

LAND RIGHTS — IN HEAVEN?

Phyllis Collie, Wilcannia

"My people, some of them so worried about land rights.

"I'm not worried about such things, I have peace in my heart because God has promised me my land — the promised land in Heaven. That's all I need!

"When I was so sick in Broken Hill Hospital, I just prayed all the time God would take care of me. I had my Good News Bible to read too. When the doctor came, he saw me reading and said: 'That's the best news you will ever read.' He's right. I know God will look after me in that promised land." — so spoke a dear old Aboriginal woman, frail in health and burdened for her people.

The larger proportion of the community of Wilcannia in the Far North-West of New South Wales is Aboriginal — these are the Bakandji tribe, children of the Darling River.

It has been our privilege to sit with some of the older folk who talk freely of the experiences of their youth. As children, they ran along the river bank following the river boats and catching fruit thrown by the crew. They had happy memories of the days when they worked on sheep or cattle stations. The women learned domestic skills and remember the kindness of "the boss's wife". One old man spoke with pride of his days working for Kidman, the cattle king.

These old-timers grieve for their people when the younger generations can't and don't enjoy the respect or satisfaction of an honest day's work. They grieve to see the unemployment and alcoholism which is so widespread and the health and behavioural problems which lead to so much violence and destruction. They also see the futility in the quest only for land rights when there is so much neglect of material and spiritual needs.

Will you pray with us that the voice and wisdom of these concerned elders will be heard by their own people?



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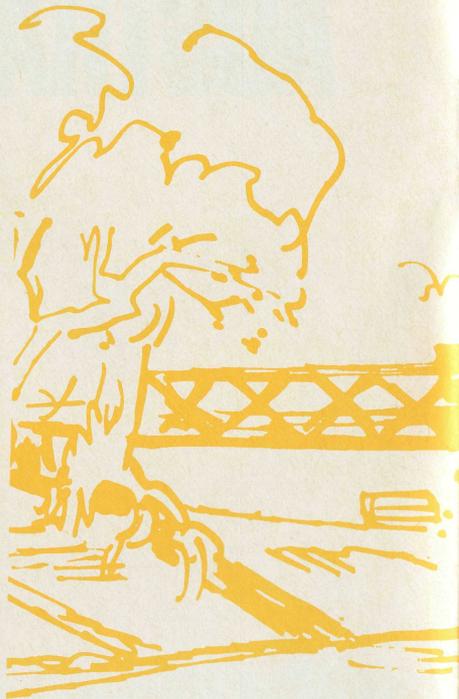
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FRONT COVER: Sign at Winton.

ONLY



The Darling River
bridge at Wilcannia

ONE QUESTION

We all have many questions about God which we demand be answered before we will believe. But if and when we ever have all our questions answered to our satisfaction, there will always remain one question which God has for us — He also demands an answer.

The question is very simple. God says to each one of us: "Will you be My friend?"

He puts the question to us and we must eventually answer either yes or no. Of course, we can ignore the question but that is really a "no" answer.

The question is simple and contains these truths:

- God is personal and He values us very highly.
- We are still His enemies, as we do not live for Him but ourselves.
- We can change from being His enemy to being His friend, very simply and right now, if we really want to.
- God will accept us as a friend, not because of anything we can do but because of what He has done for us. He gave Jesus Christ to die to pay for our disobedience. He loves us this much.
- He wants us as a friend. In fact, the question is really a very warm invitation, even a plea.

"Will you be My friend?"

To be God's friend now in this life and for all time is quite some invitation.

If we do say "yes", we will find that all our questions about God will quickly fall into place. They are not unimportant but they are not important enough to stop us becoming a friend of God.

To be a friend of God means that we will stop living for ourselves and start living for Him. We will treat Him as God and love and obey Him with all we have. If we say "yes" to God, we will live with Him and for Him. If we say "no" to God, we remain His enemies.

Who would want to remain God's enemy after an invitation like this? God is waiting for our answer. The ball is in our court.

God pleads with each one of us — "Will you be My friend?"

Say "yes" to God now, and enjoy Him forever.

The above was written by Rev. Bob Collie, B.C.A. Missioner at Wilcannia. Bob shared this short but clear presentation of the Gospel at the B.C.A. Hostel at Broken Hill earlier in the year. He has also published it in the Wilcannia Parish paper, "The Boundary Rider".

