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## A LETTER FROM Mr. HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG

Mrs. Armstrong and I have come to the desert for two months, so that I may take a 60-day lemon-juice-and-milk fast, in an effort to get my entire digestive system re-adjusted — also for spiritual as well as physical and mental rejuvenation.

I have tried, but found it impossible to go on such a fast at home in Pasadena where interruptions requiring strenuous activities demand my attention repeatedly. But, although considerably weakened physically during such a fast, I am able to get in some much desired study, and to do more writing than when active in the office, pulpit, and before the microphone.

So, among other things, this gives me the opportunity to send a personal letter for publication in each of the local church newspapers.

A quarter of a century ago and more at the 'mother church' of this Philadelphia era of God's Church, when the present work of

the Church was just starting, I issued a monthly Bulletin for our local church members. It contributed to the fellowship of the brethren, and proved both interesting and valuable. So last January, at the ministers' conference, I suggested to the pastors of the various churches that they inaugurate local bulletins or newspapers at each church.

I have been very happy to see so many of these appearing. I suppose you have noticed that, although most of these local bulletins started out with various local names, the name of each has been changed to the present 'Church of God News'. If you feel like blaming somebody for this, you'll have to blame me. But there was a serious reason.

Experience is a dear teacher. But there are many lessons we seem unable to learn any other way. That original church of our era, which subsequent events have shown God raised up FOR THE PURPOSE of fulfilling

Christ's prophecy of Matthew 24:14 — preaching and publishing HIS GOSPEL to the world — became divided. A terrible price was paid to learn the reason. A number of former brethren whom we loved very much turned sour and bitter, and left God's Church.

There were two main causes: 1) There was no real church government. I had not yet learned that the living Christ actually governs the Church which He founded — as God rules everything He has created. Christ governs through those whom HE has chosen and set in offices of authority and responsibility. But to me, then, not understanding this, I had no ambition to rule — and it seemed as if it would have been making myself a dictator, lording it over God's heritage. This I certainly did not want to do. So, when false 'members' crept in — wolves in sheep's clothing — I did not put them out, as God commands.

2) As time went along, and the growth of the broadcasting and evangelistic work took me more and more away from Eugene, some leading members began to say, as the Israelites said when God called Moses away, to Mount Sinai, 'As for this Moses, we wot not what has become of him. Come on, let's desert the truth we learned through him, and make us an idol to worship'. These members said, 'As for this Herbert Armstrong, we don't care anything about this broadcast of his. What do we have to do with his getting people converted down in California, or over in Texas? We care nothing about them. We are only interested in our selves — our own little church, here'.

They lost interest in THE WORK OF GOD! they became wrapped up in their own local fellowship ONLY. When I would return, telling them of people converted and baptized in Texas, or other states, they grumbled, 'I wish Mr. Armstrong would quit taking up our time in church telling about

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## Record Printing Year

Amazing production figures just received from Pasadena, reveal that all told, the Ambassador College Press turned out 9,000,000 pieces of printed matter in 1961. 5,000,000 units were printed right on the Ambassador College campus! At the same time an increasing amount of literature was being printed at the Bricket Wood campus in England and in the Sydney office in Australia.

Every Church of God publication except the PLAIN TRUTH is now being printed on our own presses. 330,000 Correspondence Course lessons alone were printed last year.

With the rapidly accelerating growth throughout Australasia, the Sydney office

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## Record Growth

Over 9,000 brethren of the Church of God assemble around the world each Sabbath! In *fifty churches* established on four continents, those whom God has called out of this world are able to be fed and instructed by God's chosen ministers on His holy Sabbath Day.

Because of the establishment of new churches, plus the usual thirty percent growth in already established churches, the average attendance at local congregations has leaped *fifty percent* since this time last year when there were 6,000 in attendance. Forecasting next year's growth even at the conservative 33 percent mark, the heart-warming, pulse quickening figure of twelve thousand appears to be in order.





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people being converted way off somewhere'.

Soon, whenever any of the scriptures in a sermon corrected or reproved them in any way, they would complain: 'We wish you'd stop raking us over the coals, and show a little LOVE'. To them, love had now come to mean approval of sin. They became merely a local social club. They became sour, unhappy, disgruntled. Finally half of that church did leave. They had spent years trying to gain control of the church property — their eyes only on MATERIAL acquisition. Finally they gave up and 'pulled out'. They rented a little hall outside of town. Reports say that they met there, without a pastor, with a self-willed woman leading them, and two or three men striving and quarreling over who could be in the pulpit; reports say that after quarreling among themselves they would go home, then come back the next Sabbath and quarrel again. They began gradually REJECTING precious truth they had learned in God's Church and had believed. When the church started in Eugene, these people were HAPPY, their faces wreathed in smiles. But after they lost interest in THE WORK OF GOD, they became unhappy, bitter, quarrelsome.

