

## Mainly About People

### GIPPSLAND

Ven J. A. Knife will resign from the position of Diocesan Registrar from April, 1976.

Rev D. Smallbone, rector of Yarren, has been appointed an examining chaplain.

Rev G. Philpot, rector at Omeo, has been appointed Precentor at St Paul's Cathedral, Sale, and part-time domestic chaplain to Bishop Delbridge as from August, 1975.

### NEWCASTLE

Brigadier Derek Sharp, OBE, has been appointed Registrar in the place of Mr J. P. Lane.

### SYDNEY

Rev J. L. Hansen, Chaplain, Gladesville Psychiatric Hospital, retired on May 31, 1975.

Rev R. S. Barker, Rector, Keirville, has been appointed Rector at Moorebank.

Rev H. Henningham, Rector at Fairfield and Rural Dean of Liverpool, will resign from August 2, 1975.

Rev B. Findlayson, Curate at Cronulla, has become Curate in Parish of Engadine.

Rev R. Coxhead, Curate at Carlingford, has become Curate at Cronulla.

## STONE WALLS STILL STAND AT 100

The oldest church on the Blue Mountains — the church of St Peter at Mt Victoria, NSW — celebrated its centenary on Sunday, June 22.

Bishop D. W. B. Robinson, of Parramatta, was guest preacher at a thanksgiving service to commemorate the occasion.

A church warden, Mr W. Musgrove, said this week that some of the early records of the church had since disappeared, but the license for the church, issued by Bishop Frederic Barker, was still in good condition.

The licence was dated June 21, 1875, and stated that it was granted "through a petition of the Rev Robert Hanson Mayne, BA, Licensed Minister in the district of Hartley, in the County of Cook, and of the several residents and inhabitants of Mt Victoria."

It disclosed that the land for the church was given by Mr Henry Bell, the originator of Bell's Line of Road, running from Kurrang to the settlement of Bell.

It also noted that the church was to be 43ft in length from east to west, and 19ft in breadth from north to south.

The first entry in the Church Register ("it seems

## Centenary of historic church



The Anglican church of St Peter, at Mt Victoria, NSW, which recently celebrated its centenary as the oldest church on the Blue Mountains.

that the early pages are missing," Mr Musgrove said) is dated November 9, 1879, when the preacher was William Browne and the collection amounted to £1.40.

"The Register of Marriages has disappeared, but the Register of Baptisms has been kept up to date," he stated.

The first entry was dated September 12, 1880, when William, son of John and Lucy Cliff of Blackheath, was baptised.

A grandson of John and Lucy Cliff, Mr Rex Cliff, and a great-grandson, Geoff, were still living in Blackheath.

In those early days infants from Wentworth Falls, Katoomba, Medlow Bath and Blackheath were taken to St Peter's for Baptism.

Early incumbents of the parish were the Revs Thos Harrison, I. S. Newth,

Edward Symonds, I. Hornby-Spears, and T. J. Heffernan.

The latter was one of four brothers who had entered the ministry, and when he was absent from the parish, on a trip to his home town in Ireland, a brother, Edward, acted as his locum.

Thomas was a bachelor, as was his successor, the Rev W. P. F. Dorph, and between them they had a total of 60 years' service in the parish.

Some early balance sheets had a heading of "Hartley cum Mt Victoria", in which Hartley Vale, Hampton and Mount

Wilson also appeared, Mr Musgrove said.

In 1964 there was a re-organisation of parish boundaries in the district and from January 1, 1965, St Peter's had been administered from Blackheath.

The area was known as the Church of England Parish of Blackheath.

The rectors of the newly-formed parish had been the Rev G. Thomas (now with BCA), the Rev L. Vitell (now at Carlingford), the Rev G. Child (director of CEBS in the Diocese) and currently the Rev A. E. Begbie.

## Author's message

### for Christians:

## 'DANGEROUS TO BE COMMITTED UNTHINKINGLY TO POWER STRUCTURES ...'

It was dangerous for Christians to become committed unthinkingly to political power structures, international best-selling author Os Guinness has claimed.

Mr Guinness is visiting Australia this month, following a tour of New Zealand.

He claims that western society is in an impasse between technocracy and the counter-culture that opposes technocracy.

In his book "Dust of Death", he spells out Christianity as a "third way".

He recalls that early Christians were a radical minority who confronted and overcame the power structures of their day — and claims that Christianity can still have this impact.

He says it is dangerous for Christians to become unthinkingly committed to any political structures — whether the power elites of the "establishment" or the ideological programmes of the revolutionary hard-core.

He says that "across the recognised divisions of the first-century world the Christians were a community which refused to be classified or categorised."

They transcended previous divisions between male and female, master and slave, Roman and Greek, rich and poor.

They were derisively labelled "the Third Race" — marking them off from the rest of humanity — and it was just this insight that needed to be taken up by Christians today.

Guinness draws these conclusions against a detailed

analysis of the technological society and its opponents.

"Dust of Death" is an analysis of contemporary trends in society and critically examines a number of the responses to the pressures of western technocracy, such as student radicalism and the New Left, revolutionary movements, alternative life styles, drugs, mysticism and eastern religion and occultism.

Os Guinness is being brought to Australia by a group of concerned churchmen, and will visit all States during June-July.

The visit is being sponsored by various church and parachurch agencies such as "House of the New World," "Teen Crusaders," "The Master's Workshop," and others. These groups have loosely banded themselves together under the title "Jesus Family of Australia."

Guinness is speaking at clergy and lay leadership seminars across the continent.

His schedule is: Brisbane, June 21; Sydney, June 23; Melbourne, July 4-6; Launceston, July 11-13; Adelaide, July 18; Perth, July 25-27.

Os Guinness is aged 35, and was born in China of missionary parents. He studied theology and philosophy at London University, and for five years was on the staff of L'Abri, Switzerland.

# CAMPAIGN TO AID WORLD'S FAMISHED

World Vision Australia is to launch a nation-wide campaign to awaken Australia to the desperate situation facing the millions of starving people in the world.

