

NAB CONVENTION — Garner Ted Armstrong, center, talks about the Work's efforts in acquiring radio time with Ira Wechsler, left, a radio-and-TV representative, and Jayne Robins of Ed Libov Associates at the National Association of Broadcasters convention in Las Vegas April 9 to 11. [Photo by Ron Prociw]

HWA keeps Passover at home as Church enters Spring Feast

PASADENA — Thousands of members of God's Church around the world observed the Passover April 20 as they moved into the first Holy Day season of the year. Herbert W. Armstrong observed

the Passover in a private service at his home in Tucson, Ariz., while Garner Ted Armstrong traveled to Big Sandy to officiate at services for 819 Church members.

Here in Pasadena 2,600 attended the Passover, and 3,590 were present for services on the first day of Unleavened Bread.

From Big Sandy the younger Mr. Armstrong flew to Youngstown, Ohio, to keep the Night to Be Much Remembered April 21 with a small group of ministers and their families. He spoke the next day, the first day of Unleavened Bread, before the combined membership of six churches

gathered at Warren, Ohio.

Passover at home

Herbert Armstrong kept the Passover in Tucson with his wife, Ramona, and six other people. He had invited Ben Chapman, an associate pastor of one of the Pasadena churches, and his wife, Lois, who is secretary to Garner Ted Armstrong, to come to Tucson for the occasion.

Also observing the Passover with Mr. Armstrong were two members of his personal staff, Mel Olinger and Rona Martin, along with Mr.

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GTA at NAB meet

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Representatives of 91 radio stations met Garner Ted Armstrong at the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) convention here April 9 to 11.

The Church's buyer of radio and television time, Ed Libov Associates, Inc., felt Mr. Armstrong's presence at the convention provided excellent public relations and exposure for *The World Tomorrow* broadcast.

According to Michael Cox, account executive for Ed Libov Associates, "many were impressed by him and what he was trying to do."

John Lundberg, the Church's director of electronic media, who also attended the affair in the MGM Grand Hotel, said Mr. Armstrong met with several owners and managers of radio stations that carry the program on a West Coast network.

"Mr. Armstrong conversed freely concerning the program, the Church, college, his books and most any other subject that happened to come up," Mr. Lundberg said. "This exposure will undoubtedly help our goal of covering the top 50 markets in radio."

Graduate school slated to begin classes this fall

By John Zahody
PASADENA — Ambassador Graduate School of Theology will begin operation here this autumn. The new school will offer a number of services for the entire Church and ministry in addition to its formal master's-degree programs.

At an assembly for students, faculty members and employees of Ambassador College April 13, Garner Ted Armstrong stated that "Ambassador Graduate School of Theology has as its purpose to become the intellectual, spiritual and sociological heart of the Church around which would center a variety of important activities directly en-

hancing the growth and development of the Church."

Mr. Armstrong went on to praise the present Certificate of the Ministry Program, now completing its second year, saying it will be retained as one of the courses of study offered by the new graduate school.

30 ministers

"Next year approximately 30 Worldwide Church of God ministers plan to be here on sabbatical to begin the certificate program," said Dr. George Geis, Theology Department chairman.

Dr. Geis has been appointed by (See GRADUATE, page 4)

Newly named president reports on college move

BIG SANDY, Tex. — The process of getting ready for the undergraduate student body of Ambassador College, which will soon begin making its way from Pasadena to Big Sandy, is going "much more smoothly than I thought it would," said Dr. Donald Ward, newly named president of the Texas campus.

Dr. Ward made his remarks here April 21, a few days after consulting with Garner Ted Armstrong and other administrators of the Church and college in Pasadena on the logistics of the move.

(Dr. Ward had been named executive vice president of Ambassador, Pasadena, in March, before the deci-

sion was announced to move the undergraduates to Texas.)

Structuring the staff

The new administrator, who served as academic dean on the Texas campus in 1976 and 1977, before it closed, said he has been trying to "solidify the administration and faculty of the college who will be moving to Big Sandy. We have been able to basically put together an administrative structure: the academic dean, dean of students, business manager, dean of admissions and records. Those are your principal administrators."

"Then come the department chairmen of the various academic departments and the faculty to support those departments."

He said the administration and faculty are still being "structured," though several major recommendations have been made as to who serves where. But he declined to announce names because the college board of trustees must first meet to resolve to adopt the proposed appointments.

Dr. Ward said contracts for his new staff should be ready for signatures "within the next two or three weeks."

He announced that Mr. Armstrong expects to be on campus May 4 for a dinner to which "a cross-section of the East Texas community" will be invited to hear him outline plans for the college.

10 majors offered

The Texas campus will offer fewer majors than the California campus did, Dr. Ward said.

"At Pasadena there were 17 majors being offered, and at Big Sandy there will probably be 10. We'll probably be dropping some majors in science and mathematics because we don't have the lab space we had in Pasadena."

Faculty members are still lacking in three academic areas. "The music area has not yet been solidified, and we also need some additional help in history and home economics. But we do have prospects in those areas."

AC, Pasadena, had achieved can- (See COLLEGE, page 4)

Work launches ad campaign in British Isles

By Martin Keen
RADLETT, England — The Work in Britain has launched a nationwide booklet-advertising campaign in several publications.

According to Frank Brown, director of the Work in Britain and Ireland: "Our current strategy is to build the *Plain Truth* subscription list. This is why we are advertising a booklet rather than making a straightforward religious statement, either about prophecy or the Gospel.

"Everyone who writes for a booklet will receive a copy of *The Plain Truth* on a six months' trial-subscription basis in the hope that they will become regular readers. Once a person becomes a regular reader he will be able to grasp more fully the message we are proclaiming and will at least develop a continuing relationship with us as well as a measure of understanding about the Work."

A secondary aim is to increase awareness of the existence and aims of the Work in the minds of the public.

Until July

The ad program, which began in late February, is scheduled to run until July. Booklets advertised will

include *The Seven Laws of Success*, *The Occult Explosion*, *The Dilemma of Drugs*, *The Plain Truth About Child Rearing*, *Building a Happy Family*, *Principles of Healthful Living* and *Teach Your Children About God*.

Publications utilized include the *Daily Express*, the *Sunday Telegraph*, the *Observer*, *Faces*, *Mother & Baby*, *Parents*, *Here's Health and Prediction*.

The first three are large-circulation newspapers and the remaining five examples of quality magazines reaching a specific market.

Initial results of the campaign have been encouraging. Ads for *The Seven Laws of Success* in the *Daily Express* and *The Occult Explosion* in the *Sunday Telegraph* have pulled 825 and 555 responses respectively to date.

One feature emerging so far is that the more popular booklets are those dealing with a personal theme, such as success and the occult, rather than more altruistic booklets such as *Building a Happy Family*.

Constant monitoring

The program is continuously monitored (See CAMPAIGN, page 3)

ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN — In an effort to build the *PT* subscription list, *The Plain Truth About Child Rearing* booklet is offered in this advertisement currently appearing in British newspapers and magazine.

Is your baby a future football hooligan?



Today it's very difficult for parents to counteract the many influences that their children encounter.

What parent can compete with a glamorous television spectacular, the attraction of multi-million film productions, the fantasy world of pop culture?

It's inevitable that a parent's ideas and wishes become subordinate in a child's mind. We think parents should have more help than ever if they're to have a say in how their children are to grow up.

Real, practical help is hard to come by. That's why we've prepared a special booklet called "Child Rearing."

It's free to everyone. So if you're struggling against big odds and you need a little help, post the coupon.

Please send me a free copy of "Child Rearing"

Name: _____
Address: _____

Ambassador College
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A Personal Letter

from

Samuel Ted Armstrong

Dear brethren in Christ:

Greetings from Youngstown, Ohio. My wife and I are here, together with Mr. Jim Thornhill, director of YOU, and other members of our group for another of our combined special Sabbaths, this time for the first day of Unleavened Bread, and a church social to follow tonight.

It seems almost no time since we were in Oregon, where brethren from most of the Oregon churches and even southern Washington gathered in Salem for a similar special Sabbath day and singles' social.

All of you have had time by now to digest a little of the momentous news announced in the last issue of *The Worldwide News* and the excerpts of my special employees' and students' meeting on April 7.

A flurry of activity has continued ever since, with many, many meetings at various levels as those responsible seek to plan the smoothest-possible transition in the months ahead for the beginning of our full four-year undergraduate program on

our Big Sandy campus and giving over all the space on the campus in Pasadena for the activities of the Church as its worldwide headquarters and our graduate school of theology.

Tucson visit

Following intensive meetings in Pasadena, my wife and I went over to Tucson, where we stopped for a brief two-hour visit with my father before continuing to Big Sandy for the Passover.

We found Mr. Armstrong in good spirits. He came walking out of the bedroom into the living room to sit down and chat with us for a time. As usual, it was another bright and sunny Tucson day. He told us that he intended having a private Passover meeting and had invited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Chapman to be with him, his wife and others of the household for a private Passover evening [see article, page 1].

I mentioned this to all the brethren in Big Sandy during the Passover service. I reminded them of the tens of thousands of brethren partaking of the Passover (the Lord's Supper) in dozens of locations all around the world and those who, like my father,

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Letters TO THE EDITOR

Nutritional disasters?

After looking through many of the unleavened recipes in the March 27, 1978, issue, I was appalled. At least one half to two thirds of the recipes contained in this issue are nutritional disasters and ought to be avoided.

What am I talking about? Simple. Foods that contain refined carbohydrates — especially table sugar (including white, brown and raw).

Does that sound like health-food fanaticism? The multibillion-dollar sugar industry would like you to believe that. But the competent scientist and nutritionist would feel that avoiding sugar should be taken for granted.

For example:

Dr. R.O. Brennan hopes we may see the day when sugar will be labeled: "Caution. May be dangerous to your health."

Dr. Roy Bruder states: "Anyone who is not aware of the deteriorating effects of white sugar [later he includes brown sugar, raw sugar and maple syrup in this same category] is living in a vacuum. . . . Sugar robs the body of important vitamins and minerals, especially B vitamins and calcium."

Dr. Robert C. Atkins is astounded by

cow in other key areas.

Sen. Gary Hart of Colorado (who nevertheless voted for the new Panama Canal treaties) said recently: "At a time when the naval power of the Soviet Union continues to increase, it would be folly to ignore our basic requirement to use the seas freely."

The Panama Canal, in American hands, is indispensable to such unimpeded use.

"Abandonment of a preeminent naval presence in the world," continued Mr. Hart, "could well prove to be the single largest strategic and political mistake the United States might make in the 1970s and 1980s."

Global retreat

The retreat from Panama must be viewed in context with other decisions being made in Washington on key defense issues. Columnist George F. Will, writing in the April 17 *Newsweek*, reviewed these other areas:

"Carter's indefinite postponement of neutron weapons is destabilizing because it strengthens Soviet doubts about U.S. readiness to use existing tactical weapons. The Soviets already knew that the Carter administration buckles under pressure, and makes unilateral and unreciprocated concessions. Now they have fresh ground for contempt."

"The Carter Administration . . . has [also] canceled the B-1 bomber, slowed other strategic programs (the MX missile, the submarine-launched cruise missile), refused to sustain a Minuteman 3 production capacity, retreated at a gallop from its SALT position of last spring, planned drastic shrinkage of the Navy in the face of rapid Soviet naval growth, announced an intention to withdraw ground forces from Korea, and responded to Cuba's aggression in Africa by exchanging diplomatic missions with Havana."

Matthew Conroy, foreign-affairs columnist for the *New York News World*, summed up American foreign policy this way in his column of Jan. 26:

"All these instances are indicative of a retreat from global responsibility. Like a stripper heeding the howls from the audience to 'take it off' we're feverishly stripping ourselves of power in the hope of — what? I'm not even sure. That the Russians will follow our example — get religion, so to speak, and start contracting their empire? That's ludicrous, of course, but there are individuals in high places in Washington who actually believe that if the Russians see us unilaterally disarming, or refusing to use our power meaningfully, they will do the same."

The President's Pyrrhic victory

PASADENA — It was hailed as a major foreign-policy victory for President Carter, who said it signaled a "new era in our relations with the world."

Senate leader Alan Cranston said it finally put an end to American "colonialism."

National-security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski ecstatically proclaimed that the President "takes on hard issues . . . and prevails. And we're going to deal with other issues the same way."

White House aides jumped for joy and hugged each other once the outcome was known.

The cause of all this jubilation? The narrow approval by the U.S. Senate on April 18 of the last of two new Panama Canal treaties, this one providing for the gradual transfer of control of the waterway to Panama, to be completed (according to the schedule, at least) by the year 2000.

Impromptu holiday

In the streets of Panama City an all-night drunken spree erupted. The military government proscribed for the sobering-up process the day by proclaiming a national holiday. Edicts and decrees flow quick and easy in Panama.

But Panama's dictator, Omar Torrijos, was far from gracious in accepting this fabulous gift bequeathed his tiny country by the "gringos." He said on nationwide television in Panama minutes after the Senate vote that, if the treaty had been rejected, "we were going to take the route of violent liberation."

"By tomorrow," he said later at a news conference, "the canal would not have been in operation. We have the capability to destroy the canal despite all the U.S. military commands. The national guard has the capability to destroy it. . . . We have had 10 years of preparations."

He also said Panama would destroy the canal if the United States should try to intervene in Panamanian affairs after Panama gains control of the waterway in the year 2000.

Torrijos had clamped a lid on himself during the final days of the Senate debate. (But before he did he sent letters to 115 countries around the world — not including the United States — complaining about the DeConcini amendment to the neutrality treaty intending to provide permanent U.S. defense rights.) It is certain that, had he made his inflammatory com-

ments before the final vote, the treaty would have been scuttled outright.

True to form, American officials were quick to excuse Torrijos' comments as being merely an expression of Latin bravado intended only for

would be sure to interpret it — violate Panama's "sovereign integrity."

This the trouble America has apparently sought to avoid in its future relations with Panama by agreeing to the new treaties is virtually assured

Worldwatch

BY GENE H. HOGBERG

home consumption.

There is, of course, serious doubt that Torrijos could have carried out his threats. But the leader of the anti-treaty forces, Sen. Paul Laxalt of Nevada, stated that Torrijos' comments represented "a hell of a start to what is a shotgun marriage at best."

Get set for trouble

The President is correct in stating that America has opened up a "new era" in its relationship with Panama. This new era is going to be full of headaches, however, once the new treaty arrangement goes into effect, probably toward the end of next year. (First the House of Representatives must enact enabling legislation; then the treaties of ratification must be exchanged between the two countries; finally the treaties are to be made effective six months later.)

There is a major contradiction built into the new arrangement that is a guarantee of future trouble. Under the treaties the United States reserves the right to use military force, even after the year 2000, to keep the canal "open, neutral, secure and accessible," while at the same time forswearing any attempt to interfere with Panama's "political independence or sovereign integrity."

