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## U.E. LECTURE CAPS MR. MCCULLOUGH'S RP VISIT



(Photo by Jerry Ortiguero)

### NEWS of the MONTH

#### ACA TRANSFERS OFFICE TO RAMON MAGSAYSAY CENTER

An eighteen-storey building along the famous Roxas Boulevard becomes the new headquarters of the Work in the Philippines. The Ambassador College Agency transferred its offices to Ramon Mag-saysay Center last August and completed the move August 19. (See page 2)

#### MR. ADAIR IS GUEST LEC- TURER AT CABANATUAN CITY

On August 6, Mr. Colin Adair again conducted a

lecture on "Modern Dating" at the Central Luzon Poly-technic College, Cabana-tuan City. The lecture was attended by the col-lege faculty, students and employees. (See page 3)

#### MR. AND MRS. DOCKEN ARE COMING!

Mr. Adair announced to the Manila Church August 24, the news that special visitors are coming to the Feast of Tabernacles in Baguio. They are no other than Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Docken. Turn to page 4 for article.

Where is God's true Church today?

This question, which many of the people attend- ing the follow-up Bible lectures may have been ask- ing, was answered in part by Mr. Leslie McCullough in a lecture delivered at the U.E. Auditorium on August 11.

Mr. McCullough, who is the Director of the Inter- national Division of the Worldwide Church of God came to the Philippines for the second time within six months via Australia accompanied by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Martin.

According to Mr. Colin Adair the McCulloughs were on their way home from a (turn to page 17)



# Personal from

*John C. Adair*

For the first time in many days I can see the sun shining on Manila Bay! After the torrential monsoon rains of the past week it is pleasant to see that golden orb once again! Now if the authorities can only get those roads fixed soon, we will be back to normal -- at least in Manila. I have not heard yet from Mr. Ortiguero as to how the brethren fared up north. But it will be some time before the flood waters fully recede in Pampanga and Pangasinan, at least according to the newspaper reports. Perhaps by next month we can have some news regarding brethren in the worst hit areas.

Our almost four years residence in the Davies Building ended officially yesterday as the last of our materials were vacated from our old office. Everyone is now in the Ramon Magsaysay Center and enjoying this beautiful location. According to the building administrator our offices are the finest in the entire building. He has requested us to let him show prospective tenants around on occasions, which of course we will be happy to do. We are planning to have an open house next Wednesday, August 28, so you brethren can see for yourselves the fine facilities God has provided for us. Certainly, the quality of the complex is up to Ambassador standards. Rather than take up more space writing a description of the offices, perhaps we can have a separate article about them later on.

Mr. & Mrs. McCullough and Mr. & Mrs. Steve Martin had a fine visit here on August 9. They were very pleased with our new

offices and enjoyed very much the Sabbath service and barrio fiesta we had for them. This was the first time Mr. Martin and his wife had been in the Philippines and they stated a desire to return again, perhaps for a Feast of Tabernacles. On their way back to Pasadena they stopped off in Honolulu for a day or so to catch up on the time change -- known in technical jargon as "jet lag."

The U.E. lectures have now ended and a total of 565 new people attended one or more of the meetings. Each week we had an average of about 177 non-members, but they were not the same people each time, so a cumulative total of 565 was recorded. This was achieved by counting the different names on the literature request forms. Last night we had a special Bible study in order to answer the many questions left over. A total of 66 new people attended. After the study I invited these people to attend sabbath services if they wished to. So we may have an influx of perhaps 50 people this week-end. Many others who were not able to attend the final lecture or last night's study might contact us and wish to attend also. So it will be a few weeks before we see the final result of Mr. Armstrong's campaign and the follow-up lectures. However, it is certainly encouraging to see such a good response.

My wife and I planned to leave Manila on September 1 for Singapore, en route to the United Kingdom. We will be away approximately six weeks and will spend the Feast in Minehead, England. Our families are counting the days till we

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get there, and are really looking forward to meeting Andrew for the first time. While away I will have the opportunity to speak at the Belfast Church on two Sabbaths plus Trumpets and Atonement. Then we will visit Glasgow church in Scotland, where we first were assigned after graduation in 1966, before motoring down through England for Minehead. We are looking forward to the vacation although we will miss all of you at Baguio. My next personal will be  
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## MANILA CHURCH NEWS

# Mr. Adair Lectures on Modern Dating at Cabanatuan City

Cabanatuan City -- Mr. Colin Adair, Regional Director, spoke on the subject "Modern Dating, Marriage and Family Relations," before the Central Luzon Polytechnic College, last August 6. The special college convocation was attended by the college Administration, 141 faculty members, 1,500 students and a hosts of college employees.

Dean Jose del Mundo, together with the student body president and some college beauties, welcomed Mr. Adair and his party and ushered the group to the Office of Mr. Alberto Garcia, College President. After the customary greetings, refreshments followed at the college canteen.

Pres. Alberto Garcia introduced Mr. Adair and his party which included Mr. & Mrs. Hood and some of the local members. He reminded the students and the faculty to listen carefully to the lecture because first hour the next day he would conduct class discussions and give

an evaluation test on the subjects covered by the guest speaker.

This special convocation was initiated by Dean del Mundo with the help of Mr. Virgilio Alvaran, a CLPC engineering student. This is in line with Pres. Marcos' directive on the need to teach "Moral Values" on college campuses all throughout the nation. Earlier in the morning, a similar lecture was held on the topic "Development of Moral Values" with 3 distinguished speakers: Judge Agustin Baga-sao, Provincial Commander Lt. Col. Guarnes, and the local parish priest. Dean del Mundo said that Mr. Adair's lecture in the afternoon was the main event because it delved into a timely and specific subject."

As the guest speaker hammered through his lecture, one could not help but notice the school officials (specially the president) nodding in full agreement with what Mr. Adair was saying: "Young people should first finish

their studies, work on a good job before thinking of getting married. There is nothing wrong with the marriage institution; what's wrong is with the husband and wife who are failing in their duties in the home. The husband should be the head of the family ... should handle the finances.... Whether or not wives agree they will never experience happiness until they learn to submit to their own husbands .... A nation is just a family grown large.  
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## Church Bazaar Impressions

by Willie Jacinto

Three elderly women street-cleaners armed with long-handled broomsticks were attracted to peep into Mr. Lionel Gonzales' yard in Guadalupe, Makati on the sunny Sunday morning of August 4. Inside was the Church Bazaar going on. They must have thought an American was leaving and having a rummage sale at "Guadalupe Village."

The Setting, and what was happening, must have caught their attention. Several oil paintings were hanging on a poinsettia bush in one corner. A pile of second-hand footwear was displayed on the cement ground. The rattles tree in one corner provided shade to a busy and noisy snack bar section where siopao, banana-and camote-cues, and soft drinks were sold.

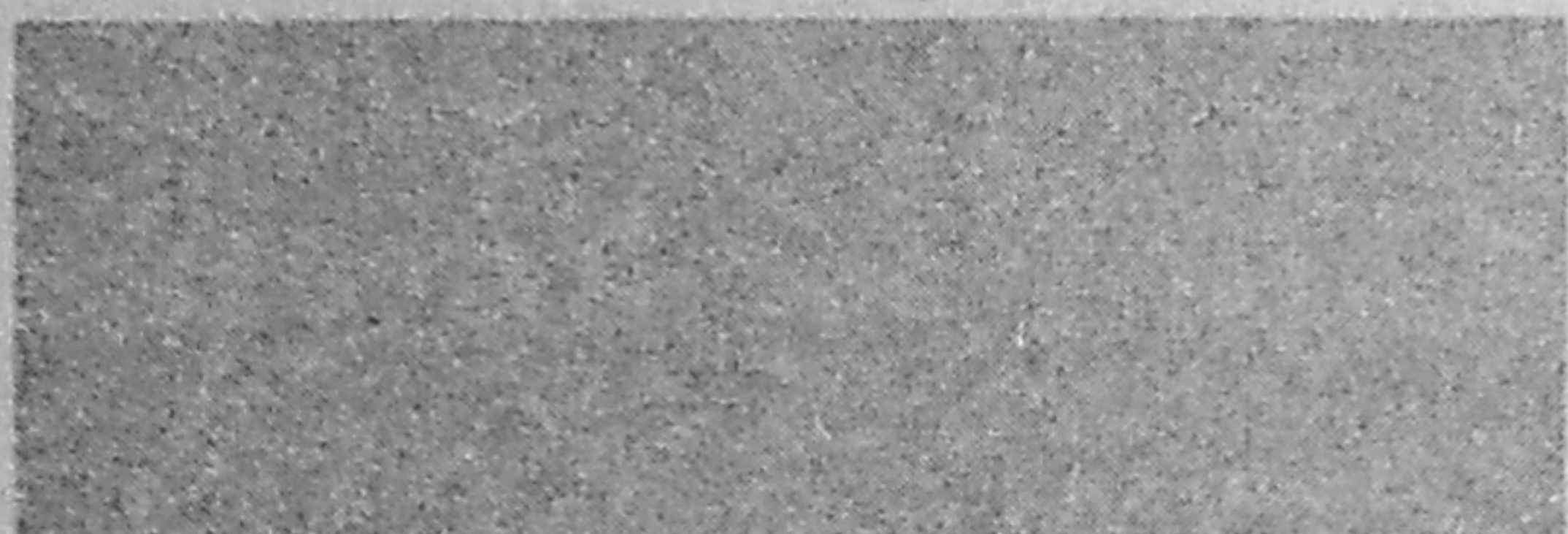
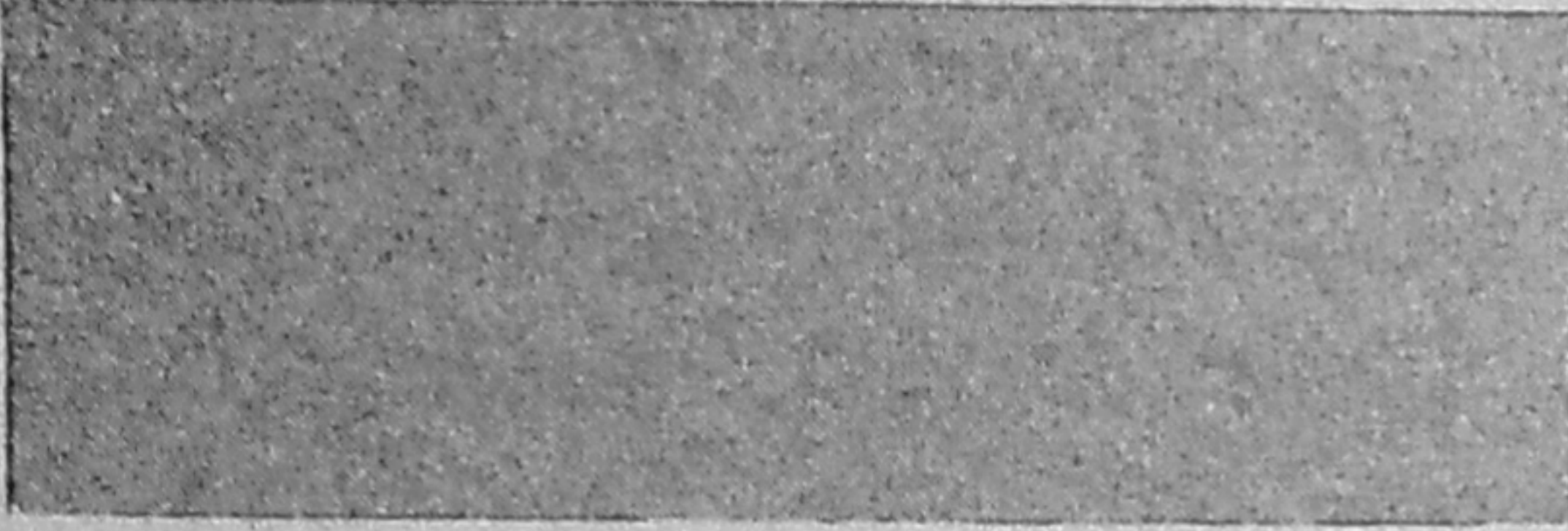
One area, the clothings section, enticed most of the buyers especially the housewives. Towels, knitted garments, cloths, women's apparel as well as children's clothes were on sale. Right behind was a group of young men going  
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(Photo by Jerry Ortiguero)



