

GTA reports father's progress to recovery

PASADENA —Herbert W. Armstrong is in excellent spirits, his voice strong and clear, and he seems to be maintaining his gradual but steady pace of improvement, according to Garner Ted Armstrong in a specially dictated report from Honolulu Dec. 5.

"I just hung up the telephone after spending over a half hour talking with my father," he said during his brief stopover in Honolulu after his trip to New Zealand, Australia and the Philippines. "We very much enjoyed a discussion of many of the problems of prophecies in Isaiah and Ezekiel relevant to Sadat's trip, the present split in the anti-Sadat bloc and won-

dering who might eventually emerge as the king of the South to fulfill the prophecy of Daniel 11."

Garner Ted Armstrong said his father sounded "almost like his old self, and I was very encouraged by his presence of mind, lucidity and clearness of speech.

"I was able to relate to my father how I spent the first segments of my sermons at 10 different sites in updating everyone on his condition and, of course, carrying to them his warmest personal love and regards. I was particularly pleased to be able to relate to my father how I had been inspired by

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Headquarters members provide pastors housing

PASADENA — When Steve Moody, pastor of the church in Bowling Green, Ky., comes out to headquarters for the January ministerial conference, he'll stay with Douglas and Jill Nichol in their South Pasadena home.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichol are members of the Auditorium A.M. congregation here and have housed Mr. Moody, a "close friend" of theirs, several times in the past during Church conferences, Mr. Nichol said.

Because of a ministerial-housing program — administered by the Ministerial Services Department and the Housing Office here — at least 300 pastors who will attend the conference will stay in the homes of Church members who have volunteered to take them in.

This procedure has been successfully used at conferences "for three or four years," said Ted Herlofson,

director of ministerial services.

A letter recently went out to Church members in the area, inviting them to put ministers and their families up from Jan. 4 to 11, the eight days of the conference, with each participating family to receive \$50 from the Church to help defray expenses.

"We're offering \$50 to help just as a sign of our appreciation," Mr. Herlofson said, "with the realization that there are some costs we can help ease for the members and still realize a very large savings for the Work.

"We don't want to look at it as payment, because we can't pay for their kindness or the concern they have for the Work and ministers, but just a note of appreciation."

Mr. Herlofson expects 300 pastors from the United States to come, with their travel expenses, along with their wives," paid by the Work. He's

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SYMBOL OF LEADERSHIP — Mr. Armstrong brandishes a ceremonial greenstone mero, an ancient symbol of leadership, presented to him by Bob Morton, regional director for New Zealand, during his visit with the New Zealand brethren. (Photo by David Armstrong)

HEW gives AC okay on Vista

PASADENA — The United States government's Department of Health, Education and Welfare has given the go-ahead for Ambassador College to take possession of the Vista del Arroyo Hotel property, which the college made application for almost two years ago.

Charles H. Fuller, director of the Real Property Assistance Division of HEW, in a Nov. 30 letter to Dr. Michael Germano, vice president for academic affairs for Ambassador, said the Vista property is available "for disposal to your college."

Dr. Germano, who received the letter Dec. 2, said Mr. Fuller "suggested we consider taking possession Dec. 15, 1977."

Victoria Doyle, assistant to Mr. Fuller, contacted by telephone Dec. 2 at the HEW office in San Francisco, told *The Worldwidewatch* that, now that government approval has been given, it is up to Ambassador to de-

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GTA winds up tour of Pacific, heads home to United States

PASADENA — Garner Ted Armstrong spoke to 6,337 people in nine sites in New Zealand, Australia and the Philippines in a tour of the Work's principal offices in that area of the world. It was his first visit to Australia and the Philippines since 1961 and his first trip ever to New Zealand.

Mr. Armstrong and his party arrived in Auckland, New Zealand, Nov. 21 after a flight in the Work's Grumman Gulfstream II jet from

Honolulu, Hawaii, where he addressed members there the Sabbath of Nov. 19 (*The Worldwidewatch*, Nov. 21).

Mr. Armstrong, who was accompanied by his wife, Shirley, Leslie L. McCullough, director of the International Division, Jim Thornhill, director of Youth Opportunities United, their wives and his son David, spoke to more than 90 percent of members in Australia and New Zealand. Mr. McCullough described the trip as

"very successful."

Mr. Armstrong spoke to 725 people in New Zealand's three largest cities, Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, during the four-day visit there. Nov. 21 to 25.

Rex Morgan of the New Zealand office said 95 percent of the New Zealand members heard Mr. Armstrong at one of the three locations.

On Nov. 25 Mr. Armstrong flew to the Coolangatta airport on the Gold Coast of Australia near the Work's offices) via Brisbane. While in Australia Mr. Armstrong spoke to 4,561 people who attended the five locations he visited.

Rod Matthews and John Halford of the Australian-office staff said the

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Talent finalists vie for national honors

PASADENA — Robert Taylor, a 17-year-old high-school senior from Glendora, Calif., took top honors Nov. 27 over seven other Youth Opportunities United finalists from across the United States in the 1977 YOU national talent contest.

Robert, who won a four-year scholarship to Ambassador College for his efforts, performed his own version of Mason William's "Classical Gas" on a 12-string guitar in the Ambassador Auditorium, which was filled to capacity that evening.

Donald Gibbons, state chairman for material sessions for the Music Teachers Association of California and dean of judges for this year's contest, felt it in the best interest of the contestants to have the formal competition and judging the afternoon before the evening performance, with no one present but the contestants and judges, according to Ron Dick, contest coordinator.

"It was decided this would give the finalists a minimum amount of distraction and give the judges ample

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NATIONAL HONORS — Robert Taylor, left, was awarded a four-year scholarship to Ambassador College by winning the 1977 YOU talent contest. Ron Dick, above, contest coordinator, presents Robert with the first-place award. (Photos by Warren Watson and Ken Evans)

Japanese honor VP

PASADENA — Vice President for Financial Affairs Stanley Rader was awarded the Fourth Class Order of the Sacred Treasure by the Japanese government Nov. 22 in a ceremony in Tokyo.

Mr. Rader, who days earlier had met Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda on behalf of Herbert W. Armstrong, received the honor the day before he left the country to return to the United States.

Mr. Rader was cited for promoting friendship between Japan and America and for encouraging U.S.-Japanese educational and cultural exchanges between Ambassador

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A Personal Letter

from

Samuel Ted Armstrong

Dear brethren in Christ:

Greetings from Hong Kong! We are on the westernmost point of our trip and will be leaving early tomorrow morning [Dec. 3] for Manila and the last speaking engagement of the trip before returning to the United States. With me are my wife, our son David, Les and Marion McCullough (Mr. McCullough is director of the International Division) and Jim and Darlene Thornhill (Mr. Thornhill is YOU director).

Until just yesterday it seemed our schedule was almost as hectic as that we maintained during the Feast of Tabernacles. As I told you in the last issue, we left the United States to go to Honolulu and speak to the church there for the very first time since that congregation has existed, then flew down to Auckland, New Zealand. It was my first visit ever to New Zealand, as it was for my wife and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morton and Mr. and Mrs. Karl Karlov met us in Auckland, and, though I didn't speak there on the first night, the very next day we flew to Christchurch, on the South Island, and spoke to the church there of about 90 members. I asked Mr. Morton, who is the New Zealand Work's director, and his wife, Sandra, to accompany us aboard the G-II for our subsequent stops in New Zealand.

Buffeted by winds

We were buffeted about by very strong winds during part of the flight to Christchurch, but, even though it was windy upon landing, we were in bright sunshine for the afternoon and enjoyed

very much a brief tour around the town by taxi just before services. We were met by the Jack Crouchers and the Colin Kellys.

Christchurch impressed me as one of the most beautiful cities I have ever seen, with the vast, pleasant parks and a meandering river. It was a very quiet and peaceful scene.

We met in a very new, modern and beautiful facility which I understand was used for the Feast of Tabernacles in Christchurch.

As I mentioned there, and probably repeated in several other places along the route before groups of our brethren, it was really inspiring to be meeting with God's people who have been called out of this world and converted in such far-flung areas of the Work and to appear before a group as large or larger than the total Church in attendance at the Feast of Tabernacles the year I was discharged from the Navy!

Brethren drove eight hours

In a more personal sense, as I mentioned on several occasions, it was very deeply moving and inspiring to see the tremendous Work which has been built up in Australia and New Zealand and to look right into the happy, dedicated and smiling faces of converted members of God's Church, brothers and sisters in the growing Family of God, whose lives had not yet been reached or touched by the Work of God when I first went down to Australia with Mr. Gerald Waterhouse in 1959 to establish the

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Letters TO THE EDITOR

Diets to try

I'm writing this letter as a concerned member and out of love for those people who have prayer requests in the paper. Before writing this, I discussed the problem with our local minister, Mr. Curtis May.

A member here... had a prayer request in the Oct. 24 issue of *The Worldwide News*. She has received many, many cards which have been uplifting, but there have been far too many that weren't. Of the ones that were not, they offered their own "ways to get healthy," books to read, diets to try, etc. One man in particular actually reprimanded her for asking for prayer, and told her the Lord helps those who help themselves and proceeded to give her all the "healthful answers" to her problems. Her daughter, with whom she lives, was very irate and is very hostile towards the Church. Needless to say, this didn't help. Anyway, I feel sure that if these "helpful" members offer advice to one they use others as a sounding board too. I don't know what can be printed in the paper concerning this matter, but wanted to call it to your attention.

Doris Woodall
Chesapeake, Va.

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Emphasis of hope

May I say that the articles on Rhodesia [Nov. 7] were excellent! It gives us here in other parts of the world a better appreciation for what we have. The day-to-day problems and pressures here (the U.S.) are quite small compared to facing death and the loss of a dear family member!

The article "Only One Hope," by Malcolm Tofts, was inspiring and badly needed. His emphasis of hope, the wonderful World Tomorrow, is needed by us all! In these troubled times of sin and darkness, the light of God's promise for us is greatly needed and desired!

Sean H. Ross
Chicago, Ill.

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'I'm sorry'

After reading the latest issue of *WN*, I felt very sad, seeing all the death notices of ones so young. My heart goes out to all their families, now suffering the grief of loss. Knowing God's truth helps, but only time heals.

When our little one died, many wrote and offered comfort, sincerely assuring us it was "for the best." Until you've held your child while it died, you really can't understand how impossible those words are to believe. How void of com' they are. For they aren't true.

After 14 hours of holding our daughter as she died, and then having to hand her body over to a mortician, the best was not death. Healing, life, pure health — that would have been "for the best." Death, a loss, and the emptiness that follows, is misery.

To quote Jess Lair...
"When you meet grief and death, accept it. Don't give false comfort by saying, 'Buck up, things could be worse.' Their whole life has changed. Someone else's problems mean nothing to them."

It's not a blessing the baby dies. It was their baby, deformed or not. It is not a blessing her husband, or his wife, no longer suffers. He or she was that person's whole life, now they're gone.

Drawing close to God was the only relief I found or find these two years later...

I did not want my daughter to die and cease suffering. I wanted her to live and cease suffering. She will again, but at the moment she died and months after, "she will again" was not a filling of the terrible empty arms I now possessed. The sad, aching heart, I cried!

I asked, why me? God answered, why not? Now I see the pain was necessary. I learned compassion and love and mercy and patience. I really got to know myself and my God. I'm so special to God that He allowed me to suffer and become stronger and more valuable and more mature. And another step closer to His Kingdom and perfection.

After all, which takes more faith: getting your own way, or having to wait? For those feeling the grief of death, I say, *I'm sorry*. Weep if you can; you'll feel better. You will make it and it's really okay to feel sad and cry.

Wende Bassett
Auburn, Wash.

Family nights

Here are some family nights we've had that we would like to share with others:

1. Fire drill.
2. McDonald's at home. Our son served us our homemade Big Macs, shakes and onion rings.
3. Science experiments (simple ones).
4. First aid — bandages made from sheets. (My son told someone he had a broken arm for family night!)
5. Walks.
6. Special TV shows.
7. Catching frogs at a pond.
8. Visit to a firehouse.

The Thomas Lombardos
Boscawen, N.H.

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Thank you for the ideas and suggestions printed about "family night."

Since reading the suggestions, our family has made a "Family Night Plan Can." It contains slips of paper each listing a different activity. Each of us will take a turn at drawing a slip from the plan can. We will draw them a week ahead of time so that preparations can be made for whichever activity is drawn. After a slip is drawn it will be put aside until all slips are used.

We hope by planning ahead our family night will be more successful and it will help build the family's interest and enthusiasm.

Our children enjoy dreaming up new ideas for family night. The following are some suggestions not listed in the *WN* which we have done or will do in the future:

1. Study an animal (the person who draws this slip can choose the animal).
2. Go shopping — even if it's just window shopping or showing the kids different styles of furniture in a furniture store.
3. Go to the library.
4. Make puppets and give a show.
5. Clown night (this was our 5-year-old's suggestion. She wants all of us to dress like clowns! Think we'll pray no unexpected company comes that night!).
6. Family baking project.
7. All of us work on paint- or color-by-number pictures.
8. Winter sliding party.
9. Basketball games.
10. Study a famous person.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Jaeger
Mellen, Wis.

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Especially Major

We would really be missing something if we were unable to receive the newspaper regularly. Our children enjoy the stories very much, especially those about Major.

Margret Beckman
Steinbach, Man.

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Behind Sadat's 'sacred mission'

PASADENA — The epic-making trip to Israel by Egypt's President Anwar Sadat is an indication of just how close the world came to witnessing the most disastrous Middle East conflict since the end of World War II.

It is known that Mr. Sadat was convinced that another war was imminent, with catastrophic results for his country almost certain. The alternative to peace, he told one American newsman in Jerusalem, "would be horrible, believe me, horrible."

And as usual Egypt would have borne the brunt of the fighting on the Arab side and suffered the most casualties and worst physical destruction.

Yet pressures from other Arab states, stoking the fires of discontent over such essentially non-Egyptian issues as the rights of the Palestinians, were placing the president in an extremely uncomfortable position.

Could lose all

Egypt is not prepared for another war. It would be the worst thing imaginable for Mr. Sadat's desperately poor, pathetically overcrowded country. All the progress made since the last struggle over four years ago would be lost, and much more.

Intelligence reports at Mr. Sadat's disposal, moreover, showed that a fifth round of Middle East fighting would be different this time; that, unlike what happened in the October, 1973, war, the government now in power in Israel would likely pay no heed to calls for a cease-fire at the Suez Canal but would order its generals to march straight into Cairo itself. Egypt would suffer the humiliation of a military conquest.

The Suez Canal Zone, the location of most of Egypt's investments since 1973, would fall to enemy hands. Lost would be \$500 million in annual canal-toll revenues expected to rise to \$1 billion by 1980. (When I was in Tokyo this past summer I had the opportunity to talk with a spokesman of the Japanese construction firm responsible for much of the

improvements on the Suez Canal, a most extensive project.)

No empty boast

Mr. Sadat was well aware that Israel's top general had warned only this past summer that, "if another war breaks out between the Arab states and Israel, we must insure that our victory is fast and decisive so that the whole world knows who won."

Mr. Sadat knew this was no empty

ser, ironically, was largely responsible for promulgating.

Egypt for Egyptians

A commentator in *Al-Ahram*, Cairo's leading newspaper, wrote bluntly of Egypt's Arab critics: "We are ready to sit back and cheer if this time those who are criticizing us go out to fight Israel," making clear that from now on Egypt will fight only to defend itself, not to help other Arab

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BY GENE H. HOGBER

boast, that Israel's military superiority has become so great since 1973 that the Israelis would require at the most three weeks to defeat the combined Arab forces.

Mr. Sadat also knew that a "comprehensive" Geneva conference, being pushed so hard by the Americans and Soviets, was doomed to failure — with war the consequence — unless a dramatic breakthrough occurred first, followed by pre-Geneva meetings, meetings such as the one he has called for in Cairo at which groundwork for Geneva could be sensibly laid with in Geneva instead of fruitless haranguing over procedure.

So it was clearly time for Mr. Sadat to try an entirely new approach, to do the impossible, to go to Israel on his "sacred mission."

Momentum in his favor

So far Mr. Sadat's aggressive peace offensive has worked. He has not allowed the momentum to subside. The Egyptian leader's message to the other Arab states is clear: Either they start cooperating with him on a joint Arab position, or Egypt will make a separate peace arrangement with Israel without them. The Egyptian nation is solidly behind its president's policy. Egyptians are sick and tired of being the fall guy for the mythical cause of pan-Arabism, which their own late President Nas-

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states of the Palestinians. "For 30 years we have paid for their so-called Arab pride with our blood," a Cairo physician added in a dispatch published in the *Los Angeles Times*. "We've sacrificed our economy for them. Our people have gone hungry and their lives are getting worse. I tell you that Egyptians to a man are fed up with fighting their battles. Let them feed their pride on oil and sand, not on the body of Egypt."

Many Egyptians have listened with mounting anger to radio broadcasts from Syria, Iraq and Libya condemning Sadat for his peace initiative.

Their reaction to the broadcast vitriol is best summed up by a semiliterate grocer named Mahmoud Fahit, 33, who said: "I don't give a ---- about the Palestinians, nor about all of the words that have been said about Arab unity. I listen to their radio broadcasts from Damascus and Baghdad and Tripoli talking about the unity of the Arabs. All of them talk endlessly with their hands cooling in the water, while our hands are in the fire."

