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Mr. Armstrong visits camp; observes classes in person

By Kevin McKie

On the fourth of July, 1984, the Founder of Y.O.U., Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, once again arrived at the Orr, Minnesota Airport. Though he had been travelling for the past twenty-eight days, Mr. Armstrong was ready for a very busy stay at camp.

Soon after the plane landed, Mr. Armstrong was welcomed by many campers lining the road cheering and waving as Mr. Armstrong rode by into camp.

First, Mr. Armstrong was driven to the new house that just this year was built for such stays at camp. After a short tour of the new house, Mr. Armstrong talked with

some of the administration about the year's SEP program.

Mr. Armstrong was very excited about the new activities of parascending and communications. He was particularly interested in the first copy of the *Summer Times* newspaper. He was shown many of the stories that the campers wrote and commented on several of them.

For the next day and a half, Mr. Armstrong visited many of the activities. He really got involved wherever possible, from operating the new electronic scoreboard at the softball field, to sitting in as a group of campers recorded a radio commercial in Commun-

ications.

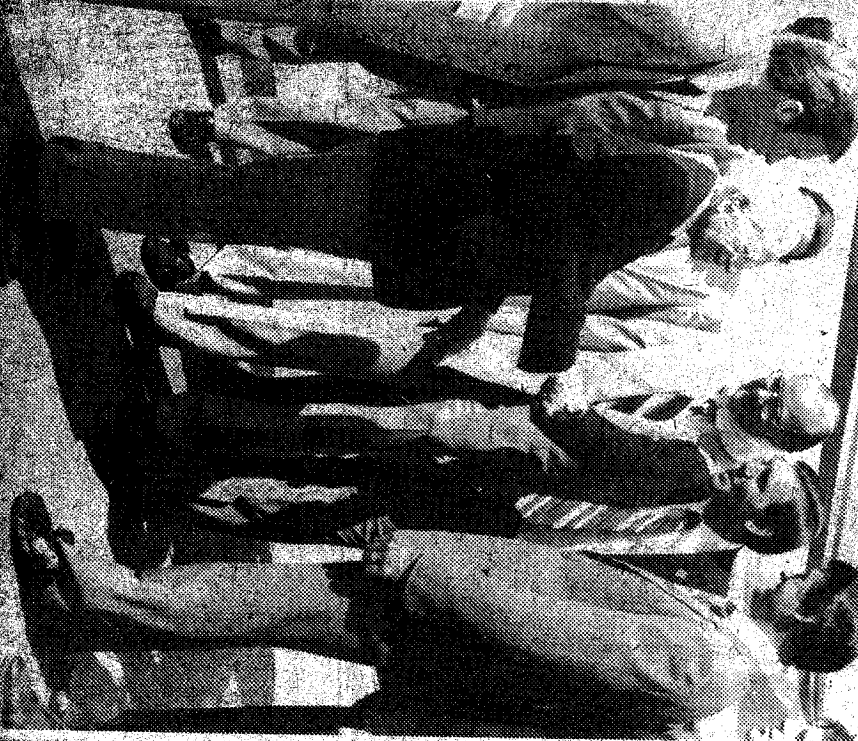
Mr. Armstrong also attended a brunch with the staff, a dinner with the faculty, the take-off of a parascender, and gave a forum before the entire camp. (For more information on the forum, see article.)

Throughout the stay at camp, Mr. Armstrong repeatedly made it clear that the Church was beginning to put more emphasis on programs for the youth, especially at the SEP camps.

Mr. Armstrong was able to accomplish a great deal in a very short stay here at camp. He gave the faculty and staff some real encouragement and provided them with the highlight of their summer.

Founder's message clear;

young people are important



Greeting Ministers greet Mr. Armstrong at Orr Airport.
[Photo by Kevin McKie]

SEP's 20th Summer marks development of program

By Deanna Schow

An old school bus pulls up the dusty drive and comes to a stop in front of the dining hall. Fifty more YOUNG campers have just entered the SEP zone. But the campers that file off this bus will enter a slightly different dimension than that of their predecessors.

Imagine yourself, nineteen years ago, arriving on this campus to participate as a camper for the first year of this Summer Educational Program in Orr Minn. As you step off the bus you are welcomed by a smiling group of people waiting and willing to work with you, and waiting and willing to make you work. They want this to be the best

summer of you life!

