

CAD to test, interview possible field trainees

PASADENA — The Church Administration Division (CAD) here plans to interview potential ministerial trainees on the Ambassador College campus here and at Big Sandy, according to Paul Flatt of the CAD.

Feb. 8 is the date tentatively set to administer a written Bible-knowledge test on each campus.

Interviews will follow at Big Sandy Feb. 9 to 11 and here Feb. 24 to 26.

"We're looking for Bible knowledge and a practical understanding of human beings," Mr. Flatt said. "At the same time, we are looking for speaking ability, maturity and know-how to handle practical experiences in field situations. People orientation is one of the major factors as well."

Present on each campus for the interviews will be representatives from the sister campus, Mr. Flatt said.

In the interviews in Big Sandy, Pasadena will be represented by George Geis, Theology Department chairman; Steve Martin of the International Division; and Mr. Flatt and Dennis Pyle of the CAD.

In Pasadena, Big Sandy will be represented by Leon Walker, chairman of the Theology Department; Dean Blackwell, theology instructor; and Jim Kisse, director of student employment.

Mr. Flatt said about 60 will take the test here, of whom 20 to 25 will be interviewed. According to Mr. Blackwell, about 30 plan to take the test in Big Sandy. About 12 of those will be interviewed.

Twenty-five to 30 Ambassador graduates of past years, who weren't chosen as ministerial trainees when

they graduated, will also be interviewed for positions open this year, Mr. Flatt said. Their interviews will be in March.

The graduates who have applied include men from the 1969 class until the present and represent both U.S. campuses and the Bricket Wood, England, campus, which closed in 1974.

Mr. Blackwell said many of these men have served in church areas while employed at other jobs.

Mr. Flatt said that, although plans are not final, he didn't expect that graduate applicants would take the written test.

"If we do hire, we will give priority to those graduates already out there who have proven themselves and come along," Mr. Flatt stated. "So we may end up hiring practically nobody from the graduating class this year. We will be hiring very few due to budgetary cutbacks."



ENGLISH VISIT — Garner Ted Armstrong speaks to the Bricket Wood, England, church during Sabbath services Jan. 17. During those services, he and evangelist Ronald Dart, executive vice president for Ambassador College, Big Sandy, ordained Frank Brown, new director of the British Work, an evangelist (*The Worldwide News*, Jan. 19). [Photo by Lyle Christopherson]

Summer program offers education, recreation

BIG SANDY — The Texas campus of Ambassador College is considering offering Church members a program that would combine golfing, swimming, boating, fishing, horseback riding, tennis, racketball, handball and camping with two weeks of continuing-education classes on various subjects this spring, announced Dean of Faculty Donald Ward Jan. 22.

Dr. Ward said plans for the classes are tentative, and he solicits sugges-

tions from prospective students. If Ambassador decides to go ahead with the program, the classes would begin May 30 and end June 11.

Anyone May Register

In a statement prepared for *The Worldwide News*, Dr. Ward said the sessions "will not be given official college credit and will not count toward a degree; thus anyone who is interested may register for the classes (See **SUMMER**, page 16)

A Personal Letter from

Samuel Ted Armstrong

Dear brethren in Christ:

GREETINGS from Paris. I am in Paris rather unexpectedly; I'll explain a little later.

First, however, our trip to Egypt was an overwhelming success, even though I did not welcome the necessity for the trip and would have avoided it if it had been at all possible.

Upon our arrival at the Cairo airport, we were met by Mr. Adli Muhtadi, our director of Arab affairs, who had arranged three days of back-to-back meetings with members of the government, publishers and newspaper personnel, entertainers and people from all walks of social life.

It seemed we were going quite literally from dawn until long after dark each day, including a number of meetings which netted some revealing interviews for radio.

This was my first visit to Egypt since our trip there clear back in 1966 prior to the '67 Jew-Arab war, which resulted in the closing of the Suez Canal. I found myself once again in Egypt only a few months after the reopening of the canal, at a very significant time, especially in terms of the impact upon the Egyptian economy, which was a continual topic of conversation among those I met.

I arranged interviews with the minister of petroleum (or "oil minister," as he is commonly called in the western press), the minister for reconstruction and development, the speaker of the general assembly (the man who would be the immediate successor to the presidency should anything happen to the president while in office) and with the information minister, who is a close, personal confidant of President Anwar el-Sadat.

It was quite interesting to be

invited as a guest for luncheon at the home of the wife of actor Omar Sharif, who is very well known among all the Arab countries and is the leading dramatic female star of the Egyptian film industry.

'All the Right People'

It was at her apartment that I arranged an interview with both the speaker of the general assembly and (See **PERSONAL**, page 9)

'WN' solicits recipe input

BIG SANDY — *The Worldwide News* is again soliciting unleavened-bread recipes from *WN* readers, with entries to be printed in the March 29 issue.

According to managing editor John Robinson, readers' recipes will again be printed this year because of the popularity of the feature in two previous years.

The first feature was announced in the Feb. 4, 1974, issue; more than 100 recipes were printed March 18, 1974.

Recipes were again compiled in 1975, with 116 printed in the March 3 and 17 issues.

Those submitting recipes for this year's feature should limit entries to one recipe per family. Those previously published in the *WN* should not be resubmitted.

Contributions should be received here if possible by March 1 to make the March 29 *WN*. In case of duplicates, those with the earliest postmark will be printed.

Mail your recipes for the Days of Unleavened Bread (if at all possible type them, double-spaced) to: Recipes, *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A.

B.C. meetings conclude series

VANCOUVER, B.C. — C. Wayne Cole, director of church administration, joined Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division, in conducting a ministerial conference of Canada's Vancouver District here Jan. 27 to 29 at the Surrey Inn Motel.

The conference was the fourth and final of a series of district conferences in Canada that were a joint effort of the International Division and the

Church Administration Division (CAD).

Three-day joint conferences in the last two months took place at Montreal, Que.; Toronto, Ont.; and Winnipeg, Man.

'Working Relationship'

According to Mr. McCullough, the meetings were "partially to facilitate a closer and more effective working relationship between the

U.S. and Canadian ministries. They've had a very fine unifying effect upon the ministry all over."

Mr. McCullough opened the first meeting with a report on the International Division. He was joined by Mr. Cole for the afternoon session, and both men jointly conducted the remainder of the meetings.

The remaining meetings took the (See **CANADA**, page 9)



CANADIAN CONFERENCE — Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division, addresses a conference, held Jan. 27 to 29, for ministers of the Vancouver (B.C.) District. [Photo by John Robinson]

Letters TO THE EDITOR

On 'Postmark' and a suggestion

Great, great, great: the personal interchange possible in your new column, "Postmark." It is just what I wanted to have in Women's Club, but didn't know how to implement it. Our scattered church leaves so little opportunity for intimacy among brethren . . .

Phyllis Newton
Milwaukee, Wis.

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Ad helped

I am first writing to let you know how the ad you ran helped me for the past few months. I now have pen pals from all around the world. They are really encouraging me in my Christian growth. . . . Thank you for your good work. Keep it up.

Alfred S. Barbley
Zwedru, Liberia

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Subscriber in Peru

I have just received the Nov. 24 issue of *The Worldwide News*. This is the first issue I received as a subscriber of your fine publication . . .

You can be sure that all the people here in Lima who get together every Saturday will be very well informed of the Church activities.

Jorge Mendez
Lima, Peru

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Canadian famine

It's wonderful to be getting *The Worldwide News* again. A sincere thanks goes to you, your staff and all the contributors for this great link that keeps us in touch.

I feel as though I have just had a preview of the "famine—of the Word." The last *WN* I received before the [Canadian] postal strike was No. 19, dated Oct. 3. Last week along came Nos. 20, 24 and 25. With no *FTs* or *GNs* coming, one really felt cut off from news of the Work. That makes us more thankful for the blessings we do have.

Mrs. Gladys Whyte
Swift Current, Sask.

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Reader puzzled

I'm writing this letter about the word puzzle, "Hidden Words From the Bible," by Laura Martin [Dec. 22].

In this puzzle there seems to be [two] mistakes. The words: *pardon* H-A, *sharp* D-E, are not found in the puzzle anywhere. I found that where the word *pardon* should be, the first letter at H-A starts with a (D), not a (P). Also, the word *sharp* meets with the (P) in *pardon*.

. . . Other than that, I enjoyed it very much.

. . . Thank you for listening.

Neill K. Overall Jr.
Petersburg, Va.

You're right. The D should have been a P.

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April symposium

In one of the past issues of *The Worldwide News* (Oct. 3), you mentioned a symposium that was to be held at Ambassador College in April, 1976. I would like to know if copies of the symposium will be made, and, if so, if these will be available for purchase by the general membership of the Church. I am very interested in this symposium, and I hope you do another article on it.

Gordon Wright
Vernon, B.C.

Another article is planned for after the symposium.

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Co-workers too

Thank you very much for sending me three issues of *The Worldwide News*. The introductory letter with the first issue [which was mailed to a list of co-workers] explained something I hadn't known before. I had assumed that subscription was limited to members only, before the letter arrived.

I am at present attending church Sabbath services here in Bakersfield. The minister had mentioned a *Worldwide News*, but I naturally assumed it was for members only. But the letter obviously

showed that I, as an interested co-worker, could receive *WN* too!

What a thrill I had when the first issue arrived! The following two were great, and the "Year-End Special" let me see almost all of the previous year's issues I missed, containing news of God's Work. Only wish I'd requested it earlier!

But now I am proud to request a subscription to the *WN*! I include \$4 for a full year's subscription.

Thanks for a great opportunity.
Barry Keith Dixon
Bakersfield, Calif.

Thank you for your subscription request and the \$4. However, the way our mailing list is handled, no matter when your U.S. or Canadian subscription begins, you must renew each June 30. (Unlike most other publications, the *WN's* renewals all come at the same time.) Right now we're accepting requests for \$2 subscriptions that will end June 30. Even though you sent \$4, your subscription will automatically have to be renewed again June 30, because we have no provisions for recording how much money you sent in (we only record the fact that you now take the paper). Therefore, you may deduct the extra \$2 from the \$4 due then and send in only \$2 when you receive your renewal letter.

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In general

Have only had three copies of *Worldwide News* so far, but I have really enjoyed reading each copy, and cannot wait for the next one to come. So nice to read what is going on with the Work in other parts of the world.

The church here in Cape Town has just moved into a larger hall. So for the first time we could have the white and colored brethren together. Sermon on this first Sabbath in the new hall was given by Mr. [Robert] Fahey of the Johannesburg office.

W. Thomas (Mr.)
Cape Town, South Africa

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Thank you for the latest issue of *The Worldwide News*, dated Jan. 5! I think it (the *WN*) is the best thing that ever happened to the Church. It certainly gives a person plenty of things to pray about. We received the *GN*, the *WN* and the latest co-worker letter today in the mail just in time for the Sabbath.

. . . I liked the article about Mrs. Ted Armstrong [April 28, 1975, and "1975 Year-End Special"]. I always wondered what she looked like, her hobbies, etc. It helps one to pray for others if you know the people personally. Thanks for writing about Mrs. Armstrong.

Am glad to hear about our brethren overseas and their needs and trials. Helps one to feel closer to them.

Mrs. Ken Schoon
Logan, Ohio

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More active

Our newspaper deserves a medal for performing a vital service to members of God's Church and co-workers alike. Indeed, it deserves more than a gold medal, for it is really impossible to measure the amount of joy and happiness, apart from valuable information it brings to readers.

My copy arrives here just one week after publication and immediately I take a precursory look through it, then I usually go to Mr. Armstrong's "Personal Letter." The short time lapse for arrival enables me to be more active in offering relevant prayers for the Work.

Only during this past week, I was able to ask God's guidance on the series of ministerial meetings at headquarters. Less recently, the Nov. 10 issue gave me, a Jamaican student here in Trinidad, added enthusiasm to attend the campaign conducted in Jamaica by Mr. H.W. Armstrong.

For all this, I am extremely grateful. Keep up the good work and keep the newspaper coming!

Cleveland Gustard
Curepe, Trinidad

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AC accepting fall applications

BIG SANDY — Admissions committees at both the Ambassador College here and at Pasadena are beginning to process applications for the fall, 1976, term, according to George Pendry of Big Sandy's Admissions Office.

High-school seniors and graduates interested in Ambassador College should complete application procedures "as quickly as possible," he said.

SAT Required

For an application to be complete, the prospective student must request and complete an application form and take a physical examination. The physical-examination form for Pasadena must be submitted with the

application; for Big Sandy it is required only after acceptance.

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores are required before applications are reviewed by either campus' committee.

Students who have not yet made arrangements for taking the SAT (math, verbal and standard-written-English portions for Pasadena, math and verbal for Big Sandy) should do so immediately.

Remaining Sunday test dates are April 4 and June 6.

Registration to take the SAT must be made about six weeks before the test date, Mr. Pendry said, and test scores are not reported until about five weeks after the examination.

Registration materials and further information about the SAT may be obtained from high-school or college counselors or by writing: College Board ATP, Box 592, Princeton, N.J., 08540.

"In addition, an evaluation from an Ambassador College field representative is necessary to complete the folder before review by the college Admissions Committee," Mr. Pendry said.

Ministers of the Church are field representatives for the college and are notified of prospective students in their areas. They interview each applicant and submit a brief written evaluation to the Admissions Office.

Early Bird Gets the Preference

Preference for fall admission will be given to students who have their applications completed early, Mr. Pendry pointed out.

The office at each campus will send out decisions beginning in February for early applications. Both campuses plan to notify most applicants of acceptance or rejection to Ambassador before the beginning of summer.

If you are interested in applying but haven't yet contacted the college, you may obtain application materials and a catalog by writing to: Admissions Office, Ambassador College, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123, or Admissions Office, Ambassador College, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

YOU volleyball tourney held nationally for girls

By Scott Ashley

BIG SANDY — Youth Opportunities United, the Church's youth organization, is sponsoring a girls' volleyball tournament in U.S. church areas, according to Larry Haworth, tournament coordinator and member of the physical-education faculty of Ambassador College here.

District play began in some areas in January and will start this month in other areas. Competition will continue through March 13, when the top team from each of the eight U.S. YOU regions must be decided.

Regional winners will then meet for the national finals, to be held April 16 to 18 on the campus here. A volleyball clinic will take place the afternoon of April 16 for the girls on tournament teams, and games will be played Saturday night and Sunday, April 17 and 18, in the college's field house.

After the tournament will be a banquet for visiting players, Mr. Haworth said.

Mike Blackwell, director of the tournament and associate director of

YOU, said, "There seems to be greater interest in volleyball this year than there was in basketball last year."

In several areas, YOU volleyball competition is scheduled at the same time as YOU's national basketball competition.

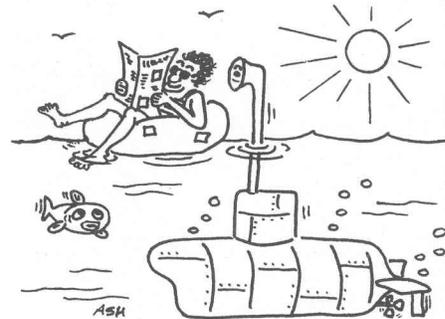
The Ambassador women's volleyball team from here toured several church areas Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 to promote the tournament, according to Mr. Haworth. The team visited and played against other college teams in Little Rock, Ark.; Springfield, Mo.; Muncie, Ind.; and Dayton, Ohio.

All tournament play is according to United States Volleyball Association (USVBA) rules, commonly known as "power-volleyball" rules, Mr. Haworth said.

Copies of the rules may be obtained for \$2.50 from: USVBA Printer, Box 109, Berne, Ind., 46711.

"The tournament in Big Sandy should be a real highlight in the lives of all the girls who attend," Mr. Haworth said.

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Administrator interviewed about Ambassador's role

PASADENA — Ambassador Executive Vice President Michael Germano was interviewed in his office here Jan. 19 by WW managing editor John Robinson. The following is that interview:

You hear comments from time to time that Ambassador College is not what it used to be. As executive vice president of the college, how do you view the changes in Ambassador College in recent years?

"While the foundational principles have not changed, the makeup of the student body has seen a big change in the last 20 years. When I came to Ambassador College in 1959, approximately 20 percent of the students came from Worldwide Church of God families and about 80 percent came as a result of our outreach programs, principally *The*

who grows up in the Worldwide Church of God who can profit from a college experience, whether that be one year, or two years, or four, or even longer.

"We try to provide an opportunity, realizing that many of our youngsters, as they come through Ambassador College, can take part in an intensive spiritual atmosphere and culture atmosphere where they can learn more about God's way of life, but also can receive the training and education in a vocation as well. Our graduates should have something that the world really needs: a professional who has character, who is honest, who is loyal, who is hard working, who is a Christian. He's going to be dedicated to not only his God and serving his God, but also well educated and dedicated to his employer. That is a product that very few colleges in the world can

familiarizing people with the Bible, but the young people we get today are largely biblical literates.

"We now require three years of Bible to make sure that the student goes through the entire Bible to get a uniform panorama, first through the life and teachings of Jesus and some Church history, and then going into the Old Testament — through the whole thing. We feel that is what we would like to see every college student achieve. For those who may be called for ministerial work, there are many other courses at the undergraduate level, and later at the graduate level, that they may go into."

Do you have a theology major?

