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# FIRST PHILIPPINE P.T. LECTURE - A SUCCESS

DAGUPAN CITY, Philippines. The first much-awaited PT Bible Lecture by Northeast Asia Director Colin Adair took place at the PMC Hall, Tondaligan Blue Beach, this city last February 8 and 9. Some 254 subscribers and members for the first day and some 262 for the second day filled to overflow the 240-seat beach-type auditorium. For the first afternoon 191 non-members attended. This increased to 213 the second afternoon out of which 83 interested subscribers signed up for the 3-day special Bible Study slated at downtown Vicar Hotel.

Mayor Cipriano Manaois and his wife personally welcomed Mr. & Mrs. Adair and Mr. & Mrs. Pike Mirto

(local elder), while they were having dinner at the resort restaurant. The mayor and his wife (who is also the president of the Pangasinan Medical Society) cordially offered their facilities and cooperation for the success of the lectures.

The first afternoon, Mr. Adair spoke on the subject "Is This the End Time?" He described to his audience the sick and terrifying world conditions today. Proving that these are indeed the last days, he cited "the ultimate bomb that can annihilate all mankind," the over population, food shortage, pollution, chemical warfare, war, earthquakes, pestilence and other natural

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## PNC Invites Mr. Adair for Lecture

MANILA -- The first month of the year 1975 saw Mr. Colin Adair addressing two leading educational institutions in Manila on the subject of Modern Dating, Marriage, and Family Relations.

This second one (exactly two weeks after the UE lecture) at the Philippine Normal College was held Jan. 29, Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m. The main building auditorium was jam-packed with students and some faculty members numbering almost 800. Because of the hall's limited capacity many had to stand at the back, outside the hall, and in the corridors. The Philippine Normal College (PNC for short) is the chief of the eight government-run teacher training institutions in the country.

Program and personalities included Prof. Belen V. Leones, Adviser of the Junior Assembly at PNC, who gave the opening remarks and welcome address. Then Mr. Colin Adair (he was constantly referred to as Dr. Adair-- as in other universities and colleges he has gone to!!) was introduced very impressively by Dr. Gloria Salandanan, BSE Science Majors' Adviser. There was a very apparent audience enthusiasm for and reception to Mr. Adair's lecture. Several dozen were seen taking notes during the hour-long lecture. (Please turn to page 9)



Mr. Adair at the lecture during the first PT lecture at the PMS Hall, Bonuan Blue Beach, Dagupan City. To the right on stage is P. Mirto who introduced Mr. Adair to an audience of 262.



Mr. Colin Adair delivering a lecture at the Philippine Normal College on the subject of Modern Dating, Marriage and Family Relations.

# Personal from

*Colin Adair*

The results of the first P.T. lecture in Daguapan City were very satisfactory. Although the expected 440 didn't come (I never understand why people write and say they will attend and then don't bother) over 200 new people attended and were very responsive to the messages. I will not go into details here as it is adequately covered in the lead article. Being the first of the series we were able to learn a few things which will help improve the future meetings.

Mr. Ortiguero telephoned later to say that 30 readers had attended the follow-up Bible study on the Sunday following the lecture (actually 82 had signed up to attend!) and many questions were asked. He seemed happy at the results even if fewer than expected attended.

Right now plans are being made to hold the second series in Baguio City on March 1 and 2. While there I will speak at the University of the Philippines in Baguio on the usual topic of Dating and Marriage. As this will be the sixteenth time I have spoken on this topic many of you might wonder if I don't "get weary" giving the same message again and again. However, this is not the case. Each time, the audience is new and has never heard the message before. Knowing this, it helps the speaker to continually be inspired in giving out the information. Mr. Armstrong has been giving testimonial dinners for almost two years now and has spoken many times on the very same topic. Yet he is able to remain enthusiastic and excited every time. When you have a message you want to give first time to people, it often seems like you are yourself speaking for the

first time! I'm sure the other speakers in the United States, Canada, and Britain feel the same way when they hold campaigns where they may cover the same topic again and again. As the hymn which we had in our old hymn books said, "I love to tell the story." Perhaps this best describes the lectures we are doing.

We received word recently that Art Ferdig, Managing Editor of the Plain Truth, and his assistant and publishing co-ordinator Roger Lippross, will be visiting Manila about the middle of the month. They are presently on a tour of the overseas offices to coordinate the printing of the new format Plain Truth and to extend all the help they can in these areas. It will also be a fact-finding tour for them and should enable them to be more familiar with the set-up in each area. We are presently waiting for definite dates of their arrival and are looking forward to seeing them.

Mr. and Mrs. McCullough are presently touring the foreign offices on a five week trip. They will be visiting England, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand before returning to headquarters for the Passover. While in South Africa and Australia they will hold conferences with the ministers there. Unfortunately they are unable to visit the Philippines on this trip but hope to do so later in the year.

On the Sabbath of February 15 Mr. Filamer San-

tos and I went to Naga City for the usual bi-monthly service there. This time we were able to make it, escaping the problems experienced in December by Mr. Raduban and Mr. Hood. We had a record attendance in the morning of 73. In the large hall opposite where we were meeting, Comelec Chairman Perez was holding a meeting and B.I.R. executive Vera was also in attendance. As I had a bad throat (still have as of this writing) we decided to play the sermon of Mr. Ted Armstrong in the morning, (the one on the spirit of giving) to save my voice. It seemed like Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Perez were in competition with each other! To make matters worse, access to the comfort room was only through the back of our hall, so the door between the two meeting rooms was open and the "visitors" to the little room were curious as to what was being said on our tape. Perhaps some benefited from it! At the afternoon service we had 68. Fortunately the other meeting finished just before the sermon so I was able to speak without visitors peering in at the back. Thankfully my voice held up for the duration of the service. By the way, you will be glad to hear that Mr. Hood has almost fully recovered from his hepatitis and is now back at work. He mentioned that he tires easily, but this is usually the outcome of this kind of illness. It takes a long time to get back to

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full strength again. I'm sure Mr. Hood would like me to extend his thanks to all of you for praying for his quick recovery. Although he was off three weeks it was a quick recovery, as anyone who has had hepatitis will testify.

Before closing I would like to mention one point of etiquette which is constantly "transgressed" by many of you brethren. Christianity is a way of life, and part of living the Christian way is learning the finer points of culture. It is not a matter of being "Pharisaical" but rather learning how to get along with our fellowman and how to conduct ourselves properly (so take good note of the article in this issue on table setting). I am referring to the habit of some to call themselves by "Mr." "Miss" or "Mrs." This is noticeable in three areas: answering the telephone, introducing yourself to someone, and writing letters. The prefixes mentioned are titles given to you by someone else, as a matter of respect. You were not given the name Mr., Master or Miss at birth. You were named with your name, whatever it is. For example, your parents may have decided to call you "Juan de la Cruz," not Mr. or Master "Juan de la Cruz." The proper way to answer the phone or give your name over the phone is to give your whole name, as "Hello, this is Juan de la Cruz speaking" not "Hello, this is Mr. de la Cruz speaking." The same applies to women. If you are introducing yourself to someone say, "My name is Juan de la Cruz" not, "How do you do? I am Mr. de la Cruz." And in writing a letter you should sign yourself as follows: "Sincerely (or faithfully yours, etc.) Juan de la Cruz." In the case of wo-

men, if they wish their contact to know whether they are married or single they can add the word Miss or Mrs. in brackets after their name as: "Sincerely yours, Rita Gonzales (Miss)" or "Yours faithfully, Liza Montero (Mrs.)" They should not sign their name, "Miss Rita Gonzales" or "Mrs. L. Montero."

Remember, Mr., Miss or Mrs. is a title given to you out of respect by another person. It is a formal and proper way of addressing someone. If you have noticed, often someone will refer to another person only by their surname if they are speaking in a derogatory way about that person. The title gives respect and decorum to you. To use it to apply to yourself shows ignorance and immaturity. The same applies, by the way, to the prefix Dr., Professor, Lord, Sir, or any other title. These also are used to address others, never yourself. ●

*Letters*  
TO THE EDITOR

Bravo! and kudos to Contact Staff.. You deserve everybody's thanks for bringing us in contact.

We've not noticed, until receiving the anniversary copy, that we've been reading your issues for a year now. As its articles are indeed interesting, don't let us be out of Contact. We always wait for the new issues to reach us here.

Happy Anniversary! We are sure Contact will succeed. Keep up the good work.

Leliven  
Binalonan, Pangasinan

May we take this opportunity to comment on the First Anniversary issue of our Contact publication. I have just received my copy yesterday and to date I have already devoured it.

That wearisome weekend, experienced by Mr. George Hood and Mr. Raduban. What a disgustingly awful

experience for our very beloved ministers. We are so very sorry for them. I can just imagine how very frequently both have been shaking their heads, producing wrinkles on their foreheads and smiling disgustingly. We hope that experience will prove to be a challenge to them for their more frequent future visits here in our region.

Mrs. Abelardo P. Balisnomo  
Jacob Street, Tigaon  
Camarines Sur

Thank you for continually sending the PT, GN CONTACT and other printed matters. To scattered members, these prints are like fresh fruits which we can't wait to digest.

