

On Thursday in synod week, August 15, the Archbishop of the metropolitan area will be at Homebush to clergy members of the country.

On Friday, August 16, at 3.30 p.m., the last big event of a crowded week will be the Anglican laity to be held in the ballroom of Government House on Friday, August 16. The Archbishop of Perth will preside. The Archbishop will review the debates.

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## ACTIVE SEAMEN'S MISSION

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, August 5

The annual report of the Missions to Seamen (Victoria) which has just been released, reveals a busy year.

A new centre was opened at Portland, and is operating most successfully. This makes a total of five centres operated by the Mission in Victoria.

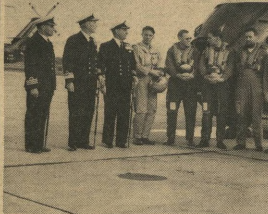
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The station chaplains at H.M.A.S. "Albatross," Nowra, N.S.W., mess the Wessex helicopters at the commissioning service of 817 Squadron on July 18. The Anglican chaplain is the Reverend J. Trainor.

## CONFIRMS AT RETREAT HOUSE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, August 5

Of the 84 candidates preparing for Confirmation at St. John's Church, North Bala, 55 shared a delightful four-hour session at the Retreat House, Chesham, as part of their preparation.

One group of 40 went there on Sunday afternoon, July 28, and the other group of 44 on the following Thursday. They were made very welcome by the Sisters-in-charge, and were under the care of the Retreat House Chaplain.

After afternoon tea, the chaplain addressed them in the chapel, speaking of Baptism and Confirmation. After ten, there was another address in the chapel, this time on the subject of Holy Communion.

The final session took the form of a conference, around the theme "My Future," and attention was drawn to the call of the mission field by showing a number of slides.

The Vicar of St. John's, the Reverend J. P. Stevenson, introduced this idea of a pre-Confirmation period at Retreat House last year, and was impressed with its possibilities that now he includes it as a regular feature of Confirmation preparation.

## SPANISH REGIME CRITICISED

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, July 29

Implied criticism of the Franco regime, based on Pope John's recent encyclical, was carried in a leading Roman Catholic publication in Madrid, in an article written by a former Spanish ambassador to the Vatican.

The article, critical of undemocratic procedures of government, was contained in "Ecclesia," weekly organ of Spanish Catholic Action and a publication often said to reflect the views of Enrique Cardinal y Dalmat, Archbishop of Toledo and Primate of Spain.

Author of the article was Joaquín Ruiz-Jiménez, ex-Ambassador to the Holy See and former Spanish Minister of Education, who is now a professor of constitutional law in the University of Madrid.

His article, which dealt at length with the Franco regime, was drawn to the form of an encyclical, "Pazem in terra," reviewed by the Vatican.

Observers noted that the implied attack on the Franco regime came in a passage which declared that the "Christian concept of political order is essentially democratic."

"Authority resides in the consent of the persons who form its living members, the political order is essentially democratic," he declared, "have the right to determine the form of government they want and to define the way it should be conducted."

Senior Ruiz-Jiménez is an important figure among Christian Democratic elements in Spain where the leading political party is the Falange controlled by General Franco.

His article was regarded as reflecting the views of moderate and internationally-minded Spanish Catholics.

## EDUCATION SUNDAY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Mackville, August 5

Special services arranged in Holy Trinity Church, Mackville, Diocese of Grafton, by the rector, the Reverend R. D. Dyson, for Education Sunday, August 4, were attended by large crowds.

The family service saw scores of parents and children present. The kindergarten department of the Mackville school was invited to the Communion of the people, and the rector spoke briefly to them in the service.

Teachers from surrounding schools were also present at the morning services in the parish.

At night, the rector preached for small towns around where the rector was assisted in the service by two headmasters, two headmistresses, a deputy headmaster and a senior master of the high school staff—all members of the Anglican Church.

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ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE  
Geneva, August 5

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