



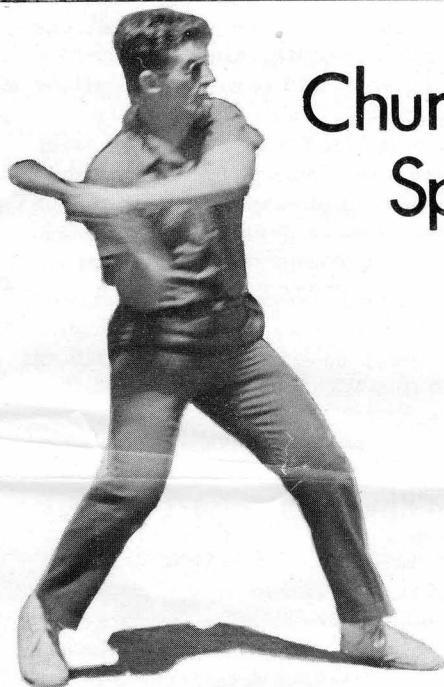
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Churches Enjoy Day Of Sport And Family Fun

Nelson Haas captained the West Bay team, Clyde Matteson, the East Bay, and George Tucker piloted the Sacramento boys to victory.

Young men of the church, who showed splendid form and teamwork, decisively walloped oldsters of the combined teams with a score of 23-3. Every last man gave his all to the play, and there were many aching muscles during the week that followed to prove it!

Family fun included volleyball, swimming and good, old-fashioned splashing around in the pool. Some of the more hardy souls explored the hilly heights of Curry Creek in the spirit of mountaineers in quest of

Curry Creek Park near Clayton, California was the scene May 26 of a day of fun, food and frolic for the families of the Sacramento, and Bay Area church communities.

Major sports event of the day was a battle for softball honors in a three cornered series which involved West Bay, East Bay and Sacramento teams.

East Bay was trounced by West Bay. Sacramento took the series by a narrow margin with the last game resulting in a score of 19-16.



MINISTRY EXPANDS; TWELVE ORDAINED

Sabbath, May 25, exactly twelve new men were ordained into the ministry of Jesus Christ! That is more than at any other time in this Philadelphia era of God's Church so far.

In Pasadena, Mr. Ted Armstrong announced that four were ordained in England--three Preaching Elders, Mr. Robin Jones, Mr. David Wainwright and Mr. Ben Chapman; and one Local Elder, Mr. Leon Walker.

Then the Evangelists with Mr. Ted Armstrong ordained Mr. Selmer Hegvold, Mr. Arthur Mokarow, Mr. John Portune, Mr. Dave Albert and Mr. Dennis Luker as Preaching Elders. Mr. Al Carrozzo, Mr. Al Mischnick and Mr. Thomas Justus were set apart as Local Elders.

Picnic Slated

Reno Church Starts

Residents of Nevada rejoiced at the start of a church at Reno!

Mr. McCrady and Mr. McMichael flew up to greet the sixty-seven represented at the opening service Friday, May 17, at Oddfellows Hall. Each week our ministers will fly to Reno for Friday evening Sabbath Services. Let us remember to pray for their safety in traveling to the new congregation.

Members of the Sacramento and Reno churches are invited to a picnic July 4 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Dressler. The Dresslers live at Marla Bay on Lake Tahoe

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new peaks to conquer. The day ended well into the night with a campfire sing which all were reluctant to leave. Highpoints of this soiree of song included a plaintive duet, "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You," by Lois Brandlin and Wayne Dunlap, who followed with the old favorite "Jamaica Farewell." John Shroeder shattered - but de-



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EDITORIAL

Spokesman Club — How Important To YOU?

YOU MAY BE MISSING OUT on one of the richest blessings on the face of the earth! Ask yourself this question: HOW VITALLY IMPORTANT IS SPOKESMAN CLUB TO ME?

Do you anticipate club night with keen-edged ZEAL and ENTHUSIASM, thinking, "How much can I really GIVE OF MYSELF tonight?" Does your Spokesman Club add SPARK and ZIP to the entire week? Are you truly ENRICHING and ENLIVENING your club--OR ARE YOU ONLY ENDURING IT?