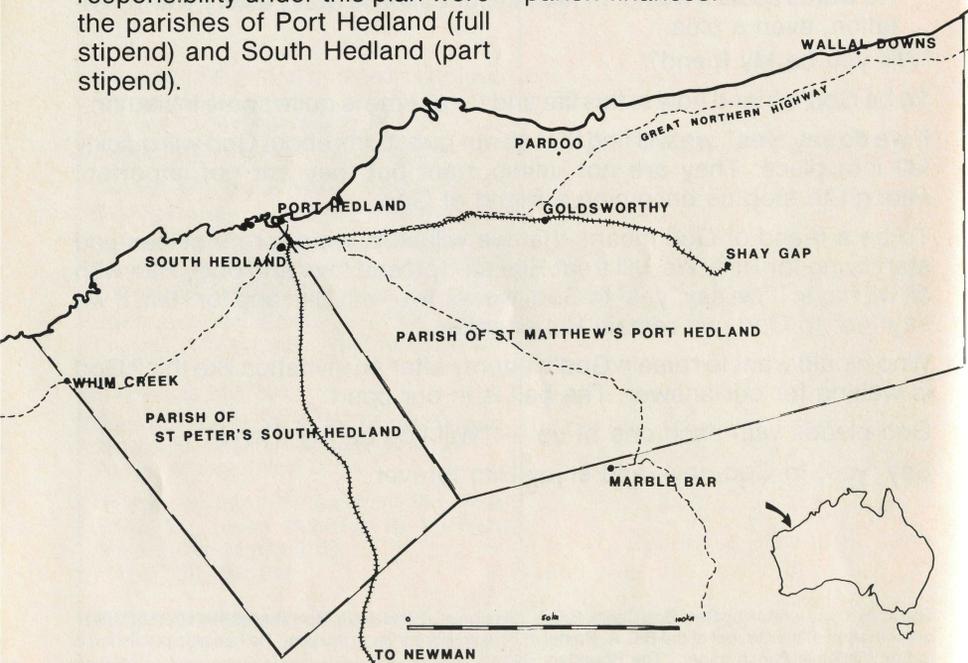
PARTNERSHIP IN THE HEDLANDS

By Bishop Gerald Muston

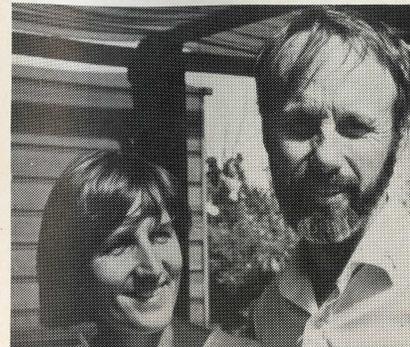
Five years ago the Diocese of North West Australia, realising the need to press towards self-support, decided on its own initiative to reduce systematically its dependence on the Bush Church Aid Society. We set out to reduce that dependence by the equivalent of one full clergy stipend every two years. This has been achieved in part by better giving in the parishes and in part by the Diocese taking responsibility for the support of some parishes.

Among the areas of work for which the Diocese has assumed responsibility under this plan were the parishes of Port Hedland (full stipend) and South Hedland (part stipend).

This year, however, several factors have caused the Diocese to ask B.C.A. to provide once again the full stipend for these two centres. A recent large rise in stipends in the Province of W.A. has added greatly to the Diocesan budget. The rural crisis has had a serious effect on the finances, not so much of the two Hedland parishes as on those longer-established parishes in the Diocese which have traditionally been able to give support. And the continuing rapid turnover of population in the Hedlands and other centres makes it hard to stabilise parish finances.



This financial difficulty has come at a time when we have a clear strategy for the Hedland parishes and others in the Diocese. We are working hard to develop the ministry of lay people and of non-stipendiary clergy and are confident that this will in the future allow us to resume and increase our commitment to reduce dependence on B.C.A.



Rev. Adrian and Mrs. Willemien Moore, Parish of Port Hedland.

So we have asked, and the Society has agreed, to make this provision for the two Hedland parishes until the end of 1988. This means an additional \$43,884. In the light of this, B.C.A. will be unable to help with the Outback Church Foundation in 1988, so we will be working hard to make up that leeway too. We have been grateful for the generous gift of \$40,000 to the O.C.F. this year.

The Diocese of North West Australia has had B.C.A. as a partner in its mission for 30 years. We thank God for that partnership. The financial support of the Society, matched with the personal service of the clergy of the Diocese, has enabled significant growth to take place.

**ATTENTION
ALL
VICTORIANS!**

VICTORIA'S ANNUAL

RALLY

Hear Bob and Phyllis Collie talk about their first year's work in Wilcannia.

Victoria's chance to officially welcome our Federal Secretary, Rev. Ernie Carnaby.

WEDNESDAY

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THE FEDERAL SECRETARY WRITES . . .

