

Once again the parish of Caversham has held a memorable week's holiday at Embley Park near Romsey.

EMBLEY 1976

This year 85 people attended. There were three babies, each only a few months old, well, suffice it to say that some were at the other end of the age range — grandparents. We print reports from the parents of two of the families.

Marion Kitcher writes

A tanned and fit, if motley, crew unhappily wended their unwilling ways back to Caversham. Thus heralding the end of yet another supremely successful Embley. The only consolation left to us was the knowledge that our names headed the list for 1977 (July 23-30).

A psychiatrist may be able to explain why year after year we enjoy pitting our puny strength and mental powers in croquet against our crafty rector, in bowls against the incomparable Mr Woolley, or in the many other friendly tortures devised for us. We love every year nevertheless and this time the weather was on our side all the way.

Our Sunday started with Holy Communion on the lawn and if our singing was weak against nature's natural songsters, our spirits were very willing. By Sunday teatime the lists

were drawn, and ever after someone was looking for someone to complete a round of competitions.

Monday afternoon saw us playing cricket (under-25s v The Rest). Despite the fact that the rector paced the distance between the stumps (about ¼-mile) and a friendly umpire, The Rest lost by three runs. (Of course the under-25s scorer is not very hot on his sums as they reached 56 before the third batsman had left the crease — there being a ruling that batsmen retired at 15!) Tuesday rounders was in progress and Wednesday Kiddies' Sports with sweets and ice-cream for one and all.

Still on our merry-ground of non-stop enjoyment Thursday found us at the swimming pool. Here again the Young 'Uns won, if not on points (I never did hear a result), then certainly

on one-upmanship by appearing in diaphonous nighties for the Pyjama Race.

All competitions being finished by Friday suppertime, we repaired to a meal of turkey and wine. We always finish an Embley with Friday night PARTIES and this year Frances Hill and helpers organised a splendid affair for the under-10s, which included the favourites such as Musical Bumps and Pin the Tail on the Donkey, who in this instance appeared very like someone we knew.

Then came the Big Ones' turn. Those who were very fit took part in two energy-sapping games which involved wrestling / judo throws with no holds barred. We continued with a foot-wearing treasure hunt for sweets, eventually located by Una

Peter and Elke Handford write

"Parish holiday" they said, my heart sank when I heard the phrase six years ago. It conjured up visions of a seven-day geriatric "knees-up" — you know, cucumber sandwiches and knitting competitions. That was six years ago and we have just come back from our fourth Embley Park holiday and looking forward to the next. Why do we look forward? Well, it is truly a holiday for all ages, the gay, young things of six years ago now have to see to the nappies before croquet, but Embley goes on unchanged.

A holiday means freedom — freedom to do your own thing. If you want to read the morning paper in perfect peace and isolation, do so. If you want to chat, swim in the heated pool, play bowls or just sit, then you do just that. I know of no other holiday

where one day I have lain on my back for two hours watching the clouds go by and the next day swum, played tennis and, in the evening, Scrabble.

Embley is a true community, a collection of good people of all ages from children to teenagers to old folk who give to and receive from the community what they wish — and it all works. No one need feel isolated nor yet crowded.

To live for a while in a beautiful old mansion and walk in its grounds is to me a privilege (albeit paid for!), for the whole family an endless train of impressions, renewed and expanded each time we go: the comfortable proportions of the main stairs, stretching your legs under heavy refectory tables, having your coffee on the corner stones of the sun-warmed ha-ha while the children make

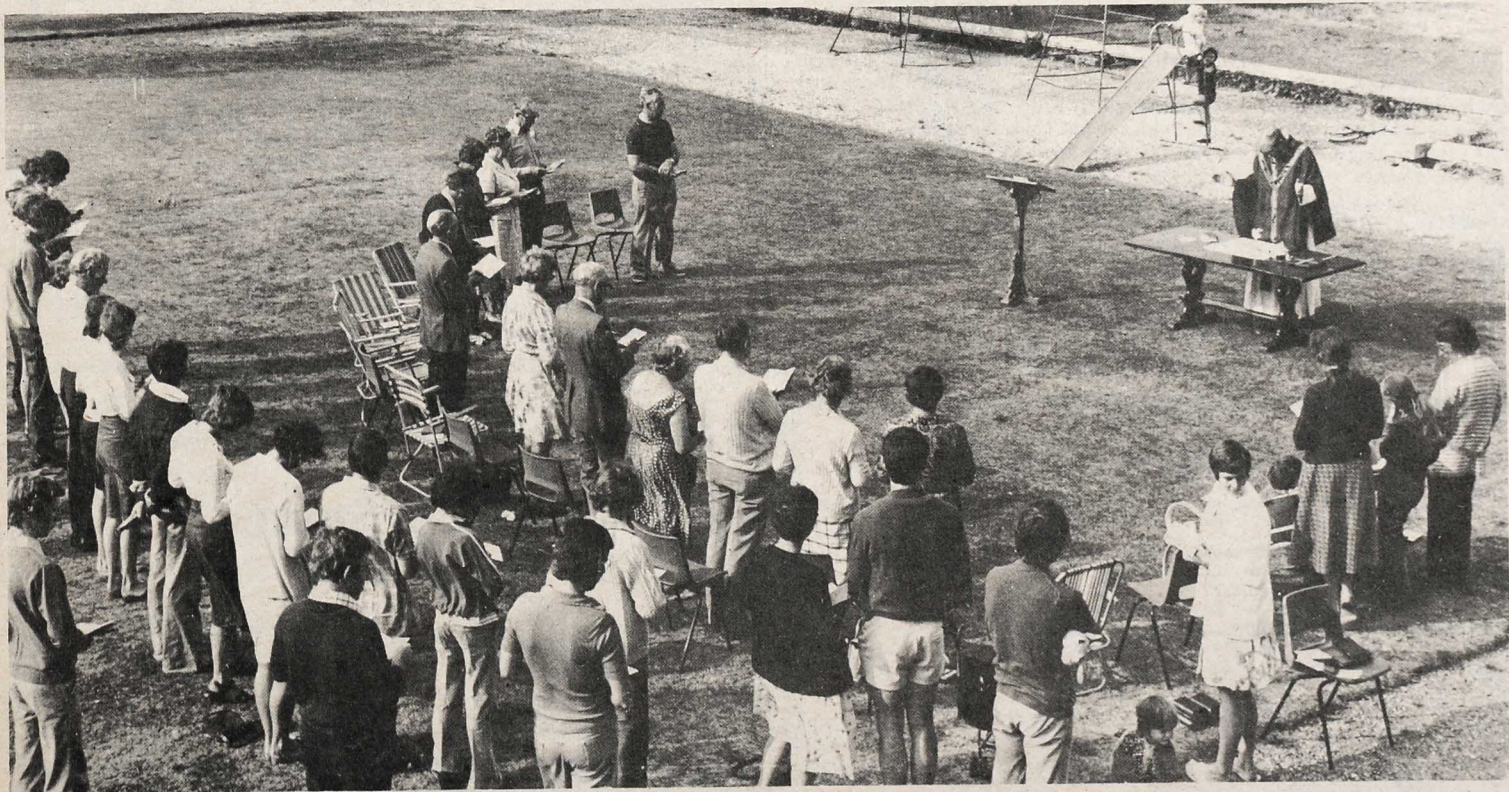
nests from left-over hay in the field below, unconsciously re-enacting country scenes from long ago.

A walk through the friendly wilderness of the park, once the pride of Florence Nightingale's father, a keen botanist, may lead to exploring young bamboo-canes or to children's imaginary conversations between young Florence and her governess.

One little boy spent a feverish day in the cool shade of a majestic copper-beech on the great lawn and felt the tree so keenly that he wants a seed from it for his birthday. Another child lovingly ran her fingers over the carved fruit-garland of a fireplace and explored the crenellations of an old mounting-block.

Thinking of going to Embley? One thing is for sure, your impressions will be different — it will be the Embley you want it to be.

Turn to page 8



Part of the congregation at the celebrations of Eucharist on Sunday morning.

The Editor's Column

O, WORSHIP THE WHEEL

IT IS A CLEAR SIGN of how old-fashioned we are in Caversham that there are still some people called pedestrians who imagine that pavements are reserved for them to walk on. I feel bound to ask how much longer we have to wait before our local councillors realise that pavements are entirely obsolete.

Their removal would be warmly welcomed, especially by lorry drivers: indeed once the pavements have gone it might even be possible for longer and heavier lorries to pass through our streets. There are occasions when so few lorries appear that we find it hard to scent the delicious aroma of diesel oil and petrol fumes. Let us have larger and noisier lorries and finally stop the ancient and time-consuming practice of friends attempting to have conversations with each other in our streets.

YELLOW LINES

The Highway Code is sadly out of date — it does not include Caversham's new road sign which is that where there are two yellow lines you are invited to park on the pavement and you can be sure that the law will not interfere. Indeed, parking seems possible anywhere. A vehicle recently stayed over a month in a parking place with a two-hour limit. The traffic warden no doubt might well have been lynched had he thought of putting a parking ticket on the windscreen.

UP WITH THE PAVEMENTS

When I inquired recently of one van driver why he had parked right over the pavement in Church Street I got the charming reply: "Because if I parked in the road there might be an accident — eh, stupid." And when I risked life and limb to inquire of a boy cyclist who was riding a bicycle at top speed on the pavement in front of busy shops he told me: "It's not safe on the road — there are too many cars."

So now we know. The obvious solution is to tear up the pavements and pay homage to the wheel. And while we are about it why bother with tests and licences any more for the motorist? It is the pedestrians who should realise that they must pass a fitness test and be compulsorily insured. And the blind and the elderly and the mother with a pram should be warned off Caversham. The law is flouted wholesale and those responsible for seeing that it is enforced seem either unwilling to, or incapable of taking any action. So away with pedestrians — up with the pavements and WORSHIP THE WHEEL.

J. G. Grimwade

CAVERSHAM BRIDGE

The newspaper produced by members of the Anglican, Roman Catholic and Free Churches of Caversham and Mapledurham for the local community

EDITOR: The Rev Canon J. G. Grimwade
59 Church Street, Caversham. Tel. 471703.

ASST. EDITOR: The Rev B. Gardiner
St Andrew's House, Harrogate Road, Caversham. Tel. 472788

ADVERTISEMENT MANAGER: Mrs E. Maule
18 Albert Road, Caversham, RG4 7PE. Tel. 471816.

CIRCULATION MANAGER: Mr R. Kitcher
8 Blenheim Road, Caversham, RG4 7AW. Tel. 472660.

COMPANY SECRETARY: Mr H. J. Pilgrim
64 Highmoor Road, Caversham, RG4 7BG. Tel. 474017.

POSTAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGER: Mr H. Hitchman
153 Upper Woodcote Road, Caversham, RG4 7JR. Tel. 472542.

