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## FOLLOW-UP BIBLE LECTURES BEGIN JUNE 30

### DIRECTOR ANTICIPATES INFLUX OF NEW PROSPECTIVES

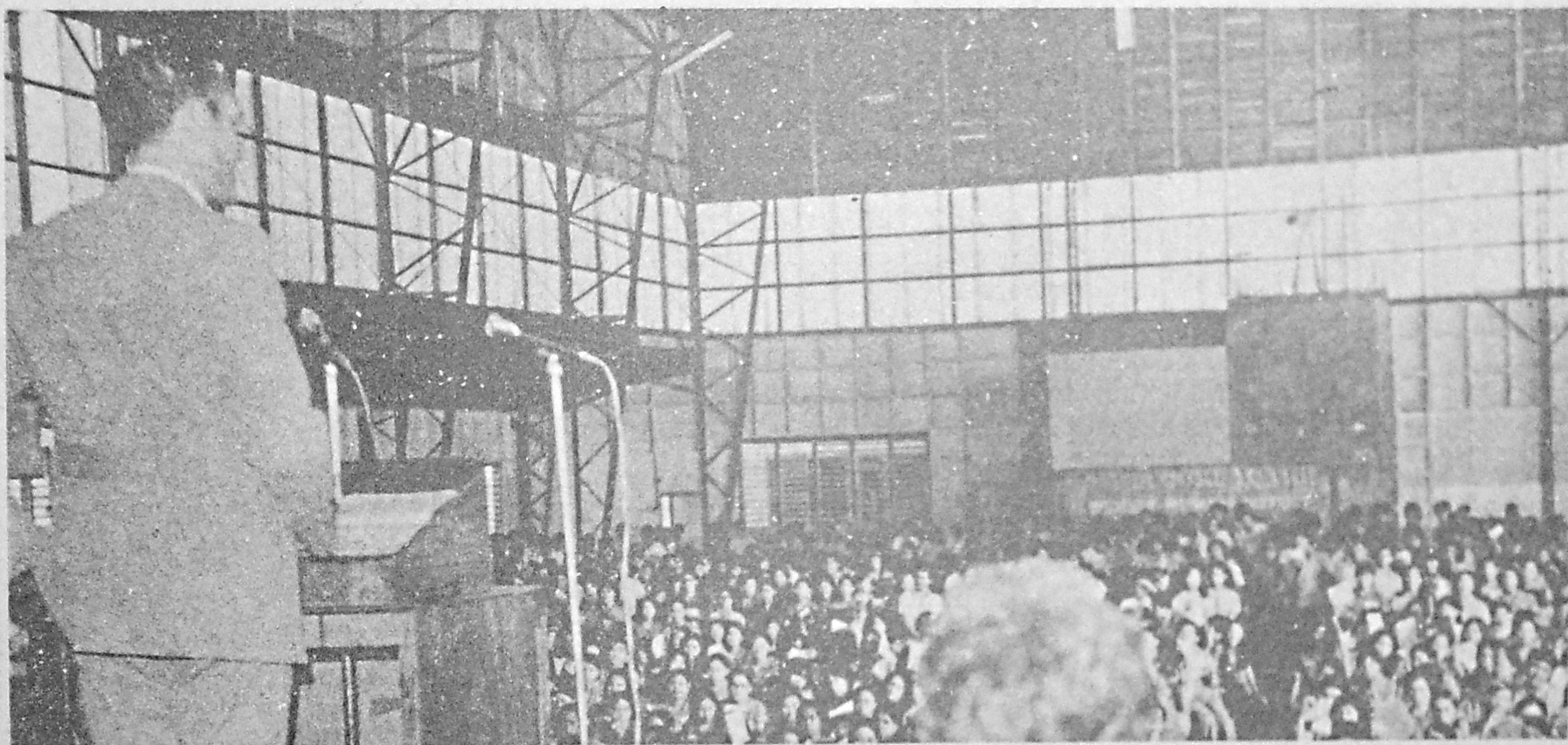


PHOTO shows Mr. Colin Adair delivering a lecture before students of the Zamboanga A. E. Colleges, Zamboanga City in December of last year. In foreground is Mrs. Adair. A series of lec-

tures by Mr. Adair similar to the above but this time discussing subjects right from the Bible will be held at the UE Auditorium starting June 30 in the Follow-Up Bible Lectures.

**A** BOUT A MONTH-AND-A-HALF AFTER THE PRECEDENT SETTING CAMPAIGN OF MR. HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG, ANOTHER MILESTONE IS SCHEDULED TO BE WRITTEN IN THE HISTORY OF GOD'S WORK IN THE PHILIPPINES

On June 30, 1974, Mr. Colin Adair, Regional Director for the Northeast Asian Work, will begin a series of eight Bible lectures at the University of the East Auditorium in downtown Manila.

The Bible lectures are follow-up lectures of Mr. Armstrong's campaign held last May at the Araneta Coliseum. The people expected to attend these lectures are those who may

have heard or attended the campaign. As of June 24, some one thousand five hundred and fifty people have already signified their intention to attend the lectures.

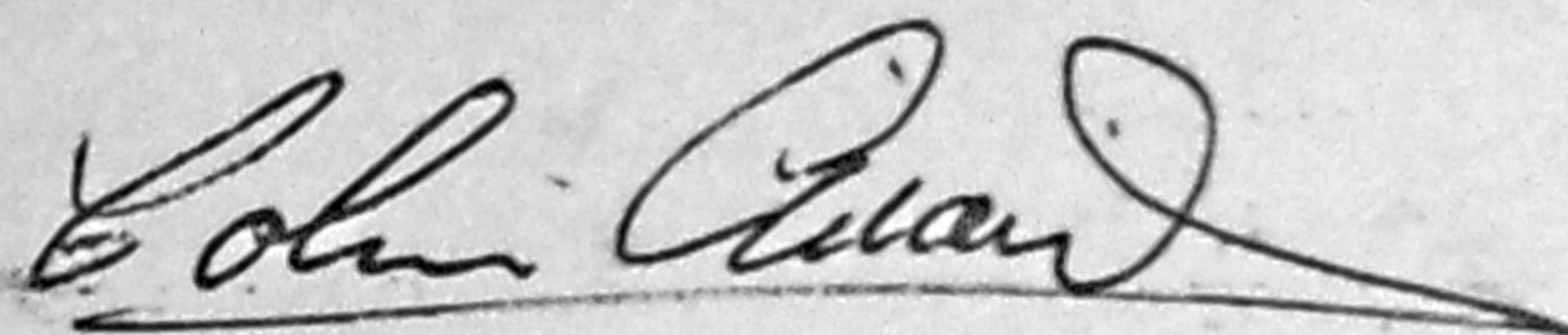
According to Mr. Adair, the basic format of the lectures will be an hour of lecture for each meeting on direct biblical topics. He will be speaking "straight to the point" on the major doc-

trines such as Salvation, Sabbath, Holy Days, Resurrection, Repentance and Baptism, God's Spirit, the True Church and Faith. At the end of each lecture there will be a question and answer session where Mr. Adair will clarify certain points that any member of the audience may ask.

The basic aim of these lectures, he said, is to (Please turn to page 3)



# Personal from



July 1974. "Hope deferred makes the heart sick: but when the desire comes, it is a tree of life" (Prov. 13:12). That verse, brethren, sums up what happened just after I wrote my personal for last month's issue.

As you know, I told you about the possibility of a minister coming from the U.S. to take over the Visayan area, mentioning that he would probably arrive sometime in August. I know I said it was not definite, but yet it was 99.99% definite! A few days after CONTACT had gone to press I received word from the International Division that due to more pressing needs in his area, the minister in question felt he could not at present leave the U.S. Also his regional director was very much against him leaving at this time. On examining the situation I had to admit that the need was greater in the U.S. than here. However, the minister did say that he would be willing to come sometime in the future if he was really needed. So that news fulfilled the first part of the proverb!

## Best Choice

The second part of the proverb was fulfilled a little later. I was able to arrange for an Ambassador College graduate (who finished College just this past month) and his wife to come instead! Mr. and Mrs. George Hood have spent six months in Thailand some time ago and had expressed a wish to work in the Asian area after graduation. Originally they were scheduled to go

to Canada to work, but I managed to get word to them before they left Pasadena, thus diverting them from Canada to the Philippines even as they will no doubt be packing up to leave. I had talked to both of them during the Conference in May and had left them with the news that I really wanted an elder who could go down right away to Cebu. I told them that perhaps in a few years time we would need them in the Philippines. But after the first disappointment I realized that the Hoods were the best choice. They will stay in Manila for at least six months and then to move to the Visayas. They are apparently very excited at the prospect of coming here. I just received a telex from them this past weekend. They will be arriving in Manila late July. They have already obtained a 6-month visa, and will apply for a work visa when they get here.

## Bible Lectures

Right now everyone in the Manila area is excited at the upcoming Bible lectures being planned, following Mr. Armstrong's campaign. As of the time of writing we already have 1,452 people coming. A letter was sent to 18,000 people who are P.T. readers and others who attended the campaign. Enclosed was a card for them to return indicating the number of persons intending to come. Just today (Friday) the second letter announcing the time and place is being sent out.

We will be having the lectures at the U.E. audi-

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torium in down-town Manila. Dr. Dalupan, Vice President of the University, has asked that ten seats be reserved for himself and other University Officials. They do understand that the lectures will be "pure" Bible so I hope they are prepared for strong meat! We will be covering many subjects during the eight meetings, and anyone who attends every single one will have had a real witness of what life is all about, and what the future holds. Brethren, we all need to be praying fervently that God will call some of those attending so they can find the right way of life and be put into God's Church.







