

THREAT TO CHILDREN

Two young lives have been lost on the Ermine Estate through road accidents. Need there be a third?

The main Riseholme Road will always tempt motorists to exceed the speed limit, and the moving of the 30 m.p.h. signs has made little difference. Moreover, a good deal of heavy traffic is continually moving through the estate itself, and is in fact garaged there.

Every house has a fenced back garden, and theoretically the children should never be near the road. However, in practice, children will often be seen in places of danger, and with the most careful parent there is always the unguarded hour!

The following suggestions are made for your consideration, and after revision in the light of your comments will be forwarded to the appropriate authorities.

(1) That an island be built on the Riseholme Road, at the edge of the present speed limit so that traffic is forced to slow down, and a zebra crossing established.

(2) That Signs with the clear warning "Beware Children" be placed at all the entrances to the estate. This slight disfigurement of the scene can in no way compare with the saving of a single life or injury.

Lively Ever- green Club!

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In recent weeks St. John's Evergreen Club has lived up to its reputation of providing a good and varied programme. The ladies of St. Giles Methodist Drama Group came over to present a very amusing one-act play, and occasional whist-drives have been very popular.

Speakers have included the Rev. Tony Burton and Air Vice Marshal D'Aeth, who is now a student at Lincoln Theological College. Mr. Frank R. Eccleshare has made a return visit to show some excellent films of Britain's Waterways.

The picture shows some of the members of the club enjoying a cup of tea and a chin-wag. This is an essential part of every afternoon's programme. The future programme includes a whist-drive, concert, talk, and an Easter party.

Plans are already well in hand for a day's outing and also for a trip to the tulip fields.

The club meets every Thursday afternoon at St. John's Hall at 3 p.m. and is open to all men and women on the Estate who care to join. A weekly subscription of 3d. is charged to cover the cost of refreshments.

Ermine Estate Girl Guides

On Thursday, 14th March, Mrs. J. B. Irving, District Commissioner of the Lincoln Girl Guides, and Miss M. Trevis, Captain of St. Faith's company, came to St. John's Hall to make arrangements for the forming of a company of Girl Guides on the Estate.

A good number of girls came to meet them, and it looks as though there will soon be a waiting list of those who wish to join the new company. Meetings are held on Thursdays at 7 p.m. in St. John's Hall.

Miss M. Trevis is acting as captain for the next few weeks until leaders from the Estate have completed a course of training.

Once the company is well established a Brownie Pack will be formed.

More news next month, but book the date now: June 22nd.

Election Results

At the Annual General Meeting of St. John's Church on February 27th, the following were elected to office for the ensuing year:

Wardens: Mr. D. Barsley, Mr. N. Hepworth.

Deputy Wardens: Mr. M. Lounds, Mr. K. Priestley.

Ruri-Decanal Reps.: Mrs. A. Dixon, Mrs. N. Hepworth.

Church Committee: Mr. S. Appleby, Mrs. L. Bailey, Mrs. D. Barsley, Miss B. Briggs, Mrs. T. Cottrel, Mr. E. Daines, Mr. J. Harpham, Mrs. H. Harrison, Mr. Hepworth, junr., Mrs. J. Hodgkinson, Mr. B. Parsons, Mr. L. Smith, Mr. L. Wilson, Mrs. W. Wilson.

At the first meeting of the new committee, Mr. B. Parsons was appointed Secretary; Mr. L. Smith, Treasurer; and Mr. S. Appleby, Asst. Secretary.

At the Annual General Meeting of the parish of St. Nicholas with St. John, Mrs. L. Bailey was elected as Diocesan Representative.

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opportunity presented to every parish to enter afresh into the Passion of Christ and so find anew the joy of Resurrection. From the experience of small country parishes I know that there are few where at least a handful of faithful lay people will not take their share in the daily services of Holy Week; others will read the epistles and gospels in their own homes. At no time in the year does the Prayer Book worship speak so simply and so clearly; to follow day by day the Church's Service is to share in the Drama of the Passion in a new and living way. I would hope that in every parish, or group of parishes, in Lincolnshire, Holy Week would be marked by daily services and the ringing of the church bell as the Prayer Book directs. Let us expect Church people to take some part in these daily services and, even if the parish priest is quite alone, he will bring the heart-break of his own ministry into the Passion of Christ and so be enabled to keep a joyful Resurrection.