Dr. Floyd Lockner is the camp director. Other faculty members and staff workers include Mr. and Mrs. Pyle, Mr. and Mrs. Overlander, Mr. and Mrs. Colby, Mr. Petty, Dr. gemmano and Dr. Parish who will be your camp doctor. Mr. and Mrs. Thornhill will be heading the ski crew, and a young graduate of Imperial High School, Mr. Mel Dahlgren, will be helping out. Mr. Dick is standing next to young Kevin Dean, who is a high school kitchen worker. Mr. Dean is a very hard worker, putting in long hours washing dishes and making sure your food is lip-smacking good.

After the hello's, your

By Deanna Schow

On the rainy afternoon of July 5, 1984, campers, work-

snappy camp uniforms are issued. They are knee-length navy blue skirts for the girls and navy blue pants for the boys. Jeans? No Way. You will be wearing this clothing every day of camp. Yes, even to Church Services. So you may as well pack away your own garments until the camp session is over. Isn't that a relief? You will not have to spend two hours each morning deciding what to wear. And you won't have to change your outfit five times a day, it will always be the same. But watch out young ladies! If your skirt does not touch the floor while kneeling, pieces of material will be sewn around

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This is the second edition of the SEP Summer Times. It is a paper that ultimately belongs to the campers. And, we feel that it is one that they can really be proud of. As you know, a lot of work and time has gone into this issue.

At first, we were a little worried about asking each dorm to complete a page of articles. Within their dorms, they worked in groups, selecting their subjects, doing the

interviews, collecting information and writing stories. The campers responded so well, we even had more than we could use. Even though the campers were kept as busy as they were, they managed to turn in nearly every article by the deadline.

Not only did they work very hard to get them in on time, but the articles as a whole were very well done. Many good photographs were taken

as well. Good potential has been shown in this session's newspaper. We would like to encourage all of the campers to develop that potential by reading, writing, and taking journalism and communication classes.

Hopefully, for many campers, this paper won't be the end of your communication skill development, but the beginning.

ers and faculty of the second session SEP gathered in the gymnasium to hear Apostle Herbert W. Armstrong speak. One of Mr. Armstrongs first comments was that he is not far from the age of YOUNG campers, although he will be turning 92 before this month is over. He stated that he would be talking to us as adults, not like little kids. In four or five

years, he said, we will be parents ourselves and that those four or five years will go by fast. But first we must realize what life is about and why we are here, he said. Mr. Armstrong then went into the movie analogy. Coming into the middle of a movie one can't understand what is going on because on

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Taking a new look-Mr. Dennis Robertson shows Mr. Armstrong one of communications 35 mm cameras. [Photo by Deanna Schow]

Imagining

By: Mr. Andrew Sticor

Imagine there's no heaven. It's easy if you try. No hell below us, above us only sky. Imagine all the people living for today.

Imagine there's no country. It isn't hard to do. Nothing to kill or die for and no religion too. Imagine all the people living life in peace.

You may say that I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope some day you'll join us and the world will be as one.

Imagine no possessions. I wonder if you can. No need for greed or hunger: a brotherhood of man. Imagine all the people sharing all the world.

You may say that I'm a dreamer but I'm not the only one. I hope some day you'll join us and the world will live as one.

So run the words of a popular song written and sung by John Lennon in the early '70's. The words of this song reflect John Lennon's idea of a perfect world. We perhaps would not agree with all of his imaginings. John Lennon however really believed that such a world could be brought about if everyone gained the vision that he had. He backed his convictions with many dramatic and bizarre actions in his attempts to encourage the world to see the future according to his imaginations. Along with his wife, Yoko Ono, he conducted his famous lie in, in a New York hotel. He went on a well publicized fast for several days. He sponsored and sang at many rock

