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GRADUATION HI-LITE OF EXPANDING WORK

June 8, 1962—The most inspiring Ambassador College graduation ever! Climaxing a week of great strides in God's Work, the 12th annual commencement exercises produced two notable firsts—the largest graduating class ever in the history of the college, and the first doctorate degree ever awarded at Ambassador.

After an inspiring commencement address by Vice President Armstrong, in which he outlines graphically the seven major differences between the Ambassador Colleges and all other institutions, the Degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred upon 42 candidates—twelve more than the previously largest class of 1960.

Following this presentation, the Degree of Master of Arts in Theology was conferred upon Mr. Dibar Apartian and Mr. Leroy Neff. Then, in conclusion, something the audience had been anxiously awaiting, the Degree of Doctor of Theology was presented to Mr. Herman Hoeh.

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BIBLE STORY BOOK EXPLODES RECORDS

The initial response for Volume II of the BIBLE STORY has been fantastic! Mail receipts have exploded! Existing records for both letters and money were wiped out by an avalanche of mail that threw the Mail Receiving Department tens of thousands of letters behind! Other departments began volunteering assistance to help them dig out!

A record week of 65,395 letters totally eclipsed the old mark of 34,266 set in May 1961! The old week-day high of 6,176 went by the wayside on Monday, June 18, when 16,767 letters poured into the office! A record month is also in the making with a possible 160,000 letters!

A new financial high for a single week was set on two consecutive weeks!

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At Last---TWO Spokesman Clubs

The most exciting news of the Spokesman Club this month was the splitting of the joint Corpus Christi-San Antonio Club into two clubs.

The last meeting of the joint club was held in Beeville on June 24. We had an excellent meeting plus a ball game prior to the meeting.

The first meeting of the Corpus Christi Club was held on June 30. We engaged the facilities of Luby's Cafeteria midst fabulous surroundings. However, this was not to be a lasting thing for after three weeks we had to move to the Tally-Ho Motel. We have a private dining room there with more privacy altho not quite as nice surroundings.

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Valley Members Now Enjoy Bible Studies

July 1, 1962 was an important date for the brethren in the Rio Grande Valley. It was the first time they had had an opportunity to attend a Bible Study in their own area.

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Door Flung Open For German Office

Destination Dusseldorf! The German Department of God's end-time Work leaps into the heart of Assyria with an untra-modern five-room office suite in the cultural city of Dusseldorf. Trailing along to help open and establish the office is Mr. Frank Schnee who is still recovering from the bombshell dropped in his lap by Dr. Hoeh. His gasping reply to Dr. Hoeh when told of his new and challenging assignment was, "Dr. Hoeh, if I didn't know you, I would say you were joking!"

Mr. Schnee's past business experience, training at Ambassador and being German-born makes him ideal to help set up our first foreign office in a Gentile country. His charming wife and two young sons will be a constant source of inspiration while alone in another nation that is now receiving God's last warning message.

Jetting to England on June 14, a mere eight day after receiving the news, Mr. Schnee and his family illustrate the fact that things move fast in the Work of God!

The prayers of all at headquarters need to be with the Schnee family as they accept this exciting but deadly serious challenge.



San Antonio Spokesman Club

Spokesman Club

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The new members in the Corpus Christi Club are: Mr. Walter Konze, Mr. Carol Short, Mr. Jerry Bromley, Mr. Bud Sanders, and Mr. Wilay Morgan. The officers are: President, Mr. David Robinson; Vice-President, Mr. Adolph Romike; Secretary, Mr. Donald Winn; Treasurer, Mr. Lindburgh Laney; and Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. Jack Burton.

The San Antonio Spokesman Club began on July 5 in the private dining room of Turnbull's Cafeteria. The club started with lots of spark and enthusiasm. The officers of the club are: President, Mr. Robert Flores; Vice-President, Mr. Roman Salas; Secretary, Mr. Michael Jennings; Treasurer, Mr. Jim Leal; and Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. Hilbert Schubert. The new club members are: Mr. Van Douglas, Mr. Alex Leal, Mr. Nathaniel Cochran, Mr. Tony Fiorillo, Mr. John Kennedy, Mr. Enrique Posadas and Mr. Lee Skinner.

