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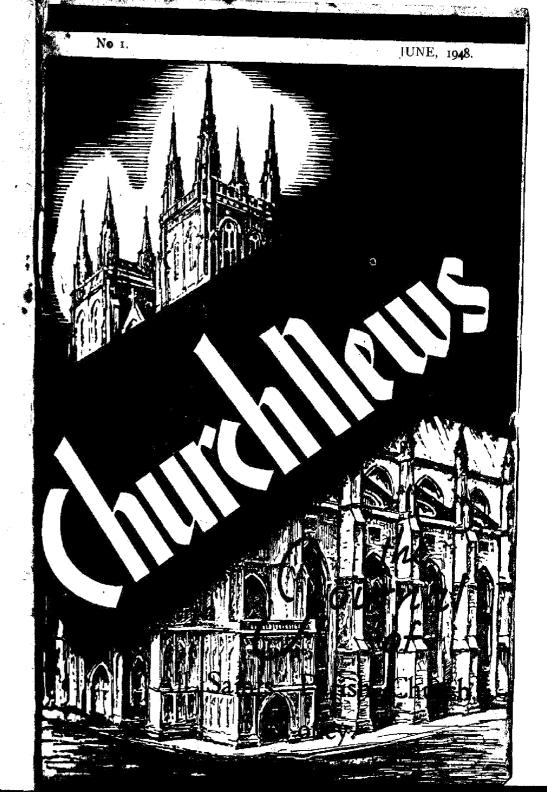
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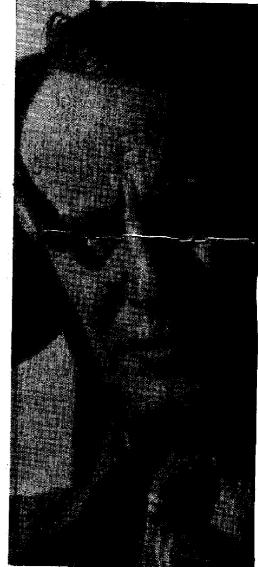
A blunt, hard hitting article by one of England's greatest Camera Artists.

"AS A MAN THINKS IN HIS HEART, SO IS HE."

THAT sentence was hammered out in His own life by the greatest Thinker of all time—the Builder of a new world of thinking for any who care to take the trouble of understanding all that it implies.

That all of us need a basic plan upon which we can successfully build our thought life, which moulds our whole life, is obvious. That the plan must, if we are to make it the best possible, be drawn according to His advice is equally obvious. Yet, as I write, the world of mankind is in a seething flame of hate! That is the consequence of (collectively) allowing our Thought world to be misdirected by ignorant laziness engendered by wish-fulfilment, in which nothing is of any account, but first and foremost our own SELF.

This Master Builder has erected a stiff barrier to warn us against ever indulging in such arrant nonsense. "He that seeks to save his own life shall lose it." says He. If Thought is the centre of Life-which it is-why, why do so many of us go out of our way to ignore it entirely? And then, if you please, have the fatheaded presumption to ask of Him -that the unpleasant consequences of such idiotic behaviour may be foregone? One may just as well expect the law of the Universe to be altered on our behalf. "As ye



Howard Coster.

COMMENTARY

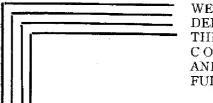
by the Rev. PAUL GLIDDON

A can't expect people to come to Church on a Sunday morning," is what the clergy are frequently told, the suggestion being that insistence joy, or they must regard the queueing on Sunday observance is some sort of example of clerical sadism. Very naturally some of the clergy feel heavily rebuked when addressed in this way and resolve henceforward only to make more reasonable demands. Perhaps such resolution may get shaken when they hear how tens of thousands of people can come together on a Sunday morning waiting, not to get into a football match, but to have the opportunity to purchase tickets for a match to take place later in the week. These people, whom it would be so shocking to expect to come to Church by 8 a.m. on a Sunday morning, include men and women who can wait twelve hours for the ticket office to open and who can do this standing out in the open amidst the frost and cold of a winter night. Unpleasant small boys make use of a word which sounds like "garrn," and which is supposed to be a corruption of the slang phrase "get on with you," conveying contempt for an idea which is manifestly ridiculous. A clergyman confronted with the plea: "It's cruel to expect people to get up early for Church," might well be excused if he answered the indignant rebuke with the single word "garm."

THESE great queues for almost l every sort of entertainment do make one wonder whether people really do object to queueing as much as is often suggested. If they think the misery of standing and waiting for three or four hours is more than

" A FTER a hard week's work you balanced by the pleasure of two or three hours' entertainment, then their entertainment must either give them an extraordinarily exquisite form of as itself part of the entertainment, or, if not that, at least not dislike it half as much as they would lead us to suppose. Certainly it may be doubted whether the publication of photographs of vast crowds assembled to watch other men play for their living, or horses or dogs run for their's, is a practice which is in the national

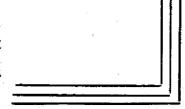
> THE opponents of Christianity have, quite naturally, made great play of the failure of Christendom to produce a just and decent order of human society. But the growing rejection of the Christian Faith which has taken place in Western Civilization in the first half of this century can hardly be claimed to have produced results which indicate that the world is at last moving in the right direction, and that the dark ages of Christianity are now giving place to the bright glory of the materialist age. Now that, for half a century, Christ has been so largely in banishment, the point being discussed is whether there is any hope for civilisation being able even to survive for another decade or so. Admittedly, the Church did not lead the world as near to the Kingdom of Heaven on earth as she most certainly should have been able to do; but she did not do what materialism has contrived to do with such appalling swiftness, she did not take a world which was full of the promise of life and hurry it to the gates of a vast cemetery.



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COME people would find it difficult Ito decide who was the greatest person they have known. They would have to compare one person with another; traits of character, outlook, ideals, qualities of thought, and so by a process of selection and elimination arrive at their choice. But for me there is no such difficulty. For I had the privilege of knowing one great man, a man whose contribution to education and the problems of youth places him among the greatest educationalists of all time. He has left no autobiography, he gave instructions that no biography for public or private circulation should be written; but he has left his memorial in the hearts and thoughts of those who were influenced by him or who watched his influence on others.

John Lewis Paton was born in Nottingham in 1863, the son of the Rev. Dr. J. B. Paton, Congregational Minister. He became head boy of Shrewsbury and a scholar of St. John's, Cambridge; he obtained first classes in Part I and Part II of the Classical Tripos and was elected a Fellow of his college at the age of 24. He held teaching appointments first at the Leys School, Cambridge, and then at Rugby, where he was the Sixth Form Master for ten years under Dr. Percival. For five years he was Headmaster of University

The Greatest Man I have known

By H. CRAWFORD.

College School, London, where he started a most successful commercial side. In 1903 he started what was really his main work as High Master of Manchester Grammar School. In 1924 he retired for the first time. but following a lecture tour in Canada he was appointed President of the Memorial University College at St. John's, Newfoundland. In eight years he so built up the work that it is now possible for students to take the first two years of their university course before proceeding for their final year to one of the universities in Canada. J. B. Paton retired for the second time in 1933. but still continued his educational activities, and even taught for a time at the age of 78 as part of his war effort. He died at Beckenham, Kent. on April 28th, 1946.

Such are briefly the facts of his career. But they give little idea of the man. They do not explain his greatness. In what then did his greatness consist? Was it as an organiser? He organised the largest school in the country, but others can organise. Was it because of his teaching power? He certainly was a good teacher and brought an amazing keenness and originality in his presentation of a lesson. But I have known other good teachers. His greatness, I think, lay in his sympathetic understanding of the individual boy and his ability to enthuse his pupils and inspire his staff with his clear ideals of conduct and service, his love of truth and beauty, his hatred of anything petty or unclean.

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each month and I hope it may prove a useful means of keeping you in touch with the work and life of the Church in this place.

As I write we are looking forward to Whitsunday—the day which celebrates a new spiritual creation, the day on which Our Lord commenced His unseen ministry and began to reap the harvest He had sown in tears, in agony and in death.

