

PROMISE FOR SCHOOL CHOICE SYDNEY COMMITTEE DEPLORES ELECTION POLICIES

Both the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition are criticised for their educational policies in a statement issued in Sydney last week.

It was issued by the committee appointed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney to consider the question of State aid for Church schools.

The Right Reverend M. L. Loane, Bishop Coadjutor, is the chairman of the committee.

"Each of the two policy speeches asks for a mandate from the people of Australia in priority for Commonwealth aid for education in independent schools," the statement begins.

"This is an ungrounded attempt to capture the support of a particular section of the community. It is a straight-out bid for the preference of the D.L.P. which may determine the final result of the election."

"State aid for independent schools has been strongly opposed on the ground that government revenue should be spent on behalf of government-controlled schools."

"The fact that both parties have now promised to use Commonwealth funds in connection with independent schools means that the schools have been deprived of opportunity to express their mind on the fundamental question of state aid."

"Both parties have evolved a similar policy as a vote-winning strategy, the difference between them is only one of detail. In each case, the basic principle has been surrendered without being put to the test of the electorate."

"Mr Cahill's policy is open to criticism on two other grounds."

1. "Promises scholarships on

OLYMPIC VILLAGE CHURCH

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, November 28
 More than three hundred people attended the dedication of S. Columba's Church Hall and Chapel, the first church building of any description in the Olympic Village area, on Sunday afternoon, November 3.

Folding doors divide the hall from the chapel and the free-standing altar placed in a sanctuary between the hall and the chapel area allows either to be used for worship, according to need.

A black metal cross is suspended over the altar and black and silver candelabra have been made to match. These were the gift of the mother church, S. Philip's, West Heidelberg.

TASK FORCE

It was largely on the initiative of the people of S. Philip's that work for the church in the Olympic Village was first begun.

For two years the whole Parish of West Heidelberg was worked by the Diocesan Task Force, and services and Sunday schools were conducted in the Olympic Hall.

The present vicar, the Reverend Owen Dowling, succeeded to this three-centre parish early last year.

a competitive basis but it improves means test. This means test will inevitably operate in a way that will chiefly benefit one particular group of independent schools."

"It proposes to make an emergency grant of £10,000,000 to the State Government but it does not define how this grant is to be spent. The means test it fails to accept responsibility for the manner in which that State will apply its share of the grant."

"Mr Robert Menzies has promised scholarships for pupils at government and independent schools alike on a competitive basis and without a means test. This would be liable to subsidise parags and pupils, and is the most desirable of all forms of State aid."

DIRECT AID

"But he also promises £13,000,000 a year to extend his aid to independent schools on a system of state teaching in secondary schools whether government or independent. This is the opening to the following grounds:

1. "It is direct state aid for independent schools on a non-competitive basis. This is in contrast to the assurance given by the Prime Minister that the special aid instituted in 1956 in the A.C.T. would not be used as a precedent for its extension elsewhere."

2. "It is a direct consequence of the fifth point of Cardinal Gilroy's report to the Premier of New South Wales in September, 1962."

3. "It deplores the stimulus for the splendid voluntary effort of the Industrial Fund for the

C.M.S. FEDERAL COUNCIL DECIDES TO EXTEND ITS WORK TO PERU

The Federal Council of the Church Missionary Society at its meeting in Sydney on November 20 unanimously agreed to accept an invitation to extend its fields of missionary service to include Peru, South America.

This decision comes as a result of a recommendation made at the consultation called by the Advisory Council on a Missionary Strategy in Canberra, Mexico, in January, 1963, and presided over by the Archbishop of York, the Right Reverend Donald Coggan.

Subsequent discussion and consultation has taken place in Canada, Britain and Australia and has taken place in South America in connection with the consultation at Canberra. The consultation at Canberra recommended a new missionary front in Peru, but no work should be undertaken by an agency of the Church not in Australia.

The C.M.S. Advisory Council, at its meetings in London, Ontario, in

Advancement of Scientific Education in Independent Schools, "Once the basic principles of State aid to independent schools has been conceded, it will result in the fragmentation of the public education system and it will prove impossible to preserve the limited financial expenditure which will be required to maintain the rural school system which will inevitably develop."

MORE LIBERAL IMMIGRATION POLICY SOUGHT IN THE WEST

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Perth, November 25

The Archbishop of Perth, the Most Reverend George Appleton, heads a list of thirteen western bishops who are published in a local newspaper on the subject of "our relations with our Asian neighbours".

The others are the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, the President of the Methodist Conference, a leading Congregational minister, an author, a radio personality, university professors and two physicians.

On November 15, a group of prominent N.S.W. citizens, including the Prime Minister, the Bishop of Armidale, issued a statement in favour of "free immigration of 'Australians' and 'Australians'." November 21.

The text of the West Australian press is as follows: "Australia's foreign policy is prominent in the current Federal election campaign, and this involves, actively or not, our relations with the Asian neighbours."

To do all the campaigns, inviting parties want these relations to be freer and constructive, consistent with our national self-interest. But we must remember the self-interest of other peoples in their new-found nationhood. Hence our immigration policy as it affects their national needs represses, in its strict-

ness does not balance a regard for our national interests with some concern for the susceptibilities of our coloured neighbours.