The campaign is co-ordinated under the title "1975 the Year of the Hungry". World Vision plans to conduct a number of programmes to assist the hungry of Africa and Asia between now and next Easter. These include a 40-hour famine in Victoria when up to 10,000 people will be sponsored by an estimated 400,000 to go without food for 40 hours.

In August there will be a nation-wide direct mail appeal to every household supported by the TV special featuring Anne Deveson — "Don't Let Our Children Die", filmed in Ethiopia earlier this year.

Miss Deveson spoke on her experiences in Ethiopia in "A Current Affair" recently and as a result \$58,000 was received by World Vision. World Vision said this money was sent immediately to Addis Ababa.

One of the patrons of the appeal — former Deputy Prime Minister Mr Lance Barnard said on June 30, that, "never in the history of our globe has there been such a despairing need to feed the millions of under-

The appeal has the strong support of the Archbishop of Sydney, most Rev M. L. Loane who wrote on his visit to Bangladesh earlier this year, "I was impressed by the massive measures which have been taken to relieve the distress in Bangladesh as a whole.

privileged. We must declare war on famine — we must



An Ethiopian child waits under a tree while its mother lines up for a grain handout.



Lance Barnard, former Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence takes up appointment in September as Australia's Ambassador to Sweden, Norway and Finland. He is Tasmanian patron of World Vision's "Year of the Hungry" program.

act now. I am calling on all Australians to join with me in this fight against famine." Foreign Governments, including the Government To page 3

## Government grant for Germaine Greer film criticised by Festival

"The announcement that \$100,000 has been given to Germaine Greer by the Australian Government is, to say the least, staggering," said Mrs Monica Gallagher, an Advisory Committee Member of the Festival of Light.

The Rev Fred Nile (FOL Director) said: "The International Women's Year Committee and Federal Government should be given the prize for the sick joke of the year and admit the whole Greer grant story is a hoax."

"Germaine Greer must be the world's worst choice for a serious TV series on reproduction and motherhood."

"She promotes abortion and regards marriage as a bore."

"Children clinging to their mother's skirts revolt her."

"She believes children don't need mothers and illogically would like to have a child if it wasn't necessary to have a father!"

Mrs Freida Brown, FOL Women's spokesman, said: "It is well known that Germaine Greer wants to abolish the family."

"One has only to read her 'Female Eunuch', page 329, which says — 'Women's Liberation, if it abolishes the patriarchal family, will abolish the necessary sub-

structure of the authoritarian State, and once that withers away, Marx will have come willy-nilly."

"Her forthright statements about motherhood are also well known."

"We read in the 'Female Eunuch', page 234: 'Care and attention for the child need not emanate from a single permanently present individual.'"

"On page 278 we read: 'Bringing up children is not

## Film's purpose opposed

a real occupation because children come up just the

## "Important for child's mental health to experience relationship with mother"

same, whether brought up or not."

"It is perhaps ironic to note that Germaine Greer has never had a child."

"Experts on child-rearing disagree with her opinions."

"The Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatry in November, 1971, wrote: 'It is of great importance for mental health that the infant and young child should experience warm, intimate and continual relationship with

his mother (or permanent mother substitute) in which both find satisfaction and enjoyment."

"The quality of mothering the child receives in the first three years of his life affects profoundly his whole future development."

"Among the avenues to be explored is the problem of housewife and mother of young children more attractive."

Mrs Brown emphasised: "We see then that Miss Greer ignores child care experts and we see that she has well formed political views on the family."

"It is interesting that such a woman should be given grants by our Government to make such films."

"Can it be that influential people in our Government also ignore such expert advice in order to pursue a smiliar ideological philosophy."

"If so, were they put there by the electors to do so."

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- Notes and comments — Page 2.
- Archbishop Rayner speaks on society's restlessness — Page 3.
- Letters to the editor — Pages 5-7.
- Word and Life — D. B. Knox — Page 6.
- On and off the record — Page 6.

## LAST WORD

With acknowledgement to "Anglican Messenger".

## BIG SAVING FOR NEW SUBSCRIBERS ONLY

Send only \$2 and we will send you post free the next twelve issues of the

### AUSTRALIAN CHURCH RECORD

This is an introductory offer, open only to new subscribers. Send the coupon below now and receive this long established national Anglican newspaper which stands firmly for biblical truth.

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

POSTCODE .....

Enter me as a new Subscriber to the Australian Church Record. I enclose \$2 Subscription for twelve issues.

Post coupon to The Church Record Ltd, Room 311, 160 Castlereagh St, Sydney, NSW, 2000.

## Students get say in college affairs

Students have been given a say in the affairs of St John's Church of England College, Morpeth, NSW.

The decision to allow student representation on the college council was made at Newcastle Anglican Synod.

The student representative will be one of 28 council members.

Synod also gave Australian Anglican archbishops the right to make appointments to the college council.

## RETIREMENT VILLAGE FOR GOSFORD AREA

Plans are under way for the building of a retirement village at Gosford, NSW.

The project will be jointly shared by Newcastle and Sydney Anglican Dioceses.

A church spokesman said the Church of England Retirement Villages of Sydney would buy land and erect the buildings.

They would also provide supervision and staff.

You will never have true peace until your mind is satisfied. — M. Lloyd-Jones, Romans 5:1.

THE AUSTRALIAN CHURCH RECORD: Editorial and business: Room 311, 160 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000. Phone 61 2975. The National paper for Church of England people — Catholic, Anglican, Protestant and Reformed is issued fortnightly on alternate Thursdays. Subscription \$5 per year, posted. Printed by Maxwell Printing Co Pty Ltd, 862 Elizabeth Street, Waterloo for the Church Record Ltd, Sydney.



Mr Os Guinness

## Notes and Comments

### Universal prayer book

The General Synod Liturgical Commission proposes to issue a draft Australian Prayer Book in 1975. It seems that it will necessarily be somewhat incomplete and some of the services of lesser importance in our Book of Common Prayer at present will be omitted. That is probably unavoidable.