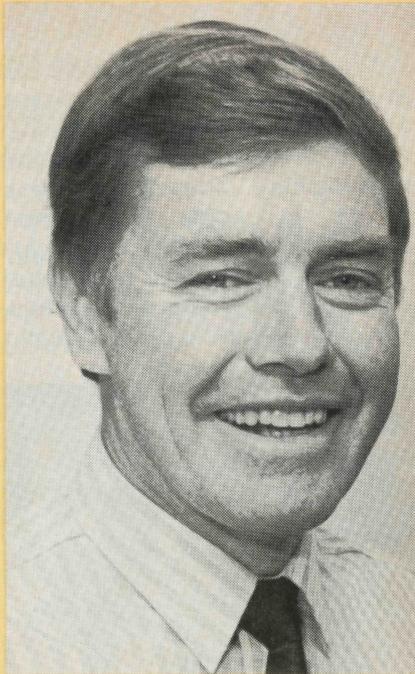
It was said of the great ones of faith in the Old Testament — “they admitted that they were alien and strangers on earth.” (Heb. 11:13)

No certain home here for any of us!
We are pilgrims on a journey,
We are brothers on the road
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

“Brother let me be your servant”

It has come home to me strongly in recent days that much of B.C.A.'s ministry in Australia can be likened to a “pilgrim journey”, for the only status we can claim as Jesus' followers is that of “refugees” (1 Pet. 1:17, 2:11). A number of incidents lately have reinforced this uncomfortable truth as so much emphasis is placed on acquiring our own homes and gathering possessions.

For eight months, David and Margaret Griffin have struggled with God's will for their future. They have plugged away faithfully over four years along the Trans Line in South Australia, and in the centres of Roxby Downs and Andamooka, much of it by light aircraft. What bishop or diocese would find a ministry opportunity for them? Where would their teenagers Suzanne and Andrew go to school midway through 1987? Silence! It began to cause concern. They sensed that God was leading them out of the Anglican church. Finally, news came that David



had been appointed to the Sunshine Presbyterian Church in Victoria. Upon reflection it was a time of real testing for them as a family. They were thrust upon the Lord. Pilgrims indeed!

Earlier this year, Colin and Ruth Nelson believed God was calling them to build his church in the rapidly growing mining town of Roxby Downs, in South Australia. This call was strengthened by much prayer and little things along the way confirmed the rightness of the move. They confided in their family, informed their parishioners at Macquarie Fields (Sydney) where Colin had been Rector for eight years, resigned from the Diocese and were confidently accepted as B.C.A. missionaries. But as yet no residence for them had been built in Roxby. The Uniting Church and Willochra Diocese were jointly responsible. After weeks of frustration and waiting, work on the residence began, but now a new problem emerged — where would the Nelsons live until the work was finished . . . Port Augusta? Woomera?

Would they send their household effects straight through to Roxby, or to Port Augusta? Colin was tempted to go on an unscheduled holiday. It's hard being a pilgrim!

In the Diocese of North West Australia, many parishes are without church buildings to indicate the presence of the local congregation — no basic facilities are there. The church meets in schools and local halls and rectory families live in rented premises. Even the local Moslem communities have erected mosques in South Hedland. Through the Outback Church Foundation, the Diocese has set a target of \$1,000,000 to build seven multi-church buildings in towns where they are desperately needed.

Contracts were let in July for the erection of new church buildings at Newman, Paraburdoo, Port Hedland and South Hedland — all with fully supported B.C.A. ministries. These functional buildings will contain permanent worship space plus generous fellowship area, kitchen, toilets and vestry. How we praise God for reaching this milestone in the life of a pilgrim diocese — a new phase in the outreach of the gospel and the congregational life of these north-west communities.

Like the faithful ones of old, you and I must acknowledge our refugee status as “strangers on earth” and “long for a better country — a heavenly one”. We do not belong to this world in any permanent sense, but we are to live such godly lives among our non-Christian neighbours that . . . they may see our good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us (1 Peter 2:12).

Warmest greetings in Jesus,

Ernie

A BUSH HYMN

ONCE A LOVING SAVIOUR

(May be sung to the tune of
“Waltzing Matilda”)

Once a loving Saviour
Came via a Manager
Under the guise
Of the Holy Trinity
And His voice can be heard
When e're you read the scriptures
Spreading Good News
Just for you and me.

CHORUS:

I'll work for you Lord
I'll work for you Lord
Until my dying day
And my soul will find rest
As it comes into your Kingdom
I'll work for you Lord
Until my dying day.

Up jumped old Satan
Evil and tenacious
Caused man to sin
And be spoiled eternally
And the result can be seen
Throughout all humanity
Greed and corruption
Has ruined society.

(Repeat) CHORUS:

Then came His critics
Condemning Him for blasphemy
Put Him to death
On the remnants of a tree
On the third day He rose
Confounding all authority
That Jesus Christ the Saviour
Can save humanity.

