

Christ's Apostle in the Middle East

The following article is taken from a Dec. 2 Worldwide News interview with Robert Fahey, executive assistant to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong.

PASADENA — During a 16-day trip to Europe and the Middle East, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong met with such dignitaries as Israeli President Yitzhak Navon, Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Jihan Sadat (widow of slain Egyptian President Anwar Sadat), Abdel Kader Hatem, director of the National Councils in Egypt, King Leopold III, former king of Belgium, and Franz Josef Strauss, head of West Germany's Christian Democratic Union.

The pastor general returned here Nov. 27.

Mr. Armstrong spoke to more than 1,100 brethren at Sabbath services near London Nov. 14, and had a ministerial dinner afterward. While in England, he met with Peter Nathan, regional director of God's Work in New Zealand, and Frank Schnee, regional director of God's Work in German-speaking areas. [See "Pastor General Flies to Britain, Conducts Meetings, Views Offices," *WN*, Nov. 30.]

Departure for England

The pastor general and his party, which included executive assistant Robert Fahey and *Plain Truth* news editor Gene H. Hogberg, left the Burbank, Calif., airport (15 minutes from the Ambassador College campus) at midmorning, Nov. 11, and arrived at Luton Airport outside London at 4:30 the next morning, 1½ hours ahead of schedule, because of "terrific tailwinds," according to Mr. Fahey.

The group, after being greeted by United Kingdom regional director Frank Brown, went directly to a hotel to adjust to the eight-hour time difference between London and Pasadena.

The next day, Friday, Nov. 13, Mr. Armstrong visited the office that will house the Work's regional headquarters in England, after the sale of the press building in Radlett is finalized at the end of this year, Mr. Fahey said.

The offices are in Boreham Wood, 40 minutes from London,

near the former Ambassador College campus at Bricket Wood. Employees, the majority of whom live in the Bricket Wood area, will not have to seek new housing.

Mr. Armstrong was impressed with the quality of the building and the surrounding area, according to Mr. Fahey.

The Work will lease an entire floor to allow for future expansion.

In the afternoon a board meeting with the Church and Ambassador College board of trustees took place. The financial accounts of 1980 were presented, as required by British law. This was the second board meeting of the year. [See "Pastor General Travels to Britain," *WN*, Aug. 10.]

At lunch in his hotel suite afterward, Mr. Armstrong said that the board might not be well-known by the world, but in God's sight it represents the board of the Work of Ephraim, with the meeting taking place in the capital of Ephraim — London.

There are six American and six British members of the board. The American members are Herbert W. Armstrong, chairman, Robert Fahey, Leslie McCullough, Raymond McNair, Joseph Tkach and Leroy Neff. British members are Frank Brown, Alan Brooks, Howard Silcox, David Finlay, Keith Watts and Francis Bergin, who is secretary to the board.

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Fahey were the only two American members present. All British members were present.

On the Sabbath, Nov. 14, Mr. Armstrong spoke to more than 1,100 brethren at the Town Hall of Kensington and Chelsea, asking brethren whether they were ready for the return of Christ and if the Holy Spirit is working in them.

In the sermonette, Mr. Fahey explained what being on the right track means.

Mr. Armstrong was given what Mr. Brown referred to as the "largest autograph book in the world," containing signatures and photographs of members in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Scandinavia, the Middle East and Black Africa, all administered by the English Office.

That evening a ministerial dinner took place. Mr. Fahey spoke about Church activities and news of the Work worldwide. The pastor gener-



MIDDLE EAST LEADERS — Left photo, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong is greeted by Israeli President Yitzhak Navon Nov. 19, as former Minister of Tourism Moshe Kol (center) and Michael Ravid, former Los Angeles, Calif., Israeli consul general (right) look on. The pastor general meets Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo Nov. 21, right. [Photos by Warren Watson]



al talked about developments in the Work and the responsibility of the ministry.

Mr. Brown had assembled the British ministry to discuss topics that included a review of the 1981 Feast of Tabernacles and plans for the 1982 Feast. The conference was timed to coincide with Mr. Armstrong's trip.

Sunday morning, Nov. 15, Peter Nathan reviewed for Mr. Armstrong three items assigned by Mr. Fahey:

(1) standard budget format for all international offices; (2) manpower and office procedures for the Work in Africa. This project involved consultations between Mr. Nathan, who formerly served in Africa, Mr. Brown, and French regional director Dibar Apartian; and (3) recommendations concerning the French offices, which had previously been discussed with Mr. Apartian.

Mr. Nathan is a preaching elder in God's Church and a chartered accountant. [Equivalent in British countries to certified public accountant.]

Afterward Mr. Armstrong received Mr. Schnee and John Karlson who had arrived from West Germany to discuss publishing and

administrative matters.

Mr. Fahey and Mr. Brown had lunch that day with Professor Raymond Carr of St. Anthony's College, Oxford, to discuss two fellowships Ambassador Foundation has with Oxford University, one the foundation wants to keep, the other it wants to cancel. The one retained, the "Mainland China Fellowship," will assist one or two students in the People's Republic of China who will study at Oxford.

According to Mr. Fahey, Mr. Armstrong has divided Ambassador Foundation activities into two groups, those in the United States, with evangelist Ellis LaRavia as coordinator and those outside of the country, with Mr. Fahey as coordinator.

Radio Luxembourg

That evening several of the group listened to *The World Tomorrow* broadcast on Radio Luxembourg. [See "World Tomorrow" Aired on Radio Luxembourg," *WN*, Nov. 30.] It faded badly four or five times. Mr. Brown said he encountered similar problems when listening to Radio Luxembourg in the '50s.

Mr. Armstrong directed Mr. Brown to monitor the reception on future broadcasts. Advertising campaigns are being conducted to draw attention to readers that *The World Tomorrow* is on the air again. The Radio Luxembourg broadcast is paid for by the Work in the United States.

Monday, Nov. 16, the group left England en route to Brussels, Belgium, landing at 10:30 a.m. King Leopold had a car waiting to take Mr. Armstrong to a board meeting of the King Leopold III Foundation. Mr. Armstrong is vice president of the foundation, which is involved in cultural and humanitarian projects, especially in former Belgian colonies. Mr. Armstrong had lunch that day with the king and his family.

On to Jerusalem

The Work's G-II jet left for Jerusalem that afternoon. Mr. Armstrong's plane is permitted to land at the Jerusalem airport, a facility not generally open to private or com-

mercial aircraft. The airport facilities, including customs service, was left open for Mr. Armstrong and his party.

The party was met by Moshe Kol, former minister of tourism, and his wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ravid (former Israeli consul general in Los Angeles, Calif.).

Tuesday, Nov. 17, Mr. Armstrong had lunch with the Kols and Ravid to plan his schedule in Israel.

CHURCH WINS COURT BATTLE

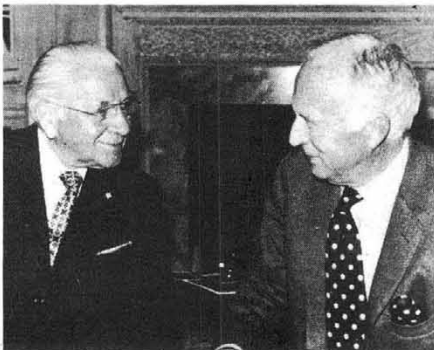
The 2nd District Court of Appeals denied Hillel Chodos, an attorney instrumental in procuring and defending the appointment of a receiver in an action against the Church, the \$100,000 he demanded from the Church for attorney's fees. The court called the receiver's "constitutionally infirm" and "illegally conceived litigation." See reports, page 4.

A special performance for Mr. Armstrong at the International Cultural Center for Youth (ICCY) took place that evening. ICCY brings together various communities in the nation of Israel. The Ambassador Foundation helps support ICCY, according to Mr. Fahey. [See "ICCY: Exchanging War for Peace," *WN*, Aug. 31.]

A Jewish children's choir, and then an Arab children's choir, performed. Then Yemenite Jews danced, accompanied only by percussion instruments. When the Temple was destroyed by the Romans in A.D. 70, the ancestors of the Yemenites vowed to give up all music until the Temple is rebuilt. The appreciative audience included both Jewish and Arab parents.

Wednesday, Nov. 18, Mayor Kollek met with Mr. Armstrong. Mr. Fahey and the mayor discussed Ambassador Foundation projects in Jerusalem.

At 7:30 that evening the group dined with Professor Binyamin Mazar, past president of Hebrew (See MIDDLE EAST, page 3)



EUROPEAN VISIT — Franz Josef Strauss (left) was visited by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong Nov. 26 in his Munich, West Germany, office. Dr. Strauss had recently returned from a meeting with Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev. Right, King Leopold III, the former sovereign of Belgium, and Mr. Armstrong during a previous visit. Mr. Armstrong stopped in Brussels, Belgium, Nov. 16 for a board meeting of the King Leopold III Foundation, of which Mr. Armstrong is vice president. [Ambassador College file photos]

A firsthand look at seething Middle East

PASADENA — We are now back in Pasadena after an action-packed 2½-week trip to Europe and the Middle East. When seen in conjunction with world events, it was certainly a unique time for my wife Barbara and I to travel with Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong.

Visit with President Navon

Tuesday, Nov. 17, Mr. Armstrong met, for the first time, President Yitzhak Navon of Israel. I accompanied Mr. Armstrong and Robert Fahey, his executive assistant, on this visit. President Navon, 60, is no stranger on the Israeli political scene. In fact, he and Jerusalem's dynamic mayor, Teddy Kollek, were the two chief aides to the nation's first prime minister, David Ben-Gurion.

In discussing with Mr. Armstrong the broad nature of peace, President Navon added, as an aside,

that one must know exactly what the other side (in this case the Arabs) mean by peace. One must know, he specified, what the leaders tell their people in their own language. He was referring, of course, to the recent eight-point Saudi "peace plan."

Western news sources were led to believe that the Saudis' seventh point referred to "all states" in the Middle East as having a right to live in peace. Mr. Navon, who is fluent in Arabic, as are many Israeli officials, knows full well that the word *all* is not in the official Arabic version of the proposal. Thus a loophole exists *not* to recognize Israel's right to a peaceful future.

Israel, of course, turned a deaf ear to the Saudi plan from the outset, because it contained nothing new at all. It called for a return of all Arab lands captured in the 1967 war, including East Jerusalem, and the establishment of a Palestinian state

in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. It amounted to only a rehash of previous U.N. resolutions.

President Navon and other Israeli leaders were not the least bit

decided to boycott the conference, ensuring its failure. It is certain that the Soviet Union, Syria's arms supplier, told Syrian president, Hafez al-Assad, not to go. Moscow doesn't

of Riyadh may be good at doling out wads of money to Arabs of all persuasions, but this loose cash hasn't bought them much influence. It should be a lesson to America too, as to how much Saudi Arabia can be relied upon as a moderating force in the region.

Peace path

Interestingly enough, after the latest display of Arab distemper and disunity at Fez, the only "ballgame" left in the Middle East is the Camp David accord between Israel and Egypt, imperfect though it may be. During Mr. Armstrong's meeting with President Hosni Mubarak Nov. 21, the new Egyptian leader said he would continue the two avenues of peace begun by the late Anwar Sadat — the Camp David peace process with Israel and the Mt. Sinai peace project in which the

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surprised when the Arab League summit conference that took place a few days later in Fez, Morocco, collapsed in utter failure. The chief item on the agenda was supposed to have been the so-called moderate Saudi proposal.

Less than 48 hours before the conference began, however, Syria

want any moderate ideas floating around the Middle East.

More than anything else, the Fez fizzle showed how weak Saudi Arabia is in the Arab world. The princes



Guiding children yields diamonds that sparkle

Which weighs more, a ton of feathers or a ton of bricks? The answer to this tricky question lies in recognizing the importance of *balance* — one ton is one ton, no matter what!

We also need to recognize the importance of balance in raising our children. To produce well-balanced individuals, emphasis should be placed on all aspects of our children's personalities — the spiritual, physical, social, mental and emotional.

A few years ago my wife and I visited a diamond factory in Amsterdam, Holland. Our guide told us a diamond is almost universally admired for its beauty and value. But a skilled craftsman must first cut and polish it with the proper tools to produce that sparkling gem. The more facets a diamond has, the more it sparkles and the higher its value.

We have recalled that experience many times and thought of how God has given us "diamonds in the rough" — our children. We parents are the craftsmen whose goal it is to cut as many facets into our children's personalities as possible. The more facets we develop, the more our children will "shine" and be of value. It is our responsibility to maximize the potential in each of our children. As one diamond manufacturer advertises, "A diamond is forever."

Neighborhood children

At the Feast this year some long-time friends brought up an interesting question. These young friends, with a 2-year-old diamond in the rough, asked, "How can we deal with the terrible influence of the neighborhood children?" You know the story: bad language, fighting, cheating. An extremely difficult but prevalent problem, and, as the modern family further disintegrates, one that will undoubtedly become more difficult.

On the lighter side, one father asked his 8-year-old son how he would handle such a situation. The young boy promptly replied, "I would move, and if I couldn't do that, I would pray that the neighbors would!" Now in certain cases, this

might be the way to resolve the problem, but let's consider other possibilities.

We need to prepare our children (the earlier the better) for what they will face in their neighborhoods and in their schools. The neighborhood children do not know or understand God or His laws. We must explain that is why they use bad language and do other wrong things. Here is where we must spend quality time with our children; teaching right from wrong. Galatians 5:19-21 tells us what we can expect from those who do not know Him. Our families, on the other hand, are going in a totally different direction — in this life and in the future (verses 22-24). God's way!

Discipline and correction

If our children do or say wrong things, we will want to discipline and correct them because we love them so much and care about their future. As a part of our family preparation for coping with such problems, we need to spend time daily studying God's Word and in prayer.

How else can we deal with these wrong influences? We know our children need to play with other children. The key is to be personally involved and alert to any potential problem. Neighborhood children may have hours of unsupervised time when they are left home alone to their own devices. Do not allow your children to play inside their homes when no adult is present. You may not wish to allow your children to play inside their homes even when an adult is present! This is up to you. You should make it a point to know something about the children and their parents. You may not be able to allow your children to play with some children under any circumstances.

Invite one or two neighborhood children at a time to your home to play with your children. (Have other Church-family children over as often as possible also.) Try to keep your family in the majority — control is easier with the numbers on your side, in your own home. At first you may find it helpful to promise children healthful treats (oatmeal

cookies, raisins, popcorn or whatever the children think is terrific) if they play together satisfactorily. If the children are old enough, perhaps they could help you make the treat.

High standards

Set your standards for behavior before the children cross your threshold. Be positive. Be friendly. Be firm. Then use the snack time as a way of listening to the children and asking them questions. Eating and discussing always go well together — at any age! (Even teenage.) The children will appreciate your time and attention, but don't expect them necessarily to express it. Be willing to play games with them at times. Whenever you sense a problem developing, handle it immediately. Occasionally you may have to ask a child to leave.

