

August may seem a very slack month in many ways. Many people take their holidays – or part of them – during the month. A great many offices seem to work at a lower pressure and letters which need answering quickly are notably fewer. But behind this apparent inactivity much is being prepared for the autumn round. We shall be spared some of the insaner political remarks but some of the annual confrontations will be being prepared.

One such will be the very justifiable, it seems to me, confrontation between those who argue that unemployment is necessary and those who say that it is an evil which needs to be eradicated from our society as soon as possible. I suppose much depends on where we happen to be in the hierarchy, or the gifts with which we happen to have been endowed or the circumstances in which we were brought up and educated. It depends also on how much we value the person. Is a person disposable like so much waste paper? Does it matter if one, let alone thousands of people are treated as 'cases' or 'numbers'?

The Christian surely has a definite stance on this. Jesus often came up against those who were prepared to spend life cheaply, or to disregard the unfortunate because it was more 'convenient' to do so. His teachings and his actions proclaimed unequivocally that each person is a child of God and is loved by Him. That love is not changed or altered because of the health or ability of the person to be 'useful' to society. Each person is infinitely precious for their own sake. It is this that we find so hard to accept and put into practice, partly because we have natural likes and dislikes, and partly because of the scale of the human family. We cannot properly comprehend or deal with the numbers involved.

A political or theological attitude which can justify relegating people to a situation where they are just bits and pieces of scrap material must be resisted by every possible means. It is not enough to say it is not convenient or possible to employ men and women or to say that the situation is worse in other countries. A person is worth infinitely more than a pound note or a dollar bill and if we have to 'lower our standards of living' it would be well worthwhile to do that if we can help the lot of those who have no standard of living at all. It comes down in the end to deciding whether we are living for ourselves or for others. Jesus gave us the answer.

Nicholas Chubb

THE COVENANT FOR UNITY – WHERE DO WE GO NOW?

On 7th July the General Synod of the Church of England voted to reject the proposals made to speed forward visible unity between the Church of England, the Methodist Church, the Moravian Church (which has similarities with Methodism and Lutheran practices and beliefs), the Churches of Christ, and the United Reformed Church. These other churches have very different ideas on the Ministry of the Church and it was this ultimately which brought about the rejection of the proposals by the clergy of the 'Church's Parliament'. It is extraordinary how things turned out. All the other churches involved had varying degrees of distrust about the concept of Bishops, largely stemming from real experiences in the past. Strangely this time they accepted (sometimes a little reluctantly it is true) that a future united church must have bishops in some form or other. The Bishops of the Church of England accepted that any future church must have women in the ordained ministry. But the clergy of the General Synod saw this acceptance of ordained women's ministry as a threat to immediate (and perhaps long term) relationships with the two major branches of

Christianity whose roots go back to the beginnings more directly than any other churches – the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox. We ought to remember that in this context the Orthodox Church regards the Roman Catholic Church as to some extent 'Nonconformist' because of the way doctrine has evolved in the West. There are also some aspects of the Church of England which the Orthodox Church regards highly, since Christianity came to England directly from the Middle East long before the great schism between East and West occurred.

To many this historical scene may seem to be of little or no importance. But to many others it is of great importance and cannot and ought not to be disregarded. We are after all whether we like it or not the children of the past and to act as if history had not happened is to behave with our minds blindfolded. I wonder how many people are positively conscious that what we do at St. James' at the Parish Communion has closer links with the Orthodox practice than the Roman in many points?

We are however also children of the present and capable of making history. So it seems to me that the last thing we ought to do is to put all our efforts of the past years onto the scrap heap. Rather ought we to redouble our efforts at worshipping with, and working with other Christians so that visible unity when it comes will not be so much a scheme to be voted on but a reality which needs only to be endorsed.

Nicholas Chubb

HAMPTON HILL "AT HOME"

During May, June and July this year every household in the parish received an invitation to join us in a Hampton Hill "At Home". Two were held in the Parish Hall and the third in Rectory School. We are most grateful to the headmaster for offering us the school's facilities. The rather disappointingly small number of visitors were given an illustrated talk on the history of the area and had ample opportunity to meet informally over refreshments of freshly made sandwiches, coffee and biscuits. Each occasion was a happy one and enjoyed by all who attended, but obviously these evenings do not have a wide appeal at present.