Almighty God's Spokesman Clubs are not the CRUCIALLY IMPORTANT TOOLS in our lives that they ought to be. TEST YOURSELF on the following three points to see how you measure up!

FIRST, do you honestly PRAY a half hour for the success of your club before you leave home? The success of the club begins with and depends upon the time each member spends on his knees importuning the God of Heaven to inspire and guide the entire meeting. We are helpless

of ourselves, but GOD will kindle and arouse His spirit in us to give us the fervent DRIVE, POSITIVE attitude, and HUMBLENESS of mind needed to make our club a success.

The battle for a winning club is lost before it starts when we are not armed with the weapon of PER-SERVERING PRAYER!

SECOND, do you PREPARE in advance for each club meeting? What happens when you are assigned a speech? Do you wait until the last minute to prepare? Or do you FLOOD your mind throughout the week with poignant thoughts and pungent illustrations to punch, pound, and PILE-DRIVE home your point? Do you bombard your mind with ideas for new business? Do you WATCH world news so you can add life to the Table Topics portion of the meeting? Do you read scintillating books and take part in activities which will make you a colorful person? Do you review the purpose of the club before each meeting to put you in the proper attitude?

Prayer is first, but we must do our part by getting PREPARED!

THIRD, do you PARTICIPATE in every club meeting? Do you consciously set your will to get on your feet at least ONCE at EVERY MEETING?

Speaking ability is developed BY SPEAKING! When you draw back and allow the opportunity to speak pass you by, you miss an opportunity to develop not only your speaking ability, but your whole personality and character! God inspired Paul to write in Heb. 10:38, "... if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." If Jesus Christ were at a Spokesman Club in person you could be sure of one thing - HE WOULD PARTICIPATE!!! Why? Because He would not be holding back -- but GIVING OF HIMSELF!

What kind of score did you make on these three test-points of PRAYER, PREPARATION AND PARTICIPATION? Did you make 100%? Or was it actually closer to 50%?

Lets put our hearts behind God's Spokesman Clubs, marshalling our forces to battle for a successful club every time--through prayer, preparation and participation! Now ask yourself again, "HOW VITALLY IMPORTANT IS SPOKESMAN CLUB TO ME?"

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BEST DANCE EVER

EVERYBODY DANCED!--at the pre-picnic party held May 25 in the Silver Room of Sacramento's Odd Fellows Hall, touching off a gala week end of fun and fellowship for Sacramento and Bay Area church brethren.

Shortly after sunset fellows and girls fled to the floor, filling the hall with flashing shoes and dashing dresses! At the musical helm was Mr. Lloyd Gable, spinning platters that provided a solid sound and rollicking rhythm for the evening of fun.

So enthusiastic were the dancers that planned entertainment for the evening was held over for the picnic on Sunday.

Messrs. McCrady and McMichael, enjoying an evening of relaxation before leaving on baptizing tours this summer, were presented with plaid canvas suit cases for their tours.

Dancing extended into overtime 'til all were weary and worn; and even then, no one really wanted to leave this BEST DANCE EVER!

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Reno Church

near Stateline, California.

Water sports and a potluck luncheon will highlight the day's activities. Those from the Oakland area who can make the long trek to Tahoe are invited to drop in for the festivities. Another picnic will be held July 7 for the Oakland church brethren.

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Picnic

lightly - the country stillness of the night with "Granada."



BIG GAME!

Has your child ever attended a major league baseball game? If not, don't miss out on this fine opportunity!

The San Francisco Giants baseball organization has offered FREE attendance to groups of chaperoned children between the ages of nine and fourteen. In order to apply for this free admission we must know the number of children able to attend. Members of the Spokesman Club will chaperone this activity.

Notices have been posted on the bulletin boards in the Berkeley and Sacramento Churches. Those parents who wish their children to attend should sign the child's name to one of these lists.