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Love each individual may find the meaning of his life and grace to persevere.

Holy Week is a time when the Prayer Book provides daily services with specially appointed epistles, gospels, psalms and lessons. Here is an

OCTOBER MISSION

ADVANCE NOTICE

Sunday, October 20th, will be the first day of the October Mission, and for the following fortnight you will have the opportunity of hearing the Christian faith fully and simply set out. Moreover, informal meetings will be arranged after the mission services so that you can ask questions and put your point of view.

The Missioner will be the Rev. T. L. Manson, who is a member of the Society of St. John the Evangelist, and is now working in London.

As part of the preparation for the mission, home meetings will be held in every corner of the Estate. These meetings will be quite informal, but will provide an opportunity for people to get to know one another. Don't wait to be invited, but when you see a meeting advertised near to you, then please come along.

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- ★ **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES** ★
- ★ **AT ST. JOHNS** ★
- ★ Sunday Youth Fellowship (boys and girls 13+) 7-30 p.m. ★
- ★ Monday: Boys' Club, 11—15 years, 7-0 p.m. ★
- ★ Tuesday (alternate weeks): Young Wives' Group, 7-45 p.m. ★
- ★ Wednesday: Clinic, 2 p.m. ★
- ★ King's Messengers (Boys and Girls, 8—11), 6-15 p.m. ★
- ★ Church Fellowship, 7-30 p.m. ★
- ★ Thursday: Evergreen Club, 3 p.m. ★
- ★ Girl Guides, 7 p.m. ★
- ★ Co-op. Women's Fellowship, 7 p.m. ★
- ★ Friday: Choir Practice, 7 p.m. ★
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ONE

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TWO

The Church of England is a Scriptural Church. It possesses the open Bible, it requires that its ministers shall study it day by day, and it encourages its laity to read it. In teaching the faith it appeals to the Scriptures as containing all doctrine necessary for eternal salvation, and insists that nothing may be taught as necessary for salvation unless it can be proved by the Scriptures. Much of its worship is built up round the Scriptures: the Psalms and readings from the Old and New Testament occupy a large part of the daily services; and its prayers and thanksgivings bear the impression of the language of the Bible.

THREE

The Church of England combines authority with freedom. It speaks plainly and un-

compromisingly on the central doctrines of the Christian faith and on the life necessary for the disciple of Christ. But it values spiritual freedom. It keeps its rules to a minimum. It prefers to say, "you ought" rather than "you must." It makes its appeal to reason and conscience. It encourages its members to discuss and criticize in their search after a deeper understanding of the truth. Within limits it allows a wide freedom in the manner in which its public worship is conducted. For the sake of truth, and in the spirit of charity, it is the most comprehensive of all Catholic Churches.

FOUR

The Church of England has made through the centuries a unique contribution to the religious and moral life of the whole nation. Through its clergy and in its parish churches it has preached the Word and ministered the Sacraments to successive generations of Englishmen. Its faithful laity by their lives have borne continued witness to God and His claims on man. It has brought to millions, both in England and overseas, knowledge of the love of God, and has given to them strength, guidance and comfort in their journey through the problems, joys and sorrows of life, and the hope of the world to come.

But with thanksgiving for what our Church has done and is doing there should go both penitence for its many failures and loss of opportunities, and ungrudging recognition for the devoted work and witness of other Christians who do not belong to our Church. **We must pray and work for the day when our unhappy divisions may be healed and we shall be one in the visible Church.**

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School Notes . .

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Attendance this term, in spite of the incidence of measles and whooping cough in other parts of the city, has been maintained at an unusually high level for the time of the year. There must be something about the Ermine air!

