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NEW S. ANNE'S SCHOOL TO OPEN NEXT YEAR

ARCHBISHOP HALSE SETS STONE

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Townsville, December 10

The Archbishop of Brisbane, the Most Reverend R. C. Halse, set the foundation stone of the new S. Anne's School at Aitkenvale on December 2.

The Bishop of North Queensland, the Right Reverend Ian Shevill, who blessed the stone, said the school should be opened in a year's time.

More than £1,000 was given by the congregation during the afternoon.

The ceremony commenced with a spectacular procession round the beautiful hyacinth-studded lagoon which fronts the property.

Those who took part included members of the Mothers' Union, youth groups, pupils and staff of S. Anne's, pupils of S. Gabriel's, Charters Towers, the Diocesan Council, the building committee, the clergy, the bishop and the archbishop. Hymns were sung to hand accompaniment.

In setting the stone, the archbishop prayed: "Here let true faith, the fear of God and brotherly love ever abide, that this place may be set aside for the instruction of the young, the upholding of the highest ideals of Christian education, and the hallowing of all study in Thy service. Through Jesus Christ our Lord."

S. Anne's choir sang the psalm, "Except the Lord build the house . . ." and the school hymn, "He who would valiant be."

"NOT EVERYBODY"

"The Church school, definitely and without any apology, puts Christ into the midst of its life," said the archbishop in his address.

"It was not everybody who received Christ when He came into the world; nor does everybody understand the reason for Christian education," he said.

In so many ways State and Church schools followed the same path. Academic stand-

ards worthy of our country were needed, and in this regard the Church welcomed State inspectors of schools.

"We also inculcate with the State schools the moral side of life, involving good conduct and citizenship," said the archbishop.

"The very fact that the State itself does not provide boarding schools for country children, but welcomes Christian communities having such schools, shows that the State approves what the Church is doing in this respect.

The teachers in Church schools brought before their pupils an ideal and an inspiration which only believers in Our Lord were able to do.

FORTY YEARS AGO

His Grace said he recalled the day, forty years ago, when he and Bishop John Oliver Feetham traversed the streets of Townsville to look for the first site of S. Anne's School.

"We found it," he said, "and around that first building have grown up those other buildings which the staff and pupils and friends of the school have come to know so well.

"Now, surely, it is a great day in the history of the school when we set the foundation stone of a much greater and more worthy set of buildings which, under God, we believe, will soon be set up upon this site."

Bishop Shevill said that the magnificent generosity of the people of North Queensland had made the new school possible.

4,503 of them had promised

BISHOP WAND FOR JAMESTOWN

"LIVING CHURCH" SERVICE Milwaukee, December 10 In addition to the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Fisher, the former Bishop of London, the Right Reverend J. W. C. Wand is expected to be present at the 350th anniversary festival of Jamestown, U.S.A.

Bishop Wand has been invited to the celebrations on "Jamestown Sunday," June 16, 1957.

£145,000 over three years, a quarter of which would be used for S. Anne's.

In addition, many friends outside the diocese had given £14,500, and many Townsville business houses had made donations.

£72,000 would be needed by the time the new school is opened; much of this was still needed.

The bishop said the school would include a dining hall, junior and senior dormitories, junior and senior classrooms, headmistress' quarters, administration block and chapel.



The Archbishop of Brisbane, the Most Reverend R. C. Halse, and the Bishop of North Queensland, the Right Reverend Ian Shevill (right), at the setting of the foundation stone at S. Anne's School, Aitkenvale, Townsville, on December 2.

CONSECRATION AT DORNAKAL

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Dornakal, South India, December 10

The Reverend Pereji Solomon was consecrated and enthroned in the Cathedral Church of the Epiphany, Dornakal, on November 27.

This presbyter of the Church of South India was chosen to be a bishop for his deep spiritual qualities and varied experience.

A large congregation, drawn from all parts of the Telugu country, assembled in the cathedral.

As well as each district having sent its own representatives, as many clergy and laity as could endeavour to be present.

For most it meant long and difficult journeys by train, bus or bullock bandy, and for the church people of the village of Dornakal it needed a great feat of organisation, as sleeping (even though for some hundreds this meant lying on the ground) and feeding arrangements had to be made.

To provide rice and curry for clergy, parish representatives and diocesan council members alone, two hundredweight of rice were needed.

RICE HELD UP

To complicate matters for the busy organisers, the bullock bandy bringing the rice was bogged and held up for many hours five miles away and rice in small quantities had to be borrowed from surrounding villages or local friends.

Fortunately Dornakal is on a main line, but once you arrive at the station, you walk over

the height of two steps and the sanctuary is still higher, which helps those at the back to see.

From a seat in the chancel it was a most interesting congregation to look at. Just below and packed close were boys and girls from the Church schools.

Then a great sea of faces, reaching far back into the distance, earnest men and women, with European missionaries here and there among them.

One group from Khammam alone had brought over 100 children and teachers on the train the previous night, and other groups had come from centres which at one time belonged to different missions, but now are joined together in one spiritual fellowship in the united Church of South India, and a very real fellowship it is.

MANY TRADITIONS

The service was conducted according to the rite of the Church of South India, which is somewhat similar to our consecration service, incorporated as it is in the service of the Lord's Supper, or the Holy Eucharist, whose liturgy contains elements drawn from many traditions.

Those laying their hands on the new bishop were Bishop Sumitra, Bishop in Rayala-seema, who is the Moderator; Bishop Elliot, Bishop in Kistna; Bishop Chellappa, Bishop in Madras; and Bishop Whittaker, Bishop in Medak, and several clergy of the diocese.

The enthronement followed in the afternoon and was again an enthusiastic service, full of gladness and great rejoicing.

The whole day was one in which Christians from widely separated parts of the Telugu-speaking diocese were able to meet and have fellowship, and the bright happy faces were a great witness to non-Christians around.

There were quite a number of Hindus of various castes present, many of whom had travelled 50 or 60 miles to be there; among them some enquirers.

FACT AND FANCY

The Bishop in Korea (his father was born in Sydney and his own Christian names are John Charles Sydney—the signature of the well-known Archbishop) says that he had become wary of soup in his travels, but when he went to Korea he found seaweed soup delicious and octopus soup much better if he shut his eyes when eating!

Our special correspondent at the consecration at Dornakal (an account of which appears on this page) was Mrs. G. H. Cranswick, who is at present visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. John Cranswick, C.M.S. missionaries in India. It is her first visit since she and her husband, the late Bishop of Gippsland, were missionaries there 42 years ago. Mrs. Cranswick finds there are many who still remember them.

Congratulations to the Commonwealth Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, Canon H. M. Arrow-smith, who becomes the first clergyman to be elected to the Sydney City Council.

Each fortnight the Rector of Holy Trinity, North Terrace, Adelaide, the Reverend Graham Delbridge, receives a letter with the following words in it: "Enclosed £1/10/-, which is a tenth of my pay."

It is signed "Junior Fellow-shipper."

Acknowledging receipt in his parish paper, *Trinity Times*, Mr. Delbridge says the money is shared between the C.M.S. and the church's £5,000 Organ Fund.

There is another Church of the Nativity at Finnis, a small country town in the Diocese of Adelaide.

From the Reverend Christopher Cooper's parish paper for the Kadina district, in South Australia, comes what he breezily calls "this issue's jest."

He records a "famous saying," reported to him during a pastoral visit:

"I give 10/- a year to the Church. Yes, I could give more, but the House of God is free, isn't it?"

—THE APPRENTICE.

MISSIONARY ENTHUSIASM

FROM OUR A.B.M. CORRESPONDENT

The A.B.M. State Secretary in N.S.W., the Reverend W. H. S. Childs, found last month great enthusiasm for the missionary cause in two parishes.

Over S. Andrew's-tide the Rector of Coolah-Dunedoo, the Reverend Aubrey Reeder, arranged a gathering of women to hear the A.B.M. State Secretary, and lined up one of his parishioners to show two A.B.M. films.

More than £20 was spent by parishioners on literature, and Dunedoo Sunday School gave a donation to the Southern Cross appeal.

The Reverend John Fincher of Bingara has been cheered not only by a successful Wells Canvass and a deepening of religious convictions amongst his parishioners but was able to present to the A.B.M. State Secretary a cheque worth an amount of £30 above the parish quota.

The pupils at high and primary schools were visited by the Reverend W. Childs and he also spoke to a parish meeting and a Mother's Union group.

Before leaving for Sydney the A.B.M. Secretary was loaded with gifts for the mission field. These gifts had been brought to a Christmas tree which the vicar set in the parish grounds.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PROMOTION TO BE HELD AT GILBULLA IN FEBRUARY

General Synod has set up a Department of Promotion under the chairmanship of the Bishop of North Queensland, the Right Reverend Ian Shevill.

The Department is to encourage the development of a sense of Christian stewardship throughout the whole Church in Australia.

Meeting at the Sydney Diocesan Church House last month under the chairmanship of the bishop, the committee decided to hold a national conference to be attended by representatives from all diocesan Departments of Promotion or diocesan representatives appointed for this particular purpose.

A preliminary survey shows that two dioceses already have their own departments, namely Sydney and North Queensland.

and in a number of other dioceses they are in the process of formation and directors to be appointed.

A national conference on promotion and stewardship is to be held at "Gilbulla" in February next.

STRONG LEAD

A tentative programme has been drawn up whereby the fundamentals of promotion will be thoroughly discussed at this conference.

It is felt that, given a strong lead from the outset, the Church in Australia will within a few years move rapidly to-

THREE DUTIES DURING WORLD CRISIS

U.S.A. BISHOPS' STATEMENT

THE "LIVING CHURCH" SERVICE

Milwaukee, December 10

The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U.S.A. last month issued a statement on the world crisis in Hungary and the Middle East.

The statement was issued instead of the bishops' annual pastoral letter.

It urges church people to pray for the people of Hungary, to support President Eisenhower, and to help alleviate suffering with gifts of money and clothing.

"The opposite of order is disorder; and international disorder is anarchy, and even war," it states.

"With all its inadequacies and imperfections we believe that Christians are called to give their fullest support to the United Nations, the only semblance of world government we possess."

The statement urges prayer for the men who have to make decisions, and for those who live under tyranny.

Touching on the conflict between the United Kingdom and the U.S.A., the statement warns: "Remember that the free world must stand together, and that our present precarious alliance can be maintained only by the deepest understanding and sympathy."

"OUR OWN SINS"

"The harsh judgements of the self-righteous against the unilateral action of others must be softened by the knowledge of our own sins and shortcomings."

"We believe that unilateral action is dangerous and to be avoided, but let us face honestly, for example, what the United States would be tempted to do if our interests in the Panama Canal Zone were threatened."

Bishop Dun, of Washington, told the bishops of the meeting of the W.C.C. Central Committee in Hungary this year:

To go behind the Iron Curtain, he said, is "to feel a drop in the economic level of existence almost immediately; to get a sense of being watched and supervised by people not completely identifiable."

"In talking to persons living within this, in hearing their

frank testimony, you are certain that this is an imposed regime."

He described the moving scenes the visitors witnessed when they were welcomed by local congregations.

Bishop Sherrill, speaking of the work of the W.C.C., said: "It always annoys me when people speak of the World Council as an 'optional' thing."

"It is not something that can be patronised; it is not a sentimentality, but a necessity."

"It has the monumental task of bridging the gap between peoples and nations in the name of Christianity. I urge you to follow its actions more acutely."

HUNGARIAN CHURCH LEADERS ARE SAFE

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, December 8

Leaders of the Reformed Church in Hungary including Bishop L. Ravasz and Dean Laszlo Pap, are reported to be safe after the recent fighting.

A pastoral letter from Bishop Ravasz has been read in all Reformed churches.

The Reformed Theological Seminary in Budapest has not been damaged.

During the battles in the city pastors have been active in bringing help and supplies to the wounded and to people in the city.

Food sent in just before the second wave of fighting by a convoy from the World Council of Churches and the Lutheran World Federation was distributed by the Church to families needing it.

Church life is gradually being re-established along the lines laid down by earlier decisions taken after the first wave of fighting.

The general secretary of the World Council of Churches, Dr. W. A. Visser 't Hooft, and the director of the Service to Refugees, Dr. Edgar Chandler, have sent an urgent request to a number of National Christian Councils to approach their governments with a view to securing hospitality for a much larger number of refugees.

The number of refugees now in Austria exceeds 85,000. Co-ordinated relief in Austria by international Christian bodies and the Austrian churches continues. The Old Catholic and Mennonite churches in Austria

WREN'S PLAN IN S. PAUL'S

London, December 10

If Sir Christopher Wren could pay a posthumous visit to St. Paul's Cathedral, he would be pleased to see that the East End, which has been screened off since being wrecked by a bomb, is at last taking shape the way he wanted it.

Not only is the ornate Victorian reared, which concealed the high altar, not to be reinstated, but the altar itself is to be the impressive structure Wren designed—the foundations of the baldachin which Queen Anne forbade him to build are already in position.

Fine carving now hides from view the keystone of the transept arch, which was given by the cathedral fire-watchers; six pillars have been refaced, and stained glass for the east windows is expected to be ready by next August.

Coloured glass was not part of Wren's conception, but has been chosen so that worshippers may not be dazzled by the early morning sunlight.