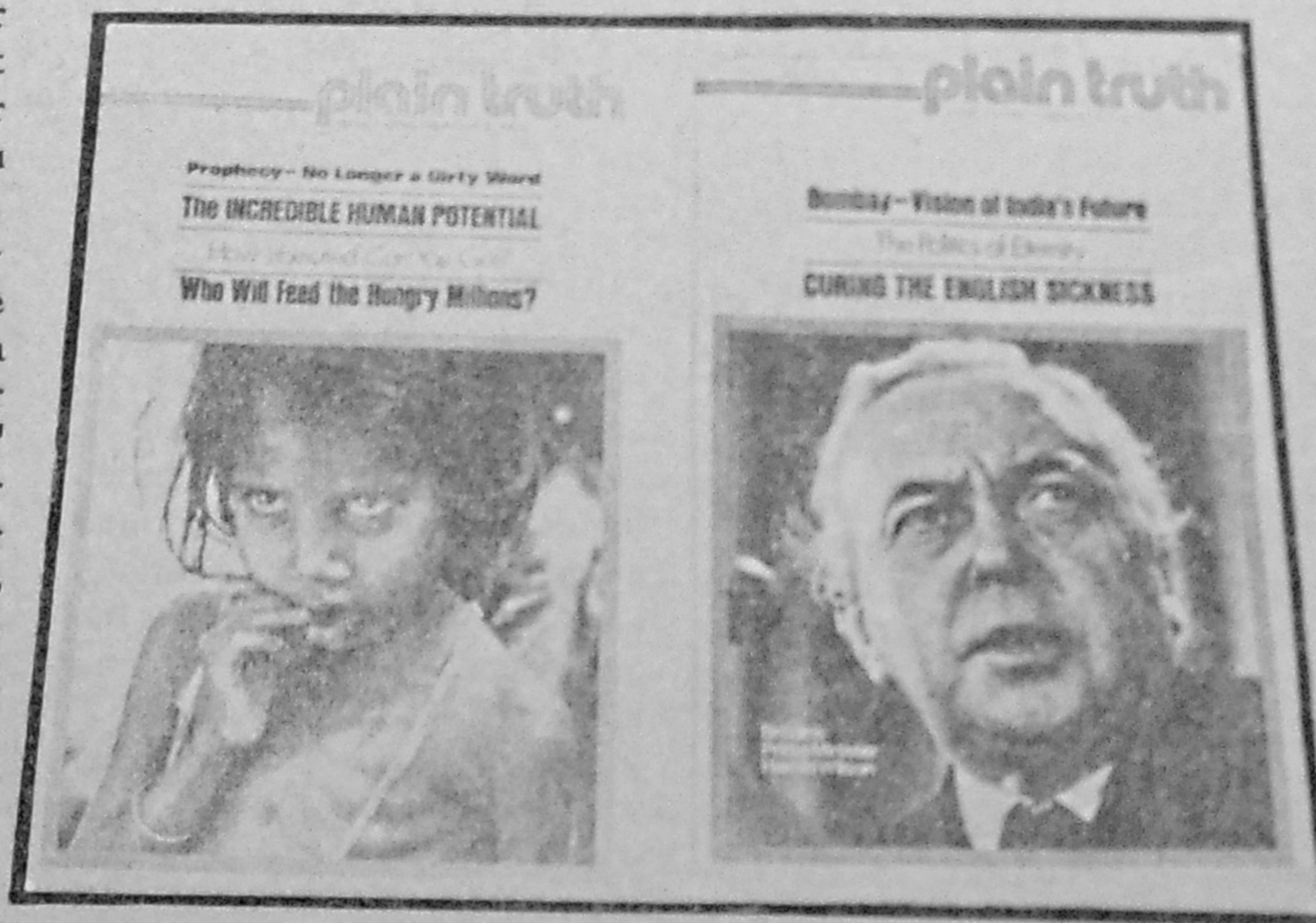
The 1975 Church Development Program is an excellent plan in doing or working the "two commissions". In the Contact, the Human Resources Information and the Homemakers columns are bright ideas which will surely serve the needs of the breadwinner and housekeeper.

Mr. Samuel Mercado  
Maasin, Southern Leyte

Belated greetings to the CONTACT'S FIRST ANNIVERSARY! It is indeed pleasing to learn that the CONTACT has reached its first anniversary in this (January) issue. It is just confirming the fact that time really flies and things are happening faster than we can imagine.

CONTACT'S birth was just like yesterday. Somehow, if one pauses and thinks for a moment that yesterday it was only a stappled bunch of mimeographed form of newsletter, one can realize that it has really grown older than its actual age.

As the headline was titled "PHIL. WORK COME OF AGE" so is the CONTACT. It is not aging, however towards decay but toward progress and perfection. (Please turn to page 9)



THE NEW PLAIN TRUTH -- Pictured above is the first and second (left and right, respectively) copies (February 8 and 22) of our new PLAIN TRUTH in tabloid form which comes out twice a month in the United States and Canada (monthly in the Philippines). For more details and explanation, refer to the article "The PLAIN TRUTH Takes on a New Format!" in the January CONTACT.

# MANILA NEWS



## MANILA CHURCH MEMBERS VISIT THE NATIONAL MUSEUM

by Milo Campbell

Can man travel through time a few decades or perhaps a couple of centuries into the historic past, without leaving the present? Yes, man can, and you can! If you have visited the National museum at the Rizal Park you have become a "time traveller" in another sense of the word. And we have done just that.

Last month, Feb. 2, at 2:00 p.m. our momentous "experiment" took place at the Rizal Park's Tourism Building. It was participated in by about a hundred and twenty young and old "scientists" (church members) who came to investigate how our ancestors

have successfully brought us into this present chaotic world. We focused on the historical side of the Philippines.

As we entered the "Time Machine" (The National Museum in this respect), we met with another surprise. The Adairs and their young "scientist," Andrew, were there already ahead of time (or rather backwards in time). Starting at the second floor, we were whisked back a few hundred years into the past and found ourselves in the primitive stage of Philippine culture. Here we saw sample arts of ancient weaving, tools and implements made of iron, glass ornaments of war like the 'Kris' and the 'Kampilan'

### Last minute success

## TEEN-AGE PARTY

This year's first and exclusive affair for the teen-age members and children of the members of the WCG was held last Jan. 26 at the RM Center. The affair was among the socio-cultural programs scheduled by the Social and Entertainment Division which aims to provide balanced opportunity for the social development and growth of the youth in the Church. The affair was attended by some 60 teen-agers with the boys slightly outnumbering the girls, 32 to 28

The party started right on the dot--1:30 p.m. but not with the expected gusto typical teen-agers normally exude. The usual feeling of embarrassment, inhibition and non-communication between sexes permeated the dance hall almost intolerably. For sometime the alternate tempo of cha-cha and boogie could be said to have fallen on deaf ears.

When the pace of inactivity threatened to further prevail, the strategy to start off the parlor games proved to be very effective to shake off the participants' misplaced sobriety.

With additional fillip of a well prepared and tasty refreshment along

with the delectable cakes and sandwiches prepared by Mrs. Adair and Mrs. Hood the party finally gained the overdue momentum. It became apparent that most of the boys were not prepared to dance nor knew how to dance. Those who were more gifted readily filled the need. The party also became an opportunity to give and take some dance lessons.

When the wall clock announced the remaining minutes left, the clamor for more and more music negated the preliminary mood of that early afternoon. By public demand, the party ended ten-minutes after the allotted time. (Bonnie Ocampo) ●

## SPOKESMEN AND YAC'S VISIT AYALA MUSEUM

by: Mario Dayao

Enthusiastic members of the Manila Spokesman Club "A" and the Young Ambassadors Club "B" shared their interests when they jointly visited the Ayala Museum along Makati Avenue just opposite the Makati Commercial Center.

The Museum lent itself as a good review of a number of significant events which took place on Philippine soil. Some members were even a little bit astonished to learn that there was a Battle of Quingua, April 23, 1899 and Balangiga Massacre, 1901. It was a surprise to them because seemingly they never remembered any such historical occurrences

being taught to them in all Philippine history subjects taken in schools. (Maybe absent when the teacher lectured on those events.) To know such "unheard" of events and learn their significances really adds something to your knowledge of your nation's history.

The main feature of the 60 dioramas made a visit to the Ayala Museum delightfully different. A diorama is a painting in which lighting and projection produce spectacular effects. Your senses are touched to the extent that you can feel what time of the day the events have transpired. The sense of time from dawn to dusk is

very much alive and affecting.

Besides the fact that the Museum is a wealth of cultural and historical materials, it is likewise a treasure of fine arts. The skillful art works displayed are those of the experts. And artistically speaking the Ayala Museum edges the others here in town.

Any activity worth doing can be done unworthily. And a visit to a museum is not an exemption. To make your visit a gainful one keep yourself fully aware of two common aspects of culture, namely arts and education. Any item you can find in a museum contains artistic and educational value. Take for example the diorama of Pottery Making, Bicol, ca. 200 B.C. When you talk about the stuff used and how it was formed into that workmanship then you are more inclined

swords. Armour made of carabao horn lent also interest, plus the famous brass cannon made by Panday Pira. To the delight of our young scientists, there was also the panoramic variety of birds. To mention a few: the monkey-eating eagle, hornbills, varieties of owls, kingfishers and multi-colored parrots. As we traveled deeper in time a few centuries we found ourselves in an age where Adam never was -- this was prehistory. Would you believe there were elephants and rhinoceros roaming the Philippines during those days? According to our guide, Mr. Reyes, these mammoths found their way to the Philippines by way of land bridges connecting one continent to another. There was also found an Ammonite! Of course this is not the Ammonites referred to in the Bible.

Getting weary of living in a no man's land, our

tired "time travellers" journeyed back, this time to the more familiar era, the 18th century. Would you believe Mr. Adair saw some of the "saints"? Actually, these are statuettes brought here by the Spaniards to be worshipped by us gullible Filipinos. A glass case showed a collection of Anting-antings (amulets), some of which were believed to ward off bullets, but not the Armalite.

The next and final era we ventured upon was the familiar early 20th century. It was the early 1940's, the Japanese occupation was nearing the end. As we braked the "time machine" to a full stop, we were horrified to see in front of us...a hangman's noose and a Samurai sword. No, it wasn't for us after all, rather it was for the neck of an infamous general of the Japanese Imperial Army, General Tomoyuki Yamashita, whose death

came swiftly somewhere in the hills of Los Baños, Laguna.

The "scientist expeditions" after all did not want to live with the past and so we finally decided to return to the real

world, back to the reality of our chaotic present, the end time. In a way, our "time travel," though exhausting, proved to be enjoyable, educationally stimulating and economical. After all ... it was Free.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MANILA MARCH CALENDAR:

SABBATH SERVICES -- every Sabbath, 1:00 p.m., GSP Auditorium, Padre Faura, Manila.

BIBLE STUDIES -- March 5, 19, (Wed.) 7:00 p.m., GSP Auditorium, Padre Faura, Manila.

MONTHLY MOVIE -- March 1, (Sat.) 7:15 p.m., Ambascos Office, R.M. Center, Roxas Blvd., Manila.

SPOKESMAN CLUB MEETINGS Club A -- 6:30 p.m. every Sunday, Ambascos Club Room.

Club B -- March 11, (Tue.) 6:45 p.m., Ambascos Club Room.

MINISTERIAL EDUC. & TRAIN. CLASS (Exclusively for class members), March 4, 18, 7 p.m., Adair's Room

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT -- March 8, 22, 7 p.m., Bel-Air Basketball Court (Bel-Air III), Makati, Rizal.

CHESS TOURNAMENT -- Every Thursday evening, 6 to 8 p.m., Ambascos Club Room.

BAPTIZING SCHEDULE March 10, 8:00 a.m. at Ambascos Office (for assembly).

PT LECTURES -- Baguio City, March 1 & 2, 4:00 p.m., BFC Theater, Baguio Colleges Foundation, Harrison Rd., Baguio City

UNIVERSITY LECTURE -- (Dating & Marriage), March 3, Univ. of the Phil. -- Baguio City Branch, 4-6 p.m., Baguio City.

DAGUPAN FOLLOW-UP BIBLE

STUDY -- March 2, 9:30 a.m. (third)

BAGUIO FOLLOW-UP BIBLE STUDY -- March 9, 16, 23.

PASSOVER SERVICE -- March 25, (Tue.) 7:00 p.m. GSP Auditorium for Manila Church, Binalonan Comm. High School for Urdaneta Church.

DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD 1st AND LAST DAY SERVICES March 27 and April 2, 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (bring own lunch -- all day services) SSS Social Hall, Quezon City for Manila Church. Binalonan Comm. High School for Urdaneta Church.