"And in fact there are recent signs of such concern on our part. Since the last Federal election, small changes in a liberal direction have occurred in administering the White Australia policy. These have appeared also in some modification of party platforms and in the opinions of individual politicians."

"There have been more notable changes, however, in the thinking of the Australian public who through Gallup polling since 1959 have revealed a majority opinion favouring a more liberal admission of selected non-European migrants. "We urge that whatever gov-

ernment takes office after the election should not only continue to administer immigration policy in a liberal way but should also attempt to reflect more accurately the tendency of public opinion towards reform of the policy itself."

ORDINATION IN GOLDBURN

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Goldburn, November 25

On Saturday, S. Andrew's Day, five deacons will be ordained priests and two men will be made deacons by the Bishops of Canberra and Goldburn, the Right Reverend K. J. Chenevix-Trench, in S. Andrew's Cathedral, Goldburn. The service will commence at 10 am.

The Reverend H. C. Answorth, at present on the cathedral staff, will be ordained priest and the Reverend A. C. King, Yass, will be ordained priest and transfer to S. John's, Waggon, where the Reverend K. A. Osborne is rector.

The Reverend J. E. Southerton, now at Wagon, will be a Yass vicar when H. P. Reynolds is rector.

The Reverend R. F. Clarke will be ordained priest and continue at Christ Church, Coonamberrig, as his present rector, Canon B. Boddington.

The Reverend R. F. Stone, rector at S. Luke's, Junee, will be ordained priest and continue in that parish where Canon G. A. M. Neill is rector.

The Reverend L. W. Hill, now at John's, Young, will be ordained priest and continue with the rector, the Reverend S. W. Holmes.

The two men to be made deacons, both to serve in Canberra parishes, are Mr D. Prichard, who has been in S. John's Church, Morpeth, and Mr K. Stephens.



The Right Reverend G. T. Sansell, Bishop Coadjutor, prepares to dedicate S. Columba's Church, Olympic Village, of Melbourne, on November 3. Standing with him at the entrance to the church are the Vicar, the Reverend Owen Dowling, and the assistant priest, the Reverend R. P. Robins (right). S. Columba's is one of three churches in the Parish at S. Philip's, West Heidelberg, one of the largest Housing Commission areas in Australia. (See story this page.)

VICAR-WARDEN APPOINTED S. JOHN'S COLLEGE, MORPETH

The Reverend G. F. Parker, who has been Rector of Singleton, Diocese of Newcastle, since 1963, has been appointed Vicar-Warden of S. John's Theological College, Morpeth.

This was announced by the warden, Canon J. L. May, this week.

Mr Parker succeeded the Reverend G. D. Griffith who, earlier this year, accepted an appointment in the United States.

The Bishop of Newcastle, the Right Reverend A. G. Housden, welcomed the appointment of Mr Parker who he said, was an excellent parish priest with a reputation for training curates.

One of his former curates is the Bishop of Polynesia, the Right Reverend G. V. Cockerell.

Mr Parker graduated in Arts from the University of Sydney in 1949 and obtained his D.L.C. in 1959.

He trained for the Ministry at Moore College, Sydney, and was ordained in 1949, and spent in 1941 for Sydney diocese.

He was a master at the S. Andrew's Cathedral Choir School, Summer Hill, from 1941 to 1946.

He was the Rector of S. Stephen's, Hartstone Park, from 1946 to 1947.

Mr Parker served as a chaplain with the R.A.A.F. from 1947 to 1949.

He was transferred to the Diocese of Newcastle where he was Rector of the Parish of the Church of England Grammar School, Morpeth (1952 to 1953), Rector of England and Rector of Bishop of Singleton.

BISHOP ROBIN TO BROADCAST

A former Bishop of Adelaide, the Right Reverend B. P. Robins, who is now Assistant Bishop of Portsmouth, England, will be heard on the new A.B.C. programme "Look Back at Australia," on December 32 and 24, at 7.15 pm and 10.15 pm. (Sunday times.)

This programme replaces "Ghosts of History" and will be broadcast over 2CF at the same time during the week.

Bishop Robins will recall his early days in this country as a Bush Brother in Queensland.

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THE CELTIC SAINTS

HOW NEW ROME AFFECTED THE CHURCH

By MICHAEL J. LAURENCE

FOR the sake of any who had been unable to be present at one of his earlier discourses, Bishop Colman could have repeated the order of the Apostolic Foundation of the Church which were (1) Jerusalem, (2) Antioch, (3) Rome, (4) Constantinople, (5) Alexandria, (6) Ephesus, (7) Rome, (8) Alexandria, (9) Smyrna.

Bishop Colman could have repeated that the bishops of the Churches in the Suffragan See could seek advice in matters of heresy from the Apostolic Churches which held the Deposit of Faith, and then come on to the present position of Constantinople, the New Rome, affected by the Council of Chalcedon.

Alexandria was regarded as an Apostolic See because it was reputed to have been founded by St. Mark, who had been first the evangelist and later the interpreter of St. Peter, but had not been consecrated by him and was considered to be the First Bishop of Alexandria.

