

New College integrates

New College at the University of New South Wales will integrate next year when up to 35 women students will be admitted.

The College Council has accepted a recommendation from a special committee of students, tutors and members of the Board of Management to take this step with the support of the Master, Rev Dr Stuart Barton Babbage.

In a recent newsletter, Dr Babbage speaks of the great interest he has found in his appointment to the College.

"New College, like the University, represents an astonishing diversity, both religiously and racially. Thus, within the College, we have Buddhists, Muslims, Confucians, Christians, Agnostics and Humanists, living cheek by jowl. Within recent months I have, for example, taken into the College a student from Ghana who has completed five years in Russia on a Soviet scholarship (and who is now doing a gradu-

ate diploma in metallurgy), an Egyptian Coptic Christian, who is doing a graduate diploma in engineering, and a Dutch baron who is doing a graduate course in librarianship. Internationals comprise one-third of the student body. I will not be happy until we have at least one (and preferably several) Aborigines as members of the College community.

"The religious situation within the College is somewhat bewildering. Not only is the situation one of religious pluralism; but some of the Christian groups are intensely separatist. The Navigators constitute a closely knit coterie; The Charismatics (reinforced by a contingent from the University) meet for their own service of prayer and praise; In addition there are members of the Evangelical Union as well as

other Churchmen. I conduct a weekly Communion Service, using a modern liturgy; I also lead a Bible Study and a Discussion Group. At the request of some of the students I have given a series of talks on 'Christianity and Existentialism.' It proved to be an effective means for reaching some of the more inquiring students.

"I am eager that we should exercise a ministry in relation to the wider life of the University, and I am therefore inaugurating a series of monthly luncheons for Christian faculty and staff within the University. Dr Spencer Collier of the Department of Social Work will speak at the July luncheon on 'The Nimbin Festival: A Christian Critique of the Counter-Culture.' About forty persons have indicated their desire to attend these luncheons.

ACC AID FOR INDO-CHINA

August 19 has been declared 'Australian Churches' Day for Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia."

"The reconciliation of people is a prime need in the Indo-China region," Bishop David Garnsey, President of the Australian Council of Churches, said today.

"The churches have a special role in reconciliation."

With Archbishop James Gleeson on behalf of Australian Catholic Relief, the Reverend Thomas Cardwell (Baptist) and the Reverend Robert Paech (Lutheran World Relief), Bishop Garnsey took part in a national launching in Sydney recently of a combined appeal to the 11-member denominations of the Australian Council of Churches, the Catholic Church and the Baptist and Lutheran Churches.

The appeal is being mounted through the churches.

Bishop Garnsey quoted Dr Bui Duy Tam, Dean of Medicine at a Saigon University and a mem-

ber of the board administering the World Council of Churches Fund for Reconstruction and Reconciliation in Indo-China. "Reconstruction without reconciliation is meaningless," Dr Tam said.

Six win \$1000 scholarships

Six Marcia Abel Entrance Scholarships to Moore College have been awarded to:

Hugh Begbie, Kenneth Bernoth, Graham Cole, Robert Forsyth, Stephen Hinks, Paul Weaver.

Each scholarship is worth \$1,000 and is awarded as a result of examination in Bible Knowledge and Elementary Christian Doctrine. All students entering the college each year are eligible for the award.

Chair of religion for Flinders Uni.

It is expected that the proposed chair of religious studies at Flinders University, S.A., will cover all religions.

It is also expected the course will not confine itself to theological studies.

It is understood churches originally put the proposal to Adelaide and Flinders Universities but Flinders was later decided upon as ideally suited.

Many people close to the scheme believe the course will be very popular, particularly as there is a great renewal of interest in religions at the moment.

Church leaders hope the

course will begin in 1979 or 1980.

This will give them about two years to organise finance and draw up the final proposal for the course.

If the scheme is successful it

will be open to all arts students. They will either be able to major in religious studies or incorporate it in their degree.

Bible studies, theology and philosophy of religions are some suggestions for the course.

PERTH CHURCH UNWANTED

Neither the church, the State nor the City Council want an old Perth church building which the National Trust has given an "A" classification—of historical importance.

St Bartholomew's Church in East Perth Cemetery was consecrated in February, 1871, by Bishop Hale and was even used as a parish church until 1929.

It has been neglected and unwanted for years and the diocese of Perth has told the Lands Department that it doesn't want it and hasn't the funds to maintain it.

The Lands Department has now approached the City Council to see if it will make funds available to restore and maintain it.

Meanwhile, the diocese is seeking release from its lease of the land on which old St Bart's stands.

Visit of vicar of Islington IN-SERVICE TRAINING SEMINAR

A further half-day seminar was held at St. Luke's Concord on August 7, organised by Sydney's In-service Training Committee.

The topic of the seminar was "The Place and Use of Christian Literature in the Parish," and will be directed by the Rev Kevin Engle (CMS) and Mr John Robinson (Anzea Publications).

There was a good attendance of clergy under the chairmanship of Bishop John Reid.

Professor Gordon M. Dunstan of King's College, London, visited Australia this month to deliver the Moorehouse lectures in St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, 5-10 August.

Dr Dunstan is Professor of Moral and Social Philosophy at King's College, University of London, Canon theologian of Leicester Cathedral and editor of "Theology."

From 1955 to 1966, while a Minor Canon at St. George's Chapel and Westminster Abbey, he worked on the staff of the

Church Record

Archbishop of Canterbury intervenes on race grants

Anglican Consultative Council at Dublin calls on World Council of Churches to consult national churches before making grants

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Michael Ramsay, speaking at the Anglican Consultative Council's meeting in Dublin near the end of July moved an amendment to a major resolution which had the effect of calling on the World Council of Churches to consult with national churches before making further race grants.

The Archbishop's intervention came during a long debate on a document replying to a call from the bishops of the Church in South Africa for Anglicans to disassociate themselves from grants to organisations supporting violence.

The Council reaffirmed its decision of two years ago to support in principle the W.C.C. program to combat racism, but made it clear that this was on the understanding that grants should not be used for military purposes.

The resolution went on to urge that the program be further extended to include a concern for poor and powerless groups, including minorities, in parts of the world other than South Africa.

It was further stated that while the initial program was intended to express a primary concern for white racism it should also be remembered that racism includes conflict between black and white,

white and black, brown and yellow, black and black. However, probably the most significant shift in emphasis was the call on the World Council of Churches to consult national churches on race grants, which is something it has not seemed prepared to do in the past.

After a long and emotional debate the Council decided not to express its opinion on the ordination of women.

Instead it referred it back to member churches to supply more information for the 1975 meeting of the Council.

The major part of the resolution passed read: "The Council agrees to recommend once more that where any autonomous province of the Anglican Communion decides to ordain women to the priesthood, this should not cause any break in fellowship in our Anglican family."

"The Council recognises that any firm decision will have important ecumenical repercussions which must be taken into account, but this consideration should not be decisive.

"The Churches of the Anglican Communion must make their own decision."

A theological section of a report on social justice came under fire in the Council. It suggested that reconciliation of conflicting

groups could liberate them to discover their full humanity in Christ.

The Archbishop of Canterbury said of this: "You could still have all these things and still be a thousand miles away from the fullness of Christ."

Speaking about the whole theological section the Archbishop said: "Please let this dubious section on theology be removed."

Archdeacon Donald Cameron of Sydney contended: "If the Scriptures are to be cited for the support of a particular program they must be used honestly."

Archdeacon Cameron went on to support a resolution calling for church institutions and leaders to critically examine their extravagant structures and life-style in the light of Jesus' example and to demonstrate their solidarity with their fellows who suffer oppression and poverty.

Archdeacon Cameron said, "It is a searching and painful challenge to the churches in affluent societies because the life style in many of our churches is an embarrassment, but matters of such importance need to be supported by defensible theological methods. The submitted report on social justice tended to present Jesus as a dynamic leader of national liberation — and this was unsupported by the New Testament."