The problem with this semantic double-talk, and most people do not realize it, is this: The present U.S.-controlled Canal Zone ceases when the treaty goes into effect, not the year 2000. About 70 percent of the zone reverts to Panama to use as it wishes (for urban expansion, for example), and the remaining, shrunken "canal area" also becomes Panamanian property.

In other words, Panama becomes territorial sovereign of the canal at the beginning of the treaty, not the year 2000. The United States merely retains operating rights and privileges until the latter date, much in the form of a concessionaire.

Hence, if in the future the United States chooses to act unilaterally to defend the canal against any threat, it would automatically — as Panama

precisely because of them, Pandora's box has been opened.

Kicked out earlier?

There is considerable opposition to the treaties in Panama, from those who don't want to wait until 2000 for Panama to take full control. This opposition has been squelched by Torrijos up until now.

In his television address the other day, however, Torrijos announced he was opening up the full political process again. There may be national elections again this fall; 10 years after the national guard overthrew the last elected government. Torrijos may or may not run.

As Ronald Reagan has stated often, there is nothing to prevent a future Panamanian government, once the new treaties have gone into effect, from unilaterally abrogating them, demanding that the gringos pack up and leave — or come across with a lot more money, especially if ship traffic through the canal is down, resulting in less toll income. The United States will be forced to (1) leave, (2) pay up, (3) use military action that would "violate" Panama's "sovereign integrity."

While Russians expand

The Panama Canal episode must be viewed, but rarely is, against the broader backdrop of the global Soviet challenge to the free world. Never was unopposed American control of the canal needed more to insure rapid access from the Atlantic to Pacific. The Soviets are expanding their naval forces into all oceans. They have undertaken a feverish naval shipbuilding program.

Meanwhile the U.S. Navy is aging. New ships are not being built fast enough to replace the old. The Navy's five-year shipbuilding program presented last year has been cut in half: from 30 ships to 15. The United States no longer has a complete two-ocean Navy.

America is losing the mastery of the oceans to the Soviets, just as it is becoming militarily inferior to Mos-

"the evidence pointing to sugar . . . as being one of the major factors in high blood pressure, heart disease, fatigue and a host of chronic complaints." He also implicated sugar as causing ulcers, diseases of the colon, alcoholism, behavior disorders, diabetes, migraine headaches, schizophrenia and other mental illnesses.

Endocrinologist John W. Tintera maintains that "it is quite possible to improve your disposition, increase your efficiency and change your personality for the better. The way to do it is to avoid cane and beet sugar in all forms and guises."

"The sugar-laden American diet has led to a national epidemic of hypoglycemia, an ailment characterized by irrational behavior, emotional instability, distorted judgment and nasty personality defects." So state Drs. Cherkasin and Ringsdorf of the University of Alabama.

What then is the conclusion? Anyone who thinks that there is no harm in eating a dessert containing half sugar is kidding himself. Why? Because sugar is an antinutrient.

I also used to wonder why obesity was and is a problem with many in the Church of God. After looking over these recipes, I have a pretty good idea why — namely *wrong eating habits!*

Please don't misunderstand me. I realize that the Kingdom of God is not in food and drink. But don't overlook an obvious point — a major portion of our health depends on what we eat and drink! However, eating or not eating sugar is nothing to get self-righteous or judge each other about. What I am contending is that if you avoid sugar you will be avoiding a major contributing factor to poor health. Nothing more. Nothing less.

In closing, I challenge all of you to do a national study about sugar. You will — unless you are extremely biased — remove sugar from your diet because you will conclude that sugar is a health destroyer.

Avon H. Pfund
Lincoln, N.D.

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Leavened peanut butter? Unlikely. But the Feb. 27 edition of *Worldwide News* would lead one to believe so.

The "Postmark" column refers to sodium aluminum phosphate, sorbitan monoesterate, polysorbate 60 and mono- and diglycerides as leavening agents which appear in cake and biscuit mixes. The article also attributes texture improvement and preservative qualities to these products.

On the other hand, a newspaper article based on the University of Windsor and Health and Welfare Canada information gives this story: Any mono- or diglycerides in jam (we've found them in peanut butter, Crisco-brand shortening, margarine, etc.), or sodium phosphate in cottage cheese (also found in Canadian cheddar), are emulsifiers, as are polysorbate 60 and 80. They bind oil molecules to other liquids so processed foods don't

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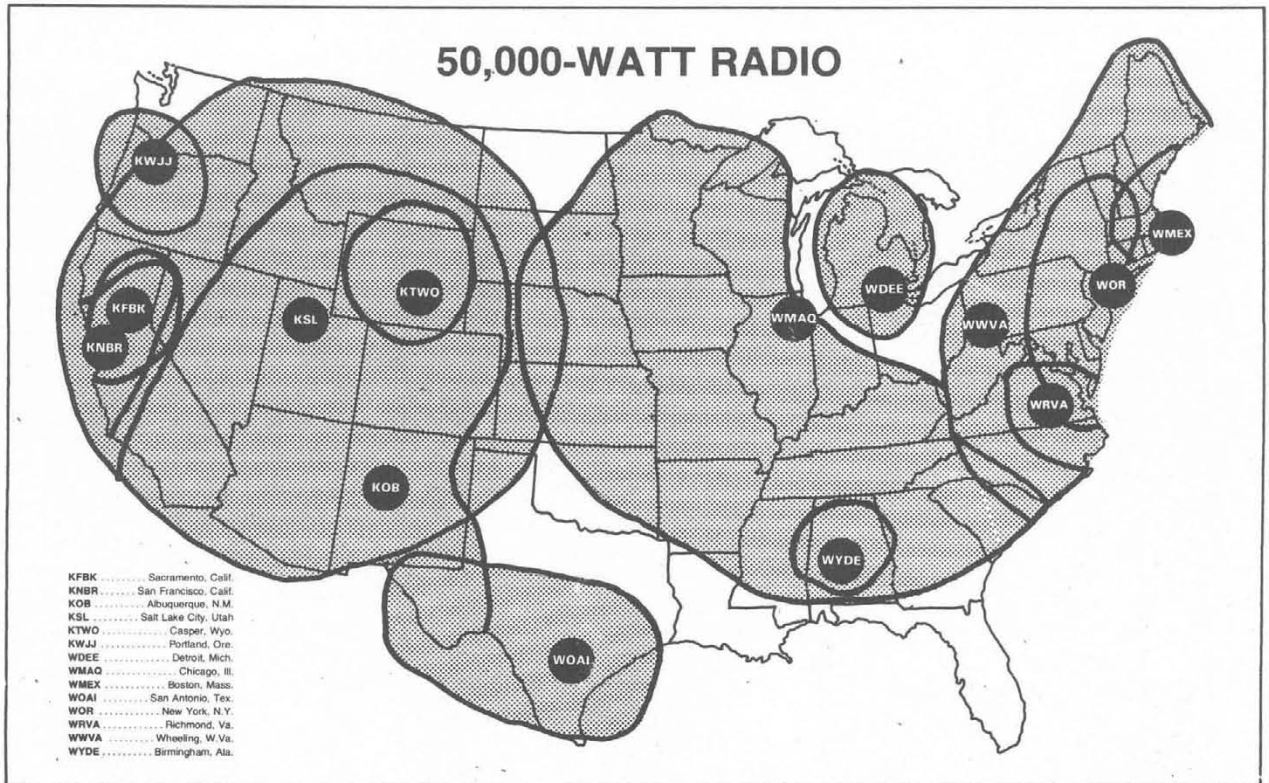
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50,000-WATT STATIONS — The map shows the 50,000-watt radio stations that now carry *The World Tomorrow* broadcast and their coverage at the time of day the program is aired. The coverage indicated for some stations is much smaller than others because at night, when AM radio signals reach the farthest, those stations decrease their wattage. Stations

with less power than 50,000 watts that carry the broadcast are not indicated on this map. Fifty thousand watts is the most power allowed by law for American AM stations. Garner Ted Armstrong recently began 30-minute programs on these stations, some of which are part of his 11-station West Coast network. (Map based on information supplied by Ed Libov Associates, Inc.)

British celebrate 21st, 25th anniversary

LONDON — Brethren gathered March 18 to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the London church and the 25th anniversary of God's Work in Europe. Frank Brown, director of the Work in the British Isles, and Robin Jones, pastor of the London churches, conducted the services.

In his address Mr. Brown commented that the church in London, raised up by Herbert W. Armstrong, was the first to be established outside of the United States. A handful of people had actually begun to observe the Sabbath in London in the autumn of 1956, but it was after campaigns by Roderick C. Meredith and Gerald Waterhouse in the early spring of 1957 that the church began to grow, resulting of the opening of the London office.

Seventeen people observed the Passover here that spring.

25 years in Europe

This spring also marks 25 years of growth for God's Work in Europe, since it was in January, 1953, that the voice of Herbert W. Armstrong and *The World Tomorrow* first went out over the air from Radio Luxembourg.

Several people who attended the first Sabbath service were present: Frank Parker, Arthur Bendon, Mr. Jones and Howard Silcox and his two sons, David, now associate pastor of the London churches, and Andrew,

What's your idea of success?

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Discover a new way of achieving success and enjoying it!

Discover the key: "The Seven Laws of Success" — not just the basic guidelines, but just for achieving success, but what success really is. And we make the startling claim that no human need ever become a failure.

One thing we know for certain: you can't buy success. It's not a formula to be sold at a price.

The only price is your own application. That's why our booklet is free. Send for your copy today.

Please send me a free copy of "The Seven Laws of Success."

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What do you do when your child first says "...."?

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But what happens when young children pick up words they don't even know the significance of? Do you punish them? Try and explain? Laugh it off?

It's a dilemma that all parents have to face — and it's such a difficult job in today's world they need all the help they can get.

That's why we've prepared a special booklet called "Child Rearing: Its yours absolutely free."

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The author of *Child Rearing* is Dr. James H. Geary, Jr., a leading authority on child development.

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ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN — *The Seven Laws of Success* and *The Plain Truth About Child Rearing* booklets are featured in these advertisements currently appearing in newspapers and magazines in Britain.

Campaign

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Itored with the object of sharpening its effectiveness to achieve maximum impact. This will particularly affect the latter end of the campaign when the lessons learned initially will be turned to profit. A small number of ads offering *The Plain Truth* directly will be run in the later stages; copy and layouts for these are being prepared.

English-language newspaper space is also being taken in Ireland as well as Cyprus, Gibraltar, Greece, Israel, Italy, Malta and Turkey in the coming months. The ads, which will directly offer *The Plain Truth*, should have considerable impact on the relatively large and influential English-speaking communities in these areas and provide a substantial morale booster to scattered brethren.

As a result of the two campaigns — the first major advertising promotions in six years — slow but steady growth is expected in the English-speaking Work in Britain, Europe and the Middle East.

who assists Paul Suckling in directing Youth Opportunities United in the British Isles.

Candlelight dinner

In the evening, members decorated the meeting hall for a candlelight chicken dinner and a formal dance. Keith James directed a colorful cabaret, and the young people watched a film in a nearby room.

Assisting with the long hours of planning the celebration were Graeme Ogilvie, coordinating; John Murphy, catering; David Pennington, entertainment; and Martin and Liz Ryan, decorations.

Decorated with the words "21 years in London," a cake was ceremonially cut by Mr. Jones, and each of the 250 people attending enjoyed a piece.

U.S., the West forgetting God

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The problems facing America and the western world have been brought about by "the deterioration of their firm, implacable belief in their Creator God," said Robert Fahey, outgoing director of the Work in Africa, as he addressed a meeting of South African lawyers March 30.

Mr. Fahey, himself an American citizen, focused on problems of his native country and talked of similarities between the United States and South Africa.

'Down and hurting'

He said America is "down and

hurting" and needs understanding and compassion. Condemnation from its critics is not the answer, he said.

Mr. Fahey, who will soon begin a sabbatical year of studies at Church headquarters in Pasadena, got the chance to talk to the attorneys two days after giving the same speech to the Krugersdorp Rotary Club. (Krugersdorp is a Johannesburg suburb.)

About 50 lawyers were present, a cross-section from the western suburbs of Johannesburg.

Mr. Fahey, who was accompanied to the meeting by office staffer Andre

van Belkum, found that many present already knew about Herbert W. Armstrong, *The Plain Truth* and the Worldwide Church of God.

26 speeches

Over the last three years Mr. Fahey has spoken to 26 service clubs in the country. As a result of his Krugersdorp speech, he may have the chance to speak at the annual South African Rotary meeting scheduled for June in Durban.

When Mr. Fahey begins his sabbatical, he will be replaced by Dr. Roy McCarthy, the outgoing director of the Dutch Work.

A Personal Letter

from

Garner Ted Armstrong

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would be observing the Passover in private homes.

I hope all of you brethren had a deeply moving and spiritually rewarding Passover service and greeted the beginning of the Days of Unleavened Bread with awakened zeal, enthusiasm and joy!

As my father told me when I first sat down in his living room. "Ted, I believe we are entering a new era in God's Church!"

I couldn't have agreed more and again thanked him for his courage in making the momentous decision, and so informing me, concerning the much greater visibility for headquarters and the Worldwide Church of God and the complete physical and geographical separation of the two separate corporate entities of the Worldwide Church of God and Ambassador College.

Cloud nine

Of course, all those in Big Sandy were on cloud nine with excited anticipation at the prospect of seeing the college humming with activity once again.

There was no small stir among all

College

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didactic status from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges in its quest for accreditation. But Dr. Ward feels the prospects for beginning the school year as a candidate for accreditation are slim.

"We have written both the Western and the Southern associations about the possibility of transferring candidacy, and the Southern Association [of Schools and Colleges] did not say, 'No, you cannot,' but they did say, 'We will need to review.'"

"I do think there's a good chance of candidacy being achieved during the school year. The fact that the Western Association is working with the Southern Association greatly increases the probability that we'll receive it during the coming year."

Work program

Students in Texas won't immediately have the government-sponsored financial aids that were available to them in Pasadena. But "we will have a work-study program like we had in Big Sandy" before the two campuses merged last year. "We plan to take care of students on the work program according to a formula based on need."

Dr. Ward said he feels "there's a good chance" the college will have available the federal government's Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG) program "before the school year is over," and if that happens the BEOG aid to students would be retroactive to the beginning of the school year.

"But we'll operate on the basis that we won't have government funds" in case the grants do not materialize, he said.

Financial aids to students who are veterans of military service are a possibility for the future. Such aid wasn't available in Pasadena but had been in years past in Big Sandy.

Cost for tuition, room and board will change little, if at all, he said. A student in Pasadena has typically paid about \$1,450 a semester. Dr. Ward said the figure would be "basically the same" in Texas, "maybe less."

