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Mr. William A. Sutton

Local Elder Ordained in Denver

April 5, 1966, the first High Day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, was a day of added rejoicing for those attending services in Denver.

Mr. William A. (Bill) Sutton was added to God's staff of ministers when he was ordained as a local elder during morning services. There was great joy and thanksgiving in the congregation as Mr. McNair, Mr. Quillen and Mr. Billingsley laid hands upon him and thanked God for setting him apart for additional and greater responsibility in

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JOYOUS PASSOVER HELD IN MIDWEST

The Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread were held in two different places this year for Kansas City brethren.

The Passover itself, the night to be remembered, and the first holy day were held in Kansas City. We also had two evening services during the week.

Then the last three days, including the last holy day, were again observed in Sedalia, Missouri.

Once again God blessed us with a wonderful feast, with 405 taking the Passover in Kansas City.

In Sedalia, the Kansas City churches were joined by brethren from Springfield, Joplin, Columbia and St. Louis.

Sermons were brought by Messrs.

Dean C. Blackwell, Rowlen Tucker, and Hal Baird. The sermonettes were given by Messrs. Les McColm, Arch Bradley, and Carl Franklin.

Also, as usual, all the delicious food was prepared by the ladies and we enjoyed wonderful physical food to go along with the spiritual meat furnished by God's ministers.

We were certainly blessed with an increased awareness of the world situation;

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Enjoying the physical food.



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Your Second Heart

By Dr. H. J. Rogers

Do you really have a second heart? Not really, but essentially you do, and it is indeed very important.

Your real heart is a powerful muscular pump that forces blood through the arteries to every tissue in the body. In the tissues the blood must pass through millions of tiny tubes called arterioles, so small that only one red blood cell can pass through at a time. This uses up practically all the force of the heart beat, so that there is little left to return the blood through the veins to the heart. Here is where your second heart comes in.

Blood from the feet must be forced against gravity up the legs to the abdomen and thence back to the heart. This is no small task. It is accomplished by contractions of the leg muscles in walking. Every time a muscle contracts it forces blood up the veins. The veins have many valves that keep the blood from running back to the feet. Once the blood gets into the abdomen, powerful muscles and the diaphragm force the blood through large veins to the right

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Editorial

A major key to success is HOW we respond to trials. *Do we stand up in the storm*, or lie down and destine ourselves to mediocrity or less?

We are all going to be tested on our most prized possession. Just as He tried Abraham with his most prized possession — Isaac, God is going to KNOW if we will put Him before everything else.

I was recently reading about a man who responded to trials with drive and determination. His name was John Patterson, the man who made the National Cash Register Company a great organization. Yet, in the story, it told how not only the store owners, but the clerks, too, wanted absolutely NOTHING to do with his cash register. The clerks were violently opposed to it, feeling it implied they were cheats. So they often kept him from even seeing the owner.

But this didn't stop John Patterson.

WHY did this man win success against such overwhelming odds?

Near the end of the book the secret was revealed. John Patterson was at his *very best* when the trials were the greatest. This was the *key* to his outstanding

success.

Trials either move us forward or backwards. Fire burns wood, but it also hardens steel.

Where will we stand after our trials are all over? Will we be at our best when the trials are greatest?

Will we be able to say with Paul, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith"?



Warming up!

Family Social for K. C.

On Saturday night, March 19, 1966, the Kansas City, Kansas, Church joined the Kansas City, Missouri, Church in a unique and memorable social at the Kansas City Athenaeum. It was unique because it was educational as well as entertaining and memorable because this social was truly a family social.

Our Pastor, Mr. Blackwell, brought to the social for all to read and enjoy past editions of the "Envoy" and the "Port-



Another Caruso?

folio," both from Ambassador College. How interesting to see the ministers and others we know while they were at Ambassador in the role of a student. To add to the educational value of the evening, Mr. Blackwell suggested that one of the spokesman clubs sponsor a small display map showing all the descendants of Israel in their modern location, as well as the vital *sea gates*, Israel was prophesied to possess. Most of us had never really seen all the strategic gates on one map. A very helpful chart was also included, listing all the descendants of Noah's three sons and their present-day names.