Brethren do you know WHY Jesus Christ suffered so much? It was not so much being flogged, or nailed to a cross. His REAL suffering was grieving over the SINS of HIS own people whom He loved! He knew they would have to reap what they were sowing. He knew what suffering they were bringing on themselves. He loved them. It made HIM suffer to see them bring such eternal punishment upon themselves. Mrs. Armstrong and I KNOW how Jesus suffered — for He has let us suffer in the same way.

WE DON'T WANT TO SEE SUCH TRAGEDY EVER REPEATED IN GOD'S CHURCH! Whenever brethren become primarily interested in THEMSELVES, and their own local church, losing interest in the MAIN WORK of getting Christ's true Gospel to the world, those people are sick spiritually, and unless cured by turning from this attitude, they soon DIE, spiritually.

In 35 years of experience, I have never known a single exception. I have seen this happen time after time.

Whenever people begin to resent AUTHORITY over them in God's Church, they begin to shrivel up and die spiritually! The authority in God's Church is not of men, but of THE LIVING CHRIST!

And so, when I saw all the various names of the various local news bulletins, I foresaw the serious DANGER of local brethren becoming so wrapped up in local social interest among themselves that they begin to lose interest in GOD'S WORK, and to drift away from God. That is why I had the present name adopted — so that ALL members will be mindful this is the CHURCH OF GOD, not of some locality. Each local group is merely a PART of the ONE TRUE CHURCH OF GOD. We are THE BODY OF CHRIST. Why? Because God the Father started His work through the one human body of Jesus Christ. But Jesus only started it. God has delegated to Jesus Christ the responsibility of continuing that work through His CHURCH Jesus said: 'Of myself, I can do nothing'. It was the Holy Spirit of God in Him which really did the work. But that physical Jesus died, and was resurrected a spiritual SON OF GOD. When He ascended to heaven, He sent that same Spirit to carry on the WORK OF GOD, through the COLLECTIVE BODY of His CHURCH.

This is not a one-man work. It is the WORK Christ does through THE CHURCH — through YOU, each one of you, as well as through me, the other ministers, and those in executive and administrative offices. This is YOUR job, as much as mine. My life is dedicated to it — wholly. IS YOURS? This WORK OF GOD is the one immediate goal and purpose of my life — it IS my life — it is all I live for. And, dear brethren in Christ, it must also be YOUR life, and all that YOU live for, if you expect to attain to the final and ultimate BIG goal of entering into the eternal KINGDOM OF GOD!

God has called us. He has chosen us. He has built a GREAT WORK through us. It is a dynamic, POWERFUL work, exerting a terrific IMPACT on this whole world. Christ uses us as a TEAM. Perhaps I am the quarterback, calling signals for each 'play' or move, as our Coach and Leader, Jesus Christ, directs me. But just as a quarterback alone, without the rest of the TEAM, could never win a football game, so I alone would be HELPLESS in God's Great Work!

THE WORK is far bigger and more important than your local church. Let's always keep our eyes on, and our hearts



Situated about 2,400 miles northwest of Darwin, (less than five hours' flying time by today's modern jet aircraft) is Saigon, capital of South Vietnam — a nation where even at this very moment, battles costing hundreds of lives are being waged, as Communism attempts to subvert the mind and will of a whole nation, using its now all-too-familiar technique of fomenting internal strife among certain sections of the people, while at the same time bringing pressure to bear on harassed Government forces with constant guerrilla attacks.

While the outcome of this war will directly affect the future stability of the whole of Indo-China, it is also of vital importance to the future welfare of Australia, and indeed of the whole of South-East Asia.

South Vietnam borders, to the north, the Communist state of North Vietnam, (from which it was formally separated by the Geneva Accord in 1954) with Laos, another country suffering from war and chaos at the hands of international communism, forming the north-western border, while 'neutral' Cambodia forms the south-western border. The eastern border is formed by the South China Sea.

South Vietnam was dominated by the French for over eighty years, until they left the area in 1955. Since that time, the Communists have urged an unceasing war on the nation's pro-western government.