Our oldest son, Nathan, had a friend in the fifth grade, age 10. At that age, the friend was the size of my wife! He came over after school one afternoon to play with Nathan. The boys were tossing a football around and a scuffle and foul language resulted. My wife immediately intervened and explained to all concerned that at our house fighting and bad words were not condoned. Our boys' friends were welcome in our house, but while they were there they had to live by our rules!

But this didn't keep them away; we always had children after school. They were convinced my wife came out of walls though and recognized they couldn't get away with breaking the rules! And, when they needed a player for kickball, they asked her to play.

Pretty soon the word will filter through the neighborhood that you're "awfully strict, but kinda nice, and you give good treats." You will establish that your home is a desirable place to be, where lots of interesting things happen. But, of course, *only* people who behave themselves are invited! When they come to your home, they've got to be good — or else they can't have the goodies, and the goodies include food, fun and a sympathetic listening ear!

After your children's friends leave, discuss with your children what went on. Mention the positive things that happened — why you did and said what you did, and why you appreciated what your children said or did. This is quality teaching time. You will build a foundation for those teenage years to come when peer pressure is so great.

As Christian parents we need to remember that guiding our children to accept values we consider important begins with our living those values in our everyday lives. What we do shows our children how to act, how to feel, how to cope with life God's way. This approach has worked for our family and can work for yours.

Pasadena minister visits brethren in Cameroon

John Halford is a pastor-ranked minister working in Media Services in Pasadena.

By John Halford

DOUALA, Cameroon — You may not know much about the United Republic of the Cameroon. Don't feel bad — most don't. It's a West African country, tucked in between Nigeria and the Congo. A pleasant, fairly peaceful place — not rich, but making slow and steady progress toward development.

Most Cameroonians speak French, although about 20 percent speak English — a legacy from the

days when Cameroon was divided between the French and British empires. Its major exports are cocoa, coffee, cotton and prawns. (The country gets its name from the Portuguese word for prawn — *camara*. Prawns resemble shrimp.)

There is no real reason why the Cameroon Republic should affect your life — except for the fact that there are about 60 of your brethren there.

God's Work in Cameroon

Some of the first baptizing tours to West Africa in the late '60s and early '70s included Cameroon — a few were baptized here. As the West African churches grew, and congregations were raised up in neighboring Nigeria, English-speaking ministers would occasionally visit the English-speaking Cameroonian members. The French-speaking members were visited occasionally by Bernard Andrist — manager of the World's office in Geneva, Switzerland.

A breakthrough came in 1979 when local church elder Ray Clore and his wife Rhonda established temporary residence here. Mr. Clore is a U.S. Foreign Service officer and an Ambassador College graduate. He began his diplomatic career in Haiti, and pastored the congregation there.

Following his Haitian assignment (See **CAMEROON**, page 7)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Brethren around the world

I cannot tell you how much I and my family appreciate our newspaper, *The Worldwide News*.

It is such a help in praying for our brethren all over the world. I have found a way to use the articles, on brethren in other countries, to keep my mind fresh on their needs.

Each article that features a specific country and its problems, such as one on Uganda and our three members there, I clip out to save with other similar articles. I put them all together in a manila envelope to store for future prayer material.

Tawanda Ray Hamilton, Ala.

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Makeup

I have just received the Nov. 16 issue of the *WN*. Have just read the article "How Subtly Satan Used Makeup to Start the Church Off the Track." I want to thank Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong for writing this article. That's exactly why I used makeup — to look better than what God had provided me with, and I repent of that! All is vanity! Thank you Mr. Armstrong for speaking boldly with God's words! We are to be different than the world. I want to be just that! Am I behind you 100 percent? Yes!

Kathy Kochis Matheson, Colo.

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Feast at Squaw Valley

I would like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank each and every one of those people who, through the time and effort they expended, made it possible for so many of us to return to beautiful Squaw Valley [Calif.] for the happiest Feast of Tabernacles ever! There is no place like it in this country, and God willing, we all look forward with great anticipation to spending the Feast there in '82!

To all those who contributed to the Feast in every capacity, many thanks!

Dorothy Henriquez Pebble Beach, Calif.

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University and Joseph Aviram, director of the archaeology faculty at Hebrew University. Professor Mazar rose and toasted Mr. Armstrong in appreciation of his and Ambassador College's projects in Jerusalem for the past 13 years. He called Mr. Armstrong a "friend of Israel." Professor Mazar said the relationship between Israel and Ambassador College has reached its *bar mitzvah* (the celebrating of a Jewish boy reaching the age of religious duty and responsibility).

Thursday, Nov. 19, Mr. Armstrong met with President Navon, who had just returned from Cairo, Egypt, and meetings with President Mubarak and Mrs. Sadat. He asked Mr. Armstrong to convey his greetings to them while in Cairo. Mayor Kollek, Mr. Ravid, Mr. Fahey and Mr. Hogberg accompanied Mr. Armstrong to the meeting with President Navon. [See "World-watch," page 2.]

Afterward Mayor Kollek took Mr. Armstrong and the group on a tour of the Liberty Bell Garden (which contains a playground donated by the Ambassador Foundation), and the archaeological projects the Work helps fund.

Mayor Kollek took the Faheys on a short, private tour of the Citadel, (a tower built by Herod the Great in the first century B.C.) while the others prepared for lunch. It was inaccurately named the Tower of David by the Crusaders, and today is known by that name.

That evening Mayor Kollek was host for a dinner in honor of Mr. Armstrong. Guests included former New York City Mayor John Lindsay, Jacob Rothschild, a leader of the Rothschild family of England, and Klaus Moser of the London Opera House.

Mayor Kollek toasted Mr. Armstrong, who in his response, gave the mayor a check he prepared earlier to maintain youth activities in Liberty Bell Garden.

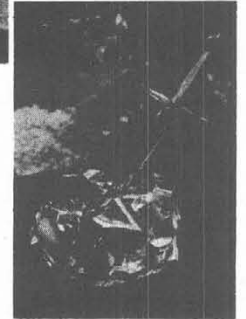
Yigal Shiloh, director of the City of David Archaeological Project in which Ambassador College students participate, praised the students for their effort, their willingness to work and their attitudes. He said he would use Ambassador College students exclusively on his archaeological projects if he could.

Mr. Armstrong, who was tired that evening, left before dessert was served.

Friday, Nov. 20, the group flew directly from the Jerusalem airport



PRESIDENTIAL VISIT — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong and Israeli President Yitzhak Navon (above, right) look over a gift of Steuben crystal presented by Mr. Armstrong Nov. 19. Right, a close-up of the crystal before its presentation to the Israeli president. The piece is called "Excalibur." [Photos by Warren Watson]



ICCY PERFORMANCE — Above photo: former Israeli Minister of Tourism Moshe Kol and Herbert W. Armstrong view a performance of Israeli and Arab children at the International Cultural Center for Youth (ICCY) in Jerusalem Nov. 17. [Photo by Warren Watson]

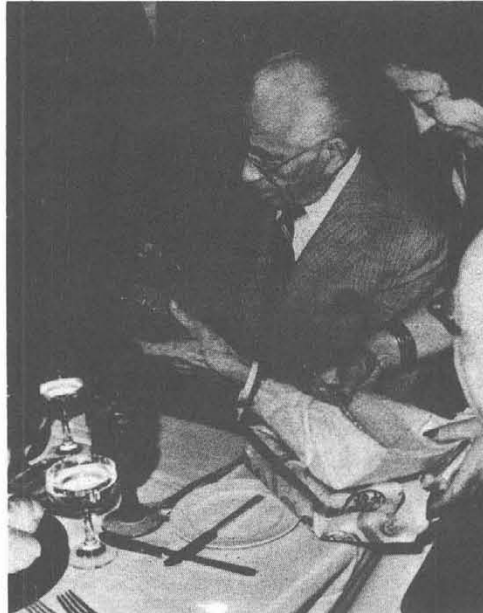
to Cairo, a rare privilege granted only to one or two high level government aircraft.

Visit with new president

The pastor general and his party were met at the Cairo airport by Dr. Hatem, who serves Egyptian President Mubarak in a similar function as the U.S. White House Chief of Staff.

The next morning Mr. Armstrong and his party went to President Mubarak's office for a 10:30 a.m. meeting. Mr. Fahey characterized the half-hour meeting as a "very good interview — President Mubarak was a little reserved at the beginning . . . By the end of it, he warmed up very much to Mr. Armstrong."

Mr. Armstrong pledged the Ambassador Foundation's continued involvement with the Mt. Sinai Peace Center begun by the late



TESTIMONIAL DINNER — Herbert W. Armstrong examines a gift from the management of the Jerusalem Hilton before a dinner with members of the Hebrew University archaeology faculty Nov. 18. [Photo by Warren Watson]

President Sadat, as long as the Egyptian government continues its efforts toward peace in the Middle East.

The Egyptian president stated his intentions to continue the peace process, and commented to Mr. Armstrong about President Sadat's ultimate sacrifice for peace — his life.

President Mubarak also welcomed Mr. Armstrong's efforts for peace and was pleased that the pastor general was speaking the following evening to a group of Egyptian officials.

Mr. Armstrong discussed the peace process, and who will ultimately bring peace to the Middle East. Mr. Fahey noted that it was "very interesting how he [Mr. Armstrong] approached it — with the three great religions of Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

"He explained that the One who [is] called Allah is going to have to sort the problems out — that we aren't going to be able to solve them ourselves . . . these peace efforts are maybe significant, but they aren't going to bring peace and things are going to get much worse before they get better. Then Allah is going to

have to resolve them for us."

Mr. Armstrong's meeting with the president was also attended by Dr. Hatem. An excerpt from the meeting was shown on Egyptian television, and a photograph of Mr. Armstrong and President Mubarak appeared in a Cairo newspaper, *Al-Akhbar*, Nov. 22.

Following the meeting, Dr. Hatem invited Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Fahey to his office for tea. There Dr. Hatem showed Mr. Armstrong enlarged photographs of the Sadat assassination and discussed the background of the attack.

At 3 p.m., the pastor general conducted a Bible study on Egypt in prophecy for the Faheys, Gene and Barbara Hogberg, Larry Omasta, director of Media Services in Pasadena, and Church members from the television crew and G-II staff. Being in Egypt heightened the impact of Mr. Armstrong's comments. As Mr. Fahey related to *The Worldwide News*, it was "quite an event hearing God's prophecies about Egypt, sitting right there in Cairo, with the Nile . . . right outside the window."

After the Sabbath the Hogbergs,

Faheys and Aaron and Michelle Dean of the G-II crew watched a light show at the pyramids and other archaeological remains of ancient Egyptian civilization.

Dr. Hatem invited Mr. Armstrong, the Faheys and the Hogbergs to tea at his residence Nov. 22. The formal occasion helped them to get better acquainted with Dr. Hatem, who is a longtime personal friend of Mr. Armstrong.

Mr. Armstrong visited the memorial to Mr. Sadat, a man he described as having "great courage."

Monday, Nov. 23, Mr. Armstrong spent most of the day preparing for his speech before the Egyptian Political Science Association. Mr. Fahey noted that the pastor general was tired from the trip and fighting off the flu. Mr. Fahey and Mr. Hogberg stopped by to see Mr. Armstrong before the banquet in the Nile Hilton.

Feeling ill, Mr. Armstrong stated, "Bob, maybe you'll have to take the speech."

"I quipped," Mr. Fahey said, "Mr. Armstrong, if I may say so, sir, that is *not* a good idea. They came to hear you!" That brought a smile.

Despite a temperature and influenza symptoms, the pastor general continued his preparation for his speech. Mr. Fahey telephoned Pasadena to ask several ministers to pray for Mr. Armstrong.

At the banquet, Mr. Fahey noted that the audience was somewhat smaller than expected. Some wives who spoke no English did not attend. The affair was scheduled to begin at 8 p.m., but officials and guests continued to trickle in until 9:30 p.m., when the dinner began. Mr. Armstrong personally welcomed many of the guests.

Preaching the Gospel

At 10:15 p.m., following toasts, Mr. Armstrong began to address the group. He was introduced warmly by Dr. Hatem as the founder and chairman of Ambassador College, and chairman of Ambassador Foundation of the Worldwide Church of God.

The pastor general spoke about the Camp David peace process and the three groups involved, according to Mr. Fahey. He discussed how the Arabs and Jews trace their genealogy back to Abram, and said he could show that the Americans, the third party in the peace process, could also trace their ancestry back to Abram. He mentioned that the

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SMILING FACES — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (center) pauses with children at Jerusalem's Liberty Bell Garden Nov. 19. [Photo by Warren Watson]

California court denies legal fees for relator attorney in lawsuit

The Worldwide News received the following report from Ralph K. Helge, counsel for the Worldwide Church of God.

By Ralph K. Helge

PASADENA — As counsel for the Worldwide Church of God, we are extremely pleased to advise you of a recent decision that pertains to the case that was previously filed by the State of California, on behalf of certain relators, against the Church, some of its affiliate corporations and their officers and directors.

This was a case in which the State had a receiver appointed, *ex parte*, prior even to the case being filed, who took possession of all Church accounts, assets and operations.

Hillel Chodos, although representing different parties, did represent the relators as well. He

requested the court to order the Church to pay his fees, prior to the termination of the case, when he was withdrawing along with the relators. The court refused to grant him fees with the comment that he would have to wait until the final and ultimate disposition of the case as it was not known if he had done good or harm at that point.

Mr. Chodos appealed the adverse ruling. The case was briefed and argued and today we have just received a decision that not only denies fees but has some very far reaching relevant comments that serve to exonerate the Church and strengthen First Amendment guarantees.

The key portion of the opinion is the court's concluding paragraph, which reads as follows:

"We are of the opinion that the underlying action and its attendant

provisional remedy of receivership were from the inception constitutionally infirm and predestined to failure. It follows that the burden of the ill-conceived litigation, including the expenses of the receivership and Chodos' fees for procuring that receivership should not be borne by the prevailing party — the Church."

The principal person to whom the success of this case must be attributed is Herbert W. Armstrong,

the president and pastor of the Worldwide Church of God. It was his faith in God, his firm conviction in the Church's vindication, his strength of character and the conviction in the justice of the cause, backed by a dedicated Church membership, that was truly responsible for a successful outcome.

Mr. Armstrong's willingness to unselfishly face national adverse publicity and irresponsible charges so as to maintain First Amendment constitutional guarantees that protect all citizens must be given the credit for the preservation of these liberties.

However, Herbert W. Armstrong, and the Church, will be the first to attribute the ultimate source of success, and all the glory and honor, to God.

The Church had retained various attorneys to represent it as associate counsel due to the far-reaching First Amendment impact the case had. The principal associate counsel were in alphabetical order: Allan Browne of Ervin, Cohen & Jessup; Ellis Horvitz of Horvitz & Greines; and Laurence Tribe, Professor of Law, Harvard University.