As soon as the application is submitted, an afternoon ball game will be assigned by the Giants (Saturday and holiday games excluded). The date we are assigned will be announced and posted.

CURIOUS?

Are you intellectually curious? One way to check your intellectual curiosity is by asking yourself how many books you have checked out of the Church Library this year. One? Two? Three?

Though small, our Church Library contains choice books on subjects pertinent to a balanced education. Stop in next Sabbath or Bible Study and scan the interesting titles of our many helpful study aids. The Church Library will help you get an idea of what your own personal library should contain.

Make it a point to check out a book soon! You'll find our Librarian, Mr. Bob Sturm ready, willing and eager to help you choose the right book for your study needs.

Take advantage of this opportunity to develop a real INTELLECTUAL CURIOSITY!!

USED CLOTHING

Those living in the Oakland area can obtain good quality used clothing at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Matteson, 43237 Montrose Avenue, Irvington, California.

Many fine articles of clothing are available on request. Members in the area have spent considerable time conditioning used clothing and making it readily available for those in need. You are welcome to drop over anytime to the Matteson's and browse through the array of articles.

Pentecost At Sacramento; Three Memorable Days



Mr. John Portune



Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Luker, Mr. Frank McCrady

The Feast of Pentecost was observed June 1-3 at Governor's Hall, Sacramento, California with an attendance of more than six hundred. It was the first combined meeting of the Sacramento-Oakland churches with the newly-formed church at Reno.

The three days of services were outstanding for the powerful and inspired messages delivered by outgoing minister Mr. Frank McCrady, and incoming ministers Mr. John Portune and Mr. Dennis Luker. Mr. McCrady left immediately after the Feast of Pentecost for a baptizing tour of the southern states. Mr. Portune will pastor the combined churches for a short period until he leaves for England to head the radio studio at Ambassador College in England. Mr.

Dennis Luker will then become minister for the three congregations.

Mr. McCrady will be greatly missed for his power and zeal and untiring efforts to serve the congregations. However, we welcome Mr. Portune and Mr. Luker who already have impressed all with inspired, power-filled messages from the word of God.

During the Feast of Pentecost thirteen persons from the Oakland-Sacramento churches were baptized, June 2, at the City Center Motel, Sacramento. Included were: Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Harris, Mr. Donald Crowl, Mr. Grant Haney Jr., Mr. James Chapman, Mr. Albino Ramos, Mr. Malcom King, Mr. Dan Brown, Mr. William Pettit, Mrs. Dolly Bolmer, Mrs. Gladys Entler and Mrs. Kay Ford.

Church Paper Expands!

The Sacramento-Oakland edition of the Church of God News has taken on a NEW LOOK! Now we are able to put more material on a page since switching to a smaller type by means of photographic reduction. This means MORE ROOM FOR MORE ARTICLES!

Are you alert--on the lookout for newsy items to spice up our local Church paper? WE NEED ARTICLES!!

Men, if you go on a picnic and enjoy a good game of softball, tell us about it. Sit down and write a brief article.

Ladies, if you have a mouth-watering, tempting recipe you are yearning to share with others, write it out and mail it to the editor.

We use them--in more ways than one! One recipe was recently kitchen tested and the end result delightfully devoured before the paper went to press!

Articles should be kept brief and TO THE POINT. They should stress LOCAL CHURCH NEWS--babies born, fishing trips, hikes to the mountains, members moving to or from the local area, and other Church activities. Or, if you are talented in poetry, turn in brief poems and bromides.

This is an opportunity to SERVE--to do your part to make our Church newspaper come to life with scintillating news about YOUR LIVES. The PEOPLE are the Church. Let's share our lives with one another by contributing articles of interest from Gods Sacramento and Bay Area Church communities.

SPOKESMAN NEWS

Foul Play

Eleven dauntless Spokesman golfers recently attacked the gorgeous Riverside Golf course, Coyote, California with scores that broke various and sundry records. Low honors went to Mr. Frank McCrady's brother, Charles, who shot 89; second, Nelson Haas, 90; third, Mr. Frank McCrady, 102. Others were Bill Lund, 108; Mr. Bill Stough, 116; Joe Morris, 122; John Schroeder, 136; Wayne Dunlap, 142; Bill Van Zant, 146; Richard Dunlap, 198 (whew!).

