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"WHEN IT WAS DARK"

I BECAME A SOLDIER and joined the British Army in 1908. And I went to battle with my regiment in the 1914-18 war, serving in France. That was my first experience of war, all-out war with a capital ‘W’, and I was horrified by the experience.

The casualties appalled me; there seemed to be a complete disregard for human life. In those early days of my life religion meant a good deal to me. But I was shaken. How could an all-wise God allow such things to happen?

MY FAITH TESTED, 'I DO NOT KNOW'

Then in the early twenties a friend gave me a book with the title 'When It Was Dark'; it was by Guy Thorne and was published about 1903. This was the story of a great conspiracy by a very rich and evil man, who hated the Christian religion and spent the greater part of his fortune in trying to bring about its collapse - and nearly succeeded. A past Bishop of London, preaching in Westminster Abbey said of the book:

"It paints, in wonderful colours, what it seems to me the world would be if for six months (as in the story is supposed to be the case), owing to a gigantic fraud, the Resurrection might be supposed never to have occurred; and when you see the darkness creeping round the world, you see crime and violence increase in every part of the world. Finally you see how darkness settles down upon the human spirit and the Christian record is regarded as a fable; then you thank God it is light today, because of the awful darkness when it was dark."

The book was so remarkable, and had such a tremendous effect on me that, having read and re-read it several times, I realised the truth, knew that Christ was God, and ceased to be an agnostic.

“When It Was Dark” had an immense influence on my thinking. I felt that I could honestly say: “I believe in God the Father and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven.” I ceased to be an agnostic and went again to Holy Communion, to the great relief of my father.

HELP

And now I am not in the least ashamed to say that every night I go on my knees and pray to our Father in heaven for help in the days which lie ahead. It has been written, “If Christ be not risen, our faith is vain”, and this I do most firmly believe. The central facts of the Christian religion seem to me to be the Incarnation and the Resurrection.

I have never told this story of my becoming for a time an agnostic to anybody except my wife. She had to know because we shared all our thoughts, and we always knelt down and said our prayers together.
### CHURCH SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

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### BIBLE READINGS IN OUR CHURCHES IN NOVEMBER

**SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER**  Theme: The Election of God's People: Abraham
- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP: Trinity 23)
- Philippians 3:17 – 21; Matthew 22:15 – 22
- 9:30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 407 ff – YEAR 1 Readings)
- Genesis 12.1 – 9; John 8.51 – end
- 11:15 am Matins
- Genesis 18. – 19; Romans 9.1 – 13

**SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER**  Theme: The Promise of Redemption: Moses
- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP: Trinity 24)
- Colossians 1:3 – 12; Matthew 6:16 – 26
- 9:30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 417 ff)
- Exodus 3.7 – 15; John 6.25 – 35
- 11:00 am Remembrance Service
- Isaiah 2.1 – 5; Revelation 21.1 – 7
- 6:00 pm Evensong
- Exodus 6.2 – 13; Mark 13.1 – 13

**SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER**  Theme: The Remnant of Israel
- 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP: Sunday next before Advent)
- Colossians 1:3 – 20; John 6.5 – 14
- 9:30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 417 ff)
- 1 Kings 19.9 – 16; Matthew 24.37 – 44
- 6:00 pm Evensong
- Romans 9.19 – 28

**SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER**  Theme: The Advent Hope
- 8:00 am Holy Communion
- Romans 13.8 – 14; Matthew 21.1 – 13
- 9:30 am Parish Communion (ASB pp 422 ff)
- Isaiah 52.7 – 10; Luke 21.25 – 33
- 11:00 am Matins
- Isaiah 1.1 – 20; Luke 12.35 – 48

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**FAMILY WORSHIP: NOVEMBER**

**IN BERE REGIS**
- **SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER**
  - 2.30 – 5 PM
**IN AFFPUDDELE**
- **SUNDAY 20 NOV. AT 11 AM**
FROM THE REGISTERS

Holy Baptism
September 25 Harry John SNOXALL
October 2 Alan James GRUNDILL

Burial of the Dead
October 7 Hilda SOLLS

IN MEMORIAM

HILDA SOLLS was born at Moor Lane in Birdsall and had strong family connections with Tolpuddle and its Church in her early days. She trained in Dorchester as a dressmaker - earning all of sixpence a week!
Her married life centred on the home and family and she led a quiet life following serious operations in the early 1950's.
Hilda was a member of Autumn Leaves (over 60's).
Her passing came after increasing health problems and her last few weeks had been spent in James Day Home in Wuanage. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends, but she is now past the troubles and trials of earthly life which had taken their toll. May she rest in peace.

