

Church unity and response keynote Feast

BIG SANDY — "If there was a keynote for the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles," remarked Mr. Bill McDowell, Festival director, "it would be best described as unity in the Church."

The Worldwide Convention Service of the Worldwide Church of God reports that approximately 96,000 people poured into the 34 Festival sites around the world for the eight-day period Oct. 11 to 18.

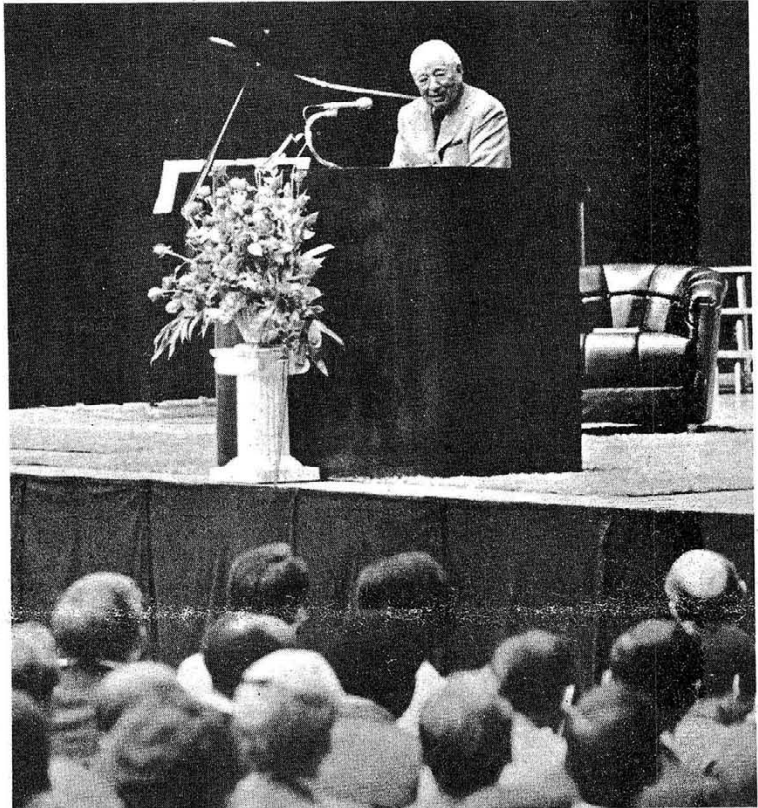
Two new major sites were added in the United States this year — Tucson, Ariz., and St. Petersburg, Fla. — to raise the number of sites in the U.S. and Canada to 13.

The other 11 sites were located in Big Sandy, Tex.; Jekyll Island, Ga.; Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.; Mount Pocono, Pa.; Squaw Valley, Calif.; Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; Pasadena, Calif.; Penticton, British Columbia; Lac Beauport, Quebec; Anchorage, Alaska; and Maui, Hawaii.

The list of the 21 overseas Feast sites is as follows: Minehead, England; Praz-sur-Arly, France; Mossel Bay, South Africa; George, South Africa; Victoria Falls, Rhodesia; Blackheath, Australia; Perth, Australia; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Taupo, New Zealand; Baguio City, Philippines; Tagum, Philippines; Don Carlos, Philippines; Barbados and Martinique, West Indies; Algarrobo, Chile; Tonga (in the South Pacific); Potsdam, East Germany; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Mexico City, Mexico; Kodaikanal, India; and Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka.

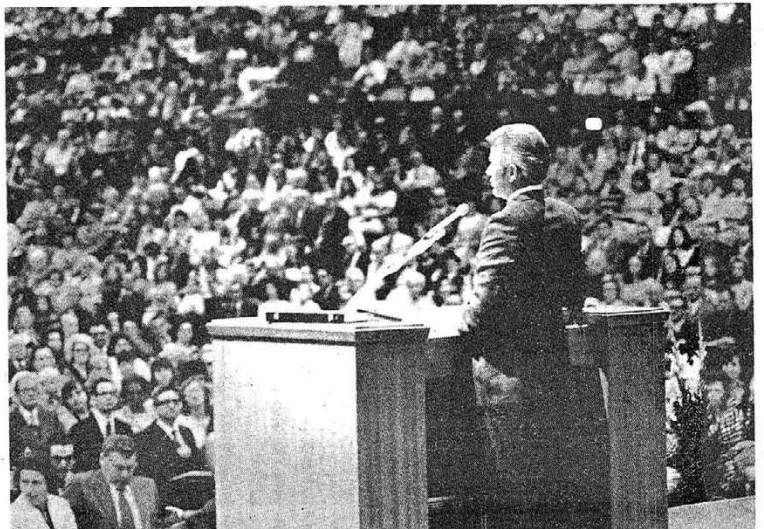
(Capsule reports from many of these Feast sites are printed within this issue of *The Worldwide News* beginning on page 3.)

"We felt that this was one of our smoothest Feasts ever," continued Mr. McDowell. "Mr. Herbert Armstrong was quite pleased."



Nine sites in eight days

FAST AND FURIOUS — It was a fast-paced, tiring and constantly on-the-go Festival of Tabernacles for both Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong and Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, but again this year they were able to address members at the Feast at nine sites throughout the United States and Canada. Mr. Herbert Armstrong opened the Feast in Mount Pocono, while his son was doing the same on the other side of the continent at Penticton. Shown above is Mr. Herbert Armstrong speaking in St. Petersburg; below is Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong addressing the crowd in Tucson. (Photos by Ken Treybig and Ken Evans)

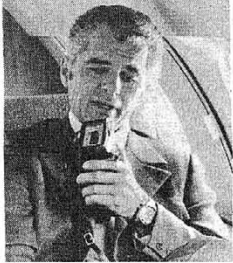


A Personal Letter from

Garner Ted Armstrong

Greetings, brethren!

I am having to dictate this on the ground at McKinnon Airport on St. Simons Island near Jekyll Island, Ga. I just finished speaking to thousands of you brethren attending the Festival



at Jekyll Island only moments ago, then went directly to the little airstrip on Jekyll Island to board a small single-engine aircraft (a Cessna Sky Wagon) for a very gusty and bumpy trip over to the airport where the Falcon was waiting.

If I tell you it has been a simply wonderful and magnificent Feast in every way, and tell you words cannot express what great thrills I experienced at every Festival site as I was able to look out over the faces of thousands of our brethren who seemed to be so bursting with newfound zeal and energy, I would only be repeating what all of you have been saying and feeling about the Festival this year anyhow. It has been a very inspiring Feast all the way!

My father and I were able to cross paths only at Big Sandy but did have the very enjoyable occasion of going to one evening's dinner together with some friends at a Longview, Tex., restaurant.

Mr. Armstrong has been very enthusiastic and inspired over the increased zeal and dedication of all of you brethren.

While I cannot but guess at what

the very wonderful news is going to be following the Last Great Day's offering tomorrow, which will be taken up after I dictate this "Personal," I know that a 56 percent increase in donations and offerings given by only a four percent increase in attendance for this year reflects a tremendous inspiration and zeal on the part of God's people.

[Editor's note: The final Holy Day offering represented a 74 percent increase given by seven percent more people, according to the Festival Business Office.]

We live in such an incredibly complex and uncertain world that I can only speculate beyond what I have been telling all of the brethren at the Festival sites concerning the current upsets in the Middle East, direct American and Soviet involvement, the threat to Japanese and European lifelines of raw materials and supplies, and a growing climate of distrust and suspicion among some of the big powers of the world.

Truly, we do live in a time very near the opening shots of World War III. I fully expect, as I told you all, that both Japan and West Germany, along with many other countries, will begin to create their own personal national armies, navies and other military organizations as the months and years go by.

I mentioned in Jekyll Island that I believe the days of trying to create a professional army for the United States without a draft are nearly over, and that we are going to see military conscription occur within our country once again.

It is difficult to add anything to this "Personal" that I was not able to tell you brethren from the pulpit, but perhaps I can at least comment on the Festival as it has appeared to me.

First, it is always a very exhausting and tiring task to rush from one place to another preaching 10 sermons in nine places in eight days.

But as my father jokingly said, he is (See PERSONAL, page 16)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Chance to serve

Please tell Mr. Randolph Lane of Jackson, Miss. ("Letters," Oct. 1), that his subscription to *The Worldwide News* has been paid. Living as far out as I do, I don't get to see our family anywhere near as much as I'd like, and so *The Worldwide News* is doubly precious.

Tell Mr. Randolph he's made someone happy to be able to serve for a change. Thanks!

Mrs. Marsha Sanders
Pine City, Minn.

TV special

We were privileged to see Mr. GTA's summer specials during the first three weeks of August at 7 p.m. on channel 7. After seeing all three we could not pick out which one was the best, because they're all tops! The messages stirred our insides and made us cry out for God's Kingdom to be here soon!

We're missing the telecasts now. Please remember to send more tapes to us here in the Philippines. We need these very moving and inspiring talks very much. Thank you. We're all praying for you.

Mrs. P.R. Acebron
Makati, Philippines

Treasure chest

Thanks for *The Worldwide News*. It's a "treasure chest" full of very important happenings in the Work which every member should know. Now we have no excuse for not knowing what to pray for.

We noted with much interest the contents that were announced, but to our dismay the deadline for submission of entries was but a week or so by the time we received the newspaper. Being the "end of the line," we are behind by two months at the best. We'd like to join future contests, so please allow two months extra for us from foreign areas. By then we'll have no excuse.

Member
Philippines

Thanks for the comments. We'll do better in the future.

Right attitude for prayer

I want you to know that the article of Mrs. Jean Purdy (Aug. 6) opened my eyes to the realization of our attitude in praying. I learned a lesson from her too—that I must have the right attitude whenever I pray.

Thank you so much for everybody and everything that is in the *News*. Words fail to describe my gratitude and appreciation over this great newspaper—a very vital part of the great Work.

Mrs. Nati Herbaso Sasin
Manila, Philippines

Take turns reading

Indeed, we are more than thankful for all the news, inspiration and encouragement we are getting from *The Worldwide News*. We simply cannot find the right words to express our deep gratitude.

It has made us ever closer to each other. Ever since we started receiving *The Worldwide News*, we began praying more

and more often . . . together. We never run out of things to pray and talk about now, especially on the Sabbath. We even take turns reading the *News* aloud—he, when wife's washing dishes; she, when husband's shaving. Thank you so much!
—Mr. Mrs. Bonnie G. Ocampo
Calocan City, Philippines

Prompt service

Yesterday I was thinking: It should soon be time for *The Worldwide News* to come. Today I got it in the mail. You people certainly are prompt!

I like the articles on the different evangelists—how they got to be in God's service. Seeing and hearing them at the Feasts in Pentecost also helps.

I noticed some photos were taken by Howard Clark. There was a Howard Clark speaking at the Feast in Pentecost. He's the one who took an early-morning walk and was passed by a busload of mongoloid children . . . Today's *WN* carries the story of Gaye Gordon, a mongoloid, a very touching story with happy results.

Your whole paper is very informative. Just seeing and hearing a person's name doesn't really mean too much, but when we read about how they got to be in the Work, they seem more personal. Like the article on Mr. Apartian (one we didn't see at the Feast).

I just noticed the photo of Dr. Hoeh milking his goat—two pints per day. We had a Toggenburg goat that gave one gallon per milking twice a day. Her teats were approximately six inches long and nearly touched the ground!

Mrs. William Schettle
Gwynne, Alberta

Ideas column

I would like to suggest you have an "ideas column" in your newspaper and invite comments. I'm certain many of our people are bursting with ideas and desires to be more personally involved with God's Work. There must be a lot of untapped talent in various areas.

How about story-writing contests, to be made into reading books for Imperial students. Or think of the possibility of members in other countries opening their homes for a summer to a high-school student (or vice versa). It could be financed many different ways and students selected on several bases. Churchwide, our members could save aluminum for recycling and use the money for various projects.

There must be an endless number of good ideas out there. Why not "ask for it"?

I wonder if a booklet could be written to be offered to public schools on the subject of moral conduct. The basis could be what conduct produces what result and why and emphasize personal responsibility for individual actions. I know it could not be based on "thus says God" or "thus says parent," but certainly school children need some moral teaching and they seem to get so little in school. (I'm primarily thinking of non-church members' children.)

Mrs. Shirley Lawrence
Tucson, Ariz.

Thank you for the suggestions! Our problem is finding the time and resources to follow up on all the fantastic ideas our readers contribute. But keep them coming.

Dual-purpose subscription

For some unexplained reason I have been receiving my copy of *The Worldwide News* two weeks later than everyone else in our area. For example: Today (Oct. 11) I received the Sept. 17 issue. The past Sabbath several members had already received their Oct. 1 issue.

This has been happening since the middle of August. That first time I recall the copy looked so battered I wondered then if someone else might not have already

read it. (And to make things worse, it was torn right in the column where the "Personal" appeared, but I was able to smooth it out enough to understand what was written.)

This was going to be a complaint. I was going to ask you, if possible, to send my copy in a sealed envelope. But while formulating these thoughts in my mind, one particular idea has struck there—what if some unconverted person is reading my paper first? Well, great, that's just fine

with me! Only God knows if this might be what is happening to my paper and, if it is, maybe this is His way of allowing this person to come in contact with His truth. My \$4 will be serving a double purpose, if this is the case! As long as it keeps coming in my mailbox it's okay, even if it is two weeks late . . .

Mrs. Joan M. Widmer
West Lafayette, Ind.

Most remote member

The *Guinness Book of World Records* states that the most remote spot on earth is in the South Pacific, approximately 48 degrees, 30 minutes, south and 125 degrees, 30 minutes, west, approximately 1,660 miles from the nearest points of land, namely Pitcairn Island, Ducie Island and Cape Dart, Antarctica. It is centered in a circle of water with an area of 8,657,000 square miles—about 7,000 square miles larger than the U.S.S.R., the world's largest country.

The Sept. 3 issue of *The Worldwide News* tells of the Leaks and the Robertsons, two rather isolated families on the Shetland Islands.

All this preamble serves to introduce this interesting question: Who is the most remote member of God's Church? A story about that person would be interesting, and probably a real challenge to obtain.
Leslie A. Turvey
Essex, Ontario

If any of our readers feel they are the "remotest," let's hear from you.

Thought we were serious

Please send following booklets: (1) *After Sex, Then What?*, (2) *What Will You Be Doing With Your Next Wife?*, (3) *Seven Rules to a Wife's Decision*.

Member
Louisiana

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PASADENA — The Marketing Division in Pasadena recently released a few basic statistics regarding Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's summer specials, which were aired throughout the United States this past summer.

There were 23,297 people who responded to the programs, which began the last week in May; 88.5 percent or 20,619 were brand-new people added to the file.

This represented 18,781 calls on the WATS line and 4,516 letters.

Up to now 49 cities have shown the specials, and we have sent out 65,000 pieces of literature as a result of these telecasts.

Kansas City, with 1,305, Greensboro, with 1,074, and Charlotte, with 1,050, were the top cities as far as total response.

PASADENA — Dr. Herman L. Hoeh, executive editor of *The Plain Truth* magazine, is back at Pasadena after conducting the Feast on the Island of Tonga.

"We stopped at Pago Pago (pronounced Pango Pango), where I had a lengthy interview with the publisher of *The Samoan Times*, who is a reader of *The Plain Truth*, and a man met me at the airport who is in the field of communications," Dr. Hoeh said.

"The Festival was fine. We found the brethren very stable and they have certainly grown spiritually," he continued. "The weather was superb—especially in contrast to the great metropolitan areas of the United States. It is the beginning of spring there, of course."

"After the Feast we had the chance to baptize a young man who is apparently the first Solomonese. His home is in Honiara in Guadalcanal—the island famous in World War II." Dr. Hoeh, who said right now he is busy working on the December and January issues of *The Plain Truth*, has agreed to write a more detailed report on his trip for the next issue.

PASADENA — The following is the schedule of personal appearances for the United States for November and December.

Tulsa, Okla. — Tulsa Assembly Center, 100 Civic Center, Mr. David Antion, Nov. 18, 19.

Indianapolis, Ind. — Murat Shrine Temple, 510 North New Jersey Street, Mr. Sherwin McMichael, Nov. 17, 18.

Spokane, Wash. — Cowles Memorial Auditorium, Whitworth College, Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Dec. 1, 2.

Memphis, Tenn. — The Auditorium, Music Hall, 74 Poplar Avenue, Mr. Albert Portune, Dec. 2, 3.

Orlando, Fla. — Municipal Auditorium, 401 West Livingston, Mr. Charles Hunting, Dec. 8, 9.

Portland, Ore. — Portland Civic Auditorium, 222 Southwest Clay Street, Mr. Albert Portune, Dec. 9, 10.

Kansas City, Mo. — Municipal Auditorium, Music Hall, 1310

Wyandotte, Mr. Sherwin McMichael, Dec. 15, 16.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Pittsburgh Syria Mosque, 4423 Bigelow Boulevard, Mr. Ronald Dart, Dec. 16, 17.

Seattle-Tacoma, Wash. — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, Dec. 14, 15, 16.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The City of St. Petersburg officially welcomed the Worldwide Church of God and the Feast of Tabernacles Wednesday, Oct. 10, when city councilman Harry W. McCormick, presented Mr. Frank Brown, business manager of Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God, with a key to the city and a proclamation making it "Worldwide Church of God Week" for the area.

The St. Petersburg Junior College Symphony Band and other civic officials were also on hand at the ceremonies.



GREETINGS — Councilman Harry McCormick, left, presents Mr. Frank Brown with the city proclamation welcoming members to St. Petersburg.

PASADENA — Mr. Leslie McCullough, director of the Foreign Educational Service, announced some of the news surrounding Mr. David Jon Hill's personal-appearance campaigns in Australia.