Smyrna was considered as an Apostolic See because St. Polycarp, its first bishop, had been consecrated and placed there by St. John.

Tertullian when writing to the heretics about the Apostolic Churches says, "Go through the Apostolic Churches which have their own seats of the Apostles, at this very day preside and govern over places, in which their own authentic writings are read."

It is fact that neither St. Paul nor St. Peter had developed a church in Asia that has stood. But if that were true to Italy, that had Rome, where, as also Tertullian was an African) have an authority close at hand.

FIRST CITY

When Constantinople was founded in A.D. 330 and became the "New Rome" owing to its civil greatness and its wealth, it immediately ranked next to Rome ecclesiastically and took precedence accordingly, despite the fact that it was not a Metropolitan See; did not have any Christian association connected with it, nor any Apostolic links, or evangelized, or sent Epistles to it, nor had any Apostle been martyred there and it had previously been subject to the rule of Herod Antipas.

Now, because of the presence of the Emperor and the consequent immediate importance it became the First City of the Empire and its subject to the rule of the Emperor and Constantine as

turned the place next to the Apostolic See of Rome, and, as a consequence, the other truly Apostolic Churches had to follow it but had hitherto held.

Alexandria, Antioch and the other Byzantine Sees, as well as the See of Rome, objected strongly to Constantinople taking the position of second in importance to Rome, but no second in importance to Constantinople, so the situation was accepted eventually, since all bishops of the Council of Chalcedon in 451, that held the ecclesiastical division should follow that of the civil world.

That same council, in its 28th Canon, however, stated very definitely the reason for Rome being given the primacy among the Apostolic Sees. It says, "The Fathers gave the privilege to the throne of the older Rome because of its being the Imperial City."

This proves conclusively that honour and precedence were given unwaveringly to St. Peter's or to his successor, and that primacy of jurisdiction given them and that the sole reason for Rome's primacy was the place it held in the Empire, for it had once been the most important city in the whole Roman Empire.

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AFTER EIGHTEEN YEARS

By GUILIANA DUBS, WELFARE OFFICER, W.C.C. SERVICE TO REFUGEES, ROME

EIGHTEEN years is quite a good span of life for us in this time. In that time a child becomes a man and in that time span, 1945 to 1963, men have died and opened a new era in world history.

But in one of the Italian refugee camps there were two people for whom those eighteen years had developed a severe form of bronchial asthma which prevented them from taking the only opportunity we were able to offer: admission to the Home for the aged, a maintenance part of the Waldemian way.

They continued living quietly in the camps, but as a Russian peasant, always made useful in manual work. She developed a great fondness for strays-cats which she cared for in her small room.

Then, a faint glimmer of hope suddenly enlightened the dark picture of this so far hopeless situation. The Government of New Zealand expressed willingness to accept them and handicapped refugees into their country.

Rome for the aged was being prepared near Wellington and would be known as North Home. This far-away country immediately drew their most enthusiastic interest.

We took a chance and sent them to New Zealand, where documentation and waited anxiously for their departure. At times the woman asked the answer, or her father spent eyes.

"The answer came and it was 'Yes, they were accepted. But when our new problems arose which they had never had to consider before."

Unfortunately, medical examination put one of her daughters and her husband was certainly not indicated for asthma and she resigned herself to the inevitable, but far less exciting air travel.

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 29 1963

A CHOICE OF TWO EVILS

In two days' time the electors must choose the lesser of two evils. We have dealt at some length with **SIR ROBERT MENZIES**, personally, because he is so great and powerful, but it is clearer that they, and not he, are the Liberal Party in the Commonwealth Parliament. The others do not count. They may be him—most of his fellow Ministers dislike him personally, because he is cleverer than they, and does not bother hiding the fact—but they nearly all fear him, and respect his political judgement, far too much to disagree openly with him, for he says or wants. In consequence, we have had a one-man show for more than ten years past. Let anyone who doubts **SIR ROBERT'S** ascendancy over his party ponder upon the names **SEYMOUR**, **KENT HUGHES**, **WENFORTH**, **GILLET**, **HARRISON**, **CASEY** and **BURY**.

SIR ROBERT'S strong leadership has reduced the Cabinet to a state of homogenous sycophancy. He thus decides Foreign policy; not **SIR CARLEW**. He decides Defence policy; not **MR TOWNLEY**. He makes the decisions about Shipping; not **MR OPPERMAN**. He makes the decisions about extending Social Services; not **MR ROBERTON**. It is a matter of public record that **SIR ROBERT** has personally either overruled the decisions of these and other Ministers, and their Departments, at various times, in the cases of **MR OPPERMAN** and **MR HOLT**, he has publicly announced policies of which neither his Ministerial colleague nor the Department concerned had any knowledge.

His brilliant employment of the techniques of expulsion, exclusion and "promotion" have given **SIR ROBERT** absolute power in Cabinet and Party. He has exercised greater real power for a decade now than any other Prime Minister since Federation. The correlative of power is responsibility. In this decade, our only immediate potential enemies are the Communist step—with more economic and military aid from the U.S.A. than from Russia. The strength of our Navy falls by the wayside. The strength of our Army officers and men; that of the Army by 15 per cent, from 27,000 to 22,675. The R.A.A.F. alone has gained; it now numbers 16,647 officers and men against 14,696 in 1952-1953. In the past decade, we have not currently spending less on Defence than in 1952. In all this time, as **SIR ROBERT** himself has stated, Australia has spent proportionately less on Defence than any other member of the Western Alliance.

