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### WORTHY OF NOTE—

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SUNDAY, 9th May, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

#### CORONATION SERVICES

SUNDAY, 16th May, 7 p.m.---ILLUSTRATED LANTERN SERVICE

MONDAY, 17th May, 8 p.m.---UNITED MEN'S ASSOCIATION  
Parish Hall

Rev. Palmer Phillips speaks on

"The International Peace Conference"

SUNDAY, 23rd May, 11 a.m.---Preacher, Rev. C. J. T. Martin

SUNDAY, 6th June, 7 p.m.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY ADMISSION SERVICE

SUNDAY, 20th June, 7 p.m.---Preacher, THE ARCHBISHOP

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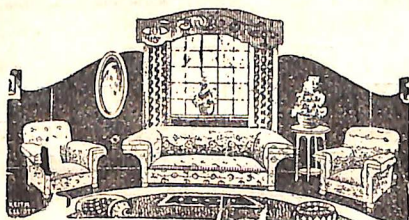
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### VICAR'S LETTER.

My Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure we send out to you a printed Parish Paper in place of the duplicated copies which, no doubt, fulfilled a very useful purpose. We are enabled to take this step because of the financial assistance we are receiving from advertisers. I do hope you will read the advertisements as well as the other matter so that advertisers will feel that their co-operation is appreciated. I trust they will at least have the money they are laying out returned through extra business.

I take this opportunity of thanking all of you who made such a splendid response to the Lenten and Harvest Thanksgiving appeals. Over £10 was received from the former, and as a result of the latter we sent eight cases of fruit, several bags of vegetables and two cases of groceries and produce to the Mission of St. James and St. John.

I have received a letter from Arch-deacon Lambie asking me to convey his very sincere appreciation to parishioners.

Our Easter services were well attended, but not quite so well as last year. Was it the proverbial weather? It was, however, a joy to me to see the church full of worshippers on the occasion of the Harvest Festival. In connection with these special Sundays, I want to say a word of praise concerning the choir. They seemed to come into their own all of a sudden, and delighted the congregations with Choral Communion services and anthems on both occasions.

The choir is now working hard for Anzac and Coronation services, and their efforts will contribute in no small measure to the beauty, sanctity and efficiency of our services.

The time is drawing near for the Coronation of our King and Queen.

They will make solemn declaration, and will dedicate themselves to the service of God and the nation. Surely our hearts go out to them in loyalty and love as they give themselves entirely to us their people. Special services are to be held throughout the Empire to mark the occasion and to give British subjects an opportunity likewise of re-dedicating themselves to God and to the nation. I hope that all loyal persons will avail themselves of the opportunities that will be offering.

Assuring you of my continued prayers for you all,

Your affectionate Vicar,

V. G. CARVER.

19th April, 1937.

### DID YOU KNOW?

(Jottings from "The National Geographic Magazine.")

That the London underground railways carry 1,750,000 passengers daily.

Lloyds, of London, is not an insurance company, as many believe. It is simply a corporation with some 2000 members grouped in syndicates, and each "doing business on his own."

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Did you also know that there is only one Name under heaven whereby men may be saved?

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## THE PARISH PAPER

### WHO WILL HELP?

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It was mentioned at the Vestry meeting on Tuesday last that few parishioners were aware of the great financial difficulties of the parish, and that our interest bill to the Diocese amounted to £80 per annum. Mr. Allen suggested that the financial statements be printed and circulated in the hope that the information will inspire at least 60 persons to promise to subscribe £1 on or before 1st September.

The suggestion, it might be stated, was backed by a promise of £1, and it was no time before the list was as follows:—Messrs. Allen, C. Binns, C. Wedge, L. Blood, J. W. Barrett, H. Covell, F. R. Lucas, Anonymous. So far then we have 8

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE US TO

REACH 60? . . . .

### SERVERS OF THE SANCTUARY

April 25—8, C. Moulden; 11, N. Eissett.

May 2—8, R. Adolphson.

„ 9—8, L. Bryant; 11, D. Lucas

„ 16—8, F. Adolphson.

„ 23—8, N. Bissett; 11, A. Corbett

„ 30—8, D. Lucas

June 6—8, R. Bissett.