I would like to thank all those who have helped to run the Newcomers Parties – Neighbourhood Gatherings – At Homes over the past years, especially Margery Orton who has given the very interesting history talk at nearly all the parties with such love and enthusiasm. There are no further plans for such "parties" in the near future, but hopefully there will be other opportunities to hear about our local history at some future date.

Eila Severn

A COMMUNITY CARE GROUP GARDEN PARTY

It was an experiment and a very happy afternoon on Saturday July 10th, at 63, Park Road, Hampton Hill

Sally Field and her wonderful team served delicious teas, with strawberries and cream an added pleasure. Eila Severn organised a charming display of Mums and Toddlers dancing together. It was a really most delightful performance which the Toddlers seemed themselves thoroughly to enjoy. Next year they will be too old and too heavy to be swung around so pleasurably! There were side shows, organised very happily by Bill Robinson; stalls, a raffle, a tombola and bottle stall – a lovely cake – by kindness of Mr. Cavan – guess the weight of smarties in a bottle – guess the number of. There was much enjoyment and a very happy result. Thanks to all!

Hannah Stanton

KEEP FIT OPEN AFTERNOON

On Tuesday afternoon 20th July many of us (all women except one) made our way to St. James' Hall to the Open Afternoon of the Keep Fit class run by Pat Young and Eila Severn. It was their fourth demonstration and all proceeds from entrance charge, bring and buy stall and raffles went to Cancer Research. We were told by Pat that only 10% of all monies donated is used for administrative purposes, which is a reassuring fact.

During the afternoon members of the class demonstrated to music, their graceful exercises. Dressed in their black leotards and coloured tights it was a pleasing and colourful display and judging by the camera flashes we should see quite a few mementoes of the occasion. Early on the audience was invited to join in, which was fun, especially as the 'regulars' were of varied age, shape and size, so no one felt excluded.

The 'except one' in the hall was Mr. Hardy who manned the entrance door and announced during the afternoon that by special request Eila and Pat would demonstrate some special exercises of their own. They performed a sequence of movements in perfect harmony with each other and the music which we all enjoyed very much. At the end we partook of tea and cakes all included in the entrance charge of 50p.

If the amount of work, artistic thought and enthusiasm which has gone into this display is anything to judge by, the proceeds from this Open Afternoon should show an excellent result. Thank you Pat, Eila and the Keep Fitters and helpers for a very pleasant afternoon.

Dorothy Weston

ST. JAMES' WOMEN'S TUESDAY CLUB

Again, this year, the Tuesday Club finished the session with a Summer Supper. This occasion is much enjoyed by the members; we just manage to squeeze them in round the trestle tables lent by the Church.

Many willing hands prepare the food and decorate the tables and the buzz — no, the crescendo of conversation — is proof of the enjoyment of being among friends. We feel very thankful we can meet like this when such terrible events are taking place elsewhere and at this particular time nearer home, in the heart of London. Our Autumn session starts on 7th September at 8pm in Wayside with a Social. We look forward to seeing our present members and anyone who would like to join us, either as a visitor or potential member. The yearly subscription is 50p and 10p for tea and biscuits at each meeting.

Dorothy Weston

CYC VISIT HEATHROW AIRPORT

On Trinity Sunday CYC paid a return visit to Heathrow Airport where they attended the morning communion service in the Church of England Chapel. Alan Goudey, the chaplain, began by welcoming the CYC and later gave an address on the meaning of Trinity in today's world.

Afterwards in continuous rain, the CYC entertained themselves in the Heathrow complex, the majority seeking the shelter of the spectators gallery. Meanwhile, seemingly unable to park in the usual spaces, the driver was busy moving the minibus around the Heathrow complex out of the way from the eagle eyes of the traffic wardens and police.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking Jan Murray once again for the hire of the minibus belonging to the Hampton Hill Community Care Group.

Joe Brownlee

WANTED URGENTLY for September, young person of energy and enthusiasm to run Junior section of the Church Youth Club. About ten members at present, very lively and energetic bunch. Meet Sunday evenings at Wayside 7.30 - 8.30 pm. Anyone interested contact Joe Brownlee or the Vicar.