U.S. folly exposed

Mr. Sadat has also repatriated the Middle East issue back to the states of the area. No longer is the United States the prime instigator of

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South Bend inventor develops way to reap energy windfall

By Bill Sonneborn
SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Is the answer in the search for alternate sources of energy "blowin' in the wind"? Fast-growing cadres of technologists and others think so.

Their work on wind-energy conversion systems is inspired by U.S. Navy data showing that in a single minute a hurricane releases more energy than that of the combined atomic-bomb arsenals of the United States and the Soviet Union.

"Wind power can take care of all our energy needs, and this can be accomplished in short order," says R. Buckminster Fuller. He provides statistical confirmation from the National Science Foundation.

The NSF strategy depicts large offshore, ship- or tower-mounted batteries of windmills to supply large cities.

There are many ongoing projects aimed at harnessing the enormous power of the wind, spurred by renewed fears of environmental ruin and fossil-fuel depletion.

Stymied but brightening

Thorny problems have stymied project engineers. But now brightening their hopes is a South Bend inventor. He has developed a key to large-scale employment of wind energy.

Some technologists envision installing windmills on power-line towers to spin dynamos that would add electricity to utility distribution grids. Most projects, however, aim at directly cutting the individual householder's light bill.

Once more growing in number are backyard windmills providing electricity for home lighting, radios and stereos.

Who can resist the alluring concept of free power from an absolutely non-polluting source?

Wind-powered generating plants, or "wind plants" — the purists eschew the term "windmill" where no actual milling takes place — aren't new, of course. Before the Rural Elec-

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trification Administration (REA) in the 1930s started bringing cheap power to almost everyone, thousands of Americans were able to enjoy electric lights, refrigerators, radios and other appliances powered by electricity from wind generators.

Storage batteries kept the appliances going during calm as well as breezy hours. When the wind refused to blow, batteries provided power that was replenished while nature again stirred up the air.

Short on capacity

Home wind plants couldn't compete with REA power, though. Greedy appliances such as kitchen ranges, water heaters and irons outstripped their capacity. So, as REA power became available in virtually unlimited abundance for pennies a day, one by one the home generating plants fell into disuse. By the late 1950s most manufacturers of self-contained home wind plants had turned to making other products.

New manufacturers now are springing up as soaring electric bills are renewing the demand for home wind plants, but even with advanced technology none can produce a practical wind-powered device that will run all appliances of the average modern home. However, the home wind plants are becoming popular in their own right as a power-source auxiliary.

Depending upon the windiness of the location, the initial cost should be covered by savings in electric bills in three to six years, the manufacturing firms claim.

Wind is so variable that traditionally in such installations it feeds direct-current power into batteries which, in turn, energize low-voltage

DC appliances. Without batteries in between, the generator, turning at varying wind speeds, would cause lamp bulbs to continually waver in brightness.

An exciting breakthrough by the South Bend inventor now promises to make home wind plants far more useful. Bob Steininger has bridged a technological gap that may lead to significant easing of the nation's energy crunch.

On the brink

Steininger's Wind Genni, now on the brink of full production, turns out alternating-current power that feeds directly into the home electrical-distribution system.

It needs no batteries nor special low-voltage DC appliances. When the wind dies, appliances are powered by public utility current. When the wind picks up again, the Wind Genni automatically supplements that current to the limit of its producing capacity.

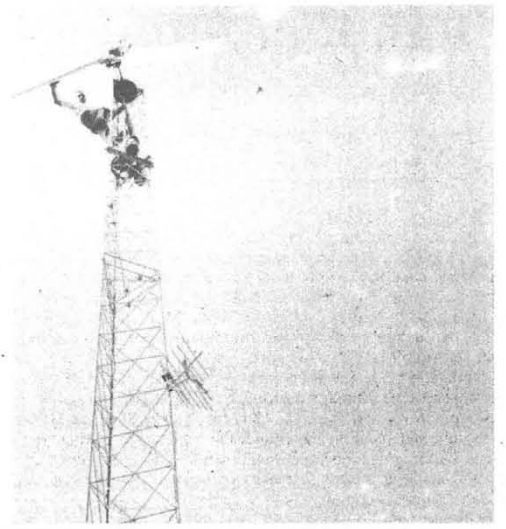
Not even a flicker of a light bulb betrays the instant changeovers.

The Wind Genni interacts with public utility power by means of a "base-load injector system." The base-load injector, a solid-state device, plugs into house circuitry but has fail-safe units to protect utility-company workers from back-fed energy.

In a power outage during a storm, for example, the Wind Genni could not back-feed electricity into neighborhood lines. Nor can it affect utility-company load controls.

"The Wind Genni cannot create an excess of power," says its inventor. "Anyone who installs one will be buying his first 1,000 watts from the power company. From 1,000 to 4,000 watts, the power can come from the Wind Genni, and if he's using more power than that the rest will come from the utility."

Maximum output of the Wind Genni is rated at 4,400 watts in a



TOWER OF POWER — Bob Steininger shows propellers that supplement public-utility current in powering his lights and some appliances. [Photo courtesy the South Bend, Ind., Tribune]

25-mile-an-hour [40-kilometer-an-hour] wind.

When power available from the wind drops, the base-load injector automatically calls on the utility line to make up the difference, to fill house load demands. When more power again becomes available from the wind, it automatically is fed into the house circuit, supplanting the same amount of utility-company power.

A three-blade fiberglass propeller, 12.6 feet [3.78 meters] in diameter, catches the wind atop a tower to turn a horizontal shaft. This goes into a gearbox which transforms it into a vertical power shaft leading to the alternator that produces the current. Attached to the fiberglass blades are centrifugally activated weights that feather the blades in high winds to prevent their destruction.

Sources synchronized

Bob Steininger's device, the base-load injector, takes a sample of the utility-line power and uses its pattern of cycles for Wind Genni power, syn-

chronizing the two like separate streams of water flowing into one.

About three years has gone into its development. Steininger now has turned to developing a 120-volt model which will operate independently of power lines. It will be marketed for remote locations where no electric power is available.

Since this model cannot be integrated with another power source, it will charge lead-acid storage batteries.

Steininger has had a 12-volt model feeding batteries at his home on West Edison Road. Many passing motorists stop to look at the big propeller as a broad vane painted with the green-and-white-striped ecology flag keeps it facing into the wind.

Ten feet below the tower top is the alternator. Also mounted on the tower is an anemometer to measure wind velocity. The Wind Genni starts charging in a 12-mile-per-hour wind and reaches capacity with wind speeds of 16 to 20.

Is South Bend a good place for wind-driven products? "It's the worst part of the country" in that regard, says Steininger. Although Michiana experiences hefty gales — he watched his gauge climb to 61 miles per hour in a "m this spring — the wind blows more constantly in most other regions. Coasts and mountain passes can depend on long breezy periods, so Steininger expects those areas to prove best for Wind Genni application.

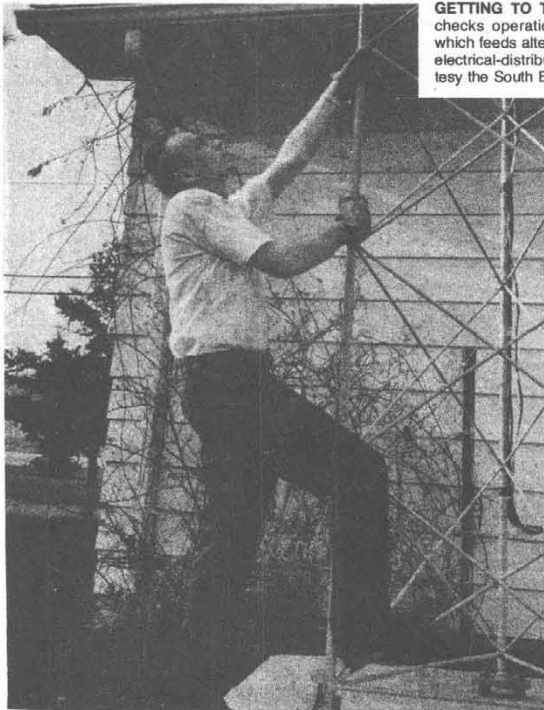
Away from tall buildings

A tower placing the propeller at least 15 feet above any major obstacle and at least 300 feet away from tall buildings and trees ensures a free flow of air to the Wind Genni. The Product Development Institute of Toledo, Ohio, marketing firm for the system, packages it with towers 44 and 60 feet high. Cost of the tower is added to the Wind Genni price of \$2,795.

The Toledo firm claims orders are pouring in despite that the Wind Genni still hasn't been advertised. If it lives up to expectations, production facilities could be hard pressed to keep up with demand, which is sure to rise as utility rates climb.

Higher power costs probably will continue to outstrip overall inflation rates, which means the "pay-back" estimate of three to six years for the Wind Genni could be further shortened.

St. John records Christ's words to Nicodemus that "the wind blows where it will, and you . . . do not know whence it comes or whither it goes." Of far greater concern than the wind's origin and destination is that it blows some good while on its way.



GETTING TO THE TOP — Bob Steininger checks operation of his home wind plant, which feeds alternating current into the home electrical-distribution system. [Photos courtesy the South Bend, Ind., Tribune]

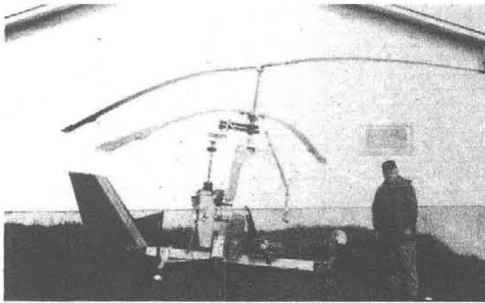


High flier builds chopper in spare time

OREGON, Ill. — N976FS is the result of a five-year spare-time project of Francis Schier, a member of

the Rockford, Ill., church.

While many members in the Upper Midwest were reading books or



IN A WHIRL — Francis Schier stands beside the twin-rotor, open-air helicopter he built in his spare time.

watching television during the cold winter months, Mr. Schier was building a helicopter. During the months when his excavation business was unable to operate, Mr. Schier worked on his wintertime hobby. Just before the Feast this year his aircraft was assigned its certification number, N976FS, from the Federal Aviation Agency.

Most unusual chopper

Recently Mr. Schier won a trophy for the most unusual design at the Popular Rotorcraft Fly-In, held at the Great Rockford Airport. The fly-in gives chopper hobbyists a chance to get together, exchange ideas about flying and show off their craft.

According to Mr. Schier, his was the only true helicopter at the show. Most of the small, one-man copters were in the gyrocopter class.

Gyrocopters have a large rotor on

top that lifts the aircraft off the ground, but also have a pusher propeller behind the pilot that gives the gyrocopter its forward motion. Unlike helicopters, gyrocopters must have a short runway from which to take off.

Mr. Schier's helicopter has twin rotors, one on top of the other, which counterrotate, giving his helicopter both lift and forward motion. The counterrotation of the blades also alleviates the need for a stabilizing propeller on the tail of the craft, which is necessary in normal helicopters to keep them flying in a straight line.

Knows the business

The open-cockpit helicopter, one of only two in the United States, Mr. Schier says, that use this principle, has an airspeed of 65 miles an hour and normally flies at an 800- to 1,000-foot altitude.

Mr. Schier is not a stranger to the aviation business. During the Second World War he was stationed at the Glenview Naval Air Station, northwest of Chicago, where he repaired Sterman airplanes.

After receiving a medical discharge from the Navy, he went to work for Douglas Aircraft and helped build the DC-4 at Douglas Field, now known as Chicago O'Hare. It was Mr. Schier's job to synchronize the various functions of the plane's four engines with the instruments in the cockpit.

After the war Mr. Schier formed his own company, Schier Excavation, and continued his interest in aviation. His most recent accomplishment is the helicopter he completed building about a year ago.

During the Feast Mr. Schier acts as a one-man ground crew at the Baraboo-Wisconsin Dells Airport, at which Herbert W. and Garner Ted Armstrong land when visiting the Wisconsin Dells site.

Mr. Schier became a co-worker in 1958 and was baptized in 1973.

Pecan man loves his children

By Dick Carozza

PRESCOTT, Kan. — Elwood Stambaugh has a running battle with local blue jays. But the war won't start for another six years or so.

That's how long it will take for most of his 40 pecan trees to mature to their greatest fruit yield. The blue jays love the tender nuts. The only trouble is, so does Elwood Stambaugh.

"It's my hobby, not my business. I've been growing pecans since 1959."

Stambaugh, 59, has been a self-styled machinist in Prescott for the last 30 years.

"This one right here," Stambaugh says, pointing to a 30-foot tree filled with luscious, ripening pecans, "is my joy. My real beauty." A grin breaks out on his face. This man is proud of what he's done.

"I planted a native tree, one that I found around here [in Prescott] and then grafted a Giles [a hybrid pecan tree] onto it in 1964. It started bearing fruit in 1970 and has been bearing fruit ever since."

The white, moist meat of the pecan is encased in a dark shell that varies in hardness, depending on the type. A hard, green outer pod surrounds and protects the nut while hanging on the tree.

Picking device

"You see, I pick these off the trees with a large rake-like device. I store them under pails and buckets to protect them from blue jays. While they're sitting, the outer pod dries up and cracks open. Then I can take the nut out and crack it. And mmm . . . that tastes good," he says.

"You know, I enjoy growing the trees, but what I really like to do is grafting. There are two ways to start a pecan orchard. You can plant trees from pecan nuts or transplant wild, native trees, and you can graft hybrid varieties onto transplanted wild trees."

Stambaugh says the best method involves grafting. "The fruit from wild trees are normally just little doojies," he says, showing the end joint of his little finger. "And they're more disease-prone than the hybrid grafts."

Stambaugh grafts by first cutting a native pecan tree off at about four feet from the ground at the trunk. He then inserts a small shoot of a hybrid pecan tree into an incision already made in the trunk and seals the shoot with a small nail and melted wax.

When Stambaugh grafts a hybrid shoot onto an existing branch on a native tree, he cuts the branch and shoot off at opposite angles, seals the two together with wax and ties a plastic bag around them to protect the new joint.

This article, about a member of the Joplin, Mo., church, is reprinted by permission from the Fort Scott, Kan., Tribune of Sept. 12.

"After about three weeks the sap gets to running between both of them and the hybrid shoot starts to grow," he says. "I don't know what it is but the cambium of the native tree bark wants to give sap and the hybrid shoot wants to take it.

"It's all very natural. It's even written up in the Bible where it talks about grafting grapevines. And another verse in Genesis talks about everything in God's creation being after its own kind. I couldn't graft any other trees together on these pecans except the hickory nut and one other nut tree. It just wouldn't take."

Jays on the job

Stambaugh isn't making much money with his pecan trees right now; the blue jays are doing their job and most of his trees were only planted in 1970 and aren't yielding much fruit

yet. But by the time he's 65 Stambaugh expects the pecan crop to support him and his wife nicely during his retirement years.

"This may be the most valuable bare lot right now in Prescott," Stambaugh says of his pecan-tree grove. "Well, at least it is to me. I've already put a lot of sweat into it."

"It's so enjoyable for me when I make a successful graft. It makes me almost feel like a mother."

Stambaugh is silent. The air is still and thick with moisture; the sun is edging toward the horizon. He takes one last look at his "children" in the field. Stambaugh heads home with a green nut in his hand and a smile on his face.

PECAN MAN — Elwood Stambaugh exhibits some pecans he grew from one of 40 pecan trees he grows for a hobby. (Photo courtesy the Fort Scott, Kan., Tribune)



ONLY YESTERDAY

Only yesterday I was a child
Running carefree in the wind,
Nurtured by my mother's love,
Strengthened by my father's discipline.
Tears were kissed away;
Problems rested on shoulders broader than mine.
Devotion to a puppy or a doll unyielding,
Mud pies, snow ice cream,
Fun was created, not bought,
Swings hung in trees, wound round and round,
Let go and the world swirled beneath me.
Lying in the grass, watching the birds,
The quiet sounds of the country echoing from horizon to horizon.
Pumping cold water out of a well on a hot summer day,
Lemonade, homemade ice cream on a Sunday afternoon.
Walks in the woods,
Picking blackberries,
Drinking from the stream.
Sitting around a wood stove, eating popcorn on a snowy winter evening.
Peaceful sleep only a child can know.
The carefree years passed. The turbulent years came.
The wisdom I thought I had.
The wisdom I thought my parents lacked.
Independence I thought I wanted so badly.
Ball games, homecoming,
School picnics, field trips,
The favorite teachers, the unfavorite ones,
Cramming for exams, practicing the piano,
Slumber parties, the favorite hamburger joint.
So grown up one day, such a child the next.
Finally! A woman!
Now I am the mother kissing away tears,

Their daddy strengthening with love and discipline.
The parties, the picture albums filled.
Memories etched in our minds, filling our hearts.
Bedtime stories, trips to the park.
Boy Scouts, PTA.
The family formed.
O, God, let it stay!
So quickly the days of our lives flit by.
The children grow.
My love and I grow older, wiser,
Sorrowed and strengthened by wisdom and the troubles that our shoulders now bear.
Why, dear God, did we not take more time to "smell the roses"?
More time to hold the tearful child,
More time to answer the important and unimportant questions,
More time to love and play,
More time to etch those memories?
They're almost grown now;
The birds are leaving the nest.
The moments are so special!
Our family gathered around a candlelit table.
The easy banter of a family's love flowing through the room.
The tears shed in secret at the thought of their growing up.
Soothing the wounds of adolescence,
The heartache and misery, the love and joy known only by a parent.
The peaceful sleep of a parent whose children are all safe in their beds!
A family!
A life!
It all happened so fast — as a vapor —
Only yesterday I was a child . . .

