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TWO REQUESTS MADE TO THE W.A. GOVERNMENT SOCIAL QUESTIONS DISCUSSED AT SYNOD AT GERALDTON

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Geraldton, September 23

The Synod of the Diocese of North West Australia held here last week was a worthwhile and happy family occasion.

If it lacked flashes of brilliant oratory, it also lacked the boredom and bitterness often found in the synods in the capital cities.

Undoubtedly, the highlight of synod was the introduction of two motions by a layman, Mr J. Ford, from the parish of the Marchion.

The first concerned the granting of drinking rights to Aborigines; the second referred to the Abortion Bill now before the Parliament of Western Australia.

Most of the clergy of the diocese minister to native people in many varying circumstances.

Practically every priest and most of the laymen contributed to the debate.

The result was the following motion which spoke not only to the Government, but also to the Christians in the diocese in a positive way:

"That this Synod respectfully advises the Government of Western Australia that the granting of drinking rights to Aborigines has caused grief and hardship to a great number of Aborigine people in many areas of the State, and respectfully requests the Government not to grant drinking rights in any more areas until

ABORIGINES

A vigorous campaign has been undertaken to educate and equip these people in the acceptance of full citizenship rights.

2. Strong measures have been taken to ensure that business people who sell liquor do so lawfully and responsibly in this regard towards the Aborigine people.

Comments to all church people that they actively participate in the education of Aborigine people in the rights and responsibilities of full citizenship."

It was strange to find the synod of this diocese like the North West the object of the attention of the A.B.C. who sought the views of synodmen on this issue for nation-wide broadcast.

SYNOD FOR DENILIKUIN

Grafton, September 23

The forty-third Synod of the Diocese of Riverina will meet in Denilikin on Monday, October 14.

Synod Evensong will be at 8 p.m. in St. Paul's Church when the Bishop, the Right Reverend John Cradock, will preside.

It is expected that synod will last until mid-day on Wednesday.

On Tuesday night, there will be "Lambeth Hours" when the Bishop will report on the Lambeth Conference.

UPPERLAND REPORT

NEXT MONTH

ECUMENICAL PRESS SERVICE

Geneva, September 23

The official report of the Fourth Assembly of the World Council of Churches, edited by Ernest Goodall with a preface by Eugene Carson Blake, will be off the press in October.

The volume contains sections reports and discussion surrounding them, committee recommendations, an evaluation of the conference by the editor, the report of the Central Committee Chairman, Ernest Payne, and texts of the most important speeches.

The Chancellor of the Diocese, Mr P. D. James, warned the danger of speaking on a bill which no one had yet read, so before the debate on the Abortion Bill proceeded, copies of the Bill before the W.A. Parliament were brought from Perth for the use of synodmen and the original motion.

"That this Synod strongly protests to the Parliament of Western Australia on the proposed introduction of a Bill to legalise abortion and that this Synod requests the Government to enforce the existing law and administration of the same" was passed without dissent.

DEBATES

There was no evening session of synod. Instead, two public meetings were arranged at the Geraldton Town Hall.

The first consisted of a debate between a local Geraldton solicitor, Mr J. W. G. Grogan, and Michael Pennington of Port Hedland on "The Church and Aborigines."

On the second night the Bishop and St. High School boys debated "God and Morals are Dead."

Both of these meetings were extremely well attended; at one it was a case of standing room only and there were an encouraging number of comments and questions from the floor.

The last day of synod was spent by the clergy in a discussion on preaching which was led by the Reverend Maxwell Coombs; and a discussion on dealing with the mentally ill led by the Reverend Peter Lomas.

Mr Coombs also conducted a "Quiet Day" for clergy wives.

Synod began every morning with Bible study led by the Reverend A. R. H. Greaves.

It is hoped to meet in an event of some importance to the clergy of the diocese and women would be able to travel considerable distance to get there, but the

opinion of all at the end of the week was that the journey was worthwhile.

In fact, there was a suggestion that synod be called every year instead of every two years.

(Report on the State of the Diocese by T. Bishop's Pastoral Address, 1968)

SYDNEY C.A.A. WALK AIDS SEVERAL ASIAN PROJECTS

Community Aid Abroad has allocated \$38,000 to self-help projects in Asia. This money was raised when C.A.A. conducted a "Walk Against Want" from Australia Square, Sydney, to Parramatta, in March.