THAMES VALLEY RADIO

The churches' contribution to local radio is, at present, disappointing particularly in respect of the time allotted, which appears to be very limited. And this is rather puzzling as on two consecutive Open Air programmes recently, the second hour consisted of songs from musicals. Added to this is the fact that some subjects, under different headings, are taking up two or even three programmes.

Understandably the programme organisers do not wish to be inundated with religious talks and discussions, and even a brief epilogue would not be in keeping with commercial radio. However, there are interesting topics concerning the Christian religion, quite apart from some secular matters which could be presented with a Christian point of view. The marriage of divorced people in church, the Ordination of Women, the new role of the Mothers' Union, the presentation of violence on television, euthanasia — the list is endless.

Even the matter of the phasing out of private beds in the Health Service could include a Christian point of view.

And whilst on the subject of health, the counter-point discussion on Wednesday, July 28, ended with a request for people to seriously consider signing a Kidney Donor Card. These cards are usually available at doctors' surgeries, or can be obtained from the Community Health Council's Centre at 10 Gun Street, Reading, telephone 595678.



— L. L. Burn

PAVEMENT PARKING AT EMMER GREEN

ABBAY NATIONAL BUILDING SOCIETY

- Q. Can it be true that Abbey National investors are seen smiling when leaving our Caversham Local Office ?
- A. Our In Depth Departure Survey discloses that 30% of investors are grimacing after tripping into the street. 40% appear crestfallen after parting with their hard-earned monies. 25% seem relieved on finding they actually have some money to invest. 5% appear confused that we do not buy secondhand jewellery (next door please for Gerald Nash).
- Q. Where did this "smiling" rumour start ? Are the grimaces mistaken for smiles ? Could it be that Caversham investors are not happy with our attractive rates of interest ? Are they not overjoyed with our sparkling staff ? Are they not inspired by our superb financial services ?

GOTT IN HIMMEL — WHY DON'T YOU SMILE ?

16 Bridge Street
Caversham

Telephone Reading 475555

By now the Eagle has flown

Looking at the recent film set in Mapledurham Village for the epic film the Eagle has landed, I suddenly realised, and I expect others of the older generations did, too, how much I had forgotten about those far-off days of World War II.

Seeing the stirrup pump hanging on the cottage wall together with the A.R.P. sand buckets brought it all back. The village noticeboard had information on how to knit a Balaclava, how to make flower pot heaters and hayboxes — even suggestions that a brick heated in the oven for two hours, then wrapped in a cloth would help keep you warm. All useful information if you had to spend a winter night in the air-raid shelter.

A CASE OF SAVING

Extra cottages, a village pub (the Spy Glass and Kettle) and grand park gates suddenly changed Mapledurham, as we know it, into a Norfolk village somewhere near Wells next the sea, Kings Lynn and Dunton. At least so the ancient signpost on the village green stated.

The white walls of the Old Vicarage suddenly sprouted a luxuriant creeper to its very roof even in this arid summer. Down alleyways between old cottages one glimpsed vintage cars; carts too, for horses were still used in the countryside. Iron railings were leaning in piles against walls, waiting to be melted down for armaments. The little village shop still had a touch of Victoriana, aspidestras decorated the window. The blacksmith's yard was evident and so was a sign advertising the whereabouts of the local carrier, once such a vital link with the nearest town.

Three bins stood against a wall, one for waste-paper, the second for pig food and the third for rags. Nothing was wasted in those days — how different today. Even grindstones were still in use. Having then lived in the heart of the country as a land girl I can recall it all. Turning the grindstone to sharpen the scythe, driving the cart, milking by hand and even broadcasting hayseed from a bag slung round my neck.

A bath in those days, without water laid on, was a major event. All water was pumped at the kitchen sink and a zinc bath of hot water by the kitchen range a winter luxury. In summer one could sit in the little river at the end of the garden and have a bath in there.

Talking to different members of the village community, I got various reactions to the film making. Too noisy, said some. It would be — the parts that were shot in Mapledurham were the battle scenes I believe. Bullet holes were everywhere.

Further probing and I discovered that the stunt man, who had the terrifying job of being fixed to the mill wheel whilst it revolved, objected to entering the mill pool whilst there were pike in it. Obviously he preferred the devil he knew to the devil he didn't! The pool was duly rid of pike and sealed off. He was less fortunate when a jeep was blown up, for he was knocked unconscious.

THE FUNNY SIDE

A couple of lighthearted stories came into my notebook. One concerned a couple who were holidaying on the Thames. They saw the Spyglass and Kettle from the river, moored up and walked across the meadow to get a cool pint on a boiling summer day, only to find it was not opening time! They were not amused. The second was a phone call put through to the Estate Office by someone who had heard that a few old cottages by the church were being renovated and could they please be considered as tenants or purchasers.

Caversham Shopping Basket

Item	Co-op★★	Liptons	Sabre★	Budgens★
Large white sliced loaf	16½	18	13½	18
1lb cheapest butter	39	42	40	44
1lb lard	19	17	19	20½
1lb cheapest Cheddar	46	42	42	46
1 dozen standard eggs	39	37	34	34
1lb cheapest bacon	76	62	56	50
1lb cheapest sausages	39½	40½	40	40½
Packet of 10 Fish Fingers	(38)	34	40	40
15oz tin baked beans	13	14	13½	12½
15oz tin soup	12	12½	12½	13
1lb frozen peas	26	23	21	29
3lb self-raising flour	18	17	17	18
1lb dried fruit	24	25	26	27
¼lb cheapest tea	9½	9½	9	9
4oz jar coffee	43	45	45	52
2lb granulated sugar	(23)	(23)	19	(23)
500 gms cornflakes	26½	22½	28½	27
¾lb packet biscuits	20	(15)	20	19½
1lb cheapest marmalade	19	21	19	25
Double pack toilet paper	16½	20	12½	16
TOTAL	5.63½	5.40	5.27½	5.64
Compared to last month's totals	+1%	-1½%	-13%	-3%

★ Sabre and Budgens give Green Shield Stamps.
★★ Co-op gives members 1¼% discount in form of dividend.

The four local supermarkets listed here were visited on July 30. The big news this month is the reopening under new management of what was Oakeshotts. Sabre (Mace) is privately - owned by Mr Richard Palmer, a Caversham resident of many years' standing. He and his staff place especial emphasis on customer and personal service, in contrast to the usual impersonal supermarket image.

Certainly it is very pleasant to see so many familiar faces behind the counters. Mace is Sabre's principal supplier and does not own the store. We congratulate Sabre on their first "Shopping Basket" total and look forward to similar figures in the future.

Prices have also fallen slightly this month at Liptons and Budgens, but risen slightly at the Co-op.

NB: The new kilo bags of granulated sugar at 25p are very slightly better value than the old 2lb bags at 23p.

ANNE SHIELD MARRIED

The wedding took place on July 3 at Caversham Baptist Free Church of Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Shield, of Albert Road, Caversham, and Peter, son of Mr and Mrs A. Lapinskas of South Molton, Devon. After leaving the Abbey School Anne studied at Girton College, and it was in Cambridge that she met Peter who was studying at Caius. They will be settling in Sawston, Cambridge-shire, where Anne will be teaching at the village college, whilst Peter continues with further studies for his PhD. Anne, as a member of the Caversham Baptist Church, has worked with the Youth Group and with Junior Church. She will be missed by many friends who send best wishes to Anne and Peter.

— B. Miller



FASHION SHOW SEPTEMBER 24, 1976 ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CAVERSHAM

Tickets 50p In aid of Forces Help Society

BELLE BOUTIQUE

Fashion Millinery and Accessories

Alterations and Tailoring
Costume Jewellery

8 CHURCH ROAD, CAVERSHAM

Proprietor: Mrs J. Bushnell
ACCESS AND BARCLAYCARD WELCOME

Open Monday to Saturday 9am - 5.30pm
Excepting Wednesday, when we close at 1pm
Telephone Reading 471766

OLD TIME AND MODERN SEQUENCE

DANCING

TUESDAYS

ST. ANDREW'S HALL, ALBERT ROAD 8 - 10.30

and

THURSDAYS

WYMAN'S HEIDELBERG SUITE, CARDIFF ROAD 8-10.30

MCs

JIM AND MARGARET ARTHUR

I.D.T.A.

Telephone Reading 477657

Parkers

auctioneers & estate agents

15

associated offices at
Reading, Caversham, Tilehurst, Woodley,
Wokingham, Crowthorne, Fleet, Cheltenham,
Hucclecote and Stroud

LOCALISED EXPERT ATTENTION
1 PROSPECT STREET, CAVERSHAM
Telephone Reading 478478

R. R. Clark & Partners
PROSPECT HOUSE, PROSPECT STREET
CAVERSHAM

Telephone Reading 479349

LOCAL OFFICES

READING — Telephone Reading 55455
TILEHURST — Telephone Reading 22112
WOODLEY — Telephone Reading 693999

Certainly I am sure that the village community has probably had quite a trying summer, heat and all, and will be grateful to get back to normal with no hordes of sightseers, no giant camera parked outside the almshouses and no more noise to disturb the peace and quiet of the Oxfordshire countryside. Whether the film is a success remains to be seen.

According to some it will be quite something and will go down well, for there are no goodies or badies as such, in the screen play. One thing is probably certain, it will have queues waiting to see it when it comes to Reading.

— M.K.

CHURCH INTRO '76

NEWCOMERS TO THE PARISH OF CAVERSHAM are often astounded and also confused by the vast range of spiritual and secular activities undertaken in the parish.

Indeed, there may even be some existing parishioners who may not fully appreciate their scope.

For the benefit of everyone the "Family Tree" on this page sets out the parish, its clergy and some of the activities.

In order that newcomers may be introduced to a fuller parish life CHURCH INTRO '76 will be held at St Andrew's Hall on Friday, October 22, at 7.45pm.