According to Mr. McCullough: "The Melbourne campaign [Oct. 28, 29 and 30] got off to a good start. Monday night [Oct. 29] there were 819 new people—nearly seven percent of the PT list in the area—plus 222 members, for a total of 1,041. "Everyone was pleased at the number of people present, especially in view of the electrical strike, which has affected the country."

(See Mr. Dennis Luker's story on page 10 for details concerning the electrical strike.)

Mr. McCullough also reported some facts about Mr. Hill's campaign in Perth. He said:

"The campaign in Perth brought 662 people—362 new people—on the first night and 482 persons—222 new people—on the second night."

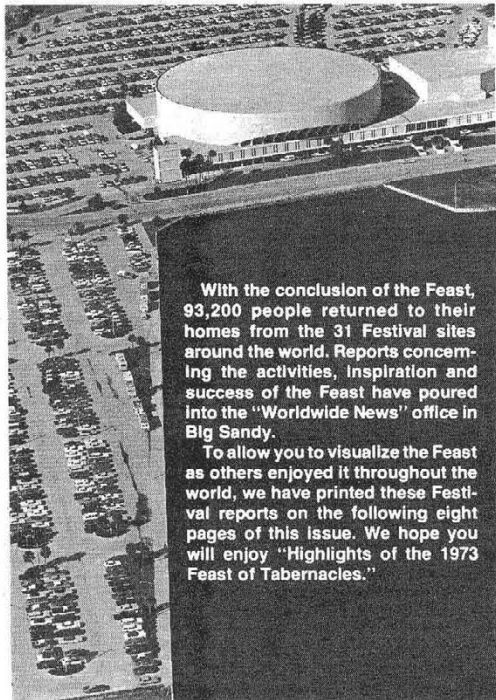
"Of the second-night attendance, 50 percent of the audience seemed to be repeats. If this was the case, we feel that we reached 500 new people. Twelve new people are already attending Bible study in Perth."

Included in the presentation was a slide show displaying different aspects of the Work.



RADIO COMICS — Roger Barkley and Al Lohman, two radio disc jockeys from KFI in Los Angeles, pose in front of the camera during an assembly they gave at Ambassador College, Pasadena, Thursday, Oct. 4. The two went through some of their 10-year history together and performed some of the routines common to their morning radio program. They have been on a variety of radio stations and on TV several times doing comic skits with 40-odd characters of their imaginations' creation. [Photo by Rick Dykes]

Highlights of the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles



With the conclusion of the Feast, 93,200 people returned to their homes from the 31 Festival sites around the world. Reports concerning the activities, inspiration and success of the Feast have poured into the "Worldwide News" office in Big Sandy. To allow you to visualize the Feast as others enjoyed it throughout the world, we have printed these Festival reports on the following eight pages of this issue. We hope you will enjoy "Highlights of the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles."



FLORIDA WELCOME — To the left is an aerial view of the Bayfront Center Arena, where services were held during the Feast. Above: Members were greeted by this welcome sign at St. Pete, in use for the first time this year as a Festival site. (Left photo courtesy St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce; above photo by Scott Ashley)

St. Petersburg

By Dick Thompson
Festival Coordinator

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Brethren from as far away as Toronto and Los Angeles traveled to central Florida to enjoy the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles. The city of St. Petersburg was most cordial in its reception of 9,100 Worldwide Church of God brethren. On Wednesday, Oct. 10, senior councilman McCormick presented Mr. Frank Brown, business manager for Ambassador College, with the key to the city. Also presented was the proclamation which declared the week of Oct. 10 through 18 as "Worldwide Church of God Week."

St. Petersburg has as one of its titles "Sun City." And that's what it was during the Feast. Sunny skies and warm days and cloudless evenings with breezes off Tampa Bay and the Gulf of Mexico provided the kind of weather you hope for. The Bayfront Center Arena, situated on Tampa Bay, provided a beautiful setting for all services.

Mr. Frank Brown was in charge of

the Feast during the first half, and Mr. David Antion, director of the Church Administration Division, came down from Mount Pocono for the second half. Everyone also appreciated the opportunity to hear from both Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Mr. Ted Armstrong.

Sermons were encouraging and uplifting and inspired all of God's people. Family outings, beginning new friendships and renewing old acquaintances were encouraged from the outset. Sermons on God's Work, faith, the family, overcoming dependency and the future time in which the Feast of Tabernacles will be a reality to all peoples were motivating to God's people to complete the commission given to His Church.

The surrounding area provided more than ample restaurants. Family get-togethers in the 65 area parks and along the Gulf of Mexico beaches were very enjoyable. Deep-sea fishing excursions, sailing, trips to beautiful Busch Gardens, the Aquarium and just plain talking helped make this Feast a real success.

Church-sponsored recreational activities such as softball tournaments, a team basketball tournament, a team field day and beach party, and moonlight cruises for the elderly and eligibles captured the interest and enthusiasm of many.

Over 1,100 brethren transferred from other Feast sites to St. Petersburg this year, and many of these expressed a desire to return again in the future. Both the spiritual and physical Feasts of 1973 cause us to look to the 1974 Feast as being even better!

Recreational roundup

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — St. Pete turned out to be an excellent site for the Feast of Tabernacles, and recreationally it was no exception.

In the field of sports, tournaments were held in adult slow-pitch softball and team basketball, and, due to the availability of a fine high-school track, an Ambassador-style track field day for high-school-age teams was held.

The city park and recreation board furnished the church with excellent facilities for all the sports activities.

This was the first time that most of the teens in the Southeast had had a chance to participate in a regular church-sponsored basketball tournament, but there was no lack of participation or enthusiasm. Ten teams representing 20 churches competed in this year's tournament.

Fans got their money's worth this year in hard-fought close games. In one entire bracket of the tournament, no game was won by more than four points! That bracket started with Birmingham and Nashville 45-43 in a heart-stopper.

In the next game Miami took Birmingham 37-35.

In the semifinals Miami won another tough game against Macon, Ga., by a score of 44-40, and in the finals, with Miami pitted against New Orleans, the winner of the other bracket, Miami, won the tournament by edging New Orleans 52-51.

In the consolation round, Macon won 35-27 over an Atlanta team that had beaten its previous opponent by a whopping 74-16.

In adult softball 16 teams participated in this year's slow-pitch tournament. The entire tournament was played in two days with each team playing a doubleheader each day. At the end of the first day of play, four teams were left and some of them had handed their opponents a sound defeat.

Mobile, last year's champion at the Jekyll Island, Ga., site, bombed Lakeland 20-1 in the first round and Nashville 13-4 in the second round.

On the other end of the bracket, Birmingham downed Jacksonville 14-2 in the first round and Memphis 14-5 in the second round.

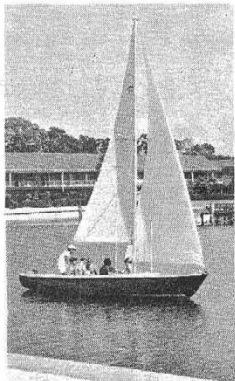
Macon, after a close game with St. Pete, went on to win 12-1 over Knoxville.

Hattiesburg, the fourth team to make the semifinals, had closer wins over Chattanooga, Tenn., and New Orleans, La.

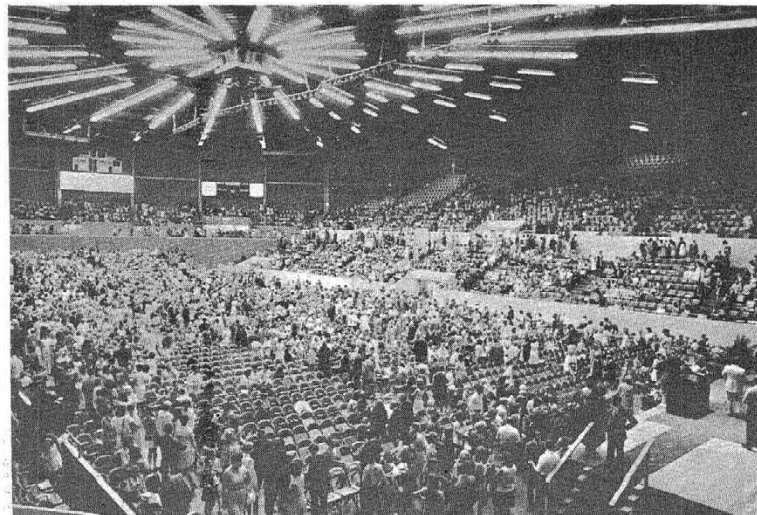
The closest game of the tournament was the semifinal game between Mobile and Birmingham. Both teams had beaten their opponents by nine or more points in each game played, but at the end of their regulation seven-inning game the two teams were tied 2-2, and it wasn't until the 10th inning that Mobile was able to score three more runs to win 5-2.

In the final round, Macon overpowered last year's champs, Mobile, to take the tournament with a win of 9-1.

And in the consolation round, Birmingham won over a tough Hattiesburg team 10-8.



ACTION SPOT — Many activities were available for members after services were dismissed (below) each day. St. Petersburg, located on the Gulf of Mexico, provided many waterfront activities such as sailing (above), fishing, skiing, swimming and skin diving, to name only a few. Many people visited Disney World in Orlando and were greeted by Mickey Mouse himself, above right. (Above-left photo by Scott Ashley; above-right photo by John Robinson; bottom photo by Ken Treybig)



Jekyll Island

By John Robinson
Festival Coordinator

JEKYLL ISLAND, Ga. — Beautiful weather, inspiring sermons and a spirit of cooperation were keynotes of the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles here — the 11th consecutive Feast to be held off the coast of southeastern Georgia.

Because services were conducted in a tent, an early crew was required to come down four to six days before the Festival began. Brethren selflessly volunteered their services to provide the necessary manpower to put up one of the world's largest tents. There were even a number of the brethren who were scheduled to go to St. Petersburg who came here before leaving for St. Petersburg to help out with the preliminaries on the tent. Mr. Thomas K. Williams, Richmond-Newport News pastor, was in charge of the tent this year and he and his crews did an excellent job.

The weather lent itself to a very active recreational program. Mr. Randy Kobernat, pastor of the Fayetteville and Raleigh churches, headed the recreational activities. He

and the men working with him prepared an informative brochure which was distributed to each family in the local church areas before it left for the Feast. The brochure contributed toward providing the kind of information people needed to plan their recreational activities. A report on the recreational activities is in an accompanying article.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong spoke on the afternoon of the first day. After services he attended a banquet for the ministers during which he addressed them for about an hour discussing plans for the Work and other items related to the ministry as a whole. After the banquet, he entertained a number of the ministers in the home in which he was staying. During the course of the evening, he ordained Mr. Chuck Dickerson and Mr. Larry Bathurst as preaching elders. The Feast of Tabernacles provides a unique opportunity for Mr. Armstrong to spend time in a personal way with many of the ministers he would not have an opportunity to see during the rest of the year.

Mr. Ted Armstrong was here for



FAMILY DAY — Shown above, left, are two of the men who competed in the horseshoe tournament. At right are some young sack racers. See recreational details in article below. [Photos by Jekyll Golden Islander]

the next-to-the-last day of the Feast of Tabernacles. He commented that Jekyll Island was the first place that he had a chance for any type of recreational activities. He was able to play a round of golf in 80-degree temperatures and under cloudless skies. It was also in Jekyll Island that he dictated his "Personal" for this issue of *The Worldwide News*.

Mr. Norman Smith, Media Division head, was the evangelist from headquarters. It was his first opportunity to head up a Feast site. In addition to Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Smith, the brethren heard sermons from Mr. Ken Westby, Washington, D.C., regional director; Mr. Tom K. Williams, Richmond church pastor; Mr. Glenn Purdy, Washington, D.C., church pastor; Mr. Ron McNeil, Uniontown and Wheeling church pastor; and myself.

There were several minor accidents during the Feast but none that resulted in loss of life. Overall, there were relatively few problems at the Feast here. On several occasions in past years drownings have occurred in Jekyll Island. This year there were none!

I think everyone there felt God's hand was in the weather and that overall the attitudes and spirit of cooperation displayed by all of the people attending were outstanding. As Festival coordinator I would once again like to extend my appreciation to all of those who made the Feast in Jekyll Island such an outstanding one.

Activities summarized

By Milt Jordan

JEKYLL ISLAND, Ga. — There were more than enough recreational activities to go around this year during the Feast of Tabernacles here at Jekyll Island.

According to Mr. Randall Kobernat, pastor of the Raleigh and Fayetteville, N.C., churches, the four days of activities were the result of several months' work by many dedicated men.

Mr. Kobernat also expressed his appreciation for the fine participation in the activities this year and hopes that next year will be even better.

For people 8 to 80 and over, there was something for everyone this year. Activities in the recreation program included softball, volleyball, golf, tennis, swimming, chess, races and, of course, one of America's favorite pastimes, dancing.

The theme this year was "Families That Play Together Have Lots of Fun," and this was very evident this year on Jekyll.

Volleyball Action

In a thrill-filled, excitement-packed game sparked with outstanding play by both teams, the teenagers' volleyball team from Washington, D.C., beat a hard-hustling team from Fayetteville and Raleigh, N.C., two straight games to cop the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles volleyball championship here Monday, Oct. 15.

With Mike Perry leading the way with smashing spikes to all areas of the court, the relatively small Washington team jumped to early leads in both of the final games and then outlived determined rallies by the North Carolina hustlers to come out No. 1.

The volleyball championship highlighted activities Monday, which was designated Family Day on this most golden of the Golden Isles off the coast of Georgia.

Family Day

"On your mark, get set, ready, go!" and they were off, dozens of tiny legs pumping hard, flashing toward the finish line 100 yards away. Family Day, 1973, was under way.

Family Day, Monday, Oct. 15, was set aside this year especially for families to get together and do things together.

And get together they did. Dads cheered sons and daughters on in a series of events ranging from sack races to 100- and 50-yard dashes.

Moms alternated between cheering and trying to keep tabs on bubbling babies, tiny tots and scampering scamps.

There was something for everyone during Family Day. In addition to the races, other activities included a horseshoe tournament, won by Joe Johnson and Jay Mosley of Greensboro, N.C.

Runner-ups in this event were Thomas Fox and Harold Lear of Connelly Springs, N.C., and Charlotte, N.C., respectively.

There was also a chess tournament; the adult division was won by Herbert Solinsky of Greenville, S.C., and the under-15 bracket was won by Steele Hollis, 12, of Atlanta, Ga.

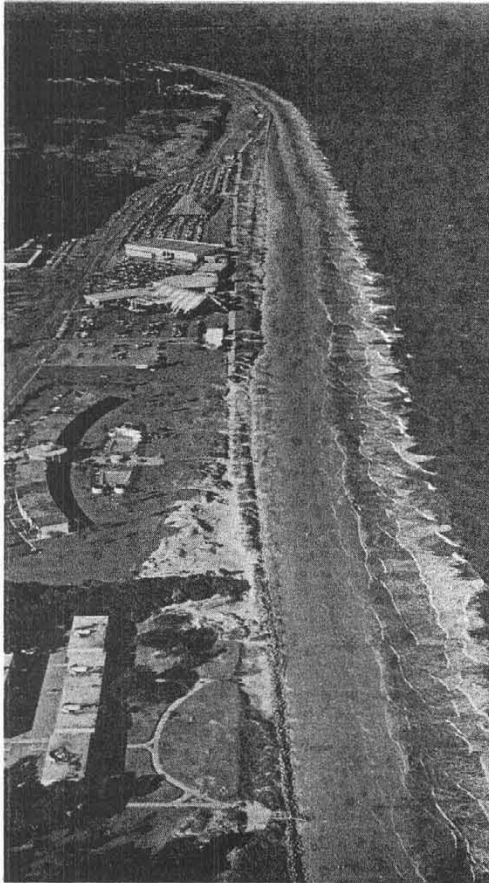
Charlotte Blasts Hagerstown

Charlotte's softball team did it all here Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 16, pushing across seven runs in the first inning with timely hits and by capitalizing on errors by the Hagerstown 10 and coasted to a relatively easy 12-5 victory.

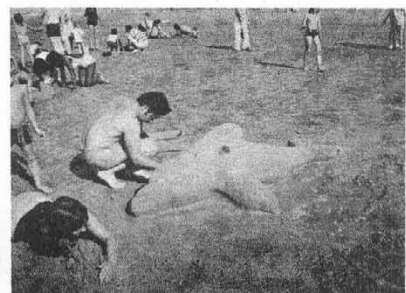
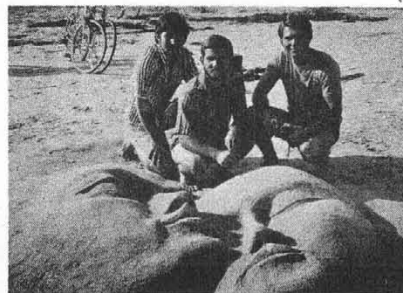
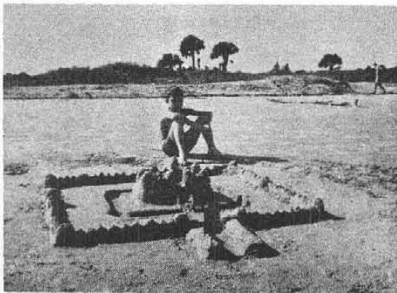
This final victory of four straight earned Charlotte the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles softball championship.

The championship contest was set up when Hagerstown beat Greenville "T," Asheville-Lenoir, and Ulingburg in the first game of a double-header.

Charlotte got by Charleston-Parkersburg, Greensboro and Washington on its way to the finals.