The Church, of course, could also thank the 2nd District of the California Court of Appeals, for their judicial scholarship and willingness to render a decision that is adverse to the State of California and the most powerful political office, the Attorney General. The opinion serves to honor the integrity of the entire California court system and confirms the strength of its judicial character.

Receivership termed 'constitutionally infirm'

Lawsuit 'ill-conceived,' says court

The following article is a press release from evangelist Ellis LaRavia, who serves as the Worldwide Church of God's press secretary.

By Ellis LaRavia

PASADENA — Attorneys for the Pasadena-based Worldwide Church of God won yet another court battle today when the Court of Appeals, 2nd District, denied attorney Hillel Chodos the \$100,000 he demanded from Church coffers.

In a statement released today by Judge [Lynn] Compton, Judges

[Lester] Roth and [Edwin] Beach concurred that: "We are of the opinion that the underlying action and its attendant provisional remedy of receivership were from the inception constitutionally infirm and predestined to failure. It follows that the burden of the ill-conceived litigation, including the expenses of the receivership and Chodos' fees for procuring that receivership should not be borne by the prevailing party — the Church."

The ruling was the second consecutive denial by the court for Chodos, who was instrumental in

the State's Jan. 3, 1979, takeover of the Church. The State's arguments, contending that its actions did not interfere with the ecclesiastical functions of the Church, was refuted by the three appellate judges.

The State's other arguments that the receivership action was for the benefit of the Church and public, were also denied by the judges, stating, "Far from showing the conferral of a substantial benefit upon the church, the record tends only to establish that the receivership resulted in substantial loss to the Church."

Local elder wins battle over Sabbath-work issue

PASADENA — "Hello Mr. Kendall, this is Jeff Zhorne calling from *The Worldwide News* in Pasadena. How are you?"

"Oh, fine, fine."

"We'd like to get more details about your court settlement."

"Court settlement?"

"Yes, today's Los Angeles [Calif.] *Times* ran an article about you."

"Really? Why?"

"The article says you received \$17,500 in compensation for being fired from United Airlines in 1972."

"Oh —! Honey, we won the court case! How much? Seventeen thousand bucks, he says!"

According to the *Times* [Nov. 3], "A federal judge ruled that United Airlines discriminated against a former pilot [Robert L. Kendall] who refused to fly on weekends because his religion forbids it, and ordered United to pay \$17,500 in compensation."

"The \$17,500 just covered the attorneys' fees," Mr. Kendall said later. The former pilot, 40, lives in Gladewater, Tex., and is a local elder in the Big Sandy church.

In 1969, Mr. Kendall began working for United in Chicago, Ill., and was baptized into God's Church that December. Mr. Kendall recalled, "For three years I used my seniority to trade weekend work assignments so they wouldn't conflict with the Sabbath." But in massive pilot layoffs by United in the early 1970s, Mr. Kendall lost his seniority and was fired July 17, 1972.

"My attorney filed a motion asking for reinstatement, back pay and relief on my behalf," he explained. For two years, Mr. Kendall continued living in Chicago and worked installing wallboard for a Church member.

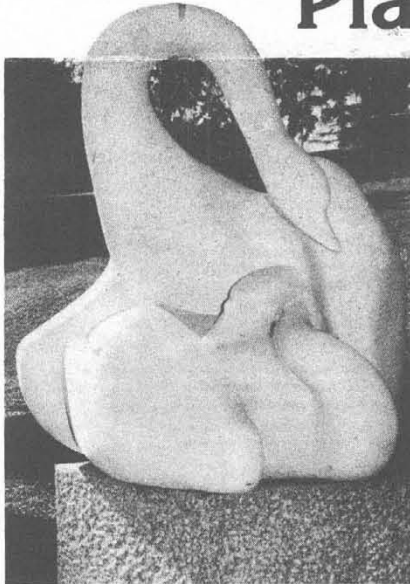
In 1974, he was accepted to Ambassador College in Big Sandy. He moved to Gladewater that year and started his own wallboard business while attending Ambassador College parttime.

Mr. Kendall graduated in 1977 and was ordained a local elder two years later. "Pete [Mr. Kendall] felt God had a hand in us coming to Texas," according to Mr. Kendall's wife Eileen. "God said, 'Choose between flying on the Sabbath and obeying Me.'"

Mr. and Mrs. Kendall are the parents of five children, Katy, Wendy, Robbie, Leah and Jack.

Since all compensation from the settlement went for lawyer's fees, Mr. Kendall remarked: "United didn't win, but I didn't either. That's okay though because this case has gone on so long that I don't get excited about it anymore. I'm just glad it's over."

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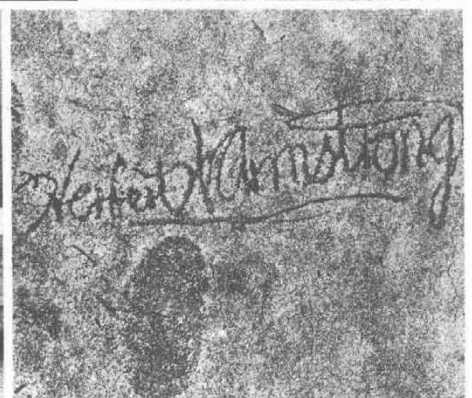


WHERE IS IT? — Have you seen the Ambassador College campus in Pasadena during a visit or in the *Envoy*? Name each photograph by describing where it is on the campus. Check your answers in the next issue of *The Worldwide News*.

Photos by Roland Rees



THE WORD OF
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Middle East

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creation requires a Creator, whom the Arabs know as Allah. Mr. Fahey noted that when Mr. Armstrong mentioned Allah, the group burst into applause.

He showed how Allah had created the first two humans, and set in motion a "give" way of life, which most reject.

Mr. Armstrong said he spoke with authority from the Being the Arabs call Allah, as His representative. As he mentioned the way Allah will bring peace to the Middle East, he showed that Allah only gave man a temporary, physical existence. Concluding his talk, Mr. Armstrong pointed out that "as in Adam all die, in Jesus Christ, shall all be made alive. And everyone who ever lived and died is going to be resurrected back to life. I'm going to see President Sadat again." Mr. Armstrong's address will be the subject of a *World Tomorrow* telecast this month.

"Mr. Armstrong said the day before, 'God showed me how to handle this.' And He had, and He did — it was electric, it really was," said Mr. Fahey.

Giza Palace visit

Mr. Armstrong was scheduled to meet with Jordan's King Hussein on Tuesday, Nov. 24, but the king asked him to postpone his visit so he could personally meet with Mr. Armstrong. King Hussein attended the Arab summit in Fez, Morocco, that day.

"That morning, Mr. Armstrong and I paid a visit to Mrs. Jihan Sadat, the widow of the late president. The meeting took place in the same room Mr. Armstrong spoke with President Sadat in late October, 1980," said Mr. Fahey.



DELIVERING GOOD NEWS — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak (left) and Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong discuss world peace at the president's office in Cairo, Egypt, Nov. 21. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Mrs. Sadat is finishing her Ph.D. in Arab literature at Cairo University, and teaches there. She is working on several other projects, but she has given up traveling for at least a year at the request of her children, who fear for her safety. "Mr. Armstrong was struck by the fact that she is just about the perfect first lady," Mr. Fahey noted, remembering Mrs. Sadat's graciousness and hospitality.

Mr. Armstrong had been told that Mrs. Sadat preferred not to discuss the Sadat assassination. But during the visit "she just opened up about the whole assassination... Of course, he's [Mr. Armstrong] a private citizen... He didn't prompt her in any way, but she told him about the assassination and how it affected her and other family members."

During the interview, Mrs. Sadat invited in one of her grandchildren, who kissed Mr. Armstrong on the

check.

That afternoon Mr. Armstrong and his party flew the G-II jet to Geneva, Switzerland. Mr. Fahey spent the day with Bernard Andrist, office manager, to familiarize himself with the office there.

Mr. Armstrong dined that evening with Mr. and Mrs. Andrist and Jean Carion, a pastor from Brussels.

During Mr. Fahey's Nov. 25 conference with Mr. Andrist, Mr. Armstrong worked on the Nov. 27 semiannual letter to *Plain Truth* subscribers.

The following morning Mr. Armstrong left for Munich, West Germany, for a visit with Franz Josef Strauss.

'Strong Man' of Europe

The Strauss meeting was arranged only two days earlier through Mr. Schnee at Mr. Armstrong's request.

Dr. Strauss had met two days before with Leonid Brezhnev, president of the Soviet Union and chairman of the Communist Party there, and Mr. Fahey considered it a "miracle" the meeting between Dr. Strauss and Mr. Armstrong was scheduled so quickly. He noted that Mr. Armstrong, while he was in Cairo, felt he should see Dr. Strauss. Mr. Fahey placed a call to Mr. Schnee, who arranged the visit.

Mr. Armstrong arrived for the 9 a.m. visit with enlarged photographs of Dr. Strauss, President Brezhnev and Andrei Gromyko, a Soviet diplomat, that Dr. Strauss hadn't yet seen. Alfred Hennig, an official photographer for the West German government and a staff photographer for *The Plain Truth* magazine, took the photos and had them enlarged for Mr. Armstrong.

Mr. Fahey reported that Mr. Armstrong began the visit by talking about Dr. Strauss's March, 1971, visit to the Ambassador College campus in Pasadena. Dr. Strauss had recently returned from the People's Republic of China, where Mr. Armstrong visited in early 1980.

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Fahey knew that Dr. Strauss was busy following his talks with President Brezhnev, and they hoped to spend between 20 and 30 minutes with the Bavarian governor.

To their surprise, Dr. Strauss talked with them for more than an hour and a half.

Mr. Armstrong and Dr. Strauss discussed world events, and the Bavarian governor commented on the Middle East situation, stating his thoughts on a divided Jerusalem. He told Mr. Armstrong his views about the situation between Poland and the Soviet Union, saying that the Soviets were more afraid of the pope than of American missiles.

The pastor general asked Dr. Strauss what he thought of a meeting with President Brezhnev and Mr. Armstrong. The governor replied that he didn't think it was a good idea. Dr. Strauss said when he met President Brezhnev, the president came prepared with a written



EGYPTIAN MEETING — From left, Abdel Kader Hatem, director of the National Councils of Egypt, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong review world events Nov. 21. [Photo by Warren Watson]

speech, which he read in Russian. This speech had three parts: (1) accusations, (2) judgments on other people, and (3) personal accusations, as "Why do you want war?" Dr. Strauss was asked to give an immediate reply. The Bavarian gov-

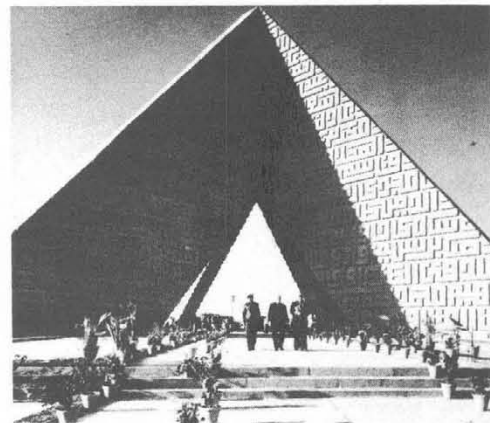
ernor said Mr. Brezhnev never speaks without a prepared text.

Mr. Armstrong closed the talk with an invitation for Dr. Strauss to visit Ambassador College. The governor responded favorably and then-

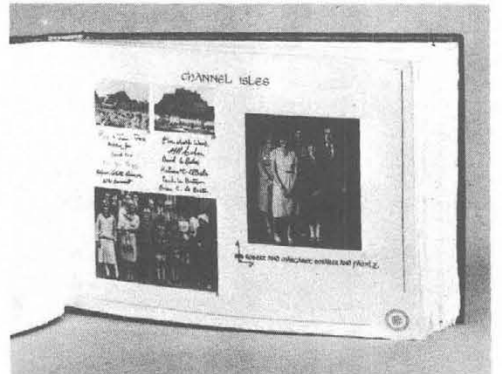
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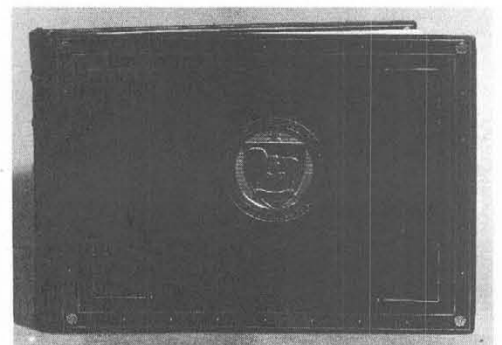
DEATH OF A STATESMAN — Herbert W. Armstrong pays his respects at the tomb of the slain Egyptian President Anwar Sadat Nov. 24 in Cairo, Egypt. [Photo by Warren Watson]



LAST RESPECTS — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (center), returns from Anwar Sadat's tomb Nov. 24. The edifice also houses the Egyptian Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. [Photo by Warren Watson]



SHOW OF SUPPORT — Pictured above and below is an autograph book presented to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong Nov. 14 by evangelist Frank Brown. The book contains signatures of brethren in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Scandinavia, the Middle East and Black Africa. [Photos by Roland Rees]



Firsthand

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Ambassador Foundation is involved.

In a 20-minute discussion, which became warmer as it went on (and which will be shown on *The World Tomorrow* telecast), President Mubarak mentioned that peace "can't be obtained easily or without sacrifice." Of course, President Sadat paid the ultimate sacrifice for peace — his life.

It is interesting to recall the rather unique timing of Mr. Sadat's tragic death. He was cut down while attending an eighth anniversary victory celebration highlighting the initial success of the war he launched against Israel in 1973 in order to recover Egypt's pride. The tide of the war later turned in Israel's favor, of course, but the Egyptians felt they had recovered face and achieved a psychological victory at least.

Without this short-lived victory, President Sadat could not have felt confident enough to launch his bold

move for peace in November, 1977. President Mubarak, in announcing Anwar Sadat's death, called him "the war and peace hero," adding that he was "martyred while gloriously celebrating his greatest achievement — the victory day, the October victory, the symbol for power and the base for peace."

So, in official Egyptian eyes, Mr. Sadat's "greatest achievement" was not peace, but success in war, which served as a "base for peace."

This in no way, of course, diminishes the importance of Mr. Sadat's earnest peace efforts, begun in his dramatic speech at the Knesset (parliament) in Jerusalem, when he told the leaders of Israel: "You would like to live with us in this region of the world, and I tell you in all honesty that we welcome you among us." Stirring words!

Internal strife

The impact of the Oct. 6 assassination of President Sadat is still evident to anyone who visits Cairo. Soldiers armed with rifles affixed with bayonets are found everywhere, in front of public buildings, and on the many bridges across the Nile. At some intersections, two or three sol-

diers can be seen behind sand-bagged positions. Not that they look menacing, but they're present, just in case. But in case of what?

