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MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE IMMINENT

In keeping with the growing scope of God's work, the ministerial conference will be expanded to three full weeks. Many pressing problems will be dealt with and high level decisions must be reached.

God's ministers from across the nation will begin arriving the week-end of January 2. The first of this vital series of meetings convenes on Monday, January 5.

This annual ministerial meeting is *the most important* thing that will take place in the work of God throughout the coming weeks. Just think of it — *more* of God's true ministers will be gathered together to learn new truth and to discuss problems that arise in this great work, than have ever gathered together in the modern history of the Work of God. *We must pray for them daily* — the time to begin is right now; that is, if you have not already begun.

During the course of the three week period the ministers will be here, they need occasional rest and relaxation. Each year the student body of Ambassador College gives a formal dance in honor of the ministers who come in for these annual sessions. This year the dance will be held in the Moose Lodge of Glendale, California, on Sunday, January 11. As a tentative feature, the Don Ralke trio may provide the music

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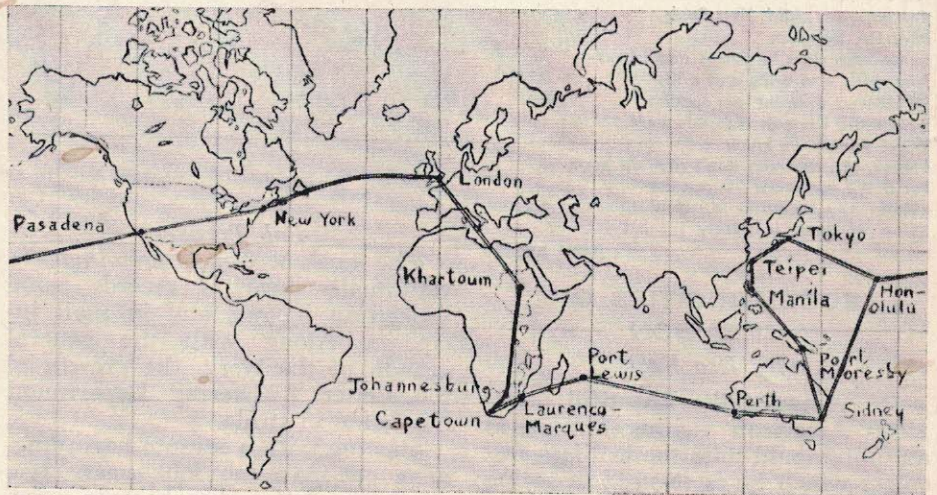
IMPROVEMENT

The bureau of Improvements and Grounds, headed by Jack R. Elliott, is receiving all kinds of plans from the architects and landscape artists.

Here's what is coming: The old tennis court will go, walls, trees, shrubs will be changed and new walls and plantsings will be put in. Mayfair and Terrace Villa will be redecorated. Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong and family will soon have a

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WORLD TOUR



God's work is leaping ahead as never before in modern times. The pressing need around the globe has necessitated a *world wide tour*.

Offices are needed immediately in Australia to direct the work there — to facilitate mailing — establish churches — and to baptize many who are being reached by the *World Tomorrow* broadcast.

The program, booming across South and Central Africa, is *changing lives*. There are many to be baptized and visited. A need for an office there is becoming increasingly apparent.

Mr. Ortuero and his helpers desperately need *full-time* ministerial assistance in the Philippines, where already there are several Churches of God and many others waiting to be instructed in the ways of truth.

The work in England needs to be expanded. God's word should be crying out in these last times to many millions more through the pages of national magazines, large circulation newspapers, and via additional watts of radio power.

Mr. Carlson on Formosa needs personal aid and assistance in the work there.

As a beginning to this colossal task God has placed ahead of us Mr. Gerald Waterhouse will fly to England on January 26 via New York to meet Mr. Meeker. Together they will fly to Johannesburg, South Africa. Capetown. Lourenco Marques. Then back to Johannesburg, baptizing, counseling, checking radio potentials — hitting only the high spots on this rapid-fire world tour.