Now, having won the Northern half of the country, the Communists, encouraged and supported by Red China, are making a vigorous bid to capture the Southern portion thereby placing themselves in a favourable position to dominate the whole area.

Since France pulled out of Vietnam the United States has assumed the responsibility of keeping the area free of Communism, and to date has poured over \$2,000,000,000 (more than £800,000,000) worth of aid into South Vietnam.

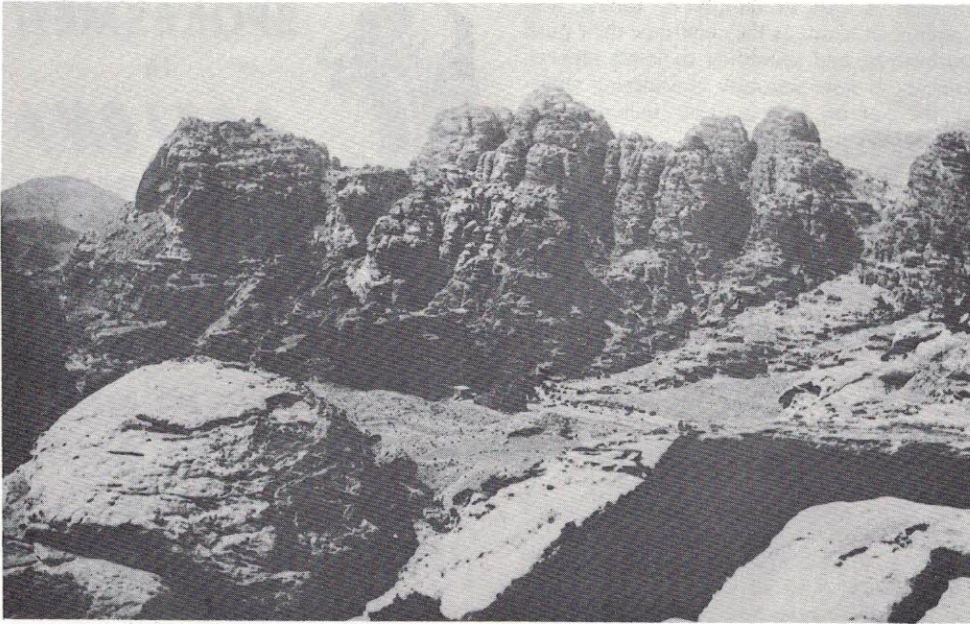
With this, South Vietnam's Premier Ngo Dinh Diem has built up and maintained an army of 150,000 men, at the same time carrying out a programme of land reform, introducing new crops, establishing the nation's first national education system and developing light industry.

At the moment, America has over 4,000 military advisors stationed in the country to

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IN, THE WORK first of all, and then the local fellowship as a subsidiary part of that WORK, contributing to it! Then we all REJOICE TOGETHER as God expands and prospers HIS WORK!





# A Visit To Petra

BY MR. T. M. HIGGINS

Having arranged a visit to Petra the day before, I was so excited at the prospect of it at last materializing that I needed no alarm clock to awaken me. I was sitting on the front steps of The Ambassador Hotel in Jerusalem well before time, waiting for my guide, when the car he had hired arrived at the agreed time of 4 a.m.

We drove north to cross the Jordan River just east of Jericho and skirting the Dead Sea turned south down the Kings Highway to the village of Eljy, where we arrived after six hours of the fastest driving I had ever experienced. Just north of this village the 'Ain Moussa' or Spring of Moses gushes from an outcrop of rock. There are many legends involving Moses' current in this area. From this Spring of Moses the village population, their sheep, goats and horses, as well as their small orchards, all derive life. The water flows very freely for quite a distance but ultimately disappears into the sands in the course of the Wadi Moussa. The course of the Wadi Moussa is down to and through the Petra Valley but it carries water the full distance only when it rains.

At the army post at Eljy, set up because of trouble between the 'Arabs' and tourists over hire of horses, we registered as required and having paid the army officer the hire of our horses, set out to ride the three or four miles into Petra. From this distance the Seir Range appears a very attractive dull purple colour. Mt. Hor, the burial place of Aaron, is seen in the north west of this range. The track is downhill from Eljy and one travels down the course of the Wadi Moussa. As we got closer we came upon the first of the monuments, as I propose to call them (for to call them buildings would seem misleading as they are cut out of the living rock and not

built in the ordinary sense). These first few examples are as it were a sample and, whilst of great interest, they do not in any way come up to the grandeur of those to be seen inside Petra.