The size of the future student body hasn't been determined yet. But the new president quoted Mr. Armstrong as saying "any student who wants to transfer" will be welcome at Big Sandy.

of those in the surrounding communities, along with very excited and favorable newspaper articles in many of the local papers. Mr. Bob Haworth, college public-relations officer, who had already arrived on the scene, told me of having gone to local restaurants and having been greeted by many, many enthusiastic individuals who came up to him, expressing their enthusiastic support and delight that Ambassador would once again open its doors in East Texas.

In the words of one prominent citizen: "You fellows have pulled the coup of the century. You consolidate and close up over here and go out to Pasadena, and, just when everyone is really beginning to feel how much they miss you, you announce you're coming back!"

Incidentally, for those of you in the surrounding areas who are within reasonable travel distance to Big Sandy, let me digress to mention that I have suggested to Mr. Sherwin McMichael, area coordinator for that region, that he ask the pastors of his churches to announce in their Sabbath services that we can certainly use an unlimited amount of volunteer labor from any of those families who would like to journey to the Big Sandy campus, camping in the pinewoods and enjoying the college setting and recreational facilities, such as swimming in Lake Loma, boating, fishing, golfing, etc., and during the days donating manual labor for the vast amount of cleanup, repair, maintenance and other work needed to prepare for the opening of college by September.

Fallen behind

Naturally, with a very reduced maintenance crew, we have fallen seriously behind on the grounds and there is almost no area of the campus where we could not use willing hands and strong backs along roadways and walkways and people to help to trim trees and shrubbery, most especially even skilled labor, if there are those who are skilled at carpentry, painting or other professions.

If any of you brethren would have the time — especially those who may be retired and may enjoy camping out and would appreciate donating a portion of your own time with your own hands in helping build God's college to what it ought to be — we would most appreciate hearing from you at Big Sandy.

You could write directly to the college, addressing your letter to the attention of Dr. Donald Ward at Ambassador College, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755. Or simply pick up the telephone and dial (214) 636-4311, letting them know of your particular qualifications and when you might plan to arrive and the duration of time you would be able to remain.

Incidentally, if any of you brethren have equipment of some sort which could prove valuable for college maintenance use (as you know, we have many acres to maintain), I'm sure college officials would be delighted to hear from you.

We were greeted in Big Sandy by the most delightful weather possible, up in the mid-70s with a light breeze blowing and all the new green of spring evident everywhere.

Usually I am able to shoot about nine holes of golf every other year or so, but I was able to get out on the morning after the Passover for nine holes of golf with Dr. Kermit Nelson, director of the Athletic Department at Ambassador, and then board the airplane at about noon for our trip up to Youngstown.

What a contrast!

Snow falling

I had packed for the South and had taken along (as had my wife, Shirley) only Southern California clothing and had to shoot an ILS approach in blowing snow, visibility down to one

or two miles, and taxied up to the airport in Youngstown with snow falling on the ground all around us and a stiff wind blowing!

However, the storm blew over within hours after our arrival, and today, on the double Sabbath, it is bright and clear.

Upon arriving here in Youngstown, we were very graciously entertained for the evening meal at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Noel. Also present were area ministers Greg Sargent and Ralph Orr, their wives and children, my copilot, Benny Sharp, and members of the musical group that accompanied me.

It was a delightful evening. The Noels had a long table with a big bowl of steaming potatoes and roast turkey and cranberry sauce. It was truly a memorable night.

Our current plans are to return to Big Sandy for some of the days of Unleavened Bread. I am scheduled for a meeting with the Texas Coordinating Board to lay before them our plans for reopening the college campus and obtain their official approval to operate the college once again. And then we are slated to be in Montgomery, Ala., on the weekly Sabbath, the day after the Holy Days.

I will have to be doing radio pro-

grams from our own radio studio in one of the former temporary classroom buildings on the Big Sandy campus in the interim and fly the tapes back to Pasadena. I will be looking into the possibility of direct telephone hookup so that I can do live radio programs from the studios in Big Sandy at 2 p.m. Texas time to be heard on our own Pacific Coast network from our studios in Pasadena.

We have mailed to the publisher a sizable portion of my new book (would you believe the title has still not been selected?). Of course, I will have my nose very much in the grindstone in the days just ahead in trying to rush the entire manuscript to completion.

This is going to be a very busy summer indeed, with the physical changes looming in the immediate future. I sincerely hope and pray it will be a time of great growth, renewed zeal and encouragement for all of you brethren worldwide!

Following our fine and enjoyable family-style meal, as we were discussing various aspects of the Work, I was informed that in the suburban areas around Youngstown *The Plain Truth's* newsstand program is dispensing 20,000 *Plain Truths* each month!

I couldn't help but exclaim surprise and gratitude over such a tremendous number and was quite surprised to find that, instead of including the big cities of Cleveland, Akron and all the others, they were speaking only of the Youngstown and surrounding area!

As I'm sure is true throughout the Church of God, there is an increasing amount of many hundreds of you brethren who are able, with your own two hands, to go out into your local areas, approaching shopkeepers, grocers and other businesses, and placing *Plain Truth* stands in your area. I can't tell you how encouraging this is to me, to my father and to all of us at headquarters, and how ideal we feel it is for all of the brethren to be so intimately involved in the first commission of God's Work!

The program is doing a tremendous job, and I believe we will see great fruits being borne in the months and years ahead, stemming from these and other similar efforts!

So keep up the good work. I will close for now and get busy on preparing my sermon for this special Holy Day!

With love, in Jesus' name,
Garner Ted Armstrong

Graduate school to open in fall

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Mr. Armstrong to coordinate the educational activities of the graduate school along with Dr. Robert Kuhn, assistant to Mr. Armstrong.

In a letter to graduating seniors of the college, Dr. Geis said that, "as the requirements of the Church and the complexities of our society have mushroomed, so has the demand for highly qualified people to serve the Church. And those needs require women as well as men!"

"Ambassador Graduate School of Theology is being designed to specifically serve these increasing needs of the Church. In addition to giving specialized programs to ministers on sabbatical, it will also focus on nonordained graduate students who already have their bachelor's degrees preparation for church service."

According to preliminary information provided by Dr. Geis, a two-year master-of-arts program in religious studies will be instituted in the fall that will offer five areas of specialization including church growth and development, marriage and family counseling, theological journalism, church-educational programs and youth ministry.

"We're hoping to have up to 30 nonordained students enter the

master's program this fall," continued Dr. Geis.

"We see the student who has specialized in one of the five areas of concentration becoming part of a major support system which would provide the field minister with a tremendous resource to help build the programs he wished to incorporate into his pastorate."

Begin in 1980

The M.A. program will also serve as a stage in ministerial education for those going on for a full professional master's degree. This three-year program is scheduled to begin in 1980 and will encompass a broad range of competencies appropriate to the work of a field pastor.

A number of additional programs are planned that will provide immediate services to the ministry at large as well as highly concentrated service to those who are coming to Pasadena on sabbatical. These include intensive two- to three-week workshops to be held on the Pasadena campus and shorter seminars in centralized field locations.

Presented at these events will be strategies for Church growth and development and in-depth discussions on Church doctrine and the System-

atic Theology Project, as well as new concepts of development, professional skills.

An immediate outgrowth of the graduate school will be a ministerial journal that will also be aimed at serving the broad needs of today's Church with articles from specialists in the primary fields of interest. Participation in the project from sabbatical ministers is anticipated.

Dr. Geis emphasized the value to the graduate school of the planned new center for marriage and the family that will also be instituted later this year.

"First of all, the center will give our students viable opportunities for practicum in marriage and family counseling. Secondly, it will provide us with opportunities to do research in this very important area."

Garner Ted Armstrong has appointed David L. Antion, who is presently director of college relations, to guide the initial development of the new center with the assistance of Robert D. Oberlander, current career-services director for the college.

Mr. Antion stated that his own post will be that of assistant director of the center when a suitable director is found.

Looking for expert

"We are looking for a person who is eminent in the field of family therapy and will screen, train and put his certification on each one of us in the center," Mr. Antion said.

"We expect that the center will provide, not only a place to obtain marriage and family counseling, but more than that it will deal with the causes of marital and family problems. This is family-life education and will include areas such as premarital counseling, enrichment for healthy families and preparing for children."

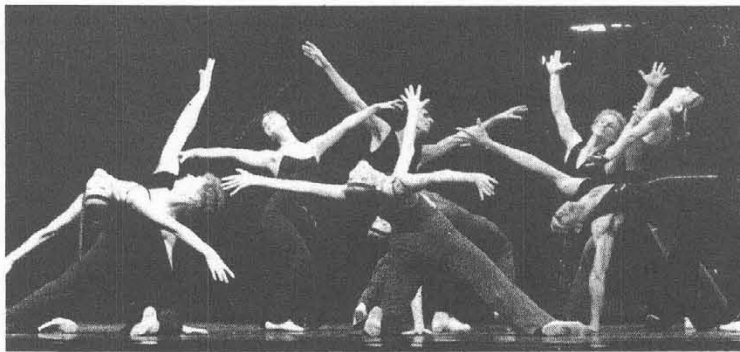
Mr. Antion said these services will be made available first of all to the Worldwide Church of God and later to the community.

"We feel we ought to start very small, as a grain of mustard seed, with very high quality and build carefully and gradually from there."

Mr. Antion expressed his hope that the center will eventually provide valuable research data that can be shared with the whole Church and nation through articles in *The Plain Truth* and other Church publications.



BIG AS BASEBALLS — A resident of Grand Island, Neb., holds two hailstones he collected after a storm hit the city April 7. The storm, which dropped chunks of ice up to seven inches in diameter, caused considerable damage to property, including that of many Church members in the area, and spawned winds as high as 70 miles an hour, heavy rains and tornadoes. One chunk of ice plunged through the roof of the house of Church members Clyde and Virginia Mottin. Some 20,000 cars in the area were reported damaged. [Photo courtesy the Grand Island Independent]



BALLET—The Ambassador College Dance Theater presents its first full-length ballet April 16 in the Ambassador Auditorium. The two-hour performance featured students from the college Dance Department and performances by three instructors. In January the company was featured nationwide on NBC's "A Star Salute to '78" with Kaye Stevens and other stars in several production numbers. The company is under the direction of Christa Long. Her husband, Dr. R. Gerry Long, chairman of the Department of Music & Art at Ambassador, conducted the ensemble that accompanied the dancers. Dr. Long and his wife have collaborated on 50 productions. (Photo by Sheila Graham)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from page 2)

separate into layers and baked goods have uniform texture.

Perhaps such additives can be used as leavening agents, but so can egg whites as used in angel-food cakes, yet we don't eliminate eggs at Passover season.

God's Church needs guidance regarding Passover use of ambiguous food additives, etc., as well as leavening agents (bicarbonate of soda) used in fire extinguishers. Perhaps such information could be included in a ministerial bulletin or *Worldwide News* prior to the Days of Unleavened Bread, 1978.

Leslie A. Turvey
Essex, Ont.

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In the Jan. 30, 1978, issue of the *WN* it was stated in relation to the Days of Unleavened Bread that "the *WN* is embarking on a crusade against rye crisp and matzos . . . to improve the Days of Unleavened Bread."

Looking to the Bible for the origin and meaning of this physical observance, we find in Deuteronomy 16:3 that God said the Israelites were to eat "unleavened bread" or "bread of affliction" to remember the time when they fled Egypt under His guidance. Exodus 12:39 shows how they rushed out of Egypt without leavened dough and had not had time for normal preparation of food to make it more attractive and palatable.

We seem to have developed a tradition in recent years of amassing recipes which, though technically unleavened, intentionally strive to avoid the plainness and hardness characteristic of unleavened bread.

In fact, I wonder whether for some women in the Church this doesn't become the busiest week in the year for fancy cooking of baked goods.

To my mind this is analogous to eating as big a meal as you can just before the commencement of the Day of Atonement.

I feel a relook at our physical observance of the Days of Unleavened Bread would be desirable.

Glen C. Wells
Food technologist
Sydney, Australia

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Grins no substitute

Noted letter of "Name Withheld" from Missouri regarding the need of a boy for a father. I, too, know some little boys with the same need and it has bothered me a great deal. Boys do need a big brother or Dutch uncle. Spiritual widows have a great need in this area also in a lot of cases.

I have noted another area of need also. Widows who are very lonely and desirous of being a part of a social evening are in a great number of cases ignored completely when it comes to dancing. They just do not even exist. Toothy grins are no substitute for a good time. So they sit and grow fatter instead of exercising it off.

Reasons for this neglect? One that I heard of: Men do not dance with a woman they do not intend to marry. I've asked if this was a valid reason. I've had many a good time spoiled in this fashion. I do not go any more. I dance in secret.

According to the Bible, the widow is

important and should be an active member in a great many areas. Is there some reason this is not practiced?

About family night: How does a widow, living alone, proceed to have a family night? The cat and dog certainly do not participate well in this sort of thing.

Does anyone have any answers to these questions?

Name withheld
Maine

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Girls are important

I was very disappointed in the lack of coverage for the Texoma Tornado, the girls' basketball team that won the YOU national finals. The boys' team made the front page, had several pictures and a big article. The girls only had one picture and just a small amount of writing about it.

I think the girls' team is just as important as the boys' and feel they should have equal recognition.

Thank you for allowing me to voice my opinion.

Kim Jones
Paris, Tex.

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A beginning

Thank you for a first-class Church newspaper! I anxiously await its arrival to see what new is happening in the Church, its local areas and YOU.

We are just beginning our own YOU newsletter, and I can begin to appreciate the work all of you at headquarters put into it.

Frank W. Schilling
Cincinnati, Ohio

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Thank you for that wonderful "Personal" (by Garner Ted Armstrong) in *WN* newspaper. It is always the high point in the paper. It is always good to read about the Work. I hope *The World Tomorrow* program will be a great success in its results. This is God's Work, and I'm thankful that He allows me to contribute in this small way.

Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong is making

steady progress, I hope. Would you convey my wishes for his speedy return to the Work in a more active way? We all miss him and are eagerly awaiting the time when he can speak to us again.

Donald Bates
Poyen, Ark.

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Mistake acknowledged

Kindly acknowledge mistake in respect of the caption in *WN* Monday, Jan. 30, 1978, "First Bible Study," page 12.

The word should be Kingston, not Kingtown, which is the capital of Jamaica, and of course St. Vincent is not in Jamaica—nor Kingtown. This of course is the capital of St. Vincent, which is of course one of the Windward Islands, which are of course part of the West Indies, of which of course Jamaica is a part. Jamaica, of course, is hundreds of miles away from St. Vincent.

Also, according to the letter I sent you, it was dated the 25th December, 1977. The date as stated in my letter for the Bible study was Jan. 16, not Dec. 25. Sorry if I gave the wrong impression.