## Dockens Here for the Feast



MANILA, Aug. 23 -- Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Docken, former Director of the Philippine Work (1965-70) and presently assisting Mr. C. Wayne Cole in the Publishing Division at Headquarters, will be coming to the Philippines next month to be the Festival minister during the Feast of Tabernacles at Baguio City, October 1-8.

This news was just disclosed early this morning by Mr. Colin Adair to the excitement of the members of the office staff. It is expected that the same reaction of joyful excitement and delight will meet the news when it is announced to the Manila Church in the services tomorrow. At the moment, it is just a few hours from the time Mr. Adair announced it but the news began to spread wildly.

It will be remembered that it was Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson (Worldwide News managing editor) who were scheduled to be sent here but the long distance phone call from Headquarters that Mr. Adair received yesterday mentioned that the Dockens were to

be sent instead.

Were it not for the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Adair will be leaving with their son for their usual vacation to Ireland and therefore miss the Feast here (they will keep the Feast in Minehead) there would have been no visiting minister for the Philippines (as is also the case in other countries) during this year's Festivals because of the budgetary cutbacks imposed by HQ.

Although it has not yet

been confirmed, it is expected that the Dockens will arrive here before the Day of Atonement. Their children will stay behind in Pasadena.

While it is always a welcome treat to have any visiting minister with us for the Festivals, it is also very heartening and refreshing to have back someone who has had the opportunity to closely work with us, thus earning the love and admiration of the Philippine Church. (Bien Macaraeg, Jr.) ●

## Adairs Leave for Vacation September 1

MANILA, Aug. 23 -- Mr. and Mrs. Colin Adair, together with their son Andrew Philip, will be leaving for their vacation to Belfast Ireland, Sunday, Sept. 1.

Though this was planned long ago, it was finally confirmed yesterday when Mr. Adair received a long distance phone call from Headquarters. He said that things were getting sorted out, that they were finally given the green light and that a visiting minister (Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Docken; see article on the subject in this issue) had been set to take their place while away during the Feast of Tabernacles.

Mr. Adair and family will leave about 8 a.m. via Philippine Airlines for Singapore where they will visit with Mr. & Mrs. Ames for a couple of days. From there they will proceed to London where they will stay overnight before travelling on to their hometown where their parents are anxiously waiting.

While there, Mr. Adair will have a chance to speak to the Belfast Church. He will also visit and speak to the Glasgow, Scotland church which was the first church he was assigned to after grad-

uation. Then they will proceed to Minehead, England for the Feast. They are expected back on Tuesday, Oct. 15 at 5:00 p.m. on Cathay Pacific flight 903 from Hong Kong.

This will be their second chance to visit their homeland since being assigned here in 1970. They have been praying about the trip due to the peace and order (or shall we say "war and disorder?") situation in their hometown. They want to be sure it will be relatively safe for them to visit there. It would be good if the Philippine brethren would remember to pray for their safety and protection, for an enjoyable visit with their parents, and also for their safe return. (BM)





# PROVINCIAL NEWS



## The Travails of Mindanao Brethren

by Mario S. Dulguime

Tagum, Davao - August 5, 1974. Mindanao, the second largest island in this country is noted for its rich natural resources. A crisis in raw materials, which presently plagues almost all countries of the world, is strange in this part of the country. If you travel by air, you can see vast banana plantations in the Davao provinces; wide tracts of land planted to pineapples in Bukidnon and South Cotabato and teeming green fields devoted to rice and corn in the Cotabato and Lanao provinces. Along the seashore from Surigao del Norte, in northeastern Mindanao, down to the southern tip of Zamboanga del Sur, are plenteous coconut lands and thousands of hectares of forest lands in Agusan provinces and Surigao del Sur. But, despite all these impressive riches, Mindanao is an island beset with contrast and conflict.

The Cotabato provinces (the so-called rice-bowl of the south) are the powder keg of social unrest, political, ideological and religious war. Now almost the whole island is overwhelmed with these contagious problems. Pockets of war rage on in several parts of the island, and caught in the middle of this turmoil are some of our beloved brethren.

In Galing-galing, Midsayap, North Cotabato, Brigido Sabarillo (a baptized member), came to Tagum, Davao, and told this writer that his house was burned by the rebels and that he and his family

were able to bring with them only one suitcase of clothing. Now they are temporarily staying in the poblacion of Midsayap, subsisting on the ration coming from the Social Welfare Administration which is not enough for his family. He has no other belongings with him, as all his personal belongings were burned to ashes. (Emergency Fund money was sent to Mr. Sabarillo thru Mr. Ilustrisimo. - Ed.) Sabarillo further lamented that the rebels did not allow the people to bring any property, and that some brave ones who attempted to carry their personal effects were killed. Another baptized member by the name

of Mr. Sembrano, who is residing in an adjacent barrio, is in danger also as the rebels are planning to attack his barrio, this writer was told.

Alcedes Panganiban, of Surallah, South Cotabato, Robin Freires of Lebak, Sultan Kudarat, Elvira Cuevas of Cotabato City and Eleazar Flores of Carmen, North Cotabato, all have narrated that sounds of cannons and machineguns are almost a daily occurrence in their respective places.

At the hills of Maragatas, Lupon, Davao Oriental live two converted families, the Rizallosas and the Cabreras, and according to information they are the only non-rebels in the area.

Last July 23, 1974, scheduled date of Mr. Colin Adair's speaking engagement at the University of Mindanao, in Davao City it was rumored that the City would be raided. The authorities advised the  
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## Mr. Benitez on Tour

Members' letter reveals importance of visits.

MANILA -- Mr. Encardio Benitez, local elder assigned to oversee the Kiara-Don Carlos churches and the northwestern Mindanao region, together with his brother, Eutiquio, recently conducted a tour thru five provinces of the region.

The 18-day grueling tour which began July 16 and ended August 2 brought them to five provinces of the region visiting the scattered members and baptizing some prospectives who had requested baptism. At the moment, we haven't yet received the full reports as to the number baptized and visited. But from the sketchy reports

we received through telegrams, the tour was apparently successful and encouraging in spite of their having to pass thru rugged mountain roads and rebel-infested areas.

The following letter received from Mr. and Mrs. Augusto Cernol, members residing in Lala, Lanao del Norte, reveals the tremendous importance of ministerial visits. It is also a small indication of the success of the tour.

"We are very happy to inform you that we've just been privileged to have two Bible studies in one month! Just think of it--not just once but twice! And the last one was held in our own humble home. Sir, we cannot begin to  
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# A Lesson in Resourcefulness

by S. C. Caligan, Jr.

"We have already received our December 1973 issue of the Plain Truth, but sad to say we cannot have the November issue. In fact, we did not receive the September issue also."

We were then in the midst of a conversation -- Mr. Roberto N. Gopez, Mr. Oscar G. Palabrica and myself. "Well, we cannot help it," I answered, shrugging my shoulders. But at that same instant a thought entered my mind. Is there really no way to secure copies of the September and November issues? Outwardly, there seems to be no way. But there must be a way. It is all a matter of being resourceful.

At that very same moment, the three of us were reading some issues of the Worldwide News. I had a long desire to have a penpal from abroad, so I remarked, "Supposing I will look at the Pen Pal column for some possible names."

While browsing through the list of names, an idea hit me! I exclaimed, "Hey, why not start corresponding with a member (which is my original plan) and then later on inquire whether she (I was looking for a female penpal, that's why) can spare an extra copy of the Plain Truth." In exchange, I can send her my copy of Contact.