"No, not as such. However, we have an undergraduate-core program. That is, all students take required theology courses. Upon that foundation all other majors are built. Theology as a major course of study is now on a graduate level. The idea is that a person goes to college and earns a bachelor's degree in a liberal-arts discipline. In other words, they know something about history, economics, psychology, music, physical education and the like. And then, after they have completed that and matured intellectually and physically and come to themselves as young adults, then they can go into a program to prepare them to become a lawyer, minister, librarian or schoolteacher. It is really a graduate-level program.

"We are trying to develop a program in theology, gearing especially for a person who is going to be a minister. But we want that minister to have a good liberal-arts background first, before he goes into his professional courses."

You're, then, very much involved in teaching students how to live.

"No question. In fact, many elective theology courses — the Epistles of Paul, for example — are lessons in applied Christian living. This is what it is all about.

"And yet, when you are trying to help young people develop the right kind of values, you do this by showing what the values are, and hoping they will respond. You can't force them, however. You don't get character development that way. You get performance, but when you turn your back there is liable to be rebellion.

"So some of our courses are elective. It may be better to let a student choose Epistles of Paul a little later in life. If he is not converted until he is 21, it might be better to wait until he's 21 to take Epistles of Paul."

And he still has to take how many hours? Twenty-four hours? Is that the requirement?

"No, the requirement is presently three years of theology, or 18 semester hours, and later it will probably be two years of theology — at the freshman- and sophomore-year level — required of everyone. We're hoping that students will have gained enough maturity after then to be able to choose on a free, elective basis from about five or six additional courses that they may take, depending on their own needs."

Do you have more theology courses now than the college offered in the early 1960s?

"Right. We offer many more courses, and they are indeed offered. In the development of the college — in the college catalog sometime, let's say, back in the '60s — there were courses in the catalog that were intended to be offered but they didn't materialize.

"Today, what we find in the catalog is what we are actually offering. A student has really great selection today in theology classes. And, if we have a senior student who

does well academically and maintains a B average, he can even take graduate-level classes for a master's degree while he is still an undergraduate student."

What percentage of Ambassador College graduates will go into the field ministry in future years?

"We don't know the exact percentage. Mr. Wayne Cole [director of church administration] has informed Mr. Ted Armstrong and a number of others of us that there are approximately 50 people who have already graduated from Ambassador College who were not given an opportunity to become ministerial trainees upon graduation because there weren't any openings. Some of these men have been waiting now two and three years to get an opportunity.

"They've matured; they've grown. Some of them have served very well in local congregations without pay simply in an attempt to help, in the right way, the Church.

"And so Mr. Cole is saying that we really have an obligation to those folks who are out there now before we go to this year's graduating senior.

"It is presently very unlikely that any of this year's graduating seniors will be retained in the United States ministerial assistantships."

Do you then feel the college is accomplishing what Mr. Herbert Armstrong intended when the college was founded?

"Definitely. Except today we see another factor in operation that Mr. Armstrong may have had in mind back in 1947 — I don't know. That is this: When you graduate a student from Ambassador College today, who knows how to live, he has the right biblical background. He's been reared properly by his parents. He's been educated with the best the Church of God can provide as a college. He's a good human being. He knows the Bible. He knows the Word of God. He knows why he exists, where he's going in life and what the ultimate destiny in life is, and what his human potential really is. And he also is prepared vocationally, in a sense of being able to earn a living.

"We are graduating outstanding young people, primarily, I think, because of Mr. Herbert Armstrong's foresightedness in seeing that we needed a college, and a liberal-arts college at that, and also to recognize the outstanding jobs that parents in the Church are doing in rearing their young people and in recognizing the outstanding job many of our ministers are doing in helping young people to mature, as well as teenagers, as they come to the college.

"So I would say in general that Ambassador College graduates today are the best graduates that this college has ever produced. And sometimes people would like to say, 'Oh, it was better in the old days.' But I was here in the old days, and I remember what it was like, and these young people today are just fantastic."

In the environment that you are creating here at Ambassador College in teaching people how to live, what part do the rules of the college play in this?

"They play a very, very vital part. The rules of the college have to be united, one, to reflect God's law and also, two, to positively reinforce the kind of behavior that we want our people to emulate and have when they graduate.

"When you're trying to develop character, there has to be a certain amount of free choice involved. The student has to develop the desire to do the right thing.

"When we develop rules, Mr. Ted

Armstrong has felt that rules must permit a student some mistakes. Hopefully, the mistakes will not be of such a serious nature as to totally ruin his life forever and ever.

"An example of this would be such a thing as a curfew. We do not have a curfew at Ambassador College. However, we will counsel with and if necessary discipline a student who habitually is out too late. If students get in the habit of staying out too late, sleeping through class the next day — and we notice his health deteriorating, and we notice his attitude is deteriorating — we will try every way we can to help the student. We will talk with him, if he, or she, is willing to discuss it with us, and try to explain that that's not recapturing true values.

"If a student responds positively to this, and begins then to conform into a desired behavior pattern, we've won our point. If the student says, 'Look, that's not for me; I'm going to do what I please,' then that's where we part company, and suggest the student not return to college.

"But we allow the student some flexibility.

"Mr. Ted Armstrong has set a guideline for all of us, and he spoke with the students a number of times about it. He is saying that there is a plateau of behavior below which the college will not tolerate it. Those kinds of behaviors are stealing, falsifying records, sexual misconduct, resorting to physical violence, smoking and the like.

"On the other hand, there is another extreme. And that extreme is where the person is living totally by godly characteristics and virtues. Students generally are not on the bottom, and they're not at the top. They're somewhere in between — freshmen at one place and seniors, hopefully, are at another.

"And sometimes a student will have good character in some points and not-so-good character in others.

"But as long as they stay off this bottom plateau, then they may stay in Ambassador College. And we hope, through the growth process, that they will achieve this pinnacle and will become top, good character — righteous character — and have that in their lives.

"And we cannot legislate that righteous character. You've got to have the give and take. Some of it might be where a young person cuts class too many times. It might be where some youngster wears his hair just a little bit too long. And, if it is too long, we'll talk to him about it and suggest, 'Hey, are you really — is that what you really want? What is your attitude behind it?'"

"If it gets too long, we'll say, 'Hey, look, if you want to stay in Ambassador College, you're going to have to wear the hair a little shorter.'

"But we're not going to get real picky about it. And so we do allow the flexibility. And over four years of time we can tell those people when they graduate who are really trying to obey God, who are trying to be really good human beings, who are really trying to make something out of their lives, and those who are not.

"And the ones who are attempting to live at this high standard are the ones we are going to recommend for the ministerial assistantships. They're going to be the ones we recommend to be employed in the Work, if there are work opportunities available, and that we're going to give positive recommendations to future employers on them."

Years ago, when visitors came on this campus or the campus in Texas, they would often comment how clean-cut the students look and would often comment on the

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COLLEGE DEAN — Dr. Michael Germano, former dean of faculty of Ambassador College, Pasadena, was appointed executive vice president for the campus in March, 1975. [Photo by Roger Fakhoury]

World Tomorrow program and the *Plain Truth*.

"Today, however, 97 percent or more of all the young people at Ambassador College come from Church families. So, where 20 years ago we were attempting to educate young people who were brand-new in an understanding of God's way of life, today we're trying to educate youngsters who have grown up in the Church. Many have attended church all their lives. They began as infants sleeping on a pallet and coloring in coloring books in church and later on as teenagers taking part in church social activities, and now they're at Ambassador.

"The clientele has changed to a very great degree, so our mission has changed.

"In the late 1950s and early 1960s the Work was expanding so rapidly we needed to staff church congregations all over the country. In recent years the need to train ministers has diminished.

"So our program has had to shift. And what we're attempting to do today here and in Big Sandy is to provide an opportunity for a college education for every young person

produce or match."

You're saying the change in Ambassador has revolved around three things. One: a diminishing need to produce the proportionate number of ministers . . .

"Right."

In other words, CAD [the Church Administration Division] is not hiring as many ministerial trainees as they used to.

"Right."

And, secondarily, the overall level of spiritual awareness or theological awareness is much greater because of the increased number of young people coming out of local-church areas.

"Absolutely."

And then, third, we're now more concerned with enhancing the person's worth to society through training him not only in how to live but how to make a living or training for a profession.

"Exactly. In my freshman Bible class in 1959 we were proving that dancing was not a sin, that card playing was not a sin. We used to have full sermons with the topic of what is worldliness. We used to have to spend a great deal of time

Australian hail brings \$10 million in damages

By Rod King

TOOWOOMBA, Australia — Nine Church families were not expecting the Sabbath of Jan. 10 to be unusual, but that afternoon they were shocked when they discovered what a wild storm can do.

The afternoon Bible study was nearly over when clouds with an ominous green tinge threatened the southern sky.

Within minutes, howling winds gave way to torrents of rain, and then hail — not just the sago-size pellets of a summer shower, but frozen rocks of ice.

The study was brought to an early close. Members stood in the darkened library foyer and watched their cars being bombarded by the hail. The iron roof of the building reverberated as chunks of ice smashed from the sky.

Slashed Everything

The Brisbane Courier-Mail reported the following day:

"The Weather Bureau spokesman said yesterday a cold wedge of air

forcing warm, moist air aloft was the cause of the Toowoomba hail storm. A great deal of turbulence in the high clouds up to 46,000 feet had condensed and droplets had frozen, circulating in updrafts and downdrafts. The hailstones grew larger and larger as they continued to circulate and colliding they amalgamated into chunks of ice."

These stones, whipped along by gale-force winds, slashed everything in their path. Leaves were shredded and ripped off trees; windowpanes were smashed, allowing rain to pour into fashionable and exclusive homes in the city. Plush carpets and expensive furniture were soon saturated in some homes, while others ended up with hail inches deep in living rooms.

The velocity of the hail smashed hundreds of tiles on roofs; the accompanying rain soon drenched unprotected plaster ceilings.

By the time most members had made their way home, the storm had abated. In just 25 minutes the tempest had wrought nearly \$10

million worth of damage. Five thousand five hundred homes had been damaged in some way. Market gardeners alone had lost \$150,000 in crops.

Every Room Saturated

When Ernie Toombs and his wife Joyce arrived home, they found every window on the south side of their house broken and their fibro (fibrous-cement) roof gaping with holes. The inside of the house was dripping like an underground cave, and there were only stalks of plants left in the garden. Every room and every cupboard was awash.

Meanwhile, Ron Neilan's plant nursery looked as though it had been defoliated. Valuable plants stood stripped. The greenhouse, built to withstand hailstorms, lost every glass panel in the roof. The leaves will grow back, but it will be months before the nursery can be completely restored.

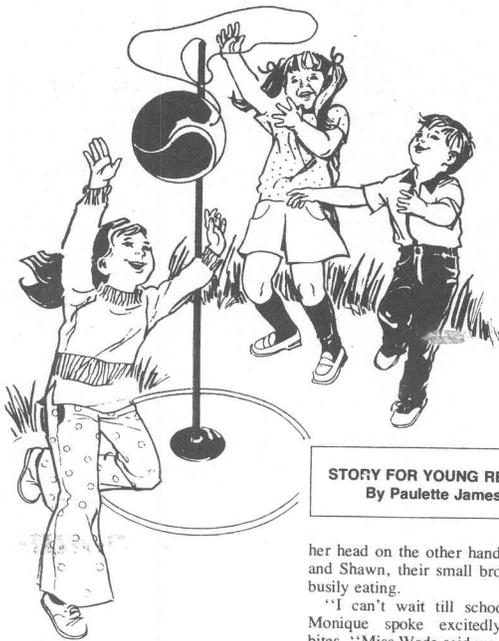
Not all members affected were as badly hit as this, and none was hurt. Other members responded immediately, repairing roofs and boarding up windows.

The storm is over, but the scars of such a storm will last for months. Fortunately, most homes were insured, and if there is any further need the churches in Australia will respond.



TOOWOOMBA HAIL — Residents of Toowoomba, Australia, cover their roofs with tarpaulins after a hailstorm that caused nearly \$10 million in damage Jan. 10. [Photo courtesy Toowoomba Chronicle]

SHOW YOURSELF FRIENDLY



STORY FOR YOUNG READERS
By Paulette Jameson

her head on the other hand. Monique and Shawn, their small brother, were busily eating.

"I can't wait till school today," Monique spoke excitedly between bites. "Miss Wade said we could have our reading lesson outside if it was nice weather." Her blue eyes sparkled.

"That sounds like fun," Mrs. Norris smiled as she poured some orange juice for the children. "Angelina, do you feel all right? You're not eating."

"I'm just not hungry."

"Is there something troubling you, dear?"

"Do I have to go to school, Mommy? We don't do much. I could stay home and help you."

"Angelina, of course you have to go to school. You need to get an education."

"But school's no fun any more."

"Maybe you can talk to Daddy and

me tonight about it, sweetheart. It's almost quarter past 8, so you and Monique better brush your teeth and go to school."

"Yes, ma'am."

After supper that evening Mrs. Norris joined her husband in the living room. "Joel, I think we need to talk with Angelina. Something is bothering her. She doesn't want to go to school."

"Okay, Pat. Why don't you call her right now and we can find out what her problem is."

Stuck-Up Kids

Angelina sat down on the couch between her parents. She pulled on her brown braids while her dad spoke.

"Mommy said you don't want to go to school, Angelina. Can you tell us why?"

Angelina folded her arms and looked down at her red tennis shoes.

"We want to help you, but we need to know what the problem is," Mrs. Norris said.

"I hate school! It's no fun. The kids are mean and stuck-up."

"Are they all mean and stuck-up?" Mr. Norris asked.

"Yes. They're not like my friends back in Iowa. I wish we could move back."

"Angelina, that's not possible. My company transferred us to Ohio, and this is where we're going to have to live."

"Do I have to go to school, Daddy? The kids aren't friendly here. They don't like me."

"Have they told you they don't like you?"

"No, Daddy," Angelina said reluctantly.

"How do you know they don't like you?"

"They don't play with me or pick me as a partner to study in class."

Show Yourself Friendly

"Angelina, have you tried to make friends with the children? Do you want to get to know them and play with them?" Angelina sat in silence.

Mr. Norris went on: "It sounds to me like you may have given the children a reason not to play with you or choose you as a study partner. Did you act like you didn't want to play with them or

have them as friends? I know you were close to your friends back in Iowa, but you have to make new ones here, Angelina. I'm sure you have some kids in your class that are just as nice as the ones you left behind."

"But, Daddy, how can I be friends with them?"

"God gave us a good principle in the Proverbs for making friends. It says if you want to have friends you must show yourself friendly."

"How do I do that?" Angelina asked.

"Your attitude must be one of wanting to be friends and wanting to play and study with them. Smile and give them a big hello when you see them. Invite them home with you. Help them when they need help."

"Daddy, you were right. I didn't want these kids as friends. I'll try to be friendly to them like God says to do."

"That's a good girl. I'm sure you'll start to enjoy school once again if you try to make friends."

Angelina hugged both her parents and ran off to play with Monique and Shawn.

Nice as Iowa

About two months went by. At the supper table one night Monique and Angelina were telling their parents about the things that had happened at school that day.

After Angelina finished talking about the rabbits her teacher brought to school for the class, she took a bite of her spaghetti, paused, then said: "Daddy, I didn't think the kids here would be as nice as the friends I had in Iowa, but I was wrong. They're great! And I do enjoy school more now that I've made friends."

"I'm glad to hear that, Angelina."

"Maybe you can have them over for a slumber party sometime, Angelina," Mrs. Norris suggested.

"Wow! Could I, Mommy? Can we have it this weekend?"

"Well, I don't see why not. This is only Monday, so we have the week to get ready for it. Joel, is it all right with you?"

"Fine."

Angelina beamed happily in anticipation of the party with her new friends.



ERIC
The Human Resources Information Center, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123, exists to provide information on career opportunities and social services.

By Paul Meek
ERIC Assistant Director
PASADENA — Many years ago a small boy applied for a vacancy in a Paris bank, but his services were not acceptable. On his way out of the bank he suddenly stopped and stooped to pick up something on the floor. The man who had just dismissed him, probably wondering if the boy had found something of value, called him back and questioned him.

The boy took from the lapel of his coat just about the simplest, and certainly the cheapest, commodity on earth: an ordinary pin. He had learned economy the hard way. An impoverished home had taught him that even so small an item as a common pin was important in the struggle for survival.

He was immediately hired, and that was the beginning of a great financial career. He became the famous French banker Jacques Laffitte (*How to Turn Your Ability Into Cash*, Earl Prevette, 1953).

Green Revolution

A silent revolution is going on all over the world today, but especially in the United States. If the phrase "value for value" hasn't turned up in your conversation recently, it probably will. The age-old itch to get your money's worth from a financial transaction is more real than ever. And, as the tide of consumers thinking they're not getting their buck's worth courses through the

business world, it becomes apparent that all that glitters certainly isn't gold. Nor is it necessarily green paper.

What's happening? Many things. For instance, from the grass-roots movement towards rural America, a new concept of living is developing — not really new, but a return to a frugal way of living. What was noxious to many Americans having to come through the Depression years is now becoming accepted. Scores of books, such as *Foxfire* and other survival manuals, are interjecting fresh concepts into youthful minds, challenged from a lack of easily obtained funds. *The Mother Earth News* is a celebrated best-seller. Other books, such as *Selling What You Make*, are taking handicraft and boutique shops by storm.

