

...more about it, I journeyed by train one hazy, vivid, late autumn day to Sevenoaks, Kent, to pay a visit to Mrs. Jean Rees at Hildenborough Hall. Mrs. Rees is chairman of the women's united prayer programme, an author, and the wife of Evangelist Tom Rees. Twenty years ago they purchased this beautiful hall overlooking the Kentish countryside, built by Sir Oliver Lyle, for a Christian conference center for young people. With its paneled library and ship's lounge it reflects Tom Rees' theme, "The Best for God."

Here Jean Rees has written several books on the spiritual life, the latest being *Pilgrim's Way* (since Hildenborough is on the ancient pilgrim route to Canterbury). Here she holds conferences for homemakers, as well as outreach conferences for non-churchwomen. She uses all sorts of approaches to elicit interest, such as "how to write a book." She finds Christian film festivals are also popular. One of her best ways of reaching women, she feels, is on the golf course. She has actually conducted golf conferences with an evangelistic epilogue.

Mrs. Rees believes that most women are better personal workers than men; that their gift of being interested in others makes it easier for them to witness. She added that she felt women had a great opportunity for evangelism in the

JEAN REES AT HILDENBOROUGH HALL



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ELIZABETH FRY READS THE BIBLE TO WOMEN INMATES AT NEWGATE PRISON, LONDON

of London. Then I looked over toward Newgate Street, where once stood Newgate Prison.

When Elizabeth Fry first visited this prison in 1813 and discovered its narrow corridors, bad smells and overwhelming gloom, she was confronted with pandemonium. The sounds down the vaulted passages were hardly human. Undaunted, this Quaker gentlewoman set about to establish a school for the women prisoners and their children. She began reading the Bible to the prisoners.

Elizabeth Fry gained the attention and respect of the Queen and Parliament by her deep concern. As a Christian, she knew that prison reform by itself was not enough; that to reach the hearts of these abandoned women, Christ held the only answer. And so an American ambassador remarked at the time that the two most important sights to see in London were St. Paul's Cathedral, and Elizabeth Fry reading to the prisoners.

God grant that in the important months ahead the spiritual power of England's Christian women — and men, and young people — may be aroused in the great tradition, and be used to glorify God and to revive the hearts of the wonderful people of the "scepter'd isle."

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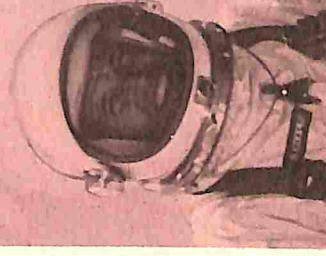
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IN SPACE**

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Psychiatrists have been pondering the plight of a nine-year-old boy who had become obsessed with the notion that he was a machine. Before eating his meals, Joey would string an imaginary wire from an imaginary electrical outlet to the table. Insulating himself with paper napkins, he would plug himself in before he could eat. Joey needed motors, radio tubes and transistors to run him through the day. Sometimes when disturbed he would explode abruptly, and violently hurling his

**This
New Testament
message is the
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of Valentines**

tubes and bulbs would scream: "Crash, crash!" How did Joey get this way? The doctors' answers were significant and shocking. Joey's father had been an Air Force pilot continually on the move. He had no time to give Joey proper love. His mother did not care for him. Joey was a child who had been robbed of love and affection.

Since he did not see any sign of human affection in his parents, he rejected all human feeling in himself. It was

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