Archdeacon Cameron concluded his remarks by saying: "A recent ecumenical report had been charged with using the Scriptures as a drunken man uses a lamp post — for support and not for illumination. I hope that there will not be any reports emanating from Dublin that would be liable to the same criticism."

Plan to demolish 1838 church

St Stephen's, Penrith, a Broughton church, built in 1838 and standing on a strategic site in the centre of a fast-growing area 34 miles from Sydney, may be demolished and the site sold if present plans of the parish are carried out.

Penrith is one of Australia's oldest parishes and the present site is worth \$500,000. A sub-committee of the parish council recommended to a special vestry meeting that the whole site be sold.

The parish has a large glebe on the other side of the city in a residential area. Of this, 22½ acres has been sold to the Glebe Administration Board for a net profit of \$240,000, leaving the parish with 17 acres.

The rector, Rev Warren Bryden-Brown told the Church Record that if the diocese allows the parish to sell the existing site and to rebuild on part of its glebe, large sums would become available for much-needed developments in the parish.

The parish could then erect a more suitable church building at Kingswood and buy sites at Cambridge Park and Penrith South.

Penrith City Council and the Nepean Historical Society have strongly opposed the demolition of the old church. However, it has no particular architectural merit and has not been classified at all by the National Trust.

ENGLISH CMS PRESIDENT VISITS AUST.

Dame Diana Reader Harris, President of the Church Missionary Society U.K. and principal of Sherbourne Girls' School was the special guest at this year's Federal Council of CMS Australia.

Dame Diana is visiting Australia for a Headmistresses Conference to be held in Melbourne towards the end of August.

She will be speaking at a number of CMS meetings in Australia and New Zealand including the Annual General meetings of the New South Wales Branch on August 21, and the Victorian Branch on August 30.

Rev Maurice Betteridge, CMS Federal Secretary, has announced that the Federal Council of CMS had accepted a record Budget of \$436,439 for the year 73/74. This is a 10 p.c. increase on last year's Federal Budget. Mr Betteridge explained that the increase was due to the rising cost of supporting missionaries overseas, increased transportation costs as well as the development of new work in a number of areas especially in Indonesia.

It was also revealed that there was an accumulated deficit of \$23,460 from previous years despite the fact that all States met their budget for the financial year ending June 1973.

Mr Betteridge said that the Society was indeed grateful to God that all States were able to meet their budgets for last year and that over and above this the Victorian Branch had paid in an additional \$6,000 to be offset against the accumulated deficits.

Commenting on the large Federal Budget for the coming year Mr Betteridge said that he was certain that it was right for the Society to go forward in

faith, looking to God to supply its needs through His people. A literature and communications consultant, Rev Kevin Engel has been appointed by the Society. He will be based in



At the CMS Federal Council meeting, L to R: Bishop Clive Kerle, of Armidale, Archbishop Marcus Loane, of Sydney, Dame Diana Reader Harris and the Primate, Archbishop Frank Woods, of Melbourne.

Australia but available to aid in literature development anywhere in the world. Kevin Engel will be working through the Australian Christian Literature Society which was set up by Bishop Alfred Stanway and others eager to aid in the development of Christian communications particularly in the new nations of South-East Asia and the Pacific.

Kevin Engel, commenting on his appointment has said: "This is probably one of the most exciting projects undertaken by an Australian society in recent

years. There is a very real expressed need in many areas and by co-operation with agencies on the spot we believe that we can help them develop relevant local programmes."

Mr Engel will be using the experience gained in seventeen years of publishing, distribution and communications in East Africa.

CMS has invited Kevin Engel to share as a consultant in their work in Australia through the CMS Bookshop and Testimony Communications.



Rev. Ken Perry from Vic. CMS to Vicar of Cranbourne

Rev David A. Brown, vicar of Herne Bay, Kent, since 1967, has been elected Bishop of Guildford. He is 51 and was formerly a CMS missionary in the Sudan.

Rev Arthur Patrick Wade, rector of St Nicholas, Coogee (Sydney) 1936-1967, died on 24 July, aged 79.

Rev Olive N. Steele, rector of St John's, Sutherland (Sydney) since 1959, has been elected a canon of St Michael's Pro-Cathedral, Wollongong.

Rev John Bowen, curate of St Paul's, Manuka (Canb-Goug) has been appointed rector of Binda from late August.

The Archbishop of Adelaide (Most Rev Dr T. F. Reed) and a former Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Sir James Irwin, have been made honorary fellows of St Mark's University College.

Rev Arthur E. Menkes, curate of Gordonvale (North Q) has been appointed rector of St Paul's, Proserpine, from 9 August.

Rev Lance A. Johnston, a graduate of

Mamasa Christians Bribed

The Church of Toradja Mamasa, Sulawesi, Indonesia, reported recently that Roman Catholic missionaries in its largely Protestant area are offering attractive bribes to Mamasa Christians to become Roman Catholics.

This is reported in the latest Pacific Newsletter of the Reformed Ecumenical Synod. In a longer article giving a history of this indigenous Christian church since its foundation in 1913, it gives details of the remarkable growth of the church in recent years and an account of its current problems.

Among these problems it lists Roman Catholic bribery. Speaking of relations with the Roman Catholic Church Mozes Lululangi of the Mamasa Church writes:

"This church wants to exercise much influence in the Mamasa area. The Roman Catholic workers like to attract the attention of the Mamasa members. They offer second-hand clothes and agricultural implements. They also try to propose a good salary to several leaders of the congregations if they will leave the Mamasa Church and become members of the Roman Catholic Church. This church has already opened schools in Protestant villages to attract the children of the Mamasa Church."

BRISBANE IVF LECTURE

"Am I my brother's keeper" was the subject chosen for the annual Inter-Varsity Fellowship of Evangelical Unions lecture in Brisbane on July 12.

Miss is a father

Rev Carol Anderson is a deacon assisting at St James' Episcopal Church, Madison Avenue, New York.

Forms of address at St James' have always been important because of its Anglo-Catholic tradition. But Miss Anderson is only amused when she finds herself occasionally addressed by devout parishioners as "father."

Reformed to admit woman pastor

(Pella, Iowa). In a history-making decision, the 167th General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, meeting here, voted to grant a dispensation from a professional certificate to a woman.

Mrs Joyce Stedje, of Spring Valley, New York, a mother of six who has just completed four years of training at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, becomes the first woman in Reformed Church history to be given what amounts to a licence to preach. She can now be legally examined by her Classis, or local judicatory, in preparation for ordination. If ordained by her Classis, Mrs Stedje will become the first woman minister in the Reformed Church.

Former ministers return

The first minister and five of his successors returned to St Mark's, Revesby, NSW, for special 22nd anniversary celebrations on July 29.

Rev Denis Johnson, rector of St Aidan's, Longueville, was the first and his successors who were present were Revs Geoffrey Simmons, Barry Marsh, James Hansen, Neil Macintosh and the present minister, Rev Denis Callow.

Many past and present parishioners gathered for the buffet tea, a praise service and Evening Prayer which was the focal point of the anniversary.

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The future of Anglicanism

Before the Anglican Consultative Council met in Dublin in July, we were told that its 49 delegates represented 65 million Anglicans throughout the world. As others have already pointed out, they represented only themselves and spoke their own minds. The fact is that no organisation can claim to represent all Anglicans.

We were told that Anglicanism is growing apace especially in Africa and that soon there will be more Anglicans overseas than in the UK. Numbers are said to be growing rapidly too in South America.

But the growth of any significance probably ends with those two areas. In Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England Anglicans are diminishing in relative numbers.

The story is the same in Australia and New Zealand while the decline is even more rapid in Canada and USA. In Asia, our largest churches have disappeared into unions with other Protestant denominations.