The San Antonio Club met at Turnbull's Cafeteria only for the first meeting. Since then the meetings have been held at Highlander Cafeteria.

Graduation

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With God's Work expanding world-wide on all fronts, this greatest harvest of trained servants could not have come at a more strategic time. The need was illustrated the following day when three of the graduates were ordained into the ministry of the Living Christ. The foreign departments will also benefit, with the Canadian, Australian and English work each absorbing a graduate. And, as soon as an office in Manila is opened to handle the mushrooming Philippine work, additional help will be sent there as well.

God's colleges are indeed producing fruit with now over 150 trained men and women serving world-wide. Let's all pray that increasing numbers will be added—that many more will, as Student Body President Sherman McMichael said in his discourse, learn through their years at Ambassador to serve the people of God.

Corpus Christi Brethern Enjoy Fun Filled Outing

The Rob and Bessie Welder Park echoed to the sounds of those enjoying volley ball, baseball, croquet, and miniature golf Sunday, July 8, as the Corpus Christi Church met for a beautiful Sunday picnic. The picnic began at 10:00 A.M. on a brilliant sunny day.

To get the day started off right the men, women and children got a couple of snappy games of volley ball going. After enough had arrived, the men left the volley ball court to the girls and organized two teams for softball. After an hour or so of this type of strenuous exercise we were all ready for a rest and a delicious pot-luck style meal prepared by the ladies.

After the meal, some of the more athletically inclined men and ladies played some more softball. It surely didn't take long to use up the energy we had received from the meal. While some were enjoying softball, others of the less hardy individuals (or more sensible) went off in quest of a more suitable game for a full stomach. So they ended up on the miniature golf course. This is where we found them after the heat and exercise finally got us down. Even some of the softball enthusiasts tried their hand at it. We found we had an Arnold Palmer of the miniature golf course among us in Mr. Leonard Kirkpatrick. He really burned up the course.

All things have to come to an end though. So ended another wonderful church picnic of food, fun and good Christian fellowship.



Picnic in Rob and Bessie Welder Park near Sinton, Texas.

CHURCH NEWS

BIRTHS:

Mr. Kenneth Swisher, minister in the Gladewater church, and his wife have another daughter in their family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilay Morgan of Seadrift are also the happy parents of a 7-pound daughter, Anne Denise. Congratulations to both families.

ORDAINED:

Mr. John Bald, a graduate of Ambassadors College, who has been assisting Mr. Blackwell in the Chicago area for three years was ordained as a Local Elder on the Sabbath of June 9. Mr. Bald is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Sanders of the Corpus Christi Church.

MOVED:

We all miss Mrs. Bessie Donaho who recently sold her home in Rockport and moved to Gladewater, Texas. However, we rejoice that Mrs. Donaho was able to move to Gladewater since she will be able to attend the Feast of Tabernacles this year for the first time.

We also miss Mr. Edward Graham who recently moved back to his home state of Michigan where his son and daughter-in-law live. Mr. Graham sends his, "Hello and greetings to everyone." He continues by saying he "Had a very nice trouble-free trip all the way. Drove nearly 400 miles a day, good weather, but rather hot." Both Mr. Graham and Mrs. Donaho were members of the Corpus Christi Church.

BAPTIZED:

During the month of July God has added five more to His Church in San Antonio. On July 4, Miss Ella Goode was baptized. Then on July 25, four



Four who were recently baptized. From left to right: Mrs. Hawkins, Miss Parish, Mrs. Pacelli and Mrs. Cruz.

were baptized at one time. They were Mrs. Cora Hawkins, Miss Reba Parish, Mrs. Alfred Pacelli and Mrs. Julian Cruz. We extend our congratulations to these five and pray that God will bless them richly with His Spirit.

NEW FACES:

We have five new faces in the Corpus Christi Church. Mrs. Georgia Welsh has recently moved to Corpus Christi from Brownsville, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Chandler Klotz moved to Laredo, Texas from Mississippi and will occasionally attend the Corpus Christi Church. Mrs. Becker from Victoria is now attending Sabbath services frequently. Also we are happy to have Mrs. Walter Konze with us each Sabbath.