All three of us were delighted with the idea. In fact, I was able to get a name -- a lady member

from Australia. But at that point, Mr. Roberto N. Gopez made another suggestion. It proved to be a better suggestion. "Why not just send a request to the Personal section of the Worldwide News?" he proposed.

Sure, why not? And who knows, we might receive more than just one copy. So as we studied the idea closely, we found out that it was practical, and also effective (as the results later on proved.) Without a moment's delay, I started drafting my request. And the very next day I mailed my letter. "I hope  
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## Mr. Benitez Tour ..... continued

tell you how much we need ministerial visits and Bible studies once in a while. The jubilation we felt is not unlike that of soldiers on a beleaguered fort upon seeing the convoy of supply and reinforcement arrive. Mr. Benitez and his brother were really a joy to behold! The Bible studies that followed proved to be an eye-opener to most of us scattered brethren. Because of the visits I'm sure many of the scattered members will be encouraged to attend the Feast of Tabernacles this year. From our hearts we thank the Good Shepherd for looking after us scattered sheep in these evil days.

"We thank you for initiating ministerial visits even in these troubled areas. For it cannot be denied that Mr. Benitez has trodden through ambush sites and battle areas.

"We are always praying for you for more fruitful lectures and Bible studies. Thank you again Sir and may God bless you always as you direct His great Work in this part of the world." (BM)

# The Truth Shall Make You Free

by Benjamin Rimando, Sr.

The past conference in Pasadena brought joy and gladness to the brethren in Urdaneta Church concerning the new rulings on Divorce and Remarriage especially to a couple separated by Mr. Pedro S. Ortiguero.

They lived as husband and wife 15 years until they came to know the truth. Then they wrote the Manila Office for a visit and counselling. Mr. Ortiguero then visited them and gave them instructions to separate in order to qualify for baptism. They readily consented and were finally baptized on August 6, 1966.

After six years in the faith, the man got sick. It was so severe that it nearly took his life twice during his two years of confinement and sufferings.

During the eight years of their separation living afar from each other they endured all sorts of trials and tests. Both of them remained faithful and true to their faith.

### Doubted News

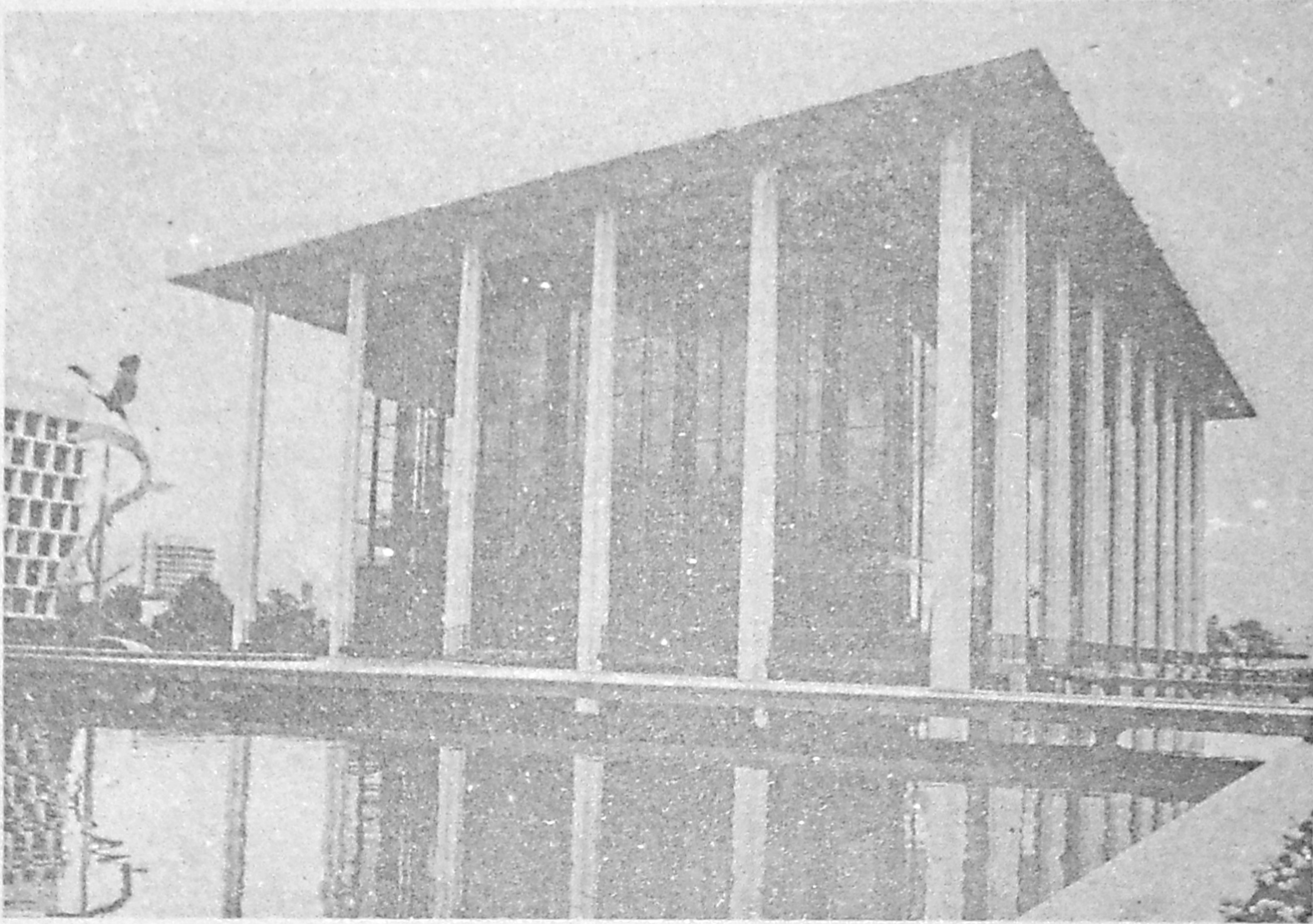
After the ministerial conference held in Pasadena, Mr. Ortiguero arrived in Urdaneta and on the Sabbath, one day before Pentecost, he gave us the news about the new rulings on divorce and remarriage. He mentioned the case of the long separated couple who, on first hearing the news, were in doubt about it. But the next day, at the Feast of Pentecost, Mr. Ortiguero repeated the news and replayed the speech of Mr. Garner Ted

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# AN INTIMATE GLIMPSE AT THE Ambassador Auditorium

by George Hood



By now all of you have probably received the latest issue of the Plain Truth (August) with its thrilling pictures of the Ambassador Auditorium.

Having recently come from Pasadena, where my wife and I, as students, were present during the construction of the auditorium from start to finish, it seems fitting that my first contribution to the "Contact" should be about this grand tribute to our God. This will not be repetitious of Mr. Armstrong's article, but rather it will supplement it by giving additional details which you may not have heard before. I hope you find them interesting and helpful in coming to a fuller appreciation of this magnificent work.

Before reading further, be sure to have the August P.T. beside you. If you have not as yet read the article on the auditorium, please do so.

## Beauty -- Day or Night

Compare the cover picture of the auditorium at night with the daytime

photo on pages 12 and 13. Notice the differing aspects of its beauty.

Because the Ambassador Auditorium faces the west, its facade is particularly striking as it gleams with the rays of the sinking sun at dusk. And as the cover picture shows, the night witnesses a re-blooming of this "flower's" beauty. But there is more to that beauty than the picture shows. I'll explain.

You will notice that where the gleaming white pillars meet the underside of the roof all is bathed in white light from submerged spotlights located in the reflecting pool. What a photograph cannot show, however, is the effect that the rippling waters have upon the light which bathes the structure above it: everything seems to shimmer! In fact the structure seems to come alive under the glow and sparkle of the dancing lights!

## God's Character: Strength

As for the building's strength, the experts in-

involved in its construction vouch that the Ambassador Auditorium unquestionably would be the safest place in the area within which to take refuge in the event of an earthquake!

And not just the building, but the reflecting lake is "quakeproof" as well. There are two waterproof, reinforced concrete "foundations" for the lake between which a cushioning layer of sand has been sandwiched. This cushioned design allows the shockwaves of an earthquake to be safely absorbed.

You may wonder about that massive crystal chandelier in the foyer of the auditorium (p. 16) — would it survive an earthquake?

Never fear! If the building is safe, so is the chandelier. For although it weighs over 6000 pounds, the steel cable by which it is suspended is capable of holding several tens of thousands of pounds!

## Quality from Top to Bottom

Let's now go into the the "downstairs" level ("basement" seems a totally inadequate term to use). Leading off from the lounge (shown at top of p. 19) there is to the left (west) a cloakroom/information counter. On the opposite (east) side of the lounge, at the north and south ends (the picture is facing north), two corridors lead from the lounge to the restrooms. One corridor is carpeted in rich blue, while the other is in purple.

Dark, richly grained wood doors and full length wall mirrors set these restrooms apart from any others you have ever seen. But that's not all. As one visitor remarked: "Where fine marble is customarily used in the main halls and rooms, this auditorium has (turn to page 9)



# announcements

## MANILA--SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

REGULAR SERVICES EVERY SABBATH, 1 P.M. GSP Auditorium, P. Faura, Manila.

- 1 - Adair's leave for vacation and Fall festival in England
- 17 - FEAST OF TRUMPETS  
10 AM and 2 PM, SSS Social Hall, Quezon City (Bring your own lunch)
- 26 - DAY OF ATONEMENT  
1 PM, GSP Auditorium Padre Faura, Manila
- 29 - Chartered buses, leave for Baguio by midnight
- 30 - Sunset, Holy Day starts (Feast of Tabernacles)

ALL DAY SERVICES IN THE PROVINCES (Provide your own lunch)

URDANETA -- First and third Sabbath of the month 10 AM Edrada Bldg. (3rd flr) Urda-

## Did You Know That...

By their Rings you will Know Them.