Shortly before Mr. Sadat's violent death, Egypt had been in the throes of mounting internal unrest, aggravated, if not actually orchestrated, by Soviet agents, who wanted to see Egypt go the way of tumultuous Iran. The Kremlin has never forgiven Mr. Sadat for expelling 17,000 Soviet military advisers in 1972 and putting Egypt into the Western, specifically American, camp.

It took Moscow years to get even. Stirring up hatred against the Jews and Israel was no longer feasible; the Egyptian people were, for the most part, tired of bearing the brunt of the Arab world's wars against Israel. But Soviet agents knew that Egypt's Achilles heel was its vulnerability to internal religious dissension.

Among Egypt's 43 million people, about 10 percent are Christian Copts, who claim to be descendants of the original Egyptians. (Official estimates place the Coptic population at about 7 percent, but the Copts claim they are deliberately undercounted.)

An intercepted message to Moscow earlier this year from a Russian agent supposedly read: "We can count on mobilizing at least 10 million militant Moslems. In provoking trouble between Moslems and Copts and escalating the confrontation... we can create a crisis combining the emotions of Lebanon and Iran. Sadat will be shaken, his image irreparably damaged and an internal religious explosion will sweep everything before it."

In June isolated troubles erupted between Moslems and Copts in Cairo, triggered by Moslem fundamentalists. Pamphlets called on true Moslems to rise up and destroy the "impious enemies of Islam."

Coptic anger naturally rose in response — exactly as the Soviet agents hoped, planned and knew it would. Full-fledged retaliation by the Copts would lead to further Moslem attacks and it is hoped — from Moscow's viewpoint — Egypt would be engulfed in flames, with the government collapsing.

President Sadat at first refused to take the report of Soviet strife-seeding seriously, but he knew there had to be a reason why the Moslems and

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tatively set March, 1982, at the date.

Following the Strauss visit, Mr. Armstrong and his party boarded the G-II for London. Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Fahey met with officials of the Work there that afternoon and evening.

Their Friday departure for Pas-

adena was delayed 2½ hours by electrical failure on the G-II (which Mr. Fahey noted was only the second time in 12 years that the G-II has been delayed for technical reasons). Once aloft, strong headwinds forced the jet to divert twice for refueling. After a long, tiring flight, the G-II touched down at the Burbank airport only a few minutes before it closed for the evening at 10 p.m.

The trip was over, but as Mr. Fahey related, it was "a resounding success!"

AMBASSADOR ACTIVITIES

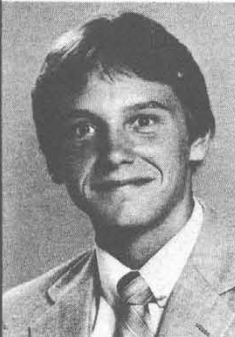
PASADENA

DAN REYER NAMED FROSH PRESIDENT

Deputy Chancellor Raymond McNair named Dan Reyer as the 1981-82 freshman class president of Ambassador College in Pasadena at the Thanksgiving dance Nov. 22.

Before attending Ambassador, Mr. Reyer, 22, most recently lived in Des Moines, Iowa, managing his own window-washing business.

His former career interests were in engineering, but after a few years in the business world, "my whole perspective had changed about college. I wanted to go to Ambassador," he said.



DAN REYER

Mr. Reyer is the son of James and Alice Reyer who pastor the Denver, Colo., church.

SENIORS ARE HOSTS TO THANKSGIVING BALL

The 1981 Thanksgiving Ball took a nostalgic look back Nov. 22 to the Pilgrims' arduous crossing of the Atlantic. The theme, "Coming to America," was based on a contemporary musical ballad.

Faculty members and students gathered in the student center to waltz, polka, two-step and swing to the musical accompaniment of Ross Jutsum and his six-member band.

Senior Class President Evan Williams was master of ceremonies for an

entertainment segment picturing the Pilgrims' trip from the deck of the *Mayflower* and a timid venture by senior Andrew Burdette onto the wild shores of New England. Singing and dancing skits represented the various ethnic groups present on the Atlantic crossing.

Arthur Suckling, college financial aids director, pretended to play bagpipes, dressed in authentic Scottish tartan of his forebears, while a group of girls danced the Highland fling.

The senior class sponsored the Thanksgiving dance, providing refreshments, music, entertainment and decorations.

ADVENTURER SPEAKS TO STUDENTS

John Goddard, adventurer, anthropologist and lecturer, challenged the Ambassador College student body Dec. 3 to "take charge of life" and set 10 personal goals to accomplish within the year.

Despite 18 close calls with death during his explorations, Mr. Goddard feels that it is "infinitely better to try and fail, than to not try at all. We wear out our minds and bodies from disuse, rather than use."

Mr. Goddard narrated a film of his trip through several east African nations spotlighting a perilous climb up 19,000-foot Mt. Kilimanjaro and a spectacular view of mile-wide Victoria Falls, along the Zambia-Zimbabwe border.

At age 15, Mr. Goddard spelled out 127 goals he would like to achieve in his lifetime. A year ago he completed No. 108 by riding a horse in the 1981 Rose Parade here in Pasadena. He has traveled more than one million miles and visited 118 countries. Next summer he plans to explore the Yangtze River in China.

BIG SANDY

JERRY WILSON NAMED FROSH PRESIDENT

Deputy Chancellor Leon Walker named Jerry Wilson Nov. 17 as the first freshman class president appointed since Big Sandy's reopening this fall.

Although initially experiencing a "total shock and surprise," Mr. Wilson said he



THANKSGIVING SKIT — Pasadena Ambassador College seniors (from left) Evan Williams, Andy Burdette, Dave Fergen, Greg Nice and Dan Wetzel perform in the seniors' "Coming to America" skit at the Thanksgiving Ball Nov. 22. [Photo by Robert Taylor]

has quickly adjusted to his new position and is planning for the coming Novely Olympics and costume ball sponsored by the freshman class.



JERRY WILSON

Mr. Wilson was a professional window washer for a year before coming to Ambassador College. He is building upon his high school Spanish major to set a foundation for future study of Spanish.

Also an avid long distance runner, Mr. Wilson fulfilled a goal of completing the Louisville (Ky.) Marathon, a 26.2 mile race, in November, 1980, in well under four hours.

SOPHS PRESENT THANKSGIVING DANCE
The sophomore class

presented "Unto the Land of Promise" as the theme for the Thanksgiving Ball Nov. 22.

After a formal turkey dinner in the dining hall, trams ferried students and faculty to the Feast Administration building. They entered the Festival building by way of docks leading to the ship, the *Mayflower* and from there crossed into the New World.

Elaborate murals and decorations picturing the Pilgrims' journey to the New World, and the New England landscape that greeted them adorned the building.

Sophomore Dave Evans coordinated a student band that provided music for dancing.

A brief entertainment break took a humorous look at Thanksgiving through the ages in a series of short skits such as King Tut's Thanksgiving celebration and the Trojan Turkey. A barber shop quartet, piano solo and a choral group rounded out the show.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS

The 1981 intramural basketball season opened Saturday night, Nov. 21, with a quick freshman squad outrunning the aggressive defense of the sophomores, 76-69.

Later that evening, the college staff team outlasted a

fourth quarter surge by the faculty to win, 82-76.

The Tyler, Tex., and Big Sandy gold and white church teams join the four college squads to form the A League competition. The seven clubs will play 12 games, each competing twice with each squad.

Basketball action will continue through February on Wednesday and Saturday nights in the college field house.

STUDENTS ENJOY SQUARE DANCE

About 120 students kicked up their heels at an evening of square dancing in the dining hall, Nov. 8.

J.D. "Red" Warrick called the dances for the evening. Mr. Warrick, from Kilgore, Tex., has been calling square dances for 35 years in 25 states.

Mr. Warrick called the students the quickest learners of square dancing he had ever seen. Students danced past 11 p.m., catching on to steps like the allemande left and do-si-does as quickly as Mr. Warrick could teach them.

Square dancing is a traditional American folk dance requiring four couples to form a square and perform ordered patterns to the musical accompaniment of a fiddle, guitar, banjo and accordion. The caller coordinates and sings out the patterns to the dancers.

Cameroon

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ment, the U.S. Foreign Service gave him his choice of reassignment. Since Mr. Clore speaks French fluently, they expected him to pick a plush post, like Paris, France or Geneva.

Instead, he counseled with evangelist Dibar Apartian, regional director of God's Work in French-speaking areas, and then to the astonishment of his superiors, he asked for a Cameroon post. Mr. Clore took care of the needs of the members, and performed his official duties. By the time his two-year tour of duty was finished, there were about 60 members scattered throughout the country.

But, despite continuing efforts, Mr. Clore was unable to get the Church recognized by the Cameroon government — an essential step if the members are to be allowed to meet together formally.

The Clores had to leave Cameroon just before the 1981 fall Holy Day season, leaving the little groups of brethren without a minister. Since my family and I were assigned to keep the Feast in Nigeria, Mr. Apartian asked us to stop in the Cameroons and encourage the members by letting them know they had not been abandoned.

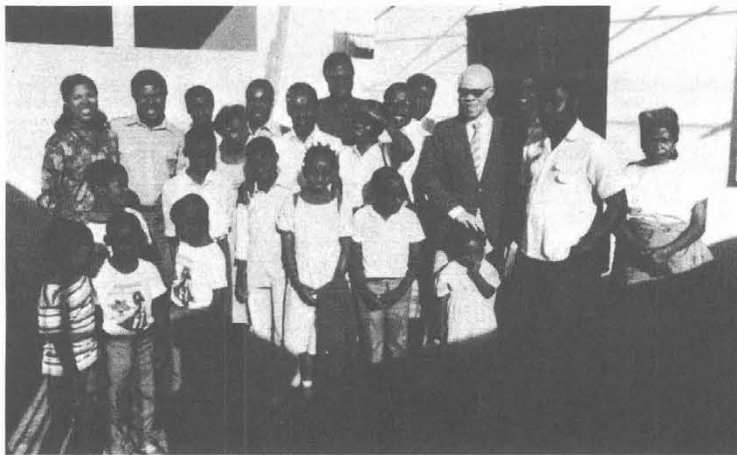
Visiting members

We landed at Douala Airport after a seven-hour flight from Paris. Jean Paul Njamta, a French-speaking deacon, and Mr. Caspa, a long-time English-speaking member, met us there. We wasted no time in determining how we could best spend our time there.

We learned that the members were situated in four areas, Douala, the largest city; Yaounde, the capital; Matak, a town about 50 miles from Yaounde; and Victoria, an English-speaking area 30 miles from Douala. It was going to be busy!

I met Mr. Njamta for breakfast the next morning. He explained to me in detail the Church's registration problem. Cameroon has freedom of religion, and our members don't suffer direct government persecution. But the government insists that any religious groups that meet formally must be registered. Until registration is granted, the Church may not rent a hall or have public meetings.

Our application for recognition



AFRICAN ASSEMBLY — Brethren in Yaounde, Cameroon, pause after a Bible study on the Day of Atonement Oct. 8. [Photo by John Halford]

has not been denied—it has just not been processed. The wheels of officialdom turn slowly in some of these countries, and of course, many African nations have reason to question what must seem to them to be just another foreign religion. Here is something you can pray about — that formal registration will be granted, so our members can meet together.

It is legal for members to meet in private houses, in small groups. So after looking around Douala, a hot and dusty port city, we went to a member's home for a Bible study. Some of the brethren in Paris told me a couple of days earlier that I speak understandable French ("But Monsieur has an *accent terrible!*")

I felt reasonably confident in giving news of the Work and answering questions in French. (Frankly, I don't think the members would have cared if I had spoken Chinese with a Turkish accent — they were so happy to see someone from the Work.)

I had brought a taped message from Mr. Apartian, in which he told them that they were not abandoned, and people were concerned for them.

About 20 people met in the little house that night. This was the first time my wife and I had been in West Africa. Everything had seemed strange and foreign to us, but sitting

with those members in that small room we felt right at home. We were among friends.

Flying to Yaounde

Next morning, Mr. Njamta and I were to fly to Yaounde — several hundred miles away — to see members in that area. We planned to drive first to the town of Matak, 2½ hours through the jungle (if the going was good). We had a tight schedule, and needed to get the earliest possible flight. If we were to get everything done, this was one day when everything would have to go like clockwork.

The plane was two hours late! Then there was further delay

because it was overbooked. Far more people had boarding passes than there were available seats. Mr. Njamta had warned me about this, and said, "Let's make sure we are at the head of the rush."

Rush? What did he mean *rush*? I was used to orderly and systematic boarding, where a smiling hostess shows you to your preassigned seat. Not so in West Africa! As soon as the boarding call was given there was a mad scramble for seats. Get in — find a seat — buckle up your seat belt — and *stay put* — that's the rule.

Well, eventually we arrived at Yaounde. It is a pleasant city, built on several low hills. We discovered

that the driver Mr. Njamta hired to take us to Matak decided not to go. It took two more hours to find another driver. By now it was getting late. We bought some bread, bananas and two bottles of a soft drink (for the Day of Atonement was only a few hours away) and headed for the jungle.

The "road" to Matak is more of a dirt track — impassable when it rains. Fortunately, it didn't. When we arrived at Matak, we were disappointed to learn the members had left, thinking that we weren't coming. Some of the 25 brethren came from the surrounding villages, and traveled on foot for several hours.

All we could do was meet a few members nearby and I pointed two who requested it. The people here are poor — mostly small-scale farmers. We arrived back in Yaounde late at night, but since it was now Atonement, at least we did not have to worry about finding somewhere to eat.

Next day, we had a Bible study with the members who live in and around Yaounde. They all speak French, although one or two also speak very good English. We played an audio cassette tape of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's opening night Feast message, while a member translated it into French. I explained the meaning of the day and once again answered questions until it was time for Mr. Njamta and me to leave for the airport for the flight back to Douala.

Weak from fasting, I dreaded the trip, but happily, the plane took off on time and without hassles. We arrived back at Douala about 7 p.m., and went straight to the hotel where my family waited.

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Deaf program utilizes new signs

PASADENA — The Church's deaf program is changing and developing nearly 150 signs from American Sign Language (ASL) for use in Church services, reported Selmer Hegvold, director of the program under evangelist Joseph Tkach of Ministerial Services.

"We noticed that several of the religious signs for the deaf have traditional origins from other churches, and don't reflect meanings as the Bible reveals them," said Mr. Hegvold. He pointed out that the sign for "pray" uses the palms of hands pressed together, resembling a traditional church steeple. "The new sign," he continued, "is adapted from the sign for 'talk' and graphically shows that we 'talk' to God when we pray."

The new signs are being developed by Church member Mary Mosleh in conjunction with several ministers. "We'll have new signs for people in the Bible like Paul, Peter, Noah, Abraham, Daniel, Solomon and others," said Gerrie Leimbach, coordinator of the program under Mr. Hegvold.