concerts which promoted the Lennon

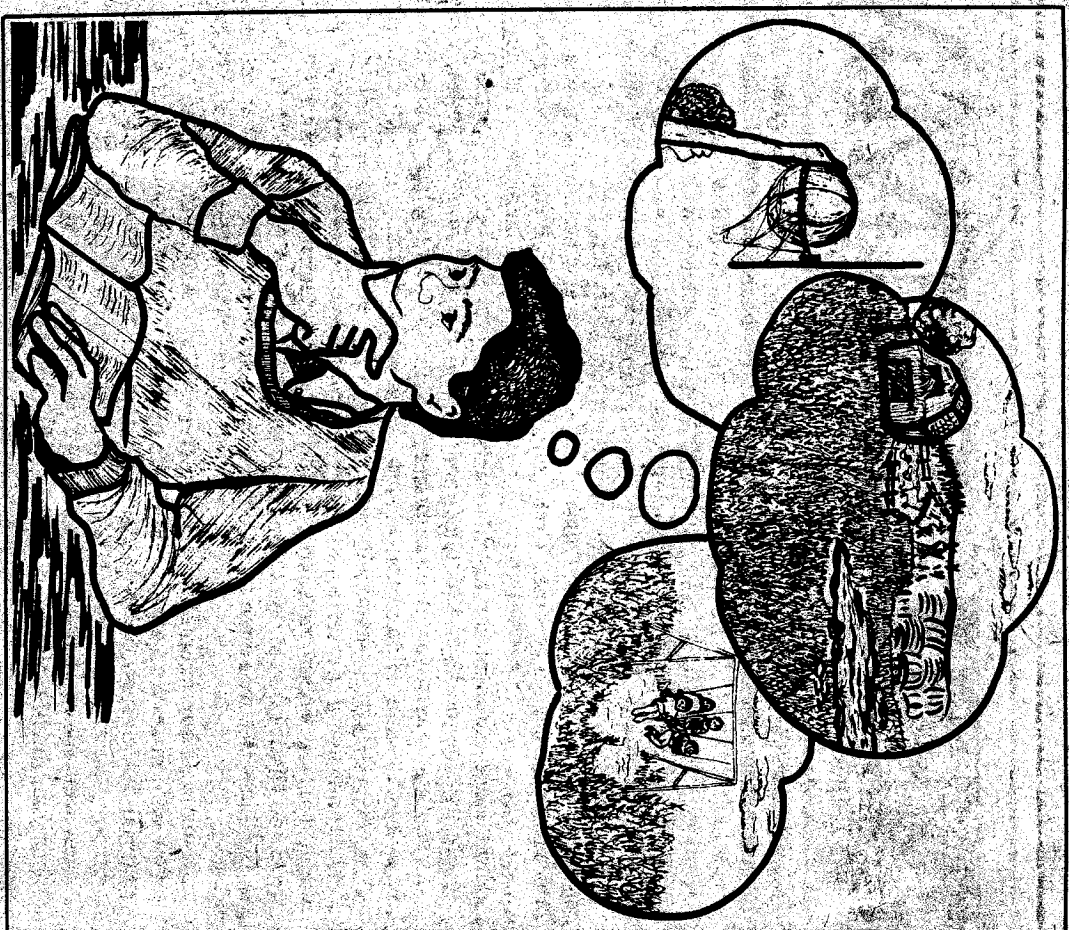
Many young people today have no real reason to positively imagine.

They are afraid to imagine too much because there is not much to imagine positively in our world today. All the future seems to hold is unemployment, deteriorating family relations, a boring automated life with the constant spectre of nuclear annihilation hanging over the world.

But for you young people in God's Church that is not the case. You have seen here at SEP how positive imaginations can become reality. You have seen how by setting goals for yourself and going all out to accomplish them can be rewarding and satisfying.

Vividly imagine how you will talk with and treat Mom and Dad. Imagine so that you can almost taste and feel what it will be like to work hard at school and prepare yourself for a good job. Let your imagination capture a picture of how much you have to contribute in your church YOUNG PEOPLE group. Imagine the joy and beauty of a happy marriage and use that vision to guide you in your relationships with members of the opposite sex and in dating. If you are looking toward Ambassador College, imagine the reality of being there so vividly that you will be motivated to work to your utmost to quality to enter.

The point is that you set yourself some short-term goals that were very vivid and real to you as you looked at the environment in which you could succeed. Because you saw others achieving similar goals you felt you



Motivation Positive

By: Mr. Jeb Egbert

Not long ago, learned and scholarly psychologists came upon a great new find! No one had ever heard the terms that they began to use when discussing human behavior. It seems that they had discovered a bold new concept, **MOTIVATION**! They began

you may attain the opposite of misery.