By Danila Sison

You can count the age of a tree? How? By cutting and looking at the growing rings in its trunk. (A dark and a light one constitute each year's growth). However there may be false rings caused by interruption of water in the growing season. Drought, fire or diseases may cause also false or partial rings. A true annual ring can be identified by its sharp outer edge; a false ring by its fuzzy border. Some of the giant trees grow to be more than 350 ft. high and may be 4000

neta Proper, Pang. BAGUIO CITY -- Second and fourth Sabbath of the month. 10 A.M., Quirino Hall, Teachers Camp.

CEBU CITY -- Nov. 30, 10 A.M., LUYM Bldg.

ILOILO CITY -- Oct. 26, Dec. 28; 9:30 A.M. River Queen Hotel Conference Room

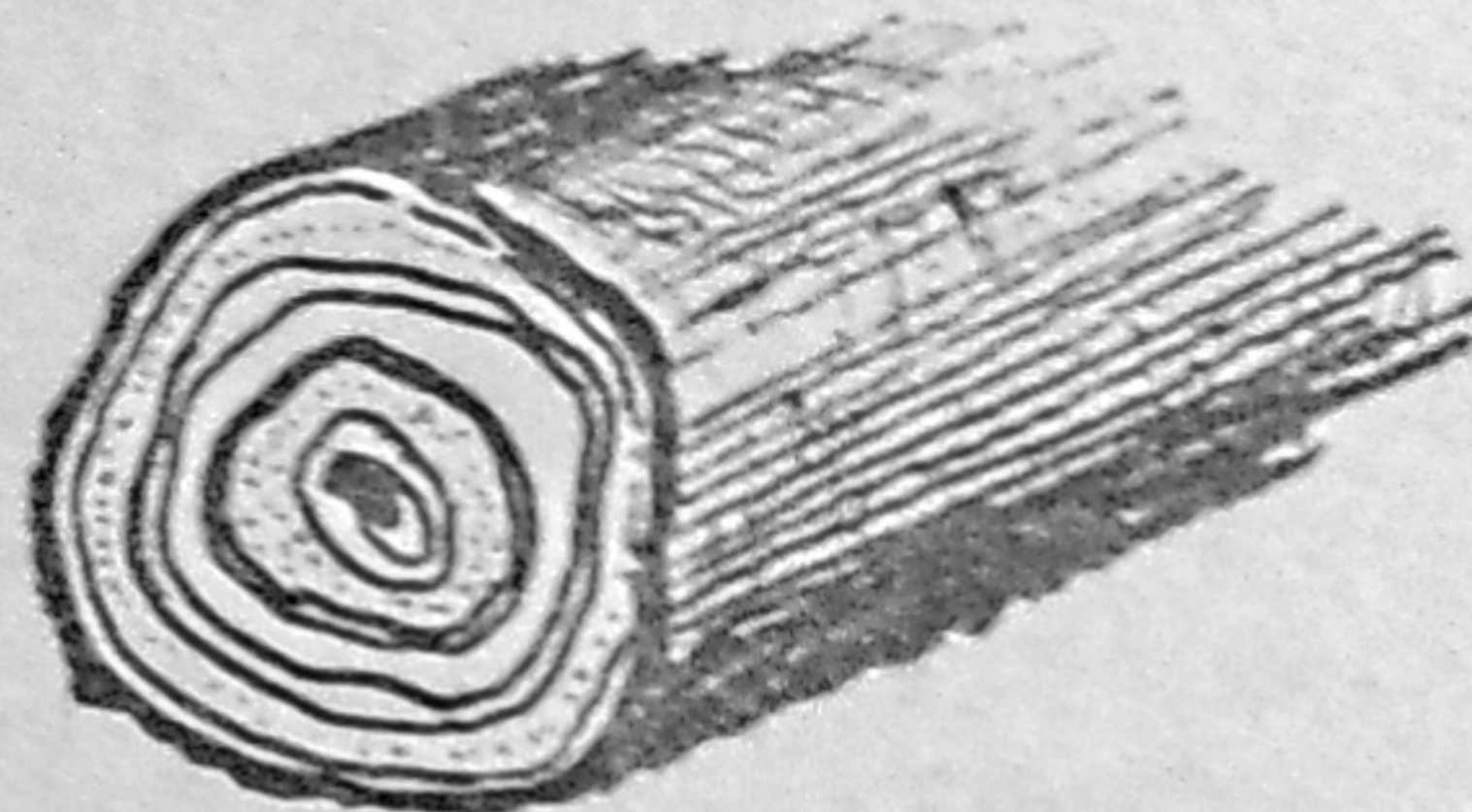
NAGA CITY -- Oct. 19, Dec. 21; 10 A.M., Lindez Hotel

## FEAST OF TABERNACLES SCHEDULE

Sep. 29, Sun., Ev'ng. Chartered buses leave for Baguio City

Sep 30, Mon. 7 A.M., Arrival and registration  
7:30 P.M., Get-together Service

Oct. 1, Tues. 10:00 A.M. Holy Day Service  
2:30 P.M., Holy Day Service  
7:30 P.M., Family



years of age like the Sequoia. The common Shelf Fungus is the only member of the Mushroom family that adds rings for each year of its growth.

The age of fish can also be found by their ANNULI or winter rings on their scales. As the fish grows, the scales grow also by adding rings of new materials around the edge. (So mothers and market shoppers, beware! The fish you may be buying is not so young as their sellers claim to be!) Unlike human beings, most fish continue to grow as long as they live. Old fish may become very large. (Pls. turn to p.9)

- Night  
Oct. 2, Wed. 10:00 A.M. Service  
1:00 P.M., Basketball Tournament  
7:30 P.M. Semi-formal Dance
- Oct. 3, Thu. 10:00 A.M. Service  
Afternoon - Free  
7:30 P.M. Filipiniana
- Oct. 4, Fri. 10:00 A.M. Service  
Afternoon - Free  
7:30 P.M. Film (GTA, HWA)
- Oct. 5, Sab. 10:00 A. M. Sabbath Service  
2:30 P. M. Sabbath Service  
Evening - Free
- Oct. 6, Sun. 10:00 A.M. Service  
2:00 P.M. Children's Games & Athletics  
7:30 P.M. Operetta
- Oct. 7, Mon. 10:00 A.M. SERVICE  
Afternoon - Free  
Evening - Free
- Oct. 8, Tue. 10:00 A.M. Last Great Day Service  
2:30 P.M. Last Great Day Service  
Evening - Departure

## Corrections:

### OFFICE PHONE

The telephone number 58-97-01 which appeared in last month's issue as Mr. Adair's direct line is after all NOT a direct line for Mr. Adair. It is a general office phone number along with 58-97-16.

Sorry for that error. We will inform you of Mr. Adair's direct line when it will be installed.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Don't get cross now but we are sorry for the inadvertent omission of the by-line of last month's crossword puzzle. Credit for that puzzle goes to Mr. Julian Bahinting.



## Auditorium . . . . . . . . . . continued

the finest onyx in those places -- and relegates the fine marble to the restrooms instead!" And indeed, rich black marble elegantly veined with white is what you will find there. And to top it off, certain of the plumbing works automatically by an ultra-modern heat-sensitive system, thus eliminating the use of handles!

Leaving the restrooms behind, the corridors continue on but slope downward beneath the auditorium to a maze of doorways and carpeted passages leading to: men's and women's dressing rooms; two large musicians' rehearsal rooms complete with sound system so that recordings can be heard, or live performances above listened in on (and, I believe, it is even possible to record and playback practice sessions), while blackboards make these rooms suitable even for lecture or conference rooms; private dressing room with lounge for special guest performers (such as Maestro Giulini); a kitchen; a spacious carpentry shop where stage props and backdrops can be made; and rooms with support equipment, e.g. the water pumps for circulating the water in the reflecting pool, heating and air-conditioning equipment.

Except for mentioning the elevator (which raises the orchestra up to stage level and then lowers it out of sight following its performance, and which also provides the means of transporting equipment such as stage props from the carpentry shop to the stage above), that about wraps up the lower level of the building.

### Words are Inadequate

The photographs on page

17, true to the Chinese proverb, outspoke a thousand words that might be written. But it is opportune here to point out that the seats in the balcony are upholstered in the richest crimson--which is about the only important thing the pictures do not show. (Incidentally, when our new Manila offices in the Ramon Magsaysay Building were being carpeted, I couldn't help but notice that the conference room's carpet is very close in color to the crimson of the balcony seats. Also, the blue and purple carpeting in Mr. Adair's and Mr. Ben Ortiguero's offices respectively is -- as nearly as I can tell -- identical in color to that used in the auditorium's carpets.) (This was not intentional! -Ed.)

Also, the golden "clouds" suspended from the ceiling act as sounding boards or reflecting surfaces for the sound emanating from the stage. They can be adjusted and are part of the reason for the marvelous acoustics in this auditorium. More on the acoustics later.

(To be continued next issue)

## Cabanatuan Lecture

...cont'd.

If, as a basic unit of society, the family fails, then the nation collapses." The lecture was interrupted by two applauses.

Just so everybody would get it, Dean del Mundo in his closing remarks, summed up succinctly Mr. Adair's speech. "Marriage is a serious matter. It needs preparation and deep understanding of the responsibilities involved. Because there is no divorce in the Philippines, you better make sure you don't make a mistake in choosing your life partner!"

The usual open forum

was cancelled. Mr. Adair had a cold and was tired after the long trip from Manila. Based on the warm reception and keen interest of the college President, officials and student body, this lecture was a great success. Five hundred people responded to the booklet announced. As of this writing, Mr. Alvaran in a recent letter said "... people here are eagerly waiting for their copies of the dating and marriage booklets." (Nap Acebron)

## The Truth Shall . . . . . . . . . . cont'd

Armstrong for the benefit of those who were not able to attend the Sabbath Service. This couple then came to realize and believed at last. All the brethren present were very happy and the couple involved were not exempted from being happy and joyful.

