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**PARTNERS IN MISSIO**

By Ray Allen Whittam

**NEW BOY**

Rev D. L. Griffin, former Rector of Werris Creek, has been in the Catholic Church since 1938. He was appointed Bishop in Melbourne, Sale, from March 1.

**ECCUMENICAL**

As the present time there was a remarkable degree of activity about the church. However, this was very little in the way of competition and in other parts of the world.

**REPORT TO STANDING COMMITTEES**

Each day at the church the Gospel is preached and certainly of the identification of need. It is a clear signal of the need.

The Australian

**PRIMENTON THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION**

The Prime Minister at the dedication of a new College of Ministry on April 31, 1976, said that the new colleges would be able to provide a strong defence of the Christian faith. However, the Prime Minister said that the new colleges would not be able.

**The gospela goal for gau reform**

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The social studies course "Man a Course of Study" (MACOS) is a stark example of the use of the school as a social laboratory and testing ground for the theories and objectives of the so-called educational elite. It has since been superseded by more balanced social studies courses, especially in the United States, where the project is no longer taught. The MACOS project originated in the United States. It was subsequently adopted by the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and UNESCO. The MACOS project has been criticized for its alleged virtue of the course, and in a number of instances is abhorrent behaviour. Community living, elimination of the marriages and wife swapping, violent murder and other present, despite the fact that the Judeo-Christian ethic and world view has been an integral part of western civilisation for over a thousand years. In its place "ad hoc situation ethics and a form of ethical relativism in which the children the opportunities to become aware of the philosophical assumptions behind the MACOS project and the complaints about the course. The MACOS project is introduced into schools is also grounds for concern. Meetings with parents expect them out of the protection of the school. parents who have to send their children to State schools if they can't afford private education. The MACOS project is potentially dangerous to the vision formation process of children of tender years and lends itself to the potential of mind manipulation. The way the MACOS project is introduced into schools is also grounds for concern. Meetings with parents expect them out of the protection of the school. parents who have to send their children to State schools if they can't afford private education. The MACOS project is potentially dangerous to the vision formation process of children of tender years and lends itself to the potential of mind manipulation. The way the MACOS project is introduced into schools is also grounds for concern. Meetings with parents expect them out of the protection of the school. parents who have to send their children to State schools if they can't afford private education. The MACOS project is potentially dangerous to the vision formation process of children of tender years and lends itself to the potential of mind manipulation.
A CHRISTIAN VIEW OF PUNISHMENT (Part 2)

THE END OF PUNISHMENT

Governments are not free to do anything they wish in their role of maintaining order. They cannot arbitrarily decide who will be punished. Thus the guilt of an offender must be justified.

If the justice of punishment is to be maintained then the ultimate criterion of punishment must be the Bible. The criterion must look backwards to the crime as well as forward to the general good of society or the good of the offender. (As an ultimate principle punishment does not prohibit other deterrents or reformations.)

Securing the justice of punishment is only the beginning. We must also consider just punishment. What constitutes a crime? What punishment fits what crimes? What crimes (if any) are worthy of the death penalty? In O. G. O'Donovan's book "Moral Law for Mankind" he suggests that the essential element of justice in this area is consistency, proportion, and humanity.

Consistency is treating similar cases and people similarly and making distinctions between cases and individuals only on the basis of classifiable and relevant differences.

Proportion refers to the moral appropriateness of each punishment. Punishment for serious offences must be proportionately more severe than for trivial offences.

Humanity considers the question of how it is proper for human beings to treat one another.

Justice in punishment is the question of how it is proper for human beings to treat one another.

The Mosaic law also provides us with a perspective on man in relation to his place in society. The law tells us to God and to our fellow man. While Christians are not bound by the Mosaic law to the contemporary situation they are justified in locating their moral values there. Especially those moral values which relate to the ordering of society.

The Mosaic law also provides us with a perspective on man in relation to questions of civil order while we await consummation of the kingdom of God. Just as it ought to be the mark of those who have entered the new order of the kingdom of God that they should refrain from the old order, so for all times to come the yoke of seventy-seven fold (Matthew 19:21) was the mark of the new order, the order of the kingdom. The Mosaic law and the yoke of seventy-seven fold are a measure of the kingdom. In a sense we are to be a mark of the kingdom. One of the purposes of the law for the kingdom of God is to be a mark of the kingdom.

A glance at the Mosaic law reveals the notion of proportion and the notion of justice. The notion is tied to our sense of moral value. Our rite must correspond to our sense of justice in punishment.

The problem for us is to reject the notion or ethic of the Bible require us to reject the notion or ethics of the Bible requirement that since the Fall it has been necessary to locate its moral values. For at least in so far as it affects others, in the subject of social and civil order, I would not be too quick to condemn the Old Testament penalties and punishments as inhumane and unenlightened. The scale of the relationship between the judge and the offender may have been different than that of the judge and the criminal. I see no reason to put our confidence in man's autonomous moral sense. We are too Socratic and not biblical enough in our ethical thinking. Similarly, we have, for the most part, adopted a secular and non-biblical social theory which is amoral and which sees the individual as the basic and most valuable unit in society. Whereas the Bible speaks in terms of families and tribes and nations.