The process of absorption into larger organic unities may well see the end of other sections of the Anglican Communion, including perhaps Canada and New Zealand, despite present reluctance.

The Archbishop of Canterbury was his predecessor, has been at times a vocal ambassador but with increased frequency his authority outside England has come reduced to a mere shadow.

Lambeth has been seen as purely episcopal in relevance to the task of the church, more than one shrewd observer has predicted that they will have proved to be the last.

Neither the Archbishop nor Lambeth can be said to represent Anglicanism. We are mature enough to do without that sort of thing.

It could once be said with considerable truth that we were bound together by our common liturgy. Whichever an Anglican went, he could expect to worship according to the familiar forms of the Book of Common Prayer. That claim is not made today.

With all the experimentation going on, even neighbouring parishes might even seem to be worlds apart. In fact, "doing your own thing" or having the latest "rock group" has come to mean more in some parish churches and cathedrals than anything to be found in our liturgy.

If there was once a distinctively Anglican ethos, it has now worn so threadbare that many are prepared to discard it for the home-made variety. Our Anglican unity on some basic issues has been shattered by new decisions on the marriage of the divorced and on the ordination of women to the order of presbyter. On this latter, Hong Kong and more recently Canada, have decided to act independently.

There are still those who take the view that the sister churches of the Anglican Communion are united by a shared historic episcopacy and the three-fold orders of ministry. We have never attached real importance to such a claim concerning church order.

In our view, the only basis for unity lies in the acknowledgement of the supreme authority of God's Word and in our accepting and proclaiming a biblical faith. When Jesus Christ in all the Scriptures is proclaimed with the Holy Spirit's power and in a faithful, gracious and loving manner, the bonds of Christ unite us invisibly with the true Church of the ages.

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The menace of pornography

(1) Let us raise community standards

By Dr Clair Isbister, O.B.E., M.B., B.S., F.R.A.C.P., D.C.H. (London).

There is today widespread confusion on the subject of pornography and there is even wide disagreement on what pornography actually is and whether it does any harm. Some even suggest it does good and most problematical of all, what we should do about it.

We Australians are an independent, proud people. We love our freedom and we pride ourselves on preserving it. We do not like the idea of censorship and police supervision of our private lives. We even resist many of the measures that exist to protect our physical welfare and even more so, I think, we hate to feel that we are being exploited for financial gain.

As I talk to parents I find them in a state of inner conflict because they do not want their own private lives invaded but they do want their children protected.

Well, my business is children. I am here now because of a very deep concern for their moral, social and physical welfare and I am completely convinced that children and adolescents are being exposed to damaging influences during vital developmental stages and having attitudes created in them that will damage their ability to reach emotional and social maturity and will eventually impair the quality of life that they will be able to live.

Exploiters

There have always been sick people who indulge in a wide variety of sexual perversions. There have always been thieves and murderers and exploiters of their brother man. We have rightly not been concerned about nudist camps or normal nudity on the stage. Bawdy humour is a part of life but I am sure that what the silent majority is get-

This is the first of two addresses given at a meeting organised by the New South Wales Council of Churches on 29th April last and broadcast over station 2CH. They are reproduced by permission of the Council of Churches. The second will be printed in our next issue.

British public was that a British Cabinet minister was involved in it ten years ago? Peeping Toms, ever since Lady Godiva's day, have been creatures to pity and punish. But suddenly, we are a nation of voyeurs. We sit and watch "Number 96" on TV and we sit and watch the "R" classification movies.

What is happening to our children? What is the price that our children and our grand-children are going to have to pay for our apathy and lack of concern for them?

If community attitudes are to become the factor to determine what is pornographic and what is not then you and I must get out and change community attitudes and insist on protection for our children developing moral and social sex.

Pornography defined

Now pornography, in my unbridged 1945 Webster's Dictionary, is defined as "art and literature of an obscene nature, offensive to chastity, delicacy, presenting to the mind or view something which delicacy, purity and decency forbids to be exposed." Now isn't that just delightfully old-fashioned. Not thirty years ago and the Dictionary never doubted for a moment that chastity, purity, delicacy and decency were realities to be preserved.

The Humanist Movement has thrown all those to the wind and I doubt if you could find a film showing in our theatres at the moment that deliberately presents any of those concepts as desirable.

I never cease to be amazed that so many of our media people, who shout loudly if they find themselves swimming in

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sewage in the surf, wallow happily in much worse and more damaging mental sewage in the entertainment world. They shout for pure water and clear air and they demand more enforcement of the Pure Food Act. A cockroach running around a restaurant kitchen fills them with revulsion. The idea of a typhoid or tuberculosis carrier serving them food puts fear in their hearts and loud abuse in their mouths and on the tips of their pens. They demand laws to prevent epidemics of physical disease while they feed the epidemic of mental illness and cultural corruption that is sweeping our country.

Harm spreads

One little cockroach does not harm any more than those poor pathetic male mate-of-the-month cockroaches that one magazine features. We laugh at them. We see them for what they are but add to all this material that is appearing in the magazines and they add up to an army of cockroaches, rats and vermin spreading a different type of illness.

No, let's face one fact here and now. The magazines, the films, the TV shows that are gradually lowering community standards are all being put out by people wanting to exploit the public to make money and also by people who are trying to justify their own behaviour and recruit others for their ranks.

They aren't interested in your child except as a potential customer or a potential recruit and they are only successful because they play on curiosity, excitement and stimulation of emotions and you are buying it with your cash and you are keeping them on the market.

You are accepting, not only that you are being exploited, but you are accepting the exploitation of actors and actresses and models forced to present this sick material or lose their jobs. Musicians and artists and photographers and newspaper reporters are unable to get jobs if the media employing them happen to favour the homosexual or the casual approach to heterosexual relationships or sensationalism.

There are times for the drawing of the line between exploitation and the fair requirement of a job. It can be very fine just as it can be very difficult to decide between what is essential nudity in the presentation of a play and what is just titillating stimulation or what is down-right invasion and destruction of our private fantasy world of the mind. This is why it is difficult to legislate in this area, except in the extreme cases.

We must now do something about community standards ourselves. Now we're not alone in this. The Longford Report has shown Britain up as a sick society in urgent need of searching tests to detect wherein its illness lies and some fairly drastic treatment.

Now while I speak of all this I do not think that most people have clear in their own minds that morals are not just a matter of sex. The president of the

Family Planning Association, speaking on their sex education program recently said that "morals have nothing to do with sex and sex education."

Now, does she mean truth, respect for other people's property, honesty in human relationships, concern for the welfare of others, loving care of little children, development of personal integrity are not moral issues? For everyone of those is involved in sex relationships. They are all moral issues. Our whole legal system is based on moral issues, whatever our new female adviser to the Prime Minister may think.

You want to be protected from the thieves and the arsonists. You want baby battering stopped. You want the law to stop people destroying our communal parklands and polluting our environment. You want to avoid these evils so why should we accept that the "Last Tango in Paris" should be seen before we know it can do damage? Why should we listen to the exploiters when they say "prove that it does harm."

Why should we let them put evil into the minds of our young people and wait to see the harm? Surely we want prevention of mental and social illness, just as we want prevention of physical illness. No one will question that just as the chopping away of a hard surface will dull the edge of a knife, continuous exposure to violence, horror, sexual perversion, cruelty and lack of concern for others dulls one's reaction to it.

Greater horrors

To get the same response from the audience greater horrors, greater perversions have to be perpetrated. The children who have grown up with this believe that normal adults behave like this, that normal adults are cruel and violent when it suits them, that it is right to have sexual intercourse with anyone you think you like. These children are accepting the idea that intercourse can be part of friendship or even just physical fun because this is what was regularly presented to them on their screens.

You may say that it's the responsibility of parents to present a different picture at home and to show children another set of values. But what hope has the child whose parents do not present a picture of happy marriage, joyful personal relationships and satisfaction in their everyday job?