### Now Reunited

After a couple of weeks they were pronounced true husband and wife (June 15, 1974) in our new meeting place (Edrada Bldg.) in Urdaneta. They were Mr. Jose B. Salibad of Baguio City and Valeriana Leanio of Rosales, Pangasinan. Now they are legally married in the eyes of God. We can truly say that this is the True Church growing in knowledge and in Truth.

## Tree Rings ... cont'd

Exceptions are salmon which have a definite period of growth before spawning and after spawning die. Carps are said to reach a life span of 100 years, but few fish in the wild die of old age. The rings on a clam's shell show that it has grown but its growth is not regular enough to tell its actual age by these things.



# Letters TO THE EDITOR

## FEELS CLOSE TO WORK

Thank you very much for the timely arrival of our CONTACT newsletter. It really makes me feel "at home" (there in Manila) especially as I looked at the front cover of our July issue. It also makes me feel that the Work is so close to us here in Zamboanga City "even at the doors."

Virgilio Bautista  
CAA, Zamboanga City

## BRIDGING THE GAP

The new publication "CONTACT" is wonderful! It really bridges the gap existing among the scattered members of His Church.

Merlito A. Tonog  
M'lang, N. Cotabato

## SHORT "SHORT STORY"

I suggest that you also accept short story articles for entertaining reading. Should you accept such an article I would be happy to send mine.

My short story article is only short. I wrote this two years ago for publication in our school organ of the University of Visayas. This is a true-to-life account entitled "Miracle at Sea!" I believe many of our brethren will be delighted to read this.

Tranquilino Jubay, Jr.  
Madrirdejos, Cebu

\*Sounds interesting.... As you noticed in past issues including last month's, we have been publishing such kinds of articles. So send in your contribution. We may be able to publish it.

## CONTACT IS LIKE A WINDOW

Thank you very much for the June and July copies of the CONTACT. Being a scattered member, to me CONTACT is like a window (where I can have a view of the many important and exciting activities of God's Work locally). Whenever I receive it my heart leaps with joy like a prisoner receiving a letter from his loved one. Through this newsletter, I can also see the efforts

of all the brethren in the Work. It seems to me that many of the members in Manila have talents in writing. Yet I did not have that talent when I was with them in Manila! Also I find that CONTACT is no ordinary newsletter. I think it is the fruit born by hard work. Congratulations to all those involved in this publication!

Wilihardo E. Aycocho  
Legaspi City

## Beware of that Little Hacksaw!

by Mario Agayo

If you ever desperately hurry to finish a job, you can very well agree that haste makes waste. This especially applies to using the little hacksaw.

A man tried to speed up the back and forth action of his sawing so he could get through in shorter time. To his horror, the springy hacksaw blade slipped from its frame, flew to his face, and pierced through one of his cheeks! Another man who also tried to hurriedly cut a metal pipe with his hacksaw, was fortunate that the flying blade only grazed one eye.

The reason why the little hacksaw can play this dirty trick is found

in the hooks that hold the blade by both ends. Manufacturers of this tool may be careless by making the hooks too short so they barely hold the blade. Carpenters and plumbers who make their own hacksaw frames from iron bars 3/8" in diameter have found a better way to securely fasten the blades. The split ends of these frames keep the blades from tilting to the sides and slipping. Ordinary nails can be used as pins.

But even if the hacksaw we use has short hooks, the blade will not fly off if we don't get hasty. The danger occurs when both the blade and what we are cutting get hot from the friction.

Rhythm therefore, plays an important role in using the hacksaw. Not too fast, not sluggish.

"Haste makes waste." Work quickly, but carefully.

## as viewed from our CONTACT lens



"Christian Manhood — is it a Lost Cause?"



*Personalities*

**SERVICE — HIS WAY OF LIFE**

by P. R. Melendez, Jr.

"VAST Services," the company he owns and manages, seems to aptly epitomize the lifestyle Mr. Victorino Sabado Tuangco has led all these years. One of our first two deacons, Mr. Tuangco is a contractor for interior and exterior painting jobs, as well as carpentry, plumbing and masonry works. It is not surprising that this should be his line of work: his father was a building contractor.

Wanted to be a Lawyer

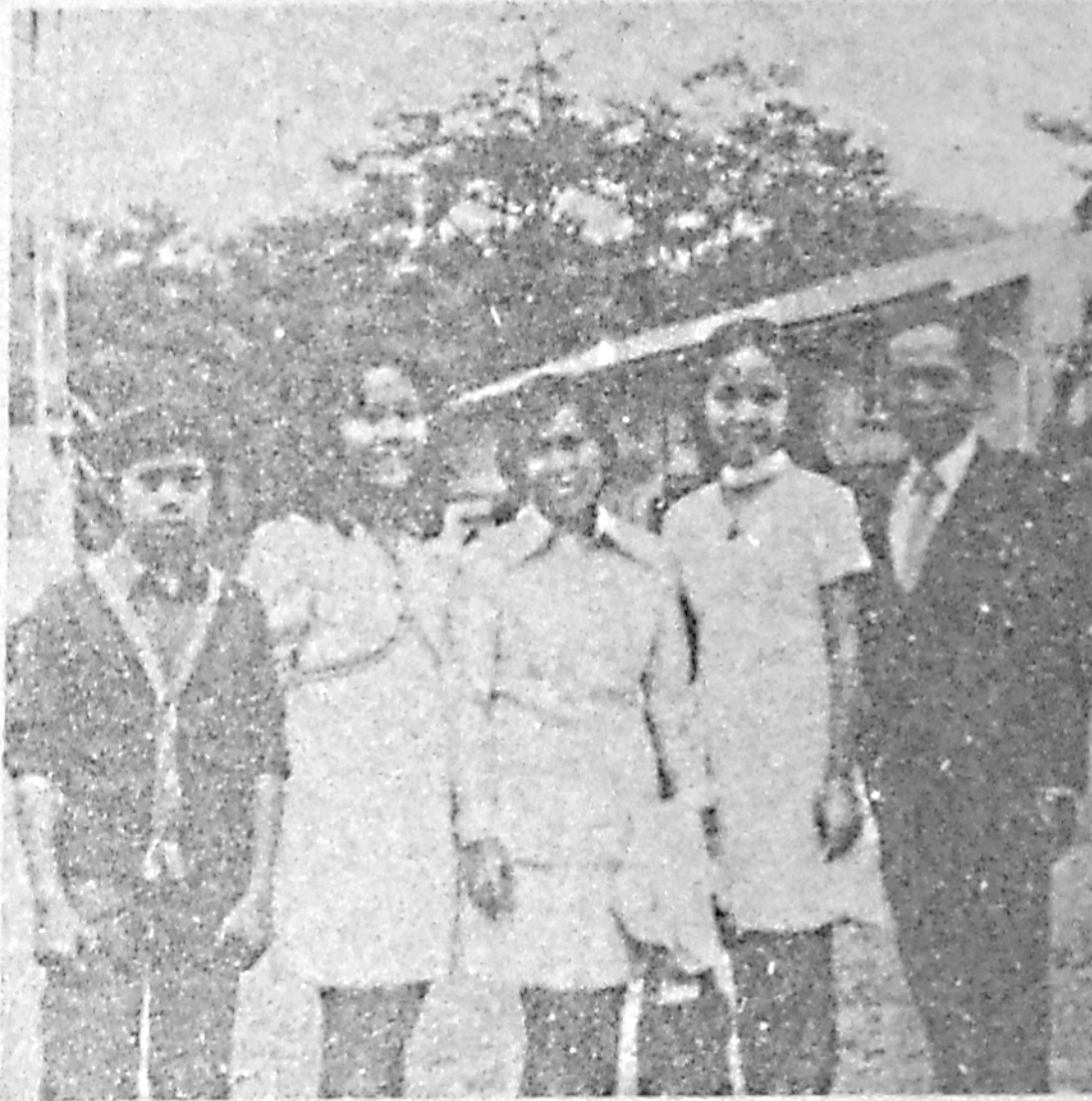
Mr. Tuangco, however, did not start out in this type of work. As a lad growing up in Tarlac, Tarlac (he was born in Guagua, Pampanga, though), he had dreams of becoming a lawyer or a business economist. Somehow these dreams did not materialize. Shortly after finishing high school, he joined the Boy Scouts of the Philippines headquarters in Manila.

"I applied for a job at the Boy Scouts saying I would work even if I wasn't paid, just so I could have a place to stay while studying in Manila. The BSP took me in, and besides giving me free lodging they also paid me the minimum wage at that time!" Mr. Tuangco said.

That was in 1949. From then on he got "stuck" with the Boy Scouts. While there, he worked on various jobs--from gardening, to telephone operator to recording clerk. Because of his work, however, his studies were brushed aside.

Marries Phone Pal

"It was while answering a phone call that I first



contacted the woman who was to become my wife. She (Lucila Mendoza, of Bocaue, Bulacan) was then looking for a certain 'Vic' in our office. I told her there were three 'Vics' here," Mr. Tuangco recounted. Without prior acquaintance, somehow he was the Vic who later became her phone pal, and her husband. Looking back at this experience, he feels she was God-sent to be his wife.

It looked like Mr. Tuangco had his future carved out with the Boy Scouts office. Then the unexpected happened. "I wasn't a 'religious' man," said Mr. Tuangco. "But one night (in 1964) I heard Mr. Armstrong over the radio." That message eventually led to his conversion and baptism. As he started keeping the Sabbath he did not report to his work on Saturdays. This came to the attention of his superior, and before long he was fired from his job.

Employed by God's Work

With a wife and two daughters (Rodella and Ofelia) to provide for, being out of a job was a big trial for a while. (Later came along their son Orlando.) But just in

time, the Ambassador College Press office here needed extra personnel. Happily, he was employed--to serve in a Work that is far greater in scope than the Boy Scouts.

Mr. Tuangco held multiple jobs in the office--from fixing light bulbs, making waste boxes, to overseeing the Bible Correspondence Course files (which we still maintained here before the transfer to Australia).