What choice is there in re-electing **SIR ROBERT**, the veritable Ethelred of our time? Few voters than that will be impressed by his record as Prime Minister. The D.L.P. The fortunes of the Country Party are irrelevant. That leaves only **MR CALWELL** and the A.L.P.

The three criticisms most widely made of the A.L.P. are that it is a coalition of the most Parliamentary body of 36 men; that it is tainted, especially in Victoria, by communist affiliations; and that it will perpetuate itself in office, if returned, by reverting to the "first past the post" electoral system.

The first charge seems to us pointless. All political parties in all democracies are in some sense "controlled" from within. It is inevitable, and inevitably slackens (as **SIR ROBERT**, or **MR ATLEE**, for example, could testify) when the party achieves office and responsibility. Thus, **SIR ROBERT'S** own 55 million bid for Roman Catholic votes was made solely on his own responsibility. This blatant bribe was never the subject of a resolution by the Liberal Party—or even the Cabinet.

The second charge has serious substance. Until **MR CALWELL** and his friends take resolute action about the scandal of unity tickets, later still, in Victoria, they cannot expect the wide-based support they need from the community as a whole.

The proposal to abolish preferential voting is distasteful to us. It has in fact been made on the most fallacious basis, especially in Victoria, where it is indignant because it polled many more votes than the Government parties a year ago but was denied office. Nevertheless, it is not apparent that the proposal was the only one which the A.L.P. would have benefited from the clumsy "first past the post" system. Our views are that the two-party system is not the best one that the government can expect the wide-based support they need from the community as a whole, and that Parliament should reflect all shades of political opinion—especially those who most distrust the A.L.P.

The main point on which the A.L.P. is open to criticism is not its Defence or Foreign policy, or its internal organisation, but that its whole philosophy is out of date, and needs to be replaced by a more "class"-conscious in a virtually classless society. Even more than the Conservatives in England, the A.L.P. still mistrusts its own few intellectuals, and intellectual processes generally. This makes it a party as rigid and intolerant in many ways as a Magyar governing class—all of which helps neither the country nor the electors who have to choose on Saturday.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE

"Everything which touches the life of the nation is the concern of the Christian."

—Dr Geoffrey Fisher

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

The shock and grief aroused by the assassination of President John Kennedy have seldom, if ever, been so universal as of any public man in this century.

It is remarkable that in the three short years since he became a significant world figure, Mr. Kennedy should have commanded such admiration.

Partly it was circumstance. He came to the presidency as leader of the most powerful Western nation at a time when the world seemed to stand on the brink of nuclear catastrophe. Western world saw in the 43-year-old President at his inauguration a man who brought indignantly to the twentieth century. There was a faint hope that the old man who sat in the seats of power might be able to save the world from the fearful abyss.

Some of those old men are still in power, but few of them have begun to make way for younger leaders. None who has succeeded them, however, was young as Kennedy. One can think only of the young Labour leader, Mr. Harold Wilson—and he is not yet in power—while among contemporary Presidents it is Kennedy who is the character of the man.

It was more than youth and vigour that won for young Kennedy his wide acceptance—indeed, his adoration. He seemed to bring to the discharge of his duties the same freshness and vigour which was the character of the man.

Born to riches, he was not a man who was troubled by family bad luck nor sorrow before his own tragic death ere his first year in office. His confidence in his own strength and faith as a devout member of the Roman Catholic Church ruled his life.

His happy marriage contributed to the confidence of his public man. But always in the background, the influence of the Kennedy and in their attitude to their young children, and their own attitudes, which were the hearts of most of the world.

Television has given us a graphic and sometimes dreadful

insight into the events associated with President Kennedy's death. But most deeply etched in our memory are the street scenes with their average citizens. Apart from all considerations of politics, the young John Fitzgerald Kennedy was a man whom could not hide his tears in their shocked reaction to the death.

However we may lament the shortness of his life and public career, he lived long enough to show that resolute but kindly leadership, the kind of statesmanship which we must yearn for the rest of our life. We know that the great contribution he made to world peace will not be squandered.

Decision Without Bitterness

It is still a cause for satisfaction that the Federal election campaign, now in its final days, has generally been conducted without bitterness. This augurs well for whatever Government is voted into office on Saturday.

Whether Sir Robert Menzies stays in "The Lodge" at Canberra or makes room for Mr. Calwell, it is a matter of course we believe will be to give the Government a reasonable opportunity to begin a reasonably wide range of constructive contribution to the unimpaired life of the Commonwealth.

As a side issue, it is interesting to note that the "Sydney Morning Herald" by its leading article last Saturday, "Dumped," by Mr. Calwell, as we predicted several weeks ago it would do.

But when an earnest Conservative journal like the "Herald" has said that it is its duty to vote for the Government since after giving general support to a Federal Labour Government for the first time to be embraced, the Government will be wiser to suggest last week, that Australia will not be ruined whatever the outcome of Saturday's voting.