FESTIVAL SCENES — At the left is an overall aerial view of part of Jekyll Island. The tent is visible at the top. Above are members lined up for the afternoon meal at one of the local cafeterias. Three of the participants in the sand-sculpture contest are shown below. At left, a youth overlooks his castle while at right a man works on his sand porpoise. The winners, center, were Brian, William and Bruce Voyce. Bruce is a senior at Ambassador College in Big Sandy. [Left photo by John Robinson; other photos by Jekyll Golden Islander]



Minehead, England

By David Silcox

BRICKET WOOD—The Feast in Minehead, England, this year was typified by the warmth and sunshine radiating from the members' faces — for outside the weather was grim and gray much of the time. But this only increased the convivial atmosphere on the Feast site as members fellow-shipped at services and in one another's temporary homes.

This year saw a 12 percent increase in attendance with 3,760 people from 57 nations converging on the beautiful English west country.

This included a group of over 300 brethren who were able to attend from the United States and Canada.

Listening to simultaneous translations of the sermons on headphones were the 300-strong German-speaking members from West Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Yugoslavia, along with one member from East Germany. (Nineteen other East German members were able to keep the Feast in Berlin.)

This will be the last time that our German brethren will be coming to Minehead; their numbers now justify the opening of a separate Feast site in West Germany.

The Festival director for the

British Isles was Mr. Charles Hunting, assisted by Dr. Roderick Meredith, who, together with the pastor and ministers, preached very moving, thought-provoking and inspiring sermons on living and applying the Christian way of life rather than just learning about it.

Mr. Bob Millman, who has been working as a ministerial assistant in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada, was ordained a local elder.

Sixteen people were baptized — eight from Great Britain and eight from Germany.

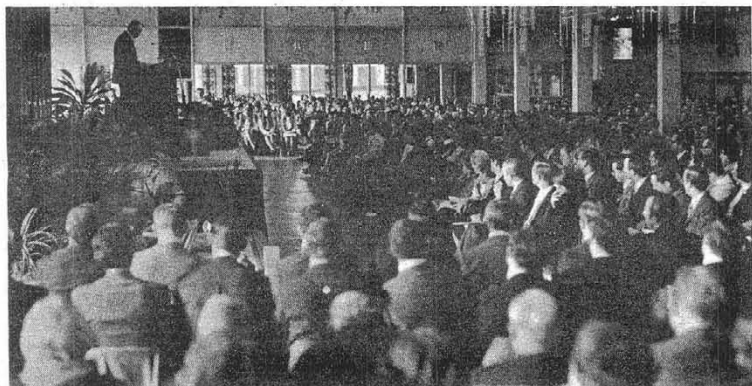
Though the weather at Minehead this year was varied, with some torrential rain and gray, overcast skies interspersed with occasional blue, many of the members were not discouraged from taking tours into the surrounding countryside.

In the evenings there were always the Ambassador College student talent show, the college band concert, telecasts and special films to keep people entertained.

It was generally agreed that the overall impact of the Feast this year was the most powerful yet, and the realization of the urgency of the Work at this time was reflected in an increase of close to 45 percent in the Holy Day offerings.



SQUAW VALLEY SCENE—Bundled up against the morning mountain chill, members head toward services in Squaw Valley, Calif. In the background is Blyth Arena, site of the 1960 Winter Olympics. (Photo by Warren Watson)



MINEHEAD, ENGLAND—Mr. Charles Hunting speaks to an audience of 3,760 from 57 countries during one of the services in the Princess Building at the Butlin's Camp Feast site. (Photo by Ian Henderson)

German brethren feel unity in attending Minehead Feast

By Henry Sturcke

DUSSELDORF, West Germany — "The German-speaking brethren are certainly a small flock," commented Mr. Frank Schnee, director of the German Work. "This is pointed up by the fact that one congregation in Canada — Edmonton — has more German-speaking members than God has called so far in the entire nation of Germany."

Yet, with 250-plus members in Germany, Austria and the German-speaking area of Switzerland, plus a few from Yugoslavia, they have reached the size where they could have their own German-speaking Feast site.

Instead, these people again met this year with brethren from around the world at the international Feast site, Minehead, England, as they have every year since the Dusseldorf office was first established in 1962.

Why would they go to a foreign country, where services and activities are held in a foreign language (English)?

"We feel this brings us closer to the Work worldwide, and keeps us from having a strictly national outlook on the Work," explained Mr. John Karlson, minister in the German churches.

Since English is at best a second language for most of the German-speaking brethren, a simultaneous translation service is offered. This was first done by Mr. Schnee, but for many years the main burden of that responsibility fell on Mr. Detlef Ruediger of the Dusseldorf office.

Until last year's Feast, Mr. Ruediger for many years translated every sermon, sermonette and announcement.

"You speak more than any man here," a minister once commented to him.

But last year he began to be assisted by Mr. Helmut Levsen of the Dusseldorf office and Tom Root, a fourth-year student at Bricket Wood.

During services the translator sits in a booth where he listens to the message in English via earphones. Then as he listens he simultaneously speaks the same thing in German into a microphone, which is transmitted via earphones to the ears of each German-speaking member. They all sit in a group in one section of the meeting hall.

"It may sound incredible," commented Mr. Karlson, "but they get the gist of every sermon and the details as well."

They also get the gist of all the speaker's jokes, although it is not

uncommon after the laughter has died down throughout the meeting hall to have the people in one corner suddenly burst out again as the translation of the joke is completed.

The brethren also have copies of the German edition of the hymnal, so that while they are singing the same melodies the words they sing are German.

By attending the Feast in England, the brethren have access to all the activities: the student talent show, a sample telecast, slides of various aspects of the Work, and fellowship with brethren from all over the world.

None of these things would be available at an all-German Feast site.

In addition, a special German evening is held, with entertainment and slides.

One side result of attending the Feast in England has been a determination on the part of many to learn English to the point where they can read and understand *The Good News*, *The Plain Truth*, *The Worldwide News* and the literature.

This gives them access to a broader diet of meat than has so far been translated into German, which aids in their growth and helps keep them in touch with the worldwide Work.

Squaw Valley

By Ellis La Ravia

SQUAW VALLEY, Calif. — Squaw Valley hosted over 9,000 members from the western United States for the 13th consecutive year. We were blessed throughout the eight days with absolutely fantastic weather — cloudless skies during the day and a star-studded spectacle at night. There were the usual activities of horseback riding and dining in fine restaurants, but we had two added attractions this year.

Our summer-type weather made it possible to have a softball tournament that coincided with the World Series. Eight teams representing as many churches competed in the tourney. Pounding out 15 hits, including three home runs, Salem, Ore., became the 1973 Squaw Valley Festival softball champion by defeating Oakland, Calif., 16-11. Salem had advanced to the championship game on the strong left hand of Jim Sullivan by defeating Fresno, Calif., 8-5 and Rapid City, S.D., 13-12. Oakland ended the final game by defeat-

ing their Bay area neighbors, San Jose 10-3 and Pocatello-Salt Lake City 14-8.

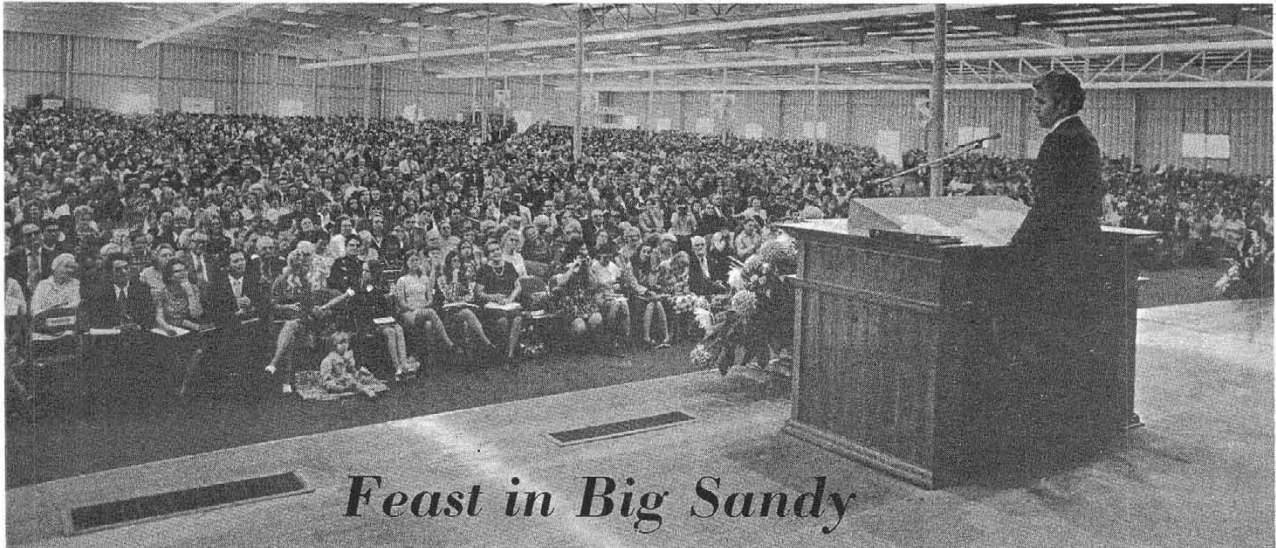
Another outstanding sellout attraction was the afternoon and evening outings on beautiful Lake Tahoe. The U.S.S. *Dixie*, a memorable paddle-wheeler, provided thrills, excitement, dinner and dancing for hundreds of members after services daily. This attraction was sponsored by the Ambassador College, Pasadena, student body.

The highlights of the Festival were the arrival of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong on the first Holy Day and Mr. H.W. Armstrong on Tuesday. The ministers and wives, numbering about 170, hosted a banquet Tuesday night for Mr. H.W. Armstrong at the Four Seasons Restaurant. After speaking on Wednesday, Mr. H.W. Armstrong went on to Tucson, his final stop during the Feast.

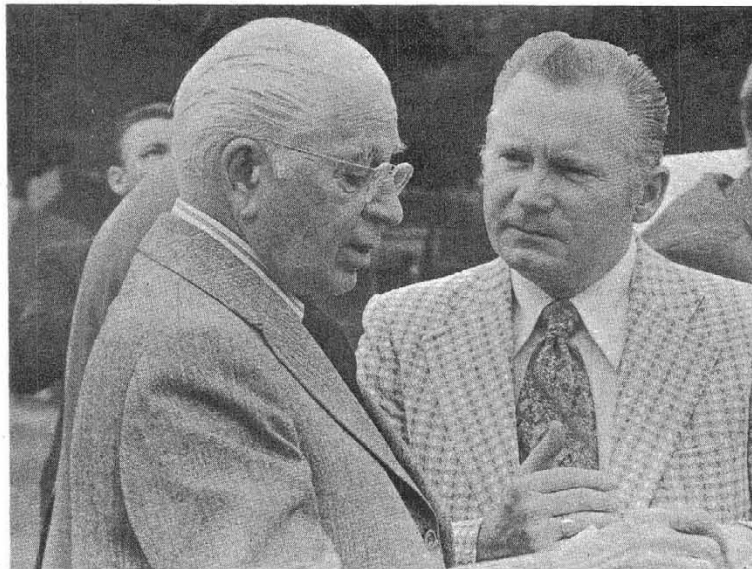
The Feast was very uplifting and rewarding spiritually. The fine sermons and special music provided the best Feast ever.



PLUMB TUCKERED OUT—This little fellow didn't quite make it all the way through services during the Feast and has found Dad's shoulder a comfortable place to sleep. (Photo by Ken Treybig)



Feast in Big Sandy



BIG SANDY — The Feast of Tabernacles was observed for the 21st consecutive year at Big Sandy, the oldest of the existing Festival sites. In the top photo, Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong addresses the congregation in the Festival Convention Center located on the Big Sandy campus. In the center photo, Mr. Armstrong confers with Mr. Wayne Cole, evangelist in charge of the first half of the Feast in Big Sandy. In the bottom photo, many of the campers leave the Pinewoods Campgrounds heading for services on a cloudy, overcast day. [Photos by Eugene Smyda]



By Dave Molnar

BIG SANDY — For the 21st consecutive year, the Feast of Tabernacles was held on the Ambassador College campus in Big Sandy, Texas, the oldest of the existing Festival sites.

While nearly 10,000 people flooded into the East Texas area, so did the rains. For the first six consecutive days of the Feast the rains fell, making life uncomfortable for the 6,759 campers on the campus.

But even six days of rain couldn't dampen the spirits of God's people during the Feast of Tabernacles. Actually, the rain squelched the autumn heat that usually plagues the Big Sandy site. By the end of the Feast, the skies had cleared and sunny skies with mild temperatures prevailed for the Last Great Day.

Mr. C. Wayne Cole, vice president for the Publishing Division in Pasadena, was the evangelist in charge for the first half of the Feast, while Mr. Bill McDowell, Festival director, was the pastor in charge for the second half.

The attendances ranged from a low of 8,766 to a high of 9,754 on Sunday, Oct. 14, when Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong spoke to the Big Sandy congregation.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong spoke the previous day and was able to dine with his son Garner Ted at a restaurant that evening. This was the only time that the two crossed paths during the Feast.

Members visiting the Big Sandy site were able to enjoy many recreational activities on the college campus itself, such as Lake Loma, the golf course and the ranch, as well as tour the experimental farm and the digester.

Members had many opportunities to serve on traffic control and security details and many local-area teens helped the college students with the student concessions.

Local church teens were almost entirely responsible for the serving in the college dining hall.

Concerning young people, Mr. Alton Billingsley, Big Sandy local elder, said, "I can't speak highly enough of the kids."

Activities at Big Sandy summarized

By James Worthen

BIG SANDY — The annual basketball, softball and volleyball tournaments were played during the 1973

Feast of Tabernacles in Big Sandy. Added as new tournaments this year were golf and horseshoes. Another new dimension was the punt-pass-and-kick contest for ages 8 to 13.

There were quite a few new champions this year. Several dynasties were broken up this year in the competition.

In A League basketball all three teams entered wound up in a first-place tie. Houston beat San Antonio, but the Alamo City team bounced back to defeat Jonesboro. Jonesboro then made everything even by upsetting Houston.

The point spread of the three games was used to determine the winner. Jonesboro took first place while defending champion Houston had to settle for second place.

Shreveport captured B League honors by slipping past Wichita. The men from Louisiana won by a single field goal, 56-54. In the consolation game Austin-Waco beat Little Rock.

In the teen-age tourney Wichita retained its hold on first place by beating arch-rival Oklahoma City. These two teams have been fighting it out for first every Feast since 1971. Oklahoma City took the crown that year, while Wichita has won the past two years. Little Rock captured consolation honors.

In volleyball the men from Big Sandy retained their title by whipping Austin-Waco in the final game.

On the women's side of the ledger, Oklahoma City won all of the marbles. They beat defending champion Big Sandy two straight sets to earn the title. The Oklahoma women had bounced back from an earlier defeat at the hands of the Big Sandy women in the double-elimination tournament.

In softball competition Houston captured the flag by nipping San Antonio 4-3 in nine innings. Jackson-Monroe, the defending champion, had to settle for consolation honors.

The golf tournament saw a real dogfight for first place. Three players had only one shot separating them at the end of 18 holes.

Melvin Starks from Cincinnati shot a 75 to win. Ambassador graduate Mike Woodruff and Ambassador freshman Rex Dickey tied for second with 76.

The horseshoe tournament consisted of doubles competition. Paul Syltie and Kermit Nelson, both of Big Sandy, won over Pritchard and Tuttle.

In addition to the punt-pass-and-kick contest, there were dashes and sack races, which generated a lot of interest.

Kodaikanal, India

By Prince Azariah
KODAIKANAL, India — The Feast of Tabernacles was held in India for the first time this year in 1,900 years. There is reason to believe that the apostle Thomas might have kept the Feast here in India around 1,900 years ago.

Half the Feast — four action-packed days — was kept in India in the millennial settings of the beautiful hill station of Kodaikanal in South India. God's ministers, Mr. Richard Frankel and Mr. Owen Willis, were here with us to keep the Feast. The remaining three days of the Feast were held in Ceylon.

A total of 38 people, including eight children, were at the Feast in Kodaikanal. During these four days we had a foretaste of the prosperity that God promises us during the Millennium.

Fruits of all varieties were available freely, and the appetizing food served at the hotel was such that most of us hadn't eaten in our lives. Forgotten for the duration of the Feast were the widespread drought and floods all through the country, the food shortage, the epidemics and the rising rate of unemployment.

During the Feast we had a slide show on the Big Dig at Jerusalem. This really opened up our minds to more aspects of Biblical prophecy and cleared up quite a lot of points regarding Christ's second coming.

Another evening we had a very powerful sermon on film, "Is This the End Time?" This was made from a videotape of the personal appearance made by Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong at Atlanta, Ga. The powerful message showed us clearly how very knowledgeable Mr. Ted Armstrong is and how much God has blessed him with the gift of moving masses with his powerful speech.

One afternoon was assigned to a sight-seeing tour of Kodaikanal. Members really enjoyed this trip, where we were able to see for ourselves some of the very beautiful creations of the Almighty.

One evening was spent by the more energetic ones boating on the lake. Some even tried jogging the

three-mile perimeter of the lake as a challenge.

Although the Feast only lasted four days this year, none present can forget his first Feast of Tabernacles. It is hoped that next year we shall have a full Feast in the country.

South Africa

By Frank Nelte
GEORGE, South Africa — One thousand fourteen attended a most inspiring Feast in George. Guests this year included Mr. Raymond F. McNair, Mr. Steve Martin, from headquarters, and Mr. Steve Botha, from Canada.

Commented Mr. McNair after the Feast:

"This has been the best weather I have experienced at any Feast of Tabernacles."

The offering on the Last Great Day was 41 percent up from last year. It amounted to \$14.27 (U.S.) per person. This did not include second tithes, as most members had not yet received Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's letter.