I want to appeal to you all to realise that your children are receiving community standards from the peer group and the mass media and society. The public cannot take for granted that the doctor, the teacher or the church will protect the community standards any more. We Christians must do it ourselves by banding together the Christians in the professions, in our churches and we must take action to protect all children. We must also protect them against unsuitable sex education programs. There is at present a great demand and a great need for sex education in the schools.

I have had six years of this and I am sure we do need family-life programs, not a sex education program. A program to help children establish the values by which they will live and help them find the full joy and achievement that life can bring and that what we want is a program that presents emotional, social and physical development with moral values.

Would you be happy if the Motor Transport Department required only that a child should understand the internal combustion engine to get a driving licence and not know the rules of the road? We must give all the facts to children, yes, but not

just the physical facts and not just let them choose. This is pornography for children.

Undesirable features

Sex education must be suitable for the age and understanding and emotional development of the child. Recently, the British College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of the British Commonwealth brought out a report on unplanned pregnancies and it stated: "Increase of sexual permissiveness among school-children and adolescents is an undesirable feature of modern society bringing harmful physical

and emotional consequences on the individuals involved. They have recommended sex education in the context of family life education. This is sex education with morals.

Sex education without morals and approving sexual perversion, encouraging abortion on demand, weakening marriage, could do a great deal to harm the next generation and to harm our adolescents.

So I appeal to you, write to the Minister for Education, write to your Members of Parliament, ask for a responsible family-centred program by teachers and doctors who believe in the importance of the family and who accept that children have rights

to be responsible parents. Somehow we must reverse attitudes that are accepting the flood of magazines and films and TV shows that glorify the unpleasant, the cruel, the violent, the horrible and the sex perversions as normal.

We must applaud the beautiful, the responsible and the normal wherever we see it. Let us throw off this apathy in our community that is allowing the abnormal to set standards for the normal and to make people accept all kinds of literature and entertainment exhibiting as permissible and normal types of behaviour that are offensive to decency and damaging to our developing children.

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Notes and Comments

Government action on advertising

Senator Douglas McLelland, Minister for the Media, is to be congratulated on his courageous decision to cut down the advertising of cigarettes on radio and television this year and to phase it out altogether by the end of 1974.

The previous Government took but one small step but this is the decision the whole community really wants to see implemented.

Dr Everingham, the Federal Health Minister, has also taken his courage in both hands and said publicly that alcohol is Australia's greatest health problem. We hope that it will not be long before that fat little Dominican monk who tells us of the glories of a particular alcoholic beverage, also disappears from television.

There is a generation of young radicals growing up who sneer at our hypocrisy over their indulgence in marijuana while we encourage the use of the addictive and destructive alcohol.

And this same generation is puritanical in its rejection of alcohol because it recognises its destructive properties. Yet we still work hard to preserve the image of the rugged Australian as a consumer of quantities of beer and the successful man or woman as the one who knows which drinks to serve with which foods.

Radio and television advertising of alcohol would help to get rid of this false social image of the drinker being socially acceptable, when in fact he is the originator and maintainer of a vast health and social problem.

Conflict in Victoria over joint evangelism

It has not been without great significance to evangelicals everywhere in Australia that there has been a practical expression in the past year or so of interest in the work of the World Evangelical Alliance.

As a direct result, State organisations of the Evangelical Alliance have been set up and in these there has been a spontaneous expression of true Christian unity.

It came as a shock to many to hear that in June, the Victorian EA and the Victorian State Council of the Australian Council of Churches met and issued a statement (see ACR 12 July, page 8) in which both bodies agreed to call denominations "to work together where possible to emphasise Christian witness, outreach and renewal in 1975."

The joint move followed the discovery that many denominations were moving separately towards a program of evangelism in 1975. Among them were Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians and the Salvation Army. Roman Catholics also saw themselves as engaged in related activities through their "Holy Year" program for 1975.

What these varied denominations understand by "evangelism" is the question which worries many. The Victorian EA knows clearly what it means and it has clear biblical grounds for its basic belief. But how can it call its members in all the denominations to agree on something so vaguely described as "witness, outreach and renewal?"

With its distinctive evangelical

understanding of the Christian faith, the EA must ask witness to whom? — outreach for what purpose? — and renewal by whom and for what purpose?

It is singularly inappropriate that the EA should, so early in its life, be involved in joint action with a body which has this year given strong support to a eucharistic congress and which has always felt threatened by signs anywhere in the world of evangelical unity.

At a time when so many would obscure or blur all Christian distinctiveness, we believe the EA has a great unifying task of its own which it must prosecute with vigour. We do not need to apologise for our existence or our expression of unity.

The robber barons of N.S.W.

NSW citizens in the year 1971-72 spent \$2,725,837,046 on all forms of gambling. Of this vast sum, \$2,264 million was spent on poker machines.

When Mr J. C. Mallam, Labor MLA for Campbelltown, said that the Askin Government aimed to "turn NSW into the Nevada of Australia," he seriously understated the position. It is already Australia's Nevada and has been since the advent of poker machines, introduced by an equally irresponsible Labor Government.

With the population of three-million, NSW citizens, every man, woman and child of them, spent an average of \$755 that year on poker machines.

Some men and women gamble the whole of their week's wages in one night playing the poker machine. The machine must win. The gambler can only lose. But

playing the machine becomes a compulsion, an obsession.

The wide acceptance of the poker machine as an almost friendly "one-armed bandit" with the challenge to try and beat it, is one more proof of the boredom, monotony and the cramped living conditions that exist in our cities and towns.

While we accept the fact that it points to a social malaise, we are far from accepting government encouragement of poker machines or other forms of gambling as an opiate to deaden real suffering.

Any State Government with real concern for its people and an understanding of the problems and pains of contemporary society would shun tax-raising by methods which inflicted further hurt on the pool of human suffering. Tasmania got a gambling

casino and an extension of human misery as a direct result as the local press has been quick to point out.

Extension of gambling facilities simply makes it easier for those in the income bracket who will suffer most, to suffer still more. And the more they spend, the greater the misery. State Governments rake in the taxes on gambling with one hand and pour it out again for prisons, child welfare, justice, social welfare and related services which it is obliged to set up as a remedy of social ills.

Nobody has any sympathy for the big-time gambling racketeers. What are our feelings about Governments who join their number and operate the biggest rackets of all?

Despoiling every citizen of NSW, for instance, of \$755 by means of poker machines alone, puts the NSW Government in the class of the robber barons of another age.

Australia '73

Advance information that we have about the forthcoming experimental service of Holy Communion to be known as "Australia '73" is in many ways encouraging.

There are still too many Anglicans who for insufficient reasons prefer to have neither revision nor experiment. The reality of our situation leaves us no other alternative but to go ahead on the lines that have already been laid down.

The Liturgical Commission

has worked long and hard and they look like doing so for years to come. We must not belittle their efforts nor imagine that they have been deaf to any particular point of view.

The commission has not been composed of intransigents of one kind or another but of men who have explored every possibility for meeting the needs of Anglicans' public worship. All sides have exercised considerable restraint and shown deep understanding in their own.

We must thank God for the much that they have done well.

The peculiar misnomer "A Modern Liturgy" which graced the 1966 revision was recognised and corrected by the subsequent titles of "Australia '69" and "Australia, '73." Somebody must have got the message across that in anglican usage, "liturgy" means our entire public offices, specifically, the Book of Common Prayer.

What we have is not a liturgy but a service of Holy Communion or for short, Communion Service or just Communion. "Liturgy" (see Cranmer's preface to the BCP or the Oxford English Dictionary) is a misnomer when applied to but one service in our liturgy. The Orthodox and some others may have a variety of other usages, as the liturgical specialist knows.

The Liturgical Commission is correctly named. It is a pity that its press releases should give the false impression that its sole concern is to draw up services of Holy Communion.

