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HUN AIRMEN ESCAPE FROM PRISON CAMP

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Countrywide search is in progress for 2 German airmen who escaped last night from a prison camp in north-west England.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TOMORROW

Archbishop Head's
Appeal for Unity

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ARGUS

Sir, — The Prime Minister has invited the people of Australia to regard Sunday, November 16, as a National Day of Prayer, because it is the Sunday following Armistice Day, November 11. This is an act of Christian leadership on the part of the head of the Government for which all who realise the gravity of the present war situation must be profoundly thankful. We are fighting in defence of Christian civilisation, and, if so, we need to unite together in the House of God to ask Him to make us worthy as individuals and as a nation to do His will and to help forward the coming of His kingdom as we struggle to overthrow the mighty forces which are arrayed against us. As we remember with thankfulness God's gift of victory to our arms and of peace for the world 23 years ago, we should humbly ask that we may receive the same blessings in answer to our prayers today.

I suggest the use of the following prayers:—

Almighty God, Who hast called us as an Empire to do Thy will, we remember before Thee with thankfulness those who laid down their lives for their country in the last war in order to bring back peace to the world. We pray that, inspired by their examples, we may dedicate ourselves, both in war and peace, through life or death, to our part in the service of the kingdom of God on earth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

O Lord, God of our fathers, Who callest all the nations of the world to do Thy will, we ask Thy blessing on our sailors and soldiers and airmen as they fight for the reign of justice and liberty and peace. Deepen our consciousness of Thy presence in our midst and cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy holy spirit. Bless our Allies the Russians, that in the agony of their struggle they may be brought nearer to Him Who died to redeem the world. Guide the American people as they face the full burden of this struggle for righteousness. We ask it all through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Yours, &c.,
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