Affected by Cutback

When the great cutback occurred in 1970, Mr. Tuangco voluntarily resigned from his job in the office. "I didn't feel right receiving a salary from God's Work when I had nothing to do," he explained. "I wanted to work where I could also help others find employment."

Thus "VAST Services" was born. Today Mr. Tuangco has eight in his employ. Despite the rising cost of materials and slow business especially during the rainy season, he goes on with his services "by faith."

"It takes faith to survive in business. I find that I have to always pray in order that I can have good business prospects," Mr. Tuangco revealed.

**BELIEVE IT-NOT**

During the time of King Solomon, (FOOT) RULERS were generally in use as Silverware during meals.



Spoons, forks and table Knives as we know now had not yet been invented then.

That's why thou readeest in PROVERBS 23:1 ... "When thou sittest to eat with a RULER ..."

Contributed by Mrs. LITA GONZALES MAKATI, RIZAL



# Is the Church Also a Financing Institution?

Because of continual misunderstanding on the part of brethren over the role of the church in their financial problems, I have asked one of our ministerial assistants, Mr. Edmond Macaraeg, to write this article for you. I hope it will clarify the situation. Editor

by Edmond Macaraeg

Some apparently think the church is a financing institution and therefore apply for business or other forms of loans from it. Others run to it for every financial need. They might consider their contributions to it (in tithes and offerings) to be some sort of regular investment from which they can expect some dividends or loan privileges.

The more analytical might reason out that since the church is considered "the mother of us all," then she should help and support us financially -- being a sort of "provider."

What is the truth about this matter? In short, is the church also a financing institution?

Let us get the real picture and also see how by helping ourselves, we can help the church even more.

## "Mother"--a Provider?

Unless we are mixed up we can easily and immediately see that the mother is not supposed to be the provider--but rather the father is. Therefore, it is not the church but it is God in heaven whom we should look to for our needs (including financial). This basic fact was outlined by Christ in the sample prayer he gave to His disciples.

The church now is considered our spiritual mother and it is right and proper to look to her

for spiritual guidance and instruction, in spiritual as well as physical matters -- since Christianity is a way of life.

Money given to the church is used in the ways designated. Tithes and offerings are used in the work of proclaiming the gospel of the soon-coming Kingdom and giving out the warning and witness to this world. The rest of it is used in spiritually ministering to or serving those being called by God into the church--His family. The excess second tithes (and tithe of the second tithe) submitted (which are very limited) are used strictly in connection with God's festivals. Third tithe is used as God ordained it; to help the Levite, the widows and the fatherless. There is an emergency or a love fund, but more about that later.

As you can see, therefore, there is never an occasion here where we can use part of the tithes and offerings for personal loans or for business. The church is not the place to turn to for such needs.

## What You Can Do

All of us have been called to do a Work. That Work is being done through our collective efforts--including financial support. As much as we are able, and as God has blessed us, we should be a

financial asset to this great cause, instead of being a burden. We can be less of a burden if we individually try our best to help ourselves.

There are many ways in which we can help ourselves in our respective financial difficulties.

The very first thing to do is to study and find the cause of our financial troubles, and then institute programs or procedures to solve them.

There is always a cause for every effect. That is a basic universal law.

Meanwhile, as a financial stop-gap measure or to create needed capital one can avail of loan from different sources. For those employed, there are the GSIS or SSS loan privileges. There are also other loaning agencies and banks you can turn to. Personal properties can be used as collateral to secure loans. Those under the land reform areas could easily avail themselves of loans from their local rural banks. Aside from these, there are many government programs and agencies which you can look into for needed help.

For those unemployed and interested in a short but profitable vocational training, you can contact some government agencies as the NACIDA (National Cottage Industry Development Adm.); the Dept. of Labor for Manpower Development programs being sponsored

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# Is the Church..

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sored by the government; the Dept. of Agriculture for technical information and guidance on farming, livestock and poultry raising, food preserving methods, etc. As a citizen, it is your duty and responsibility to find out about these opportunities.

If all these are impossible for you at the moment, there are your relatives and friends whom you may be able to approach for your needs.

The basic principle is that by helping yourself, you are actually helping the church.

## NEED COUNSEL

Does it mean then that we should never present our problems (including financial) and counsel about them with the ministry?

By all means, you are always welcome to ask counsel about your problems. We would be more than willing to help you in any way we can. But first of all, you have "homework" to do. It would be good for you to review and apply the principles in our booklet, "Seven Laws to Success" and "Managing Your Personal Finances." Then review the article, "Seven Rules to Right Decision." You would note that getting all the pertinent facts comes before counsel. Therefore, be sure to have the facts first. We can only give advice based on the facts you present and our understanding and experience on the matter. We still give you full latitude to make your own final decision. God wants us to individually use our minds.

## EMERGENCIES?

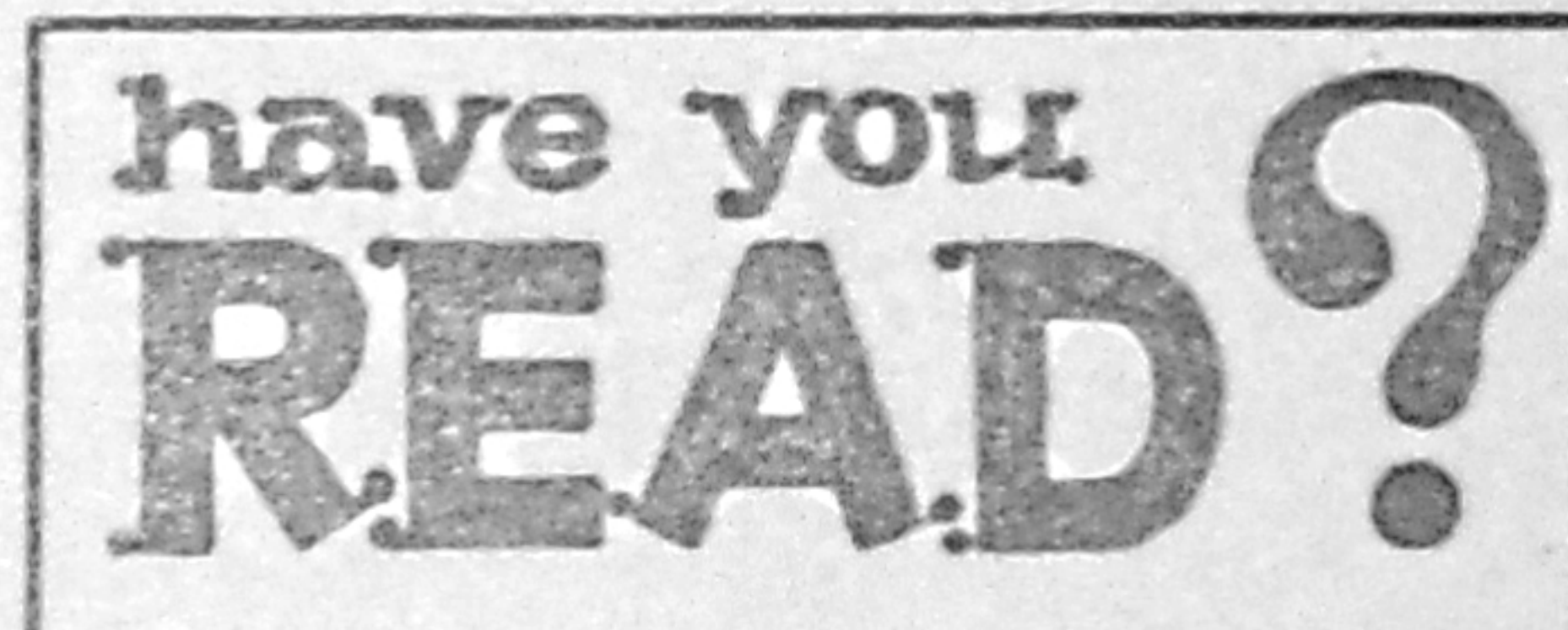
What if sudden emergen-

cies happen and time element is a critical factor?

As you are able, you have to use your initiative and resourcefulness first. Exhaust all possible means as the time allows. There is truth in the saying, "God helps those who help themselves."

If the only recourse left is to come to us, then by all means do so. We are more than willing to help those in cases of desperate need and genuine emergencies. We try to reflect the kindness and mercy of a loving God.

Financially, this is where the Emergency Fund, mentioned earlier is used. According to the blessings God has granted us and on



by George Hood

Money!!!

Sometimes a blessing; sometimes a curse. It depends upon how we use it.

It is often necessary; not always available. It depends upon how we manage it.

Is it a means to an end (goal)? Or is it an end in itself? It depends upon our attitude toward it.

We know from experience just how important it is in our lives. It is obvious. Unfortunately, what is just as important, but not obvious is what the proper approach and attitude toward money should be.

Moreover, how does one manage it efficiently?

The booklet, "Managing Your Personal Finances," shows all this and more. You need to know. If you haven't yet read and studied it, write for your own copy today!

Additionally, the booklet entitled Ending Your Financial Worries answers the question: "How can I

our love for the brethren let us continue to willingly and lovingly give toward this fund. It is the only way in which the church can help those who legitimately need help. In this connection, it is requested that those who have obtained loans from this fund are expected to fulfill their promise to pay back. This way we will continue to replenish our fund so you can get help again, and so others can benefit.

While the church is more than willing to help in cases of emergencies, remember it is definitely not a financing institution. ●

ensure that money will be a blessing to me and not a continual worry?"

Certainly the answer, tithing according to a living law which God has set in motion, is not new to us, the members of His church. But now may be a good time to refresh ourselves on the "whys" and "wherefores" of it, and to be inspired anew by what the Bible teaches. Especially at a time when this living principle is being attacked by some, it is important that we be sure of what we are doing and why.

Money, nonetheless, isn't the prime fuel upon which the individual Christian's life is run. For one thing, God says that the just shall live by faith (Rom. 1:17; Heb. 10:38)

We Christians have more than just our physical lives as well. But, if one of these aspects is neglected, it usually isn't the material side! Therefore, we must constantly seek proper balance.