„ 13—8, J. Anderson; 11, G. Warren.

"I will wash my hands in innocence, and so will I compass Thine altar, O Lord."

SERVERS! Please prepare Sanctuary on SATURDAY evenings.

The Mayor of Ringwood, Cr. H. F. Pearson, has intimated to the Vicar that he and other councillors will attend the Coronation Service at 7 p.m. on Sunday, 9th May, in an official capacity.

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RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
COLLECTIONS—		DR. BALANCE at 1/1/36 .. .. .	
Ordinary .. .. .	242 5 2	STIPEND .. .. .	74 5 10
Special—		CHURCH EXPENSES—	250 0 0
Clergy Provident Fund .. .. .	2 0 0	Verger .. .. .	16 0 0
Home Mission Fund .. .. .	7 17 2	Fire Insurance .. .. .	8 16 3
Hospitals .. .. .	5 16 3	Electric Light .. .. .	6 13 0
		Interest on Overdraft .. .. .	3 5 9
	257 18 7	Choir .. .. .	10 8 6
	7 4 0	Parish Paper .. .. .	4 15 6
		Sundries .. .. .	24 2 1
			74 1 1
DONATIONS .. .. .		SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS	
SPECIAL DONATIONS—		DISBURSED—	
Home Mission Fund .. .. .	7 18 9	Clergy Provident Fund .. .. .	2 0 0
C.M.S. .. .. .	3 14 5	Home Mission Fund .. .. .	15 18 0
A.B.M. .. .. .	3 14 5	Hospitals .. .. .	5 16 3
	15 7 7	C.M.S. .. .. .	3 14 5
LADIES' GUILD .. .. .	83 1 9	A.B.M. .. .. .	3 14 5
SOCIALS, ETC. .. .. .	32 3 6		31 3 7
GIRLS' CLUB .. .. .	2 5 0	VICARAGE EXPENSES .. .. .	
	117 10 3	Interest on Loan .. .. .	45 9 5
DEBT REDUCTION BOXES .. .. .	35 11 6		74 6 5
PARISH HALL .. .. .	13 12 11	DEBT REDUCTION .. .. .	
OLD VICARAGE—			30 0 0
Rent received .. .. .	18 19 3		£533 16 5
Less—Rates, Interest, Etc. .. .. .	17 17 10		
	1 1 5		
BANK OVERDRAFT .. .. .	85 10 2		
	£533 16 5		
LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
STATE SAVINGS BANK LOAN at 4½ per cent. .. .. .	1298 0 0	NEW VICARAGE .. .. .	829 5 0
Less due on sale of Old Vicarage .. .. .	468 15 0		£829 5 0
	£829 5 0		

Audited and found Correct—J. L. POLLARD  
8/2/37 L. S. BLOOD

## ST. PAUL'S PARISH HALL

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1936.

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
BANK BALANCE at 1/1/36 .. .. .	18 11	EXPENSES—	
HIRE OF HALL .. .. .	61 9 2	Insurance .. .. .	5 8 0
SUNDAY SCHOOL .. .. .	3 0 0	Electric Light .. .. .	7 0 8
		Cleaning .. .. .	9 0 0
		Rates .. .. .	9 17 10
		Repairs and Painting .. .. .	18 8 8
		Sundries .. .. .	1 0 0
			50 12 2
		VESTRY ACCOUNT .. .. .	13 12 11
		BANK BALANCE at 1/1/37 .. .. .	1 0 0
	£65 8 1		£65 8 1
LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
DIOCESAN LOAN at 1/1/36 at 5¼ per cent. .. .. .	2072 16 6	OLD CHURCH LANDS, LOTS Nos. 1 & 5	
Less—Remission .. .. .	572 16 6		
	£1500 0 0		
INTEREST ARREARS at 1/1/36 .. .. .	432 14 8		
Less—Remission .. .. .	432 14 8		
INTEREST FOR 1936 .. .. .	101 1 2		
Less—Payments .. .. .	30 0 0		
	71 1 2		
	£1571 1 2		

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LADIES' GUILD.