Vicious attack on fingers

A letter on page five of this issue from Mr D. A. Rose raises a subject which has affected us all in a most tender spot — the tips of our fingers.

Purveyors of stapling machines that now occupy pride of place on the desk of every junior clerk, have done a rip-roaring trade selling these incredible monsters in the past few years. It has become obvious that the humble office lill or even the ordinary pin has gone completely out of manufacture.

At this time of the year when we are all opening those delightful letters from GPO Box 1234 in your capital city which enclose the long awaited tax refund cheque and that heart-warming "covering letter," we are suffering more assaults than usual from the staple.

After initial attempts to prise it open with the fingers and after wiping off the bloodstains, you proceed carefully to use your finger nails. The staple refuses to budge but the finger nails carry the scars of the further encounter.

If you happen to have a hand-carved artifact from the Trobriand Islands as a paper knife and a desk talking point, you bring it to your help with somewhat disastrous results. If you're a more senior clerk, you may have an ivory one and while it shows fewer scars, it does not cope with the steely resistance of the modern staple.

We suggest you try a nail file, a bobby pin, nail scissors or even your teeth as a last resort.

Sigmund Freud would have some interesting interpretations of the actions of those who provide and of those who use these infernal machines in modern offices. The letter and its enclosure are stapled by means of an aggressive thump on the machine's lever. Freud might also have some interesting things to say about the hostile feelings engendered in those who receive the stapled missive.

We agree with Mr Rose that this is a clear instance in which Christians who use stapling machines should look closely at their aggressive behaviour and return to the simple operation of pinning. We are not aware that Freud would even make something of this, too.

Not more devout

The people of the Bible or of the Middle Ages were not necessarily more genuinely devout by nature or practice than contemporary Christians and Jews.

(Dean T. W. Thomas of Melbourne.)

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Coverage of M.U. decisions

SIR — Congratulations on your front-page coverage (July 26) of the vital meeting of the Central Council of the Mothers' Union.

I personally saw to it that members at our parish church bought up every unsold copy in the church porch. The work of the Mothers' Union deserves much more front-page space than the religious press is apt to give it.

(Mrs) Helen Young, East Perth, WA.

Muddled thinking about the Jews

SIR — Robert de Louth's letter (ACR 26/7/73) staggered me. He states concerning the Jews, "No other nation has served God so unwaveringly."

One might comment, God or men's traditions, seeing they refer to the Son when He came, and still do so.

However, he is not alone in thinking "How odd; of God; to choose; the Jews;" for such a saying could not have arisen had it not been for muddle-headed Christians.

The great Abrahamic promises to which Robert de Louth refers, and looks for fulfilment in Jewry, were made when Abraham was "in uncircumcision," thus enabling all his descendants, of whom the Jews are but a part, to claim the promises through Christ.

Though Jesus came through the Judaic line, all his disciples (save Judas) were Benjamite Galileans. Who then are the Jews of today? Who, the Israel of the prophets? For the curious fact is, that the prophets differentiate between the "House of Israel" and the "House of Judah" — even after the captivities. They do not lump them all together as "Jews" — a shortened form of Judahite acquired in Babylon — like so many modern theologians. No, because their destinies were different.

If anyone doubts there was a scriptural and actual division among the tribes, which exists to this day, let the Jews enlighten us. I quote from Sydney's well-known Rabbi R. Brasch, in his book, "The Unknown Sanctuary" (pub Angus and Robertson).

"The great mass of the people, consisting of the ten northern tribes, rejected Rehoboam and chose Jeroboam as their king. Since they embraced almost the whole nation (with the exception of Judah and part of Benjamin) they retained the old name and continued to call themselves the kingdom of Israel. The south,

however, remained loyal to Solomon's son and enthroned him. "Predominantly made up of the tribe of Judah, the new remnant-state became known by its name. This is still borne today by the Jewish people, the sole survivors of the kingdom of Judah, for Jew means 'a person from Judah.'"

Could it be that the non-Jewish northern House of Israel which lost its identity after captivity, being "uncircumcised" and "alienated from the commonwealth of Israel" found Christ in the "wilderness" of the prophet Hosea? And thus form a large portion of the Christian church today, of whom Robert de Louth might more truly and aptly say, "They serve God unwaveringly."

(Mrs) P. Creasey, Clontarf Beach, Q.

Wide use of pin-pricking methods

SIR — Some areas of management in this State at least are beginning to realise that the widespread use of stapling machines where pins would have been the appropriate fastener, is causing far-reaching irritation.

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Letters

TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the editor should not exceed 300 words.

It is bad when anyone shows such unconcern but a little worse when Christians and Christian organisations, diocesan offices, etc join in his nasty little game to prick the fingers, tear the nails or irritate the feelings of the receivers.

I appeal to church organisations to give a lead in stapling only those documents which will not usually need separation and be above all Christians, particularly those at executive level, to give occasional attention to such small matters.

D. A. Rose, Hobart, Tas.

(ED. NOTE: See Notes and Comments, page four, this issue.)

Forthright Christian witness essential

SIR — It is refreshing to read editorials such as yours of June 14, "Advance Australia Where," giving thanks that our Queen rules "by the Grace of God."

Also, I commend your correspondent, Mrs P. Creasey. Her letter (April 19) is an inspiring example of the value of the written word, putting in practice what she advocates. Again (July 12), she writes truly that "while the Crown stands" it is a barrier to Marxist subversives seeking to destroy our monarchical system, and impose a dictatorship in its stead.

Mrs Creasey's letter is worthy

of careful study. Yet why is it so exceptional? One would imagine, with socialists who refuse to swear allegiance to the Queen (to whom are they loyal) holding positions of power, openly stating they aim to destroy the flag, anthem and constitution, and fawning upon Communist agents who, feted by the media, are projected as "liberationists" and "freedom fighters," that every Christian spokesman in the land would be saying what needs to be said. Instead, we hear views promulgated by the World Council of Churches, which is guilty of aiding Communist guerrillas with \$600,000.

Admittedly, a clergyman who spoke out would be condemned by the media, if reported at all. At any rate, we don't hear churchmen saying what Mrs Creasey is saying.

An exception is the Rev L. Shilton, who outspokenly condemns today's corrupt standards. Sydney diocese is to be congratulated. He will be the new dean. "The Age," Melbourne (July 19), in typical snide fashion, reported his return to Sydney from overseas, publicising the fact that pornography was there to greet him.

We need more men to speak out and support men of the calibre of Mr Shilton. As Mrs Creasey says, Christians need to rouse themselves and engage "their power to influence governments in writing to their local MPs, press and television."

P. R. Lawrence, Trafalgar, Vic.

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SIR.—The Chapter of St. Michael's Provisional Cathedral, Wollongong, is currently launching "The Friends of St. Michael's Association," and we seek the courtesy of your columns to bring this fact to the notice of your readers in the hope that many of them may link with us for the furtherance of the work of God through this Church.

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 - And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a man named Saul (5) Ac 7:58
 - I had been — with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel to the circumcised (9) Gal 2:7
 - And she said to her servant, — beat on; do not slacken the pace for me unless I tell you" (4:3) 2 Ki 4:24
 - On the contrary, bless, for to this you have been called, that you may — blessing (6,1) 1 Pe 3:9
 - In whatever tribe the alien — there you shall assign him his inheritance, says the Lord God (7) Eze 47:23
 - We destroy arguments and every proud obstacle to the knowledge of God, and take every
- DOWN**
- And do not seek — and — and what you are to drink, nor be of anxious mind (4,3,2,3) Lk 12:29
 - For no such passover had been kept since the days of — who judged Israel (3,6) 2 Ki 23:22
 - Righteousness guards him whose way is —, but sin overthrows the wicked (7) Pro 13:6
 - in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved (7) Ac 16:31
 - Let your — shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your father (5, 2) Mt 5:16
 - If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will — to you the true riches? (7) Lk 16:11
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 - Blessed be the Lord for he has wondrously shown his — me (9,4,2) Ps 31:21
 - Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward — — heaven (2,5,2) Lk 6:23
 - They shall come trembling out of their strongholds, they shall turn in — the Lord our God (5,2) Mt 7:17
 - As an example of suffering and patience, brethren, take the prophets who — the name of the Lord (5,2) Jas 5:10
 - So that the throng wondered, when — the dumb speaking, the maimed whole (4,3) Mt 15:31
 - It shall be more tolerable on the day of judgment for the land — and Gomorrah than for that town (2,5) Mt 10:15
 - And all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into — from Jerusalem to Babylon (5) Jer 29:1

Chaplains confer on pastoring



Rev Charles Barton

Twenty men and women, chaplains at Sydney's general and psychiatric hospitals met for an all-day conference on 31st July at Gladesville Hospital.

