

THE CHRONICLE

of

The Parish of All Saints, Petersham

Rector: Rev. T. E. CHAMPION, Th.L.

The Rectory, 325 Stanmore Road, Petersham—LM 4735

Hon. Assistant: Rev. A. E. C. GARDNER, B.A., Th.L.

MAY, 1956



8 a.m.—Holy Communion (every Sunday), 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11 a.m.
Saints' Days as announced.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 7.15 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

Teachers' Training Class, First Wednesday in the month at 8.30 p.m.

9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. 9.45 a.m.—Kindergarten.

Churchwardens: Messrs L. C. CALVER (Rector's), W. SOPWITH, E. QUELCH.

Parish Council: THE CHURCHWARDENS and Messrs A. H. THOMAS, T. H. BOSWARD, J. M. BOYLE, H. C. BRODIE, J. HUMPHREYS, D. B. HUNTER, H. F. JONES, B. PULLEN, E. HALE, K. GRANT, J. CARROLL, E. B. OLOFSSON.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. L. C. CALVER

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. SOPWITH

Organist and Master of the Chorists: Mr. E. WARR—LX.3285

RECTOR'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

Many of you know that our neighbour and Archdeacon, the Venerable R. C. Kerle, B.A., has been chosen as the third Co-adjutor Bishop in this diocese and will be consecrated at a special service in St. Andrew's Cathedral on 1st May at 10.30 a.m. We offer our heartiest congratulations to the Archdeacon on his new appointment and pray that he will receive every blessing for the important tasks ahead of him.

Mr. Gerald H. Knight, M.A. Mus. B. F.R.C.O., Director of the Royal School of Church Music is now visiting Sydney and will visit us one evening in June. A number of local Church Choirs will join with our Choir that evening at All Saints', when Mr. Knight will address choristers on the subject of Church Music. We welcome any who are interested to attend.

Although reference was made in the last "Chronicle" to voluntary work done by some of our men-folk in the Church grounds, I again record my sincere thanks to all who have worked so hard to get the grounds looking so nice. Again, further painting has been done in the Library at the rear of the Parish Hall. To those responsible for this additional improvement we also say a sincere thank you.

I have been informed that we need more ladies to help arrange the flowers in the Sanctuary. Several have resigned from the Flower Roster. We have a very beautiful Church and an exceptionally nice sanctuary. Who will volunteer to help us?

We deeply regret that two of our parishioners have been in hospital lately in the persons of Mrs. Meatyard and Miss Lynette Sanderson. We hope and pray that they will be out of hospital ere long.

Mr. Quelch has informed me that he is willing to organise a rag collection in the near future in aid of Church funds. Please save your rags for us and help our funds. Recently we delivered a large quantity of milk bottle tops to the Home of Peace valued at about £4. If we all saved our aluminium tops we could help the Home in a very practical way.

The Annual Home Mission Tea will be held in the Town Hall on Friday, 18th May, at 6 p.m. This is one of the great social functions of the year and one which gives one some idea of the size of this diocese. If you have not been to this function in past years, come this year and be proud of your Church. All Saints', Petersham, has a special table for her parishioners. Tickets are on sale 4/- each, and a first class meal is assured. The tea is followed by a Public Meeting in the Town Hall when His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales will preside and the visiting guest speaker will be the Rev. T. G. Mohan, M.A., General Secretary of the Church Pastoral Aid Society in England.

We offer our congratulations to the Rev. and Mrs. Angus Tipping, of Stanmore, on the recent birth of a son. Mr. Tipping has given invaluable help with the schools in this parish in past years and is well known and appreciated in this parish.

The Annual Vestry Meeting for All Saints' has been arranged for Wednesday, 9th May. I do hope that there will be a good attendance of parishioners. A well attended Annual Meeting is a sign of a healthy, active Church. It is your meeting, so please come.

It is amazing to still find some people who have the idea that the Church of England gets financial help from the Government. Such an idea is wrong. The Church is maintained by the collections, sales of work, donations and the income of any bequests left by people to the Church. Undoubtedly the best way of supporting the Church is to join the Weekly Freewill Envelope Scheme. We have a number of envelopes on hand which we want to distribute to parishioners who desire to contribute systematically to the Church funds. Will you take a set and help us? Remember that about one in ten Anglicans seem to really support their Church and take a personal interest in its welfare. The expenses of the Church go on in wet or dry weather, whether you are in Church or not.

Mrs. Carroll has been a splendid leader of the Y.P.U. Group for a long time, but is expecting to leave the district in the near future. Is there anyone who would volunteer to take this group of children on Thursday afternoons after school? I take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Carroll for her good work and hope someone will offer to take her place and maintain the children's interest in Missions.

Confirmation classes will begin on the second Sunday in May at 2.30 p.m. Young people who are fourteen years of age this year will be considered for admission to the class. Please hand in your name as soon as possible.