NEED OF "MORE THAN RELIEF"

DR. FISHER HELPS CHEER A YOUNG HUNGARIAN

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, December 10

A few short sentences, spoken slowly in English by a young Hungarian who fought in Budapest, made the deepest impact on the audience at a mass meeting in the Albert Hall on November 28.

The meeting was organised by the European-Atlantic Group in aid of the Lord Mayor's Fund for Hungarian relief.

He was a short, stocky young man, whose name could not be given "for obvious reasons."

When he had finished, the Archbishop of Canterbury and a dozen other well-known speakers on the platform stood up, in company with the audience of some 3,000 people, and clapped and cheered.

"I am a simple man," said the Hungarian. "I am no soldier, I am not a politician. I do not belong to any political party. On October 23, I was in a Government building when it was taken over by my friends.

They gave me a gun. I joined them, and we fought as long as we could. I escaped to Austria to avoid deportation."

"I and my friends appreciate the welcome given to us in England. However, it is not we who are most in need. My friends at home continue the struggle by other means. They need more than relief. They need all your moral and political assistance. Please remember them and do your utmost for them."

About 20 young men and women from Budapest sat near the platform, some wearing black masks to conceal their identity. They were led into the hall by a tall Hungarian carrying a flagpole bearing the red, white and green colours of their country. He stood, holding the flagpole and scarcely moving, throughout nearly two and a half hours of speeches expressing admiration and sympathy for his countrymen.

Yet, as most speakers agreed, sympathy was not enough. What could be done in the way of "moral and political assistance"? Mr. Robert Boothby, M.P., declared that the politicians had failed totally. "We have achieved nothing," he said, "absolutely nothing; not even U.N. observers."

UNITED EUROPE

Mr. Boothby emphasised, as Lord Bessborough, the chairman of the meeting, had done earlier, the danger of a surge of anti-American feeling in this country. Now was the time, he said, to fight even harder than before for a united Europe and strong Western alliance.

Mr. Kenneth Younger, M.P., spoke on behalf of the Labour Party, and Mr. Clement Davies, for the Liberals, urged that diplomatic and economic relations with Russia should cease.

Mr. R. Edwards, general secretary of the Chemical Workers' Union, suggested that no "rigid trade union conditions" should be allowed to prevent Hungarian craftsmen from working in Britain.

The meeting was opened by the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Liverpool, Dr. Godfrey, and closed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Fisher, who said that the rulers of Russia had become "to a unique degree, instruments and slaves of the devil."

A resolution was passed calling for the return of deported Hungarians, the introduction of United Nations observers into Hungary, and the holding of free elections under United Nations observation.

On the suggestion of Mr. Lajos Lederer, a journalist who was in Budapest during the fighting, the resolution also urged that the Secretary-General of the United Nations should seek authority to summon the heads of all diplomatic missions in Budapest with a view to establishing the facts. If this were done, Mr. Lederer suggested, it would do away with the need for United Nations observers.

£10 FOR EVERY £100

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, December 10

Ten further gifts of £100 have been received for the new cathedral at Guildford.

A donor is giving £10 for every £100 given to the fund, up to £10,000.

The trustees hope to claim the full £1,000. Twenty £100 gifts in all have so far been received.

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CAIRN IN MEMORY OF BISHOP CRICK

THE CEREMONY AT S. FAITH'S SCHOOL, YEPPON

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Rockhampton, December 10

A brick cairn at the entrance to S. Faith's School, Yeppoon, Diocese of Rockhampton, in memory of Bishop P. C. T. Crick, was unveiled on December 3.

Bishop Crick, who was the diocesan from 1920 to 1927, founded the school in 1923.

Mrs. H. R. Clift, who was present at the opening ceremonies, unveiled the memorial.

Archdeacon S. J. Matthews, who dedicated the cairn, said that the property on which the school stood was at one time owned by Senator Stewart.

The house and land came on to the market in 1923 when Bishop Crick and an advisory committee arranged for its purchase.

A building which was known as S. Paul's Hostel was moved from the rear of Lis Escop to Yeppoon and was added to the home on the property to provide accommodation for school girls.

FORESIGHT

Archdeacon Matthews said the school started with six girls, but as additions were made, the school grew.

Bishop Crick was a great scholar and a man of courage. His foresight in establishing a school would be recognised more fully as Central Queensland progressed and the need of a school for girls became more apparent.

Canon C. E. Torlach spoke at the Speech Day ceremonies held the same day.

He stressed the value of work. He said that to-day work had

"FORCE OFTEN JUSTIFIED"

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Amberley, Q., December 8
"The use of force has often been justified in history and is in line with Christian principles," said Major-General the Reverend C. A. Osborne at Amberley R.A.A.F. Base last week.

His address to the large congregation in the station cinema was entitled "The Christian attitude to the present international crisis."

General Osborne said he fully supported the British and French intervention in Egypt. "When all other methods have failed, the use of force is justified in upholding what is right," he said.

He later attended a conference of Service chaplains.

lost a great deal of its dignity.

The movement of society seemed to be away from work.

"If your work wears you, if it overpasses your strength, do it first: you may think about rest afterwards," said Canon Torlach.

"Your work lies in what you have done, not in how many things you have attempted."

"When opportunity is given you, concentrate yourself upon that one thing."

"Work wisely, for it is better to do a little according to God's will than to do many things according to our own notions."

Canon Torlach referred to the work of the school and its aim to provide a Christian education to fit the pupils to develop into good citizens.

The pupils of S. Faith's have collected £50 towards establishing a bursary worth £100. The headmistress, Miss M. M. Davis, said on Speech Day that it may be possible to announce the first award at the beginning of next year.



Mrs. H. R. Clift unveiling the memorial to Bishop Crick at the entrance of S. Faith's School, Yeppoon, Diocese of Rockhampton. Archdeacon S. J. Matthews, who dedicated the cairn, is standing behind Mrs. Crick.

BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS MANY PLANS FOR SYDNEY

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

An adult education programme and training courses for lay workers who give religious instruction in State schools, and for Sunday school teachers, are among the Sydney Diocesan Board of Education's plans for 1957.

In conjunction with the Department of Promotion, the Board of Education has undertaken the preparation of a course of study for adult Church members, to be made available to rectors and lay readers.

A sub-committee has been appointed to examine closely the needs of the diocese in this field and to commence the preparation of the necessary study material.

Enquiries are being made in Great Britain and the United States to ascertain what is being done overseas, particularly in relation to the idea of adult Sunday schools.

In this way it is hoped that a lead will be given to parishes in the training of the many new Church members brought in as a result of every member canvasses.

As a result of Synod's decision to allocate the sum of £15,000 annually to enable the board to employ additional staff to assist the clergy in taking religious instruction classes, especially in secondary schools, where in most cases "classes" number two or three hundred, and where, in many schools, no instruction is given at all, or only at very irregular intervals. The Board is already in touch with several trained teachers to take on this work.

SCHOOL WORK

A second Religious Instruction Training Course will commence in March to enable lay workers to be trained for this very urgent work.

The first of such courses was held earlier this year, and more than seventy layfolk participated in it, most of them being

now engaged in assisting their parish clergy in their school's work.

Full information will be sent early in the new year to rectors and Mothers' Union branches, which will again be co-operating with the board in this venture.

Also commencing late in March, will be a central course of training for Sunday school workers. This will be in addition to the board's usual training programme through the 23 District Sunday School Teachers' Conferences now in existence.

The course will provide training in practical aspects of teaching as well as giving the necessary background knowledge of doctrine and the Bible to equip teachers effectively for their work.

The course will be conducted on Thursday evening from March to August, and will be followed in 1958, by specialised courses in the various branches of Sunday work.

HALL'S NAME IS IN WROUGHT IRON

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Perth, December 10

The Archdeacon of Perth, the Venerable R. E. Freeth, opened and blessed the Ascension parish hall at Midland Junction on December 2.

The ceremony was held at 8 a.m. on Sunday morning and was followed immediately by a Sung Eucharist of thanksgiving.

The new hall is exactly opposite the Church of the Ascension, and so the people assembled in church and sang "Thy hand O God has guided," as they walked in procession to the new hall, and "Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven" as they returned to church after the opening.

A feature of the outside of the hall is the use of wrought iron. "The Ascension Parish Hall" is in large black letters of wrought iron on the left side of the main entrance, and there is a wrought iron cross on the right.

CHURCH TO GO TO THE TOWN

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
Bethanga, Vic.,
December 10

Holy Trinity Church, Bethanga, Diocese of Wangaratta, will be soon leaving its present position, where it has been geographically well out of bounds for fifty years.

The church was built more than 80 years ago in the centre of a flourishing gold mining town with a population of 1,200 people.

When the mines closed down the houses and stores which



Holy Trinity Church, Bethanga, Diocese of Wangaratta.

were not moved to what is called Lower Town, some three-quarters of a mile from the church, were demolished, leaving the church standing alone on a hill.

The district's population is now about 130 families. £600, most of it raised through the ingenuity of the church secretary, Mr. John Mitchell, will defray the cost of removal.

Suitable land has been found in Lower Town. One member has donated 60 or more suitable building stumps, and a group of men are voluntarily assisting the removalists.

GOLDEN JUBILEE IN SYDNEY

A service will be held in S. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, on S. Thomas' Day, December 21, at 11 a.m., to celebrate for four priests the golden jubilee of their ordination to the priesthood.

The clergy are: the Reverend A. J. A. Fraser, the Reverend J. D. Armitage, the Reverend H. W. Mullins, and the Reverend Stanley Howard.

A BISHOP AND A GENERAL

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
Brisbane, December 10

The patronal festival at S. Andrew's, South Brisbane, began on the Eve of S. Andrew, Thursday, November 29.

From 5.30 p.m. till 8 o'clock intercessions were led by the Reverend J. Smith (East Brisbane), the Reverend F. Bromley (West End), the Reverend E. Wetherell (South Brisbane), the Reverend R. de Voil (Ekibin) and the Reverend J. Swan (Woolloongabba).

At Evensong that followed at 8 p.m., the sermon was preached by the Bishop of New Guinea. The bishop based an inspiring sermon on the words: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto Me."

S. Andrew's Day began with Holy Communion. In the evening the Girls' Friendly Society gave a display before a large and appreciative audience in the parish hall.

Sunday, December 2, was kept as the church's patronal festival.

PEOPLE'S SERMON

The visiting preacher was Major-General the Reverend C. A. Osborne. At the large 9.30 Family Communion the General gave a most illuminating address, especially meant for the young people, on Saint Andrew. At 11 o'clock he preached on "The presence of God."

In the evening, on an overflowing congregation, the General's sermon made a profound impression, as he invited the people "to preach a sermon to themselves," asking them to put two questions to themselves: "Am I still learning? Am I still serving?"

At 6 o'clock the parish family tea took place. Nearly 300 parishioners sat down to an excellent knife and fork meal provided by the wardens, and beautifully served by the ladies of the parish, under the direction of the rector's wife, Mrs. E. W. Wetherell.

In a delightful speech that brought rars of laughter from the company, the General, who is a Director of Station T.C.N., spoke of the lighter (as well as the more serious) side of television.

A fleeting glimpse of the Church of England Grammar School (whose founder, Canon W. P. F. Morris, had been in the congregation at Evensong), and a visit to the cathedral early on the Monday morning, brought to a close the General's crowded visit to Brisbane.

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

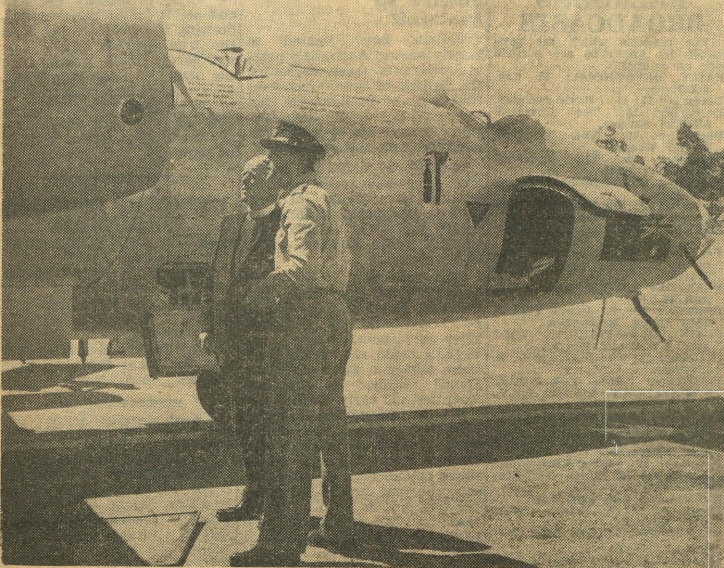
Adelaide, December 10

"It is a great joy to note the growing friendship and co-operation between the Missions to Seamen and the Royal Australian Navy in South Australia," says the Adelaide Missions to Seamen chaplain, the Reverend John Meakin, in his annual report.

In the past year, Mr. Meakin has made 1,046 visits to ships, and distributed 2,896 bundles of magazines and periodicals. More than 2,900 seamen have attended services held in the Missions at Port Adelaide and Outer Harbour.

The chaplain says that soon a "considerable amount of work" will have to be done to the Mission's main club in Todd Street, Port Adelaide. "We must look to our many friends and supporters when we attempt this," he adds.

In their report, the General Committee pay a special tribute to the work of their hospital visitor, Mrs. J. Morison. "The Mission is, indeed, most fortunate in having a lady of Mrs. Morison's enthusiasm and understanding available to carry on this most important part of the Mission's ideals," says the report.