June Johnston
Casper, Wyo.

Land gives them best of both; engineering, farming combine

By Geoffrey Neilson

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa — "Thank you, Father, for this small holding and for the way we're able to live on it." John Carter prays before the evening meal I share with him and his family. His amen is followed by a cross fire of animated talk from his wife, Rona, and children, David, 8, Jackie, 6, and Richard, 2, and John finds it necessary to assure me, as a bachelor, that this is what life is all about. Psalm 128 ticker-tapes through my mind.

Living close enough to Natal's capital, Pietermaritzburg, that its lights flicker on the horizon, and far enough away that smog and traffic noise don't intrude, the Carters enjoy life on their 14-acre country property immensely. "I'm a farm girl and always have been," says Rona, "except for a short time I worked in the city."

"I couldn't get out of the city fast enough," says John, even though he was brought up in highly industrialized northern England. After qualifying as an engineer, Yorkshireman John joined the Royal Merchant Navy. His travels took him to Burma, India and various parts of Africa.

In 1963, at the age of 25, he immigrated to South Africa. In 1964 he decided to enlist as a mercenary in the Belgian Congo, where he fought for six months and came in contact with Col. Mike Hoare, probably the most successful mercenary of the last decade.

Tranquil contrast

John has numerous memories and photographs, some he won't allow his children to see, that remind him that his stay in the Congo tallied with one of the bloodiest periods of Africa has ever known.

Yet today, as if his system has rejected the horrors of the Congo entirely, John's small land holding provides a peace and tranquillity he feels is somewhat akin to the way people will live in the Millennium.

"But we're not trying to prove anything," he adds.

I ask whether the Carters are trying to become self-sufficient on their land.

"It's a matter of economics," John replies. "We're building up to be self-sufficient in meat. We already are in milk and eggs. Those are the expensive things. But we're not really trying to grow large numbers of vegetables. It's cheaper to buy them from the market."

Rare spontaneity

Laughing, talking, explaining, listening, demonstrating how their toys operate, the Carter children exude a spontaneity I don't recall seeing very often in city children.

Eight-year-old David talks freely and knowledgeably about the many varieties of seeds he has planted — when he expects each kind of plant to break through the ground, why he hasn't watered those ones today, what type of strange fruit those will bear.

He takes me to his 50-square-foot plot surrounded by a wire fence and discusses the problem of chickens entering and digging up his seeds.

He talks of a solution, looks up, waves his hand expansively and says with unquestioning faith, "One day all of this will be planted."

Unassisted, 6-year-old Jackie puts on a phonograph record containing the voice of a woman reading a children's story. It's obviously a favorite recording, and Jackie has learned to mimic its techniques of speech and drama. A split second before the voice from the loudspeaker phrases each word, Jackie has already



CARTER COUNTRY — John Carter bought this 1947 John Deere tractor that had been unused for 10 years for about \$115. Right: Mr. Carter holds one of the fiberglass boxes made on the press at right.

stated it, in the same articulated way. The Carters employ a Zulu family. In return for the work the family members do they receive meat, milk, mealie (Indian-corn) meal, sugar, a salary and housing. Rona speaks Zulu, and John relies on her for communicating with the family.

The two teenage Zulu girls gingerly step into the lounge and stare at the Carters' television set, giggling to themselves. Their wide eyes reveal it's a novel experience for them. During the meal a neighboring Zulu woman appears at the window. She wants John to arrange parole for her husband in Estcourt, many miles away. She speaks no English, and Rona acts as interpreter.

While situated in a rural area, the Carter homestead boasts all the conveniences of city life: electricity, hot water, radio, television, refrigerator, freezers and electric stove. However, at 50 to 60 rand (about \$55 to \$70) a month, their electricity bill is high compared with what city dwellers pay.

Also a businessman

In direct contrast to the pleasant Carter cottage, filled with unusual artifacts and surrounded by rolling hills, animals and birds, is John's

business. It's in Pinetown, one of South Africa's most heavily industrialized areas, between Durban and Pietermaritzburg.

York Fibreglass Pressings is owned by John and an electrician friend, Larry York.

The partners are concentrating on manufacturing various fiberglass boxes suitable for enclosing electrical components. The two men manufacture all their own machinery, which in turn makes the plastic products they sell. John does the machine tooling and his partner the electrical design.

Both men are adept at seeing needs in the market and working together to fashion tools that would otherwise have to be imported at great expense. The mold alone for the main press the company uses would cost 10,000 pounds — about \$17,400 — if imported from England. John's mold cost one twentieth of that.

Using dough-molding compound, a glass-reinforced plastic, they manufacture items by forcing the dough under 50 tons of pressure into the precision-cut steel mold.

Other than the mammoth South African Railways, and one large firm in Pretoria, no one else in the country is successfully making use of this process. Because of the narrow field of



The press was designed and constructed by Mr. Carter and his partner, Larry York. Willy Mcholi, left, operates the press. (Photos by Geoffrey Neilson)

manufacturers, John has been forced to establish the formulas for his products himself.

Goal of self-sufficiency

York Fibreglass Pressings recently purchased a machine for making its own dough molding compound, which will make it a self-sufficient manufacturing company.

John relishes the idea of this independence. "I've never enjoyed working for a boss," he says emphatically.

When I look around John Carter's factory, and at the handsome pocket knives he makes as a hobby, I'm reminded of the incredible ingenuity British prisoners of war displayed in making various escape equipment from virtually nothing.

Spells cast

Perhaps the major problem York Fibreglass Pressings has faced this year is absenteeism caused by witchcraft.

One of the Zulu workers has been casting spells on his workmates.

"They get sick," John explains. "There's nothing you can do for them. They have to go and find a witch doctor whom they believe has greater powers which will neutralize the spell. One of the men was away for an

entire week recently."

John and Rona Carter have been members of the Church since 1974. He is a fisherman and hunter, and outside acquaintances are sometimes startled to discover that this rugged, self-sufficient man is a Christian.

Last year John was a valuable contributor to the Church's Summer Educational Program in South Africa, managing the skeet-shooting range on the nearby game farm of lawyer A.P. Smith.

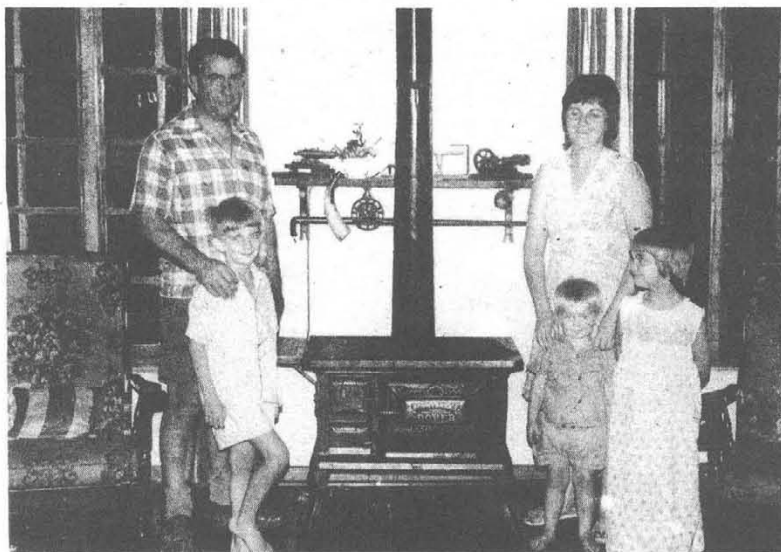
Best of three

The next morning I awake to the sound of a cock crowing and birds singing. Outside it's misty. The Carters' cows are already roaming in the meadow next to the cottage. One of the neighbor's children comes across at 6:30 to play. His friendliness overwhelms me. I think of all we miss in the city.

John and Rona Carter seem to have the best of three worlds: the benefits of country life, the conveniences of city life and their own business.

"Engineering and farming go well together," John tells me.

As I watch him having difficulty starting his 1947 John Deere tractor, even a city boy like me understands what he means.



THE CARTERS — The Carters, here in the living room of their cottage near Pietermaritzburg, enjoy the country life but with all the conveniences of the city. John Carter and his son David are on the left; Rona Carter with son Richard and daughter, Jackie, are on the right. (Photo by Geoffrey Neilson)

A Personal Letter

from

Dean Wilson

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Work there.

In every locality where I spoke, I was to find there were a number of brethren who had driven for up to eight hours or more over rough roads. For example, in Christchurch some of the brethren had come from Invercargill, on the extreme tip of the South Island, over rough, two-lane roads.

We arrived in Wellington to gusting 50-knot winds but were warmly greeted by Gary and Pamela Harvey. They had planned to go to Auckland for services the next night, so I asked Gary if they'd like to fly back to Auckland aboard the G-II. We departed immediately after services to collect his excited young son, and he and his wife arrived at the aircraft within minutes of us, breathlessly ready for a first-time-ever trip on a private jet. We really enjoyed having the Mortons and Harveys aboard on that short leg.

The two immediate speaking engagements following, after our arrival in New Zealand, plus the combination of a drafty hall in Christchurch, and I strongly suspect the poisonous insecticide which was sprayed inside the aircraft upon our arrival in Auckland by a health official, gave me a severe sinus and throat condition which hampered me throughout the trip, albeit without seriously affecting my voice for speaking, even though I was continually conscious of clogged sinuses and a sore throat.

Again, the brethren in Wellington had driven from points all over the central section of the North Island of New Zealand and were equally as warm and enthusiastic a group as we met anywhere on the trip.

We really enjoyed these smaller meetings, since we were able to shake hands with and chat briefly with almost all of the people who attended, which was of course impossible during some of our larger meetings simply because of schedule and the large crowds of people who were there.

The final night in New Zealand I spoke to our church in the Auckland area in a very pleasant hall and was extremely impressed by the members' enthusiasm and warmth.

Maori weapon

Following my sermon Mr. Morton, director of the Work in New Zealand, presented me with a unique gift, a greenstone *mere*, which is a ceremonial type of stone club traditionally fashioned by the Maori chieftains for use in battle and ceremonial occasions. Mr. Morton explained how the raising of the club aloft over one's head symbolized a call to follow the chief, and he drew the analogy of God's Work for today and the dedication of the Church in following its leaders in accomplishing God's Work.

We left the following morning for Brisbane, where we were met by Mark and Jana Cardona and, after clearing customs, continued immediately on to Coolangatta, the closest airport to our offices at Burleigh Heads.

We were met at Coolangatta by Mr. Dean Wilson, regional director of the Australian Work, his wife, Marolyn, and members of the office staff and ministry. There and in Brisbane we were greeted by a sizable group including Tom and Anne Burchard, John and Patricia Halford, Chris and Denise Hunting, David and Robyn Jackson, Rod and Shayne King, Rod and Ruth Matthews, Rod and Martha McQueen, David and Karen Noller, the Peter McLeans and the Philip Plows.

This was the first time ever to visit

the very lovely offices in their natural Australian setting of eucalypti, native shrubs and trees and a pleasant lagoon. I was very inspired with the offices, and commented several times that they are in fact more pleasant than many of the offices at headquarters!

We did not feel a bit sorry for Mr. Wilson and all those in the offices at Burleigh Heads for having to labor in such a country, in such a location, I assure you!

We did not have an opportunity to visit Mr. Wilson's home, but we did enjoy our hour and a half or two at Burleigh Heads, in greeting all of the office staff and being taken on a complete tour of all of the office facilities. Also, Mr. Wilson accompanied us on the rest of our stops in Australia.

During our brief visit to the offices in Burleigh Heads, Mr. Wilson, on behalf of the entire ministry, office staff and all the brethren in Australia, presented my wife and me with a pair of beautiful opal rings! We were dumbfounded and overwhelmed by such a gift.

Opal is, of course, native to Australia, and my wife's has tiny diamonds in the shape of a boomerang to one side of an oblong white opal. My own is dark blue and green in a man's design in a gold setting.

Also on this trip I was presented a hand-carved cane made from cherry wood from our Burmese brethren.

As I mentioned on at least several occasions during my trip to Aus-

tralia, it is the thought behind a gift that is the important thing. My wife and I were very much touched by the tremendous outpouring of love and support evidenced in such gifts from our Australian brethren. But, as I made clear, the greatest gift that the brethren in Australia can give me, my father and all of us in God's Work is the gift they have made of themselves to Christ and to their Father in heaven!

Media display

They had prepared for me a complete media display on stands in the large meeting room in the offices, and I wish all of you brethren around the world could see the remarkable media coverage we are experiencing in Australia!

As one example, 40 percent of the population of Australia lives in the two cities of Sydney and Melbourne, and we are on television twice on Sunday in each of those cities! As I found from Mr. Wilson's reports and was able to convey to the brethren along the way thereafter, we have a healthier commitment of finances to media proportionate to total income in Australia than any other part of the World!

Therefore we are doing our job of preaching the Gospel as a witness and a warning more effectively in that part of the world than we are in practically any other, with a conceivable exception of Canada, which may be a close second to Australia in terms of saturation of the total population.

It was tremendously inspiring to

see our very fine radio and television coverage, to see the posters, bumper stickers, the ads in *TV Guide* and other leading publications, local newspapers and the like in the media in Australia.

Most hectic day

The following day, the Sabbath, was perhaps our most hectic, with the sermon from 10 until 12 before more than 1,000 brethren in a large hall atop a knoll which was the site of the buildings used by the Allied High Command, including Gen. Douglas MacArthur, during World War II.

We had to rush straight to the airport, fly to Sydney (losing one hour because of daylight-saving time) and rush straight to the meeting hall to arrive just barely before time to speak once more before over 1,000 brethren in Sydney!

Those who met us in Sydney included the Don Abrahams, the John Cominos, the Russell Coustons, the Alan Deans, the Bruce Deans, the Alan Gubbs, the Trevor Higginses, the John Larkins, the Tom Burchards, the John McLeans, the Robert Mitchells, the Darcy Watsons, the Colin Sutcliffe and the Peter Whittings.

Again I was speaking before excited, enthusiastic and inspired people who showed me by their tremendous outpouring of warmth and response that they were really up for my arrival and for my sermon there. It was an inspiring experience for me, I can assure you!

The next day we went on to Melbourne — another first, of course,

because I had only been in Sydney and its immediate environs in my previous trip 16 years earlier — and spoke before about 1,400 in a very beautiful hall, where we found that approximately 100 members had chartered an aircraft and come all the way from Tasmania for my visit.

At Melbourne we were met by Graemne and Lynette Marshall (Mr. Marshall was previously director of the Work in New Zealand), Rod and Vicki Dean, Ross and Gaie Beath, Bill and Patricia Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Edington, John and Julie Ferrier, Rod and Lorraine Gowland and Brian and Gillian Orchard. Brian drove us to some of the meetings and the airport and is the pastor of the North church in Melbourne, where there are three. We also met Mr. and Mrs. Bill Robinson, Leonard and Dorothy Quirk and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Villiers.

Major cities save Canberra

Mr. Wilson felt that by going to all of the major cities of Australia, save the capital, Canberra, we reached up into the 90th percent of all of the brethren and commented that crowds at each place were found to be 100 to 200 larger than expected, which meant that many of our brethren had invited friends and/or relatives, or that some of our co-workers and interested people had heard about the visit, even though we did not announce it in the newspapers.

Again, I particularly enjoyed the enthusiastic response of the brethren in Melbourne, but that was not unique of Melbourne; it was universal so everywhere I spoke.

It was a pleasure to meet so many old friends that I had met in such far-flung places as England, the United States and Israel (Australians do get around!), and of course to see some of our ministers whom I had met when they were students at Bricklet Wood or Big Sandy.

From Melbourne it was on to Adelaide at the terminus of the Murray River Valley on the Gulf of St. Vincent. It was raining in both Melbourne and Adelaide, for which we were thankful, because Australia has been suffering from a terrible drought, and you could see the extreme dryness everywhere we went.

In Adelaide we were met by Ed and Jessie Tupper; whom I had met first in Israel back in the early 1970s. Mr. Tupper is pastor of the Adelaide church. Would you believe he has built something like a 42-foot sailing yacht with his bare hands? And then Clive and Melva Leske, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orr, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Morrell, Bob and Kathy Regazzoli and Bruce and Sondra Tyler.

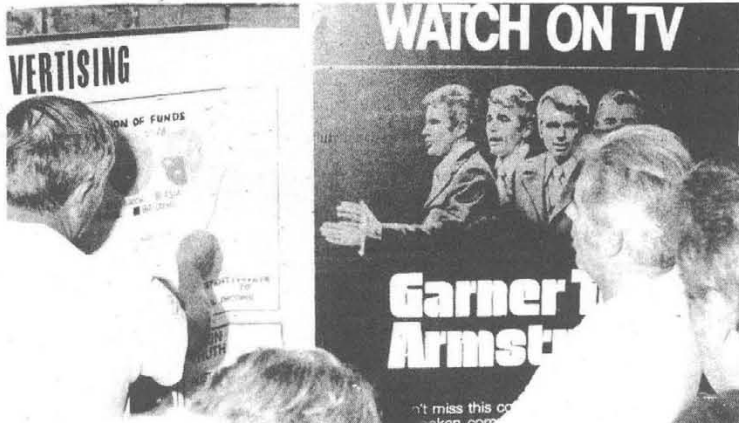
We were disappointed on every one of our stops by our lack of time to get out and see a little bit of the environs, but we had absolutely no chance for such side trips and had to be satisfied with just the immediate environs of our hotels and the trips to and from the meeting places and the airports.

It certainly made me want to return to these areas whenever I possibly can and of course have a little longer to stay in each place, though with the demands on my time I wouldn't even want to speculate about when, if ever, that will become possible.