(Repeat) CHORUS:

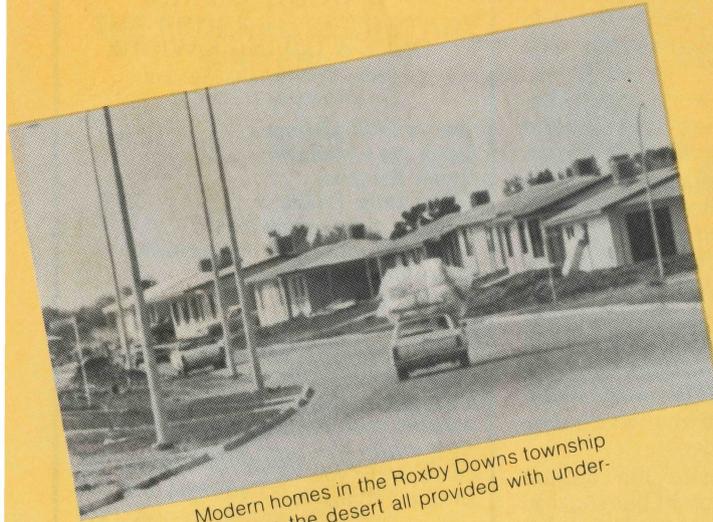
Time is drawing near now
When we shall see deliverance by
The loving Son the Saviour
The King of Majesty
And He will take us home
To His mansion in the sky
All will be happy
And never, never die.

(Repeat) CHORUS:

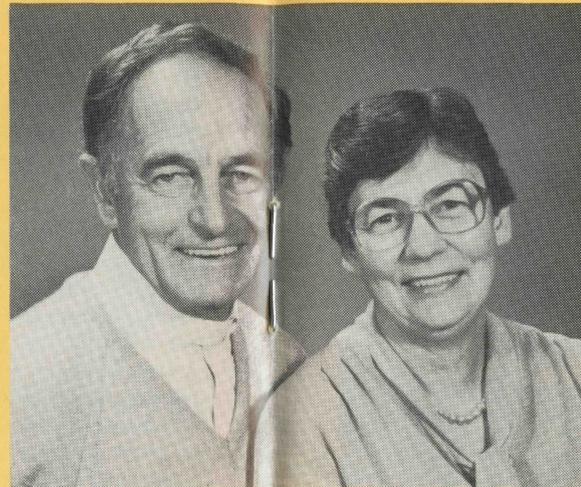
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This hymn is often sung in the Winton
Parish, the home of Waltzing Matilda.

ROXBY DOWNS AND THE MID-WEST MISSION



Modern homes in the Roxby Downs township rise from the desert all provided with underground power.



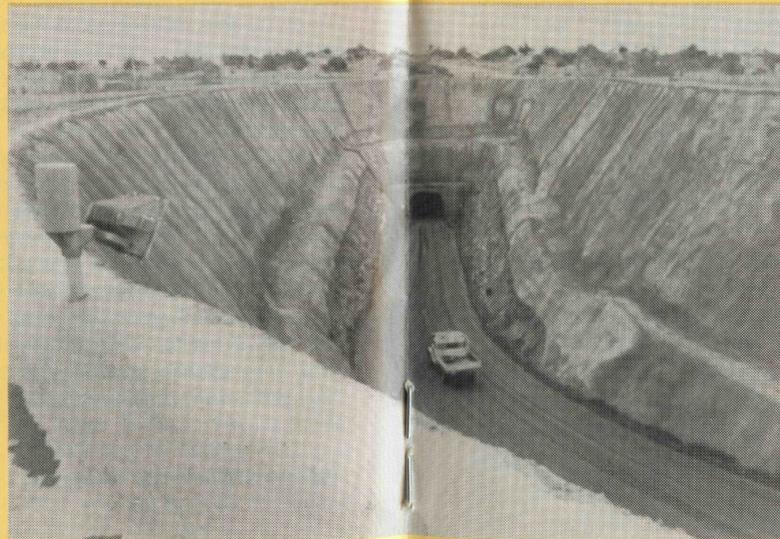
The Rev. Colin and Mrs. Ruth Nelson are the Bush Church Aid Society's missionaries based at Roxby Downs.

Roxby Downs, 500 km north of Adelaide, is a new dormitory town for the mining operations at Olympic Dam.