VACATIONS:

Four members from San Antonio have recently gone on a vacation. Mrs. Annie B. Teare visited with her daughter in Atlanta, Georgia for a couple of weeks and attended Sabbath services in Birmingham, Alabama. Mrs. Woolsey and Mrs. Waite are back from their vacation. They took an extended tour in the West. Mrs. John Earl will not be with us for a while since she is visiting her daughter in Seattle, Washington. She plans to attend the World's Fair while in Seattle.

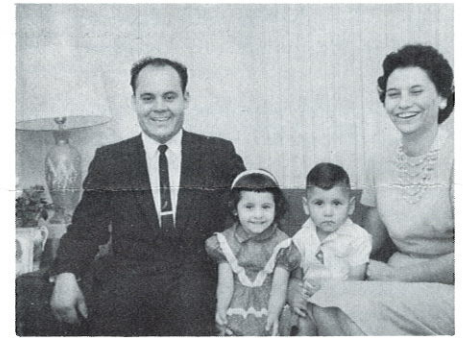
VISITORS:

Mr. and Mrs. Burk McNair and family made a surprise visit to the Corpus Christi Church on the Sabbath of July 14. He gave us a very thought-provoking sermon about the "Attitude of a Carnal Mind". Mr. McNair has previously been the minister of the Corpus Christi and San Antonio Churches. For those who have been in the Church several years, Mr. and Mrs. McNair's presence brought back many pleasant memories.

We are also happy to have Miss Barbara Konze with us each Sabbath. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Konze and will be returning to Illinois this fall to finish her Senior year at College.

Personal Glimpses

Mr. E. "Leo" Herrera was born in Floresville, Texas, December 18, 1934, where he was reared by his maternal grandmother. He attended the Midway, Sutherland Springs and Floresville schools, graduating from high school in 1954. The next 3½ months were spent in San Antonio obtaining a general business education at Durham's Business College. In October, 1955, Mr. Herrera joined the Air Force, took



Mr. and Mrs. "Leo" Herrera and Family

basic training at Lackland and, (except for a 2½ month tour in England) was assigned to Salina, Kansas for the remainder of his enlistment. Returning to San Antonio, he worked as assistant bookkeeper in a bakery supply house until recently. He is now employed at Kelly Air Force Base. Mr. Herrera's interests include reading, baseball, swimming, ping pong, fishing and math.

Mrs. Herrera was formerly Dora Muniz, the eldest of four children. She also was born in Floresville on December 13, 1939, and attended the local schools until 1955, when she enrolled in Burbank High School as a junior. The Herrera's had known each other slightly most of their lives but only began going together in late 1955. They were married almost a year later, and now have two engaging children, Yvonne Karen, 4, and Paul Mark, 2. Mrs. Herrera enjoys baking, gardening, volleyball, baseball and picnics.

Mr. Herrera had begun to listen to the World Tomorrow in 1953 and after their marriage Mrs. Herrera listened with him. However, it was not until mid-1959 that they learned about the existence of the local Church of God from his uncle, Mr. Johnny Compian. After his discharge from the service in October, 1959, Mr. Herrera and his family began attending church regularly and both he and his wife were baptized in August, 1960.

From this framework of facts, you can begin to expand your friendship for this likeable young family.

Magazine Ads Expand Work in Philippines

God's work has taken another mighty leap forward! A POWERFUL, MASS-REACHING magazine, "THE PHILIPPINE FREE PRESS" is blanketing the Philippine Islands with LIVE, DYNAMIC ADS give the Islanders the last warning message and the Good News of the World Tomorrow!

The initial response to the first ad, "DOES GOD EXIST?" was staggering! More letters were expected for the complete month! A whopping 700 letters.

Mr. Portune, who has been given the responsibility of helping plan and direct the work in the Philippines, is completely overjoyed with the spontaneous interest shown.

The magazine being used has a wide circulation of one-and-one-half to two million subscribers dotted all over the islands. The magazine, about the same size as "LIFE" magazine, features a diversity of subjects — politics, current news, controversial issues, human interest, and general interest articles.