Children in the 4th Year have enjoyed preparing for, and participating in, the Music Festival. The Choral Speaking Group was placed 3rd with a mark of 80, and the Choir came 5th in a Class of 13, and gained 84 marks.

We have had two visits this term from representatives of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. They showed us some excellent slides—many in colour—and some particularly exciting ones of a forest fire. I expect that, as a result,

we shall have some children entering for their Bird and Tree competition.

With one more match to play the football team can look back with satisfaction on their first season. They have showed an excellent spirit in both victory and defeat. Nine games have been won, four drawn and six lost—most of these in the early part of the season. John Tebb and Dennis Whiteley have scored most of the goals, and Rodney Taylor, the captain, has been a tower of strength at centre-half.

A very successful Parent/Teacher Association Meeting was held on March 11th. Nearly eighty members were present to see three films presented by British Railways. They were of an exceptionally high quality, and much enjoyed.

St. John's Register

Baptisms

- March 3 Sharon Elizabeth Lound; Graham Stuart Robinson; Michael Richard Woodward; Colin Worland; John William Flowers.
 „ 10 Christopher Seaton.

Marriages

- March 16 Reuben Brummitt and Anne Watson.

Burials

- March 4 Frederick Philip Ayling.
 „ 7 Charles William Broughton.
 „ 16 Joan Christine Ann Lyon.

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April

- 3 Wed. Lenten Address, Rev. J. Yates, 7-30 p.m.
 6 Sat. Jumble Sale, 3 p.m.
 7 Sun. **Passion Sunday.** Evensong: Canon O. S. Tomkins, 6-30 p.m.
 8 Mon. Boys' Club Open Night, 7 p.m.
 9 Tue. Young Wives' Group, Rev. J. Hodgkinson, 7-45 p.m.
 10 Wed. Sports and Gala Meeting, 7-30 p.m.
 11 Thu. House Meeting, 10 Alandale Close, 8 p.m.
 14 Sun. **Palm Sunday.** Family Communion and Distribution of Palms, 9-15 a.m. Evensong, Canon O. S. Tomkins, 6-30 p.m.
 15 Mon. Holy Communion, 7 a.m.
 16 Tue. Holy Communion, 7 a.m.
 17 Wed. Holy Communion, 9-15 a.m.
 18 Thu. Maundy Thursday. Holy Communion, 7-30 p.m.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

The Family Communion, 9-15 a.m.

(Young children may be left at St. John's House)

Evensong, 6-30 p.m.

HOLY BAPTISM, 1st Sunday in the month, 3-30 p.m. (Please give a fortnight's notice).

Sunday Schools

Senior Confirmation School (11+), 9-15 a.m.
 Junior „ „ (7+), 2-45 p.m.
 Infants „ „ (4+), 2-0 p.m.

Mid-Week Services

Holy Communion, Wednesday, 9-15 a.m.
 Thursday, 7-30 a.m.; Friday, 7 a.m.
 Morning Prayer and Evensong: see notice board.
 Banns, Weddings, Churchings, by appointment.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Minister: Rev. D. Woodroffe, 43 Yarborough Rd.,
 Phone: Lincoln 45.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Evening Service, 6 p.m.

Holy Communion, first Sunday in the month during the evening service.

Family Service: First Sunday in the month, 11 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginners, up to 4 years: Primary, 5 to 7 years.
 Junior, 8 to 10 years: Senior 11 to 13 years.
 All departments meet at 2-30 p.m.

- 19 Fri. **Good Friday.** Morning Prayer, 8 a.m. Family Service, 2—3 p.m.
 20 Sat. Spring Cleaning of Church and Decorating for Easter, 2 p.m.
 21 Sun. **Easter.** Holy Communion, 8 a.m. FAMILY COMMUNION, 9-15 a.m. Children's Service, 2-30 p.m. Evensong, 6-30 p.m.
 23 Tue. Young Wives' Group. The Art of Flower Arrangement, 7-45 p.m.
 24 Wed. Easter Party, 7-30 p.m.
 28 Sun. **1st Sunday after Easter.**

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