Scattered brethren observe these Holy Days on their own.

DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD SHOW -- March 30, Sun. 7:00 p.m., GSP Auditorium, Manila.

### ALL DAY SERVICES IN THE PROVINCES

BAGUIO CITY -- 9:00 a.m., 2nd & 4th Sabbath of the month, Quirino Hall Teacher's Camp.

URDANETA -- 9:00 a.m., 1st & 3rd Sabbath of the month, ACA Farmers Hall, Urdaneta.

CEBU CITY -- 10:00 a.m., March 29, May 31, Town and Country Restaurant, (Mezzanine Floor) Fuente Osmena.

ILOILO CITY -- 9:30 a.m., April 26, June 28 Teachers' Assembly Hall

NAGA CITY -- 10:00 a.m., April 19, June 21, Lindez Hotel (second flr.)

to see and appreciate its artistic value. But when you try to discuss its significance as to how it affects or relates to you and others then you are absorbing its educational value or perhaps human value is a more appropriate term. Thus education on this earth focuses on man.

With such keen awareness plus a driving desire to add to your knowledge which you should want to share with others, it will help you a lot to get the most of your visit to a museum.

The two-hour viewing time ended in an opportunity to stroll in the Makati Commercial Center for some, particularly those with dates. Many who joined have expressed satisfaction and enjoyment. People of different ages and nationalities have been delighted by the Ayala Museum. Be one of them!

## Zing! ZING A PSALM

By Lili Acosta

Have you ever taken cognizance of how fittingly the hymns correspond with the message of the sermons during Sabbath service? Who is responsible for such a pleasing arrangement?

In a recent Sabbath lecture, Mr. Bienvenido Macaraeg expounded on the significance of why and how we must participate in hymn singing. Quoting Psalm 92:1 which says, "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name O Most High," Mr. Macaraeg stressed the point that God commands us to open our mouth and join the brethren in glorifying Him in singing. We must (Please turn to last page)

# SPORTS

## ORANGES BAG FIRST ROUND CHAMPIONSHIP

Oranges successfully won the first round after putting in subjection their last opponent on the same crowded evening at the Bel-Air hardcourt.

Athos Parane banged in 23 scores thrusting down the Golds to a merciless 29-14 border in the first half.

In the golden line-up, Larry Manubay, Pangatihan and V. Yap, strove to chop down the lead but failed to maneuver a closer distance in the remaining 10 intensifying minutes. The flickering hope was completely snuffed out when Mendoza, Teng and Joson mustered 10 scores to end the game with a 56-44 margin.

It was the Gold's fourth loss. They will play with the Maroons to complete their five chances. Emerging victor will fill the fifth place. The battle for the "crumbs" is scheduled Feb. 22. Second round will start March 8.

## Blues submerge Maroons

The winless Maroons collided last Saturday (Feb. 8) evening's skirmish in their fourth attempt to record a win for the first round of the tournament.

Scaring the Blues in the openings, the Mandap trio switched on six exploding bombshells giving victorious anticipation to the eager crowd. The Blues, quivered by the preliminary pinch, employed a fastbreak artifice to create an occasion for their swift forward quinto to hammer 14 unham-

pered blows. The spontaneous rapid scoring waned the threatening attempt of the Maroons. Amis Parane succeeded in his lefthand reverse lay-up followed by a sharp sinking jolt, ending the first half with an appalling 23-10 margin.

The shattered Maroons started shifting their young reserves. Boy Manubay zoomed six successive points. These were but a mere tiny slice of the insurmountable barrier. The attempts were all in vain as the Blues gushingly swelled the lead up to the deciding point. The unbridgeable gap, 43 - 24, marked the Blues' second victory in their five matches.

### First Round Team Standing

	Win	Loss
Oranges	5	0
Greens	4	1
Whites	3	2
Blues	2	3
Maroons	0	4
Golds	0	4

--Ely Mellomida ●

### Women's Basketball

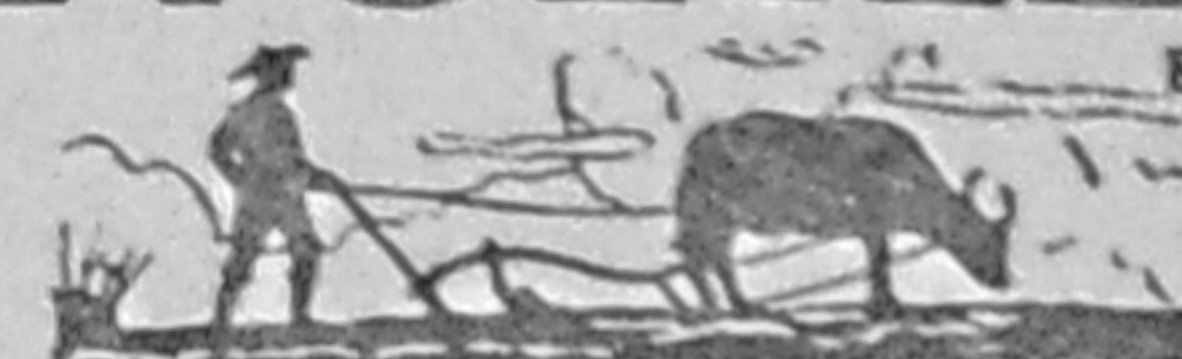
## ATLANTICS triumph over PACIFICS anew

by Aurora Bautista

The surging tide of the Atlantics once more overwhelmed the calm Pacifics in their game played at the Bel-Air hardcourt last February 8. The Taller Atlantic cagebelle scored a decisive ten points against the Pacific elves' four.

The ladies opened the evening entertainment at 7:00 P.M. with a rather tense competition. Each team appeared to outsmart the other, both determined to break the ice. After several attempts from both sides, the crowd broke into hearty cheers as Mercy Acebron of the Pacifics sunk the very first basket. These sparked the Atlantics into action. Not

# PROVINCIAL NEWS



## The ILOCOS REGION tour

By Ben Rimando, Sr.

Mr. Pedro S. Ortiguero has just concluded his visiting tour of Laoag, Ilocos Norte. This visit was primarily to help the brethren in that province prepare for the coming Days of Unleavened Bread in March. The visit also oriented them on the program format this coming feast if they are intending to contribute, because most if not all of them will be attending the feast in Binalonan, Pangasinan.

In order to be acquaint-

ed with the members in that place, I went with him so that in cases of emergency I can go there if our minister is not available.

Our first stop was Bacatac, Ilocos Norte, which is about eight hours ride from Rosales (Carmen), Pangasinan, our starting place. We have three members in that area and we were able to meet Mr. A. Taclan. In our conversation, he told us that there were many student-subscribers in that place second to Laoag.

Next stop-over was Bo-

wanting to be outdone, Marsha Wright put in two successive shots. It was followed by another shot from Nolme Parane. Another basket by M. Wright posted the score at 8 - 2 for the first half.

The second half saw Caridad Cutaran and N. Parane from both camps clinch the score at 10-4.

In an earlier bout, played last January 25, the Atlantics had a taste of defeat from the inspired Pacifics. They were laid low by a bare one point. The Pacific line-up had Liza Acebron who put in four points; Liza Ortiguero, 2 points and Yolly Millamena 1 point. N. Parane scored 4 points and M. Wright 2 points for the Atlantics.

To date, the Atlantics have the edge over the Pacifics with an over-all standing of 5 - 1. ●

## RECEPTION GIVEN TO THE DAVIDS

BAGUIO CITY -- The evening of the 9th of January was a memorable night to a new couple Mr. & Mrs. Dominador David (the wife was the former Miss Esther Ortiguero). The same night had a dual meaning for the members of the Baguio City Worldwide Church of God. It was a pleasantly unusual event for them to welcome the news that one of the pretty daughters of their minister was wedded, thus adding to the unofficial "Married Folks Club's" membership. So, as a gesture of welcome to the club, they surprised the newly-weds with a party held at the residence of Mr. Pedro Ortiguero.

As the news spread around about the presence

Libtong, Bacarra, Ilocos Norte which was seven kilometers from the town proper. We met with Mr. & Mrs. A. Padron, J. Padron and Miss Cacal. We had to stay overnight because there were no more rides to and from the barrio in the late afternoon. Mr. Ortiguero took this opportunity to have a Bible study and longer fellowship.

The next day, we continued the tour and went to Bo. Vintar in Laoag and met with Mrs. Dalere. Then we returned to Laoag City and talked with those prospective members from that place. This ended our trip in Ilocos Norte.

Our next destination was Bangued, Abra; four hours ride from Laoag City. Our first visit was at the home of Mr. Juan Bernardez, a retired teacher. He lives on top of a hill and no ride was available, so we had to rely on our "old reliable feet". It was a very tiring climb uphill which is about half a kilo-

meter. After counselling with Mr. Bernardez, we left his place and proceeded to the place of Mr. & Mrs. D. Bayle. He was an awarree during the 1974 "Paligsahan Sa Musika." We stayed there for the night.

At 4.00 a.m. the next day we left Bangued, Abra, for San Fernando, La Union. We first visited Mr. & Mrs. Lim. Then we went to Poro Point and met with two prospective members. After meeting with them, we ended the tour by heading home.

This tour was a great help in encouraging and helping our scattered brethren in the Ilocos Region. Everyone took the opportunity to counsel with Mr. Ortiguero about their problems.

Let us pray for them! And let us always remember Mr. Ortiguero in our prayers, especially these days when he will be on the road, conducting more visits to the scattered brethren. ●

## BUSINESS TALK

During the last Sabbath of January 1975, Mr. Mirto gave a full sermon regarding our individual responsibility on the "Church Development Program for 1975." He underscored the fact that each of us has his/her individual part to play for the success of the program.

He have many specific instances where our responsibilities lie. One of them was the announcement read during the Sabbath services. For those who didn't hear the sermon I would like to quote part of what Mr. Mirto said. "I doubt if 10% of you understand what month-to-date and year-to-date mean. Every facet of the announcement is important. When a problem is presented before you it becomes your individual responsibility to act on that problem either by prayer or by personal involvement. And only when you understand

the announcement fully can you act on the problem effectively."

Of the announcements given, the current financial condition of the Work was one of those brought out. I plan, therefore, to write a monthly summary of how the Work in North-east Asia stands financially, beginning with this issue. I do not mean I will discuss every detail up to the last centavo. Rather, I shall concentrate more on the First Account's projected income and expense against the actual income and expense. In this way everybody will be informed whether we are achieving our objective or not as far as the finances are concerned.

You have noticed I mentioned the word First Account. I will explain in detail what this account means.

When the budget was revised last November 1974, during the height of the financial crisis of the Work at Headquarters, both the income and expense were divided in three parts. They are called the First Account, the Second Account and the Third Account. Each account has been called such because of the nature of its income and expense.

The first account's income is derived from the first tithes and offerings. Its corresponding expenses are used specifically for the first and second commissions -- the operation of the Northeast Asian office and the operation of all the outlying Churches.