A highlight of the activities was the film of Mr. GTA's campaign in New Orleans. Other activities included the dance, the family show, the young people's dinner and dance, the children's sports meeting and trips to the well-known Cango Caves, ostrich farms and protea farms.

Sports activities included deep-sea fishing, squash, soccer, roller-skating and volleyball.

One hundred twenty-six attended at the non-European Feast site in Mosselbay. Mr. Harold Jackson was able to be at this site for the third consecutive year. It is a tremendous blessing to have a black minister attend our non-European Feast.

The Feast site in Rhodesia is located next to the scenic Victoria Falls on the Zambezi River. Seventy-three attended there. Mr. Roland Sampson, from the U.S.A., was the visiting minister. The Holy Day offerings showed a 23 percent increase over last year.



SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT — There was a lot of action in the Big Sandy softball tournament this year. Here a player blasts a ball skyward in one of the games. The Houston team captured the championship. [Photo by Eugene Smyda]

Wisconsin Dells

By David Robinson
Festival Coordinator
WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — Wisconsin Dells meant the Feast of Tabernacles this year for some 10,238 of God's people from both sides of the Canadian border in the western Great Lakes area.

We were meeting for the second year on our own grounds and using our own very fine facilities located almost equidistant from Chicago and Minneapolis. Close by is the beautiful Wisconsin River traversing the area where once roamed the Winnebago and the Chippewa Indians in earlier times.

Housing accommodations and recreational facilities were more than adequate for the number attending this year. Existing facilities and accommodations would easily allow for more people next year, should God grant the increase.

The weather throughout the whole time was delightful beyond measure. Temperatures in the 50s, clear skies and pleasantly cool nights combined to provide a pleasant autumn setting.

While the weather was pure autumn, the climate of cooperation and friendliness among the business and civic leaders of the area was delightful spring. Pleasant relationships were the order of the day.

Mr. Ron Dart headed up the first half of the Festival. His sermon, "What Is a Child?," explaining the worth and importance of an individual, including an individual child, made a deep impression on the brethren.

Mr. George Kennitz spoke movingly and feelingly of ruling and teaching with love.

Mr. Ron Kelly, who was in charge of the second half of the meeting, concluded with a moving and graphic

description of the World Tomorrow. Of course, all of the brethren heard the moving and inspiring messages of the Armstrongs at all the Feast sites!

The Wisconsin Dells choir performed beautifully under the able direction of Mr. George Kennitz.

Wisconsin activities

By David Robinson
Festival Coordinator
WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — A tournament was held during the Feast in Wisconsin Dells in softball and volleyball.

Mr. Carl Gustafson, tournament coordinator, announced the following results: men's softball, Detroit East over Chicago Southside 10-9 in the final play-off; women's volleyball, Arlington Heights over Chicago Southside to give them the championship; men's volleyball, Hinsdale over Minneapolis East in the play-offs.

All three trophies were awarded during the Wednesday-morning announcement period.

Now you know

SUDBURY, England (UPI) — Barney, a 98-pound German shepherd, was having his daily paddle in a lake when a huge pike clamped its jaw on his leg and almost pulled him under.

Barney's master, Tony Wright, said he hauled the three-year-old dog to safety with the 15-pound pike still clamped on Barney's leg. The pike then let go and flopped back into the water.

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (UPI) — Police received a call from a worried housewife who said she heard heavy breathing, a thud and then silence while talking on the telephone with her husband, a night watchman. She told police she feared her husband had been "done in."

But officers who went to the scene reported: "Everything is okay here. While he was talking to his wife on the telephone he fell asleep."

A TIME FOR TEENS — Whether spending a few solitary moments fishing or participating in the sporting events which would present trophies, there were many activities for the teen-agers at the Big Sandy Festival site. [Photos by Eugene Smyda]



Tucson

TUCSON, Ariz. — Tucson's new \$17 million civic center played host to the largest convention ever held in that city.

Some 8,021 registered in this the newest Festival site in the United States. Most were pleasantly surprised by the desert city of Tucson, "Arid-zona."

Restaurants were taxed to the limit feeding the hungry Feast keepers. Many of the customers pitched in to help clear and set up tables in some eating places.

The first service of the Feast was conducted by Mr. Albert Portune, newly appointed campaign director. Mr. Portune stressed the need to express appreciation in services. This resulted in applause for sermons, jokes, special music, sermons and announcements.

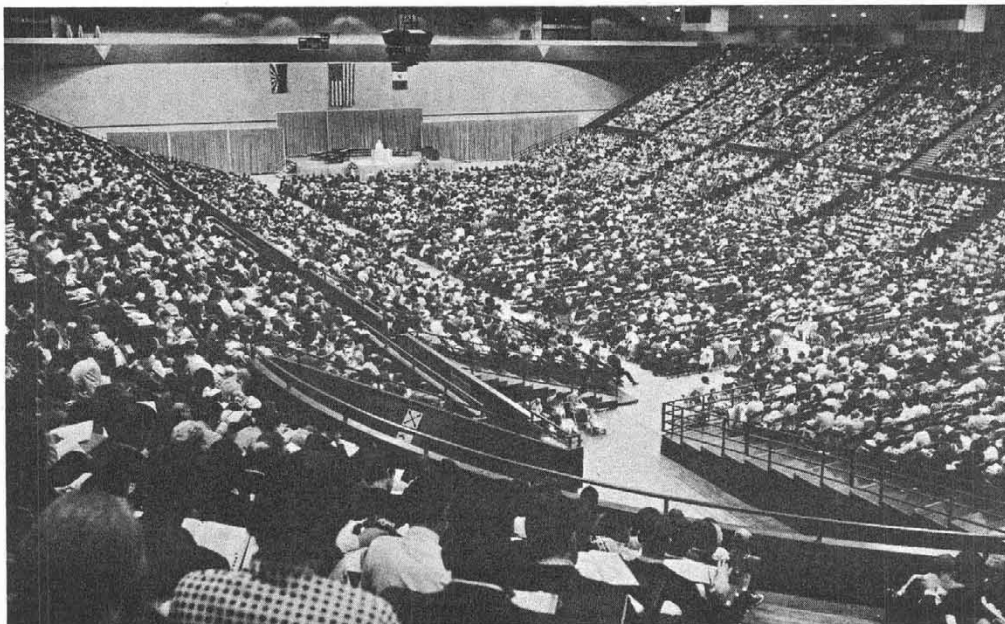
Highlights of the Festival in Tucson were visits from the Armstrongs. Mr. Herbert Armstrong spoke of his visits to heads of state and how the Gospel is getting out to the Gentile world by that means. He also announced a forthcoming evangelistic campaign to be conducted in Saigon, South Vietnam.

Many outstanding sermons and sermonettes were given this year. Titles and subjects are too numerous to describe in detail here, but the general theme seemed to stress Christian love and service, both to the Church and to the world. Many agreed that these were some of the most meaningful messages heard at the Feast in some years.

Extracurricular activities were in abundant supply at Tucson. Hundreds of Feast keepers descended on Old Tucson, the site of several well-known western movies, including the recent *The Life and Times of Judge Roy Bean*.

The Arizona Sonora Desert Museum also provided a pleasant and educational diversion for many. Others visited the Colossal Caves and Tombstone, and some even headed for Nogales, Mexico, for a day's outing.

The single people's dance was a whopping success and activities were held for senior citizens and handicapped brethren as well.



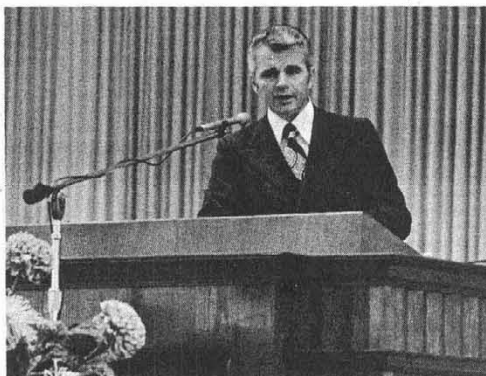
FEAST IN TUCSON — Tucson's new \$17 million civic center played host to some 8,021 brethren at one of the two new Festival sites in the United States. This was the largest convention ever held in that city. [Photo by Ken Evans]

A number of softball, basketball and volleyball games were also held to help burn up the energy of many of the young people attending with their families.

Two movies, *The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich* and the perennial favorite *The Ten Commandments*, were shown this year. In addition, one of the Garner Ted Armstrong television specials and a movie of the Jerusalem Dig were shown.

Evangelist and director of the Foreign Educational Service Mr. Leslie McCullough replaced Mr. Portune for the latter half of the Festival.

Mr. Leroy Neff, Tucson Festival coordinator, was very happy with the cooperation he received from everyone. The Feast progressed very smoothly as sickness and accidents were kept to a minimum.



VISITING NINE SITES — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong preached 10 sermons at nine Festival sites in eight days. He explains the details surrounding his Feast in his "Personal," beginning on page 1. [Photo by Eugene Smyda]

Toronto; softball, Pittsburgh; basketball, New York P.M.

Individual sport winners included: golf, Gary Fletcher of the Toronto church with a 36; second place went to Biul Gunkin of the Mount Pocono church. The miniature-golf tournament for those under 14 was won by David Lee; bowling for ages 8 through 12, Craig Ruxin and Lori Nesbitt; ages 13 to 19, Mark Klink and Regina Klink; ages 20 through 60, Tony Marandola and Beverly Hill; family group, the Marandolas of Philadelphia.

A number of achievement awards were presented at the family outing: Steven Lidstone, Concord; Emily Pease, Springfield; Mark Warren, Concord; Regina Argenio; Michael Mannix; and Mary Forpano.

Now you know

By Frances Anater
ANCHORAGE, Alaska — How far-reaching can a rumor be? In the Klondike gold rush near the turn of the century, strange things happened 'neath the midnight sun — and in the wintertime as well.

E.H. "Stroller" White, short on copy for his column in the Klondike *Nugget*, searched his humorously satirical mind for an entertaining story for his readers.

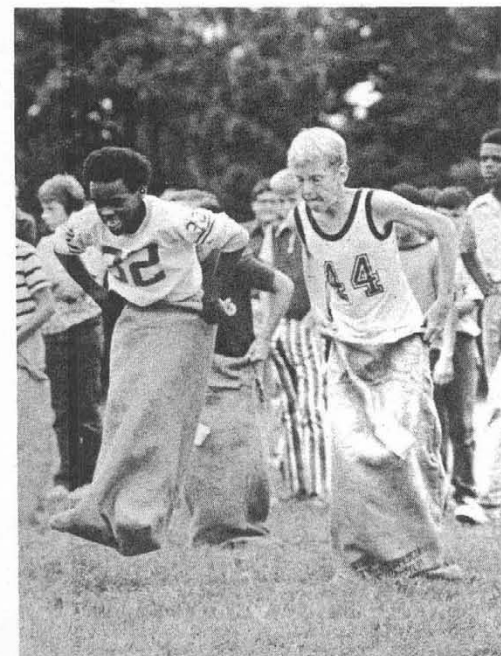
One arctic night, he wrote, temperatures fell to minus-70 degrees. Blue snow fell, he declared with tongue in cheek, and "ice worms," driven to the snowy surface by the low temperatures, set up such a Babylon of raucous chirping that residents of Dawson, Alaska, slept "not a wink one" that night.

The *Nugget* office was soon besieged by excited inquiries from near and far. Scientists from as far away as London were taken in by the imaginative yarn.

It did not a whit of good to explain the hoax. Stroller was withholding valuable information, some insisted, and they demanded to know the facts.

Ambitious bartenders, greedy for sudden gold, quickly dreamed up "ice-worm cocktails" and whopped up fast-selling delights of spaghetti bits embedded in ice.

As usually happens in a crisis, the whole thing got straightened out; but to this day the historically chilly yarn is perpetuated in the Klondike area and in Alaska by an annual winter "Ice Worm Carnival" in Cordova.



SACK RACES — This year's Feast offered many varied activities for teen-agers at the different sites. Here two teens compete in a sack race. [Photo by Eugene Smyda]

Colorful Mount Pocono

By Ben Chapman
Festival Coordinator

MOUNT POCONO, Pa. — Again this year Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong opened the Feast at our Mount Pocono site. The beautiful autumn flaming colors of the Pocono Mountain foliage was accompanied by crystal-blue skies and some of the best weather ever at the site.

In his Wednesday-night service Mr. Armstrong dramatically demonstrated how God's Work has grown this past year and the exciting new dimension it has taken just recently. On the following morning Mr. Armstrong introduced Mr. Stanley Rader for a short talk. Mr. Armstrong spoke again briefly before taking up the Holy Day offering. God's people gave a generous \$13.31 average apiece. While the morning sermon was being given, the G-II thundered overhead, taking Mr. Armstrong and his party on to Jekyll Island.

Vice President of Church Administration David Antion brought timely sermons during the first half of the Feast. On Sunday Mr. Ronald Dart, deputy chancellor of the Big Sandy campus, arrived on the Texas-based King Air and picked up Mr. Antion for his flight to St. Petersburg, Fla.

Wednesday afternoon, just prior to the Last Great Day, Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong arrived on the Falcon, accompanied by the Thornhills. Mr. Armstrong's inspiring prophetic message showed clearly that we are indeed living in the time of the end.

Following his sermon Mr. Armstrong took up the Holy Day offering. The giving attitude among the brethren was staggering! The members contributed an average of \$23.40 apiece, certainly a new record for Mount Pocono! This was more than a 100 percent increase over last year!

As Festival coordinator for Mount Pocono I can report that all went well. The 9,400 brethren seemed to really enjoy the sermons and special music, applauding frequently.

Activities at Pocono

By Ben Chapman
Festival Coordinator

MOUNT POCONO, Pa. — There were a number of organized activities here for the brethren, including a Fred Waring concert.

Winners of the various sports tournaments are as follows: soccer,

Pleasant Pentiction

By Bill Rapp
Festival Coordinator

PENTICTON, British Columbia — Pentiction was one of the smaller sites in number, but as far as enjoyment is concerned it had to be one of the biggest. There were 6,100 attending, the majority coming from Canada. The only U.S. churches assigned there were the Washington churches from the Pacific Northwest.

The weather for the Feast was more than kind. We only had a little rain one evening and the rest of the time it was either sunny or broken with clouds.

Many of the afternoons were comfortable even in shirtsleeves. This made the recreational activities even that much more enjoyable.

Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong got things off to a rich start the first evening; then Messrs. Leslie McCullough, vice president for the Foreign Educational Service; Dean Wilson, director of the Canadian Work; and Howard Clark of the Big Sandy faculty, kept the momentum going. The spiritual Feast meted out daily was one that The Purple Steer, Country Squire, and The Chalet, some of the fine restaurants in town, could never dream of equaling.

The highlight was Monday afternoon when the big Gulfstream-II came into sight, touched down at the Pentiction airport and Mr. Herbert Armstrong descended waving, smiling and in good health. There was a banquet in his honor that evening.

Thursday morning he delivered the sermon on the new dimension of the Work. He also told of the Bible study he delivered in Japan. A few minutes after the services ended, Mr. Armstrong and his party were airborne again, this time for Squaw Valley.

The services were full of life. There is a rapport between the ministry and the people in Canada that is truly outstanding.

Being the Festival coordinator, I have a vantage point in viewing the Feast like few have. The spirit of cooperation, the desire to serve and courtesy shown by all were a catalyst that made this Feast a beautiful type of the Kingdom of God. If this is what the Millennium will be like, I for one certainly want to be there.

Activities at Pentiction

By Frederick K. Brogaard
PENTICTON, British Columbia

— The 1973 Feast of Tabernacles at Pentiction in Canada was the best Feast in every respect, both spiritually and physically. The Canadian site provides a unique setting for family, group and individual entertainment, with a variety of activities to choose from.

To name a very few, roller-skating, ice-skating and moonlight boat cruises on beautiful Lake Okanagan were offered every free evening.

For the less active there were carefully chosen Walt Disney films shown along with the inspiring TV specials of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's personal appearances.

The teens enjoyed a fun day at the Okanagan Amusement Park during the middle of the Feast, as well as the semiformal dance at the Peach Bowl Convention Center.

The young adults, however, not to be outdone, dined and danced to the music of the same superb band, comprised of members of the Seattle church, with delightful entertainment provided.

The half-century social, for those 50 years and older, was a successful and entertaining afternoon of fun and fellowship. Door prizes were given to the oldest man and the oldest woman in attendance, who were each 90 years old!

The couple who had been married the longest — 57 years — was also given a very nice gift. This delightful group of people certainly proved that age doesn't diminish the capacity to enjoy life.

Although there were no official tournaments, the various church areas participated in men's and women's volleyball, ice hockey and softball games. Calgary emerged as the 1973 ice-hockey champions, while the Spokane church proved to be undefeated in both softball and volleyball.

Before the start of the fifth annual ministers' broom ball game, which was, as usual, the sports highlight in Pentiction, Mr. Howard Clark received wild applause as he was ceremoniously carried out Bobby Riggs-style by two strapping American ministers.

Outmanned by almost three men to one, the American ministers, exhausted but enthusiastic, finally had to admit defeat to the victorious Canadians in a final score of 3-1.



BROOM HOCKEY — Mr. Howard Clark of the Big Sandy faculty pauses for a moment in the ministers' broom ball game in Pentiction, British Columbia, to give a hearty greeting to the photographer. The "game of the year" was won by the Canadian ministers this Feast. (Photo by Don Smith)

Lake of the Ozarks

By Daryl Reedy
Festival Coordinator

LAKE OF THE OZARKS, Mo. — Our attendance in Lake of the Ozarks ranged from a low of 9,046 the first night to a high of 10,450 when Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong was here. There were approximately 2,000 less people here this year, which alleviated some parking and traffic problems of the past. This year the parking lots were able to be emptied in two hours or less.