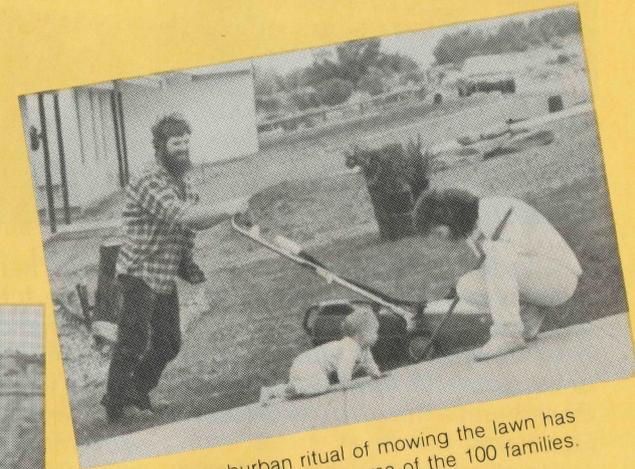
The Olympic Dam joint venturers, Western Mining and B.P., gave the go-ahead for the gold, copper and uranium mine to swing into full production and a period of hectic activity commenced, both 500 metres below the surface at the mine site and 13 km down the track at the township site of Roxby Downs.

The area around Roxby has always been part of the Mid-West Mission in the Diocese of Willochra, and this recent mining and town development will mean that Roxby will become the largest centre of population in the mission district.

The decision was taken by the Diocese, the Uniting Church and B.C.A., in consultation with local Christians, to relocate the missionary from Port Augusta to Roxby, which will become the principal sphere of ministry, especially as the town grows towards its target of 3000 residents.



The Roxby Downs mine opening leads to 18 km of underground tunnels — 6 metres wide and 4.8 metres high.



The suburban ritual of mowing the lawn has already started for some of the 100 families.

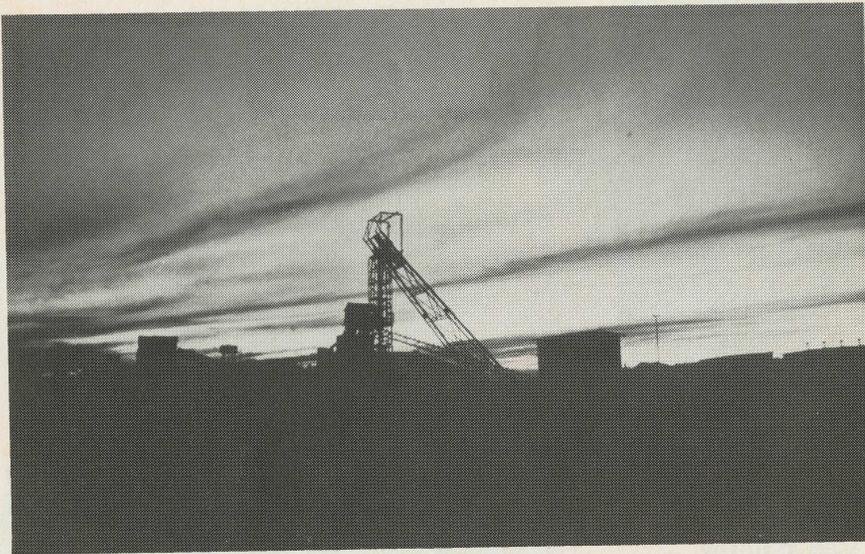
Ministry in the Mid-West Mission will include visits to Tarcoola and Cook on the Trans Australian Railway Line where B.C.A. nursing sisters serve. Opal mining at the town of Andamooka, the town of Woomera, and the railway sidings and villages of Kingoonya, Watson, Barton, Hughes and Reid give a wide variety of ministry opportunity. This parish, nearly 800 km from east to west, is much like the nearby parishes of Coober Pedy, Leigh Creek and Leinster which B.C.A. also staffs.

We need to help Colin and Ruth Nelson by our continuing prayer and support as they seek to respond to our Lord's call to plant and nurture the church of God in Roxby — and beyond — so that people will grow strong in our Lord.

Photos by courtesy of The Melbourne Sun.

LEINSTER CHANGES SHAPE

From Don Miller



With the turmoil in the mineral industry over the past few years, many have wondered what would become of the town of Leinster — home base for the B.C.A.-funded Parish of the North-Eastern Goldfields.

We all remember the news that the Agnew mine at Leinster was to cease operations. Don now writes that he has a much better idea of what Leinster is going to be like —

“In its new form, there are now a little under 100 people living here, whereas the population was a bit over 1000. At the start of the year, there were about 20 people kept on for the care and maintenance program for the mine and town. Since then, 14 of them have left and only a couple have been replaced. Most have found job prospects more appealing else-

where. There have been problems with the funding for the care and maintenance program, so the company seems to have been happy to see such a reduction in their workforce. At first, all this movement made for a lot of instability in the community but in recent months it seems to be settling down.