Major-General the Reverend C. A. Osborne visited Amberley R.A.A.F. Base on November 30. Here the chief technical officer, Squadron-Leader Rodney Noble (son of the late M. A. Noble, the Test cricketer) explains some points of a Canberra jet bomber to the General.

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APARTHEID OR GOD'S SUNSHINE

In a Sydney paper, the "Daily Telegraph", in letters to the Editor on Monday, December 10, a former South African Member of Parliament wrote: "That the removal of 60,000 Africans in Johannesburg from disease and vice-ridden slums to new homes in God's Sunshine was a blessing." He was of course referring to the provision of a new location for the inhabitants of Sophiatown with the inviting name of Meadowlands.

The removal of Sophiatown was the result of the passing of the "Western Areas Settlement Act" of 1953 and was the most extensive apartheid operation ever planned by the Nationalist Government. It sounds more like moonshine than God's Sunshine when the Africans had to be helped to move by 2,000 armed police.

At the time of this monstrous eviction order THE RIGHT REVEREND AMBROSE REEVES, BISHOP OF JOHANNESBURG, said:

"Serious as the outlook for African housing in general is, as far as Johannesburg is concerned, it is gravely aggravated by the proposal to move the inhabitants of the western native township into a difficult locality. Leaving on one side the serious moral issue raised by the proposed deprivations of freehold rights of African property owners envisaged in this proposal, it is incredible that such a scheme should be put forward at the very time when there is such a serious shortage of houses for Africans. Are human beings indefinitely to be treated as pawns, or will the conscience of Christians be aroused in such a way that a halt will have to be called to such a scheme?"

Recent news from South Africa tells of the arrest of many people on charges of "treason and sedition". The use of police powers the Government has been and is now enforcing, appears to many to be the very pattern of Fascist and Communist tyranny.

South Africa's sub-Christian Government has already introduced legislation which 1. denies the Church the right to control mission schools, 2. denies the right of any native to work in Johannesburg except those actually born in the city, 3. denies the right of any native to enter a town or city without a special pass he must carry at all times, 4. denies the right of natives to own land or even their own home, 5. denies the right of natives to seek a higher education either secondary or University.

These are a few of the many efforts to keep the black man in his place.

No coloured man can travel in the same part of a train, bus, or plane as the whites. He can't sit on the same seat in a park or drink at the same milk bar, and even some churches apologise for segregation of black and white congregations on the grounds of convenience.

Can one imagine that not one coloured South African could make the Olympic team? No, there was no room for a coloured sportsman.

Is it to be thought seditious to fight such injustices?

The Western world has been drenched in blood to liberate man from the totalitarian God called the State, with its insatiable desire to drag the infinite variety and liberty of human souls which God has created into a dreary pattern of conformity and obedience.

Frail, sinful, narrow and prejudiced men are being challenged by the Scotts and the Huddlestons. White South Africa, so long as it pursues the occupation of its own salvation is condemned to death and some can see in wholesale arrests of black and white, Communist and Christian, intelligent and unlettered, the judgement of the Lord.

INDIAN BISHOPS

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE
Geneva, December 10
As a result of the election of the Reverend Nangal Singh and the Reverend Gabriel Sundaram to the episcopate, all four bishops of the Methodist Church in India are now Indians.

The two new bishops, who replace Bishop J. Waskom Pickett and Bishop Clement D. Rocky, were elected last month by the Central Conference of the Methodist Church in Southern Asia meeting at Lucknow. The retiring bishops were both Americans.

ABBEY RECITAL

ANGELICAN NEWS SERVICE
London, December 10
The Princess Royal will attend the recital to be given in Westminster Abbey to-night by the Westminster Abbey Special Choir.

Music for Advent and Christmas will make up the chief part of the programme, the principal works for performance being Purcell's "Rejoice in the Lord" and "Jubilate", Holst's Two Psalms, and Vaughan Williams' Fantasia on Christmas Carols, all of which will be given with accompaniment for strings and organ.



"Everything which touches the life of the nation is the concern of the Christian" — The Archbishop of Canterbury

What A Woman's World!

What a woman's world the Olympic Games results showed Australia to be!

And almost as many glowing adjectives as gold, silver, and bronze medals were showered on the speedy lassies on athletic tracks and in swimming lanes who did so much to lift Australia into third place in aggregate points behind Russia and the United States. "Wonder" girls, "glorious" girls, "golden" girls, or just "our" girls—so the newspapers in headlines and posters reflected the nation's pride in the achievements of these young women, whose determination to put their best foot (or arm) forward was never of the grim, unsmiling order.

So much adulation would turn many a young, and not so young, head. But all the evidence shows that these girls have taken their successes modestly.

That, I think, was one of the most pleasing aspects of the fine showing made by the Australian girls in the Olympic events. Another was the splendid team spirit. The girls obviously rejoiced in the triumphs of each other. Those who won no gold medals, although only split-seconds behind the winners, admirably concealed their own disappointment. And the winners seemed to be at special pains to ensure that their triumphs were shared by those who pressed them so hard.

I hope it is not moralising too much to say that more of this spirit in the rough and tumble of daily life would make this world a sweeter, pleasanter place.

Parsons Turned Politicians

Somewhat I dislike ministers of religion entering the controversial fields of politics, either local or national.

New Zealand ministers seemed to be more prone to such excursions than Australian. Such large New Zealand towns as Christchurch, Dunedin, and New Plymouth have had parson-mayors.

Now a Presbyterian minister has become mayor of the N.S.W. country town of Narrabri, an Anglican clergyman has been elected an alderman of Sydney, and another minister of religion sought as a "true Liberal" to become M.P. for Wentworth.

All these I believe to be worthy men, capable of contri-

buted service of a quality above the average in their communities.

But I think there are two considerations to set against that one.

First, as the cobbler should stick to his last, should not the parson stick to his own particular job? In this country, with comparatively few clergy to minister to the needs of a rapidly-growing population, there cannot be many men in holy orders with time on their hands to spare from the strict work of the Church, even in the case of men without parochial duties.

Second, even more important, is it not highly desirable, and even imperative, that a minister of religion should stand right outside politics? He is called on to minister to those of all political faiths and of none. But if he aligns himself with a political party (even by inference as, by example, in revealing himself to be anti-Labour) he must suffer the disadvantage of being a partisan.

True, a minister of religion must be a partisan in some ways—an opponent of all unrighteousness, an upholder of the ten commandments. All men must be his neighbours. But how can they be if he is identified as a member of a group opposed to some other group?

The Church, I firmly believe, has a duty to interest itself actively in the social and economic problems of the day. To do so effectively her members, including particularly the clergy, must speak out—and not only from the pulpit. But they can do so best, surely, by standing outside and above politics.

I don't expect these views to be acceptable everywhere. But I'm prepared to defend them with some tenacity.

A Reputation To Be Envied

Occasionally there passes out of this life a person about whose excellence all mortals who knew him can agree.

Such a person was Dr. Edgar L. Bainton, director of the N.S.W. State Conservatorium of Music from 1934 to 1946, who died last week while enjoying the early morning swim he habitually took in Sydney Harbour even in his 77th year.

I knew him only by sight as an orchestral conductor and by reputation. But splendid as I knew that personal reputation to be, it has been exceeded in

the height and depth of the personal tributes paid to his gracious memory by his close friends.

In this era of high-pressure personal advertising, even in the arts, it is refreshing to be reminded of men like Dr. Bainton, who are not concerned to flaunt their abilities and their achievements, and who enrich their community almost by stealth. One feels that he would have blushed to know how admirable his character was felt by his friends to be.

One observer wrote of him: "His world encompassed anything that moves the human spirit." That is an epitaph anyone could envy.

Liberty Of The Candidate

The outcome of last Saturday's voting in the Federal by-election in Wentworth, Sydney, is not clear at this writing.

But it is clear that nearly half the Liberal supporters in that traditional Liberal stronghold voted to show their resentment of an official candidate about whom they knew little being pre-selected for their endorsement in preference to someone widely known in the district.

Fifty people selected the candidate after having seen and heard the 16 aspirants. It would not be practical to have a much bigger selection committee than that.

But the Liberal chiefs may think that campaigning experience in Wentworth suggests at least two points for consideration:

The first is that a candidate should not be almost a total stranger to the electorate which he aspires to represent. The second is that party leaders in the electorate concerned should have a much more decisive voice than people from party headquarters in selecting the candidate.

But, while the above free advice is given to the Liberal Party, this column is pleased at Wentworth's disclosure that the man as well as the party is considered important. We have too much regimentation in both Liberal and Labour parties in Federal and State politics today. Even a member of a party should have reasonable independence to speak and vote according to his genuine beliefs. "My party right or wrong" is an abhorrent dictum.

Justice In Innisfail

Italians have figured so largely among Australia's post-war migrants (even exceeding the British in recent quarters) that it must be assumed that the migration authorities consider them to be, by and large, assimilable in the population.

It must be earnestly hoped that they will prove so, and will not form colonies of their own on the model in Innisfail, where the sugar industry attracted many Italians about 30 years ago.

This reflection is prompted by the news this week that Supreme Court sittings are to be reinstituted at Innisfail. They were abolished when convictions could not be obtained there during a wave of "Black Hand" murders in the late 'twenties and early 'thirties.

It must be conceded that jury verdicts in Australian centres where there is no problem of a foreign population are sometimes astounding. But, generally, the jury system has stood the test, and it is to be hoped that Innisfail will be able to show now that its concept of British justice is no different from that held in most other Australian centres.

—THE MAN IN THE STREET.

ONE MINUTE SERMON

GIDEON

Judges: Chapters 6, 7, 8

What a masterpiece is this story embedded in the Book of Judges. How pitiful is Israel's plight when a strong man like Gideon must beat out in secret a few ears of corn. Hidden away in a wine press he beats the sheaves softly lest the Midianites find him and his hoard.

"The Lord is with thee thou mighty man of valour", says the voice. Who would believe it? Surely, it is but mockery. Beating out corn in secret for a hungry family—where is there a sign of valour. But the voice continues, "Go in this thy night and thou shalt save Israel."

And Gideon's soul catches fire. He can't save Israel unless his own home area is cleaned up. If he is to obey God he must begin at his own doorstep. So that night he takes men, breaks down the Altar of Baal, cuts down the grove of trees by it, and offers one of his father's bullocks a sacrifice to the true God.

When the Baal worshippers came in their wrath Gideon's father has courage enough to stand by his son. Yes, he has thrown down Baal's altar, well, let the god make his own punishment.

But Gideon is a humble soul. Read how he asks God's assurance through the fleece and the morning dew. And then, sure that God has called him, he goes forth and nothing can stop him. His enthusiasm is catching and 33,000 men came to follow.

But they are a useless company, most of them, not really with their hearts in the campaign, and when Gideon gives them opportunity, 23,000 go home and 10,000 alone are left. "But," says God to Gideon, "most of these are not dependable, you can't accomplish my purpose with these. Test them out as I bid thee."

So they are brought to water and only 300 hold their weapons closely while they dip up water with the empty hand. These are the men who can be trusted—the rest can go home.

What a tiny group with which to meet the thousands of Midian. But read of Gideon's reconnoitre and the Midianite's dream, then of his stratagem whereby the Midianites are stricken with panic and destroyed each other in the dark.

Gideon is a great soul—a man of courage, initiative and of faith. But yet there came a pride which in the end wrought great destruction to his house and a desolation to his peoples.

Though he refused to rule them (8:23) and said, "The Lord shall rule over you," yet he made a priestly garment and set it up in his own city, drawing the people away from the true worship, so that he was hardly in the grave before the nation had again forgotten the God who had raised him up to save them. How easily in days of prosperity do we forget the God to whom we pray in adversity.

BISHOP OF BORNEO'S COMMISSARY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT
Adelaide, December 10
Canon R. K. Sorby Ams, who has returned to South Australia from Singapore to be Rector of St. Hugh's, Angaston, has consented to act as Commissary for the Bishop of Borneo, the Right Reverend Nigel Cornwall, in Australia.

LISTENERS' FORUM

ANGELICAN NEWS SERVICE
London, December 10
The Bishop of Coventry, the Right Reverend Cuthbert Bardsley, spoke in the new B.B.C. Light Programme's listeners' forum, "The Floor is Yours" last week.

He discussed the subject "The effectiveness of the Church as a force for good—its failures as well as its successes."

CLERGY NEWS

CHARLES, The Reverend A. O., Chaplain of The Southport School, Diocese of Brisbane, to be Vicar of St. Mary's, Wondal, in the same diocese, as from December 17.

KNIGHT, The Reverend F. G., Assistant Curate of St. Luke's, Toowoomba, Diocese of Brisbane, to be Vicar of St. Augustine's, Palmwoods, in the same diocese, as from December 27.

SHEARMAN, The Reverend D. R., Warden of St. John's Hostel, Forbes, Diocese of Bathurst, to be Rector of Coonabarabran, in the same diocese. He will take up his new duties towards the end of January.

SHERLOCK, The Reverend R. R., Rector of Millthorpe, Diocese of Bathurst, to be Rector of Coonabarabran, in the same diocese. His last Sunday in the Millthorpe Parish will be February 24.

RELIGIOUS BROADCASTS

(The sessions which are conducted by Anglicans are marked with an asterisk.)