If you have not already done so, you ought to study the booklet, What Is Faith?, and add some premium fuel into your spirit- (Turn to page 16)



Special to the Contact

# How to Survive Diliman and Die Young

by Eduvigio de Vera

(From the Philippine Collegian, official organ of the University of the Phils., Diliman, Quezon City - August 7, 1973.)

The fact that only 15% of our coeds smoke is loathsome. Emancipation which they work for must be so expressed for the world to understand their sentiment. Through smoking, they can manifest their independence and maturity. A lady smoker can view things with a raised eyebrow. So she looks too sophisticated and indispensable to be pushed around by a dominating male.

Those campus females who frown at a smart lady smoker have got no novel values yet. A blushing Maria Clara who could only bring a fan and a "panyolito" (hanky) to her lips has given way to Marie who giggles and frets and bawls with a cigarette or a stylish pipe on those lips. There must not be any middle stage in the metamorphosis.

For his part, any university professor who's got sense and class and credibility must be the leading patron of the art. Smoke like a Brando or a Bardot while you parrot the boring lessons. Never ask your students if they won't mind you smoking in front of them. After all, even if they do mind, you'll still go on with it. Just tell them, "Class, we can all smoke!" That's more humane. Remember that a class who doesn't pollute the room for the next users is no wise monkey.

Occasional smokers are perverts. When you adopt the art, do it completely. Stick to the sticks seems to be fitting watchword.

Snub all those medical findings about the hazards of the art. Credible doctors in the world who discredit the art to you are only being "pakialamero" (nosy). You have your own lives to live. Give the following facts no heed at all:

-that smoking is a health hazard is now a scientific fact;

-that one puff of cigarette gives your body some 15 billion particles of matter of which some are the most noxious substances known to man like nicotine, tars, prussic acid, benzopyrene, methyl alcohol and collidene;

-that the art causes cancer of major delicate organs and aids in the formation of other illnesses like heart diseases, ulcer, chronic bronchitis and nervous troubles that can cause blindness;

-that the more cigarettes a person smokes, the greater becomes the risk of an early death very much short of the average life expectancy;

-that the art lowers mental efficiency from 10 to 23 per cent in all cases tested;

-that, for women, smoking contributes to menstrual disturbance, frigidity, sterility and natal miscarriage or birth defects on the babies;

-that smoking reduces the physical endurance, muscular strength and appetite of smokers to do jobs requiring physical efforts;

-and that it makes smokers doubly nervous, tensed and confused.

Therefore you should not write for a free public service copy of "You Can Quit Smoking" that expounds on those medical facts. So that the address also may mean nothing to you: The Plain Truth Office, P.O.Box 1111 Makati, Rizal.

The booklet points to something: smoking is the number one preventable cause of disease on earth. This is meaningless to you. What counts most is the social ladder in the campus that you should climb up. Your campus (turn to page 17)

## Importance of Bible Lectures

by Ofelia Limpoco

If you failed to attend the series of lectures by Mr. Colin Adair at the University of the East from June 30 to August 18, every Sunday between 4 and 6 p.m., you are missing a lot. Why? It was an important review of basic church doctrine and it hinged and wedged in the mind what has already been learned.

If you love a musical piece, you would want it played and replayed over and over again without getting tired or bored hearing it. The more you hear it, the more you learn the tune and the lyrics and eventually it becomes a part of you. There are times you subconsciously sing it and lo and behold, you get not only the melody but also the words.

We have a wonderful story to tell, a beautiful song to sing to the world. How can we tell it, how can we sing it to them who desire to hear, if we don't know all about it? ●



*Feature Story of the Month*

**"I must By All Means Keep the Feast..."**

by Reuel Deveraturda

In 1973 when I decided to attend the Feast of Tabernacles in Baguio City, I just didn't know how I would be able to. I had no allowance for transportation, board and lodging expenses. How could I secure the needed extra clothing? And our final examinations would be given during the Feast days.

But I also knew God would help and intervene. He did!

I was then enrolled in five subjects in college. The final test in PE was given several days before the Feast. My English professor kindly exempted me from taking the final exam. Two solved: 3 more.

With a letter of request from Mr. Colin Adair, I approached my physics instructor. She agreed to give the test in advance. Then I proceeded to the Spanish professor. He refused, and refused to give a decision until all my teachers had signed up, including the instructor in Philippine history--an atheist!

I prayed for God's help. The history teacher's heart finally softened to give his test earlier than scheduled. My Spanish professor then told me to see him after the Baguio "conference" -- (as he called it in front of another student talking with him). Later on, however, a typhoon postponed the exam to a date after the Feast!

Several student Church members had also experienced remarkable interventions by God because they decided and willed to obey Him.

Now the financial prob-

lems. The University grants-in-aid allowance timely provided the deposit payment. My parents heard I was to attend a "seminar" in Baguio; they readily gave the balance. While I was packing up, my oldest brother even went to my dorm and gave me some pocketmoney!

The night of departure came. We were scheduled to leave Makati at 1 a.m. At about 7 p.m., most of my clothes were still with the laundrywoman. It had

rained that day. Her daughter came to say they were still wet! Praying for God's quick help, it entered my mind to have them dried in the laundry service electric dryer--if it was still open. It was. My oldest brother later enthusiastically lent some of his cold-weather clothing.

I arrived at Davies building in Makati (where brethren in that area were to meet) at about 10 p.m. that night. After these trying incidents and the trip came the unforgettable Feast of Tabernacles!

Truly, God helps one to be able to observe His holy days. Set your mind to, pray continuously and take steps: you'll be there to enjoy His Feast! ●

**Rambling Thoughts about My Conversion**

by Florencio S. Sebastian

In the summer of 1969, I came in closer contact with the Work. I was one of those who attended the baptismal class held at the office which was formerly located at the CCC building on Buendia Ave. Makati, Rizal. We met every Wednesday evening for two months--vacation time from school (May, June). The opportunity to be there was a result of my earlier request for baptism.

This time, apart from reading the Plain Truth and the literature, I was now receiving first-hand knowledge from God's minister. At that time I was a reader of the Plain Truth for about a year and also a student of the Bible Correspondence Course. I was already acknowledged as a co-worker.

It all started when I

mailed back coupons which I found in the (now defunct) Phils. Free Press. I was impressed with the contents of the Plain Truth. However, at first I was apprehensive over the magazine. But this was allayed and overshadowed by the fact that I was getting valuable and workable knowledge from the Plain Truth. Eventually I took the magazine into my confidence. I developed a growing admiration for the people behind it. As a student, their articles of varied interests continued to get my attention. After finally settling down to study Biblical subjects, I gradually realized that this Work was teaching the true knowledge about God. The booklet that I considered best was "The Proof of the Bible," for it helped to give me irrefutable evidence about the existence of God. I was also impressed with the book the United States and British Commonwealth In Prophecy.

God's revealed knowledge  
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# Travails...

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people not to panic. Civilians were told not to bring anything, except clothing on their backs to avoid endangering their lives. However, we were all very thankful that the raid did not materialize. The previous night the constabulary troopers encountered the rebels somewhere in Darong, Sta. Cruz Davao del Sur, and several people were killed including one soldier.

Thus Mr. Adair's lecture failed to engage a capacity crowd because of the panic that engulfed the city residents. Like our brethren in Ireland, we here in Mindanao really need fervent prayers amidst all these dangers we are continually exposed to.

# Rambling Thoughts...

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edge taught me to put myself in a proper relationship with Him. After counting the cost, I finally decided that obeying God and His laws would have priority in my life.

After that baptismal class I was truly convinced this was God's true Church. However, I was not yet considered for baptism. Nevertheless I conscientiously followed the advice of Mr. P. Ortiguero to "read more." So after several months I came back--repeatedly. I was interviewed and asked whether I was following and observing God's laws. I replied in the affirmative. When Mr. P. Ortiguero was away, I either met Mr. Ames or Mr. Docken. But it was Mr. P. Ortiguero who finally decided the matter.

I was finally permitted to attend the Sabbath

services--my first time was on the Feast of Trumpets 1969. I was baptized on October 19 of the same year. Of course everything did not just end there; in fact it had just started--that is living the true Christian lifestyle.

# Resourcefulness

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they receive it early enough," I told myself.

As expected, the copies came pouring in. I was informed by one of the senders, Mrs. Florence Collier, of Glendale, California, that my request appeared in the May 27 issue of the WN. "It gives me great pleasure to be able to send the magazines you requested," she enthusiastically wrote me.

My first set of the September and November issues came from Mrs. Lavona Collins, of Spokane, Washington. Though her husband is not in the Church, yet her two daughters are members. Another interesting thing is the fact that she has a son in the U.S. Navy stationed here in the Philippines, at Subic Bay.

And from as far away as Canada -- to be exact, British Columbia -- I also received another set. This time it was from Mrs. Joyce Gerby. "I also enjoy reading articles on the brethren in the Philippines because you seem so far away from us here in Canada," she told me in her letter. She added, "Glad to hear Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong's campaign was very successful there."

You might say that I received replies only from our sisters in the faith. Not so. Actually, from Mr. Ray Young, of La Habra, California, came another set of PT. And the replies were not limited to the U.S.A. and Canada a-

lone. From as near as Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, I received the November issue from Mr. Peter Chan. "Sorry, we weren't sent the September 1973 issue," he regretfully informed me. It's okay, I thought. That one copy is already a treasure.

All in all, I received a terrific and fantastic response. No doubt about that. And already, I have the various copies circulating among the brethren in Negros Occidental.

More remarkable, however, is the fact that I also received the 40th anniversary issue of the Plain Truth even without my requesting it. It is a beautiful 20-page edition full of beautiful color photos of the various aspects of the Work. The copy came from Mrs. Florence Collier.

I can only say that resourcefulness always pays off. That is the lesson I learned. As Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong advised in his Autobiography: "THINK! When obstacles arise, as they always do, find a way around them."