What was hard to appreciate six months ago was the growth in the gold mines that surround Leinster. There is the Forsyth mine at Lawlers, the Emu mine at Agnew, and the Queen Margaret mine at Bellevue. All are within half an hour's drive from Leinster, though in different directions. Each would employ around 100 people. They are mining camps rather than towns, where the men work virtually straight through for 3-6

weeks and then are flown to Perth for R&R. As a result, Leinster has become their local centre. In practical terms, it means that when you go down the street, to our one-stop shop, there are usually quite a few people around. It's almost hard to get a game of squash the one night a week it's on. We still have a football team — and there are nearly 50 at the school (there were times last year when there were only a little over a hundred people all together with the town fully operational). As well there are half a dozen of the executives living in town with their families, along with a slightly larger number of contractors who service the local area. Of course, there are drawbacks. Most of the families of the men at the camps still live in Perth. This not only puts a strain on them but also makes for a very 'male' local community.

Not having weekends off also creates a strain and has its effect on the life of the community, and if possible there is probably even a higher turnover in population.

Churchwise, although we have just lost another family, we have picked up another two families (although one is only temporary), so in numbers we are not very much down on what we had last year, and better than we have been at some other times over the past four and a half years! We continue to give thanks and marvel at the way in which the Lord continues to provide fellowship. As well we have started a Bible Study group at one of the camps at Bellevue, with two to half a dozen each week — quite an incredible number out of a

camp of only about 80, nearly all men, stuck out in the middle of the scrub.

One of the highlights of a recent visit by Bishop Ged and Ernie Carnaby, the Federal Secretary of B.C.A., was to take them along to the study. These mines were already being developed when the nickel mine at Leinster closed, but it was impossible then to realise how much of the void that the closure was to leave would be taken up by these gold mines. But one has come in nicely to take over where the other left off, and of course the whole of the western side of the parish is caught up in the present gold boom — from Wiluna down through Leinster and Leonora, and across to Laverton, would be one of the three or four largest growth areas in Australia for gold production. There are 10 major mines already in production and plans probably for as many again. The only hold-up is the availability of trained personnel. The changes in Leinster have meant some adjustment to my routine. I have been able to spend longer periods at the other centres, especially Laverton. I have also made one trip already this year to Warburton and will probably be going there again later this month. One of the eye-openers was to find that there are as many people living in the area in and around Warburton as in either Laverton or Leonora. As there is a much higher percentage of Christians among the Aborigines than among the other communities, there is a real need to support their local leaders in the work they are already doing.”



SUNSHINE

★David and Margaret Griffin were welcomed by the congregation of the Sunshine Presbyterian Church in Victoria in early August. David and Margaret have served four years in the Mid-West Mission based at Port Augusta.

CHRISTIAN EXPO ADELAIDE

★In January 1988, B.C.A. will be represented at the four-day Christian Expo in Adelaide. Bruce Cliff, S.A. Secretary, has engaged Peter Oram from the Sydney office to do quick sketches and cartoons to attract attention to our B.C.A. display. It is hoped that paper bags of leaflets, etc., will be given out and that there will be an opportunity to talk to people passing by.

NEW BISHOP FOR WILLOCHRA

★The Reverend David McCall, Rector of St. George's, Goodwood, in the Diocese of Adelaide, is to be the new bishop of Willochra, succeeding Bishop Bruce Rosier. David will be Consecrated in St. Peter's Cathedral on All Saints Day, November 1. David and Marion have five children aged between 7-16, but the children will remain behind in Adelaide for education. David

McCall has spent his ministry in parishes. He was ordained in Riverina, and after curacies at Griffith and Broken Hill, served in the parishes of Barellan and Corowa. His father, Bishop Tom McCall, was successively Bishop of Rockhampton and Wangaratta. He says: "I come with a love of the country and with much compassion for farmers and others who have been so badly hurt by economic circumstances." The Society looks forward to a continuing association and happy working relationship with the Diocese.

GOLDEN WEST

★Don't miss out on the Tassie in Spring B.C.A. Tour run by Golden West Tours on our behalf. The tour itinerary is of a high standard with accommodation in good quality motels. Profits from the tour help support B.C.A.'s ministry in Australia and this tour will give supporters the special opportunity of seeing B.C.A.'s Mission District on the rugged West Coast. The tour dates are November 7-November 22 inclusive. For information, contact Miss Margaret Woolcott, B.C.A. Office, 264 3164 or Golden West Tours, (047) 82 1866.

DERBY IS NOW REV-ING



★Captain John Symons, Church Army Officer-in-Charge of the Parish of Derby, which B.C.A. supports, was ordained to the diaconate on July 20 in St. Paul's Church, Derby.