With all this greenhouse activity, another value-for-value seed is growing: a more direct concept of dollar for dollar. It's as old as America's 200-year history and older. It may be referred to as "trading," "swapping" or "What will you give me in return for this?"

Stop and Swap

Joe and Jane live in a small community outside Los Angeles proper. Joe is a handyman and will tackle any job short of repainting the *Spruce Goose*. Jane paints pictures and is creating a strong demand for her pen-and-ink sketches. Both live life to its fullest. They never buy anything unless it's a necessity; before that happens, they'll either build it out of free and inexpensive materials or they'll swap for it.

Some of Joe's transactions: an old bus body for a rare antique wall clock; wife's painting and car repair for dental work; tearing down portion of old building for a small fortune in

salvaged lumber plus free use of remaining structure for a renovated new home.

Jane's swap: painting or sketch for bolts of cloth for personal wardrobe that she sews herself; time and talent in exchange for a major part of home furnishings, all made by Joe and her, such as davenport with stereo-equipped cushions, new ceiling made out of aluminum foil, table, easy chairs, shelves, cupboards, counters; artwork for a list of goods and services too long to mention.

Joe and Jane have bartered their way through life together for the greater part of a happy marriage. Both are 40ish and every year attend the Feast of Tabernacles in their thoroughly furnished, homemade mobile home (built by Joe and Jane, naturally). In their spare time they run an antique store, grow organic fruits and vegetables, cook natural foods, run errands for neighbors and friends (gratis) and take in stranded dogs and cats.

When Joe was asked how much he made a year, he blushed innocently and said, "Just enough to keep accurate records for the IRS."

Swap a Flop?

Today nobody has to look far to determine how prevalent swapping is throughout the United States. Witness so-called swap meets every Sunday in your neighborhood. (Such swaps actually are ordinary dollar transactions for the most part.) Visitors to the Rose Bowl in Pasadena are amazed to find parking lots crammed full for such monthly occasions.

One way swappers cope with the declining dollar is getting along without money as much as possible. As one article, "Swap Your Talents," puts it: "If you do something as simple as pick up a package of detergent for your neighbor when you go to the supermarket, you're involved in an exchange of services."

Of course, such swapping doesn't have to be identical, nor does the exchange have to be of a nuts-and-bolts nature. Such a list of services is almost endless. Take for starters dressmaking, typing, carpentry, interior decoration, nursing, repair work of all kinds, editing, tutoring, language teaching, dog walking, animal-and-plant sitting, gardening, shopping, crafts, housecleaning, floor waxing, speciality baking, entertaining at parties, arranging parties (possibly even catering them) and photography.

It is said that a bird in the hand is worth two in a bush. Swap artists agree. To them, a bird in the hand is better than a whole money tree.



MISCELLANY

A DOG'S LIFE — Tory and Sassy, male and female dalmatians belonging to Stan Watts, pastor of the Duluth, Minn., church, celebrate their third anniversary Jan. 12. (If you have a black-and-white photograph you'd like to submit for this feature, send it to: "Miscellany," *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A.) (Photo by Sherri Watts)



A REMINDER

We would like to gratefully acknowledge all contributions (of a journalistic nature, that is, though the others don't go unnoticed) to *The Worldwide News*. We would like to be in a position to acknowledge each, but we are not.

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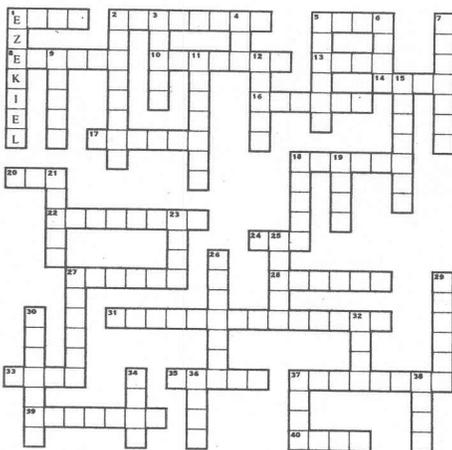
We would like to state our general policy as outlined by Gamer Ted Armstrong in his "Personal," Vol. I, No. 1: "As with any newspaper, we have to ask that if such information [written contributions in the form of poetry, music lines, comments, ideas] is sent to the paper, you do not send us the original, and never send us anything you want returned! This would add too much of a burden, require us to hire far more personnel than we are able, and result in a great deal of additional cost!"

This policy saves thousands of dollars a year — savings that are reflected in what we feel is a nominal subscription donation. We ask that you bear with us in keeping costs down.

BIBLE NAMES KRISKCROSS

BY DEBBIE JOHNSTON

From the list below, fit the correct names into the blank spaces provided so that all interlocking names will also fit. (Be sure to use the variant spellings of Abel [Able] and Japheth [Japeth] as given here.) One name has already been placed to help you get started. Your next step: Find a four-letter name starting with the letter E, then a six-letter name starting also with the letter E, and you're off to a good start! When you use a name, check it off your list. (A suggestion for Bible study: Look up each name in a Bible dictionary or concordance and learn something about each person. After you learn a new fact, question someone else in your family, or a friend, and see if he knows that fact.)



YOUR WORD LIST: 3 letters: GAD, HAM, LOT; 4 letters: ABLE (ABEL), ADAM, CAIN, ESAU, EZRA, JOEL, JOHN, LEAH, LUKE, MARK, MOAB, NOAH, SAUL, SHEM; 5 letters: AARON, ASHER, DAVID, HAGAR, ISAAC, MOSES, PETER; 6 letters: DANIEL, ELIJAH, GIDEON, JAPETH (JAPHETH), JOSEPH, REUBEN, SAMSON, SAMUEL, SIMEON; 7 letters: ABRAHAM, EZEKIEL, MATTHEW, MESHACH, OBADIAH, SOLOMON, TIMOTHY, ZEBULUN; 8 letters: JEREMIAH, NAPHTALI, NEHEMIAH, SHADRACH; 14 letters: NEBUCHADNEZZAR.

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Member finds weigh to lose pounds

By Mary Johnson
TITUSVILLE, Fla. — Need an incentive to lose pounds? Don Kiehborth's experience — losing more than 100 of them — may help you.
Mr. Kiehborth is a 26-year-old

member of the Melbourne, Fla., church. When he began attending church in August, 1974, the 5-foot-9 bachelor weighed 297 pounds.

He had lost his job because of overweight.
"Because of overweight, my work

became a burden," says Mr. Kiehborth. "I wanted another job and someday to be able to support a wife."

By Jan. 7, 1975, the day Mr. Kiehborth was baptized, he had lost 50 pounds. He now weighs 185 and has a waist measurement of 34 inches. His waist had been 56 inches.

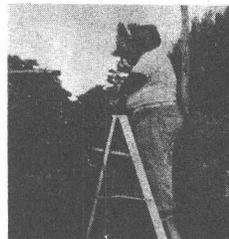
"I recommend exercise with diet," Mr. Kiehborth says.

He followed the exercises in a Canadian Air Force manual and jumped rope about five minutes (170 to 200 times) three times a day.

"I used the Trimline Diet. It is like Weight Watchers but cost less than Weight Watchers."

Mr. Kiehborth has a job he likes: repairing electric motors. He rides a bicycle two miles every day, to his job and back home.

He is a member of the Spokesman Club. He lives at 1113 Northview Dr., Cocoa, Fla.



CARRY THAT WEIGHT — Don Kiehborth, member of the Melbourne, Fla., church, weighed 297 pounds in August, 1974, left. At right is Mr. Kiehborth at his present weight of 185, a loss of 112 pounds.

Polio can't cripple patients' independence

By Rick Baumgartner
SHREVEPORT, La. — Bill Neely and Harlan Colgin begin each day by being extracted from their iron lungs. The mechanical umbilical cords pump oxygen into the lungs of the polio victims, who spent about 24 years in the Confederate Memorial Medical Center here.

Both men, members of the Shreveport church, have been bedridden since the early 1950s, when the crippling disease swept through the United States.

Despite this handicap, Mr. Neely, 40, and Mr. Colgin, 34, have proved not only to be industrious over the years, but independent. So independent that the two men recently moved out of the hospital and made a down payment on a three-bedroom home. (The two men were featured in the May 14, 1973, issue of *The Worldwide News* while they were still in the hospital.)

The two men, who have roomed together since 1957, occasionally discussed the idea of getting out on their own but considered the idea somewhat of a "pipe dream." But the hospital's closing of the wing that housed the 24-year residents last October prompted them to find a house.

'We Had the Means'

"Their idea was to put us in a nursing home," said Mr. Neely, who made the down payment, "but that wasn't the type of environment we were interested in. So we started to look for a place of our own.

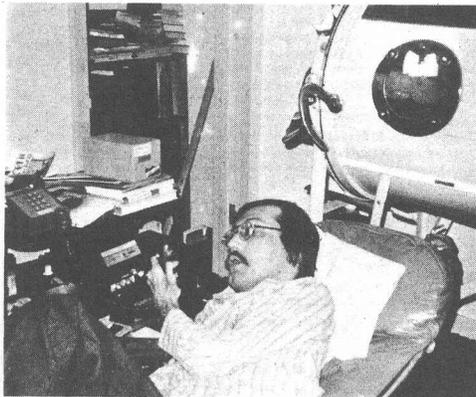
"We just happened to have a friend who was trying to sell a home. We had the means, so we decided to buy it."

The men acquired the means by establishing their own businesses. Mr. Neely, who has had polio since he was a freshman in high school, is actually involved in three businesses. He took over the Universal Subscriptions Agency in 1962, after the death of the founder, who was also a patient. The agency handles magazine and book subscriptions.

"We're a middleman between the buyer and the publisher," said Mr. Neely, who does most of his business on the phone. "A buyer makes an order and we in turn get in touch with



NEW HOME OWNERS — Bill Neely, above, looks through a publishing catalog he uses to find books for his customers. Robbie McLendon, a member of the Shreveport church, looks on. Below: Harlan Colgin transmits a call on his 23-channel Parce-Simpson Citizens Band radio. The two men, who have been bedridden since the early 1950s, recently moved out of the Confederate Memorial Medical Center, where they had spent 24 years, into a three-bedroom house in Shreveport. (Photos by Sarah Petty and Robbie McLendon)



the publisher. And we can buy the books for them at a discount."

Most of the books are sold to high-school and college libraries, industrial concerns, such as Kaiser Aluminum, and individuals, many of

whom are in the Church.

Mr. Neely is also an assistant supervisor for Shaklee, the vitamin company, and a zone manager for Watkins Product Co., which sells household products.

He has about 30 distributors working in the two businesses and receives a percentage of their receipts. He employs a secretary to handle his paperwork and considers his Shaklee business the most lucrative.

Formulas for Anything

Mr. Colgin, who used to work for Mr. Neely in his book business, now uses one finger on his left hand to type out a "formula letter" to 200 subscribers. Mr. Colgin began *The Practical Formula Newsletter* in March, 1975, after reading an ad for formulas in a *Mother Earth News*, an ecology magazine.

Every three weeks Mr. Colgin sends out formulas that explain how to make cosmetics or soap, how to take soil tests, or even how to build a metal detector. Although his customers pay \$14 a year as a subscription fee, most of Mr. Colgin's profits are eaten up by advertising expenses.

"It is more of a personal hobby," Mr. Colgin said. "I have spent 34 years observing things, and I like to see what makes things work."

Both the men, who were baptized in 1966, found little difficulty in changing from a regulated hospital life to a more independent lifestyle in their three-bedroom home.

In fact, the change was welcomed for the former hospital patients, who were written up in the Oct. 19 issue of the *Shreveport Times* as "enterprising small-businessmen."

"You would think the change would be a traumatic experience, but I felt nothing but relief," said Mr. Neely, who moved into the house on his 40th birthday, Oct. 26. "A hospital isn't the best place for privacy. So many things dovetailed so beautifully that I know God's hand had to be in it."

Mr. Colgin, who has had polio since he was 10, had similar feelings.

"It gives me a sense of independence," he said. "I feel like my own person; I don't feel like I'm run by arbitrary rules. Now if I want to stay up all night I can do just that."

Riding 23 Channels

Mr. Colgin spends some of those late nights listening to and talking on

his 23-channel Parce-Simpson Citizens Band radio. The home unit has an effective range of about 20 miles and is a practical piece of equipment for Spark Rider, the handle, or call name. Mr. Colgin uses when transmitting.

"I knew there might be a situation where we might need some help, so the radio will come in handy."

Mr. Colgin, who considers himself a "free soul and a hobo at heart," likes to get out of the house and ride in his Volkswagen van, which he bought with some past-due Social Security money that came in during his third-tithe year. In the summer months the two men have a friend who drives them to lakes to fish.

Although they have a certain degree of independence, the two home owners still heavily rely on the brethren in this church area to take care of their daily needs.

"The Church people are extremely helpful," said Mr. Neely. "They pick up our groceries, come in and cook our meals, vacuum and do many other things."

He admitted that it's a "tough job to clean up after three bachelors."

The third bachelor is George Ferguson, 19, who works as a painter and helps defray monthly expenses. Mr. Ferguson, also a member here, has various duties around the house that include getting the two men in and out of their iron lungs.

Pitching In

Church members not only help the men daily, but they have also spent much effort renovating the house and finding needed furniture and appliances. An electrician member donated labor and rewired the house, which included emergency lights in case of a power failure.

Members also pitched in and sold fruit for two months to buy appliances for the kitchen, which they also had repainted.

The brethren also contributed most of the furniture scattered throughout the house.

Mr. Neely and Mr. Colgin pay a nurse's aide to come in several times a week to administer personal care, such as bathing.

"Our moving has increased our faith; I know it has mine," said Mr. Neely. "Once you know that God is working something out, you don't have to worry about it."

'Ramblin' Man' heads for Alaska

By Kris Hendrick
BUTLER, N.J. — What is a country boy from Sussex, N.J., doing thumping his way to Alaska? Many drivers would ask that same question if they heard the stocky, blond-haired 21-year-old hitchhiker's story.

He's Torney Van Acker, and he could be called the original "Ramblin' Man" of Cat Stevens' hit song.

Recently he took his third trip to explore Alaska and the Yukon Territory of Canada. He usually visits the "land of the midnight sun" during the summer, but in 1974 he made his trip in the winter.

Torney admits that this was a mistake, however. There were, at most, only about one or two hours of daylight, and it was so cold he couldn't use his plastic insulator.

'Hit a Cold Spell'

"It was just my luck that I hit a cold spell. The temperature was almost 70 degrees below zero. The plastic got so brittle it was like glass. In that temperature it would have shattered if I had tried to open it."

When asked how he could stand such temperatures, he replied with a smile. "It doesn't usually get that cold, and even when it does it doesn't

With this article, the writer took third place in the Worldwide News-Youth Opportunities United feature-writing contest announced in the July 21 WN.

The 17-year-old high-school senior, who plans to apply to Ambassador College, Pasadena, likes art, horseback riding, singing, hiking, boating, canoeing, fishing, cooking and embroidery.

In college she plans to major in speech and drama and become a high-school teacher.

last more than a few days. Most of the time it's pretty warm."

The reporter asked, "What is warm?"

He answered easily, "Oh, it usually stays around zero, but if you're lucky the temperature may go as high as 30 degrees."

Why does he do it? Many times Torney has spoken of "so many big, beautiful stars, even more than you can see in the country."

He also mentioned that he met a lot of people on the way.

'Knocked on a Few Doors'

When asked if he had experienced any hardships on his previous trips,

he replied, "One night last winter it got so cold that I didn't think I'd make it through the night if I had to sleep outside. I knocked on a few doors, but when it gets to be around 60 to 70 below no one even answers."

"What did you do?" asked the reporter.

"Well, I did the only thing I could do. I wrapped myself up the best I could in my sleeping bag and zipped it up all the way."

"I figured I'd sleep as long as I could until the cold woke me up."

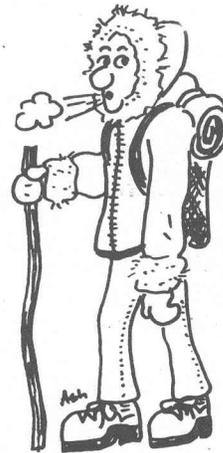
He explained that he had managed to get a good eight hours' sleep in spite of the extreme cold. The only problem was shaking the ice crystals from his nose when he awoke.

"It's very hard to build a fire. Most of the time the matches just wouldn't light. I tried to heat some water I got from melting snow so I could cook something, but no matter how long I heated it, even if there was steam coming from it, it just wouldn't heat up. It was still cold as ice."

Torney also said that in extreme cold all sound vanishes, except for that of a rare passing car.

Whole Body Numb

He remarked that his whole body



went numb, also that his abilities to reason and make decisions were distorted.

Torney is also a bike enthusiast and rides for long distances whenever he can. He has shipped his bike out to Alaska ahead of him so he can explore the countryside and use it to

back to New Jersey in the middle of October.

His goal on his latest trip was Juneau, where he planned to spend the Feast of Tabernacles. Torney planned on looking up a church in the area of the Yukon Territory so he could keep the Sabbath.

He had estimated that it would take him 10 days to hitchhike out to Alaska. He explained, that he couldn't ride his bike to Alaska because it would be impossible to cross the mountains with it.

Carrying all his possessions on his back during his trips, he brings few changes of clothing. A few pairs of wool socks, thermal underwear and a few shirts, shorts and pairs of pants are all.

He did take a lot of pictures, though, for he had with him his camera and 10 rolls of film. He also carried a diary, which he never failed to keep up to date.