We do hope that candidates of real character and capacity will be chosen whatever their party, and that Australia as a whole will be kept brightly on the road to progress and happiness.

RELIGIOUS BROADCASTS

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THE FISH SIGN PLAN TO AID NEEDY

ANGLICAN PRESS SERVICE

London, November 25

In the far off days of the East Church, the fish was a secret sign used by Christians to recognise one another. Such a sign, hidden on the door of a house or at the entrance to a school church, was a sign of welcome to its meaning.

For the letters of the Greek word for "fish," taken in order from "Jesus Christ, Son of God,"

In February, 1964, the sign of the fish will again begin to appear, this time in the windows and on the doors of houses in the Parish of St. George's, Chester-le-Street, at the sign of each neighbourhood.

Each of the 2,500 homes in the parish is being circulated with a questionnaire from a group called the St. George's Social Service, which intends to provide assistance of one kind or another for people in difficulties either physical or in their personal life.

The leaflet, which will be collected by wardens appointed to supervise the scheme in different areas, asks householders a series of questions, such as whether they are prepared to visit the sick or lonely, to welcome children from homes, newcomers to the parish or overseas students into their own homes, or whether they can provide transport in cases of special need.

Once the leaflets have been analysed, each area warden will be able to study reference lists of people he can call on at different times in solving particular problems.

HELP TO ALL

People who also will be supplied with a fish card which they are unable to leave their homes and need help. Each "street" warden will also place a fish sign in his window, so that the need of help will know where to go for assistance.

The Vicar of St. George's, the Rev. J. David Thomas, and the chairman of the visiting committee, the Rev. David Davies, were at the launch.

"The fish is a new plan to put those in need of help and to those trying to help in touch with one another."

It is not necessary to be a member of the Church before offering to assist. We invite help from all we offer help to all. The good neighbour knows no barriers when he sees someone in need.

Mr Dewey Thomas adds: "This adventure is not just a stunt. It is based on the conviction that the Church is in the world, to serve."

The scheme was devised by two Oxford parishes where it is currently operating with considerable success.

QUAKERS VIEW OF MARRIAGE

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, November 25

The Society of Friends' executive Committee Meeting for November 25 issued a statement reaffirming its "basic belief in the sanctity of marriage, in personal chastity and in fidelity in marriage as expressions of the Christian ideal."

The statement came nine months after publication of the controversial pamphlet, "The Quaker View of Sex," written by a group of members of the society.

Although wholly unopposed to the use of the word "Quaker" in the title, the pamphlet is the official Quaker view.

The pamphlet's more tolerant attitude towards unconventional sexual behaviour touched off

PERSECUTION OF JEWS DOCUMENT FOR VATICAN

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, November 25

A recent document asserting that there is no biblical basis for the persecution of Jews for the death of Christ has been presented to the second Vatican Council for its approval and adoption.

The document has been widely hailed by prominent Jewish leaders as opening a new era in Roman Catholic-Jewish relations. It was under preparation for two years by the Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity headed by Augustine Cardinal Bea.

It is expected to come up for discussion by the council before the present session concludes December 4.

The text of the document was not available but an official Vatican communiqué described its purpose and content.

It said the declaration emphasises the strictly religious nature of the Church's appreciation of the Jews as the chosen people in difficulties either physical or as the forerunners of Jesus. His mother, and the apostles.

It explained that the document is not concerned with the causes of anti-Semitism, but simply refers to anything in the scriptural accounts which might give rise to "disdain or hatred or persecution of the Jews."

"JUSTUS"

"Christus" falls upon the sin of all mankind," the communiqué said. "It was to atone for the sins of every man that the Son of God willingly offered Himself on the cross."

The part played by Jewish leaders of Christ's day in bringing about His crucifixion is not excluded of all mankind.

"But the personal guilt of these leaders cannot be charged to the rest of the people of His time or to-day."

For this reason, it said, it is "not possible to hold the Jews" because of St. Paul's teaching that "all men are Romans." God has not rejected the people whom He has chosen."

The Council of Churches held in London at the invitation of the W.C.C. statements regarding anti-Semitism and counselled its member Churches that the historic events which led to the crucifixion should not be presented in Christian teaching so "as to fasten upon the Jewish people of today responsibilities which belong to our corporate humanity and not to one race or community."

CHRISTMAS OPERA

ANGLICAN PRESS SERVICE

London, November 25

"A Christmas Carol," an opera based on Charles Dickens' famous story, and composed for the Christian Education Committee in 1961, is to be produced at Whitlands College, Putney, one of the Church of England's training colleges, in legs, from December 10, to December 16.

The composer of the work is Mr. David Gray, the thirty-one-year-old lecturer in music at Whitlands College, and the librettist is the Rev. Peter Ord, head of the English department at a co-educational boarding school in Nottingham.

The opera, which is to be published next year by Novello's, will be staged at Whitlands College, together with members of the academic staff and twelve children from local schools who belong to Whitlands Children's Drama Club.

Although written expressly for the twelve-year-old pupils, the music of "A Christmas Carol" and the libretto are in orthodox operatic form.

Mr Gray is also conductor of the Brighton Youth Orchestra.