Signs for "praying," "Bible," "angels" and many others varied in church areas. "With the new signs, we'll all 'speak' the same thing, both in signed-English and ASL," Mr. Hegvold said.

Interpreter seminar

A one-day deaf interpreter seminar took place Oct. 14 during the Feast in Tucson. Many deaf brethren and several interpreters attended the Feast there.

Mrs. Mosleh conducted the seminar with Mrs. Leimbach. The sign project was discussed, as well as other items for unifying the deaf program throughout the Church. Cassette tapes of the three-hour program are being sent to all interpreters.

"We hope that 1982 will see our deaf brethren more involved in Church activities than ever before," Mr. Hegvold said. He hopes deaf

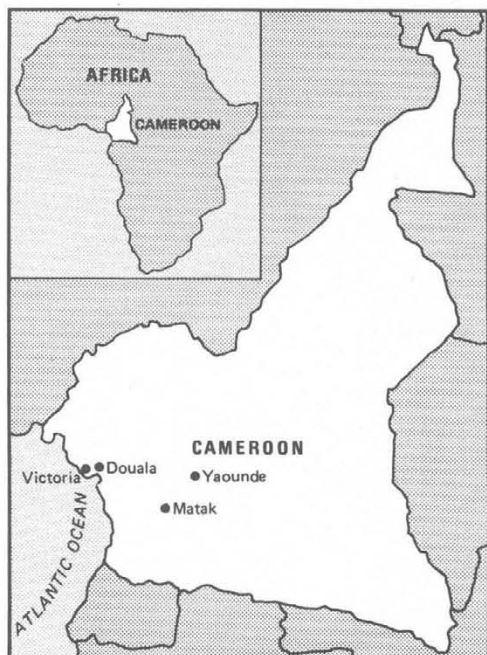
members will get involved in Spokesman Club, Women's Club and other activities.

Social opportunities

"On our combined ladies' night here, our toastmaster was Dave Barnett, who is deaf and teaches ASL continuing education classes at Ambassador College," Mr. Hegvold continued. "He and other deaf members have given speeches in club, and it's an edifying and fascinating experience for both them and the hearing club members." The deaf members simply outline and

write out part of their speeches to brief an interpreter beforehand. The interpreter then speaks for the deaf member as he signs his speech or club assignment.

"Both hearing and deaf brethren have a tendency to withdraw from each other because of the hearing barrier," Mr. Hegvold said. "Even by simply learning the deaf alphabet [W.N. Aug. 10], hearing members can open up a whole new world for themselves and their deaf brethren. It's a challenge, but the rewards are great."



AFRICAN STATE — About 60 brethren live in Cameroon, an African nation about 150 miles north of the equator. [Artwork by Ron Grove]



MR. TOASTMASTER — Dave Barnett, a deaf member attending the Imperial congregation in Pasadena, signs the introduction for a speaker during a Spokesman Club Ladies' Night Nov. 20. [Photo by Scott Smith]

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The fall hayride and sing-along of the **BETHLEHEM**, Pa., church took place Nov. 7 at Harvey Cressman's farm nestled in a valley north of Allentown, Pa. Mr. Cressman's 14-foot truck, loaded with fresh hay, made six trips to accommodate the 150 who attended. Young and old enjoyed more than 10 gallons of hot chocolate, coffee and tea. Hot dogs were roasted over an open wood fire. Music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Bud Crawford, Stuart Knerr and Don Kinsell for the sing-along and folk dancing that took place inside the Cressman barn. *Gordon Long.*

Mr. and Mrs. Britton Taylor played host to an appreciation cocktail party Nov. 7 for **BINGHAMTON** and **CORNING**, N.Y., brethren who assisted in key areas during the Feast of Tabernacles. Women provided a large selection of hors d'oeuvres.

Brethren from Binghamton gathered at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Race Nov. 14 for a chili supper, bonfire and hayride. Many played table games and enjoyed hot chocolate, coffee and dessert. *Pat Hubbell.*

BOSTON, Mass., brethren enjoyed a family night Nov. 14. A potluck and bake sale sponsored by the Women's Club and a beverage stand sponsored by the Spokesman Club helped offset hall rental costs. Activities such as table games and television games were available. Decorations included posters made by children 4 to 12 years of age. A special cake was decorated by Nancy Kondrotas. The evening was topped off with a musical talent display. *Cynthia Gordon.*

After Sabbath services Nov. 7, the **BRIGHTON**, England, brethren bade farewell to minister David House and his wife. A bouquet of flowers was presented to Mrs. House, and Mr. and Mrs. House were presented with a set of six tall-stemmed crystal glasses in appreciation for their work in the Brighton church during the past four years. Afterward, coffee and cakes were served, while the Houses admired cards made for them by children. *Stephen Spykerman.*

Brethren from **CALGARY NORTH** and **SOUTH** and **DIDSBURY**, Alta., marked the 15th anniversary of the Work in Calgary with a combined service, a potluck and an evening of activities Nov. 7. A highlight of the special service was the ordination of Bruce Fraser of Calgary South to the rank of deacon. George Patrickson, assistant to Col. in Adair, represented the Canadian office at the anniversary service. The buffet meal featured candlelight and wine, and Mr. Patrickson cut an anniversary cake baked by Mrs. Colombe Robinson and decorated with the crest of the Church. The evening's activities included dancing to live music, a movie for the children and a recap of news events and music of the past 15 years. Photo albums of many Church activities over the years were on display, and carnations were presented to those who attended the first 1966 service. *Emily Lukacik.*

The **CHATTANOOGA**, Tenn., Young Adult Club and church choir members joined for a trip to enjoy the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus conducted by Robert Shaw Oct. 31. Choir director Tom Hammett sings tenor with the chorus and assisted in organizing the trip.

On Nov. 14 and 15, the Young Adult Club and Junior YOU shared a weekend of fun. Deacon Jim Haan sponsors both groups and arranged for combined activities of a wagon ride, camp-out and fireworks display. Hot dogs and marshmallows were roasted for supper. Thanks were expressed to Jim and Peggy Skinner for use of their land for all the activities. *Barb Keeper.*

The **GLASGOW**, Scotland, members have been involved for the last three years in a fund-raising project for the YOU. Members have handed in bric-a-brac, books, clothing and shoe wear to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jeffrey, who in turn rented empty shops for three-week intervals to sell the items. Last year Mr. and Mrs. Bill Milne handed in many articles, and this year Mr. and Mrs. Colin McIntyre were the main donors. The McKenzie sisters and some Edinburgh and Kilmarnock, Scotland, brethren also helped. Joan Foster, whose husband recently received the Queen's Commem-

oration Medal for his air-sea rescue work, supplemented with much needed clothing. The sales have raised more than \$20 pounds (\$1,600) in the last three years. *Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jeffrey.*

A potluck ushered in the "Un-Goblin" social of the **KITCHENER**, Ont., church Oct. 31. The meal was followed by cartoons and a movie for the young children. Many brethren tried their hand at a progressive euchre tournament, with top prizes going to Rita Ommen, Kaye Otterbein and Gary Killgour. The YOU sold refreshments. *Wendy Reis.*

The **LAKE CRYSTAL**, Minn., brethren enjoyed their first roller-skating party Nov. 15. Skaters ranged from those doing rhythm dancing to those on skates for the first time. The seniors on the sidelines cheered the skaters on and enjoyed the polka dedicated to Anna Haisne. A potluck supper followed at the Ron Peterson home, where brethren danced to the music of Mrs. Peterson and Reno Rue in honor of the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. L.P. Larsen of Sleepy Eye, Minn. *Mrs. Ron Peterson.*

Brethren and co-workers in **MALTA** enjoyed a memorable day Oct. 24, the Sabbath following the first Feast of Tabernacles in Malta during this era of God's Church. Following the morning service at the Hotel Phoenicia, brethren were guests of the Keith Wattses at their self-catering apartment in St. Julians, Malta. Mrs. Watts, Mrs. David Strik and Mrs. Daniel Frendo cooked a Maltese pasta dish served with tuna fish and tomato sauce for the 28 present. This dish was followed by cheese, biscuits, a variety of fruit, tea and cakes. *Daniel J. Frendo.*

To welcome the new ministerial assistant in the area, John Knaack, and his wife, the **MONROE**, La., brethren had a reception after Sabbath services Oct. 24. Snacks were served as brethren chatted with the new couple in a relaxed atmosphere. *Joyce Brown and Shirley Fulford.*

The first social since the Feast for the **NOTTINGHAM**, England, brethren took place following Sabbath services Nov. 7. Pastor Barry Bourne introduced the event, in which Sam Gray was master of ceremonies. The evening began with a slide show by Ron McLaren, followed by team games arranged by the Thompson family and assisted by YOU leader Cliff Marsh. A sit-down meal was arranged by Jean McLaren and assisted by Jill Gale, Yvonne Wakefield, Sheila Preston, Mavis Whites, Ethel Sweet, Joan Gent and Mrs. Bourne. Fruit punch was made and served by Gordon McLaren and Michael Salter. Marlene Cliff led the dancing. Allen Wallwin was master of ceremonies for a talent show, produced by Colin Sweet, that featured Cathy Peine, Linsey Hanley, Laura Hanley, Bob Devine, Loris Gray, Irena Marsh and Dorothy Elliott. The evening ended with a sing-along led by minister Bob Devine. Pauline Salter won the "general knowledge" competition, David Balding won the "which country?" quiz and Alison Bourne and Mark McQuire won the "donkey tail" contest drawn up by Dorothy Elliott. The evening's entertainment was arranged by Irena Marsh. *Ron McLaren.*

Members of the **ROANOKE**, Va., church enjoyed a hayride and wienner roast after Sabbath services Nov. 7 at the dairy farm of Mr. and Mrs. M.B. Goode. After a hearty meal of hot dogs, beans, salads, cider, hot chocolate and a variety of desserts, members enjoyed a wide range of activities such as hayrides, talking, warming themselves by the bonfire and roasting marshmallows. The children enjoyed corn-shucking contests, bobbing for apples and other games. The evening ended with a general cleanup. *John Bass.*

Seventy-nine **ST. PETERSBURG**, Fla., members enjoyed a 16-mile canoe trip down the Little Manatee River near Riverview, Fla., Nov. 8. About midway along the trip, the flotilla of 34 canoes stopped for a riverbank picnic lunch. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

The **SAN JOSE**, Calif., church met for a potluck and *Plain Truth* distribution seminar Oct. 31. A visiting distribution organizer from Pasadena, John LaBissoniere, was present. The San Jose program began six months ago, and coordinator John Jester pointed to such growth as newstand *Plain Truths* going from 2,000 to 7,100, cardholders increasing from 2 to 82, waiting rooms from 140 to 523 and Herbert W. Armstrong's books accepted at eight public

libraries, with 22 more pending. *Mike Light.*

The **WHEELING**, W.Va., church had an arts and crafts social Nov. 7 at the church hall. After the evening meal, tables were set up to display everyone's projects, which included photo displays, portraits, quilts, woodwork, poems, short stories, crochet, sewing, dried flowers, ceramics and upholstery. The social was planned in May when pastor Shorty Fuessel gave a sermon on developing one's talents. Mr. Fuessel brought the wood-burning stove he made. *Don Pickenpaugh.*

CLUB MEETINGS

Oct. 29 marked the new beginning of the **BUFFALO**, N.Y., Ladies' Club. Opening with the theme of hospitality,

giving seven reasons for a Women's Club, and he later gave a lecture on not conforming to society's way of dieting and makeup. Patty Fuessel, Nancy McCracken and Kay Hadley gave icebreakers. *Nancy McCracken.*

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SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Thirty-five members of the **MIAMI**, Fla., Young-at-Heart Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Koch for a potluck Nov. 7. Door prizes were given. *L.S. Jones.*

The **PEORIA**, Ill., Silver Ambassadors met Nov. 7 at Bishops Cafeteria, where they enjoyed a meal. The evening was spent in fellowship and playing bingo. *Janice Keifer.*

The monthly meeting of the **SPRINGFIELD**, Mo., 60-Plus Club took place at Nixa, Mo., Nov. 8. After a noon potluck consisting of homemade chili and vegetable soup, salads and desserts, a business meeting was called to order by director Jess McClain. Pastor George Meeker conducted a Bible study



'PT' DISTRIBUTION SEMINAR — John Jester (left), the San Jose, Calif., *Plain Truth* distribution organizer, and John LaBissoniere of Pasadena display a cake made for a San Jose *Plain Truth* distribution seminar Oct. 31. (See "Church Activities," this page.) [Photo by Herb Leisure]

Shirley Pack gave interesting and useful information for the club to be able to put into practice. Diane Beam gave tabletopics, and Mary Case and Anita Worth gave icebreakers. JoAnn Estabrook gave simple new ways to make folk stretch. Bobbie Kowalczyk spoke of different cultures and their customs, and Mary Whalen showed ways of entertaining with ease and simplicity. *Diane Beam.*

The **HOUSTON**, Tex., **EAST LADIES'** Club met Nov. 10 at the home of Doris Rogers. Nelda Pierce and Mrs. Rogers spoke on "Your Appearance Does Count." A potluck luncheon was served, and everyone enjoyed the varieties of food. *Barbara Morris.*

The **JOHANNESBURG**, South Africa, A Spokesman Club had a dinner and ladies' evening Oct. 4. Guest speaker Dr. Moshe Natas, director of Education and Culture of the Zionist Federation, spoke on archaeology as proof of the Bible, with particular reference to the history and geography of the land of Israel. When Herbert W. Armstrong visited South Africa in 1976, Dr. Natas was instrumental in arranging meetings between Mr. Armstrong and Jewish leaders. *Johann Grobler.*

The **MELBOURNE**, Australia, **NORTH WOMEN'S** Club played hostess to 54 senior Church members and ministers Brian Orchard, Peter Whitting and Rod McQueen and their wives at a dinner Nov. 8 at the Burwood Hall. Hors d'oeuvres and sherry were followed by a three-course meal prepared and served by club members. Geoff O'Neill provided background music on the piano, and a quartet sang old-time favorites. *Deanna Finth.*

The **MONROE**, La., Spokesman Club year began Nov. 1 when director Briscoe Ellett opened the meeting with a toast to the success of the club. Mr. Ellett stressed that club is an opportuni-

ty for real growth and experience. Tabletopics were presented by David Brown. The second half of the meeting was chaired by toastmaster Loy Carson. The new club officers are Kenneth Fraizer, president; Harold Butler, vice president; Steven Wood, secretary; Ben Allen, treasurer; and Bill Madden, sergeant at arms. *Kenneth D. Collinsworth.*