# MANILA CHURCH NEWS

## ELDERLY PEOPLE'S PARTY

By Johnny Logrono

### MEMBER AT MAHARNILAD CITED AS MODEL EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

"This is the only way I know how to preach the gospel," says Miss Ofelia Limpoco when she was asked to comment on her being cited as one of the model employees of the City of Manila.

Miss Ofelia Limpoco, a long-time member of the Manila church and an employee in the Manila City Hall, was one of the awardees as outstanding government employees in the recently concluded "Araw ng Maynila" celebrations.

The awarding ceremonies was held in the Bulwagang Katipunan of the City Hall of Manila last June 25. According to Mayor Bagatsing, the purpose of the awards is to "foster the development and maintenance of a high level of employee performance and provide the incentive for the improvement of individual employee efficiency."

Among the thousands of City Hall employees a model employee from each respective category was chosen by an Awards Committee headed by Dr. Josefina Navarro, Superintendent of City Schools.

Miss Limpoco who works as a clerk at the City Schools Division was chosen by the Awards Committee as Model Clerk of the Year. The criteria which guided the Awards Committee in choosing the model employees included productiveness, knowledge of work, dependability, initiative, adjustability, industry, cooperativeness, attitude, attendance and

### CLUB LAUNCH-OFF MEETING

By Cesar Tan

The "rejuvenated, reactivated and reconstructed" Manila "A Young Ambassadors Club held its orientation and acquaintance meeting on June 11, 1974 at the Ambascos office. The meeting (lasting for two hours) started at 6:05 P.M. Twenty-five enthusiastic young ambassadors gave their answers to the common question "WHAT'S IN IT FOR US?"

Mr. Edmond Macaraeg, director of the Socials and Entertainment Division gave the inspirational talk. During the orientation (please turn to page 6)

punctuality, courtesy, moral character and neatness.

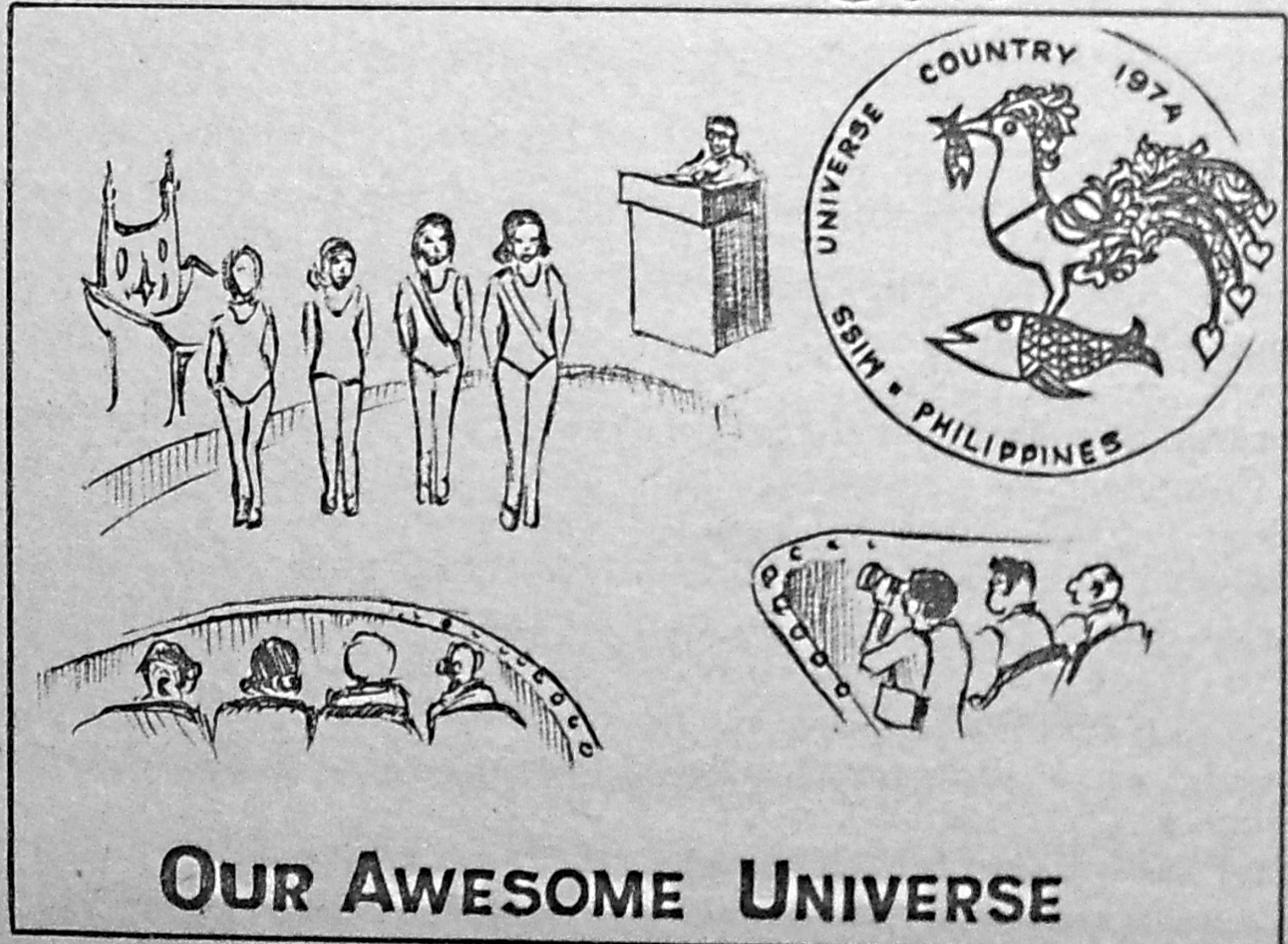
(Rey Taniajura and Gemma Matilac)

Bel-Air, Makati - Screaming in the newspaper headlines last Saturday, June 15th, 1974 was the announcement of the coming of typhoon "Klaring" due for the next day, right on time with the scheduled elderly people's party. Mr. Adair announced during the sabbath service that the two could not take place at the same time. So, he urged everybody to pray hard that the typhoon would give way.

Came Sunday, June 16th and indeed "the prayer of an 'elderly' man availed much." The weather was very fine and beautiful. "Klaring" didn't turn up. (She must not have been old enough to join the "Old People's Party.") So, the party which was to be held in Mr. and Mrs. Adair's home in Bel-Air, Makati, was on as scheduled.

The party turned out very successful. At 6:30 P.M. 13 guests (55 years please turn to page 6)

as viewed from our  
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# PROBLEMS THRESED OUT IN SINGLE PEOPLE'S MEETING

## SINGLE LADIES' OPEN FORUM HELD

by Suzette Magallanes

The most needed single people's meeting (for the girls) was held in the morning of June 9 at the Adairs' residence. The girls placed enough importance on this meeting to make it a full house despite the rains and the coming Ladies' Night that night.

Mrs. Adair presided over the meeting while Mrs. Raduban and Mrs. Mirto were on hand to help her out. Questions like "Can love grow out of pity" and "Is it alright to give a gift or the like to the opposite sex?" were answered (if the men would like to know the answers, ask the ladies).

From the looks of it, the girls really had most of the problems. Mrs. Adair was a bit surprised to see the pile of questions on paper which the girls handed to her (only three girls voiced out their questions.) How to turn down a date and when) how to act with one's crush, how not to give a man false hopes, how a girl should appear for the men to approach her -- tips on these things and other related matters were given to the girls.

Mr. Adair answered the more difficult questions like "At what age can a girl be courted?" and "Is it alright to accept a large amount of money from a man?" He also had the final say towards the end of the meeting. Both Mr. and Mrs. Adair admonished

the girls seriously on steady-dating. They emphasized to them, particularly the teens, that in order to have a happy teen age life and eventually a happy married life one shouldn't steady-date.

The meeting was extended for almost an hour but it was worth it. The girls were informed, instructed and corrected in man aspects regarding courtship and marriage. They were made to realize that marriage is a very serious business so that they should be very careful not to fall into any grave mistake to be regretted in the end. In spite of the extension, there were quite a number of questions (mostly novel-like ones) left unanswered till the next meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Adair vividly showed the girls the right way towards a happy life. They stressed on following those guidelines. But it was also emphasized that it is really up to the girls themselves whether they will follow the right way or not. And we all hope that they do.

## BELIEVE IT NOT

The BIBLE CONDEMNS SMOKING and calls one who indulges in it "UNGODLY"



PROVERBS 16:27 says

"An UNGODLY man... in his lips is ... A BURNING FIRE"!

## MR. ADAIR TALKS ON YOUNG MEN'S DATING PROBLEMS

by Reuel Deveraturda

Mr. Colin Adair had a frank and lively talk with fifty young men on June 9. In this question-answer forum, Mr. Adair gave the right way to solve the young people's many dating and girl-relationship problems. It was held in the Adairs' residence at Bel-Air.

Some of the advice Mr. Adair gave was the following:

The goal of every unmarried Christian is to marry a Church member. If you're 15-17 years old, you should not be thinking of marriage. Finish your education first.

Going steady? Why should you commit yourself at an early age? If you think you have found the right mate, let time prove it. Date many girls. Once you reach 20, it may be all right to search and steady-date a future wife.

Treat girls as your sisters. Date girls within your own age. It is not psychologically good to have a wife older by 5-10 years than yourself.

You should not form yourselves into cliques or exclusive groups. It is not wrong to have close friends, but it is wrong to exclude others from your friendship.