Perhaps the most worrying task for the Commission will be to produce a book that the whole Church in Australia will be prepared to buy, use and experiment with for some years after publication. To produce a book as large as our present Book of Common Prayer would be impossible to finance and if money could be found, its price would put it beyond the reach of most congregations.

So it seems obvious that if a draft Prayer Book is to be produced, certain things must go. And as a result, there may well be some understandable outcry at the omissions.

There are three things bound up with our present Book of Common Prayer which must be included in any proposed draft and whose omission would do irreparable damage both to the draft and to the Commission which drafted it. We refer to the Preface (1662), Cranmer's Preface (1549) and the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion.

The absence of these would not only give grievous offence but would be interpreted as derogatory to section 4 (Ruling Principles) of our Australian Church Constitution.

### Concern for health

Even the critics of the ALP Federal Government must admit that since it came to power there has been a new willingness to challenge the Tobacco and Liquor Monopolies. Smoking has topped it more than liquor but more voices have been raised in Canberra against liquor than was previously the case.

The physical and mental health of the nation should concern everyone, especially those who make our laws. Smoking and liquor get a bad press, but those who derive profit by selling them, don't care, just so long as they can extend their markets by massive advertising campaigns.

The National Health and Medical Research Council, in its recent report to Federal

Parliament, called for controls on liquor advertising especially that which aims at getting young people to drink spirits. The Council said "evidence of involvement of alcohol and crime in Australia is alarming and so is its part in road accidents, especially among young people." Don't be deceived by false advertising. Liquor does not make for a healthy nation. Let's create a climate of opinion which promotes the benefits of alcohol-free living.

### Celebrants in deep water

The Sydney Sunday Telegraph recently stated that the Federal Government's cohort of civil marriage celebrants were not a bit keen to be drafted for the duty of conducting non-religious funerals. This was a bit too deep for them.

The President of the Civil Marriage Celebrants' Association said: "We are only interested in love and friendship and joy. It is all right to be married in a romantic setting but not to be buried on the beach at sunset." "If everyone went around the city burying in favourite places, the situation would get chaotic."

Just think of it: Bondi Beach might gradually get taken over as a cemetery!

If these newly-commissioned civil marriage celebrants have no stomach for funerals, others of their ilk are not so squeamish. The Humanist Society and the Communist Party have people on hand to provide these services. Indeed, the Secretary of the Humanist Society is on record as saying that Humanists would prefer secular name-giving ceremonies and non-religious funerals. In Communist-controlled East Germany the Marxist regime runs its own brand of secular Confirmation ceremonies in competition with those of the Churches.

So, the harsh, abrasive secularism of Europe is increasingly invading the Australian scene... These enemies of the Gospel no longer pretend that the Christian minister is irrelevant. They are now trying to supplant his influence by setting up their own competing system to reach the people at times of baptism, marriage and death. Despite the virulence of their hostility, they will not succeed. In Russia, the atheistic paradise, the numbers of Christian baptisms increase and Christian funerals are held even in Moscow.

• The Methodist Department of Stewardship and Promotions, which expects its national income to rise from \$3.3 million last year to more than \$5 million this year. It raised \$1 million in the first two months of this year.

• The Presbyterian Church, which reports the average weekly giving by Victorian parishioners has held even in Moscow.

### Soccer pools now?

On Friday, 30th May, a NSW Council of Churches deputation asked the Minister for Finance (Mr Max Ruddock), why the NSW Liberal Party Government had changed its mind and now planned to introduce soccer pools.

Was this change of policy due to the fact that the new Premier, Mr Tom Lewis, was keen to have more Government-sponsored gambling, whereas Mr Eric Willis (the other main contender for the Premier's position) had opposed the pools? Mr Ruddock did not know why the Government had changed its mind and could not comment on the Eric Willis aspect.

Mr Ruddock admitted there was NO RESPONSIBLE PUBLIC DEMAND FOR SOCCER POOLS. He admitted that the 3 million dollars the Government expects to get from the pools would not do much to balance the State Budget. Even 6 million would not make much difference. Yes, he recognised that soccer pools would appeal to young people and recruit them to the gamblers' ranks. People under 18 are not permitted to use the TAB shops.

Mr Ruddock promised to consider representations that a similar restriction would apply to soccer pools. Apart from this, the members of the deputation were left with the impression that the NSW Government IS QUITE WILLING TO LEGALISE ANYTHING IF IT CAN DERIVE REVENUE FROM IT.

The question about the adverse sociological consequences upon the community which may ensue just does not interest politicians. If we look to our NSW politicians for protection from the liquor and gambling vested interests we will look in vain.

Dr Dale was a congregational minister in England last century, noted for his classic book on the atonement. This passage highlights the need for scrupulously careful handling of the text of Holy Scriptures.

For myself, I like to listen to a good preacher, and I have no objection in the world to be amused by the tricks of a clever conjurer; but I prefer to keep the conjuring and the preaching separate; conjuring on Sunday morning, conjuring in church, conjuring with texts of Scripture, is not quite to my taste.

KAMPALA, Uganda — Controversial Idi Amin has now decided to crack-down on a large number of Christian organisations in this country. According to government-controlled Kampala Radio, the Moslem President has signed a decree banning 14 "religious societies" declared "dangerous to peace and order". The organisations listed in the broadcast included the Assemblies of God and other Pentecostal churches, the Uganda Church of Christ, the Campus School of Christ, the International Bible Students Association, Navigators, the Uganda Bible Society, Legion of Mary of Africa and Jehovah's Witnesses.

— World Vision.

### Dignity in marriage?

The Attorney-General's Department in Canberra has prepared large coloured posters which are to be displayed in post offices, universities and government departments and perhaps even on government transport.

The posters will advertise the merits of civil marriage ceremonies and will carry the wording "Civil marriage celebrants can now marry you with dignity when and where you choose."

Marriage is a civil contract among other things, and a case can be made for it to be obligatory that all marriages be contracted before civil servants. If this were

the case, Christians would be free to seek God's blessing on their union within a Christian context. But the Federal Government's posters and the intention to circulate them widely and the talk of civil marriage with "dignity" leaves one gasping in view of the Whitlam Government's policy and actions.