The second account's income are the tithe of tithes, excess second tithe and the Tabernacle service income. Its corresponding expenses are used primarily for all the feasts activities. Examples are the rentals of halls, chairs, tables, camp facilities, etc.

Third account which is better known as the Wel- (Please turn to page 10)

of the couple, the brethren with one mind pooled together certain amounts well enough to purchase food and drinks for a considerable size of a party and a special gift for the couple. Mr. David commented during the party that he felt suspense when he sensed that there was an activity being silently done. It was only when greeting visitors were slowly appearing and growing in number that couple realized what was going on.

The evening was highlighted with the presentation of the gift -- a beautiful woodcarved "lazy susan" set with a pineapple designed top deck with its base painted around of a Philippine landscape which a brother in the church hurried for the occasion.

The significance of the evening was dual in the sense that it was the first time that the mem-

bers of God's Church in Baguio City gathered in for a "social." (Rogelio Salibad) ●

## Dateline: BAGUIO

by Rogelio B. Salibad

As the title of this irregular column implies, this article is an attempt to keep readers informed about outstanding events, programs, projects and other church-related activities of the small but "alive and kicking" Church of God in Baguio City. Special attention, however, is focused on happenings directly related to the Work. Minor touches on "miscellanies" may also be included occasionally.

Lecture Series Reaching Baguio

As an initial report,

this writer is happy to announce to the general membership in Baguio City and the whole Mountain

Province region that "AD-AIR IS COMING" (borrowing the style of an evangelist not belonging to God's church).

As a result of the efforts of Mr. Napoleon Acebron, a PT LECTURE was arranged and set for March 1 and 2. Mr. Colin Adair will conduct the lectures. These lectures will be held at the beautiful and spacious Baguio Colleges Foundation Auditorium from 4 to 6:00 p.m.

The above occasion will be followed by another lecture on "Modern Dating ...." by Mr. Adair at the University of the Philippines -- Baguio Campus. This is set for March 3 at the same time in the afternoon as in the preceding lectures.

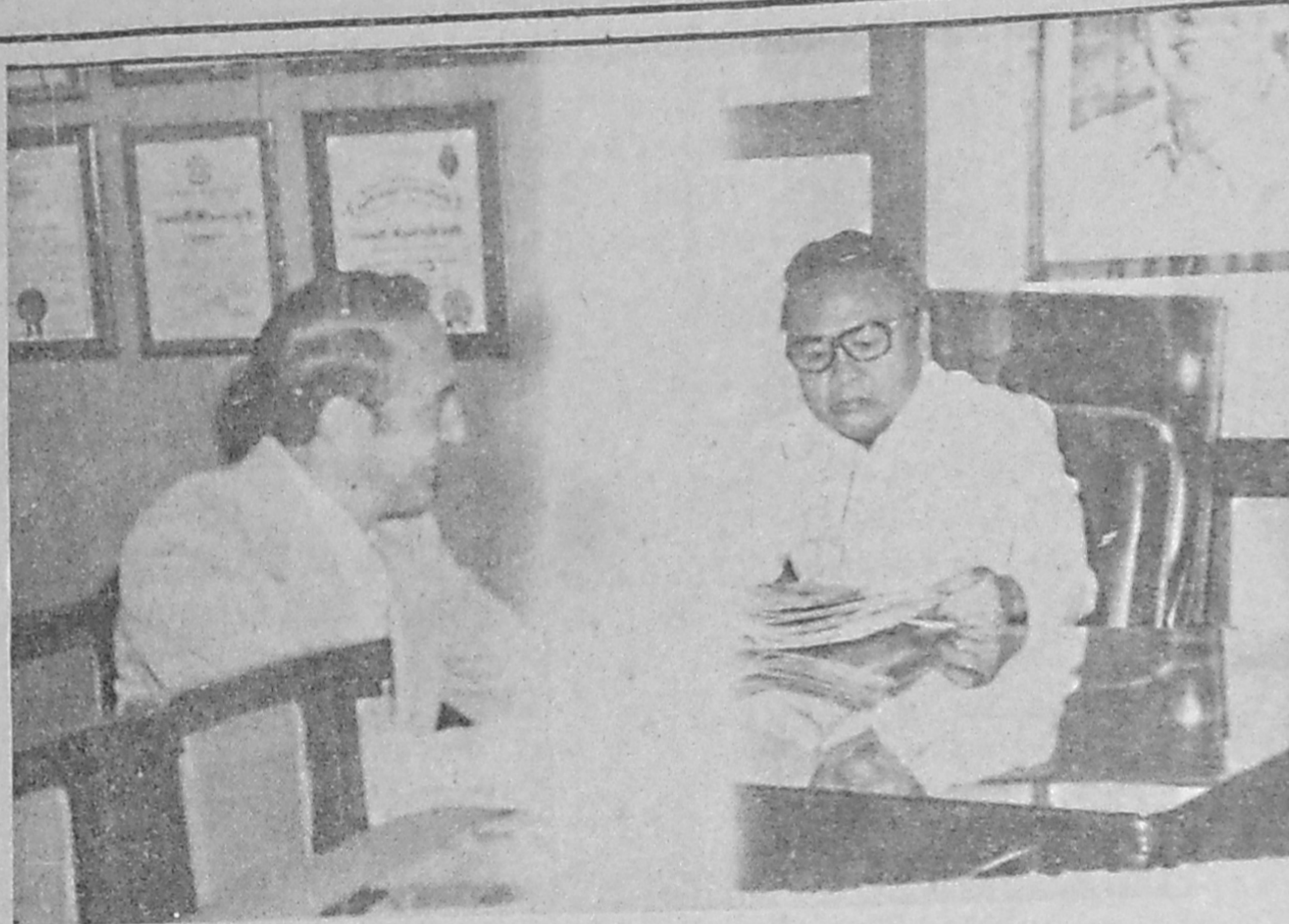
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FIRST PHIL.  
PT LECTURE  
cont'd...

calamities. He challenged the audience to watch world events and to keep an eye on Europe, the Common Market and the coming strong man from that place. "Watch the developments in the Middle East!" he said.

For the second lecture, he spoke glowingly of a one World State under God where there is real peace and real abundance. "God will take care first of man's basic needs: food, clothing and shelter." Then he mentioned he worldwide re-education program starting with Israel, the pure language, the real land reform, the equal distribution of people, wealth and natural resources. He talked of the reward of the saints -- not plucking harps in the clouds for eternity but co-rulership with Christ here on earth. He emphatically pointed out that this Work comes in the power of Elijah giving this end-time warning to the world. He ended by saying, "This is the good news, the real Gospel of Jesus Christ."

After the lecture the people had to rush back to their respective areas which for many required hours and miles of travel before they could reach home. For the future lectures (apart from Baguio which is already set up) a one-day affair with one lecture in the morning and another in the afternoon may prove more effective so that interested PT subscribers living in far areas won't have to come back the next day. This will also cut down lecture



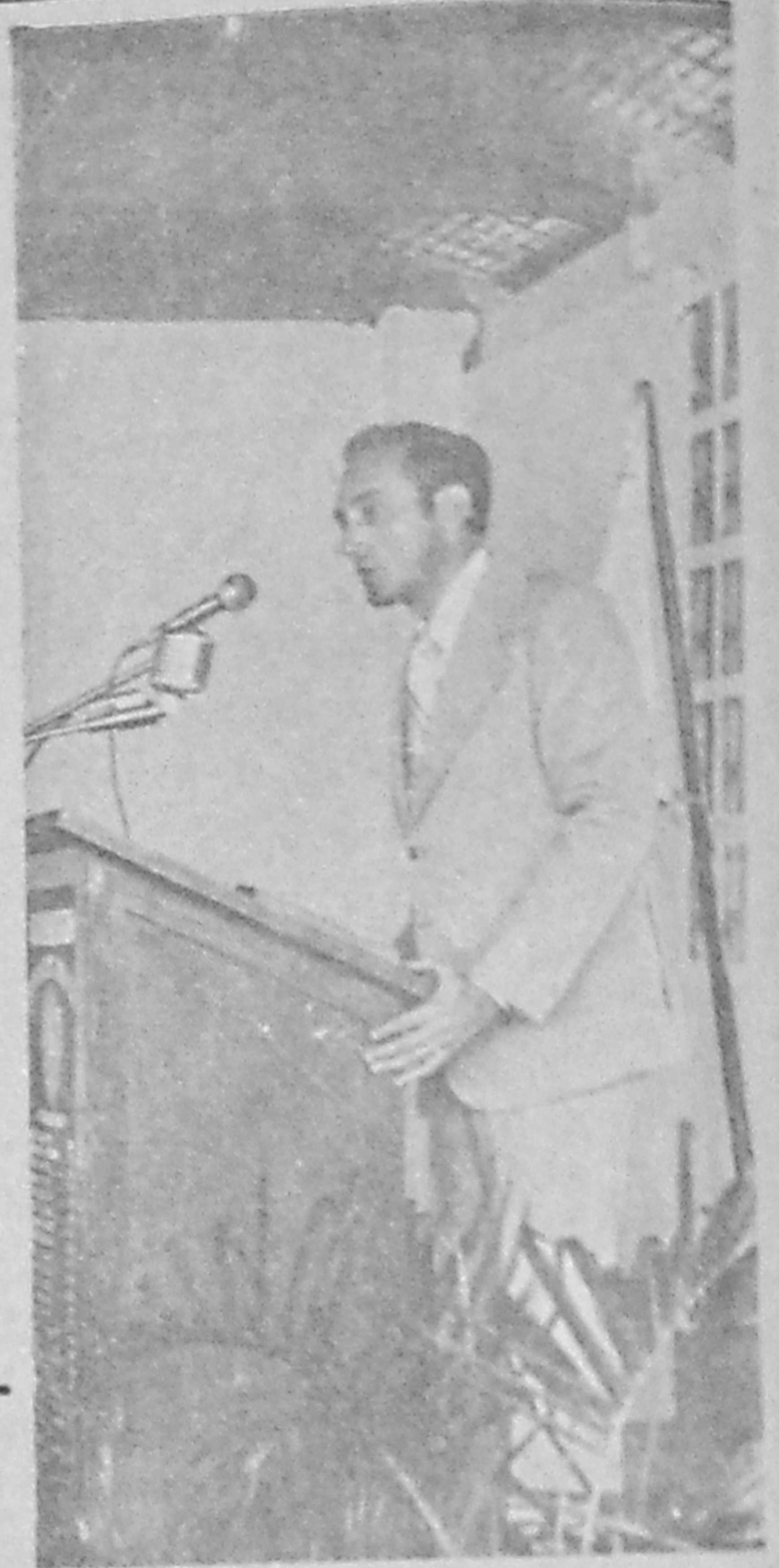
Mayor Cipriano M. Manaois of Dagupan City receiving Mr. Adair warmly during a courtesy call. Not in photo is Mr. P. S. Ortiguero whom the mayor called the "Ambassador from Ilocane".

expenses, time and effort which could be used to reach other cities.