BRITISH LAG IN UNITY ARCHBISHOP'S PLEDGE

ANGLICAN PRESS SERVICE

London, November 25

The Archbishop of Westminster, Dr. J. C. Heenan, said today that the British hierarchy up to now has lagged in the movement towards Christian unity.

But he predicted that with direction from the Vatican Ecumenical Council, Roman Catholics in Britain would be "winning real and enthusiastic."

The archbishop, a member of the Vatican secretariat for promoting Christian unity, addressed a Press conference at the 2,500 premises attending the council prepared to take up the question of Christian unity.

This topic, one of the major goals of the world-wide gathering, was introduced at the meeting in St. Peter's Basilica last Monday.

ZEL

"For the general public and the world Press the council is now approaching the question of Christian unity," Archbishop Heenan said.

"Now we turn to the specific activities of the Catholic Church, as a whole precisely in their efforts to attract other Christians, all our fellow men, and indeed on governmental matters, may be a hostile to religion."

The council is about to make Ecumenical Council on men and women everywhere.

The archbishop said that the British Roman Catholics had lagged in the ecumenical movement behind those of the Continent. He added:

"We thought it wise not to take initiatives which might later have to be retracted.

"It could have led to further misunderstanding and even to the kind of strife which all Christians hope will never return.

"Once the council gives directives the hierarchy will lose no time in putting them into practice.

"Once we have received the guidance of the council, English Roman Catholics will work for unity with real and enthusiastic."

STUDENTS VISIT PRAGUE

ANGLICAN PRESS SERVICE

London, November 25

Fourteen students from Anglican and Free Church theological colleges in various parts of the British Isles left London on November 15 to begin a two-week visit in Czechoslovakia as the guest of the Comenius Faculty (theological department) of Prague University.

The students are all members of the Comenius Fellowship, the movement to whom the invitation was originally sent. Next year it is hoped that a party of Czechoslovakian students will visit Britain.

The students are being led by the Reverend Robin Sharp, secretary of the theological college department of the S.C.M.

LECTORS, NOT PRIESTS

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, November 25

Establishment of special vocational positions for women theologians in Finland's national Lutheran Church has been approved by its five-year Church Assembly.

NEW GUARDS CHAPEL A GREAT OCCASION

ANGLICAN PRESS SERVICE

London, November 25

The Duke of Edinburgh will receive the new Guards Chapel in the Garrison of Wellington Barracks, on Tuesday, November 26.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Princess Margaret, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, Princess Marina, Duchess of Kent, the Princess Royal and Princess Alice will also be present.

The Chapel will be dedicated by the Chaplain-General to the Forces, the Venerable Ivan Neill, and the Bishop of Exeter, Canterbury, Dr. Michael Ramsey, will preach the sermon and give the final blessing.

The preacher at the First Sunday morning service to be held in the chapel on Sunday, December 1 (Advent Sunday) will be the Bishop of Exeter, Dr. Robert Steptoe.

The Chapel, which will seat 500 people in the nave, has cost £180,000 of which £39,000 towards the cost of electric and £30,000 for the embellishment of the interior will be contributed by Guards themselves.

It has simple white walls decorated with regional colours of a black tiled floor, and pews of polished afrodisia wood with blue cushioned seats and iron brodered hassocks.

SIX CLOISTERS

A slender screen of white Portland stone, containing six large central arch opening flanked on each side by wrought aluminium grilles designed by Geoffrey Cardie separates the cloister from the musician's gallery from the nave.

On the south side of the chapel are six singular cloisters—each for the Household Cavalry, the Grenadier Guards, Coldstream Guards, Scots Guards, Irish Guards and Welsh Guards.

Each of the three regional coat of arms, and on the Portland stone back wall are carved and gilded the regional battle honours. Each cloister also has a coat of arms and a name.

There has been a chapel on the site of the new building since 1838.

The original chapel was destroyed by a flying bomb on June 18, 1944, when the chapel and more than 100 worshippers were hit, mortally wounding.

On Christmas Day, 1945, services were resumed in a large hall erected on the site of the old nave, and this was in use as a chapel until January 1962. Work on the present building began in March 1961.

Basically, the proposal seeks to lend official recognition to the modern means of communication, including radio, television and films, and to its inclusion in the curriculum. It has properly availed itself of them in its own communications media.

It recommends newspaper editors, film makers and actors to be given a more professional conduct and express their over-riding sense of 118 to free use of the word "sex" in modern communications media.

The draft also calls for the establishment of national Roman Catholic centres to promote better use of Press, radio and television.

Many bishops have taught this for a long time, it was pointed out. The difference now was that it would become official teaching.

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OVERSEAS COUNCIL

FAREWELL

AMERICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, November 25

The Bishop of Liverpool, Dr Clifford Martin, presided at a dinner held in London on November 14, to mark the end of the Overseas Council of the Church Assembly after more than forty years' work.

The Council, which Dr Martin has been chairing since 1919, is to be based on January 1 next year with the Church of England Council for Ecumenical Co-operation, forming a new body to be known as the Overseas Council of the Church of England, with the Reverend David Paine as general secretary and Canon Arthur Gibben as home secretary.