At about this point the oleanders are noticed, which are of the single pink variety and are a blaze of colour. They persist all the way down the Wadi Moussa. There are many other wildflowers in the area but springtime is when they make their main display. A turn in the water course leads into what seems a blind alley but suddenly a cleft appears which is the entrance to the Syk (p. seek). The Syk is about  $1\frac{1}{4}$  miles long and varies in width from 20 feet to 4 or 5 feet at ground level, with the cliff sides seeming almost to meet above you at times. The floor of the Syk is strewn with waterwashed pebbles and small stones but under these it is paved with huge blocks of stone. This paving extends right across the Petra Valley from one end to the other, as has been proved by digging through accumulated debris littering the valley floor. The walls of the Syk carry niches down the whole of their length. Some of these niches still contain emblems of the god Dusares or of the goddess Al Uzza — The Queen of Heaven, the emblems being either a short rounded pillar or a square block of stone. The floor of the Syk drops about 200 feet in the course of its length and as the tops of the cliff sides are level it means the height of them increases from about 100 feet at the Syk entrance to about 300 feet at the point of the entry into the Petra Valley where the Wadi Moussa joins the Wadi al Jarra at right angles.

Only a person without a heart could fail to stop sharply in his tracks here, where he gets the first glimpse of the Khazneh or

Pharoah's Treasury.

Here from the comparative gloom of the narrowest part of the Syk one sees a portion of the face of this most beautiful monument, which for sheer beauty is unsurpassed. One famous scientist visitor, it is said, was forced to exclaim 'it looks like God spilt His paint-box on the rocks' — and so it does. As we drew closer we were more and more amazed at the magnificence in size and workmanship of this masterpiece.

It is cut with the utmost precision out of the brownish-red Nubian sandstone which is banded with white to creamy limestone, giving wonderful play to the sunlight as it strikes and highlights this wonderful combination of rock colours.

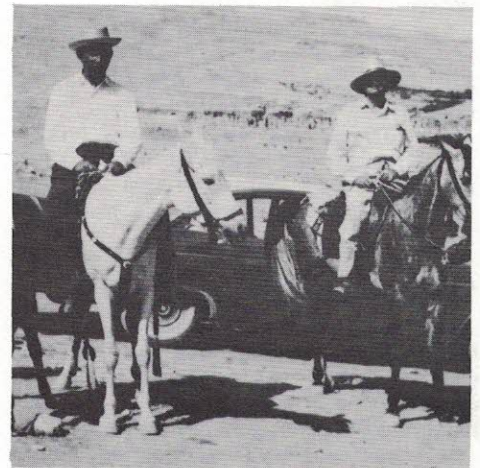
Before we leave the Syk to enter the Outer Syk, as the continuation of it into the Petra Valley is called, we should take note of the remains of the wonderful water system that existed in olden times. Cut into the base of the side of the cliff-face for the entire length of the Syk is a viaduct, which at times rises to man-head height. This viaduct carried water in normal times. In times of rain and flood the floor of the Syk carried the excess, part of which was led off through a tunnel into cisterns cut out of the rock in which it was held for use in the drier summertime. With not a very great amount of work this system could be made to function again.

The monuments were cut from the living rock. Starting from the top the workmen worked their way down to ground level. If you will stop to think of this for a moment you will see that this is not as simple as it sounds, for these structures are cut out in great detail and with the utmost precision. The chambers in them are of very great dimensions and these too are beautifully precise.

And now we pass into the Outer Syk, which quickly widens in the main valley or glen.

Along the right hand face of the range, called Al Khubtha, are a series of very fine monuments, the chief being The Obelisk Tomb, The Urn Tomb and The Corinthian Tomb with The Urn Tomb outstanding

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## VISIT PETRA

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among this group. This monument faces a smoothed courtyard, which at a rough guess would be 100 feet wide and 150 feet deep; along each side of this at right angles to the monument are recessed colonnades, each supported by seven columns about 15 feet high. The recessed area is about 15 feet deep and all this has been cut into the rock. The monument itself is three stories high with two immense columns on either side of the high entrance doorway: truly a magnificent structure cut from a very beautiful stretch of lightly flecked stone.