Frederick Forbes
Kingstown, St. Vincent

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Friend file

I have been meaning for a long time to write to you about the pen-pals-section requests.

So many people send in a request asking for their pen friend to write again as they have lost the address.

I'd suggest they go to a good stationer's shop and buy a card index so they have a safe record of their correspondents' addresses and record their interests, hobbies, sports, etc. The size you require will naturally depend on the number of pen friends you have.

H. Barber
Hawkes Bay, New Zealand

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Coupon babies

I would like more information on the

Church rallies to aid neighbors in need

By Dennis Lawrence

EVANSBURG, Alta. — What happens when congregations of God's Church learn of a disaster that has struck a non-Church family? We in the Evansburg church recently had the opportunity to learn the answer to this question.

Disaster struck the Roger Riehl family in our area early on the morn-

ploded. All were safe except for two children with some minor burns.

But their entire home and contents were completely destroyed.

Mr. Riehl's brother, Elmer, who is a Church member here, telephoned me about 10 a.m., informing me of the situation, and asked about the possibility of obtaining some used clothing for his brother's family.

Quite a collection had existed in Edmonton (a fact I had mentioned in Evansburg), but with a quick phone call I learned that that supply had recently been exhausted.

The second call I made was to Mrs. Gunter Schlotte, who had kept used clothing in the Edmonton South church. We discussed the situation and I made the point that even a very few outfits of any type would be a help to the family, with their children ranging in ages from 2 to 15.

Mrs. Schlotte's last words: "I'll see what I can do." We arranged to get in touch at 3 p.m. so I would have time to pick up whatever there was to take with me when I left for Spokesman Club in Evansburg that evening.

By early afternoon I had received several calls about the situation and the need. And very early I realized that there would be more than just a few outfits.

At 3 p.m. I was simply amazed as Mrs. Schlotte asked me, "How big is your car?"

"How big does it need to be?" I asked.

"Three station wagons."

What to do next was the immediate concern. I arranged to collect what had been deposited at one home and Mr. Schlotte volunteered to collect the rest and to accompany me to Evansburg, where we could transfer it to Elmer Riehl's vehicle.

Can you imagine the feeling as I saw his van full! And saw later, while transferring it all, not only clothing, but food, toys and even several pairs of skates. All of that from just one congregation: Edmonton South.

By the time we delivered it to the Riehls that evening, we had that, plus my car full and a pickup truck full from Edmonton South and Evansburg.

I heard later of the high quality of clothing the brethren had contributed, with many apparently even taking clothing off their own backs to give. I heard of a 4-year-old girl who gave her new coat when she heard of the need, then emptied her penny bank of its contents — 35 cents — and put it in a pocket "because they will need food."

I heard of the clothing with dollar bills stuffed in the pockets. And I heard of \$400 that was sent in a sealed envelope I delivered from members of Edmonton South.

All of this "from people who don't even know us," as some of the Riehl family emotionally expressed.

What happens when congregations of God's Church learn of a disaster that has struck a non-Church family? I'd say that a great deal happens. The Edmonton South congregation, in particular, was able to provide abundantly for a family with an immediate need. Four hours saw more than enough clothing contributed for a family of 12.

I have to conclude that congregations of God's Church allow the Spirit of God to work in them when they learn of such a disaster, and they are able to reach out with love and care to help human beings in need.

The Riehl family will be fine. With donations of all types from community, friends and strangers, they will be able to rebuild and refurbish their home and continue life where, for a while, it seemed to end.

The writer is pastor of the Evansburg, Alta., congregation.

ing of Feb. 12. Thirteen-year-old David was baby-sitting six of his nine brothers and sisters while his parents and two older sisters attended a community dance.

The Riehls saw the glow of fire in the northern sky as they left the dance and rushed home filled with apprehensions about their children's safety, to find all safely outside thanks to David's heroic efforts, which included having to creep upstairs while staying close to the floor for air to rescue his 2-year-old twin sisters.

The family's diesel heater had exploded. Can you use color pictures or just black and white? Do you need the negative or can you use just the picture?

Mrs. Vance Woodbury
Beaver, Okla.

To submit a photograph of your pride and joy for the coupon, send it to: The *Worldwide News*, Box 111, Pasadena, Calif., 91123, U.S.A. Black-and-white photos are preferred although we'll do our best to work with color. We discourage sending negatives, since we cannot guarantee using or returning any submissions. Only photos from subscribers are considered, so please include your *WN* mailing label.

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Never outgrow

"Dear brethren in God's Church: After I finish reading the requests for prayer, I take the *WN*, with the requests, before the Throne of Grace to our heavenly Father in prayer for each one, as individuals and as a group, on your behalf.

Some of the circumstances are so like some of my experiences I can really pour my heart out in prayer for all of you. We never outgrow our need for prayer, and especially now, this season of the year, just before the Passover.

Satan is working double overtime, as the roaring lion he is, seeking whom he can devour, causing all kinds of problems.

Mrs. Verona Coultas
Evansville, Ind.

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Church begins Spring Festival

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Olinger's wife and Mrs. Martin's mother.

The Chapmans arrived at Mr. Armstrong's home midafternoon before the Passover. Mrs. Chapman said Mr. Armstrong was in "excellent spirits" and visited with her and her husband for several hours before the evening meal and then personally conducted the entire service.

"It was really fantastic to go over and share the ceremony with him," Mrs. Chapman said. "Ben and I had kept the Passover 10 years ago with Mr. Armstrong in Jerusalem. In fact, I think it was Mr. Armstrong's first time to keep the Passover in Jerusalem."

Mrs. Chapman, who was married to Mr. Armstrong's son Richard, who died after an automobile crash in 1958, said Mr. Armstrong remarked that this year marked his 52nd observance of the Passover. She said the ceremony lasted a little more than an

hour and a half and was "just like being in services."

She also said Mr. Armstrong mentioned in conversation that he plans to begin a trip to Israel and possibly Japan soon; he hopes to leave in late June.

First Holy Day

After the Night to Be Much Remembered, which Garner Ted Armstrong observed at the home of Youngstown pastor Eugene Noel — along with ministers Greg Sargent and Ralph Orr, their wives and children, Mr. Armstrong's copilot and members of a music group that accompanies him on church visits — he visited Warren, Ohio, for the first day of Unleavened Bread.

According to Michael Swagerty, pastor of the Akron churches, 2,189 people representing the Akron A.M. and P.M., Cleveland East and West, Youngstown, Ohio, and Erie, Pa., churches were in attendance. That

number included visitors from other churches as far away as Buffalo, N.Y.

Also, according to Mr. Swagerty, 92 preferred-seating tickets were collected from area co-workers who were also invited to attend.

Mr. Armstrong spoke on "putting meaning into what you do" as he addressed the theme of the Days of Unleavened Bread in his Holy Day sermon.

Mr. Armstrong's visit was a good way to start the feast off, said Mr. Swagerty.

Mr. Armstrong also spoke on the new directions in the Church, including moving the college to Big Sandy.

"With all the changes it was good to hear it firsthand," Mr. Swagerty said.

About 1,000 of the people in the audience attended a social featuring entertainment by Mr. Armstrong and his backup musicians later that evening.

Fresno: national-park gateway

By Terry D. Warren
FRESNO, Calif. — Fresno's main attraction as a tourist center is its geographically central location. The city is in the midst of the world's richest agricultural county between San Francisco, a three-hour drive to the north, and Los Angeles, four hours to the south.

The area is surrounded by fig, orange, apricot, almond and walnut orchards, interspersed by irrigated

Terry Warren, an employee of the Festival Office, reveals what the traveler to the new Fresno Feast of Tabernacles site can expect in the way of places to see and things to do.

vineyards of raisin, wine and table grapes.

Fresno, whose name in Spanish means "ash," is widely known as the gateway to three national parks. A 2½-hour drive northeast along state Highway 41 takes you to the valley floor of Yosemite Park where, in season, cascades of melting snow plunge from sheer granite walls.

Upper Yosemite Falls, nine times higher than Niagara, drops 2,425 feet to the valley floor.

From the valley you can also view famous 3,000-foot-high El Capitan, the world's largest granite monolith, Cathedral Spires, North Dome and Half Dome.

In keeping with the spirit of the Feast of Tabernacles, Yosemite is an ideal place to gaze upon the majesty of creation. As naturalist John Muir said: "Yosemite is a place of rest. A refuge . . . in which one gains the advantages of both solitude and society . . . None can escape its charms. Its natural beauty cleanses and warms like fire, and you will be willing to stay forever . . ."

Fall and winter in Yosemite blend the breathtaking autumn colors of the forest with the contrasting blues of cool, pristine waters and sky. Yosemite Park spans more than 1,200 square miles of unusual mountains,



lush meadows and winding streams.

The historic and beautiful Ahwahnee Hotel is a favorite spot in the valley to stop for a late lunch or dinner. But be sure you make advance reservations; it's usually crowded.

Yosemite Village has a restaurant, general store, medical clinic and numerous rental cabins.

Hiking, bicycling and horseback riding in Yosemite Valley can take you by thundering waterfalls, majestic rock formations and green meadows, or along lakes abundant with rainbow trout, eastern brook or golden trout. You might want to plan your Yosemite trip before or after the Feast to allow plenty of time to enjoy the surrounding scenery.

Sequoia and Kings Canyon

An hour and a half from Fresno,

east on Highway 180, is Kings Canyon with its numerous hiking and riding trails along mountain meadows and rock cliffs. Sequoia and Kings Canyon parks comprise a vast 1,300 square miles of unbroken wilderness, canyons and rivers. Here you can see colorful forests of dogwood, quaking aspen and oak.

Sequoia Park, the second-oldest national park, is the preserve of the world's largest and oldest living things, the giant sequoia trees. The giant sequoias are survivors of an ancient lineage of huge trees, according to the experts. You will find their story and details of the park's geology at camp-fire programs, visitors' centers and wayside exhibits.

Moro Rock, on the edge of the Giant Forest, offers a magnificent view of the Great Western Divide. The limestone formations of nearby Crystal Cave are also a popular attraction. At the eastern park boundary, majestic Mt. Whitney climbs 14,495 feet skyward.

It's little wonder that annually Fresno funnels thousands of tourists to the mountain and canyon attractions.

Convention center

The city itself has grown to become California's most active statewide convention city. Larger cities such as San Francisco and Los Angeles cater more to regional, national and international conventions than state conventions. Fresno's central location, according to the city's convention-bureau officials, is primarily the reason for its No. 1 ranking.

The Fall Festival in Fresno will be observed in the architecturally award-winning \$10 million convention center. Encompassing four square blocks and 16 acres, it's an unusual and versatile meeting complex with numerous meeting rooms and office spaces.

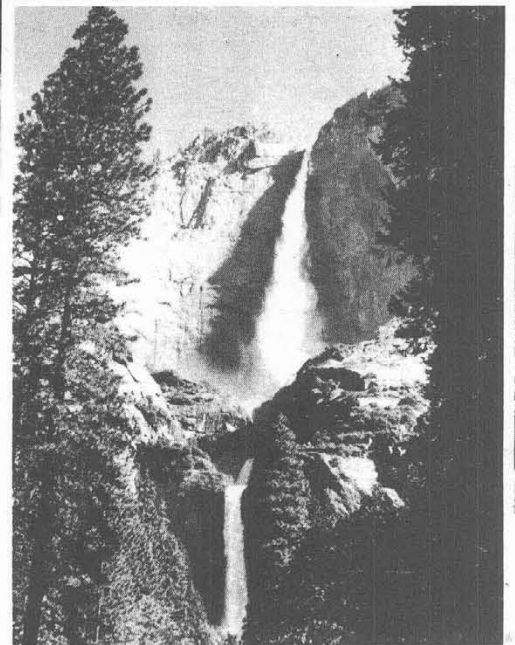
The Seland Arena, in which services will be held, accommodates more than 7,400 people.

Next to the Seland is the exhibit hall and a 2,300-seat luxurious theater in which stage plays, ballets and concerts featuring world-renowned performers are held regularly.

Fresno food

Fresno has numerous restaurants that are well known for their superb cuisine.

Charlie's Sunnyside, on South Clovis Avenue, features seafood and chateaubriand. Estrada's Spanish



Kitchen on Blackstone offers a complete Spanish menu, and Faretta's on Belmont Avenue specializes in steaks and Italian cuisine.

These are the three highest-rated restaurants by the editors of *Mobil Travel Guide*.

Our own underground on-staff critics recommend Pardini's Piccadilly Restaurant on West Shaw, which features a wide selection of superb continental cuisine, Nicola's on Moroa Avenue for Italian food and Los Palms Inn on West Ashlan for a Mexican menu in a country-western atmosphere.

There's also the Velvet Turtle and the Refectory, a remarkably attractive restaurant full of plants, antiques, succulent steaks and seafood.

Whether your tastes are for continental, Chinese, Armenian, Basque, French or Greek, you'll find Fresno to offer an abundant selection of restaurants.

Numerous modern hotels are also available. Some of the finer are the Piccadilly Inn, Fresno Townhouse, Smuggler's Inn, Holiday Inn Airport, Ramada Inn and Airport Marina Hotel.

Family attractions

One of the more popular family attractions is 160-acre Roeding Park. Roeding is beautifully landscaped, with lakes, rolling green lawns and huge groves of trees from arctic to tropical varieties.

Playground equipment, tennis courts and picnic facilities with barbecue grills make it an ideal place to



FRESNO
 Festival
 below,
 70 mile



THE GENERAL — General Sherman, a sequoia tree and reputedly the oldest living thing, is found in Sequoia National Park, 55 miles from Fresno. [Photo by John Robinson]

take the kids for an inexpensive fun-filled afternoon outing.

There are also numerous rides for the kids, a merry-go-round, boat rentals and the state's third-largest zoo, housing some 350 animals.

Fresno has 11 municipal playgrounds, 29 city playgrounds and a campground.

Interesting and informative tours can be taken of the Roma and Cribari wineries, the latter being one of the world's largest, the Sunmaid raisin plant and Hickory Farms.

Details of these and other attractions will be published in the Fresno edition of the Festival brochure.

Train buffs will get a big thrill out of riding a narrow-gauge logging train along the tracks of the Yosemite Mountain-Sugar Pine Railroad. Weather permitting, the train will run weekends and passengers will disembark about four miles from the entrance to Yosemite on Highway 41.

Fresno County also offers some of the finest hunting and fishing in the West. Millerton, Shaver and Bass lakes and Pine Flat Reservoir are some of the popular and easily accessible fishing spots.

Fresno's winter temperatures range from a high of 80 degrees to a moderate low of 49 degrees. The pleasant weather combined with abundant recreational facilities and nearby scenic attractions makes Fresno a desirable spot for Youth Opportunities United and family-oriented activities.