Because of the good response of the young men, Mr. Adair plans to hold similar talks more frequently. Mr. Pacifico Mirto and Mr. Jose Raduban attended the meeting also.



## CLUB LAUNCH OFF MEETING.....cont'd

tion, he explained the main objectives of the Club. He mentioned, among other things, that an effective social club depends largely on the close relationship among its members. Through the many club activities (skating, educational trips, etc. that are being planned for the future), opportunities for Christian fellowship, balanced personality and leadership abilities are being developed. Toward the end of his talk, Mr. Macaraeg admonished the club members to have an all-out support and participation in making the club a success. "The key" he stressed, "is total involvement"!

During the acquaintance part of the meeting, snacks were served. The

President briefly introduced each officer and their function in the club. Then he went on to discuss briefly the constitution and by-laws. One of the highlights (the most enjoyable part, in fact!) of the evening's program was the "getting to know you" part! Each member was given one minute talk about himself with emphasis on his special talent.

At the end of the program, the club had an open forum. Members were encouraged by the President to ask questions regarding the present and future plans of the club.

At present YAC A is composed of 5 officers and 25 members. The club regularly meets on the second Sunday of each month. For those who may be interested in joining the club, Miss Mercy David, club secretary, shall be willing to help you find your place in the club. ●

ny questions were asked in the open forum and both Mr. Macaraeg and Mr. Logrono did well in answering all of them.

The meeting, adjourning after a 30-minute extension, was a successful one. The members were made to realize the importance of the club with regards to personality development, the development of leadership abilities and most important of all, the opportunity to be able to socialize or to fellowship with each other, therefore developing unity and cooperation among themselves. The format of YAC is patterned after that of the Spokesman Club, differing one's speaking abilities, YAC is aimed at providing social fellowship to its members. Another difference (and a nice one) is membership to YAC is open to ladies.

It was pointed out to all the members that the success of the club depends mainly on how much they put into it. And it is

## ELDERLY PEOPLE'S PARTY.....cont'd

old and above) arrived in colorful Hawaiian costumes (the theme for the evening) perfectly harmonizing with the beautiful decoration in the Adairs' patio. Freely flowing fishnets, lovely flowers, plus the simple beauty of some banana leaves added more Hawaiian touch to the patio.

The dinner, which started after thirty minutes of fellowshiping, was made more enjoyable by the presence of the warm and lovely young ladies who served the guests not only with food but also with their warm and friendly smiles.

At quarter past eight, Mr. Melendez and his choir/dance troupe arrived highlighting the occasion. Hawaiian dance numbers and Hawaiian songs done with unusual finesse truly made the guests feel half their age.

To sharpen their wits Mr. Melendez divided the group into two and started asking interesting questions about the Pacific. Questions like, "What country do the Maoris inhabit," "What western power once ruled Tahiti," "What island in the Pacific has a very demanding name" and others were asked.

Group B, who made a higher score by giving more right answers, was declared winner and given a very amusing gift. Mr. Laxamana who was among the winning group, eagerly opened the prize and discovered their revitalizing gift -- Lollipop!

At 10:00 P.M. the guests went home feeling very much younger after that very successful party.

everyone's hope that each member will put into the club all he or she can to make it a real success. ●

## YAC-B MEETING

by Suzette Magallanes

The first meeting of the Young Ambassadors Club B was held last June 12 at the Ambassador College Agency office. Mr. Edmond Macaraeg, the director of the YAC, oriented the members and some in the waiting list who attended, with the purpose and the format of the club. A recess of fifteen minutes came after the orientation given by Mr. Macaraeg. Then the officers of the club were introduced by Mr. Johnny Logrono, the club president. He continued explaining to the members the requirements of being a member, the by-laws to be followed and the details of the format that Mr. Macaraeg talked about earlier. The members enjoyed talking about themselves with a minute each to do so in the "Getting to Know You" portion. Ma-



## "HALLELUJAH"

By Florencio S. Sebastian

Customarily, during the feast days, the Manila Church Choir renders its particular song offering. And on the day of Pentecost 1974, I was very much delighted to see and hear them sing the piece "Hallelujah" with noteworthy success. It was particularly a significant and much-awaited moment.

With better opportunities this time and with the choir members moving toward improvements, final mastery of the song was possible--but not without any previous setbacks in the past.

Way back in the year 1972 (I was then a member of the choir), we planned to present this particular piece in Baguio on the Feast of Tabernacles 1972, and in fact rehearsals for this song started in the early months of that year. But because of some difficulties, we simply did not make any progress as time went by. For one thing there was the demanding nature of the song. It required close attention, for instance during the alternate exchanges among the soprano, alto, bass and tenor groups. A balanced distribution of members was possible with the others except with the tenor group where I formerly belonged. We usually averaged around four in number and almost sounded empty if one was absent from our group. It was difficult to recruit enough tenors at that time. Compounded by other problems, we had to lay the plan aside.

However, the year 1973 fortunately offered better opportunities. The place of practice was transferred to the office at Davies building in Makati. The rooms were more spacious here and the premis-

es more easily accessible compared to the former one.

In order to reach it, we had to walk the long sloping and winding streets of Guadalupe and then up to Fort Bonifacio where the ground turned muddy whenever the rain fell. And with the painstaking guidance and care of Mr. Melendez, as well as with the renewed efforts of the members, the choir moved improvement. The tenors this time increased in number. Attendance was now checked and other rules and reminders had to be put into practice.

Obviously, developments within the choir indicate that things are turning for the better and that former setbacks and difficulties are being overcome as evidenced by their improving capability. And on the day of Pentecost 1974, as I heard and observed them perform the song "Halleluyah" before the congregation, I was also recalling our experience which was evoked by this song; like a story that was brought to a happy and successful ending. ●

## Church in Baguio City Established

By Rey Taniajura

A "monumental" announcement was made last Saturday, June 22, by Mr. Pedro Ortiguero, preaching elder in-charge of the Urdaneta Church.

In a Sabbath service held at the GSP auditorium Mr. Ortiguero announced to the Manila Church that beginning July 1 a church in Baguio City shall have been officially established. The recommendation to organize a church in Baguio City was approved by Mr. Colin Adair after Mr. Ortiguero made a report on the conditions prevailing in the Northern Luzon area.

## IMPERIAL CHILDREN'S CLUB FILM SHOW

By Rose Laxamana

In June 9, despite bad weather, a group of 15 children gathered at their usual meeting place for their second educational film show.

These shows are not merely for the children's relaxation and entertainment but also to impress in their minds the good lessons the films often portray. The titles of the last three films were: "The Owl and the Lemming," "Teeth are for Keeps" and "The Pony."

The Owl who bragged that he was a mighty hunter lost his prey, the lemming. The important lesson that can be deduced from this is obvious -- that the proud, the boastful will sooner or later be brought low.

"Teeth are for Keeps"-- lesson: God gave us our teeth to grind or chew our food with. We can have them for keeps if only we take good care of them.

And "The Pony" is a story about a brother and a sister in grade school who wanted very much to have a pony. They saved from their lunch-money. And before long, they found their savings had grown big enough to buy the pony and they were very happy.

After the show the children played games under the supervision of the Clubmasters. And this brought the enjoyable meeting to a close. ●

According to Mr. Ortiguero, there were two main reasons why he made the recommendation to establish a church in Baguio City. He said that with a high cost of living nowadays it is very difficult (Please turn to next page)



# GRADUATION CEREMONY HIGHLIGHTED 1973-74 LADIES' NIGHT

"Drama In Real Life" -- from daring adventures to near traumatic experiences provided the impetus for the Ladies' Night of the Manila A' and B' Spokesman Clubs. Held at Josephine's Restaurant on a rainy Sunday, June 9, the members and their ladies sat, supped and were held in suspense by the surprise-packed evening that culminated the 1973-74 Spokesman Club year.

The occasion was highlighted by the awarding of Certificates of Merit issued by Headquarters, Pasadena to 12 spokesmen who finally graduated after putting forth effort and zeal for years in speech and personality development and leadership training.

After the commends and opening prayer by the Director, Mr. Colin Adair, dinner was served. And while it was being savored, Mr. Bien Macaraeg, Jr., Club B President gave brief opening remarks. "This is indeed a significant event in the history of the Spokesman Club in the Philippines," he said, "because this is the first time that so large a number -- comparatively speaking -- will be graduating. This is also the first time that Spokesman Club members will graduate under the directorship of Mr. Colin Adair." Then he went on to introduce Mr. Frank Pedeglorio, the Topicsmaster who reeled off the first topic for discussion. This portion of the affair was made livelier with the participation of the ladies and other guests.

After a 15-minute recess, Mr. Cesar Tan, current President of Club A introduced Mr. Milo

Campbell, master for the Speeches and Evaluations sections. First speaker was Mr. Johnny Logroño who related the time he was a restless teen and crossed what seemed to be a vast distance from Bohol, his hometown to Cebu and then to Iloilo. Mr. Noe Akilit reminisced, but not without wit and candor, the Japanese occupation of his town in the Mountain Province. Rene Vargas opened his early life quite frankly to the audience when his own family were instrumental in his acquiring his inferiority complex. Happily, he has outgrown it in good measure. Love for a woman, his faith and job interests clashing -- how Roger Nasinopa overcame these was a feat all right! As for Tony Manapat, his happy childhood, his pranks with his pet dog came back vividly to his mind. The audience was thrilled and held in suspense by Mr. Lionel Gonzales' adventure in a trip to various European countries with only \$10 in his pocket. Would you dare to do it?" he asked the audience of about 140 - members, ladies and guests.