YOUTH CLUB

The Bere Regis Youth Club has emerged again and meets at present for all age groups on Monday nights. We have over twenty young people regularly attending and the Leader, Dave Grundill who has very strong Bere Regis connections, would like to meet with the parents on any Club evening.

The future success of the Club is in the hands of the members but they do need the support of their parents. A successful Voluntary club needs a supporting Management Committee so I appeal to any parents who care for their young persons with recreational activities to come forward and lend a hand by serving on the committee. We have a good Lead who has the support of a professional team in Bovington. However everything else has to be found by the Club. Hence the Management Committee of a Voluntary Club does have to manage the Club. It is not an irksome duty - it has a few meetings a year mainly concerned with raising funds to keep the Club alive and active. It is right that the young persons have their own part of the village so if you are the reader, and not necessarily a parent, you would like to help either contact me or Dave Grundill.

Christopher Maunder.

'LIGHT UP DORSET' was a great success in our Parishes with money being raised from the sale of candles (including a marvellous response from Bere Regis First School), donations and the Coffee Evening and Candle lighting by Mrs Dunning, a Great Ormond Street trained Nurse! Over £500 went to the Wishing Well Appeal - thanks to your generosity.

WHAT ABOUT OUR CHILDREN?

Children and the Church's work with them is low on our local priorities - a point that was proved when only ten people bothered to come to the meeting about the Church Report "CHILDREN IN THE WAY" - and how it affects us. More did see the Video, but the response was a very public statement about our indifference on an important subject. (Only 25% of your PCC representatives were at the main meeting!)

HOPEFUL SIGNS DO EXIST through with a good response to the Autumn Series of Christian Education initiatives that are now underway: the GOOD BOOK STUDY GROUP, SUNDAY NIGHT VIDEO sessions and CONFIRMATION CLASSES are all fulfilling a need in the life of the local Church; see the Notice papers for dates, times and venues.

NEW BIBLES have been given to both Churches for use in our worship; we are most grateful to the donors. The New International Version is a useful addition to our range.
6. APATHY OR COMPLACENCY?

The crime figures for Bere Regis are probably nothing for the Police to get excited about in their statistics. Which is just as well judging by the lack of people interested in attending a Crime Prevention Presentation put on by the Dorset Police at the suggestion of the Community Concern Committee. It is no use people saying that they did not know about it as it was well publicised in all the usual places.

Bere Regis is not the hotbed of dramatic crime but then it is not the T.V. type dramas which I hear people complaining to me about. They are concerned about visits by 'Burglar Bill' during their absence from their homes and it was this problem and that of communication to the Police to which the meeting was addressed. Where were the people who have asked about setting up Neighbourhood Watch schemes, or the people who tell of others whose behaviour, after the pubs and clubs have closed, leaves a deal to be desired. Have the problems gone away? I fear not but the complaints show little interest in doing something about it themselves. The petty crime, the silly things like turning road signs around and switching on the Childrens Crossing Lights, will continue until the community stands up to stop it. Ignore these petty incidents and the 'criminals' turn to slightly more 'braver' deeds but always directed towards the community in which they are living. Some of the deeds that I have heard of are quite disgusting and far too base for the Parish magazine to mention.

The meeting, sponsored by Sylvasprings Watercress, was very poorly attended. Obviously people had their own reasons for not turning up - crime watch was on T.V. later that evening! - I hope that it was not because they were afraid of coming out and leaving their possessions to a possible visit by 'Burglar Bill'.

If anyone is interested in setting up a Community Watch contact P.C. Wright at Wareham or myself on 471342. Please be prepared to put something into it, preferably yourself.

Christopher Maunder, Chairman. Parish Council.

7. HUNGRY FOR CHANGE – DECLARATION OF SUPPORT FOR KAMPUCHEA

Did you see the film 'THE KILLING FIELDS'? It showed some of the horrors of living in Cambodia (now called Kampuchea) under the regime of Pol Pot and the Khmer Rouge.