The total raised by 3,500 walkers, through sponsors at a minimum of 10 cents a mile, was \$41,000.

The N.S.W. Chairman of the project, Mrs. S. Fish, said that the balance was taken up by the cost of organising the walk.

He said that the \$38,000 allocated to Asian projects was made up as follows:

\$3,500 for an irrigation development scheme at Galavast Village, Gujarat State, India.

\$12,675 for building a rural extension high school and farm extension centre at Gram Tiraha, in Surat District, Gujarat State.

IRRIGATION

\$2,200 for purchase piping to complete an irrigation scheme at Fatepur, Tripura, Bihar State, India.

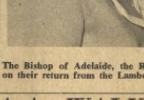
\$990 to complete a farm development project at Sararaya Abjanar, Gujarat State, India.

\$470 to the Australian "For Those Who Have Less" organisation to send a helper, in calf, to Pakistan as part of a dairying development project.

\$4,730 for construction of a grain store for the Farmers' Association.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK, the Most Reverend E. D. Coggan, turned on the special gas supply to the display which was then lit by the seven provinces torches held aloft by clergy at the end of nine days' journey throughout the parishes of the diocese.

As the flames burnt upwards, 1,000 worshippers exclaimed: "Let there be light."



The Bishop of Adelaide, the Right Reverend T. Reed, and Mrs Reed, being welcomed home on their return from the Lambeth Conference this month by their daughter, Mrs Richard Lawson. (See story below.)



Adelaide. "Admission" picture of the Billy Graham Crusade will be held at the Sidney Myer Music Bowl, Melbourne, from March 14 to 22.

GRAHAM CRUSADE IN VICTORIA

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, September 23

The Billy Graham Crusade will be held at the Sidney Myer Music Bowl, Melbourne, from March 14 to 22.

The Christian Life and Witness classes, originally planned for November this year, will be held during February.

Leadership training in Bible discussion groups is being held this month and will continue in October.

Mr Gilbert Cannon has been appointed to the Crusade staff to deal with the country areas.

TORCH LIGHT DISPLAY BEGINS COVENTRY'S "CALL TO MISSION"

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, September 23

Coventry's "Call to Mission" began on Tuesday evening, September 17, outside the cathedral with the lighting of the Seven-Torches Display, symbolising "Christ, the Light of the World."

This began the two weeks of "Call to Mission" to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary celebrations of the re-founding of the diocese.

The Bishop of Coventry, the Right Reverend Clibbert Bardsley, as the main missionary, is preaching every night at Coventry Cathedral until September 27, on the theme "Learn to Live."

The climax of the mission will be a diocesan Eucharist on September 29 at the Royal Show Ground, Stoneleigh.

After the opening last Tuesday night, 2,500 people packed the cathedral another 1,000 watched on closed-circuit television.

"UNEASY LIGHT"

The Archbishop of York, preaching at this service, said that being an active Christian automatically meant being a world citizen.

"As a follower of the Saviour of the world you will be called to have a share in the griefs and sorrows of this world, a large part of which is starving and illiterate."

"Christ has a way of shedding an uneasy light on the world, and if you see that way you are with Him in the light, to rid the world."

The Bishop Bardsley said that Coventry's mission was "not an escape from the world but a way of participation in the Church which was now occupied by men.

into the world for service and leadership."

The trouble with the world, he said, was the people who lived in it.

The problems of the world were, of course, more complicated than this.

"There are basic flaws in systems of government; power-structures are dangerous; mass-media of communication can be corrupting; the economic system which permits one half of the world to live in luxury and the other half in poverty is pernicious. All this is true.

"And yet basically the most trouble of all this is to be found in man himself. Man who is born to be great, who has greatness within him, is too often corrupt, selfish, grasping, greedy and cruel."

PREVENTOR WINS CRICKET BAT

ANGLICAN NEWS SERVICE

London, September 23

Dr John Painter, now Precentor of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, has won the cricket bat presented by Messrs Charles Fairfax for the best batting performance in this year's "Church Times" Cricket Cup competition.

While he was a tutor at St. John's College, Durham, he scored 173 not out for Durham against Newcastle.

This is the highest recorded innings in the competition.

THE BISHOP OF ADELAIDE GIVES PRESS INTERVIEW ON RETURN HOME

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Adelaide, September 23

The Bishop of Adelaide, the Right Reverend T. Reed, and Mrs Reed returned to Adelaide on September 11.