The **PASADENA** Auditorium P.M. Thursday night Spokesman Club had its first Ladies' Night of the year at Sir George's restaurant in Arcadia, Calif. Evangelist Dean Blackwell, pastor of the Auditorium P.M. church, was the guest director. Topics were given by Roger Smith, the club's secretary. President Milton Huston was the toastmaster. The Most Effective Speech cup went to Ambassador College faculty member Gerald Bieritz. Jim Fricke and Nilo Azeredo shared the Most Improved Speaker award and Gary Lou, sergeant at arms, gave the Most Helpful Evaluation. In his closing comments Mr. Blackwell noted that there are six Spokesman Clubs in the Auditorium P.M. church. *Tom Hanson.*

The Women's Club of **ROANOKE**, Va., had its first-ever meeting Nov. 1. The theme of the meeting was "The Virtuous Woman." Director Robert Persky

opened the meeting by discussing the club goals and format. President Annie Shaw conducted the business portion of the meeting. Topismistress Dorothy Dillman led a topics session on "The Total Woman of Proverbs 31," after which the members enjoyed a refreshment break. Hostess Ann Farmer then introduced speakers Myra Stiglich, Annie Shaw and Betty Jo Estes, who gave their "This Is My Life" speeches. Mr. Persky used Genesis 1 and Proverbs 31 to speak on the creation and role of the woman. *Sherry Kinzie.*

The first meeting of the Roanoke Graduate Club took place Nov. 8. Director Robert Persky reviewed the format and purpose of the club and led a discussion on current events and their relation to Bible prophecy. Bobby Lindsay was appointed to keep a prophecy notebook for the club. Sermonettes were given by Mike Sturgill, John Bass and Mike Kinzie, with Mr. Persky evaluating each one. After a short break, Mr. Persky led a discussion on the booklet *Pagan Holidays or God's Holy Days*. Club members will be assigned written book reports on the Work's booklets to be turned in each club meeting. *John Bass.*

The **ST. PETERSBURG**, Fla., Ladies' Club met at the home of Velma Brinsfield Nov. 3 to discover tips from the program "Make It From Scratch." Presented by Velma Brinsfield, Cindy Drew and Daisy Marsh, information distributed included wholesome bread-making ideas, self-prepared condiment recipes and how to grow, dry and use fresh herbs. Preceding the program, the members heard an in-depth report from Karen Liebold on the life, history and personality of Mary, the mother of Jesus. *Karen Liebold.*

The **WHEELING**, W.Va., Women's Club had its first meeting Sept. 20, with 98 women in attendance. Minister Shorty Fuessel began the meeting by

during the rest of the afternoon on the meaning of Armageddon. *Polly Rose.*

SINGLES SCENE

The second annual singles' square dance sponsored by the **CINCINNATI**, Ohio, **NORTH SINGLES'** Club took place Nov. 14. More than 160 attended from 28 church areas. At the special Sabbath services conducted by the North singles' group, President Kent Jackson gave the sermonette. Special music was presented by Harley Cannon from Lexington, Ky. Jack Pakozdi's sermon stressed acquiring inner fulfillment by selling spiritual goals. Following services, the singles enjoyed a catered luncheon at a nearby hall. Afterward, a singles' Bible study was conducted by Mr. Pakozdi and Ed Smith. The festivities continued as everyone enjoyed socializing during the dance. The next day 40 singles gathered for a farewell brunch at a cafeteria before departing for home. *Mike Wiesman.*

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The **ATHENS** and **GAINESVILLE**, Ga., YOU had an overnight get-together Sept. 19 and 20. Saturday night was spent at the home of Lloyd Loudermilk, and Sunday featured a trip to Six Flags amusement park. *Carol Hamilton.*

Two etiquette evenings for the **AUCKLAND**, New Zealand, YOU took place Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. Teens and (See **CHURCH NEWS**, page 9)

Ministers transverse open sea, coral reefs to reach members

Bruce McNair, a Pasadena Ambassador College junior is a ministerial trainee in Australia. He will return to Pasadena in 1982 to complete his degree.

By Bruce D. McNair

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — Ever wonder what Christ meant when he referred to "the uttermost part of the earth" when He commissioned the original apostles in Acts 1:8?

Local elder Bill Sidney and I think we know at least part of the answer. We returned here Sept. 15 after a 19-day Pacific tour to the Solomon Islands, Nauru, Kiribati (formerly the Gilbert Islands) and Papua New Guinea.

The seven members living in the Solomon Islands, who have not been visited by a minister since the 1980 Passover, were happy to meet us on the first Sabbath of our trip. Sunday evening we baptized Gretta Kevisi, daughter of members Geoff and Linda Kuper, in the Pacific Ocean off Guadalcanal Island there.

Mr. Kuper was a coastwatcher

behind Japanese lines during World War II. We thought it ironic that he and his family are now called to assist Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in his watchman commission (Ezekiel 33:2-8).

'Uttermost parts'

The capstone of our Solomon Island trip was a five-day visit to the outlying Western Province islands. Isaac Alekera Jiru, a *Plain Truth* subscriber, requested a ministerial visit in 1975. The remoteness of his island prohibited such a visit until now.

We began our trip with an hour plane ride from Guadalcanal to Munda. From there we had a seven-minute flight to the volcanic island of Kolombangara and then seven minutes more to the atoll of Nusu-Tupe. We ferried to Gizo, a larger island, where we thought to meet Mr. Jiru. Such was not the case.

We found he lived about 15 miles away, on an island accessible only by dug-out canoes! Some natives agreed to transport us in their dugout, powered by a tiny outboard motor.

We went through aqua-green lagoons and coral reefs. However, the serene trip was rudely interrupted when we were crossing 10 miles of open sea and narrowly bypassed a tropical storm that threatened to swamp the boat. The massive waves thoroughly drenched us.

We reached the island of Ranongga and met Mr. Jiru, who led us to a small stream to wash off the salt spray and change into dry clothes.

Entering Mr. Jiru's palm-leaf house (which is built several feet off the ground on stilts), I immediately noticed several *Plain Truth* covers hung on the walls, with piles of Church literature neatly stacked around the home. We felt like we were in a longtime Church member's home, although Mr. Jiru had never met a member.

Literature for 20 years

Mr. Jiru said he had received Church literature for 20 years, faithfully keeping the Sabbath and teaching his family what he knew of God's truth. We baptized him the



SOUTH PACIFIC BRETHERN — Members on the island of Honiara in the Solomon Islands pause before services Aug. 29. The members had not been visited by a minister since the 1980 Passover. [Photo by Bill Sidney]

next day in a small stream amid the tropical forest that blankets the island. Mr. Jiru took us back to Gizo in his motorboat, and we made our way to Honiara for the Sabbath.

Next week we flew to Nauru, an island south of the equator to visit another *Plain Truth* subscriber. Nauru is the smallest sovereign state in the world, but its high-grade phosphate deposits have made its citizens some of the world's wealthiest people.

From Nauru we flew to Kiribati, a group of islands north of the equator and west of the International Date Line. Tony Tatieta, a member there, was last visited by John Halford, a pastor-ranked minister, in 1978 and received us gladly. Betio,

his home island, was a Japanese stronghold in World War II. We also met Mr. Tatieta's wife and four children, and spent several hours discussing Church doctrine with an interested relative.

We returned to Honiara for one more Sabbath service. We left reluctantly, as a mutual bond of friendship and love had developed between us and the brethren.

Arriving in Port Moresby, the capital of Papua New Guinea, we met and counseled members and several *Plain Truth* readers. Mr. Sidney spoke with one interested man by radiotelephone. Unfortunately, we were unable to meet with all who requested a visit, but Mr. Sidney plans another trip to cover those concerned.

CHURCH NEWS

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parents were met at the door as they arrived and were shown into the lounge. YOU members passed around light snacks and mixed with the adults. The teenagers then left the parents and gathered in the dining room for the four-course meal. The table was set with fine crystal and silverware, and was graced by a display of flowers. Assistant YOU coordinator Lou Ehrler instructed the teens on proper etiquette throughout the meal. The youths assembled together again with the parents for coffee and entertainment. Everyone joined in the songs, which were played on the harp, guitar and piano. *Debra and Stewart Thompson.*

CANTON, Ohio, YOU members and parents enjoyed a special outdoor Bible study at the farm of John Dewell near Scio, Ohio, Oct. 31. Refreshments followed and consisted of sloppy joes and hot dogs cooked over a bonfire, with cider and donuts for dessert. The evening was topped off with a hayride, with members packed into two wagons pulled by one tractor by Mr. Dewell. *Frank A. Richards.*

Food, camping, a blazing fire and a rap session were enjoyed by the YOU groups of **CHARLESTON, S.C.**, and **SAVANNAH, Ga.**, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith Nov. 8. *Jo Morris.*

The **MONTGOMERY, Ala.**, church had a children's party Oct. 31 at the

church hall. The party was sponsored by the Spokesman and Women's clubs. *Don Most.*

The **OMAHA and LINCOLN, Neb.**, YOU sponsored a church hayride Nov. 8. A chili supper, with hot apple cider, was served by the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McQuown. A roaring bonfire under the harvest moon topped off the evening. *Wesley McQuown.*

The **VISALIA, Calif.**, YOU group enjoyed an evening at Iceclandia, an ice-skating rink, Nov. 7. Associate pastor Ted Herlison and Greg Guy landed bottom side while trying to race. *Renee Ezelle.*

The **YOU of WICHITA, Kan.**, performed their service project Nov. 14. It was a family chili supper at the Linwood Park Recreation Center. After the meal, games were enjoyed by all. Pastor Judd Kirk said the teens did a "super job." *John Williams.*

About 70 YOU members from the **WINNIPEG and MORDEN, Man.**, churches combined for a Bible study Oct. 30. Roy Page outlined the purposes and goals of YOU and planned activities for the upcoming year. On Oct. 31, the YOU members and parents met at Roxy Lanes for a fun-filled evening of bowling. *Doug Aime.*



CYCLING CLASS — Ambassador College Big Sandy freshmen cyclists (from left) Wendell Benningfield, Dean Ames, Rick Howell and Steve Purkapile complete the cycling class' first 50-mile bike trip Sunday Nov. 22.

Cameroon

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The day's work was not quite over. We were to leave for Nigeria the next day, and we had not visited our English-speaking members in Victoria.

We all piled into Mr. Caspa's car and took off for Victoria. It is a good road, and the journey took a little more than an hour.

At Victoria we found about 20 more people patiently waiting. I gave them a Bible study in English, which most understood (except one older lady, who had to have my words translated into her African dialect).

Once again we knew that we were among friends. The faces and accents may have been different,

and the surroundings strange—but the spirit and attitude were the same.

We left the Cameroon Republic the next morning, but we could not forget the friends we had made.

Cameroon is not "stony ground" (Matthew 13:3-8). Although the doors are not wide open, God is calling people there. Genuine obstacles exist against doing the Work, but time (and prayers) will resolve these. Until then, ministers in Africa and Europe will continue to visit Cameroon whenever possible.

Our members there told me that they always try to remember that they are a part of a worldwide Work. They pray for Mr. Armstrong, the ministry and all the members.

They asked that you remember them, too.

Noon meal fosters fellowship

Daniel Peacock is a member of the Washington, D.C., church.

By Daniel Peacock

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Ever wish you could break away from the daily, work-a-day grind to meet other Church members during the week, even if only for an hour?

Six years ago, in the spring of 1975, Vern McFarland and Daniel Peacock, members of God's Church working at the headquarters of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in southwest Washington, asked that same question — and did something about it.

They hit upon the idea of a monthly "Luncheon with the Brethren," aimed at busy working members in the central city, but open to anyone wishing to join.

After inquiries among Church members and work associates, the ideal place was found in the Forrestal Building, near the Mall, on Independence Avenue in southwest Washington and within easy reach of several Church members.

This establishment was a government-run cafeteria serving a buffet

meal — all you could eat — for only \$2.10. They met there between May, 1975, and April, 1976.

Some of the early participants who savored those meals and conversations included Dexter Faulkner (managing editor of the *W/N*), Henry Sturcke (a minister in the Union, N.J., church) and Gordon Miller (now a local elder in Washington).

Unfortunately, too many people — not we, of course — ate too much, too many times, and the cafeteria went broke.

After this location closed, it was difficult to find a suitable restaurant. Before Washington's subway system was open, lack of efficient transportation was an important negative factor. Therefore, a break in the luncheons occurred until April, 1979.

By this time the subway opened, increasing the number of restaurants that could be conveniently reached for lunch. The Dining Bazaar Cafeteria, in a shopping plaza in southwest Washington and linked by subway and shopping bus to the northwest was selected. The group ate there almost monthly until February, 1980. In this case,

too few people ate too little food, too few times, and this place also went out of business.

The group then selected a restaurant in northwest Washington where they met from March, 1980, to February of this year.

In March, 1981, the meeting place changed again. By this time Mr. McFarland and Mr. Peacock had been transferred from southwest Washington to Crystal City, Va. Linda Henderson, a Church member working in Rosslyn, Va., recommended a Greek restaurant called the Monticello, which was a 10-minute walk from the subway.

The Monticello met all the criteria — convenient, uncrowded, tasty variety of food and moderate prices. The setting was more formal, and inexpensive parking was available.

Throughout the years about 40 different people have joined the group for lunch. Attendance runs from 6 to 12 a meal. The luncheon takes place at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of each month. If there is a Holy Day or national holiday, no luncheon takes place that month. Brethren are asked to make reservations with the group three days in advance of the date.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ALLEN, David and Judy (Jackson), of Austin, Tex., girl, Mary Jeanette, Oct. 7, 6:50 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

ARNOLD, Richard and Kerry (Kahler), of Champaign, Ill., girl, Ericka Dawn, Aug. 26, 5:46 a.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 girls.

AZUBUIKE, Lambert and Theresa, of Ino State, Nigeria, boy, Jew China Chimene, Oct. 10, 9 pounds, now 4 boys, 2 girls.

BANE, Richard and Mary (Apperson), of Philadelphia, Miss., girl, Jennifer Michelle, Oct. 29, 1:51 a.m., 7 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 3 girls.

BRANDON, Jon and Ruth (D'Arcy), of Brisbane, Australia, boy, Rees Mitchell, Oct. 6, 11:22 a.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

BRIA, Frank and Jenny (Morgan), of Pittsburgh, Pa., girl, Lisa Patricia, Aug. 20, 6:12 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

CLONINGER, Robert Lee and Zende Lois, of Des Moines, Iowa, boy, Robert Leonard, Nov. 6, 5:55 a.m., 8 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, third child.

CURLING, Desmond and Gillian (Taylor), of Nassau, Bahamas, boy, Andrew Bryan, Oct. 22, 3:40 a.m., 7 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DANIELS, Joe and Beverly, of Pilot Rock, Ore., boy, Mark John, Oct. 6, 8:50 a.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

FOULKES, Gregory and Sandy (Mayea), of Erlanger, Ky., girl, Jamie LeAnn, Nov. 21, 4:58 a.m., 7 pounds 14 1/2 ounces, first child.