We had a day or so of rain. Otherwise we had cold nights, crisp mornings and clear skies.

The pastor in charge for the first half was Mr. Bill McDowell, Festival director. The evangelist in charge for the second half was Mr. C. Wayne Cole, vice president of the Publishing Division.

Throughout the Feast basic ser-

mons of encouragement and growth were very helpful. Mr. Herbert Armstrong's and Mr. Ted Armstrong's sermons about the Work and prophecy were especially appreciated.

The various activities enjoyed here were helicopter rides, boat rides, amusement parks, opera houses and plenty of family activities. As at other sites, we showed Mr. Ted Armstrong's television special and played the tape of Mr. Herbert Armstrong's Bible study in Tokyo.

The friendliness, warmth and responsiveness of the audience and general attitude of cooperation that prevailed made this the most successful Feast. The Lake of the Ozarks Festival Chorale was combined from several church areas and the 170 voices provided very inspiring special music.

The auditorium has been completely painted inside, including the floor, which is now painted green. We also have a beautiful new stage with a fresh new interior, which added to the overall quality of the services by making the building much lighter and cleaner looking.

Feast festivity

By Donald J. Lawson
LAKE OF THE OZARKS, Mo.

— This is the day of the super-talented team basketball players, and the Lake of the Ozarks had an abundance of talented teams this year. A seven-game basketball tourney saw Grand Island, Neb., get to the final game by defeating the tall, fast St. Louis, Mo., team by the score of 58-33.

Indianapolis, Ind., had a balanced team in height, rebounding and scoring and used all of its players in defeating a talented Dayton team 79-61 to get to the final game.

Super-Exciting Basketball

The final game could only be termed super-exciting basketball complete with cheerleaders and wildly cheering fans. Indianapolis defeated Grand Island 81-62 to take home a beautiful trophy of the 1973

Festival basketball champions.

Brad McDowell of Grand Island won the sportsmanship award. He averaged over 20 points a game throughout the tournament and provided excellent leadership for a fine team.

On a beautiful sunny Friday afternoon the fifth-, sixth- and seventh-graders got together to participate in a football punt-and-kick contest. Justin Atkins was the fifth-grade champion; Scott Boeckley survived stiff competition to win as the sixth-grade champion; and Mikus Klnocrl, with a throw of 103 feet to give him the final combined score of 223 points, won the seventh-grade competition.

Winners received very fine-quality leather footballs for their prize.

In women's volleyball, Cape Girardeau-Paducah lost to Grand Island in its semiformal round, playing two sets with the winner scoring victories of 17-15 and 15-10.

St. Louis South won over Omaha by scoring two winning sets of 15-7 and 15-8.

In the final play-off, St. Louis South won over Grand Island by winning the first two sets by scores of 15-10 and 15-6.

Enthusiastic Team

In the girls' volleyball play-off, a very enthusiastic team from Springfield won over Grand Island with victories in the first two sets by scores of 15-9 and 15-7.

Cincinnati won over Cape Girardeau-Paducah by playing three sets and winning the last two by scores of 15-13 and 15-13.

The final play-off was decided by playing three sets, with Springfield winning the first and third sets 15-10 and then 15-11.

The second annual best-ball golf tournament was played on a beautiful fall afternoon at the Dogwood Hills Golf Course.

The winners came through in typical dramatic fashion. Columbus, Ohio, took home the traveling trophy with an eagle three on the last hole, a downhill, uphill, out-of-sight, par-five hole.

The Columbus team members, Messrs. Anderson, Leroy, Hampton and Lamb, also each took home several golf balls and a permanent trophy to remind them of their subpar 67 victory.

St. Louis North finished second with a subpar 68. Team members Messrs. McCrady, McCrady, Rogers and Tucker were winners of golf balls.

Sudden-Death Winner

Indianapolis finished third with a subpar 69. After posting a score that tied with a couple of other churches, club professionals determined a third-place winner by looking at the score cards for the first best hole. Indianapolis was declared the sudden-death play-off winner with a par on the fifth hole.

Team members Messrs. Reedy, Hines and Brouchla were winners of golf balls.

The slow-pitch softball tourney finished in an extra-inning game for the championship trophy, with Peoria, Ill., defeating the home team, Lake of the Ozarks-Columbia, 6-5 in nine innings.

Peoria advanced to the finals by defeating Columbus, Ohio, 5-2, while the Lake of the Ozarks-Columbia team defeated St. Joseph-Topeka 7-1.

Mr. Reece and Mr. Alan from the Champagne, Ill., church provided some unique entertainment this year at the Lake of the Ozarks Festival site. They are both pilots and provided a seven-place 1973-model airplane with 15-minute rides at \$5 per person. All money that was in excess of expenses involved in the airplane rides was donated on the Last Great Day and came to a total of \$1,000 contributed to the offering.



EVERYONE CAME — Even the little toddlers came to the services. The Feast of Tabernacles is a family affair. (Photo by Eugene Smyda)

Festival trophy winners



FESTIVAL TROPHY WINNERS — There was something for everyone at all the Feast sites this year. Organized activities drew great response, with many sites giving away trophies to winners in a host of events. Pictured here are just some of the trophy winners at two sites. Left: A few of the Big Sandy winners. Above: The Jekyll Island winners. [Left photo by Eugene Smyda; top photo by Clyde Kilough]

Blackheath, Australia

By Dennis G. Luker
**Director, Australian Work
 BLACKHEATH, Australia** —
 The 1973 Feast of Tabernacles in Australia was almost marred by a near-tragic accident. A bus loaded with 50 of our members, some visiting from America, slid off a rain-soaked road and rolled 30 feet down a steep embankment. All that prevented the bus from plunging 200 feet to the valley below was one or two trees.

The police said that our people were "lucky," but we know better. God miraculously spared those 50 members from critical injury or death. No one was seriously hurt, even though the bus made one complete roll and tossed men, women and children into a heap.

Fourteen were taken to the hospital, but only five were retained because of bad bruises or fractures. They were all out before the Feast was over.

Satan seemed to be very angry this year. Besides the bus accident, some of the worst and longest strikes in Australian history were taking place and could have disrupted the Feast. A major electrical strike left us without lights or a speaking system and no way to prepare the thousands of meals we serve from our own kitchen attached to the tabernacle. There was no electrical generator available to rent.

Thankfully, a few months earlier

we had purchased a generator to keep our presses running during another strike. We moved this generator to Blackheath and were able to carry on a normal Feast.

A Sydney airport strike disrupted the arrival of dozens of visitors from overseas, including Mr. Tony Hammer and family, who were here for the first half of the Feast. Australia was the Hammers' first assignment after college, and they thoroughly enjoyed their brief stay after being away 11 years.

Despite the bus accident and disruptive strikes, 3,500 brethren in Blackheath and over 400 in Western Australia kept a joyful Feast this year.

The rainy weather cleared and became very beautiful after the first three days.

Mr. Jon Hill and family arrived for the second half of the Feast and for the campaigns right afterwards.

Both Mr. Hill and Mr. Hammer gave some very helpful and inspiring sermons which motivated us all to finish the Work and prepare for God's Kingdom.

The brethren really responded and showed where their hearts are by increasing their offering over last year by 73 percent on the first Holy Day and 105 percent on the Last Great Day.

We hope all the brethren worldwide rejoiced at the Feast as much as we did in Australia.



EYES OF WONDER — This pretty young girl seems to be taking in the sights and sounds of the Feast with wide-open eyes from her vantage point on her mother's shoulders. The photograph was taken inside the tent at the Jekyll Island Feast. [Photo by Clyde Kilough]

Old relic not angelic

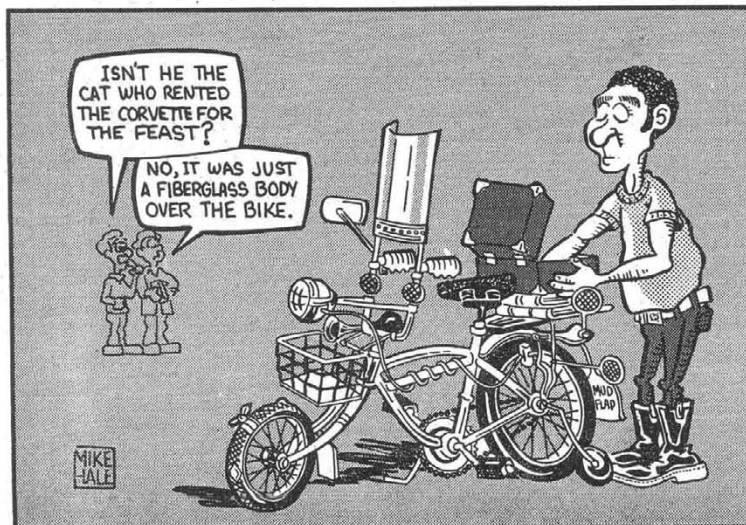
By Mrs. Paul E. Barchers
 If you find yourself typing on this old relic,
 It's not exactly what you would call angelic.
 The jammed carriage throws you off course,
 In order to move it you need a horse.
 Somehow you can't find your ABCs,
 Maybe it has some missing keys.
 It reacts very slowly when jumping a space,
 I'm quite sure it will never win a race.

It aggravates like a running nose,
 No worse would it type if you send your toes.
 When the roller finally does roll,
 It grabs your paper and tears a hole.

The black-and-scarlet ribbon gets tangled about your chair,
 You feel like cutting it in ribbons for your hair.
 When you try to type some numbers,
 All you get is a bunch of blunders.

You never did see such a mess,
 What happened next you'll never guess.
 All I have left is a peeling of dispair,
 Oops! There goes a typographical error.

Thankfully you'll never have to use
 This machine for *The Worldwide News*.



Kuala Lumpur

By John Halford
KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Kuala Lumpur, capital of Malaysia, was once again the venue for the Feast in Southeast Asia. One hundred eleven brethren from Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, Hong Kong and England observed the Feast together.

Our Feast site was truly an island of peace in a very troubled part of this earth. We were literally surrounded by wars and rumors of wars.

The Middle East war raged, the Vietnamese and Cambodian civil wars continued, and the Thai government was ousted by student demonstrators.

Kuala Lumpur itself had riot police quelling anti-U.S. demonstrators twice during the Feast.

Against this backdrop we were thankful to be able to celebrate peace in advance.

God blessed us with fine and not-too-warm weather in spite of it being the monsoon season.

Since there is no resident minister in this area, the Feast is an exceptionally rewarding preaching assignment. Our people are truly thirsty for instruction, news of the Work and just plain fellowship.

It was sobering to realize that God has called only one in every 15 million people in this part of Asia. Following the Feast over 50 people were contacted who had requested to be visited.

A total of 12 were baptized, making 67 members in the region now.

Now you know

READING, England (UPI) — After speeding through 11 sets of red lights, swerving onto the sidewalk twice, bouncing into the air over a humpbacked bridge and crashing into another car, Robert Wilson had a novel line for police when they caught up with him.

"Let's shake hands on it and forget it," Wilson said.

Local church news wrap-up

Pancakes Western Style

LONDON, Ontario — One of Canada's newly formed church areas, London, held its first social recently. London is located 100 miles northeast of Detroit, Mich.

Pastor Doug Smith and local elder Keith Stoner had their hand in cooking up hot pancakes and fried eggs for 85 enthusiastic and hungry brethren.

The western-style pancake brunch was a big hit and promises to become an annual occasion. A large percentage of the members travel up to 70 miles each way for services, so it was an excellent opportunity for everyone to fellowship. *Dave Wright.*

Normal Club Evening

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Grimm himself could not have had a more enraptured audience. There they sat, 17 youngsters, ages ranging from 6 to 14, both sexes, faces scrubbed and shining, the hair of some slightly awry, listening with an open-minded inattentiveness to the proceedings.

Johannesburg Spokesman's Club had taken the plunge after the director, Mr. Andre van Belkum, had suggested that the fathers invite their children along to attend a normal club evening on Tuesday, Sept. 11.

Some fathers displayed greater tension than their youngsters. After all, there was no mother present to take the responsibility for the actions of a six-year-old.

The topics from the Scottish topicsmaster, Tom Phillips, were very topical for the evening, and some of the youngsters even contributed with comments on pets.

The speakers, all fathers, must have anticipated a very critical audience; they presented rousing, polished speeches on subjects of interest to the youthful audience. *Cliff Rabe.*

Preteens Go Airborne

KINGSFORT, Tenn. — "It's the chance of a lifetime," remarked one mother just before she and her nine-year-old son stepped aboard the Cessna.

The occasion was the Kingsport church preteen airplane ride held on Sept. 16 at Hawkins County Airport in Surgoinsville, Tenn. About 35 preteens and parents took to the air for a 30-minute ride over the beautiful mountains of East Tennessee.

The airplane was leased from a

local municipal airport and was piloted by Ansel Payne, a member of the Kingsport church.

The airplane ride was the last preteen activity for the summer.

Other activities that proved to be very successful were a combination fishing outing and fish fry, swimming, picnicking, a hay ride and competitive sports and games. *Toby Pennington.*

Arts and Crafts Social

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — An all-day event which required months of arduous effort culminated in a gala social — "Arts and Crafts" — for members of the Pittsburgh and Johnstown Churches of God recently.

Sports, games, fellowship and fine food were only a prelude to the main event, the manifestation of unscen talents and artistic abilities within the membership of God's Church.

Among the hundreds of items on display were such things as intricate needlework, paintings, gem cutting, quilting, leathercraft — most creations of the brethren themselves.

For the hobbyists were such items of interest as rock hounding, coin collecting, purse making and stuffed-toy making. And there was a display of the culinary arts, such as jelly and jam making and baking.

And if all this hadn't piqued your interest, the fashion show, entitled "Needles and Pins," surely would have. Ladies from the Pittsburgh-area churches went to great lengths to produce garments for men, women and children. All of the latest fashions and designs were seen and were done in very good taste.

Following "Needles and Pins" on the list of scheduled activities was a dance featuring the newly formed Pittsburgh New World Band. This growing 18-member group of musicians proved an integral part of the social and climaxed a very rewarding and enjoyable day for the Pittsburgh and Johnstown churches. *Dennis Brady.*

Explosion in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Ohio — There has been an explosion in the Cleveland church! It all started back in November of 1972 when Mrs. Ray Foster, member of the Cleveland church, gave birth to her sixth child. Yes, that's right, we're talking about a baby explosion.

Soon after her was to follow a most

extraordinary, unparalleled phenomenon of baby birth as never known before by the Cleveland church. Also included are the wives of our three area ministers (one is still on the way).

Those who have had their babies during this period are Mrs. Lynda Davis, Mrs. Walter Duncan, Mrs. Ray Foster, Mrs. James Johnson, Mrs. Candy Martin, Mrs. Richard Masek, Mrs. Harold Milam, Mrs. William Phillips, Mrs. Del Rushton, Mrs. Robert Smart, Mrs. William Sprankel, Mrs. George Stief, Mrs. Jan Voyner, Mrs. William Watson, Mrs. Gary Weckerly, and our ministers' wives, Mrs. Ronald Lohr and Mrs. Arnold Clauson.

Those who are still expecting are Mrs. William Ambrose, Mrs. Allen Fenton, Mrs. Bob Hartung, Mrs. William Powell, Mrs. Ed Pritchard, and our minister's wife, Mrs. Michael Allambay.

What does the future hold for the baby boom in the Cleveland church? More sermons on birth control? A bigger nursery?

Well, one thing's for sure: There

will be bigger wash loads of diapers for these ladies! *Bill Watson.*

Spokesman's Club Chronicles

ADELAIDE, Australia — Now it came to pass in the ninth month, and on the ninth day of the month, in the land of Australia, that the congregation at Adelaide did come together to a farm near unto a place called Clarendon, in the hills round about Adelaide. There they did feast and meet with the Club of Spokesman in a manner most informal.

They did eat of the fat of the land with hamburger steaks and all-beef hot dogs cooked with fire in the open places. And all kinds and varieties of fresh vegetables and salads did make a most attractive and tasty meal. And added to all this were many sweet things and a strong drink of fruit punch which did much to refresh the great thirsts of all the families of the congregation. And before all this was consumed, the people were full, and they did number one hundred and six, counting men, women, and children.

All this was arranged by certain men of the Club of Spokesman in order that many in the congregation might see such a club and its much

speaking. It was an assembly of much informality and rejoicing; and the old woolshed did make a habitation meet for the occasion. After the children of the families were taken under the care of certain women, the club did meet in the manner of such clubs, but each man did wear raiment that did please him and was a comfort to him.

When all things had been accomplished, the people of the congregation gathered there did show their much appreciation to the Club of Spokesman for the great time of feasting and fellowship. *Jack G. Flack.*

Denver Teen Extravaganza

DENVER, Colo. — Thirty-seven Denver teens displayed varied talents and a patriotic spirit Sept. 16 in a gala performance of "Yankee Doodleville, U.S.A."

Described by one observer as "a potpourri of American entertainment," the production featured the combined talents of musicians, singers and comedians to produce evening fun from a crooning barber-shop quartet to a rollicking band of Gypsies.

Backed by a smartly outfitted band and skilfully emceed by a witty duo of old men, the musical array climaxed with a melodrama, complete with villain, sweetheart and hero.

The show was capped with a rousing rendition of "Yankee Doodle Blues" involving the entire cast and 300-member audience.

Colorfully costumed in traditional garb, each teen sought to represent a bit of the flavor of America and to say, patriotically, "U.S.A., I love you."