Being a hiker himself, he never fails to invite tired, hungry-looking travelers from the nearby Appalachian Trail to his father's farm for a country-style meal and a good bed.

After he returned to New Jersey in October, he started working with the Exxon Co. as a research engineer.

Torney also says that he enjoys traveling by bike and on foot because "it's the best way I know of to see and get to know the country you travel through."

Climber falls 140 feet, fractures toe

By Mark Schlitt
Waco Member

WACO, Tex. — In November, over the Thanksgiving holidays, four of us — Glenn Burt, 22, and Kelly Burt, 20, of the Waco church and Mark Rigdon, 16, of Waco and I — headed down to Big Bend National Park in far southwestern Texas to do some mountain climbing and exploring. We were interested in a remote and nearly unexplored area known as Cattail Canyon.

The canyon is a water-eroded creek bed that cuts through the solid rock of Ward Mountain. The canyon starts beside the highest point in Big Bend, Emory Peak (elevation 7,800 feet), and runs out into the desert (elevation a little over 2,000 feet) while taking in the most rugged, spectacular scenery in a park famous for its spectacular scenery.

We allowed ourselves two full days to make it through the canyon, but on the second evening we were still in Cattail, almost out of food and with some of the toughest rappels still ahead.

We ran into several tough cliffs we had to rappel down. The water in the bottom of the canyon was higher than before, hampering our progress and slowing us down drastically.

Dry Waterfall

At 3 o'clock that afternoon we could see the desert ahead of us, but just as we thought we were out we ran across a spine-chilling sight. Between us and the desert was a dry waterfall almost 180 feet straight down.

Since I was the most experienced in the group, our procedure was that I would tie the knots, drop the rope and rappel first to undo any tangles or knots that didn't belong in the rope on the way down.

Then, from below, I would shout up instructions on sending down backpacks and gear and give any advice to the next person down.

On a normal rappel we would always have our feet against the cliff as we descended. This gives stability, balance and a sense of direction while descending. Unfortunately, on this waterfall there was an overhanging rock at the very top, and just as we started over the cliff we began to dangle helplessly in midair. This caused us to spin and lose orientation as we descended.

We descended free about 130 feet before we could finally touch the cliff again and then dropped the last 50 to 60 feet normally, touching all the way. About 20 feet away from the cliff at the bottom was a pool of water nearly



40 feet across and 15 feet deep.

When I finally got to the bottom I dived in and swam across the pool to the far side so I could get into position to relay instructions back up to the others. When I reached the other side I found that, because of wind conditions, no matter how loudly I yelled I couldn't be heard by the others above. Fortunately, we had made plans on what procedure to follow before I rappelled down, but now there was no changing them.

Next Mark started the precarious rappel. Just as he reached the bottom of the free rappel he lost his orientation momentarily and flipped upside down, but with the rope still around him. At that moment his feet reached the cliff and Mark regained his balance and made it the rest of the way.

Kelly Started

The packs were to be lowered next, but the first one down hung up on a knot about halfway down the rope. Since we couldn't communicate, Kelly started over the cliff, intending to free the pack. About 30 feet from the top, or more than 140 feet up in the air, Kelly became tangled in the rope, thanks to the extra weight of the pack. Trying to free himself, he flipped upside down and let go of the rope with his lower

hand, which he ordinarily used as a brake.

At this point I instinctively cried out to God for help. From this time on Kelly no longer can recollect what happened, but for what seemed like an eternity he hung upside down, trying to free his leg from the rope. All at once his leg came free and the extra weight flipped him off the rope 140 feet in the air.

During the next 10 seconds or so the most frightening, sickening thing I've ever lived through happened. Kelly fell straight down along the rope until he hit the backpack, then flipped out and over, hitting the rocks at the bottom with a sickening thud. Then he slid into the pool of water and went under.

Mark jumped in and grabbed Kelly, holding his head out of the water. Then I jumped in and swam across the pool and helped Mark pull Kelly out of the water and lay him on the rocks.

Fear of Internal Injuries

I was sure Kelly was dead from the fall and from being under water. His body was stiff and his eyes were rolled back inside his head, and he was making a groaning noise.

Miraculously, he was beginning to breathe, but I feared that broken bones and internal injuries would soon claim him.

But he was coming to and was in great pain but — and this surprised me — didn't seem to have any bad wounds. When Glenn made it down we discussed ways to get Kelly to the other side of the pond, where we could build a fire and spend the night.

Since Kelly was unable to use his legs and was in constant pain, we tied a rope around Glenn, who held Kelly's head above water while Mark and I pulled them across the pool as rapidly as possible.

Longest Night

It took several hours to get Kelly dry and semicomfortable. We were thankful he was able to sleep. We put him in the one sleeping bag we still had with us.

The night that followed was one of the longest we can remember, since it was too cold to sleep without sleeping bags.

Sunrise was never a more welcome sight, even though we didn't know how we were going to get Kelly down the next waterfall and out of the desert.

We finally came up with a plan: We decided to tie the rope around Kelly and wrap it around a tree and lower him down the waterfall.

We then took turns carrying Kelly, who was feeling better but could not use his legs. Once we made it to a road, Mark stayed with Kelly, and Glenn and I began hitchhiking back to the basin, where we had left the car.

When we arrived at the Chisos Basin the park ranger told us to call home immediately.

We called to find that my wife and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Burt (Waco deacon and deaconess) were arranging to have airplanes and helicopters search for us. We discussed what to do with Kelly and decided it would be best to drive him home and take him to the hospital there the next day.

One of the most amazing things to me was the final report issued by the doctors. After Kelly was examined by nerve, muscle and bone specialists, and after X rays were taken, they concluded that nothing was wrong with him but a fractured toe, and it wasn't bad enough to warrant a cast!

After seeing Kelly fall 140 feet and hearing the sound of his body hitting the rocks, I thought it was funny to hear that he only had a "fractured toe," but it surely renewed my belief and faith in the ever-present, all-powerful, loving Father we have only a prayer away.

Woman, 73, survives fall

By Alpha Hartley

ABBEVILLE, Miss. — Mrs. O.L. King, a 73-year-old member here, does her housework and still drives a car. She drives to Tupelo, Miss., 58 miles away, to attend Sabbath services.

Not too unusual.

But, in the early-morning darkness of Oct. 4, Mrs. King mistakenly opened her basement door, thinking it was the door to her kitchen, and fell down a long flight of stairs.

She cracked two vertebrae, broke her right arm and cut three long gashes in her forehead, and she sustained numerous bruises. The gashes were to require more than 200 stitches.

Somehow she got out of the basement and to her telephone to call for help. Then she lay down on her bed and couldn't get up.

When help came, she was taken to a hospital, where she overheard her doctor and nurse. They said she would never make it; a woman her age just couldn't take a fall like that and live.

But, after Mrs. King was anointed, she recovered so quickly that the hospital staff was astonished. She never suffered from fever and had little pain.

She spent 10 days in the hospital. Mrs. King said she could have gone home sooner, but she lives alone and had to find someone to stay with her. A lady from the Tupelo church lived with her for four weeks.

Mrs. King now feels fine, and the scar on her forehead is hardly noticeable.

Candy town tourney site

By Dennis Neill

WASHINGTON — The land of opportunity takes many forms, some of them highly unlikely. For eight boys' basketball and eight girls' volleyball teams, the land of opportunity will soon be the seat of a chocolate empire: Hershey, Pa.

These teams will be the top two in each of four districts of Youth Opportunities United's Northeast Region. (YOU is the Church's organization for youths 12 to 19 years old.) The regional tournament will be played Saturday night and Sunday, Feb. 14 and 15.

The basketball players are aiming for the national finals in Pasadena this spring, and the girls hope to win a place in the national YOU volleyball championships in Big Sandy April 16 to 18.

The Hershey Motor Lodge, with its pools, saunas, a game room, two cocktail lounges and a nightly floor show, will be tournament headquarters. Church members who plan to attend the tourney should make reservations through their church pastors.

Saturday night's games will be at Central Dauphin High School, and Sunday the action will shift to Milton Hershey High.

After the tournament, on Sunday evening, the Harrisburg, Pa., congregation will play host to a youth social.

The first- and second-place volleyball and basketball teams will receive team trophies, and players of the top two teams will be given individual championship trophies. Cheerleading and most-valuable-player awards will round out the honors.

For those interested in what Hershey really stands for, tours of the chocolate factory will also be available.



EAGLE SCOUT — Mark Farrington, 13, receives his Eagle Scout badge, the highest award in Boy Scouting, in Big Sandy Dec. 19. Presenting the award is Don Lasher, achievement chairman of the Big Sandy churches' Troop 198. At right are Mark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dorian Prestor: of Gladewater, Tex. To receive the Eagle rank, Mark earned 27 merit badges, including lifesaving, architecture, first-aid, citizenship and environmental-science badges. (Photo by Scott Moss)

Administrator interviewed

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expression on students' faces. Do you still get comments like that?
"Oh, surely. All the time. Constantly."

You're saying that outsiders still view our students in relationship to the society as well kempt, well dressed, with a nice look on the face?

"Definitely. And, in fact, in even a more profound way. Because our students today are scattered all over the community. I think I heard at one time that we had as many as 20 of our students employed over at JPL [the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena]. Many of these large companies come to us and they want our students because they are going to look nice; they're going to act properly; they're not going to try stealing from the corporation — in other words, integrity.

"We hope that our students, and any student that comes here, is going to be willing to live up to that kind of example. It's terrific."

Have you found that you have had to make adjustments in the

latitude in clothing styles and hairstyles as a direct result of changes in society?

"Yes. What we have had to do is to allow more of a spectrum of styles but to avoid the extremes at either end. And of course we will not compromise with God's Word or where the Bible says it is sin or it's wrong; we stop at that point. We would not allow students to stay here and just blatantly violate godly standards in those regards. And yet, on the other hand, we do have more of a spectrum.

"We allow, in the library, in classes, for the young women to wear slacks in good taste.

"If they are in poor taste we're going to talk to her about it and say, 'Hey, you would look better as a human being to wear your clothes in some other way,' just as we would a young man who looks lousy in a certain kind of style. We have had to make some adjustments. We're always doing these things in terms of good taste — what is middle of the road, properly acceptable, never compromising with God's way of life."

Family travels 20,000 miles on \$4 a day

By Rex J. Morgan

SYDNEY, Australia — "Our trip of a lifetime" is the way Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Sonderegger describe the four months of gypsylike existence when they traveled 20,000 miles in North America.

The Sondereggers burned up 1,000 gallons of gasoline but otherwise managed to live on only \$4 a day. They recorded their trip on 2,500 feet of movie film.

Swiss-born Fritz Sonderegger had immigrated to Australia and married his wife Karen before being accepted for Ambassador College, Bricklet Wood, England, in 1970. Their two children, Heidi, 5, and Robi, 2½, were born in England, where Mr. Sonderegger was assistant catering manager at the campus until it closed in 1974.

En route home from Europe to Australia, the Sondereggers couldn't resist the temptation to stop off in the United States to see a part of the vast North American continent.

Six Licenses, Three Breakdowns

The family arrived in the United States in July, 1975.

"As we stepped out at Los Angeles airport we were stunned," Mr. Sonderegger says. "The difference between Europe and the U.S.A. is so vast that I could only believe it when I saw it for myself."

Before long, the Sondereggers had bought their home for the next four months: a 1971 Volkswagen camper bus. They furnished it with a stove, a toilet, a few kitchen utensils and four sleeping bags. To get it insured, Mr. Sonderegger had to present five valid driver's licenses. But, no, that wasn't good enough; he had to get a California license too.

During the first week the vehicle broke down three times. But by then so much had been spent on repairs that Mr. Sonderegger was sure it would be roadworthy.

So the long journey began, with visits to Sequoia and Yosemite national parks in California.

Then they headed north, through the giant redwood forests of Oregon and Washington, then to Vancouver, B.C., in Canada, and on into the Rocky Mountains.

North to Alaska

Meanwhile, the bus had to undergo some major operations. It had suffered two cracked cylinder heads, and the valves had to be replaced.

"I was convinced that surely nothing else could go wrong now," says Mr. Sonderegger.

So they started on the Alaska Highway: a dirt road stretching 1,500



HOME ON WHEELS — Fritz and Karen Sonderegger and their children, Heidi, 5, and Robi, 2½, stand by the Volkswagen camper in which they took a four-month, 20,000-mile trip across the United States and Canada. (Photo by Scott Moss)

arduous miles from Dawson Creek, B.C., to the Alaskan border.

Disaster struck about 100 miles north of a town called Whitehorse, in Canada's Yukon Territory. Suddenly the red warning light came on. Seconds later clouds of smoke fumed from under the steering wheel. Mr. Sonderegger stopped the bus, and his wife hurried the screaming children away. Although he pulled the key out of the ignition lock, the engine still kept running. He stalled it with a gear, and only after he had ripped a few wires out of the fuse box did the choking, penetrating smoke disappear.

"I don't understand very much about cars," says Mr. Sonderegger, hastening to add, "but I've learnt a lot about them since that."

The Sondereggers were thankful that three friendly truck drivers stopped and got the engine going again.

But, as Mr. Sonderegger was turning the van around to return to Whitehorse, trouble struck again. The steering wheel locked, and Mr. Sonderegger's foot slipped off the clutch and the engine stalled. It took half an hour of wrestling with the wheel to open the lock.

Back in Whitehorse, the Volkswagen garage had closed down. The Sondereggers contacted a mechanic, but he didn't want to touch the vehicle. And he couldn't believe that

Mr. Sonderegger had been able to force the steering lock. He claimed that was impossible.

Disbelieving Store

The nearest Volkswagen garage was either 1,000 miles north at Fairbanks, Alaska, or 1,000 miles south at Dawson Creek. Leaving the mechanic staring in disbelief, the Sondereggers stuck to their motto, "North to Alaska," and went on in faith.

The next fire was about 150 miles north of Whitehorse. Mr. Sonderegger now removed all of the fuses, so only the engine was left working. "We had no lights, no indicators, no heater, no horn and no wipers," he explains. "Whenever we stopped we dare not switch off the engine, and every night we parked on a slope so we could start in the morning."

At Fairbanks the VW garage was too busy.

"By now nothing could discourage us," remarks Mr. Sonderegger. "If we could manage the last 1,000 miles, we could hold out for another

500 to Anchorage."

The decision to drive on proved rewarding. The family loved the spectacular alpine scenery of Mt. McKinley National Park, where one of the many giant glaciers is larger than Mr. Sonderegger's native Switzerland. No problems with roll-starting the engine here.

Believe it or not, the Volkswagen garage at Anchorage had just closed down. But eventually the Sondereggers found a mechanic who could install a temporary ignition switch so they could start the engine without pushing the bus. He asked them to come back in a week so he could order spare parts from Oregon.

"But we didn't want to spend the winter in Alaska, so we told him we would risk the 2,000-mile journey back."

Disaster Again

As the mechanic backed the van out of his shop, disaster struck again. The steering wheel locked. It took him more than an hour with an air hammer to chisel out the lock.

Coast-to-coast trip to start June 7

By Rick Baumgartner

BIG SANDY — Two hundred applications have been submitted for the 4,300-mile coast-to-coast bicycle trip to be made by the Ambassador College Bicycle Touring Team beginning June 7, according to Larry Haworth, physical-education instructor here.

Although only 75 people will be selected to travel with the 25-member college touring team, Mr. Haworth, who will lead the Big Sandy contingent, said those who are not accepted but still interested in making the nationwide tour should write Dan Burden, Box 1034, Missoula, Mont., 59801, for more information.

The 25-member coeducational touring team, along with the 75 Church people, will begin the jaunt June 7 in Astoria, Ore., and wind up in Williamsburg, Va., in mid-August.

"We had to advance the starting date five days," said Mr. Haworth, "to compensate for travel through the mountains."

"We would like everyone to arrive at Astoria on Monday night, June 7, or Tuesday morning, June 8, to receive orientation lectures and take some training rides. Details will be

provided for all the applicants that will be making the trip."

Mr. Haworth said "everything is right on schedule," and he has received "100 percent" cooperation with everyone involved.

The touring team, in conjunction with Bikecentennial '76, a nonprofit organization headquartered in Missoula, Mont., will cross the United States in celebration of America's bicentennial.

Mr. Haworth hopes to contact businesses that are willing to sponsor

"If you want an idea of costs in Alaska, I had to pay that mechanic \$24 per hour."

They kept the Feast of Trumpets, Sept. 6, with 260 members in an establishment called Igloo 16 in Anchorage.

"We'll never forget the hospitality of the people there . . . We ate such delicacies as self-caught and home-smoked salmon, caribou salami and mooseburgers."

This fortified them for a virtually nonstop trip back, completing the journey over the Alaska Highway in three days. The price: five holes in the windshield made by flying rocks.

It was Spokane, Wash., for the Feast of Tabernacles, which began Sept. 19, and then the family headed for the U.S. East Coast, visiting Yellowstone National Park and Mt. Rushmore on the way.

"At times we could hardly keep our camera under control," Mr. Sonderegger reminisces.

Meeting an Inventor

Passing through New York State, Mr. Sonderegger was intrigued to see workers picking grapes with a machine. He entered the vineyard to try to film the harvester close up.

The man he spoke to turned out to be the inventor of the harvester. He was thrilled to see their interest and invited them to eat as many grapes as they could.