FEST — Fresno features a modern downtown shopping mall, extreme left. The arena, above, will be in the architecturally award-winning convention center, above. The arena seats 7,400. Left: Spectacular waterfalls cascade down to the Yosemite valley floor, from Fresno. (Photos courtesy the Fresno Convention Bureau and Tidyman Studios)



Alaska says coffee is always on at Festival site way up north

By Mike Pickett
ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The northernmost Feast site in the world in 1977 was Kenai, Alaska (60 degrees 38 minutes north latitude). But the need for larger facilities means the Feast of Tabernacles for 1978 will move farther north to Anchorage (61 degrees 12 minutes), where larger facilities are available.

The Festival will be observed in the downtown part of a metropolitan area that is home for 200,000 people. Anchorage is surrounded by a wilderness whose beauty staggers the



WAY UP NORTH — The Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel and its new tower, right, are the site of the '78 Feast in Alaska. Left: Good food and fellowship accented the '77 Feast, as they will this year's. (Photos courtesy the Anchorage Westward Hotel and John Vaught)



imagination. The city has, thanks partially to the influx of business and the Alaska Pipeline, developed a sophisticated downtown convention area with 39 restaurants, 10 motels and hotels, service by seven major airlines and

14 car-rental agencies. The Feast site, the Westward Hilton, has 502 rooms and is within easy walking distance of department stores and other businesses. Nearby is beautiful Cook Inlet, scenic Matanuska Valley and Por-

tage Glacier. Not far distant, and always within sight, is Mt. McKinley, North America's highest peak. Attractions include earthquake-damaged areas, Lake Spenard, Lake Hood, the ski resort at Alyeska (which includes one of the world's longest chair lifts) and Portage Glacier.

Feast activities planned include a formal-dress ball, a recital of classical music, a youth day (during which young people will share in the operation of services), a family movie program and more.

In years past groups of Church members have formed caravans and headed north to the Matanuska Valley and the gold-bearing mountains around the valley. The spectacular drive through the mountains to see the mines precariously perched thousands of feet above the valley floor is a treat never dreamed of by people from other states and countries.

Available will be a ride on the only government-operated train in the United States. The Alaska Railroad runs a special charter line that travels down the glacier-studded shores of Turnagain Arm, past the dazzling blue Portage Glacier, through massive mountain tunnels to the seaport of Whittier, a town inaccessible except by rail or boat.

The trip is taken at a leisurely 35 miles an hour on a train reserved just for the trip.

An unusual visit may be made to the Alaska Wildlife Museum on Ft. Richardson, an Army base five miles from Anchorage.

Feastgoers are urged to consider Alaska as a site. Transfers are most welcome. An old Alaska saying, "The coffee is always on," is religiously practiced by Alaskans in general and the brethren in particular.

For information, write Festival coordinator Al Tunseth at Box 4-1122, Anchorage, Alaska, 99509.

Applicants from the other 49 U.S. states should apply through the Festival Office in Texas. Write: Festival Office, Box 111, Big Sandy, Texas, 75755.

Iron curtain doesn't bar Feast



BONN, West Germany — The Church will observe the Feast of Tabernacles at two locations in German-speaking Europe this year, announced John Karlson, Festival coordinator for Germany.

In addition to the major site at Bonndorf, West Germany, the Feast will also take place in the Bohemian city of Carlsbad, Czechoslovakia.

"Overseas visitors are very welcome at both sites," Mr. Karlson said.

Commenting on the Czechoslovak site, Mr. Karlson said 1978 will be the first year the Feast has "officially" been observed in an iron-curtain (though in years past brethren in East Germany have kept the Festival privately).

To freely keep

"This year God has opened the door for His Church to freely and only keep the Feast behind the iron curtain, fully authorized and approved by Cedok, the Czechoslovakian office of travel and tourism, an agency of the Czech government," he said. "The people at Cedok are bending over backward to assist us in every way."

Besides the 100 or so people expected to attend from noncommunist countries, Church members from behind the iron curtain will also be in attendance, Mr. Karlson said.

"Brethren attending from western

countries will therefore have an opportunity to keep a small, family-type Feast and increase their awareness of God's Work and God's people in an otherwise fairly inaccessible area of the world."

Feast in the Black Forest

The West German site will be at Bonndorf, in the Black Forest. Bonndorf will play host to the bulk of the German-speaking brethren, plus Festival travelers from other countries.

"The area is not only scenically beautiful," said Mr. Karlson, "It offers many opportunities for sight-seeing excursions, various outdoor sports and other types of recreation and relaxation. The excellent accommodations available also further enhance its attractiveness as a site for God's Feast of Tabernacles."

Services at Bonndorf and Carlsbad will be in German with a simultaneous translation for English-speaking guests.

Those interested in attending either site may contact the Bonn office for more information. Write: Festival Office, Ambassador College, Poppelsdorfer Allee 53, 5300 Bonn, West Germany.

U.S. Feastgoers, however, must apply through the American Festival Office, which will forward their applications to Bonn. Write: Festival Office, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

"DEUTSCHES FEST" — Brethren attending the West German Feast site at Bonndorf will meet in the Bonndorfer Stadthalle, above left, for services. Bonndorf is in the Black Forest, a region known for scenic drives, left, and quaint villages. (Photos by Klaus Rothe)

Local church news wrap-up

Tournament trip

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Sixteen teens here packed up and squeezed into cars and a Volkswagen bus March 10, destined for Oklahoma City, Okla., and the Rocky Mountain regional basketball tournament.

The brethren there provided a buffet dinner after Sabbath services and sponsored a dance Saturday evening.

The Albuquerque basketball team netted third place in Division II, also winning the sportsmanship award. Chris Bacheller and Sonny Palacio received all-tournament awards. The church's cheerleaders also placed third. *Debbie Shepperd.*

'The Sentimental Scarecrow'

ALLENTOWN, Pa. — Teens here dined and entertained about 200 people at a spaghetti dinner March 11.

In the kitchen Steve Garzello lifted heavy pots of boiling water, while Lori Woodring, Justina Ortega and Brenda Hockenbury filled plates with the main course and kept supplies flowing to the serving crew.

Mistress of ceremonies Roseanne Whiteash introduced the entertainers. Following a number by the Sunshine Girls (Lori, Cindy Garzello, Sue Bergeron and Tina Randall), Camille Ricci and Barbara Pachery gave their versions of the Tickle and Geritol commercials. The Muzzello family of Larry, Gwen, Janet and father Gary engineered a skit and a magic act.

Diane Deck tip-toed through a ballet number and Stuart Bragg had the girls swooning in the aisles with his imitation of Elvis, ably assisted by Bud Crawford on guitar. Justina Ortega clicked through a Mexican folk dance and Thaila Weitknecht and Gwen Muzzello performed a flute and piano duet. The grand finale was a play, "The Sentimental Scarecrow." Roger Hockenbury assisted behind the scenes.

YOU advisers are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Woodring, Mr. and Mrs. Muzzello, Donald Kinsell, Harry Randall and Margaret Fritts.

Margaret Fritts.

First and last

ANNISTON, Ala. — Women here had their first and last Ladies' Club meeting for the season March 18 in the basement of Paula Stenmoe's home. Pastor Bill Winner gave a talk on self-esteem. Twenty-three attended, including Mr. Winner's wife, Carolyn.

Club officers are Gearldine York, president; Mrs. Stenmoe, vice president; Roseanne Earwood, secretary; and Polly Pace, treasurer. *Tiny Johnson.*

The New Edition

ATHABASCA, Alta. — Music was provided by The New Edition at a dance sponsored by the Athabasca and Westlock churches Feb. 18. Brethren from Edmonton were also invited.

The dancing produced voracious appetites that were satiated by an abundant supply of food from the women of both churches. Innumerable gallons of punch were downed to quench the thirsts of the ambitious dancers. And hidden talents were displayed during the half hour of entertainment. *Janet Quade.*

Disco dance

ATLANTA, Ga. — With the help of John Author, a professional disc jockey, teens here held a disco dance March 18, with young people from the Rome and Athens, Ga., and Anniston, Ala., churches also invited.

The dance started off on a good beat with music from the *Saturday Night Fever* album. A dance contest ended in a two-way tie, with each winner receiving the album of his choice. *Sally-Ann Welsh and Russ O'Quinn.*

May I Serve You

BELLE VERNON, Pa. — MISY (May I Serve You) was chosen to be the name of the women's club here at its March 19 meeting. Becky Johnson

was hostess, and Ann Dean served as cohostess. Handling refreshments and decorations were Hazel Miller and Wilma Hardesty.

The speakers, Karen Tokarcik, Jane Summy, Peggy Henry and Victoria Senyeri, discussed topics that amplified the meeting's theme, "Learning to Serve." The club's director, David Johnson, evaluated the meeting and expanded on the theme.

The previous week, on March 11, the YOU teens had their annual spring dance, attended by people from the Pittsburg, Pa.; Akron, Ohio; and Wheeling and Clarksburg, W. Va., churches. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Richards provided the music and members donated light refreshments. *Peggy Henry and Sherry Mercante.*

Turpentine trees

BRISBANE, Australia — Enjoying a bush walk March 12 were 15 adults and children of the church here. The group, using steep steps on the cliff face, climbed down The Three Sisters, a rock formation at Echo Point, Katoomba, and then followed a walking track around the valley, stopping for fruit and cold drinks at Katoomba Falls.

While passing through the rain forest, Alan King pointed out huge turpentine trees, some several hundred years old. The three-hour walk ended at old abandoned coal mines, where tired legs were relieved to ride back to the top of the mountain ridge on a tourists' railway. The children returned home with souvenir chunks of coal from the mines. *G. Ferguson.*

Curling bonspiel

CALGARY, Alta. — A bonspiel March 4 and 5 ended the curling season here, with four teams participating in the round-robin competition. After three games of hard sweeping, the 16 curlers and their families lunched on chili at the home of Gary and Anne Poffenroth.

Then curling organizer Ken Kerr presented the trophies and crying towels. The league-winner trophy went to the team of Ernie Von Hollen, skip; Jim Rice-Jones, third; Della Von Hollen, second; and Lorraine LaMarsh, lead. The bonspiel trophy also went to a team skipped by Mr. Von Hollen, with Stan Kitt, third; Ed Kitt, second; and Glenda Raesler, lead, backing him up. Everyone received a prize. *Jim Kulchitsky.*

The greening of Wyoming

CASPER, Wyo. — Guest speaker Glenn Stillman discussed landscaping, suggesting plants, trees and shrubs that would survive Wyoming's hot dry winds, at the Ladies' Club meeting here March 20. The ladies answered roll call with books they've enjoyed reading, and plans were made for Cathy Banyai to read a poem at men's night recapping last year's activities.

An anniversary cake was served for refreshments at the YOU meeting March 20 to mark the beginning of the second year of the YOU chapter here. The chapter has had a slow beginning because distances of up to 200 miles separate the 13 members. Coordinator is Bob Johnston. The teens are making plans to spend a week near Lake Saganaga, in Canada. *Mrs. Richard Smallman and Debbie Johnston.*

Spring-cleaning for elderly

CLARKSBURG, W. Va. — After cancellation of two monthly meetings due to bad winter weather, the Ladies' Club here finally got together March 5 at the home of Lois Fleming. Hostess Mary Ash conducted the business session, leading discussion about renaming the club, helping the elderly clean for the Days of Unleavened Bread and making a donation to a local SEP fund.

Carolyn Harrison's table topics ranged from the coal strike to accidents in the home. And after a 15-minute break for refreshments, the meeting resumed with speeches about

first aid and home safety by Edna Hahn, Patti Richards and Marion Bolyard. Becky Johnson gave an icebreaker. Director Dave Johnson evaluated the meeting and added some points about home safety. *Linda Spahr.*

'Eat and Treat'

CLEVELAND, Ohio — The Cleveland East church enjoyed an "Eat and Treat," rather than the traditional truck or treat, at a multinational potluck dinner after Sabbath services March 18. Each family prepared a traditional ethnic dish, and the repast was as varied as it was delicious.

After the dinner, members of the East and West churches put on a variety show for the 300 attending. Using the theme of "Entertainment Across the U.S.," members performed skits and music representative of the Rocky Mountain area, the American beach scene, New Orleans jazz and a country hoo-down. Showstoppers were "Blue Moon," sung by Mellow Moods, a sextet; an original piano and vocal composition by Rita Simms; and a rendition of Allan Sherman's "Camp Granada" by Dwayne Harris.

The East church's YOU chapter sponsored a dance, "Saturday Night Fever," March 25 at Greenwood Village in nearby Sagamore Hills. About 90 teens attended, including some from the Erie, Pa., Youngstown, Akron and Cleveland, Ohio, churches, along with 17 chaperons. *Jeff Smith and Lori Mann.*

Men's basketball

COLUMBIA, Mo. — The men's basketball team here was host for the central Missouri men's tournament March 19 in Sedalia.

In the first game Springfield sailed to a 73-40 victory over Kansas City East. Then Columbia squeaked by St. Louis 68-65. St. Louis won third place by overwhelming Kansas City 95-57. In the championship match, Springfield pulled it out in the final quarter, topping Columbia 64-61.

Leading scorers were Don Minester of St. Louis with 42 points, Steve Mooneyham of Springfield with 38, Mike Leipard of Columbia with 29 and Rod Keesee of Kansas City East with 18. *Connie Leipard.*

Modern Maturity Club

DES MOINES, Iowa — The Modern Maturity Club, composed of older-in-physical-years members, held its monthly evening meeting March 18 at Baker's Cafeteria. The singles' group was also invited to attend.

Grace Stageman of the Polk County Extension Service spoke on nutrition, with discussion and questions running on for two hours.

The club was organized several months ago to provide learning experiences through educational programs and the opportunity for fellowship and to help members develop serving attitudes. *Larry C. Grove.*

Heart-charity dance

EXETER, England — The Rowles family and David Marshall, all members here, formed a music group and, along with other Exeter brethren, organized and sponsored a charity dance March 8 to aid the British Heart Foundation. The dance was at Zhivago's, a nearby nightclub. *Francis Cann.*

A small world

GAINESVILLE, Ga. — At the International Social here March 19, costumed brethren brought delicacies representing many nations to whet appetites, displaying them in booths.

The prize-winning booth was representative of Mexico, manned by Carolyn Masterson and Rita Bunting, with many articles donated by Will Guerrero; the best-dressed man was Mel Stewart; best food was at the Hungary booth; best-dressed woman was Patti Marshall; best-dressed girl was Wendy Baker; and best-dressed boy was Christopher Campbell.

Entertainment began with the

young choir singing "It's a Small World." Bob Bunting provided narration for the acts: a Scottish dance, a poem about Africa, a French song, a Spanish guitar medley, an Ahab the Arab skit, a Hungarian dance, the Banana Boat song and "Auf Wiedersehen." And the cheerleaders, with Tisha Masterson as mascot, performed for the brethren. *Janet Flythe.*

Licorice shoestrings

GLENDORA, Calif. — The YOU chapter here sponsored its first box

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social March 19. The women made luscious lunches and put them in decorated boxes. Then the men placed bids on the boxes, with each box going to its highest bidder, who then dined on the contents with the woman that prepared it. Some of the boxes were decorated as a dog, a wagon, a stereo, a boat, a house and a hamburger.