The conference was arranged by Canon William Deasey, Director of Chaplains and the special guest was Rev Charles D. Barton, an Australian who is doing a doctorate at Boston University on pastoral counselling and supervision.

The Deputy Medical Superintendent, Dr John Collins, and the chaplain, Rev Jim Hansen, welcomed the participants at 10.15 am and Canon Deasey introduced Rev Charles Barton, a former officer in the RAN, he trained at Moore College, gaining a London BD and then served on the staff of Holy Trinity, Adelaide, 1964 to 1968. Since then he has completed a

master's degree in clinical pastoral counselling and is now vicar of a parish in Massachusetts while he works towards his doctorate.

At both morning and afternoon sessions he gave skilled leadership in the group's discussion of grief counselling and the aims of the chaplain when visiting hospital patients.

After midday dinner in the staff dining-room, all inspected

Protest on paid chaplains

A West Australian ALP branch at Melville has criticised a move to pay full-time chaplains at government hospitals.

The branch asked the State Executive to examine constitu-

tional aspects of the Government's action.

The Government has announced that it will finance five full-time chaplains at State hospitals.

Two chaplains will be Anglican, two Roman Catholic and one representing various Protestant denominations.

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Professor Hodge had a lucid, though thorough, style, and there is a wonderful consistency in his presentation of theological truth. It is doubtful, however, if anyone would approach the study of theology in this way today. It was not necessarily wrong to present theology in terms demanded by the intellectual fashions of the 19th century, but although the Bible is faithfully ransacked for answers, it is not the Bible which speaks, but the systematic theologian, in this approach. Yet I shall be glad to have this volume on my shelf, and to refer to it; and not least because it contains as an appendix the Consensus Tigurinus, "written by Calvin, 1549, for the purpose of uniting all branches of the Reformed Church in a common doctrine as to the Lord's Supper," and the Formula Consensus Helvetica.

D. W. B. Robinson.

Balanced view on Jews and Arabs

THE ARAB-ISRAELI STRUGGLE by Charles F. Pfeiffer, Baker, 1972. 112 pages, \$1.15.

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The author examines the tricky

question as to what makes a Jew a Jew and an Arab an Arab and briefly traces the history of both peoples down to the present time. Chs. 7,8 present a most interesting comparison between the way the two sides view each other. The final chapters try to anticipate what the future might hold.

The importance of the subject, the brevity and lucidity of the treatment as well as the balance of presentation should secure for this excellent little book a wide readership.

B. L. Smith

Judicious O.T. exegesis

JEREMIAH AND LAMENTATIONS: An introduction and commentary, by R. K. Harrison, Tyndale, London, 1973, 240 pages, \$4.70 (hard back \$3.55 (paper back)).

It is good to see another Tyndale Old Testament Commentary come from the press. No one who has used R. K. Harrison's 1,200 page Introduction to the Old Testament that came from the press three years ago, would question the writer's scholarship.

Here he deals with Jeremiah and Lamentations by giving first 50 pages introduction that sets them in their setting in history and in the scriptures. The rest of the book is verse-by-verse, or section-by-section commentary on the text. This involves judicious exegesis of each passage,

frequently a comparison with similar teaching in the New Testament, and then often an application to our situation today.

An example is the best way to show the method and to indicate the content of the commentary. This is the way he deals with 1:9-10 which speaks of the Lord's commissioning of Jeremiah:

"By touching the young prophet's mouth God symbolises the communication of the divine message. The incident is reminiscent of the sanctification of Isaiah (Is.6:7). After Jeremiah had felt the touch of the Master's hand he was ready to begin his prophetic ministry . . . God can now proclaim His sovereign will to the nations with Jeremiah acting as spokesman.

There is a decidedly negative emphasis here which sets the

tone for most of the prophecy. What is corrupt in the nation must be uprooted and torn down, for only then can God undertake to build and to plant anew. Calamity was therefore an inevitable occurrence as long as the nation pursued its sinful ways. However, the fact that God spoke of renewal furnished some ground for hope of restoration at some future period. This is a paradigm of the spiritual life, for God has first to remove the sin before the sinner can begin to grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ (cf. Eph.4:15; 2 Pet.3:18)."

Francis Foulkes

SHORT NOTICES

SOMEBODY PLEASE LOVE ME by Al Palmquist and Frank Reynolds, Dimension Books, 1972, 102 pages, US\$75c. A guide to the understanding of teenagers and drug-users. **ONE OF GOD'S SMALLEST** by Anutz Moise, Hodder Christian Paperbacks, 1972, 126 pages, \$1.30. The remarkable story of a Rumanian woman who knew the Wurm-brands and like them, suffered terribly from the Communist oppression of Christians. **AMOS BIBLE PROBE** by Ron Buckland, Anzea, 1972, 48 pages, 45c. We know of no introduction to Amos for the general reader that equals this little book. **THE ESSENCE OF MARRIAGE** by J. A. Fritze, Zondervan, 1971 ed. 307 pages, US\$95c. Guide to a happier marriage. **PRAYER: A New Encounter** by Martin Thornton, Hodder, 1972, 186 pages, UK£2.50. A leading Anglo-Catholic scholar looks at prayer, worship, spirituality. Scholarly, thorough.

DRAMATIC STORIES FOR MISSIONARY PROGRAMS, by Marie Lind, Baker, 1972, 175 pages, US\$2.95. Thirteen excellent stories of witnessing Christians in West Africa. **LIVING IN A ZIG-ZAG AGE**, by Bryant M. Kirkland, Abingdon, 1972, 160 pages, \$US4.50. An excellent book for getting life's so-called failures into focus as well as its successes.

question of the status of the Greek Old Testament in considering inspiration. Did the Holy Spirit control just those quotations which appear in the New Testament, by way of amplifying Old Testament revelation, at least in those places where the Septuagint seems to differ from the Hebrew text?

Benoit has an excellent essay on the scope and limits of Form Criticism. He offers a full (and unfavourable) review of Mlle Jaubert's view that the Last Supper took place on a Tuesday.

He defends the view that the Praetorium where Jesus was tried by Pilate was Herod's Palace (the site of "the Tower of David" today), and not the Antonia castle next to the Temple as Pere Vincent advocates, and as the traditional Via Dolorosa would suggest.

He discusses the reasons for the divergences in the two accounts of the death of Judas, and also the different ways in which the New Testament writers refer to the Ascension of Jesus. On the latter, he considers that we should see the Ascension as having occurred on Easter Day with the final "assumption" after forty days graciously designed to conclude the appearances and to dramatise the nature of Christ's exaltation to the Father. Much else; but, in all, a reverent and thought-provoking book.

D. W. B. Robinson

Key Books ACR'S REVIEW EDITOR INTRODUCES IMPORTANT NEW TITLES:

EVANGELICALS TODAY, Ed John C. King, Lutterworth, 1973, 204 pages, UK£2.60. King has for years been overly critical of conservative evangelicals but in this volume he has gathered together with ungrudging admiration, their English leaders, mostly Anglicans because they are truly leaders of English evangelicalism, as in Australia. He is obviously delighted to find them in strong disagreement on many issues and this we, with him, will see as healthy. They face the great issues of today — theological, educational, social, cultural, liturgical and they reflect evangelical thinking on many important concerns. Here you will distinctly enjoy meeting again Packer, Duffield, Green, Buchanan, Sott, Anderson, Motver and others. An important book.