They had come direct by aeroplane from England to New Zealand where they had spent a few days at Auckland and then by way of Melbourne to Adelaide before flying to Adelaide.

Press interviews held shortly after his arrival, Bishop Reed said that the Lambeth Conference had been in his opinion, more successful than the conference held in London last year.

Almost every nation had been represented at the facilities as the conference had been greatly improved.

On the matter of the ordination of women to the priesthood the Bishop said that the con-

ference had recommended that national and regional churches should give consideration with this question and that therefore it was likely that the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia which will meet in Sydney next year, will discuss it.

MORE FROM LAITY

In the meantime he expected that the members of the laity would be encouraged to be encouraged to take a greater part in the work of the Church.

The Bishop gave it as his personal view that a greater participation towards the ordination of women could jeopardise re-

union with the Roman Catholic Church and the Eastern Orthodox Churches.

"For us to launch on this step would be premature until there has been a consensus of opinion throughout Christendom," he said.

Bishop Reed said that the opinion of the Roman Catholic Church, which contains the largest body of Christians, would have to be taken into consideration.

If the ordination of women were to be taken into consideration by the Bishop of Adelaide, there was no reason why women should not hold any position in the Church which was now occupied by men.

MISSION TO STREETS AND LANES

CHANGE IN FORM FOR ANNUAL MEETING

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, September 20
A change in the form of the annual meeting of the Melbourne Diocesan Mission to Streets and Lanes on September 17 proved to be a great success.

Instead of the familiar annual meeting, the formal dinner of the annual meeting, seated at mid-day with the bigger than usual attendance began at tables set out for lunch.

All speakers were able to take the hint, with the result that the various matters were dealt with most expeditiously.

The catering was carried out by the various auxiliaries of the Mission.

In the absence of the Warden (Bishop Sambell) who did not yet return from Lambeth, the chairman was the Right Reverend F. R. Arnot, who had accepted the adoption of the annual report which had been printed and circulated.

It told of happenings within the Community of Women since the name, including the arrival of Novice Cora from the Community of the Visitation, in New Guinea, and long awaited extension to the mother-house.

The report of the Mission traced some of the changes that have occurred in the eight years since it was first established. One of the most important of these is the changed attitude, and altered circumstances for children at work.

GIRLS' HOSTEL

The former 'Home for Little Children' at Darling has been sold, and the proceeds for a Family Counselling Service has been developed, and a hostel for young girls is being built.

Ellenise, for the aged, and the Retreat House, continue to be as busy as ever. The report also described the work of the Children's Homes Committee and the Auxiliaries.

The financial statement showed that every cent for the work of the Mission is being used, and, in fact, there was a small deficit for the year.

The speaker was the Reverend Peter Hollingsworth, of the Brotherhood of St. Laurence, who spoke of the social service role of the Church.

SHOWGROUNDS OPENING ON SUNDAY RESOLUTION

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, September 20
The Social Questions Committee of the Diocese of Melbourne met and discussed the proposed opening of the Melbourne Showgrounds on the afternoon of Sunday, September 22.

This meeting passed the following resolution:

"The Social Questions Committee finds no objection to the Royal Melbourne Show opening on a Sunday afternoon, but only the educational facilities should be open to the public; but as it is proposed to open commercial halls and stands, this committee is opposed to the proposed Sunday opening this year."

"The Social Questions Committee is dismayed by this move of the Royal Agricultural Society, but in other quarters it will be welcomed as a progressive step into the technological age."

"It has now come for the people to examine its attitude towards its Sunday of rest and worship."

"In a majority of countries the day of rest and worship recurring every six days is still very much protected, and it is in the foreseeable future this may well be no longer the case."

"It is doubtful a resolution will have to be made whether we wish to preserve the pattern of living in this technological age where life is being entirely

transformed. We are sure to be faced with the question?

"Until such time as the people want to make a change to this rhythmic pattern of living there is no need to be prophetic for the Sunday of rest and worship thus giving some protection to the work and life of mankind."

"It is for this reason the Social Questions Committee of the Anglican Church in Melbourne proposes to set up a committee to study the Royal Agricultural Society's decision to open the showgrounds this year — next year?"

DR A. COLE FOR MOORE COLLEGE
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St. John's Cathedral, Brisbane, where a Floral and Choral Festival will be held on October 4 and 5. There will be special Floral displays, special music, and an exhibition of church plate and vestments.