After the audience had laughed, sighed, cheered swooned and smiled in sympathy with the speakers, Mr. Adair stood up to evaluate them and give his comments and constructive criticisms. The Most Effective Speech Cup was awarded to Mr. Lionel Gonzales for his "\$10 Trip" and the Most Improved Speaker was given to Mr. Roger Nasinopa for his "Over the Mountain, Over the Sea"!

Quite nostalgic was the presentation of Certificates to the graduating spokesmen who finally made it after long years and

## CHURCH IN BAGUIO ... cont'd.

Pangasinan to attend church services in Urdaneta.

"Then there is also the problem of transportation" he said. Members coming from places outside Urdaneta find it very hard to go home early after attending services because of the lack of buses and other means of transportation.

Mr. Ortiguero is also considering the idea of transferring his family. "Eventually," he said, "the Church in Baguio would become the mother church of the Northern Luzon area while Urdaneta will probably be considered only as an outlying church area."

If all things go well, Sabbath Services is planned to be held every week in Baguio City while there will only be a bi-weekly services in Urdaneta. As (Please turn to page 10)

the arduous job of gathering speech materials, organizing them to make the speech purposeful, clear, colorful, factual and stirring then trimming it down to a compact 6-minute speech. Gone are those cold feet and butterflies in the stomach! Gone too are the most awaited Ladies' Nights. The rest of the gang will surely miss them. Congratulations to the graduates!

As the evening wore on, music and singing from selected singers permeated the air as the entertainment part spiced the occasion. It was ably arranged by Jose dela Cruz and company.

And of course, to capture the memory of the wonderful night, pictures were taken of the graduates and of the club members. (C. Layug & L. Acosta)



# BRIEF PERSONALS OF LATEST SPOKESMAN CLUB GRADUATES

## CLUB - A:

FEDERICO N. ALAZAS - Former President of Club-A, he is (with wife and son) presently residing in Cebu City, his native place. A graduate of an education course he has also taken up additional music courses.

RODOLFO A. BONGAT - Presently residing in Sta. Cruz, Manila where he heads the branch office of Diplomat Carrier Service, he is a native of Goa, Camarines Sur. A former architecture student of MLQ Univ., he has also been formerly connected with RCPI.

MAXZIX Z. FABRICANTE - A native of Talisay, Camarines Norte, he is presently residing (with his wife and son) in Guadalupe, Makati. Connected with Manila Bank in a responsible position, he was Treasurer of Club A.

OSCAR S. GONZALES - Now residing (with his wife) in Cubao, Quezon City, he is originally a native of Vinzons, Camarines Norte. A graduate in Public Administration, he is presently employed in a department in the Univ. of the Philippines, Quezon City.

JOSE C. MACATANGAY - A "tunay na Tagalog," he is presently residing in San Juan, Rizal. Having attended the Lyceum of the Phil., he is now pursuing his master in educational administration degree at the Phil. Normal College.

MEDARDO M. MANINANG - A native of Pampanga, he is presently residing (with his wife and son) on the outskirts of Guadalupe, Makati. Employed with Ambassador College Agency

since 1966, he is working in the Financial Affairs Department. He was in the past Treasurer of Club-A.

SAMUEL V. MERCADO - Now residing in Sta. Cruz, Manila, he is a native of Maasin, Southern Leyte. He is presently taking up Commerce in the Lyceum of the Phil. A multi-skilled young man, he was a boy scout in his youth.

SERVILLANO A. MIGUEL - A "GI" (genuine Ilocano) born in Urdaneta, Pangasinan, he and his wife are presently residing in Meycauayan, Bulacan. He has finished an associate course in Nautical Science. His motto is: "Still achieving, still pursuing."

FRANCISCO S. PEDRORIO - Born in San Fabian, Pangasinan, he is presently residing in Guadalupe, Makati, and connected with J. C. Interior Masters as Service Consultant & Contractor. Also, he is a member of the Manila Church Choir. He is studying at the Univ. of the East.

CANDIDO A. DE LOS REYES - A native of Caramoran, Cantanduanes, he is presently residing in Guadalupe, Makati, working with Goodprint Press. He has taken up a secretarial course and also took up Commerce-major in accounting at the Univ. of the East.

## CLUB - B:

NICANOR ENRIQUEZ - Born in Bulan, Sorsogon, he claims to have been born in outer space ("Bulan", meaning Moon)! A very jovial fellow he is a successful barber having established his shop and residence (with his wife and daughter) in Guadalupe, Makati. He was treasurer of Club B.

VICTOR A. LIM - A native of Dumaguete City, he has studied at the Silliman Univ. where he obtained his bachelor's degree in Chemistry. Now residing (with his wife and son) at Guadalupe, Makati, he is presently teaching Chemistry and Natural Science at the Univ. of the East. He was formerly Vice-President of Club B.

BIENVENIDO D. MACARAEG, JR. Born in Ipil, Zamboanga del Sur of basically Ilocano parentage, he was the President of Club B. (Club B was first established in 1971). A Veterinary Medicine scholar at the Univ. of the Philippines in 1966, he was later employed at the Ambassador College Agency and presently works as Administrative and Staff Assistant. He is presently residing with his wife in Guadalupe, Makati.

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## CONTACT POINT GETS

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And lately, Miss Sotomil received another letter from Mrs. Presbitero informing her that her eyeglasses have been received already. She's now using them. Mrs. Presbitero would be reading this issue of the CONTACT with those eyeglasses!

Yes, that pair of eyeglasses was given free. Not so much as an obligation even. No cost.

But there was a follow-up! The two are not exchanging letters. They are regularly corresponding. And that's some form of a follow-up.

To Mrs. Lina Presbitero -- happy and reading.



## BLUES THUMP GOLDS, 41-38

The Blues (ACA Employees Team), outshot and out rebounded the swift moving Golds last Saturday night, June 22, to down the shining team 41-38, before a big crowd (response to "ningas-cogon" sermonette?) at the Ayala Basketball Court, Makati, Rizal.

The victory was the team's second after winning over the Oranges, 63-61, last June 8. The Blues had already played 3 games in a 5-game series for each team in the 2nd round of this year's basketball season.

Two of the women's basketball teams, the Chicklets and the Pacific who played after this game were the "icing on the cake." As one of their advertisements at GSP goes "No doubt about it, the ladies' basketball games are much more exciting!" And it really was. The score? 2-0 for the Chicklets.

## WHITES TRIM GREENS, 45-43

Meanwhile, the Whites' fast and tireless cagers edged a 45-43 squeaker over the hardworking GREENS in the 2nd game for the evening.

With the Green visibly lacking in defense, the Whites had a field day. They executed passes almost at will with lay ups and outside shots.

Bing Valencia who made the first 4 points for the Greens made 2 straight baskets and a score from the charity line in the last quarter helping a lot to even the score at 41 all.

The Greens reached out from 13 points down in the first quarter to a blazing 2 points lead, 43-41, after Gulfan connected a follow-

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up of Jimenez' miss.

Yadao and Lito Mendoza converted two straight baskets giving the upper hand back to the Whites again. Jimmy Ramos of the Greens beautifully stole a pass and broke loose for a lay-up but was brutally fouled by an opponent.

Yadao intercepted an in bound pass by Chu in five seconds remaining. The game ended with the final score of 45-43.

The Greens, although having committed a lot of 3-second violations which annulled a lot of winning scores was well triggered into play by their loyal cheerers. "We still love you anyway!" (by Johnny Logrono) ●

## AGAB MEETING

By Vic Lim

Mr. Jose Raduban, overall chairman of the AGAB met with the directors and leaders of the men's and women's basketball teams at the Ambascos office on Tuesday, June 11.

During the meeting Mr. Raduban lamented the waning interest of some of the members of the basketball teams. He cited in particular the "ningas-cogon" (short-lived) enthusiasm displayed by the women's teams. He also pointed out that some of the members were not paying their monthly dues promptly.

At the close of the meeting the chairman commended the leaders for their past efforts. He also asked them to spark renewed enthusiasm and the sense of responsibility among their members. ●

## CHURCH IN BAGUIO .... cont'd.

of now, Mr. Ortiguero will be holding Sabbath services in Urdaneta and Baguio City alternately.

The Urdaneta Church will be holding Sabbath services every first and third Sabbath of every month while the Baguio congregation will be meeting every second and fourth Saturday.

Mr. Ortiguero also disclosed to the Manila Church that he has already conducted a preliminary Sabbath Service in Baguio City last June 8.

The Service which was held at the Quirino Hall was attended by fifty-three members. After the morning service in Urdaneta last June 8 Mr. Ortiguero had to drive his car to Baguio so as to meet the brethren there at three o'clock in the afternoon.

A Bible study was also conducted by Mr. Ortiguero at the same Hall last June 20 where some forty-two people attended.

After briefly relating the history of the progress of the Work in the Philippines from the time of its inception he also asked the question, "What really makes the Church grow?"

"A lot of it depends on prayer," was his answer. He then asked the members to be more fervent in their prayers in anticipation for the growth of the Church here in the Philippines. At the same time he requested the members to also pray for him since he too had to face a lot of problems and decisions in pastoring the church in Urdaneta and in Baguio.

His call to fervently pray for him and the church in the Philippines is not only directed to the members of the Manila Church but also to the entire membership of God in the Philippines as well. ●



# PROVINCIAL NEWS

## CANADIAN CHURCH HELPS URDANETA BRETHREN

By Ben G. Rimando, Sr.

God's blessings are some of the means of intensifying His people's faith.