As our time was limited we swung away from this side of the valley and crossed to the other, passing the ruins of a crusader's castle on an eminence called Al Hibis. We turned a corner here and came upon Hassan's Camp, a small but quite up-to-date hotel which can accommodate about fifteen guests. It was not officially open when we enjoyed a well-earned drink there but I understand it is usually full in the cooler tourist season.

The Ad Deir, with an ornament on top of it, shaped rather like a soup tureen, is nearby on Jebel Ad Deir but time did not allow a visit to it. We could however see Umm Al Biyara from the top of which King Amaziah flung his captives down so that they 'all were broken in pieces' (II Chron. 25:11, 12).

Our descent to our horses waiting for us in the Outer Syk was comparatively rapid and the luxury of riding back to our car certainly was very welcome.

I am very grateful that I was able to visit this city of fascinating and wonderful monuments and I hope that in this brief account I have been able to sketch you a picture of interest.

## VIETNAM

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help in the nation's fight against the Viet Cong (Communist) guerrillas, and she is also in the process of speeding up the supply of military equipment to the armed forces.

However, despite this massive aid, South

Vietnam is still in danger of falling into Communist hands as they continue their push southwards, and according to latest reports, America is now seriously considering entering the war on a large scale, including the sending of combat troops.

The very real possibility of turning the whole area into another Korea, though, is seen as one of the main reasons for America's reluctance to do so up to the present. Whether she sends troops or not will probably depend on the future course of events.

Meanwhile, the battle continues, most of the time unnoticed by the rest of the world, with only an occasional news brief to keep people informed on how events are transpiring.

How thankful we can be brethren, that God has opened our eyes and shown us what is to come to pass, that these things will not take us by surprise.

As the Apostle Peter said, 'We have also a more sure word of prophecy whereunto you do well to take heed . . .'

Therefore, let us continue to perform the work God has given us to do that His Kingdom may come, when man will *not* learn war anymore.

## DID YOU KNOW ?

### IT BEGAN THIS WAY

In September, 1528, the city fathers of Brussels held an indignation meeting to discuss a vital matter of trade. Other cities in Belgium were weaving tapestries so similar to theirs that even astute merchants were being fooled. What should be done? Then an unnamed genius suggested that in the future all tapestries woven in Brussels should include a shield flanked on either side by the letter 'B': — the coat of arms of Brussels. In the same year a law was passed to enforce this and the first trademark came into being.

**Russian History:** Prince Piotr Lopukhin (1753-1827) Attorney General of Russia was awarded his country's highest decoration for humanism in 1798 — because he prohibited the flogging of people over 70 years of age! Nowadays liquidation is considered the acme of humanitarianism.

**Have you read the Bible through once?** Edwin Norris (1795-1872) famed British linguist, translated the entire Bible into Portuguese, Maori, Spanish, Persian, French, Arabic, Acra, Aneitum, Otji, Bulgarian and Italian.

Natural death among the Sequoia Gigantea Trees of California is unknown. Sequoia sap is poisonous to insects and only accident or destruction has been known to kill a 'big tree'.

Redwood trees that have been lying on the ground from 800 to 1000 years have been cut up and made into lumber.



## SPOKESMEN IN ACTION!

by DEXTER FAULKNER

Eureka, it's here! The Ambassador Spokesman Club Manual. Another first for the world-wide Spokesman Club.

As the old saying goes, 'It's in the book'. How true this is as the new manual has all the necessary information and material to make the dull boy a vivacious, scintillating conversationalist with a true purpose — developing a proper personality.

Combined in the 37-page Manual are some of the important true values that God is revealing to His Church and Spokesmen around the world.

A sigh of relief, a shout of joy comes from the Sydney Spokesman Club who now can say, if there's a problem or a question — 'Look in the Manual, the answer is bound to be there!'

With the Club now well under way and the members feeling somewhat grounded in basic principles, someone has brought to fore — 'Let's have a ladies night!' With all in approval, March the 3rd will be the big night. Where? Why the Chevron Hilton, of course. The Namatjiri Room will be the focal point on this festive occasion. Twenty-six lovely ladies and their Spokesmen escorts will experience a wonderful night out and also participate in a real live Spokesman Club!

