

ANGLICAN OF THE WEEK

Mrs. Josephine Johnson was educated at St. George's, Melbourne Church of England Girls' Grammar school and graduated in Architecture at Melbourne University where she was awarded a travelling fellowship. At London University she received a Diploma in Town Planning and Civic Architecture and was awarded the Rees Jeffries Road Fund Research Grant to carry out research into Britain's road traffic problems.

On returning to Australia she became Research Officer in the Department of Town and Regional Planning at Melbourne University. Amongst her projects was the first of several surveys of the Church of England—that of the Diocese of Melbourne, 1939. Other surveys included a detailed survey of parishes in the Melbourne Diocesan Centre 1935. She is now in private practice with her husband as "Hilth" and Josephine Johnson, Architects and Town Planners. The recent survey of the Church of England in Australia was quite a family affair; it was assisted by her father, I. P. Coombes, C.B.E., an associate of the firm and a church-

man. Mrs. Johnson is an active member of St. George's, Melbourne Church of England Girls' Grammar school and is active in church and social work. Her husband is an active member of St. George's, Melbourne Church of England Girls' Grammar school and is active in church and social work. Her husband is an active member of St. George's, Melbourne Church of England Girls' Grammar school and is active in church and social work.

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CHURCH HISTORY PICTURED

THE STORY OF THE EARLY CHURCH. Part I. Revised Edition. Illustrated by Cecil Beaton. Melbourne, Pp. 48. 3s. 6d.

It is by no means easy to present a history of the early Church in a compact and interesting form but in this outline Richard Tatlock has succeeded beyond measure.

The book is in picture-story form. Tatlock providing the story on the left-hand page and Beaton supplying the pictures on the right-hand page.

Tatlock writes simply but clearly. Beaton's illustrations are of equally high standard.

Together they comprise a team whose mastery of their subject should make this series famous. As the Archbishop of York says in the foreword, "Here is an ambitious project, carried into effect attractively and presented in a lively manner."

In Part One, which is the subject of review, the story of the Early Church is told from the "beginnings to A.D. 316," and

LISTENING TO THE SERMON

A LISTENING GUIDE TO PREACHING. By William D. Burgess. Melbourne, Pp. 116. 3s.

Seriousness and bantering good humour jostle each other in this pocket size book designed to make churchgoers aware of the place and importance of the sermon.

—A.V.M.

BOOK REVIEWS

SOMEONE TO TURN TO

THE PATH OF THE COUNSELLORS. Post Modern. Constable, Pp. 206. 5s. 6d.

PROFESSOR HALMOS holds the chair of Sociology at the University of Wales at Cardiff and is a man of letters who is well-equipped to write a book on counselling.

Apart from his very considerable erudition he brings a critical insight into his consideration of his subject and I think that many of our guidance counsellors will be anxious to read this book and be amply so posed

The small number of people who work in voluntary organisations have always been aware of the felt if not expressed, opinion that they are just bumping "do-gooders"

This reaction has made them somewhat defensive and, in some cases, over-anxious about their involvement in good works, with the result that their service to the community has not been as effective as it might have been.

This is particularly the case with marriage guidance counsellors who are regarded as quaint people with a bias for the prudent or the abnormal. Professor Halmos does not seem to be so defensive.

He argues then not to be ashamed of the desire to help other people who are having personal problems, either themselves or with other people.

This is a book that should interest the general reader because it will find a discussion of the "moral and psychological" credentials of those who give him help with intimate personal problems.

—J.T.

PASTORAL PROBLEMS

SEX LAW AND LOVE. V. R. RIBBINS. Pp. 108. 3s.

MR. RIGBY had a scientific education before he was ordained and Crawford shows that he maintained his academic and pastoral interests at a high level.

He has been associated with Moral Welfare work in England since 1914 and has written with direct experience.

His book is brief and does not pretend to be a survey in depth of particular problems of sexual morality.

He brings to the reader a personal awareness of the dangers that lurk in any rigid attitude towards sex and handles them fully at all sides of the problem before we come to any conclusions as to how to solve them.

His treatment of the problems of homosexuality, masturbation, and pre-marital chastity is sensitive and of a high standard. It is a book that the parochial clergy will want to read and disseminate.

—J.T.

A MOTHER AMOS

LEADY STREET, LONDON. Pp. 203. 5s. 6d.

THIS novel will not easily be overlooked by its indignant mother and her children who have taken such an active part in its treatment, nuclear defence, etc. It is a book that the parochial clergy will want to read and disseminate.

