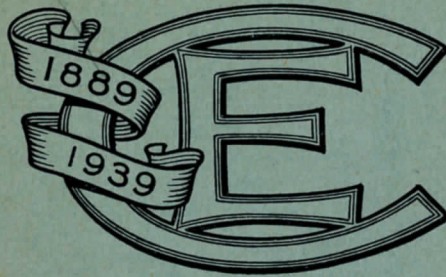


VICTORIAN CHRISTIAN
ENDEAVOUR UNION

For Christ and the Church.



Official Programme
OF
JUBILEE
CONVENTION



BENDIGO
June 10, 11, 12
1939

Theme:

"The Lordship of Christ"

Headquarters:

FOREST STREET, BENDIGO,
METHODIST CHURCH

Victorian Christian Endeavour Union

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Welcome to Bendigo

A WARM welcome to Bendigo, despite the winter. But if you wish to keep the warmth—bring your rugs.

Bendigo no longer lives by digging gold, though gold is being dug; but it is the centre for a northern land of golden harvests.

You will admire our splendid buildings, be interested in our live industrial enterprises, and rejoice in our countryside and gardens miraculously renewed after eighteen months' intensive drought.

But come again between spring and early autumn if you would see the full beauty of our lovely trees in garden and street.

The Christian Endeavourers here bid you welcome. We are just a few amongst many who seek in other ways to show loyalty to Christ, and many, many more who do not wish to hear His challenge.

But we are eager to learn how our own witness may be more true and our work more effective.

We, too, may, by God's grace, have something whereby to help our guests.

Welcome, then, in the name of the Lord.

—L. S. Shears Saunders.
President, Bendigo Union.



What to See in Bendigo

The Look-out Tower, Rosalind Park, Art Gallery, Conservatory and Museum are all in the heart of the city, off Pall Mall. Lake Weeroona may be reached by taking the tram from the Alexandra Fountain, a distance of one mile. The Botanic Gardens are at White Hills, and are served by bus, leaving from the Conservatory, a distance of two miles. Canterbury Park and Lake Neangar are at Eaglehawk, the tram for which leaves from the Fountain.

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President's Message

To Christian Endeavourers Throughout
Victoria.

WE enter into our State Jubilee Convention at Bendigo with a sense of the urgency of spiritual need. The possibilities for both good and evil in the present days, the powers that have been released by the developments of this age, the critical days with frequent crises in human relationships, the many voices claiming the allegiance of youth everywhere—these all combine to make our theme, "The Lordship of Christ," a most vital and relevant subject. We trust that those who share the experience of the Convention will come back to the service of Christ in their Societies with fuller understanding of its meaning and implications, and a closer fidelity to our Lord.

We wish to thank all those who in a special way have contributed toward the work of the Convention. In Bendigo itself there are many to whom we owe a great debt of gratitude. The civic authorities, our hosts and hostesses, the convener and members of the Hospitality Committee, the minister and officers of the Forest Street Methodist Church (where our headquarters will be), the press, and the local radio stations—to these and all others who have helped in so many ways, opening hearts and homes and facilities to make the Convention possible, we say a warm-hearted "Thank you."

And the President may be permitted a word of gratitude to our efficient and willing secretary, Mr. Arnold Atkinson, for his unfailing, cheerful service to the State Christian Endeavour Union.

May the best efforts of all bring their own reward in the outpouring of the Spirit of God on the Convention.

We welcome to our Convention the National President of C.E. in Australia and New Zealand, Rev. Donald McNicol, of Adelaide. We are honoured in having him present with us in these days of Convention, and we pray that the Power of God may be with him and all our speakers, resulting in many submitting their lives unreservedly to Jesus Christ.

ANDREW A. HUGHES, President.

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Jubilee of C.E. in Victoria

1889-1939.

ON 31st May, 1889, at the home of the Rev. Osric Copland, minister of the Congregational Church, Malvern Road, Prahran, Christian Endeavour organisation in Victoria was commenced, when thirteen people met together, and formed themselves into a Society on the basis of the Boston Pledge and Constitution.

From this meeting, commencing with ten active members, the movement grew rapidly, and at the end of twelve months there were twelve Societies, with 560 members; in 1891 65 Societies, with 3000 members; in 1892, 205 Societies, with 8000 members; 1893, 322 Societies, with 11,213 members.

To unite these early Societies, which included Congregational, Baptist, Presbyterian, and Wesleyan (later Methodist) churches, in July, 1890, the Victorian Union was formed, with Rev. Osric Copland as the first President, and in September of that year the first Convention was held in Melbourne.

Ballarat C.E. Societies formed the first District Union about January, 1892, and others quickly followed, until to-day there are 32 District Unions operating in this State.