LADIES CHOIR

The St. James' Ladies Choir have as usual closed for their 'hols'. Although our bookings were lower this year, I think we have all enjoyed a season with very varied music. Our sight reading is improving as we have acquired such a large number of new songs. We really do not claim to be very good, but we do have a great deal of fun. Anyone wishing to join us is most welcome; we start again in mid-September.

Eila Severn

"COINS — old and foreign"

**"JEWELLERY — A treasured piece — something old — a broken piece —
something new"**

As intimated in last month's Magazine I am re-starting my collection for THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY, and hope with your help to even surpass our efforts in Centenary Year when I handed in 4 cardboard box loads of coins and jewellery to their Collecting Depot in Sheen.

Another project being organised by The Society is The National Sponsored Knit when they hope to raise many thousands of pounds to help with their work with deprived and dependent children. I already have the Sponsor Forms which I will be happy to supply to interested knitters, and you have a choice of a morning session at 68 Park Road, or afternoon from 2.30pm at 2B Seymour Road on Wednesday 29th September. The object of The Society is "To care for and support children and young persons in need, whether material, physical, mental, emotional, spiritual or otherwise". Over 5000 children are being helped in England and Wales.

Doris Childs

THE ALTERNATIVE SERVICE BOOK 1980

Most of you who read this will know already that we have been discussing for some time in the Parish whether or not to start using the ASB as it is popularly known for all our services. We have been using the Collects, Epistles and Gospels (and also Old Testament readings) at the Parish Communion for some time now, but have kept Series 3 for the actual Communion Service and Series 2 for Evensong. The Parochial Church Council has now decided that it is the time to introduce the whole ASB as from 24th October this year. Why this particular date and what difference will it make? The date is really dictated by the way the new Church Calendar has been arranged. It now gives us nine Sundays in preparation for Christmas and not just four. Advent is part of the preparation now, not the only preparation. It makes sense to start at the beginning and not half way through! Some people may feel a bit apprehensive about whether they will be able to find their way about the new book without always losing their place. We are planning to help solve this practical problem by providing sets of coloured markers for each book. This should enable most people to turn to the right page quickly, especially if they arrive at church early

enough to find their places before the service starts! So far as the words are concerned there is really remarkably little change between ASB and Series 3. We shall now also have the advantage of being able to change details when we have got used to the general pattern. There is also the convenience of having the occasional services like Baptism, Marriage, Funeral, and Confirmation Services in one book. There are old and new versions of the familiar Canticles like Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis. And there is also a 'Thee' and 'Thou' version of the Communion which we may well use at 8.00am. For use at the Parade services we are also ordering small separate copies of the Communion (the booklets will be available every Sunday for those who wish to use them). Finally if anyone wishes to buy their own ASB our experience has shown that most people prefer the editions published by SPCK or HODDER which has larger print than that published by Oxford/Mowbrays. The difference seems small until you use it.

Nicholas Chubb

WAYSIDE A regular cleaner is **urgently needed** for the Church rooms at Wayside to keep them clean and tidy after some redecoration which is being carried out during August. Two hours' work a week is required for which the normal rates will be paid. Please 'phone 979 6865 for details. (Or contact the Editor.)

Roma Bridges

AROUND THE SPIRE

Congratulations in various forms seem to be the order of the month. On July 11th we celebrated the Baptism of Suzanne Deborah Nunn, daughter of John and Debbie and sister to Geoffrey. The Sunday before had seen the arrival of Kate Julia Hennessey, a second daughter to Penny and Tony and sister to Deborah. We wish them all well and God's Blessing upon them. While on the subject of babies it is good to hear that young Paul Gostling is now home from hospital and gradually gaining weight and making steady progress – long may it continue.

Congratulations also to Helen Lawrance on gaining an Upper Second Class Degree in Law from St. Catherines College Cambridge; she now goes on to Law School in the autumn. Her older sister Susan is getting married in St. James' on September 18th. Sarah Watkins has now finished her training as a Speech Therapist and has been lucky enough to get a job in Brighton. We wish her every success.

