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We are all familiar with the alarm of the demographers at the "population explosion", and must face the fact that near-famine conditions may obtain over large areas of the world by the 1980s. Widespread teaching on birth control may do something to arrest this but it is not the point which we are stressing here ... There is now a growing disillusionment about the present state of sexual morality in our so-

called civilised society ... What is needed is a new assertion of the primacy of human love in personal life, in the family, and in society itself – an assertion that this is of the very essence of Christian teaching. It must be shown that true sexual love is never without the wish to be fruitful; that, to be healthy in body and soul, children depend on a stable family background; and that this, in turn, depends on an unbreakable marriage bond.

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Evidence continues to accumulate as to the happy results which have flowed from the more drastic control of the liquor traffic which the war has made at once necessary and possible. Lord D'Abernon ... pointed out how clearly the happy change is reflected even in the discussions in Parliament ... In the last few weeks there had been two long debates in the House of Commons, the one on prohibition and the other on delays in shipbuilding. In

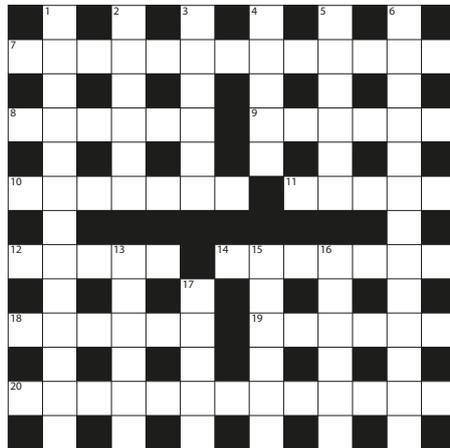
neither was a word said as to damage to efficiency due to excessive drinking. Drunkenness as a military problem had ceased to exist. Ships were no longer held up in port, as they were at the beginning of the war, through crews being unfit from insobriety to take them to sea. Since the Central Control Board had got to work there had been a rapid decline in drunkenness and in all its attendant evils throughout the country.

PUZZLES

PRIZE CROSSWORD No. 607 | Axe

Across

- 7 Goad animators to create someone thoughtful (4,9)
- 8 Leader appearing in Book Six shortly, hard after a record (6)
- 9 Babylonian girl – not that one finding Bible vacuous? (6)
- 10 Queen jumps out of window in the wake of king's frenzied transportation (7)
- 11 Beth left behind in 18 city, one that follows Ehud's dad (5)
- 12 Church council found in heresy no dissent (5)
- 14 Delight in 10, it may pick one up (7)
- 18 Biblical country's bread account's gone west... (6)
- 19 ...prophet quietly's making a profit, they say (6)
- 20 Notes here some change in church treasury's inflow (10,3)



Down

- 1 No anchor or any screw loose: the small things he deals with in cathedral (8,5)
- 2 The coming season? (6)
- 3 Podgy girl going to Israel's relationship with 8 (6)
- 4 Commitment I detected in two-thirds of 3 (5)
- 5 Son of Abraham and Keturah, the middle one, not Egyptian (6)
- 6 Students turn up on coach to abbey here for extra Bible study on the weekend (7,6)
- 13 19 perhaps is a boat without a prow (6)

- 15 Nice at home to lie, removing the hat, by Shelah's birthplace (6)
- 16 Roman officer is, with bishop, abandoning triumvirate (6)
- 17 One being uplifted at church, he met his maker (5)

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Crossword Competition 12 May
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● The answers to this week's puzzles and the crossword winner's name will appear in the 2 June issue.

Solution to the 21 April crossword No. 604

Across: 7 En-Gedi; 8 Asahel; 9 Bathshua; 10 Apse; 11 Messiah; 13 Tamar; 15 Haydn; 17 Jehoash; 20 Rhea; 21 Elamites; 23 Salome; 24 Erebus. Down: 1 Anna; 2 Cephas; 3 Mishnah; 4 Javan; 5 Patara; 6 Persians; 12 Epaphras; 14 Bezalel; 16 Deacon; 18 Olives; 19 Gezer; 22 Ehud.

Winner: John Fay, of Dublin.

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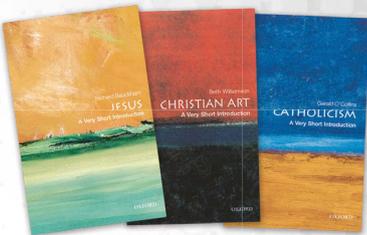
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Solution to the 21 April puzzle

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