But this social was memorable because most of us have not experienced often enough the joy of socializing *together* as a family — both young and

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Kansas Korner

Mr. Blackwell Evaluates Kansas Spokesmen

Mr. and Mrs. Dean C. Blackwell recently visited the Liberal and Wichita churches.

During the visit, Mr. Blackwell evaluated three Spokesman Clubs. One in Liberal on Thursday night, April 21, and two in Wichita.

The Wichita Saturday night club had a ladies night at the Lassen Motor Hotel. The meeting was a good one and was enjoyed by all.

The Sunday night club had a big fifth anniversary meeting at Ken's Klub East. The wives and lady friends were there to make the evening a memorable one.

Mr. Blackwell brought helpful admonishment for all three clubs, from which all should improve.

We certainly hope that he will return soon and be with us again.



Wichita Spokesmen meet and eat!

Foote-Handy Wedding

The bachelor population of the Wichita church is slowly disappearing.

On April 16 at 8:00 p. m. in the Twentieth Century Club another bachelor was swallowed up by marriage. Mr. Herschel Foote and Miss Carolyn Handy were united by God in a simple but beautiful ceremony conducted by Mr. Roger Foster.

Mr. Foote willingly stepped forward with his best man, Mr. Bill McDonald. The bridesmaid, Miss Louise Gomer, a childhood friend of Miss Handy, was first down the aisle. Then came the bride wearing a white satin gown and accompanied by her father.

Mr. Foote and Miss Handy agreed to the marriage covenant and then exchanged rings. The happy couple and their parents were congratulated by the audience as everyone was served cake

and punch at the reception that followed.

Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Foote.



Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Foote



Mr. Ronald Haines attacks.!

The trouble with dropouts is not that they cannot see the handwriting on the wall, but that they cannot read it.

The birth of each new nation somehow finds Uncle Sam the babysitter.



Evaluating the Saturday Nite Club.

Mountain Memoirs

Denver Has Winter Social

January 2 dawned a clear, cold day. It was a day like many others here in Colorado, except that it was the scheduled time for the long anticipated Fun Show and Church Social.

The day started with a combined spokesman Club meeting featuring much verbiage from the members of the Denver and Pueblo Spokesman Clubs. The voice volume, however, didn't begin to fill the spacious St. Vrain Memorial Building in Longmont where the day's activities were held.

After delicious, individual family lunches, good fellowship and conversation, the Fun Show was ready to begin.

Mr. Burk McNair, the master-of-ceremonies, had a multitude of hilarious jokes which kept the audience in stitches between a large variety of acts. There was a great deal of real fun in the show itself.

The acts included instrumental offerings, various vocal numbers, a Beatle act, dancing, a vaudeville act and funny skits. It was a very entertaining show.

After the show, various games were set up for the children, and they thor-



Ping for serve.

oughly enjoyed them. The little ones who could, also had their turn at playing basketball.

Some of the adults played basketball at the other end of the court until they were fairly exhausted.

These events are always enjoyed by everyone. January 2 truly was a *fun* day for those who attended.

Teenagers Dance in Denver

Teenagers in the Denver area and as far away as Wyoming enjoyed a variety of dancing held at the Colorado Fish, Game and Parks Building

The group consisted of about four chaperons, a dance instructor, and twenty-five young people who enthusiastically took part in ballroom dance instruction including fox-trot, Cha Cha Cha, swing, and the blackhawk waltz.

Spontaneity and life filled the room as the evening came to a close with a very lively Virginia Reel.

The trouble with the public debt is that private individuals have to pay for it.

Rolling at Roller City!

"Roller City" on South Broadway, in Denver, was the site of the Denver Church roller skating party, held March 1.

Participating in the actual skating were youngsters 4 to 40 years of age; others participated as spectators. This was a good opportunity for fellowship, and all who went took advantage of it.