DAILY DEVOTIONAL: 10 a.m. A.E.T.
December 17: Mrs. David Garnsey.
December 18: The Reverend Michael Sawyer.

December 19: The Reverend George Whelan.
December 20: The Reverend Evan Wetherell.

December 21: Monsignor James Freeman.
December 22: For Men—The Reverend George Nash.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON TALKS:
December 19: "What Christianity is in Korea," the Bishop in Korea.
December 16: St. John's Fellowship Choir, Melbourne.

PLAIN CHRISTIANITY: 7.30-8 p.m. A.E.T. and W.A.T.
December 16: The Reverend G. R. Mathers.

READINGS FROM THE BIBLE: 7.10 a.m. A.E.T., 8.10 a.m. A.E.T., 8.45 a.m. W.A.T.
December 17-21: The Reverend Brian Macdonald.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TALKS: 10 p.m. A.E.T., 10.30 p.m. W.A.T.
December 19: "What Christianity is to say on Time" The Reverend Frank Hambly.

EVENING: 4.30 p.m. A.E.T.
December 20: St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide.

TELEVISION: 11 a.m. ABN, Sydney.
December 16: Divine Service from St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney.

December 16: 8.54 p.m., Sydney.

"Bible Background" Part 3. Introduced by Canon H. M. Arrowsmith.

TEACHERS' SERVICE

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
Melbourne, December 10

On December 5, 1,400 tutors, staff and student teachers from the several Teachers' Training Colleges attended the annual service at St. Paul's Cathedral to mark the close of the academic year.

The Director of Education, Major-General A. H. Ramsey, was present; the lessons were read by students. The Dean, Dr. S. Barton Babbage, preached.

The collection of £80 will be given to the Christmas Bowl appeal.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The following letters to the Editor do not necessarily reflect our editorial policy. The Editor is always glad to accept for publication letters on important or controversial matters. Letters should, if possible, be typed, and must be double spaced, brief and to the point.

Preference is always given to correspondence to which the writers' names are appended for publication.

Parts of some of the following letters have been omitted.

A NATIONAL CHURCH

INDIA COULD FOLLOW CHINA

To THE EDITOR OF THE ANGLICAN

Sir,—The S.P.G. quarterly, "The East and the West," for October begins with the Pastoral Letter from the House of Bishops of the Chung Hwa Sheng Kung Hui to their clergy and people and dated May, 1956.

In it they say "To-day the C.H.S.K.H. has begun its existence as a truly Chinese and truly nationally-organised Church... before the 'Liberation' we know that as an autonomous Church it existed only in name. Like other Churches under Mission Boards, it was in a position of dependence... for instance, our acceptance of Western ways of thought and life created a barrier between the Church and the people of China in general."

This statement is exactly what the Reverend David Paton (for ten years a missionary in China) in his S.C.M. pamphlet "The Judgement of God and Christian Missions" had to confess to be the truth!

To bring about the amazing change of the past seven years the Chinese Church people have taken on the heavy responsibility of "self administration" in Church affairs, "self support" in Church finance and "self propagation" of the Gospel.

After this humble thanksgiving of the Chinese bishops for the real advance and dawning triumph of the Kingdom of Christ, in this same issue of "The East and the West" there appears on the next page an article by the Reverend James Stuart (editorial secretary, S.P.C.K., India) on "Christian Literature in India and Pakistan," setting out a state of affairs filled with difficulties and frustrations at every turn.

"Few Indians," he says, "are capable of providing literature written by Indians for Indians... the local facilities for publishing are in the hands of Western missionary societies. There is the difficulty of differing policies of different societies and no appearance of any hope of a central body to organise and train Indian Christians to begin supplying their own needs."

Isn't it time that the great missionary societies got the best of the Indian leaders together and began NOW, while there is time, to train them for full responsibility? Instead of wasting money on the utility of printing tracts and books of devotion written by people of another race and translated from a foreign language, why not put all their efforts into fitting Indians themselves to do this work for their own people?

The Primate warned us of the "closing doors." It may happen in India as in China. If we are to be pushed out let us prepare NOW to hand over to the Church of the nation by showing them how to adopt China's wonderful experiment of self-administration, self-support and self-propagation.

Yours, etc.

(The Very Reverend)

R. H. MOORE,
Scarborough,
W.A.

OLYMPIC ROWING AT WENDOUREE

To THE EDITOR OF THE ANGLICAN

Sir,—Your column "Church and Nation" mentioned the Olympic rowing being held on Sunday—postponed from Saturday because of boisterous weather. Consequently you may like to hear the following item:

The stroke of the ultimately victorious American "eight," Robert Morey, from the parish of Christ Church, Short Hills, New Jersey, rushed straight from his race to be present at 11 o'clock church. He was still in sandshoes, and apologised for not having time to dress up—but he was determined to get there.

Other Olympic visitors to S. Matthew's, Wendouree—the church appointed for worship for the rowers and canoers—were men from Britain, Canada, the U.S., and one from Czechoslovakia.

From Ohio came David Merwin—a candidate for the ministry who is a student at Cornell University. On a free Sunday afternoon, he accompanied the vicar of S. Matthew's to the re-hallowing of S. James' Church, Nerrina. He was there welcomed by the Bishop of Ballarat, and obviously enjoyed joining in parish affairs in Australia.

Strangely enough, although invitations were given to the Australian team, not one Aussie came to any of the services.

Each visitor was presented with a specially printed "Welcome" card, suitable for sending home as a postcard, and was invited to sign a visitors' book.

The parish was stimulated by having overseas visitors worshipping in the congregation, and will long remember its part in the Olympic Games.

Yours faithfully,

(The Reverend)

DON W. HARDY,
Wendouree, Vic.

R.S.C.M. SUMMER SCHOOL

To THE EDITOR OF THE ANGLICAN

Sir,—I have been interested in the letters on Church music appearing in your columns, and, despite opinions to the contrary by some organists, am sure that the clergy, in the main, do want the very best in Church music.

May I suggest through your paper to the clergy, and to their vestries or committees, that they consider sending their organist to the Summer School by the Victorian Committee of the Royal School of Church Music? Most choirs are on vacation during January, and thus the organist and/or choir-master would be free to attend the school, and on his return enrich the whole worshipping family with the knowledge and practical experience gained from some of Australia's leading Church musicians.

Money thus spent could lead to a new era in Church music in many of our parishes.

Yours faithfully,

(The Reverend)

H. HUGH GIRVAN,
Melbourne.

CHRISTMAS CARD

To THE EDITOR OF THE ANGLICAN

Sir,—I had hoped to read in the last issue of THE ANGLICAN a letter from an abler pen than mine holding a "brief" for the Christmas card produced by the Mothers' Union in the Diocese of Adelaide; in reply to one published in your last issue.

Surely the writer can have judged it only by the printed sketch; and could certainly not have seen the card as produced. His criticism is most unjust; his adjectives "amateurish," "inartistic"; and even un-Christian.

The Shakespearean quotation is ignored by him. Does he not know hymn 299—A. and M.?

I quote the last verse: Let all creation join in one To bless the sacred Name Of Him that sits upon the throne.

And to adore the Lamb.

Yours, etc.

PEARL E. CUTTS,
Blayney, N.S.W.

MADANG CHAPEL

To THE EDITOR OF THE ANGLICAN

Sir,—A kind correspondent of mine sends me her copy of THE ANGLICAN when she has read them; hence my lateness in reading your issue of November 9 containing the picture of the R.A.A.F. Memorial Chapel that existed in Madang as late as 1944.

From enquiries I have made from people longest resident in the area, it appears that the building in the photograph sent to you by Mrs. Smith, of Eugowra, was erected as an inter-denominational Chapel, served by the respective padres of the R.A.A.F. Built of native materials, by 1949 it was pulled down in the last stages of dilapidation, when on the exact site it had occupied, the Lutheran Mission erected a similar structure but this has long vanished also.

At the present time, there is no Anglican Church building in Madang, and present parishioners are indebted to the Right Reverend the Coadjutor of New Guinea, Bishop David Hand, for the use of his private Chapel.

The excellent work done over a period of three years by my predecessor, the Reverend E. Wakham, leads us to hope that in the not too distant future it may be possible to begin building on the splendid site set aside for the Church in Madang.

Yours, etc.

(The Reverend)

GILBERT CRAIG,
Parish Priest,
Madang,
New Guinea.

THE BISHOP IN KOREA

To THE EDITOR OF THE ANGLICAN

Sir,—I should like to put on record a most helpful and self-sacrificing action of the Bishop in Korea.

On November 22 he spoke in the chapel of The King's School. Afterwards in conversation it came up that the boys would be in camp at Singleton and that the bishop would be "somewhere in the region" on Sunday, November 25. In no time he had offered to give them Communion at 6.30 a.m. on that day in camp, and knowing nothing of what other arrangements there might be, we accepted.

I don't know how many hours the bishop travelled that night to do it nor did he know, when he made the offer, what difficulties there might be, but it was done, as the tone of his voice indicated it would be. There were about 200 boys, and we are all most grateful to the bishop, as also to the administration for any adjustments that had to be made.

Yours sincerely,

(The Reverend)

H. W. BAKER,
Chaplain,
Parramatta, N.S.W.

AN INVITATION

The newly formed branch of the Church of England Men's Society of Christ Church S. Laurence, Sydney, is holding a series of quiet evenings for men every Friday in Advent, commencing at 7.15 in the church.

Various clergy of the diocese are conducting the evenings. Men from other parishes are warmly invited. A light supper is served at the end of each evening.

On Wednesday, December 19, members of the C.E.M.S. are holding a pre-Christmas party for all members of the parish of Christ Church S. Laurence. The party will be held in the parish hall.

A programme of entertainment and dancing has been arranged for adults, and there will be a Christmas tree with presents for children.

All members of the parish, young and old, and holiday visitors to Sydney will be welcome to join in the fun. There will be no charge whatever.

OBITUARY

FREDERICK ISOM

We record with regret the death on December 5 at Tarananara, British Solomon Islands, of Mr. Frederick Isom of the Melanesian Mission Press.

A Memorial Eucharist was held at S. John's, Ashfield, Sydney, last Sunday morning. During the war when Mr. Isom operated the Press in Sydney he was a parish councillor at S. John's.

The celebrant at the Eucharist was the rector, the Reverend F. A. Shaw, assisted by Archdeacon C. S. Robertson and the Reverend W. H. S. Childs.

Other clergy present were the Right Reverend Stephen Davies, the Reverend W. I. Siddons, Canon Norman Cooke, the Reverend A. H. Venn and Dr. A. Capell.

There were representatives from the A.B.M. women's auxiliary and the N.S.W. Committee of A.B.M.

The Archdeacon of the Central Solomons, the Venerable H. Reynolds, who preached the sermon, paid tribute to "a great missionary."

"Over forty years ago," he said, "Fred Isom as a young man, was called by God from England to go to the islands of Melanesia where he faithfully served his God and His Church."

"He spent the first part of his missionary life at Norfolk Island. They were great days of the wonderful work of laying the foundation of the Church in Melanesia."

"Later he went to the Solomons and continued his work as a missionary printer until the war and the attack of the Japanese forced him and his family to leave and come to Sydney."

"During these war years his work and precious printing presses were destroyed in the islands, but with the assistance of his helpmate and loving wife—incidentally, it was only a short time ago that they celebrated their silver anniversary—he started on the next phase of his life and work, of which many of you here know more than I do."

"He had only been back in Sydney a few months before he established another printing press in a small building in Summer Hill where he and his wife served the missionary society for a few years."

"During that period he became one of you, worshipping and serving here in this church of S. John—a true disciple of Our Lord."

"Then came the time when it was possible to restore the printing press in the Islands at Tarananara, and he returned to carry on the work."

"It was only necessary to say to Fred that a certain book was required and he would work long hours in temperatures of 105 degrees and more, setting up his press and getting the work out, and it was always done efficiently and well. Now he has been called to his rest."

"Sometimes we talk about vocation, and the word slips easily out of our mouth, but God calls us in many ways, and God called Fred. Isom to be a printer, and his whole life was dedicated to God and His Church."

"God called Fred. Isom to be a printer and to print the word of God, to print hymn books for the Melanesians that they might sing words of praise to the glory of God—to print books of prayers that Melanesians might learn to pray to God, and to print books of instruction that those who knew not Christ might learn of the great vocation of that Son of God."

"Will you all pray for those who mourn his loss, for his wife and daughter, that their sorrow through the knowledge and love of God may be turned to joy."

"Let us thank God for the glorious message of resurrection, that there is beyond this life a greater life and that for him and for all who believe in Him and follow in his steps there is prepared a place in Heaven and a life everlasting."

DEAN JOSE

In our last issue, we recorded with regret the death at North Adelaide, on November 27, of the Very Reverend G. H. Jose, Dear Emeritus of Adelaide.

H.R.C. writes:

An Englishman who starts his work for the Church as a lay missionary in China, and completes it as Dean of Adelaide, has obviously had special gifts and a varied career.

Indeed, that is true of Dean Jose.

After two years in China, he was ordained. He worked there for another six years; then, in 1899, he went to Oxford, where he became Davis scholar in Chinese, and took a second-class theological degree.

In 1903, he came to Adelaide. He was in charge of S. Cyprian's, North Adelaide, then Rector of All Souls', St. Peters. From 1907 to 1933 he was Rector of Christ Church, North Adelaide.