News now of some local events all held for various good causes. There are some separate accounts elsewhere in The Spire. On the 10th July the fete at Laurel Dene raised £700 for the benefit of the residents. The local branch of the United Nations Association also held a fete in Twickenham recently and as a corporate member St. James' were interested to hear that £515 was raised to help the work of the UN. Windmill Road School are raising money to buy a mini-bus, and their fete on the 11th brought in about £935. Incidentally, this year the school are saying goodbye to Mrs. M.E. Williams who has been a teacher there for twenty-three years. We at St. James' who know her not only as a teacher but also as a faithful member of the United Reformed Church, wish her a long and happy retirement.

Another well loved member of the local community is also leaving us shortly and that is the Rev. Harry Dodd, minister of the Methodist Church in Percy Road. He and his family are moving near Brighton and we shall miss his forthright and moving discourses at our Good Friday devotions. Patcham's gain will be our, and our Methodist friends' loss. God speed to the Dodds.

It would be much appreciated if people would replace hassocks after use, on the hooks provided, otherwise put them on the seat. Thank you.

PUT YOUR NAME IN THE SPACES TO SEE IF IT FITS. THE PASSAGE IS FROM CORINTHIANS 13, AND THE WORD ORIGINALLY IN THE BLANKS WAS "LOVE".

..... is patient and kind, never jealous or envious, never boastful or proud, never haughty or selfish or rude. does not demand his/her own way. (S)he is not irritable or touchy. (S)he does not hold grudges and will hardly even notice when others do wrong. (S)he is never glad about injustice, but rejoices whenever truth wins out. If loves someone, (s)he will be loyal to them no matter what the cost. (S)he will always expect the best of them, always believe in them, and always stand his/her ground in defending them.

WAR – DISARMAMENT *(continued)*

Since the July Spire appeared there have been two events at St. James' in connection with this issue. Here are a few more contributions which we hope will be helpful. We also publish a list of addresses of "Peace" groups for anybody who would like further information or involvement.

VIGIL – CHOOSING LIFE

As another contribution to the Christian Community's awareness of the Special Session at the United Nations for Disarmament, a vigil was held in the church on Friday 2nd July. It lasted from 8.00pm until nearly midnight.

There were four principle sections to the evening which was started with the chorus "Peace is flowing like a river". Four contributions from St. James' members opened the evening with readings and meditations on peace from the Bible, concluding with prayers and silence. It was interesting to see just how deeply embedded in scripture is the desire for peace and insistence that God's will is for peace among people and the nations and the role for Christians is not only to seek the inward peace but also actively be peace makers. We had a very lively, well prepared start to the evening.

Then followed a fascinating insight to part of the UN Special Session and also the immensely committed American public activities for Nuclear Disarmament surrounding the Special Session. These insights were provided by two young men who had been sponsored by their local church in Hayes to attend the first two weeks of the Session. They conveyed excellently the frustration of many third-world countries at their impotence to influence the Super-Powers and the hypocrisy of the Super-Powers in claiming progress by pointing to signed agreements which look good on paper but in fact are very peripheral to the main issues. Besides the enormous US peace movement presence in New York there was also a considerable international element to it with perhaps the largest contingent being 14,000 Japanese.

After a break for refreshments we went on to consider the Augustinian view of the Just War and its justification in today's circumstances. (The war can be considered "Just" if (i) the cause is just, i.e. not mean, avaricious or immoral; (ii) it is the last resort to settle the issue; (iii) only proportionate amount of force is used.) A discussion followed particularly emphasising the impossibility of Nuclear Weapons ever being described as "proportionate" force. The dilemma of coping with evil situations was briefly touched upon as was how we as individuals would react in certain critical situations. Somehow the discussion only limped along.

The last part of the evening involved a slide show with sound track about the arms trade and Britain's role in it. It was distressing to see poor countries spending what little they have (or indeed borrowing) to build up Armed Forces, either for prestige or to cope with traditional Regional hostilities and rivalries; the incongruity of jet fighter planes for the Air Force and polluted drinking water for peasants. And of course the acquisition of arms by one country often leads its neighbours to equip themselves with "better" and more expensive items and thus create a vicious arms spiral that leaves social welfare and the deprived people way behind. The slides also sought to debunk the idea that arms manufacture helps keep jobs, and demonstrated the possibility of alternative manufacture of socially useful products.