On to Perth, Australia, and the to Sidney.

In Sidney, the tour will meet Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, who will have winged across the Pacific, via Hawaii. Together they will make plans for the offices and the work in Australia, baptizing those who can meet the tour. From Sidney they will swing north through Port Moresby and on to Manila and the Philippine Islands to give Mr. Ortuero the assistance and advice

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LETTER ANSWERING PROGRESS

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MR. HERRMAN'S MET HIS WATERLOO — GUESS WHO?

Here he sits
Next to me
Our problem child, Herr Seab
Poor Mr. Herrman
In German class he fumes and fusses
And drills and drills and drills
He doesn't dare let him speak
Before the German club this week
Why? I think we know
Please, Mr. Herrman don't give up hope
For if WE can learn SO can Joe.
(Note: Any similarity to actual names of persons living or dead is purely . . . ! !)

JUDY BRINES

ECCENTRICITIES OF CREATION

By *Itsa Fact*

America the Beautiful

An American visiting Europe in autumn would miss the brilliant fall colors which he is so used to seeing here.

A University of Wisconsin professor explains that the rich reds and yellows of autumn leaves are caused by the shorter days and cool nights, followed by a period of warmer "Indian summer" weather.

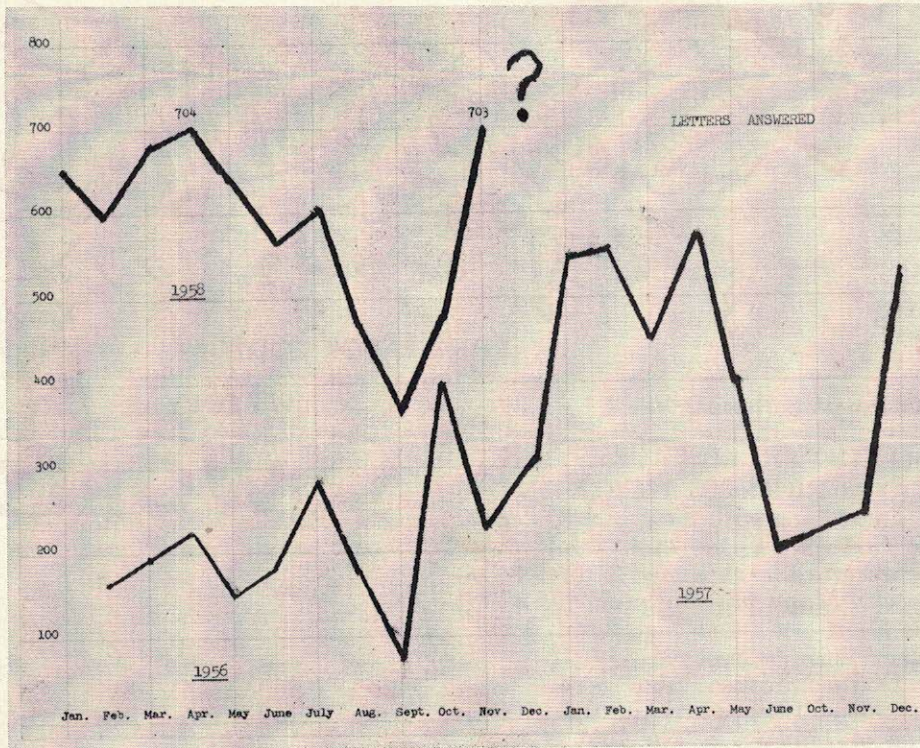
Frost does *not* cause the color change. The leaf cells are separated from the branch cells by the cooler, shorter days, preventing the food products of the leaves from entering the branches.

Then when "Indian summer" comes, photosynthesis produces sugar, which since it cannot travel into the trunk of the tree, accumulates and turns into a red pigment called anthocyanin.