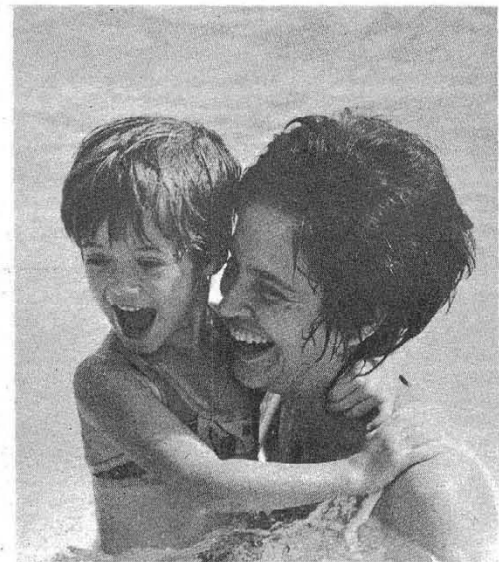
"It was both a talent show and fund raiser to finance future teen activities," commented Mr. Stan Watts, local elder and director of the newly formed Denver Teen Committee. *Alex R. Lukes.*

Obituaries

PASADENA, Calif. — Mrs. Ginger McLemore died here Sept. 26, the Feast of Trumpets, of an apparent heart blood clot. The death, which was without pain and suffering, came six days after Mrs. McLemore gave birth to her and her husband's first child, Lee Anne (see "Babies").

Mrs. McLemore's husband, Bob, is an employee of the Work in the Data Processing Center in Pasadena. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Branchall of Hartville, Mo.

The baby is being cared for by its aunt and uncle, Bob and Peggy MacDonald of Pasadena.



A TIME FOR PLAY AND A TIME FOR REST — These two young Feast goers were caught in the act of doing what they enjoy most. [Photos by Don Lorton]

Feast goer almost stopped when locked in restroom

By David Wakin

PORTLAND, Ore. — Undoubtedly, many people had interesting things happen to them on their way to the Feast of Tabernacles, and so did we.

My wife Michelle and I left after services on the Day of Atonement for Squaw Valley, Calif., and almost never got out of Portland.

Instead of availing myself of the rest-room facilities provided where we held services, I went to a service station a few blocks away.

Normally a person doesn't check to see if a rest-room door has a full set of knobs; I probably will never do otherwise again. When it was time to leave, I noticed no doorknob! I banged on the door sufficiently to awaken the dead from peaceful slumber, but my wife was oblivious to everything! She was in the car about 20 feet from the rest room.

Finally she saw my hand waving from a vent window. As luck would have it, the station attendant was off duty and the station was closed. It was either call the police, crawl through the window or try to work

half a doorknob.

It finally yielded and I was set free. We taped the door latch so someone else wouldn't get stuck in there for hours and went thankfully on our way.

I would advise any husband who finds himself similarly incarcerated to be sure he doesn't have a wife who spends more time giggling about the situation than finding a means of extricating her spouse. Mine did both.

Now you know

By Gary K. Fitzner

GREENSBORO, N.C. — The man who invented crossword puzzles originally called them "word-cross" puzzles but a printing error made it come out "cross-word" instead of "word-cross," and since it appeared that way the first time, it was decided to let it stand in that form. Thus, one of our most famous expressions exists by accident. The creator was Arthur Wynn. His first puzzle appeared in the *New York World* Dec. 21, 1913.



BABIES

ABBOTSFORD, British Columbia — Josephine Tzouli Fasoulas, daughter and second child of A. Marvin and Sharon M. Fasoulas, 2 a.m., Aug. 23, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, 18 inches.



AHEAD OF ITS TIME — Many are the blessings at the Feast of Tabernacles. This one was born at the Wisconsin Dells to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Goler at 6:57 a.m. Oct. 19. Daniella Roxanne is pictured here nine hours old as seen through the nursery window of a Baraboo, Wis., hospital. She arrived a full month early and weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces. [Photo by Rondal C. Mullins]

and third child of Carl and Pauline Smith, Aug. 31, 10 pounds, 12 ounces, 23 inches.

PERSONALS

Send your personal notes and cards to: PERSONALS, "The Worldwide News," Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

PEN PALS

I would like to correspond with brethren in Europe who speak and write English, preferably 20 to 45 years old. I am Chinese, an agricultural research officer...

Widow! Would like to have pen pal from Israel. Mrs. Earl Renfro, 422 West Strong Street, Rockwood, Tenn., 37654.

EXPECTING A BABY?

If you are, we'd like to let the Church know about it via the News as soon as it arrives. All you have to do is clip out the coupon below and fill it out as soon as possible after the baby is born.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT THE WORLDWIDE NEWS BOX 111 BIG SANDY, TEXAS 75755 Church area: Child's name: Boy Girl No. children (counting baby): Parents' names: Date of birth: Time: Weight: Length:

I am interested in obtaining old postcards, old maps, town histories, books, etc. on the early histories of Berkeley, Oakland and San Francisco, Calif. Also, Virginia City, Nev. Would also like to correspond with anyone knowing the Melville Jones family which was living in Oakland by 1880. Mrs. John Coco, Rt. 2, Box 61, Oswego, Ill., 60543.

Ride needed to Pasadena. I'm 22, female, December, Gwyn Siddall, 216 Southcrest Drive, Huntsville, Ala.

Would like to buy Dr. Hoeh's Compendium, Vols. I and II, Miss Johanna Kirkland, 8560-30 N.W., Seattle, Wash., 98117.

Would like to have old *Pain Truth* and *Good News* magazines before April, 1964. Ronald Gregory, Rt. 4, Benton Road, Mount Vernon, Ill., 62864.

I am 11 and in sixth grade. My hobbies are horseback riding, swimming, bowling and sewing. I would like to have a pen pal anywhere outside of the U.S., and like art. Tammy Miller, Rt. 1, Box 310 A, Peru, Ind., 46870.

I'm a girl 12 years old and would love a pen pal (boy or girl) from another country or live in the U.S. I'm interested in cooking, needlework, gymnastics and especially cheerleading and reading. I've never had a pen pal before and promise to write back! Roxanne Ramirez, 25 Manor Drive, Apt. 10H, Newark, N.J., 07106.

Do any married AC graduates, or anyone else, have an extra Compendium by Dr. Hoeh? I have been trying for three years to purchase one. I am a 21-year-old amateur ancient-historian. Also, please contact me if you have other historical theses or articles by Dr. Hoeh, Dr. Martin, etc. Bill Noack, 1743 Ellincourt, South Pasadena, Calif., 91350.

I would like to correspond with one man and one woman in any prison in the U.S. that is now in the Church of God. I'm 19 and single. I love to write. Renee Smith, 1060 Bermuda Drive, Marion, Ohio, 43302.

I am 21, single, and in my first year of study in landscape architecture. I'd like to correspond with others studying, practicing or interested in this field. Michael Foster, Box 4870, Mississippi State, Miss., 39762.

I would like to correspond with any handicapped persons in God's Church. I am deaf, and I humbly request your prayers for the miracle that will bring back my hearing. Lisa, 1000 S. 30th St., 3030 South Bryant Street, Denver, Colo., 80236.

I would like to correspond with any brethren in India or Sri Lanka and Mexico who speak English. I am 33, married, with one daughter, age 12. My husband is not in the U.S. or Canada. Leo of Mexico, Box 201A, Rt. 2, Ocoato, Wis., 54153.

I am 25-year-old South African in the Durban church and I would like to correspond with male or female single people from the U.S. or Canada. Leo Krizinger, P.O. Box 83, Mobern, Natal, RSA. All letters will be answered.

Housewife, 22, with new baby would like to write to members of God's Church who live in U.S., Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand, Australia, Mexico, Spain or South America. My interests are cooking, reading, gardening, music, animals and sewing. Would like to write to someone who lives on a farm. I also like to correspond with Mrs. Melvin L. Gray, 1726 Hellings Avenue, Richmond, Calif., 94801.

I am 15. I would enjoy a boy or girl pen pal from anywhere. I like swimming, writing and many other sports. Kris Voelker, 18533 S.W. Blanton, Apt. G, Aloha, Ore., 97005.

I am 19, like to go horseback riding, play tennis, love all kinds of music and swimming. I also play the flute. Would like to correspond with those between the ages of 18 and 22 in either England or Australia. Will accept those from the U.S. Debbi Plonka, 8639 Prairie Avenue, Highland, Ind., 46322.

I would like to hear from Heather Armstrong in Regina, Canada. Bryan Richart, 3219 Timberlake Drive, Arlington, Tex., 76010.

As potential future Alaskans, we would like to correspond with and get the real scoop on Alaska living from weather and permanent to insects and living conditions from members in the Anchorage area. The Leonard Romtka family, 2141 Fulton Way S.W., Largo, Fla., 33540.

I am 56 and was baptized in 1964 and would sincerely appreciate it if people in God's Church would write to me. Mrs. Kay Bellinger, 31 Mantland Street, Van Riebeck Hoop, Uitenhage, Cape Province, Republic of South Africa.

I am a girl, 10. I would like a pen pal. I like watersports and any ball sports, skating and horseback riding. I attend the West church, Donna McDonald, 8000-2 Church Street, Fort Hood, Tex., 76544.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kline, formerly of Manzanola, Colo., and La Junta, would like to hear from Southern Colorado members. We'll possibly be returning to Colorado in a few months. Rt. 1, Box 203D, Dundee, Ill., 60118.

Would like to correspond with a female spiritual smooth or widow in or near Memphis, Tenn., age 50 to 65. Mrs. Lottie Stayton, 1112 South Pasadena Avenue, Pasadena, Calif., 91105.

My wife and I are of Arabic-speaking ancestry. She was born in Jaffa, Palestine, and I was born in the U.S. of Syrian parentage. Would like to hear from other brethren who are unknown to us and who have an Arabic background. Louis and Vivian Fakhyour, 1507 Tanager Drive, Costa Mesa, Calif., 92626.

I am 11 and looking for a pen pal. I go to WCC with my mother, father and two brothers. I like making models and swimming. Christopher McIndoe, 37 Green Lane, Ford, Litherland, Liverpool 21, L21,0DN, Lancs, England.

I would like very much to correspond with a church member, male or female, about age 12 to 16, in Ireland or New Zealand and Switzerland. Liz Jennings, 2105 Greenhaven, San Antonio, Tex., 78201.

I am a freshman at AC, Big Sandy, and would very much like to correspond with a member of God's Church (preferably 16 years old or older). Barb Harris, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

I am 10 years old. I would like to have a few pen pals. I would like to hear from boys and girls from any place around the world. Like horses, dogs and snails. Paula Dworkin, 2150 South Emerson Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., 46203.

Would like to correspond with someone in prison. Miss Diane Ardolino, 91-37 114th Street, Richmond Hill, Queens, N.Y., 11418.

I am 28, have a wide range of interests and enjoy letter writing. I would like to correspond with some mature single people in the Northern Hemisphere, preferably Canada. Wayne McConachie, 44 Budgen Street, Mt. Roskill, Auckland, New Zealand.

Am interested in contacting members with the surname Barney or whose ancestors were surnamed Barney. Mrs. Dorothy H. Maxwell, Rt. 2, Box 656, Asheville, N.C., 28805.

Handicapped beekeeper with Spanish-speaking wife wishes place to live and work in warm climate. Can teach all phases of beekeeping, queen rearing, royal jelly production, pollen collection. CHARLES E. MOORE, 8575 Birch Run Road, Millington, Mich., 48746.

Would like to hear from Mr. and Mrs. Clifford E. Gant. Please write to John and Rita Booth, 621 Northchester Lane, Lafayette, Ind., 47905.

Would like pen pal in Whittier, Calif. and one in Tonga. I am 28 and like painting scenery and hiking. Arthur Arndt, P.O. Box 11, Kaleden, British Columbia.

I'm 10 years old. I would like a pen pal from anywhere in the world. I can only read and write English. Mary Lynn Kisham, 105 Hickman Street, Old Hickory, Tenn., 37138.

I am 13 and would like to have pen pals from Europe, Canada or the U.S. Debbie Butler, 2625 S.W. Riggs Road, Beaverton, Ore., 97005.

I am 15 and would like to have letters from girls or boys my age in South America or Europe who speak English. Peggy Morgan, 1478 Indiana Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, 43201.

My name is Karen Kuester. I am 14 and would like a pen pal boy or girl in the U.S. or a foreign country. P.O. Box 23052, Tigard, Ore., 97223.

I am 13 and would like someone to write to. Like animals and outdoors. Diane Archamb, Box 268, South Tot Exp. Rt. 2, Warren, Ohio, 44481.

I would like to correspond with someone in God's Church. I am 28, married and have three children, 7, 6, 3. Mrs. Sandra Landry, 297 West Street, Lancaster, Mass., 01463.

I am 10 years old and I am a girl. I would very much like to write an Indian girl in Arizona. I have studied some about them, but I would love to write one. I like crafts and beading too. Loleandra Tarver, 5818 Estridge Drive, Sacramento, Calif., 95842.

I am 13 and would like a pen pal between the ages of 11 and 15. I enjoy sewing, cooking and reading. I would like pen pals from out of state or in another country. Lori Bue, Rt. 2, Wakonah, S.D., 57073.

MISCELLANEOUS

Don and Allen: How was the trip? Did you get the photos you wanted? Linda and Violet.

I would be interested in seeing what job opportunities there are among employees in the Church. Have background in restaurant management. I am 29, unmarried and willing to relocate. William R. Hale, Jr., Barry Hall, No. 110A, UTEP, El Paso, Tex., 79968.

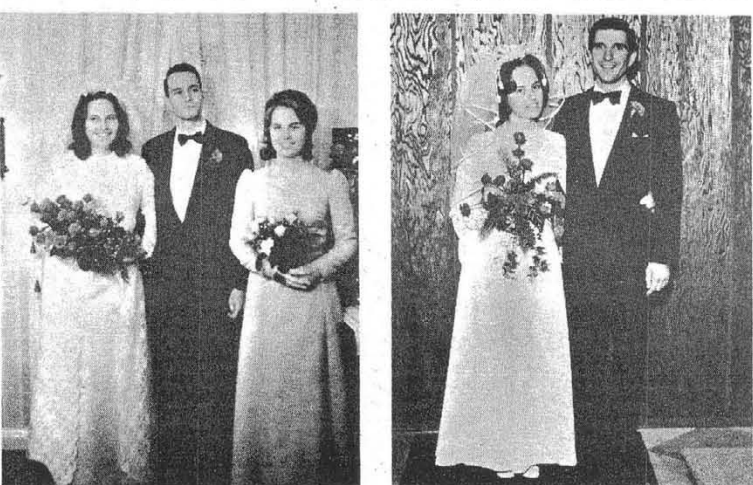
LOST: In KOA campground near swimming pool area in the St. Petersburg Feast area, a 1974 Jolton High School class ring. It is a girl's with a large blue stone set in yellow gold. Has initials W.L.H. inside. Contact Wanda Hudgins, 5674 Higdon Road, Joelton, Tenn., 37080.

Would anyone having Vol. I and II of *The Bible Story* who would be willing to sell and mail them to me please contact me. Would be useful in teaching baby when she gets older. Also, anyone talented at knitting and crocheting baby dresses and little girl dresses, please contact me. Marilyn Braley, 2400 Friendswood Link Road, Webster, Tex., 77598.

WANTED: Lady to live in to do housework and care for 2 1/2-year-old girl. Mother is arthritic. Mrs. Thomas Harrison, Maryville, Calif., 95901. (916) 742-4006.

I wanted to let everyone in the Phoenix church know I am alive and enjoy living here at headquarters. If anyone remembers me, you can drop me a few lines if you want. Tonia Prindle, 269 Waldo No. 13, Pasadena, Calif., 91101. P.S.: Congratulations to Sandy and Gary Miltendorf for little Junior!

Free doll dress for Barb's 11½-inch or Crissy 15½-inch dolls. Send eight-cent stamp with name and address to Mrs. Whiting, 311½ North Wayne



WEDDINGS HAVEN'T CEASED — Pictured are two of the most recent couples to wed in Germany, where weddings haven't ceased since Mr. John Karlson married Kristina Lukas. Left: Mr. Nick Ursem and Miss Erika Schmieden. Right: Mr. Helmut Levens and Miss Cornelia Krause. See article below.

Office staff called marriage buero

By Gary Hopkins
DUSSELDORF: West Germany — "Ever since Mr. John Karlson married Kristina Lukas in December, 1970," a member of the Dusseldorf office staff explained, "the weddings haven't ceased."
 Since 1970 the office staff in Germany has attended nine weddings, averaging three per year, and it takes an active part in organizing the fulfilled social that traditionally follows the ceremony. In fact, it has usually supplied the happy couple as well and has been jokingly referred to as

the "marriage buero."
 One of the weddings took place in East Berlin among our East German brethren, who truly benefited from the much-needed social contact and fellowship with God's people.
 For the office and the churches in Germany, weddings are major social events on their entertainment calendar, eagerly awaited and participated in. Brethren and their families assemble together for a joyous occasion, and the festivities retain that old-fashioned family atmosphere.
 Good eating, wholesome enter-

taining, exciting games and a fine evening of dancing are all on the menu. The entire family, young and old alike, takes part, whether in the entertainment, the games or the dancing.
 In the past three months the office has hosted three weddings, the Victor Roots in July (see the Aug. 6 issue of *The Worldwide News*) and two more this autumn.
 One of these was Sept. 16 in Hamburg, Germany. Dutchman Nick Ursem married Erika Schmieden. Nick is a Bricket Wood graduate and Erika was working for the German proffreading department in England.

