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Calendar for August.

4 S.	(1) Trinity VII. Parish Church: Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 11.45; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m. Hammer Church: Evensong, 6 p.m.
11 S.	(2) Trinity VIII. Parish Church: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m. Hammer Church: Holy Communion, 10 a.m.; Evensong, 6 p.m.
18 S.	(3) Trinity IX. Parish Church: Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 12; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m. Hammer Church: Evensong, 6 p.m.
25 S.	(4) Trinity X. Parish Church: Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7 p.m. Hammer Church: Holy Communion, 10 a.m.; Evensong, 6 p.m.
SEPTEMBER.	
1 S.	(5) Trinity XI. Parish Church: Holy Communion, 8 a.m. and 11.45; Mattins, 11 a.m.; Evensong 7 p.m. Hammer Church: Evensong, 6 p.m.

Abinger and Wotton Nursing Association.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held at Abinger Hall on Wednesday, July 17th, when there was a large number of members present.

Mrs. Dunsheath was elected Secretary to be assisted by Miss Collard.

Mr. J. A. Gibbs paid a tribute to the work of the Dowager Lady Farrer and spoke of the wonderful work she had done for the Society since its commencement.

Mr. Gibbs said: "It was my great pleasure and privilege to work with Lady Farrer during the 20 years that I held office in our Association, and I had better opportunity than anyone connected with the Association (always excepting Miss Collard, in her special position as Lady Farrer's secretary) of appreciating that it was with all her power that she gave her mind to our affairs, not only in the last six years, when she occupied the Secretaryship as well as the Presidency of the Association, but through all the 38 years that our Association has existed. She was the founder of it, with Miss Mildred Wynne Williams our first Secretary, and among the first officers were Mrs. Broyd, Mrs. Reid, and Mrs. Watt, who are still with us. They will bear me out in what I have said about Lady Farrer's devotion to this good work, and the same I know might be said by the representatives of all her other activities, of which I will just mention Abinger Schools, the Parish Church and Mission Room, the Village Hall, and the Leith Hill Musical

Society with its attendant villages. Whatever she has taken up, she has worked at it with all her might, and it will not be easy for whoever may be chosen as her successor to rival her.

Now there is a secret connected with our Association which all its members know except our President, in spite of the belief that she no doubt cherishes that there is no detail with which she is not acquainted. That secret I have been given leave to disclose to her now. It is that we have all joined together to mark the present occasion by giving her—as I now do—this brooch, which we hope she will wear as a memento of all of us, and a token of our gratitude for all she has done through this Association to help the mothers and babies and all sick persons in our villages, a mark both of our admiration and our affection.

The intention was that all should contribute equally, no one person giving more than another, but since the brooch was bought it has been found that some members have given more, and that some persons who are not members, hearing of the intention to give a present, have subscribed. The result is that there remains a sum of money with which Lady Farrer will be asked to choose something besides the brooch.

In conclusion, I want to express our deep regret that circumstances have made her resignation unavoidable, and to wish her most cordially every possible happiness in her new life."

Mothers' Union.

The Hammer Mothers held a Jumble Sale on July 4th, at the Hammer Schools, and the sum was raised of £15. £8 of this went to provide a month's holiday for a child from the occupied countries. The child in this case is one from Czechoslovakia and came over on July 11th. In due course we shall receive a photograph of the child which will be put up in the Hammer.

The July meeting is on the 24th, when Deaconess Hankin is coming, and an outing to Southsea on August 1st is in process of being arranged. There will be no meeting in August.

China Inland Mission.

SUBSCRIPTIONS. Miss Bullman, £1; Church Collections, £4 15s.

10th July, 1946.

Dear Mrs. Roper,

Thank you very much indeed for the kind donation that you have just sent to us. We do greatly value your fellowship, and we pray that God will help us to use this gift in the