Following my sermon in Adelaide we got a good night's sleep and went on to Perth the following morning to be met by our ministers and their wives, led by Mr. Ken Lewis. Mr. Lewis is a former jet pilot for one of the domestic Australian airlines.

We arrived in Perth at the same time we left Adelaide, where the difference from Sydney time is an hour and a half. There were three hours between Adelaide and Perth, so, though we had taken off from Adelaide at 11 o'clock South Australian time, we arrived after a three-

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DOWN UNDER — Dean Wilson, director of the Australian Work, above left, shows Garner Ted Armstrong display depicting the progress of the Work in Australia. Below: John Halford, area coordinator for Southeast Asia, presents Mr. Armstrong with a cane from Burmese Church members. (Photos by John A. Halford)





OPAL RINGS—Gamer Ted and Shirley Armstrong, left, show the opal rings the brethren in Australia presented them in Burleigh Heads. With the Armstrongs are Dean and Marolyn Wilson. Mr. Wilson is director of the Australian Work. [Photo by John A. Halford]

A Personal Letter
from

Garner Ted Armstrong

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hour flight at exactly 11 o'clock Perth time.

I would be speaking very late that night, but it also gave us our first and only opportunity for a little bit of recreation, so my wife and I and the Thornhills drove about 20 miles or so north of the city of Perth to a state beach, and I had the opportunity to get out and jog about two miles on the sand and my wife and I enjoyed walking along the beach and collecting unusual shells with the Thornhills before returning to our hotel to prepare for the sermon that evening. There was a blustery wind from the west and very pleasant temperatures up into the high 70s or low 80s.

Beautiful areas

I felt that Western Australia and the city of Perth were some of the most beautiful areas we saw on the whole trip. Arriving in Perth was almost like seeing an American city, except that there are few American cities as clean and beautiful as Perth appeared to be from our brief view of it.

That evening I very much enjoyed speaking (for the ninth time in just barely over a week) to a very warm and enthusiastic group of brethren. There were about 480 assembled in one of the meeting rooms of a leading hotel.

We left Mr. Wilson in Perth, before continuing the following morning to Darwin for fuel before flying to Hong Kong for a couple of days' rest and opportunity to do some dictating on my book, some on-the-spot radio and finally to let my voice rest for a day or so before speaking again.

We experienced an almost physical letdown following our hectic speaking engagements, but on the other hand we were of course very much looking forward to a couple of days' rest before having to speak again.

Prophetic fulfillments

Throughout the entire trip I was emphasizing the tremendous number of world events which are leading toward direct fulfillment of many biblical prophecies!

Perhaps all of us should dust off the many prophecies in Isaiah and Ezekiel concerning warnings to the nation of Judah against leaning on or depending upon Egypt!

As I have mentioned on practically every stop, it would have been very difficult to have understood Daniel 11 beginning with verse 40 through the end of that chapter, which speaks of a revitalized and resurrected mod-

ernite Roman Empire (a United States of Europe identified as the "king of the North" in the Scriptures) that would send armed forces into the Middle East, occupying BOTH Israel and Egypt! Before Sadat's bold trip to Jerusalem and the open invitation to Israel and other Arab leadership as well as that of the major powers to sit down and discuss the Middle East situation in Cairo, the political situation made it difficult to have understood, in light of biblical prophecy, why a king of the North would attack both Egypt AND Israel, since Egypt and Israel have been traditional and implacable enemies.

One may be led to speculate in the wake of Sadat's bold trip and appearance before the Knesset whether some of the prophecies, which seem obviously to refer to the end time, imply there will be not only rapprochement but eventually separate peace negotiations followed by economic, social, cultural and/or eventual political cooperation between the two peoples.

It makes me begin to wonder whether Saudi Arabia — traditionally pro-Western and a moderate voice among other Arab states, most especially in the Saudis' influence in helping prevent more unreasonable price hikes among other OPEC members — will not eventually enter into some sort of a trilateral agreement with Israel and Egypt. In reading about the nations which are to

escape out of the hands of the king of the North (which appear to be Syria, Iraq and Jordan) and those nations that do not escape (Israel and Egypt, with "Libya and Ethiopia at his steps"), one wonders if the "king of the South" will include one of the strangest alignments of nations we could ever imagine, that of Israel actually cooperating with and even aligned with some of her formerly hostile and intractable Arab foes.

Will come to pass

Of course what we must know and understand is that the Bible prophecies are true, accurate and will come to pass!

Oftentimes we speculate and wonder why the prophecies will work out in just that way, or how political circumstances among modern nations will lead toward the fulfillment of that prophecy. And in such speculations we must be careful not to draw firm conclusions or become too dogmatic. But with Sadat's unprecedented trip to Jerusalem (the first time an Arab head of state had set foot in Jerusalem since Gen. Edmund Allenby seized Palestine from the Turks in 1917), one must nevertheless wonder whether many of these prophecies are beginning to be fulfilled.

Surprisingly, even after making many statements in many of the places in which I spoke concerning the breakdown in trade around the world, the vast balance-of-payments deficit in the United States (a record

was reached just yesterday with a minus \$3.1 billion in October, sending the deficit to a record \$22.4 billion compared with only \$4 billion for the same period in 1976!) and most specifically the continued squabbles between the various member states of GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade), I have been quite struck with the remarkable pace of world events which are leading toward the fulfillment of prophecy!

On my first visit to Asia following my conversion and the first time I had ever been in the area since my Navy days, I was immediately struck with the tremendous potential of Japan. I have written articles over the years warning about its supregiant potential as a world power.

Threatening Western economies

When I arrived in Australia I was to see articles threatening that Western economic leaders would have to "drag the Japanese kicking and screaming" into agreements against "alleged dumping" of Japanese commodities on the American market.

("Dumping" is a term used by economists to describe the practices of trading nations that may temporarily sell commodities in another nation at below manufacturer's cost, with government subsidies to factories to offset the difference to keep trading doors open.)

For example, as the GATT meetings opened in Geneva among those nations responsible for more than 80 percent of world trade, serious fears abounded that protectionist trends could spark an INTERNATIONAL TRADE WAR.

I have personally written article after article with virtually that same headline!

I can remember articles I have written for *The Plain Truth*, *The Good News* or *Tomorrow's World* in the past predicting trade wars and have mentioned quite literally hundreds of times the avalanche of trade goods flooding United States markets from Japan and how this would bring about demands for tariffs, surcharges, quotas and "buy-American" protectionism, leading to severe damage in international relations. I have wondered at what point we would see almost a bizarre repetition of those same events in the Pacific which directly led to World War II.

A shocking article in the newspaper at Perth headlined "World Trade Threatened" said that the GATT director general, Mr. Oliver Long, had warned that the world's

leading trading nations could slide into protectionism to defend their troubled economies and "the result would severely damage national economies, cut individual living standards and RIP APART THE WHOLE STRUCTURE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS" (emphasis mine).

He particularly highlighted bickering between the United States, the Common Market and Japan which threatens to dismantle the current international economic structure.

I will be writing and speaking on these subjects in the near future, of course, and intend to make on-the-spot radio programs addressing these and other points of prophetic significance along the way.

Fulfilling and inspiring trip

As I told you, I had to make many five-minute radio programs, as well as being ahead on my 30-minute radio, weekly television and columns, and I know I will arrive back at my desk at headquarters to find a great deal of work to be immediately accomplished. I find myself once again behind in all of these areas, nevertheless I am very thankful we have had the opportunity, the first time ever for my wife and son and the first time I have had opportunity in 16 solid years to even return to the island continent, "down under." It has been a fulfilling and inspiring trip and a very moving one to see the tremendous fruit that is being borne in this part of the world.

It is inspiring when I think back to 1959 when Gerald Waterhouse and I arrived in Sydney with practically no Work being accomplished in Australia at all except for the radio program just beginning here and there as it could be placed on Australian radio. My trip to Australia directly led to the opening up of many more radio stations following my contacts and personal discussions with the director of an Australian broadcasting company. We arrived in Sydney with a certified cashier's check of U.S. \$12,000 to begin a fledgling Work there.

Gerald and I contacted a soliciting firm, negotiated a lease for beautiful office facilities in the MLC Building, then the most prestigious new building in North Sydney, obtained our original post-office box (we tried to obtain Box 111 but found we could not and so had to settle for one which would be easy for people to remember, Box 345) for me to see the vastly changed Sydney skyline, our "beautiful" new specially designed constructed facility at Burleigh Heads and a Work much much bigger than the whole Work worldwide was when I graduated from college, is particularly inspiring!

Now on its own

Though the United States brethren had to directly underwrite the Work being done among our fellow Israelites in Australia for many, many years, the Australian Work is very much on its own feet today and is a vital, powerful Work doing, I feel, one of the most effective jobs of any other part of the whole world in reaching the majority of the population with the witness and the warning message.

This is growing quite lengthy, so I will close here with a personal message to all of you brethren I met in New Zealand and Australia: Our only disappointment was being unable to visit with a greater number of you, to get to know you more personally and spend more time in each of the areas we visited.

My wife and I and all of those with me, Mr. and Mrs. McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. Thornhill and my son David, are very much looking forward to a future opportunity to visit with all of you brethren in that part of the world again!

With love, in Jesus' name,
Garner Ted Armstrong



KIWI DIRECTOR—Bob Morton, director of the Work in New Zealand, makes a point about his country to Garner Ted Armstrong, right, and Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division. [Photo by David Armstrong]



PACIFIC TOUR — Mr. and Mrs. Garner Ted Armstrong, along with Australian regional director Dean Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, left photo, stand beside the G-II, the jet that carried Mr. Armstrong and party on their tour. Right: Mr. Armstrong and International Division director Leslie McCullough speak to New Zealand Church members. Far right: Mr. Armstrong, on his visit to the Auckland office, keeps in touch with Dr. Robert Kuhn, his personal assistant, back home in Pasadena. [Photos by John A. Halford and David Armstrong]



GTA winds up tour of Pacific, heads home

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brethren were most appreciative of Mr. Armstrong's "efforts to come and in taking the time to cover so many centers."

They said the visit will be remembered for years and will be considered one of the highlights of an exciting year in the Work in Australia. Mr. Armstrong spoke to 1,051 people in Manila, Philippines, the Sabbath of Dec. 3 before departing for the United States via Hawaii.

New Zealand visit

The following report on Mr. Armstrong's visit to New Zealand was filed by Mr. Morgan:

"Nov. 22 the party visited the Ambassador College office here and then flew to Christchurch, where 90 members and families met to hear Mr. Armstrong. Some had driven for eight hours to see him for the very first time. Their efforts were well rewarded, as he conducted an open and

invigorating question-and-answer session and Bible study which lasted over two hours.

"The next evening Mr. Armstrong held a meeting of similar format with 135 members in Wellington, New Zealand's capital city. Questions covered a wide variety of topics, including many aspects of the Work, doctrines and prophecy.

"Thursday, Nov. 24, Mr. Armstrong and party had lunch in Auckland with about 30 ministers, office staff and leading men and wives from all over the country. That evening a special service in Auckland was attended by 500 people. Mr. McCullough spoke for half an hour about growth in the Work right around the globe, and Mr. Armstrong preached a strong, inspiring sermon about his personal commitment to God's Work.

"At the close of his message, Bob Morton, regional director for New Zealand and the South Pacific, pre-

sented him with a magnificent ceremonial greenstone *mere* — pronounced merry — on behalf of all the brethren in New Zealand.

"A *mere* is a clublike Maori weapon and a symbol of leadership. 'When brandished aloft by a Maori chieftain, it was a signal for his warriors to follow him wherever he led,' Mr. Morton told Mr. Armstrong, 'and this is symbolic of the feeling that the members here have toward you as you assist your father in leading God's people.'

"Mr. Morton also noted that the *mere* had been cut from exactly the same piece of greenstone as was used

to make an ornament recently presented by New Zealand to Princess Anne.

"The visitors departed for Australia on Friday morning, Nov. 25, after a most successful stay in New Zealand."

Australian visit

Mr. Halford and Mr. Matthews filed the following report on Mr. Armstrong's Australian visit:

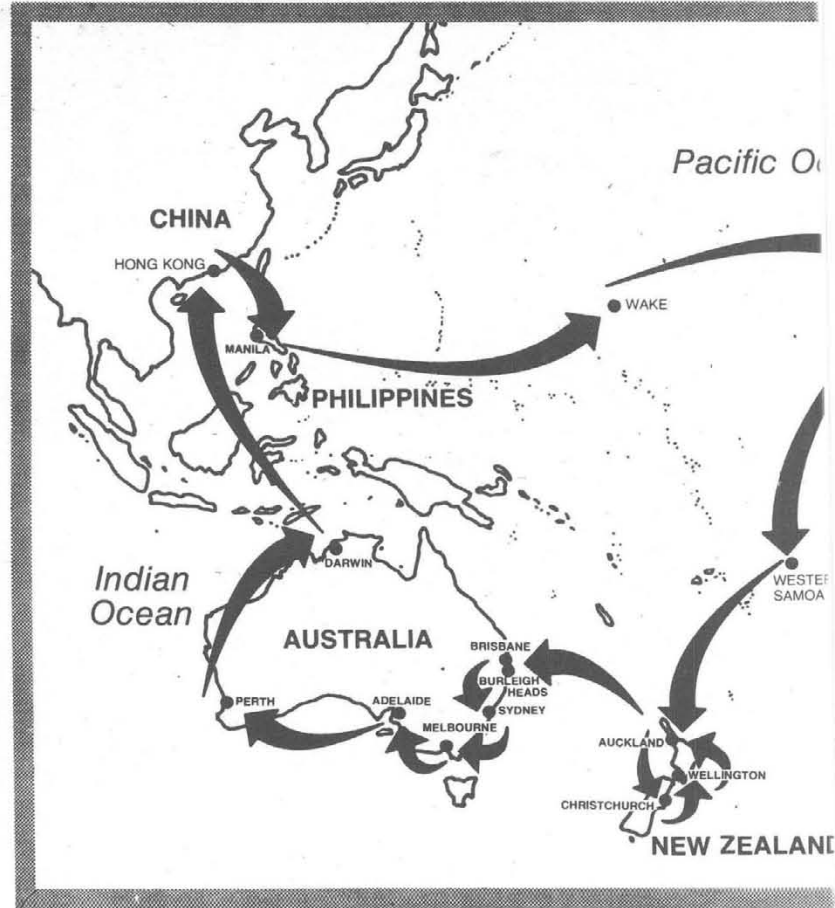
"Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's long-promised and eagerly awaited visit to Australia began on Friday, Nov. 25, when the G-II touched down at Brisbane's Eaglefarm Airport.

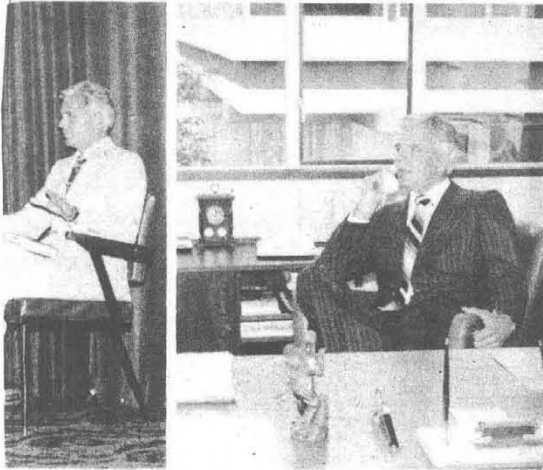
"Mr. Armstrong and his party, including Mrs. Shirley Armstrong, his son David, Mr. and Mrs. Les McCullough and Mr. and Mrs. Jun Thornhill, had flown to Australia from New Zealand.

"After quickly clearing immigration and customs formalities, Mr. Armstrong piloted the G-II to Coolangatta airport, on the Gold Coast, for a brief visit to the Australian office building. Coolangatta is about 60 miles south of Brisbane. Mr. Dean Wilson, regional director, and staff members met Mr. Armstrong at the airport and escorted them through the offices.



AUSTRALIAN GREETINGS — Australian regional director Dean Wilson, left, greets Garner Ted Armstrong after he debarks from the G-II [Photo by John A. Halford]





"Mr. Armstrong commented that the office was one of the nicest buildings he had seen, and he was expressly struck by the casual style of the architecture and some of the beautiful paintings hanging on the walls.

"Australian staff members had prepared a display to show Mr. Armstrong the Australian Work's activities at a glance, and Mr. Armstrong showed great interest in this and expressed satisfaction in the progress being made in this area of the world.

"He mentioned to staff members that he had taken an eager and active part in all major decisions concerning the Australian Work during the last 16 years. It was a special thrill for him to see what had been accomplished since his last visit, in 1961.

"Mr. Armstrong's party then flew back to Brisbane, where ministers from all over Queensland met him at an informal dinner.

"On Sabbath, Nov. 26, Mr. Armstrong spoke to 1,094 members from all over Queensland and northern New South Wales at Brisbane's Cloudland Ballroom. He was most interested in learning that this was the same building that had been used by Gen. Douglas MacArthur during the early stages of the Pacific campaign during the Second World War.

"Mr. Ted Armstrong spoke on his own personal experiences in coming into the Work and also encouraged members to watch the almost daily fulfillment of prophecy, especially in the Middle East.

"Members had literally come from far and wide to hear Mr. Arm-

strong. The Grafton church in New South Wales had hired a bus to travel to Brisbane, and, because of the distance involved, it was necessary for them to leave at 4:30 a.m. Several members from Cairns — almost 1,200 miles north of Brisbane — had hired a six-seater plane to make the trip to hear Mr. Armstrong.