## Press

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has recently added to its printing department two greatly needed units to expedite the production of an increasing volume of literature. First of all, a Bostitch Saddle Stitcher was added, eliminating the necessity of sending booklets outside for stapling. More recently there has been added a brand new up-to-date offset press — an A. B. Dick 360 — identical to the larger of the two presses used in the offset section of the Pasadena printing department. This press, capable of turning out 3 to 4 pages at a time at speeds of up to 9 - 10,000 copies per hour, will not only greatly expedite booklet production but assist as well in printing the *several hundred thousand* envelopes used yearly in mailing out literature to the whole of South-East Asia.

No longer is it necessary to have the Church News printed by outside printers. *Now*, beginning with this issue it is being printed on our own press!

Scotsman (at riding academy): 'I wish to hire a horse.'

Groom: 'How long?'

Scotsman: 'The longest you've got, laddie, there'll be five of us going.'





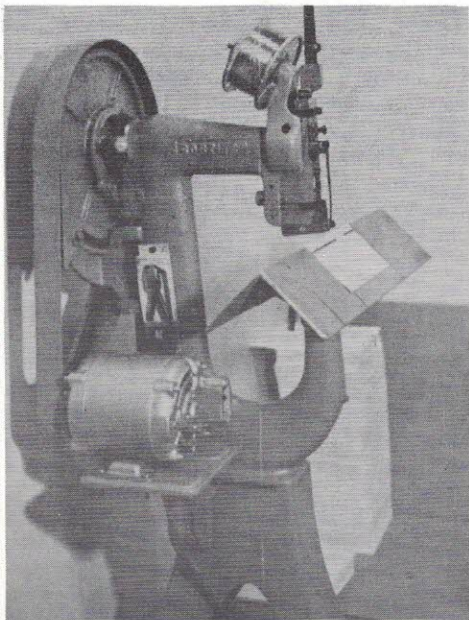
**Question:** Why do you say The WORLD TOMORROW uses . . . watts per week? **Answer:** This is merely the addition of the wattages of individual stations multiplied by the number of half-hours they broadcast The WORLD TOMORROW each week. For example, WLAC Nashville, Tennessee is rated 50,000 watts. It carries 14 half-hours of the broadcast per week. Therefore, it contributes 700,000 watts per week. On the other hand a small station like 2XM Gisborne, N.Z. Adds only 270 watts per week to the total. XERF Villa Acuna, Mexico contributes 1,750,000 watts per week! These wattage ratings are usually transmitter ratings, not necessarily effective radiated power from the antenna, which can be less, depending upon such factors as antenna design, etc.

- The WORLD TOMORROW Radio Log continues to grow. There has been some delay in the establishing of 'Radio Slough' near London. However, it is expected to start early next month.

- For the first time in New England, U.S.A., a 50,000 watt station has been added: WNAC.
- Sometime in 1962, our station in Scottsdale, Tasmania, will increase its power to 2,000 watts.

A telephone operator answered a call from an outdoor booth and heard a request for a long distance number. 'What number are you calling from?' she asked. 'It's right there on your dial.'

After a moment's hesitation the voice replied, '1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-0.'



Bostitch Saddle-Stitcher

## Temple of Baal

Shocking though it may be, right here in 'Christian' Australia is a memorial to the world's chief despot, *Nimrod*!

The memorial is *not* in the form of a statue, but rather a *cave* claimed to rank amongst the finest of the whole series at the famous Jenolan Limestone Caves.

These caves, situated some 90 miles southwest of Sydney, contain a variety of formations not only pleasing to see, but also quite educational.

On the different tours available there are to be seen the usual stalactites, stalagmites and columns, as well as beautiful flowstones and shawls.

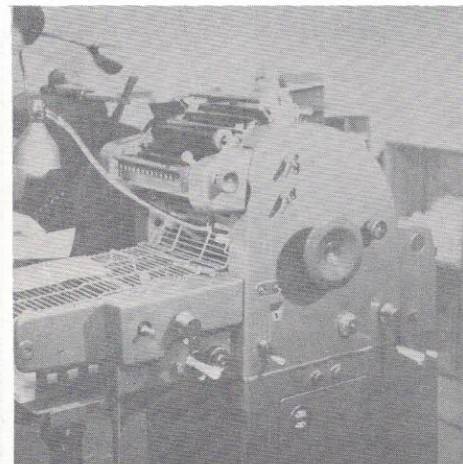
Another interesting feature seen at Jenolan is that of the helictite formations, which appear to defy the law of gravity by growing in every direction. Some of these outgrowths are horizontal, while others twist and curl in many directions, some even reversing course and growing straight up again.