I see no reason to put our confidence in man's autonomous moral sense. The Bible clearly indicates that since the Fall it has been defective.

The scale of punishment should be located in Scripture rather than in man's defective moral sense. A detailed and exhaustive study is required to locate it.

Neither the theology nor the ethics of the Bible require us to reject the notion or practice of capital punishment. It will be a proper instrument in the hand of governments until such times when the overwhelming majority of men and women would decide to adopt the new order of the kingdom and become new men and women in Christ.

Treasurer's report is based on books of "The Australian Christian" and "The Sovereign".

M. Hill.
BISHOP FESTO KIVENGERE LEADS MISSION TO EGYPT

Mary Dale 13,000 people attended meetings in Egypt, March 5 to 19. Major actividades included the construction of the new Anglican Church in Assuit. Bishop Kivengere was in Assuit as part of the African Christian Leadership Assembly of the World in South Australia.

Editorial – “One Law”

Editorial – “One Law” (18th April, 1978) states that the “God’s laws should be reflected in our country’s laws”. This is an idea that has been proposed in many countries of the world. In the Philippines and Hong Kong. During the breaks in their games, spiritual messages, seminars and counselling were also held. The project was on display in trade shows in various parts of the world. The model measures 12ft x 12ft and cost about $500. The project was supported by the Department of Corrective Services, the Department of Education, and the Department of Health.

BASKET BALL ESPERANZA

“Avoiding publicity and experts in the field of human rights there are three international languages of the world today: English, Music, and Sports. These languages are used by Australians for Victory basketball.”

LETTERS

Last enemy

I was wondering “What a World!” (ACR April 6). It seems that everywhere I go, there are people who are not happy with their lives. Some of them don’t have a job, some of them are alone, and some of them are frustrated.

Some of the people I have met are very happy with their lives. They have a job, a family, and a lot of friends. They are all happy and they are living a good life.

I think that everyone deserves to be happy. I believe that everyone should be given an equal opportunity to live a good life.

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you with a very urgent request. I need your help to move to a new place. I am currently living in a small apartment and I need a bigger place. I need a place with three bedrooms. An ideal accommodation for me would be in the local community of the west end. It is very important for me to move to a new place.

I would appreciate it if you could help me find a new place. I am willing to pay a fair rent for the place. Any help you could give me would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

PARRAMATTA GRAVE YARD SHOCK

Gerry Colman, Pastor of Parramatta Baptist Church, said recently that he had called a special meeting of members to consider a new way of handling complaints about the “pervasiveness” of young people in the local community.

“Too often,” said Mr. Colman, “members of our church have complained about the behavior of young people in the local community. It is time that we began to take a more active role in our community and to show that we are a caring and responsible church.”

PRISON REPORT

At the recent session of the NSW Police, Mr. John Brown, the Inspector of Prisons, presented his report to the committee. The report covered the period from March 1 to April 30, and it contained details of all the incidents that occurred during this period.

Many people were interested in this report, and they asked questions about the treatment of prisoners. Mr. Brown answered these questions in a very matter-of-fact manner.

The report covered a wide range of topics, including the treatment of prisoners, the conditions in the prisons, and the way in which the prisons were managed.

The committee was particularly interested in the treatment of prisoners, and they asked Mr. Brown many questions about this topic.

Mr. Brown said that the treatment of prisoners was very important, and that the government needed to do more to improve the conditions in the prisons.

He said that the government was working hard to improve the conditions in the prisons, and that they were making progress.

The committee was very impressed with the work that the government was doing, and they commended them for their efforts.

Sincerely,

[Signature]


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"Never had it so good ...

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MASS CONTROVERSY

The Second Vatican Council is in Constantinople. In Greece, Church authorities have adopted a decree that the liturgy is a living word. The minister is to be a priest, and the words of the liturgy are to be pronounced by a priest. The Church is a living thing, not a static one. It is the living Church that is the Church. The Church is not a static thing. It is a living thing. It is not a thing. It is a living thing.

DANA ANDREWS ON ALCOHOLISM

In May 12, 1978, the Sydney City Mission will present a National Conference, called "Operation Understanding at the Beatitude," for special prayer and reflection, with the aim of motivating more volunteer workers to help in the problem of alcoholism. Dana Andrews, who spent a great deal of unemployment and drug addiction in his life, of the life of President Dwight D. Eisenhower, in the speakers will be Dana Andrews, which is being sponsored by the National Women's Council.

I ONLY AM LEFT

In August, the Sydney Church of England, which is in fact the Sydney Church of England, will allow a priest to be ordained to the priesthood. The priest, who is a member of the Church of England, will be ordained to the priesthood.

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