Because the arrival of autumn in Europe is more gradual than in the United States, leaf-cell separation does not happen as early there. When it does, there are seldom enough warm days left for the build-up of the red pigment.

Small Boy: "Why don't you come to my church?"

Other Small Boy: "'Cause I belong to another abomination."



Bob Boraker

The work of God is *growing!* We continually hear of records being broken in income and in mail increases. Along with the general growth of the work, the growth of the Letter Answering Department has fallen in stride.

Starting with a minute beginning, as a one-man job four years ago, answering letters has become a job for a *department* comprised of *eighteen* men and women! The number of letters answered has increased proportionately. In November, 1956, 242 letters were answered. During this past month of November, the department answered 703 letters—nearly a *three-fold* increase in three years!

These statistics mean that the Letter Answering Department must *expand* as the amount of mail increases. This means that there will be

a *continual need* for *qualified* writers — men who have a good understanding of the Bible and are capable writers.

It is a privilege and a rare opportunity to work in "LAD." The department answers all letters which cannot be answered with available booklets and back issues of the PLAIN TRUTH. The questions vary from the simple ones like, "Where can I buy a Bible?" to the complex and intricate problems of marriage and divorce. Answering these questions provides an opportunity to *learn while you work* in God's ministry.

Women also have the chance to learn the answers to many puzzling questions as they type the letters. Here is an opportunity they can strive for.

The need for writers in God's work is *great*. The opportunity is there, the rest is up to *you!*

WORLD TOUR - CONTINUED

he has needed so long. Plans will be laid for the future work in the Philippines which may include Mr. Ortiguero's return to the U. S. for training, and his replacement there by a *full-time* minister.

From Manila to Taipei on Formosa and a quick look in on Mr. Carlson and the work there — then home via Tokyo and Honolulu.

This will be a fast, hard-hitting tour. God's work is moving *fast!* We need to press ahead through the new doors God is opening for us. We should all be rejoicing that God is making it possible for us to begin to fill these pressing needs abroad. But, we need to be desperately praying for MEN. Who will be filling these new jobs and responsibilities abroad? Are *you* ready?

We have only scratched the surface. God's work is going to surge ahead — world-wide — at an ever accelerating pace. We *must* be ready. Let's all ask God to guide these men, to strengthen and protect them, and to make this tour fruitful! Let's all prepare *now* to serve God wherever and whenever He calls.

WHAT KILLED COCK ROBIN?

Ray Dick

Listen! Do you hear any birds singing or chirping? Look about you! Do you see any birds flitting through the branches? Chances are that you do not.

Several weeks ago, I was startled to hear something rustle through the branches and drop out of a tree just behind me. I returned to find a plump, healthy-appearing dove. It was lying on its back. Its beak opened slowly and a grayish fluid oozed out of its mouth.

I was troubled by that event, but not alarmed. Then, a few days ago, Bob Johanneson mentioned having to clean up dead birds as part of his gardening duties. Probing for more information, I found that some birds had been found screeching in apparent agony. The gardeners killed these with their shovels to end their misery.

We are in the odd position of having no solution to the mystery. I have asked several men on the gardening crew to save any bird they might happen to find that has died recently. Since then there have been no birds around — dead or alive. Mr. Taylor, of the Public Health department, has consented to make an analysis of a dead bird if we can find one.

Three possible causes of death have been suggested so far. They are smog, fall-out, and poison. Smog, which is usually worse in the downtown area, has not affected the pigeon population around Grand Central Market.

Fall-out should have equally affected birds all over the city. Yet we have jays, doves, and other varieties around our home just as usual. That leaves poison as the most logical answer. Apparently some harmful chemical or poison is coming in contact with the birds' food.

Nature's natural balance is important on a college campus as well as on a farm. Are we contributing to this unbalanced condition, or are these birds to us as canaries are to miners?

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remodeled and redecorated house to move into at 260 South Orange Grove Avenue. Just down the street Mr. Herman Hoeh's residence is already completed and occupied. It has re-taken its place among the fine, well-kept homes of South Orange Grove Avenue. Another improvement: the Home Economics department in Ambassador Hall is being redecorated and should be finished by the end of the semester (we hope).