The Reverend Howard Bates, general secretary of the Overseas Council for the last nine years, will continue in his other appointment as Vicar of St. Andrew's, Cole Abbey, Queen Victoria Street, and the Reverend Theodore Jousson, who has held the position successively of home and research secretary of the Overseas Council since 1956, is to retire from his post.

The Overseas Council has had some notable churchmen as its secretaries, notably Garfield Williams, Arthur Davies and John McLeod Campbell.

Among its special achievements have been the production of regular surveys pointing out the needs of the Church overseas, the arranging of visits for overseas bishops attending the General Conferences of 1948 and 1958, and participation in missionary conferences throughout the world.

In recent years the Council has been providing assistance to Bishop Stephen Bayne, executive officer of the Anglican community in connection with missionary strategy.

INTEGRATION

FAILS

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, November 25

Another attempt by northern Methodist ministers to integrate the Capitol Street Methodist Church at Jackson, Mississippi, failed when a number of clergymen and students was turned away. It was the fourth successive try by northern clergy.

Previous attempts by interracial groups of clergymen and students from Tougaloo Southern Christian College, near Jackson, have also repeatedly failed.

On October 6 three girls, two Negro and one white, were arrested when they attempted to enter the church.

The girls, all students at Tougaloo, were convicted and sentenced to one year in gaol and fined 1,000 dollars each on charges of trespassing and disturbing public worship.

Two national Methodist agencies subsequently provided 1,000 dollar bonds and the girls have been released pending appeal.

Their attorneys also have filed a writ in U.S. District Court in Jackson challenging Mississippi's interference with worship statute.

THE BIBLE UNITS

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, November 25

The Protestant Bible Institute in Wittenberg and the corresponding Roman Catholic Bible centre in Stuttgart have co-operated in selecting passages from the Old and New Testaments for use during Advent and the Christmas season, and have agreed on identical translations.

The passages will be published in local newspapers in a co-operative effort to stress the continuity of the season and to show all Christians what unites them, an announcement said.

The two agencies have been holding conversations for some time on the possibility of publishing a joint translation of the entire Bible.

DIOCESAN NEWS

BRISBANE

BROOKFIELD HOUSE PARTY

Brisbane Comrades of St. George's Cathedral, St. Andrew's, St. Christopher's, Leeds, Brookfield, and the Wesleyan, on November 15-17, for missionary candidates and their sponsors. The service was presided recently by Commissioner of the Diocese, the Rev. Canon J. G. Oat. Time was conducted by the Rev. Canon J. G. Oat, who is to leave for Polandia on Saturday afternoon.

A social was held on Sunday afternoon at which the Archbishop of Brisbane presided. This was the occasion for forwarding ten new members of the Young Anglican Fellowship presented the Archbishop and Canon J. G. Oat, which represents part of the money raised for their four "Tom-Tom" ("Train Our Missionaries") project.

PUBLIC SERVANTS

ANGELICAN SOCIETY

The quarterly corporate Communion of the Public Servants' Anglican Society, the last quarter of 1963 will be celebrated in St. George's Cathedral, Brisbane, on Thursday, December 5, at 7.45 a.m.

MELBOURNE

CONFIRMATIONS

The archbishop confirmed pupils from the Church of the Holy Trinity, St. Andrew's Church, Brighton, last Sunday afternoon. He also confirmed at St. John's, Heidelberg, on Sunday evening.

The Right Reverend G. T. Sambell, Bishop of Brisbane, presided at the Holy Trinity on Sunday morning.

Bishop Sambell also confirmed on Sunday afternoon in St. John's, Malvern East. At the conclusion of the service he addressed a pathos-filled message to the parish.

The Right Reverend F. R. Antill confirmed at St. George's, Malvern, on Sunday morning and at St. John's, Heidelberg, on Sunday afternoon.

GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

Bishop Sambell hallowed a Garden of Remembrance during Evensong at St. Mark's, East Melbourne, on Sunday afternoon.

VALEDCATORY COMMUNION

The Bishop of St. Arnaud, the Right Reverend A. E. Winter, will celebrate a Valedictory Communion for the Rev. Peter and Mrs. Wellock before their departure for Melbourne in the Diocese of Polynesia, on Friday, November 29.

November 29, St. Andrew's, Eveleigh, will observe the Prayer for Missions in St. Paul's Cathedral, chapel from 7.45 a.m. to 9 p.m. Half hour sessions will be held for particular countries and the regular cathedral services will include special intercessions for missions.

CHRISTMAS SALE

The annual Christmas Missionary Council Christmas Sale will be held in the Cathedral Chapter House on Thursday, November 28, commencing at 11 a.m.

The eighteenth dedication festival for the Diocese of Polynesia, at St. John's, Malvern, will be held on Advent Eve, November 29, at 7 p.m. Communion of the newly-confirmed; 10 a.m.; Festival Eucharist; 7 p.m.; Advent Procession and Service of Carols, Hymns and Lectures of the Season.

December 8 will be Temple Day and "Welcome to St. John's," with a Parish Family Communion breakfast at 10 a.m. and a Christmas Eve Eucharist at 7 p.m. in the parish hall for all parishes and guests.