"Immediately after the services in Brisbane, Mr. Armstrong left with his party for the one-hour flight to Sydney, where 1,300 brethren were waiting to hear him. Again, members from all over New South Wales had traveled hundreds of miles to hear and see Mr. Armstrong personally for the first time.

"On Sunday morning the G-II took the party to Melbourne, state capital of Victoria. There 1,480 people attended the service in a beautiful auditorium, including over 100 brethren from churches on the island state of Tasmania who had chartered a jet to travel to Melbourne so as not to miss out on this special occasion. Mr. Armstrong spoke on prophecy, prefacing his sermon with detailed news of the Work from headquarters in Pasadena.

"The party then continued the trip to Adelaide, capital of South Australia, on Monday for an evening meeting. There 482 enthusiastic Western Australians welcomed the Armstrongs and party for the first time ever.

"During the tour both Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong wore the beautiful opal rings that Mr. Wilson had presented to them on behalf of the Australian brethren when they were at the offices in Burleigh Heads. They were both thrilled with the gifts, as Mrs. Armstrong had intended to try to buy one anyway when they were in Australia and had not expected to be given one. The opal is a unique Australian stone of sparkling colors, predominantly blue.

"On Wednesday, Nov. 30, the G-II left Perth heading for the Philippines with a refueling stop scheduled for Darwin, in Australia's Northern Territory. Excitement and enthusiasm were very evident in all areas as only a handful of the 4,561 people who attended the five locations had ever seen Mr. Armstrong in person before. With his TV program on 49 channels and his voice heard over 34 radio stations across the nation, he is fast becoming a very well-known personality in Australia. Local Gold Coast papers ran news stories on his visit to the offices."

Manila visit

Colin Adair, director of the Work in the Philippines, filed the following report on the Philippine leg of Mr. Armstrong's trip:

"Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's visit to the Philippines, though short, was very successful. A total of 1,051 brethren and co-workers filled to overflowing the Meralco Auditorium on the Sabbath of Dec. 3 to hear Mr. Armstrong speak about world conditions and prophecy, especially in connection with Egyptian President Sadat's visit to Israel and the future of the Middle Eastern situation. Many brethren had come from the other islands by ship and plane to see Mr. Armstrong.

"The G-II, carrying Mr. Armstrong and party from Hong Kong, touched down at the Manila International Airport at 11:20 a.m. Sabbath morning. On hand to greet them were ministers and office-staff members. After a short delay, clearing customs and immigration, the visitors were taken by car to the Manila Mandarin Hotel in Makati.

"Following a quick lunch and short rest, they were driven the 10-minute ride from the hotel to the Sabbath-meeting place for the 2 p.m.

service. As Mr. Armstrong entered the auditorium the brethren rose from their seats and applauded enthusiastically. Mr. Armstrong remarked on the beautiful facilities the Manila church has to meet in.

"Mr. Leslie McCullough, the first speaker, spoke on developments in the international Work, especially pertaining to the Spanish and Caribbean areas.

"When Mr. Armstrong went to the podium he was greeted again with enthusiastic applause and took a little time introducing the other guests: Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thornhill and son David Armstrong. Mr. and Mrs. McCullough needed no introduction to the Manila brethren, having been here before.

"Departing from the normal closing, Mr. Armstrong requested that the congregation ask him questions about either the sermon or the Church in general. Many fine questions were asked, but because of time he had to cut it short. Before leaving, the Armstrongs were presented with a gift from the Manila church consisting of native embroidered place mats, a table centerpiece, napkin holders, napkins and coasters.

"On the way out of the auditorium he was mobbed by the brethren, each one trying to shake his hand. He was very much moved by the warmth and friendliness of everyone.

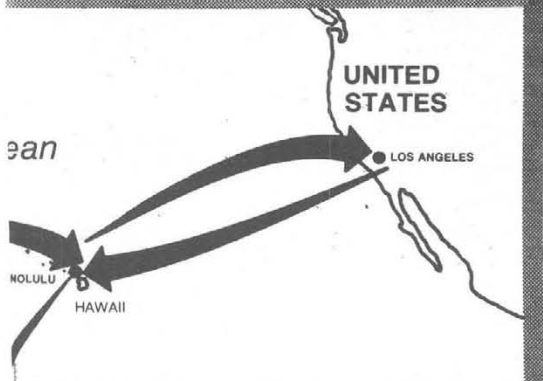
"That evening the visitors were invited to the home of Mr. Colin Adair, regional director, for a barrio fiesta. Office staff, ministers, elders and deacons attended, and native food of all kinds was served. After dinner a 1 1/4-hour show was put on by the young people.

"The evening ended with Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Thornhill rendering two songs to the delight of the audience."

"In his closing remarks Mr. Armstrong thanked everyone for the professional performance and indicated amazement at the amount of talent there was among the young people of the church. He was visibly moved by the outpouring of warmth and took with him happy memories of his first visit to the Philippines in 16 years.

"Next morning, Dec. 4, the G-II took off from the airport at 6:20 a.m., homeward bound.

"One gift that Mr. Armstrong left with the church, apart from his presence here, was the announcement that one more representative would be sent from Manila to the YOU [Youth Opportunities United] conference in Big Sandy, Tex., later this month. Now one boy and one girl will represent the Philippines at that important occasion."



GTA VISITS INTERNATIONAL AREAS

Garner Ted Armstrong and his party left the Los Angeles area Nov. 18 aboard the G-II jet for a tour of Hawaii, New Zealand, Australia and the Philippines.

Mr. Armstrong addressed the Honolulu, Hawaii, church the Sabbath of Nov. 19. The next day the group flew to Auckland, New Zealand, with a fuel stop in Western Samoa. After a four-day stay in New Zealand the party flew to Australia, where Mr. Armstrong spent five days speaking to many congregations. From Perth he and his party flew to Hong Kong via Darwin, Australia, where they stopped for fuel.

From Hong Kong it was on to Manila, Philippines, for services the Sabbath of Dec. 3. As of press time, the entourage was headed home via Wake Island (a fuel stop) and Honolulu.

For more details see Mr. Armstrong's "Personal" and the article on page 1.

Map by Sheila Dennis and Peggy Nelson



NEW ZEALANDERS — Shirley Armstrong, above, greets a New Zealand Church member. Standing beside Mrs. Armstrong are Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McCullough. Below: The staff of the Auckland office and visitors assemble for a photograph. From left: business manager Bill Hutchison; ministerial trainee Bill Sidney; office secretary Anne Everett; Auckland minister Karl Karlov; office secretary Ann Donovan; Sandy Morton, wife of the regional director; office supervisor Rex Morgan; New Zealand regional director Bob Morton; business secretary Susan Richards; Garner Ted Armstrong; Shirley Armstrong; International Division director Leslie McCullough; and Marion McCullough. (Photos by David Armstrong)



Behind Sadat's 'sacred mission'

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movement in the area.

In fact, U.S. Middle East policy since the Carter administration came into power was heading down a dangerous alley, and both Mr. Sadat and Menachem Begin realized this.

Washington was naively pushing for a "comprehensive" settlement, trying to solve all issues at once: occupied Arab lands, a sovereign Palestinian homeland, the status of Jerusalem, Arab recognition of Israel, etc. The U.S. State Department apparently thought that centuries of hate and suspicion could be magically swept away almost overnight.

A Geneva conference orchestrated around such a simplistic approach (similar to U.S. policy toward southern Africa) would have gotten nowhere fast.

America, moreover, has been pushing for Soviet ground-floor participation at Geneva, a sure recipe for trouble.

Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger did his best, in his years of personal shuttle diplomacy, to keep the Russians out of the Middle East; President Sadat himself kicked the Soviets out of Egypt. But Jimmy Carter and Cyrus Vance wanted the Russians to "participate fully" in the Middle East.

The truth is now out that, when Prime Minister Begin opined that Mr. Carter had contributed a great

deal to the success of Mr. Sadat's visit, this was not intended as a compliment; it was admission that Washington's policy was so flawed and dangerous that the Egyptians and Israelis had to take things into their own hands.

Which way Saudi Arabia?

Without a doubt, more is to come. Jordan's King Hussein undoubtedly would like to join the Egypt-Israel rapprochement but is afraid to do so at the moment because of reaction on the part of the radical Arab states.

Another key question: Which way will oil-rich Saudi Arabia — the treasury of the Arab world — go? It is significant that the Saudis have publicly paid appropriate, but mild, lip service to the "sacred" cause of pan-Arabism. But privately they have applauded Mr. Sadat's breakthrough and even sent an emissary to Cairo to tell him of their approval in person.

Perhaps, as Garner Ted Armstrong mentioned in his "Personal" in the last *Worldwide News*, we could be witnessing the formation of a "king-of-the-South" alliance, based on unlikely pillars: Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait (which also sent congratulations to Mr. Sadat). At first glance that would seem out of the question, but notice the link between the "glorious land," Egypt and the "many nations" that the "king of the North" is to

overthrow (Daniel 11:40-42).

Perhaps we will yet see the words of Morocco's King Hassan come to pass that he spoke on the eve of the Sadat trip: "With the material possibilities now at the disposal of the Arab world and the particular genius of the Israeli people, imagine what this region could be like in the intellectual, scientific, artistic and economic fields. It is the dream that I have and I hope that one day it will come about."

In his speech in the Knesset, responding to President Sadat, Israeli Prime Minister Begin made specific positive reference to King Hassan's "dream."

And earlier, in a message to the entire Egyptian nation, Mr. Begin appealed: "Let it be a silent oath by both peoples, of Egypt and Israel: no more wars, no more bloodshed. . . . Let us not only make peace. Let us also start on the road of friendship, sincere and productive cooperation. We can help each other."

Politics and religion

As an old American television comedian, Red Buttons, used to say, strange things are happening.

But the Middle East is a unique situation, unlike the other equally intense, nearly intractable political dilemmas in the world. For in the Middle East politics is inseparably interwoven with religion, biblical history

and prophecy.

Where else would one protagonist (Prime Minister Begin) make an appeal to his counterpart (President Sadat) with the words "our common father Abraham"?

Sadat showed how preeminent religion is by praying (fervently, with sweat cascading down his face, according to one observer) at the Al Aqsa Mosque on the Temple Mount in Old Jerusalem. To go there he disregarded political protocol; he ignored that the Israelis, in his own view, illegally occupy that part of the city (though he stressed his disapproval of such occupation in his Knesset address).

In contrast, when both Richard Nixon and Mr. Kissinger went to Jerusalem they avoided going near the Old City, fearing that by doing so they would implicitly recognize Israel's claim to it.

After his emotional experience in the mosque (the third-holiest site in Islam), Mr. Sadat made an offer to the Israelis not widely reported in the press. He offered both money and the services of Egyptian artisans to help speed the restoration of the interior of Al Aqsa, damaged by the bombing incident of 1969.

Jerusalem's Mayor Teddy Kolek indicated he was interested and said he would do all he could to clear entrance papers for a crew of Egyptian workmen.

Keep your eyes on Jerusalem and the Middle East. And be prepared for more surprises.

Mr. Fahey sees leaders in Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Robert Fahey, director of the Work in Africa, traveled from the Johannesburg office to other parts of South Africa and Namibia to meet some of the people Stanley Rader was scheduled to meet on a trip to southern Africa he had to postpone.

Mr. Rader, vice president for financial affairs, had planned to be here in late November and early December but had to postpone his trip because of unforeseen circumstances involving his responsibilities in other areas of the Work.

The vice president was to meet government and other political leaders in southern Africa as part of his responsibilities in filling in for Herbert W. Armstrong, who has been unable to travel because of recent health problems.

Accompanying Mr. Fahey were David Hulme and Martin Bode from the office here.

Project asked

Mr. Fahey met Nov. 21 with Chief Gatscha Buthelezi, leader of the KwaZulu nation, largest of the indigenous tribes of South Africa. The chief reads *The Plain Truth*, reports Andre van Belkum of the office staff, and inquired if the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation could assist him with a project in Zululand, the homeland of the Zulus, near Durban.

Nov. 22 Mr. Fahey had lunch with Helen Suzman, a member of the opposition in South Africa's parliament, and Tertius Myburg, editor of the *Sunday Times*, the paper with the largest circulation in the country.

He met Nov. 30 with the administrator general of Namibia (South-West Africa), the same day also meeting the leader of the colored delegation to the Democratic Turnhalle Alliance, the agency that evolved from Namibia's constitutional convention.

Then followed a meeting with the black leader of the Namibia Independent Party, part of the larger and more powerful Namibia National Front Party.

That evening Mr. Fahey played host at a dinner to honor the leader of the Ovambos, a black tribe of Namibia.

Met SWAPO leader

Dec. 1 he met the head of the internal wing of the South-West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) in Namibia. Mr. Fahey discussed with him the role of religion in a socialistic state.

Then he met Dr. Lucas de Vries, leader of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Mr. Fahey and his two companions next traveled to Oranjemund, a diamond-producing town on the southwest coast of Namibia, where they met a bishop who is the head of the Lutheran Church in Ovambo-Kavango Land.

The night of Dec. 2 Mr. Fahey planned to attend a dinner in honor of the American consul general, Ray White. Also scheduled to attend were publishers and academicians.

ANSWER TO PUZZLE ON PAGE 11
Mr. Tripper's tank is only $\frac{3}{4}$ full, so it takes $\frac{1}{4}$ of a tank of gas to fill it. Mr. Tripper pays \$9 for the gas at 60 cents per gallon, so he buys \$9.00 ÷ \$0.60 = 15 gallons of gas. This 15 gallons represents $\frac{1}{4}$ of a full tank, so his tank will hold 15 ÷ $\frac{1}{4}$ = (15 × 4) = 60 ÷ 5 = 24 gallons. Since his tank will hold 24 gallons, then according to the information given, his engine gets 24 miles per gallon. Then on a full tank he can travel 24 × 24 = 576 miles. Halfway back from Bakersville he notices his fuel gauge registers half full, so he has traveled one half of 576 miles, or 288 miles. This represents $\frac{1}{2}$ times the distance from Appleville to Bakersville. Hence, the distance from Appleville to Bakersville is 288 ÷ $\frac{1}{2}$ = 288 × 2 = 2880 ÷ 15 = 192 miles.

YOU talent

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time to make their decisions, Mr. Dick, associate YOU director, said.

But winners' names were not announced until after the evening performance.

The other winners

Because of a rule infraction, the second-place finisher was disqualified after the contest and will not receive the award for placing second.

Third place was awarded to John Douglas, 15, of the Houston (Tex.) North church, who played "Space Odyssey," his own composition, on the drums. John won a year's scholarship to Ambassador.

Placing fourth and also winning a one-year scholarship to AC was Glenda Nirschl, who played a piano solo titled "Caprice," by Beryl Rubinstein. Glenda, 16, is a junior in high school and attends church in Kansas City, Mo.

The four other contestants and the Feast sites at which they placed first in regional contests are as follows:

Michele LeVasseur, Squaw Valley, Calif.; Rick Peterson, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Joseph Plank, Mount Pocono, Pa.; and Judy Roberts, Hampton, Va.

All four were awarded one-semester scholarships.

Other judges

Members of the judging panel, besides Mr. Gibbons, included Dorothy Bishop, member of the University of Southern California Community School of Performing Arts; Ralph Pierce, past vice president of the Music Teachers Association of California; and Marne Laidig, president of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Docents.

After the evening show the Young Ambassadors, an AC vocal group directed by Ross Jutsum, performed several numbers from the movie *Oliver*.

Also featured was the 1976 talent-contest winner, Jennifer Stokes, who performed several popular songs, including the one she sang during last year's performance, "Send in the Clowns."



CLUB FOR MINISTERS' WIVES

HOSPITALITY DEFINED — Stevie Martin, coordinator of the U.S. Western Area, right, leads a panel discussion on hospitality with Allie Dart, left, wife of Ronald Dart, director of pastoral administration, and Myrtle Horn, who organizes dinners for Herbert W. Armstrong. The three were guest speakers Nov. 29 at a women's club organized for the wives of the ministers at Ambassador College there working toward the certificate of the ministry. [Photos by Sheila Dennis]



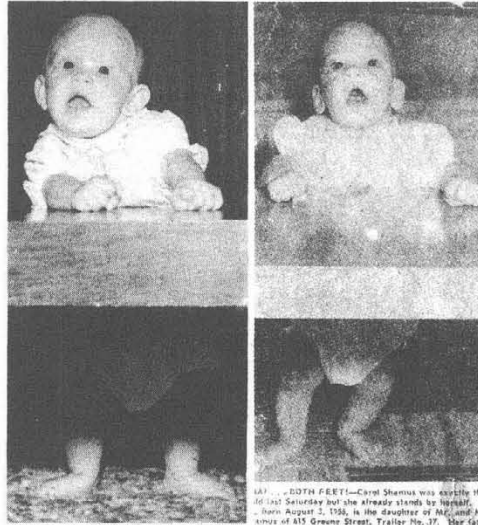
She stands on her own

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — April Ackerman is only 6 months old and can "almost walk," her mother says, a feat unusual enough in itself, but she was just 2 months old when she learned to stand up.

Ambulatory tendencies at an early age seem to run in the family: April's mother, Carol Ackerman, a member of the church here, first stood up when she was 3 months old, about 21 years ago.

April is the firstborn of Mr. and Mrs. Brad Ackerman, both Church members. Mrs. Ackerman is the former Carol Shamus, who attended Ambassador College the 1974-75 school year.

The Ackermans noticed April starting to stand when she was 2 months old. She would grab onto the first thing in her height range she could reach, which was usually the coffee table. She'd pull herself up and pound on the table a bit to draw attention to her accomplishment.



LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER — Three-month-old April Ackerman, left, follows in the steps of her mother, who at right is shown in a faded newspaper clipping noting her ability to stand at 3 months of age. [Left photo courtesy the Las Vegas, Nev., Sun]

THE TRIPPER TRIP

BY MARZINE GREEN JR.

Mr. Tripper decides to make a trip from Applesville to Bakersville and back. As he pulls into his favorite gas station in downtown Applesville, he notices that gasoline has risen in price to 60 cents per gallon. But, since his tank is only three eighths full, he decides to fill up. He pays the attendant \$9 for the gas. Mr. Tripper keeps his engine tuned up and by so doing can get as many miles per gallon of gas as the number of gallons his tank will hold. Halfway back from Bakersville he notices his fuel gauge is registering half full.

CHALLENGE: How far is it from Applesville to Bakersville?

ANSWER APPEARS ON PAGE 10

Mother calls baby a gift

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. — A member of the Banning, Calif., church gave birth to a "perfect baby boy" Sept. 24 after contracting rubella in early pregnancy, reports the happy mother, Lynda Anderson.

"After having two lovely sons, my husband and I decided to have another child but disturbingly met with no success for 10 months," she says. But after being anointed "I happily became pregnant right away."

About three weeks later the member, wife of Richard Anderson, also a member at Banning, "came

down with the German measles — rubella — which produces deafness, blindness, heart defects and brain damage to a baby."

Mrs. Anderson's doctor "was required," she says, to recommend an abortion, but "willingly supported our decision to carry the child."

A minister anointed her, and the family "miraculously received a gorgeous and perfect baby boy Sept. 24."

Her doctor had never delivered a normal baby of a mother who had had rubella in early pregnancy, Mrs. Anderson says. "It is truly a great gift from God, showing His power."

MAJOR IS MISSING



STORY FOR YOUNG READERS
By Shirley King Johnson

The strong current of Seven-Mile Creek at flood stage sucked Major under once as he paddled hard to try to get back to the bank. A large tree trunk floating past with other debris caught him in its limbs.

Hooking his front paws over the branches, he pulled himself half out of the water. Shaking water from his eyes and nose, he hung on as he watched the banks slip by. Soon all the familiar landmarks of Grandpa's farm were gone.

Every minute he was washing farther downstream. Now he knew why Grandpa had told Jimmy to stay away from the creek until it returned to a normal level. He wished now he had not tried to cross the creek on his way to the north pasture.

Rested as time passed, Major struggled up through the branches and found a place to sit on the bobbing tree trunk. As he constantly watched the banks his coat dried in the noon sun. If the tree would drift closer to shore he could leap to safety. But on and on it floated with its little passenger leaning hopefully forward.

Chance to spring
At last his chance came. An oak had tumbled into the full creek and its branches caught at Major's tree-raft and snagged it.

Major made a spring for the oak. He landed off balance and tumbled into the muddy water. But here the stream was protected from the current, and with a few mighty strokes Major was safe.

Panting, he plodded up the muddy bank into a weedy cornfield.

Shaking himself, Major smiled. Saved! Saved! Now he would head for Grandpa's farm. It would be easy to follow the creek upstream, and eventually he would find the farm.

Setting off at a trot through dense weeds and tall corn, he came to a fence. He went under it in a low place and trotted on, going around gooseberry bushes, through tall weeds and under more wire fences.

After many miles of steady plodding he came to a fence that was new. Stretching down to the creek and up the hill as far as he could see, it stopped him completely. Major walked back

and forth, nose to the ground, searching for a place to go under.

Smell of human

Suddenly he smelled a human. Then he heard footsteps. Two hunters with long guns burst through the trees.

"Say, there's a dog!" said one hunter. "Come here, boy!"

"It's a beagle," replied the other. "I've always wanted a hunting dog. See if you can catch him."

Major bolted for the bank-full creek. He would risk another ducking in the water to get around that fence.

Running steps followed him as he came to the creek where it slapped over its banks. The fence posts were washed out and wire fence hung crazily, half in the water.

Splashing down into the water, Major walked on the sagging, submerged fence, ducking low under coiled barbed wire. His collar snagged on it.

Straining, he struggled to pull free, but two strong hands grabbed his middle, freed the wire and held him dangling by the scruff of his neck.

Major pawed the air as the two men walked up the hill, opened a gate and got into the cab of a pickup truck. He was dumped on the seat between them, and a strong hand held him down against the oily seat cover.

"There's some tags on his collar," one of the hunters said as the other started the truck moving. "This tag says the dog belongs to a Jim Wilson in some town in the next state. How'd he get here?"

Fair and square

"He's obviously lost. Take your pliers and snip off those tags. Then he's yours fair and square."

"Fair and square," agreed the first hunter.

Major growled through his teeth as the pliers snipped his metal tags away.

"Here, now, stop that! You be a good dog," said the hunter. "We'll get along just fine. You're going to be my prize hunting dog." He stroked Major's back.

Major continued to growl low in his throat. He must escape. He would wait until they opened a door and then spring out. He crouched on the seat in tense anticipation.

The drive was long. The motor droned on and on, but at last it slowed as they turned into a driveway.

On the run

When the cab door opened, Major shot over the man's lap and landed outside on a gravelled drive. Jared, he hit the ground running. He bounded up the path.

"Stop! Here, doggy! Come back!" Major did not stop. He shot out the driveway and down into a deep, weedy drainage ditch. Speeding through weeds that scratched his nose, he saw a culvert half filled with running water and plunged into its murky depths. Out of breath by the time he came out on the other side, he kept going. Up a weedy bank, under an old fence and he was in a field of alfalfa.

Stopping, he shook himself and caught his breath. He was safe here from that man who wanted to keep him. But where was he? Where was Grandpa's farm? And where was Jim? Oh-h-h, Jim! Where are you?

TO BE CONCLUDED

Babies

AFRIKA, Adam and Betty (Loff), of Worcester, South Africa, boy, Alvin Andrew, Nov. 8, 5:15 a.m., 3,800 grams, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

ALEXANDER, Dennis and Cheri, of Lafayette, Ind., girl, Katherine Diane, Aug. 25, 8:08 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

BAER, Steven and Fran (Roberts), of Columbia, S.C., boy, Jason Daniel, Aug. 5, 9:31 p.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BECK, James and Norma (Terwilliger), of Peoria, Ill., boy, Michael Paul, Sept. 27, 7:55 p.m., 2 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

BLACKWELL, Edward and Neomia (Morris), of Columbia, S.C., boy, Clint Morris, Oct. 9, 2:20 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 3 boys, 2 girls.

BOSTON, Glenn and Faye (Potts), of Peoria, Ill., boy, David Glenn, Sept. 28, 9:40 a.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

BRADBURY, Don and Mary Ann (Hicks), of Fort Worth, Tex., boy, Darian Keith, Sept. 18, 6:40 a.m., 8 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys.

BREAUX, Hayes Jr. and Bea (Preedom), of Baton Rouge, La., girl, Suzanne Michele, Nov. 11, 8:20 a.m., 5 pounds 9 1/2 ounces, first child.

CARLSON, Larry and Deborah (Small), of Wolf Point, Mont., boy, David Arthur, Nov. 12, 2:45 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

DECKER, Jack and Patsy (Zacharias), of Cincinnati, Ohio, boy, John Mark, Sept. 23, 12:19 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

FURGLISON, Grant and Shirley (Robinson), of Waterloo, Iowa, girl, Amber Lynette, Oct. 28, 5 p.m., 9 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

HAHN, Robert and Patricia (Wagner), of Dallas, Tex., girl, Carol Janella, Sept. 26, 6:04 p.m., 4 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

HELSETH, David and Rosetta (Kaimbrum), of Sioux Falls, S.D., boy, Aaron Michael, Oct. 23, 9:48 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 boys, 3 girls.

HULME, David and Robin (Sutcliffe), of Johannesburg, South Africa, girl, Kirsten Ekke, Nov. 3, 5:20 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

KOMAN, Wayne and Dianne (Johnson), of Patchogue, N.Y., girl, Heather Jay, Oct. 21, 3:38

p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 girls.

JERSETT, Bud and Linda (Cerovich), of Duluth, Minn., boy, Seth Chadron, Nov. 12, 4:36 p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

KARSTENDIEK, Robert and Charlotte, of Woodbridge, N.J., boy, Michael James, Nov. 8, 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

McGEE, James and Juanita (Haskins), of Houston, Tex., boy, Tajark Wiley, July 9, 1:07 a.m., 4 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

MADGE, Larry and Christine (Gilchrist), of Leithbridge, Alta., girl, Linda Marie, Oct. 22, 7:42 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MAGOWAN, Dave and Mary (Parrish), of Liverpool, England, boy, Thomas Christopher, Oct. 25, 4 p.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

MATTHEWS, Rod and Ruth (Baller), of Gold Coast, Australia, boy, Benjamin Robert, Nov. 3, 6 p.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

MILLER, John and Linda, of Chico, Calif., girl, Christina Elaine, Nov. 12, 2:32 a.m., 9 pounds 4 ounces, now 3 girls.

OLNEY, Roy and Patty, of Calgary, Alta., boy, Cory James, Oct. 12, 8 pounds 1/2 ounce, now 4 boys, 3 girls.

PARHAM, William and Lola (Carr), of Kingsport, Tenn., boy, Joseph Lee, Oct. 26, 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys.

PENKAVA, Larry and Ginny (Williams), of Greensboro, N.C., girl, Laura Carissa, Nov. 8, 1:07 p.m., 9 pounds 15 ounces, now 3 girls.

PERSONS, Jerry and Candy (Morrison), of Tacoma, Wash., boy, Matthew Kevin, Nov. 15, 6:40 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys.

POPOVICH, John and Sherry, of Johnstown, Pa., girl, Melissa Kathleen, Nov. 14, 7:25 p.m., 6 pounds 6 1/2 ounces, first child.

SASH, John and Debbie (Mayhew), of Rochester, Minn., boy, Johnathan Arthur, Nov. 16, 9:16 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

SITTER, Don and Betty, of Meadow Lake, Sask., boy, Brendon David, Sept. 10, 9:25 p.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, now 3 boys, 3 girls.

SMEENK, Bernard and Diane, of Elkhart, Ind., boy, David Eugene, Oct. 9, 9:25 a.m., now 3 boys, 3 girls.

SMITH, Michael and Robin, of Loraine, Ohio, girl, Heidi Sharne, Oct. 22, 7:10 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 girls.

SMITH, Ross and Cynthia (Down), of Sydney, Australia, boy, Stephen David, Oct. 21, 4:06 p.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

SOLT, Gordon and Shelley (Stiles), of Burbank, Calif., boy, Garrett Charles, Nov. 7, 6 p.m., 6 pounds, first child.

ZBLANCHE, Gordon and Letitia (Morgan), of Victoria, South Africa, girl, Lyette La Verne, Oct. 23, 6 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

VOSS, Charles and Patricia, of Hallfastsburg, Miss., girl, Anna Fredricka, Nov. 11, 12:05 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 1 boy, 4 girls.

YOUNG, Rodger and Ann (Williams), of Springfield, Mo., boy, Christopher Charles, Aug. 7, 7:45 a.m., 6 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys.

ZYCHKEK, George and Nancy, of Stratford, Conn., boy, Andrew, Oct. 31, 8:24 p.m., 9 pounds 9 ounces, now 3 boys.

Hello, I am a single female Church member. Hobbies: corresponding, reading, tennis, other outdoor games. Would like to hear from members anywhere to share ideas, experiences. Would also like to gain more information on phonic method of reading. I am an elementary school teacher, Miss Marilyn Daniel, Barbados, Z128.

Elderly lady would like to write men around 58 or 70 who make God's Kingdom their goal. Looks don't count. Beauty is only skin deep. Must be white, I love gardening, freizing, canning. Lona Rohns, Z129.

Attention: I'm 28, white, married, a guitarist who would really appreciate some of you other musicians (Church members in the Nashville area especially) writing me. Wayne Finson, Z131.

Rheba No. 1 (alias Bob Grace), where are you? Please write! miss the good days. Lyd, Z140.

Member, 36, divorced mother of seven, would like more pen pals, male and female. Interested in forming lasting friendships with others in God's family. I like sewing, reading, gardening, camping, fishing. Loverna Linn, Z101.

Hello, girls in British Columbia. Would you like to write a single man from Seattle? I like all types of music. I'm also into radio broadcasting, singing, serious Bible study. I also really love outgoing type of girls. I'm 23, plan to visit Vancouver as soon as possible. Tom Roberts, Z104.

them in wall posters, pictures, stickers. Send your germs of wisdom to Mr. Tan Hoek Ang, Malaysia, Z105.

I am a guy, 23, who would like to write a white girl, 19 to 25, from below the Mason-Dixon Line. Prefer from Virginia, Carolina, Kentucky or Tennessee. I am a member with an interest in music. Ken, Z106.

Would like to write brethren from Rhodesia and South Africa concerning the facts, problems and pressure toward majority rule. Mr. and Mrs. James E. Linville, Z107.

Hi I am a 45-year-old single aviation major at Ohio University, Athens. Would like to meet any of the brethren in the area or write any females with a passion for adventure. Robert E. Kelley, 804 Wilson St., Portsmouth, Ohio, 45860.

Hi I'd like to hear from you. I'm 14, like acting, writing, skateboarding, rock music. I'm a cheerleader. I'll be willing to hear from you. Rebecca Dahms, Maryland, U.S.A., Z108.

Middle-aged widow desires English-speaking correspondents 40 to 50 years of age please. I used to teach until a few months ago. Interests very varied. All letters answered. No chancers. Mrs. L. Kotze, South Africa, Z110.

Co-worker bachelor, white, 25, seeks female pen pals 20 to 30. Interests: cycling, jogging, cooking, painting, music (any Beethoven fans out there?). Bob Hildebrand, Kansas, Z111.

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PEN PALS

Member, 66, widow. I am of German and English ancestry and very interested in the study of the German language. Would like to write anyone able to write both English and German. I was born in a small German settlement near San Antonio, Tex. However, will answer anyone who would like to write. Roberta Whitfield, Z130.

White widower, 32, with one son would like to write ladies 27 to 34. Varied interests. William Krohn, West Virginia, Z134.

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BABY BOOM — The year between the 1976 and 1977 Feasts of Tabernacles brought a baby boom to the Flint, Mich., church area. The new people include, front row, Ferrald Waller IV, Heidi Davis, Jason Nelson, Gerald Hanson, Brenda Matheny and Steven Taylor. Back row: Jennifer Peterson, Denise Still, Dara Williams, Phillip Brown and Erin Childs. (Photo by David Childs)

Guard mind, pastor warns Mensans

ALBANY, N.Y. — The people in the audience had come to hear about the rituals of exorcism and the gory details of some spectacular case histories and were somewhat taken aback when the guest lecturer stated flatly that he used no rituals — no candles, incantations, pentagrams — and outrightly incredulous when he said exorcism and dealing with the spirit world were all "routine" to him.

The guest lecturer was David Bierer, pastor of the church here and the one in Springfield, Mass. He was addressing the annual public meeting of Mensa of Northeastern New York State Oct. 16.

Mensa is an organization of the gifted and talented who score in the upper 2 percent of the population on most standardized IQ tests, according to Phyllis Nelson Grau, a member of the Albany church and the Mensa chapter.

Mensa was founded in 1946 by two British barristers, Mrs. Grau said, in an effort to identify and foster human intelligence for the benefit of humanity and to conduct research in psychology and social science. Its more than 30,000 members are active in 14 countries, with two thirds of its membership made up of Americans.

Mensa has "no political, nor religious, nor social goals," according

to Mrs. Grau, and "seeks only to serve its members by providing opportunities for social contacts." It thus is a forum for discussion on "anything of interest, from herbs to real-estate investment, from women's lib to philately, from the educating of gifted and talented children to parapsychology."

Find a witch

When the presiding officer of the Albany-based Mensa chapter asked the program chairman — who happened to be Mrs. Grau — to find a witch for the October meeting, the Church member chose instead to go to the one local man she considered an authority in the field and asked him for help.

So the 30 people in the audience — Mensans and guests — heard, not a witch, but a senior pastor of the Worldwide Church of God speak for an hour and a half about the supernatural.

Mr. Bierer's topics were varied, from some of the signs of demon presence (it's easy to get rid of the ones that knock on walls and shut doors; they're rather low on the intelligence scale), to schizophrenia (this could be caused by a vitamin-mineral deficiency), to Xerxes (persistent dreams of supernatural origin caused him to decide to invade Greece), to the origin of spirits (that's in the realm

of theology), to the help he has in exorcizing (the Holy Spirit), to his success as an exorcist (a spirit can be put out only if the host wants it out), to possession as one cause of mental illness.

Guard your mind

Mr. Bierer concluded his remarks with a warning to the Mensans: Guard the door of your mind.

Man's mind-spirit, he said, can be damaged and its defenses lowered by drugs, excess alcohol, music of some types, pornography and other negative influences. When the defenses are lowered, the spirit in man can be dominated by supernatural forces, resulting in immoral and unethical behavior and even insanity.

"You are — become, do — what you think," he told the audience.

Mrs. Grau later described the program as "an immense success."

The Mensans "were much impressed with their blasé exorcist, and several asked would he guest-lecture at meetings of other organizations they belonged to."

"And Mr. Bierer was so much impressed with the Mensans' real curiosity about the spirit world and high level of openness that he accepted an offer to speak at another Mensa of Northeastern New York public meeting, this time on the good guys of the spirit world."