Collins is a scholar and a methodic, so perhaps many will not always wish, not always patient, but his sincerity and his strong convictions are apparent. His final chapter, the personal history of his faith, is an attractively presented and expansive expression of the Catholic faith, both traditional and yet modern.

It would be apparent that his faith is most "under fire" from the Catholic side.

While he freely criticises the hierarchy, the pettiness of the details of the Church, while he expresses his impatience with its "rules and regulations," yet he pins his faith to the Church, and labours to sit it to be converted to his way of justice and peace, freedom and honour, charity and love.

We can only hope that as he grows in maturity and wisdom so the Church will heed his cry and will become the true Master in her approach to the current problems of man's inhumanity to man.

—A.P.L.

JUSTICE MISCARRIED?

THE BEAUMIN CASE. Peter Brett. Melbourne University Press, Pp. 57. 7s. 6d.

From time to time the criminal sense of the public is stirred by apparent injustice. It is not always a very heavy sergeant-major of the law who is doing the injuring him or it may be some wealthy man seemingly able to get away with a charge of responsibility when a company has gone bankrupt.

This is another area of law which the public do not understand and which has a great deal. This is the trial and condemnation of a man who is charged with a crime which the recent example is that of Timon Chapple. Timon was hanged for the murder of his own child and who was married to a woman who was well have been innocent of this crime.

Professor Brett bids his case at the time of Darryl Beaumain who was tried and convicted for the murder of his own child in Australia in December, 1935.

The murder was brutal and sordid but Professor Brett believes that the acceptance of justice miscarried and that Beaumain was innocent of the crime which he did not commit.

Professor Brett puts his case well and it is certain that this book will interest many lawyers and public-minded citizens, and not least, in West Australia.

—J.T.

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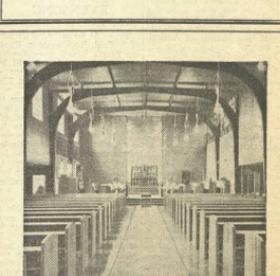
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TROUBLE IN CENTRAL KERALA

By THE BISHOP OF MADRAS, CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA
BISHOP LESSLIE NEWBIGIN

THE total number of Christians in the Diocese of Central Kerala is about 100,000. Of these, about one half come from the backward communities. Until about a century ago their ancestors were slaves. Many of them became Christians through the work of the Church Missionary Society which laboured for the abolition of slavery and the improvement of their lot. The name of the C.M.S. is greatly honoured among them.

The other half of the Christian community of the diocese is made up of converts from the Hindu tribes, and from some other communities, and of Syrian Christians whose ancestors came over to the Anglican Church from the Orthodox Syrian Church.

This last group, being in general wealthy and highly educated, provides the main leadership in the diocese.

In spite of efforts to improve the position of the Backward Class Christians, the gulf between them and the dominant Syrian group remains wide. Under modern conditions such great divergences of status and education are less and less tolerable.

For several decades there has been a movement of discontent but it has hitherto remained within the Church. In 1964 a dispute developed between the Bishop and the Reverend V. J. Stephen on account of the latter's resignation of a diocesan role following the wives of clergy to take sheltered employment. Mr. Stephen was placed under discipline by the Bishop.

U.S. "BISHOP"

He was persuaded to join the "separate administration" of the Backward Class Christians and appealed to the C.M.S. and the Archbishop of Canterbury for recognition. When Dr Carl MacIntyre of the U.S.A. visited Kerala Mr. Stephen got in touch with him. His movement became affiliated to Dr MacIntyre's organisation and obtained financial help from that source.

Later Dr MacIntyre arranged for Dr Stephen to be consecrated by the Presiding Bishop of the Orthodox Syrian Church, an organisation which is not acknowledged by either the Anglican or Orthodox churches.

It is impossible to state how many have joined Mr. Stephen's movement.

During my recent visit the figure which was given me both by the diocesan authorities and by a representative group of Backward Class Christians was 2,000.

The figure may be above that. Some who joined the movement have since been readmitted to the Church at their request.

No other clergy have joined the movement.

The Christians from the diocesan Communities who remain loyal to the diocese are nevertheless extremely critical of the diocese on the ground that it has failed to meet their legitimate demands.

A commission appointed by the synod has visited Kerala and made a very full report which is also critical of the diocese. The executive of the diocese has rejected these criticisms.

MELBOURNE WOMAN FOR VIET NAM

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, October 3.—The first woman member of the Australian Council of churches and its member teams to serve among refugees in Viet Nam, Miss Julia Seymour, was commissioned at a special service arranged in the Methodist Church, Croydon, Victoria, on October 2.