In the field of human conflict, we too won a victory over cruel enemies, almost three years ago-but alas! this third Whitsuntide after the war finds many of us in a mood which we could hardly have anticipated during the years of stress. Then we looked forward to the almost unimaginable days of peace as a time when we should know release from anxiety and the joyous concentration of energies on the work of reconstruction. That, unfortunately, has not been our experience. The world still abounds in problems and the reign of freedom and justice in many parts of it has not begun. The consequences of the strain of six years of war upon our nerves and upon our morals have made, and are making themselves felt. And whatever may be the cause we must admit that we need some inspiration that will lift us up out of the mire and clay of our present situation and give us hope. Strange as it may appear, there was a general exaltation of spirit in the days when danger and possible death were our daily food, which we lack in these days of so-called peace,

It is at times like these when the task is to work patiently and cheerfully without the stimulus of great events that the need for a new source of moral strength is so evident. We are so accustomed to look) to the future for the solution of all our problems that it needs a real effort of will for us to look steadily and humbly to the past for guidance and inspiration.

But, as I reminded you earlier, it will soon be Whit-Sunday and although the world did not know it—its history was changed when on the first Day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit empowered the Church to bear its witness to the 'good news' of Jesus Christ. That trust, that commission to the Church, still holds good. May I invite you to take your full share in setting forth the 'good news' of Jesus Christ? For, when men and women, boys and girls, pray and work together towards a common end, aims are achieved and triumphs are won. Our Parish Church was built as a result of co-operation—it was built for a purpose. It was built for the worship of God, and God takes no delight in empty Churches! Our obvious aim therefore is to come together for prayer and work, so that our Church may become a centre of living worship and a place of power,

It is hoped that we may be able to hold a Christmas Fair at the beginning of December. This has the support and approval of the Church Council, and the "Ladies' Working Party" has already begun to knit and sew furiously in preparation for this event. We ask for the assistance of all who can help in the giving or making of saleable articles for this bazaar.

Ladies' Working Party.

The members of the above organisation had a very enjoyable day on the occasion of their outing to Stratford-on-Avon on June 1st. The weather was kind and no doubt the visit to the birthplace of William Shakespeare inspired much of the poetry of the music which enlivened the travellers on the return journey!

Confirmation.

The following young people of our parish were confirmed by the Bishop of Derby on Sunday, May 30th:—

MALES.

M. Bellamy, W. B. Bowie, J. R. Gale, D. J. Kirkman, M. A. J. Lee, D. Maltby, R. J. Phillips, M. P. Stirgess, K. B. Turner.

FEMALES.

K. E. M. Bowie, J. M. Bunting, K. A. Clarke, B. Coates, J. Coates, B. Cooper, M. English, M. Gagg, P. C. Kirby, S. I. Kirby, J. P. Lakey, J. M. Mather, P. V. Metcalfe, B. Revnolds, E. Rowlinson, D. A. Stansfield, A. T. Taylor.

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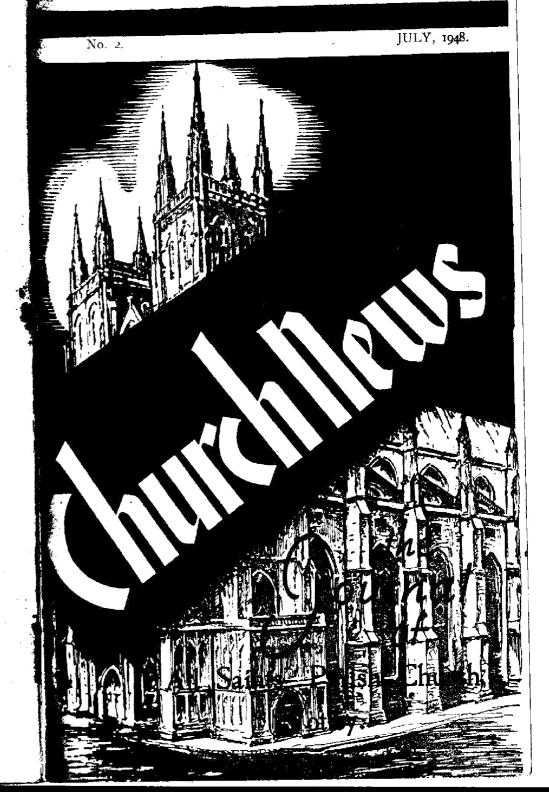
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18-8th Sunday after Trinity.

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25—9th Sunday after Trinity. St. James, Apos. and Mar.

> Totley Vicarage, June, 1948.

My dear Friends,

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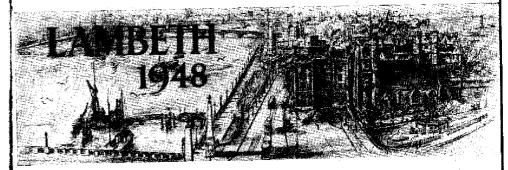
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The B.B.C. hope to arrange for a distinguished layman to explain to listeners before the Conference begins what it is all about, to follow the public activities of the Conference

in news broadcasts, and to consider the results in "Christian Commentaries."

Chairman and Secretary.—The Secretary of the Conference is the Senior English Bishop—the Bishop of Winchester. The Chairman, the Archbishop of Canterbury. Lord Davidson was the only Archbishop who presided at two Conferences, and as the last Conference was eighteen years ago there will be very few of the same Bishops present.

Lambeth Veterans.—Three only of the English diocesan bishops, who attended the last Lambeth Conference in 1930, remain on the active list. They are the Bishops of Birmingham, Chelmsford and Chichester. Of the other thirty-nine who will be summoned, one has some first-hand acquaintance with the Conference and its procedure, namely, the Bishop of Winchester, who in 1930 was one of Archbishop Davidson's chaplains and acted as secretary of the Conference. Of the Bishops of the Church in Wales only the present Archbishop was at Lambeth in 1930. He was then Bishop of St. David's.

Japan and Lambeth. — Four Japanese bishops have been invited by the Archbishop of Canterbury to take part in the Lambeth Conference. The bishops themselves are eager to attend. But it is not at all certain whether they will be permitted to leave Japan. As yet neither this

and out of all the unrest, rottenness, persecution, striving, there rose from the breach of the Western Church itself men whose names to this day remain undimmed - Wyclif, public Teacher of Theology at Oxford; Milicz, chief Preacher at Prague Cathedral: Huss, Professor of Philosophy; Wessel, Professor at Cologne; Reuchlin and Erasmus, Savanarola, Calvin and Zwingli, Luther and Melancthon, without mentioning the English Reformers, and many another leader within the Western Church bent on reform. But in the papal chair in this period sat the monster Borgia (1492-1503, Alexander VI), the fighting Julius II (1503-1513), the astute Leo X (1513-1521). Enlightenment, learning and piety in Christendom faced indifference, ignorance and vice in the Holy City. The result was the fragmentation of the Western Church. Tragedy indeed it was beyond doubt. It shattered Christendom.

On to our Day.

One of those fragments is what we now call the Roman Catholic Church, that part which at that time strife of the succeeding generations which they are Bishops.

did away with most of the abuses which caused the schism, but to this day remains unreformed in doctrine. Another of those fragments is the English Church, which, after faltering in the 16th and 17th centuries, has established herself more particularly in these later days as a worldwide Church, and therefore is now more correctly known as the Anglican Church, because it stretches far and wide outside these Islands. In this Lambeth year, 1948, the Anglican Church contains 320 dioceses and all except 69 are outside the British Isles. From all parts of the World from America and Canada, from China and Japan, from India and Pakistan and Burma, from all parts of Africa, from Australia and New Zealand, from South America and the Arctic, have come this year Bishops, leaders of our ancient and apostolic Church, to consult together on the problems confronting our beloved and age-long Church, which has outlived every peril and storm down to this atomic age. Shall we pray for them that in the mercy of God their deliberations may bring to them a deeper love and zeal for our Lord who founded the Church and rejected reform, but which in the a deeper devotion to the Church of

Books to Read.—The following books are suggested for those desiring to learn more about the Anglican Church and the Lambeth Conference. "Christian History in the Making," by Canon J. McLeod Campbell, 10/6-a vivid account of the growth of our Church. "Lambeth Calls," 3/6, by the same author—an excellent resume of the Anglican Church as it is today. The drawing of Lambeth Palace on P. 1 is reproduced by kind permission from the cover of this book. "The Handbook of the Lambeth Conference," 1/2, gives the Official Agenda and programme of the Conference, with excellent articles about the Conference and the Church Leaders attending. These books can be obtained from Press and Publications Board, Church House, Westminster, S.W.1.

Archbishop of York in " The Claims of the Church of England."