BROUGHTON ADDRESS GIVEN ON THE PROBLEM OF PAIN

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, September 20
The Director of the Council for Christian Education in Schools, the Reverend A. V. Maddick, discussed the problem of pain, one of the most perplexing problems facing the Christian, on September 15 in the third of the Broughton Memorial addresses at St. Luke's Church, Yarraville.

In a measure, we can anticipate the guttural, the drunkard, the sensualist, raving something of the rewards of his indulgence, but when a person of moral worth, engaging in a selfless, unselfish, suffering, the problem of suffering becomes the more acute.

There are certain areas where we must tread lightly. There are, however, certain guidelines which help in an understanding of people's dilemma here.

God's laws are impartial. He is a God of order and not of chaos. One who is not respectful of His laws, they suffer.

His universe is designed to run one way, and if anyone, good or evil, goes against His laws, they suffer.

All of us reap untold benefits from membership of the human family; ought we to civil if we are asked to bear the consequences of the family ignorance, folly and sin?

God is with us in our suffering, to help us accept it, and then to use it to build greater character.

In a graveyard on the west coast of Scotland, there are some words on the base of a tombstone:

Life is short,
Death is sure,
Sin's the wound,
Christ's the cure.

SACTIONS APPROVED

A.C.S. SERVICE

The Executive Committee of the Australian Council of Churches has issued the following statement on the Australian Government's imposition of sanctions against Rhodesia:

"The Executive Committee of the Australian Council of Churches notes that intimidation of both black and white is increasing in many of our neighbourhoods."

"In expressing support for sanctions under the U.N. regulations, we declare our hope that the Rhodesian leaders will recognize that their present course, in addition to denying rights to people of our own nation, poses a real threat to the peaceful development of their country and to the well-being of all."

"We ask the Australian churches to pray for the U.N. regulations of Rhodesia as they endeavour to witness and serve all the people of that country, and to urge the Rhodesian leaders and people."

"The Council of Churches is being commended to Australian Government and Opposition leaders."

ENGLISH VISITORS FOR SYDNEY ANNUAL BACH FESTIVAL

The Archbishop of Sydney, the Most Reverend M. L. Lonne, has announced that two leading English orchestras will visit Sydney next year, partly in connection with the Cathedral Centenary.

Writing from England in this month's edition of "Southern Cross" he says:

"The first is the Reverend R. C. Wood, who is Director of Great St. Helen's Church in the heart of London."

"Mr. Lucas has established a remarkable ministry among business men in the City, and holds lunch-hour services which some hundreds of city people attend."

"He holds a meeting every week in St. Stephen's Church at the House of Commons which is attended by a number of Members."

CITY MISSION

"It is hoped that he will conduct a Cathedral Service in the City from Palm Sunday to Easter Day, and that he will also take part in the Clergy School in May."

"The second visitor will be the Reverend M. A. P. Wood, now Rector of St. Andrew's College, and formerly Rector of Islington."

"Mr Wood will conduct a School for Evangelism for clergy and others in the Chapter House at the last of October."

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REFORMATION OBSERVANCE

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

The N.S.W. Council of Churches' annual observance of the Reformation Sunday will be held in the Lyceum Theatre, Pitt Street, Sydney, on October 27 at 3 p.m.

The president of the council, the Reverend W. D. O'Reilly, will officiate and will be broadcast by 2CH.

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"AH, WILDERNESS" TO BE PRESENTED IN CANBERRA

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Canberra, September 23
Canberra merged theatres in 1966 when the Inter-Church Players were formed as a subsidiary of the Inter-Church Council, a body composed of representatives from all the major Christian denominations, including the Roman Catholics.

The Players have come a long way since their first production, a one-act play, "The First Nowel".

This was presented in three local theatres, and was a success. Last year they branched out into more secular drama when they presented "The Crucible", a play about religious fanaticism, but with much to say about all American life.

COMEDY
It is a tender, but not sentimental, comedy, dealing with the difficulty the young hero has in finding a wife where the older generation misunderstand.

The play is being presented in the Canberra Playhouse for four nights from October 9 and 10. The production is a joint venture of Canberra-Goulburn, the Right Reverend C. A. Warren, who will attend, as well as other church and local dignitaries.

SPECIAL MUSIC AT SOUTH YARRA

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Melbourne, September 13
The sixteenth annual Bach Festival at Christ Church, South Yarra, will shortly commence.