"And, since we were on a \$4-a-day budget, we did."

The inventor's family took the Sondereggers to a restaurant and invited them to stay overnight. When it was time to leave they were told, "We don't know what your religion is, but we feel you were God-sent." But the Sondereggers think it was the other way around.

Another couple of weeks took them through New England, New York City, Washington, D.C., and down to Florida. Wherever it went, the family rarely stayed at campgrounds. The Sondereggers usually parked under a streetlight in a residential area. On Friday evenings they often stayed with Church friends. From Florida they turned west to Big Sandy and finally back to Pasadena.

There, 20,000 miles later, they sold the Volkswagen camper for \$100 more than they had paid for it.

As a fitting climax to an unforgettable trip, they went to Disneyland and saw the fabulous 360-degree film *America the Beautiful*.



NORTH AMERICAN VISITORS — Swiss-born Fritz Sonderegger, his Australian wife Karen and their two children burned 1,000 gallons of gas but otherwise managed to live on \$4 a day on a four-month tour of North America in their Volkswagen van. Mr. Sonderegger, en route from Europe to his Australian home, stopped off in the United States to see parts of the North American continent. (Photo by Scott Moss)



A Personal Letter
from

James Lee Armstrong

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the oil minister.

At each of these meetings there were perhaps a dozen to 20 people present, and I was told repeatedly that I was meeting "all the right people" on this preliminary trip to Egypt.

I did several radio programs and obtained enough interview material for several others, so, even though I had to be away from the broadcast studio in Pasadena and my television responsibilities, for an even longer period of time than I had envisioned, the trip was certainly profitable, even from the radio point of view.

Of course, the big reason for the

trip was to obtain an in-depth interview with President Sadat on my next visit. I'm hopeful of obtaining sufficient material for an in-depth look at Sadat the man, from the point of view of his boyhood, education, military experience and especially his former association with the late President Gamal Abdel Nasser and his subsequent rise to power in the wake of Nasser's death.

The second program we envision is a thorough documentary concerning Egypt in the light of recent developments, notably that of the interim peace accord resulting from U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy and producing two of the most significant boosts to the flagging Egyptian economy in all these years: the return of the Abu Rudeis oil fields and the reopening of the Suez Canal.

After concluding a very hectic series of meetings in Egypt, we left Cairo for a fuel stop at Brindisi, Italy, and then went on to Paris, where we had to change a couple of the microswitches on the Falcon gear system prior to departure the following morning for Iceland and our return trip home.

Monotony and Terror

We were approximately 370 nautical miles out from what would have been a refueling stop at Keflavik, Iceland, at 39,000 feet when I mentioned to pilot Dan Spencer, and then later informed our passengers in the cabin, that I was astounded at the exceedingly low outside air temperature indicated on our instruments. Ourram-airtemperature indicated 50 degrees below zero centigrade, and the actual outside air temperature as reported by our air-data computer was 70 degrees below zero centigrade (ram air is always quite a number of degrees warmer because of the friction passing over the aircraft frame).

Checking this on our computer, we found the temperature was approximately 96 degrees below zero Fahrenheit outside our window, and we had a quartering headwind from about our 1:30 to 2 o'clock position from the aircraft nose.

As I've so often voiced to people, flying can be hours upon hours of monotony and boredom punctuated by moments of sheer terror. In one of these split-second moments, with a loud crack that was felt and heard throughout the airplane, sounding like a pistol shot going off, the windshield in front of my face (I was flying the right seat on this leg; Dan and I swap off every other leg, so I was copilot) seemed to disintegrate into the sugary texture of a million shards. For a split second I literally thought the windshield was going to blow out, that we would experience sudden decompression, and that I

would be struck in the face with a blast of air at a speed of somewhere in the vicinity of 500 miles per hour at the supercool temperature of 96 degrees below zero Fahrenheit!

Obviously, however, the window held or I wouldn't be telling you about it at this moment. It was a great deal of comfort later on to discover that a number of Falcon windshields have experienced a failure of the center panel, as did ours, without serious incident, and of course I knew that the Grumman Gulfstream II, which my father, Mr. Herbert Armstrong, flies, had also experienced a few windshield failures, as have other aircraft, including the four-engine Lockheed Jetstar.

However, knowing this "according to the book," or in studying the experiences of others and talking technically of the method of manufacture and sealing of the windshields and the heating element enclosed in the center panel, and talking of tensile strength and stresses endured by aircraft windows from the comfort of the ground school is one thing; having a windshield seem to disintegrate in front of your face in those conditions is quite another.

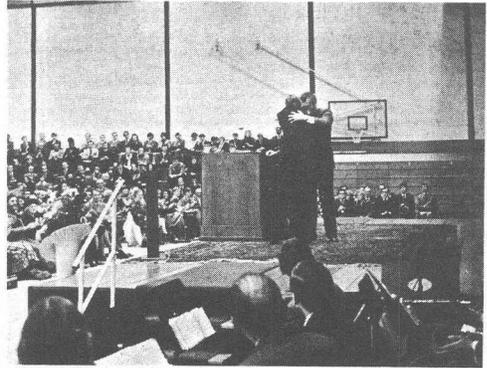
We continued on to Iceland, first descending and reducing cabin pressure to avoid any possibility of sudden decompression or the breaking of any more of the panels of the windshield, which could have been exceedingly serious. We thought we would have to remain in Iceland for an indeterminate period of time for repairs.

Back to Paris

However, with a telephone call to European Falcon Jet in Paris, we found that we could turn around and come back to Paris by flying at a much lower altitude and slower speed (220 knots indicated at 26,000 feet, maintaining a cabin pressure of 5 pounds per square inch) and get the repairs done here, which happens to be the best place on the face of the earth for maintenance and repair of Falcons.

The Falcon is built in France, at the Dassault factory at Bordeaux, to the south of Paris, and the main location for all Falcon servicing and repair is right here at Le Bourget Airport in Paris.

I am going to a little length to explain this, since I know sometimes rumors travel fast and word may have it that a grave emergency or dire predicament was encountered which all but cost the lives of a number of people. This is simply not true. Many such incidents have occurred in commercial aircraft as well as private corporate aircraft, and the remaining panes of the windshield on the Falcon were still much, much stronger than the normal windshield of any medium-size piston-powered air-



NEW EVANGELIST — Frank Brown and Ronald Dart embrace after Mr. Brown was ordained an evangelist in Bricket Wood, England, Jan. 17. Mr. Dart, himself an evangelist and executive vice president of Ambassador College, Big Sandy, and Garner Ted Armstrong ordained Mr. Brown, who is the new regional director of the British Work. Mr. Dart, who had spent the previous two weeks in England, said the Bricket Wood congregation gave an ovation that lasted until he and Mr. Brown reached their seats. [Photo by Lyle Christopherson]

craft, such as the smaller twin-engine aircraft with which most of you I'm sure are familiar.

At any rate, while it caused an unexpected delay, it was no dire emergency and all turned out very well.

However, it did cause me to fall behind on my television schedule, and I'm anxiously awaiting the opportunity to shoot several television programs in the next few days upon my return to Pasadena. I did one radio program en route back from Iceland as we were limping along at our very much slower pace which I will have our audio people listen to upon my return and see if we could at least make portions of it into a *World Tomorrow* program.

Letter Results

In checking with headquarters, I find my last co-worker-and-member letter did have very fine results, but they were urging me to write another one almost immediately because of the very serious need to stimulate income in some manner to offset what appears to be close to a 4 percent deficit by the end of the fiscal year.

We are continually striving to take steps to cut back wherever possible to live within the reduced income. I am particularly concerned about those figures simply because of having recently contracted for dozens of new radio stations that are now carrying *The World Tomorrow* program into literally millions of American homes in areas which have either never heard the program before, or areas where we have had no radio coverage

for years, or very poor coverage if at all.

I am terribly reluctant to have to think about canceling or cutting back any of these new stations, or even canceling any of our older ones, and sincerely hope and pray that our income deficit this year will not require any such things to happen.

I sincerely appreciate all of the prayers and thoughts of all of you brethren and want to encourage you all the more to continually pray for my father during his hazardous journeys to all parts of the world and for all of those of us in God's Work who must travel from time to time in conditions which can become hazardous.

My father had to abort a trip on an occasion very similar to what occurred to us; he was en route to Tokyo and was actually out over the Pacific Ocean partway to the Hawaiian Islands for a fuel stop when the front windshield of the G-II in like fashion cracked and caused Capt. Ed Black to have to immediately dive for lower altitude and reduce speed drastically and go back to San Francisco for repairs prior to continuing the trip.

As I said earlier in this "Personal," I know of no accident which has actually taken the lives of any individuals through failure of a windshield, but knowing this academically is small comfort when the windshield is less than six inches from your nose and one pane of the windshield disintegrates in actual flight conditions.

That's about it for now.
With love, in Jesus' name,
Garner Ted Armstrong

Canada

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same format, dealing with continuing education and "professionalizing" the ministry, youth activities, doctrine and general administrative procedures.

John Robinson, managing editor of *The Worldwide News*, on Jan. 28 discussed the Church newspaper, particularly how to solve the problem of slow delivery of the *WN* to Canadian readers.

Common Thread

"This conference is typical of the ministry around the world," said Mr. Cole. "There is the same cohesion, questions, feelings, attitudes and spirit. It could easily have been a conference in South Africa, Europe or Australia."

"You know, there are many different areas around the world, with many different attitudes, customs and ways of doing things, but there exists a thread throughout the ministry in the world that is common and unified, and there's many benefits and good things that can come from getting together like this."

Mr. McCullough added: "I really enjoyed the opportunity to be here. I had hoped to get to all the Canadian conferences, but was in other areas of the world. I sure wish I could get to Canada more often this year, if at all possible."

Local elder Clyde Kilough of Edmonton, Alta., said:

"Many of the men commented afterwards about the success of the conference, appreciating the opportunity for they and their wives to get together with their friends, but especially for the chance to spend time, both in conference and socially, with Mr. McCullough and Mr. Cole."

DOWN WITH RYE CRISP!



And up with readers' recipes! *The Worldwide News* is again asking you, our readers, to send us your favorite unleavened-bread recipes so we can share them with all our readers. (See article, page 1.)

Mail your contributions (just the recipes; our staff can't handle all your samples) to: Recipes, *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A.

(Please limit your contributions to one recipe per family, and do not send recipes previously published in the *WN*. They should be received here by March 1 to be printed in the March 29 issue.



FILM AUDIENCE — Bahamians watch the film *Herbert W. Armstrong: Ambassador for World Peace* at the Sheraton British Colonial Hotel in Nassau Jan. 24. After the film, Osamu Gotoh, overseas-campaign director for the Work, announced that Mr. Armstrong plans to visit the Bahamas Feb. 15 to 23 and conduct a campaign Feb. 20 to 22. Mr. Armstrong was in the Bahamas before the film showing and met the minister of education.

POLICY ON PERSONALS

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BABIES

BALTIMORE, Md. — Kevin David Dunworth, first son, first child of Dave and Nancy Dunworth, Dec. 10, 10 pounds.

BRICKET WOOD, England — Alastair David Winston Gunn, first son, first child of David and Kayl (Coates) Gunn, Nov. 22, 5:30 a.m., 3.5 kilograms.

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Rachael Adrienne Himsel, seventh daughter, 11th child of Viola and James Himsel, Jan. 2, 8:47 a.m., 9 pounds 2 1/2 ounces.

HAGERSTOWN, Md. — Daniel Lee Scott, third son, fourth child of Dolores and Clyde Scott, Dec. 14, 11:43 a.m., 9 1/2 pounds.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Nathan Carl Pickett, second son, third child of Don and Judy Pickett,

Dec. 29, 8:09 p.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Jessica Ann Nislett, first daughter, first child of Ron and Beth Nislett, Jan. 9, 6:12 a.m., 6 pounds 11 ounces.

NORWALK, Calif. — Ethan Colby Hutson, third son, third child of Bill and Penny Hutson, Dec. 13, 2:27 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces.

OMAHA, Neb. — Angela Michelle Anthony, first daughter, first child of Larry and Gayle Anthony, Jan. 12, 7:25 p.m., 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Amber Dawn Bronkar, first daughter, first child of Nolen and Dianne (Kerah) Bronkar, Jan. 12, 6:02 a.m., 7 pounds.

PASADENA, Calif. — Erik McGee Emerson, first son, first child of Ken and Cathy Emerson, Jan. 1, 9:10 p.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Julie Joanne Hegvold, first daughter, first child of Jon and Leni Hegvold, Jan. 13, 1:50 p.m., 8 pounds, 8 ounces.

PEORIA, Ill. — Robert Jon Burgett, first son, first child of Val and Elaine (Keeling) Burgett, Dec. 23, 3:19 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces.

PEORIA, Ill. — Alan Reeves Dornick, second son, second child of Frederick and Linda Dornick, Jan. 2, 9:05 a.m., 10 pounds 1 1/2 ounces.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Kimberly Joy Brumgard, first daughter, first child of James and Sherry Brumgard, Dec. 27, 2:26 p.m., 6 pounds 6 ounces.

SASEBO, Japan — Violet Smith, fifth daughter, fifth child of David and Shigeko Smith, Jan. 7, 12:04 p.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces.

SPOKANE, Wash. — Scott Alan Burrell, first son, first child of Keith and Fran Burrell, Nov. 28, 5:10 p.m., 6 pounds 13 ounces.

THUNDER BAY, Ont. — Erin Dawn Langis, first daughter, second child of Jean Paul and Frida Langis, June 27, 1:42 p.m., 9 pounds 7 ounces.

Ben Burgos, remember me? We met at the tournament! Could you please write? We didn't get each other's address. Joyce Andrews, 23 May St., Battle Creek, Mich., 49017. This also includes all the rest of you from that area that I met.

D&R Caucasian member, 34, two children, 12 and 14, interests: gardening, cooking, camping, bicycling, dancing, reading, country living. Would like to write male members 30 to 42. Joy Harris, Box 222, Queen City, Tex., 75752.

I am 12 I love horses and sports. I would like a boy or girl pen pal between 11 and 14. Dena Nelson, Rt. 1, Hiram, Ga., 30141.

Mr. Rudy Lopez and family lives somewhere in Belize, Central America, interested in hearing from you. My address is still: U. Thurton, Rt. 1, 22097 Short St., Destrehan, La., 70047.

Would like pen pals. Interested in all kinds of things, ages 13 to 16. Mary Jane Andreas, Box 155, Bedford, N.D., 58522.

Would like to hear from anybody 13 and 14. Interests are ice skating, cooking, music (rock), horseback riding, other sports, crafts, getting mail. Pat Mehnert, 8119 W. Cedar Sauk Rd., Saukville, Wis., 53080.

Member, single black female, 33, would like to write single black males 33 to 40. Malina Mahandasingh, 2029 Crocker St., Flint, Mich., 48503.

Wanted: Pen pals, boys or girls 10 to 14. I am a boy, 12, I like acrobatics, games, farm animals. Daniel Mooney, Rt. 2, Box 134A, Conway, S.C., 29526.

Country girl, 11, would like pen pals 10 to 13. I like pets and outdoor games. Boys or girls, write Brenda Mooney, Rt. 2, Box 134A, Conway, S.C., 29526.

Member, 43, single, would like to write female members interested in flying and scuba diving. Robert E. Kelley, 904 Wilson St., Portsmouth, Ohio, 44662.

Single male member would like to hear from single members my age, preferably female. I'm 34 and Caucasian. Dan Riley, 2155 Mill Rd., Lot 15, Flint, Mich., 48504.

White widow, 63, would like pen pals 63 to 70. Interests: homemaking, gardening, sewing. Mrs.

Rosa Fulkerson, Rt. 1, Conmieskie, Ind., 47227.

Single male, 30, would like to write white female brethren/co-workers 30 to 40. Interests: Bible, reading, music. Orlin Smith, Box 442, Franklin, La., 70538.

Young wife and mother wishes to correspond with anyone. Interests: writing letters, sewing, cooking, kids. Mrs. Marilyn Hollands, 43 Flemington Crescent, Scarborough, Ont., M1K 3B3, Canada.

Thirteen years old. I like sports, especially hunting. Would like to hear from boy or girl anywhere. Tim Palmer, 505 E. Eighth St., Colleyville, Kan., 67337.

I'd like to write guys and girls 14 to 20. I like to read and rock. Also anybody who plans to go to SEP this summer. Susan Earley, 323 Washington St., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, 44221. Will answer all.

Wendy Paul of Des Plaines, Ill., and Dennis Hallingstad of Appleton-Wausau, Wis., please send me your full address so I can write. I met you at Chicago but forgot to get the address. Elizabeth R. Wright, 308 Liberty St., Walnut, Ill., 61376.

Chiropractic student interested in writing pen pal. Waldon Peterson, 776 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, Minn., 55104.

Would like to hear from other members involved in mail order and/or gift-shop operators. Also members who read Mother Earth News magazine. Walter Stuart, Box 33207, Houston, Tex., 77033.

To you, Annie, a bouquet of roses, cheers and much more! This Jan. 23 means one year of our friendship. Billy, Thank you also, WW, for running that ad in the first place!

Pat and Dennis Gruzenka, have lost track of you and have some of your mail. Would really enjoy hearing from you again. Kathy and Roger Wiles, Box 906, Indian Lake Estates, Fla., 33955.