It is now 9 years since Pol Pot and his soldiers were driven out of the country and the world discovered quite what had been going on there. Not only had over a million people been killed, but townspeople had been forced to move from the towns to the countryside, and Kampuchea's agricultural and industrial organisation was wrecked. In 1979, when Pol Pot's repression ended, people had to start again from scratch, picking up the pieces emotionally and physically.

Things are better now, but Kampucheans are still suffering. Only 1% of the population has access to safe drinking water. Food shortages, disease and contaminated water supplies are frequent.

Voluntary agencies are doing what they can to help, but they have been working without much outside help; the present Government is not recognised by most Western Governments; and so the country has not qualified for Aid in the normal way.

OXFAM is mounting a huge drive this autumn to raise support and focus attention on the plight of the people of Kampuchea.

On NOVEMBER 4, 5 and 6 there will be a nationwide sponsored fast, and people are asked to sign candle stickers in support. A board to take these stickers will be in Church for the week 30 October - 6 November inclusive. PLEASE COME AND SIGN!

If you are interested in taking part in the fast, please contact Philippa Ward (471527) for sponsor forms or news of any joint activities. You need not take part in the whole of the fast! Part or all of a day will be a valuable contribution.

It is a sobering fact that Pol Pot is 59, alive and well, and sitting on the Kampuchean border with a strong Khmer Rouge army. The world has to care and become involved in Kampuchea's future if the dreadful events of these four years in the 1970's are not to be repeated.

Thank you for reading so far - if you have!

I hope we shall be able to fill our board with signed stickers and send a valuable financial contribution to help Oxfam in its work for Kampuchea.

Thanks.

Philippa Ward.
LOOK What's Going On!

SONGS OF PRAISE - a Service when you can sing your favourite hymns:
come and join us, at Bere Regis on
SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER at 6 pm...
at Affpuddle on SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER
at 11 am at Affpraise, Family Worship.

BELLRINGERS, like our Church musicians,
have a special contribution to make to the life of the Church. Evensong on
SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER at 6 pm at Bere Regis will pay special attention to the place of bellringing in our worship and our witness. Do come and join us!

TRAIDCRAFT - 'Trading for a fairer world' - goods are again available and can be ordered on the first Sunday at the Coffee and Bring & Buy or purchased from the TRAIDCRAFT stall at the Drax Hall Mini-Market on SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER in the morning.

ADVENT SUNDAY will be marked in Bere Regis by a special Service of Music and Readings led by the Briantspuddle Singers at 6 pm on SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER.
This solemn season of preparation for the great and wonderful Festival of Christmas is so easily neglected in our frenzied activity. Make time! Come and join in a memorable and moving act of worship.

THE INTERCESSIONS have been led by a wide variety of lay people at Bere Regis during the last few months. This practice has been found helpful and will continue on the 1st Sunday each month. If you would like to be included in the 1989 rota, please let the Vicar know soon.

CHURCH DUTY ROTAS - BERE REGIS

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AFFPUDDLE CHURCHYARD MOWING
Fortnight beginning:
Nov 14th Denham Corner, David Kayll, Larry Peel-Yates, Rock Smith

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Arthur Solis and family would like to thank all those who sent messages of sympathy in their sad loss. Also grateful thanks to everyone who attended the funeral and gave generously to the James Day House Comfort Fund. Very special thanks to the Rev J Burke and Mr Colin Close for their kindness and support.
BERE REGIS NEWS

GRAND BONFIRE/FIREWORK DISPLAY, PIG ROAST AND BARBECUE
To be held on Saturday, 5th November 6.00 - 8.00 pm in SHAVES FIELD (next to School).
Admission £1.50 Adults, 75p Children 5-14 years and OAPs.
Gates open 6.00 pm.
Bonfire Lighting 6.30 pm.
Fireworks 7.00 pm.
Guy Fawkes competition for children of school age (please bring to site by 6.00 pm).