While this world is moving forward to Armageddon, you have had the opportunity to learn what it takes to be truly happy. You are **RIGHT NOW** in the process of making **THE MOST IMPORTANT** decision of your life. But before you make that decision, you

type 'Utopia

Although we may not agree entirely with Lennon's philosophy, we have to respect one thing about him: He did have a vision of the future. He *did* actively work toward the utopia he envisioned. John Lennon himself is dead! His dreams and hopes for the future died with him and are now largely forgotten. The hit song 'Imagine' is now just a statistic as a past hit only occasionally replayed as a 'reviewed 45'.

For the past three weeks here at SEP you have been hearing about setting and shooting for your goals. This is the first law of success that Mr. Armstrong teaches in his booklet 'The Seven Laws of Success'. Your imagination plays a vital part in setting those goals. It is important that you see your future in as vivid a way as possible.

In Communications class you have worked with video recorders and cameras. You have seen how much more real and life-like the world is when captured on a video tape, rather than recorded merely in print or the spoken word. Your future—whether it be tomorrow, next month, next year or the Millennium, needs to be graphically real in your mind. Just as real as a picture captured on video tape!

Can you imagine what life will be like for you when you leave school? How do you imagine you will cope with working for a living? Can you imagine what life at Ambassador College is like? Have you thought to imagine the relationship you could have with your parents, with a little effort and a concerted determination to talk to Mom and Dad? How much does a happy and successful marriage figure in your imaginings? Do you imagine the part you can have in rebuilding that earth? The question really is: *Do you imagine at all?*

could use the same. Because you administration and you counselors showed you clearly how you could achieve your goals you decided to "go for it" and succeeded. You have had practice at imagining and succeeding. Now it is time to leave camp and go home. Hopefully you will take this lesson with you.

Whatever you imagined you could do here at SEP, you hopefully have achieved.

I'm sure that we all have an academic desire to live in and experience the Millennium. Do we truly imagine the millennium though, in its reality? Is it a real world to us, with real grass and trees, real animals, real houses and people. Can we envision a world with real peace and happiness? Do we imagine a time of rebuilding, of improvement, of work, of leadership and responsibility? If we don't, we need to be *imagining*!

A word of caution however. In beginning to imagine, and to paint vivid pictures of our goals and our future, we must be sure to paint the right kind of pictures. We must be careful to have *realistic* and *accurate* imaginings. Our parents, ministers, and counselors can help us with this. They can guide us into painting real and accurate pictures in our minds. Use your experience here at camp to help guide you in fixing vivid and real goals. Be sure to set short-term as well as long term goals.

God's Word tells us that "where there is no vision, the people perish". Without real vivid goals you will be like a ship drifting at sea without a rudder.

John Lennon's imagination carried him a long way, but a madman finally ended his life. Your imagination can help you to fulfill the greatest future that human beings have ever dreamed of, so *imagine*!

to alert me uneducated and ignorant of the need for positive or negative motivation. Unfortunately, however, this concept is older than man and was created by God.

In the first five books of the Bible, God inspired Moses to write about positive motivation and negative motivation. Deut. 30:19 sums up these concepts well. We see that God has set before us two ways of life, blessing or cursing, life or death. The laws that have been set in motion are as sure as the rising sun, and man has been testing those laws for 6000 years.

God simply tells us that if we obey him, He **WILL** bless us, but if we disobey, we **WILL** be cursed. It doesn't take a great power of observation to discover the direction that most people have chosen, and this world is about to be launched into the worst curse that anyone has ever seen:

WORLD WAR III! We find that this war is going to be the worst that has ever been (Matt. 24:21). But God is leaving the choice as to whether we want to go through those miserable times up to us!

You now know, after these three short weeks, the ingredients by which

not always going to be easy, because it is the exact opposite of the way the god of this world wants you to go. However, just like the law of gravity, if you use the ingredients you have learned while here at SEP, the law will work, and you will one day reap the rewards of God's positive motivation.

On the other hand, one doesn't have to be a Bible scholar to see that this world isn't getting any better. One doesn't have to understand Greek lexicons to see that the ultimate destiny of man's current course is nuclear holocaust. One doesn't have to have incredible intelligence to realize that our society is on a collision course with disaster. This was all predicted way back in the time of Moses, thousands of years ago. Since that time, people have experienced God's negative motivation. They have been and are being cursed.

Now the choice is yours. Two ways have been set before you, and no one is forcing you to make the decision. It's up to you—the ball is in your court. The next move that you make could lead you to destruction, or it could lead you to a wonderful life in a much better World Tomorrow. Choose **LIFE!**



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