Highlights of the day were the tremendous smashes by Charles McCrady, fantastic putting by Nelson Haas, beautiful recovery shots out of the rough by Mr. Bill Stough, a 60-foot chip shot by Bill Lund, and Richard Dunlap's ball.

Spokesman Reporters

Spokesman news events soon will be reported by newspaper staff members assigned from each club. In the past the Sacramento Spokesman Club has not been represented as fully as the two Oakland area clubs since the Church newspaper is published in Oakland. Future issues will be more balanced by means of special staff members whose job will be to submit articles of local news on Church and Club activities.



Special Offer

ONCE AGAIN you are offered the latest scientifically designed method of rearing children -- GUARANTEED to bring astounding results when used as directed (and directed when used)!!

This carefully carved and painstakingly prepared device is the special Spokesman Club "BOARD OF EDUCATION!"

Only one hundred of these were made in the first cutting, but by popular demand work will begin immediately on a SECOND cutting! Many who took advantage of our introductory offer were amazed at the results which can be obtained through "paddle-power!"

These are no ordinary paddles as some may think. Each one will be personally hand finished by a Spokesman Club member. These technical tools of child training are made of quality wood and are hand painted by experts in paddlery.

All of this is being offered, as before, for just one dollar (\$1.00). All you need do is send the enclosed coupon with one dollar in cash, check, or money order to:

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Pittsburg, California

The paddles will be produced in two convenient sizes in this second cutting. There will be a large nineteen-inch size for heavy duty operations; and a smaller, less weighty, but equally scientific fourteen-inch size for lighter applications.

IF YOU ACT NOW, during our special second paddle cutting, the name of your child or children will be written on the good side of the paddle. Begin now the only truly scientific method of child rearing by applying immediately for a "BOARD OF EDUCATION!"

Please send me _____ "BOARD(S) OF EDUCATION." 19 inch _____ 14 inch _____ Please find \$ _____ enclosed. NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ Name(s) to be inscribed for acting now: _____
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East Bay

East Bay Spokesmen were in fine fettle for the Thursday (June 20) dinner session at the El Ranchito restaurant in Hayward.

With Mr. Harry Sleder as topic master, the group went into orbit with a united "Let's go!" to set the pace for a meeting that continued in orbit to the last evaluation!

Most effective speaker award went to Mr. Clyde Matteson; honors for most improved speakers were divided between Mr. Ken Eitzen and Mr. Cliff Marcussen. Best evaluator was Mr. Kent Barnett.

Overall evaluator, Mr. John Portune, announced a panel of new officers for the East Bay Spokesmen as follows: The president's gavel passed from Mr. Stanley Nielson to Mr. Alan Barbee, outgoing vice-president, who was succeeded by Mr. Clyde Matteson. Mr. Matteson relinquished the office of treasurer to Mr. Camilo Reyes. Mr. Robert Sturm succeeded Mr. Harley Mills as secretary, and Mr. Gary Ownby followed Mr. Kenneth Wagenman as sergeant at arms.

West Bay

The colorful Gold Platter restaurant in San Carlos set the scene for a scintillating session of the West Bay Spokesman Club on June 18.

Fine food and refreshing surroundings punctuated a torrent of table topics unleashed by Mr. Bill Lund. Using a "Dear Abby" format, Mr. Lund drew "deep" answers to puzzling problems, such as what to do when your child bites you. The "Board of Education" came to the rescue in most cases.

Mr. Joe Morris captured the most effective speaker award. Mr. Irvin Fox qualified for the most improved cup, and Mr. Wayne Dunlap won the most helpful evaluator award.

Overall evaluator for the evening, Mr. Dennis Luker, congratulated the club on being much improved. All agreed it was the best meeting yet! To add even more life, ATTACK SPEECHES were assigned to all five speakers for the next meeting.