Widow, 41, white, mother of three, would like pen pals. Many interests: Mrs. Margaret Robarge, 4280 Precourt Rd., Alpena, Mich., 49707.

Single lady, 21, would like to write anyone. I like movies, animals, rock 'n' roll, bowling. Sandra

(See PERSONALS, page 11)

PERSONALS

Send your personal, along with a WW mailing label with your address on it, to "Personals," The Worldwide News, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A. Your personal must follow the guidelines given in the "Policy on Personals" box that frequently appears on this page. We cannot print your personal unless you include your mailing label.

PEN PALS

Single white member, 29, mother of three, would like to hear from members 30 to 45. Like reading, gardening, out of doors, dancing, most kinds of music. Have a fair bit of humor. Marie Koehler, 18315 E. Sinto, Greenacres, Wash., 98016.

POSTMARK

The editors of The Worldwide News had a problem. It seems readers were frequently sending us material that didn't quite fit into existing departments of the newspaper. Some contributions weren't what you'd call news articles, didn't really fit the "Wrap-Up" section, weren't actually letters to the editor, not quite miscellaneous personals.

Since most of this mass of material didn't fit any existing niche, we've created a new niche, christened "Postmark."

We'll run it from time to time; it will be a haven for household tips, anecdotes, recipes, journalistic odds and ends that don't quite fit anywhere else.

If you'd like to contribute to this feature, write "Postmark," The Worldwide News, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A. All we ask is that you keep it short.

Garden party

As a young housewife pressed for time, my desire is to grow as much food possible, to offset costly prices. As I was getting our garden plot ready for the very first time, this presented a bit of work. So I had a brain wave. I decided to organize a "garden party" for my children and six of the neighborhood children. This turned out to be a very creative, educational outlet and gave them something to do on a sunny afternoon. Too often children are left to themselves with a lot of mindless playing. Here was an opportunity to teach them about the good earth, how God

supplies sun and rain to make tiny seeds grow into huge vegetables, and to give of their time by working with their hands.

The first half hour of the "party" was set aside for "games." I had prizes for the one who found the biggest worm, the biggest rock, who collected the most worms and the most rocks. Each child was given a jar with their name on it for the worms and a little sack with their names for the rocks (of course those valuable worms were put back into the soil). Then each child had a name tag and a tag pinned to them which stated what job they were to accomplish. For example: (1) Sod Man, (2) Rock Man, (3) Rake Man, (4) Hoe Man, etc. This last half hour was designated to real work as they strived to fill their individual jobs they were assigned to. The Sod Man shook and took the sods to the compost pile; the Rock Man gathered as many rocks as he could find; the Hoe and Rake Men did their part also.

Then came the fun part as we all counted up the specimens to see who won the prizes (I also gave small prizes to those who did not win). Then I treated them to a banana milk shake and some home-baked goodies. Our final job was to head for the nearby beach for a rock-throwing contest and to gather seaweed into bags to spread over the garden to enrich the soil.

This proved to be a very successful and fun day where the children participated and found it is both fun to work and play at the same time.

(Mrs.) Marion Platt Sidney, B.C.

Living with a child

Enclosed is a verse given me by my daughter many years ago. Author unknown, but quite a thought-provoking article. Perhaps many parents would enjoy reading it.

A Child

If a child lives with criticism, he

learns to condemn. If a child lives with hostility, he learns to fight. If a child lives with fear, he learns to be apprehensive. If a child lives with pity, he learns to feel sorry for himself. If a child lives with jealousy, he learns to hate. If a child lives with encouragement, he learns to be confident. If a child lives with praise, he learns to be appreciative. If a child lives with approval, he learns to be himself. If a child lives with recognition, he learns to have a goal. If a child lives with fairness, he learns justice. If a child lives with friendliness, he learns that the world is a nice place in which to live. Mrs. Philip Pettjohn Houston, Tex.

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One less drip

A drip that grows becomes a drip-drip and progresses to a steady drip, better known as a run or flow. No, this isn't a science lesson, nor a study in English grammar. It's the sharing of an experience that is the fulfillment of an adage: "A good example is the best sermon."

Recently there was a gathering at my home for the afternoon and evening. Quite naturally, the bathroom was used by the guests from time to time.

The first Bible study after this event, one of the male guests approached me and asked if I would be home the following evening.

"Yes, I expect to be," I said. "Why? What's up?"

He posed the idea of fixing the leaky faucet in the bathtub. I was left standing there in flabbergasted disbelief as he smilingly left, saying that they would be over. I was so utterly moved that I came home determined to write an article covering this in hopes it may be an answer to the many who have asked, "How can I serve?"

That following night he and his buddy came to the door carrying box, bucket, ax and sledgehammer. I questioned the latter two. They were so serious about it that all I could say was that maybe that

was why I couldn't get the leak stopped myself: I hadn't used the right tools!

The next Sabbath his wife told me how the two fellows, donned with ax and sledge as a joke, were wondering if they could keep a serious face and pull it off. Well, they did, because I wasn't sure until she revealed this behind-the-scenes act that it was indeed a joke.

But, all kidding aside, these men did fix the leak, but that



wasn't enough! The washbowl no longer had a crossbar in the drain to catch lint and hair. It had long since deteriorated and was gone. As they tore into it, the pipe above the gooseneck crumbled.

Stores were closed by this time, so they came back the next night with a whole new piece. I now have one less drip and a new unit in the washbasin with a built-in drop plug!

The most impressive part of the whole thing to me: They didn't ask if there was anything they could do, or if you ever need anything feel free to call. Not that that would be bad, but they saw the need and took action!

Doris Cooper Temperance, Mich.



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 below as soon as possible after the baby is born.

Form for birth announcement with fields for: Church area, Baby's full name, No. of children same sex as baby (including baby), No. of children same sex as baby (including baby), Boy or Girl, Total No. of children (including baby), Parents' names, Birth date, Weight, Time.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT THE WORLDWIDE NEWS BOX 111 BIG SANDY, TEX., 75755, U.S.A.

PERSONALS

(Continued from page 10)
Langford, 1722 W. Ninth, Freeport, Tex., 77541.
I would like girls 9 to 12 to write me, age 11. I like skating, hiking, music, art, will answer all. Will attend St. Peterburg Feast, Rosemary Beach, 6540 Mayo St., Hollywood, Fla., 33023.

Attention! I want a pen pal. I am 13, female, will write anyone 13 or up interested? Write Beth Wallace, Box 471, Reserve, N.M., 87830.

Active teenage girl would like pen pals. Any guys interested in rodeos and outdoors, write! Main interests: rodeos, sports, housework, Church. Connie Sanders, Box 383, Tatum, N.M., 88267.

Karen Lee, please write to me, for it seems that your postal service has been temporarily postponed. Also, I would like to write boys and girls about my age, 14 to 16. Ann Wallace, Box 471, Reserve, N.M., 87830.

Interested in having a pen pal(s). Female, 15. Would like to write males or females 15 to 19 from Spanish-speaking countries. Interests: art, conversational Spanish, sports, others. Will answer all. Mattie Gough, 14717 S. Honore Ave., Harvey, Ill., 60426.

Girl, 11, wants to hear from stamp collectors worldwide to exchange stamps. Interested in starting stamp club. Am a fond of horses. Mary Bailey, Rt. 6, 55744 Merle St., Elkhart, Ind., 46514.

Like to find a pen friend 25 to 40. I am single, male, 32. Interests: electronics, photography, classical music, opera, ballet, poetry, W. Thomas, Baptist St. (off Third Ave.), Grassy Park, 7800, Cape, South Africa.

Hi, out there, Girl, 13, would like pen pals anywhere, any age. Will answer all. Please write! Lori Tenold, Rt. 2, Box 226, West Liberty, Iowa, 52776.

Single white male, 26, wishes to exchange ideas and views with anyone who loves classical music. George Breidenbach, 11414 E. 215th St., No. 21, Lakewood, Calif., 90715.

Divorced white male co-worker, 36, would like to hear from other co-workers in northern Illinois. Tracy L. Turley, Box 474, Crystal Lake, Ill., 60014.

Female, 18, from "down under" would love to write to anyone in England. Interests: modern music, dancing, traveling, reading, swimming, traveling, meeting people, just enjoying life. Plan to come to England possibly late 1977. Wendy Steiling, Flat 740, Osborne Ave., Glen Iris, Victoria, 3146, Australia.

Would like pen pals all ages. I am girl, 12. Like all sports, especially football, swimming. Cindi Hayes, 1004 Wilmouth St., Shelby, N.C., 28150.

Tom and Julie Hoffman, where do you? Please write! Mr. and Mrs. Greg Johnson, Box 281, Nora Springs, Iowa, 50458.

Single black female, member four years, would like to write black male members 35 to 62. Interests: modern jazz, soul, sentimental music. Also cooking, fishing, water permitting. Mrs. Dorothy Redmond, 6900 Cio Rd., Apt. 160, Flint, Mich., 48504.

All those who wrote to me since last August, thank you for your interest. I received more than I could handle. Kathy Hayes of Seattle.

Boy, 15, would like female pen pals 15 or older. Like to dance, swim, play softball. Will answer all. Zachary Rhodes, 14230 Ward Ave., Detroit, Mich., 48227.

White male, divorced, 39. Would like to meet or be pen pals with woman 30 to 39. Been a member co-worker since 1959. Gordon S. Reed, 1077 Oakwood St., Apt. 10, Vallejo, Calif., 94590.

Lost address. Will the former Miss Sandra Lisbenko of Alaska write to her friend and pen pal in Oregon. Your letter was mislaid. Frank Mesplie, Box 35120, 2605 State St., Salem, Ore., 97310.

Girl, 17, would like male or female pen pals 16 or older to write. Like swimming, crocheting, horseback and bike riding, sports. Will answer all. Karen Stabe, 29586 S. River Rd., Mount Clemens, Mich., 48043.

Single gentleman, 27, co-worker, seeks lady pen pals 22 to 28. I speak fluent Italian. Love music, piano, accordion, some guitar. Other interests: photography, amateur radio. Life sure gets to be lonely out here! Does anyone out there share any of my interests? Answer, won't you? Anthony Gambo, 48 Virginia Lane, Providence, R.I., 02908, U.S.A.

Hi, everyone! If you have a habit of writing letters, then write me! Let's get to know each other. Mrs. Laura Franthaus, 3230 Centennial, Lot 153, Sylvania, Ohio, 43589.

Male member, 23, would like to correspond with female members by cassette. Interests: reading, poetry, chess, house plants. W. Kevin Cox, Box 47, Minden, W. Va., 25879.

Man, woman! I want to write a letter every day. Please help by writing to me. D&R member, 37, with children. Interested in music, many other things. Elean Murphy, 8466 Munson Rd., Portland, N.Y., 14769.

Spiritual widow, RN, would like to hear from other registered nurses in Church to hear how they've handled problems regarding work and Sabbath days. Selma Foster, 2406 E. 120th, Tacoma, Wash., 98445.

Wheatland! Please ask M.E. (Spade) Cooley to write Dennis Turner at 1611 Arapahoe St., No. 6, Golden, Colo., 80401. I lost his address there when I met him at the Salt Lake Feast site.

Would like to know if a Mr. Jim Good attends services in the Fairfield, Calif., church or in any of the churches in that area. If so, please write an old friend from back East. Terry White, Rt. 1, Box 208, Marion, N.C., 28752.

SUE — Write! Steve and Melania: Congratulations on Jennifer. Write to you quite often, but don't have your address. Georgetowne.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Seeger of Tillamook, Ore., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Joyce Lynn Seeger to Mr. Brian K. Wulf of Portland, Ore. The couple plan a June 27 wedding in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael B. Marcotte of Groesbeck, Tex. (formerly of Wichita, Kan.) are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Barbara Susan to Mr. Donald Lee Newport, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Newport of Bassett, Neb. Wedding date is April 3, 1976, in Wichita.



VICKI WOOD AND ALFRED SCHECK

Mr. and Mrs. James Corroy Dushman of the Nashville East church are pleased to announce the engagement of Mrs. Dushman's daughter, Vicki Lynn Wood, to Mr. Alfred Louis Scheck, son of Mrs. Alfred Oscar Scheck and the late Mr. Scheck of Sheboygan, Wis. Both bride and groom-to-be are 1973 graduates of Ambassador College, Pasadena. The wedding is scheduled for March 1 in the Ambassador Auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson White Jr. wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Deborah Lee to Dennis Robert Houglum. Debbie was a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio, and is presently a sophomore at Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex. Dennis, a past resident of Twin Valley, Minn., is presently a senior at Ambassador, Big Sandy. The couple plans to be married on July 18, 1976, in Cincinnati.

WEDDINGS

Miss Ruby Whittington and Mr. Leon Goodson of Dallas, Tex., were married Dec. 20, 1975. Fr. James Kuntz performed the ceremony. The couple resides at 76035 Hurwood, Dallas, Tex., 75228.

David Fremo, son of Mrs. Lillian Fremo, and Anne Dietz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dietz, were married Nov. 9, 1975, in Lincoln City, Ore. Mr. Richard Parker performed the ceremony. Mr. Joe Bellefeuille was best man, and Miss Nina Dietz was maid of honor. The couple will reside at 468 Brookwood Park, West Fargo, N.D.

Michael R. Smith and Robin G. Westfall were united in marriage by Mr. Greg Sargent on Nov. 8, 1975, in Lorain, Ohio. Maid of honor was Pearlaine Malt; best man was Robert Milam.

ANNIVERSARIES

It has been a fantastic first year of marriage, my wife and I have had. I thank our Father for a marriage arranged in heaven. It has been as beautiful as any are. Love eternally. Will.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dolly Sr. of the Harrisburg, Pa., church celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Jan. 3. Their five children, relatives and friends hosted the open-house affair.

To Verlon and Dora Smith of the Cleveland, Ohio, church; Happy 24th anniversary on Feb. 19. Love, Michael, Robin and the Smith family.

Thank you, Judy Anne, my darling wife! For being the total woman needed in my life. Thank you for accepting me as I am! And for inspiring me to be what I can! Thank you for filling a void which I used to think I could avoid. Thank you this 8th of February! For our first of many years of merry! Thank you, thank you, thank you! I love you, I love you, I love you.

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The WN occasionally receives unusual personals and sometimes has a difficult time determining if they're appropriate for publication. To avoid delays in getting an out-of-the-ordinary personal in print, please attach a detailed note of explanation when sending it in.

Although some of us go to other clubs to try and learn, even outside clubs don't know all the answers either; they too are operating on their interpretations. The American language! The Bristol, England, church is starting a dance club of their own. What do all these calls mean? "Slip clutch" how many places? Which way? "Spin chain through" who, with whom? No coins available here. Could any Tennessee or other members please help advise us? (I personally got hooked on country-western when I visited Bristol.) Please send advice on formation, hand and footwork, costume, dance instruction of various degrees of difficulty, any other relevant, helpful hints and tips. Write to: Box 43, Westlake Circle, Brently, Bristol, Avon, 55107, DfH, England.

Wanted by co-worker: Copy of the booklet Marjans, Tiana J. Cornejo, 1412 Princeton Ave., Trenton, N.J., 08638.

If anyone has a copy of The Compendium (either or both volumes), I would like to purchase them. Will pay postage. Rose Deming, Box 175C, RFD No. 1, Rt. 22, Pittsburgh, N.Y., 15201.

Wanted: Vol. 1 of Bible Story to complete set; both volumes of Dr. Hoeh's Compendium; entire Old Testament; Good News before 1962; all issues of Tomorrow's World; issues of The Worldwide News before Vol. III, No. 17. Also would deeply appreciate Vol. XI, Nos. 18, 19, 20, of Plain Truth which were not printed here in Canada due to postal strike and other issues before August 1975. I would be greatly pleased with any of this literature I would be greatly appreciated beyond words. Will gladly pay postage. Please write and tell me how you would like to avoid duplications. Mr. Dale B.J. Dyck, 2735-16A St. SE, Calgary, Alta., T2G 3T3, Canada.

Will the lady who wrote from Vermont requesting The Bible Story please write again. I have already given all the literature away, but I would like to return to her. Sharon Bergeron, 225 Finlayson St., Apt. 3, Thunder Bay, Ont., P7C 2K7, Canada.

Would anyone have a Church hymnal and the record Spread Some Sunshine to give. I will pay postage. Mrs. Sharon Bergeron, 225 Finlayson St., Apt. 3, Thunder Bay, Ont., P7C 2K7, Canada.

Wanted: Good News, January, 1974, April, 1975; Plain Truth, March, 1975. Will repay postage. Peter Wilkinson, 55 Putney, London, SW16, Great Britain.

Wanted: Back issues of The Good News before 1974 and a hymnal. Will pay all postage. Cheryl Powers, Rt. 5, Box 42, Lexington, Tenn. 38301.

Anyone have a Bible hymnal to spare? Would dearly love to have it. Write to: Mrs. M. Romka, 38331 Shoreline Dr., Mount Clemens, Mich., 48043.

Co-worker seeking the past issues of The Worldwide News. Please write to: Mrs. Sharon Bergeron, 225 Finlayson St., Apt. 3, Thunder Bay, Ont., P7C 2K7, Canada.

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Bowers, 8841 De Ville, Huntington Beach, Calif., 92647.

Thanking all the sisters and brethren that are my pen pals. I did not mean to offend the brethren and would have been glad to hear from them and encouragement in the trial I am still in. My cancer is healed. Also the arthritis is not so painful. Thanks for the prayers and cards and letters. Have not been able to attend church. Also down with the flu. So keep praying and writing. I answer all I am able to. Mrs. Lona DeLong, Rt. 1, Box 104, Gainesville, Ga., 30501.