ALL SAINTS, PRESTON

The ninth feast of All Saints' Preston, will be held on Friday, November 29, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and on Saturday, November 30, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the church grounds and hall.

PERTH

DEAN'S ILLNESS

His many friends in Australia will be sorry to hear that the Dean of Perth, the Very Reverend James Payne, who is in charge of the Mount Hospital, Perth. He had contracted a cold which unfortunately carries out his duties in connection with the annual dedication festival and the visit of the Primate.

Meanwhile, this enforced rest could be what was most needed. He has the assurance of the prayers and the good wishes of the diocese during his illness.

NEW MATRON FOR MOUNT HOSPITAL

Miss A. K. Jenon has been appointed Matron of the Mount Hospital which is the Church of England Hospital in Perth. Trained at Royal Victoria and Alfred Hospitals, Melbourne, Miss Jenon had been a matron for over eleven years in hospitals in the Eastern States, London, Queensland and Western Australia before joining the Mount as a deputy matron. She succeeds Matron Duffin who is commencing in all Church work after five years as matron, is contemplating overseas travel.

Miss Jenon is a communicant of St. George's Cathedral, and her capacity and conscientious devotion to our Church hospital in Perth, as well as her happy disposition, augurs well for continued efficiency, witness and progress of the Mount.

ORGAN REDEVANTS IN ADVENT

Three organs will be given at St. George's Cathedral on Friday, at 11.15 a.m. in Advent. Donors are: C. Bruce Naylor, Cathedral Organist, Adelaide; Lloyd Vernon, Assistant Organist, St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide; and Mrs. Henry Rossett. Mr. Rossett's organ has just recently gained his L.F.C.L. is a student of the cathedral organist.

SYDNEY

EVANGELICAL RALLY

The Evangelical Rally and Refresher Observance will be held at Moore Theological Hall, Newington, on Friday, November 29, at 7.30 p.m. The Rev. Canon J. G. Oat, and the Rev. Canon H. G. S. Boghe and Mr.

Justice A. Richardson. The topic will be "Anglicanism To-Day", with special reference to Terrence. There will also be a specially recorded message given by Dr J. J. Packer, Warden of Latimer College, Oxford.

CHESHAM NURSING

On December 1 the work of the Chesham Parish Nursing Service of the Home Mission Society will be extended to the far South Coast. On that day Sister Marjory Gilbert will be commissioned in all St. George's, Nowra, and will immediately begin her work as a parish nurse.

She will visit in the area from Friday to Hobsonville, with occasional visits to Karrihill. The women in the Nowra area have been working for many months to get the same sufficient finance to enable the work to begin.

COLORADO SLIDE EXHIBITION

There will be a colored slide exhibition in the Upper Hall, Chapter House, Bathurst, and George Street, at 7.45 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4, showing excerpts of slides from the churches and flower festivals during 1963.

This exhibition is being organized by the St. Andrew's Cathedral Guild and C.E.H. Society jointly. The public are cordially invited. Collectors at door, supper served 8 p.m.

Come alone and get the happy days spent in fellowship, and the churches visited.

CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL

The Cathedral Festival is being held on Friday, November 30, to December 7, St. Andrew's-aside. There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m. on November

30 and on December 1, which is the Cathedral School O.B.U. service. Dr Paul Brand will preach at the 11 a.m. celebration on Advent Sunday, and the Right Reverend A. W. Goodwin, Bishop of Exeter.

On Monday, December 2, the Hedin Centre Quartet will play at 1.15 p.m.; there will be the Festival Evensong at 5.30 p.m. and the festival dinner in the Chapter House at 6.30 p.m.

On Wednesday, Canon D. B. Knies will speak on "Moral Problems in the Old Testament" at 1.15 p.m.

On Thursday, Mrs. Mary Bevers will give an organ recital. On Friday, the Reverend I. F. Bartlett will give a piano recital at 1.15 p.m.; the businessmen's luncheon will be held at 1.15 p.m. in the Chapter House; and the Cathedral Church Society will present a programme at 8 p.m. This will be repeated on Saturday at 8 p.m. (See elsewhere in this issue for details.)

WANGARATTA

SHEPPARTON

The bishop, the Right Reverend T. B. McCall, outlined the Reverend G. E. D. Smith as Archbishop of Shepparton, on November 17, in St. Augustine's Church, Shepparton.

During the day the bishop confirmed seventy-one candidates of whom twenty were adults.

On November 18, Bishop McCall was given a civic reception by the Mayor of Shepparton in the presence of many of the leading businessmen of the city.

"HONEST TO GOD" APPRAISAL

The Workers' Educational Association has organised a critical appraisal of the Bishop of Woodiwich's book "Honest to God" at 52 Phillips Street, Sydney, on November 30, from 1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Speakers will include Mr. W. B. Knies, the Reverend G. Smart, Watts and Canon D. B. Backer.

The cost is 3s. Enquiries from the W.E.A., 52 Margaret Street, Sydney.

"S. NICHOIAS"

Benjamin Britten's "S. Nicolo" will be performed in S. George's Church, King Street, Sydney, on Friday, December 6, at 8 p.m.

It will be conducted by Michael Dyer. The choir will be from Wiley Park Girls' High School.

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