An Introduction to the festival there will be a Bach Festival Evensong on Sunday, September 15, at 7.30 p.m.

It will be presided by Dr Barry Marshall, Chairman of Trinity College, University of Melbourne.

On this occasion Christ Church Choir will sing Cantata No. 22, "Jesus called unto Him the Twelve".

A week later on Sunday, October 6, at 2.45 p.m. the Oriana Madrigal Choir, the Darton Singers and the Oriana Chamber Orchestra will give a performance of the S. John Passion, under the direction of Leonard Fullard, Music Director.

Mr Fullard will play the complete Little Organ Book at two principal recitals on 8 and 13. Dorcas McClean will give a recital on Sunday, October 6.

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A recital of Chamber music for soloists will be given by two manuals built by Mrs. McMillan in Melbourne will be given by the Chromatic Fantasy and Fugue by Leonard Fullard.

Geoffrey Hawke and Dorcas McClean will contribute flute and violin solos accompanied by the harpsichord.

Brandenburg Concerto Nos 1-6 and "The Mass for St. Cecilia" will be given by the harpsichord.

An eight-page brochure giving details of the festival will be obtained free by writing to the Vicarage.

JUDGE TO SPEAK AT MERIDEN

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

Judge Sir Adrian Curlew will deliver an address on the subject of "The Kingdom of Heaven be Thou willed, and 'Thou Guide of Israel', will be given by the Chromatic Fantasy and Fugue by Leonard Fullard.

Meriden is an entirely self-supporting Church of England School, which by the efforts of its council has increased its size to accommodate 54 additional girls next year.

Walls Hill has also been extended, and the moving ceremony will commemorate this event.

A Back-to-Meriden day will be held on November 2.

BOOK REVIEWS

ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTROVERSY

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA: A Short History, 1788-1947. Pp. 238. F. Parnis, Nelson's Australasia Publishers, P.O. 238, 51/25.

UNTIL recently, the Roman Catholic Church in Australia (which Dr. Farrell calls the "Catholic Church"), presented to the outsider an appearance of almost monolithic unity and strength.

This little book reveals how often its unity has been menaced by divisive forces and how much of its strength has been expended in internecine controversy.

The author does not attempt to conceal any of the weaknesses of his church or the mistakes and negligences of its leaders.

At the same time, of course, this book is the story of that church's very considerable achievements, notably in the field of education.

In the light of the current controversy about State Aid to denominational schools, it is good to have so clear an account of the origins of the Catholic school system as the author gives in his first chapter, "The Education Question, 1825-1884."

The story of the church's growth and development is linked with the lives and personalities of some of its great leaders. Father Therry, the first Catholic chaplain appointed to Sydney, in 1820; John Bede Polding, first bishop and archbishop of Sydney, 1834-1877; Cardinal Moran, 1877-1883; Cardinal Moran, 1884-1911; and Dr. Mannix, 1911-1935.

Conflict is a recurring theme in the story. Conflict with the militantly conservative Bishop Broughton who "clung tenaciously to the ideal of an Anglican establishment."

"The first Australian sectarian question was a simple one: Aggressive Anglicanism opposed aggressive Irish Catholicism."

Conflict with "Dr. John Dunmore Lang, that acidulated Presbyterian minister who regarded the Pope as the Man of Sin, and local Catholics as his diabolical minions."

"The second sectarian question was that aggressive Irish Catholicism produced aggressive Protestantism."

THERE was conflict between the English Benedictines, Lathams, Polding and Vaughan; and Irish priests and bishops.

"The idea of imperium came with the Irish bishops of the 1860s, in particular with three of them, James Quinn of Brisbane, his brother Matthew of Bathurst, and James Murray of Maitland."

"Their first task was to contest the ground with those already occupying it. A sorry ground if it was, or they thought so."

"In his deplorable situation they were, Polding, that poor fool who as usually described him, carried a terrible responsibility. God would, one day, demand an account of his stewardship, but the Irish bishops were convinced, on their arrival, that he should be steward no longer."

"The vital question of who should possess Polding was early in the minds, and planning, of his Irish bishops in Australia. It was Vaughan's appointment" (as coadjutor to Polding) "in 1873 which then led to contestation and fury..." Vaughan they would have would only come from the old rotten rule of the Benedictines."

"It almost seemed that the bishops, as true Irishmen, loved an outright conflict." "The minds of the Irish bishops the education question was being set in the mould of their life, but terminology was that of emity, militant, victory."

