

August 1956



Feel sure that the holiday season may be allowed to pervade even the Magazine and so our notes this month include a reminder that on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

there will be a

GARDEN PARTY

in the

VICARAGE GARDEN

to be opened at 3 p.m. by

MRS. CHUTE OF PIDDLEHINTON.

There will be the usual attractions and competitions and, of course, teas.

The Party has a two-fold purpose. It is hoped to raise a generous sum of money which will be required for necessary repairs to the Parish Church after the official inspection and report by the appointed architect. Our fabric appears to be in sound condition but such work as will definitely be required will need a considerable expenditure. There are ominous signs of damp especially in the Tower, and a good deal of pointing will be necessary on the exterior walls, and to this must be added the painting of gutters, etc. And so that is one object of the Party. The other is that it may be an occasion for meeting each other in an informal way. The social side of life is of such importance and should be one of much pleasure and we hope that this may be the case on Saturday, September 1st.

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MR. STEEL, who is one of the official architects, is slowly recovering from his serious illness and we hope that before long he may be well enough to make his inspection of S. Nicholas Church. We know, of course, that the Tower is in a very bad state, and much also will have to be done in the way of pointing especially on the north side. There are many graves in the churchyard which belong to families living in the Parish and attention and care of these graves is very desirable. In many cases the curbs have almost disappeared. Brigadier Lipscomb is always ready to give advice and help in this matter.

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THE Parish Church Children's Outing was again blessed with perfect weather and together with the mothers of the smaller children and members of the Mothers' Union, everyone enjoyed a very happy day at Swanage. The Children's Service is discontinued during August and we hope that parents will do their best to send their children regularly when the Service commences on September 9th.

THE S. Nicholas Outing is a future event as we write these lines but we know that in the charge of Mrs. and Miss Sheppard it will be a happy occasion provided the weather does not damp the enthusiasm always so prominent on these outings. Swanage is to be their destination.

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### Register.

#### Holy Baptism.

July 29th. Alan Richard, son of John and May Dorothy Hewitt

August 5th. Steven John, son of Ralph Frederick John and Audrey Phyllis Painter.

#### Holy Matrimony.

July 14th. Michael John Miller and Margaret Ethel Day.

#### Burial, at S. Nicholas.

August 2nd. Louise Wellstead, aged 76 years.