On Monday morning at 8:30, Mayor Manaois warmly received Mr. Adair and party at his office. He asked Mr. Adair if he enjoyed his stay in his resort hotel and in his city. Mr. Adair thanked the City Executive for the friendship and cooperation extended to Ambassador College. Before they left the Mayor showed Mr. Adair and Mr. Pedro Ortiguero (minister in-charge of the area) around his office which was literally filled with plaques and awards. He assured Mr. Ortiguero of his support for the Educational Extension Program of Ambassador College in his city. He asked for the "Crime" booklet for the City Police Force and for his wife "The 7 Laws of Radiant Health." His daughter, who is an avid reader of our publications assured us full publicity of the PT and University Lectures in the Gulf Express, the largest city newspaper owned by the family.

From the courtesy call the party rushed to the

Close up shot of Mr. Adair during first PT Bible Lecture. ➔



Mr. Adair speaking before the students of the Araullo Lyceum, Cabanatuan City in a morning lecture on "Dating, Marriage and Family Relations" last Dec. 12, 1974. In the afternoon some 250 faculty members including from other private schools heard him speak on "Key to Teaching Moral Values." ↙



University of Pangasinan where Mr. Adair and Mr. Ortiguero were welcomed by Exec.-Vice Pres. George Rayos and another Vice President for Student Affairs who introduced the guest speaker to an overflow crowd from selected sociology and psychology classes. Many students were turned down who could

not be accommodated in the 500-seat Student Social Hall. This time Mr. Adair came out very open with God's plan as proven by the quality response from the students. The Vice President had to close with regret the open forum leaving many questions unanswered. (Nap Acebron) ●



# PNC INVITES MR. ADAIR cont'd...

Over-all, it was a highly successful and well received lecture--let alone the potential for a multiplied impact and influence these student-teachers will have on their future students.

## Procedural Improvements

Starting this year, two aspects in these university lectures have been modified for the better.

Instead of Mr. Adair answering almost every question written and handed forward (many of which are redundant, nonsensical, or plain duplication of what others have asked) and to save time, a microphone is placed in front of the audience for those who wish to ask questions orally. In this way, we get more sensible and better quality questions. This method is in itself a sort of self-screening process to produce really important and necessary questions.

Another modification is that we no longer collect literature request coupons right after the lecture.



Among those on stage during the PNC lecture are Dr. Gloria Salandanan, Adviser, BSE Science Majors; Mr. and Mrs. Colin Adair; and Dr. Amanda H. Tayag, Dean of Student Affairs.

As an intermission number after the lecture, a folk dance was performed by three pairs of the PNC Barangay Dance Troupe who danced very professionally. This was immediately followed by an Open Forum. At this juncture, a professor on adolescent psychology took the opportunity to enthusiastically support some points in Mr. Adair's lecture with the results of her recent survey-questionnaire on the subject of dating and family relations. Also, the Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Amanda Tayag, who gave the closing remarks, endorsed very highly the lecture to the students and went further by ordering arrangement that space be provided in one of their reading centers to be devoted to our educational publications.

(It is too simple a matter to scribble one's name and pass the coupon for the sake of acquiring.) Instead, we ask those interested to mail their request coupon. Using genuine interest as a self-screening process, we obtain better quality response and not mere quantity this way. As of this writing,

we have received through the mails 114 responses from the U.E. lecture and 103 from PNC--which to us are very good quality responses.

Now that we are stepping into a higher gear of activities it is timely and thankful that our procedures and methods are improving. (EDM) ●

# Letters to Editor cont'd...

valuable knowledge during the past seminar. To me such knowledge serves as a light to guide us as we tread onward in search of greener pastures.

-Caridad Cutaran,  
Manila

## From Washington

We have just received the January 1975 issue of Contact and we are very happy to be informed of the progress and state of God's Work in the Philippines... We send you our prayers and best wishes that God may bless the Philippine Work to grow in depth and scope to eventually reach more and

more if not all the Filipinos. Just reading the Contact brought to us many pleasant memories of

the Philippines. We hope to be back some day after a few years here in the U.S. We want you all to know all is well with us. We are expecting our baby (we hope it's a boy) by the end of March or early April.

Mike & Barb Cuenco  
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Spokane, Washington 99201

\*Mr. & Mrs. Cuenco lived in Iloilo City and attended the Church there for some time before leaving for the States.

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Greetings from Vancouver!

Enclosed is a money order for \$10.00 as a contribution toward the publication CONTACT.

We have now been receiving CONTACT (my wife and I) for well over a year and enjoy it thoroughly. My wife, who is a Filipino, and I appreciate being kept informed on how well the Work is progressing there as well as being kept abreast of all other activities going on. We both feel very close to the Work in the Philippines and CONTACT serves to draw us even closer. To be aware of the progress of the Work there as well as the needs helps keep us directly involved as participants and not merely as spectators. The growth of the Work there, the experiences of the brethren as well as their love (Please turn to last page)

which is its physical aspiration. And, as a noted author and philosopher once said about love whose words I am borrowing for the CONTACT -- "Like wine..." CONTACT "... grows richer with age."

To the staff, thanks to you and congratulations for a work well done! Wishing you more power and more CONTACTS, please.

-Rogelio B. Salibad  
Baguio City

I wish to convey with deepest candor my thanks to those who spared their time to impart to us the

## BUSINESS TALK cont'd...

fare Fund is none other than the combination of the third tithe and the emergency fund. Its income is self-explanatory. It is spent primarily for the widows, the fatherless, and the needy.

Of all these three accounts, the first account is the one being watched carefully. It is from this account where the increase of the income is based and where the future expenses are planned. The other two accounts are more or less fixed in nature both on income and expense. Their corresponding expenses could be controlled from the start of planning.

The other differences of the first account with the rest is on the expense side. Although the expenses are planned, during the actual operations they overshoot in many cases.

For the Fiscal year 1974-75, when the first account budget was made, a deficit of P142,500.00 was planned. In other words, this amount will be dipped out of the reserve and will be added to the expected income to meet the corresponding planned expenses for the entire Fis-

cal year. Both the expected income and the planned deficit represent 86% and 14% respectively, while the planned expenses represent 100%.

As of January 31, 1975, after seven months of full activities had gone, both income and expense should have arrived at an average of 58% or 7/12 of one year. It means we should have received 58% of the expected income while we should have spent 58% of planned expense.

However, the actual figures are as follows:  
(1) On the income side, 70% was already received which is 12% more than what was expected.  
(2) On the expense side, 63% was already spent which is 5% more than what was planned.

This trend is good but remember the planned expense represents 100% while the expected income represents 86% only. In actual figure the income is still short of P30,680.00 to meet the actual 63% expense.

I said the trend is good because instead of having an P82,670.00 deficit as it was planned (58% of P142,500.00) the actual deficit was only P30,680.00.

These above figures were written so everybody could have an insight into the financial condition of the Work. (Maninang) ●

## LOVING or HARMING your neighbor by the WAY YOU SIT

Did it ever enter your mind that sitting is an art and very reflective of some of the characteristics of the individual, whether he is teachable or not, fearful, plain lazy, inconsiderate, etc?

We can see this individually or on groups and the love or harm it can bring upon others. Disputes and bad attitudes towards one another are also generated.

In the life we are encountering, this sitting is very evident. Take for example our transportation system, the buses and jeepneys. A law-approved 6-person-capacity row is forced to accommodate 7, 8 or 10. Seats intended for 2½ are forced to sit 3 with your bodies and knees cramped. Choice seats are near windows, near aisles.

Then we say OK, that is outside, not us. But sad to say this has also crept into our lives. Here are some facts and hints so that we can eliminate these problems during regular Sabbath services, Holyday service, Bible studies, socials, etc.

As simple as it may appear, sitting shows government in action, and all of us have a function or functions to perform directly or indirectly. I say all because anyone of us can knowingly or unknowingly disrupt a rather harmonious service or event taking place by minor or little mistakes. And this is the point I'm driving at-- it is consid-

ered minor, but it seems to be a very big effort for the group to correct. Actually what is being said here has been told us umpteenth times every now and then.

Here is a review of our authorized sitting procedures and reservations aimed for facility of traffic movement, harmony in solving problems as it arises during the services and other functions, and for beauty and orderliness.

1. Ministers are seated in a place where they could go to the podium with minimum time, and so also with song leaders.
2. The same also is true with the Pianist who must be near the piano.
3. The Radio man who can go backstage at once when necessary.
4. The Choir, that they may be in proper sequence in going up and down the stage
5. The deacons who synchronize with each other in their particular areas of responsibilities.
6. The families which have babies and very small children on the side aisle for facility of movement when attending to babies.
7. Those with physical defects, as in hearing and seeing.
8. For visitors.

### How We May Disrupt

1. The sitter who always wants his or her things comfortably placed on a nearby seat which

## LETTER TIPS

The Proper Use of Reply Envelopes Accompanying Member Letters and Co-Worker Letters

During the taped sermon of Mr. GTA (Feb. 1, 1975, Manila Church GSP Bldg.) it was mentioned that more than 50% of members in Canada and United States did not reply to the Member Letter.

Now here in our case in the Philippines, we don't have an actual count of responses because some of the accompanying reply envelopes were used for tithes as well as offerings by those who received it. These reply envelopes are coded and if properly accomplished we could have an accurate count of these replies.

Therefore when you receive such letters as Co-Workers or Member Letters with the reply envelopes be sure to make a reply

properly accomplished. Do not put your normal tithes and offerings in this envelope. If you send in offerings especially for that particular letter, indicate if as such, of you have a problem and cannot send in an offering, say so in your reply as Mr. Armstrong admonished

us in his sermon. The main thing is for us to reply on time, so the office can have an accurate tally of these replies, on those statistics and evaluation will depend certain decisions and actions of the ministry. (Dr. Samuel Librojo) ●

gives the impression that the seat is already occupied.

2. The Aisle Hugger -- who always wants to sit on the sides, (so that he could dash to nowhere at once?) even if there are vacancies in the inner row. It seems as if it is a grave problem to occupy the inner row.

3. Those who want to be in front no matter what.

4. On the other hand are those who want to be at the back even when there is plenty of room forward. This is very evident during Bible studies.

5. Those who desire to sit with a friend or else. Usually a reservation is made and then he or she did not arrive, or he or she has found a better seatmate.

6. The late-comers who have to walk through rows of legs in all their varieties to reach vacancies in the inner room.

7. Those early-comers who will place their things on the seat they wish to occupy and then sit on another seat to fellowship of course, until the song leader goes to the podium. Then he or she will dash to his or her intended seat leaving a vacancy.

How To Love - Sitting Down

Why not place your things on your own lap or under your chair? Then the ushers or deacons can easily spot a vacancy, instead of approaching the people on the row and asking if somebody is already occupying the chair. Of course if some notebook is there it is evident it is occupied. If not, leave it vacant.