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Local church news wrap-up

Good-bye to summer

ALLENTOWN, Pa. — The church here held its last picnic of the season Oct. 23 at Jasper Park. Trees displayed brilliant fall shades of red, orange and yellow and the sun shone brightly while the 120 brethren enjoyed a good-bye to summer.

Games and competition were provided for all ages. Men, women and teens showed their physical prowess in a tug-of-war. Competition was fierce in the bean race. Mark Garzillo and Jack Bergeron were champions in a wheelbarrow race.

The YOU volleyball team deftly defeated all competition and improved its skills in ball handling. Barbara Piseri and Janet Muzello tied Leonard Ricci and Larry Muzello in the egg toss. Many others were not so lucky — Grace Ruth and Shelby Bragg discovered what the expression "egg on your face" literally means. The glib tongues of Wilbur Boehm and his assistant, Tina Randall, produced \$66 in a cake auction for the YOU.

The warm fellowship of the hungry picnickers, the Frisbee games, touch football, hot chocolate, the smell of charcoal fires and the colorful leaves drifting to earth all made a pleasant and happy day. Margaret Fritts.

Puppet shows

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Thirty-three children from 3 to 12 years of age, most of whom attend the church here, were entertained during two afternoons of puppet shows Nov. 6 and 13.

The skits were created and performed by Ayleen Kuipers, with the help of Karen Stanton in one program and daughter Teresa Kuipers in the other show. Teresa, dressed as a clown, handed out treats and led several rounds of singing.

Two-dimensional puppets — girls, boys, cats, mice, foxes, cows and movie characters — were given to the children to take home. Alice Wegh.

Newspaper duels

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Eighteen youngsters from the first through sixth grades from the church here enjoyed a magic show Oct. 30. Old and new sleight-of-hand tricks were performed by a magician who revealed the secrets of several of his tricks. What happens to the egg when it disappears? It was in the palm of his hand all the time.

After refreshments, contestants had duels with hats and rolled-up newspapers. The object was to see who could knock off his opponent's hat first without hitting him. Alice Wegh.

Gravity and inertia challenged

BANNING, Calif. — The search for a reasonably priced skating rink bore good fruit Nov. 6 as the Fontana and Banning churches' young-married adult group chose the Rialto Skatorama for its latest outing.

The event attracted 28 enthusiasts who were desirous of displaying their prowess on wheels, while challenging the inexorable laws of gravity and inertia at breakneck speeds.

Directors David and Jodie MacMahon and Dale and Francis Holman designed the skating party, one of a series of events, to provide scintillating opportunities for social fellowship among the young church leaders. With monthly activities geared around a schedule allowing for family participation on a bimonthly basis, the children enjoyed spending time with their parents in an atmosphere of fun and fellowship.

The hilltop site of San Bernardino's Castaway Restaurant provided the setting for a brunch for 65 members of the Fontana and Banning Women's Club.

The buffet, appetizingly garnished

in Polynesian style, offered an array of titillating gourmet delicacies.

The evolution of this comparatively embryonic Women's Club has been an example of unity and cooperation, as displayed by the warmth and enthusiasm of the women who utilized this opportunity to enjoy each other. Shirley Smith and Joyce Russell have prepared an agenda for future months, but all agreed that this event will be a tough act to follow. Bob Smith.

Second year

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The weekend of Nov. 5 marked the start of the second year of the YOU chapter here.

Friday night was a Bible study, with a tape of Art Molarow on coping with changes. After a short break, the group discussed the tape and its relation to the YOU.

Saturday night was another meeting, this one for old and new YOU members to discuss plans and introduce new officers.

The officers are Beth Dauber, president; Mike Lowrey, vice president; Laura Lovell, secretary; and Kim Fuller, correspondent.

After the meeting, everyone danced and had a good time. Kim Fuller.

Ballet West

CASPER, Wyo. — Ken Coleman and Ben Whitfield from the Carbon County Counseling Center helped to bring Ballet West to Rawlins, Wyo., Nov. 6.

The Casper YOU chapter offered its services to take tickets, hand out programs, usher and greet people at the door as its civic project of the year.

Ballet West gave an afternoon performance explaining the art of ballet. Following the performance was a dinner with cocktails. Guest speakers were Wyoming Senator Malcolm Wallup and Art Molarow, director of the Human Potential Center.

Many Church members from surrounding areas were in attendance. The big disappointment of the event was that the health of Herbert W. Armstrong prevented him from attending and speaking as had originally been planned.

The evening ended with a two-hour performance of Ballet West. Debbie Johnston.

Brewery caters dinner

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Anheuser Busch Brewery's Hospitality Room here was the setting for a catered dinner sponsored by the Ladies' Club Nov. 8.

Refreshments were served to 106 people by the brewery, followed by hors d'oeuvres and dinner.

After dinner the group took a tour of the brewery, ending with a film presentation narrated by Orson Welles, of the Clydesdale horses.

The last refreshment was served at 10:15 p.m., and by 10:30 everyone was on his way home after a wonderful evening. Norma Hosier.

Scorched hamburgers

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. — The church here held a hamburger cook-out at Center Hill Lake Oct. 29. Church members — and guests gathered in one of the hillside shelters at Edgar Evin State Park to enjoy food and fellowship.

After enjoying a beautiful sunset over the lake, a roaring fire was started in the massive stone fireplace and grill. Soon chefs Ken Farrow and Jim Lowhorn were turning out delicious though slightly scorched hamburgers and hot dogs. Then some gathered near the fireplace for warmth while others staged a sing-along.

The YOU chapter sponsored a chili supper Nov. 5, with about 100 attending. A cakewalk provided dessert.

The evening also featured a wet-

sponge throw that was fun for those who threw and those who watched. The targets, Tommy Maddox, Della Jared, Felson Young, Tom Broyles and Tony Ferguson, seemed to enjoy being on the receiving end of the wet sponges in spite of the dampness.

YOU girls heated and served chili provided by parents. The boys helped wash dishes and mop up after the wet sponges. Cokes and milk were provided by the youths. More than \$200 was netted. Arlen Bryant and Nancy Gannels.

Sabbath nature hike

DES MOINES, Iowa — The YOU chapter here held a Sabbath-school nature hike for children 3 to 7 years old Oct. 15.

Led by Greg Rhodes, YOU president, the youngsters walked through the timber outside of the church meeting hall. The nature hike proved educational and was enjoyed by both the youngsters and the teens. Rhonda Reyer.

Plans, Ping-Pong and pool

DICKSON, Tenn. — The YOU chapter here got off to a terrific start Oct. 29 when the first meeting of the new activity year was held at the home of coordinator Gary Pace.

After refreshments, new officers were announced: Kris Reinagel, president; Ted Underwood, vice president; Robin Pace, treasurer; and Wendy Styre, secretary.

Plans were tossed about concerning fund-raising projects, such as cutting and selling wood and making things for Sabbath school. The main discussion revolved around a YOU-sponsored show to be staged for the Dickson and Jackson, Tenn., churches in February.

After the meeting was adjourned, the teens enjoyed games of Ping-Pong and pool in the basement of the Pace home. Tim Reinagel.

Officers elected

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — The YOU members here met for their first meeting for this chapter year Nov. 15, with 25 teens and five parents in attendance.

The purpose for this meeting was to elect officers and plan activities for the year ahead. Pastor Randy Kobernet opened the meeting with prayer and welcomed the group. He spoke about what YOU is and how the teens must be 100 percent involved in order to make this chapter successful. Then he turned the meeting over to Danny Jacques, local coordinator for the YOU.

Mr. Jacques acted as toastmaster and introduced the teens that wanted to be officers, who gave two- or three-minute speeches on why they wanted to serve as officers for the club.

Those elected were Keith Tressler, president; Marty Biggs, vice president; Gail Congdon, secretary; and Debra Fasa, treasurer.

Three teens spoke on why they would like to be representatives from here to go to the conference in Big Sandy in December. Chosen were Andy Woodall and Lynn Reynought.

Then plans were made for the girls' volleyball team to go to Winter Haven, Fla., for the district tournament Nov. 20. Denise Jacques.

'A Thanksgiving Poem'

GLENDORA, Calif. — The YEP Sabbath-instruction program here has been extremely successful this year under the leadership of Joe Horchak.

The class of fifth- and sixth-graders were especially creative and imaginative Nov. 12 on the lesson entitled "Thanksgiving and Things to Be Thankful For."

The children were so overwhelmed and inspired by the number of things they had to be thankful for that they decided to write a poem to

share with others, called "A Thanksgiving Poem."

"Thanksgiving is a holiday, / we're thankful for no school, / It's good that God has given us a helpful Golden Rule.

"We're thankful for the food we eat / and all that God has given, / including friends and pets and things, / especially just plain livin'!" John Damore.

Musical chairs

GLUCESTER, England — Brethren here gathered for a social at Huntley East Oct. 30. Members attended Sabbath services in the afternoon instead of in the morning.

In the evening, the brethren had sandwiches, then played games. Andrew Hull won at musical chairs. The group also played blind-man's bluff and pass-the-parcel.

Following was a talent show, with reading of poetry, dancing, a puppet skit, piano numbers and a short play about school. Edward Karas.

Only just begun

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The YOU activity year started off with a bang for members here.

The year's first YOU Bible study was held Oct. 15, with pastor David Orban instructing the youths on their roles and responsibilities as teens in God's Church.

New officers were appointed: Nancy Carr, president; Lamont Leslie, vice president; and Karen Jermakowicz, secretary-treasurer. Alvin Carr and Karen Dunn will be representatives for the youth conference this year.

Two weeks later, on Oct. 30, the teens, along with their friends and families, spent a full day of fun and excitement at Opryland in Nashville.

A YOU meeting was held Nov. 5, with the teens making plans for the remainder of the activity year. Karl Reinagel.

Youth day

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — The YOU chapter here had its annual youth day Nov. 12.

Bill Baugh used the sermonette time to give a talk on the history of the YOU. Bob and Tim Shaw gave opening and closing prayers, Jay Usery served as song leader and special music was played by Sherie Corley and Lisa Tedford. Other YOU members served as ushers. Debbie Farnsworth.

Church honors American Legion

LONDON, Ky. — The church here invited the local chapter of the American Legion to be the guests of honor at a banquet held Oct. 22 at the American Legion Hall.

The hall has been used for Sabbath services since the founding of the London church. The brethren met with the American Legion members and their families personally and thanked them for the kindness and understanding they have shown in the past years.

After the banquet, a talent show was presented by the London YOU chapter, under the direction of its new coordinator, Steve Shantz. The show consisted of singing groups and dance acts and featured the ugliest man in the world.

Later, a dance was held for YOU members; however, the music was so good that a chain bump was formed and everyone joined in the fun.

The climax of the evening was a table-tennis play-off between pastor Mel Dahlgren and a local radio disc jockey, also an American Legion member. Mr. Dahlgren was especially excited about this match because the disc jockey "turned him on and turned him off all week," as Mr. Dahlgren was the minister of the week on the local radio station. Tonya Oxendine.

Canned music

MANKATO, Minn. — At the

Bible study here Nov. 9, Ben Karles started his first song service. Signaling for the piano music on tape, Mr. Karles coordinated the 3-4 time cassette music with the 4-4 time singing.

The sermon followed, a tape by Garner Ted Armstrong, with some members taping the tape.

The congregation would have had a piano, but the piano was mistakenly moved from Fairmont, Minn., to Rochester, Minn., instead of to Mankato. John Cox.

District volleyball tournament

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — The district YOU girls' volleyball tournament began play at Metcalf Junior High School here Nov. 13 at noon. Six teams from the Rochester, St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn., and Des Moines and Waterloo, Iowa, churches competed for first, second and consolation prizes, along with advancement to the regional tournament.

The Minneapolis North team of Debbie Thorn, Nancy Hull, Denise Thorn, Tracy Emmans, Jean Barth, Kris Lippert, Donna Johnson and Brenda McIver, coached by Pam Smith, won first place away from the Des Moines team, who took second-place honors. In the consolation bracket, Waterloo defeated the Minneapolis South team.

The Minneapolis North team will now travel on to Des Moines for the regional play-offs. Pam Smith.

Hayride for adults

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Some good-natured teasing and humorous talk was the order of the night Nov. 12 as adults from the church here enjoyed a hamburger and hot-dog cookout and a hayride at the Henry Covington farm near Whitehouse, Tenn.

The participants jockeyed for positions around the blazing bonfire in the near-freezing temperatures. Some 50 people were in attendance.

The women met at the Metro Center here Nov. 13 for a salad luncheon and listened to a tape on "Motivation."

In other action, the Women's Club agreed to rent a booth at the Farmers' Market Nov. 20, during which time they would seek to raise funds for the church. Members were asked to donate something to sell. A potluck social was planned for the brethren Dec. 3. A movie is to be shown to raise funds. The women plan to meet again Dec. 11. Everett Corbin.

Choir inspired

NOTTINGHAM, England — Organized by choirmaster Bob Salter, more than 20 members of the church here went to the Albert Hall in Nottingham Nov. 5 to listen to a performance of Haydn's *Creation*. The oratorio, given by the Harmonic Choir and Orchestra under conductor Noel Cox, was a superb arrangement, giving orchestra, choir and soloists a fine chance to display their talent.

The performance was an inspiration for the local choir. Ron McLaren.

Spinning the platters

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — About 45 young people here gathered at the home of Bill and Myrna Miller in Crafton Heights for a '50s sock hop Nov. 12.

The couple had moved most of the furniture from two rooms of their house, creating a dance floor and space for mixing and mingling.

A number of people brought golden oldies to the party, and jitterbugging and slow dancing were the order of the evening. John Jenkins spun the platters and, at one point, Bill Miller reached into his collection and played some original recordings reaching as far back as the late '40s.

Refreshments consisted of ingredients for make-your-own sundaes and banana splits, popcorn and punch. A donation of \$1.50 per person covered the cost of the refresh-

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CAN DO — Tulsa member Bertha Fitchpatrick feeds a can-eating buffalo. (See "Animal-Horn Chair Frames," this page.)

Wrap-up

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 mens. Frank Lewandowski.

New Spokesman Club

SALMON ARM, B.C. — The first Spokesman Club ever of the church here was organized Nov. 13 under the direction of minister Ken Webster. The meeting, which was held in Mr. Webster's home, was attended by 16 prospective club members.

Since the majority of those present had no previous club experience, Mr. Webster covered the manual, explaining the club's objectives and procedures.

Officers include Roy Leach, president, and David Riley, secretary. The club will meet every second Sunday until Passover. *Floyd W. Kitz.*

Taco sauce

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — New dimensions in church services were added here Nov. 12 with the resumption of adult Bible studies and the establishment of a Sabbath school for children.

Minister Mario Seigle was assigned by pastor James Friddle to supervise the Sabbath-school program, directing the efforts of five coordinators and about 30 volunteer teachers and assistants.

The format and lesson plans from headquarters will be followed, which will emphasize open discussions for the older groups and the use of hand-crafts and visual aids for the younger children.



SAN DIEGO FAREWELL PARTY — Paul Smith holds a gift from friends Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gardenhire while his wife, Jacque, appears a bit skeptical about its contents. They were presented with a box of 500 packages of Taco sauce. (See "Taco Sauce," this page.) [Photo by Susan Karoska]

Considerable enthusiasm was evident from both students and teachers. A total of 152 children participated on the first day.

Class coordinators for each age-group and a breakdown of attendance was as follows: Glenn Bechthold, 15-to-20-year-olds, 34 present; Skip Miller, 12-to-14-year-olds, 29; Jim Butler, 9-to-11-year-olds, 26; Gene Porter, 6-to-8-year-olds, 35; and Karen Regal, 3-to-5-year-olds, 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Friddle were hosts for a church potluck farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith Nov. 13 at the Mobile Park Recreation Center of the Kendall Sloans in Chula Vista.

The Smiths, who have been members here for more than four years, departed Nov. 17 to reside in the Palos Hills area of Chicago, where he will be associated with his father in business. They will attend the Hinsdale church, which is pastored by Carl Gustafson, a former San Diegoan.

Mr. Smith served as YOU coordinator for more than a year, ably assisted by his wife, Jacque, who also was girls' cheerleading coach for three years. Mr. Bechthold has been assigned as new YOU coordinator, assisted by Tom Ivcevic. Lourae McCallum will take over as cheerleading coach.

The gift-giving ceremonies were an occasion for considerable laughter and tears. A gift box of 500 individual packages of taco sauce was given to Mrs. Smith from her close friends, the Bob Gardenhires. Many lovely gifts were received, including an original painting of a California

sunset by Ruth Hammons and a color photograph of a pastoral scene near the Smiths' home by Skip Miller. *Susan Karoska.*

District 83 tournament

SEATTLE, Wash. — Apprehension, excitement, disappointment and thrills were the order of the day as District 83 held its first girls' volleyball tournament here Nov. 6. Fifty YOU girls filled the gym. The tournament turned out to be the first games of the season for all four teams because of the Feast and unavailable gyms.

Game one saw Seattle in an easy win over a brand new Sedro-Woolley team, 15-7 and 15-4. Game two saw the 1976 YOU champions, Tacoma I, crush Tacoma II 15-1 and 15-2. Game three brought out the excitement and involvement of the fans as Sedro-Woolley and Tacoma II vied for third and fourth places, with Sedro-Woolley victorious, 15-10 and 15-13.

The '76 champs had everything going their way in game four and demonstrated that they were out to repeat as they subdued Seattle 15-4 and 15-1 for first place. Both teams then advance to the regional tournament in Tacoma Nov. 19 and 20.