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The Abiding Light

In the beginning—God.

by The Rev. W. ERSKINE BLACKBURN, M.A.

COMEONE has said that the of old, even from everlasting. Bible is the god of books because it is the Book of God. That it is the Book of God is plain from Genesis to Revelation. Throughout its varied content God is always present. It reveals and interprets God to man as no other instrument has done or can do. In man's quest for God and in his search for the meaning, purpose and destiny of life, there is no substitute for the Bible.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." From this starting point one recognises that neither the universe nor man has developed by chance or accident. God was in the beginning and remains to all eternity the primary assurance that life has purpose. As we become familiar with God at work in the universe, we discern that we have something in common with Him and "The Abiding Light" announces that. "The Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." To living souls the Bible provides wholesome nurture. It unveils the Creator's loving interest in his whole creation. The Apostles' Creed in its opening affirmation seizes on this revelation of Holy Scripture: "I believe in God the Father Almighty." He was a Father from

The Bible is not a record of human discovery; it is the record of God's mighty acts. It is dangerous for men to limit the Holy One of Israel. Much of the appeal and power of the Bible can be lost through vain man's attempt to rationalise or explain away the mighty acts of God.

I have come to believe that the wisest and most fruitful approach to understand anything is through Jesus Christ. In the prologue of the Fourth Gospel, inspired by God, one of the master minds of the ages, provides a summary not merely of his own book, but as we may learn through earnest study and quiet meditation, a summary of the whole divine library. "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men." In these words we meet two of the three great themes of the Bible-creation and revelation. (The other is salva-

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the case for Church Schools plainly and forcefully. As you know there is in this parish a Church School with a long record of service to the people of this place-indeed it is the only school of any kind actually in our parish. The trouble now is, that Totley has outgrown the school building. No doubt you have all heard of the new Education Act 1944. By the terms of that act and in accordance with the Development Plans of each area for education throughout the country every school, church or otherwise, have to be brought up to date. It is common to suppose that only Church schools are in need of modernisation—that is completely wrong-I know of schools handed over to Local Education Authorities ten and twenty years ago by Church School Managers, who thought themselves unable to meet the cost of modernisation, since when, not one single solitary alteration has been made to those buildings by the Local Education Authorities to whom they were handed over!

In the Development Plan for Totley C.E. School—the cost of alterations is £17,000, of which, the Ministry of Education will find one half, leaving us to find the remaining £8,500 at some unspecified time in the future. In conversations the Managers and I have had with Mr. O'Neill, we have been promised considerable financial help by the Diocese of Derby, perhaps and I stress perhaps as much as 60% of our share of the cost.

I have informed the Minister of Education that we intend to keep our school for the church and I want you to back me up in every possible way—by your prayers, by your interest and by your financial assistance and this for two very good reasons. First, because for many years the church has provided a place of education for the children of this parish—are we going to allow the sacrifices of former generations of church people to go for nought? This is a time when, more than ever before, the church must strengthen her hold over the children of this country.

Second, because when the alterations to the existing building are carried out there must be a central assembly hall with a stage at one end. You all know we need a Church Hall—somewhere in which we may hold our organisations—here is our *only* opportunity of getting one—that school hall, free from desks and the impedimenta of a school will provide a meeting place for the people of this parish.

I regard this business of the church school as a challenge to all of us who profess and call ourselves churchmen—let us accept the challenge—remembering that work done for the church is work for God.

Yours sincerely, FREDERICK ADAMSON.

of living water; the food from heaven symbolised by the manna, which tells us—"as thy days, so shall thy strength be". Indeed, just as the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt plays so large a part in the Old Testament, so our own period of transition may be one of great happiness to the faithful Christian who will answer the call to adventure for God.

Yours sincerely, FREDERICK ADAMSON.

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We are pleased to record the following examination successes, and to congratulate the scholars and the Day School Staff on a splendid record of achievement:

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The Sunday School will be temporarily closed during the Sundays in August, that is, after July 25th until September 5th, a period roughly corresponding to the Day School holidays. August is still the holiday month, and this temporary closure will enable the scholars, not to mention the Sunday School Teachers, to have their annual summer holidays and will enable the school to resume its work as a unit when the holiday period is over.

Dates to Remember.

We wish to give preliminary notice of the following events. Sept. 14—8 p.m. Parish Meeting in School to consider offers of help from any member of the congregation towards the success of the proposed "Christmas Bazaar". We look forward to a good attendance at this meeting. Sept. 28—Meeting of Par. Church Council in School, 8 p.m.

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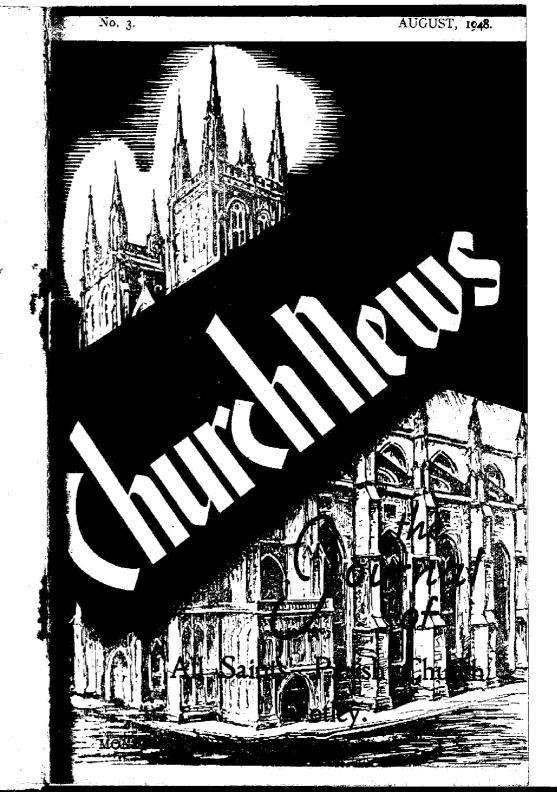
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There are Celebrations of the Holy Communion on Saints' Days at 10 a.m., or, as announced in Church.

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CALENDAR FOR AUGUST.

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22—13th Sunday after Trinity.

24 Tuesday, St. Bartholomew, Apos. & Mar. H.C.

29-14th Sunday after Trinity.

TOTLEY VICARAGE,

July, 1948.

My dear Friends.

Last Sunday night I listened to a talk on the radio entitled, "Civilisation on Trial". I thought this a particularly apposite talk in view of the unhappy conditions existing in the world of our day.

Personally, I am of the opinion that we are living in a time of rapid change when a great western civilisation is passing away. Its successor may be better or worse; we may have to face a transition period of great confusion before the outlines of the new order become clear: but that the old order is passing is a truth that only the blind can fail to see.

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"Why don't the churches unite?" How often has that question been earnestly asked. At Amsterdam from August 22nd to September 4th will meet the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches. This is the most significant step yet taken towards reunion on a world scale.

THE year 1948 is a year of excep- seen that it would be many years the Christian Church. It opened in January with the Westminster Conference of the Student Christian Movement; in July, Anglican Bishops from all parts of the world have been in conference at Lambeth; and, in

August, the World Council of Churches will be formaily constituted at its first Assembly.

Since 1910, when the first great Missionary Conference was held in Edinburgh, the non-Roman Churches throughout the world have been moving gradually towards closer Christian fellowship. The building of that fellowship was described by Archbishop William Temple, in his enthronement address, as "the great new fact of our era."

When, in 1937, the Oxford and Edinburgh conferences of the parallel world movements of "Faith and Order" and "Life and Work" accepted the proposal for a World Council and set up a provisional committee; and when, in 1938, a constitution was drafted at Utrecht, it was not fore-

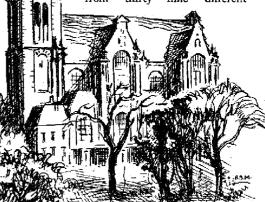
Wester Kerk, Amsterdam, where the final Service of the Amsterdam Conference will be held,

tional importance in the history of before the first constituent Assembly could be held.

> Nevertheless, throughout the war and in the years that have followed, the Council "in process of formation" has carried out a programme of service far exceeding the hopes of its sponsors. and has established itself as a channel through which Christian people are enabled to fulfil their increasing desire for co-operation and unity, in thought, prayer and action, throughout the world.