He was a military chaplain from 1915 to 1919, acting as deputy senior chaplain for two of those years; also as honorary organising director of our Church's fund for soldiers overseas. This contact with soldiers was not only a pleasure, but a real influence on his life.

At first, people thought him rather aloof; and, being a consistent scholar, he tended to be so. He did not suffer fools gladly, but among soldiers his nature expanded. Here he found the competence he admired, the comradeship and the tragedies that touched the depths of his nature.

And so, when he came to write a book on our Lord's life, what he appraised was the intensity and the depth of His mankind. What he opposed was any view of Him that made Him appear soft and sentimental. He dwelt lovingly on His sympathy, and out of such meditation came the new note of sympathy in his own life.

He was "a man's man," but he could appreciate a woman who was competent. One of the friendships he cherished was with the Reverend Mother Paul, matron of Calvary Roman Catholic Hospital, North Adelaide, where he had several bouts of illness.

She was good and generous to him. He responded by presenting to the chapel several pictures and a beautiful missal, which the Sisters value highly.

When we remember that he was an Evangelical, this friendship reveals his breadth of mind—a breadth in part due to his habit of being unscrupulously fair to those from whom he differed, and partly to his being a real historian. This made him instinctively ask about any problem—what were its origins, and what would be the consequences in the future of present attempts to solve it.

It was of great value to the Diocese of Adelaide to have one who could write its history accurately and graphically while it was attaining its century.

Both Bishop Nutter Thomas, who appointed him dean in 1933, and Bishop Robin valued his advice highly, for it was based on facts stored in a fine memory, and on appreciation of all that made for the welfare of the Church.

He could come down heavily on anyone—especially a priest who seemed to love ritual but to have no love of souls—but there was no element of party spirit behind his disapproval.

As dean for 20 years, such a man would naturally be a power in the diocese. It would be hard to estimate how much it owes to his wise guidance. But it was typical of him that, after he had retired and finished his history of the diocese, his conversation turned from the diocese to the Australian Church, often reaching further, but frequently coming back to it.

It was fitting that his funeral should have been conducted first at Christ Church, of which he was rector for so many

years, and then at North Road, the diocesan cemetery, and that it should have been conducted by the dean, the Very Reverend Dr. T. T. Reed, and by the Rector of Christ Church, the Venerable A. E. Bulbeck.

It was also good that Archbishop Beovich, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Adelaide, although he could not be present, sent the Administrator of S. Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Dean Bayard, to represent him at the funeral.

In closing, we must mention two things. Firstly, Dean Jose's keen sense of humour. Many were the good jokes he remembered, and regaled his friends with. And, secondly, the real pleasure that was felt throughout the diocese, when, on his retirement, Bishop Robin appointed him Dean Emeritus of Adelaide.

RUSSELL ATKIN

We record with regret the death on December 8 of Russell Warwick Atkin, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Atkin of Epping, N.S.W. He was 15.

Russell, who was with the rest of his family an active parishioner of S. Alban's, Epping, died as a result of an accident at the Sunday School picnic at Neilson Park.

Mr. Stacy Atkin is one of the best known laymen in the Diocese of Sydney, being an active member of Synod, a lay reader, and Sunday School superintendent.

The funeral service was held at S. Alban's, on December 11 in a church most beautifully decorated by the Ladies' Guild.

The church was packed with a congregation which included representatives of the staff and pupils of Fort Street High School, the business world, the N.S.W. Churches' Cricket Association and the clergy of the diocese.

The Reverend E. Lambert read the sentences, Dr. F. Cash the lesson, and the Fort Street choir sang the "Benedictus."

The Rector of S. Alban's, the Reverend Noel Rook, said in his address that Russell was almost a member of his own family as he had lived at the rectory when his parents were abroad. He was an excellent sportsman—the 880 yards champion runner of the school and a fine cricketer—a member of the school choir and was to have been a prefect next year.

Mr. Rook said he felt sure, surrounded as they were by the family of God, Russell's family would be given great spiritual power in their loss as they thought of the lad still serving in God's Kingdom.

MRS. N. GREEN

We record with regret the death of Mrs. Nina Green, on December 7, at Randwick, N.S.W.

Mrs. Green was the mother of Mr. Jack Green, well-known in A.B.M. circles.

The Rector of S. Jude's, Randwick, the Reverend R. Johnson, assisted by the State Secretary of the A.B.M., the Reverend W. H. S. Childs, read the burial service at the church and at the graveside on December 10.

THE REVEREND

E. W. NORMAN

We record with regret the death on November 25 in Sydney of the Reverend E. W. Norman, formerly Vicar of the Church of the Epiphany, Northcote, Diocese of Melbourne.

He retired in 1950 because of ill-health. A memorial service was held at Northcote on December 9, when the Reverend H. W. G. Nichols preached.

MRS. W. H. W. STEVENSON

We record with regret the death on November 29 in Melbourne of Mrs. W. H. W. Stevenson, widow of the late Bishop of Grafton.

Mrs. Stevenson died in a nursing home after a year's illness.

ANGLICANS OF THE WEEK



Our Anglicans of the Week are Roger Livesey and Ursula Jeans, one of the best husband and wife teams seen on the Australian stage for some years.

They have been delighting audiences in Melbourne and Sydney this year with the entertaining comedy, "The Reluctant Debutante."

Roger comes from Brixton, in London, but was confirmed in Cardiff, and they attend church usually in Denham, because the studios are there where most of their film work is done.

Mrs. Livesey was confirmed in London, after being educated at the Sacred Heart convent in London, but they have always been Anglicans.

They were married at Trinity Church—"the little Church round the corner" in New York, twenty years ago, and after the ceremony the well-known actress, Ruth Gordon, who was their bridesmaid, accompanied them to lunch, but when it came to paying the bill, the bridegroom discovered that he had not enough money so he borrowed the balance from Ruth Gordon!

He has been on the stage for 38 years and Mrs. Livesey for 25. They both figured promi-

UNEXPECTED GIFT

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT
The "completely unexpected" gift of £50 from the S. Mark's Opportunity Shop, Victoria, to the people of the flooded church of S. Mary, Moorook, South Australia, has been very much appreciated.

The money will go towards repairs to S. Mary's, which was devastated by the flooded River Murray.

As the flood subsides, the whole Moorook township presents a pathetic sight. Rehabilitation will take many years.

ently in the film, "Life and death of Colonel Blimp," and he in "I know where I'm going" and "The weaker sex," and she in "Cavalcade" and she was the only woman in "Dam Busters."

They played in the five principal cities in Italy in a Shakespearean season in 1950 and ten of the company were invited to meet the Pope, so they put all the names into a hat and drew out the ten to visit the Vatican. Roger Livesey's name was amongst them, and he found the Pope a good English linguist and well acquainted with Shakespeare's plays, although he has never seen any of them performed.

NINE MEN ORDAINED AT BATHURST

MOST TO SERVE IN THE BUSH BROTHERHOOD

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Bathurst, December 10

Five priests and four deacons were ordained by the Bishop of Bathurst in All Saints' Cathedral on S. Nicholas' Day, December 6.

At 6.30 a.m. the young men gathered with many rectors of parishes throughout the Central West to say Matins and the Litany in the Warriors' Chapel.

The service proper then commenced at 7 a.m. with a long line of clergy following those who were to be ordained.

The Bishop Co-adjutor, the Right Reverend D'Arcy Collins, and the Diocesan Bishop were at the extreme end of the procession which moved from the hall to the choir and sanctuary of the cathedral.

Immediately on arrival, the conductor of the ordinands' retreat, the Reverend Basil Oddie of the Society of the Sacred Mission, Adelaide, commenced to preach the occasional sermon.

The bishop then faced the candidates and deacons who were presented to him for ordination by the Principal of the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd, Archdeacon L. Walker.

PROMISES

The service for the Form and Manner of Making of Deacons and the Form and Manner of Ordering of Priests were used conjointly throughout the ordination.

After the presentation the bishop moved to the altar to commence the service of Holy Communion within which the ordination service is built.

Then followed the long exhortation by the bishop to the

ordinands followed by the taking of the promises.

The congregation then knelt in silent prayer, and the saying antiphonally of the *Veni Creator*, the calling of the power of the Holy Spirit.

Following the *sursum corda* came the solemn commissioning of the young men with the laying on of hands by the bishop and nearby priests, for those who have served as deacons and were kneeling for the ordination to the priesthood.

BREAKFAST

Previously the four others were made deacon by the bishop. Those made deacon were Andrew Gilbert, Dudley McGrath, William Scattergood, and Gordon Trudgeon, and those elevated to the priesthood were Hugh Booker, John Green, Hamish Jamieson, Kevin Joyner, and Reginald Mills.

The Nicene Creed followed and the service of Holy Communion was followed through to the final prayers and blessing.

Mrs. Mills and many cathedral and South Bathurst ladies had prepared a breakfast for all in the cathedral hall following the service.

Most of those ordained will serve in the western areas of the Bush Brotherhood.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

BY THE BISHOP OF BALLARAT, THE RIGHT REVEREND W. H. JOHNSON

IN this month the Church's season of Advent and its great Festival of Christmas occur. Each of these seasons has to do with The Coming of Christ Jesus Our Lord.

The word Advent means "coming," and Advent refers to the coming of Christ into the sphere of this world's history as Judge and as Saviour. Let us think of these separately.

"We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge."

Christians sing or say these words regularly, but how many grasp the truth that there will be a judgement at the end, but that there is a process of judgement going on constantly throughout history?

The Old Testament and, let it be stressed, happenings in our modern world testify to the

truth of the statement that judgement is proceeding constantly and in a never-ending process.

In Old Testament times men were constantly in danger of forgetting God, and from the nineteenth century on, man has exalted himself and has neglected God.

By his own cleverness and by the achievements of modern science man was going to build Utopia.

This was the conceit of many of our modern prophets. But judgement has come and it has fallen most heavily on those who have acted as though they were gods and have ignored God and defied God's moral and spiritual law.

It is the purpose of Advent to direct our thoughts to this great truth that the judgement

of God is constantly being exercised.

And this truth applies not only to nations but to the life of each one of us individually.

The lesson we must learn is that this is God's world, that the life of each one of us belongs to God, and we must bring the world and our life into subjection to God and into conformity with God's law and plan; we must allow God to be active in the world and in our own life.

This brings us to the truth for which Christmas stands, and which is expressed in the words:

"For us men and for our salvation, He came down from heaven and was made Man."

THE meaning of Christmas is that God is not an absentee landlord who sends down judgement mercilessly on the world and on His children on earth; rather, God is a loving God, eager for the welfare of men and of the world.

God sees the sins and sorrows of men. God has seen the cruelty, the wars, the slavery, the pain and destruction that men have brought on the earth. God has watched and tried to guide men.

He has educated, punished, rescued men as was needed; and, finally, when He thought best, God intervened by sending His Son to be the Saviour of the world.

The meaning of Christmas is that the wisdom and power behind all things is the wisdom and power of Love, and that this Love has come down to us and seeks to come into our very hearts and lives.

God is not far off in the highest heavens, blind to the world's miseries and indifferent to the sufferings of His children on earth.

"God so loved the world that He gave His Son that the world by Him might be saved." This is the meaning of the Church's great and joyous Festival of Christmas.



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When a man is made a Deacon, which is usually not before he is twenty-three, he assists a priest, and learns more fully the work of the ministry.

He is then ordained to the Order of Priesthood, usually not before he is twenty-four.

According to her need, the Church elects or appoints certain priests to be bishops or archbishops. They must be at least thirty years old before they are consecrated to this office.

WORK OF A PRIEST

A priest may work in many different places and in different settings. He may be a parish priest, or an assistant, in city or country. He may be a Chaplain in a School, in the Missions to Seamen, or in the Navy, Army, or Air Force. He may go as a missionary, or be concerned with Religious Education or Youth Work.

But wherever he goes his work as a priest is essentially the same. He is ordained to minister "the Word of God and His holy Sacraments."

He preaches and teaches his people, publicly and privately, by sermons, lessons, talks, and by writing.

He ministers Holy Baptism

and the life of the Church in the parish, the diocese, and beyond. To do this well he needs to be patient, persevering, wise, and loving. The more he has to do, the more important it is that he shall keep on growing in his own Christian faith and knowledge.

The life of a priest is a full life. Obviously when his people meet him he does not seem to have much to do, because he is at leisure for them. But a priest's ministry is constant, never-ending, full of sorrows, anxieties and disappointments, but also full of interest, joy, and blessing.

WORTH WHILE?

It is a full and exacting job. It calls for all the ability, loyalty, keenness and endurance that a man has.

A priest is never at liberty to say, "I have done enough," or "I am entitled to an easier or a better-paid job."

He is the servant of God, and of the people to whom he is sent in God's Name. It is for the Church to see that he re-

A few weeks ago the Bishop of Armidale challenged the young readers of this page to hear the Call to the Ministry of the Church.

This article is part of an address to young men by the late Bishop of Riverina, the Right Reverend C. H. Murray, M.A., B.Litt.

It answers the question, "Is the work of the Priesthood worth doing?"

and Holy Communion. He prepares people for Confirmation.

He helps them to repent and confess their sins and receive the good news of forgiveness.

He visits his flock, with special care for the sick, the troubled, and the needy, the young, and the aged.