After the opening prayer try to see if there is a vacancy in the inner portion of your row, fill it up so that the late-comers (who might be new or

perennial or habitual late-comers) will not have a hard time wading through stacks of legs.

If the front row is filled up, it will not make a very great difference if you sit a little bit back or in the back, even if you are used to sitting in the front always.

If the front has plenty of vacancies move forward and fill it up instead of insisting you sit at the back. This is very evident during Bible studies.

If you desire to sit with someone, make sure he or she is already there and agreeable to the place you selected.

LATE-COMERS--The Perennial ones --try to arrive earlier --at least 15 min. before service time so that you can place yourselves easily.

For those early-comers, make sure that at least 5 minutes before the song leader goes on stage, you are sitting where you will really sit, so that your "fellowshipping seat" could be taken by some new arrivals.

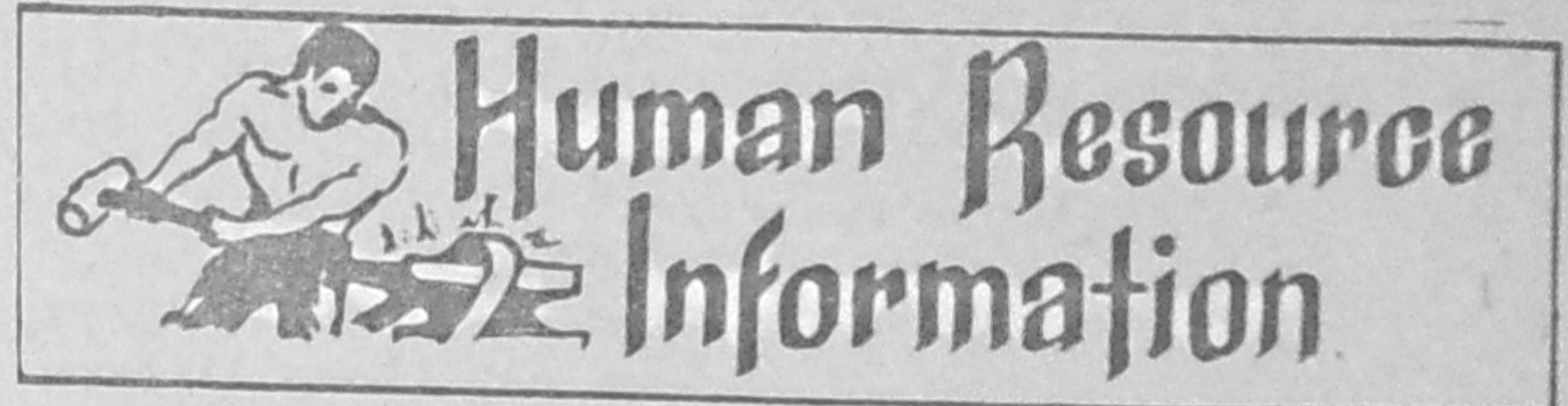
Lastly to late comers, please sit where you are directed. That is the place where minimum disturbance will be made.

And Now To All

Please be seated in your place at least five minutes before the appointed time of starting. The problem you create does not hurt you alone, but also those surrounding you.

We must remember that during the Sabbath service and other activities it is not only our behavior during the actual service that counts. All that goes into it, before, during and after is either for us or against us.

Remember I Cor. 14:40, "Let all things be done decently and in order." (S.T. Librojo)



Is a BIGGER JOB ahead of you?

by Charles J. Morrell

In this month's issue of "Contact," I'd like to share with you an inspiring poem that has more truth in it than just mere wistful thinking. I reckon it's about two months now since the time some of us attended the job seminar sponsored by Ambassador College here in Manila. And to those who finally succeeded in getting a job or establishing a business, I sincerely say "Congratulations"!

It always seems hard to start new things, doesn't it? There's just too much to learn hastily slow. And as we become familiar with our work, something different happens later on. After a certain time, some of us often find ourselves slaves of humdrum work without knowing why.

A Feeling of Over-eagerness

As new employees, with a flash of enthusiasm and willingness to prove one's worth to the manager, we seem to relentlessly drive ourselves into a painful process of overworking. Understandably, this heightened reaction towards the job is in most cases true and normal. I've had contact with a personnel manager of a big corporation who told me just that.

Of course to most managers this type of reaction could be rather amusing. The fact that a wise manager

will likely enjoy such a reaction and show appreciation proves this. But at the same time, he will also begin to ask himself the questions: how long this person (employee) be in such condition and drive to work? Will his drive last him up to the time of a promotion? Will he have prepared for it before it comes?

Preparing One's Self

At this point then, let me quote you the poem mentioned earlier. The title "Are You Prepared?" aptly illustrates how you and I, as new employees, can avoid the pitfall of enduring routine work by constantly preparing ourselves for a bigger position and responsibility in our present job.

"ARE YOU PREPARED?"

"There's going to be a vacancy above you later on; Someday you'll find a manager or superior officer gone. Are you growing big enough, when this shall be the case, to quit the post you're holding now and step into his place? You do the work you have to do with ease from day to day, but are you getting ready to deserve the larger pay? If there should come a vacancy with bigger task to do, (Please turn to next page)

## Is a Bigger Job cont'd...

could you step in and fill the place if it were offered you? Tomorrow's not so far away, nor is the goal you seek; today you should be training for the work you'll do next week. The bigger job is just ahead, each day new changes brings -- Suppose that post were vacant now, could you take charge of things? It's not enough to know enough

to hold your place today; It's not enough to do enough to earn your weekly pay. Some day there'll be a vacancy with greater task to do -- Will you be ready for the place when it shall fall to you?"

Interesting, isn't it? Earning a position is like a game of golf. You aim and drive the ball towards the right hole. But what's important is a calculated drive to reach the right arrive.

Is it any wonder why some, if not most successful businessmen play golf?



## Pechay garden photo of JO

It is not hard to be a "green revolutionist". You don't need to have a "green thumb" to be able to grow luscious, crisp and garden fresh vegetables like the ones pictured above. Even if you are an office worker you can devote a few minutes each day before going off to work and a few hours every Sunday to your garden. The little spare time and determined effort you spend

in your backyard garden can bring you additional income and additional food supply in your home. The vegetable garden planted with pechay and three other "plants" named May, Johanna and Loma (foreground to background) pictured above is located at Novaliches, Quezon City and belongs to Jeremiah Ortiguero who also is connected with the Ambascos Agency.

## FARMER'S CORNER

We reprint below an article that appeared in the Bulletin Today sometime ago and written by a Mr. Mario Casayuran which we feel would be of interest to our farmers.

### PESTICIDES SPAWNING BIG WORRY FOR TARLAC FOLK

LA PAZ, Tarlac. -- Are pesticides and insecticides used in farms killing crabs, fish, snails, and other marine life?

Is the continued use of chemical fertilizers on rice farms and other lands devoted to agricultural production really helping us?

These are questions being raised here as 30 per cent of this town's 9,000 hectares of arable lands planted to rice has reportedly been affected adversely by chemicals.

Other interesting questions farmers ask are:

1. Do pests and insects develop immunity to pesti-

cides after these are used for two years?

2. Has the balance of nature been upset by the continued use of chemical killers?

3. Is there an alternative to chemical fertilizers which reportedly cause the death of many soil-organisms, thereby making plants virtually defenseless against infestation?

These developments bring into sharp focus debates going on in developing countries over the use of chemical elements in the farms.

The development and use of chemicals over the years were aimed primarily at boosting agricultural production to match if not outpace the increasing population growth.

Right here in La Paz, farmers bewail the disappearance of . . . snails, crabs, fish (hito and dalg). Even an edible al-

## CERTIFIED SEEDS

Oftentimes, one problem that a farmer encounters is where to find good quality seeds. Happily, the government has seen to it that this problem is taken care of by the Bureau of Plant Industry. One of the Bureau's specific objectives is "to develop, produce and help distribute high quality seeds and plant materials." To help realize this goal they publish a small monthly newsletter called "SEED NEWS." Its managing editor is Mr. Manolito Mateo, who also is a member in the Manila Church. Aside from other information, they also publish whatever seeds and other plant materials that are available for sale. We

publish them below (available as of February 15) together with their prices and where one can buy them "The BPI at a Glance," a brochure issued by the Bureau mentions that the Bureau's offices in the municipalities and their "rolling stores" in the remote areas are also offering these materials at minimal costs.

VEGETABLE SEEDS (All available vegetable seeds are also sold by the packet at 15¢ a packet) available at the BPI, San Andres, Manila:

Red Cowpea, ₱8.50 per kg. (prices are per kilogram); Bush Sitao, 15.50; Pole Sitao, 20.50; Mekan Pea, 5.00; Mungo, 8.50; Sweet Pea, 15.00; Tender-

gae called "barbaradiok" by Ilocanos has disappeared.

Pesticides did help farmer boost their rice production since they were introduced years ago. But now the efficacy of these pesticides is being questioned as pests reportedly seem to have developed resistance after two years of pesticide use.

Mayor Casimiro Calderon said about 30 per cent of the town's 9,000 hectares of arable land was infested. Why? He does not know and the question intrigues him.

This reporter's visit here was requested by a firm which used semi-organic fertilizer on a 600-square meter rice demonstration plot beside other demonstration plots which used chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

The results were outstanding. The opinion was shared by two other media men connected with the national media production center.

Telesforo Lorenzo of La

green Beans, 7.50; KyCross, Cabbage, 390.00; Enkhuizen Glory Cabbage, 71.50; Copenhagen Market Cabbage, 38.00; Marion Market Cabbage, 71.50; Cornell Celery, 156.00; Pechay (Black Behi), 49.50.

FRUIT VEGETABLES: White C u c u m b e r, P20.00; Pixie Cucumber, 43.60; Muskmelon, 25.00; Honey Dew Melon, 84.70; Gulfstream Melon, 84.70; Patola, 29.70; Charleston Grey Watermelon, 60.50; Tendersweet Watermelon, 96.80.

ROOT VEGETABLES: Golden Heart Carrot, 30.00; Yellow Granex Onion, 508.20; Chinese Radish, 42.35.

This will be all for this issue. We will publish next month the plant materials (fruit tree seedlings) that are available with their corresponding prices plus other information. (B. Macaraeg, Jr.)

Paz, owner of the demonstration plot, said his farm was flooded four times by typhoons. Two farmers who helped Lorenzo plant the rice seedlings claimed they left the rice seedlings untended to test the reliability of semi-organic fertilizers over chemical fertilizers.

...The rice plants had more rice grains, bigger stalks, and more. No pesticide was used. Rice plants in nearby demonstration plots using varied fertilizers and pesticides appeared to be sickly.

The ecology has been unbalanced by the introduction of such chemical fertilizers and pesticides in the farms, Lorenzo said.

Norberto Gonzales, a chemist, explained that

chemical fertilizers, mostly oil-based, supply only three of the different requirements needed by a plant for growth. These are nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium.