Thrills and spills were the "order of the day" for the courageous. Others were satisfied to skate around without trying any fancy moves.

We were thankful we have this opportunity for exhilarating exercise, amusement, and fellowship.



Ready to roll.



Soft shoe shuffle.



"Bean bag bowling."

Denver Has

Combined Meeting

On Sunday, March 6, the members of the Denver Spokesman Club descended on the brightly decorated Victory Grange Hall for a combination club and social.

With their wives or dates beside them, the members held their regular meeting, which ended during the early evening. Then the dancing began.

Lawrence Welk, Guy Lombardo, Floyd Cramer, and other top performers were on hand (through the medium of stereophonic records) to give the motivation for dancing. Naturally, punch, cookies, and scintillating conversation increased the fun.

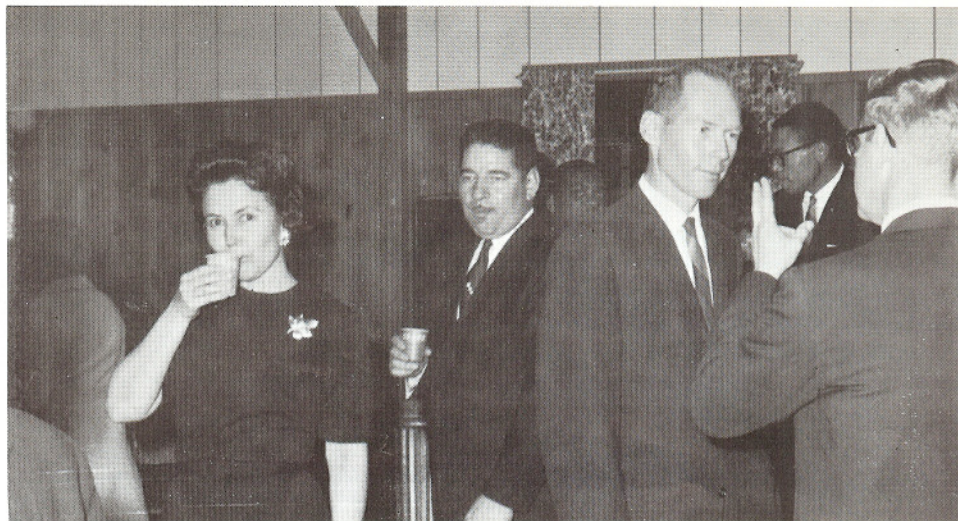
Later in the evening, some of the Pueblo Club members and some of the teen-agers brought their dates to help round out the enjoyment.



Mr. and Mrs. William McBride

McBride-Burnham Married

Mr. William McBride of McCook, Nebraska, and Mrs. Sylvia Burnham of Pueblo, Colorado, were married March 20 at 11:00 a. m. The joyous occasion was attended by forty-eight members of Mrs. Burnham's family. They went to Old Mexico on their honeymoon. The McBrides plan to reside in Pueblo. This is another marriage brought about by meeting at the Eligible Picnic at the Feast of Tabernacles.



Refreshment time.

Ladies Night in Omaha

The Omaha Saturday Night Spokesman Club held its first Ladies' Night meeting at the Hotel Paxton on February 19, 1966. Approximately one-hundred members and guests were present to thoroughly enjoy the evening.

Mr. Kenneth Warner received the cup for the Most Effective Speech from the previous week's winner, Mr. R. D. Meacham. Mr. Charles Bellew received the Most Improved award and Mr. Nelson Fink the award for the Most Helpful Evaluation.

Opening night "jitters" if present at the start, soon vanished in the warm glow of friendly, happy fellowship. It is from such association as this, that the words Christian and fellowship are joined together and take on a new, truly meaningful significance.



What did he say?

Des Moines Spokesmen Meet

By Larry O'Connor

Sunday evening, April 17, found the Des Moines Spokesmen enjoying their first ladies night. Fifty-nine gathered at the Colonial Pancake House in Ames to enjoy the evening.