PRAYER AND STUDY

He prays for his people, and is their servant for Jesus' sake. His life and his home are, as far as he can make them, a good witness to his Christianity.

He continues to study the Bible and the Christian Faith. He serves loyally under his bishop. He takes his part in

receiving proper help and consideration. It is for him to be entirely at the service of his priesthood.

But is it worth doing? This does not mean, will a priest succeed, will he be popular, will he see solid results of his work? It means, is what he is ordained to do really of importance for people?

The answer to this is undoubtedly and unmistakably Yes. People all over the world need the Good News of God, the Father Who made us, the Son Who gave Himself for us, the Holy Spirit Who guides us and makes us holy.

They need the help that God gives in His Word and Sacraments and in the life and worship of the Church.

Yes, the work that a priest does is vitally necessary to the world. Moreover, if God calls a man to serve Him in the ministry, this more and more becomes for him the one thing most worth doing in the world.

HERE'S ANOTHER QUIZ

- What musical instruments were used by (a) Gideon? (b) Joshua? (c) David?
- What three Bible characters had their names changed?
- Paul later wanted something that he had left at Troas. What was it?
- Who showed, by his dreams, that he had an inferiority complex?
- In what story did our Lord teach that, like nature, the heart abhors a vacuum?
- Name three people whose names commence with BAR.
- Who said, or wrote, the following? (a) Of the making of books there is no end. (b) Thy servant went no whitener. (c) Alas, master, for it was borrowed.
- What were the respective trades of S. Joseph, S. Peter, and S. Paul?
- In what incident were scavenging and pet dogs contrasted?
- Who was known as "stump fingered", and probably why? (Answers next week).

The Youth Page

TALKS WITH TEENAGERS

WATCHFUL SERVANTS

THE ADVENT CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

Last week we closed our Talk with the thought of watching for the Coming of our Lord.

This is a most important matter.

Jesus knew how easy it would be for men to grow discouraged and careless. For this reason much of His teaching concerning His Coming Again is summed up in His repeated command, "Watch!"

As He left the Temple for the last time, never to return to it, His Disciples commented on the magnificence of the buildings (Matthew 24:1, and Mark 13:1).

This comment led Him to foretell the destruction of the city and the Temple, which took place in A.D. 70. But, as He spoke of the coming doom of the city, and the people who had rejected Him, His prophecies merged, almost imperceptibly, into the thought of the final Coming of the Son of Man.

CATASTROPHE

The questions of the Disciples (Matthew 24:3) show their



A familiar scene in Palestine—women making flour with a primitive hand-mill—recalls our Lord's warning concerning His Second Coming (see Matthew 24:41, 42).

eager interest as they ask, "When shall these things (the destruction of the Temple) be? and what shall be the sign of Thy Coming, and of the end of the world?"

Somehow, they could not think of the world continuing if the Temple and the Holy City were no more! To them it seemed the final catastrophe.

In our Lord's answers to these questions we see, so to speak, two horizons—two "ends" are described, the end of Jerusalem, and the end of the world. The first end would be seen by some of those who were living then (Mark 13:30), the other is still in the future.

As we read our Lord's words, whether in Matthew 24 or Mark 13, or the parallel passages of Luke 21, it is not easy to say exactly how the details of the prophecy apply, whether to that generation or to the future.

But our Lord's words caution us against fixing dates and times: "Take heed lest any man deceive you..." (Mark 13:5).

Date-fixing is not our concern, but God's. Our responsibility, like that of His first hearers, is to do our duty faithfully and well, that we shall not be ashamed when He shall appear (Mark 13:35, 37).

WATCHFULNESS

In Matthew 24:42-51 our Lord emphasises the need for watchfulness, telling two little parables of unpreparedness.

Though we cannot know the time of His coming, we can be ready.

The religion of so many in these days is a sleepy religion.

There is no real looking for the Master.

There is no anxious desire for His return.

READY TO MEET HIM?

I believe in what is technically known as the Second Coming of Christ. I believe that He will come back again to take His power and to reign.

But I never trouble myself to ask when that coming will take place.

There is another coming that may be nearer far. For Christ comes to the individual soul at death. And when that day and hour may be we cannot tell. But I do not know that this matters.

The question is, are we ready to meet Him whenever He comes?

Are we watching for Him?

Are we steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord?

Are we bravely, faithfully doing our task?

If so, all's well. We shall be amongst those who love His appearing.

Suppose the message reached us, "Behold I come quickly," what would our answer be?

Happy the man who can say back, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

—J. D. JONES, D.D.

CHRISTMAS GIVING

Much of what passes for "giving" at Christmas time is nothing less than swapping and trading.

How often we hear folk say, "Look what she's given me!" (or it may be "he's given me") "and I haven't given her/him anything!"

We need to remind ourselves that the only real gift it that which is given in love, expecting no return.

It was so at Bethlehem, when God gave His Son, and when the Wise Men came with their costly gifts.

Such giving carries with it a benediction—it cheers the lonely and discouraged, it brightens the life of the needy, and it leaves a warm glow in the region of the heart.

GAMES FOR YOUR PARTY

DODGE THE BALL

One player stands in the centre of the room, while the others stand in a ring around him—as wide as the room will permit.

Those forming the ring will throw a ball at the player in the middle, endeavouring to hit him below the knees. The one who does so, leaves his place and takes his turn at the centre.

The player in the centre must dodge the ball, but not touch it with his hands, except to return it (if necessary) to the other players.

FOR A SURPRISE

Place a coin—a penny or a half-penny will do—in a saucer, and cover it with a heavy coat of flour.

Invite your victim to take the coin out of the saucer with his lips, first blowing into the saucer to clear the flour.

Be sure you stand back to watch the effect of the blow!

HIS FATE

Get each unmarried man to write his name on a sheet of paper, then promise that you will tell each the name of his future wife!

Collect the papers, and write "Mrs." in front of each surname.

WATCHING FOR THE LORD

O THOU, Who hast foretold that Thou wilt return to judgement in an hour that we are not aware of: grant us grace to watch and pray always; That whether Thou shalt come at even, or at midnight, or in the morning, we may be found among the number of those servants who shall be blessed in watching for their Lord; to Whom be all glory now and for evermore. Amen.

POINTS FOR DISCUSSION

- Why should we not be concerned with discovering the date of the Second Coming?
- How can we best be like the "faithful and wise servant" of Matthew 24:45?

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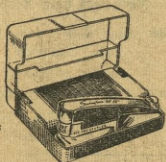
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Kimba, S.A., December 10

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After much thought the churchwardens and vestry decided to place new seating, so 10 Australian oak pews now add further to the dignity of the church.

Mrs. C. K. Wake and the Ladies' Guild presented pews in memory of Messrs. C. K. and D. W. Wake and Mrs. Florence Hilda Geering.

A beautiful embossed alms dish in brass was given by Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Beinke. These were dedicated by Archdeacon E. A. Codd at the morning service.

The ladies of the Kimba district are renowned for their catering, and this was very much evident at the parish luncheon when 120 past and present parishioners sat down to a sumptuous repast.

In their work the Ladies' Guild were greatly helped by Messrs. Cliff Beinke and Ian Dunn, who acted as stewards; speeches were at a minimum, but the address by Archdeacon Codd on his impressions of the Maralinga atomic tests were both instructive and thoughtful.

Mr. Tom Jackson (Minister's Warden) proposed a vote of thanks to Archdeacon Codd and the Ladies' Guild.

The celebration concluded with Evening Prayer, which was conducted by the rector, the Reverend D. A. Richards-Pugh. The silver jubilee appeal amounted to £264.

C.E.M.S. PROGRESS IN N.S.W.

FROM OUR C.M.S. CORRESPONDENT

Reports are received monthly that the Church of England Men's Society has been successful in opening new branches in the country dioceses in New South Wales.

Grafton has reported the formation of a Diocesan Council for that area, with Brother H. Probin as chairman and Brother K. Norton as secretary.

In the Grafton diocese new branches have been formed at Wardell, Murwillumbah, Lismore and Ballina.

Beverly Hills, Blacktown and Christ Church S. Laurence, Sydney, are also newcomers.

Much of the interest in the C.E.M.S. is attributed to the promotion schemes that are now being canvassed in the Church, where it is found that after the canvass a common meeting ground for the holding of the men together has been found in the C.E.M.S.

A successful rally for the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney was held at Kensington during October. The national president, Bishop Moyes, addressed the gathering of more than 100 men.

A welcome was given to Bishop Kerle, Coadjutor Bishop of Sydney, who was recently elected as president of the N.S.W. section.

BOLD LEAD BY LAYMEN

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Wongan Hills, W.A., Dec. 8

An unexpected sequel to the recent Wells canvass in this parish has been a strong move to build three inter-denominational churches.

That at Cadoux is to be for Anglicans and Congregationalists; that at Konnonongor for Anglicans and Methodists; that at Yericoin for Anglicans and Roman Catholics.

These proposals are not the result of a concerted policy. The whole drive has come from the people themselves, in districts where over sixty per cent. of marriages are denominationally "mixed."

Some of the most generous pledges have been made conditionally on this new type of church building going ahead. Conversations at the Yericoin project are now in progress with the Abbot of the large Benedictine community at New Norcia.

An interesting feature of this planning is the strong lead given by the laity. Incidentally, the altar frontal at Konnonongor is to be of wool, dyed, spun and woven by the wife of a local sheep farmer.

BISHOP STRONG'S TOUR

The A.B.M. State Secretary for N.S.W. has arranged the following programme for the Bishop of New Guinea, the Right Reverend Philip Strong:

December 8: 9 a.m., Holy Trinity, Kingsford; 10 a.m., and 11 a.m., S. Mark's, Darling Point; 7.15 p.m., S. Jude's, Randwick.

Monday December 10: Parish of Cowra.
Tuesday, December 11: S. John's, Ashfield, 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 12: 12 p.m., S. John's, Gordon; Women's Gathering; 6 p.m., Tea and meet Comrades of S. George and Young Anglicans, S. James', King Street.

Thursday, December 13: 6 p.m., T.V. appearance; 7.45 p.m., Christ Church, Enmore.

Friday, December 14: S. Matthew's, Windsor.

Sunday, December 16: 8 a.m., S. Paul's, Burwood; 9.15 a.m., S. Luke's, Burwood-Concord; 11 a.m., S. Andrew's Cathedral; 7.15 p.m., S. Andrew's, Strathfield.

MISSIONARIES FOR NEW GUINEA

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, December 10
The *Otranto* from England this week will bring three new members to the staff of the New Guinea Mission.

They are the Reverend G. B. Dickinson and two nurses, Sisters Phillis Money and Olive Blake.

Sister Money is an Australian, but has spent the last ten years in England.

After ten years as theatre sister in Sydney she saw service during the war at Port Moresby and Bougainville.

A.B.M. HOUSE-PARTY

FROM OUR A.B.M. CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, December 10

The tenth of the periodic A.B.M. House-Party weekends will be held at the Retreat House, Cheltenham, from Friday evening, January 18, to Sunday, January 20.

The chaplain-chairman will be the Reverend C. N. Thomas, Vicar of Croydon, who will be assisted in conducting the studies by Canon W. G. Thomas, the Reverend J. N. Falkingham, Miss Alice Hann (Lockhart River) and the Victorian secretary.

Studies will be under the heads of "The Aborigines of Lockhart River Mission"; "Great Missionary Figures"; "The Church Growing through the Ages"; "The Church in Papua"; and "Vocation."

Other sessions will include Bible studies, and a brains trust, together with films and slides.

Enrolments are due by December 18 with the Youth Secretary at A.B.M. Office.

As most Church organisations will be in recess, it is anticipated that more than usual may find it possible to attend.

COWRA J.A.s

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Cowra, N.S.W., Dec., 10

At S. John's Church, Cowra, on Advent I, Miss Lola Root was admitted to office as an Assistant Leader in the Order of Junior Anglicans.

She was presented by the leader, the Reverend Eric Walker, and installed by the rector, the Reverend John Reeves.

She succeeds Miss Dorothy Haynes who after two years' devoted service to the Junior Anglicans will shortly be leaving Cowra.

The other assistant leader is Mr. Geoff. Hill.

At the service the first lesson was read by Mr. John Bryant, a former assistant leader of the Junior Anglicans, now in training for Holy Orders.

The newly installed assistant leader has been an active member of the Cowra Junior Anglicans ever since the formation of the branch some years ago.

Members of the branch are most happy at her new appointment, in connection with their leadership.

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MONTEREY	May 10	—	May 13	—	May 17	Jun. 8	—	Jun. 17	Jun. 17
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MARIPOSA	Jun. 7	Jun. 10	—	Jun. 13	—	Jun. 19	—	Jul. 28	Aug. 1
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MARIPOSA	Jul. 26	Aug. 2	—	Aug. 5	—	Aug. 11	—	—	Aug. 30
ORION	Aug. 6	Aug. 10	—	Aug. 14	—	Aug. 20	—	—	Sep. 5
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MARIPOSA	*Sep. 13	Sep. 16	—	Sep. 19	—	Oct. 11	—	—	Oct. 24
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MARIPOSA	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	—	Oct. 14	—	Oct. 19	—	—	Nov. 1
ORONSA	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	—	Nov. 7	—	Nov. 13	—	—	Nov. 18
MONTEREY	Nov. 12	Nov. 15	—	Nov. 18	—	Nov. 23	—	—	Dec. 2
MARIPOSA	Nov. 22	—	Nov. 25	—	Nov. 29	Dec. 6	—	—	Dec. 11
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GOVERNOR ON IMPORTANCE OF WOMEN

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Armidale, December 10

The two big Church schools in Armidale, The Armidale School and the New England Girls' School broke up last week.