All the groups and activities in the

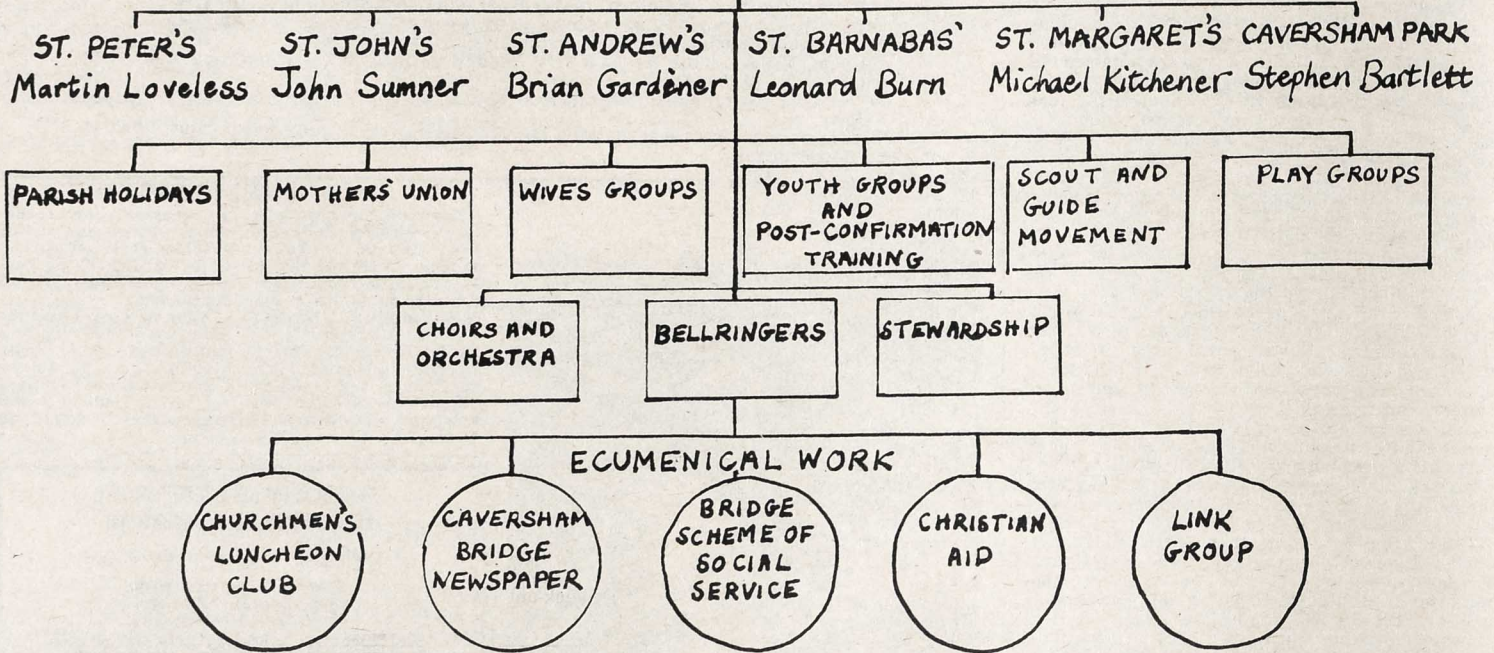
"Family Tree" will have a stand or a display area attended by representatives.

After a very brief welcome newcomers will, over a cup of tea or coffee and a sandwich, be able to see and hear about the various facets of parish life from the representatives on the stands.

DIOCESE OF OXFORD
(Kenneth Woolcombe - Bishop)

ARCHDEACONRY OF BERKSHIRE
(Eric Wild - Suffragan Bishop)

PARISHES OF CAVERSHAM AND MAPLEDURHAM
(John Grimwade - Rector)



St Margaret's Church wedding

Melanie Fowles, daughter of Mr and Mrs B. A. Fowles, of 67 Chazey Road, married Michael Jones, son of Mr and Mrs G. Jones, of Coley Park, on Saturday, May 22. The bridesmaids were the bride's sister, Christine, and her cousin, Alison Fowles. Master Steven Thompson was the pageboy.

Melanie and Geoffrey are now living at 40 Geoffreyson Road.

WITH KATHY IN CAVERSHAM

Some jokes can bear repeating — did you ever read the true story about the school built a few years ago in Australia called "Whydinya School?" The authorities got so fed up with people saying (after the school was built): "Why didn't you do this, that or the other?" that they named the school just that. And if anyone else says to me: "Why didn't you put in about this, that or the other?" I'll be seriously tempted to ask the editor to rename this paper "Whydinya Gazette".

Please, please — there will be lots of exam results out by next month, lots of youngsters going to universities, taking up new jobs, people moving in or out of Caversham, getting born, married or dying. And that really is what makes up a column like this. So I beg you, once more, to pop a note into the office at Church House about any news of this sort.

NEW NAME — OLD FACES

In these days of increasing unemployment, one does get worried about hearing that shops are closing down, so it is a relief to see the same staff at what used to be Oakeshotts. Mr Palmer, the owner — I'm told he himself is no newcomer to the shop — says he's planning to extend the range of goods. Good for him, but, more important, thank heavens he is not throwing anyone else on the unemployment heap.

CAVERSHAM SERVICES

Someone recently pointed out to me that people from Caversham Heights, for instance, may not know that we have in Prospect Street our own optician, vet and chiropodist, and unless elderly people have particular attachments in other parts of the town, they might well consider patronising our own local services. The opticians, I believe, keep normal working hours, the chiropodist is not always there, but appointments can be made by phoning 470491 or, after 6.30, 473906. Veterinary services are by appointment between 9.15 and 10am and 5 and 7pm. (Tel. 479298.)

OUR RIGHTS OF WAY

Why have the local authorities decided to ban the use of the pool near the river to paddlers? Ok, so perhaps it was originally a boating pool and perhaps it will cost something to keep the bottom clean and free from glass. But what's much more serious is that I hear very young children are "paddling" in the river close by, now that they can't use the pool. I even heard of youngsters who can't swim being dragged around the river on ropes and belts at this point. For heaven's sake — we don't need a Round Pond in Caversham; we do need a place where youngsters can paddle in complete safety.

Like many people, I seem to spend half my life wishing I had more time for various "causes" — but let's face it, how many of us (particularly women trying to run a home, a full-time job and so on) do

have that much time. And without wishing to seem altruistic, I actually do welcome many of those who stump round the streets with little envelopes asking for small donations — for they are honest and do ask something of us, which is more than can be said for the masses of pamphlets which drop through our letterboxes daily promising us the earth if only we'll buy such-and-such a product, or sign such-and-such a form "with no obligation".

FRIENDS OF THE SAMARITANS

At least I can spare a few coppers and the strength to seal down an envelope, even if I can do no more — it's not "getting charity on the cheap", but it is a fact that many of us can do no more than that. So, for the benefit of those (and I know I'm not alone) who think like me, I was pleased to discover that the Reading Samaritans, which thousands of us support in theory, are now relieved of the work of raising their own funds — heaven knows they are busy enough without that.

There is a group called "Friends of the Samaritans" and, for a minimum subscription of £1 a year anyone can become a member. Along with your membership card you receive a list of other members, so that if you do have time to run coffee parties, barbecues or other fund-raising efforts, you have at hand a list of local people who will almost surely join in — and you don't have to feel embarrassed about asking them either.

You will receive a newsletter from time to time, giving details of any fund-raising activities going on, and the Friends will supply invitation cards for you to send out if you want to run something yourself.

NO MORE THAN YOU CAN MANAGE

In short, apart from the £1 annual subscription, nobody is going to ask you to do any more than you can manage. So if you do support the Samaritans, I suggest you send off your application to either the Chairman, Mr J. B. Miller, The Old Bakehouse, Quick's Green, Ashamstead, Reading (tel. Basildon 346), or the Secretary, Mrs Jill McArthur, "Buckfast", Hardwick Road, Whitechurch, Reading (tel. Pangbourne 2514). And don't underestimate the value of "mere membership" — given enough "Friends" there would be no need for anyone to slog their hearts out running bazaars and so on. And they do need members.

SENSIBLE MUM

I don't know who she was, but I really took my hat off to the young mother whose infant recently had an "unfortunate accident" in Budgens. I've seen so many children clouted, shouted at, and generally made to feel ashamed on such occasions, that the young lady who quietly comforted her small boy, reassured him and went to find someone to clean up, had the admiration of all in the check-out queue.

Embley



— Nicholas Hubbard

■ "My clothes will soon dry!"

SAVE THE CHILDREN GRAND

CARNIVAL

Sat. Sept 11, 1.30 to 6.30pm

in the grounds of

The Oratory School

Woodcote

Parachute Drop

by the famous

RED DEVILS

Over 100 sidestalls and attractions
Admission by Programme

30p per car including passengers

(if purchased before the day)

10p per person on the day

Grand Raffle Refreshments

THE LINK GROUP

Caversham Bridge readers may be interested to know to what use the Link Group has put the money raised by them since the group re-formed after Family Festival.

JANUARY '75-JULY '76
Reading Society for

Handicapped Children	£189.50
Simon Community	£100.00
Richmond Fellowship	£48.50
Help the Aged	£16.98
Gingerbread	£10.00
Smiths Hospital	£60.25

Berkshire Women's Aid	£20.00
Red Cross — Local Hospitals Beauty Care Service	£10.00
St Benets	£10.00
Corrymeela	£50.00

As there will not be another fund-raising effort this year, some money is being kept in hand for use in the coming months, and there is a sum collected especially for 20 Priest Hill, which it has not yet been possible to use.

On July 14 representatives of the Link Group attended a meeting of the Caversham Clergy to discuss future plans for Ecumenism in the Parish. The same evening they met for a social gathering at Doreen Bennett's house, ending with an Ecumenical Communion conducted by Stephen Bartlett. The last event of the summer was a very successful Bring and Buy Plant Sale organised by Margaret Coombs in her garden.

The group meets again after the holidays on September 19 with a special meeting for forward planning, with time for thought and discussion.
V. T. BIRTWHISTLE
Hon. Treasurer

CYRIL H. LOVEGROVE LTD.

Funeral Directors :: Monumental Masons

114/116 OXFORD ROAD, READING
Telephone 52016 (Day or Night)

Branch Offices at
4/5 Town Square, Bracknell. Tel. 21949

Walton Adams & Son Limited

PHOTOGRAPHERS

Telephone Reading 477904

1 PROSPECT STREET, CAVERSHAM

PHOTOGRAPHS

WEDDING AT HOME PASSPORT

HOLLOWAY'S

HENLEY ROAD — CAVERSHAM — READING

Telephone Reading 472766/7

AGENTS FOR MORRIS, MG, WOLSELEY

LEYCARE SERVICING UNIPART CENTRE

SELF-DRIVE HIRE CARS

AA and RAC APPOINTED

'SUPREMA'

OFFERS

DRY CLEANING AT ITS BEST
AND AT KEENEST PRICES

WE'RE OPEN SIX DAYS A WEEK

at 32B CHURCH STREET, CAVERSHAM



■ Peter Allwood
— Walton Adams

New organist for St Peter's

Peter Allwood, who succeeds John Dussek as the parish organist and choirmaster is also Director of Music at Leighton Park School. Born at Walton - on - Thames in 1953 he joined the choir of St John's Church, Walton,

and at the same time started to learn the organ. At the age of 15 he had become organist and choirmaster there.

He was educated at Tiffin's School at Kingston - on - Thames, a school with a fine musical reputation, and from here he obtained a choral scholarship to King's College, Cambridge. At Cambridge he read music, was secretary of the King's College Music Society and chairman and conductor of the University Gilbert and Sullivan Society.

On coming down from Cambridge he spent a year at Durham in order to obtain his diploma in Education and then in September of last year he took up his appointment at Leighton Park School. While at Cambridge he met his future wife, Rosalind, whose home parish was All Saint's, King's Heath, Birmingham.

She is now teaching at Crosfields School. Having missed church in a Quaker school Peter looks forward to his work in Caversham and on Saturday, October 9, is taking the parish choirs to sing Evensong in Tewkesbury Abbey.