LATE REV. WELLINGTON McLEOD

★It is with sadness that we learnt of the death of Rev. Wellington McLeod on June 2, and our sympathy and prayer go out to Mrs. McLeod of Mowll Village. The Society was most grateful for their years of service at Minnipa and Delegate-Bonang from 1936-1942. Some may have known of Wellington, as he served with the A.I.F. as a chaplain until 1946 and in the latter years as a chaplain at Concord Repatriation Hospital.

THE AMAZING GULF COUNTRY

From Brian and Joy Black, Normanton

In journeyings often . . .
In perils of toads,
In perils of frogs,
In perils of crocs,
In perils of dogs . . .
Here we are in "the Amazing Gulf Country".

Where else, she says, would you find large green frogs in the toilet bowl?
Where else would you have frogs jumping across the floor of the church buildings

Where else would you have a local Roman Catholic priest named John Flynn?
Where else would shoppers stop and watch a brown snake trying to get into a grocery store?

Where else would rocks look like crocs?
Where else would buckjumpers ride in rodeos with arms and legs in plaster?

Where else would a barramundi weigh 65 kg?
Where else would some "Blacks" be white?

It is a great privilege and a marvellous experience to serve the Lord here for four and a half months. We have covered all the centres in our first month. I have never known such joy in teaching children in schools.

Numbers are small (except for weddings I have had recently with 500 guests) but the challenge is great. I have always said, "I

like a challenge!" Well I've got another one — 150,000 sq km of it. It's a little larger than Norfolk Island!

I have been reading "The Bishop Who Walked" — a biography of Bishop Ken Leslie who served some of his early years in the Outback. There is mention of Father Hudson — "an adventurous character . . . in the tough, old gold mining days, as Rector of Croydon and Normanton on the Gulf of Carpentaria, he had worked that tropical parish about 100 miles long on a push-bike!"

A sign at the entrance to some of our centres reads, "Population small, we love them all. Drive carefully." It's not difficult to find a spiritual challenge in that.

So "The Amazing Gulf Country" is an area where we reach out with the Amazing Gospel of Christ — "For Christ died for sins, once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God" (1 Peter 3:18 N.I.V.).

We are in good heart and health and desire to share God's Good News. Continue in prayer with us.

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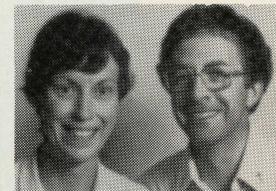
★Sister Joan Mutimer from Tasmania has spent the past four months serving again with the Society at Cook Hospital. We thank Joan for her willingness to serve again and her availability for the Lord's work.

OMITTED LAST ISSUE

★The new office for the S.A. Secretary is located within the Church Offices in Adelaide. The full address of the S.A. B.C.A. Office should have read: Church Office, 44 Currie Street, Adelaide, S.A. 5000.

THE BLEBY'S OF COOBER PEDY

★Martin and Vivien Bleby



— our B.C.A. team at Coober Pedy — recently told of the joys and frustrations of ministry in the North-Western part of South Australia while in Sydney on a round of rallies and deputations.

REV. MICHAEL DONALDSON

★Michael, who while working in Kununurra, came under a B.C.A. ministry and was converted. He subsequently went to Theological College and served two curacies. Michael with Lyn and their two children have now moved to Gatton, west of Brisbane, where Michael is Priest-in-Charge of the Parish.

PRAYER CALENDAR

NORTHERN TERRITORY

Diocese of Northern Territory — Rt. Rev. C. Wood.

- 1 Sanderson — Rev. Robert and Mrs. Rigmor George.
- 2 Palmerston — Rev. Ron and Mrs. Margaret Bundy.
- 3 Tennant Creek — Rev. Tim and Mrs. Kerrie Brownscombe.
- 4 Diocesan Secretary/Treasurer — Mr. Ian Moore.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Diocese of North West Australia — Rt. Rev. G. B. Muston.

- 5 Kununurra — Rev. Murray and Mrs. Jane Lamont.
- 6 Derby — Rev. John and Mrs. Dianne Symons.
- 7 Newman — Rev. Arthur and Mrs. Pat Williams.
- 8 Port Hedland — Rev. Adrian and Mrs. Willemein Moore.
- 9 South Hedland — Rev. Peter and Mrs. Alison Moss.
- 10 Karratha — Rev. George and Mrs. Jacqueline Sansom.
- 11 Wickham — Rev. Angus and Mrs. Anne McDonald.
- 12 Tom Price/Paraburdoo — Rev. Gordon and Mrs. Ann Hargreaves.
- 13 Mt. Magnet (Murchison) — Rev. Greg and Mrs. Rhi Jones.
- 14 Leinster (North-East Goldfields) — Rev. Don and Mrs. Celia Miller.
- 15 Diocesan Registrar — Mr. Martin Weatherston in Geraldton.
Hon. B.C.A. Secretary for W.A. — Rev. Peter Brain.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

- 16 State Secretary of S.A. — Rev. Bruce Cliff, Mrs. Jocelyn Phillips.