It's true that life is getting harder and harder. The enormous soaring of prices of basic needs and the seriousness of living has occurred since the energy crisis worsened.

God's people are involved. Many, if not all, of the brethren here in Northern Luzon can barely provide all the things they need and are having a hard time to make both ends meet.

But God's hand is never shortened to help His people. A few weeks ago the Canadian brethren sent used clothing for the Urdaneta Church. The used clothing was very nice, modern in style, of fine fabrics and were fitted especially for the children. They were sent through the help of Mr. Mrs. Eli Ventura, Filipino brethren who are working in the Church's office in Vancouver.

And as there are many scattered brethren here in the Northern part of Luzon the used clothing was divided so that many of the needy could benefit. Some were distributed last May 25 in our Sabbath service in Bacag, Villasis, Pangasinan and on the Feast of Pentecost in CA Hall, Urdaneta, Pangasinan. Those who were not able to attend had some delivered to them through the brethren who were able to attend and live near their homes. Those who have already taken their share were very grateful to God that He does always bless

His people in spite of the present situation.

On behalf of the brethren here in the Urdaneta and the scattered members, our minister in charge, Mr. Pedro Ortigueiro and all of us join hands to heartily thank our Canadian brethren for their war and brotherly love to us. ●

## First Pentecost held in Cebu

By Ismarlo de la Torre

Cebu City, June 2. It was one of those wonderful events this year, one which the brethren in Cebu will never forget. The Visayan brethren were very lucky (or was it really luck?) to be able to attend the first Pentecost ever observed in this area.

What a joyous event it was, although there was no formal gathering of the brethren at a meal (except in scattered groupings) such as would normally be done on Feast days.

There were many brethren who came from the neighboring provinces just to attend Pentecost in Cebu. Some came from Leyte, Bohol, and Negros and far-away cities like Bacolod and Iloilo. Among them were Mr. & Mrs. Babol Mr. & Mrs. Santibanez, and Mr. & Mrs. Castillon and undoubtedly many more whose names I can't remember. Nevertheless we were very happy to have them all with us.

We especially thank Mr. Mirto and Mr. Macaraeg for coming to Cebu to conduct the services. We also wish to express our sincere appreciation to those who came from far-away places who, by their fine example, gave some degree

## Contact Point gets Results

By S. C. Caligan, Jr.

"Are you myopic (near-sighted) in your vision and urgently in need of glasses but can't quite afford a pair"?

This question, as most of you have already read, appeared in the February issue of CONTACT. It's all about a pair of glasses that its owner was giving away.

The owner, Miss Cecilia Sotomil, of Sta. Barbara, Iloilo, did not need them anymore. She had just acquired a new pair. Why not give the old pair to one who needs it? That thought undoubtedly entered Cecille's mind -- for she lost no time in contacting Mr. Bien Macaraeg, Jr. who is handling the column CONTACT POINT -- to announce that her eyeglasses were for the asking -- free!

But not anyone could simply have those glasses. The person who would request them must have the same 650 vision Cecille had. And naturally -- she must be a woman. The design of the eyeglasses was definitely feminine. Can  
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of encouragement to the Cebu church.

We had, as a result, about 86 people in attendance on the Sabbath of May 25. Over 90 people attended on Pentecost, May 26. We were thrilled to have this very special occasion held at another location - in the conference hall of Town and Country Restaurant.

To one and all, from the nearest brother to the farthest lone member of this Church, the Cebu brethren rejoice to share the feeling of gladness and inspiration among the firstfruits in God's plan, fittingly portrayed by this holy day. ●



## Personal Profile

### *My Impressions of*

## *Doña Josefa Edralin Marcos*

by Napoleon Acebron

Doña Sepa, or Nana Sepa as she is fondly called, is no doubt one of the happiest and the most fulfilled mothers in the country today. The reason is clear. At her old age when people are either sick or dying, she reaps the inner joy and personal pride of seeing her successful children. There is Dr. Pacifico Marcos of the Medicare. Her daughter is the governor of Ilocos Norte. And what a fabulous daughter-in-law Mrs. Imelda Romualdez Marcos.

After reading the Child Rearing booklet, she said "why, I applied these things in bringing up my children. Of course, I was not aware then that I was applying these principles, but you can see that my children are the result of proper child rearing. When my husband died, I never lost control of my family. My children have always been very close to me."

Like any grandmother, she is deeply concerned for the young people today. Whatever income goes to her goes out to all her educational foundations. One is the Bicol Technical Institute Educational Foundation headed by Mrs. Saturnina Cañeba. Mrs. Marcos has similar projects in Mindanao and in other parts of Luzon. In fact she expressed the wish for Ambassador College to put up a branch here in the Philippines. These things keep her going. People flock daily to her official residence. She is very glad that our publications have given her added confidence and

authority to give advice to people with marital problems, job seekers, and mostly to young people who are in need of proper guidance about dating and possible marriages. Now she could tell people how to succeed, how to derive happiness out of accomplishment.

When she was shown a reprint article "Crisis of Old Age," she only laughed and with nearly closed eyes muttered, "I am not affected by this. You see in my younger days I worked hard. When my husband died I knew I had to prepare for the future of my children and also for myself. I have no idle time. When you have nothing good to do, you grow old fast. But this is a big problem in our country -- thousands of old people with nothing to do. I hope by my example, I can bring this wonderful message to them." Then she asked, "How old is Mr. Armstrong?" "Eighty-two," someone quickly answered. Without losing her femininity, she sweetly added, "And I am only 81!"

Impressed by Mr. Armstrong's recent campaign, her personal Sec. Treasurer told me, Mrs. Marcos has accepted many speaking engagements. She tells people to change from their old ways and keep attuned to the ideals of the New Society. One time she said "If Jesus Christ is going to come back, we might as well prepare this nation to welcome Him."

She is really a grand old lady on the go. Before the campaign, we asked her if she had the stamina to attend all 3 nights. She lashed back, "What stamina? I was a

## VINEGAR from RICE-WASHING? HERE'S HOW

by Perfecto Dolojan

Usually every time we cook rice, we wash it two or three times and just throw away the water used in washing. Some use these rice-washings for cooking vegetables, others save them for animal's drink. Now if you know the process, rice-washings can be turned to vinegar. Here's how.

Gather the second rice-washings, and for every 4 cups, add a cup of brown sugar and boil the mixture for 2 to 3 minutes. Allow this solution to cool and add 1/8 teaspoon of yeast (be sure you don't do this during the Days of Unleavened Bread). Then put the solution in a clean bottle or jar with good tight cover and add 1 cup of mother-vinegar. Of course the first time you make vinegar, mother-vinegar is not yet available. However, 1 cup of ordinary vinegar will do, but it must be added after the solution is 3 days old. You will have your mother-vinegar soon after harvesting this solution -- it is the sedimentary precipitate that settles at the bottom of the container. Then after 3 weeks these rice-washings become real vinegar that can neutralize the salty tastes of the "tuyo" for a delightful breakfast, free from hazardous glacial acetic acid.

basketball player, before and a volleyball player. Even now I do daily my 5-mile morning walk from 5 to 6. What stamina?"

Like Mr. Armstrong, Doña Josefa has no plan to retire -- period! Mothers in the Church (and even single girls), I wish you could talk to her. Listening to her is just great. She is a real inspiration!



## *Personalities*

# "I CAN HANDLE A CARABAO PLOW A FIELD"

By P. R. Melendez, Jr.

I may not seem like it, but Mr. Pacifico Z. Mirto, an ordained minister and concurrently operations director of God's Work in the Philippines and North-east Asia, used to muddy himself managing a carabao in a ricefield.

Quite undecided, he had been taking a conglomeration of courses in pre-law, English, and fine arts at the University of the Philippines when financial reasons forced him to drop out of school. "For a while I floundered around," he said. In the meantime he helped his family tend their farm in his native Oton, Iloilo where he learned to "handle a carabao and plow a field."

Despite being the youngest of six children of Mr. and Mrs. Mario Mirto, Mr. Pike Mirto (as most of us call him) had quite a "normal" childhood. He actually spent 15 years of that in Palawan, where his father worked as assistant, and later acting, Provincial Treasurer.

### Answers an Ad

It was while "floundering" without any set purpose in life on their Oton farm that Mr. Mirto found, in the Philippines Free Press, an advertisement for some free literature. He remembers having sent the coupon without any postage stamp on the envelope. Somehow it got to the Ambassador College office just the same.

In no time he was already engrossed in the magazines and booklets. And, in typical fashion, he later "preached" to his

family about the wonderful truths he found. Fortunately this all-too-common spark of "first love" did not turn off all his family. At least four of them later became interested also in this new way and were baptized into God's Church as well. They are his parents, his sister Maria Clara and her husband, Mr. Pablo Chu.