The Temple of Baal is massive in size, being almost 150 feet high, 120 feet long, and 70 feet wide. To visit it, the tour passes through 'Moloch's Grotto', a small antechamber connected to the main cave by a series of steps.

In the temple itself, there is the 'Red Altar', a beautiful formation directly beneath Baal. This pure white stalagmite is flecked with drops of red iron deposits, which are said to be splashes of 'sacrificial blood'. A magnificent shawl formation towering over 30 feet high has been named the 'Angel's Wing', while another red shawl is named 'Gabriel's Wing'.

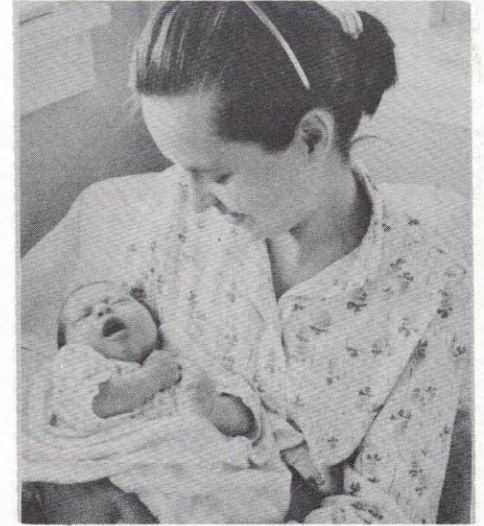
Perched on a ledge near the highest point of the dome is the caves 'namesake', a large dark brown stalagmite. This is the 'Image of Baal', and in the gloom of the cavern it is possible to discern what appears to be its eyes, nose and chin, complete with beard. Here the guide cautions everyone to 'Beware, for the eyes of Baal are upon you'.

It is appalling to think that, here at Jenolan,



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men have turned a cave full of colour and beauty, into a memorial to the one whose ways they still follow — Nimrod — despot, and chief instrument used by Satan in man's first organized rebellion against God.



## Bits & Pieces by Judith Hughes

Double congratulations are in order for Mrs. Frank Simpkins! First of all for becoming the proud mother of a healthy 8½ pound baby daughter, Marilyn Sue Simpkins, born February 14 at 10.00 p.m. — and secondly for submitting the above winning title for the 'Name the Column' contest.

For the fine cooperation and participation of all of you we give *hearty thanks* for the many interesting and original title suggestions you sent in. We hope you will continue to contribute all your 'bits and pieces' of news so we can all, to quote Mrs. Steele and her fine runner-up suggestion 'care and share' in this *your* column.

- Mr. and Mrs. Chidley are now the very proud parents of young Mark John Chidley who at the age of one month has been adopted through marvellous circumstances into their family.

- Other proud smiles are being worn this time by parents *to-be* Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Huse. Their addition will be born around the first of September in plenty of time for the Feast of Tabernacles. Congratulations as our membership shows even more promise of growth!

- Members of the Sydney congregation under the leadership of Mr. Cole and the able assistance of Miss Stanley and Miss Bayley are now forming an official church chorale following the example that has been set by many of the churches in the United States. We hope you will be able to enjoy its performances at the coming Feasts later in the year.

- A welcome visitor to Sabbath services

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## BITS & PIECES

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in Sydney was Mr. Brooks who will return with his family for the Feast of Unleavened Bread this fall.

• 'For all help, offers of help, prayers, kind thoughts, cards, etc. which have come my way during the last few months, the grateful thanks of May L. Stanley.'

• Mr. Kraft Klaus writes of a rewarding experience he had when he gave a car lift to an aboriginal. In their conversation the man complained about not having proper strength to 'give away' heavy smoking and was told of the World Tomorrow program. At this point Mr. Klaus reports: 'He came to life rejoicing and told me he had been listening for four months already and received four issues of 'The Plain Truth' and already had given away heavy drinking'. The completion of the trip was, needless to say, quite interesting and very joyous for both Mr. Klaus and the stranger.

• Mr. Charles Gover and family are now happily settled in a lovely new home in Cambellfield. They were aided greatly in their moving by Mr. Colin Batt.

• We are very happy to hear from Melbourne news that Mrs. Francis is now feeling much improved.

• Also from Melbourne way comes news that Misses Joyce Boyd and Joyce Rose spent an enjoyable time over the Australia day weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson on their *chicken* farm at *Eaglehawk* near Bendigo.

• A delightful letter was received from Mrs. Edna Westly in Walpole describing the natural beauty around their home — a lovely inlet and the refreshing peace and quiet of the country — is mighty enticing after spending a day in the bustling, overcrowded city.