Mr. Dale Pickering, the table topics master, sparked the evening with such topics as "What Color Dress Do You Prefer Your Wife to Wear?"

The enthusiasm and inspiration was carried over into the speaking portion of the meeting. We heard five good speeches, but Mr. Glen Salyer, with an impromptu speech, "Fill'er Up, Jack," walked away with the most helpful speech award.

Mr. Donald Reedy, our director, rated the meeting as very good. The Spokesmen would like to thank the ladies for inspiring them.



Most effective speaker.

St. Louis Spotlight

Lots of Talent in St. Louis

By Eunice Swenson

Freshness of spring was reflected in the month of March. St. Louis had another social on March 26. The fun show was jam-packed with new flowering talent. Thanks to the able scouting of Mr. Wil Malone.

There was a very large number of early-bird arrivals. The worm they were after was a class dancing lesson, very proficiently conducted by Mr. Milford Clare. Mr. Clare was at one time an Arthur Murray dance instructor for instructors. He was very ably assisted by Miss Jennie Tribble. Even a short lesson from him helps a person to truly step out with the "right foot."

Shortly after the dancing lessons, the fun show began. In one act it seems a dragon was on the loose but our "dragnet" detectives, Ron Walk and company, quickly solved the mystery. The dragon was arrested for eating ladies — out of season.

More new talent was revealed as the fun show progressed very successfully.

After the fun show our dancing students had a chance to display what they had learned earlier. Also the "old pros" zealously danced till the clock struck

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Dance instructions.



Dance time.

Basketball Champions in St. Louis

By Danny Orban

The championship tournament was dominated by the powerful Royals, in the St. Louis basketball playoffs. Here is a summary of the tournament and the title game:

In the first round, elimination, the Royals overwhelmed the Chargers. The following game found the Warriors and the Athletics battling for a shot at the championship title against the Royals. The Warriors proved victorious and squeezed past the Athletics, 42-40.

In the championship game the Royals jumped to an early lead, forcing the Warrior's coach, Mr. Heiss, to call for a time out to reorganize his squad. The Warriors re-adjusted to the Royal attack and exchanged basket for basket to stay within a reasonable distance. In the second half the Royals continued their effective offense and developed an insurmountable lead. They went on to swamp the Warriors with an impressive 110-71 victory.

The title game was undoubtedly the highest scoring dual of the season. Mr. Bernell Michel paved the way for the

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Royals with 31 points. He was followed by Mr. Bierer who tallied for 22 points.

Danny Orban of the Warriors was high scorer of the game with 41 points. He also lead the league in scoring for the entire year.

1st Place — Royals (5-0)

2nd Place — Warriors (3-2)

3rd Place — Athletics (1-3)

4th Place — Chargers (0-4)



A one hander!

A generation ago most men who finished a day's work needed rest; now they need exercise.

Enthusiasm is infectious — and so is the lack of it.

Columbia Has Gala Evening

By Bob Hively

The "Sound of Music" and the "voice of gait" once again sounded forth from the Columbia labor temple as the brethren there swung into their second social of the winter season, on January 29. It indeed was a "grand night" for music, dancing and fun.

As is our custom, we never begin a social on an empty stomach. So, fall in the chow line everyone!

With an up-lifting meal under the belt, and an hour of exhilarating dances, the main feature of the evening was "kicked off" — the fun show.

The fun show certainly was "peppered" with the "spice of life" — variety. There was everything from a piano solo, of the Missouri Waltz, to a "How-to-dismantle-an-A-Bomb — do it yourself" (Gracey style).

Here is a key-note rundown of few of the acts. A song-dance combination of "Skip to My Lou" — by our children. A man on the street interview, the Blue Room — trumpet and piano solo, Call Me Irresponsible, solo by Judy Tindall, SaSeBon by Ron Walk and those Galloways, the Spanish Two Step, etc., etc.