Its chief adviser on women's affairs is divorced, the much publicised secretary of the former Deputy Prime Minister is twice divorced, the Prime Minister's outspoken wife

has gone on record as a strong supporter of de facto unions. For the first time in our national history, we have a Governor-General married to a divorcee.

The posters have been printed immediately after the Family Law Bill became law, a bill which many interpret as a direct attack on the institutions of both family and marriage.

We might be pardoned for having doubts about the Federal Government's intention to lend "dignity" to marriage.

### PREACHERS SHOULD NOT USE TRICKS

Some preachers choose texts with apparently no other purpose than to display their own wonderful ingenuity. It is, no doubt, possible for a man to preach a very pathetic and earnest sermon on the words in Ezra 1:9: "nine and twenty knives," or on the description of the bearded of Og King of Bashan, in Deut iii. 11, "his bedstead

and watch the process by which he develops from it the doctrine of Justification by Faith, or the necessity of Regeneration, or a theory of Divine Providence, or some interesting speculations on the millennium or the future blessedness of the righteous — and a sermon on "nine and twenty knives", or on Og's iron bedstead, may cover any one of these subjects as well as another — I always think of the tricks of those ingenious gentlemen who entertain the public by rubbing a sovereign between their hands till it becomes a canary, and drawing out of their coat sleeves half-a-dozen brilliant glass globes filled with water, and with four or five gold fish swimming in each of them.

For myself, I like to listen to a good preacher, and I have no objection in the world to be amused by the tricks of a clever conjurer; but I prefer to keep the conjuring and the preaching separate; conjuring on Sunday morning, conjuring in church, conjuring with texts of Scripture, is not quite to my taste.

— World Vision.

WHAT! You mean to say CMS BOOK-SHOP has been selling church robes all these years and I didn't know about it? I always get my clerical wear when I go book-browsing at the Bookshop.

ROBES FOR CLERGY AND CHOIR

- Cassocks
- Girdles
- Surplices
- Stoles
- Black
- White
- Shirts
- Collars —
- Studs
- Hoods
- Preaching
- Scarves
- Choir-needs

Available from stock  
CMS CHURCH SUPPLIES  
93 Bathurst St. Sydney, NSW  
61 9487 Catalogue Available

**ST LUKE'S HOSPITAL**  
18 ROSLYN STREET, POTTS POINT, SYDNEY  
TELEPHONE: 35 3355

St Luke's Hospital has been established over 50 years. Medical practice and patient care have taken immense strides in this period and St Luke's is proud of the high reputation it has achieved. Now funds are needed to develop a modern theatre complex, intensive care unit and to increase patient accommodation.

St Luke's is a Church of England general hospital open to all creeds. As it is a non-profit organisation, the Board appeals for your help to raise \$500,000 for this work.

Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible, exempt from gift duty and are acknowledged by official receipt. Please make your donations payable to, "St Luke's Development Fund."

C. R. JAMES  
Chief Executive Officer

# Restlessness in society both right and wrong: but no "instant answer"

More than 20 years ago, shortly before my ordination, I spent a short time in India.

One vivid recollection is of an open-air rally involving several thousand people including many children.

The speeches seemed interminable, yet those children sat there hour after hour quite passive and still.

I could not help thinking how restless a corresponding group of Australian children would have been.

That contrast reveals something about our two cultures. There was something strong and deep about the stillness of the Indian

crowd, yet that very passivity helps explain why in such a country so little progress has been made against material problems of poverty, famine and disease.

There is something good about the restlessness of our society; for it is restlessness and discontent that drive men to discover new truth, solve problems, remedy injustices and improve the world.

This kind of restlessness



Archbishop Rayner

comes when man cuts himself off from the ground of his being... from the eternal... from God.

There is in man a deep longing. In the Bible, as in much of literature, it is described in terms of a hunger or thirst in man.

It is a longing for God. For we were made for union with God, and until we become one with Him there is an anguished restlessness in our soul.

Of course, we do not always recognise this restlessness nor understand what causes it.

People try many ways of satisfying this hunger and thirst — pleasure, ambition, money, achievement, sex, security and the rest — and some of these ways seem to suffice for a time. But they do not satisfy in the end.

Until he finds that which alone satisfies, there is a restlessness in the heart and soul of man.

You will notice how often in the Bible God is spoken of as the one who alone

quenches the hunger and thirst of man.

The theme "man cannot live by bread alone" runs through the Scriptures.

Man tries very hard to live by bread alone; but it is more lasting food and drink that he needs.

## "What matters is God... put first things first in life of the Church"

Jesus Christ himself takes up this theme: He is the true and living bread; He is the living water.

When He wanted to leave a way to signify and effect his presence with his disciples he established a sacrament whose outward signs of bread and wine themselves hinted at the reality they conveyed.

Until man finds the union with God for which he was created, until he finds his roots in the eternal, his life will be marked by restlessness and discontent.

His understanding of life's problems will be shallow, and his "solutions" to those problems will create more problems than they solve.

That describes precisely the present condition of our race.

In these days when the tide is undoubtedly running against Christianity and the Church, which way is the Church to turn? So often we have tried to speak to a restless world in ways which

## New Archbishop of Adelaide's views as to basis of society's unrest

simply pander to that restlessness. We have tried to keep pace with the restless changes in human thought, style of life and social structure.

I have often quoted in sermons and addresses a sentence of William Temple: "The right relation between prayer and conduct is not that conduct is supremely important and prayer may help it, but that prayer is supremely important and conduct tests it."

So my final message to you is: put first things first in life of the Church. It is worship that lies at the centre of the Church's life. It is prayer that lies at the centre of the Christian's life; and by prayer I mean not a few words chattered mechanically by rote as we leap into bed, but a living communion between us and God.

From that spring our witness to others, our service to our neighbours, our integrity of life.

Audrey and I leave Warragatta full of gratitude for the six happy and enriching years we have had with you.