Other chemical fertilizers had ammonium chloride as one of their bases. Although they provide the necessary nitrogen requirement, the chloride content kills beneficial micro-organisms that help keep the soil moist and give support against pests. Continued use of chemical fertilizers make the soil acidic, he added. This is happening worldwide. Even developed countries such as Germany, Austria, Belgium, and the United States are encouraging the use of compost and inocu-

lants for bigger food production, Gonzales said.

"The solution," he pointed out, "is to allow the growth of beneficial micro-organisms in the soil by providing the right environment for their growth by using organically-based fertilizers."

A corollary solution is to intensify or encourage soil inoculation whether symbiotic or non-symbiotic as is being done by the bureau of plant industry.

Today, according to the farmers . . . it is rare to see snails, crabs and fishes in farmlands using chemical fertilizers. Even drinking water from sandy areas near rice lands is no longer safe, they said. ●



TABLE MANNERS

Another festival season is about to set in and it won't be long before some of us begin inviting guests (especially during the Night Much to be Observed) or be invited ourselves. To help us feel at ease and comfortable when dining with other people we list here helpful tips on table manners. Just like all manners, these are also based on consideration toward others.

SITTING DOWN AT TABLE. Do this with as little clatter as possible, getting into chair from either side. When dining at someone else's house, wait for your hostess or host to indicate where you should sit. (Women take their seats before men do.)

NAPKINS. Pick your napkin when the hostess gives the signal by unfolding hers (on the lap). After eating, the napkin is left

unfolded at either side of your plate.

POSTURE AND ELBOWS. Food is brought to the mouth, not the mouth to the food, so you don't have to crouch forward over your plate. Elbows should be kept close enough to your sides so you won't jab your neighbor. Don't lean the elbows on the table when eating.

USE OF SILVER. Always use the outside utensils first -- the ones farthest from the plate on either side. If in doubt about whether a fork or a spoon is appropriate for a certain course, follow the hostess' lead.

Nothing is eaten from a knife. A knife is used only for cutting, spreading, and sometimes as a barrier to push food against.

A used implement is never put into any food that's intended for everyone. Used silver is never left on the tablecloth,

but always on a plate. When you're not cutting meat during the main course, leave the knife across the top of your plate. Spoons should not be left in cups or bowls, but should be put on the plate or saucer underneath. Exceptions to this are: when soup is served in a soup plate then the spoon is left in it, handle extending over the right edge, parallel to the table and when iced tea is served with no saucer under the glass, the spoon is left in the glass holding the spoon with first and second fingers as you drink.

When you're through with any course, put the silver across your plate, roughly parallel (or vertical) to the table, handles to the right. Tines of the fork should point up. Blade of the knife should point toward you.

Food should be cut and eaten, one bite at a time. In eating soup, the spoon should be dipped away from you, and the soup drunk from the side of the spoon (unless the soup is very thick and you have to put the tip of the spoon into (Please turn to next page)

## NEWS FLASH!

As most housewives know, we are now in the time of the year when fruits and vegetables are getting abundant and consequently their prices are getting lower. At the same time we also fully realize that in about 4-6 months from now their prices will start to soar up especially during the typhoon season.

The problem then is how to avail ourselves of the abundance of fruits and vegetables during this summer so it will help us during the season when they are scarce. The solution of course is to learn how to preserve them. Here then is your rare opportunity to learn it from those who really know.

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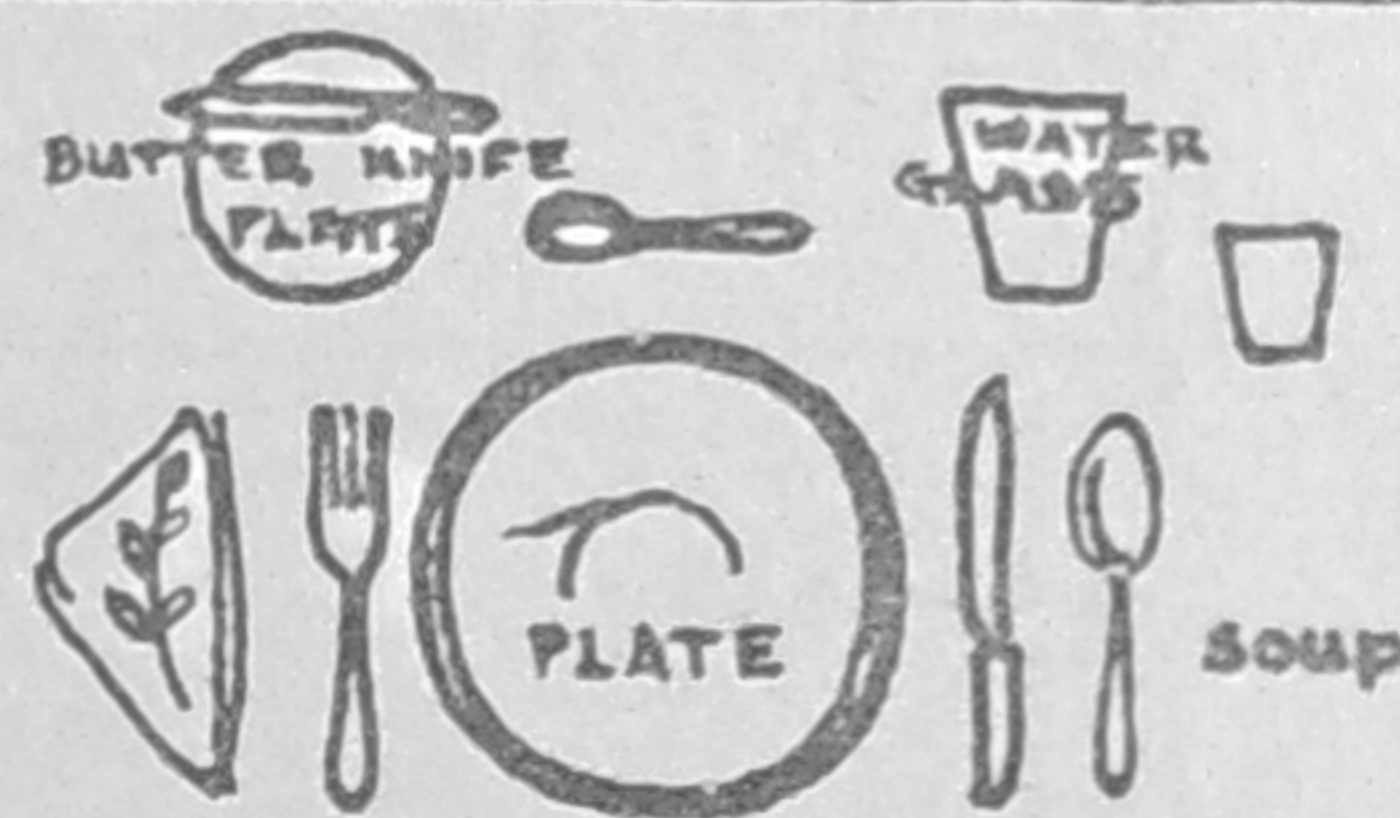
## HOMEMAKER cont'd...

your mouth). Pieces of bread or rolls should be broken off and buttered, one piece at a time as you eat them. Liquid should be sipped not gulped. Always finish chewing before drinking.

**TABLE SETTING.** Tables are set according to the individual preference. You can set your table with table mats or tablecloth. Table mats should be laid even with the edge of the table. Centerpieces (flowers or fruits) should be attractive but should not be so high that people can't see each other across the table, or so big that they overpower the rest of the table setting.

**SETTING THE SILVER ON THE TABLE.** Silver should be evenly spaced on the table so that there is the same distance between place

settings. It is properly lined up with the bottom of each piece about an inch from the edge of the table. Each individual place setting should be arranged so that the diner can eat from the outside in. Forks are placed on the left, knives and spoons go on the right. The forks are set with the tines pointing up. The knives are set with blades pointing toward the plate, and the spoons -- bowl facing up -- are set to the right of the knives. Set the dessert silver on the table above the plate, parallel to the table edge (see figure). Other utensils needed for other courses are added to each place setting like butter knife is laid on the butter plate; coffee spoon is put on the saucer itself.



tinola, kare-kare or beans guisado more often. They will save you time, money, fuel and effort.

4. Spend less for sweets and softdrinks. Serve more fruits or fruit juices for snacks.

5. Shop around first to compare quality and prices.  
6. Read carefully labels on packaged foods; check weight or quantity with prices; compare price with that of fresh food.

7. Buy foods in season. Vegetables, for instance, are cheap and are their best when in season. Also make a good buy of fresh or dried small fish like dilis, sapsap, etc.

8. Remember fish or meat extenders like dried beans, munggo, paayap, sitao, abitsuelas, kidney beans, etc. when planning your meals.

9. Buy meat cuts to best suit your cooking.

10. Keep dried beans, rice and corn in dry and covered containers to prevent the entrance of ants, cockroaches and other insects.

**SETTING CHINA AND GLASS-WARE ON THE TABLE.**  
Glasses are set on the right, above the knife. The water glass stands directly above the knife, and other glasses such as wine, beer glass, are set to the right and slightly in front of that. The butter plate, when used, is put directly above the fork on the left with the butter knife arranged as shown in figure.

Napkins are usually placed to the left of, and parallel to the fork on the left-hand side of the place setting. They may also be placed directly on the dinner plate if there is no first course on it. Match the color of the napkin with that of the tablecloth or table mats.

**SERVING.** Water and other beverage is poured from the right of each person while all other service (food) is from the left.

Here's an interesting article from Times-Journal (Jan. 30, 1975) which shows guidelines on how to make most out of our food money.

### 20 GOOD WAYS TO STRETCH YOUR FOOD PESO

For a peso today you can get only as much as what 30 centavos can buy you five years ago. Knowing this, whoever controls the budget should be equipped with every possible means to stretch the food peso. Here are but 20 good ways to do so:

1. Plan wisely. List down the things you will buy before marketing to save on market trips and to cut down on unnecessary items.
2. Plan to serve foods

from each group and choose foods within each group that is in season, cheap or available.

3. Include nutritious "one dish meals" like sinigang, linaga, pinakbet,

Sun-dry once in a while.

11. Store potatoes, kamote and other rootcrops in a cool, dry, clean place to keep them longer.

12. Cook dried beans gently, stirring lightly and in covered pans.

13. Cook fish until well done to make it safe to eat besides retaining its natural shape.

14. Cut or slice vegetables just before cooking.

15. Cook vegetables in covered pots quickly, until just tender, not mush. Avoid stirring.

16. Use water in which beans and vegetables have been boiled or cooked for soups and sauces.

17. Serve vegetables as soon as cooked.

18. Grow a home garden. Raise easy-to-grow foods your family needs. A good home garden must have green leafy vegetables like kamote, petsay, malunggay; beans and legumes like bush sitao, paayap, patani; fruit trees like papaya, banana.

19. Preserve foods when they are in season--vegetables and fruits may be pickled or made into sweets, jellies, preserves, jams and candies.