Miss Seymour, of Wonga Park, who trained and was on the staff of the Bethesda Hospital, did a further course in infant welfare in the Presbyterian Babies Home.

Miss Seymour will be responsible for youth work in the refugee areas around Qui Nhon, some 350 miles north of Saigon. Mr. David Tishborne, Anglican trade unionist, and Mr. Bruce Hansen, Baptist, a motor mechanic of Sydney, are now in Qui Nhon as an advance party.

The Working Committee of the Synod has made it clear to the diocese that it was not satisfied with its present policies, and the whole matter will come to the Executive of the synod next month.

No one who has any understanding of such inter-group tension, certainly no one who wishes what is now happening in the United States, will be inclined to sit in judgment upon those concerned in this tragic dispute.

TENSION
The synod working committee, guided by the commission with the support of the diocesan executive, is seeking ways of moving more rapidly to meet the demands of the Backward Class Christians.

Friends of the C.S.I. are asked to pray for all concerned that a spirit of forgiveness and a passion for fair dealing may banish the present spirit of division. —A.C.C. Service

FELLOWSHIP AND LITURGY

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, October 3.—The London Church of All Saints, Margaret Street, aroused so much interest by last winter's series of "Monday Evenings in Margaret Street" that it has arranged a second season to start at the beginning of next month.

It will have the general title "Growing up in Christ."

Let us speak the truth in love, so that we will fully grow up into Christ" (Eph. 4:15).

It will have the same aims as last year—fellowship within the Church of England, within the Anglican communion and within Christendom as a whole, and finally the union of all humanity in Jesus Christ.

Speakers will include Bishop Kenneth Sandys, general secretary of the British Council of Churches, Monsignor G. A. Tomlinson, administrator of Westminster Cathedral, and Canon Hugh Montefiore.

The series will include the celebration of the Scottish, Japanese and Bombay Liturgies, as well as the Liturgy of the Church of South India.

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PRAYER BOOK REVISION IN AUSTRALIA

The Report of the Prayer Book Commission appointed by General Synod, together with draft Revised Forms of Service, published by authority of the Standing Committee of the General Synod, has nearly sold out.

"The Anglican" has only 50 copies left, and these will be sold singly to individual readers.

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FIRST FIJIAN DEACON ORDAINED IN SUVA

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Suva, Fiji, September 26.—The Ratu Laloone Ooreve Vaki, after training at S. John's Theological College in Suva, Fiji, was admitted to the diaconate by the Bishop in Polytechnic Hall. Right Reverend J. C. Vaeklev, in Holy Trinity Cathedral, Suva on September 18.

The congregation consisted of Fijians, Tongans, Samoans, Chinese, Malaysians and Europeans.

Ratu (an hereditary title of princelords handed down to the first chiefs to land in Fiji centuries ago) Laloone Vaki was the first man to be admitted into Orders in the Anglican Communion. The diaconate has been in Fiji for nearly a century.

This is due to the fact that

UNUSUAL CHAPEL FOR R.A.A.F. DEDICATED AT UBON

A bamboo-lined chapel with teak wood and cane pews, jute floor coverings and wicker work light shades has been dedicated at Ubon, Thailand.

Members of No 79 Squadron R.A.A.F. based at Ubon, attended the dedication service this month.

It was the culminating point of many months planning by several R.A.A.F. chaplains and airmen stationed at the Thailand Air Force Base.

The actual building of the chapel was carried out by Thai labour under R.A.A.F. supervision.

The dedication ceremony was attended by American, Canadian and Thai civilians as well as Australian and American Air Force personnel.

An American Air Force choir, which included several Negro singers, took part in the ceremony.

MELBOURNE MUSIC

The ceremony in S. Andrew's Chapel, as it is now called, was conducted by Padre Donald Mascara, a Presbyterian minister who is R.A.A.F. chaplain at Ubon, assisted by an American Air Force chaplain.

Scotts Church in Melbourne will play an important part in future services at the chapel. Because they cannot always rely on having their own music, the Ubon men have tapes specially made by the choir and organist at Scotts. These tapes will be used for Sunday services at S. Andrew's. At present the chapel is being used by airmen of Anglican and Protestant denominations, and approval is expected shortly from Roman Catholic authorities to have Mass celebrated every Sunday in the chapel.

The American Air Force Choir which sang at the dedication of the R.A.A.F. chapel at Ubon, Thailand. The unusual construction of the chapel can be clearly seen in this picture.