ISSUES AND ANSWERS, Various authors, Anglican Information Dept, Sydney, 13 different titles for 90c. This packet includes six titles published this year — Euthanasia, Youth and Morals, Clubs, Drugs, Mass Media and The Urban Crisis. Other titles are Protest, Divorce, Alcohol, Abortion, Censorship, The State of the Nation. All are attractively produced folders of about five pages each and are printed in two colours. They should sell in quantity on every parish bookstall and deserve the widest possible circulation.

FREEDOM IN FAITH, A commentary on Paul's Epistle to the Galatians, H. D. McDonald, Pickering and Inglis, 1973, 157 pages, UK£1.60. Dr McDonald has a doctorate in divinity from the University of London and is a well-known contributor to "Christianity Today." In a few lines the author says that he believes Galatians is an early Pauline writing, perhaps the earliest; that he holds the South Galatian theory and on his third page he begins his exposition of this important letter. And a very clear, strong exposition it turns out to be. For any preparing a Bible study, a sermon or a series on this letter, this will prove to be a most helpful book in every way.

Our faith one among many

The question whether or not their children should be taught about Christ, or Buddha or the cult of the hippies while within the precincts of a school is engaging the minds of many people in Western Australia at the moment.

A committee under the Minister for Education, Mr Dolan, is looking at the teaching of religion in primary and secondary schools. It has not yet made recommendations or proposals, but a campaign has begun to inform clergymen and other interested people of modern thinking.

There is a strong feeling among many educationists that the State should take more responsibility for religious education. Some consider that it should be taught as part of the school curriculum by specially trained teachers.

R.C.'s will pass Anglicans

While the major Protestant denominations were either static or losing adherents in the last census period, the Roman Catholic population of Australia has increased by 13.5 per cent to 3.4 million.

Figures recently released show 52.2 per cent of the population belonged to the Anglican, Methodist or Presbyterian churches in 1966. This had dropped by 1971 to only 47.7 per cent, a loss of 4.5 per cent.

The figures, compiled by the Bureau of Census and Statistics, indicate that the Roman Catholic Church is likely to overtake the Anglican Church as the largest denomination within four or five years.

Opinion is divided on the way this would be best achieved.

It is likely that the trend in WA will be towards religious education that looks at Christianity as one of several religions and philosophies. This could be taught either as a separate subject or integrated into a social-education program.



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Ven. Vernon Cornish, Archdeacon of the Downs, Qld.

Rev Canon Raymond Foster, secretary for Home Mission and Research for the SPCK, London, and until 1971, warden of St John's College, Auckland, NZ, has been appointed Warden and Librarian of St Deiniol's Library, Hawarden, Dr Foster is 51.

Rev Geoffrey O. Thomas, vicar of St John's, Surat (Brisbane) since 1969, was inducted as rector of St Matthew's, Drayton on 17 August.

Rev Michael B. Challen, Director of Home Mission, Perth, since 1971, has been appointed Lockridge and he will be assisted by Sister B. Billatt, of the Church Army.

Archdeacon John A. Leaver has been appointed administrator of the diocese of St Armand from 1st September to 30th November when Bishop-elect David Shand will be installed.

SA CMS annual meeting

Former Rhodes Scholar and warden of St Andrew's Hall, Melbourne, Rev Francis Foulkes will visit Adelaide for the annual meeting of the SA branch of the Church Missionary Society.

Mr Foulkes' topic will be "Moratorium on Missions?"

The Annual Meeting is set for Friday, August 24, in St Bartholomew's, Norwood Parish Hall. He will preach on the following Sunday at St Matthew's, Kensington and Holy Trinity, North Terrace in the morning.

At night he will preach at St Bartholomew's Norwood patronal festival service.

New head for "Churchie"

The deputy headmaster of Geelong Grammar School (Mr William Hayward) has been appointed headmaster of the Church of England Grammar School, East Brisbane.

The Archbishop of Brisbane (Dr Felix Arnott) announced recently that Mr Hayward would replace Mr Charles Fisher, who would take over as headmaster of Geelong in January, 1974.

Mr Hayward, 43, was born in Adelaide and educated at St Peter's College where he was

SURVEY REACHES 3000 HOMES

Protestant and Roman Catholic churches in Murray Bridge, SA, combined for a survey of the whole town from 29 July to 5 August.

Churches taking part included the Church of England, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and the Church of Christ. Murray Bridge is the seat town of the diocese of the Murray and it is an area assured of rapid growth.

The survey covered the entire built-up area of the town, including Northern Heights and Riverglades. About three hun-

dred members from the participating congregations took part in visiting homes.

"It is many years since a survey was done in the town and with the growth that has taken place over recent years the participating churches are endeavouring to identify and locate more recent arrivals in the town, who are members of the respective denominations," a spokesman for the organising committee said.

"Information sought was certainly not personal, but basic information only, for the respective church's records.

"It was also stressed that

information supplied is strictly confidential between the householder being interviewed, the visitor and the organising committee.

"Statistics, particularly in respect of children's ages, should prove invaluable in planning future facilities to be provided for the needs of the community.

"The visitor handed the householder a brochure outlining times of Services conducted by each of the denominations, along with a message from the Ministers Fraternal from which the concept of this survey originated.

St. John's Cathedral marriage classes

To identify some of the problems within marriage and to help young couples overcome them, Dean Ian George has begun a special marriage preparation course at St John's Cathedral, Brisbane.

The first class started in July and Dean George has said that all couples who want to be married in the cathedral will have to take this course.

He is hoping that rectors of other Brisbane parishes will want to bring along young couples to the course. The course, structured like a marriage workshop, is the first held at the cathedral.

It consists of eight sessions, each of two hours. The first and last are with the couples' local minister.

In a recent interview the Dean said: "We feel that we can bring them into contact with a number of people with specialist knowledge — so they will become aware of problem areas which will help them not to panic.

"People feel their problems are unique but there are answers to most problems if they are prepared to seek guidance and work through them."

The first night at the cathedral is a participatory class where

couples get to know other couples and a link is established with their local church.

On the second evening, a priest discusses the nature of marriage in today's society, the expectations of husband and wife, the indissolubility of marriage and tension within marriage.

The next two classes are taken by a medical practitioner who deals with the anatomy and physiology of sex, as well as VD, contraception and genetics.

These classes also include family health, the first child, old age and general preventive family medicine, with special reference to alcohol, cigarettes and analgesics.

A marriage guidance counsellor speaks about personal integrity within the marital relationship with includes being honest with oneself and one's spouse.

Job satisfaction and sharing, working wives and the tensions created by financially independent spouses are also discussed.

A legal practitioner talks about the financial and legal aspects of marriage.

The second last class at the cathedral deals with family relationships in the form of a panel discussion, as the Dean feels that the examination of family relationships is important in finding one's own identity.

For the final class, couples return to their own minister who is marrying them.

Gippsland marathon to help NHM Fund

Following up the success last year of the Gippsland Charity Appeal, two Gippsland athletes have agreed to participate in yet another marathon relay. They are Rev Bob Collings of Traralgon and Mr Alan Ashmore of Yallouran.

The date set for the relay is Saturday, September 15. Last year the relay was from Drouin to Sale; this year it is from Drouin to Traralgon.

Although the distance is shorter, it is hoped that people will be given a good "run" for their money when only two athletes will attempt to complete the course in 5 hours. They will start at Drouin at 9 am and hope to finish at St James' Church, Traralgon at 2 pm.