Through its services to prisoners of war and refugees; through its department of Reconstruction and Interchurch aid; through the Ecumenical Training Institute, the Commission on International Affairs, the study department and the youth department, the Council is becoming a practical fact in World Christendom.

The invitation to membership of the Council has now been accepted by 135 communions from thirty - nine different



COMMENTARY

The Rev. PAUL GLIDDON

THE missionary-minded can find little pleasure in the reverse which has overtaken General Smuts. Anglican Bishops in South Africa have had reason to be very critical of the burdens thrust upon the native population even under the Smuts regime, but his overthrow, so far from meaning that the tail of bricks will be diminished, seems more likely to result in the natives being denied even the necessary straw.

WHOEVER was responsible for arranging that Princess Elizabeth and her husband should visit a Parisian night club on a Sunday evening did nothing calculated to deepen admiration for the Royal Family. The traditional English Sunday may have owed more to judaism than to the Catholic Church but, however mistaken it was, nevertheless it was a way by which our people were accustomed to acknowledge a certain duty to Almighty God. Religion is not convention but it is quite as often sustained by convention as it is strangled when knocking away a disliked prop perform its necessary function; otherimperilled. From one point of view it may be argued that the Royal Family should be as free to order its own life as any other aristocratic family, but it is precisely because it is a family set apart that it is so honoured and acclaimed. The ordinary Churchman who may want to discourage his find that his task has been made any visiting every household.

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IF a prize were awarded to the nation which had enhanced its prestige since hostilities ended, it is difficult to think of any country which could put up any sort of case for receiving such a reward. Not one of the "great" powers seems as great as in the war days, while the lesser ones have done little to show that they have begun to grasp the possibility of a greatness independent of military might. It may be that the littleness of man becomes more evident as he is increasingly dwarfed by the problems his own folly has so largely created; it is certainly his grave misfortune that, when the prophetic voice is so urgently needed, those who command a hearing have so little to say, while those who have something to say receive little attention.

▲ BOUT a dozen neighbouring clergymen in parishes near Sevenoaks seem to be experimenting on a new way of doing parish work, for by it. Care should therefore be taken they have planned a series of missions in the parishes they represent and, to see that there is something else to instead of looking for outside help, the group as a whole is conducting each wise the whole building may be mission. The first of these recently took place in Shoreham, Kent, and often the majority of the clergy were present to form part of the congregation at the services they had planned. Before the mission they had called at almost every house in the parish. In days when people are accustomed to complain that the clergy never visit, children from thinking that a night such criticism seems a little silly when club is not the best place in which to no less than ten parish priests are seen pass a Sunday evening is not going to to be engaged in the business of



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The Bishop of Bangor with Children at Pwllheli Camp.

Butlins and the Church

N September, 1946, Mr. W. E. Butlin spoke to the Rev. G. C. Davies regarding the appointment of full time resident chaplains to his five camps, situated at Filey Bay, Skegness, Clacton-on-Sea, Pwllheli and Heads of Ayr. "England is in dire moral and spiritual need and by the appointment of chaplains I think my camps may help," said Mr. Butlin.

In October, 1946, the Archbishop of York was approached by Colonel Basil Brown, Director of Entertainment and Welfare to Messrs. Butlins Limited, and Mr. Butlin's decision regarding the appointment of chaplains was discussed at great length. In April, 1947, His Grace licensed the Rev. D. J. Hill, an ex staff Chaplain B.A.O.R., to the Filey camp. At the same time, Butlins Limited appointed

the Rev. G. C. Davies as organizing chaplain to the company. Mr. Davies saw service as a chaplain with the Union Defence Forces and the R.A.F.

In May, 1947, the Bishop of Bangor licensed the Rev. G. H. James, who had served as a chaplain with the British Army for six years, to the Pwilheli camp, and to the Skegness camp the Rev. T. Pugh was licensed by the diocese of Lincoln. Mr. Pugh was a P.O.W. in Japanese hands for four years, having been captured at Singapore. The Bishop of Chelmsford appointed the Rev. J. D. Johns, a London parish priest, to the Clactonon-Sea camp.

Have these appointments, made at a time when there is a great shortage of parish priests, been worth while? Decidedly yes. Each of the five camps

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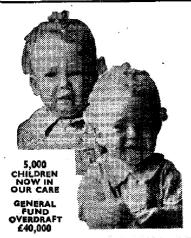
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The great civilisation of the past was that of the Roman Empire, which began to break up in the fourth and fifth centuries after Christ. In the Dark Ages that followed men could not stand alone; they had to put themselves under the protection of the nearest strong man. Gradually, what we call feudalism arose; a state of society in which every man had his place, his obligations and his rights. You were a nobleman, a craftsman or a peasant-you accepted your position with a simplicity which we cannot imagine to-day. Over all was the Church, the society representing God on earth; it was the influence which balanced feudalism, which told the peasant that in God's sight he was equal to the nobleman and in the next world this would be manifest. It was belief in God which sweetened the rigours of feudalism and held it together. When that belief decayed the system began to fall to pieces.

It was succeeded by new movements which expressed themselves in the Renaissance and the Reformation. We may call them by the name Humanism. For what distinguished them was the immense growth of individualism, the individual man felt his powers, the powers of human nature long unused, and determined to use them on his environment. From this change in man's outlook came Protestantism, the great scientific movements of the last three centuries, the business developments of capitalism and all that we mean by the "machine age". Men were intoxicated with their own achievements and the climax of absurdity was reached in a line of poetry by a man called Swinburne—"Glory to man in the highest, for man is the master of things".

And now the fabric, like a new Tower of Babel is collapsing. The human edifice built without God, will not stand. Realising this after the further bitter experience of two horrible world wars, we see that we have been misled by a vast army of false prophets, against whom Christ warned in Matthew vii, 15. The glories of the age of prosperity and peace have not come.

Undeterred by the lessons of history the political prophets continue to prophesy smooth things. Not because we are cynics but because we know that all human plans which leave out God have failed in the past and will fail again, we say, "Beware of false prophets".

Field Marshal Smuts once said—"Humanity has struck its tents and is on the march". He was right—but marching whither? Meanwhile, for you and me on the march what lies ahead? Probably forty years in the wilderness, a time of enforced austerity of life for us all, with progress towards our goal distressingly slow—well, let us count our blessings here in the desert, God's mercy and protection, the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night; the streams

Sunday School.

The Sunday School which has been temporarily closed for the holiday period will re-open on Sunday, September 5th at 2.30 p.m. May we appeal to the parents of our Sunday School children to see that so far as their children are concerned the holiday is not prolonged beyond the above date?!

Official Meetings.

Sept. 14-Christmas Bazaar Meeting in School at 8 p.m. Sept. 28-Meeting of Parochial Church Council in School at 8 p.m.

BAPTISMS.

July 4-Trevor Vaughan.

July 17-Jacqueline Gale Roberts Lodge.

July 18-Sally Elizabeth Harrison.

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MARRIAGES.

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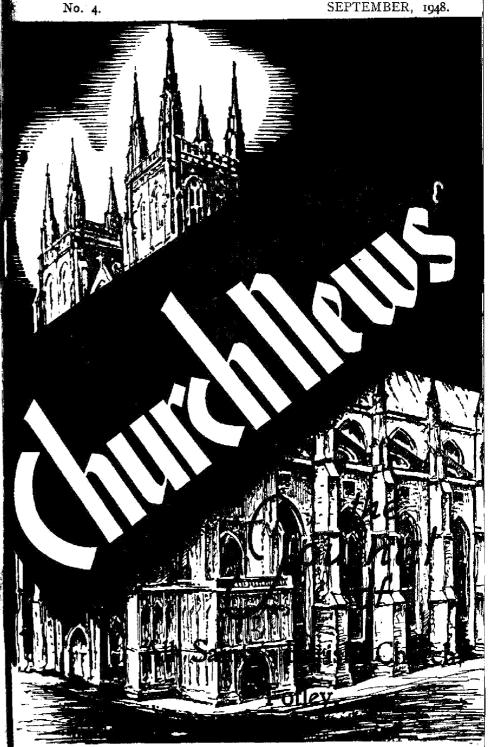
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CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER.

Sept. 5-15th Sunday after Trinity.

12—16th Sunday after Trinity.

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21—Tuesday, St. Matthew, Ap., Evang. and M. H.C. 10 a.m.

26-18th Sunday after Trinity.