• Mr. B. Lowe of Ashgrove shares with us the gratitude he has for the Divine protection upon his home and family during a severe electrical storm. The disturbance moved completely away from them but hit neighbours a short distance away.

• From a letter by P. E. Neale up in Queensland comes an extremely humorous and descriptive account of their latest drenching — it was flooded for a few days . . . to get the mail I had to use a tractor, then wade through creeks, then go further by land rover, then swim, walk, use a boat, walk again and then another land rover, so it was just about a days work going a matter of about 15 miles. . . . 'I say, it wasn't *wet* down there was it?'

Stay tuned-in until next time when we will announce the awards won by our successful contributors — and will be bringing more news of you . . .

## FAMOUS LOST WORDS

He won handily over a pack of opponents in the May primaries, when he deceived more than 50 per cent of all the votes cast in the post of municipal judge.



## JUDY TO STAFF

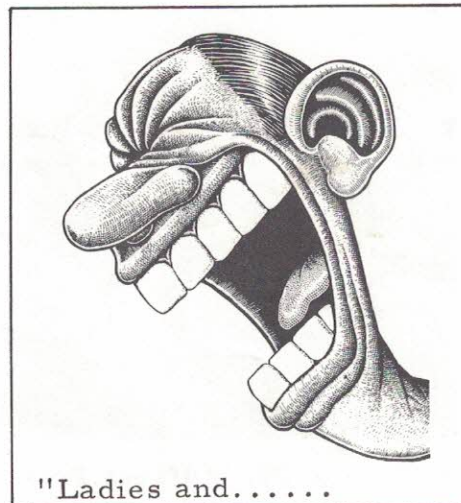
The Church of God News takes pleasure in announcing another addition to the Sydney office staff. Recently it became necessary to shift Miss Lorelle Simon into the Letter Answering Department to assume the responsibilities previously held by Mrs. Dexter Faulkner. This in turn created a vacancy for a typist in the Mailing Room. It is to fill this position that Miss Judy Lehmann has now been added to the office force. Judy's office and typing experience is proving to be of great advantage in her new position.

In the field of recreation, Miss Lehmann's list of favourites includes horseback riding, swimming, and squash — aside from a keen interest in furthering her education. A night class in shorthand is one of her current pursuits.

WELCOME JUDY! May you have many happy years of service in the greatest, most interesting work on earth.

## MODERN 'Instant' LIVING

The hostess said to her guests as she was rising from her chair — 'And now, if you'll pardon me for an instant, I'll get dinner.'



"Ladies and....."

In appreciation of the consideration, respect, and many kindnesses shown him during his stay in Australia, Mr. Gerald Waterhouse has asked that his love and concern be extended to the Australian congregation.

In response to the many requests for his new address, it is printed below.

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Important Late News---  
Courtesy The Portfolio!!

## Charles Hunting Ordained As Preaching Elder

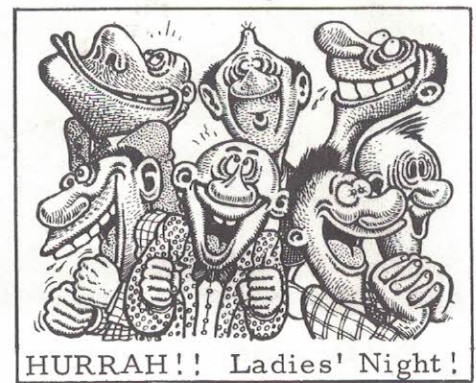
Sabbath, February 17 saw the ordination of Mr. Charles F. Hunting to the rank of Preaching Elder. The ordination service, conducted by Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong and Mr. Raymond McNair in the London Church, was an inspiration to everyone. Tears of happiness and gratitude showed the love of the brethren for Mr. Hunting and their appreciation for his service here in the British Isles.

Mr. Hunting has been serving as Business Manager for the Work of God in Britain, and, although only having been ordained as a local Elder prior to coming to England, had been pastoring the Bristol Church.

A tearful matron phoned the reducing salon to wail that her husband had just given her a lovely present, and she couldn't get into it.

The operator gave her an appointment, and then added soothingly, 'Don't worry, madam, we'll have you wearing that dress in no time.'

'Who said anything about a dress?' she sobbed. 'It's a Volkswagen!'



HURRAH!! Ladies' Night!