Round the Anglican Parish

The Rev John Crowe who was a member of the Caversham clergy team until December, 1971, is moving from Hampton, Evesham, to be priest-in-charge of St Edward's Leek, Staffordshire.

It was the needlewomen of Leek who in the last century made a replica of the Bayeux Tapestry which is from time to time exhibited in Reading's Museum.

The parish is glad to welcome a new Reader. Mr E. A. Perkins, who has come to live at 22 Fernbrook Road with his wife, has been a Reader for many years in Rochester Diocese and will shortly be undertaking similar duties in Caversham.

St Margaret's Patron Festival

A large congregation was present at the Parish Communion on July 20. There were so many friends from the parish of Caversham that some of the congregation were sitting on cushions on the steps leading into the church and on the stone seats in the porch; even the wooden churchyard seat was drawn up outside the door and made room for three more. The visiting preacher was the Rev T. Palham, Vicar of the neighbouring riverside parish of Whitchurch.

After the service everyone had a chance

to see the set for the recent film making, now being dismantled, as they went into the grounds of Mapledurham House. Once again, through the great kindness of Mr Eyston and Lady Ann, the congregation were able to enjoy excellent refreshments in the attractive setting of their lovely Thameside home. It was not quite the feeding of the five thousand (about 150 had been at the service), but there was not a crumb left. Grateful thanks to Mr and Mrs Guy Williams, Mrs Durant and all others who had made the festival such a success.

THE CAVERSHAM BRIDGE

Once again it has been impossible to include all contributions submitted for publication. Material for the October edition which will be published on Saturday, September 18, must be sent to Church House, Caversham, by Wednesday, September 1.

St Peter's News

The congregation at the Parish Communion will miss a familiar figure from one of the front pews. Mrs Dorothy Canning, who recently celebrated her 80th birthday, has moved to 15 Clifton Close, Paignton, to live with her daughter.

Her husband was for many years secretary of the Church Council and a member of the choir for over 50 years until the time of his death.

Mrs Canning hopes that whenever any members of the parish are on holiday near Paignton they will find time to call in for a cup of tea.

St Andrew's Notes

The Annual Summer Fete, held towards the end of June, realised a gross figure of some £500. An excellent result in view of the scorching hot afternoon. This means that after the minimal expenses have been paid and taking into account various donations the committee hope to be able to send a cheque for £500 to the Wellclose Square Fund, Birmingham House. Thanks are due to the many helpers and, of course, to the folk who braved the heat and spent their money so generously. A note of interest: 16 dozen bottles of "pop" were consumed in the two hours plus several gallons of ice cream.

Sunday School reopens at the Family Communion Service on Sunday, September 5. As in past years the Sunday School teachers will be commissioned for their work in the coming year. This is a practice started two years ago

and is one much appreciated by teachers and congregation alike. Last year the Guides and Brownies started a regular monthly parade service and in October the Cubs along with the newly-formed Scout troop will be joining the girls on the first Sunday of each month for the Family Eucharist.

The mammoth task of washing the church walls and pillars is all but complete, and, as the Archdeacons certificate has been granted, it is hoped that "Operation Painting" will get under way as soon as the holiday season comes to an end.

Harvest Thanksgiving this year will be observed on Sunday, September 26, with the Harvest Supper the night before. The St Andrew's Fellowship are making the neces-

sary arrangements for the supper.

Dates to remember: First two meetings of the newly-formed St Andrew's Folk Dance Group — October 27 and November 24. Further details available later on. Men's Retreat at Cowley October 15-17.

St John's News

MOTHERS' UNION

On July 13, St John's Mothers' Union joined St Peter's and St Barnabas' members for a meeting in the Rectory garden.

On July 27, a garden meeting was held at 195 Henley Road, with competitions and a gift table, when members and friends contributed a total of £20 in memory of the late Audrey Martin. At the request of her family, this is to be given to Castle Ward, Battle Hospital, to buy hand-operated fans for the use of patients there.

CAVERSHAM BRIDGE SCHEME OF SOCIAL SERVICE

Central Organiser:

Mrs K. P. Besley, 10 Ashcroft Close. Tel. 472374.

Area Organisers:

Mrs A. M. Russell, (North Caversham), 31 Brooklyn Drive, Emmer Green. Tel. 472934.

Mrs M. Coombs (South Caversham), 5 Kidmore Road, Tel. 472689.

Mrs E. B. Evans (East Caversham), 50 Grosvenor Road. Tel. 473596.

Mrs P. Edwards (West Caversham), 4 Harrogate Road, Tel. 476893.

Mrs C. Pynn, (Mapledurham), 42 Geoffreyson Road, Tel. 476065.

Mrs D. Davies (Caversham Park), 81 Galsworthy Drive. Tel. 476181.



By saving with the Portman Building Society you are doing something positive about your future. Your money is safe and growing all the time. It's easily available when you want it.

More and more people are choosing the Portman as their Building Society, so why don't you get to know the Portman. Ask about our various savings schemes — one of them is bound to be right for you.

Portman Building Society

Locally at:

25 KING STREET, READING
Telephone Reading 52804/56260
Branch Manager: Mr A. J. SILK

41 BELL STREET, HENLEY-ON-THAMES
Telephone Henley-on-Thames 6826/7
Branch Manager: Mr J. K. Cornwell

Regional Manager: Mr B. B. Hazell

Authorised for investment by Trustees Member of the Building Societies Association

YOUR CAVERSHAM AGENTS FOR 44 YEARS

Martin & Pole

CHARTERED SURVEYORS
CHARTERED AUCTIONEERS & ESTATE AGENTS

4 BRIDGE STREET, CAVERSHAM
Tel: Reading 472877 and 477561

Also at Reading (Head Office), Earley, Pangbourne, Goring and Thatcham

Associated Offices: Wokingham and High Wycombe

PLATTS HOME COOKED HAM

WORTH FINDING
at 49 Donkin Hill, Caversham
ORDERS TAKEN AND DELIVERED

Our Phone 472175

Caversham Fabrics Ltd.

4 PROSPECT STREET, CAVERSHAM
Telephone Reading 475169

Come and see our range of

FABRICS AND CHILDREN'S WEAR

★
CURTAINS and ROLLER BLINDS
a SPECIALITY

★
VENETIAN BLINDS LESS 33-1/3%

W. N. & E. FISHER LTD.

Building Contractors

Renovations in all Trades Decorations

EMMER GREEN, READING Tel. 471595

PASSPORT SERVICE
YOUR WEDDING OR PORTRAIT IN COLOUR

HYMOR Photographers

43 PROSPECT STREET,
CAVERSHAM
Tel. Reading 475656 and 479450

RESIDENTS' VIEWPOINT

by WATCHDOG

Crowmarsh, Checkendon, Chazey, Caversham: what have these in common? The County Council considers channelling containers through them, causing chaos and confusion. Countryfolk, citizens and conservationists combine in the cause of commonsense to challenge the Council's claim that this is the correct course. However, let us close this charade and concentrate on how this concerns the community.

PROBLEMS

In fact there is little need to itemise the problems to anyone who knows the A4074, from Crowmarsh through Woodcote and Caversham to Reading. Earlier consultations between the local councils involved has already resulted in agreement as to the unsuitability of this road and a preference for the A34, from Oxford towards Newbury and then direct on to the M4. However, when Berkshire County Council decided (and rightly from most views) to prohibit the A329 (the Oxford Road running through Stratley and Pangbourne) to heavy lorries, problems arose about access to Reading, and Oxfordshire County Council then decided unilaterally in favour of the A4074.

A solution recommended by Reading is the prohibition of the A4074, where it enters its territory at Caversham, to heavy lorries but clearly this cannot be done without the co-operation of Oxfordshire, for advance warning notices would be required as far back as the Oxford ring road.

OCTOBER 11

To help clarify the position and provide a platform for the expression of local views, Caversham Residents' Association is organising a public meeting at which there will be speakers from Oxfordshire County Council, Berkshire County Council and Reading Borough Council, together with representatives of the other councils along the route and of the main users of the road. The meeting will be held on Monday, October 11, at Thameside Primary School (off Wolsey Road) at 7.45pm.

Window posters are available and a good display all along the route is aimed at. Anyone who could use one or who requires further details of the meeting, telephone Reading 472300 (usually mid-day or evenings).

EMBLEY



■ The house from the park — Ebba Handford



■ On the lawn — Peter Handford

Sale

WOOL (SIRDAR, JAEGER, EMU, ROBIN, ETC.). SLACKS AND SKIRTS.

COMMENCING SEPT. 6

Vera Fletcher

5 Prospect Street, Caversham
Phone Reading 472414

Nicholas

*Auctioneers, Surveyors, Valuers, Land and Estate Agents

R. J. WADE, FRICS
B. P. COLSTON, B.Sc, FRICS
P. J. MITCHELL, FRICS, FIAS, FRVA
W. J. DULBOROUGH, FRICS
C. M. S. CROMBIE, FSV A
G. H. KING, FSV A

13 BRIDGE STREET, CAVERSHAM

Reading 479665

Head Office at 147 FRIAR STREET, READING — 56511
Also at Woodley, Wokingham, Twyford, Newbury and London, W.1

SAVE THE CHILDREN A GRAND CARNIVAL

The Caversham branch of the Save the Children Fund have been working hard since Christmas planning a Grand Carnival and Rally to be held in the grounds of the Oratory School, at Woodcote, on Saturday, September 11, 1976, 1.30 to 6.30pm.

Those who attend will see a spectacular parachute drop by the famous Red Devils freefall team. Other arena events will be Duke of Edinburgh Pony Games, Karate and Judo demonstrations, Gymnastic display, Dancing, Health and Beauty display. Music from the Ukrainian Children's Orchestra, the Boys' Brigade Band, and the popular Comedy Show Group "FUSE".

There will also be two Magic Shows, a mini fair ground, Punch and Judy, a model railway to give rides, also a grand model of a medieval fort, farm and castle, made by the girls of Queen Anne's School, will be on display, together with some veteran buses. Demonstrations of Arts and Crafts by the Ukrainian Association is yet another attraction you can see craftsmen at work carving, weaving and even painting Easter eggs.

HEATING

Planned Maintenance Contracts by

GOODMAN

Telephone 55811 (20 lines)

or write to

H. C. GOODMAN LIMITED
Freepost, Reading, RG1 1BR

(NO STAMP)

Radio Controlled Service Means a Better Service

KERR & KERR

INDUSTRIAL DOMESTIC HEATING ENGINEERS LTD.

REGISTERED



CORGI GAS INSTALLER

PLUMBING CONTRACTORS
POTTERTON APPROVED M.P.B.W.
CORGI N.C.B.

CHESTER STREET, CAVERSHAM
Telephone Reading 473005

SEA SCOUTS AT CAVERSHAM



—Walton Adams

Mapledurham Parish Council

A meeting of Mapledurham Parish Council was held on Thursday, July 22, 1976, Mr B. A. Fowles, Chairman of the Council, presided at the meeting.