Christian Endeavour in Victoria has grown under the guidance of God, and to-day we have approximately 1150 Societies, with 25,000 members. Its leaders do not work with any desire for recognition but in this our Jubilee year it is fitting that a word of appreciation on behalf of Victorian Endeavourers should be expressed to our former leaders. We remember the long line of Presidents, under whose leadership the movement has been wisely led. We think of the secretaries, whose untiring efforts have been responsible for the organisation, and of the treasurers, also, who have guided the financial affairs of the movement. To these, as well as superintendents of departments, and all who have given of their best in an effort to benefit their fellow men and bring glory to their Master, we express our thanks.

Many of our former leaders and workers have been called home to their reward. For these, we express our thanks to God, and pray that He may find us worthy to fill their places, and carry on the work which they began in these first fifty years in the service of "Christ and the Church."

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The Platform of Christian Endeavour Principles

Personal Devotion to our Divine Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and acceptance of the Bible, the inspired Word of God, as the only rule of faith and practice.

The **Covenant Obligation** embodied in the Prayer Meeting Pledge, without which there can be no true Society of Christian Endeavour.

Constant Religious Training for all kinds of service involved in the various committees, which—as many of them as are needed—are, equally with the prayer meeting, essential to a Society of Christian Endeavour.

Loyalty to the Local Church and denomination with which each Society is connected. This loyalty is plainly expressed in the pledge; it underlies the whole idea of the movement, and, as statistics prove and ministers testify, is very generally exemplified in the lives of the active members.

Interdenominational Fellowship, through which we hope, with increasing confidence, not for organic unity, but for the fulfilment of our Lord's Prayer—"That they all may be one."

Christian Citizenship.—Christian Endeavour stands always and everywhere for temperance, for law, for order, for a pure political atmosphere—in a word, for righteousness. And this it does not by allying itself with a political party, but by attempting, through the quick conscience of its individual members, to permeate and influence all parties and all communities.

Sabbath Keeping.—The Society of Christian Endeavour stands always and everywhere for the preservation of the Lord's Day, and is unalterably opposed to all forms of Sabbath desecration.

Loyalty to Denominational Missions.—All moneys gathered by a Society of Christian Endeavour for the cause of missions shall be sent to the missionary department of the denomination to which the particular society belongs.

Financial Appeals to Christian Endeavour Societies and their officers should come through their ministers and the officers of their churches. The causes to which the Societies give are thus approved by the denominations to which the Societies respectively belong.

Evangelisation of the World for Christ, which is the ultimate aim of Christian Endeavour. Hence it is an organisation intensely evangelistic and missionary in its spirit, and desires to do all it may, under the direction of

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the churches and missionary societies, for missionary extension the world around.

The Christian Endeavour Unions—National, State, and District—have no legislative functions and levy no taxes, preferring rather to depend, for their income, on the voluntary offerings of societies and friends of Christian Endeavour. They confine themselves to promoting inspiration and fellowship and disseminating information, recognising that Societies should be under the untrammelled control of the churches.

Active Members' Pledges

Junior.

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, I promise Him that I will strive to do whatever He would like to have me do; that I will pray and read the Bible every day; and, so far as I know how, I will try to lead a Christian life. I will be present at every meeting of the Society, when I can, and will take some part in every meeting when asked to do so.

Intermediate.

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, I promise Him that I will strive to do whatever He would have me do; that I will make it the rule of my life to pray, to read the Bible every day, to support the work and worship of my own Church in every possible way; and, so far as I know how, throughout my whole life, I will endeavour to lead a Christian life. As an Active Member, I promise to be true to all my duties, and to regularly attend the meetings of the Society, taking part, aside from singing, when asked to do so.

Young People.

Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, I promise Him that I will strive to do whatever He would have me do, that I will make it the rule of my life to pray, to read the Bible every day, to support the work and worship of my own Church in every possible way, and, so far as I know how, throughout my whole life, I will endeavour to lead a Christian life. As an Active Member, I promise to be true to all my duties, to be present at, and to take some part, aside from singing, in every Christian Endeavour meeting, unless hindered by some reason which I can conscientiously give to my Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. If obliged to be absent from the monthly Consecration meeting, I will, if possible, send at least a verse of Scripture to be read in response to my name at the roll call.