Auctioneers were Ed DeWart and Bob Justice. After the bidding, Keith Wells, Ken Swisher and Earl Caine judged the boxes. Prizes were given to Kathy Anderson, who made the box receiving the highest bid, a \$16 house; Elaine DeWart for her unique box, a boat with licorice shoestrings; and Dawn Cantu for her "most beautiful" box, a house.

Carolyn Kennel donated, a cake decorated with a surf scene for a cake raffle, which was won by Keith Wells, who also received a knife to cut it with.

Games of volleyball and horseshoes concluded the activities. *Dawn Cantu.*

Hula-hoop contest

HARRISBURG, Pa. — A '50s dance was sponsored by the YOU chapter here March 25 for the brethren. The teens also prepared and sold sandwiches and other refreshments.

Joel Duttera was master of ceremonies, playing music made popular by Elvis Presley and Chubby Checker and other '50s artists. Led by minister Roy Demarest and his wife, everyone got involved in the multiplication dance. The spot-dance contest was won by Dr. and Mrs. Jim Johns, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Drayton won the twist contest, receiving a rum cake as a prize.

The hula-hoop contest was won by Kim Klucker, with Glen Calhoun second and Ulysses Thomas third. Mr. Demarest concluded the competition by demonstrating his expertise with the hoop. *Richard and Rachel Weik.*

Family night

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Teens and children 6 to 20 entertained at the church's family night March 11. The fun show was coordinated by Mr. and Mrs. Benny Faulkner and was preceded by a potluck dinner. The opening part of the show was Bible-oriented, while the latter involved comedy and general talent.

The YOU members sponsored a

dance for the teens and their parents March 25. Meridian members also joined in the fun. *Ani Odom and Brenda Grimes.*

Caricatures of coaches

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Purple and gold bunnies stuck out of basketballs and volleyballs and bigger-than-life caricatures of the coaches hung on the walls at the Kansas City East awards banquet March 22.

Cheerleading coach Ann Gieselman displayed the four first-place trophies won during the past two years, then presented the girls medals for first and second places at the district and regional competitions. Richard DeBerry, basketball coach, awarded

each player with not less than two medals. The A team had won one first place, two second places and three sportsmanship awards. Then the team surprised Mr. DeBerry and his wife, Linda, with an engraved plaque and a bouquet of roses.

Volleyball coach George Curry awarded the girls their medals. The girls gave their coach a \$15 gift certificate for his help in winning first in the district, second in the regionals and a sportsmanship award. Mr. Gieselman, coordinator, concluded the banquet with a brief talk on sportsmanship. *Linda DeBerry.*

Funds for tennis courts

KINGSTON, Ont. — The YOU chapter here gathered at the home of Terry Johnson March 17 for a dinner and a Bible study. The teens had previously been assigned verses from Proverbs to explain and three teens had been given an extra assignment, a report on Solomon.

The YOU members sponsored a teen dance March 18 to raise funds for tennis courts for the township of South Marysburgh as their service project, which netted about \$100. Dave Locum of the Ottawa church was disc jockey. A radio, the door prize, and the record raffle were won by two South Marysburgh residents.

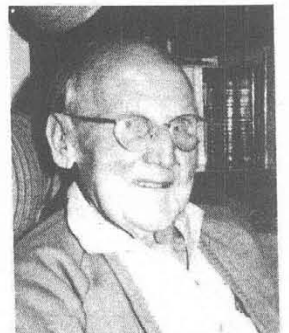
After the dance, the teens gathered at the McAlpine home and spent the night. The next day they tried to dream up skits for the Kingston social March 25. *Lois McAlpine.*

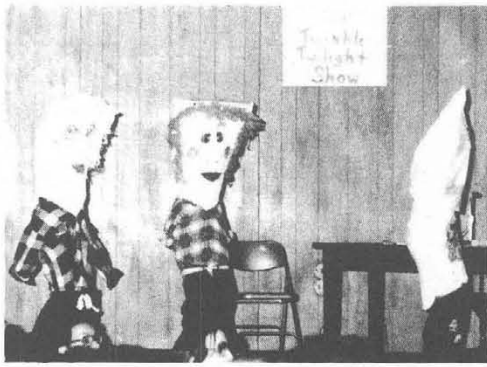
Soccer awards

LA MIRADA, Calif. — The La Mirada Thunderbolts soccer team held its postseason party and awards presentation at Farrell's Ice Cream Parlor March 21. The 26 soccer players and 13 cheerleaders consumed four Zoos, which are mixtures of some 30 ice-cream and sherbet flavors topped with whipped cream and cherries.

Eight awards were presented: cheerleading spirit award, Elizabeth Dunlap; cheerleader of the year, Delaine Godfrey; soccer B-team runner-up, Marc Dominguez; player of the year, Richard Reyes; A-team runner-up, Roy Frazier; player of the year, a tie between Rex Danyluk and Tim Salcedo; and a surprise award to *(See WRAP-UP, page 9)*

GRAND OLD MAN — Ern Couper, 93, the "Grand Old Man of Gippstead," was honored by about 30 members March 4 at the home of Jack and Lynn Soutar of Warragul, Australia. Born in 1885, Mr. Couper reminisced about his years of pioneering in the heavily timbered country of southern Victoria, turning it into productive dairy pasture with a minimum of equipment. *(Photo by Kerry Gubb)*





SQUATTY BODIES — At a YOU-sponsored family night in Norfolk, Va., March 18, "The Twinkle Twilight Show," a spoof of *The Tonight Show*, starred Jotty Carton, played by Anthony Chappell, and Ed Mackman, played by Bruce Arnold. Among Jotty's many guests were the Squatty Bodies, above, who performed to the music of "Short People" and moved the audience to dance in the aisles. The show was directed by Karen Chappell. [Photo by Scott Pryke]

Wrap-up

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Kari Mysels, who has been a model teenager and head of the cheerleading squad.

This was the end of the first season of junior YOU soccer in Southern California, which has seven teams representing 11 churches. *A. John Fontaine*.

10th year, Italian style

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — The church here celebrated its 10th anniversary March 19. In 1968, Las Cruces members got their own meeting place after years of driving to services in Albuquerque. Keith Walden was the first resident pastor, moving here in 1973. The second pastor, T. Vincent Panella, has been here since January, 1975.

Dean Blackwell, evangelist and pastor of the Abilene, Midland and San Angelo, Tex., churches, and his wife came for the festivities. Mr. Blackwell gave the sermon and ordained the congregation's first local elder, Mike Isaac. Brethren from nearby churches, California, Arizona and Texas also attended.

To commemorate the last 10 years, the church's Italian pastor and his wife prepared an Italian dinner. Fennel, an Italian celery served with the antipasto, was shipped from Los Angeles. The 200 people attending topped off their spaghetti and meatballs and red wine with "icea-boxa" cake, Mr. Panella's unique recipe for refrigerator cake. A talent show followed the dinner, then the floor was cleared and dancing capped off the celebration. *Toni Chavez*.

Shaping up

LAUREL, Del. — The church here is shaping up for another year, according to reporter Robert Carey. Family gym night is once a month at the high-school gymnasium, where members meet for basketball and volleyball. Competitive games between men and women and teens and adults ensue, but final scores are well-guarded secrets.

Several stout, well-rounded members bowl monthly at Wicomico Lanes in Salisbury, Md., where six lanes are reserved, four for tenpins and two for duckpins. *Elaine Walker*.

Marriage enrichment

LENOIR, N.C. — Sixteen couples here attended a marriage-enrichment retreat at Valle Crusis in the North Carolina mountains March 17 and 18. The retreat was organized by pastor Ken Smylie, who is working toward a degree in counseling at Appalachian State College in Boone.

After Sabbath services, the couples gathered for the first session in the sitting room of the mission school. A wine and cheese party polished off the evening. Everyone spent the night in a dormitory that was built in the 1800s. The Sunday session began at 9 a.m.

with questionnaires and group discussion about feelings on love and marriage. *Alene Medford*.

In the Wildcats' den

LEXINGTON, Ky. — With victory celebrations everywhere because the University of Kentucky won the NCAA national basketball championship, the Lexington and Morehead churches, like all good Wildcats, painted the town blue with their annual semiformal dance March 25.

Visitors came from far and wide. Two women in Paducah filled their cars and headed for the Wildcats' den to meet with other travelers from Pikeville and London, Ky., and Cincinnati, Ohio, joining more than 200 brethren for the dance.

The locals were successful in keeping their own well-traveled You Band in town to provide the necessary music. Pastor Rowlen Tucker and his wife, Lana, set the pace on the dance floor for all the itchy feet.

While the band took a break, Lexington's version of the Pointer Sisters (Sonya Tapp, Connie Dailey and Debbie Baker) "Got Lost in a Dream."

Not wanting to lose their glass slippers or have their coaches turn into pumpkins, the weary Cinderellas and their princes departed for home at the 11:00 p.m. hour. *Gerry Russell*.

Who's who in Melbourne

MELBOURNE, Fla. — What do Robin Hood, Peter Pan, Raggedy Ann, Darth Vader and a Munchkin have in common? All were represented at the children's masquerade party here March 11.

The hall was decorated with bright streamers and original artwork by the members. Music a la *Sesame Street* filled the room as 35 young people enjoyed carnival games, a costume-judging contest and epicurean delights in the form of popcorn and build-it-yourself sundaes.

Dimitri Sipatschew was master of ceremonies. Organizers Jim and Llama Yesemsky termed the party a great success. *John Bass*.

Fly-away pancakes

MONTEREY, Calif. — Fred Coulter, pastor of the Monterey church that meets in Santa Cruz, cooked pancakes so light they were said to fly away in the breeze if not eaten in a hurry at the weekend family camp-out March 25 and 26.

Sabbath services were outdoors at Toro Park in Salinas, where a private campsite was reserved by Al Robertson. Brethren listened to a tape by Frank Schnee on prophecy and events in Germany.

A wiener roast with beans cooked by basketball coach Pete Cruz started the evening, followed by a sing-along. Then the young people joined forces for a moonlight hike.

Sunday morning, many paddled in canoes furnished by Ray Burkhardt, while others played touch football and

volleyball or went hiking. *Marie Gutierrez*.

Puzzled toddler

MUNCIE, Ind. — Twelve brave members and one puzzled toddler from the P31 Women's Club gathered at the home of Coco Bill for a slumber party March 11. The objective was to work on crafts for the Muncie Mall Bazaar this fall, but the five who stayed up until 6 a.m. also enjoyed a lesson on how to do the hustle and games.

The theme for the club meeting March 19 at the home of Mickie Mitchell was formal entertaining. A formal buffet dinner with candlelight and soft music was served to the women and their guests, mostly husbands. Sandee Greene led table topics, Linda Nicholson gave a book report on *The Real Jesus* and speeches were given by Linda Grinnel on dinner parties, Coco Bill on social graces and Pam Vermillion on table settings. *Gail Benbow*.

Saturday-night fever

NANUET, N.Y. — Beginning at 7:30 p.m. sharp on March 18, the YOU chapter here sponsored a disco dance. Teens and young adults from New Jersey, New York and Connecticut danced to their favorite records played by professional disc jockey Anthony Robinson, better known as "The Amazing Oz."

Turntables, giant speakers and strobe lights turned the Catholic Social Hall in Orangeburg, N.Y., into a disco palace. Food and soft drinks provided needed energy for the grinding pace of the dancing. *Deborah Mills and Lynn Sandland*.

Metal detectors

NORTHAMPTON, England — The Cambridge and Northampton churches gathered after Sabbath services March 18 for a social and cabaret.

Master of ceremonies Stuart Howes introduced the acts, beginning with a sing-along led by The Travelers, whose vocalist, Fiona Peacock, later entertained with solos. Acts included pianists Bob Crick and Roger Clark, impersonations by Martin Clark and poetry by Sylvia Lowe and the King children. Maggie Mitchell and David King combined forces for "There's a Hole in My Bucket." And pastor Arthur Suckling did Lonnie Donnigan's old hit, "Putting on the Style."

The children enjoyed an indoor treasure hunt using metal detectors and other games. *Pamela Kimberley*.

Costume parade

OTTAWA, Ont. — The Singles' Club here sponsored a social March 11, beginning with a potluck supper. During the costume parade, prizes were awarded for the most attractive, most original and funniest costumes in adult and children's categories. While the children were treated to cartoons, adults enjoyed games and a dance. *Gary King*.

Marmalade schottische

PALMER, Alaska — The Busy Betsys were all smiling and in step as they performed the Marmalade schottische, a folk dance, for the PTA-sponsored talent show here March 15. Dorene Eckman had worked hard with the girls and the mothers made them matching outfits.

A softball game with star pitcher Carol Roemer, cross-country skiing, tobogganing, sledding, snowmobile rides, a Swede-sawing contest, a nail-driving contest and footraces were all part of the annual snow party March 19 at Eklutna Lake for the Anchorage and Palmer congregations. Time was made for feasting on hot stew, rolls and cakes.

Young people 10 years and older were auctioned off to help with housecleaning for the Spring Holy Days. Bill and Sandy Kranick organized the festivities. *Linda Orchard*.

Classical music

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Sabbath services here March 25 featured a serenade by Gary Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elliott, now a student

at Ambassador College, and a Passover sermon by pastor Dennis Luker.

That evening was the church's formal dance. Brethren relaxed with classical music, then music by Joe Cavarro and his band, while dining on steak. Dance instructor Robert Hart and a student demonstrated ballroom dancing before the brethren moved out onto the dance floor.

During a break, Marion Davis announced the door prizes. Janice Killman won first prize. Dennis Smith announced several wedding anniversaries. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Peasley celebrated their 30th and Mr. and Mrs. Stan Killman their 25th. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Speed organized the evening. *Benjamin Myers*.

Standing ovation

PORTLAND, Ore. — More than 200 souls stood in ovation as one of the Ambassador College Chorale concluded a concert here March 15.

Ray Howard's music makers answered the compliment with an encore selection of gospel numbers, an apt choice, as several gospel numbers in the program had gained strong response from the crowd.

The Ambassador voices blended



beautifully on the wide variety of selections and accompanist Susan Svercek contributed verve, emotion and technical skill on the piano. *Dennis Neill*.

Blender wizardry

RAPID CITY, S.D. — Brethren here stay after Sabbath services once a month for club meetings because distances are too far for all to gather more often. The March 18 activities began with a carry-in meal of Spanish rice and enchiladas.