Street, Fremont, Ohio, 43420.
 Postcards from foreign countries wanted. I collect postcards as a hobby and would appreciate any type from different countries — also from other states. Would also enjoy hearing from anyone else who is interested in this sort of thing. Joan Goff, 1853 Chatsworth, Apt. 16, Lexington, Ky., 40505.
 We are interested in locating other brethren who are teaching, or have taught, their children primary and/or high school grade level work at home. We are in the Big Sandy Feast area. Walter Camuthers, Star Route Box 22, Rocksprings, Tex., 78860.

78890.
 Would like to correspond with anyone interested in old radio programs. I presently have about 300 on tape and would like to trade with others in the Church. Walter A. Smith, 3825 49th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Fla., 33714.
 I would like to hear from anyone in North America who is able to provide regular tape recordings of *The World Tomorrow*. I can offer fellowship, local news and the heartiest thanks in return! Norman McIlwain, 147 Enstone, Tanhouse, Skelmersdale, Lancs., England.

Mr. Schneec, regional director of the German Work, conducted the ceremony, which was followed by dancing in the beautiful European garden behind the house. Guests were present from all over the world — America, Australia, Canada, Holland and England.
 Later the bride's father commented in his speech, "This looks like the start of a United States of Europe."

Bachelor moving to San Diego-Escondido, Calif. wishes to share apartment or house. Please write Dale Brandner, Box 3, Bayport, Minn., 55003.
 Would appreciate a place to stay for a day or two in the Santa Clara County area of California. Will be arriving sometime at the beginning of November. Ronald G. Fieros, 150 Broad Street, Matawan, N.J., 07747.

I'm looking for Mrs. Athel Davis. Her husband's name is George. They lived in Watston, Mo., about 10 years ago. If anyone knows where they are, or their address, would they please send it to me. I have a message for them. Mrs. Carol Peterson, 6 Mile Old Richardson, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99701.

For Nick and Erika it was certainly a positive step towards political union.
 The third German wedding hosted by the Dusseldorf office took place on Sunday, Sept. 23, in Dusseldorf. The marriage of Helmut Levens and Cornelia Krause, both former Bricket Wood students, provided another opportunity for a church social. The bride's parents came from America for the occasion, while the parents of the groom, and the relatives of both, came from Germany.

History major at the University of Arizona desperately needs Dr. Hoeh's two-volume Compendium in order to sort out the dross from the textbooks we are using! Contact me if you have a set to selling the price. Jeff Veigoo, 1852 East Lind Road, Tucson, Ariz., 85719.

Attention: Jim Groom, Kansas City, Kan. I have your camera and film you left at B.E.P. Please write me so I may return it to you. Dennis Butler, Rt. 3, Box 186B, Hurricane, W.Va., 25526.
 Would like to move to an area where climate is milder and air is clearer than Chicago area. Require good special education for deaf children. Have skills in still and movie photography, sound recording engineer, copy writing, graphics, layout and design for newspapers and magazines. Prefer to work in advertising agency or audio-visual studio. Ronald C. Rendall, 1818 Fifth Street, Winthrop Harbor, Ill., 60096.

After the buffet meal, a unique *hochzeitzeitung* (wedding newspaper) was orally presented by a musical trio. The paper was made especially for the occasion and contained humorous poems, articles and quips about the bride and groom and their families, and it also contained short and humorous ads in connection with almost every person present, giving insights into their individual personalities.
 Then came the moment most were waiting for, the cutting of the delicious and customary cake, in this case from a recipe designed by Emil P. Schneec, the late father of Mr. Frank Schneec, *Heidelberger torte*.

SALEM, Ore. — Bill Bruce of Salem and Doris Archer of Siletz, Ore., Sept. 8, now at home in Salem.
 EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Allen C. Johnson of Fargo, N.D., and Tanya Louise Tuskler of Olney, Ill., Sept. 9, now at home in West Fargo, N.D.
 PAVETTE, Idaho — James L. Wood of Fruitland, Idaho, and Mary Lions of Ontario, Ore., Sept. 21.
 INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Robert J. Artman of Noblesville, Ind., and Twila Mozings of Greensburg, Ind., Sept. 30, now at home in Fisher, Ind.

I am a single girl (age 22) looking for someone of the same age range to share an apartment with me in Pasadena near Ambassador College campus. Would like to room with baptized church member and/or Ambassador student. Would like to room and board with church people in Pasadena if can't find roommate or suitable apartment. Am leaving for Pasadena from Phoenix, Ariz., around Oct. 20 to 21. Call (602) 956-5008 or write to Pat White, 3042 North 44th Street, Phoenix, Ariz., 85016, or to Robert B. White, Box 16, Black Canyon Stage, Phoenix, Ariz., 85020, if interested.

This obvious trend in the German office will definitely be looked upon as favorable by all the eligibles in the area.
 And another thing — all you new-lyweds in the German office, take note — Mr. and Mrs. Karlson are now the proud parents of a son, David Karlson. Will this be the start of a new trend in the German office?



WEDDING — Shown are Rich Robinson and the former Miss Lynette Todd shortly before their marriage on Aug. 26. Mr. Terry Swagerty, the groom's brother-in-law and a minister in Boise, Idaho, conducted the wedding in the Robinson home in Spokane, Wash. Both are 1973 graduates of Ambassador College, Big Sandy. After a honeymoon in Mt. Rainier National Park, the couple moved into their home on Liberty Lake, Wash. Currently Rich is in a contracting business with his father, Ivan Robinson.

WEDDINGS

TULSA, Okla. — Tom Taylor of Sapulpa, Okla., and Jane Burgess of Kellyville, Okla., Aug. 4, now at home in Sapulpa.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Robert J. Artman of Noblesville, Ind., and Twila Mozings of Greensburg, Ind., Sept. 30, now at home in Fisher, Ind.

A Report on the Work

Capsule Progress Reports on Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God

Shortly before this year's Feast of Tabernacles, Mr. Ted Armstrong prepared for his father an overall report on the growth of God's Work during the past 12 months. Division heads quickly drew up capsule reports on their respective areas, which were combined into an overall report for Mr. Herbert Armstrong. Because of the whirlwind pace of the Feast, Mr. Armstrong was not able to read all of the report in each site. Consequently, Mr. Ted Armstrong asked that we share the report with the members worldwide. He thought you would find it interesting and inspiring reading!

MEDIA

TV and radio coverage — At the present time we have 123 of the best radio stations in the United States and Canada. Forty-eight stations carry the TV program daily. Of these daily TV stations, 23 carry the program on the weekend also, and in addition, 42 stations carry the television program on a weekly basis in the United States and Canada. We now have good radio or TV coverage available in almost 75 percent of the population in the United States.

The 1973-74 season of television programming consists of 195 programs, 39 weeks of five programs. From these 195 we selected the 39 best programs for our weekly stations.

Programming — The majority of our programs are designed in series of three to 10 each. All are based on the "witness" or the "warning" concept. Thus far, we have already produced series on the European Economic Community, the return of Jesus Christ, the occult, Bible misconceptions, the real Jesus, health, Halloween, Thanksgiving. Scheduled are series dealing with human nature, modern religion, the wonders of creation, the family and child rearing, drugs, alcoholism, depression, fossil man, the universe, prophecy, doctrine and conversion, etc.

Of significant interest will be the programs produced with a mobile videotape unit which we rented in June of this year. First, we taped segments for three programs produced about Ambassador College. The first will deal with the history and purpose of Ambassador College, the second with student life and the third with our commission: radio, television and literature.

Next came Chino prison, where Mr. Ted Armstrong interviewed inmates in their own environment, discussing the causes and cures for crime. These emotionally powerful programs should generate enormous audience impact.

Although our study is still incomplete, it appears that a remote van of our own could be used both for program recordings, commercials, campaigns, etc., giving us flexibility and at the same time adding a dimension of realism that cannot be obtained in a studio environment.

Summer specials — During this past year three one-hour public-appearance TV specials were shown in 49 U.S. cities. Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's subjects were "Why Did God Let Tommy Die?", "Is Sex Sin?" and "Are We Living in the End Time?" Each special contained a music number by the Ambassador College Band and Chorale. Besides a 60-second commercial advertising literature, related directly to Mr. Ted Armstrong's sermon, each special also contained a three-minute film story. The first one explained Ambassador College; the second explained *The Plain Truth* and other literature; the third advertised radio and TV.

The toll-free Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) line number, (800) 423-4444, was announced on the TV summer specials. Eighteen thousand seven hundred eighty-one telephone responses came in. In addition, there were 4,516 letters received. The total audience was estimated at 1.6 million.

Commercials — We have scheduled tests of our one-minute commercials — to be run independently within the local news spot or popular syndicated programs on three or four successive nights in 10 cities during November.

Australia — A five-minute radio program was introduced in Australia this year. As a result, we were able to place the program on larger stations in much better time periods. The excellent response exceeded our expectations, and some of the stations were able to improve their ratings after adding the five-minute segment with Mr. Armstrong.

CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

Public Bible studies — In order to more effectively back up the personal-appearance campaigns, public Bible studies were initiated where interested listeners could attend and be taught God's Word, have a chance to ask questions, meet the ministers, and fellowship with the brethren. We have worked on an appropriate format that would help convey God's truth more clearly and in a shorter time period. Also, these public Bible studies provide God's ministry with a vehicle of working with prospective members in groups, thus cutting down on miles driven, manpower needed and time and money spent.

Participation and efficiency — For the first time, local church pastors made out budgets for their church areas considering the potential growth in their church areas — new Bible studies, Spokesman's Clubs, new churches, etc.

This shared participation in the budget has helped the communication of our ministers with headquarters, resulting in better planning and higher efficiency.

Ministerial education — In the last year we have worked very closely with the Ambassador College Department of Theology in designing an improved program of ministerial education and training. The whole thrust is to equip God's ministry to more efficiently and effectively serve those people whom God is calling in ever-increasing numbers.

Personal service — In order to render more personal service and to increase efficiency, the field ministry is performing an additional service to listeners of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong and to readers of our literature. Interested people (formerly handled by letters written and mailed from Pasadena) may now get directly in touch with the minister in their local area if they desire a personal answer to their questions. This will not only save money but also will

allow the minister to be in touch with the people sooner.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS & PLANNING

Support departments — In an organization as diverse as ours, we need an extensive group of support departments. These have generally been grouped together in the Financial Affairs & Planning Division, since many of them are financially based, such as the Accounting Department, Purchasing, Personnel, etc. Other departments which comprise the support group are Transportation, Custodial, Landscape, Office Services, Security, Legal, Property, Management, Insurance, Budget Control, Auditing, etc. The cost for these supporting services approximates 10 percent of our annual budget, which, by industrial standards, is quite good.

Purchasing — Centralizing services does bring about economies of personnel and costs (equipment, office space, etc.). Such functions as purchasing, for instance, have resulted in major savings in the Work. Rather than each department having its own buyer, we now have all the purchasing centralized through about five men, plus their assistants, and we are able to use the total buying power of the organization as a powerful tool in price negotiations. In 1972 the Purchasing Department was instrumental in saving over \$540,000, since it could negotiate as a group and purchase for the whole organization.

Accounting — The Accounting Department insures that all our bills are paid on time and that our books are accurately kept. Since we are a conglomerate of three corporations — Ambassador College, the Worldwide Church of God and Imperial Schools — a fairly complex accounting system is required to keep track of the active movement of cash that goes on daily. We strive to pay all of our bills on time in order not only to maintain a very high credit rating with our vendors but also to take advantage of discounts offered by early payments. The accounts payable section of the Accounting Department annually processes nearly 100,000 invoices and vouchers and almost 10,000 purchase orders and sends out nearly 50,000 checks, including 11,400 checks to widows and 2,700 checks for ministerial expenses.

Custodial Maintenance — We regularly wash 239,000 square feet of windows, vacuum and shampoo 37,000 square yards of carpeting and maintain 28,000 square feet of rest-room, shower and dressing-room space. On top of all this, we have had to do 400,000 square feet of hard-surfaced

flooring. We employ approximately 100 Ambassador College students and 45 Imperial High School students, in order to save money. And we formulate, mix and bottle our own cleaners, shampoo and liquid hand soap.

Landscape — To keep the grounds and campus of Ambassador College as beautiful and natural looking as possible, we mow over 500,000 square feet of campus lawns weekly and prune over 20,000 shrubs and hedges regularly. The campus contains over 4,000 trees, that require both formal and natural trimming.

Transportation — We maintain and repair 153 vehicles (which figure is presently under scrutiny for possible reduction) at a cost that would be prohibitive were it done elsewhere. We also move employees and ministers interstate at a considerable savings. This year we have already moved 97 households (mainly ministers) at a cost of approximately \$450 per household. A commercial company would charge about \$1,000 per household; thus we saved about \$50,000 in moving costs alone.

MARKETING & SUBSCRIBER SERVICES

An information service has been set up to service all the other divisions of the Work from the data base of Mail Processing and Data Processing.

Mail by height and weight — The 3,384,534 letters received by the Mail Processing Center from October, 1972, through September, 1973, would represent a stack of mail 1.6 miles high! It would weigh 32 tons, 16 two-ton trucks.

To visualize the volume in another way, suppose we were to assign one mail reader the task of processing the mail. If he can open, read and process one letter per minute continuously for a normal eight-hour day, five days a week, for 50 weeks a year (allowing two weeks for the Feast), it would take him about 1,700 years to complete the job.

From our Pasadena facilities alone over 35 million pieces of literature and letters were mailed between last Feast and this Feast.

"PT" circulation — The total number of *Plain Truths* (worldwide) mailed out from October, 1972, to September, 1973, was 32,696,148 — about 58 percent or 19 million went to the U.S., and the remaining 42 percent or about 13.7 million went to other nations. *PT* circulation in the U.S. increased 22 percent from last Feast.

If all the *PTs* sent out to all the nations worldwide were stacked on top of each other, they would reach the staggering height of 251 Empire State Buildings, or 62½ miles! If all the pages were separated and laid end to end, they would reach halfway to the moon! That's over 120,000 miles or five times around the earth!

Data Processing Center — The Ambassador College IBM 370 computer is in operation six days a week, averaging more than 21 hours a day and requiring a three-shift crew of operators.

Our computer is a fantastic instrument absolutely essential to service the millions of people responding to God's end-time witness and warning messages. As one small example, we had to process 319,727

MAIL PROCESSING STATISTICS

	United States	All Other Nations	Worldwide
Current <i>PT</i> Circulation	1,844,458	1,270,764	3,115,222
Total <i>PT</i> Distribution (Per Year)	18,971,048	13,725,100	32,696,148
Newsstand Distribution	—	1,154,675	1,154,675
Media Mail Received			
TV	292,239	249,660	541,899
Radio	248,594	19,825	268,419
Advertising	195,605	99,562	295,167
Total Mail Received	3,384,534	1,200,000	4,584,534
New People Added to File	660,026	250,762	910,788

ATTENDANCE AND GROWTH

	United States Attendance	Percent Increase	Worldwide Attendance	Percent Increase
Baptized Members	43,056	8.3	54,574	8.1
No. Churches	259	7.9	356	12.0
No. Ministers	518	8.3	604	8.6
Church Attendance	73,500	6.3	89,205	8.0

changes of address since last Feast!

Within our computer's memory, 1.5 million characters (letters or numbers) are accessible within one ten-millionth of a second, 1.6 billion characters within one 40th of a second, and over 10 billion within 15 minutes.

In the past year, our computer in Pasadena had to execute roughly 10 TRILLION (1 followed by 13 zeros) specific operations necessary in order to sustain the multitudinous functions of God's Work.

PUBLISHING

The year 1973 has been a year in which great savings have been effected in the Publishing Division. Staffs have been reduced in number, equipment has been sold, and efficiency has been greatly improved. Productivity is up and the capacity for response to the needs of television, advertising and the rest of the Work has been greatly improved. The Publishing Division looks forward to 1974 with anticipation and excitement as new doors open for the publishing of Christ's own Gospel!

"The Plain Truth" — The PT has a dramatic new look. Allen Merager, the man responsible for the fine appearance and layout of *The Envoy* for so many years, has now been named art director for all Ambassador College publications.

The Plain Truth, now being read by many of the world's top leaders, is the finest magazine available anywhere!

"The Good News" — Beginning with the November number, *The Good News* magazine is being offered to coworkers, donors and some highly interested regulars now on the mailing list. Response to the first letter offering the GN is already nearing the 100,000 mark. It is hoped that with strong articles on doctrine, conversion and news of the Work, more and more thousands will be encouraged to become deeply involved in this end-time Work of God. Watch for the GN to take on an exciting new look with the November issue.

Booklets and reprints — So far in 1973, the Booklet Department has compiled, written and produced a total of 18 new booklets. They include *Is Sex Sin?*, *Answers From Genesis*, *The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse*, *Where Is God's True Church Today?* and many others. Some older booklets have been completely updated or rewritten. A number of reprints have been combined and made into booklets, reducing costs and the number of pieces of inventory.

Several new television reprint articles have been written and produced, including "Halloween," "Thanksgiving Day," "The Silent Epidemic" (VD), and "The Occult Explosion."

In the coming year, the Booklet Department anticipates writing and producing one new booklet per month as direct backup to television, as well as other material as needs arise.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Progress — Almost 14 months ago the curtain opened on a new dimension of God's Work. Ten thousand-plus people heard the true Gospel for the first time as a live audience in a theater setting. On those three inspired August evenings in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong set a pattern which has since been repeated 21 different times throughout the

United States and Canada. Over 100,000 people have heard — many for the first time in their lives — firsthand the true Gospel of Jesus Christ. Many of those people reacted in much the same way we all did when we first heard God's Word. They were astonished, they were shocked, they were surprised and moved. Many of them have taken that vital step we hoped they would. At last count, 146 have become members of God's true Church, with hundreds of others attending church regularly as a direct result of these personal appearances.