29 Wednesday, St. Michael and All Angels. H.C. to a.m.

TOTLEY VICARAGE,

August, 1948.

My dear Friends,

At the same time as you receive this copy of the parish magazine you will also receive an envelope addressed to you personally. As you will discover, it is an appeal for your support for a memorial to the late Vicar of this Parish, the Rev. R. J. Hutton, who gave nearly 24 years of his life to the service of God in this place. We feel that no better memorial could be devised to the memory of a priest than an altar—the very focal point of the worship of the Christian Church. At the same time, we feel that a "Lady Chapel" in the north aisle of our Parish Church

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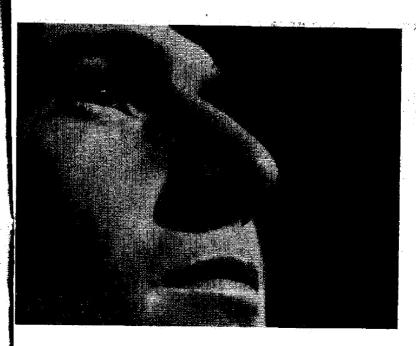
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Go into any church service you like and look around you. Check the congregations, large or small, and, with few exceptions, what do you find? Young people probably, women most certainly, and all credit to them: but men? They average one in ten to one in twenty of the normal congregation. Listen to the Vicar's notices: Mothers' Union, Women's Fellowship, Youth Clubs, Girls' Club, Scouts, Guides; but activities for men? The men are shouting on football fields, playing snooker or darts in the local club or pub, digging the garden, mending the fence, reading the news-

In Eclipse?

By the Rev. CECIL RHODES

paper. But in the Church, men are in eclipse.

Take a Diocesan magazine, and what do you find? Diocesan Youth Chaplains, Mothers' Union Organisers, Diocesan Welfare Workers, Diocesan this and Diocesan that; but a Diocesan something for men? Perhaps an apologetic notice of the C.E.M.S. and nothing more.

And yet men, whether we like it or not—and with all the belief you like in the equality of the sexes—men it is who dominate the home situation, the business world, trade unions, civic and national life. Men it is who still defend our homes and who are still the ministers and officers of our Church.

The Power of Prayer Sudden Journey: in a Crisis.

This article appeared recently in "Evangel," monthly magazine published by Calvary Church, New York, where the Rev. S. M. Shoemaker carries forward a remarkable ministry. Marie Reeves, the writer, acted for several years as secretary to a leading American scientist.

I daily contact with a group of devoted Christian people, during which time I also had the privilege of observing the daily activities of a minister whose life is devoted to helping others and demonstrating his knowledge of a personal, living God, I had a deeply moving, spirituals awakening that completely changed my life.

Shortly thereafter, a job was offered me in the West-work I would have felt utterly inadequate for, prior to my new experience. Now I accepted it gladly, journeyed half way across the continent, and for six months or more served in my new post as secretary to the Bishop of one of our great Protestant Episcopal dioceses.

Bad News Hit Suddenly

Then the blow fell. A growth which had previously made me suspect some serious trouble, sent me to a new doctor who, after a brief examination, pronounced it malignant. The Bishop was away on the West Coast. In my prayers I felt a clear conviction that I should return East for an operation. By long-distance telephone, my friend and employer confirmed my tentative decision to fly home and I quickly made a reservation on a night flight.

The suddenness of my departureand the whole experience-kept me mentally confused for a time, but as the great plane rose high in the air to cross the snow-capped mountains, I prayed, turning over my whole case, my physical condition, and myself into God's hands. It seemed no time in Jesus Christ's name.

IN July of last year, after a month's at all then before I found myself relaxed and completely at peace.

The stewardess brought me a pillow and a blanket, and I fell into a deep, restful sleep. When I awoke, the balance of my trip neld much interest for me, and when my family met me at my destination they were amazed at my lack of concern regarding the operation. I, however, had received such sure knowledge that all would be well with me, that any fears or shock were entirely missing.

Later I learned that I was on the operating table three-and-a-half hours, and required transfusions, but I also learned that the devoted group of church people who had helped me before were gathered together in prayer for my sake. These prayers, as well as those of other friends, were answered! My healing started almost immediately, and the doctor was amazed at my rapid recovery and the fact that I had lost none of my customary energy.

Two weeks from the day of my operation, I was actually in a department store doing some necessary shopping, before returning to my new home and my work in the West.

To me, and to all of my friends who have observed it, this operation has been the most wonderful demonstration of the power of prayerbanishing all fear, strengthening one's faith, and engendering rapid healing of the body.

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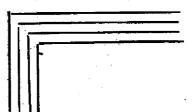
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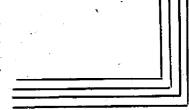
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The Abiding Light

The Fourth Article by the Rev. W. ERSKINE BLACKBURNE

I write this article with joyous gratitude into which I am confident all our readers will enter. My theme is inexhaustible and will never die, for my theme has been, and will ever continue to be, the inspiration of all seeking the good of man and the glory of God. I am writing of Him in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge—Jesus Christ—the Light of the world whose life is the light of men. He is the everlasting hope of man.

BEHOLD the man!" He is the source, the foundation and the centre of Christian faith. Christ is Christianity and Christianity is Christ. The first apostles preached "Jesus and the Resurrection." What Jesus taught and did are important, but what He was and is give His teaching and wonderful works their value. "Ye search the scriptures because ye think that in them ye have eternal life; and these are they which bear witness of me; and ye will not come to me, that ye may have life."

No one has ever lived with Christ without becoming a believer in God. Even the French agnostic, Renan, recognised that Jesus was above his reporters. "The character of Jesus, so far from having been embellished, has been diminished by his biographers." You will never exhaust the wonder of His power nor exhaust the marvel of His love. He still has many things to say unto us. "I have many things to say unto you, but ye cannot hear them now." Amid all the bewildering darkness and distress of our time Christ is able to guide and strengthen every humble believer.

"The night was dark and the shadows spread

As far as the eye could see;
I stretched my hand to a human

And He walked through the dark

Out of the darkness at last we came, Our feet on the dawn warmed sod; And I knew by the light in His wondrous eyes

That I walked with the Son of God."

Jesus was a great patriot. He wept over Jerusalem hastening with blind wilfulness to its destruction. Yet, think how He transcends nationalism. Jacob is essentially a Jew, Washington an American, Churchill an Englishman, but we must look beyond Judea for the explanation of Christ Jesus. Neither heredity nor environment—nor both together—can explain Jesus. Pilate, the Roman, could find no fault in Him, and the scrutiny of generations only confirms the flawlessness of God's perfect Gift to man.

How He expands the connotation of great, familiar words! Gives them larger, richer meanings. "Who is my neighbour?" asks a lawyer, and, swift as the dawnlight, Jesus defines the word in the immortal story of an unknown Samaritan who rescued a Jewish victim from highwaymen gangsters. A neighbour is not the man next you, but the man who needs your help. And you are neighbour to the unfortunate, afflicted traveller on the road of life as you help him in his distress. The good-neighbour policy is not a modern invention. It is a re-discovery of the truth as it is in Tesus.

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Yours sincerely, FREDERICK ADAMSON.

Personal.

It was with a grievous sense of shock that we learned of the death of Mrs. Anne Maria Crowther. It was typical of the whole personality of the lady that she slipped away from this life in the same unobtrusive and quiet way as she had lived these many years among us. Those of us who knew her will not soon forget the gentle, kindly personality that was Anne Crowther. Truly, it may be said of her, that she looked for a city whose maker and builder is God.

Our sympathy goes out to our old friend and Churchwarden, Mr. Crowther, in his sad loss and we pray for him that consolation which alone cometh from God.

Resignations.

It was with regret that the Day School Managers accepted the resignation of Miss Short from the Day-School Staff. We would offer our sympathy to her on the recent death of her father and we regret that domestic responsibilities have made it necessary for her to proffer her resignation.

It would appear to be almost the end of our epoch in the history of this Parish now that Mr. A. J. Foulstone has had to sever his active connection with the Sunday School because of advancing years and indifferent health. Countless boys and girls, many of them now grown up and with families of their own, have passed through his hands during the years he has taught Sunday by Sunday in our Parish Sunday School. However, now he feels he must lay aside the task he has performed so ably and so conscientiously these many years past. We would thank him for his services and express the hope that he may be spared to worship with us for many years to come.

Christmas Bazaar.