### Finds a Job

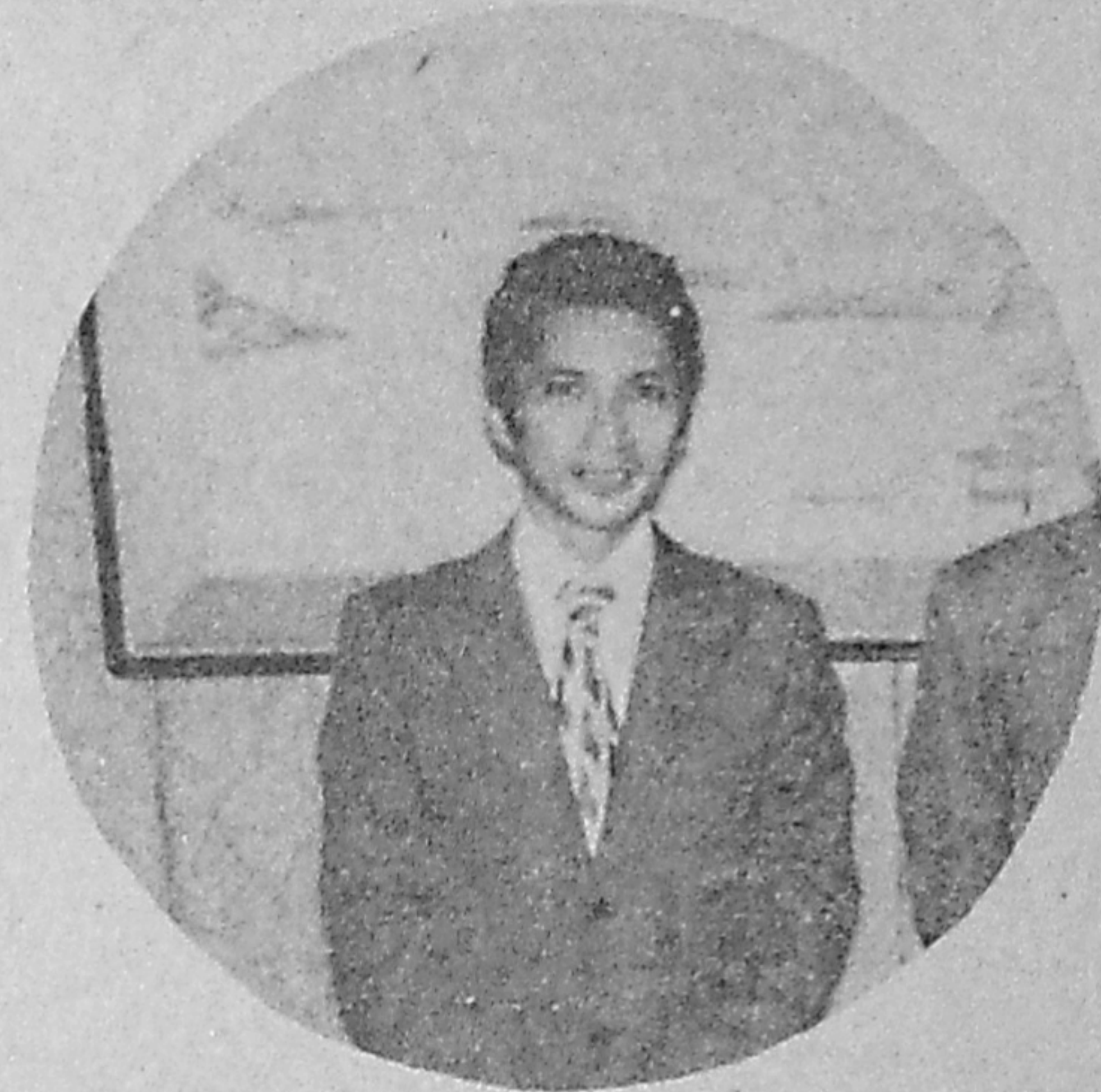
The literature from God's Work must certainly have had a positive impact on the young man's outlook. For when Mr. Pedro S. Ortiguero baptized him in 1965 in Kalibo, Aklan, Mr. Mirto had already found a job in a radio station there. "I started as a radio announcer with a salary of ₱50 per month," he recalls. Through his diligence and constant self-improvement, he later became the acting manager of that station.

Here began Mr. Mirto's being in the employ of God's Work. Not directly, however, but as one who handled the WORLD TOMORROW account with the radio station in his area.

### Moving to Manila

As the church in Manila was being organized in 1965, Mr. Mirto desired to have a job here. He learned that a Spokesman Club was going to be established also, so this was an added incentive to move close to Manila.

He prayed for such a job -- and got it. Station DZYA in Angeles City accepted his application. There, at age 24, he became the station manager.



from this point on he also became the network representative for Ambassador College, helping to place The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast on the appropriate stations and schedules in the islands.

### An "Odd" Fellow

While working at DZYA, he became the subject of curiosity among the station employees. They would wonder about his Sabbath keeping, his staying away from pork and shrimps, and other "oddities." Some were interested enough in his strange beliefs to be encouraged to subscribe to The PLAIN TRUTH.

But one of the announcers there got particularly interested in his beliefs -- and in his person, too! A popular disc jockey, Corazon Solano ("We 'pirated' her from another station"! Mr. Mirto confessed), seriously considered the new doctrines.

In short, she was baptized into God's Church and became Mrs. Pike Mirto and mother of their only child Adriel, now six.

### Closer Link With Manila

In 1968 Mr. Mirto left his job in Angeles City to join the Link Advertising Agency, which held offices in the CCC Building where Ambassador College Agency was also located formerly.

"I started as a trainee -- a messenger," he revealed. Although this new job was seemingly a demotion, (Please continue on page 41)



## Personalities ... cont'd

it gave the advantage of his being closer to the Manila Church and its activities.

### A Word of Advice

He did not stay in that rung for long, however. He did not just stagnate on his job. And here, from one who has done well despite having earned no college diploma, is a secret and a word of advice. "I always went a step ahead of what I was doing," he remarked. He studied while on the job, preparing himself for bigger jobs ahead.

This did pay off. Before he left Link he was a media supervisor, at the same time remaining as our network representative.

### Better Opportunity

Sometime in 1972 or earlier ("I don't have a very good memory for dates," he says) a better opportunity opened to Mr. Mirto at the Insular Life Assurance Co., Ltd. Here he held an important position in advertising, sales promotion and public relations. And he was due for an even bigger position before he resigned to join God's Work full-time.

His training in the Manila Church, the Spokesman Club (where he was President) and on his jobs gave him such spiritual maturity that he was ordained, together with Mr. Jose Raduban, as local elder in February, 1973.

Although still employed by Insular Life, Mr. Mirto soon found himself more and more involved in the workings of the Church office and its various activities.

### Fully Employed By Office

This clearly meant one

## Contact Point Gets Results

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there be among the brethren such a person? Miss Sotomil did not wait long.

A member from Agusan -- Mrs. Lina V. Presbitero -- wrote a letter to Cecille requesting those glasses. It was good that her vision fitted exactly. An optometrist she consulted informed her that she's got a 650 vision. "I have been a myopic since my high school days" she wrote.

Married and with nine children ("family planning came to us too late," she jokingly pointed out) Mrs. Presbitero and her husband, Mr. Nicolas Presbitero, are both Cebuanos. The couple are baptized members. The heartening thing here is Mrs. Presbitero's disclosure that her mother, her half brother, her brother and his wife are also members of the Worldwide Church of God.

Miss Sotomil right a-

thing: His experience in management and organization was much needed by God's Work. Amidst a mushrooming work (with a PT circulation reaching the 80,000 mark) he was taken full-time into the office, starting January 1 this year.

At that time there was fresh talk at Headquarters about a new "marketing approach" in conducting God's Work. With his experience in sales promotion and organization, Mr. Mirto was "commissioned" by Mr. Adair to develop a "marketing" program for the Northeast Asia region of God's Work. (In the future he hopes to give our CONTACT readers more insight into this program.)

### A Figurative Carabao

Meanwhile, after drop-

ping out from the more mundane pursuits of the business world, he finds himself working a figurative "carabao" in a figurative "ricefield."

way mailed her eyeglasses. She could not afford even a day's delay. Especially when she noted the sense of urgency in Mrs. Presbitero's letter. "I need it very badly," Mrs. Presbitero wrote. "If you still have it please send it over to me."

Evidently, it's more than a coincidence. As Miss Sotomil told me, "Thank God, He urged me to offer my eyeglasses because He fully knew someone needed it then. She's a stranger to me, but not to me." Were it not for the column CONTACT POINT, then how could this happen at all? Where one's excess, yes, one's abundance supplied the need of another. Which reminds us of II Cor. 8:14.

Separated by a wide gulf of land and sea -- there was just no way for Miss Sotomil and Mrs. Presbitero to know each other. Except for the CONTACT -- specifically the CONTACT POINT. That made it possible.

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As operations director (vice Mr. Adair), he often gets himself "muddled" trying to figure out a better organization of the Church's work force, both in the office and the Church at large (our "carabao"). The goal, of course, is to prepare the "ricefield" (the Northeast Asia region) for the big "harvest" of souls ahead.

