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HAMBLEDON RECTORY. August 19th, 1945.

My Dear Parishioners.

There are two dates I want you to bear in mind.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has written to all the Bishops reminding them that Sunday, September 16th, is the day which has been set aside for the support of the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund. It is the Sunday nearest the fifth anniversary of the height of the Battle of Britain. The Bishop believes that Parishes will be not only ready, but anxious to help wherever they possibly can. We will do so in Hambledon.

Our Annual Harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held on Sunday, September 30th. We shall be glad to receive at the Church on the day before Fruit, Flowers, and Vegetables to place in the Church. The offertories on that Sunday will be given to Hospitals.

I shall be away on the first two Sundays in October and the Revd. F. J. Synge has kindly consented to officiate in my absence.

Yours sincerely,

EDWARD J. SEYMOUR.

HAMBLEDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The August meeting of the Women's Institute was held at Feathercombe by the kind invitation of Miss Parker-Miss Bush presided. The report of the Produce Guild Show was read. Mrs. HAWKER SMITH gave a most interesting demonstration of Soft Toy making and exhibited an exceedingly clever collection of every kind of animal and some extremely pretty dolls, all made from odd pieces of material. Mrs. PHILLIP SMITH dispensed tea, after which members were invited to walk round the gardens where they saw the most beautiful specimens of rare flowering shrubs.

MOTHERS' UNION MEETING

The Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 20th, at 2.45 p.m., at the Rectory by kind invitation of Mrs. SEYMOUR. (Please note Wednesday not Thursday).

The Speaker will be Sister WILLIAMSON on Moral Welfare—there will be a collection for her work. Members are invited from Witley, Chiddingfold and Busbridge.

THE BISHOP'S CHALLENGE

Dear Mr. Dowson,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 3rd instant enclosing cheque for £40 9s. 5d. being the Offertories at St. Peter's, Hambledon, on Sunday, 22nd July. I am enclosing a formal receipt.

I must congratulate the Parish on such a splendid achievement. DIOCESAN HOUSE, GUILDFORD. Yours sincerely, 7th August, 1945. C. FAIRBANKS SMITH.

HAMBLEDON WELCOME HOME FUND The first major effort towards the raising of the proposed £500 was the Fête held at Great Meadows (by kind permission of Mrs. Wentworth

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MARTIN), on August Bank Holiday—Nurse Hutchins was the organiser, and as a result £164 was raised.

The Funds Committee wishes to thank all those who helped to make the day such a success. The total amount raised to date is £226 10s. 2½d.

HAMBLEDON DISTRICT CAMP

The first District Guide Camp since 1937, was held at Lythe Hill, near Haslemere from July 27th—30th. From the competing Companies of Chiddingfold, Witley and Elstead, Hambledon came out top of the three competitions run during the weekend.

To run an efficient camp for so short a time as a weekend entailed plenty of work for Guides and Guiders, but the Commandant felt that it was important to keep up the high standard of camping that is the Guide tradition.

The District is very grateful to all those who so kindly gave vegetables for the camp. It is with much regret that the 1st Hambledon Company has had to close down for the time being, as their captain is leaving the village shortly.

HAMBLEDON WORK ROOM

In common with most wartime Societies the working party in connection with the Hospital Supply Service, which was started in May, 1940, closed down last month.

Readers will like to know that the receipt from Hambledon Subscribers came to £73 4s. 0d. which was spent in buying material to be made into pyjamas. These were sent to various Hospitals and were increasible to buy

When the Coupon system was introduced it became impossible to buy material. The Hospital Supply Service and the Personal Service League then supplied the Working Party with a great variety of garments to be made up for Hospitals, the bombed out, and the peoples of the occupied countries.

After buying material was not possible, there was a balance of £6 0s. 6d. to be disposed of. This has been paid into the local Red Cross Funds. The County Organiser of Central Hospital Supply has sent a message to all members of the work party for what they have done, particularly their last effort, "some beautifully made little boys' knickers, for the children of Holland." I feel sure that every one who has attended the weekly working party feel grateful to Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Smith for what they have done and especially to Mrs. Smith for the use of her drawing room for the last four years and for making everyone so comfortable.

Thanks are also due to Miss Ellis of Furze Hill for all the cutting out she has done.

B. E. Allfrey, Hon. Treasurer.

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HOLY BAPTISM August 5th—David John Ingold.