Our thanks to Hannah Stanton and George Andrews from the Justice and Peace Group at St. Francis de Sales Church, for organising the evening. The whole issue of nuclear weapons; conventional weapons and violence in general is a great dilemma for the Christian. If there was space it would have been instructive to reprint a letter from the July issue of Theology, entitled "Peace in our Time", written by a committed peace campaigner from the 1930s who now wonders whether the peace movements then encouraged Hitler to believe no one would oppose his ruthless ambitions. I wonder if the greatest evil in the world is war or whether sometimes the evil is so great that only violent confrontation will deal with it?

Alan Taylor

DISCUSSION ON DISARMAMENT – Some Reflections

Should we as a nation disarm? Should we disarm even if others do not? Should a distinction be drawn between the possession of nuclear weapons and others? What should we as Christians advocate? Do we still wish to call down fire from heaven on those who offend us, as St. James did, or do we take note of Christ's rebuke and accept his teaching? Such were the questions discussed after Evensong on 4th July. Many varying views were expressed: no simple answers were discovered but we were all led to think much more deeply about this vitally important subject. As the 1955 manifesto of prominent scientists put it: "Shall we put an end to the human race; or shall mankind renounce war?"

For many, there was no doubt that *ideally* we should disarm ourselves – especially of nuclear weapons, and even unilaterally – and yet It is all too easy to visualise situations in which it would seem that greater evil would result from doing nothing than from taking up arms – and so we find it necessary to be prepared for a "just war": and most of us have belligerent feelings, arising from a sense of justice, toward one group of people or another. At least for some, the area of territory they would seek to defend grows smaller as time passes. We were reminded that armed retaliation in the face of evil can only bring more evil; that we are all a part of mankind and all suffer. In the words of John

Donne: "Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in Mankind; and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee".

Where should we draw the line? Well, for some, there is no line: we should follow wholeheartedly the teaching of Christ – To turn the other cheek, to love our enemies and to put our trust in God. This is the way of salvation for mankind.

We came at last to consider what we ourselves could do in the cause of peace. For one thing, we should perhaps be less easily persuaded to mistrust other nations and have a stronger belief in the peaceful desires of ordinary people everywhere. And we were much impressed with the view, based on his special experience, of Michael Brunson, who had given our discussion a most valuable lead, that the great Peace Rallies throughout the world had really influenced the policies of world leaders for the better, and that Members of Parliament do take notice of individual letters written to them. As one of the posters displayed in the church said: "World Peace will come through the will of ordinary people like yourself".

Ron Bridges

DISARMAMENT?

There cannot be many people in the world who are not filled with horror at the thought of nuclear war, and the growing danger to mankind from the ever increasing arsenal of atomic weapons. Thinking people everywhere would dearly love to see the spectre of a manifold Hiroshima removed. But dare one advocate nuclear disarmament as long as there is the present mistrust among nations? What a dreadful dilemma the world is in. There is no way out. Either a blindfolded, non-caring dancing on the volcano, or – in our lucid moments – despair, these are the only alternatives.

But that is only true on the purely human level. When we allow faith to illumine this agonising situation, the gloom lifts. What a liberating, exhilarating realisation that, ultimately, God is Lord over all. When we stand up against the evil of nuclear weapons, when we say, do not rely for your safety on these wicked devices created by human cleverness gone astray, then we take our mandate from the all-powerful Creator Himself who assures us that he loves us as His children. We follow Him who says: "All things are possible with God." He is the same who gave us the parable of the persistent widow (Luke 18, 1-8), and this teaches us the way out of the dilemma of the world: it is for believers to pray without ceasing for God's own power to rescue mankind; and then, trusting in His power and love, to take every possible practical step against nuclear weapons.

Hilde Bucknell

THE FALKLANDS WAR

David Nunn is certainly not alone in thinking that perhaps we should have prayed for the defeat of the Junta. As he rightly points out, the treatment of their own troops made one's blood run cold. Young, untrained boys for the most part, led by seemingly pretty ruthless officers. At least our own servicemen are following their chosen profession. One young British army engineer engaged in clearing minefields, was asked what he felt about such dangerous work – he answered: "We are trained for this, it is our job."

Jesus *did* teach us to love our enemy, but would he have passed by on the other side, if he had seen women and children being bullied at gunpoint? I think not. In our beautiful green and pleasant land, we have no experience of the 'invader with the gun' – I was in Europe shortly after the '39-'45 war and heard for

myself the gratitude of people (who knew only too well how it is to be occupied) who had been liberated by the Allied Forces. I saw too, the terrible devastation which was the aftermath of that conflict.