The all-tournament team consisted of Diane Davis of Sedro-Woolley, Judy Hendrickson of Seattle, Sandy Massey of Tacoma II and Julie and Shelly Goethals, Lynn Larson and Karen Schow of Tacoma I. The most valuable player was Julie Goethals. The best team sportsmanship was won by newcomer Sedro-Woolley.

The two referees not only controlled the game and inspired the attitude of the girls, but also took their time to explain the finer points of the game. *Wayne Hageman.*

Tacoma wins district

TACOMA, Wash. — Sedro-Woolley, Seattle and Tacoma met in Seattle for the Northwest district volleyball tournament Nov. 6.

The sun went down and Tacoma came up with the final win against Seattle, placing Tacoma in first place, Seattle second and Sedro-Woolley third.

The MVP award was given to Julie Goethals of Tacoma, who commented, "Wins are a team effort, and many of the girls could have had this award."

Shelly Goethals set to Lynn Larson, who spiked the ball to the floor for many points during the games. Cocaptain with Julie, Karen Schow was a backup in every play and gave Tacoma a good number of points with her consistent serves. Julie's ability, enthusiasm and encouragement to the team brought her the award. Coach Sharon Streit beamed at the Trojans' performance. *Nancy Goethals.*

Yard sale

TAMPA, Fla. — Smiling faces, sunny skies and hundreds of bargains greeted customers at the Tampa church's yard sale Oct. 30. An overflow crowd of local residents found such items as color television sets, furniture, appliances and many other things too tempting to turn down.

Members donated the items, priced them and served as salesmen. The church goal of \$1,000 was reached by the day's end, with the cheerleaders earning an additional \$105 for their group with a bake sale. Funds from this event will go to Pasadena to promote *The Plain Truth* in the Tampa area and for service projects. *Judy Padgett and Jim Blount.*

Toledo celebrates 15th anniversary

TOLEDO, Ohio — Nov. 5 was a day much to be remembered here, with an anniversary celebration of 15 years as a local church and the culmination of an idea conceived by Ruth Ludwig, member, many months ago.

Forty-three out-of-town guests were welcomed that day, and pastor Mike Hechel introduced guest ministers who have served in the area and came here to join in the celebration: Arthur Mocarow, pastor from 1963

to 1966 and now director of Ministerial Development and the Human Potential Center; Michael Swagerty, assistant in 1968 and 1969 and present pastor of the Akron, Ohio, church, and his wife; Bruce Vance, assistant in 1969 and now pastor of the Detroit and Ann Arbor, Mich., churches, and his wife; Ken Martin, pastor in 1972 and currently pastor of the Birmingham, Ala., church, and his wife; and Ed Smith, area coordinator, and his wife.

Other out-of-town guests included Dennis Diehl, pastor of the Findlay, Ohio, church, and his wife; Greg Sargent, pastor of the Cleveland, Ohio, church, and his wife; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Graham of Detroit, two of the original members here; Mr. and Mrs. Robley Evans of Cleveland; and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Williams of Ann Arbor, also original members here.

Sabbath services were like a mini-Feast, as Mr. Hechel introduced Mr. Swagerty, Mr. Vance and Mr. Martin for sermonettes and reminiscing and Mr. Mocarow for the sermon, in which he told the congregation of about 500 that Toledo is the parent church of about 15 other churches and was originally 130 members meeting at the Vanderbilt Terrace.

A formal dinner dance, arranged



TOLEDO'S 15TH — Former Toledo minister assistant Mike Swagerty and his wife, left, enjoy a 15th-anniversary celebration with Toledo pastor Michael Hechel and his wife. (See "Toledo Celebrates 15th Anniversary," this page.) [Photo by Richard Cox]

by Carl Fields, was held Saturday night at the Sheraton Motel ballroom here.

Twenty-two guests who were part of the original membership of the Toledo church were presented flowers by Jeanine Pfeifer and Gladys Wolford, members here.

Programs were designed by Pat Sandilands and contained pictures and information about the former ministers of the Toledo church and brief sketches of important events of the past 15 years. The first page was dedicated to the memory of Robert Ludwig, first deacon here, later ordained a local elder. Mr. and Mrs. Sandilands greeted guests and presented them programs as Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yoder, hospitality chairmen, directed all to sign the guest book.

Guests were seated by Rick Laux and Dick Fox at round tables decorated with blue candles, net and blue leaves, the artistic creations of Florence Oberly and her committee.

A large bulletin board with photographs of main events in the church for the past 15 years was organized by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chambers. Sketches of former pastors were drawn by Jeff and Wendy Deily, local artists and members here, and prominently displayed.

A 14-piece band and a vocalist provided the music for the evening and was arranged for by Jack Pfeifer. *Jean Cox.*

An evening in the alleys

TORONTO, Ont. — The anticipation for the Sabbath was heightened Nov. 5 by an after-sundown social, centered around bowling.

The sermonette by deacon John

Pippy stressed growth toward the Kingdom. Announcements were given by pastor Gary Antion, who had just returned from area-coordinators' meetings in Vancouver and Pasadena. Then London (Ont.) pastor Jack Kost enlightened the 300 brethren about the meaning of Psalm 23.

The evening's activities were at the Royal York Bowling Center, where all enjoyed a social extravaganza put together by George and Joan Merritt, deacon and deaconess. Sixteen automatic alleys were kept crashing. A child only had to be able to walk and John Michalowicz would instruct him how to bowl. Gus and Alma Thomas were at dominoes. Ellic Escudero did a fine job at table tennis. Judy Zimmerman and Jeanette Martin overcame Bill Moore at the pool table.

Many bowlers went down in defeat, including golfer John Reedy, associate pastor here and soon to be the minister in Windsor, Ont.; Olga Berkowski, ladies' champion last year; Harold Hartley, bowling adviser; Gary Moore, Toronto East assistant minister, soon to be on his way to Pasadena; Bert Burbach, who exercises by leading songs; Harold Gay, who was busy showing his fine Hawaii Feast snaps between bowling frames; Bob Ledingham and

Jim Hodges, public-address-system experts; Jack Kost; Gary Antion; Monica Ashby, fashion designer, and George James, men's bowling champion.

Young mother Janine Kerr was declared the overall champ and took home jewelry and, for a year, the gold trophy. *Bill Moore.*

Animal-horn chair frames

TULSA, Okla. — Thirty of the 50 and Over Group here boarded a bus with their sack lunches and visited Woolaroo Nov. 6. The Buxtons from Homin, Okla., joined them at the entrance.

Woolaroo stands for woods, lakes and rocks and was formerly the ranch of the founder and owner of the Phillips Oil Company. He willed it to the State of Oklahoma so its beauty and serenity could be appreciated by many. The group visited the wild-game preserve on the way to the museum, which specializes in American Indian history; the administration building, where a 25-minute Indian-heritage movie was viewed; and the lodge, formerly the summer home of the Phillips family.

Buffaloburgers and Indian fried bread were the snacks of the afternoon.

While riding back to Tulsa, the group took a poll and concluded that the lodge was the most interesting. It featured warm, rustic decor; a baby grand piano with a bark veneer; 150 mounted animal heads, none of them hunted, as Mr. Phillips was against hunting; the world's largest collection of Navajo Indian rugs; and some chair frames made of animal horns. *Eunice Goodrich.*

THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

PASADENA — *Quest* 78, the magazine of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation, will go international with a new edition to be launched in Britain, Europe and Africa, reported Jack Martin, *Quest*'s publishing director.

Quest will come to the United Kingdom and Europe Dec. 21, reported Frank Brown, director of the Work in Britain, who is helping coordinate the AICF's efforts there.

The magazine will go on sale in southern Africa Jan. 18, according to Robert Fahey of the Work's Johannesburg office.

Mr. Fahey said the magazine eventually will be distributed in Kenya, Egypt and possibly Nigeria, as well as countries in southern Africa.

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Richard Pinelli, director of church administration for Canada, announced Nov. 16 the names of three men who were ordained ministers or raised in rank during the Feast of Tabernacles and two men who are no longer ministers of the Church.

Fran Ricchi of the Samia, Ont., church was ordained a preaching elder, and Gary King of Ottawa, Ont., and Paul Majeau of Westlock, Alta., were made local elders. Mr. Ricchi and Mr. King are employed by the Work; Mr. Majeau is not.

Armand Gelinias and Gary Rhodes are no longer ministers.

PASADENA — Tom Turk, general manager of the Mexico City office and pastor of the church there, has received a permanent residence

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my very first opportunity to ever utilize the Grumman G-II for an overseas trip and how utterly impossible it would have been to have accomplished such a trip by going commercial.

He also related an experience to his father that occurred during a refueling stop on Wake Island.

"We were met at the door of the deserted little terminal — Wake Island is only maintained as a refueling stop for the Air Force, and there is absolutely no activity on the island whatsoever most of the time — by a smiling Air Force policeman who promptly shook my hand and asked me to autograph an old black-and-white copy of *The Plain Truth* magazine.

"He told me that he would like me to sign the copy and proudly displayed my father's own signature on the cover.

"I was able to relate this experience to my father and pass on my surprise that clear out in the Pacific islands we have readers of *The Plain Truth*, and that the Air Force policeman urged me several times to convey his own personal warmest regards to Mr. Armstrong, which I was just able to do on the telephone."

The younger Mr. Armstrong said he intends to go immediately to Tucson upon his return here for a longer visit with his father but added he was able to update his father "on our entire Australasian trip, and convey to him the tremendous enthusiasm and warmth of the many thousands of people I saw, and send to him their well-wishes and prayers for his continued, steady recovery."



TOM TURK

visa for his family to live in that country.

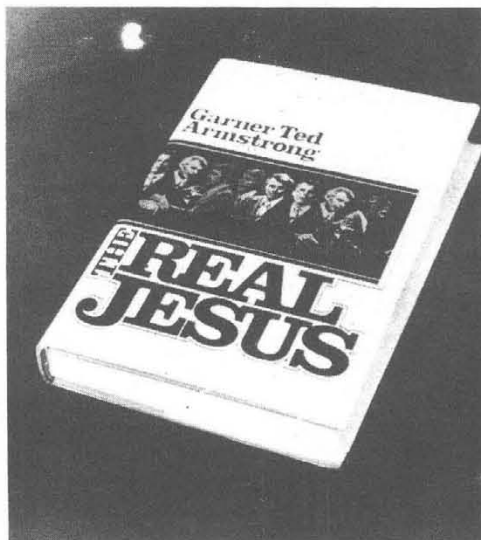
Mr. Turk, who was assigned the post after his 1976-77 sabbatical at Ambassador College here, and family had been living temporarily at the Mexico City office awaiting government clearance but have now rented a home. He, his wife, Jo Anna, and 7-year-old daughter, Tamera, are now permitted by the Mexican authorities to bring their personal belongings into the country.

Mr. Turk, who was here before the Thanksgiving holiday to make final arrangements for the move, described Mexico City as a "very different culture" from the United States, but he and his wife "knew what to expect" and are enjoying the new responsibility.

Mr. Turk, a native of Long Beach, Calif., whose native tongue is English, said he "feels comfortable" conversing in Spanish and his wife "understands Spanish and her speaking is improving."

PASADENA — Russian cellist, Mstislav Rostropovich performed in the Ambassador Auditorium Nov. 28 as part of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation's 1977-78 concert season.

After the performance here the



NEW BOOK — Garner Ted Armstrong's new book, *The Real Jesus*, is out and will soon be seen in bookstores across America, reports the Mail Processing Center in Pasadena. Published by Sheed Andrews & McMeel, Inc., of Kansas City, Mo., the volume lists for \$8.95, but a copy will be sent free to each Church-member family that requests it through the Mail Processing Center.

maestro was guest of honor at a private reception at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Kuhn. Dr. Kuhn is an executive vice president of the AICF.

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — John Halford, area coordinator for Southeast Asia, and Larry Gilman, a member of the office staff here, left Nov. 27 to visit people interested in God's Work in Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, the Gilbert Islands and New Caledonia, all islands in the Pacific east of Australia.

"A number of people from these areas have requested visits and counsel over the months," reported Rod Matthews of the office here, "and this is the first real opportunity we have had to meet with and talk to them."

Mr. Matthews said Mr. Halford had sent a Telex to the office from Port Moresby, capital of the new nation of Papua New Guinea, saying he had baptized the first native of Papua New Guinea.

Members

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unsure how many other ministers — local elders and associate pastors — will show up, but they too will have the opportunity to stay in members' homes.

There are also "probably 100 or 150 foreign men and probably most of their wives" who will attend the conference, Mr. Herlofson said, but he won't know exactly how many until they're all here.

"We plan on having the ministers eat at least their lunch and evening meals at the [Ambassador] student center or local restaurants," Mr. Herlofson said. "Breakfast is optional, because some don't eat breakfast anyway, or the host may find it convenient to prepare the breakfast meal."

If a headquarters family has room for a ministerial family but not enough beds, the Church will have a rental company deliver roll-aways as needed.

If 400 families stay in private homes instead of hotels or motels for the seven nights during the conference, the Church will save \$80,000, which Mr. Herlofson believes is a conservative estimate.

'Set sights high,' says home-run king Aaron

By Randall Breisford

PASADENA — "In order to do good you've got to set your sights just a little high," said Hank Aaron, baseball's home-run-record holder,



HANK AARON

for, nine in the National League.

The year he broke Babe Ruth's record he received 500,000 pieces of mail, he said. It had to be routed through the FBI and other law-enforcement officials because of threats to his life and a suspected kidnaping plot against his daughter.

He said the mail didn't affect him too much. "I had a job to do, to play baseball, and that's all I was thinking about."

He continued by saying he did not want to break Babe Ruth's record for any racial reasons. "I was trying to show people you could make a goal you set for yourself."

A question-and-answer session followed the lecture. During the session Hank Aaron said his salary ranged from \$200 a month while playing for the Indianapolis Clowns to \$240,000 a year while playing for the Atlanta Braves.

Vista

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side if it will use the property.

Contacted by telephone Dec. 5 during a brief stopover in Hawaii as he returned here from a trip to New Zealand, Australia and the Philippines, Garner Ted Armstrong said "certain technicalities" in the deed to the Vista "need to be resolved."

"Our attorneys will be working in the next few days with the HEW legal representation to completely resolve any remaining question," he said. "And we cannot make the final decision involving the acquisition of the property until such negotiations are finally resolved."

"I have had the feeling that the Vista was standing there vacant as if God Himself had intended Ambassador College to utilize such a facility. But if this proves not to be God's will, based upon existing circumstances, we shall comply with whatever the Eternal Creator directs, and we seek only to walk through those doors which He opens, where we see positive assurance that He Himself is the One opening the doors."

The Vista is a 24-building complex on 12½ acres on a block west of Ambassador. The main building, a former hotel, is a seven-story structure of Spanish-Moorish architecture with 400 rooms.

College officials have said it would be used primarily for student housing, a library and classroom facilities.

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and Japanese educational institutions.

The citation acknowledged Mr. Rader's contributions to Okinawan culture, specifically his sponsoring the return and reprinting of documents related to Okinawa that were brought to the United States after World War II. (Okinawa was occupied by U.S. forces from the end of the war until 1972.)

Mr. Rader was also recognized for his part in Ambassador's accepting four students each year from the University of the Ryukyus in Okinawa and inviting one professor each year from the university to be a visiting professor on the faculty at Ambassador.

The award, which was conferred by Emperor Hirohito and approved by the prime minister, was presented by other government officials at the Ministry of Education.

The story was carried in this country by The Associated Press Nov. 23.

to an audience of some 550 in the Ambassador Auditorium Nov. 30. Mr. Aaron was the third speaker in a six-lecture series sponsored by Ambassador College.

Mr. Aaron was introduced by Ed Arnold, television sportscaster for the ABC affiliate station in Los Angeles. Mr. Arnold said that in the superstar's 23-year baseball career he had been at bat 12,940 times in 3,298 games. His most famous achievement in a record-studded career, the sportscaster said, was his 715th home run, which broke the career record of Babe Ruth.

"Whatever I've accomplished in my life was because of my mother and father," Mr. Aaron said.

He explained that his family was a strong unit and that he and his seven brothers and sisters looked up to their parents. His father always encouraged the children to become the best at whatever they decided to do. He quoted his father as saying, "Whatever you do, do it so well that no one living or yet unborn could ever do it better."

Hank Aaron's baseball career, which ended with a record 755 home runs, began in his junior year in high school when he played with the semiprofessional Mobile (Ala.) Black Bears. Remembering his father's advice, he set the goal of breaking Babe Ruth's record.

"A person that doesn't have a dream or a goal doesn't know what it's all about," he said.

Mr. Aaron said he wanted to break Babe Ruth's record, "not because he was white — he could have been black, green or purple — I wanted to do it for my dad."

The early years of his career were marked with racial discrimination, he recalled. At first black players were not allowed to eat or stay in the same hotels with the white players. The segregation situation was played up by the press, Mr. Aaron said, citing the first year that black and white players were allowed to play together in the South Atlantic league. Mr. Aaron, because of an injury, did not play in the all-star game that year. Newspapers reported that Sen. Edward Talmadge of Georgia had asked him not to play with the whites.

"That was a lie," Mr. Aaron said. "I had never spoken with the senator."

During the racially rough years of his career, Mr. Aaron said, manager Ben Garrett was a great help. He encouraged him and the other black players to do the best they could, saying that someday their example would improve the conditions for all blacks.

During his career he has been named to the National League All-Star team 16 times and was voted as a starter 14 times. He owns 18 major-league records and holds, or is tied