The Governor of New South Wales, Sir John Northcott, was the principal guest at both speech days.

At the New England Girls' School, the Governor was challenged to repeat to the boys later in the day his remarks on the prowess of women.

At N.E.G.S., Sir John had said that in Australia the women were most important people. They had a vital part to play both in the community as well as in the home, and that unless the men had their womenfolk behind them they

would not get very far.

Dean M. K. Jones, who was on the platform at the N.E.G.S. function thanked the Governor for his address and wondered if he would repeat his comments to the T.A.S. boys in the afternoon.

At The Armidale School, the Governor was offered an escape route by the headmaster, Mr. G. A. Fisher, who suggested that the Governor's comments were prompted by his chivalry.

Sir John rejected the opportunity. He repeated his comments and then underlined them.

"I just want you to know, you fellows, who are going out into the world, that womenfolk play a great part in many ways, and generally are superior beings to men," he said.

"The Dean thought I would not say that here, but it is just as well to realise that in any activity we shall not get very far unless our womenfolk are behind us doing the work they do so thoroughly well. It is up to us to make sure that we play our part as fully."

The Governor was warmly applauded at N.E.G.S. for his comments: the applause at T.A.S. seemed to be more for his courage.

G.F.S. SOCIAL

Ballarat, December 10

Members of the six branches of the Girls' Friendly Society in Ballarat combined on December 5 to hold a party to celebrate the end of the year's activities.

The president of the Diocesan Council, Mrs. W. H. Johnson, praised the work of G.F.S. in the diocese.

She presented Miss Mary Lewis, who has been the diocesan youth organiser during the past year, with a cheque and good wishes from the G.F.S. on her approaching marriage.

NEW CARPET AND FRONTALS AT TINGHA

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Tingha, N.S.W., December 10

Dignity, good taste and harmonious colouring were the keynotes of the choice of the new carpet and altar frontals dedicated at St. Andrew's, Tingha, Diocese of Armidale, on December 1.

The Dean of Armidale, the Very Reverend M. K. Jones, was present for the happy occasion.

Among other new additions was a beautiful brass cross for the children's altar, donated by the girls of the Girls' Friendly Society. Also included in the new additions were two new rededoses for both the

high altar and the children's altar.

These beautiful brocade curtains were the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fenton, of Tingha, and these have added greatly to the rich tonal colour of the sanctuary.

Much credit for the designing and construction of the two frontals goes to the wife of the vicar of the parish, Mrs. Weis; Mrs. Weis was assisted by several women of the parish.

The laying down of the new red carpet was done by W. F. Jack and Co., of Inverell, whose work was of the highest quality. The dean, in his address to the large congregation, made some very pertinent remarks about the life of the patron saint of the Church, St. Andrew.

Only three times have we any mention of this great saint in the annals of the Sacred Scripture, and on every occasion, St. Andrew was bringing

CAROL SERVICE IN BRISBANE

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

On December 7 the choristers of St. John's Cathedral gave their annual carol service in the presence of a very large congregation.

Carols ranging over a period of more than five centuries were performed, most of them unaccompanied.

Two of the choir boys read the lessons, and a feature of the service was the blessing of the Christmas Crib (in a building plunged temporarily into darkness), by Archdeacon Frank Knight.

The most popular numbers included mediaeval carols as well as some present day carols. The congregation joined in the singing of several well-known items.

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FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Newcastle, December 10

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Mr. Elliott will be assistant curate at Merewether, and Mr. Dowe will be assistant curate at Muswellbrook.

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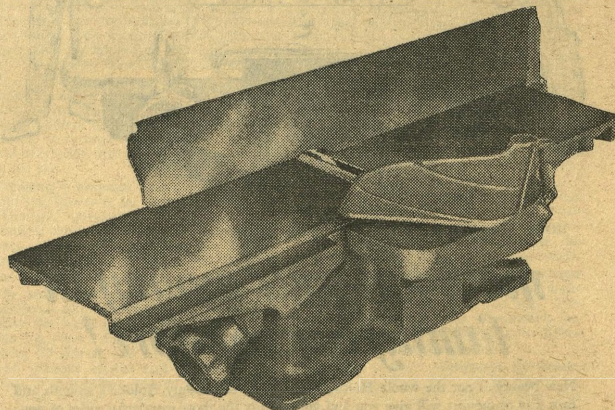
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the German-British Christian
Fellowship at Holy Trinity,
Kingsway, on December 12.

Pastor E. Bethge, representa-
tive in Great Britain of the
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MEMORIAL WINDOW FOR SMALL BOY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT
Melbourne, December 10

The Archbishop of Mel-
bourne dedicated a memorial
window at All Souls', Sandring-
ham, yesterday, in memory of
Godfrey George Aickin, only
son of the late Dean and Mrs.
Aickin, who died at the age of
six years.

It is the gift of an anony-
mous donor and the subject is
S. Francis, with small Australi-
an animals appearing as part
of the motif.

Mrs. Aickin has been respon-
sible for the care of the Child-
ren's Corner at All Souls' for
some years.

NEW RECTORY AT CLEVE

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
Cleve, S.A., December 10

The contract for the new rec-
tory at Cleve, Diocese of Adel-
aide, has been signed with the
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commenced in the near future.

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Armadale, Victoria, has returned
home after a visit to Eng-
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MORE CHURCH SCHOOLS ARE NEEDED

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Adelaide, December 8

The "tremendous need" for more Church
schools was stressed by the Headmaster of S.
Andrew's School, Walkerville, the Reverend
Gordon Morrison, last night.

He was presenting his re-
port at the annual speech
night of the school in the
parish hall, Church Terrace.

He said secular education
without a firm religious basis
only taught children to become
"clever devils."

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work at S. Andrew's when the

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School moved from North Ade-
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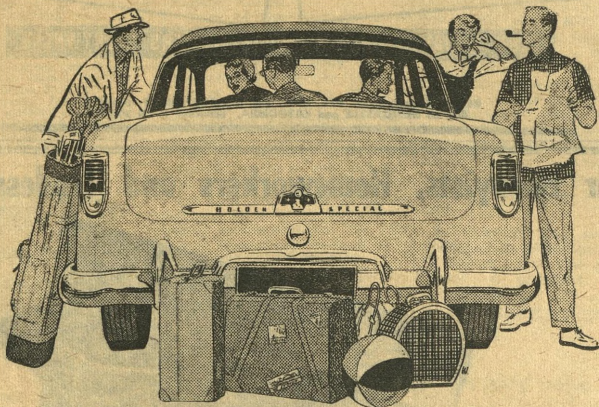
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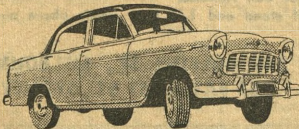
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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR BALLARAT

FROM OUR C.E.M.S. CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, December 10

The tenth Triennial Conference of the Church of England Men's Society in Australia will be held at the Ballarat Grammar School from Friday, January 25, to Monday, January 28.

The conference leaders will be the Bishop of Armidale, the Bishop of Ballarat, and Archdeacon R. E. Richards.

The programme for the conference is as follows:—Friday evening, assemble at Ballarat Grammar School, 7.45 p.m.; conference business session; triennial report and election of national president and two vice-presidents.

Saturday morning, 7.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., National Council meeting, election of national secretary, treasurer and executive. Afternoon free.

Saturday evening, Bible study; 8 p.m., official opening of the conference, welcome to visitors, first conference address on "God's Grace in a Divided Church."

Sunday, 7.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., second conference session on "God's Call to Unity"; 2.30 p.m., third session, "Our Anglican Place in this Situation"; 7 p.m., Evensong, Christ Church Cathedral, Ballarat.

Monday morning, 7.15 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., final session of conference.

The conference will end following dinner on Monday.

A Bible study session will be held prior to each conference session, and group discussion will follow each address.

Cost of accommodation and all meals from Friday night till Monday luncheon will be £3/10/-, and the conference is open to all Anglican men. Bookings must be made with the office of the National Secretary, C.E.M.S. in Australia, 13 Atherton Road, Oakleigh, S.E.12, Victoria, and will close on January 12, 1957, after which no further applications can be considered.

Advice has been received that five members from Brisbane intend to be present at the conference, as well as two from Darwin, and it is expected that there will be representatives from all other States including, for the first time since 1940, some from W.A.

Ballarat, the third largest city in Victoria, with a population of 48,000, is famous for its magnificent gardens, and is a popular tourist city, with many attractions and places of historic interest. The 1956 Olympic rowing events took place on Lake Wendouree, near the Grammar School.

The Ballarat Diocesan Executive of C.E.M.S., who are acting as hosts for the Triennial Conference, can promise a very memorable weekend for all who attend the conference.

DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

The second annual smoke social organised by the Diocesan Executive and held on November 30 was most successful, thanks to the efforts of Brother Harry Day and his sub-committee.

In the absence through illness of the lay president, Brother W. Brady, Brother Alan Salisbury, associate lay president, welcomed over 100 members.

He asked members to remember Brother Brady and

also Brother Alan James, the national secretary, who were laid aside by illness, in their prayers.

Archdeacon R. E. Williams, senior clerical vice-president, opened the proceedings with prayers, and later moved that a letter of congratulation be sent to the archbishop, who was unable to be present, on the 22nd anniversary of His Grace's consecration.

Among those present was a visitor from N.Z., Brother Mayne, from Invercargill branch, who was accorded a special welcome.

The special speaker at the social was the junior clerical vice-president, the Reverend John Burnett, who is a former lay president of the society in the diocese.

Brother Burnett gave a brief review of the use which the money raised for the Social Service fund of C.E.M.S. is put to, and spoke of the task of rehabilitating ex-prisoners.

BRANCH NEWS

Holy Trinity, Coburg, branch were hosts to the Northern Group (formerly Heidelberg-Reservoir group) on November 28. Representatives of St. Paul's Cathedral, St. James', Ivanhoe, St. Augustine's, Moreland, and All Saints', Preston, met under the chairmanship of Brother John Bishop.

The Vicar of Holy Trinity, which is a new branch, recited the C.E.M.S. service, and afterwards the chairman welcomed the visitors, who included the diocesan associate lay president and members of his executive.

The chaplain of Austin Hospital, the Reverend E. A. Bradley, reported to the meeting on the help of that group at Austin Hospital.

The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Durass, Professor of Physical Education at the University of Melbourne. Dr. Durass spoke on the development of the Olympic Games over the years.

S. James', Ivanhoe, branch, with the assistance of their vicar, Canon R. Hudson, arranged a special men's service for Remembrance Sunday, when the treasurer of the branch, Brother Bill Curtis, who is Assistant Secretary in charge of Personnel for the Department of the Army, gave an address on the meaning of Armistice in the world to-day.

£1000 BEQUEST FOR KELSO CHURCH

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Bathurst, December 10

Miss Ida Austin, who died last August, has left £1,000 to Holy Trinity Church, Kelso.

She also left £1,000 to the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd at Dubbo.

Miss Austin's mother was the daughter of Mr. William Lee, one of the first 12 pioneers to settle in the Bathurst district.

Miss Austin, who had lived in Sydney for some years, was buried in Holy Trinity cemetery, Kelso, with her parents and grandparents.

DIOCESAN NEWS

ADELAIDE

SCHOOL PRIZEGIVING

The Christ Church Day School, North Adelaide, annual concert and prizegiving will be held next Wednesday evening, December 19, at 8 o'clock in the Rechabite Hall, Prospect. The hymnmaster is the Reverend J. W. Dillon.

HAWTHORN PARTY

S. Columba's, Hawthorn, will hold their Christmas Party in the parish hall next Tuesday evening.

CHRISTMAS CRIB

A Christmas Crib will again be placed in the grounds of St. Augustine's, Unley, this year. The rector, the Reverend Frank Weston, is in charge of arrangements.

RECTOR ON DUTY

Canon C. W. E. Swan, rector of St. Columba's, Hawthorn, has received medical advice that he will have to undergo further hospital treatment on his eyes within the next few months. As a result, he will be unable to take duty in the parish for a period of six to eight weeks.

The curate assistant at St. Columba's, the Reverend John Gilbert, will take up his new duties as priest-in-charge of the new Adelaide satellite town of Elizabeth on December 21.

C.E.B.S. HELP

As a contribution to the South Australian Christian Christmas Campaign, members of the C.E.B.S. at Campbelltown are making figures for Nativity scenes in the Sunday schools and churches of the parish.

ST. PETERS

All Souls', St. Peters, now have four sets of good silk vestments. The red vestment, recently delivered, cost £21, more than half of which was given by this year's conferees. The rector-elect, the Reverend L. R. Jupp, will be inducted by the Administrator of the Diocese, the Very Reverend Dr. T. T. Reed, next Wednesday, December 19, at 8 p.m.

WHYALLA

After considerable experience with choirs in city and suburban churches, Mr. J. Brodie has accepted the position of organist and choirmaster at St. Martin's, Whyalla.

B.H.M.S. have agreed to assist the parish of Whyalla to build a new dual-purpose prefabricated church hall at Whyalla West. The present Holy Trinity site will in due course be sold.