The council's attention was drawn to disturbances that had been created in the built-up area of the parish as a result of motor cycles being ridden in a somewhat irresponsible manner. The council were informed that the motor cycles accelerate to very high speeds in the Upper Woodcote Road area, and are causing much concern to many residents because of the safety factor involved. This concern was shared by the council.

It was agreed to notify the Thames Valley Police of the situation that exists, and with information supplied to the council concerning the timing pattern it is hoped there will be an improvement in the situation.

The council were informed that it is hoped the footpath that runs between Upper Woodcote Road and Woodcote Way that has been blocked for very many years will be opened shortly as a result of some assistance for clearing the path that has been promised by Mapledurham Area Residents' Association.

Following a letter from the South Oxon DC regarding proposals for a heavy lorry route along the A4074 (Reading - Woodcote road) the council are to advise the District Council that it favours the use of the M4 and A34 between Reading and Oxford as a more suitable route for the heavy lorries that are currently using the A4074. The Oxfordshire CC were advised of the Parish Council's views when asked by them in the spring.

The council are considering moving the play equipment on the Woodcote Road Playing Fields to a more central area on the fields, as it is the council's view that with the close proximity of the new pavilion, the problem of vandalism is more acute. As a result of the recent by-election, Mrs Allum, Rev Dr Kitchener, Mrs Smithers and Mr G. Williams were welcomed to the council.

YOUNG CAVERSHAM

The holidays drawing to a close; the frantic rush round the shops in search of new clothes for school or work; the depressing thoughts of another year's hard slog ahead; and the final anguish of the moment of throwing away that glossy holiday guide which promised us so much fun and sun, now remaining just a happy recollection.

In the business of enjoying ourselves, I wonder how many of us bother about paying a visit to the nearest church, or even attend a short service? Well, we can find so many excuses; we want to make the most of the time, do something different, and have a complete break from everything—this is OUR holiday! That's how I feel, too.



But the morning after my arrival at the little resort of Totland Bay, Isle of Wight, I amassed enough energy to make the ten minutes' walk to the Parish Church to partake in the 8am Holy Communion.

This was after having aroused 15 children from their slumbers and prepared breakfasts for all of them, so I qualified for some off-duty time. Several of the younger boys in fact accompanied me to the old grey-stoned church which stood on the hill above the village. The vicar welcomed us, and made special mention in the notices of the young visitors from Caversham who were staying at Totland Bay.

He was the Rev Peter Akehurst, who knew Caversham very well in his days when at Reading University, and he

From page one

EMBLEY 76

Waters and Graham Kitcher.

Then we were permitted to rest while strange personages, Henry VIII, Florence Nightingale, Dr Spock, Princess Anne and, last but by no means least, Field Marshal President Idi Amin, besought us to save them from being bundled from a balloon.

I believe Big Daddy lost because although he invited us all to Uganda next year he could not guarantee our return — they never seem to know whom they will be having for breakfast. Peter Handford did a perfect baby-feeding mime and we finalised the proceedings searching for sardines.

So alas, I come to the end of my memories, but they will linger long and sustain us through the bleak winter until, O frabjous day, July 23, 1977, dawns.

was one of the originators of the annual Head of the River Boat Race on the Thames. Christ Church, Totland, was celebrating its centenary this year, and an exhibition "Janus in Totland" was shortly to be opened.

By

Peter Shock

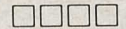
Every year I receive many holiday guides from various resorts, and in my back room there is a colossal library of many hundreds of publications representing holiday areas from Tyneside to Tokyo. Taking a few British guides at random, I looked to see which authorities took any trouble to make known the facilities that their churches offered visitors.

Many of them gave brief lists of religious establishments, and some enhanced their pages with photographs and historical descriptions to varying degrees. Bridlington's guide, for example, devotes a section to its churches and even suggests a whole week could be dedicated to ecclesiology.

Abingdon and Cirencester are among the towns that give prominence to their parish churches on the front covers, as also quite naturally does Bath with its Abbey. Hereford designates no less than ten pages in

acclaiming its proud heritage of the 900 years old cathedral; Bourne-mouth tells you that churches are well represented in all denominations but refers you to the Information Bureau; Southend and Weymouth make little mention of facilities and leave the visitor to have a look for himself.

Full marks to "oh, so bracing" Skegness, which provides a comprehensive list of all denominations together with the ministers' names, days and times of services; South Shields cannot find a lot to tell you about its own religious establishments, but says you MUST visit Durham Cathedral — 25 miles away! Barry, Fleetwood and Hastings (O'yez, O'yez), supply lists in their accommodation handbooks, and Weston - super - Mare refers you to the black blobs on the inserted street map.



One might forgive Canterbury for its disappointingly restricted description of the nation's premier cathedral, but as a result of local boundary reorganisation it must share its publicity with the bathing beauties of Whitstable and Herne Bay. As for Reading — St Giles', St Mary's and St Laurence's get mention, but only the latter makes the top 17 Places of Interest on the Key Map!

Win all the time with Sports Clothing and Equipment from

STAN ELDON SPORTS

Table Tennis, Football, Hockey, Rugby, Netball, Squash, Badminton, Cross Country, Golf, Indoor Games, Darts
Whatever your sport — try us first

Special Note:

Games Kit for Highdown and other schools stocked
Skirts £4.50, Socks from 75p, Rugby Jerseys from about £3.50, Plimsols from £1.50, Football Boots from £3.30.

Access and Barclaycard welcome
Green Shield Stamps

STAN ELDON SPORTS LIMITED

ST. MARTINS CENTRE, CAVERSHAM, READING
473588

Also at Tilehurst and Windsor

L. W. YEATES LIMITED

Central Heating and Plumbing

Complete systems designed and installed by Qualified Engineers

21 Star Road
Caversham,
Reading
Tel. Reading
471016

FUNERALS AND CREMATIONS A. B. WALKER AND SON LTD.

36 ELDON ROAD
READING, BERKS

Telephones: Day — Reading
53650. Night — Reading 53763 &
61539
Private Chapels of Rest

Craftsmen Butchers since 1824 H. R. STEVENS & SON 177 CAVERSHAM ROAD, READING Telephone 52595

TOP QUALITY ENGLISH MEATS AND POULTRY

BACON AND COOKED MEATS

Could you have a

HORSE or PONY

if only you had somewhere to keep it?

COLLINS END RIDING CENTRE

provides expert care, jumps, saddleroom and lovely hacking

Come and stay all day

HARDWICK ESTATE
WHITCHURCH, READING, RG8 7RB



KEEP FIT

THE MARGARET MORRIS MOVEMENT WAY

Movement and Dance Classes for all

Recommence September 13, 1976

Contact: Reading 27578 or 27667

J. STRONG & SONS Builders and Contractors

We shall be pleased to build Guildway Bungalows on your own land Guildway Approved Builders

32 ARDLER ROAD, CAVERSHAM
READING RG4 0AQ

Telephone Reading 473177 and 472881

VANDERPUMP & WELLBELOVE

(and Wellesley-Smith & Co.)

AUCTIONEERS, LAND AND ESTATE AGENTS,
SURVEYORS AND VALUERS.

6 STATION ROAD, READING

Telephone: 53211/4

and branches

STAN ELDON'S COLUMN

AFTER MONTREAL

The Olympic Games are over for another four years, or who knows, they might well be over for ever in the form we have known.

The next Games are scheduled for Moscow in 1980 but before then the International Olympic Committee has a lot of sorting out to do and many lessons to be learnt from Montreal. The athletes of the world are fed up with the political interference which has become a part of the modern Olympiad. The following letter from an international athlete written on behalf of most international athletes from this country (past and present) sums up their attitude. "PAWNS? Well, here we are again. Our four-yearly festival of fun and games has started with its usual fanfare of political interference in the affairs of the world's greatest athletes.

It is tragic that an Olympic Games cannot pass without such appalling occurrences. It is the concern of politicians to improve the conditions for people to live in, not to determine whether or not individuals demonstrate their physical prowess at an Olympic Games.

It is terrible to think that an athlete can be the

greatest in the world but not compete against his peers because of the vagaries of some bureaucrat in his country. Athletes should not be political pawns, and attempts to make them such should not be allowed to succeed.

One solution to this problem would be to remove the onus of entry for the Games from nationalistic organisations and return it to the athletes. There are too many people trying to influence who competes, and it would be far better for the athletes to circumvent interference by entering individually. This would also help solve some of the problems



— Walton Adams

ROUND THE CLUBS

Reading Caversham Heights' Townswomen's Guild

At the July meeting members were taken on a guided tour "Through the Thames Valley" by the speaker, Mrs J. Millward, who used a tape recorder and some beautiful colour slides taken by herself and her husband to give us glimpses, some familiar and some not so familiar, of the variety of scenes from the River Thames.

Mrs Millward and her husband had spent many months collecting these photographs, visiting some places several times in order to catch the "right light" and the results were really splendid. Starting right at the source of the river at Lechlade we saw such historic places as Abingdon and Wallingford contrasted with more modern wonders such as the power station at Didcot.

The tour took us to many great houses such as Hardwicke House, Mapledurham House, built for the Blunt family during the reign of Henry VIII and in their possession ever since, Windsor Castle, first of the Royal Palaces, added to and altered by almost every monarch in our history, and Hampton Court.

We travelled through many famous locks on the

river, including Sonning, Marsh, Boulter's (the busiest on the Thames) and Teddington (the last) below which the river is controlled by the Port of London Authority.

As the river passed through London we saw many well-known landmarks in the City, the Palace of Westminster and Big Ben, the Royal Festival Hall, St Paul's Cathedral and the new London Bridge. A weather vane of two golden fishes clearly marks the site of Billingsgate Fish Market from both road and river.

And so to the Tower of London and Tower Bridge, the last on the Thames, which in its 80 years of history has never failed to raise its central bascules, weighing 1,000 tons each, to allow shipping to pass through.

Mrs Millward answered questions put by the audience and also gave some good advice to anyone who might wish to undertake a similar project.

Mrs C. Griffith gave the vote of thanks. Members were asked to consider ideas for next year's programme, to be discussed at the August Coffee Evening.

Caversham Afternoon Townswomen's Guild

The monthly meeting on July 15 was chaired by Mrs C. Mitchell and was the last meeting before the summer break.

One of the main items on the programme was under the heading "How the Guild was Formed". Eight founder members took part, the President Mrs Lovejoy, Mrs Cullen, a past president of the federation, the latter taking the chair. The Guild was formed in December, 1961; each member gave her own recollections of the early days of the Guild which was most interesting and often amusing. This was followed by a showing of members' slides.

Mrs Mitchell thanked Mrs Hague and her daughter for giving the Guild the opportunity of using their garden at Ridgehall Close for the garden party, which was a great success and a memorable day.

The meeting then drew to a close.

Mapledurham WI

A garden party was held in July at the home of Mrs D. Corkery in Upper Warren Avenue, with the President, Mrs M. Hayward, presiding. Birthday buttonholes were presented to Mrs Bramwell, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Pond and Mrs Burnside. Tea was served by the committee, and all present enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon in the shade of the trees in Mrs Corkery's garden.