As next year is school's 60th Anniversary, we are anxious to get in touch with anyone who attended Bere Regis school in 1929. Please contact me either at school or on Puddletown 848676.
Pam Young (Mrs) Hon Secretary (PTA)

PARISH COUNCIL
The September meeting started with the presentation to the Parish Council of two seats, which will be placed alongside the new river walk. These grand seats were the prize for being joint first in the ACRE competition for village appraisal.
During the business, Mrs Franklin, our County Councillor stated that there had been a delay in purchasing an additional library van, which will mean a weekly visit to the village, but it is hoped it will be available in the near future.
Notice was given that the new idea for small plans to be discussed once a fortnight instead of monthly takes effect from October. A sub-committee of the Parish Council will meet when it is necessary and notice will be posted on the PC Notice Board. This will be for plans of extensions, etc and up to one house.
Concern was expressed about the number of times small electricity power cuts have taken place in the village. These last about a few seconds, but affect clocks, videos, etc. The electricity liaison officer has contacted the SEB, who said that there is a fault on the line to the village, which they were so far unable to trace, but it was thought the breaks in power are probably due to cattle rubbing against the poles, causing two wires to touch!!

BERE REGIS SCOUT GROUP
Thank you to all who supported our Autumn Fayre and Bargain Basement. About £150 was raised for our funds.
Don't forget to come to the Yetties Barn Dance at Puddletown on Friday, November 4th. Tickets £3.75 including supper from John England or Scout Leaders or Committee.

Our Carol Singing in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital Scout Ward is on Monday, 19th December at Bere Regis and on Tuesday, 20th at Winterborne Kingston.

AUTUMN LEAVES
Our October meeting was an outing to the New Forest stopping at Lyndhurst for tea. We had an excellent journey, and the scenery was beautiful. 35 members and friends came although it was raining when we left the sun shone on the way home. Next meeting, Games Afternoon - whist, etc. The Club invites anyone who would like a game of whist, to come and join us at 2.30 pm on 9th November. We shall be having a competition - My Favourite Kitchen Gadget. So do come along for the afternoon and meet new people.

RAGAMUFFINS PLAYGROUP - BERE REGIS
There will be a few vacancies in our playgroup as from January 1989. We would like to invite all village children under five years old to visit our Toy Library which runs from the School Hall on Monday mornings 9 - 9.30 am.
Also we will be holding a pre-Christmas Bazaar at the Sports Club, North Street on Saturday, 19th November at 11.00 am. Father Christmas will be present to receive letters from the children and, as happened last year, has promised to personally reply to every letter containing the child's name and address.
For details of all above phone 471165.

PUZZLE CORNER
Last month's anagrams were:
1. Langton Herring 6. Milborne St Andrew
2. Langton Matravers 7. Sherborne Abbey
5. Cattistock 10. Seaborough

100 YEARS AGO
The following items appeared in the Parish Magazine for November 1888:-

THE SUNFLOWERS
The sunflowers went on growing till very late, and the interest of the competition was kept up to the last, when Percy Gregory, who was only third or fourth in the running, as recorded last month, produced a gigantic flower over 1½ inches across. The height of one of
his sunflowers was 11 ft 9 in. T. Lockyer was second with 15 inches; J. Janes and A. Langdown (equal), 14 ft; W. Davis, 14 ft; G. Mate, 13 ft; R. Lane, 13 ft.

A VILLAGE EXHIBITION
Before the November Magazine is in print a meeting will have been held with a view to endeavouring to set on foot a society such as those of which we spoke in our last number. It would be premature to say much about the aims of the society which we hope to see formed. The main object in view is, by the friendly rivalry which is called into play by competitions for prizes, to encourage people to grow the best things in the best way instead of inferior things in an inferior way. Honey, needlework, and other products and works of art would probably find a place in the prize list. Enquiry will be made as to the rules and arrangements for similar societies in other places; and the committee will do their best to ensure the success of the Bere Regis Cottage Garden and Home Arts Show of 1889.