That about winds up the talent show with a remaining two hours of dancing at its liveliest. So everybody, "let's dance."

A note of thanks to our St. Louis guests whose personality and enthusiasm helped make this social one of our best.



Soft music.

Talent Continued

twelve.

It was probably our last social for this season. But there are many diversions to help us lead a balanced life.



A hot combo!

St. Louis Family Social

By Jim Malone

A new star emerged at the last social in St. Louis; it was Ron Walk who did a pantomime to Stan Freburg's C'est Si Bon (SAY-SEE-BONE). He was assisted by Jim and Paul Galloway. Ron does such a nice job it's very easy to believe he is doing the actual vocalizing.

Several of the acts during the fun show were band-new. Judy Tindall did a vocal solo and Mike Irvin accompanied by Darwin Jarvis did a guitar duet. Also appearing for the first time were the singing McKnight sisters accompanied by their father, Joe McKnight.

Bill Gracey did another monologue. This one was about a naval policeman who discovered an unexploded shell on a lonely beach. The conversation was between him and his Lieutenant. It was

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Those guys again!



Everybody dance!

Passover Continued

condition of God's work; and the part we must play in getting this good news to a sick and dying world.

The trouble with dropouts is not that they cannot see the handwriting on the wall, but that they cannot read it.



Fun and games!

Social Continued

old. There were elder members playing games, younger members, couples and even children dancing with each other. This evening made all of us realize that we can be together, rather than split into various "age" and "availability" groups, and still have a marvelous time and lots of fun.

There were refreshments in abundance, including many "home-made" cookies as the wives and girls brought their specialties. But then, to put the "icing on the cake," came the entertain-

ment portion. Many were pleasantly surprised at the talent demonstrated by various church members and the ministers. Mr. Blackwell gave us a lesson on punctuation in which the punctuation marks were *spoken* verbally by a sound, which, if you used a little imagination, perfectly portrayed the written mark.

This social was in every way fun-filled, profitable and heart-warming for everyone — next time let's *all* be there.

Family Continued

really funny — as usual.

The kids had another "Carnival" which was again planned by Roger and Eunice Swenson. It seemed to be more successful than the last one, inasmuch as they knew what to expect. The carnival is based on letting nearly everyone "win" something. The kids get a bang out of it.

After the fun show the evening was finished out with dancing and fellowship.

In most places nowadays, risking life and limb with Fourth of July fireworks is illegal. You have to use an automobile.

Heart Continued

side of the heart. It is then pumped to the lungs for purification. This purified blood is then carried back to the left side of the heart. This completes the circulatory cycle.

All these muscles comprise the second heart. See how important it is? Without it the blood could not adequately return to the big pump. Walking is the one best exercise. It forces impure blood back to the heart by increased activity of most all muscles. Breathing is deeper and more rapid, heart action is increased, etc. This all adds up to health and strength.

God certainly knew what he was doing and he pays us for exercising by giving us health and strength. Don't expect to be lazy for a month and then make it all up in a day. This will ruin both your hearts. Use judgment.

God promised us length of days by following His laws. Daily exercise is far from the least of these health laws.

LAURENCE JONES STUBBORNESS

Nah! I know what Mr. Armstrong said about that, but he's only basing it on biblical principles. Until I read, "Thou shalt not," I'll take it with a grain of salt.



Some people are so stubborn, that when they die, they'll never need a head-stone.

I SAM. 15:23

And they'll never receive a throne.

Elder Continued

His service.

Mr. Sutton proved himself in diligently serving as a deacon for over 4 years, much of the time as the only deacon in the Denver Church. As an example of yielded, submissive servitude, Mr. Sutton's ordination is further proof that God recognizes and rewards those who give themselves totally to Him.

Let's all remember him in our prayers, rejoice with him and his family, and thank God for another servant who has "held fast the faithful word as he has been taught."

The more a man thinks, the better adapted he becomes to thinking, and education is nothing if it is not the methodical creation of the habit of thinking.

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