### His Real Job

For all its importance, Mr. Mirto doesn't consider the above work as his real job. He looks upon it as a temporary necessity and hopes the Work here ... (continued on page 16)

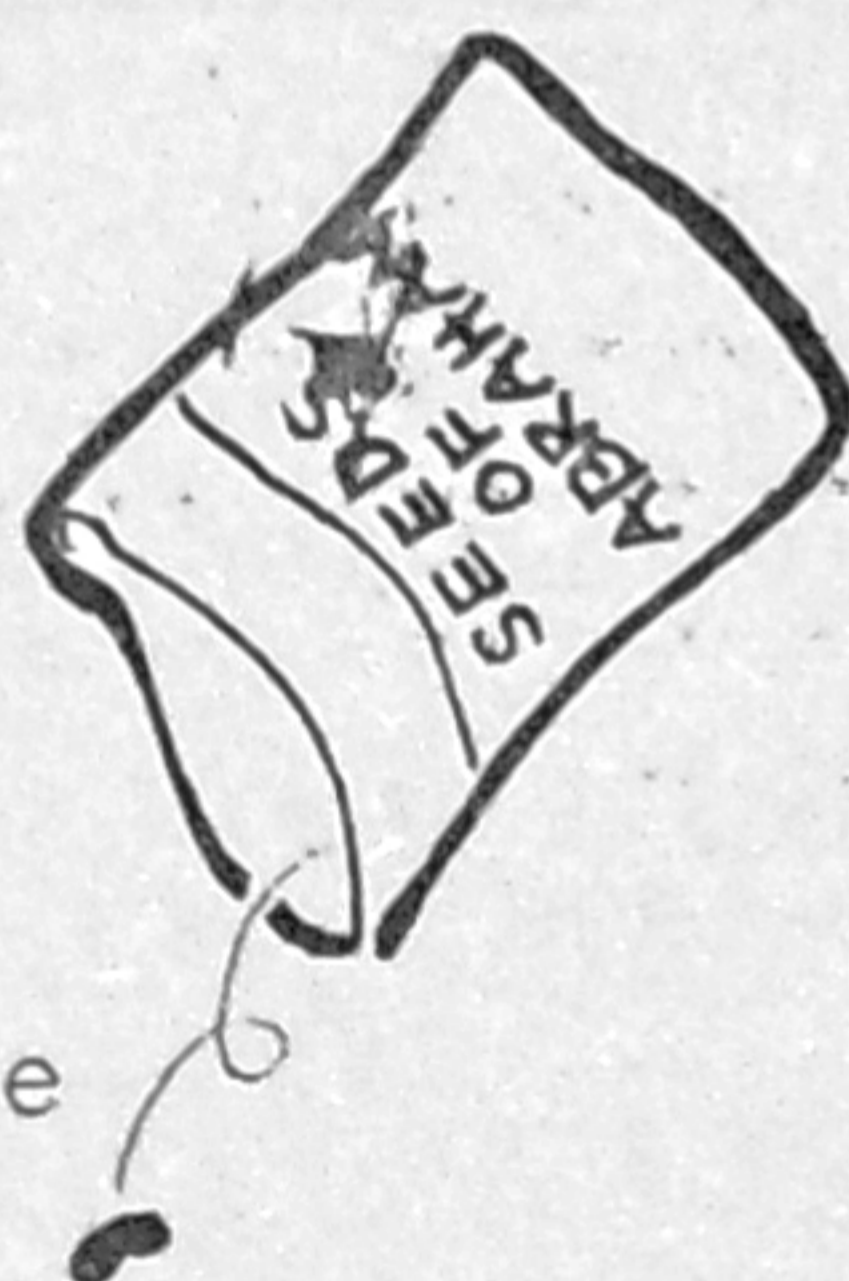




By Bien Macaraeg, Jr.

SORRY, NO MORE SEEDS

We would like to thank all those who wrote in requesting for seeds which were advertised in this column two months ago. We regret that we have already run out of supply. We allowed some time before disposing of all the seeds but most of the letters which were from far areas came too late. We didn't want to keep the seeds longer having kept them already quite long so we gave them all out. Next time be sure to act fast and request immediately.



Anyway, for those who would care, quality and certified vegetable seeds are also available through the Bureau of Plant Industry. You can drop by their local office in your area or write their Manila office at San Andres, Manila. The seeds are for sale but the cost is very minimal.

TYPEWRITER SOLD

We should also like to inform those who wrote in inquiring about the typewriter advertised that it has already been sold. Thanks anyway for writing.



JOBS AVAILABLE

Mrs. Saturnina Cañeba, a church member and Director of the Bicol Technical Institute Educational Foundation, Inc.

at Daet, Camarines Norte, gave word that she is in need of individuals (preferably church members) who have the necessary qualifications to teach in collegiate level in the following fields in her college:

- \*Agricultural Technology
- \*Home Technology
- \*Fisheries Technology
- \*Electronics (a first-class radio operator with units in education will do.)

Also needed: an experienced diesel mechanic.

If you meet the minimum qualifications here's your chance! Send your application immediately to Mrs. Cañeba at her address stated above.

PERSONAL

Miss Geoile Sotomil of Sta. Barbara, Iloilo writes: "I would like to thank you for that issue of the Worldwide News you sent me. You did not identify yourself so I tried to analyze your penmanship from the bunch of letters I have from friends but I can't detect whose it was. I tried to check my address book for your handwriting but yours was not there. It came 'from a friend' as was stated on the sender's corner.

"Well, thanks a lot. I have my own copy. I share the subscription of the WN with another member. But we live far from each other and she receives them first. Whoever you are will you please write me?"

RULES IN SUBMITTING ARTICLES AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CONTACT

- 1) Articles should be typewritten, double-spaced with about two inches of margin on both sides.
- 2) Have a title. Even if

**PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442**

EDITOR'S NOTE: We reprint below pertinent portions of Presidential Decree No. 442 otherwise known as the "Labor Code of the Philippines" which we feel you all need to know. We also feel that this will serve as a good aid to help you in Sabbath problems you may encounter in your employment. This Decree was signed last May 1 and will take effect six months later, that is on November 1, as per provisions of Article 2 of the same Decree.

- "Book III - Conditions of Employment
- "Title I - Working Conditions and Rest Periods
- "Chapter II - WEEKLY REST PERIODS

"Art. 91. Right to weekly rest day. -- It shall be the duty of any employer, whether operating for profit or not, to provide each of his employees a rest period of not less than twenty-four consecutive hours for every seven consecutive days.

"Art. 92. Determination of rest day. -- The employer shall determine and schedule the weekly rest day of his employees, subject to collective bargaining agreement and to such rules and regulations as the Secretary of Labor may prescribe. The PREFERENCE of the employees as to their weekly rest days SHALL BE RESPECTED BY THE EMPLOYER if the same is based on RELIGIOUS grounds." (Emphasis ours)

we will change it we feel it will be more appropriate to have your own title anyway.  
3) Address your contributions to the Contact Editor, in care of the usual Office address. ●



# have you READ?

by Edmond D. Macaraeg

Here are basic booklets all of us should have read studied.

## READ THE BOOK

by David Jon Hill

Originally published as an article in an issue of the Tomorrow's World magazine (now replaced by the Good News) this article is enlarged into a booklet. It presents vital reasons and challenges encouraging us to at least be able to read through the entire Bible.

There is also an informative section describing how men were subjected to peril, torture, and death in trying to translate, print, or circulate this Book.

It presents also in condensed form things people assume the Bible says and the diametric opposite of what the Bible actually say.

Part II deals with --

## "How To Remember Scriptures"

Many complain of not being able to remember places of Scriptures in the Bible. This section outlines pointers on how one may improve in this aspect, aside from getting a good understanding of the Scriptures.

## HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

by David Jon Hill

This new booklet is a must for every Christian as it deals with basic things which all of us should know and apply. This booklet is an enlargement of the article "12 Rules to Bible Study."

Some of the special sec-

tions are: Which Bible Do We Recommend?; What Do Bible Italics Signify?; an evaluation of the Living Bible; and How to Use a Bible Concordance.

Part II deals with --

## "Developing a Bible Marking System"

Without a well-planned and organized marking system, one finds that after years of marking, the Bible pages become filled with all kinds of marks such that it finally defeat the purpose for easy reference. Learn from the principles given in this section.

## DID GOD CREATE A DEVIL?

by Herbert W. Armstrong

This brand-new booklet (formerly published as a separate article) describes the origin of Satan and his demons, and the battle which caused the earth to be "without form and void."

Did God create a devil to tempt and to try to lead us astray? Read to find the answers.

Part II deals with --

## "What is Satan's Fate?"

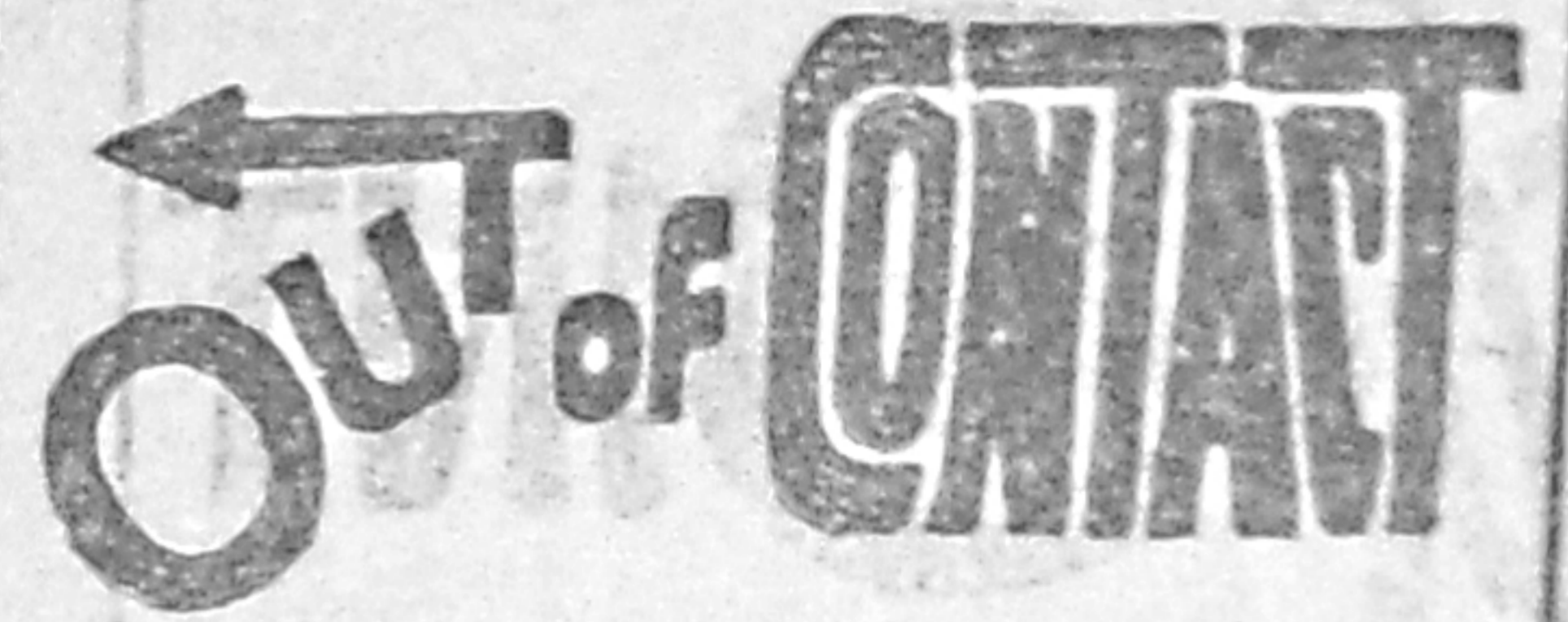
by Garner Ted Armstrong

This section begins by describing Satan's worldwide deception especially with respect to religious doctrines. "Difficult" Scriptures as "everlasting" fire" mentioned in Matt. 25:41 is explained.