CAVERSHAM BRIDGE

All contributions for the October edition must be submitted by Wednesday, September 1

Blagrove WI

In spite of the extremely hot weather the July Meeting was very well attended and after the Birthday Posies had been presented Mrs Burling, from Rosehill WI, who had been the Link Delegate at the Albert Hall, gave a most interesting report on her visit there.

Members were fortunate in having Mrs Painter as the guest speaker and she gave a delightful demonstration on "Flower Arranging" taking as her theme "Flowers for the Home" and showing how really beautiful ordinary flowers can look when arranged by an expert, and she was greatly to be congratulated as this was her first demonstration. The flowers were later raffled and won by four lucky members!

Mrs Maddox was thanked for her work in arranging the Outing to Savill Gardens which had been thoroughly enjoyed by members and friends, and items of Craft were chosen for the display to be held later in the summer at the Tilehurst Library.

The next meeting will be a Garden Party to be held at the home of Mrs Wilkie and a provisional date was fixed for a country walk to be held in August.

The flower of the month competition was won by Mrs Bartlett and the raffle by Mrs Maule.

Maplewood WI

Mrs K. Bubb, as President, welcomed Mrs D. Fletcher, who is a member of the institute, who spoke about the flowers of Western Australia, illustrating her talk with coloured slides and amusing stories. Mrs D. Touseaint thanked her on behalf of the members and presented her with a cheque for the Associated Country Women of the World.

Mrs D. Scott was welcomed as a transferred member.

At Mrs H. Baker's coffee morning £17 was made for the institute's funds.

Eighteen members went to the County Day at Burcett's Green for a varied programme under the title "The Day of the Sheep", which was enjoyed by everyone.

A display of Holiday Souvenirs was accompanied by their owners' anecdotes about them.

of team selection lying in the hands of a few people. National organisations would then be no more than a rubber stamp to certify that qualifying performances are genuine.

Personal choice for the athletes would then be restored, because they would not be interminably dependent upon people who are basically egocentric prima donnas trying to gain respectability for their distorted views.

Although the idea of individual entry has its problems they could probably be overcome and it is to be hoped that the IOC will at least consider the suggestion.

The Montreal Games will probably go down in history as the Games where amateurism finally died. It is now no longer a secret that athletes are paid to wear this or that shoe and that many of the sportsmen and women taking part in the Games were sponsored to the same extent as a racing car driver or any professional competitor.

As far as the British results are concerned they are really not bad and there were some very creditable performances especially away from track and field athletics. But we do have to sort ourselves out in this country and decide whether we want sport to stay as it is for the pleasure of the many, in which case we will not win many gold medals in the future; or, fall over backwards to help the top few become almost robots in their attitude to sport.

JOGGING ON . . .

From the very professional arena of the Olympic Games to something very down to earth and very much for everyone. The Jogging groups in Prospect Park on a Tuesday and Thursday evening are still going very well and many people have been twice a week since it started in April. Also, many new faces are still appearing each week and we will certainly keep going now and during the winter months which is the time when most people need more exercise.

AROUND THE FOOTBALL CLUBS

Our local football teams are all getting down to the start of the new football season. Emmer Green are hoping for a good season and have been training for some weeks with help from an FA coach. The club trains at 6.30pm every Monday and Emmer Green are looking for players and anyone interested should contact Pete Reid on Reading 475917.

Clifton Athletic FC are hoping to regain their old form this year after a rather disappointing season last year.

The various boys' teams from Caversham, Mapledurham and Caversham Park Village will be renewing battle in the local Boys' and Youth Leagues, and all expect to have a good season.

HIGHDOWN SCHOOL
ANNUAL FETE
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25 at 2pm

Please come, enjoy yourselves and help the school at summer's last fete

In the school if wet

Peter Shock
 Motor Coaches
 131 Hemdean Road
 Caversham,
 Reading
 Tel. Reading 473793

G. J. BOXALL
 Painter and Decorator
 344 Hemdean Road
 Caversham
 Tel. Reading 472181

Put yourself in

MILWARDS SHOES

What could be more fitting?

CHURCH STREET, CAVERSHAM

GARDEN MACHINERY SERVICES

6 BANBURY GARDENS, CAVERSHAM
READING 473308

Sales and Service Agents for FLYMO MOUNTFIELD HAYTER ATCO, etc.	Always large stock of NEW AND RECONDITIONED MACHINES FREE ESTIMATES
---	---

W. T. NICHOLLS

59 GROVE ROAD, EMMER GREEN
Opposite Primary School
Reading 472758

GREENGROCERY and CONFECTIONERY

LETTERS FROM THE

Dear Sir,

My intention in writing the article "Gay Christians?" was to try to be open to the question of homosexuality and create a talking point. I did not intend to provide a hard and fast conclusion either for or against homosexuality. Of course, it would be a good thing to know whether homosexuality is "right" or "wrong".

But surely before we can arrive at such a conclusion we must dare to be open to either possibility and move towards an answer in the context of a debate which is tempered by the Christian virtues of truth and forgiveness. My own position at the moment is a natural feeling against homosexuality. But I happen to know someone who is a homosexual. Because I also respect and value him as a human being, I wonder whether those feelings against homosexuality might be wrong.

There are two points raised by Colonel Kynaston in his letter which, with respect, I would question. First, his contention that because there are homosexuals who are evil and perverted, therefore all homosexuality is evil and perverted behaviour. I know two teenage girls who went to Reading Library. On the way out they were invited by a strange man to meet a friend of his who would introduce them to the work of "modelling". Thankfully they refused. We are all aware of a huge traffic in pornography which is largely perverted heterosexuality.

But no one would argue that because there are a lot of perverted heterosexuals therefore all heterosexual behaviour is perverted. Clearly this would be nonsense. Similarly, you cannot argue that because there are some perverted and evil homosexuals therefore all homosexuality is perverted.

Secondly, the witness of the Bible in this matter. Yes, of course, there are passages in the Bible that condemn homosexuality. But unless you are a fundamentalist it is unwise to condemn and ostracise other human beings on a few passages here and there in the Bible with no clear support from the Gospels. What does seem to me to be the clear and undoubted Word of God in the Bible is that sexuality of any kind cannot be an end in itself. It is rather a powerful and important means towards doing God's Will and becoming the sort of people He intended us to be.

I can see that Colonel Kynaston would believe that being homosexual is not being what God intended us to be! I am not so convinced. It is at

this point it becomes so difficult. Is the judgement of God going to be about whether a person is homosexual? Or is it going to be about less definable qualities in a person which result from and grow out of a sexual commitment? If the latter is true then there are good and bad homosexuals and good and bad heterosexuals.

Let me try to end this letter on a positive (and, I hope, clear) note. I believe God's call to me as a Christian is that my natural sexuality is hal- lowed, in order to be used for His purposes of out-going, self-giving love. Often I am unsuccessful in this. Let me try to be more successful. Let me try to be responsible about my own heterosexuality and not be too hasty to condemn other, good people who are using their sexuality in a different way.

Yours etc.,

STEPHEN
BARTLETT

2 Blackwater Close,
Caversham Park.

Dear Editor,

Will you permit me to comment on the juxtaposition (in the August edition of the "Bridge") of the editorial about holiday churchgoing with the letter from Mr Rogers about Roman Catholics who go to Communion in other churches. The first thing to strike me was that the Roman Catholic Church is clearly nothing like the monolithic structure that people once thought it was; and this cuts both ways.

When an entire choir from a Continental cathedral goes to Communion in an Anglican cathedral a Roman Catholic can no longer claim universal authority for a discipline which forbids such inter-Communion. But equally, the occasion can't be used as an excuse for encouraging loyal Roman Catholics in this country to break the discipline of their church as it is applied here — an act which I suppose no Anglican priest having a regard for the ancient and strong tradition of discipline in the Church of England itself would dream of committing.

The situation seems to be that Roman Catholics in some places are now allowed to go to Communion in other churches (or the practice is at any rate tolerated) while in other places the discipline continues to be stricter. It is a difficult situation. It is difficult enough for those of us who were once used to thinking of the Roman Catholic Church as speaking with a single unequivocal voice, when we find it so no longer; it must be very hard indeed for many Roman Catholics, not least for those who

would like to move forward to closer unity but are equally determined to be loyal to the discipline of their own church in those places where that discipline is very strict.

It should not be hard for Anglicans to sympathise, for in the Anglican Church throughout the world we often have to suffer similar tensions (as for example in the fact that the Anglican Church in some countries now ordains women, but those women are not permitted to exercise their ministry in certain other countries, including England).

The day of the worldwide Church that speaks everywhere with one voice appears to be gone, and we need to pray for each other as we face the difficulties which arise from its passing.

I should like at the same time to clear up one definite misunderstanding, which may arise from Mr Rogers' letter. It is now over four years since an officially sponsored international commission of Roman Catholics and Anglicans issued their "Agreed Statement on Eucharistic Doctrine", which was a unanimous account of the beliefs of all the members about the nature of the Eucharist.

That document has never received official endorsement from the churches; perhaps it is not to be expected that it should have done. But when the Roman Catholic members of the commission included two English bishops, an Under-Secretary at one of the Vatican Secretariats, and four professors of theology, it is surely no longer possible to begin our dialogue with each other on the assumption that we hold totally different beliefs about the central act of Christian worship — which is the assumption which Mr Rogers seems to make.

Yours etc.,

Michael Kitchener,
The Rev Dr M. A. Kitchener,
Reading and District Council of Churches Ecumenical Officer,
222 Upper Woodcote Road
Caversham.

MICHAEL KITCHENER

Dear Sir,

I can tell you who Dr Hurry was. In about 1910 I was taken as a school girl from Battle School in a party to meet Dr Hurry and his daughter for botany lessons. I shall never forget it because it was out of this world to us children.

He lived at the top end of Southcote Road; I can't remember if his house was in Bath Road, but we went in by a gate in a tall wall in Southcote Road. They had been all over the world

and had brought back trees and plants from everywhere, and they were growing in a sun-ken garden and greenhouses. When years later I went to Kew gardens it meant nothing to me as I had seen it all before, so you can guess the sort of garden I'm trying to tell you about.

About the well, my father-in-law, Henry Shepherd, helped to dig that out. They found swords of all sorts down there at the bottom, and they were supposed to go to the Reading Museum. As for coins, there was a man who bought all they found when digging anywhere in Caversham, and I am sure I can remember Dad saying he must see Mr Wing. Somewhere in the house I've an old photo of Mr Talbot's workmen who did the work on the well. I must see if I can find it.

Yours etc.

NELLIE SHEPHERD

54 Gosbrook Road,
Caversham.

Dear Sir,

I have just read Stephen Bartlett's article in last month's issue, condoning homosexuality.