Thank you for including the prayer request for Allen Barrett. Since I sent the first request, then the second address, he has been moved again. His new address: Rehabilitation Institute of Oregon, 2010 NW Kearney St., Portland, Ore., 97209. He is recovering from an operation, but is still paralyzed from the waist down. He says the friendship of the people of the Church of God keeps him in good spirits. Mrs. George P. New.

Male member of the WCG, 19, would like to write people in Georgia for information about a good place to move to, job info and the like. Am considering moving there to live, perhaps around Athens, Warner Brothers or Valdosta. Daniel B. Carlson, c/o Woods Room/Board, 312N. Franklin St., Christiansburg, Va., 24073.

The U.S. Supreme Court is now deciding the constitutionality of the 1972 and 1964 civil rights laws as they apply to the state governments. Since this issue affects my discrimination case in U.S. district court in Portland I ask all brethren to pray for a favorable decision by the Supreme Court. Norman R. Carlson, 634 SW 15th Ave., Apt. 28, Portland, Ore., 97205.

Neille Stempel! Hope your trip to the Ohio Masonic home in Springfield was okay and a very pleasant one. Will miss you and wish you the best in your new home. Write your son, St. Petersburg church.

Prayer is requested for God's intervention on behalf of my 11-year-old grandson, Gary Alan Clark, who is afflicted with muscular dystrophy. At present he is confined to a wheelchair but still able to attend school. Gary and his mother would like to contact David, Susan and Peter Lees from Johannesburg, South Africa. They do not have their current address. Write to: Mrs. Lester Clark, 330 W. Buchanan Rd., Shelby, Mich., 49455.

Member of Mensa would like to hear from other Ms who are also members of WCG. Please write Donna Harshbarger, Rt. 1, Box 402, Olathe, Wash., 98359.

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Parole denied. To all who have been so faithful in their prayers, please continue to remember me, as I know God will open these doors to my freedom. To stand strong in Him who is our Creator is to reach to all your efforts at the end of this life's journey. Let us continue to believe and continue in faith. May God bless you, my friends, wherever you might be. Frank Mesplie, Box 35120, 2605 State St., Salem, Ore., 97310.

Your fervent prayers for healing, and letters and cards of encouragement, are requested for Juliet Briseno, who has an extreme case of emphysema and is struggling in pain. She has had constant pain for many years and yet makes every effort to be pleasant and thoughtful to all. Please beseech our Father in heaven. Her address: c/o Mr. and Mrs. Sam Duncan, 339 Knobcrot, Houston, Tex., 77037.

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Local church news wrap-up

Five Years of Growth

AUSTIN, Tex. — The combined memberships of the Austin and Waco, Tex., churches celebrated five years of growth with a social that included dinner, dancing and entertainment here Dec. 20.

The fifth-anniversary commemoration began shortly after services at the IOOF (Independent Order of Odd Fellows) Building. A calf had been purchased for the occasion by Carl Koellner, Austin-Waco pastor, and Ralph Button, Austin deacon. It was served barbecued along with potluck side dishes.

After dinner Mr. Button emceed the evening's entertainment.

A drawing for handmade toys was conducted by Don Amundson. Twenty-one lucky children from 2 to 7 were presented with toys made by Ruth Pfluger.

A sing-along was led by Jerry Carlow.

David Parker introduced an impromptu comedy sketch. The participants included Mr. Carlow, Bill Burks, Mike Trott, Gleason Parker and Debbie Parker. The six attempted to recreate the spirit of informal after-Sabbath-service discussions at a local restaurant.

A music group of James West, fiddle; Don Guyor, harmonica; and Jesse Perry and Dale Meador, guitars, played bluegrass numbers.

A stand-up comedy routine was performed by Robert Clanton. Jim Harding joined the act, and the two performed two unusual bicentennial songs.

In addition to making the toys for the children's drawing, Miss Pfluger had created a liquid-embroidered tablecloth that proudly announced "Worldwide Church of God, Austin, Tex., 1970-1975 Fifth Anniversary." The tablecloth was signed by the members and presented to Mr. Koellner and his wife Polly.

The first service in Austin had been Dec. 19, 1970, conducted by Larry D. Neff, who is now in Pasadena. Dale Meyler.

So Much Food

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Several hundred members of the church here attended a western social and square dance Dec. 28.

So much food had been brought — chili, chips, salad, cheese, cookies and fruit punch — that much of it was kept and taken to a general social day Jan. 1.

After dinner and a talent show, members danced the Virginia reel, take-a-peek, birdie-in-the-cage and others.

Gene Noel and a band from the Youngstown, Ohio, church provided music and calls for the square dancing. Dave Gaeffe.

Spaghetti Feed

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. — About 75 people came to the first YOU basketball game of the Des Moines area here Dec. 30. On the evening of Dec. 29 a teen dance and spaghetti feed had been sponsored by the Grand Island and North Platte, Neb., churches.

The game was the downfall of Des Moines; it was beaten by Grand Island 70-36. High scorer was Dale Stark with 23 points.

Afterwards the Grand Island and North Platte girls played the Des Moines girls in volleyball. Grand Island and North Platte were once again on top, winning the first two games out of the three-game match.

Then the boys played another basketball game, this one just for practice. Des Moines was once again defeated, 65-45.

The Des Moines basketball team then challenged the Grand Island basketball team to a volleyball



FIDDLER IN THE CHURCH — James West of the Austin church, above, performs bluegrass music for the church's fifth-anniversary social. Don Guyor accompanies Mr. West on the harmonica. Below: Billye Button, left, Nick Osborn, center, and John Byrd prepare for the anniversary dinner. (See "Five Years of Growth," this page.) [Photos by Jim Harding]



match. Grand Island won the first game, but Des Moines came out on top, winning the last two games. Dick Mottin.

Children's Choir

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The new children's choir of the church here made its debut in Sabbath services Dec. 27.

About 50 children 5 through 12 treated the congregation to special music. Delbert Detienne, also director of the adult choir, had organized and rehearsed the children and led them as they presented "Not Many Wise Men Now Are Called," from the hymnal. Dianne Stewart.

Longtime Evaluator

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Sixteen connoisseurs of wine gathered Dec. 14 at the home of member Leonhard Ruesch to sample 10 varieties of the fermented grape. The wines varied from dry white Rhine to deep Burgundy and Bordeaux. To be thorough, the tasters included a sample of bad wine with an almost total absence of any quality.

Mr. Ruesch, formerly from Switzerland and a longtime evaluator of the beverage, explained such aspects

sprinkled with servings of pizza and canapes. Leonard Deal.

Learning to Shear

PERTH, Australia — The Perth Spokesman Club (also called the Country Club) held its final meeting of the year on Rod Chandler's property at Doodlakine, Western Australia, Nov. 9.

The barbecue lunch was served about 1:30 p.m., and many delicious barbecued steaks were consumed, along with cans of cold Swan lager.

Just before the normal club, Cyril Wise had given an exhibition of how to shear a sheep.

The speeches were delivered in Mr. Chandler's hay shed, open at the ends and one side to the vulgar gaze of a bunch of cows.

The speakers made a particularly brilliant effort. The most effective speaker was Peter Webb, president; the most improved speaker's cup was shared by Jack Rowell and Mr. Chandler. Bert Kershaw.

Proverbs 31 Women

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — The Colorado Springs and Walsenburg Ladies' Club met Dec. 18 for the first time in the clubhouse of the apartment house where Mrs. Page Thompson lives.

The meeting was led by Marilyn Magoon, wife of Herbert Magoon, pastor of the congregations. Their goal is to become "total women" as exemplified in Proverbs 31, with programs each month teaching how to be better wives, mothers and homemakers.

After the meeting refreshments were served by Helen Denkler and Tommie Joe Stewart. T.J. Stewart.

Meeting With Opportunity

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — The Spokesman Club here was host of a combined meeting Dec. 8 with the Ladies' Opportunity Club at the local YWCA.

Vicky Giseburt, president of the ladies' club, talked on the purposes of the club.

This was followed by table topics, led by Barbara Turner.

In the second half, interesting speeches and evaluations were presented by the men. Steve McCreery was toastmaster.

The clubs heard from two ministers, Richard Prince and Charles Beyer.

Refreshments were furnished by the Spokesmen and served by the Opportunity Club.

Baby-sitting was paid for by the clubs. The baby-sitters were Patty and Janet Shoemate and Jeanna Giseburt. Jackie Ristau.

Real Waffle Stompers

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — The Billings, Mont., and Sheridan churches

met here Dec. 27 for the third annual combined service and winter social.

Afternoon services were conducted by George Elkins, new pastor for the area, assisted by Neil Wolcott and Henry Solowiej, local elders.

A turkey dinner was served to the 68 people present by the women of the host church, then the hall was set up for the fun show.

Dwight Blevins of Sheridan served as master of ceremonies, introducing musical numbers ranging from piano, guitar, accordion, banjo, fiddle and harmonica instrumentals to several vocal selections.

Providing the entertainment were Mr. and Mrs. Elkins and Elizabeth, Sherry Elkins, Audrey Mosby, Dan Birky, Jim and Kim Foad, Henry and Nancy Solowiej, Nolan and Karen Davis, Neil Wolcott and Kathy and Lisa, Nova Roush and three grandsons, Fred Voedisch and Nora Larsen and Andy.

After a brief intermission the Sheridan women presented an unusual style show, narrated by Lois Fakes. The styles were all plays on words, such as a cancan dress made from cans, a sack dress styled out of a feed sack, a print dress designed from newspapers, waffle stompers with real waffles and a tea dress featuring tea bags. Barbara Wolcott.

Turkey and Noodles

WICHITA, Kan. — The basketball players and their wives put on a turkey-and-noodle dinner Dec. 12 at a cafeteria here to raise money for a basketball tournament in Amarillo, Tex.

The dinner and two nature films were attended by 215 people. A profit of \$150 was collected for the basketball players.

The Wichita men later won the Amarillo tourney by one point. John Williams.

Rocky Weekend

BEULAH, Colo. — Pueblo Mountain Park provided the atmosphere for the Colorado Springs and Walsenburg churches' outing Dec. 20 and 21. Participants roasted wieners and marshmallows in the park's recreation room, danced, sang to the music of the Spannagel family and stomped their feet to the music of Neil Jones.

After a night's sleep for the wall-to-wall people in a house contributed for the night, the brethren ate a potluck breakfast and sledded, tubed and pitched horseshoes to complete the weekend in the Rockies. Susan Peterson.

Amarillo Invitational

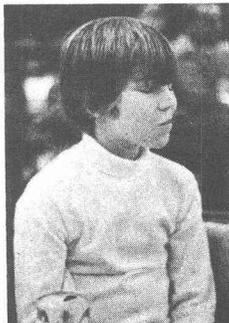
AMARILLO, Tex. — Nineteen basketball and volleyball teams met for the second annual Amarillo Invitational Tournament here Dec. 26 to 28.

The four full-size basketball courts at West Texas State University were kept busy throughout the tournament. A spaghetti supper and teen dance Saturday night, Dec. 27, gave

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FUN SHOW — Dan Birky of the Billings church, left, plays at a Sheridan fun show. Right: Neil Wolcott, local elder in Sheridan, plays the guitar, while 86-year-old Fred Voedisch fiddles. (See "Real Waffle Stompers," this page.)



FATHER-AND-SON NIGHT — Jeff Buchanan, left, ponders a topic during a father-and-son meeting of the Fort Wayne Spokesman Club. Right: Doug Kimmey, left, presents the most improved speaker's award to Steve Myers. (See "Fathers and Sons Meet," this page.) [Photos by Jerry Rowe]

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 the participants and fans further fellowship, then it was back to the courts Sunday for the finals in all categories of competition.

Wichita, Kan., defeated Oklahoma City in the championship basketball game 74-73. High-point men were Tim McCully with 25 points for Wichita and Ray Pyle with 36 points for Oklahoma City.

The Amarillo team edged Tulsa, Okla., in the final game 53-51. Ricky Bolin scored 28 points for Amarillo, while Randy Searer netted 20 points for Tulsa.

The final preteen basketball game ended with Amarillo triumphing over the Oklahoma City boys 11-6.

In volleyball, the Oklahoma City women defeated Amarillo to win first-place honors, and the Amarillo girls stopped Wichita to clinch the trophy in the teen division. *Darrell Sehorn.*

Richmond Widows and Senior Citizens

RICHMOND, Va. — The first official meeting of the Richmond Widows & Senior Citizens was Dec. 28 at the home of Roy Holladay, pastor.

Mr. Holladay explained the purpose for organizing the group: (1) to get to know one another, (2) to learn of ways to serve and (3) to develop wisdom in advising others.

The following activities have been or will be held:

- Beginning Jan. 10 (a Sabbath), Name Tag Day is being sponsored periodically. The purpose is to get members to know one another. Each person wears a name tag each Sabbath for one month.

- A game night was held the evening after the Sabbath on Jan. 31.
- A bazaar will be held in the spring to raise money. Handmade items will be sold.

Other activities suggested: serving at social functions, picnics, etc.; writing letters and sending cards to the sick and shut-ins; running a baby-sitting service; staying with new, recuperating, mothers.

The meetings will be held quarterly. *Nancy L. Lawson.*

Kingfishers by a Lake

ORPINGTON, England — A hand-beaten copper picture of kingfishers by a lake has been donated to the British Work's campaign fund by the artist.

Raffle tickets at 20 pence (about 41 cents) each are being sold at all church socials in southeast England for the picture.

A minimum of 240 pounds (about \$490) is anticipated to be raised during the next three months. *Mollie E. King.*

Social With a Difference

GUILDFORD, England — This church held a social with a difference

Dec. 13. The emphasis of the evening was a sit-down meal: roast turkey with all the trimmings, followed by sherry trifle, cheese and biscuits and coffee with chocolate mints.

Since the Guildford church has many older members, games and other entertainment were at a minimum; the members made their own entertainment, playing chess, bridge and other card games while the children were kept amused with balloons and toys. *Margaret McCooey.*

Bend Brethren

BEND, Ore. — Bend brethren recently enjoyed an evening of fellowship after a Bible study Dec. 20. (Bend is an outlying Bible study from the Eugene, Ore., church.)

Dave Albert, Eugene pastor, and his family visited for the study and the social afterwards.

There were games for adults and children. First and runner-up prizes were given for most of the children's games.

Some of the games played were an egg-spoon race, orange roll, balloon stomp, Lifesaver-straw relay and musical chairs.

Adults played checkers, hearts and dominoes. *Wilma Williams.*

Atlantic Activities

HALIFAX, N.S. — The first get-together of young people of the Atlantic provinces of Canada was Dec. 25 to 27.

About 50 young adults from John's, Nfld., and Halifax and one representative from the U.S. state of Maine enjoyed three days of activities here.

The first day started with a skating-and-tobogganing party. That evening everyone met for a dance, and afterwards the girls had a pajama party.

Dec. 26 started with a pancake breakfast, some sight-seeing and then skating, on an indoor rink.

On Dec. 27 all attended Sabbath services together, as John Adams, pastor at St. John's, gave the sermon. That evening the last activity was a movie.

The young people in this area plan several more such activities. This summer will be a week-long camp-out. Later a 1,000-mile trip to St. John's for a get-together on Newfoundland soil is planned. *Bruce and Joe Morrison.*

Delicious Deer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The church here profited this year when the minister went deer hunting, for members all shared in the reward.

On Dec. 20 a group went up into the mountains 25 miles outside of Albuquerque and feasted on barbecued deer and baked potatoes, along with salad, cake and beverage.

The deer was delicious for several reasons: the marksmanship of pastor Bill Porter; Walter Reak's barbecue sauce and talents as head chef; and the assistance in cooking of ministerial trainee Elliott Miller, Roy

Morrison, Ed Puzak and Neal Wroten.

The cooks shared their breakfast with some forest rangers.

After stomachs were satisfied, many enjoyed trips down the slopes on inner tubes. *Eunice Goodrich.*

Fathers and Sons Meet

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — The Spokesman Club here held a father-son meeting at the Gerber-Haus Motel Jan. 4. Nine boys attended, along with the 16 regular members.

President George Buchanan opened the club by having each member introduce the boy he had brought. Then Mr. Buchanan explained the goals of the Spokesman Club.

Topicmaster for the meeting was Angelo Coco, who discovered that the young guests were far from bashful; they responded well in topics.

After topics was a short break so five boxes of cookies could be eaten.

Three of the boys were chosen to award the trophies after the five speeches. Presenting the awards were Tom Pyles, awarding the most effective speaker's trophy to Will Stephens; Doug Kimmey, presenting the most improved speaker's trophy to Steve Myers; and Jim Ridenour, giving the most helpful evaluator's award to Mr. Buchanan.

Douglas Horchak, director of the club, gave a lecture on gestures. *Bruce Chwalek.*

Dayton Graduates

DAYTON, Ohio — The Imperial House Motel was the scene of the December meeting of the Graduate Club here. The evening had a bicentennial flavor with emphasis on 1976.

One speech was on the feminist movement, by Navada Miller, and another on political change, by Richard Dobbek.

Finger sandwiches were served by Ron and Mary Roberts. A cake

decorated as the American flag graced the dessert table.