There was conflict with the State, and conflict within the Church, over the conscription issue in the First World War. "By conscription did create a discernible and important rift, as it demonstrated that social and economic factors could disrupt, as well as unity, the Catholic mind."

There was conflict in the 1920s between the Irish clergy in Australia and the Australian-born, who were thoroughly sick of Ireland. There was conflict finally between a divisive and deeply divided Party. "Clearly, for a range of reasons, Catholic opinion on the subject of conscription was divided to a point which was almost impossible to follow in the years immediately following." (Dr. Evans' denunciation of the Movement) "a sharp and passionate division of Catholic opinion at all levels, hierarchical, clerical and lay, became evident."

When Dr. Farrell wrote this book the ship of the church seemed to be sailing in calmer waters. Tensions with other Christians, and with the State, seemed largely to have disappeared. We wonder whether he would be of the same mind to-day.

This is an admirable little book. It is to be hoped that when the projected history of the Anglican Church in Australia is published it will be written as objectively and printed as attractively and cheaply as this book.

—A.W.H.

HISTORY IN BUILDINGS

ARCHITECTURE IN AUSTRALIA. J. M. Frostad. Chasby, Pp. 228. 9/6s.

REPRODUCED here are more than 230 photographs, ranging from the slab and bark huts of the early days to Sydney's Australia Square tower and the Opera House.

Many of the buildings photographed, and these include ordinary houses and small churches, as well as more stately buildings, stand and may be inspected in Australia Square tower and the Opera House.

This book is the first broad history of Australian architecture from the first canvas hut at Sydney Cove in 1788 to the skyscraper of the present day.

Professor Frostad writes with insight and humour so that not a little social history is gleaned as well as a knowledge of the evolving architectural styles used.

He is particularly good on chapters in "The Age of Macquarie 1810-1821." He stayed long enough for many of his ideas to take form and to leave lasting impressions of thinking and influence to change the color of a nation from a penal camp of the moment to a young nation of the future.

In architecture, the results of Macquarie's fantastic industry are seen in the encouragement he gave to Francis Greenway who left behind him a magnificent heritage, including two well-known to the young nation of the future.

AGAINST MODERN THOUGHT

ESCAPE FROM REASON. F. Schaeffer. L.V.G., Pp. 16. 6d. on one.

Dr. Schaeffer is an American Divine who has lived and worked in Europe since 1948 and in this little book he tries to analyse some of the trends in Modern Thought.

This is an ambitious target for any man and as intricate as it is simple that he starts with Thomas Aquinas though starting at his simplification of the Anglican Doctor's thought.

Dr. Schaeffer believes that God has told us true things about the course of his history and therefore we are not afraid in the world but we will certainly not have the modernist's view of the world.

This is all a little naive and question-begging. —J.T.

ASSEMBLY PAMPHLET

LIVELY AND VIVID HERE: Assembly Council of Churches, 45 countries. This pamphlet gives a report in general terms of the Fourth Assembly of the World Council of Churches held at Uppsala, Sweden, from July 4 to 19, 1948.

This provides a useful summary of the Assembly procedure and records the views which give little detail or background.

LOVED ONE ABROAD

Let smoke have bent and tangled in the wind,
The plane a drifting here in distant blue.
Who else watches when the whole world wheels away?
Yet I must linger to the very last;
For this takes up the centre of our group,
The hub on which our family life revolves,
And, as you say,

"Our loved one, and our mother, and our friend—
And only live in the real and the day,
Keep warm the hearth,
And only live in the real and the day,
Raising us to the family blossom's heart,
Making us one again."

Great things follow you now—wonders untold;
And later, great things will be yours.
To be the living memories and silent thoughts...
That come to life on mind and screen.
Yet for the letter,
When you are home, with every leaf at rest,
And calm...
The olive leaf indoors at last,
—And calm...
God bring you gently home.

—MERRICK WEBB.

AN AMUSING TALE

GOVE, TROPIC, Pp. 209. 5/25.

Mr. O'Grady made his name by his book, "They're a Weird Mob", when he portrayed his own interpretation of an Italian migrant.

In his latest book he uses the Territory and the Whitsunday Islands as a milieu for an amusing tale with competence, penicil line drawings give touch to highlights of his story. —J.T.

—A.W.H.

ON PREACHING

PREACHING, W.B.E. MILES, Andrew W. Blackwood, Pp. 267. 5/25.