It is not significant that throughout the entire 800 word article there is not one single citation of Holy Scripture? Further, that there is mention of but two Biblical personages — Jesus, whose omission of any direct reference to homosexuality must demonstrate his approval, if not participation in this perversion, simply because Mr Bartlett says so, and St Paul who must be ignored because he expressed unpopular views (we must remember that where it says "All scripture is inspired of God" 2 Tim ch iii v 16 what is really meant is, "All scripture that Stephen Bartlett approves of is inspired of God").

(1) Do the Gospels contain any specific allusion to homosexuality? Perhaps not but there is specific allusion to the Law Mat 5 v 17-9: Think not that I come to destroy the Law and the Prophets, I am not come to destroy but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass one jot or one tittle shall in nowise pass from the Law till all be fulfilled, Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments and shall teach men so he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven.

And the Law says Lev. xviii 22: Thou shalt not lie with mankind as with womankind it is abomination. vv. 24-5: Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things for in all these are the nations

defiled which I cast out before you and the land is defiled therefore do I visit the iniquity thereof upon it.

(2) Furthermore, Jesus had no need to mention it because he knew of his intention to inspire St Paul to write Rom i. 26-7 . . . God gave them up unto vile affections . . . the men leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust towards one another, men with men working that which is unseemly. As for Paul's alleged support for slavery, what does this amount to? That if one is a slave one has certain duties and responsibilities to one's master, is it not time that our pastors should recognise that they have duties and responsibilities to their Master? Among which I might include preaching the Gospel rather than any new fad that may have caught their fancy.

(3) These days we hear of polytheists, idolaters, Sabbath - breakers, homosexuals, and adulterers who maintain that they are the better Christians for committing their special sins. I do not think we have long to wait for the clergy to give out impassioned tirades on behalf of Christian murderers, Christian terrorists, Christian thieves, Christian perjurers, Christian torturers, Christian Satanists (and since as Mr Bartlett says every form of sexuality is God-given and valid) Christian rapists, Christian child-molesters and Christian bestialists.

DAFYDD AP CELER
THOMAS

Yours etc.

63 Cromwell Road,
Caversham.

Dear Sir,

I think Mr C. T. Rogers' letter in the last issue of Caversham Bridge illustrates the dilemma of many people with reference to their Church and Christian unity. Christ's message to love our neighbours as illustrated in the parable of the Good Samaritan does not only apply to those of one's own church.

Mr Rogers is speaking as a member of one particular church, but I think he should be writing as a "Christian" especially in "Caversham Bridge", whose message is Christian Unity in Caversham.

Christianity is about the love of God our Creator, the awareness of Jesus Christ His Son as a living person and of the Holy Spirit as Comforter and Enabler. Truths which all Christians have in common.

We should therefore be convinced that the message of Jesus Christ is personal to each one of us and we must make a commitment to Him that must transcend any denomination boundary. Also of course we must take part in the external commitment in union with our church in public worship and response to our neighbours by the use of our time and talents.

There are many signs locally, nationally and in the world at large that Christian Unity is growing and we in Caversham should, and must, do all in our power to further this. At the same time we can also acknowledge each other's differences in worship with love and understanding.

Yours etc.

Trevor Beabey
17 Albert Road,
Caversham.

BARBARA

LADIES HAIRDRESSER

30 Church Street, Caversham Tel. 473564

Reduced prices for senior citizens Tuesday and Wednesday. Late nights Thursday and Friday

HENLEY TYPEWRITER CO LTD

D. PICKERSGILL

Typewriters — Adding Machines — Cash Registers

Repairs — Office Supplies and Stationery

12 BRIDGE STREET, CAVERSHAM

Telephone 473077

W. R. BOURTON & SON

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

1 PRINCES STREET, READING

Tel. 53825

Night 63917 and 39-4283

A. H. WHITE
(N.A.F.D.)

New Offices and
Private Chapel

15 BOULT STREET
(Rear 11 The Grove)

- READING

Telephone 54334

Late: 63921

ST. EDMUNDS

REGISTERED
RESIDENTIAL
REST HOME
FOR THE ELDERLY

Trained Staff
Full Central Heating
Long or Short Terms

31 ALEXANDRA ROAD,
READING, BERKS
Telephone Reading 61322

EDITOR'S POSTBAG

Dear Sir,

Between 11 and 14 I was madly and openly in love with at least half of my school teachers, all of them were women. (Fortunately by the time I'd reached 15 I'd discovered what little boys were for). Now some of these teachers could well have had lesbian tendencies, yet no attempt was ever made by any of them to corrupt me. As far as I know, lesbianism has never been illegal in this country; is there any reason to suppose that the legalisation of homo-sexuality will lead to increased corruption of young boys? Is it not possible that exactly the opposite would be the case since homo-sexuals would no longer need to take advantage of youngsters to satisfy their needs?

Again, I have known several women who either practised lesbianism or had lesbian tendencies; yet none have ever bothered me in any way. Neither have I ever been importuned in the street by someone of my own sex; so why assume that legalised homosexuality will lead to increased prostitution among people of the same sex?

Of course Christians must condemn corruption of the young (in any form — not simply in the matter of sex) and I do condemn prostitution generally. Similarly I have very strong feelings about any sexual activities which take place 'just for kicks'; and remember there are many forms of extreme perversion even among heterosexuals.

I regret that the young clergyman mentioned by Stephen Bartlett had to make a public announcement, just as I find the necessity for open publication of 'Gay' clubs, magazines, etc, rather distasteful. But I do think there are two strong reasons for this kind of thing happening. In the first case, until we stop judging

and — what is worse — sniggering at, homosexuals, there will always be those who feel the need to 'confess' what is to them an unfortunate but seemingly natural instinct. The other point is that homosexuals must, to some extent, publicise themselves in order to avoid importuning the wrong people.

Like Stephen I find it very difficult to identify with homosexuality, but we Christians are not called on to identify — only to try to understand and accept. Of course one can always quote isolated sentences from the Bible to prove almost anything, but I find nothing in the Gospels about homosexuality — I do find a great deal about love; love, it seems, is supremely important, and if true love is a prelude to any sexual activities it is hard to see how they can be corrupting in themselves.

Of course, homosexuality is not the 'norm,' but it is a fact of life for many people and I feel it is tremendously important that those fortunate enough to enjoy what is considered the norm should not condemn. We would be better advised to try to love and understand, instead of jumping to wild, and often totally unjustified, conclusions.

Yours sincerely
WINNIE M. DARTER

Dear Sir,

Thanks to Stephen Bartlett for allowing himself to become vulnerable in the interests of a frank discussion on homosexuality.

We believe that the relevant test of any deep relationship between two people must be whether it is mutually strengthening in the ability to give and receive love. The expression of love which feels Christian responsibility for the partner should surely

remain an entirely private concern for the two people involved, to be judged within the terms of that particular relationship only?

We hope and pray that our children will grow up able to love and we trust that they will find ways of expressing their feelings without damaging the core of another person's being, even if they may find themselves battling against a narrow-hearted interpretation of how man should show love to man.

Yours etc.,

Elke Handford
Peter Handford
4 Redberry Close,
Caversham.

Dear Sir,

May I, a Catholic, comment on your editorial in the July issue of "The Bridge", entitled "Facing Reality"?

In your final sentence you state that, notwithstanding Councils or Synods or any church, more and more Christians whatever their denominational allegiance rejoice at the visible unity now evident among Christians.

Indeed, none of us can fail to be cheered and encouraged by the recognition and companionship we now give each other in our seeking for the realisation of that unity in which Christ established His Church.

But I believe you are wrong to encourage members of the different traditions to find in this goodwill and brotherliness a reason for breaking bonds by premature and unauthorised sharing of Holy Communion, thus flouting Councils and Synods to which you make reference.

It is simply not possible for Anglicans, Free Churchmen, and Roman Catholics to customarily share Holy Communion in orderliness and good conscience unless and until their churches are in official communion with each other. Until then the matter must remain largely in the hands of the theologians under their bishops, guided by the Holy Spirit, the author of logic. For I fear that the illogicality, of which you complain, is in those who are not prepared to await guidance from Councils or Synods.

If any Christian decided to take such matters into his or her own hands, exercising private judgement in a question so fundamental to the Faith, then the only result will be anarchy. For in the mind of that person no Council or Synod can have any further significant authority or power of guidance, except in so far as any Council may ever happen to confirm their private opinion.

It is logical to argue that if sufficient of us are prepared to act in

such a self-willed manner then in the end there would hardly be need for official communion between the churches; for we will have succeeded in splintering them into nihilistic local groups of individuals each determined to follow their own ideas despite traditional disciplines, at the cost of all the churches concerned.

I do understand those who find that the Papal claim to infallibility is a problem — though of course I do not agree with them — but we shall do nothing but increase the problems of all Christians if by our actions despite Councils or Synods we each in effect become our own personal Pope.

It is because they foresaw such difficulties that gentle and good men and women like St Thomas More and Blessed Hugh Faringdon were willing to suffer so terribly. They lived in days as ominous as ours are — more than ever before all Christians can now share the enlightenment and courage given us by their example of patience, adherence to orderly government and clear principles.

The coming times are such that we may yet be called upon to travel on the same road as they did. The confusion advocated by your editorial will not then help us to defend the rock on which we all profess to stand.

Our desire for unity in Christ could be better and more concretely realised by mutual defence of His teachings and commands, which come under increasing attack as the decay of our civilisation deepens.

An example of such an attack is given in the article "Gay Christians", also in your July issue, an advocacy of homosexual "rights". The answer is simple. Our Lord Him-

self specifically condemned fornication — that is, sexual relationships outside lawful marriage between man and woman — and St Paul, adhering to this teaching, himself firmly pointed out that fornication is the sin in which we desecrate the temple of the Holy Spirit itself, our body. In his book "The Four Loves" C. S. Lewis aptly says: "It has not pleased God that the distinction between a sin and a duty should turn on fine feelings."

Our logic-chopping society already justifies killing children in the womb, in a second slaughter of the innocents. Is the purpose of sexual love to be further defiled by justification by specious argument of its perverted use outside stable, creative Christian marriage? We could next establish consecrated mixed brothels with a clear conscience, provided our feelings were sufficiently elevated and fine as we entered the doorway to use them.

Logic, obedience and chastity all help where perversion or incontinence is concerned, as with our sinfulness in our very faulty nature.

Yours etc.,

John Nelson
30 Silverthorne Drive,
Caversham.

Dear Sir,

Unlike Margot and Bob Kynaston, I was very pleased to read Stephen Bartlett's article on Gay Christians. It was so moderate, so anxious to strike a balance, to find and speak the truth in love.

He said he found it difficult to accept homosexuality. This difficulty, which so many people share, is no doubt due partly to traditional taboo and partly to the fact that, as he said, in each of us there is a delicate balance of both male and female.

We have learned to regard ourselves as male or female, and we reject vehemently any thought or feeling that threatens to upset that position.

I agree with your correspondents in some of the things they say. Homosexuals are not more faithful than we others. It may well be possible, it probably is, for affection to exist between man and woman without sexuality entering into it. There is no denying that homosexuality is condemned in the Old Testament. This can all be true and the article still be valid.