The Ladies' Club continued its study on the women of the Bible, learning the characteristics that made the women outstanding Christians or self-seekers.

In addition, Mrs. John Ramsey discussed the qualities of various types of wheat and milling. Mrs. Leo Backhaus prepared a dozen little pies called seafood quiches. And Mrs. Lon Lyman used her blender to whip everything from tooth powder to hand lotion.

Children and teens are involved in Bible-study classes while the adults enjoy the clubs. *Mrs. Robert Monnens*.

Progressive dinner

RENO, Nev. — The annual progressive dinner of the Spokesman and Ladies' clubs here was March 18. First stop for the salad course was at the home of local elder Jerry Center and his wife, Cheryl. About 50 gathered to enjoy the salad and the first part of the club, table topics. The theme was "Humor."

Moving on for the Chinese main course at the home of Bob and Clara Wright, club members listened to four speeches, two from the men and two from the women.

Capping off the evening at the home of pastor Tracey Rogers, members heard four more speeches and the evaluation from Mr. Rogers. Then all relaxed over dessert and coffee. *Flo Fletcher*.

Celebration of a decade

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — About 350 people representing seven New York churches filled the Saratoga room of

the Waterloo (N.Y.) Holiday Inn March 18 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Rochester church.

Local elder Doug Del Barro delivered the sermonette. Then pastor Dave Pack read the qualifications of a deacon and commented on Jack Beilstein's 16 years of service, calling him forward to be ordained. Afterwards, Mr. Pack gave the sermon.

Before attending the evening's formal dance, members dined on steak dinners at the Holiday Inn. Memories were made more vivid by a collection of photographs from past picnics, dances and sporting events.

The New Sounds, a dance band from the Buffalo church made up of Dennis, Steve and Gary Hussak and Ron Krawczuk, provided dancing music. They dedicated one number to a former band member, the late Jerry Webb of Rochester.

During the dinner for adults, more than 100 children were served their meal in an adjoining room and afterwards entertained with cartoons and a Walt Disney movie. The baby-sitting corps was headed by Eric Lasch and was a service project of the Rochester and Syracuse YOU chapters. *Jake Hannold and Marilyn A. Denny*.

TIME AND EFFORT — Holding a plaque reading "To Jerry and Nancy McCracken for Outstanding Service and Sacrifice. Wheeling YOU," the McCrackens, YOU coordinators, were among those honored at the March 11 Wheeling, W.Va., awards day. The basketball team placed third in the district and won the sportsmanship award. Mark Payne received the most-improved-player trophy and Bill Gable the most-valuable-player trophy. The cheerleaders placed third in the regionals.

First picnic

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Brethren here enjoyed their first picnic of 1978 on March 19. The serene and natural setting was provided by the Oscar Scherer State Park south of Sarasota, as picnickers played volleyball and horseshoes and fellowshiped in the spring sunshine. *Lavene L. Vorel*.

Of plaques and flowers

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — The B basketball team here climaxed its most successful season ever with an awards ceremony and dance March 20. Finishing the year with a 7-2 record and capturing both the first-place and most-valuable-player trophies in the district tournament, the greatly improved team was led by captain Eric Shoukist, center, and forward Dan Jager, most valuable player.

Awards were presented to each team member and the team presented a plaque to their coach, Glenn Bechtold. Then Eric gave flowers to each cheerleader for her support. And the cheerleaders presented a trophy to captain Karen Hughes in appreciation for her hard work and a bouquet of roses to their adviser, Lourea McCallum. Dancing followed. *Steven Hughes*.

SMART Set

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — The Santa Rosa and Fairfield SMART (Senior Members All Rejoicing Together) Set shared an evening of fun and laughter with the combined congregations March 18.

The evening began with a brown-bag "lunch" in a room containing an array of senior arts and crafts. Then Ron Wheeler and Roger Boe were auctioneers for a cake auction. And when the last "Sold!" rang out, Charlie Tucker and Joop Tenty seated themselves at a table piled high with prizes to carry on as two of the fastest bingo callers in the West. Santo Rossi spent the evening playing along with the piano.

Rudolf Merz of Cloverdale won a drawing for a handmade quilt, and (See WRAP-UP, page 10)

Babies

BACON, Peter and Heather (Sutcliffe), of Norwich, England, girl, Michele, Feb. 25, 11 a.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

BRYSER, Mike and Veronica (Bugh), of Wayne, Mich., boy, Michael Robert, Jan. 3, 8 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

BURNS, Arnold and Hilda (Yow), Greensboro, N.C., girl, Valerie Joyce, March 27, 11:20 a.m., 9 pounds 3 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

DeLONG, Larry and Maureen (Harris), of Lehigh, Ala., boy, Neil Robert, March 24, 4:31 a.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

EATON, George and Ruth Ann (Jenson), of Big Sandy, Tex., boy, Ryan Owen, March 20, 8 1/2 pounds, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

EHELEN, Wayne and Esther (Colmer), of Imperial, Mo., boy, Chad Joseph, April 3, 5:45 a.m., 9 pounds, now 2 boys.

ELLIOTT, Stephen and Linda, of Longview, Tex., boy, John Freeman, March 28, 8 pounds, now 2 boys.

GALLOWAY, Raymond and Sandra (McCourt), of Toledo, Ohio, girl, Stephanie Ann, April 6, 10:56 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

HARVEY, Terry and Roxanna, of Oxford, N.Y., boy, David Terry, March 23, 9:10 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

HENSON, Don and Rannie (Satterfield), of Portland, Ore., boy, Ryan Michael, April 4, 9:14 a.m., 10 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HICKMAN, Grant and Carol, of St. Louis, Mo., girl, Karen Sue, March 27, 12:48 p.m., 8 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys, 2 girls.

JAEGER, Jerry and Debby (Myers), of New London, girl, Amanda Lee, April 6, 7:15 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

Wrap-up

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everyone received a gift or prize. The SMART Set netted about \$250, Bill and Ruth Land.

Packing a suitcase
SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Several teen girls were guests at the Women's Club meeting March 21. Shirley Pack opened the meeting, then Marilyn Denny conducted table topics with questions about "Getting to Know Each Other."

An American Airlines representative of the nonflying Kiwi organization was guest speaker, demonstrating how to pack a suitcase and a variety of ways to wear scarves. Marilyn Denny.

Saxophone accompaniment
TAUNTON, England — The Taunton and Exeter congregations met together in Awliscombe on March 18, followed by a combined Ladies' and Men's club. The Devonshire village has a strong smell of sillage present to remind one that he is in cattle country.

The song service was aided by Peter Cann on the saxophone, since the pianist was unable to attend. Andy Trout delivered the sermonette and Les Buckley the sermon.

That evening Mr. and Mrs. Trout led the table topics. Four parachute speeches were given, with the winner being Valerie Cann. Mr. Buckley evaluated the meeting.

Then came the social evening, with youngsters from 2 to 72 joining in games of all sorts, intermixed with some Southwest talent. Francis Cann.

Tacky dance
TUPELO, Miss. — Tacky spelled fun for 140 members who attended the tacky dance here March 12. Visitors from Memphis, Tenn., and New Orleans, La., turned up as well.

The Memphis church's band set a lively pace for dancing. Prizes were given to Sarah Brown, the tackiest female, and Bill Beam, who won both the tackiest male and the overall tacky person awards. Snacks were served during the intermission. Doris Beam.

Bingo social
WASHINGTON — About 190 brethren of the Washington, D.C., church regrouped after services March 25 at the Bladensburg (Md.) fire hall for a bingo social.

A Ping-Pong machine popped up the numbers, which were then lighted up on the wall. Everyone was entitled to one playing board, with additional squares costing 25 cents. Jack Hawk, who coordinated the social, Bill Quick and Bill Fairchild called out the numbers during the evening. Twenty-six prizes, which retailed for more than

POLICY ON PERSONALS

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NOTE: All personals are subject to editing and condensation.

WHERE TO WRITE: Send your ads to "Personals," *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Pasadena, Calif., 91123, U.S.A.

JANTZEN, Jerry and Jean, of Calgary, Alta., girl, Norm Lisa, April 1, 9 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 4 boys, 3 girls.

KINSELL, Donald and Janice (Moyer), of Allentown, boy, Nathaniel David, March 21, 2:35 a.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

McBRIDE, James and Sarah (Blair), of Brackett Wood, England, girl, Rebecca Mary Anne, March 22, 6 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

McCOY, Don and Peggy (Ladd), of Baltimore, Md., boy, Kevin Scott, March 19, 10:21 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys.

McCREADY, Devin and Adri (DeKoning), of Smith Falls, Ont., girl, Erin Michelle-Nicole, March 16, 4:56 a.m., 10 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MURTHA, Pete and Sue (Brown), of San

Francisco, Calif., boy, Michael Jonathan, March 24, 3:51 p.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

NETTLETON, Tom and Cindy (Galbo), of Woodbury, Conn., boy, Shaun Thomas, April 4, 9:30 p.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

OTS, Ted and Helen (Jakowicz), of Perth, Australia, boy, Jennifer Vera, April 1, 7:42 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 boy.

RAYNOR, Raoul and Idella (Gordon), of Houston, Tex., girl, Chrystal Barbara, March 11, 6:08 p.m., 7 pounds, first child.

RENNER, Roger and Kathy (Salorek), of Montreal, Que., boy, Erik Jonathan, March 31, 10:53 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

RIDGEWAY, H. Darrell and Patti (Markert), of Athens, Ga., boy, Clinton Paul, March 6, 1:21 p.m., 7 pounds 12 1/2 ounces, first child.

RUANE, Edward and Linda (Parr), of Long Island, N.Y., girl, Jennifer Vera, April 1, 7:42 p.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

SHERIDAN, David and Cathy, of St. John's, Nfld., girl, Sharon Elizabeth, April 5, 7:25 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SHULL, William and Sue (Dunning), of Rockford, Ill., boy, William John, Jan. 4, 6 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SMITH, Don and Cathy (Weerts), of Colorado Springs, Colo., boy, Michael Aaron, March 14, 2:17 p.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

STURCKE, Henry and Edel (Thomsen), of Montreal, Que., boy, Erik Jonathan, March 24, 6:40 a.m., 8 pounds, first child.

THOMAS, Joshua and Ursula, of Melbourne, Australia, boy, Mathew Wayne, Feb. 19, 5:56 a.m., 7 pounds 11 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

WISZ, Thomas and Carol (Widmann), of Denver, Colo., boy, Paul Thomas, April 3, 7:04 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 boys.

\$300, were given away. Robert Curry.

Only the brave

WATERTOWN, S.D. — Lots of foot-stomping and hand-clapping went on here March 18, as two squares of adults and one of children were led in square dancing by the ever-patient caller, Orley Wangness. Only the brave and energetic stayed for the evening's activities, while a larger number had enjoyed a potluck meal after the morning services. During the afternoon, teams competed in answering questions from pastor George Affeldt on subjects of the Bible, geography and the Work. Dianne Skorsegh.

Going round and round

WICHITA, Kan. — Women's Club director Mary Ann Aust led the group in a discussion about Dorcas, the woman of the Bible for the March 19 meeting. Dana Peffley, with her usual wit and humor, gave a book report on *How to Talk to Practically Anybody About Practically Anything* by Barbara Walters.

After a break, guest speaker Connie Oldfather of the House of Decorative Accessories demonstrated how to decorate a home for beauty and interest. Sixty women attended the meeting.

Church members and their families found themselves going round and round March 26 when they gathered at the Carousel Skating Center for an evening of roller skating. Many bumps, spins and fays ushered in the spring season. *Lue Campbell*.

Music-appreciation class

WINNIPEG, Man. — Members here are developing their enjoyment of music through a course conducted by Don Kane, a 25-year-old member who is studying toward a bachelor-of-arts degree and a teacher's certificate in music. Mr. Kane teaches students to appreciate music from various periods by understanding the historical setting the music was written in.

In the meetings held every two weeks, periods from the captivity of ancient Israel through the Protestant Reformation and French Revolution to the present are covered. The lessons also involve listening to music and discussion. *George Slivinsky*.

Eight-week club

WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — The final meeting of the season for the Spokesman Club was a ladies' night at the Heritage House in Madison on March 12. The eight-week club met on Sabbath afternoons, making possible a membership of 34, larger than any previous club here. The main purpose of this abbreviated Jubilee season, according to director Ray Dick, was to get to know each other better. *John Torgerson*.

I am a lonely widow lady in my early 70s. Would like to receive pen-pal letters from men near my age and who are single and in God's Church. I have been in God's Church for 13 years. Mrs. Roy F. Eaton, Washington, J20.

Single male Church member, white, 31. Interests: sports, nature, nutrition, reading, good music, jewelry, antiques, travel, sense of humor. Would enjoy hearing from daughter of Evy in God's Church. "Son of Adam," Louisiana, J209.

Hi, I would like to write mostly boys and some girls too. I am 13 and my hobbies are sports, animals, plants, rock music, I would write soon. Becky Faw, Cambridge, Ont., J210.

Wanted: a very special type of individual to correspond with another special type of individual. My good friend says you do not exist, and she has quit looking for you. I say she needs you and you are there. If you are a fun-loving guy who loves working with livestock, especially horses and cattle, and loves kids, God's great outdoors and living in it God's way, are independent, are somewhat of a loner in the Rocky Mountain West (or wherever), and are in your mid-30s to early 40s, won't you please write to her and prove that I am right. J252.

I would like some pen pals from the age 15 to 17, girls and boys. I am a girl, 15, and like swimming, skating, baseball, chess, reading and other sports. Shari Miller, Illinois, J211.

I would like boys and girls 13 to 15 to write me. I am a 13-year-old girl. I like roller skating, swimming, animals. Fun. Joni Gregory, Illinois, J212.

Writer, 22, looking for new friends. Enjoys politics and sports, religion and dancing, will write to all. Interested in reading, writing, and news. Jeff Smith, Cleveland area, J213.

Male, 21, white, baptized, would love to hear from serious but fun-loving females or men 19 to 25. Also interested in reading, writing, and news. Music. CB, friends, get-togethers, bunch more. Please write Danny, J214.

Hi, I am 11. My hobbies are stamp collecting, baseball, and reading. I would like pen pals 10 to 12. David Riley, British Columbia, J215.

Attention Don Pavlicek, Dave Coleman, Michael Fosters, David Andersons, Ron Irvings, Jim Schuler, Ann Jungren, Mary Mott, Paula Barr, Marie Zelena, Dan Kallies, Bonnie Greenmunk, Sylvia Coumans and all who knew us. Please write Kerry and Carla (Davison) Presley, J216.

Hi! I am a black 17-year-old female; will be 18 in August. Would like to hear from males and females 17 to 21 regardless of race or interests. Is there anyone who is now attending or who will be attending the Peabody College of Teachers, located in Nashville, Tenn.? Teresa Mastin, J217.