Our children Philippa, Jill and Christopher, have spent probably the most formative years of their lives in a natural and lovely environment for which we are very grateful.

I have had as loyal and generous support from clergy and laity alike as any bishop could hope for.

I shall not try to speak of individuals here, but there are many who will always have a special place in our affections.

In no merely formal way I pray now, as I shall continue to do, that God may bless you all and lead you on to that union with Him for which you and I were created.

What matters is God, and our longing for union with Him.

What matters is prayer, communion, contemplation.

What matters is the growth of Christian character in the individual and in the Church, and that comes as a consequence of union with God.

## World Vision moves to aid hungry

From page 1

of Australia, have poured money and materials into Bangladesh. Christian agencies, from Europe and America especially, have rendered magnificent service in special relief programmes. Bodies like World Vision and HEED and the Swedish Christians have done their utmost to bring help to the point where the need is greatest.

World Vision is an inter-denominational organisation, founded by men with evangelical convictions. It does not involve itself in political controversy but concentrates on helping the

needy throughout the world notably victims of famine. Of the money it distributes for famine relief twenty per cent goes towards short-term emergency relief and eighty per cent goes towards

long-term rehabilitation. One example of the long-term rehabilitation programme World Vision has is a water producing programme in Ethiopia using the Australian windmill.



A woman in the Ogaden Desert region, famine centre of Ethiopia, cools her daughter's fever with precious water.

### NEWS BRIEFS

Romanian Pentecostal leaders have confirmed that a shipment of 2500 Bibles from the UNITED BIBLE SOCIETIES has arrived safely in Bucharest.

Construction has begun in Kwangju, South Korea on a new home for Honam Theological Seminary, a Presbyterian institution. The \$25,000 building, which will include classroom, dormitory and library facilities for 100 students, is expected to be completed by August.

In a move reflecting a growing desire for unity, the Lutheran Federation of India has changed its name to the United Evangelical Churches of India.

For the first time in history, South Carolina Baptists will host a special appointment service this month for more than 20 new Southern Baptist foreign missionaries. The service is expected to attract some 10,000 persons to the Carolina Coliseum in Columbia.

— World Vision.

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW THE BIBLE?  
HOW USEFUL ARE YOU, REALLY, IN YOUR LOCAL CHURCH?  
HOW PREPARED ARE YOU FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE,  
IF GOD SHOULD CALL YOU?

Courses of study are available to YOU to meet these needs. Write or phone for details. Full-time, Residential or Day Students.

**SYDNEY MISSIONARY AND BIBLE COLLEGE**  
43 BADMINTON ROAD, CROYDON, NSW, 2132  
Phone: Sydney (STD 02) 747 4780

**Good News**  
for Householders who are non-drinkers

**ANSVAR**  
have just introduced a New Improved

**HOUSEHOLDER'S PROTECTION POLICY**

that will save you time, trouble and money

Specially developed for Australian conditions, it gives you the option of including any or all of the following in the one simple, straightforward policy.

- BUILDINGS, FENCES etc. • CONTENTS • FOOD CONTAMINATION • PERSONAL AND FAMILY LIABILITY • PERSONAL EFFECTS • BREAD-WINNER'S ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS • HOUSEWIFE ACCIDENT COVER • LOSS OF MONEY, BANK OR CREDIT CARDS • HOUSEHOLDERS BAGGAGE

Note: Other Ansvar Policies cover Church, Business and Motor Insurance — Life policies also arranged.

For details, phone, or mail this coupon to the Ansvar Branch office in your state.

Please forward details of new Householder's Protection Policy to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

**ANSVAR**  
AUSTRALIA INSURANCE LIMITED

VIC: 18 Collins Street, Melbourne 3000; Tel. 63 9711. P.O. Box 27, North Geelong 3123; Tel. 8 4843. P.O. Box 486, Bendigo 3550; Tel. 47 7173. N.S.W.: 781 Pacific Highway, Chatswood 2057; Tel. 622-4844. 168 Bilton Street, Newcastle 2300; Tel. 7 4251. QLD: 182 Ann Street, Brisbane 4000; Tel. 21 8449. S.A.: 33 Pine Street, Adelaide 5000; Tel. 87 3564. W.A.: 167 St. George's Terrace, Perth 6000; Tel. 21 6231. TAS.: 45 Victoria Street, Hobart 7000; Tel. 34 7916.



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Classified advertisements may be left at the office or phoned to 61 2975 up to noon 10 days before date of publication...

Interstate Services PERTH: St Alban's 423 Beaufort Street Services 9:30 am and 7:30 pm...

COORPAROOK: St Stephen's Brisbane Cnr Cavendish and Charleworth Roads. Visitors welcome 7:30 and 9:00 am Holy Communion...

SURFERS' PARADISE: St John the Evangelist, Hamilton Ave 7 am and 9 am Holy Communion; 7 pm short Evening Service followed by Bible Study...

For Sale CONCRETE BLOCK MACHINE Makes blocks, slabs, edgings, screen-blocks, garden stools...

SONY C90 cassette tapes, new \$2.00 each. Covent Bookshop 74 6071.

Accommodation To Let/Wanted TO LET a semi-furnished home, \$25 per week, 630 0600...

CAMP TOUKLEY TOUKLEY, NSW Near lakes and surf Small or large house parties...

Furniture Removals and Storage G. & C. Drew Pty Ltd 66 Smiths Avenue Hurstville

"JOHN HOPE MEMORIAL ESSAY - 1975" SUBJECT: "Is wholeness of body, mind and spirit possible other than through Jesus Christ?"

SOME Bible Colleges will avoid taking a stand on issues like: Pentecostalism, The Rapture & the Second Coming...

Word of Life Bible Institute PO BOX 205, RYDE, NSW, 2112

The Word and Life D. B. KNOX Principal Moore Theological College, Sydney

Wide consequences of terminology for God ... Part Two

The consequence of the masculine terminology for God for the organisation of human relationships depends on whether that relationship is organised according to the family, or is an ad hoc association in society at large.

women — it extends over more than half humanity! — but it is to be confined to the teaching of women and is not to be exercised in the congregation in a way that would imply dominion over men.