Diocese of Willochra — Bishop Elect Rev. David McCall.

- 17 Coober Pedy — Rev. Martin and Mrs. Vivien Bleby.
- 18 Roxby Downs and Mid-West Mission — Rev. Colin and Mrs. Ruth Nelson.
- 19 Leigh Creek — Rev. Des and Mrs. Judi Arthur.
- 20 Hospitals: Cook Hospital — Sister June English, Sister Cathy Waters, Sister Gai Mee. Tarcoola Hospital — Sisters Jean Henderson and Jennifer Thompson.

VICTORIA AND TASMANIA

- 21 State Secretary for Vic. and Tas. — Rev. Alan Hoskin, Mrs. Margo Bright.
- 22 Zeehan — Deaconess Daphne Robey.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Diocese of Riverina — Rt. Rev. B. R. Hunter.

- 23 Broken Hill Hostel — Mrs. May Morrow, Mrs. Lois Hustwaite.
 - 24 Wilcannia — Rev. Robert and Mrs. Phyllis Collie.
- Diocese of Armidale — Rt. Rev. P. Chiswell.
- 25 Lightning Ridge — Rev. Cliff and Mrs. Megan Ainsworth.
 - 26 State Office, N.S.W. and General Secretary — Rev. Brian Roberts, Mrs. Michele Peacock.
Hon. B.C.A. Queensland State Secretary — Mr. Allan and Mrs. Annette Sauer.

QUEENSLAND

Diocese of Brisbane — The Most Rev. J. Grindrod.

- 27 Quilpie — Rev. Bob and Mrs. Sue Witten.
- Diocese of Rockhampton — Rt. Rev. G. Hearn.
- 28 Winton — Sister Helen Plumb (short-term assistance).
- Diocese of Carpentaria — Rt. Rev. A. Hall-Matthews.
- 29 Normanton — Rev. Errol and Mrs. Anne Sorensen (short term till Christmas '87).

ABORIGINAL MINISTRY

- 30 Nungalinya College — Mrs. Sandra Kinslow.
Bimbadeen College — Pastor Graham Paulson.

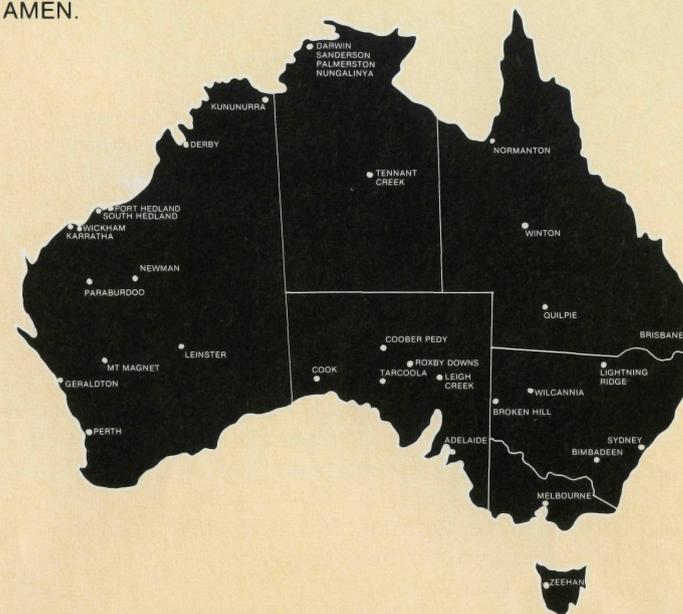
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- 31 Federal Office — Rev. Ernie Carnaby, Miss Margaret Woolcott.
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THE B.C.A. PRAYER

O Lord our God, help us to remember the people who live in the remote parts of our land. We ask You to bless those whom You have called into the fellowship of the Bush Church Aid Society, and to call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known. Grant that, through the ministry of the Word and Sacraments, through healing, and through caring for the young, the message of Your redeeming love may be proclaimed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.



WELCOME BACK

Rev. Lex and Mrs. Rhonda Carey have responded to our Lord's call to staff the Parish of Winton.

Lex and Rhonda were with the Society in Weipa for five years, during which time many people found a living faith in Jesus.

For the past three years, Lex has been on the staff of St. Peter's Cathedral, Armidale, as an evangelist. We welcome the Careys back to the family of B.C.A.