THE PORTFOLIO PRESENTS



LAURIE ABRAHAM

For a change we present one of our fresh (wo) man students — “fresh” out of our own Imperial High School. She was assistant editor of the *Imperial Companion* (their school paper), played volleyball and indulged in all other sports such as dancing and skating, etc. She came to Imperial from Hoover High School in Glendale, California (her home town). She was in the Pep-Club there. She likes semi-classical music like Mantovani and Kostelanetz.

She has worked as a long-distance operator for Bell Telephone. She also was a cashier and snackbar waitress at a drive-in theatre.

Hmm, let me see, she also likes to cook. Her favorite meal is Swiss Steak, green peas and green salad with french dressing. Apple pie will do for dessert with brandy sauce (yummm) (one scoop of ice cream too, please).

If you haven't met Laurie Abraham you're missing a lot of happy smiles and one of Ambassador College's sparkling personalities!



Petticoat Tete-a-tete

—Judy Brines

The wild ride all began during this Thanksgiving vacation when Marge introduced Karen to “the machine.”

The silence of the warm afternoon in Bakersfield was suddenly shattered when putt, putt, putt . . . sputter, pht; LOOK OUT! Here they come! Marge of the touseled red head was in command at the stick, shifting all 27 of the gears as Karen, the counterpart, clung to the steering wheel (that steers backward). “Gung ho, here we go — wheel!”

“Marge, Marge, what’ll I do?” cried Karen as they headed for a telephone pole, passed it up and aimed for a hole . . . “Marge!”

“Don’t worry Karen, this is better than I did the first time. I ran over a tree (it was a young tree) and into the car. And Gene ran over the garbage cans.” (One minor point — it hasn’t any brakes.)

As they weaved down the road the neighbors stood watching in horror. Who knew which fence would be next. It could be theirs!

“Marge, next time your father invents something remind me to find another test pilot, ooh!” BAROOM — as over their neighbor’s freshly plowed field they flew.

Faster and faster they traveled Marge mentally willed her hula hoop to Naomi in what she thought were her last moments of reminiscence. Into the approaching curve they headed full speed. Frantically Marge shifted — SCRUNCH!! One minor point was forgotten — the clutch. As the gears slammed into reverse out she popped into the air and end over end flew the red head attached to the squalling voice . . . ooh, halp, Karen!!

Karen said, “Well, Marge? But it was fun wasn’t it?”
“Groan . . .”

Screechingly yours,

Judy Brines

How well are you acquainted with God's Church—your church? Do you know all the ministers? Where are all the churches? Which ministers pastor what churches? You only have to answer part of these questions. Just match the number beside the church with the letter beside the minister who pastors that church. Duplicates will be included. We will even give you a whole week to work on the problem. Answers will appear next week in the PORTFOLIO. Don't miss this fun-filled, thought provoking, weekly campus paper.

MINISTERS:

CHURCHES OF GOD AT:

- a) Mr. Bryce G. Clark
- b) Mr. Allen Manteufel
- c) Dr. C. Paul Meredith
- d) Mr. Ken Swisher
- e) Mr. Pedro Ortiguero
- f) Mr. Raymond C. Cole
- g) Mr. Roderick C. Meredith
- h) Mr. Herman L. Hoeh
- i) Mr. Burk McNair
- j) Mr. Charles Dorothy
- k) Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong
- l) Mr. Don Billingsley
- m) Mr. Norman Smith
- n) Mr. Leroy Neff
- o) Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong
- p) Mr. Benjamin Rea
- q) Mr. Jim Friddle
- r) Mr. Dean Blackwell
- s) Mr. Wayne Cole
- t) Mr. Carlton Smith
- u) Mr. Gerald Waterhouse
- v) Mr. George Meeker
- w) Mr. Basil Wolverton
- x) Mr. Jon Hill
- y) Mr. Raymond McNair
- z) Mr. Richard Prince