It was pleasing to see a good congregation on Anzac Sunday, 22nd April, to honour the memory of those who paid the supreme sacrifice that we might live and enjoy the many blessings this lovely country offers to its citizens. After evening service a cup of tea was provided in the Parish Hall and a very inspiring film was shown, entitled, "The Way He Should Go." The film was suitable to both adults and children, having a message for both. There will be another talkie film after the evening service on 27th May. Please come!

Yours sincerely,

ERIC CHAMPION

WOMEN'S GUILD

Our luncheon on 5th April was a very happy and successful function and we say thank you to all who helped to achieve such a fine result.

Our Annual Meeting on 10th April was very well attended, the Rector presided and we are extremely happy to have Mrs. Champion as our President and Leader and we look forward to greater success in the year which lies ahead. Our first effort after you receive this "Chronicle," will be on 8th May, a Cake and Apron Afternoon and ladies are also asked to bring a cup and saucer (pretty or antique) for exhibition only, and ladies will be asked to place threepence in the saucer they choose as most to their liking. All ladies of the Parish will be welcome and afternoon tea will be served.

Our next Sewing Day at the Home of Peace will be Monday, 14th May, we would like a few more ladies to help with this worthwhile effort, you may come for all or part of the day and this is not confined to Guild Members only. Our best wishes go to all members who are not enjoying the best of health, with a prayer that they will soon be well again and able to join with us.

SANCTUARY FLOWER ROSTER

- 6th May—Arranged by Mrs. Morris.
- 13th May—Donated by Mrs. Clifton Smith in memory of Mrs. Wedlock
Arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
- 20th May— — — — —
- 27th May—Donated by Miss Spright in memory of Dick Hoseason.
Arranged — — — — —
- 3rd June—Donated by Miss Belfield. Arranged by Mrs. Bosward.
- 10th June—Donated by Mrs. Martin.

We regret that Mrs. Morris finds it necessary to resign from the Sanctuary Flower Roster and Mrs. Grant has also asked be relieved for a time. This leaves only one on the monthly roster, so we are hoping to hear from at least three ladies who would give a Saturday morning each month to arrange the Sanctuary flowers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTICE

Unfortunately, owing to the change of "Chronicle" printing, the Sunday School report was omitted from last month's emergency issue. However, I feel that it is not too late to extend a hearty welcome to Mrs. Locke, of Bright Street, who has undertaken to help us out in our shortage of teachers.

Easter is now behind us and it was heartening to see the good attendance of scholars and their parents at our Good Friday and Easter Services.

We would like to wish Lynette Sanderson, one of our kindergarten teachers, all the best for a speedy recovery from her recent operation.

KENNETH GRANT, Secretary

CHOIR NOTICE

It is with regret that we received the resignation of Mr. J. Carroll as Secretary and Treasurer, owing to the possibility of his departure from the district at some future date. During his term Jim has done a good job, particularly with regard to finance.

We have decided to allow the choir boys to lead the choir out of Church as well as in. With this view in mind the boys were asked to resume wearing the Eton collar and bow tie, as they previously did,

You will notice that the selection of Sunday hymns has changed slightly, however, if you have a hymn you would like to hear sung, will you please write it down on a slip of paper and drop it into a box in the main porch.

KENNETH GRANT, Secretary

L.H.M.U.

The Annual Meeting of the Petersham Branch of the L.H.M.U. will be held at All Saints' in the Guild Room on 29th May at 2.30 p.m.

Members and friends are cordially invited to be present, and we expect a Guest Speaker to give us an address on the work of the L.H.M.U.

J. SMITH, Hon. Secretary

BASEBALL

All Saints', Petersham, entered two teams in the Churches Baseball Competition this season, one "A" grade and one "B" grade. E. Olofsson was elected captain of the "A" grade and D. O'Sullivan captain of the "B" grade.

Of the two games played the "A" grade have won one and the "B" two. The "A" grade had bad luck in the first match being in front until the last innings but their opponents managed to get in front at the end of the game. The second game was a very tight one but All Saints proved too strong for the opposition. The "B" grade have had very exciting matches being won by only one run in both games.

We appreciate Mr. Kennedy's interest in the juniors which play on Saturday mornings at Steel Park, Earlwood. Any boy interested in playing baseball should get in touch with Mr. H. Jones or Mr. Kennedy. Both grades will have more experience this year and should have a very good season.

K. LOCKE, Acting Secretary

YOUNG MARRIED'S CLUB

The next meeting of the Y.M. Club will be held on Tuesday, 8th May at 8 p.m. We would be pleased to welcome new members.

Our Tuesday tennis club is in urgent need of more members. We play at 287 Stanmore Road, starting at 10.30 a.m. Tea is provided for lunch and afternoon tea. Fee 2/-.

Our Club is holding a "Mad Hatters" Party on Wednesday, 16th May, in the Church Hall at 8 p.m. Dancing and games for all. Admission 2/- adults; 1/- for school children, supper provided. Do come and help to make this night both a social and financial success.

T. BARRETT, Hon. Secretary

**ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING
FOR THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS'**

will be held in the

PARISH HALL

WEDNESDAY, 9th MAY, AT 8 P.M.