FROM, Dennis and Janet (Shumata), of Chicago, Ill., boy, Daniel Evan, Oct. 16, 8:48 a.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

GARNSIDE, Anthony and Rita (Martin), of San Pedro, Calif., girl, Elizabeth Marie, Sept. 24, 10:17 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

GIZA, David and Nancy (Solek), of Houston, Tex., boy, Jeremiah Daniel, Nov. 15, 7:48 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

HAMES, Trevor and Janet (Leske), of Brisbane, Australia, twins, Katie Laranio and Benjamin Trevor Craner, Oct. 29, 7:30 a.m., 5 pounds 11 ounces and 5 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HARTTER, Ron and Sue (Moore), of Sabetha, Kan., girl, Kimberly Sue, Nov. 10, 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HERUTH, Dennis and Gail (Mentor), of Clorget, Minn., boy, Jesse David, Oct. 12, 8:14 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

HONEYCUTT, Dan and Rhonda (Clement), of Pasadena, girl, Rebecca Rhonda, Oct. 23, 2:50 a.m., 7 pounds, first child.

KIMMEL, Herbert and Sharon (Sama), of Arlington Heights, Ill., boy, John Dustin, Oct. 23, 9:37 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

KRUISE, Edwin and Deloris (Caskoy), of Bucyrus, Ohio, girl, Anne Marie, Oct. 31, 4:35 a.m., 7 pounds 1/2 ounce, first child.

LOUPE, John and Robbie (Jones), of Chicago, Ill., boy, Marcus Ashley, Oct. 26, 9:48 p.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, now 3 boys.

LUNE, Walter and Sandra (Koch), of Saskatoon, Sask., girl, Audrey Elizabeth, Oct. 7, 9:52 a.m., 10 pounds 6 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

LUPKE, Michael and Virginia (Goosen), of Palmettburg, South Africa, girl, Janelle Sheri, Sept. 9, 8:00 a.m., 7 pounds, now 2 girls.

MCHALE, Joseph and Gretchen (Lowe), of Mount Pocono, Pa., boy, Jason Joseph, Sept. 29, 5:00 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

McLEAN, Godfrey and Nancy (Register), of San Jose, Calif., boy, Daniel Everett, Oct. 4, 4:45 a.m., 8 pounds, first child.

MEYER, Carl and Dana (Haymart), of Tebbata, Mo., boy, Travis Carl, Oct. 23, 10:51 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

MUEHLMAN, John W. and Lynnette (Franz), of Fulton, Mo., boy, John August, Oct. 3, 12:17 a.m., 8 pounds 8 1/2 ounces, first child.

OGUNLASE, Mr. and Mrs. Bayo, of Lagos, Nigeria, twins, Mary Tereola and John Seun, July 8, 7:50 and 8:10 a.m.

PICKETT, Gary and Tui (Hillman), of Geelong, Australia, boy, Nathan James, Nov. 2, 9:30 a.m., 8 pounds, now 2 boys.

RISEBOROUGH, Colin and Dana (Callen), of Hastings, New Zealand, girl, Becky Jane, Nov. 14, 4:11 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 girls.

ROPER, Doug and Gayle (Shaw), of Sherman, Tex., girl, Holly Renee, Oct. 25, 2:32 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 girls.

SIMON, Peter and Karen (Will), of Saskatoon, Sask., girl, Melanie Laura, Sept. 4, 3:00 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

TRUDEAU, Terry and Marilyn (McWilliams), of Chicago, Ill., girl, Roxanna Leigh, Nov. 7, 5:00 p.m., 8 pounds, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Green of Pasadena are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Cynthia to William Scott Toliver of Pasadena, son of Amanda Toliver of Denver, Colo. The wedding is planned for Jan. 17 at Ambassador College. Mr. Green, a minister in Pasadena, will officiate.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Ort of Inez, Tex., are happy to announce the engagement of their son Albert Leroy to Patti Diana Walker of Victoria, Tex. A Dec. 26 wedding is planned.

WEDDINGS

Mary Marlene Servidio and David Michael Tobin were united in marriage Aug. 30 in Erie, Pa. The wedding was performed by the bride's brother, James Servidio, pastor of the New Orleans, La., church. The couple honeymooned in Bermuda and are making their home in Erie, where they attend the Erie church.

John High and Pauline Eagle were united in marriage Oct. 4 at the former Imperial School building, Bricklet Wood, England. Robin Jones, pastor of the London, England, North church, performed the ceremony. Maid of honor was Linda Hallord, and the best man was Peter Cartwright. The couple reside in Garston, England.



MR. AND MRS. PHIL SANDILANDS

Marilyn Strommen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Strommen, and Phillip Sandilands, son of LaFare Sandilands, were married Oct. 4 at the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena by Gary Antich. Mary Strommen was maid of honor, and Greg Sandilands was best man. Both are graduates of Ambassador College and are presently employed by the Work. The couple reside at 763 Arcadia Ave., Arcadia, Calif., 91006.

the Denver, Colo., church on Dec. 23. Love from Stan, Janet and girls.



MR. AND MRS. MILTON RANDLE

Sept. 27 marked the 40th anniversary of Milton and Willie May Randle of the Houston, Tex., West church. The Randles came into the Church in 1958.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT BERENDT

Robert H. Berendt, pastor of the Edmonton, Alta., South church and his wife Joan celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary Oct. 31. The Berendts shared their silver wedding anniversary with the brethren from the South and North churches. After a meal, the Berendt children did a slide presentation of their mom and dad's 28 years. The evening was capped off by dancing.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES COLUMBIA

Lynne Marie Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Johnson of Scottsdale, Ariz., and James Joseph Columbia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Columbia of Tempe, Ariz., were united in marriage Sept. 12. The ceremony was performed by Mark Cardona, pastor of the Phoenix East and Mesa, Ariz., churches. Karen Evans Kendall was matron of honor, and Gene Skinner was best man. The couple reside in Tempe.



MR. AND MRS. STEVEN SMETAK

Steven Alan Smetak and Cynthia Lou Hopkins were united in marriage May 24 at the Ambassador College Big Sandy campus. James Lee, a minister in the Big Sandy church, officiated the wedding. Caroline Whit, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Kevan Hayes, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside at 4725-A Teewood, Austin, Tex.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN LOW

Dianne Culppeper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levin Culppeper, and John Robert Low, son of Frances Lou of Biloxi, Miss., were united in marriage July 25 after Sabbath services in Meridian, Wis. The ceremony, performed by Ed Mitchell, a minister in the Hattgesburg, Miss., church, preceded a potluck meal. John and Dianne reside in Meridian.

ANNIVERSARIES

Happy 25th anniversary to Lynn and Vada Hammett of

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

We'd like to let the readers of *The Worldwide News* know about your new baby as soon as it arrives. Just fill out this coupon and send it to the address given as soon as possible after the baby is born.

Our coupon babies this issue are Melissa Janne (left) and Bryan William Brown, children of Barry and Carolyn Brown of Keokuk, Iowa.



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pastor of the Fort Worth church, officiating. Mr. Briscoe is survived by his wife Kitty, two daughters, Cyndi Brock of Gainesville, Tex., and Hollace Gammel of Pittsburg, Tex., and five grandchildren.

GREENWOOD, Miss. — James Robinson, 78, died of a heart attack Oct. 29. Bob Peoples, pastor of the Jackson and Greenwood, Miss., churches, conducted funeral services. Mr. Robinson is survived by his wife Edna.

JACKSON, Miss. — Clonnie Anding, 54, died of an extended illness Nov. 10. Bob Peoples, pastor of the Jackson and Greenwood, Miss., churches, conducted funeral services. Mrs. Anding is survived by two daughters and four sons.

McCLURE, Pa. — Anna Weader, 90, died Oct. 31. She had been a Church member since 1971. Funeral services were conducted by Jim Rosenthal, pastor of the Harrisburg, Pa., church. Miss Weader is survived by her nieces Marian Smith and Anna Pearl Morganti.

SEVEN VALLEYS, Pa. — Mildred Dennis, 75, a member of God's Church since 1975, died of cancer Nov. 19. Jim Rosenthal, pastor of the Harrisburg, Pa., church, conducted funeral services.

SOMMERVILLE, Ohio — Elsie Maddock, 88, a member of God's Church since 1966, died of a stroke Oct. 30. She is survived by four children, nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Obituaries

CHILLIWACK, B.C. — Barbara Bill, 85, died Sept. 24. She attended the Abbotsford, B.C., church. Dan Hope, associate pastor of the Abbotsford church, conducted funeral services.

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Wiley D. Briscoe, 62, died Oct. 21 in Van Horn, Tex., while returning home from the Feast of Tabernacles in Tucson, Ariz.



WILEY D. BRISCOE

Briscoe became a member of the fledgling Dallas, Tex., church in the late '50s and was ordained a local church elder in the Fort Worth church, where he served until his death.

Interment took place at Gladewater (Tex.) Memorial Park with Bob Smith,

Firsthand

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Copts, who had been on generally good terms throughout his tenure in office, were suddenly at each others' throats.

Tensions continued to rise during the summer. Finally in September, less than a month before his tragic end, Mr. Sadat cracked down hard. Out went the Soviet ambassador, six top Soviet diplomats and hundreds of Soviet technicians and their families. Religious leaders were rounded up in an attempt to defuse what the government called "sectarian sedition." Mr. Sadat's political enemies who were attempting to capitalize on the situation also were rounded up. A total of 1,536 religious activists, journalists, lawyers and professors were arrested.

Mr. Sadat thundered in a three-hour speech that "I'm dealing with fanaticism." He vowed to close down 40,000 private mosques where, admitted one Moslem, "they were preaching hatred of the Copts." To balance things, Mr. Sadat ordered the troublesome Coptic "pop" Shenouda II into exile.

For a while tempers subsided and

events appeared to return to normal — until a handful of stirred up religious fanatics finally got to the president.

One gets the impression that sectarian hatreds in Egypt are simmering just below the surface. One of the drivers assigned to our party in Cairo, himself a Copt, remarked about how "the Moslems hate us."

How strong is Mr. Mubarak?

Will President Mubarak be able to "hold the fort"? From all indications yes, at least for now. President Mubarak has continued to round up hundreds of Islamic fundamentalists, including 356 members of one group accused of masterminding the Sadat assassination.

Mr. Mubarak recently said that Moslem fundamentalists had hatched a plot to wipe out Egypt's entire political, military and religious leadership. "They wanted a Khomeini-like, devastating revolution," he said.

President Mubarak's support seems to be broadly based. Furthermore, he is seeking to change the image of the presidency. Unfortunately, the late President Sadat was said to have become aloof not only from the opposition, but from some of his own supporters.

Many people in Egypt, according to one of our drivers, felt that President Sadat had been living like one of the pharaohs of old. The 100 or so palaces that Mr. Sadat had access to are to be closed again. President Mubarak ordered that no pictures of his (Mubarak's) wife are to appear in newspapers. He has already reopened lines of communication to other political parties who, in turn, have supported a further crackdown on religious extremism.

Thankfully, for the Work of God in the Middle East, it appears that the tenuous peace process will go forward. But it came close to ending.

ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINES

Please send us birth, engagement, wedding, anniversary and obituary announcements as soon after the event as possible. *The Worldwide News* is a newspaper. Help us to keep the news current.

A note about wedding photographs. The *WN* prefers black and white photos. Ask your photographer to "take some black and white photos along with the color shots. Some photographers offer this service so pictures can be sent to newspapers.

FOCUS ON YOUTH

TALENT CONTEST POSTPONED

PASADENA — The Youth Opportunities United (YOU) National Talent Contest scheduled for April, 1982, is postponed until December, 1982, said Kevin Dean, YOU director.

YOU districts may continue to have talent contests, but no regional contest will take place in the 1981 activity year. Mr. Dean said that those contestants winning district contests will automatically be eligible for the November, 1982, regional talent contests.

The YOU director also noted that the 1982 National Track and Field Meet, which takes place annually on the Ambassador College campus in Big Sandy is canceled. "The national track meet will be replaced by a local field day with family participation. There will be national winners based on the individual meet times during the family day," Mr. Dean added.

Regional track meets will continue, but the funds earmarked for the national event will be utilized so more YOU members will benefit.

YOUTHS HONORED

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Twelve-year-old Louie Martinez took second place in the Jemez Mountain Electric Cooperative Spelling Bee.

Louie was president of the San Juan Elementary School and was awarded the Principal's Award for the best all-around student of the 1980-81 school year.

Louie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Ortiz.

BETHANY, Ont. — Patricia Robinson, 13, was named valedictorian at the 1981 eighth-grade commencement exercises of Grandview Public School in Victoria County, Ont.

She was given the school's highest award, the Manvers Cup, for academic excellence, leadership qualities, school participation and a positive attitude toward school.

Patricia, daughter of Gordon and Lillie Robinson, is a Youth Opportunities United member in Peterborough, Ont.

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe — Talent seems to run in the Britz family, as three family members captured awards at an *Eisteddfod*, a traditional arts festival and competition.

Eveline Britz, 12, won an honors award for a life-size papier-mache model of a schoolgirl and first place for a still-life watercolor.

Her sister Jenny, 14, received three first-class awards for two watercolors and a poem entitled, "Happiness Is."

A younger brother Kenny, 8, won a first-class award for a poem, "My Prayer."

All three children attend the Bulawayo church with their mother, Mrs. Enid Britz.

CATOOSA, Okla. — Dena Roller, 17, qualified as a semifinalist for one of 5,000 National Merit Scholarships annually awarded for academic excellence. Semifinalists represent the top half of 1 percent in the senior class in their states and may qualify for

college study grants, ranging from \$1,000 to \$8,000.

Dena is copresident of the Catoosa High School student body. She hopes to enroll at Ambassador College next fall.

Dena, eldest of six children, attends the Tulsa, Okla., church with her mother, Mrs. Bobby Roller.

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Jennifer Van Winkle, 16, won first place for her freehand drawing at the annual art show of Perry Central High School.

Jennifer is a member of the art club and the Perry Central Commodores marching and concert bands. She is also vice president of the Young American 4-H Club.



JENNIFER VAN WINKLE

Jennifer attends the Evansville church with her parents Clarence and Betty Van Winkle.

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — National recognition came to a Flagstaff Youth Opportunities United member through the Scholastic Arts Award program, an art exhibition and competition annually sponsored to encourage creative expression among secondary students.

Lynette Crabtree, a ninth grader at East Flagstaff Junior High School, received a gold medal from the program for an acrylic painting.



LYNETTE CRABTREE

Lynette attends the Flagstaff church with her mother, Susan Crabtree.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — "What's right about America?" Janice Jennings, 17, had a chance to recite her essay on this subject as a finalist in the 1981 Miss Arkansas National Teen-Ager Pageant at the University of Central Arkansas.

Contestants were judged on scholastic achievement, leadership, personality, poise and beauty. Talent and swimsuit competitions were not included.

Janice is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mel Jennings of

Greenbriar, Ark.