BERE REGIS SPORTS CLUB
Football Results
Division I
September 17th Blandford 0-3 Bere Regis (T Dando 2, H Blake 1)
September 24th Bere Regis 1-0 Broadwayne (R White 1)
October 1st Bere Regis 1-0 Cranborne (T Dando 1)
October 8th Dorset Senior Cup
Bere Regis 1-2 Royal Signals (T Dando 1)
Dorset Division 3 East
September 17th Wareham 3-0 Bere Regis
September 24th Wool 0-1 Bere Regis (B Johnston 1)
October 1st Dorset Junior Cup
Weymouth Post Office 3-0 Bere Regis
October 8th Lychett Matravers 8-2 Bere Regis (L Miller, P Spicer

Club Report
After an indifferent start to the 1988-89 season, the Football Club's first team have started to consolidate themselves in the upper part of the division, and the arrival of new signings has been a factor in this. The Reserves began their campaign losing to a strong Wareham side, however the new management are ever hopeful. On the 22nd October the reserves were presented with a new and fully sponsored kit by Mr Jim Pike of 'Farmcraft Nurseries' at nearby Anderson. Photographs were taken before the game.

In view of a recent incident involving a young child being injured by being in contact with dogs foul, the Club would like to notify any dog owners to observe the signs at the base and top of the recreation field regarding the exclusion of dogs. There have been several occurrences of dogs in the ground recently. Assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated in the interests of public hygiene. Also congratulations to the Club's pool team in their first season in the Blandford Summer League; they won the League with a 100 per cent record.

THE RBL WOMEN'S SECTION
Held their monthly meeting on 21st September. 17 members were present.
£25 was donated to the "Cuppa for Caring Week". Also £82.50 was donated to the General Fund and £82.50 to the Benevolent Fund. The speaker was Mrs E Phillips, who showed a variety of slides, of past events regarding Branch, Women's Section and village activities.
Teas were served by Mrs Barnes and Mrs Coombs. A raffle was run by Mrs Reed.

Cenotaph November - Mrs Maidment and Mrs Presslee
December - Mrs Maidment and Mrs Presslee

BERE REGIS WI's 70TH BIRTHDAY
Celebrations ended on a joyful note with our Open Evening with villagers and representatives from other groups present. Winterborne Stickland entertained us with an hour of comedy by their excellent group of ten talented ladies.
Refreshments were served and there was a craft exhibition: and book stall provided by County Office WI.
The County Chairman, Mrs Rita Burden, extended her good wishes to Bere Regis' ever enlarging Institute - for the next 70 years.

VIRTUOSO PERFORMANCE IN BERES REGIS CHURCH
On Friday evening, 23rd September, a packed audience in Bere Regis Church heard Leland Chen and Clare McFarlane, the internationally acclaimed violinists, give faultless performances of Leclair's Sonata No 4 in F Major and Spohr's Duo Opus 67 in D Major, and other works. Clare and Leland were supported in the programme by Elizabeth Glen, soprano, and Anja Lutzow, who accompanied Elizabeth on the lute, and who delighted the audience with songs by a number of composers, including Purcell and Campion.
The contrasting programme of the music for the lute and voice and the virtuoso violin performances enthralled the audience.
The artists gave their performances free and in doing so raised three hundred and thirteen pounds for Bere Regis Church. After the performance the musicians and villagers who attended the concert, were invited to coffee at Cyril Wood Court. Leland and Clare could not attend because they had to go to London to be ready for another concert on Saturday. An interesting connection with the Cyril Wood Trust is that Leland is at present using one of Yehudi Menuhin's violins, and Sir Yehudi Menuhin is one of the trustees. We are grateful to Clare, Leland, Elizabeth and Anja for their very generous support of our church and to all those who attended.

Geoffrey Booth

BERE REGIS GUIDES
To all girls aged 10-14 and their parents.
A Guide Unit is to be formed in this village, starting in the New Year.
Come to the Parents Meeting in December and hear all about it!
The date to be announced, or contact:
Pat Bentley on B.R. 471875 or Carol Cox on B.R. 471803

BERE REGIS BRANCH ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
The Committee was heartened by the splendid attendance at our Harvest Festival Service and the generous support that was given at the subsequent auction. Many and varied were the items earlier donated by members and in the hands of Messrs Ted Steele and Reg Adams the magnificent sum of £201.00 was realised. By their humorous repartee they kept the proceedings going and entertained everyone thereby. The proceeds were a boost to Branch Funds which will give assistance to the Committee for any disbursements that may confront them. The Annual General Meeting will have been held by the time these notes are published and within the next month the Blandford Group (of which we are a member) and the County RBL Annual Meetings will be held.

SUNDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER is the confirmed date of the Armistice Service in Bere Regis when it is hoped that a good turn-out of members will be on parade, which forms up at 10.30 am at Green Close, followed by the laying of wreaths at the Cenotaph and the morning Church Service.

Friday, 25th November, is the night fixed for the Branch buffet and Dance for members and bona fide guests. Early application is advisable as numbers are limited. See Notice Board for full details.

SALISBURY-SUDAN MEDICAL LINK
No-one could fail to be touched by the devastation and misery caused to hundreds of thousands of people in the Sudan, many of them Christian, after the immense rainfall of August 5/6. The Mothers' Union of the Blandford Deanery and visitors responded most generously and £170 has already been forwarded to the Relief Fund.

Mrs Jill Baker is deeply concerned about conditions in the Sudan and was able to give us a graphic account of the background to the Civil War in South Sudan. During the Sudan trip in 1983 with the Bishop, Mrs Baker visited the only hospital in the south where patients had to bring their own beds and were left to lie on the floor in appalling conditions. Few, even basic, supplies were available and hygiene almost unknown. As they drove along the rough roads to the capital, Juba, they passed a figure lying alone on the roadside. The driver explained that it was sure to be a sufferer hoping for a lift to the hospital. Imagine Mrs Baker's feelings as their car passed, with the resulting cloud of dust, unable to help.

As a result of that visit Mrs Baker started the Salisbury-Sudan Link. Medical supplies past their "use-by" date, but still having six months' life, are donated by hospitals and doctors' practices, including Poole and a group practice at Wool. These supplies are quickly flown to the hospital where a retired English doctor has taken over one room and treats patients in totally hygienic conditions.

In the predominantly Christian South the churches are being allowed to rebuild and function again, but under great difficulty. Despite the war, famine and flood, the church and the Mothers' Union are working and re-building together. We must remember to pray for the 39 NJU members in the South.

MOTHERS' UNION
The October meeting was a joyful evening, with Mrs Sharp talking on hymns and their writers, and all of us joining in singing some of them. The hymn that came out favourite at the end of the evening was 'Angels from the Realms of Glory'.

We shall again be working in the Refectory at Salisbury at the end of the month, serving food to all the visitors.

The next meeting is Communion in church, followed by a sale of Mothers' Union Christmas cards, calendars and diaries.

Teas - Mary Eastment, Mary House and Mrs Cleall.
A DAY OUT
On 6th October, Dorset Community Council organised a day trip from Weymouth to Cherbourg. The day before broke with gales and heavy rain, and we spent most of the day trying to convince each other that the forecast was wrong, and the wind would blow itself out. The alarm went off at 6.00 am, Friday morning to a gale which was trying to compete with last year's hurricane. Off we set with trepidation, not quite sure if the boat would sail. The sight of the Earl Harold docked at the quay was very reassuring - it was so large, it had to be safe. After the clearance we boarded, with about 500 people from all over Dorset. Just as the engine hummed into life, the heavens opened, and down came the rain. As the ship left the shelter of Portland, we knew we were in for a rough ride. It seemed that the boat was going up steps, and the voice over the intercom kept telling us to stay seated.
There were exhibitions and videos about Dorset villages and other features, also food tasting from Dorset Harvest, but even though the food was free, somehow not very much got tasted. After four hours we arrived in France, and the rain is just as wet over there. We headed for the nearest restaurant for lots of hot coffee and lunch, then spend a pleasant afternoon looking round the quaint old town of Cherbourg. Then it was time for a quick visit to the duty free shop, we settled down to await what the seas held in store. It was interesting watching the other passengers, whose colour ranged from pale grey to bright green. A band had been laid on for entertainment, but they had to give up after a few minutes, as the drummer couldn't catch his drums long enough to hit them.

AFTER what seemed like four days we arrived at Weymouth, which had never looked so beautiful before. Truly a day never to be forgotten.

AFFPUDDLE NEWS
CHRISTMAS FAIR
The Briantspuddle Hall Committee is organising the Annual Christmas Fair to be held in Briantspuddle Village Hall on Saturday, 3rd December 1988 from 2.30 - 4.45 pm. This is a splendid opportunity for all the village organisations to run stalls to raise funds, and for everyone to stock up on presents and Christmas food. For details about running stalls please contact Phyllis Bowell on Bore Regis 471307.