Since then, we have had peace in Europe, people *do care* so much more now for their fellow men. Young people especially care desperately about their world and its safety.

Sometimes, good *does* come out of evil. Let us hope that what we hear about a more democratic way of life emerging in Argentina *will* come about, and perhaps in years to come her people may even be glad that we had the courage to defend our people in the Falklands and their right to live in freedom.

Every man's death does indeed diminish us — let us pray that they did not die in vain.

Joan Worth

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MARGARET CRANSTON – CMS Link with Nepal

Until the 1950s Nepal was a little known, isolated and mediaeval kingdom in central Asia. A change in government in 1951 led to Nepal opening its doors to the outside world and taking a great leap into the 20th century. Today hundreds of foreigners are working on all kinds of development projects. There are economic and social problems arising from the nature of the topography and from the tensions generated by the fusion of 12th century mediaevalism and 20th century modernity.

The country is landlocked on the southern slopes of the Himalayas, being bounded on the north by China (Tibet), on the east by Sikkim, and on the other sides by India. The vast majority of the people are still working on the land as subsistence farmers growing rice, corn, millet and wheat. Small industry, however, is beginning. Soil erosion is a serious problem as forests are cut for firewood. There is a vast hydro-electric potential in the Himalayan valley.

Nepal is a Hindu Kingdom under the leadership of His Majesty King Birendra. The population of 14 million is made up of people from a number of tribes, e.g. Gurkhas and Sherpas, of Mongolian and Indian descent. For several generations its laws have been designed to protect the intricate structure of Hindu society. Relationships between the castes are controlled, and until recently, Nepal was closed by law to all outside religious influences, including Christians. Since the changes in 1951 Christian missions have also been invited to help, but they are prohibited from evangelising. The constitution firmly declares Nepal to be a Hindu state in which conversion to other religions is forbidden. There are penalties for breaking these laws.

The Church of Nepal is under local leadership. Nepali-speaking Christians are to be found in numerous small congregations spread across the country.

The United Mission to Nepal (UMN) is an inter-denominational and international organisation working in formal agreement with His Majesty's Government to contribute to the development of the nation, thereby making a common witness for Christ. CMS is a member of UMN, whose involvement is in the fields of Health-care, Education and Economic Development.

We now have a direct link with CMS in Nepal through Margaret Cranston who visited St. James recently and flew out to Kathmandu on Tuesday 20th July. Leslie Mortimer hopes to establish a regular correspondence with her and we look forward to her first report. Our prayers go with Margaret to support her in her challenging work in this remote and fascinating country.

BAPTISMS

11th July	at the Parish Communion		
	Suzanne Deborah Nunn	20 Embleton Walk	
11th July	Julian Latham Doyle	5 Albert Road	

FUNERALS

30th June	Winifred Tickner	31 Myrtle Road	aged 74
21st July	Griffith Glyn Roberts	74 St. James' Avenue	aged 72

DATES TO NOTE

August	8	10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Services as usual
	10	10.30 Editorial Board, 75, St. James' Avenue 20.15 Liturgical Committee, 63 Park Road
	14	"Spring Clean" for Parish Hall
	15	11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Services as usual
	21	"Spring Clean" for Parish Hall
	22	12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Services as usual
	24	ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE
	29	13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Services as usual
September	2	20.00 Properties Committee, 5 Sanders Close
	5	14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Services as usual
	8	THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 14.30 Mothers' Union Opening Service in church
	12	15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Services as usual
	14	10.30 Editorial Board, 75 St. James' Avenue 20.00 PCC, Wayside

<i>Date</i>	<i>Communicants</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Pledged Giving</i>	<i>Other Giving</i>
June 27	96	108	105	8
July 4	112	172	75	14
11	89	104	100	14
18	103	110	134	15

Pledged Giving by Bankers Order June 174

CHEMISTS ADDITIONAL DUTY ROTA

August	8	Manley, D G, 122 High Street, Teddington
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	29	Martin F G (Chemists) Ltd, 3 Station Approach, Hampton
	30	Martin, F G (Chemists) Ltd, 3 Station Approach, Hampton
September	5	Thomas, D R, 113 Stanley Road, Teddington
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