What is the ultimate fate of Satan and all of his demons? Will you have a part in judging him? Read in this booklet the startling truth about Satan and the proof about his final judgment.

When you write in requesting for literatures advertized in this column, please indicate "c/o CONTACT" followed by our usual office address.

Thank you. ●



Thanks for the "FREE MARRIAGE CAN BE HAPPY" that you sent to me. For this time I like to ask for the one entitled "WHY WERE YOU BOOKED?"

Miss Pacita D. P. Fabrica, Negros Occ.

Booked? On which flight?

Please send me the booklet, "SEVEN GODS EXIST."



Transfiguracion San Juan, Rizal

While I was reading the Ten Commandments and the copy of the Plain Truth, I came across some literature which you offered free. Please send me therefore the booklet "SEVEN KEYS TO RADICAL HEALTH."

L. B. Sr.  
Cagayan de Oro City

## Personalities

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get organized well enough to free him to pursue more of the direct work of a minister -- that of counselling and preaching the Word.

He looks forward to being able to work more closely with God's people in the Bicol region, his area of responsibility which he hopes to visit more frequently in between his other jobs. ●



# announcements

## MANILA: JULY CALENDAR

6, 13 - Regular SABBATH SERVICES, 1 P.M. GSP Auditorium, Padre Faura, Manila.

3, 14 - HWA Campaign Follow-up BIBLE STUDY, 7 P.M., Univ. of the East Auditorium, Claro M. Recto Ave., Manila (Not for members unless requested)

6 - Reg. Monthly Movie (Treasure Island), 7:15 PM, 10 Aries, Bel-Air Village, Makati

13, 27 - Reg. Basketball Tournament, 7 PM, Ayala Basketball Court (Behind Insular Life Bldg. Ayala Avenue, Makati

21 - Children's Club Nature Hike

## SERVICES IN THE PROVINCES

URDANETA - 10 A.M. every first and third Sabbath of each month. Edrada Bldg., (3rd flr.) Urdaneta Proper

BAGUIO CITY - 10 AM every second and fourth Sabbath of each month. Quirino Hall, Teacher's Camp.

CEBU CITY - 10 AM, July 27, LUYM Bldg., (12th flr.) (Sched. for Sept. 28 is cancelled because it is close to the Feast.)

ILOILO CITY - 9:30 AM, Aug. 31 and Oct. 26, River Queen Hotel Conf. Room.

NAGA CITY - 10 AM, Aug. 24 and Oct. 19, Lindez Hotel

## BIRTH

ALFREDO (Freddie Boy) MULLEDA, latest addition to the family of Mr.-s. Cecilio Mulla of Balatan Camarines Sur. Born May 22

## ANNOUNCEMENT FOR STUDENTS

Students, here's good news for you. Maxzix Fabricante has proposed a TEXTBOOK SHARING SYSTEM.

"To assist our young people in minimizing the cost of their studies I propose a textbook sharing system that will facilitate the meeting of those who have loanable books and those who have need for them. This will dispense with the buying of expensive but important books on the part of the borrower and this provides opportunity for those who have idle books to share them with others.

"The system is simple. One requirement is to have a textbook contact man (or woman) who can easily be contacted, preferably with a phone. All those who have textbooks available for lending to brethren shall send a listing of them (not the books) to the contact man. All those who need books will send a list of the books they really need to the contact man. Once a needed book is matched with one available the contact man informs the borrower as to who has the books and it would be up to them to negotiate on the terms. A book loaned is deleted from the list and included again once returned until the owner withdraws it from the list. The lending system will operate on a first come first served basis. The responsibility of the borrower is to take good care of the books. The responsibility of the contact man is just to have an up-dated list but not the custody of the books.

"I myself have idle books to lend but do not know who needs them."

The Manila Young Ambassadors Club "B" saw the

## SENDING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

When sending in your tithes and offerings, you will be helping the Office a great deal if you give us each time, the proper breakdown of the amount you are sending -- how much is for 1st tithe, offering, emergency fund, property fund, etc. But there are some of us who are in our third tithe year who do not specify the third tithe we send in. Of course we realized that maybe you thought that we could handle it all right because you gave the breakdown the first time you paid your third tithe for the year. But that is not so. Those processing the income cannot memorize the amount you indicated in your (Please turn to next page)

practicality and importance of the proposal. It has volunteered to accept it as a club project.

The President, Mr. J. Logroño, has appointed Miss Rexie Carlos and Miss Carol Layug, the club secretary and a member respectively as the contact women for this project.

When the YAC "B" members were informed of this vital endeavor they at once started submitting a list of available books. They have thus started Mr. Fabricante's idea rolling.

So, students, the stage now is all set for you. YAC "B" has already a long list of books you can avail of. Just contact our CONTACT LADIES and let them know of your needs. Also if you have idle books which you would like to share with others they too are the ones to be approached. Just dial 40-90-41 during the day, Monday to Friday and you will have Miss Carlos. Dial 89-28-67 after office hours and Miss C. Layug is there to serve you!



# TITHES and OFFERINGS ..... continued.

first breakdown. And sometimes, unless you properly indicate, there is a tendency that your third tithe will not be properly charged to the right account but just lumped with your First Tithe. When that happens, the third tithe fund is unnecessarily and unfairly affected and you know what that could mean -- less financial help to those who need it.

So next time you submit your tithes and offerings please specify accordingly. And always remember to specify your third tithe if you are giving it. A gain, you will be helping us a great deal if you do so.

## **FESTIVAL RESERVATIONS**

The Feast of Tabernacles is just three months away. We believe that all of you brethren must have received by now the Festival letter and reservation form which we sent you sometime in May. In case you failed to receive a copy, write the Office at once!

You will notice that it has been repeatedly stated in the letter and form that the Reservation Form is to be returned immediately. The Festival Office had needed it by the middle of June. And yet at this writing a very great percentage have not turned in their forms. The form is self-explanatory. Even if you do not plan to attend you are to return it. If in doubt whether you will be able to attend or not just send it in anyway and state that you are not sure. This problem has been recurring year after year. We hope we can learn to send in this form promptly. In that way you will be helping us, especially the Festival Office, very much.

# Letters TO THE EDITOR

## GRATEFUL FOR "CONTACT"

Many, many thanks for the CONTACT you are sending us monthly. We feel now that we are not far away from you. We are now given the chance to know what is happening in the church as well as the whole work.

Angel Padron  
Bacarra, Ilocos Norte

## "CONTACT POINT"

Everytime I read the "Contact Point" in our CONTACT I can see the good help you are extending to us. Thank you very much for your helpful Column.

Solomon Moltio  
Baguio City

## PEN PAL

"I want to correspond with members -- any age, coming from any background either sex and most especially scattered ones. I have also many friends from the Mindanao church areas but I don't know their current addresses. I would appreciate it if they could write me."

Miss Antilla T. Tambis  
137 Vicentillo St.  
Naval, Leyte

"I want to get in contact with brethren preferably those with family names (if any) as follows: Gloria, Morales, Pedroso and Singson, especially so if they hail from Negros Occidental or Leyte de Sur. My parents come from those places. Please write me soon."

Mrs. Rebecca M. Laureano  
Lupon, Davao Oriental

## Poetry

# On Nature

By Ofelia Limpoco

## BUTTERFLY

Have you ever taken a minute of thought on how a butterfly came into being?

Life started as a tiny egg on a leaf of a mulberry tree,

Then a hairy 8-legged worm it came to be.

Out of its leafy world, it built a cocoon, a temporary little home

Days, weeks, months passed by,

striving, growing changing into glory.

From an ugly worm to a beautiful bloom

emerging to a new world of flowers and honey.

Pretty little butterfly you taught me a lesson.

To get out of this cocoon and seek a new home.

Metamorphosis is the process of changing from, shape or structure --- a complete transformation from one form to another.

A worm is not a butterfly but a butterfly did come from a worm. LET US SPEND A MINUTE TO THINK ABOUT THIS.

## BELIEVE IT NOT

We are very grateful for the CONTACT. May we know who is behind the "Believe It Not" box in the "Contact"? The fellow must be highly intelligent and of a very analytical mind. Kudos to him. Mrs. Goychi Milleda, Balatan, Camarines Sur.

Believe it not!! Thanks anyway. And by the way we are inviting anyone who feels he or she has something to contribute to this section to please send in their contribution.