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Victorian Christian Endeavour Union

Jubilee Convention

JUNE 10—12, 1939 BENDIGO

Programme

Saturday, 10th June

- 11.10 a.m. **OPENING OF CONVENTION.**
Welcome by Rev. H. M. Knuckey, Minister of Forest Street Methodist Church.
Response and Opening of Convention. Mr. A. A. Hughes, State President.
- 11.25 a.m. **SIMULTANEOUS GROUP**
to **CONFERENCES.** Subject:
12.30 p.m. *"The Lordship of Christ."*
1. In the Family Life—
Rev. W. C. Tippett, F.L.S.
2. In the Common Life—
Rev. H. M. Knuckey.
3. In the Business World—
Rev. Ira J. Mann.
4. In the National Life—
Mr. A. A. Hughes.
5. In Racial Relationships—
Mr. G. R. Hutchinson.
- 2.30 p.m. **THE JUNIOR RALLY.** In Forest
to Street Sunday School Hall.
3.55 p.m. Chairman: Miss F. Hogan
(State Junior Superintendent).
Speaker: Mr. Jack White
(Scripture Gift Mission).
Item by Bendigo Juniors.
- 4 p.m. to **EXCURSION:** Motor Tour of
5.20 p.m. Bendigo and Environs.
5.30 p.m. **THE WELCOME TEA,** served by
the Bendigo Endeavourers in
the Drill Hall, Mollison Street,
Bendigo. Delegates will be
welcomed by the Civic and Dis-
trict Union Leaders.
Replies by the Officers.
- 6.45 p.m. **Introductions to Hosts and**
Hostesses.
- 7.30 p.m. **Song Service.**
Leader: Mr. C. H. Dyer.
- 7.45 p.m. **PUBLIC MEETING.**
Chairman:
Rev. L. S. Shears Saunders.
*"The Lordship of Christ in
the Individual Life."*
Speaker: Rev. Eric H. O. Nye.

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Sunday, 11th June

8 a.m. **THE QUIET HOUR** will be observed in the following churches:—

Arnold Street Methodist.
Bendigo Baptist.
Bendigo Church of Christ.
Eaglehawk West Methodist.
Mackenzie Street Methodist.
Specimen Hill Methodist.

9.45 a.m. **Visitation** by Delegates of Junior and Intermediate Societies.

11 a.m. **WORSHIP.**

Services will be conducted by Delegates as follow:—

Forest Street Methodist:
Mr. A. A. Hughes.

Bendigo Baptist:
Rev. Donald McNicol.

Short Street Church of Christ:
Rev. Norman Smith, M.A.

Mackenzie Street Methodist:
Rev. L. S. Shears Saunders.

Arnold Street Methodist:
Rev. W. C. Tippet, F.L.S.

Long Gully Methodist:
Mr. G. R. Hutchinson.

Strathfieldsaye: Rev. J. McIlroy,
B.A., B.D., Dip.Ed.

Golden Square Methodist:
Mr. T. C. W. Holding.

Epsom Methodist:
Mr. A. L. Finger.

Kangaroo Flat Methodist: Mr.
H. West and East Kew
Group.

Specimen Hill Methodist:
Mr. H. Northcott and Group

Eaglehawk East Methodist:
Mr. Eric Clarkson.

Eaglehawk West Methodist:
Mr. C. Swanton.

Quarry Hill Methodist:
Rev. F. C. Boundy.

California Hill Methodist:
Mr. Keith A. Jones.

3 p.m. White Hills Baptist:
Pastor G. Mathieson.

Leichardt Methodist:
Mr. H. Ham.

Nerring Methodist: Mr. W.
Neagle and Ballarat Group.

4 p.m. **OPEN-AIR SERVICE**, Rosalind
Park.

Leaders: Messrs. C. H. Dyer
and Eric Clarkson.

7 p.m. **GOSPEL SERVICES.**

Forest Street Methodist:
Rev. Donald McNicol.

Short Street Church of Christ:
Mr. Keith A. Jones.

Mackenzie Street Methodist:
Rev. Norman Smith, M.A.

Sailor's Gully Methodist:
Mr. R. H. Perrin and Group

Kangaroo Flat Methodist:
Mr. S. R. Hill and Group.

Eaglehawk Baptist:
Mr. R. Kitchen and Kew
Group.

Eaglehawk East Methodist:
Mr. G. H. Fuhrmeister and
Group.

Eaglehawk West Methodist:
Mr. A. H. Atkinson and
Sandringham Group.

Buckley Street Methodist:
Mr. G. R. Hutchinson.

Bridge Street Methodist:
Mr. H. Northcott and
Murrumbeena Group.

Ironbark Methodist:
Mr. R. E. Burns.

Specimen Hill Methodist:
Mr. H. West and East Kew
Group.

White Hills Methodist:
Mr. H. R. Ham and Group.

Kennington Methodist:
Mr. A. Simsen and Group.

California Hill Methodist:
Mr. W. Tippet and Ballarat
Group.

8.30 p.m. **THE PRAISE AND WITNESS
MEETING**, in Princess Theatre,
View Street.

Leader: Mr. Eric Clarkson
(Melbourne).