LONGVIEW, Tex. — Graduating in the top 2 percent of her senior class, Rebekah Baughman received the Award of Excellence in Academics from Longview High School. She was a member of National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society and was named in *Who's Who in Foreign Languages*.

Rebekah is studying accounting at the University of Texas at Austin. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dael Baughman of Longview. Mr. Baughman is a local church elder there.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Attending God's Church and diligently studying His Word paid off for Brian Puerner, a 1981 graduate of West Milwaukee High School. Brian was excused from a Bible literature course because of his advanced Bible knowledge and received full course credit.

Brian appeared in *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1980-81*, an honor based on high academic achievement, leadership and social involvement. He was a member of the track and wrestling teams, and played trumpet in two high school bands.

Brian's career plans involve custom furniture production. He attends the Milwaukee church.



MICHAEL HUFF

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Michael Huff, 19, now a freshman at Ambassador College in Pasadena was named the 1980-81 Commended Student by the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Black Students. He was also selected for the 1980-81 *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

Mike played Youth Opportunities United and high school varsity basketball and has been a volleyball and basketball instructor at the Summer Education Program in Orr, Minn., for two years.

Mike received scholarships from three other universities including Iowa State University, but wanted to attend Ambassador College instead. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hall.

NUCLA, Colo. — Eric Case, a freshman at Ambassador College in Big Sandy, was selected to appear in the 1979-80 and 1980-81 *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

He was president of the student council and Science Club in high school, receiving achievement awards in

advanced biology and physics.

Eric was active in Youth Opportunities United basketball and track while attending the Grand Junction, Colo., church.

OLYMPIA, Wash. — Deanne Bochenski, 17, sets the pace for more than just her high school and Youth Opportunities United (YOU) track teams. A senior at Capital High School here, Deanne qualified for the Principal's Honor Roll with a 4.0 grade point average. She also received an Academic All-American certificate for displaying leadership ability and high academic achievement.

Deanne is a player-coach for the YOU girls' volleyball team. She placed third in the 1600-meter run and second in the 3200-meter run at the National Track and Field Meet last summer in Big Sandy.

After graduation next spring, Deanne hopes to attend Ambassador College in Big Sandy. She attends the Olympia, Wash., church.

ROCKHAMPTON, Australia — Glendon Cauley, 12, won the trophy for senior boy champion 1981 in athletics at Mount Morgan Central State School.

During the school year, Glendon won three gold medals for first place in the 100-meter dash, the long jump and the shot put. He also received two bronze medals for third place in the 800-meter run and the high jump.

Glendon attends the Rockhampton church with his mother, Ruth Cauley.

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — East High School of Phoenix, Ariz., conferred a diploma with highest distinction upon Suzanne Meidinger during 1981 commencement exercises. She was a member of National Honor Society and received an honors certificate from the University of Arizona.

Although she received an academic scholarship from Arizona State University, Suzanne, 19, entered Ambassador College in Pasadena this fall.

Her brother David, a high school freshman, received a mathematics award. He ranked among the top 10 scorers on a statewide mathematics test.

Elizabeth Meidinger, a high school junior, received an outstanding award in fibers when East High School presented fine arts awards.

Suzanne, David and Elizabeth are children of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Meidinger, members of the Phoenix church.

SEWARD, Alaska — Excellence in math, physics and chemistry earned Cheryl Branson the honor of Top Engineering Student as a junior at Seward High School.

Cheryl was invited to tour engineering facilities in Anchorage, Alaska, and made a trip to Prudhoe Bay oil field to visit oil drilling and production operations.

Cheryl attends the Soldotna, Alaska, church.

TAMPA, Fla. — Michael Billo placed 13th in the nationals of the Elementary Boys' Singles Free Style roller skating championship in Fort Worth,

Tex., Aug. 9.

He qualified for the nationals by placing second in the Southern Region championships in Knoxville, Tenn., in June.

Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs.



MICHAEL BILLO

Allen Billo, attends the Tampa, Fla., church.

TORONTO, Ont. — Nine-year-old Kirstin Treichel won special honorable mention at the annual literary contest sponsored by the Canadian Legion for a poem she wrote about Remembrance Day. Kirstin attends the Glen Park Public School, is a member of the Toronto West Junior YOU and sings in the children's choir. Kirstin attends services with her parents Keith and Susanne Treichel, two brothers and one sister.

TORONTO, Ont. — Eleven-year-old Juanita Martin, a sixth grader at Ospringe Public School in Acton, Ont., received a bronze medal for third place for a speech she gave on child abuse. Juanita is active in Junior YOU and attends the Toronto West church with her parents Myron and Hilda Martin, two brothers and two sisters.

VERSAILLES, Mo. — Inspired by Herbert W. Armstrong's booklet *The Seven Laws of Success*, Cara Lynne Edwards gave her valedictory address on "Success" at the Morgan County District R-1 School in Stover, Mo. In the seventh grade Cara set a goal to become the valedictorian of her high school.

She received an All-School Citizenship Award and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Cara, a freshman at Ambassador College in Big Sandy, is the daughter of Don and Louise Edwards, members of the Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., church.

VILNA, Alta. — Dancing is a way of life for 17-year-old Betty Marie Baronic, a semiprofessional Ukrainian dancer who became interested in Ukrainian music when she was 4 and later created her own choreographies.

She was asked to become a soloist for a professional dance company in Alberta touring in the United States and Canada, but declined the offer because of conflicts with the Sabbath.

Betty plans to continue dancing after graduation from high school. She hopes to go on to Ambassador College next fall.

Betty attends the Bonnyville, Alta., church.

NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

UPDATE

PASADENA — More than 1,600 applications have been requested for admission to Ambassador College here and in Big Sandy according to **Richard F. Ames**, director of admissions for the Pasadena campus.

He said that the volume of requests shows "the strong interest in Ambassador" among young people in God's Church. The admissions committees on both campuses were encouraged and inspired to see many students of high caliber applying for what has been termed "the West Point of God's Work."

Approximately 250 students will be accepted for the 1982-83 academic year. Under a new ruling, new freshmen may enter either campus only during the fall semester. Students with previous Ambassador experience or advanced academic standing may enter in the spring semester, although all students are encouraged to begin in the fall.

College applicants should not apply to both campuses for admission, Mr. Ames continued. Applications should be sent to the campus of the applicant's first choice, addressed to the admissions office. In the event the applicant's first choice is filled, admission to the other campus would then be considered, he added.

All applicants are encouraged to mail in their completed applications as soon as possible. Applications are available from the Admissions Office of both campuses. College addresses are: Ambassador College, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91129 and Ambassador College, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

PASADENA — Ministerial Services here released the following churches evangelist **Gerald Waterhouse** plans to visit in January.

Fort Lauderdale and Miami, Fla., combined services, Jan. 2; Fort Myers and Sarasota, Fla., combined Bible study, Jan. 3; St. Petersburg, Fla., Jan. 4; Tampa, Fla., Jan. 5;

Lakeland, Fla., Jan. 6.

Fort Walton Beach, Fla., and Geneva, Ala., combined services, Jan. 9; Mobile, Ala., Jan. 10; Biloxi, Miss., Jan. 11; Hattiesburg, Miss., Jan. 12; Meridian, Miss., Jan. 13.

Bowling Green, Ky., Jan. 16; Madisonville, Ky., Jan. 17; Paducah, Ky., Jan. 18; Cape Girardeau, Mo., Jan. 19; Rolla, Mo., Jan. 20; Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., Jan. 21; Springfield, Mo., Jan. 23.

Coffeyville, Kan., and Joplin, Mo., combined services, Jan. 24; Harrison, Ark., Jan. 25; Alexandria, La., Jan. 27; Baton Rouge, La., Jan. 28; New Orleans, La., Jan. 30; and Lafayette, La., Jan. 31.

PASADENA — Deputy Chancellor **Leon Walker**, Dean of Students **Ronald Kelly** and Dean of Faculty **Donald Ward**, administrators of the Ambassador College campus in Big Sandy, flew here Dec. 2 for financial meetings with Chancellor **Herbert W. Armstrong**. The meetings centered on future programs at the Big Sandy campus.

Mr. Armstrong, speaking at a student forum in Big Sandy Oct. 28, mentioned the possibility of the Big Sandy academic program expand-

ing to four years. Dr. Ward explained that Mr. Armstrong is delaying any decisions until he reviews the 1982 Church budget.

Also present at the meetings in Pasadena was evangelist **Robert E. Fabey**, Mr. Armstrong's executive assistant.

BIG SANDY — The airstrip here will be resurfaced, lengthened and runway lights extended, reported **Buck Hammer**, director of Buildings & Grounds for the Ambassador College campus here.

Two hundred feet will be added to the east end of the landing strip, and the surface will be widened to 60 feet. The landing strip is now 44 feet wide. Upon completion, the airstrip will be 5,400 feet long.

The Buildings & Grounds Department will add the runway lights, while the resurfacing project will be done by outside contractors, he added.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — A surprise storm that blanketed much of New England with up to 28 inches of snow Dec. 6 came "at just the right time," according to **Jim Franks**, pastor of the Boston, Mass., and Providence churches.

"All the roads in Rhode Island were officially closed and no one was allowed on highways," said Mr. Franks, "but the snow emergency lasted for just one day. By Monday things were pretty much back to normal." Some brethren in Providence were out of power Sunday.



INTERNATIONAL DESK BY **ROD MATTHEWS**

PASADENA — Members throughout Europe are writing to express delight at hearing *The World Tomorrow* broadcast again in English. The program began airing Nov. 1 on 1.3-million-watt Radio Luxembourg, which can be heard over large areas of Europe including the British Isles.

A letter promoting the broadcast was inserted into the November-

December issue of *The Plain Truth*, going to subscribers in Britain, Scandinavia, the Continent and the Middle East. An insert card will also be placed in the January edition.

An advertising campaign is being conducted in British newspapers advertising the broadcast, and will be extended to Scandinavian newspapers.

A new *Plain Truth* advertising campaign has started using newspapers in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Denmark, Irish Republic, and wider-ranging publications, the *International Herald Tribune* and the Atlantic edition of *Newsweek* and *Time*.

Indonesia

In December, a visiting and baptizing tour will be conducted in Indonesia. Bill Sidney, financial services manager and local elder from the Australian Office, will be accompanied by Tim Grauel, a junior at Ambassador College in Pasadena, in Australia on a one-year assignment working with the field ministry.

They will visit people in remote areas of Indonesia. There are 1,300 *Plain Truth* subscribers in Indonesia, and 181 of these are studying the Correspondence Course. So far in that country of 145 million, God has called three members.

Canada

The Canadian Office, like most of the Work's offices, had a substantial backlog of mail pile up during the Feast. The Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) line collected more than 200 calls during the Feast. Calls received on the WATS line are increasing.

At the end of November, regional director Colin Adair completed his visits to all the churches in Canada. He spoke to 56 congregations, either individually or combined. In many areas, Bible lectures are underway, and so far the results are encouraging.

The storm threatened a district Youth Opportunities United (YOU) weekend of volleyball and talent contests in Springfield, Mass., Dec. 5 and 6. About 20 YOU members from Rhode Island stayed overnight with Springfield brethren Sunday until roads in Rhode Island were cleared the next day, Mr.

Franks noted.

The biggest early winter snowstorm since 1926 (according to the National Weather Service in Boston), the deluge of snow with winds gusting 50 miles per hour closed Boston's Logan International Airport Sunday, according to a Los Angeles, Calif., *Times* article.

'PT' newsstands expand on Australian continent

John Curry is employed by the Australian Office of God's Work. He previously worked as a staff writer for The Worldwide News.

By John Curry

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — *Plain Truth* newsstand distribution, restarted in January after a four-year absence, and reached a monthly distribution figure of 150,000 in the first 10 months of 1981, according to Robin Jackson, program supervisor.

Robert Morton, regional director of God's Work in Australia, commented, "The newsstand program is one of the main avenues approved by Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong for getting the Gospel to the world."

"We are very excited," Mr. Morton continued, "about the way it has

grown to become one of our major efforts in this part of the world. Christ has certainly blessed this program in every way."

Newsstand *Plain Truths* are distributed through more than 100 outlets throughout Australia, most through newsagents. Outlets include major airports, railway stations and shopping malls. "More than 75,000 are distributed at airports and railway stations each month," said Mr. Jackson. Ten thousand copies are distributed at the newsstand in Melbourne.

Ministers establish the stands, and members stock them with *Plain Truths*. "The program enables the members to be representatives of the Church on the 'front line,' working with the newsagents," said David Noller, pastor of the Brisbane, Australia, North church. "They find this to be very challenging and fulfilling."

As an indication of the growth of the Work in Canada, the Feast Holy Day offerings exceeded the entire annual income in Canada in 1965.

Philippines

A fine Festival was reported from all five sites in the Philippines, where 3,334 people attended. Beautiful weather prevailed throughout the Feast, and the brethren were appreciative of inspiring sermons and the opportunity to hear a guest speaker at the Feast.

For the first time in a number of years, a guest speaker was sent to the Philippines, and to make it even more special, Arthur Docken and his family were chosen to go. Mr. Docken previously managed the Manila Office more than 10 years ago and two of his children were born there. They were thrilled to return and see so many brethren again.

A live audio hookup of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's first day message was received at the Baguio City site, and was recorded and later replayed at three other sites. Some 20 members were baptized during the Feast and the increases in attendance and offerings were excellent. Holy Day offerings for the year were up 35 percent.

The Philippines is made up of about 7,100 islands, making it a difficult area in which to serve God's people. Just before the Feast, regional director Guy Ames and Manila South pastor Jose Raduban visited the island of Palawan for the first time in many years. They met with 10 members and 10 prospective members and baptized four.

El Salvador

A letter to Spanish-area regional director Leon Walker from Herbert Cisneros, the minister in El Salvador, tells of the terrible conditions and the constant fear and concern the population, including Church members, face daily.

The battling groups seeking power and control in El Salvador have, in recent months, committed the most barbarous and savage acts — murders, rapes, burnings, torture, robbing and kidnapping with unbridled violence. The capital, San Salvador, was without power for three days when pylons carrying electric supply lines were blown up.

The loss to industry and commerce is immense, beside the disruption caused the general population. Water shortages occurred at the same time. Bombs, set to explode at night, are left in homes and businesses, making the dark hours ones of anxiety — waiting for deafening explosions, which are detonated with the purpose of demoralizing storekeepers, increasing unemployment and undermining the country's already suffering economy. In some regions crops are deliberately destroyed, and railroad bridges blown up.

It would be rare to find one family in El Salvador that has not been directly or indirectly affected by the violence there.

The Church members there still have their jobs, but because of inflation, and the political tragedy that afflicts El Salvador, many are under unusual pressures. Nevertheless, God has been with His people, and they continue to be faithful and loyal to their calling. I'm sure that their prayers for the Kingdom of God are unusually fervent.

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