A never-been-married, 35-year-old, white, Ambassador-educated male — with wide variety of interests including reading, writing, cinema, sport, photography, public speaking, psychology, commercial art and advertising — would like to correspond with single young women members (aged between 22 and 33) who reside in the U.S.A., U.K., Europe, Australasia, or South Africa. Send your letters to Box 32069, Mombeni 4060, Natal, South Africa.

Hi! My name is Vicki Thomas. I have light brown hair with blond highlights and hazel eyes. I would like to hear from you if you are interested in track, playing the guitar, horses, swimming, writing letters. J218, Omaha.

White male, 23, would like to hear from other young ladies 18 to 24. Interests include the study of natural foods (mostly a vegetarian). Would enjoy hearing from people worldwide. Edward Anderson, J219.

Hi! Girl, 10, would like to write to boys and girls 9 to 11. Hobbies: reading, writing, and cooking. Like to collect miniature animals. Jodi Thomas, J220.

Nature girl, where are you? I long to write you! I'm a single Caucasian (Anglo) Church member 35 to 45, personable, active, strong, because you really do exercise and live on a diet of natural foods (mostly a vegetarian). You love the simple God-given gifts of nature, rural living, animals, outdoor activities, travel, camping, seeing and doing new things. I would like you to aspire to follow "The Way," looking to God to provide all of your needs. J221.

Hi, My name is Kevin Wilson. I am 11, almost 12. For the past two years I have been interested in birds. I would like to write to anyone who is also interested in birds. J254.

Single white male, 27. Big-city born and raised, but rural-attitude. Interested in rural atmosphere. Live in Pacific Northwest rural area. Treks, hills, mountains, valleys, creeks, rivers, Lush areas in peace, quiet, solitude. Also, fascinated by people. Philosophical and widely read. Physical-fitness adherent. Love sports, especially basketball, soccer, tennis, bicycling, racketball. Love chess and other games of logic. Like to correspond with single young ladies in 20s who especially share strong convictions of love of God's plan and living those convictions. Principles of spiritual and physical health and well-being. And who identifies with the above-mentioned interests. J222.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Quillen of Pasadena, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. John Egbert of Washington, D.C., are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Barbara Joan and Jeb Barclay. The wedding will occur May 14 on the Ambassador College campus.

Ms. Theresa Strickland is very happy to announce the engagement of her daughter Gaylene Strickland to Mr. Richard Marvin Jr. of Norman, Okla. The wedding will take place in January, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Doorn of Mayville, Mich., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Marie, to Thomas McGeachan McKeown of North Watford, England. The wedding will take place on May 14 at R. Leaper, Mich.

WEDDINGS

Mrs. Ruth Armstrong and Mr. Leon Cawood were married April 1 on the college grounds in Big Sandy. She is 70 and he is 80. Mr. Dale Schurper performed the wedding.

Laura Jean Overstreet and Richard D. Ridley were united in marriage Dec. 17 by James O'Brien, minister of the Melbourne, Fla., church. Laura is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Overstreet of Indianapolis, Ind., and graduated from Ambassador College, Big Sandy, in 1974. The couple resides in Laguna Hills, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl R. Davison of Van Nuys, Calif., wish to announce the marriage of their daughter Carla Jane, to Mr. Kerry Dan Presley of Springdale, Ark. They were married on Jan. 15 in Fayetteville, Ark., and may be written at J223.

Eise Helene Schotelat and Gerhard Kuhar were married on Sunday, March 26, in Bonn, West Germany. John Kartson, pastor of the Frankfurt



MR. AND MRS. GERHARD KUHAR

and Mannheim churches, officiated. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Frank Schnee, wife of the director of the German-language Work, and Mrs. Linda Thomsen. Her husband, Wolfgang Thomsen, acted as best man. The couple will reside in Frankfurt. Congratulations can be addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Kuhar, c/o Ambassador College, Postfach, 5300 Bonn 1, West Germany.

We are happy to share with our friends in the Church the announcement of our marriage on April 1. The ceremony was conducted by Mr. Ron Reedy in the home of Dwight and Rhonda Vlieh with friends and relatives in attendance. Dorothy Ann Niekamp and Robert Dwight Webb.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT HALEY

Eileen Rice and Robert Hale, members of the St. Petersburg church, were united in marriage on Sunday afternoon, April 2, in the home of the bride's parents. Officiating was Mr. Bob Jones, pastor of the St. Petersburg church. Mrs. Lella Nicholson, the bride's mother, was matron of honor, and Mr. Lavorne Vorel served as best man.

ANNIVERSARIES

Happy seventh anniversary April 12 to Mark and Linda Kaplan, both in California. From folks in Mississippi.

John and Irla Taylor, happy 27th anniversary from your three daughters, three sons-in-law, two sons, two daughters-in-law and of course from your four grandchildren.

Happy 30th anniversary, Mom and Dad Treby! We wish you many more years of happiness. Love, Dave, Teddi, Ken, Kathy, Karen and Sharon.

Mr. T., happy 11th anniversary! It has been great to share these years with you. Love, Kid.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

I am requesting prayer for my daughter Meily. I had her anointed for her problem, but she has been extra prayers as well. She has been having mental problems and has been like this for six months. It's getting me down, and I am expecting a child in June. I need a doctor's care but he doesn't know what is causing her problem. What she needs is God's help and lots of prayer for her to be healed. Her mother, Mrs. Florence Kosmalke, J224.

Will you pray for an unconvinced man seeking God who is burdened by marital and emotional problems?

Brethren, please pray for me. I have a serious ailment. Because of this, I am now critically anemic. My blood supply is unable to replenish itself. Had surgery to correct ailment 13 years ago. Prognosis: more surgery unless the Almighty intervenes. I have a small child to care for and no one to assist me in any way. So you can see why prayers are urgently requested. J225.

Dear brethren: Please pray for my husband (a member), who has left God's Church. Please pray for him to return soon if it is God's will. Please pray also for my son, 10, suffering from emotional problems and a nervous disorder. He has much trouble in school and is in pain most of the time. I need patience and divine guidance as the burdens become tremendously heavy at times. Pray for my family and that I will have faith and strength to deal with these problems as God would have me to, as a Christian. Mrs. F., J226.

Brethren, please pray for Mrs. J.P. Robinson of Mobile. She has arthritis and is in pain most of the time. She is a nonmember but believes God heals and has asked for prayer. Cards letters appreciated. Write her at J227, Mrs. J.B. Taylor.

Brethren in God's Church of all over the world, please pray for and send showers of cards and letters to Milton Clayton. I dear brother who recently learned that he has lung cancer. He still attends Sabbath services and is a dear and inspiring example of patience and endurance. Write him at J228.

Please pray for my mother, who has sugar diabetes and high blood pressure and is undergoing tests for cancer. She is not a member, but I am. I know the love of God in you will make you pray for her hardest. Thank you so very much. She would really appreciate your writing her or sending cards. She is Mrs. Eric Moore, 225 1/2 Seventh St., Parkersburg, W. Va., 26101.

Brethren, please pray for my spiritual daughter, a member, who is very ill due to too many pressures from work and emotional problems. Pray that God will heal her. God knows who she is.

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THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

SQUAW VALLEY, Calif. — Four people died and 30 were injured April 15 when one of two trams was hit by a broken cable while it descended a mountain near the valley.

Thousands of Feastgoers are familiar with the trams, which were in operation during the Feast of Tabernacles annually at Squaw Valley. During the winter the trams were used to carry skiers to snow-covered slopes. During the off season Feastgoers and other visitors rode them to the top to enjoy the view or dine at a mountaintop restaurant.

Operators of the tram service say that, if the cause of the accident cannot be determined, operation will not be resumed.

Squaw Valley served the Church as a Festival site for 17 years, from 1961 through 1977, but was dropped as a site after the Feast last year.

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LONDON — More than 20,000 copies of a new 16-page booklet, *Kiddie Porn: Causes and Cures*, are being sent to members of Parliament, schools, news media and church and civic leaders throughout the region, announced **Frank Brown**, regional director for the Work in Britain, April 17.

The mailing is timed to coincide with the passage through Parliament of the Protection of Children Bill, legislation similar to that recently enacted by the U.S. House of Representatives.

"A taped interview with noted child-educational psychologist **Dr. Ludwig F. Lowenstein** has also gone to 25 local radio stations for immediate use," Mr. Brown said. "And phone-in programs featuring representatives of the Work will be run on a further two stations."

"Nearly 60 MPs, including **Edward Heath**, ex-prime minister, **Margaret Thatcher**, present leader of the opposition, and **David Steel**, leader of the Liberal Party, have already written in expressing their support for the effort we have made."

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LONDON — The 1978 *Plain Truth* film-and-lecture series is under way in six locations in Britain, said **Frank Brown**, regional director of the Work in Britain, April 17.

Two films, *Is Man Alone?* and *What Is a Real Christian?*, are being shown in Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, Manchester, Nottingham and Sheffield.

Lectures include "Coping With Life," "Solving Society's Problems," "Getting Along Together: Basic Human Relations" and "Does the World Need Religion?"

Response so far has been positive, Mr. Brown said. An unprecedented 22.2 percent of those invited from the Glasgow area, for example, attended the showing of *Is Man Alone?*

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PASADENA — The June and July issues of *The Plain Truth* magazine will be combined, as will the October and November issues, announced managing editor **Brian Knowles** April 17.

The decision to publish two fewer issues in 1978 was "due to continuing financial restraints," Mr. Knowles said.

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PASADENA — **Don Newcombe**, former pitcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team, spoke during

an Alcohol Awareness Seminar April 15 in the Ambassador Auditorium.

The seminar was to kick off Alcohol Awareness Week for greater Los Angeles, a pilot program of the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA).

Now an NIAAA representative, Mr. Newcombe shared his personal experiences with alcoholism and said he is interested in helping young people of America understand that alcohol is a potentially dangerous addictive drug.

Among several other speakers were **Tim Matthews**, Pasadena city commissioner and former mayor, and **Dale Hampton**, director of the California Association of School Business Officials in Fresno, Calif.

The seminar was cosponsored by the center and the Pasadena Council on Alcoholism.

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PASADENA — **Eric Shaw**, manager of the Church's Postal Center, participated on a panel in a discussion titled "Managing the Mail Workshop," held for the California Association of School Business Officials in Fresno, Calif.

The panel was designed to stimulate more effective and efficient use of forms of communication through the U.S. Postal Service and other delivery systems.

The panel consisted of people

from schools, the Postal Service and private industry, Mr. Shaw said.

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PASADENA — In response to a recent letter to Church members from **Garner Ted Armstrong** stating tithes should be paid to the Church, not Ambassador College, some have asked if this policy applies to people participating in gift-matching programs with their employers.

Legal Department director **Ralph**

Helge has sent a letter to people on the program, stating that gift matching is an exception; such gifts may continue to be made directly to the college.

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PASADENA — Fifty-eight teenagers have been selected to help staff the Summer Educational Program at Orr, Minn., this summer, the Youth Opportunities United office here announced April 19.



BRITISH CONFERENCE — More than 80 leaders from the British and Irish churches meet in Bricklet Wood for a two-day conference in which the participants were informed of events in the Work and brought up to date on the news in the church areas in Britain. During the conference methods were discussed that might break down resistance to what the British regard as an imported religion. (Photo by Philip Stevens)

Ministers discuss British Work

By **Edward Smith**
BRICKLET WOOD, England — More than 80 leaders in God's Work from the British and Irish churches met here the public-holiday weekend

of March 26 and 27 for an intensive two-day spring conference.

British regional director **Frank Brown** served as chairman of the meetings, which took place on the

former Ambassador College campus. Mr. Brown set several objectives for the conference:

- To communicate to the British ministry and other Church leaders about God's Work in the United Kingdom.
- To give ministers and deacons the chance to fellowship.
- To update all present on news from the various church areas in Britain.
- To allow those from outside the Bricklet Wood area to hear directly from key personnel in the Radlett-Brickett wood headquarters area.

Participants felt the entire conference extremely informative. The workshop discussions and presentations from 10 speakers were followed by open and frank questions and answers. The theme that emerged was the importance of realistically appraising the needs of the Work in Britain and finding ways to present the message of the Church in the most effective manner.

Plans call for a series of film shows and public lectures aimed at readers of *The Plain Truth*, coupled with various advertising programs.

Selected literature is being advertised in wide-circulation journals and magazines, and local ministers are to seek effective ways to promote the Work in their areas through interviews, articles in the press and other activities besides their usual duties.

Mr. Brown assured the conference that the Work of God will continue to push ahead in Britain in as many areas as manpower and other resources permit.

The Church's job, he commented, clearly appears to be that of breaking down resistance to what the British regard as an imported religion. The need to win the respect of members of the public before they will begin to listen to the Church's message will be a long, uphill struggle.

Mr. Brown opened the conference with his own detailed report on the British Work. As chairman, he ended the conference with encouraging reminders to the ministers and deacons to back up the whole team out in the field areas so ministers and other Church members can develop a true image of a Church that cares.

Gift from pastor general

AC pioneer receives flowers



BOUQUET OF ROSES — Annie Mann received a bouquet of roses from Herbert W. Armstrong on her birthday April 13. Mrs. Mann would not state her age, but the 92 red roses in the bouquet might provide a clue. Mrs. Mann met Mr. Armstrong in 1941 in Eugene, Ore., and helped with the founding of Ambassador College in 1947. She lives in an apartment on campus. (Photo by Rick Stodola)

By **Norman L. Shoaf**

PASADENA — Annie Mann playfully refused to tell anyone how old she was on her birthday April 13, but rumor had it that the bouquet Herbert W. Armstrong sent her contained 92 red roses. She was jubilant over the many visitors who were dropping by and over the friends who had sent their best wishes.

Mrs. Mann, who lives in an apartment in the Mayfair girls' dormitory on the Pasadena Ambassador campus, was the hostess for the residence hall for many years. A native of Cape Breton Island, in Nova Scotia, she met Mr. Armstrong in Eugene, Ore., in 1941, and came to Pasadena to help with the founding of Ambassador College in 1947.

During Ambassador's infancy, Mayfair was the college, housing the entire student body and the dining hall and other departments. In those days Mrs. Mann was responsible, it seemed, for administrative duties, marriage counseling, career planning and security, among other things.

"I didn't cook. Don't put me down as a cook," she said with a sparkle in her eye. "But I think I did everything else."

Mrs. Mann couldn't hide her elation over the gift from Mr. Armstrong (rumor had it that a similar present last year contained 91 roses). She was happy to pose for several pictures with the elaborate arrangement of flowers and wanted to make sure Pastor General Armstrong got a copy of one of the photographs.

When Mrs. Mann, who remains active and whose appearance hardly betrays her age, was asked what she wanted to do when she grew up, she replied cheerfully: "Well, I don't know. Maybe I'll be a nurse."