As we informed you last month there will be a Parish Meeting in School on September 14th at 8 p.m., to consider offers of help from any member of the congregation towards the success of the "Christmas Bazaar". We hope for a really representative meeting and we will welcome any definite and concrete offers of assistance.

1. POTTERY STALL-Mesdames Lake and Wilmin.

2. CHRISTMAS GIFTS—Miss S. Cole, Miss E. Cole and Mrs. Culley.

3. FOOD AND PRODUCE—Mesdames Lee, Kirkman, and Copestake.

4. Needlework—Mesdames Crowther, Chapelle, Whitehouse and Humphrey.

5. ICE CREAM-Messrs. Kirkman and Lee (Junr.)

6. Soft Drinks-Mrs. Mills.

7. Games—Darts, Hoop-La, Killing the Rat, Fishing, etc. Messrs. Stacey, Copestake, Levesley, Stansfield.

8. TEAS-Mesdames Coleman and Stacey.

9. School Stall-Leatherwork, etc.-Staff and Scholars.

There will be a "Receiving Stall" in the charge of Mrs. Stansfield, for any very late gifts.

We have the goods—you will need them for Christmas, we invite you to roll up in your thousands and help us make this a resounding success!

Day School.

We have pleasure in announcing the formation of a School Football Team. Playing in the colours of All Saints' (green and gold), the team has so far won two matches and lost one. We submit, that on average, that is a better performance than that of Sheffield United!

Presentation.

On behalf of the Staff and Scholars of the Sunday School, the Vicar presented Mr. A. J. Foulstone with a Swan fountain-pen and a Waterman propelling pencil as a small token of appreciation for his services to the Sunday School. We feel sure you will wish him many many years in which he may use his gifts.

Harvest Festival.

Our thanks to all who sent gifts to the Harvest Festival. The "decorators" deserve a special thank you. The gifts were afterwards distributed to the sick and aged and also to the "Waifs and Strays" and to the Orphanage, and were received with gratitude.

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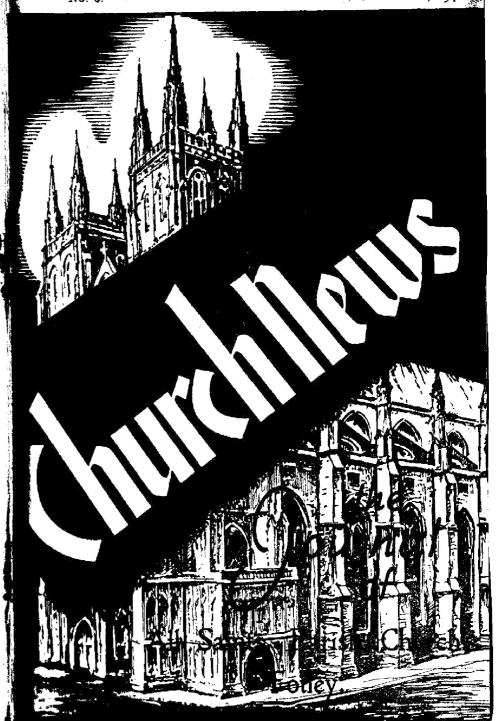
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7—Patronal Festival (Sunday within Octave of All S.S.). Remembrance Day.

14-25th Sunday after Trinity.

21-26th Sunday after Trinity.

28—Advent Sunday.

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TOTLEY VICARAGE,

October, 1948.

My dear Friends,

These quiet days of Autumn have for most of us a touch of sadness in them. The Summer has passed; the green life of the countryside is fading; birds and beasts and flowers are slowly retreating before the persistent oncoming Winter. Spring we say is a time of birth, Autumn is a time of maturity.

The revolving seasons remind us of the transience of human life, they remind us that we are wanderers through the vale of life. Travellers we needs must be, since here we have no continuing city; but it is left to us to determine whether as aimless wanderers we will journey along the Remember your Hand Cream from

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eleventh day of the eleventh menth, across the years which passed between the two world wars, we kept with solemn remembrance the two most sacred moments in each of those years of the world's life.

In every land and on every seawherever there was one outpost of Empire, or one member of the British Commonwealth of Free Peoples-in factories, workshops, offices and in the fields, men and women paused in their tasks, so that in the silence we could "remember them."

Some of those moments stand out in my life.

On a troopship in the Red Sea, outward bound for China. The sweltering heat under the canvas awnings, which almost made one long for the cold November days, so quickly forgotten. The Troops fallen-in at their Boat Stations, then suddenly the ship's syren, the quick words of command, the stopping of the engines and the silence over all as we slipped through the water under our own momentum. Again the syren, followed by the buglers sounding Last Post and Reveille, bringing us back to life again, while the Lascars and Genoese Stewards no doubt wondered what it was all about.

Remembrance Days in Hong Kong. The Square formed up around the Cenotaph in front of the Club. The subside.

AT the eleventh hour of the Legislative Council ceremoniously attired in top hats and morning coats, looking somewhat strange (and uncomfortable), in contrast with the full dress of the C.-in-C. and the Senior Officers of the Services waiting in line for the Signal gun. Again the brilliant sunshine and heat, so different from the probable conditions which would prevail at the Cenotaph in Whitehall that morning.

Tientsin 1937, in Victoria Square, in the British Concession. War was being bitterly waged a few miles away. Japanese ruthless aggression had already clamped down on the city, outside the Concessions. Here alone was peace and security.

Japan had been our Ally in the first World War, and had taken part in the Remembrance Anniversaries which followed, but, in order to avoid any kind of unpleasantness it was decided, on this occasion, not to invite their local garrison to send their representatives. But what that Silence meant was well known to them.

The Service commenced. At 11 o'clock came the Silence.

Precisely at that moment a Japanese heavy bomber, going at full blast, flew at low altitude directly over the Cenotaph. Discipline held and no one moved, either soldier or civilian, but a rage boiled up in the hearts of all present, British, Chinese, French and Italian, which took days to



Concerning Men

In an article—"In Eclipse"—in the September number of this magazine, the Editor, the Rev. Cecil Rhodes, asked the question whether the time had come for the Church as a whole and the parishes individually to concern themselves in a new and constructive way about men.

The aim to be to seek to awaken in men a new appreciation of the Faith and a new realization of their Church membership. We are still anxious to know what you think. Write to the Rev. Cecil Rhodes, 158, Upper Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells. He would be glad too, to have a report of men's activities in your parish.

A Secret Longing

"For many years I have watched men drift from the happy atmosphere of Church life, myself included, and it is one of my secret longings to see the position reversed. Most of my happiest days were spent in Church life. Yet as I have grown older I have been conscious of a subtle power drawing me farther from God. I have asked myself the reasons and compared my conclusions with others. We think:—

"(1) Selfishness forced on us because life has demanded more from us and God has been shut out in our struggle to do

well.

"(2) The inspiration has gone out from Church life. This we attribute to the fact that too much is demanded of the Clergy in a material way, e.g., upkeep of Church buildings, rambling vicarages, bazaars,

"(3) Most of us try to set good examples based on what we learnt from Church in our youth, but our efforts are largely wasted because we are divided and are groping for strength."

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In America

"The article expresses my convictions exactly. If we can build up the men's work in our churches, all the rest will follow along. One of the troubles here in America has been that we have tried to make the men do the work without giving them sufficient spiritual help. We are finding at Calvary that small groups or 'Christian cells' furnish the most adequate and effective means for this kind of fellowship, and one men's group in particular, which has been operat-

ing now for about six years, has become a kind of leaven within the larger work. This meeting is entirely inter-denominational. It takes place late Monday afternoon, and business men and others come from their offices and often bring new friends with them. Out from this meeting have gone various ones who have started groups of their own in other parishes and other situations. The underlying motive and reason for the group is that we may become more effective in our service to Christ. The meetings are very open and inclusive, and yet only those who desire to grow in Christian effectiveness become sustaining members in the fellowship."

IRVING HARRIS, Editor "The Evangel." (New York Magazine of Calvary Church).