Future plans — Recently Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong appointed Mr. Al Portune head of a new and more far-reaching Personal Appearance Campaign Division. He has been commissioned to implement, under Mr. Armstrong's direction, an international personal-appearance-campaign schedule for 1974 and onward. Fifty personal-appearance campaigns are planned for 1974. Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong plans to do eight to 10 campaigns during this period, coupling television coverage with some of them in order to produce TV specials. Final arrangements have been made for Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong to appear in a new campaign in the Seattle-Tacoma, Wash., area on Dec. 14, 15 and 16. We expect a fine turnout here.

Even before this year closes there will be 12 personal-appearance campaigns completed; speaking will be Mr. Al Portune, Mr. Charles Hunting, Mr. David Jon Hill, Mr. David Antion, Mr. Wayne Cole, Mr. Ronald Dart and Mr. Sherwin McMichael.

Overview — The impact of these campaigns, we feel, will be a tremendous new and far-reaching dimension for the Work of God. Hundreds will be added to God's Church; hundreds of others will get more deeply involved and will begin to support God's Church. The brethren of God's Church will be inspired by the active part they will have in attending the campaigns, supporting them, being a light to those who come and in helping them as they are added to Christ's Body. Let's all rejoice in what God is doing and pray for added power and inspiration for all those who have a part in them.

FOREIGN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE

First commission — *Plain Truth* circulation increased by 27.7 percent. A total of 13,725,000 *Plain Truths* were sent outside the U.S. — 35 percent more than the previous year! There are approximately 187 countries receiving *The Plain Truth*, including Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Antigua, Bahrain, Bhutan, Bulgaria, Chad, the Congo, Cuba, Dahomey, Ethiopia, Gabon, Haiti, Kuwait, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Nepal, Oman, Poland, San Marino, Sikkim, the Soviet Union, Togo, Vatican City and Zaire.

Mail increased by 27.6 percent (Canada has had a whopping 73 percent!)

Responses to radio and TV increased by 40 percent.

Responses to advertisements rose 32 percent.

The door to newsstands was opened and 1.2 million magazines had been distributed via this medium by October of 1973. Readers' circles (circulating the same PT to numerous people) have just opened up to us and look very promising.

The personal appearances are just beginning — with nine already held in Canada, two planned for Australia and one for New Zealand.

Second commission — Over 1,300

baptisms swelled our numbers to over 11,500, a growth of 13.5 percent. During 1973 we had people baptized in 27 different countries outside the U.S. The following list gives those countries and the number baptized from each (year to date):

Canada 382, Australia 140, the Philippines 131, England 81, South Africa 53, New Zealand 20, France 15, Switzerland 15, Rhodesia 13, Trinidad 12, Colombia 11, Argentina 10, Barbados 6, Mexico 5, Venezuela 4, Jamaica 4, the Bahamas 4, Germany 3, Mauritius 3, Malawi 3, Uruguay 2, Dominica 2, Puerto Rico 2, Martinique 2, St. Kitts 1, Seychelles 1.

We had a 10 percent increase in the number of ordained ministers and a 24 percent increase in churches in order to serve those members. The total number of churches outside the United States is now 97, with 86 ordained ministers. The attendance has grown over 17 percent.

Income from the various foreign offices rose 21.7 percent over the year-to-date figure for the same period of 1972. We expect about \$7.5 million combined total for the year.

There are plans to begin two or three new offices in the near future. Possible locations are Singapore, Colombia and Puerto Rico.

AMBASSADOR COLLEGE, PASADENA

Progress report — The 1972-73 academic year ended with the largest graduating class in the history of the college. There were 134 bachelor's and 16 master's degrees awarded. In fact, 55 percent of all the master's degrees ever issued at Pasadena were awarded this past May.

To assist students and graduates locate suitable employment, the college initiated a successful program in job placement. Response from the Pasadena business community has been very favorable.

Ambassador's faculty and staff have been working to plan and effect economies that would insure quality, maintain enrollment and reduce costs up to 30 percent. While parents have been asked to shoulder a greater burden for the financial support of their children attending Ambassador, such costs have generally been held at or less than state-supported institutions and less than half of the leading private ones.

Future plans — As there is less need for graduates to be employed in the Work directly, the college is developing programs to extend its wonderful opportunity to meet the educational and career needs of many additional Church young people who will upon graduation return to their families, congregations and local communities.

To this end, the faculty is developing programs, in addition to the theology emphasis, for students whose special interests are in teaching, business, computer science, telecommunications and journalism, and the environmental and related sciences.

Facilities — This spring marked the opening of the new track-and-field facility. It is the first collegiate athletic field built on a superstructure. Covering a 311-space parking lot, it includes a one-sixth-mile eight-lane track, appropriate space for all field events, and two softball diamonds. An all-weather surface makes the facility one of the finest of its kind.

Before the class of 1974 graduates, the fabulous new Auditorium will be opened. The entire college is looking forward to this magnificent event with great expectation.

AMBASSADOR COLLEGE, BRICKET WOOD

College — The 14th year of Ambassador College, Bricket Wood, is now well under way. This year we welcomed 59 incoming freshman students, 33 men and 26 women. The total enrollment is now 248, with 140 men and 108 women from 20 different countries. Sixty-three fourth-year students

are expected to graduate in June.

The Bricket Wood faculty presently numbers 30, with Dr. Roderick Meredith now well installed as deputy chancellor.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong, when he was here for orientation week, announced good news for the further development of the campus. The existing student and faculty dining halls and catering facilities — which over the past few years have become more and more overcrowded and overextended — are to give way to a new dining-hall complex.

Circulation — Bricket Wood prints 800,000 magazines per month and sends over half a million of these to countries outside the United Kingdom. Our Mailing Department handles over 10,000 pieces of mail per week. Over 91,000 new subscribers were added to our circulation lists over the past year, a growth of 22 percent. Since April, our *Correspondence Course* enrollment has risen 25 percent, to 10,000 students.

With commercial radio starting Oct. 8, 1973, we hope to be able to place one- and five-minute spot ads. This could be a tremendous new door for God's Work in the British Isles.

Newsstands — Distribution has been most encouraging. This year we added Norway, Sweden, Finland, France, Luxembourg and French Canada to the program. A total of 236,000 magazines per month are being placed on newsstands in 20 different countries. Demand for the magazine now outstrips supply, and *The Plain Truth* is fast becoming a household name in Britain. A dozen more countries are asking for their first supply of magazines on their newsstands.

Church — Baptisms this year show a five percent growth over last year and an estimated 3,600 to 3,700 attended the Feast at Minehead this year. Visit requests are just beginning to trickle in from people who picked up their first magazine from the newsstands. This year, services began in the Channel Islands, Norway and Denmark on a monthly basis.

AMBASSADOR COLLEGE, BIG SANDY

Where we are — This fall our Big Sandy campus accepted the largest freshman class in the history of Ambassador College: 226 students. Thus, the first step was taken to make the Ambassador College education available to more of the young people of God's Church.

With the increase of 100 students, the need immediately arose for an increase in student dormitory space as well. The campus construction crew went immediately to work and through the summer converted 50 empty white metallic booths into attractive paneled, carpeted, air-conditioned and fully furnished dormitory-type dwellings. Added to the 190 booths already refurbished in previous years, "Booth City" helped absorb the current influx of students.

Where we are going — With the plans to increase the enrollment of the Big Sandy student body, college officials are examining plans to possibly establish a two-year program to complement the existing four-year curriculum. A two-year program would offer a junior-college-type training ground which at Ambassador would teach students how to live before they decided definitely on the way they want to make their living.

But whether two years or four, the Big Sandy campus is giving more young people the opportunity to take the Ambassador way of life back into local church areas.

We realize that without an increase in overall income, it will be impossible to have the much-needed additional facilities, faculty members, classrooms and dorm spaces. With an increase in funds, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, will be able to accept more students and come closer to reaching the campus goal: to accept and train every qualified applicant in the Ambassador way of life.

Personal

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only 39 and still going strong, so I guess an old man of 43, like me, should be able to at least partly keep up with him!

We were blessed with very fine weather in practically every Feast site. Though we only had one opportunity for any sort of recreation (by arriving a little bit early in Jekyll Island and getting in a few holes of golf) during the entire Feast, the lack of being able to enjoy the Festival as a family and to be able to hear the sermons of others and really drink in the fellowship of the family-like atmosphere of the Feast of Tabernacles is offset by the inspiration of being able to attend at EVERY U.S. Feast site and to at least see for a very few moments the faces of the broad majority of all of God's brethren in the United States and Canada in the space of only a few days.

We have had no mishaps in our travels and have found nothing but the very finest of preparation and co-operation on the part of everyone wherever we went. If there were some of the usual minor human problems at each of the Festival sites, at least I, in the flurry of rushing from one to the other, did not have to hear of them.

I hope you all felt like you really received a spiritual FEAST this year and that your ears are still ringing with some very inspiring thoughts that made the entire effort very worthwhile for you and your friends and loved ones.

Now I hope to spend at least a very few days with some old friends in Colorado — where I have been hunting for the past 13 years straight — and a total rest before once again getting back to headquarters to tackle the grueling strain of television, radio and writing.

At the present time we are expecting to begin shooting again about a week and a half or so after the Feast. I had the opportunity to talk to one of our television directors, Dick Byrum, in the car on the way to Tucson, Ariz., concerning our "1973 Wrap-Up" news-analysis series of programs we nearly always do.

Of course, I had to caution Dick that since the world is in such an upset state it is going to be very difficult indeed to write any such program in advance. We shall have to do the program as near its actual airing time as possible to avoid having a program out of date almost before we are able to show it on the air.

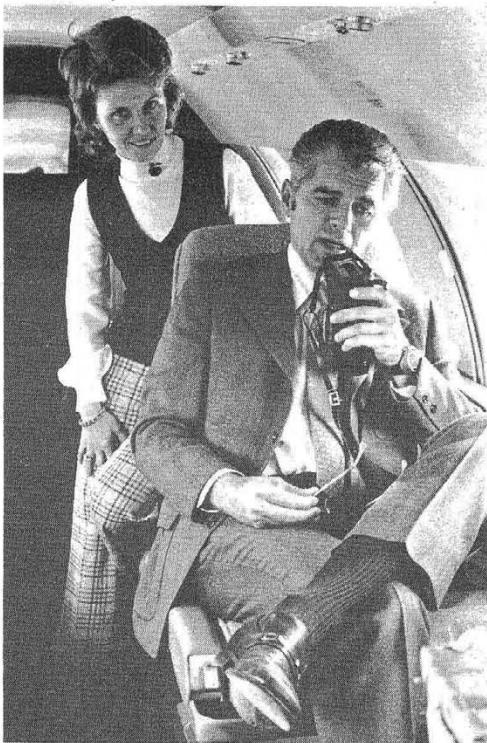
While our two youngest boys traveled to most of the Feast sites with us (all the way to Big Sandy), we did leave them there and will go back after sunset on the Last Great Day to be reunited once again with all of our sons, who are on the Texas campus.

In this edition of the *News* I am sure you will see other Feast news of more of a personal nature of different Festival sites I am not able to give.

Also included in this issue is a report of all the very interesting details of the division report I asked be prepared for my father's information prior to the Feast of Tabernacles. If he did not have sufficient time to include each of these details in his remarks to you, all of you can be fully informed of the wonderful progress made in each division of God's Work during the past year.

Well, it is time to go once again — this time to the last site during this Feast. And if I am not mistaken, I believe it is my "left seat," which means I will be flying the Falcon this time and Dan Spencer will be copilot-ing.

As a result of Mr. Frank Scherich's transfer to the Big Sandy campus and the very sad news of the death of his tiny, premature baby boy after his unsuccessful struggle for a protracted period of time to stay



NEVER A MOMENT'S REST — Mr. Ted Armstrong dictates his "Personal" letter for this issue of the *News* on board the Falcon immediately following his sermon at the Jekyll Island Feast site. His wife Shirley looks on as the jet is made ready for immediate departure to Mount Pocono, Pa., for Mr. Armstrong's ninth and final stop of the Festival junket. (Photo by John Robinson)

alive, we were unable to have Mr. Scherich's bubbling and happy personality with us during this Festival — and of course we have missed him very much.

However, I know that Mrs. Scherich and the children have needed Frank's presence there. It seems we must always hear of a certain measure of personal tragedies even in spite of all the very wonderful

news in other directions.

Until next time, when I have more definitive news for you — and perhaps world conditions will begin to develop a little more clearly so I can talk more accurately about them — I will say so long, and may God bless all of you brethren until we meet again.

In Jesus' name,
Garner Ted Armstrong

Recent ordinations listed

PASADENA — Following is a list of recent ordinations:

United States

Local elders — Dennis Diehl, Steve Moody, Steve Nutzman, Randy Schreiber, Tom Steinback, Dan White, Wade Whitmer, Earl Williams.

Preaching elders — Larry Bathurst, Chuck Dickerson, Jess Ernest, Charles Groce, Carl Gustafson, Bill Jacobs, Larry Smith, Bill Miller, John Strain, Dick Thompson, Tom Turk, Keith Walden, Kenneth Williams.

Pastor — Leonard Schreiber.

Australia

Local church elders — Len Quirk.

Local Elders — Gavin Cullen, Rodney Gowland, Ken Lewis, Brian Orchard, Peter Whitting.

Preaching elders — Guy Ames, Colin Jackson.

Belgium

Local church elder — Jean Car-ion.

Bahamas

Local elder — Kingsley Mather.

Canada

Local church elder — John Boraz.

Local elders — Neil Earle, Robert Elliott, Terry Johnson, Jack Kost, Sam Kneller, John Kurnik, Bob Millman, Chuck Ranchie, Dave Reg-

ister, Bernie Schnipper, Will Wooster.

Preaching elders — John Adams, Lyle Greaves, Alastair Gunn, Bill Rabey, Terry Roth, Rainer Salomaa, Tony Wasilkoff.

Philippines

Local elder — Encardio Benitez.

Latin America

Local elders — Pablo Gonzalez, Fernando Barriga.

Uninvited guest raises stink for Feast goers

The following article is an excerpt from a letter written to Mrs. Helen Bowers of the Toledo, Ohio, church, who was unable to attend the Feast of Tabernacles this year. The story involves a party of four sharing two bedrooms and a kitchen at the Vagabond Motel at the Wisconsin Dells, Wis., Feast site.

They were Mrs. Bessie Jackson and the writer of the letter, Mrs. Doris Cooper, with daughter Debbie, 17, and son Terry, 12.

Dear Helen:

It's been a stinkin' Feast! And what's more, I intend to write headquarters and tell them so! Wish I could be a mouse and see the expression on your face right now. But really, the above is true.

We arrived Tuesday evening late and woke up about 6:30 Wednesday morning. Debbie asked me if I smelled skunk. I was too groggy to give much of an answer.

The pillows and blankets had a stale, slightly musty odor from having been closed up and in disuse.

(The Dells tourist-attraction season is two months, July and August. Therefore, many motels and businesses in the area are closed for a while, then open for our Festival.) I was just too sleepy to discuss if it was slightly musty or slightly skunky.

I dropped back to sleep only to be awakened a few minutes later by a disturbance outside. I jumped up to look out the window but couldn't see a thing. It sounded like something hitting the motel with a stick.

Then Debbie said, "Something stinks over here."

I walked over to her side of the bed, and sure enough, the smell was stronger there. We were pulling things out looking for I don't know what, but at least we were seeking the cause of the odor.

The stench was increasing in the whole room, but it definitely was heaviest there on Debbie's side of the bed.

Well, it wasn't long until it stank so bad we couldn't stay in there! We all had our bath robes and slippers on, except Terry. He was barefooted and in just PJs. We were out in front of the motel.

Terry was first to notice a skunk waddling across the grass about to drop her little ones. That thing had been in the dark protection of the crawl space of our motel, right under our bed! Something must have scared it and it sprayed.

We laughed and roared in disbelief. Terry held his breath and went in to get his clothes.

He couldn't find a place to shelter himself to get dressed. Finally, in

despair, he went behind a garage and dressed outside. What could we do? We couldn't go to a restaurant or anything of that sort to kill time until the monitor, whom we didn't know, got up; we weren't dressed.

It was much too cold to just sit outside and wait. I decided to go in and turn the air conditioner on, thinking that might filter and freshen the air.

What a mistake! It only made it worse by pulling the smell in from the back of the motel where it was open underneath. So now Mrs. Jackson's room was thick and full of the stench too.

We decided to hold our breath, go in, get the pile of clothes we wore yesterday, and go find someone we knew at a motel so we could get dressed.

Debbie couldn't hold her breath that long and almost added a new stench! I scarcely made it.

Mrs. Jackson was in the first room as you enter the motel, so she fared okay.

We drove in our PJs to our friends', the Loren Raus of the Toledo church, and woke them up so we could get dressed.

They kindly tolerated our smell and let us use their quarters to don our clothes.

We had by then spent enough time that when we got back to our motel we felt freer to get the monitor up.

Luckily, they were jovial, happy people who warmly invited us in. Mrs. Gary Hansen served us coffee, while Mr. Hansen, our monitor, stewed as to what to do.

We didn't want to move out as we were so happy with our place; we actually danced with joy when we had first seen it.

Plus, how could we stand to go in to pack and move?

Debbie said to pray and ask God to remove the odor. I had faith, but... didn't feel God would bother with a prayer like that.

Well, I learned that wasn't faith. The rest of them did have faith, did ask, and God did answer. He relieved the odor within four hours and totally removed it within a couple of days.

So, you see, we did have the stinkiest Feast, and we did write headquarters.

P.S.: It truly was the best Feast ever, in spite of the skunk.

Love as always,
Doris and kids

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LET ME GUESS, HARRY... YOU AND THE FAMILY WENT TO HAWAII FOR THE FEAST!