Monday, 12th June

- 9.15 a.m. **DEVOTIONAL SESSION.**
Subject:
"Our Lord at Prayer."
Leader: Rev. T. H. M. Lowther.
- 10.15 a.m. **SIMULTANEOUS GROUP**
to **CONFERENCES.**
- 11.10 a.m. **First Session—** Subject:
"The Lordship of Christ."
1. In the Family Life—
Rev. W. C. Tippett, F.L.S.
2. In the Common Life—
Rev. S. B. Goble
3. In the Business World—
Mr. A. C. Frecker.
4. In the National Life—
Mr. A. A. Hughes.
5. In Racial Relationships—
Mr. G. R. Hutchinson.
- 11.20 a.m. **Second Session—** Subject:
to "Christian Endeavour Leadership."
12.15 p.m. 1. The Selection of Leaders—
Mr. Keith Jones.
2. The Training of Leaders—
Rev. Norman Smith, B.A.
3. The Principles of Leadership—
Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A.,
B.D., Dip.Ed.
4. The Problems of Leadership
—Rev. George F. Dyson.
5. Methods of Intermediate
Leadership—Mr. S. R. Hill.
6. Methods of Junior Leader-
ship—Miss F. Hogan.
- 1.40 p.m. **PROCESSION OF WITNESS.**
- 2.30 p.m. **THE INTERMEDIATE RALLY.**
to Chairman: Mr. S. R. Hill (State
3.40 p.m. Intermediate Superintendent).
Subject: "Witnessing to Win."
Speaker: Rev. Donald McNicol
(National President).
- 3.45 p.m. **THE UNITED COMMUNION**
to **SERVICE.**
4.30 p.m. Leader: Mr. A. A. Hughes
- 5 p.m. **Officers' Invitation Tea.**
- 6.15 p.m. **CONSECRATION MEETING.**
Chairman: Mr. A. A. Hughes
(State President).
Subject: "The Lordship of
Christ in the Community
Life."
Speaker: Rev. Donald McNicol
(National President).

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Information and Suggestions for Delegates

1. All meetings will be held at Headquarters, unless especially stated in the Programme.
2. Study your Programme carefully.
3. Bring your Bible, Hymnals, Programme, Notebook, and Pencil to every meeting. Wear your C.E. Badge and your Convention Badge.
4. Take full notes, so that they may be of help to you and your fellow society members when you return home for Bendigo Echo Meetings.
5. Please be punctual; all meetings will commence promptly. If avoidable, do not leave the sessions whilst anyone is speaking.
6. Enter every meeting in the spirit of prayer. Be in prayer during the Convention.
7. Chairmen, Leaders, and Speakers are requested to meet in the church vestry at least ten minutes before the time for the commencement of the session in which they are to participate.
8. The Convention Hymnal will be the World C.E. Convention book, and the choir will sing from the World Convention Choir Book.
9. Offerings will be received at each evening meeting and at the Junior and Intermediate Rallies.
10. If you are in need of information concerning C.E., visit the State Secretary, Mr. A. H. Atkinson, who will be located in an office in the Sunday School Hall. He will be pleased to meet you and to offer any help possible.
11. Visit the Literature Counter in the Sunday School Hall, and procure helpful information on C.E. A supply of C.E. pins will also be on sale.
12. The State Secretary's Office, Literature Counter, Cloak and Luggage rooms are all located in the Sunday School Hall. The Prayer Room is located in the vestry of the Church.
13. The State Union and Convention Committee expects all delegates to observe courteously all arrangements made on their behalf, particularly in the appointments to homes in which they have been offered hospitality or accommodation. By so doing, they will leave in Bendigo a lasting memory of good will. In case of any dissatisfaction, please see the State Secretary before taking any action.

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Excursion

In order that delegates may see Bendigo and surroundings, the Bendigo C.E. Committee has arranged a tour of the city, including Quarry Hill, One Tree Hill, McIvor Hill, Lake Weeroona, Rosalind Park and Lookout, and Monument Hill. Buses will leave Convention Headquarters at 4 p.m., and return to the Drill Hall at 5.20 p.m. on Saturday, 10th June. Tickets, 2/- each, can be purchased from the C.E. Office or the State Secretary's Office, Convention Headquarters, up to 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, 10th June.

Meals

The Welcome Tea to Delegates, at the invitation of the Endeavourers of Bendigo and District, will be served in the Drill Hall at 5.30 p.m. on Saturday. All registered delegates are expected to accept this invitation, but only those holding the invitation ticket which is issued to delegates will be admitted. Other meals may be obtained at the restaurants and cafes in Bendigo.

Victorian C.E. News

A special issue of the "C.E. News," our own monthly paper, will be published on 1st July, in which there will be included reports of the Bendigo Convention meetings. This will be attractively produced, with much matter of interest for all delegates. You can procure this special issue by becoming a subscriber to the "Victorian C.E. News," subscription for which is 3/- per annum posted. Enter your subscription at the Secretary's Office, and be sure to obtain this special number.