". . . The position of men in the Church is a vital question, and something must be done about it. . . "

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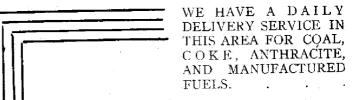
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COMMENTARY

THE REV. PAUL GLIDDON

are among the most successful living agents for the spreading of the Christian Gospel, and there must be many priests who would long for a like opportunity of reaching the modern world. It is therefore rather disappointing that girls in Christian homes are not more encouraged by their parents and by the other members of the family to enter the nursing profession. The hospital nurse has hourly contact with numbers of those men and women the clergy are finding it increasingly difficult to reach. What the hospital chaplain may say to a patient may count for very little, but similar words coming from the lips of the nurse carry very great weight indeed. At present it does happen that there is probably a far higher percentage of instructed Christians among our leading hospital matrons than there is in any other lay profession. But the Church must produce so many highly trained nurses that every important post is held by a communicant member, not through favouritism or the adroit pulling of strings, but because in the company of keen Christians there can be found the most brilliant of nurses.

ALTHOUGH that considerable proportion of the population who are baptized have been solemnly bidden "to hear sermons," only a very small section makes any attempt to carry the advice into effect. But there is one sort of sermon to which they will submit, it is the sermon preached in stone by so many of our ancient churches and, indeed, by some which are very modern. Although our countrymen, in effect, regard the Church as out of bounds when the ignorant.

THERE must be many nurses who parson is officiating, they will boldly enter when he is not, and are even quite glad to talk with a surprising degree of respect if they chance to find him busy about the Church. What some of the clergy do not seem to realise is that the missionary work of preaching the Sacred Word to our own countrymen has been taken up by the sacred buildings themselves. People will not hear God's Word spoken by His ministers, but they will try to understand something of its meaning as it is spoken by His House. This does mean that the same care should be bestowed on the sermon in stone as upon the spoken sermon, and that those who look after a church with loving zeal may be doing just as much as an eloquent preacher to bring an indifferent world to some understanding of the love of God.

> WHEN are the local papers in this country going to start refusing to print some of the fulsome and ridiculous lines which are published as memorial verses?

> > "The trumpet sounded. Peter said 'Come,' The pearly gates opened And in walked Mum."

was a verse that did meet with rejection because it was submitted to a responsible incumbent, but the stuff which the Press publishes week by week seems to slip through without any difficulty. Many of these verses suggest a conception of the life bevond as a family reunion, with God hovering round to see that all their wants receive proper attention. They are sloppy in sentiment, ridiculous as poetry, and, of any true conception of the Christian Faith, blatantly



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road of life or whether it shall be as pilgrims that we will take that road. The pilgrim is he who has the "wishing heart", who has seen a vision of the City of God—an ideal that he fain would reach—and has willed to seek it along the pilgrim's way. Often indeed he forgets the vision for a while, but it is never wholly lost, because his heart, like some magnetic needle within him, is always pointing to that city of his dreams—the city "not made with hands"—the city of the Saints. These "Saints", after whom our Parish Church is named and whose festival we keep on November 7th, were those in whom was the pilgrim heart which seeks a city.

In a world such as ours where so many are content to walk with aimless feet along roads which lead nowhere, the Saints have gone by that harder Pilgrim's Way which leads to that City of God which they have longed to reach. They have set before them a great purpose; they have seen afar off a great ideal which they have followed to the end.

And if, with feet that have sometimes been weary, they have trodden that Pilgrim's Way, yet of such it is written that "God is not ashamed to be called their God for He hath prepared for them a city".

We should remember that for us likewise, God hath prepared a city has it ever occurred to us to ask ourselves whether we are worthy to enter it—or have we been too busy like the people of whom Jeremiah spoke when he said—"they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water"? Well have we? I wonder!

Yours sincerely, FREDERICK ADAMSON.

Lady Chapel.

The Lady Chapel Fund has now reached the total of £300 the work will be put in hand as soon as the faculty has been granted. There is still a need for further subscriptions and the Vicar would be glad if such subscriptions could be given to brin as soon as possible.

Christmas Bazaar

You will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Shepley, of Woodthorpe Halb has consented to open the Christmas Bazaar to be held on Saturday, December 4th between the hours of 3 p.m.—7 p.m. We hope you will come along and support us on this occasion and we ask that gifts for the various stalls etc. should be given to the appropriate persons listed below, or to the Magazine Distributors— as soon as possible please?

Christmas Bazaar. Preparations go on apace! Many of you are working tremendously hard for this event to be held on December 4th at 3 p.m.-more power to your elbows! Once again we ask everyone with the welfare of our Parish Church at heart to come along and help us make this occasion a resounding success.

Christmas Tree.

We hope that during the Christmas period a decorated and illuminated Christmas Tree will stand in our Church. You will remember that last year the Christmas Tree was instrumental in raising the sum of £36 for the Blind Babies' Fund. As was the case last year, cards will be hung on the tree bearing the names of those whose generous gifts will help to make Christmas a happier time for those children who lack the blessed gift of sight. So please, of your charity, be as generous as you possibly can and hand your gifts to the Vicar.

Sunday School.

The Christmas Party this year will be held on Saturday, December 18th, in the School. The Teachers would be grateful if parents would help us with those little "extras," such as jellies and blancmanges-so difficult to obtain and yet things which make all the difference!

At a date to be announced in our next edition, the Sunday School scholars hope to present the Nativity Play-"A Pilgrimage to Bethlehem", in the Schoolroom. The children are working very hard under the able direction of . Mrs. Morgan and they hope you will come along and support them when the play is presented.

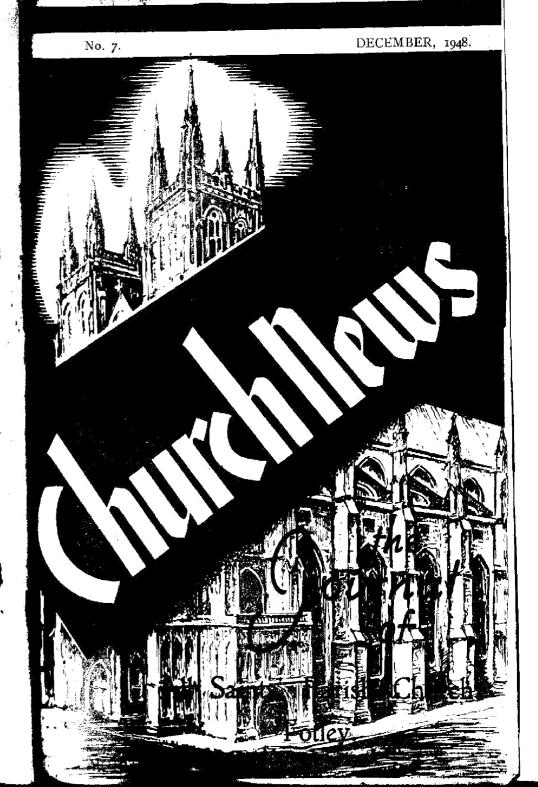
Official Meeting.

December 21st: Tuesday, Meeting of the Parochial Church Council in School at 8 p.m.

Personal.

As we go to press we learn with regret of the untimely death of Mr. Isaac Williams. We wish to express our deepest sympathy with Mrs. Williams in her sad and sudden bereavement.

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CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER.

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Dec. 25- CHRISTMAS DAY.

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Dec. 26-1st Sunday after Christmas, (St. Stephen).

6.30 p.m., Service of the Nine Lessons with Carols.

TOTLEY VICARAGE,

November, 1948.

My dear Friends,

Another Advent season is upon us, challenging our faith in the two comings of our Lord, one pust, the other future. His first coming was so different from what men expected that many were offended and failed to recognise in the Babe of Bethlehem the Christ, the Saviour of the world.

His second coming is variously interpreted. Maybe, as in the case of His coming nineteen hundred years ago, when men's preconceived ideas were far astray, it will be so again. We need not trouble ourselves about the details of that coming, much less the time of it, for "of that day

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Peace on Earth: A vision and challenge

By S. M. SHOEMAKER, Rector of Calvary Church, New York

" DEACE on earth, to men of good- inner lives of most people are a world will." We cling to that vision. When we are discouraged about ourselves, and therefore disillusioned about the world, the vision seems distant and impossible—the song of angels, but not the possible achievement of man. When we have found, in our own and in other lives, that God can change human nature, we are more hopeful about the world, and the vision seems the one necessity of history. All of us at times feel a tragic sense of powerlessness; we doubt the possibility of pulling together the broken pieces of our own lives, let alone of a broken world.