Problem of knowing

Francis A. Schaeffer and Hodder and Staughton. The introduction tells me that this work is "a basic piece" which forms part of a unified base with earlier Schaeffer writings...

Letters From page 5

Issues of Glebe

ways of dealing with these resources were to give them away or use them wisely according to the principles of good stewardship. My view was that we continue to use them in such a way that they provided support for the continuing work of the ministry in the diocese.

Help Legacy all the year round

On and off the record - BY DON HOWARD

MOVING: FURNITURE REMOVALS, STORAGE For reliability and careful handling Established 34 years. Contact A. R. C. THOMAS

REMOVALS Small or Large STORAGE-PACKING TAXI TRUCKS Reasonable and Reliable SMITH OWENS SERVICE

SAY "NO" TO RECEIVE Total abstainers do better in health benefits by being in the INDEPENDENT ORDER OF RECHABITES

Mr Angus Barr, District Secretary, I. O. Rechabites, 1st Floor, Rechabites House, 85 Campbell St, Surry Hills, 2100

Books

Concern for principles

Louis Berkhof Evangelical Press. First published in 1950 and this present printing being the twelfth underlines the continuing necessity to be reminded of principles.

REV GEORGE ROBINSON, (Member, Glebe Administration Board).

New book relates problems of life to Christian faith

A new book by the Anglican Dean of Sydney, the Dean Lance Shilton, has just been released. Called "Probing Problems" it answers one hundred and one of today's most worrying moral and spiritual questions...

Jewellery EXCELLENT INVESTMENT

One only glorious solitaire diamond ring, \$3500. Very good by HANDMADE DIAMOND, SAPPHIRE AND OPAL RINGS. Dozens of beautiful loose opals to set in rings, pendants, brooches, etc.

Ventures costly at Glebe

Mr Graham King is to be commended for his letter in the May 15th issue of the Church Record. Some of the answers however were very general and I wonder if he could provide specific information on the following questions:

DEBENTURES? 10. What is the approximate percentage return on

Northern Anglicans want Communion across boundaries of the denominations

The North Queensland Diocesan Synod has considered a report prepared by a three-clergyman Commission to the diocese on admission to Holy Communion, the "Northern Churchman" stated recently.

Insure Church Property with the CHURCH OF ENGLAND INSURANCE CO of Australia Limited

The company is wholly owned by the Dioceses of the Church of England and it operates entirely for the benefit of the Church. 2. Our re-insuring companies are among the strongest in the world.

all the Glebe Board assets excluding the \$10 million bonanza received from the Australian Government last year? Is it true that the whole Diocesan property structure is in a perilous financial situation, and that it is the income from the \$10 million received from the Government that enables the Diocese to survive?



Dean Shilton

For an up-to-date RECORDED REPORT on UE work and the Christian scene in communistic lands Phone Sydney (02) 700-101, Day or Night

No 1591. JULY 24, 1975

## Mainly About People

**SYDNEY**  
Rev R. Hanlon, Rector of St Paul's Chatswood has accepted nomination to the Parish of St Mark's West Wollongong.

Rev C. Kruse, formerly of Sydney and presently serving with CMS in Salatiga in Indonesia will be leaving there in Sept to commence post-graduate studies at Fuller Seminary in California.

**MURRAY**  
Rev D. Millar, Rector of Millicent, has been appointed Canon of the Cathedral.

Rev C. R. Jupp, Rector of Ballanall is now the Rural Dean of Strathalbyn.

Rev J. S. Moreley, Rector of Burra has been appointed Rector at Mount Barker from Sept.

Rev C. Patterson, has left Loxton and is Minister-in-Charge of the parish of O'Halloron Hill.

**NEWCASTLE**  
Ven N. J. Eley, at present Rector of Dubbo, archdeacon of Lons in diocese of Bathurst has been appointed archdeacon of Newcastle.

**PERTH**  
Rev T. Doncaster, Rector of Mundaring, has been

appointed Rector of Floreat Park. He will be commissioned on August 15 at 8 pm.

Rev G. Hayles, at present Rector of Kelmscott, has been appointed Rector of Wembley. He will be commissioned on August 29.

Rev P. Harrison has been appointed Locum Tenens of the Parish of Canning as from June 15.

Rev R. Langshaw, at present Rector of Yokine, resigned from the active ministry as from June 30 because of ill health.

Rev Dennis Bazely has been appointed Acting Chaplain of St George's Hospital.

**ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia**  
Despite the recent military takeover here, operations of the Radio Voice of the Gospel (RVOG) have not been disrupted. According to a recent visitor, the station has not encountered any problems because it has avoided editorialising in its news reports about the takeover. RVOG is operated by the Lutheran World Federation; its broadcasting time is devoted to religious (30 percent) and educational (70 percent) programming.

— World Vision.

## Deputy Principal for Ridley College announced



Rev George A. Pearson

The Council of Ridley College, University of Melbourne, has announced the appointment of the Rev George A. Pearson as Deputy Principal, as from September 1, 1975.

Mr Pearson is at present Vicar of St James' Dandenong parish, Rural Dean of Dandenong and Secretary of the College Council.

The Deputy Principal is responsible for the administration of the college, the promotion of its work, and the maintenance of its financial well-being.

## ACL encourages women to join

The Annual Meeting of Members of the Anglican Church League was held at Bible House in Sydney on July 1 passed a resolution encouraging women to join the ACL.

The Secretary, Rev Silas Horton, said that women have always been eligible to be members of the League but now they can also be members of Synod it is especially appropriate that women participate in the League as well.

Another motion asked the League to promote seminars on current social issues and to prepare position papers outlining the biblical viewpoint.

Prof E. C. B. MacLaurin successfully moved a motion urging that a Synod committee be set up to encourage biblical scholarship through evangelical involvement in archaeological digs in the Middle East.