BATHURST

MILLTHORPE

The Sunday School anniversary was held on December 2, with the D.C. as visiting preacher. For a small township a roll of 40 children is creditable. Both grade members sang special hymns for the happy occasion. Millthorpe was one of the old Parish of Guyong in horse-drawn vehicle days. St. Mark's is one of those lovely clean-looking churches of the diocese.

DIOCESAN NOTES

Thanks are given to Peter Roby, Y.A., of West Wyndham, who has inscribed names of ex-servicemen and women in a Memorial Book for St. Michael's Children's Home donations have been given in their memory. West Wyndham is a parish that always consistently donates towards the work of the Youth Department. A pre-Christmas social has been planned by Peak Hill Y.A.s for December 21.

Last Sunday the D.C. preached at Rockley, Burruga, Caloola and George's Plains and this week-end December 15 to 17, will be guest at the rectory for engagements in the Concomble Parish. He will take services on Sunday December 23 and Christmas Day in the Parish of Rockley. Bathurst Y.A.s hold their annual dinner to-night. Glandara will be visited by the D.C. on December 18.

S. MICHAEL'S

East Orange Sunday School with donations of £11/8/10 to date, have given more than any other Sunday School to the Children's Home appeal, as the children in that parish are urged to think of less fortunate children.

Millthorpe Sunday School for their numbers, also did so well. The Ladies' Guild of Millthorpe are arranging the pre-Christmas party for the Sunday School children. Each child brings a gift on these occasions, and this year the Ladies' Guild have decided to send the toys to St. Michael's Home for future use. This is the first such welcome gesture from any diocesan group. The Rector of Warren has arranged for the giving of 40 little bags with cloth, tooth-brush and soap for any child who may enter the Home in the coming days.

With kindly parish giving and other sources of interest, already 1956 amounts for St. Michael's are on the up and up, with the total to date the second greatest for any other than 1954. It is possible that the year might yet be a record when parish cheques from Homes and Youth Sunday returns finally come in to the Registrar. At the moment, the 1956 parish list shows Oberon in top place, followed by Bathurst, Orange, Forbes, Canowindra, Dubbo and Coolah, with ten other parishes donating over £100 each to date. Only four parishes show a nil return at the end of November.

MELBOURNE

TEACHERS' SERVICE

On December 8, 240 Sunday School teachers attended their annual corporate Communion in St. Paul's Cathedral when the Archbishop was the celebrant. During the service, Th.A. diplomas and

Commission to Teach certificates were presented to teachers by the Archbishop.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

On Sunday afternoon the choir of the Methodist Ladies' College gave a recital of Christmas music in the presence of a congregation of 1,200. The collection of £100 will be given to the Christmas Bowl appeal.

NEW CHURCH

Archbishop Booth preached at the opening of St. Margaret's Church, Eltham, in the evening.

SPEECH DAYS

The Archbishop will speak at the Melbourne Girls' Grammar School Speech Day on Saturday, December 15, at 3 p.m. He will also speak at the Korowa C.E.G.G.S. Speech Day to-day, December 14, at 8 p.m. in the Malvern Town Hall. He attended The Hermitage, Geelong, Speech Day, on Wednesday.

BENTLEIGH

Bishop McKie dedicated and opened the new Church of St. George, Bentleigh, last Sunday.

INDUCTIONS

Archdeacon Schofield inducted the Reverend V. L. Cohen to St. Matthew's, Cheltenham, on December 13.

Bishop Donald Baker inducted the Reverend R. L. Butters to the charge of Lara on December 13.

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Greenway's proposal seems to have been justified, however, as, after the loss of the "Dunbar," opinions freely expressed among nautical men were that the entrance to Port Jackson was not properly lighted, and the lighthouse should have been on the North Head. The poor quality and great weight of the sandstone at South Head led Greenway to build the basement under the tower with four big piers. Each of them consisted of about 90 square feet of solid stone. He used massive blocks and wanted to put them close together, but he was forbidden to do so because of the cost. In spite of economies, however, Governor Macquarie was later rebuked for spending too much money on the project.

Quarters for the light-keeper were planned on the northern side and a room for the Governor was at the other end; both were under little domes. The central tower stood 76 ft. high, on a spot 277 ft. above the sea. This central tower was beautifully proportioned, but the lantern designed by Greenway for the top has been criticised by modern architects as too

skimpy and slender for the structure. The foundation stone of the lighthouse was laid on June 4, 1816, and the stonework was finished next year. On the day this part of the work was completed, Governor Macquarie wrote in his journal: "This being altogether a very interesting day and an auspicious one I presented Mr. Greenway, the Government Acting Architect, his emancipation dated this day, it being delivered to him at Macquarie Tower this morning before we breakfasted."

Although good progress was made with the work, nearly another year passed before the lighthouse was finished—on May 16, 1818. On a clear night, the light was visible for 24 miles.

Macquarie's view that the lighthouse was "a building much required and essentially necessary in the ever-increasing commerce of the colony" proved amply justified, but the poor quality of the South Head sandstone soon became apparent. It began to crumble away and within 50 years the tower had to be strapped with iron bands. In 1883, it was replaced with the present Macquarie Lighthouse, which was built slightly further back from the sea. The new lighthouse resembles Greenway's design in its general outlines, but it differs from it in many particulars.

After the original Macquarie lighthouse, the next recorded lights to be placed on the Australian coast were the Iron Pot (1833) and Cape Bruny (1838), both near the entrance of the Derwent River in Van Dieman's Land.

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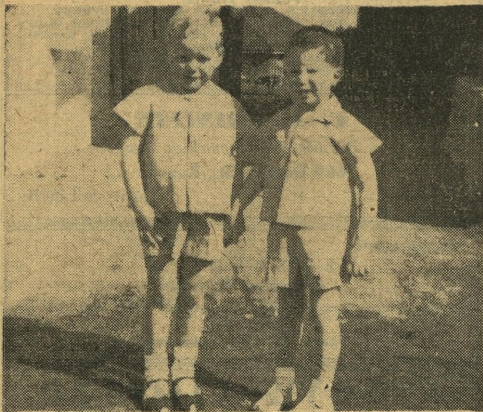
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MANY FUNCTIONS AT S. JAMES', KING STREET

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Several end-of-the-year functions have been held and are planned at S. James', King Street, Sydney.

On December 6 S. James' Study Circle were joined by senior choir members at a happy and festive supper in the crypt.

This followed the final meeting of the year where recent study and discussion has been on the Gospels.

On December 7 the Young Anglicans held a barbecue in the rectory garden; it entailed much preparation from many of the 'chefs' implements, but the Y.A.s are always full of energy and service.

They are producing a Nativity play for 7.45 p.m. on Monday, December 17, which will be well worth seeing.

On December 1 the rector and Mrs. Edwards invited members

of S. James' Women's Fellowship and parish councillors to a garden party at the rectory which was a great joy to all who were able to attend.

At the Evensong on Sunday, December 9, Canon H. M. Arrowsmith gave his first address on returning from China.

On Sunday, December 16, some 350 destitute men are expected to the real Christmas dinner which countless friends and helpers are making possible for them in S. James' Crypt.

At Christmas the Crib will again be on view in the chapel in the church; and in the church's porch a large Christmas tree will help to collect toys for the C. of E. Children's Homes.

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NEW ERA FOR AN OLD MELBOURNE PARISH WILLIAMSTOWN INDUCTION

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, December 10

When the Vicar-elect of Holy Trinity, Williamstown, arriving from England, came within sight of his new parish a fortnight ago, he was welcomed by one of his churchwardens, Mr. W. L. Black.

Mr. Black made what was described as "an impressive arrival" at the ship's side on the Customs launch, in the open water of Port Phillip Bay.

This was revealed at the public welcome to the Reverend J. B. Moroney on December 4, following his induction as Vicar of Holy Trinity.

Williamstown is one of the oldest settlements in Victoria, and its parish church, magnificently situated on the waterfront looking across the water to Port Melbourne and St. Kilda, is a lofty blue-stone building of noble proportions, in the Gothic style.

For the last nine months without a vicar, since the death of the Reverend J. H. Raverly, the parishioners assembled in very large numbers to greet the Reverend J. B. Moroney.

He is a young Melbourne man who, after serving as Chaplain at Trinity College and the Royal Melbourne Hospital, has spent three years in England gaining wider experience, and has now returned with a Cambridge B.A. degree to his credit, eager to tackle the very big job which lies before him at Williamstown.

The induction was conducted

by the Venerable G. T. Sambell, Archdeacon of Essendon, assisted by the rural dean, the Reverend V. G. Carver, in a packed church.

The archdeacon referred in his sermon to the failure of the Apostles to heal a demoniac boy, and used this as a warning against any attempt by clergy or parishioners to undertake Christian work in a spirit of self-confidence or for any motives of self-glorification.

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In the informal atmosphere of the parish hall, the archdeacon referred briefly, but in glowing terms, to Mr. Moroney's qualities and qualifications.

Other speeches were equally cordial and brief. With a neat wit and ready humour, the new vicar replied, and in doing so expressed his conviction of the crucial importance of the Church in any community, and especially in a place like Williamstown, which has a long history and a strong

NEW HALL MANY HELP AT LISMORE

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT Lismore, N.S.W.

December 3

On Sunday, November 25, the Bishop of Grafton, the Right Reverend K. J. Clements, officially opened the new church hall here and named it S. John's Hall.

The foundation stone was set by the former Bishop of Grafton, the Right Reverend C. E. Storrs, in 1953.

A tremendous amount of voluntary work has gone into the building.

The electrical fittings were carried out by Mr. George Jackson and Mr. F. Davis, in a voluntary capacity.

The whole of the flooring was laid by a large team of churchmen, who worked night after night to get the job finished, and a large number of men, including S. Andrew's Cubs and Scouts, C.E.B.S., Y.M.S. and C.E.M.S. members helped in the general clean-up needed to get everything ready for the opening.

VOLUNTEERS

The designer of the hall was Mr. K. Crandon, one of the members of the parish council. In the beginning of the work, Mr. S. G. Rogers, one of the local builders, organised the setting of the foundations, and the voluntary brickwork was carried out under the leadership of Mr. J. Hancock, a local brickwork contractor.

An excellent job has been done by the East Lismore Guild, which organised a

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ALL SAINTS', Victoria Road, Paramatta, N.S.W. Christmas Day, 6 a.m., Holy Communion; 7 a.m., Holy Communion; 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 9.30 a.m., Matins, Family Service; 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion. Douglas Crawford, Rector.

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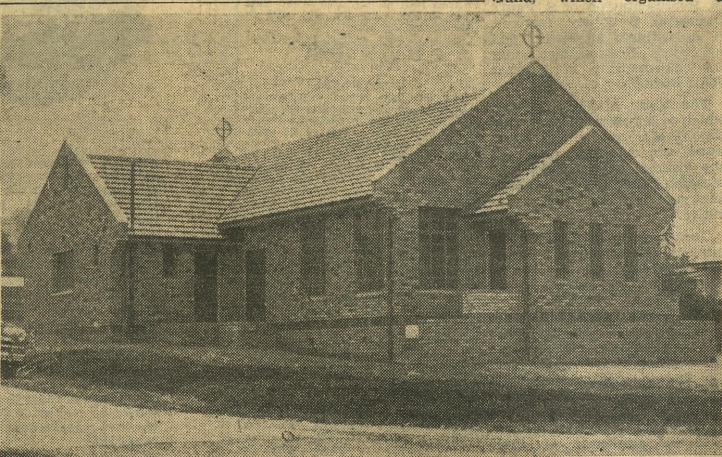
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The new church hall at East Lismore, N.S.W., which was opened by the Bishop of Grafton, the Right Reverend K. J. Clements, on November 25.

sense of corporate unity and civic pride.

He had seen many churches in England which were full every Sunday, and where a real revival of spiritual religion was in evidence, and he believed that the same was possible in Australia.

As the assemblage enjoyed a buffet supper provided by the ladies of Holy Trinity, our correspondent came away feeling that the prayers and interest of a wide circle will be centred on Williamstown during the next months.

CHURCH PARADE

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, December 10 Yesterday morning 350 members of the Royal Melbourne regiment attended their annual church parade at St. Paul's Cathedral.

The Queen's regimental colours were carried into the cathedral and laid up in the sanctuary during the service.

The lessons were read by the commanding officer, Lieutenant-Colonel G. M. Swan, and Major A. Cattell.

The sermon was preached by the Reverend Frank Byatt, secretary of the Australian Commission for Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees.

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monthly box collection to aid the fund for the building.

Speakers at the opening included the rector; Archdeacon O. C. J. Van; Mr. J. S. Easter, M.L.A.; Alderman J. Briggs; Mr. R. Gordon, for the Presbyterian Church, and Mr. A. Axtens, for the Methodist Church.

Special votes of thanks were given by the secretary of the building committee, Mr. H. A. Thomas, and by Mr. C. M. Thomas, one of the churchwardens of the parish church.

The hall has an apse end which is the sanctuary and which is separated from the main body of the hall by means of sliding doors and only opened for church services. It is built in the form of a cross, and one arm of the cross is a meeting room divided from the body of the hall with folding doors, and the other arm is the kitchen.

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GREEN, Nina May: December 7, 1956, at her residence, 1 Marcel Avenue, Randwick, dearly beloved wife of Harold Leslie and loving mother of Jack (Moree).