Had I been in ancient Sodom, I should have disapproved wholeheartedly of those beastly degenerates who were lusting after Lot's visitors, but the alternative that Lot proposed discredits the Old Testament as a moral reference. I join with Mr and Mrs Kynaston in abhorring the corruption of young boys, but in what way is that worse than the seducing and exploiting of girls? A thing is not evil because it can be put to evil uses. It must not be forgotten that Mr Bartlett was expressly writing about good men.

It is really remarkable that Jesus, who could speak so plainly about lusting after a woman, did not say anything about this other subject. Saint Paul probably disapproved of it, but anyone who quotes him on "inordinate affections" must also accept his views on women. Few people do so these days.

I wish the Gay Christian Movement success. Never mind the un-Christian gay people for the moment. We are speaking of fellow-Christians, for whom Christ died. Let us dare to love them, just a little bit, in His name.

Yours etc.,

John Clark
6 Cawsam Gardens,
Caversham.

CHILTERN MOTHERCRAFT TRAINING SOCIETY

20 PEPPARD ROAD
CAVERSHAM, READING

Long or short stay residential nursery facilities offered for the care of babies and young children up to the age of seven years. Also Day Care Centre and Nursery School in pleasant surroundings with qualified staff.

Further details from

20 PEPPARD ROAD, CAVERSHAM
Or telephone Reading 471847 or 471131

CURTAINS PELMETS
FITTED CARPETS LOOSE COVERS

John Kitcher & Son Ltd.

Carpets Cleaned on Site by the latest Foam Method, also Protasil Protected

5a CHURCH ROAD, CAVERSHAM
Telephone 472306

ST JOHN'S DAY OUT

"Farmer's in his den" was just one of the games at the St John's / Caversham Methodist Children's Day on August 5. Fifty-five children took 25 parents and helpers to the Child-Beale Wildlife Trust.

It was all planned with a theme — God giving us Re-creation. At 11am they lit a candle in St John's Church to remind them of God's presence and one of the many varied activities at the Wildlife Trust was a little service. When we returned to St John's at 4pm to blow out the candle, the church rang with loud cries of "Thank you, God, for a happy day!"



— J. Sumner

WHO, WHEN, WHERE

Clergy and Ministers of Caversham

ANGLICAN

The Rev Canon John Grimwade, The Rectory, 20 Church Road. Tel. 471703.
 The Rev Brian Gardiner, St Andrew's House, Harrogate Road. Tel. 472788.
 The Rev Stephen Bartlett, Caversham Park House, 2 Blackwater Close, Caversham Park. Tel. 475152.
 The Rev Leonard Burn, St Barnabas' House, 33 Grove Road. Tel. 473095.
 The Rev Michael Kitchener, Mapledurham Church House, 222 Upper Woodcote Road. Tel. 471605.
 The Rev John Sumner, St John's House, 9 Southview Avenue. Tel. 471814.
 The Rev Martin Loveless, 25 Ilkley Road. Tel. 472070.

BAPTIST

The Rev Laurence Stevens, 80 Balmore Drive. Tel. 478668.

METHODIST

The Rev Leslie Griffiths, 72 Highmoor Road. Tel. 472223.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

The Rev William O'Malley, The Presbytery, 2 South View Avenue. Tel. 471787.
 The Rev Plunkett Shannon, 2 South View Avenue. Tel. 471787.

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

There is no United Reformed Church in Caversham. The nearest is at York Road, Reading.

Sunday Worship: 11am and 6.30pm

Minister: The Rev Stephen Haine
 41 Highmoor Road. Tel. 477490

September House Communion at Caversham Park

September 1, 8 Launceston Avenue. September 8, 5 Gifford Close. September 15, 82 Lowfield Road. September 22, 10 Netley Close. September 29, 4 Holyrood Close.



Hart + Seary

ESTATE AGENTS — SURVEYORS — AUCTIONEERS — VALUERS

**39 CASTLE STREET,
READING**

Telephone 55564

Out of Business Hours: 411665
and at

96 QUEEN STREET, MAIDENHEAD Tel. 21166
60 HIGH STREET, WARGRAVE Tel. 2326

TIEN-TIEN HOUSE

Chinese food to take away
Fish and Chips

**27 PROSPECT STREET
CAVERSHAM**

Phoned orders welcome
**TEL. READING
472565**

Mon-Fri mid-day until
2.30pm, 5pm until mid-
night. Saturday 11.30am
until 1am
Sunday 5.30pm to 12

Your Pet Shop in
CAVERSHAM

Gee Gee Pets and Aquaria

**29 PROSPECT STREET
READING 472422**

For your pets
**ACCESSORIES AND
FOODS**

Late Night Friday 8pm

Follow the trend to

THE YARD

PROSPECT STREET
CAVERSHAM

Open each weekday except
Wednesday for Used Furni-
ture, Victoriana, Pictures,
China, Bygones and
Antiques WE BUY - WE SELL
Saturday is Open Market Day

Percy C. Beech

Electricity Contractor
2 CHESTER STREET
CAVERSHAM

Tel. Reading 472247

A.F. JONES

MASTER MASONS
Craftsmen in
Stone

**BEDFORD ROAD
READING
TELEPHONE
53537**

TOMALIN & SON

(N.A.F.D.)
Funeral
Directors

48 New Street
Henley-on-Thames
Tel. 3370 Day and
Night

SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN CAVERSHAM

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St Peter's — Balmore Hall, 11am (not 3rd Sunday of month).
St Andrew's — St Andrew's Hall, 11am (9.15 1st Sunday of month).
 Superintendent: Mr J. Tomlin, 32 Kidmore Road. Tel. 473809.
St Barnabas' — Church Hall, 9.15am

CAVERSHAM PARK

The School, 11am.
 Superintendent: Mrs Paula Andrews, 5 Gifford Close. Tel. 478430

METHODIST

Caversham Heights — In Church, 11am
 Superintendent: Mrs P. Court, 3 Woburn Close. Tel. 471445.

COMBINED CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND METHODIST

East Caversham: Caversham Hall 11am (aged three to seven). Superintendent: Mr P. Stephens, 24 Carlton Road. Tel. 477030. Secretary: Miss K. Harris, 4 Valentine Crescent. Tel. 472084.

BAPTIST

West Memorial Hall — 11am, aged three years and upwards.
 Secretaries: Mr and Mrs L. Tyler, 162 Galsworthy Drive, Caversham Park. Tel. 476214

TO HIRE A HALL

BALMORE HALL

Secretary: Mr D. F. Osbourn, 15 Ilkley Road. Tel. 472953

CAVERSHAM HALL

Secretary: Mrs C. H. Jordan, 7 St John's Road. Tel. 478538

CHURCH HOUSE, CHURCH STREET

Secretary: Mrs W. A. Vincent, The Parish Office, Reading. Tel. 471703 (Mon-Thurs 9.30am-3.30pm)

EMMER GREEN YOUTH CLUB HALL

Secretary: Mr J. Jenkins, The Youth Club, Emmer Green. Tel. 476794

MAPLEDURHAM MEMORIAL HALL

Secretary: Mrs L. F. T. Bartlett, 143 Upper Woodcote Road. Tel. 471863

ST. ANDREW'S HALL

Secretary: Mr J. Tomlin, 32 Kidmore Road. Tel. 473809

ST. BARNABAS HALL

Secretary: Mrs G. F. Davies, 11 Eric Avenue. Tel. 471334

TRENCH GREEN HALL

Secretary: Mr Martyn-Johns, Greendene Farm, Mapledurham. Kidmore End 2198

WEST MEMORIAL HALL

Secretary: Mr K. Shield, 27 Albert Road. Tel. 473709

Colebrook (Meat) Ltd.

3 PROSPECT STREET
CAVERSHAM
Telephone Reading 471584

High Street, Goring
Telephone 2526

69 Lynchford Road, Farnborough
Telephone 41491

TOP QUALITY MEAT, POULTRY AND FISH

DELIVERIES TWICE WEEKLY

MEAT SUPPLIED FOR HOME FREEZERS

SUNDAY SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

ANGLICAN

St Peter's
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
 9.15 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION
 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion (1st and 5th Sundays)
 11.00 a.m. Matins (2nd and 4th Sundays)
 11.30 a.m. Holy Communion (3rd Sunday)
 6.30 p.m. Evensong

St John's
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
 9.15 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST
 6.30 a.m. Evensong (1st Sunday)

St Andrew's
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
 9.15 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST
 11.15 a.m. Holy Communion
 6.30 p.m. Evensong

St Barnabas'
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
 9.15 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST
 6.30 p.m. Evensong (2nd Sunday)

St Margaret's, Mapledurham
 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (2nd and 4th Sundays)
 9.15 a.m. PARISH COMMUNION
 10.30 a.m. Family Service (2nd Sunday)

NORTH CAVERSHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

10.45 a.m. Morning Service
 6.30 p.m. Evening Service

CAVERSHAM BAPTIST FREE CHURCH

11.00 a.m. Morning Service
 6.30 p.m. Evening Service

CAVERSHAM PARK CHURCH (The School)

11 a.m. Morning Worship (2nd, 4th and 5th Sunday)
 FAMILY COMMUNION (1st and 3rd Sundays)
 7.30 p.m. Holy Communion (2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays)

METHODIST CHURCHES

Caversham
 11.00 a.m. Morning Service
 6.30 p.m. Evening Service
Caversham Heights
 11.00 a.m. Morning Service
 6.30 p.m. Evening Service

ROMAN CATHOLIC

St Anne's
 8.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m., 7.00 p.m. Mass
Our Lady of Caversham
 8.30 and 10.30 a.m. Mass
St Martin's School
 9.30am Mass

WE RECORD

BAPTISED

St Peter's
 July 18 Charlotte Harris
 Andrew Levett
 Wendy Beeton
 Aug 8
St John's
 July 11 George Eycott
 Linda Pomeroy
 Nicolas Mortimore

St Andrew's
 July 18 Charlotte Cohen
 David Copeland

St Barnabas'
 July 25 Paul Davidson
Caversham Park
 June 27 Caroline Roberts
 Alison Roberts
 Jason Macbeth
 David Vaughan
 Rachel Vaughan

MARRIED

St Peter's
 July 24 George Hunter and Susan Brown
 July 31 Paul Hancock and Miriam Fawcett
 Alan Perrett and Gillian Tuckett
 John Painter and Anne Grant

Aug 7
St John's
 July 31 Steven Stevenson and Sheila Lock

St Andrew's
 July 11 Roger Kelly and Patricia Howland
 Colin Gentle and Lynn Butler

St Barnabas'
 July 23 Derek Fisher and Anne Mutch

St Margaret's
 July 31 Martyn Webb and Sally Giles

Caversham Free Baptist Church
 July 3 Peter Lapinskas and Anne Shield
 July 10 Eric Doughty and Heather Clark