R.N.L.I.
The Royal National Lifeboat Institution thank the residents of Briantspuddle and Affpuddle for their generous contribution of £71 - during Lifeboat Week in July - and thank all concerned.

AFFRAISE FAMILY SERVICE - SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER
This is our Songs of Praise month. Let us know your favourite hymn or chorus either by adding it for that purpose to the list in Affpuddle church or telling the Vicar, the Gainsfords or the Haighs. It is helpful, also, if you can tell us which book you have chosen it from, but we will try to find it if you don't know. We will include as many of your choices as possible provided we know about them by Sunday, 13th November.

BLADEX SOCIETY CLUB
The Harvest Auction raised £100, for Affpuddle Church Funds. Thanks to all those who gave their support and Mr Ted Steele for auctioning all the produce.
September Quiz : Winners: Bert and Sue Jeanes
Runners up: Simon Scott and Adrian Croft
Dates for November:
Sat 5th 'Jelly Baby' Hold - England's No 1 Pool Player
Sat 12th Pairs K.O. Skittles
Sat 19th Pete Howell
Sat 26th Sports Quiz

NOVEMBER'S RECIPE
Two different recipes this month with a 'difference', given to me by one of my colleagues.

QUICK APPLE FRITTERS
Make 1 to 1lb stewed apple. Make a pancake batter. Heat the oil in a frying pan. Take a dessert spoon of the apple, dip this into the batter and drop into the fat and fry the usual way. If the top of the fritter is not coated enough add a little more batter before turning.

BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING
Make 1 pint of custard of pouring consistency. Flavour the custard with lemon essence. Grease a baking dish and pour some of the custard in. Layer with buttered bread, raisins (not sultanas or currants) and custard, finishing with the custard. Pop in the oven Gas 4, Electric 180°C, 350F for about 30 minutes.
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER 1988
4th
Scout Group - Yetties Barn Dance
Puddletown Middle School
5th
Bere Regis Church Tidy-Up and Bonfire
9th 2.30pm
Autumn Leaves Whist Drive - Drax Hall
9th 10.00am
Save the Children Fund, Christmas Fair
Corn Exchange, Dorchester
12th
Mini Market - Drax Hall
13th 10.30am
RBL Armistice Day Parade and Service
25th 8.00pm
RBL Annual Buffet and Dance - Clubroom
30th 2.30pm
Autumn Leaves Christmas Bazaar - Drax Hall

FUTURE EVENTS

DECEMBER 1988
3rd 2.30pm
Christmas Fair, Briantspuddle Village Hall
10th
Mini Market - Drax Hall
12th
Christmas Bingo - Drax Hall
14th
Autumn Leaves Christmas Afternoon - Drax Hall
19th/20th
Scout Group - Carol Singing for Great Ormond Street Hospital

JANUARY 1989
14th
Scout Group - Mince Pie and Punch at Mrs Jeeves'

MARCH 1989
3rd
Scout Group - Coffee Evening and Entertainment
18th
Scouts Jumble Sale - Drax Hall

MAY 1989
1st
Anderson Manor Exhibition and Gardens Open

CHURCH AND VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

AUTUMN LEAVES
2.30pm 2nd Wednesday
BEAVERS
6.00pm Monday, Winterborne Kingston School
BELLRINGERS
6.30pm Wednesday, Learners: Improvers 7pm
BINGO
7.45pm Drax Hall (Mondays)
BLUE VAN
8.30-10.30am 4th Friday in month
BRITISH LEGION CLUB
7.00pm Mon-Fri: 12 noon to 2.30pm &
7.00pm Sat: 12 noon to 2pm Sunday
BRITISH WOMENS SECTION
2.30pm 3rd Wednesday, HQ
BROWNIES
6.00pm-7.15pm School Hall, Bere Regis
BRSC
Winter Season Opening Times Tues, Wed & Fri
7.00pm, Sat 4.25pm, Sun 7.30pm
CHOIR PRACTISE
7.30pm Friday in Church
CUBS
6.30pm Thursday, School
FLORAL GROUP
2.30pm 2nd Tuesday, Drax Hall