Choosing money for a needy cause proved to be a difficult decision. Or rather, choosing the right needy cause proved to be the problem. But after a long list and discussion between the runners themselves and Bishop Garney, it was decided to raise money to assist outbreak mission work, and in particular to aid the National Home Mission Fund.

Church Record

100 students take the gospel to Armidale parishes

A hundred students — seventy from Moore College and thirty from Deaconess House, Sydney, spent August 11 to 19 in four parishes in the diocese of Armidale in a special program of evangelism.

These programs have become a regular feature of the training at both these institutions and each year invitations arrive from rectors of parishes which are preparing themselves for just such a special effort of evangelistic outreach.

This year, invitations came from Rev Peter Smart, vicar of South Tamworth, Rev Ray Smith, vicar of West Tamworth, Archdeacon Peter Chiswell, vicar of Gunnedah and Rev Neville Collins, vicar of Manilla.

The students divided into four teams and they assisted in the four parishes named under a team leader from the Moore College staff. The team leaders were Rev Bruce Smith (South Tamworth), Revs Peter Jensen and John Chapman (West Tamworth), Revs Robert Withy-

combe and Philip Jensen (Gunnedah) and Rev David Peterson (Manilla).

The missions were largely conducted through dialogue meetings, coffee shops, meetings and church services. In addition, Dr Withycombe took a daily devotional session each morning on local radio and addresses were given by Bruce Smith and others at community service groups such as Rotary.

On the first Sunday night, the Church of England Television Society's program "Search for Truth" was telecast. This feature Bruce Smith and David Peterson with a live studio audience. Thousands of viewers saw this program on TEN 9 and its impact became apparent as the mission program got under way.

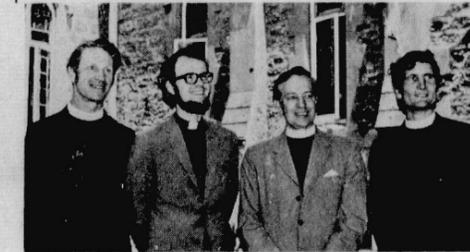
Local teams under the leadership of their vicars had obviously prepared thoroughly for the coming of the students and each parish was able to make the maximum use of the visiting team members.

A particularly useful part of each mission proved to be the

program conducted in the local schools.

A number of people professed conversion to Christ during the missions and quite a considerable number of non-churchgoers was reached and they heard the gospel in clear terms.

A HAPPY TEAM



The ordained staff of Holy Trinity, North Terrace, Adelaide, one of Australia's most dynamic parish churches. L. to R: Graham S. Knight, Hugh K. Prentice, Lance R. Shilton (rector) and Ian W. Cox.

N-W LIVE-IN CONFERENCE

Most of the men and women who staff the diocese of North West Australia met at Wittenoom for a five-day live-in conference from July 30 to August 3.

It was held at the Hale School town hostel and wives of Western Mining Company officials did an excellent job of catering.

The special aims of the conference were to study the art of communication and the difficulties involved in pastoring communities with highly mobile and transient populations. Numbers of parishes in the diocese are formed from boom mining towns.

Rev Tom Wallace, Perth's director of Christian Education outlined the Government's new

religious education curriculum which is to be taught by trained professional teachers.

Right Rev Howell Witt, Bishop of North West Australia, chaired the conference. Also present were Dean Brian Kyme, Mr Stan Hummerston, Diocesan Administrator, Rev Theo Hayman, Federal Aid Society, Canon Bernard Buckland, Miss Carmel Grantham, youth worker at Port Hedland, Revs Bill Hillier (Dongara), Bert Wrightson (the Murchison), Noel Townsend (Bluff Point), Ray Collier (Carnarvon), Reg Clark (Paraburdoo), Graham Thurley (Exmouth), Bill Ross (Dampier), David McDougall (Wyndham), Kevin Hall (Port Hedland), Ken Hagan (Mount Newman), Keith Wheeler (Kununurra), Derek Catley (Northampton) and Mr John Redway of Carnarvon.

While at Wittenoom, the Bishop took a confirmation service for Rev Reg Clark at St Mark's, Wittenoom.

Space scientist & God

One of Britain's leading space scientists affirmed a clear Christian faith to an audience of graduates and undergraduates recently at the University of Sydney.

He is Professor Robert Boyd, Professor of Physics at the University of London and Head of the Mullard Space Science Laboratory of University College. He is an academic of international standing and has a long and active association with the British I.V.F.

He was in Australia for the International Astronomical Union conference at Sydney University and he agreed to speak at a meeting organised by the Graduates' Fellowship of the Fellowship of Evangelical Students.

His subject was "Kinds of Knowledge" and he discussed the question "Can God be known?"

Sydney's first synodswoman

Miss Doris Collins, representing All Souls', Leichhardt, will be Sydney's first woman to become a member of its diocesan synod.

Synod passed an ordinance in 1972 permitting the election of women as synod members but ordinarily elections of parish representatives are held once in three years and the next is not due until early 1975.

But Miss Collins, a dispatch manager with a Croydon company, was elected to fill a casual vacancy at All Souls'. Two others nominated were men but she won the election.

Miss Collins does not fit the stereotype which some set up for

active church women. She is not a Sunday School teacher, a choir member, a Guild member or even a parish councillor. She has been confirmed only quite recently and is a regular, committed member of All Souls' congregation.

She is not a women's libber was once a NSW State representative and she weighs her words before speaking. When she speaks she has something worthwhile to say.

She is also a keen golfer and was once a NSW State representative at rowing.

The rector of Leichhardt, Alan Donohoo, commented that her election meant that the parish had chosen a good representative.

RELENTLESS PRESSURE TO CONFORM SAYS Bp.

"Those of us who have been unable to accept the plan (for union of five Protestant denominations in NZ) have been subjected to a war of nerves, a relentless pressure to conform that is unworthy of the church as a community of love."

The Bishop of Nelson, Right Rev Peter Sutton, said this in his charge to Nelson synod this year.

"In 25 years of ministry I have never known such a period of growing tension and mutual distrust as has marked the past decade of negotiation for church union," he said.

Bishop Sutton was concerned that although a half a million pamphlets commending church union were issued by the Joint Commission on Church Union, had been distributed to the five member churches, half of the Anglican Parishes in New Zealand refused to distribute Selwyn literature which expressed some misgivings towards the plan.

"At the very time when society is most critical of establishment, the five churches are in danger of creating a new establishment, a union that must never be confused with Christian unity. Surely the Holy Spirit is telling us that corporate union must never be achieved at the cost of further division in the body of Christ," he said.

Canonry for BCA missionary

Rev Bernard R. Buckland, BCA missionary since 1958, has been made a canon of Holy Cross Cathedral, Geraldton, diocese of North West Australia.

Canon Buckland graduated from Moore College in 1956 and has spent 15 years with the Bush Church Aid Society, firstly in South Australia and for the past 10 years in the diocese of North West Australia in the parishes of the Murchison and Derby.

He holds a pilot's licence and



Canon Buckland.

regularly hires a plane to visit isolated homesteads around the Kimberleys or settlements on islands along the coast.

C.A. LEADER IN NEWCASTLE

Rev Peter C. Ruffle, a former CMS missionary in India and principal of the Church Army Training College at Blackheath in London since 1966, was the special preacher in Christ Church Cathedral, Newcastle on Sunday, August 5.

The occasion was the 39th anniversary of the founding of

Church Army work in Australia. It began with the arrival of Captain John Cowland in Newcastle in 1934.

Sister G. Phillpot, a retired Church Army officer who recently completed 50 years service was given a special presentation at the service.

A number of other Church Army officers preached at parish churches throughout the diocese of Newcastle.



Mr William Hayward

Sordid symptoms

"The sordid things we often find ourselves watching or reading when we would rather be entertained are the symptoms of a malady that is religious in nature," the Dean of Melbourne said recently in St Paul's Cathedral.

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