THE PROTESTANT BELIEF, Andrew W. Blackwood, Pp. 238. 5/18s. 6d. Absolute Power.

These are reprints of two books by the noted American homiletician of Princeton. The first is a light but penetrating study of the art and science of preaching; not as a technical treatise but as a series of texts, but as the basis of expounding the Word of God to the present day half of the sermon.

The other is a series of sermons by famous preachers from the times of the Reformation to the present day, half of the sermons are by preachers still alive. —A.W.M.

EARLY FATHERS

EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITINGS, Translated by Maxwell Staus, Pp. 306. 3/6.

This is a cheap and most useful translation of some of the important writings of the Apostolic Fathers in Latin, Greek, Polycarp and others, complete with notes on the authors and on the dates and sources of the texts.

The fourth is with the Greek text of the Loeb Classical Library which has been translated and annotated by a student and priest alike. —J.T.

RACY BIBLE

HOLY SCRIPTURE, Edited by Stuart Goss, Pp. 306. 3/6.

Mr. Goss is a photographer turned writer and in this book he relates ten parts of the Bible in racy Australian of a way.

This is the same sort of exercise as was done by the writer of the "Gospel according to Peanuts" and either you like this and find your understanding of the Scriptures enlarged by the vernacular or you don't like it. —J.T.

AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE

THE EXPOSITORY TIMES, July, 1948, Pp. 209-210.

AN appraisal of Professor John Bright's "Authority of the Old Testament" is given in "Notes on Recent Exposition."

While the substance of the Bible must have precedence over the Church which did not invent it, the New Testament is equally important—and over the individual content of the Bible as the Biblical word itself is equally important.

The author's own personal experience of the individual that he realises in the Bible takes the form of the New Testament which Bright considers the three classical documents of the Old Testament—rejection, reading with a Christian meaning, providing a value judgment on the basis of New Testament teaching and then proceeds to provide his own solution—appreciating the structural unity of which the New Testament gives meaning; thereby that this pamphlet gives a report which is transparent.

This interpretation is equally opposed to the charge of fundamentalism is acknowledged, and provides a useful summary of the subject of obsession, and is "Include me Out" by Colin Morris.

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NEW WORK OUTLINED FOR NORTH WEST BISHOP WITT'S REPORT ON STATE OF DIOCESE

Reporting on the state of the diocese to the Synod of North-West Australia on September 16, the Right Reverend H. A. J. Witt said that the Diocese of Calgary in Canada wished to have a special link relationship with the diocese.

Bishop Witt said that the great stability in the staffing of the diocese, especially when most priests came from outside the State, was most encouraging.

There were only two priests at the synod two years ago who were not at the present synod.

The diocese, he said, was divided roughly into two distinct areas.

There was a small group of self-supporting parishes in the southern half, mostly staffed by Englishmen who could be called "high church".

The clergy in the northern area were supported by the Bush Church Aid Society; they were Australians and could be called "low church".

The Bishop said he was glad to be in a diocese where these distinctions existed; the diversity showed the need each had for the other.

The diocese was very grateful to the Bush Church Aid Society; the clergy at synod were supported by R.C.A.

Because of the amount of time the Bishop needed to spend travelling on pastoral duties, he wanted to appoint a Diocesan Manager to care for the administration of the diocese.

The Bishop spoke of the need for a priest to work with Aborigines at Wyndham, to build on the foundations laid by the Rev. Harry Green.

Much of the nature of the work of the diocese was changing with the emergence of huge industrial complexes.

More and more also Anglican work was bound up with the Social Order demonstrations.

The Bishop announced that the secretary of both the British Society and the Missions to Seamen in England would visit Port Hedland next month.

WELCOME HOME TO ARCHBISHOP

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT
Melbourne, September 13

The Archbishop of Melbourne and Mrs Woods return to Melbourne from the Lambeth Conference early in October.

In order to give the clergy and their wives an opportunity to welcome them home again, Bishop Arnott has arranged for a morning tea at St. John's Parish Church, Camberwell. This will be at 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, October 10.

CANBERRA'S NEW AREAS CO-OPERATE

The first co-operating churches canvass of parishioners in the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn is now under way in Belconnen, Canberra, reports "News Release", the diocese's monthly news sheet.

After careful planning, the Reverend J. Southerton, was appointed in May to represent Anglicans, Congregationalists, Methodists, Presbyterians, and members of the Churches of Christ.