MOTHER & TODDLER
2.15pm Monday, Congregational Church
PLAYGROUP BERE REGIS
3 mornings Bere Regis School Tel 471165
PLAYGROUP BRIANTSPUDDLE
9.30-12 noon Tues, Wed, Thur, Village Hall
Enquiries - Jean McGrorty 471766 & Martha Tucker 471358
SCOUTS
6.30pm Thursday, Youth Club Hut
SUNDAY SCHOOL
10.30am Every Sunday in Parish Church
BERE REGIS YOUNG CHRISTIANS
9.30am Saturday, Youth Club Hut
TUESDAY CLUBS:
ADVENTURERS
7.00pm 7-11 years, Congregational Church
ADVENTURERS
8.15pm 12 years & over, Congregational Church
WIVES GROUP
7.30pm 4th Tuesday, Drax Hall
WOMENS INSTITUTE
7.00pm 3rd Tuesday, Drax Hall
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Volunteers from Save the Children’s Settle branch believe they have pulled off a first by chartering a train to raise funds in this way. Passengers (or ‘customers’ as British Rail are thoughtfully beginning to call us) join the special train from London for the one-day round trip.

October sees the publication of a new Book ‘Kid’s Stuff’, with royalties going towards the funds of Save the Children to give practical help to young people round the world.

‘Kid’s Stuff’ is a collection by actress Wendy Craig of childhood memories of famous people including Bob Hoskins, Russ Abbot, Marj Proops, Nigel Hawthorne and Toyah Wilcox. It’s published by Fontana at £3.95.

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**HERE AND THERE...**

**BY THE YEAR 2000 more than half the youth of France will be Muslim, primarily of North African origin, suggests a recent report. Already Muslims outnumber Protestants and, if these estimates are fulfilled, those under 18 will in the next decade begin to outnumber the Roman Catholics of their age-group also.**

Bishop Augustine Harris dedicated the fan-shaped brick building in the presence of Cardinal Basil Hume and many other northern church leaders.

**MOVE?**

The Methodist Church is looking very closely at the possibilities for moving its central offices, at present split over a number of sites, onto one unified site by the early 1990’s. The Methodist Conference this summer asked for work to be done on this, and that the proposals be brought back to Conference next Summer for a decision.

**BABY - TALK**

IT’S REPORTED THAT one in every three babies in Moscow is baptised. Meanwhile, the state ceremony which is on offer is taken up by only 20 per cent of parents.

‘BEING ABLE TO read the Bible kept me sane’, says Roger Aucge, a French hostage held for nearly a year in Lebanon before his release last year. He says most of his guards were Palestinians. ‘The one who gave me a Bible did me a blessed service’, he says.
IMPRESSIVE HOSPITAL

A VISIT TO THE United Christian Hospital in Hong Kong never fails to impress. Situated in Kwun Tong, a district in the eastern part of Kowloon, the UCH is the only hospital serving the community of over 650,000 people.

Kwun Tong is a busy, thriving area, with high rise public housing estates starkly outlined against the rugged hillside.

The rapid rise in population of Kwun Tong in recent years has come about mainly because of the Government policy of building these low-cost public housing estates and encouraging victims of natural disasters and people from sub-standard housing to resettle there. The rise is also partly due to natural growth and influxes of immigrants from China. Over 80 per cent of Kwun Tong residents are now living in these estates.

SPEECH THERAPY

Gillian Minogue is a CMS mission partner and head of the speech therapy department at the hospital. I sat in her cramped room some 7ft x 9ft, which is the only place available for all the speech therapy sessions in a hospital which is bursting at the seams.

She told me that she has been in Hong Kong about eight years and in that time has treated many thousands of patients.

Speech therapy patients come from all ages and includes children with such defects as cleft palates and elderly stroke victims struggling to put their lives back together again.

ISLAND-WIDE

In a recent letter Gillian talks about her wider work in Hong Kong: 'I am involved in a committee which is surveying how many speech therapists are needed in Hong Kong. We have nearly finished one survey, which has taken three years to do, and proved much more difficult than we anticipated. It so happens that all the members are Christians, so it has been great to pray through issues as they come up and see the Lord's concern for the most mundane details of this work'.

Now the hospital has been given permission to expand and add an extra wing. This will double the bed capacity to 1,200. The extension also includes a large rehabilitation unit in which, said Gillian, smiling in anticipation, there will be six rooms for the Speech Therapy Unit.

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