20. When harvest or catch is plentiful, preserve fish by salting or drying.

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CALLING HOMEMAKERS

How would you like to have your favorite or special recipe featured during one of the meals at the Feast of Tabernacles? Here is your chance to directly participate by sending in your favorite recipe which you think is appropriate or best for the feast. Send contribution c/o the Homemaker.

# I love MY PARENTS

Before coming to the Church, I never cared enough for my parents. I just thought of them as two people taking care of their children. They were never close to me; neither was I close to them. It was evident that the generation gap existed in our family -- at least between my parents and myself.

The situation became worse when my brother and I started to attend Church. They became antagonistic, and the gap widened. Although my being a minor gave them an advantage, I showed them my determination to stay in the Church. My mother, in particular, was very opposed to the whole thing. She'd often say piercing words and would always mock anything related to the Church. I became negative and bitter in my attitude to the point that I didn't want to live with them any longer. I even envied those whose parents are converted. I had to be corrected in my outlook on the whole matter.

Learning is indeed a process. The Church taught me the meaning of the fifth commandment. Knowing the faults of my parents as I see the example of parents in the Church, I would have hated them. But the Church teaches otherwise, so I obeyed but in the wrong attitude. Slowly, the lessons taught by the ministers through the sermons and sermonettes, the counsellings and advice given to me, and the example of many brethren -- all of these made me realize the high worth of parents. I began to realize why they think of my brother and I being in the Church as

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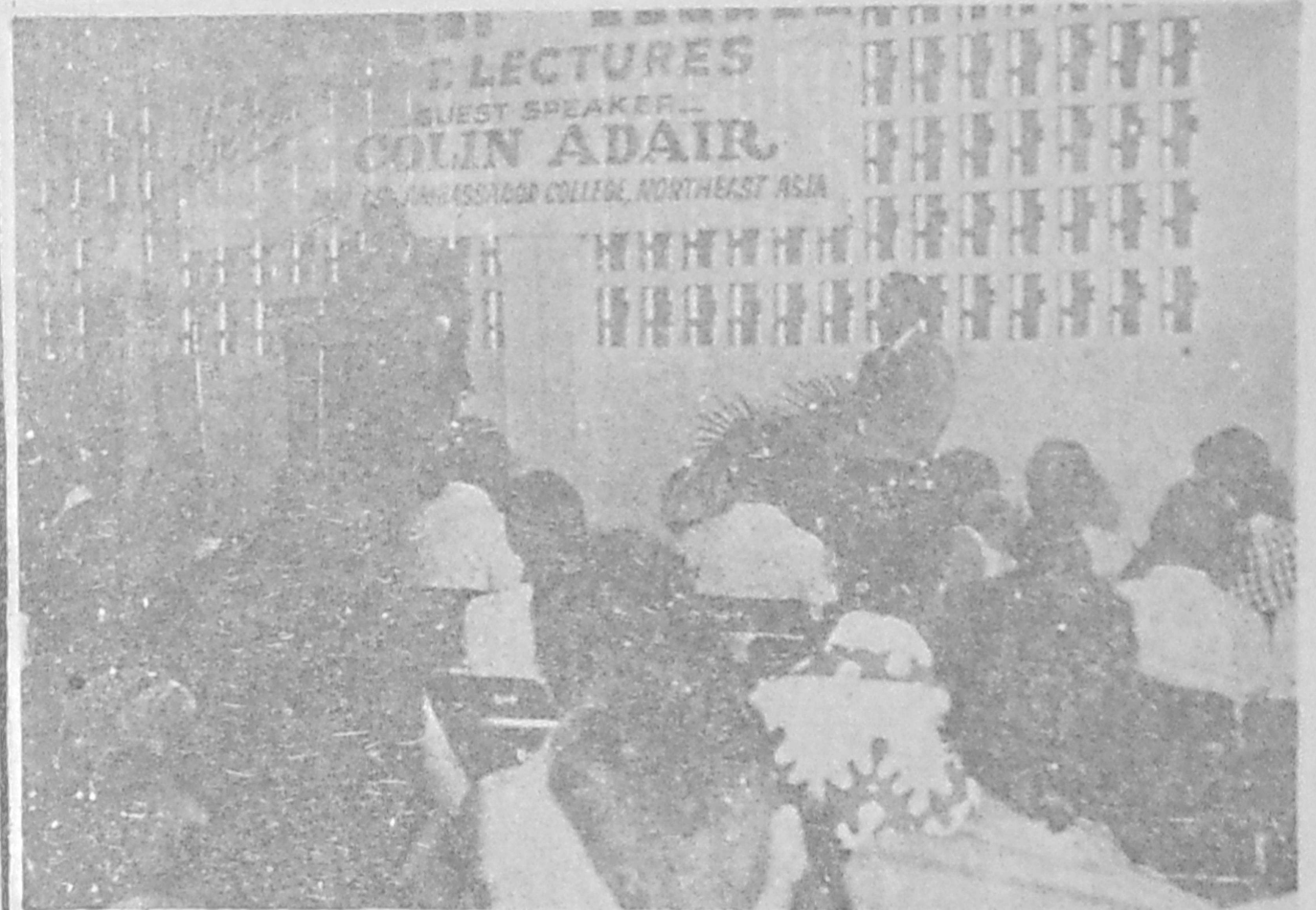
dustry's latest newsletter "SEED NEWS" announces that the Bureau is conducting an actual training course on fruit and vegetable preservation. It is a free public service of the Bureau to interested people. The course consists of lectures, demonstrations and actual preservation of fruits and vegetables by different methods. (The newsletter also reports that many of their graduates have already established profitable food - preservation cottage industry businesses.)

One requirement for those who plan to undergo the seminar is that they should be able to provide themselves and bring their own raw materials (of the prescribed fruits and/or vegetables) on which they will work.

If you are interested, contact the:  
Laboratory Services Division  
Bureau of Plant Industry  
San Andres, Malate  
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so they can schedule you. Women, housewives especially -- (men may also do), we hope you will not miss this profitable opportunity! (From the Human Resources Informations file -- BM)

foolishness. It's out of concern believe it or not. But most important of all I began to realize that they love me very much. Though hard to admit. It was only then that I learned to care for them. Indeed it is wonderful to have parents who love and care for you. They still dislike the Church but this will guard me from

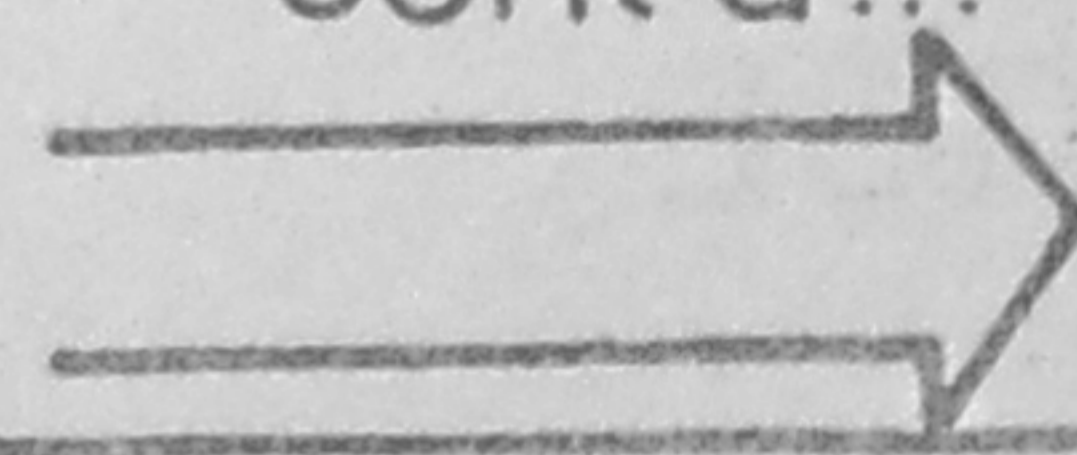


More photos of the Dagupan PLAIN TRUTH Lecture which launched the PT Lecture Campaigns in the Philippines for 1975. Above photo shows Mr. Pike Mirto, Local Elder and Executive Assistant to the Regional Director giving the opening remarks and introducing the speaker, Mr. Colin Adair. Lower photo shows part of the audience composed of people from different walks of life.



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nourishing any wrong attitude towards them. God has blessed me tremendously. He had added more blessings to my list now that I know and feel I love my parents whether converted or not, will love, honor, and respect them. And in the right attitude too. It really pays to do so. (by Suzette Magallanes)

It is worthwhile to note that in spite of the college moratorium at the U.P.-Baguio during those days the school officials remedied the situation because they felt it is a privilege to have such a lecture conducted on their campus. We hope that some more of this kind will be happening next school season. Baguio area is a "greenfield" in God's Work. Let us pray that when the "harvest" is ripe there will be laborers in the field to assist our ever-strong, and ageless minister Mr. Pedro Ortiguero. ●

# Letters to the Editor .. cont'd.

shipping with you all while there in '71 and look forward to seeing our many friends again this year at Feast of Tabernacles time.

yalty and zeal is an inspiration to us all.

Rick & Lourdes Cartier  
Vancouver, B.C.  
Canada

As I receive my copy here in the Vancouver office it is read by others in the office who are interested in being kept informed on all aspects of the Philippine Work.

In closing allow me to reiterate my wife's and my appreciation for CONTACT. We enjoyed fellow-

### WANTED PEN-PAL

I would like to exchange letters with girls aged 22 years more or less.

Roldan U. Tacbobo  
Initao, Misamis Oriental

# ZING: ZING A PSALM ...cont'd.

try our best, no matter how one sounds, to put feeling into the lyrics. Lip service is of no avail unless your thoughts are attuned to every phrase you speak. The words are to be understood and the emotions that go with it to be expressed.

discernible and distinct from others. One appreciates their simplicity, and the lyrics are pure and communicating. Hymn singing shows unity and fellowship on our part. Whatever your hand findeth to do, do it with all your "mouth", Mr. Macaraeg banteringly concluded. ●

After this sermonette the chosen hymn was "I'll Sing of Mercy and of Justice". And again right after the main sermon everybody sang with gusto "Go Ye Therefore Into All The World", which blended harmoniously with Mr. Mirto's message of gospel preaching in the Philippines.

Yes, God's hymns are

### CORRECTION:

We are sorry for the inadvertent omission of Mr. Ricardo Perez's name under the article "The Service That Never Was" (page 7) in last month's issue under the Provincial News. Mr. Perez wrote the said article. - Ed.

## NOTICE

To Scattered Members, especially:

Keep in contact with the ANNOUNCEMENTS that we regularly publish especially with regard to the schedule of Services in your respective areas.

We have heard of instances where some have needlessly spent money to attend a supposedly scheduled Service and Bible Study when the same was either rescheduled for another date or cancelled and such change of schedule appeared in the CONTACT Announcements. That is why it is very IMPORTANT that you always refer to the said Announcements. We regularly include them for that important purpose.

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