The President Dr D. B. Knox, principal of Moore College and the Chairman Dr Alan Bryson both retired from these positions after serving for many years

and were elected as Vice-Presidents.

The new President is Rev George Robinson, Rector of St Stevens Willoughby and the new Chairman is Mr Gerald Christmas, solicitor from St Paul's Seaforth.

Among those elected as vice-presidents were three assistant bishops in Sydney, Bishops Robinson, Ried and Camerson.

## DEATH OF ALAN SCOTT

The Reverend Alan Scott, BEM, who was New South Wales States Secretary of the Bible Society for 20 years, died suddenly in Brisbane on Tuesday, July 1. Mr Scott retired in March 1974, but has been Deputy State Secretary for the Bible Society in Queensland during recent months, when news of his sudden death was received.

Alan Scott was a man who contributed much to the goals of the Bible Society during his 36 years of service, including three states, Victoria, Western Australia and New South Wales. He was Senior State Secretary of the Bible Society in Australia when he retired last year. He promoted the Society's aims in India, Pakistan, Assam, America, Great Britain and Papua New Guinea, as well as throughout Australia.

The Commonwealth Secretary of the Bible Society in Australia, the Reverend James Payne, paid a high tribute to Mr Scott on his retirement last year. He said: "Alan Scott has a magnificent record of service to the Bible Society Cause in Australia and Overseas. He gave inspired leadership in Western Australia and New South Wales. We all thank God for his outstanding work."

Mr Scott is survived by his wife Letty and son Ross and daughter Heather (Mrs Allan Cambridge).

No man's power is able to stand against God, or disappoint Him of His purpose. — Latimer.

## US MEMBERSHIP DROPS

**NEW YORK** — Church membership in the United States slipped slightly last year from a total of 131,424,564 in 1973 to

131,245,139 in 1974, according to the new Yearbook of American and Canadian Churches 1975. The percentage loss was 0.14.

## Bible Society Tasmanian representative

The Reverend Kenneth W. Percey, ThL, has been appointed Southern Representative, Tasmania, for the Bible Society in Australia.

He will be based in Hobart and is expected to take up his new duties on August 1. He succeeds Mr Neville M. Mellor, who, after 11 years with the Bible Society, has taken up another missionary post in Melbourne.

Mr Percey, who was born in Tasmania, trained for the Ministry at Ridley College, Melbourne, and has served in the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania for the past 11 years.

He has been Rector of Latrobe for three years. He is Acting-President of the Bible Society's Devonport Branch. Mr Percey, 37, is married with three daughters aged 4, 7 and 10. His wife, Beverley, is a qualified school teacher.

## BRISBANE TALKS TO END CONFIRMATION

The Brisbane Anglican Diocesan Synod has postponed a decision on a report recommending the abolition of confirmation in the Australian Anglican Church.

The synod voted at the final session on Thursday night to accept the report but refer some suggestions to the responsible committee for further study.

The 46-page report, titled "Christian Initiation," was compiled by a committee of Brisbane clergy and laity set up in June, 1972.

Brisbane Diocesan Registrar (Mr N. Reid) said one of the most heated debates centred on a clause of the report which suggested a definition of membership of the Anglican Church.

The clause suggested that baptismal sponsors indicate their acceptance of worship as an essential part of the Christian faith.

Mr Reid said copies of the report would be distributed to Queensland parishes for study and to the doctrinal committee of the General Synod and the House of Bishops.

"We are only one of quite a few dioceses in Australia involved in this area, and the synod feels that every step should be taken cautiously," Mr Reid said.

"The revised report will be tabled at the next synod meeting for further study and debate."

— Courier Mail

# CONGREGATION PRAYED FOR REMOVAL OF DR JIM CAIRNS FROM OFFICE

A Sydney congregation prayed for the removal of Dr Jim Cairns from the Federal ministry six weeks before he was dismissed from office by Prime Minister Whitlam.

This was revealed to the "Record" last week by the rector of St Matthew's, Manly, the Rev Brian Richardson.

Three prayer meetings were held on Sunday, May 18. On Wednesday, July 2, Mr Whitlam dismissed Dr Cairns from the ministry.

Mr Richardson said he had been concerned with the drift in Federal politics for some time.

"Why should Christian people feel they have to stand by and do nothing?" he said. "When controversy arose over cables to North and South Vietnam, I thought it was time to do something."

"It seemed to be a case of duplicity for a political leader to foster relationships with North Vietnam at the same time as political attacks were being levelled at South Africa and at Rhodesian representatives in Australia."

Mr Richardson said that He explained that he intended to pray for the removal of Dr Cairns.

## Prayers offered 'in sense of dependence upon the Lord'

He explained that he intended to pray for the removal of Dr Cairns.

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- Final article on I Thessalonians — Page 2.
- Playboy theology — Bruce Winters — Page 3.
- Letters to the editor — Page 5.
- Word and Life — D. B. Knox — Page 6.
- On and Off the Record — Page 7.

## Scripture Union Week launched



At the Mayoral Reception. Left to right: Dr Alan Cole, Bishop Robinson, Alderman Brian Wood, Alan Kerr — credit Cumberland Press — see story page 2.

## REV JOHN STOTT TO RETIRE IN SEPTEMBER



REV JOHN STOTT, who this year completes 25 years as Rector of All Souls', Langham Place, London — London's best-known Evangelical church — is resigning in September.

Mr Stott will be succeeded by the Rev Michael Baughen, who has been Vicar for the past four and a half years.

This has been under a "Gentleman's agreement" to allow Mr Stott to minister for six months at All Souls' and the remainder of the year in a wider sphere, particularly to pastors and students in the Third World.

Mr Baughen and the PCC have invited Mr Stott to remain in the fellowship as rector-emeritus. He has accepted.

REV JOHN STOTT

## EDITORIAL 8 am — Time for a change

One of the most cherished customs in the Church of England in Australia is the early morning communion service, usually at 8 am. For generations parishes of every shade of churchmanship have faithfully exercised themselves in this much loved tradition.