Let's back this mushrooming part of God's Work in the Philippines with our earnest prayers!

Valley Bible Studies

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The Bible Study was held at 7:00 P. M. that evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Porter in Mercedes. There were 31 present; 20 adults and 11 children. Everyone seemed happy to have Mr. Foster with them to conduct this Bible Study. After he had answered the many interesting questions that were asked, he expounded the book of I John.

The next Bible Study was held at 6:30 P.M in the New Orleans Room of the Cortez Hotel in Weslaco. Again 31 were present. This time 21 adults and 10 children. After commenting about world news and answering several individual questions Mr. Foster expounded the first two chapters of Mark. In future Bible Studies the book of Mark will continue to be expounded, though other topics may be also discussed from time to time.

Present plans call for more Bible Studies in the Rio Grande Valley on the Sundays of August 5 and 19 and Sept. 9 and 23. All these Bible Studies will be held at 3:30 P.M. in the Cortez Hotel.

SAN ANTONIO PICNICS

The mid July picnics for the San Antonio brethren were filled with fun and fellowship. The Anglo and Mexican brethren had separate picnics at the same time in different sections of Brackenridge Park. Vollyball, badminton, softball and horseshoes filled the day with activity for both groups. Several toured the zoo while at the park. Food, of course was one of the main attractions.

The Negro brethren report that, "Our first outdoor social was a real success. Under the shade of a beautiful pecan tree we gathered around a picnic table and had a buffet style meal in the backyard of the Galimore's home. After the picnic table was cleared we brought out the games and enjoyed ourselves thoroughly. The fellowship and the cool breeze that came up from time to time was so good we forgot all about the heat of the day, as well as the time — which went by too fast. We departed with hopes of having another picnic soon."

These were, by far, the most fun filled socials occasions enjoyed by the San Antonio brethren this year. Such occasions are not only enjoyable but are excellent opportunities for personality and character development.

Bible Story

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The response to the semi-annual bulletin has been staggering! However, this doesn't smooth over the desperate financial need of the work. Your earnest prayers are still very badly needed!

COMING PICNICS

The Corpus Christi Church is planning another picnic for Sunday August 26. Once again we plan to use the Rob and Bessie Welder Park near Sinton. The picnic will commence about 10:00 a.m. Any change in plans will be announced in church.

Present plans call for picnics for the San Antonio Church on Sunday, September 26. Plans are not yet complete but announcements will be made in church.

CHILDREN'S COLUMN

Dear Boys and Girls:

Here again is a multiple choice quiz. Circle the words that make the following statements true — only one is correct.

- Jacob was so excited when he learned that Joseph was alive that he: shouted, fainted, prayed.
- Jacob asked God about going to Egypt. God told him: to wait one year, not to go, not to be afraid.
- When Pharaoh inquired of Jacob's sons as to their occupation, he was told they were: farmers, herdsmen, builders.
- Pharaoh asked Jacob's age. Was he told: 90 years, 175 years, 130 years?
- Pharaoh settled the Israelites in an area which was: mountainous, very poor land, fertile territory.
- The name of the territory where Israel settled was: Goshen, Onan, Beersheba.
- Jacob adopted the two sons of Joseph because he wanted them: to get his property, not mix with the Egyptians, to bury him in Canaan.
- The nation which came from Manasseh would be: just a leader in world politics, great exporters of iron ore, the greatest nation on earth.
- Before Jacob's death he called his sons together and told them: to go back to Canaan the next year, to bury him in a great pyramid, a little of the future of each tribe.
- After Jacob died: he was embalmed, buried in Pharaoh's tomb, buried in the land of Goshen.

Fill In The Following Blanks:

- In Midian Moses stayed at the home of..... also called.....
- Moses married..... one ofdaughters.
- While in Midian Moses earned his living by.....sheep. He had time to think, pray, and write. His writings are a part of thenow.
- Back in Egypt the Israelites were.....
- God heard their.....
- God called Moses from a
- God told Moses that he should go tell..... to let the IsraelitesEgypt.