# Personal from... ...cont'd.

written from Belfast and sent to Manila. I hope to describe the political situation there and tell you a little bit about our trip home. Have an enjoyable Feast!

# Have You Read? ...cont'd.

ual life. (Note: Some may have read our literature on "faith" some years back. Those various pieces have been gathered and updated recently -- with some new added -- and this booklet is the result.)



## Mr. McCullough Lecture... .cont'd

successful campaign in Brisbane, Australia. He said that they took the opportunity to come to Manila just to see all the church members again. The Martins, on the other hand, came from Singapore after visiting the new office there.

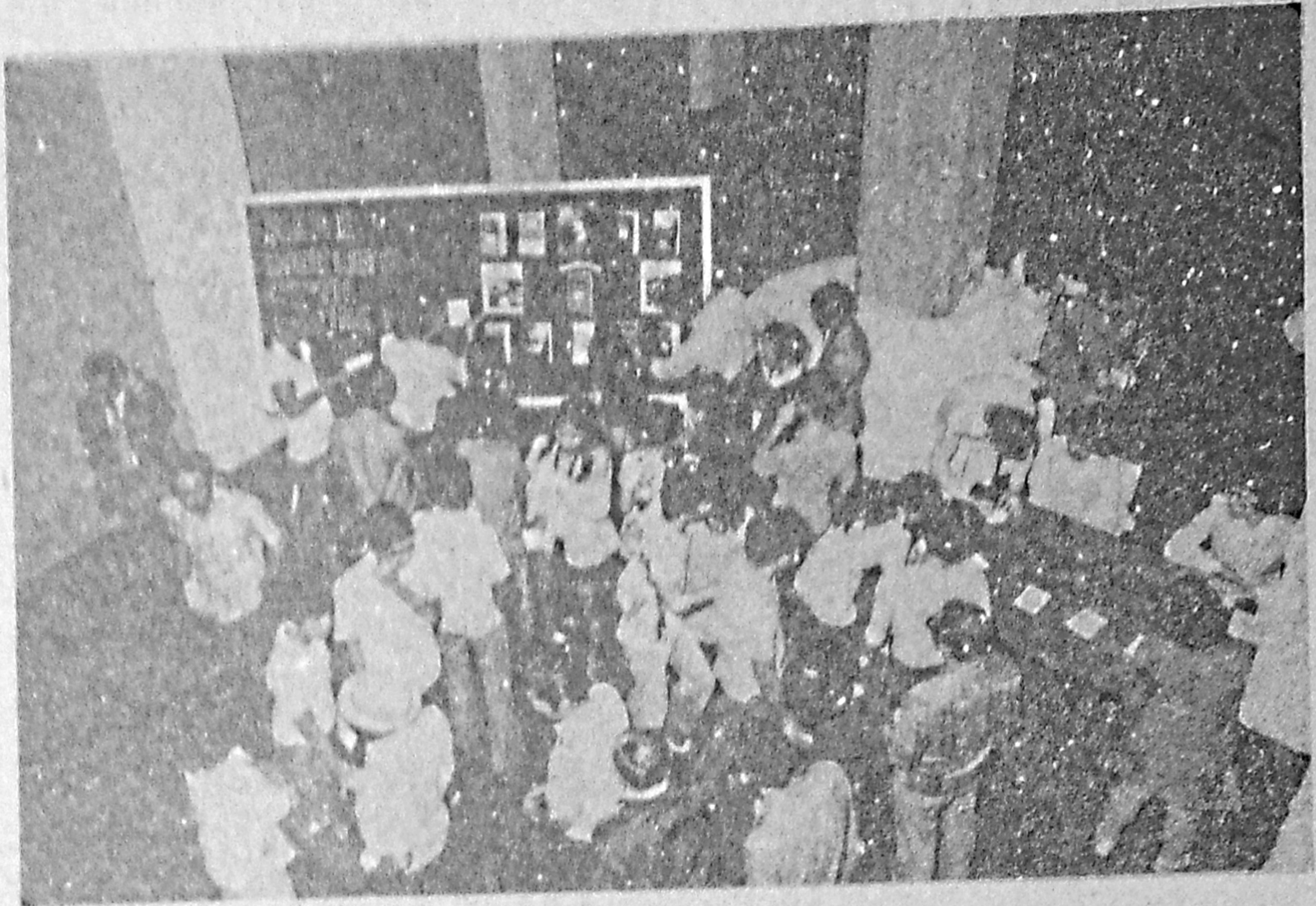
With his timely arrival on August 8, (Mr. McCullough arrived at the time when the scheduled subject for the Bible lecture was on the true Church) Mr. Adair was very happy to have Mr. McCullough speak on the subject "Where is God's True Church Today?"

Despite very heavy rains brought about by typhoon "Miding," a considerable number of people turned up for the lecture. Mr. Bien Macaraeg, Jr. of the Church Administration Department reported that a total of three hundred ninety-three people attended, out of which one hundred thirty-eight were non-members. This is a decrease of about 2% over the previous total attendance. Evidently, the continuous rains had an effect on the attendance.

In his lecture, Mr. McCullough spoke of the true Church as an organization which has always been in existence since the time it was founded by Jesus Christ. Citing Bible verses to prove his point, he told the audience that the church would be kept in the Father's name hence she must be called the Church of God.

Mr. McCullough's lecture was emphatic and authoritative. No one left the auditorium while he was still speaking.

After finishing his lecture two people left the hall hurriedly, but with the excuse that they had an appointment to keep.



(Photo by Jerry Ortiguero)

A top view of the audience as they mill around usherettes' table requesting advertised literature after the last lecture of the series. There were much bigger crowds in previous lectures.

The rest remained until the end of the question-and-answer portion which was adroitly handled by Mr. McCullough's executive assistant, Mr. Steve Martin.

Mr. Martin's answers to the questions proved to be as equally interesting and enlightening as the lecture. The manner in which the questions were answered by him, was very strong and straightforward though brief. He did not seem to appear apologetic at all to the crowd. Some of the people commented afterwards that it was by far the strongest and most witty answers to Bible questions they had ever heard.

While the Pasadena visitors were in Manila, they had also a chance to speak at the Sabbath service on August 10. Mr. Martin gave a sermonette on "What is a Real Christian" while Mr. McCullough gave a sermon on the potential of the human mind.

On August 12, Monday, the visitors were treated to a "Barrio Fiesta" at the residence of Mr. Adair at Bel-Air. The evening was highlighted by a spe-

cial song number rendered by Mrs. Martin.

Mr. Adair disclosed that Mr. McCullough and Mr. Martin were very much pleased with the new office facilities at our new office building at Roxas Boulevard. They said that they are most beautiful! The visitors commented that the church members were warm, friendly and in good attitudes.

As far as the future plan for the Philippine Work is concerned, Mr. Adair said that nothing was discussed at this time with Mr. McCullough except the possibility of "helping pay our own way in the Philippine Work."

The McCulloughs and the Martins left for Honolulu on August 13 en route to Pasadena. (Rey Taniajura)

## How to Survive Diliman... .cont'd

life should be saved. You should not consider any alternative. You should strive to be that smart-looking campus figure who digs his own grave below the Oblation.



## Church Bazaar Impressions

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back and forth who could not seem to decide whether or not to buy the polo and long-sleeved shirts, neckties, barongs and pants; though some did buy later.

The geniuses took time to find out if they could gather more knowledge from the multi-lingual books on sale -- books in Tagalog, English, German, French, Spanish, Dutch, and Portuguese.

Interior designers had the chance to buy rubber roller designs at a much reduced price. Expectant mother and father were seen scouting for baby's items such as baby's mosquito net and baby's high chair.

Ladies' bags from abaca to leather, hardware, sunglasses, raincoats and Tupperware items also found place on the counters.

Many items were further reduced in price. Big and bulky household items such as a refrigerator, washing machine, clothes dryer, electric motor and bicycles were advertised on a billboard.

Each counter had a sale of free smiles from the ladies of YAC-A whose smiles must have inspired some to buy.

Of course, all by itself the trading was an exciting affair -- a real break for speculators and those who wanted to buy items. Buyers had the opportunity to buy items at give-away prices, for the purposes of preparing for the coming Feast, giving a gift for a loved one or preparing for the most awaited third member of the family. One would note the continuous roar of laughter rolling from one corner of the place to another -- either because a guy was being cajoled to buy a P200 green Swedish-

cloth suit or housewives turning around like models in front of two wall mirrors also for sale.

The affair did not escape the chess enthusiasts who spent the time over a chessboard. Some enjoyed watching TV inside. Birds of the same feather flocked together -- housewives fellowshipped together (probably discussing a new recipe?) while the single young men and women had the chance to

get to know each other better.

The setting was new because the affair was the first event of its kind to be held in the Manila Church. And this new experience provided a new form of fellowshipping.

The event closed at 12:00 noon just in time to beat a strong sudden downpour and mighty thunderstorm. Altogether it resulted in a full activity of fun and fund raising. ●

## First Church Bazaar-a Success!

MAKATI -- The frontyard of the Gonzales' residence in Guadalupe was transformed into a mini shopping center on a bright Sunday morning last August 4 for the first Church Bazaar.

It served one purpose of perpetuating fellowshipping and granted ample opportunity for God's people to extend their helping hands in raising funds for a very good cause.

Managed by the YAC, the activity was designed exclusively for Church people.

Part of the profit (there was over P1,000 gross sales) is earmarked for the emergency fund and the

YAC fund.

Although prices were fixed, there was a little haggling in the air. Various things, new and second hand, such as tupperware goods, towels, cloths, suitcases, polo shirts, neckties, bags, shoes, coats, door locks, wall paintings, books, babies wear, a wall mirror, and what have you were displayed for window-shoppers to buy.

To the delight of every one the siopaos and soft drinks beat them all!

Business started as early as 7:30 a.m. and lasted up to lunchtime. (Lily Acosta) ●



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