The first meeting for the year of the Ladies' Guild was held in the Parish Hall on April 16; Mrs. Carver in the chair. Sixteen members were present, and some apologies were received. Mrs. Carver read the report of the year's work sent in by Mrs. K. Wellington, our late secretary. The treasurer reported balance of £3/3/-.

Election of Office Bearers.—Mrs. Carver, president; Mrs. C. Wedge and Mrs. Matthews, vice-presidents; Mrs. Palmer and Miss W. Herring, joint secretaries; Miss A. Rapley, treasurer; auditors, Mr. F. Pollard and Mr. L. Blood.

MISSION OF ST. JAMES AND ST. JOHN.

The first meeting for the year of the "League of Mission Helpers" was held in St. Paul's Vicarage on Monday, March 22, and by special arrangement took the form of a musical afternoon. The programme, which was given us by Miss Speeding, Mrs. Carver and the Vicar, was much enjoyed by us all. We were glad to welcome five new members, and look forward to a year of good work. Next meeting at Mrs. Hutton's, Warrandyte road, on Monday, May 17.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

At the first meeting for the year an interesting syllabus was drawn up, and we look forward to happy and instructive times together. Miss G. Young was elected Hon. Secretary. We are hoping to entertain the girls from St. Mary's, Warburton, at our next meeting. Miss R. Woolcock, Diocesan Secretary, will visit our branch on Tuesday, 11th May. Will all members be sure to be present.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND BOYS' SOCIETY.

A visit was paid to the Lilydale Presbyterian Boys' Club on Friday, 16th April, when a pleasant evening was spent in playing badminton, pign pong and other games. Lilydale were too good for us at badminton, but we hope to do better when they return our visit. The "House" system of competitive games is proving well worth while.

ST. PAUL'S JUNIOR GIRLS' CLUB.

The year has been commenced with fourteen regular members; Joan Augustine has been elected Secretary. The girls are divided into two houses for the purpose of various competitions played during the year.

The second meeting took the form of a practice basketball match in which even the youngest member showed great promise. It is hoped, very shortly, to challenge Junior teams from other Churches in this and other sports.

In addition to the usual activities of the Club, it was decided to make a scrap album to forward to one of the Missions.

The Club has been formed about 18 months, but owing to the concert being held in December, it was not possible to fit in a Birthday Party. However it is hoped to hold this in May, when girls under 12 from other Churches will be invited.

MOTHERS' UNION.

All members are urged to attend the next meeting on Thursday, 29th April, at 3 p.m., when Mrs. Matthews, of Vermont, will give the address, and the election of office-bearers will take place.

UNITED MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The first Sunday meeting was held in the Jubilee Hall on 18th inst., when sixty men were present. Prof. Woodruff and Mr. Cook (a University graduate) spoke with great conviction relating Christianity to Social problems. Tea was served by the girls of the Methodist Bible Class, who were suitably thanked by Rev. H. Harris and Mr. C. Wedge on behalf of those present. It was pleasing to note that one daily paper was sufficiently interested in this new venture to send out a reporter whose remarks appeared in the "Sun" the following day. It was of special interest to the organisers that mention of the meeting was made over the air during a news bulletin session. Professor Woodruff was profoundly impressed both by the size and character of the Association. He said that it "gladdened his heart" to be with us, and he certainly would like to come again. The next meeting will be held on Monday, 17th May, Parish Hall, when the Rev. Palmer Phillips will speak on the "International Peace Conference." Men of the Protestant Churches are given a hearty invitation to attend. We offer our Secretary, Mr. E. H. Beament (Church of Christ) our sincere sympathy in the sad and sudden loss he has sustained in the passing of his father.

THANKS.

Churchgoers and others have undoubtedly noticed the very nice notice board that has been erected as a result of the practical work of the Junior Girls' Club. Thank you, girls!

We also thank Mr. Post for the construction and erection of a light bracket outside the Parish Hall.

We acknowledge with thanks the following donations:—Misses Rapley, 5/-; M.C., 10/6; Mr. Wingate, 5/-; Mr. C. Wedge, 2/-.

BRIDGE NIGHT AND DANCE.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dwight have kindly offered to give a Bridge night and Dance in their home, corner of Reynolds Avenue and Warrandyte Road, on MONDAY, 26th April. Subscription will be 1/6. It is hoped that our people will attend in good numbers to assure a successful evening.