He is being supported by a "common purse" of the five churches, and a subsidy from the Anglican diocese.

In the canvass, which is addressed to all members of the five churches in Belconnen, the attempt will be made to strengthen the common purse to the point where it takes over full responsibility for Mr. Southerton.

BELCONNEN

In addition, preparations must be made for a second appointment (a Presbyterian) to the area in January 1969.

There is considerable interest and much enthusiasm for the common cause.

It now seems certain that at

In a few years' time, he said, Port Hedland would be exporting more tonnage than any other Australian port.

Many of the visiting students would be Japanese, perhaps as many as 5,000 of them a year.

The Bishop said he had found a Japanese-speaking Australian priest prepared to come to the diocese.

"I believe that the two Sailor Societies will be interested to help in this regard and I have hopes that for the first twelve months of his time in Port Hedland I have found this priest a most wise choice."

The establishment of the Tom Price Church Centre had come through the desire of the Anglicans, Presbyterians and Methodists to work together.

Through the desire of the Anglicans who hoped would be followed elsewhere in the diocese, a building which could be used for worship by all Christians on Sunday and the community during the week.

PRECENTOR FAREWELLED IN COURTYARD OF CATHEDRAL

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Brisbane, September 20

The retiring Precentor of St. John's Cathedral, the Reverend R. L. Burrell, said at his farewell this week that he felt all clergy needed "freshening up" with new knowledge from time to time. He said that he personally was looking forward to the chance to be able to think things through again after seven years at St. John's.

United States on September 19, where he will continue his theological studies at the General Theological Seminary in New York.

He said that he had had a wonderful time while he had been at St. John's, which he described as many happy memories.

"This is a wonderful place in which to minister, for the work itself provides such a varied tapestry."

"The cathedral provides a most wonderful atmosphere in which to worship God and I will always be grateful for my time here."

"I hope that if I do gain something in New York doing my Master's degree in Theology that I will be able to share it with you on my return."

The farewell to the Precentor

took place in the courtyard outside the cathedral after Evening Prayer. A very large crowd of well-wishers from the cathedral and elsewhere attended the function.

Bishop C. E. B. Munchamp, the Dean of Brisbane, expressed his thanks to the Precentor in a delightful and witty speech.

Bishop Munchamp said that Fr. Burrell had had great experience in training Deans in both Rockhampton and Brisbane, and he was personally most grateful for the fact that his first year had been most so happy and easy.

Mr. P. J. Morgan, one of the cathedral wardens, said that he would pay the Precentor of the greatest possible tribute one Australian could pay another, "he's a jolly fine bloke".

Mr. Mervyn Reid who presented a cheque to the guest of

This is the second year that there has been an official exchange of visits between two colleges—Morpeh students visited Moore during second term.

The visitors joined in chapel life and attended lectures during their stay at St. John's, and there was plenty of opportunity for them to meet the Morpeh students informally, over "breaks".

BISHOP CLEMENTS IN ENGLAND

Following the Lambeth Conference, the Bishop of Canberra and Goulburn, the Right Reverend K. J. Clements, and Mrs Clements are spending their middle of holiday in England. They expect to return about the middle of October.

HELP REACHING BIAFRA

A.C.C. SERVICE

Australian Church contributions to relief operations in Biafra are being brought in through arrangements with the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Australian Director of Home-Church Aid, the Reverend E. H. Arlaster, says that \$50,000 has been given so far for food and medical supplies.

Mr. Arlaster says supplies have been stockpiled on the island of Fernando Po off the Nigerian coast, awaiting the outcome of negotiations between the warring parties and the aid organizations over a neutral air corridor.

Word has been received from the World Council of Churches in Geneva that these supplies were now being air-lifted to refugees in the worst affected areas.

Contributions to this month's

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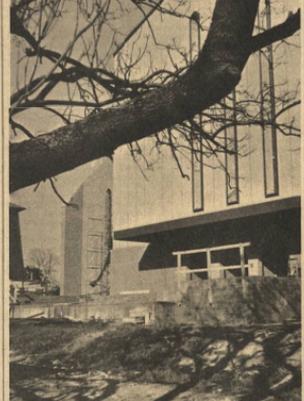
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A recent view of the facade of St. John's Cathedral, Brisbane. The last work to be done in the present contract is the landscaping; it is hoped that this will be finished in November for the consecration of the cathedral.