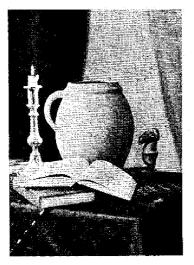
And yet a writer like Emery Reves. considering the world-scene, says, "In this confusion and chaos in which civilized nations are struggling with utter helplessness, we are bound to arrive at the inevitable conclusion that the cause of this hopelessness and helpin ourselves." Such thinking sends us back to our lives and our tasks with fresh hope. We begin thinking, What can I do to make and keep " peace on earth"?

of confusion. They do not know what they want, or where they are going, or what they believe. They feel frightened, rebellious, unhappy, and unforgiven. They are not one self; they are half-a-dozen warring selves.

Peace Replaces Pain

I believe the outer world is a clear and inevitable picture of this inner world. If we cannot get a solution for the inner life, how can we hope to get one for the outer? But we can. God can come into a life, bringing order out of chaos, purpose out of aimlessness, joy out of bewilderment, peace out of pain. Conversion is, among other things, the process by which the fighting, warring factors that split and divide human personalities are replaced by one integrating principle of faith. Ask a man of faith to show you how faith in God can bring peace. I lessness lies not in the outer world but see this happen in dozens of instances, often where people thought it impossible.

For another thing, we can straighten out our human relationships, creating a sphere of decency, honesty, and un-The first thing, surely, is to let the selfishness right around us. As peace of God into my own life. A sovereignty means selfishness in psychiatrist has recently traced the nations, selfishness means sovereignty struggle for sovereignty, which is in people. We want nations to give up causing so much difficulty between the some sovereignty to create peace: nations, to emotional disturbances in What about our sovereignty at home, people rooted in fear and tension. The where many people are just little



Books I am glad to have seen:

The Rev. Cecil Rhodes

ing, enlightening and challenging.

People write and ask me questions about the Church of England—what does it stand for, where is it getting, why this and that? There must be thousands who would like to know more about our Church. May I again commend the Archbishop of York's book, "The Claims of the Church of England" (Hodder & Stoughton, 15/-).

H. V. Morton's books, "In the Steps of the Master," etc., are well known; but I came across one which will be of special interest to women entitled "Women of the Bible" (Methuen, 6/-). That it is written by H. V. Morton is sufficient recom-

mendation.

WITH Christmas pressing close upon us, we are all thinking anxiously of Christmas presents. Thank goodness books and magazines are not rationed or "on points," and a good book can be an enduring pleasure.

I suppose the book of the year to all Church people has been the long awaited life of "William Temple" by Dean Iremonger (Oxford Press, 25/-). Archbishop Temple was everybody's Archbishop, and this homely biography can be read and "understanded" by the people. In mentioning this biography I must mention "Daily Readings from William Temple," compiled by Hugh Warner (Hodder & Stoughton, 10/6), and I can do no better than quote the Archbishop of York when he says "I know of no book which I could recommend more confidently to the intelligent man who is looking for answers to the questions 'What is Christianity?' and 'What is its relevance to modern life?" The capacity of Temple to hit nails fairly and squarely on the head in a few well chosen words is to be marvelled at, be it a question of ethics, politics, religion, literature, philosophy. This book will be a great help to all who think seriously about the problem of life.

Stanley Jones is a name famed as author, missionary, lecturer. His new book "The Way" (Hodder & Stoughton, 6/-) is the sort of book many devout Christians have been looking for. For it is a book of Devotional Readings, one for every day for 52 weeks, which are fascinat-

Three excellent and complimentary pictorial booklets, "Does the Church Care?" by George Cragg (Lutterworth, 2/6), shows some of the things that Christian men and women have done to serve and uplift the common people over the past 150 years. "All One," by John Adam (Press & Publications Board, 2/6), shows what the Church is now doing throughout the world. "Lambeth and You" (S.P.C.K., 1/-), is a magnificent effort, crowded with up-to-the-minute photographs, maps and diagrams, with articles summarising all the chief findings of the Lambeth Conference. I do most heartily commend these three illustrated brochures.

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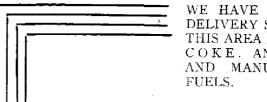
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AST year found my husband and the hard way. I thought I saw a chance myself in the midst of a Christmas party unlike any we had ever had before, and one that brought home the meaning of Christmas in a new Bill if he had tuberculosis?" I asked,

It all started when we decided to make the third floor of our suburban home into a flat. Our children were married or away, there was a great need for living quarters for service men, and the thought of a little extra revenue was not an unwelcome one. Before long we had an Air-Force officer and his wife residing above us. We will call them Bill and Mary,

After a hasty war-marriage Bill had gone off. During the war he had experienced several kinds of hell, as a pilot; and he had come back with an unusually high rank for his twentysix years, a chest covered with medals -and a badly shaken nervous-system. He was still in the service and he spent much of his time away from home.

Whenever we saw Bill he was obviously jittery, nervous, and standher parents' home, and with no friends nearby, I did my best to be a mother to her. It did not take much insight to see that, as in so many warmarriages, most of the romance and glamour had gone and been replaced her husband wanted a divorce.

the same time my mind went back to the days, not so many years ago, when our own marriage very nearly landed on the rocks. That is another story, but suffice it to say that my husband and I had learned what real taken ill. She stayed in bed and Bill

here of using some of the things I had discovered to help someone else.

"Would you want a divorce from "Certainly not," answered Mary

indignantly.

"Well," I continued, "don't you realize that the terrible experiences he has been through have left him quite as ill as if he had some dreadful disease? Why don't you treat him like a man who is ill, instead of taking his unpleasantnesses personally?"

A New Experience

Mary thought this over a moment. Then she said. "I never looked at it in that light-and I am going to try and do it!"

From that time on we began to meet for a short time every morning to pray for Bill. It was the beginning of Advent and we used our church's daily devotional booklet, "Forward," to set the tone for these times together. This was a new experience for Mary, but she welcomed it, and in a very short offish. As Mary was many miles from time her whole attitude changed, Criticism, self-pity, and resentment gave way to compassion and understanding for her husband.

One morning the thought came to me to ask Mary how familiar she was with the marriage service. She adby a very strained relationship. And mitted that her knowledge of it was it was not much of a surprise when, rather vague. I went and got my one day, Mary came and told me that prayer-book and we went carefully through it. Mary was deeply im-My heart went out to her and at pressed. It dawned on her suddenly that she had entered into a solemn contract before God

The relationship between Mary and Bill had greatly improved, when, a few days before Christmas, Mary was understanding and love were-learned began to wait on her with the greatest



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and hour knoweth no man". Faith will be content to wait, and will be satisfied to repeat: "We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge". Certain beliefs, among them the Second Advent, are thought by some people to be contrary to the reason, when, as a matter of fact, they are only difficult to the imagination. Beyond the farthest limits of our knowing there lies a reserve, of which the greatest minds are intensely conscious.

Advent merges into Christmas, and as it does so one is reminded of some lines of G. K. Chesterton:

"Tread gently under snow and rain,
To reach the place where man may pray,
The way it is so very plain
That we may lose the way".

The way to Bethlehem would seem to be plain, yet very many miss it. The fact that we are outwardly merry, or that we join in the old Christmas revelry, does not necessarily mean that we are truly happy or that we have found the way to Bethlehem. That little town nesting amid the ludean hills may remain a mere name, as remote from our daily life as it is far from our parish. Or Bethlehem may be a constant inspiration, bringing true joy each Christmastide and remembered throughout the year. Whether we class ourselves with the simple shepherds or with the wise men, Bethlehem calls us. Shepherds and wise men are alive to the presence of God. The shepherds are so simple that they make no claim to wisdom; the wise men are so wise that they know their littleness in God's sight. If we have found the way to Bethlehem, our Christmas will be a happy one indeed.

May the Holy Child bless you in our homes, filling your hearts with spiritual understanding, that so you may behold His glor! Whose birthday you shall celebrate with joy.

Yours sincerely, FREDERICK ADAMSON.

Christmas Services.

I would draw your attention to the Christmastide Services enumerated in the "Calendar for December". You will note there are two celebrations of the Holy Communion on Christmas Day. May I remind you that Christmas is one of the festivals when every Christian is expected to be present at the altar. On December 26th, that is, the Sunday after Christmas, the normal Sunday Services will be held with the one difference—at 6.30 p.m. instead of Evensong, we will hold the Service of the Nine Lessons with Carols, concerning which Service, so many of you expressed appreciation last year. We look for a really full church on this occasion.