We would be pleased to hear from anyone who is willing to give either a Bridge night or House Party in their home to assist the funds of the Church.

CONDOLENCE.

We tender our sympathy to Mrs. Darch and Mrs. Horner, who mourn the loss of their dear husband and father respectively. Mr. Darch was not well known in Ringwood because of his inability to go about much owing to ill-health, but those who knew him will cherish memories of a gentle, considerate and humble man. May God grant him perpetual peace

WELCOMES.

We are pleased to extend a very hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Spring and family, Mrs. Guyatt, Mrs. Fleming, and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall.

CONFIRMATION.

Bishop Booth will conduct a "Group" Confirmation service in St. Paul's Church on Tuesday, 17th August. Will persons over twelve years of age desirous of attending instruction classes please let the Vicar have their names as soon as possible.

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**"JUDGE" RUTHERFORD AND  
"JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES."**

**Bishop of Ballarat's Open Letter.**

Jehovah's Witness, March 31, 1937.  
Sturt Street, Ballarat

Dear Sir,—On Easter Monday you called at my home and left me two books by "Judge" Rutherford. I promised to read them and comment on them. I have kept my promise, and I have also read much else that has come from "The Watch Tower." You asked me to read them together with the Bible. I have done so. You told me that in them I would find only Bible Truth. Your assertion is not correct, for I have found the following statements:—

"God is a solitary Being from eternity, unrevealed, unknown. This is entirely contrary to the teaching of the Bible as you will see if you read St. Matt. 28:19, St. John 10:30, St. John 14:7, St. John 14:9:—

"Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

"I and the Father are one."

"If ye had known me, ye would have known my Father also: from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him."

"Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and dost thou not know me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; how sayest thou, Shew us the Father?"

Next I find this statement: "The Holy Spirit is not a Person." This is contrary to St. John 16:13 and 14:26:—

"Howbeit when He, the spirit of truth is come, He shall guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak from himself; but what things soever He shall hear, these shall He speak."

"But the Comforter, even the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in my name, He shall teach you all things."

Another statement is that "Jesus Christ was a man—neither more nor less. His existence ended on the Cross." This contradicts St. John 1:14 and 10:18:—

"And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us."

"No one taketh it away from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again."

Then I find it states that "Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead in his manhood."

This most dangerous statement is a denial of one of the foundation truths of the Christian Religion, as you will see if you read 1 Cor. 15:4, St. Luke 24:39, Romans 6:9:—

"And that he was buried; and that he hath been raised on the third day according to the scriptures."

"See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye behold me having."

"Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him."

I could give many more instances, but these are sufficient to prove that the teaching of The Watch Tower and of Jehovah's Witnesses is quite contrary to the Bible.

You also stated to me "Judge" Rutherford did not interpret the Bible; that he simply quoted it and gave Bible Truth. The above quotations show that this is not true. I would ask you if the following is not interpretation:—

"'Beast' is a symbol of Satan's organisation . . . of which Great Britain forms a part. The British Empire is the seat of his beastly organisation." I also read this interesting bit of interpretation: "The Great Whore" is the so-called Christian Religion."

My dear sir, I assure you that for you personally I have nothing but the kindest feelings, but I must most strongly condemn the literature which you are distributing and selling. It is not, as you claim, Bible Truth; it is most bigoted and dangerous error. You left me a booklet called "Uncovered" in which "Judge" Rutherford purports to deal with the teachings and claims of the Roman Church. This book is dangerously misleading on account of "Judge" Rutherford's profound ignorance of theology and his gross misrepresentation of Bible Truth. It is obvious that the booklet is written to arouse curiosity and to appeal to religious prejudice with a view to securing big sales. As an attempt to deal with the Roman Catholic position it is worthless.

The books are so full of dangerously misleading matter and are such a contradiction of the Bible that I feel they should be destroyed. But as they are not my property I could not honestly do otherwise than return them to you. But as these books are being taken from door to door and people have complained to me of the persistence of those who are trying to sell them, it is my intention to publish this letter as a warning to the unwary.

I am, dear sir,

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM, Ballarat.

—“C. of E. Messenger.”