COME AND MAKE THE MEETING A SUCCESS

ALL WELCOME

Y.C.I.

The Annual Bucks' Musical Evening was held on Friday the 6th April. It attracted an attendance of 29 members and several visitors. This function was of a special character as it was the Institute's welcome to its new President, the Rev. T. E. Champion, Th.L. Prior to the musical programme, a short Business Meeting was held. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. L. C. Calver, occupied the Chair, and officially informed Mr. Champion, that by virtue of his office of Rector of the Parish he now becomes President of the Y.C.I. The Chairman assured the new President of the loyalty and co-operation of all members and expressed the hope that his association with the Y.C.I. would be a long and happy one. The Rev. T. E. Champion thanked the meeting for the welcome and the opportunity to work with members of the Y.C.I.

At the conclusion of the Business Meeting the gathering adjourned to the Guild Room, where supper was served. There was a musical programme, which gave great pleasure to all. Community singing occupied a prominent part in the programme but mention should be made of the violin solo by Mr. Bernie Sayers, who was the M.C. After the loyal Toast had been honoured, the Toast of our new President, the Rev. T. E. Champion, was proposed by Vice-President, D. B. Hunter, M.L.A. and supported by Vice-President H. F. Jones. Both members paid tribute to the splendid record of our "Guest of Honour", and expressed confidence in the continued progress of the Parish during his incumbency.

Mr. Champion, in replying to the toast, related many interesting incidents in connection with his work, and spoke in appreciative terms of the friendliness already extended to him, his wife and children by the parishioners of All Saints', Petersham.

The function finished at a late hour but it was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present.

L.C.C.

DO IT NOW

If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing.
If you like him, or you love him, tell him now;
Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration,
And he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow;
For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it,
He won't know how many tear drops you have shed;
If you think some praise is due him,
Now's the time to slip it to him,
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.
More than fame, and more, than money,
Is the comment kind and sunny,
And the hearty warm approval of a friend;
For it gives to life a savour, and it makes you stronger, braver,
And it gives you heart and spirit to the end;
If he earns your praise, bestow it: If you like him let him know it;
Let the words of true encouragement be said;
Do not wait till life is over, and he's underneath the clover,
For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead.

—Selected

NEWS FROM THE MISSION FIELD**Visit to Remote Borneo Area**

The problem of people living in remote areas of the Tawau Church District, North Borneo, is emphasised in a recent despatch from the Rev. Kenneth Perry.

Mr. Perry and the Rev. Walter Newmarch have been attempting to make up a complete roll of Christians in the District and this has involved trying to visit many people who were only known by name.

In a recent visit Mr. Perry set out to find four Chinese families who apparently all lived in one remote area.

Mr. Perry said: "At our destination we found a group of three houses. In one lived an old lady with her eldest daughter and in the other two, two of her sons and their families. Between them there were 15 children.

"The only way these folk can get to Church is by means of a very irregular bus service and so it is no wonder they seldom if ever come. The only answer is to bear these folk up in our prayers.

Dodoma Cathedral Overcrowded

There are indications that the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Dodoma, Central Tanganyika, may be becoming too small for the congregations worshipping in it.

Archdeacon O. T. Cordell recently reported: "It is rather interesting to see that the Gogo service in the Cathedral is not outgrowing the Swahili service in numbers, as indeed it should, for there is a larger Gogo population in the town and in the surrounding suburbs.

It is a thrill to see the Cathedral gradually becoming too small, although it faces us with the problem of enlarging the present building, which will be a big and costly undertaking.

Three races are now represented amongst the clergy on the staff of the Cathedral—African, Indian and European. Each is working amongst those of his own race.

New Ventures at Sukkur

Several new advances have been made in the work in the hospital at Sukkur, Pakistan, but there is still an urgent need for another nursing sister.

Writing from Sukkur, Sister Heather Siggelkow, said recently: "We now have a fully-trained nurse on night duty and this eases things considerably, as the junior nurse, though most reliable in her work, was unable to do complicated treatments or even give an injection, as she cannot read! This meant that someone had to be called for every injection given at night.

"Another innovation has been the appointment of a cook for the nurses. Now they can get their meals more easily and have some leisure.

"We have also added a laboratory technician to our staff, but unfortunately she is not permanent, being lent to us for only a period."

Organ Memorial to Late Bishop

A Hammond Organ has been installed in the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Dodoma, Central Tanganyika, as a memorial to the late Bishop William Wynn Jones.

Bishop Wynn Jones, formerly Bishop of Central Tanganyika, died in 1950.

In order to accommodate those who wished to be present at the Memorial and Dedication Services, three services were held—one in English, one in Swahili and one in Gogo.

At the Dedication Service proper, which was conducted in English, there was a most representative congregation of people of all races and many religions. Moslems and other non-Christians came to show their appreciation of the service of the Bishop whom they had loved. The preacher at this Service was the present Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Alfred Stanway.

A plaque will be placed in the Cathedral containing the main facts of the Bishop's life together with the same inscription that is on his gravestone—"He was a friend."