- 1) Chicago, Ill.
- 2) Corpus Christi, Texas
- 3) Dallas, Texas
- 4) Eugene, Oregon
- 5) Fresno, California
- 6) Garden City, Kansas
- 7) Gladewater, Texas
- 8) Houston, Texas
- 9) Denver, Colorado
- 10) Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 11) Minden, Louisiana
- 12) Pasadena, California
- 13) Portland, Oregon
- 14) Pueblo, Colorado
- 15) St. Louis, Missouri
- 16) Salem, Oregon
- 17) San Antonio, Texas
- 18) San Diego, California
- 19) Tacoma, Washington
- 20) London, England
- 21) Philippines
- 22) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- 23) Redlands, California
- 24) Springfield, Missouri



MAGAZINE ARTICLES

Some of the following articles have found their way to Room 7 and later editions have supplanted them on the rack. Locating them may require more zeal, but if you really want to know . . . SEEK and ye shall FIND.

"Rich Surprises in Africa" photographed by Emil Schutthess. The photography gives you an entirely different perspective of Africa. See LIFE, Dec. 1, 1958.

"New Answers to Mixed School." A typical American solution to the Race Question. U. S. News and World Report, Dec. 5, 1958.

You may find "The Hunt for the Hidden Diabetics" in Post, Dec. 6, 1958.

NEW BOOKS

We have an impressive list of new books to introduce this week.

New Illustrated World Atlas and Gazetteer - Hammond-Doubleday. This is not just another atlas. It not only has the MAPS and ILLUSTRATIONS, but also a GAZETTEER (a geographical dictionary.) No larger than a text book; convenient for quick reference. The following books speak for themselves:

Millennium in the Church - Krominga
The Theory of Evolution and the Facts of Science - Rimmer

The Book of the Law - Manley
Archaeology and the Pre-Christian Centuries - Thompson

MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE

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for the dance — this trio has played for our dances in the past, and we all know they are among the top bands of this region. At the present time they are playing at the Forest Room Steak House on South Lake in Pasadena.

This new conference schedule will not affect the semester examination week or the vacation period. Only the ministers have to make the changes. We should all rejoice that this added time is being provided for the decisions that must be made. We can all look forward to seeing God's ministers only three weeks from now.

MARK'S MISHAP

Molly Hammer

I'm sure most of you have seen Mark Allen Armstrong doing some of his bicycle tricks. His favorite one is to get up quite a bit of speed — take his feet off the pedals — then turn loose with his hands. Sound dangerous? Well, it could be, but it didn't prove to be nearly as dangerous as a simple attempt to "jump the curb" as Mark later explained.

About 11:45 Thursday morning Mark tried to "jump the curb," but instead he ended up as shown in the above picture. His arm is broken just above the wrist—both bones—the radius and ulna. According to the doctor, it is one of the worst breaks a child can have. However, Mark was very calm about the whole thing and his biggest concern was, "Did it ruin my bicycle?" The bicycle has two large dents, but came out much better than did Mark.

When Uncle Tony asked if he could autograph the cast, Mark was *horrified*. He said, "There isn't room!"

Mark is taking all this like a "man," and I'm sure you'll see him back on his bicycle soon.



See article on left.

AMBASSADOR HALL DUTIES

December 20, 1958

- Florence Watson
- Beverly Cain
- Janette Smith
- Hazel Thurman
- Charles Hefner
- Ray Shelton
- Bob Steep
- Ron Kelly

CUPBEARERS

Club	Best Speaker	Most Improved	Best Evaluator
Sunday	David Antion	Paul Kroll	Rowlen Tucker
Monday	Eugene Walter	Leland Bonnett	Ronald Dart
Tuesday	Roger Foster	Dennis Pebworth	Bob Trull
Thursday	Leslie McCullough	Kenneth Fischer	Richard Plache