Usually what follows in the typical parish is another service later in the morning and one evening service at 7.15 pm. The result in most parishes is that there exist three separate congregations, occupying the same building at different times of the day. It is quite common for many people in one congregation not to even know many from the others, much less have any Christian fellowship.

What justification is there for maintaining three services in these days? Few churches have so many attending that they need to have three services to fit them all in.

Some of course attend early communion services because it allows them to get their church activity over and done with early so that the rest of Sunday can be free to do what they want to do. Others have been doing it for so long that they know no other way.

The continuance of this custom in many churches, possibly the great majority, tends to create serious problems from the point of view of evangelistic outreach and the development of congregational unity and fellowship. For one thing the early service has little appeal for outsiders, the very people the church is trying to reach. Also the attachment some have for the early communion service often has the effect of leaving the other services too small to be attractive to outsiders. Coming at a later hour, whenever they do come, they gain the impression from small numbers that the church is on its last legs. It is virtually impossible for young families to attend early services, and consequently the average age at them would be relatively high.

Often the talents and experience that are present within a parish are stretched so thinly over three services that the impact of the three services is greatly diminished.

Possibly one of the most serious disadvantages of the early service is that it can place a heavy strain on the clergy. To lead a service and preach can be exhausting enough but to do it twice within a short time very often

means that the quality of such ministrations suffers — again to the detriment of all concerned.

It is not at all uncommon to find that early communion congregations have a rigidity and insularity that is a real impediment to growth within the parish as a whole. Often this is accompanied by a mystical attachment to the communion service itself beyond its true biblical significance and which becomes for some a substitute for real worship and an excuse to avoid entering fully into parish life.

How much better it might be for parishes to rationalise their programmes, concentrate their manpower and develop meaningful outreach using all human resources within the local church. It is interesting to note that many churches which were struggling have amalgamated their two morning services and have greatly benefited by it.

Has not the time come for the church to realise that it services a very small proportion of the population each Sunday and the programmes should be devised to meet the realistic needs rather than imaginary or sentimental ones?

## CHURCH HISTORY MADE BY THE AGED IN ENGLISH PARISH

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council published its reasons for allowing an appeal by five members of Christ Church, Brixton, who had pitted themselves against the Church Commissioners in a fight to keep the church in being.

The commissioners had asked, that, consequent to the church being declared redundant, the benefice should be merged with that of St Stephen, South Lambeth, with subsequent alterations.

A group of parishioners, including eighty-nine-year-old Miss Annie Reynolds, conducted their own case before the Judicial Committee.

They made history by providing the sole instance to date in which lay people have had an appeal allowed by the committee since the Pastoral Measure of 1968 — under which the proceedings were taken — was passed.

They made out a case that old people would be subject to hardship in that they would have to walk farther to attend services, and it was maintained that they could "make ends meet". — CEN.



Miss Annie Reynolds

## English clinic to help "victims of pornography"

A former Dr Barnardo's home is being turned into a clinic for "victims of pornography".

It will be run by Mr Edward Shackleton, 72, retired social worker who last year attempted to bring a prosecution against the film "Last Tango in Paris", and Mr Geoff Percival, 53, a former gospel pianist.

Both bachelors, they hope a married couple will join them at their "scorn the porn" home.

The 16-room hostel in a Surrey town will open soon for "victims of moral pollution", including sexual deviants, "pornography addicts", and "others involved in erotica".

"We expect our first patients to include actors who have taken part in pornographic films and plays," said Mr Percival.

"They have obviously been damaged by their activities."

The ex-pianist claimed porn addiction was similar to drug or alcoholic addiction, and said patients must want help before being treated.

"We aim to provide a broad-based, caring concern for residents in a civilised, loving and morally pure atmosphere," he said.

"But first they must want to come to terms with the Lord and society."

Security in the hostel, which is backed by the Nationwide Festival of Light, will be strict.

"We will make sure that no bad magazines or books get in," added Mr Percival, who for 22 years was evangelist Eric Hutchings' pianist.

"Victims of pornography" will be helped with a variety of therapeutic activities, including art, crafts and music, Christian films and Bible studies.

"There will be no television in the residents' part of the hostel, though I will have one," said Mr Percival.

"I may let them come and see mine one day a week if the programmes are suitable."

He added: "For too long we have criticised the permissiveness of our society. Now we feel that is not enough. We must take a positive step and help the victims."

Cost of treating and feeding each "victim" will be about £30 a week.

— CEN.

THE AUSTRALIAN CHURCH RECORD, Editorial and business, Room 311, 160 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, 2000. Phone 61 2975. The National paper for Church of England people — Catholic, Apostolic, Protestant and Returned — is issued fortnightly on alternate Thursdays. Subscription \$5 per year, posted. Printed by Maxwell Printing Co Pty Ltd, 262 Elizabeth Street, Waterloo, for The Church Record Ltd, Sydney.

## Archbishop of Melanesia is appointed

Dean Norman Kitchener Palmer, Dean of Honiara, Solomon Islands, since 1973, has been appointed Bishop of Central Melanesia.

He succeeds Archbishop John Wallace Chisholm, who died last month.

Dean Palmer is 47 and is married, with a teenage daughter and three younger sons.

He comes from New Georgia in the Western Solomons.

After ordination in 1964 he served in the Solomons successively as an assistant master at All Hallows' School, Pawa (1965-67); headmaster of St Barnabas's School, Alangaula (1967-69); and headmaster of St Nicholas's School, Honiara (1969-72).

— Church Times.

## BIG SAVING FOR NEW SUBSCRIBERS ONLY

Send only \$2 and we will send you post free the next twelve issues of the

### AUSTRALIAN CHURCH RECORD

This is an introductory offer, open only to new subscribers. Send the coupon below now and receive this long established national Anglican newspaper which stands firmly for biblical truth.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

POSTCODE.....

Enter me as a new Subscriber to the Australian Church Record. I enclose \$2 Subscription for twelve issues.

Post coupon to The Church Record Ltd, Room 311, 160 Castlereagh St, Sydney, NSW, 2000.