Leon Roeth presided over the meeting; Ken Devilbiss had table topics. *Paula Roeth.*

Dance Attracts 10 States

WASHINGTON — Two hundred sixty singles 10 or older from at least 10 states, representing about 45 churches, made the D.C. singles' dance at the Montgomery Cedar Club the night of Dec. 27 a cosmopolitan success.

States represented included North Carolina, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Indiana, Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, West Virginia and California.

The well-planned dance included a get-acquainted hour, buffet, games, special entertainment and decorations of green and gold.

Maceo Hampton's Metropolitan Combo from New York City provided a fast-paced rhythmic brass sound and granted a half-hour encore when midnight raced on the scene.

Many guests took advantage of the opportunity to tour the nation's capital. *Robert Curry.*

10 Degrees Ignored

WICHITA, Kan. — The annual winter semiformal dance was held at the Cotillion Ballroom Jan. 3. Two hundred dancers ignored a 10-degree winter night to dance to the music of the Newt Gaber Trio.

Midnight found the dancers wanting more of the trio's waltzes, polkas, oldies and contemporary tunes. *John Williams.*

Widows' and Housewives' Club

DETROIT, Mich. — Twenty-five members of the widows' and housewives' club here enjoyed an outing at the Cranbrook Academy of Art and the Cranbrook Institute of Science Jan. 4, even though the temperature plummeted to 10 degrees.

The ladies saw sculptures and a furniture exhibit in the art museum and then viewed a 30-minute presentation on astronomy at the planetarium.

Also of interest at the science institute was a spectacular gem-and-mineral show, along with many unusual exhibits on the flora, fauna and wildlife of Michigan.

The museum also featured a display of workable scientific experiments in the physics and mathematics fields.

Afterwards the ladies enjoyed a meal and chat at a cafeteria.

Chaperons were Mr. and Mrs. Stan Denzinger, members of Detroit West. *Stephen R. Brown.*

Freedom Train

FRESNO, Calif. — The local preteens were treated Dec. 21 when



ANNUAL FAMILY SOCIAL — A trio of sisters — from left, Elaine and Mary Jane Cottingham and Sara Jo Campbell — sings "Something Better to Do" at an annual Columbia, Mo., family dinner and social.

the regular monthly activity was coordinated with the visit of the Bicentennial Freedom Train to this city.

According to local newspapers, the train last visited the Fresno area in 1948. Dean Flowers and Clyde Hubbard, the preteen coordinators, decided this was an opportunity too great to miss, so tickets were purchased well in advance and arrangements were made for the preteens to go through the train as a group.

According to the Chamber of Commerce, 45,000 persons visited the Bicentennial Freedom Train during its three-day stay in Fresno.

The day's activities were topped off with a wiener roast and games at Roeding Park. Three-legged sack races were held in two age-groups. Matthew Townsend and Bryan Flowers were winners in the category for 6- to 8-year-olds, and Nora and Neva Roman were the winners of the 9- to 12 age-group.

Touch football and soccer were played by both boys and girls. *Dean Flowers.*

Foster Retains Title

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Norm Foster again fought off the challenge of Mike Stites to win the second Long Beach Church Tennis Tournament at El Dorado Park here Dec. 25 ("Wrap-Up," June 9, 1975).

The semifinalists in the four-round elimination were the same as in the previous tournament. Both semifinal matches, held concurrently at Millikan High School here, were tense and hard fought. Foster had to battle from behind to defeat Mel Williams 5-7, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3, while Stites also dropped the first set but gradually wore down the much improved Jack McDonald 8-10, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

The final match saw Foster at the top of his form while Stites was having trouble getting untracked. Dropping the first set and finding himself behind 3-1 in the second, Stites staged a brilliant comeback but was not quite able to make up for his poor start. The match ended with the unusual score of 6-0, 10-8, 6-0. *George Breidenthal.*

Southern Tier Kings

VESTAL, N.Y. — The Southern Tier Kings basketball team (associated with the Binghamton and Painted Post, N.Y., churches) defeated a recently organized Mount Pocono, Pa., team 50-48 on Jan. 4.

Led on by Roger Robb Jr. and John Lambert, 16 and 14 points respectively, and aided by a 10-point effort by Robb's younger brother Richard, the purple-and-white-suited Kings halted a comeback attempt by the Mount Pocono squad in the closing seconds of play.

The Pocono players were led by an 18-point splurge by Nick Bedio, the only Pocono player to reach double figures.

In an earlier 16-minute match, the Pocono team had prevailed 19-12. *Joel Wheeler.*

Mr. Mokarow's Seminar

WASHINGTON — The Baltimore, Md., and Washington churches met for combined services here Dec. 13 to hear Art Mokarow of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation.

That evening 148 people from both churches and from the Hagerstown, Md., congregation met to hear Mr. Mokarow outline facets of the foundation, including the purpose and goals of the AICF Extension Center, which he directs.

The next day, Dec. 14, the Washington church was host of a seminar billed as a preview of others to be sponsored by the AICF aimed at helping people in every facet of their lives. More than 180 members and nonmembers attended the all-day session, entitled Self-Development (See WRAP-UP, page 14)

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Through Group Relations.

The Adult Education Center of the University of Maryland, between Washington and Baltimore in University Park, Md., was the site of the meeting.

Larry Salyer, pastor here, who had invited Mr. Mocarow and his assistant, Chris French, to the area in the first place, was pleased with the meetings:

"I felt the weekend was a success. I think the members were encouraged to see the potential for growth which exists in every area of their lives." Robert Curry.

Here's . . . Dave!

ST. PAUL, Minn. — A fun show was held here Dec. 6 entitled *The Johnny Larson Show*, or *The Last Nite Show*.

An idea of Dave Swagger, it was enthusiastically supported by St. Paul minister Bill Jahns.

The entire performance was by Church members and their children.

The evening consisted of a potluck dinner, two cartoons, a Laurel-and-Hardy movie and *The Johnny Larson Show*.

Mr. Larson was played by Mr. Swagger. His announcer, Ms. McFanny, supposedly a girl friend of Ed McMahon, was played by Terry Lundberg.

The show consisted of jokes, juggling, music, pantomime and a swami. Richard Maness.

Basketball Month

ALBANY, N.Y. — December was basketball month in Upstate New York and western New England.

The first game was between the Buffalo, N.Y., and Concord, N.H., church teams in Springfield, Mass., Dec. 6. The game went into double overtime, with Buffalo's good teamwork bringing in the victory in the last minute.

The second game was that same night between an Albany-Springfield, Mass., team and a team put together by the Bridgeport and Hartford, Conn., churches. This game was won by Albany-Springfield.

Conspicuous on the court for dexterity and speed were Leon Sims and Bobbie and Kevin Foy of the Albany area.

Both teams need more practice together; the players' geographic divergence is a hindrance to the development of teamwork and precision playing.

The third game was Dec. 27, again at Springfield, between an Albany-Springfield men's team and the Concord men. The former team won in a close contest.

The fourth game, also Dec. 27, was between Buffalo and Bridgeport-Hartford. It was a wipe-out, with Buffalo taking the honors.

The fifth game, also Dec. 27, was between Albany-Springfield and Concord. The latter team won 65-58.

The month's activities ended with a smash-bang teen dance for players and cheerleaders from Albany and Buffalo, plus other teens of the Albany church area. Phyllis Grau.

Spokesmen Go to Jail

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The Spokesman Club and guests toured the Indianapolis-Marion County jail Dec. 14 because they wanted to learn about crime, punishment and law.

The tour included the offices and explanation of duties and a look at undercover narcotics agents, plus all four floors of the cell blocks. Tom Mink.

Teen Resourcefulness

ATLANTA, Ga. — Birmingham, Ala., and Atlanta teens and chaperons traveled to Oak Mountain State

Park in central Alabama for a 2½-day excursion Dec. 24 to 26.

The first day was spent getting acquainted and playing indoor and outdoor games. Hot dogs and other food punctuated the evening mealtime. A sing-along finished the day's activities, and all retired to cabins for the night.

The next day was slated for a hike and hayride, but the weather refused to cooperate. Heavy rains called for a change in plans as teen resourcefulness came into play and the hours were not wasted. A variety of indoor activities were self-generated. That evening hamburgers and all the trimmings marked the meal hour, followed by a dance to taped music.

The last day was spent horseback riding. Kenneth Martin.

First in a Series

DALLAS, Tex. — The first in a series of Bible lectures for area *Plain Truth* subscribers was held Dec. 2 in the Casa View Library. Subscribers from Casa View, a suburb of Dallas, had received written invitations from Pasadena.

James Lee, assistant pastor of the Dallas churches, secured the hall, organized the meeting and delivered the address. His topic emphasized the effort to fulfill the Church's commission to preach the Gospel to the world and was designed to introduce the college-produced film *Herbert W. Armstrong: Ambassador for World Peace*.

After the lecture and film, cookies and coffee, provided by members, were served. Similar lectures for other Dallas suburbs are planned. Ronnie Gray.

Coming Along

SALEM, Ore. — The third meeting of the Salem Graduate Spokesman Club was held at VIP's Restaurant here Jan. 5. Richard Parker, church pastor and club director, commented the club is coming along but needs a little humor.

Topic chairman for the meeting was Dave Henion. Bud Markel was toastmaster. Speakers were Paul Anderson, Clarence Kramer, Dave Mason and Leonard Ackler.

Officers are Bob Thomas, president; Gerry Cranford, vice president; Charles King, secretary; Howard Bruce, treasurer; and Earl Nixon, sergeant at arms. Howard Bruce.

The Talented Spinnagels

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — On a cold, wintry Dec. 14, the senior citizens from here gathered at the home of Erskine and Tommie Joe Stewart for an afternoon of games, contests and fellowship. An early supper was served with lots of hot, spiced apple cider. Their next event will be in early spring.

Then, after the Sabbath of Dec. 20, a winter camp-out convened at Beulah, Colo., where Sam Reese had arranged for a lodge. There was supper, then dancing and a sing-along, with music furnished by the talented Spinnagel family (John, Donna, Janette and Cary).

On Sunday, after wall-to-wall sleeping bags, a breakfast was followed by all kinds of sports: tubing, snowballing and horseshoe pitching. A few remained indoors by a fire. T.J. Stewart.

Dancing Mannequin

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — A Hawaiian luau was held in the roundhouse at Hamilton Park Dec. 3. The dress was muumuu and brightly colored gowns for the women and bright shirts for the men.

The meal, planned by Mr. and Mrs. James Penney, was hors d'oeuvres made of nuts, cheeses, salads, vegetables, desserts and barbecued goat meat.

The table decorations, which were made by Jane Barrett, included floating candles and handcrafted hibiscuses and terraria with candles.



LUAU — Mr. and Mrs. Lester Casson, left, try Hawaiian-style food at the Chattanooga church's luau Dec. 3. Minister Bill Cowan, right, tries a man-size goat hindquarter. (See "Dancing Mannequin," this page.) (Photos by Ken Browder)



When the guests arrived they were welcomed by a hula-dancing mannequin, a forest of palm trees and flowers. Sea creatures adorned the windows. An island was in the center of the large room with a live volcano, which erupted during the festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Casson were in charge of the decorations. Several ladies in the church had contributed plants and shells. Mr. and Mrs. Keigwin Maxfield brought several lovely orchids.

Mr. and Mrs. Ridley Barrett, who worked hard getting the table decorations ready, worked even harder dancing. During one dance it was a draw to see who could hold out the longest, the Barretts or the band.

Bill Cowan, pastor, said he hoped the church would be able to have another luau. Peggy Owen.

Guitar and Fiddle Music

ANNISTON, Ala. — The Anniston and Gadsden, Ala., churches have had talent shows and square dances in the past few months. On Jan. 3 in Anniston Tom Williams, a Gadsden local elder, and other musicians played guitar and fiddle music.

Members from Gadsden, including Marlene McWhorter, sang "Mockingbird Hill."

R.L. Pace was master of ceremonies. Verna Faye Johnson.

Nostalgic '50s

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The teens here went back to the 1950s Jan. 3 with a nostalgic '50s dance at Kams Community Center, near Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Prizes were given for the best dressed and best dancers.

Keith Chance and Jennifer Smith, both of Knoxville, were chosen the best-dressed boy and girl. David Johnson of Knoxville and Della Jared of Cookeville, Tenn., were chosen best dancers.

Another activity of the teens sponsored by the Knoxville chapter of Youth Opportunities United was a roller-skating party Dec. 14. After an hour and a half of skating, everyone met at a pizza parlor for lunch. Linda Beach.

Sapphire Sparklers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Sapphire Sparklers 4-H Club of Kansas City East began its third year with installation of new officers Nov. 15.

They are Venita Manning, president; Sharon Seward, vice president; Ann Hays, secretary; Mary Hays, treasurer; Theresa Harmon, reporter; and Doreen Katchmarik, song-and-gate leader.

Tiffany Anderson, Laura and Melissa Brown, Kari Fleharty, LeAnne Katchmarik and Angela

Suhr received their first-year pins. The other girls received cards for completing their second year.

The Sapphire Sparklers received their charter and seals for the first and second years. They have completed projects and crafts and sewing and will add cooking and child-care projects this year.

Minister Fred Davis and his wife instituted 4-H in Kansas City East before being transferred to Phoenix, Ariz. Pat Katchmarik.

Brightened Party

FORT SMITH, Ark. — Ladies from this church went to Spiro, Okla., Dec. 30 for a canasta party in the home of Geneva Neely. Evelyn Marston was the chauffeur for the day. Some of the ladies brought food.

During the canasta game, ideas were exchanged. Louise McIntosh, a nurse, gave tips on vitamins and health. Kathy Holmes, president of the ladies' club, invited ideas for future activities.

Mae Loyd brightened the party with her pecan pie. Geneva Neely.

Host for 18 Eligibles

MAIDSTONE, England — Minister Michael Bousfield was host for 18 eligibles under 40 years of age from the Maidstone and Orpington churches at his home in the County of Kent Jan. 1.

Before lunch was football and air-pistol shooting.

A lunch of roast turkey was prepared by Mrs. Bousfield and some of the ladies.

During the afternoon Mr. Bousfield led a short hike along the lanes near his home.

As sunset fell, indoor games were organized. These consisted of miming to song and film titles and dancing. Dave Coverdale.

Family Affair

COLUMBIA, Mo. — This church held its annual family dinner, social and talent show, plus square dancing, at the American Legion Hall Dec. 27.

Emcee Larry Richardson first introduced Robert Cole with banjo and Elgin Smith and Bill Oswald on guitar.

Others who performed: George and Carolyn Douglas, Bryan Conrad and Elizabeth Conrad sang; Julie Walker performed a "great-conductor" act; Dana Haymart played the piano; Murrel Jackson sang a medley; he was accompanied by Mr. Oswald's steel guitar; Bob Goetz and Larry Patterson presented a comedy-song routine; Carole Cottingham sang; Vandy Stone played clarinet; Bill and Barbara Oswald and their six children — Clay, Connie, Christine, Carlene,

Camella and Carmen — sang "Singing in the Kitchen"; a trio of Elaine and Mary Jane Cottingham and their sister Sara Jo Campbell sang; Libby Sheffield did a cheerleader routine; Robert Cole, Elgin Smith and George Douglas sang.

Clyde Douglas, a deacon, handled the electronics; Doug [?], also a deacon, had designed the "winter-shindig" backdrop.

Musicians for the square dance after the talent show were Monroe McCall, on fiddle; Robert Cole, banjo; and Elgin Smith and Bill Oswald, guitar. Hazel Kanatzer.

Western Spaghetti

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. — Fifty people attended a potluck spaghetti dinner after Sabbath services Nov. 27.

The church converts the meeting hall into a dining hall for such occasions.

Myrtle Russell had organized the fare; there were all kinds of salads, breads, desserts and snacks.

Don Russell insisted that all be treated to his wife's homemade spaghetti sauce.

Leonard Schreiber, minister, who lives in Ashland, and his wife also assisted for the affair. Douglass Anderson.

Systematic Planning

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The Women's Club of the church here met Dec. 7 for its monthly meeting at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge. The luncheon was enjoyed by 48 women, together with ministers David Orban and Joe Taylor.

Shirley Morgan had charge of table topics.

Bea Allen's speech was on how to be better organized in daily living, including tips on systematic planning for the Feast of Tabernacles.

Jeanette Chance told of ways parents can help their children in school by participation in programs and activities. Mrs. Clarence Beeler.

Nicer Shade of Green

SINGAPORE — A friend presented Carol Lim some paint, then he and the fellows proceeded to paint her flat.

Was this a new sales gimmick from the company?

No, only some Christians in deed. They are Chinese brethren here: Kim Toon, Terance and William Chee Seng and Miss Tan Loo Tui. Miss Lim's home took on a nicer shade of green.

The flat is part of an 11-story block of low-cost government housing. In this area there are more than 200 blocks of multistory apartments of varying designs and sizes with (See WRAP-UP, page 15)

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parks and recreational facilities. Every five years the government housing board paints the exterior walls. After a hard day's work the painters went to a nearby swimming pool for a dip. *Carol Lim.*

Lively Tunes

LAKE CHARLES, La. — Following Sabbath services Dec. 20, the church here had a potluck supper; then the teens decorated the Shrine Hall with snowmen, snowflakes and snowbanks for the Winter Dance. Paul Herrmann and Les Saints from the New Orleans church played, and the brethren danced to lively tunes, bunny hops and waltzes. *Florence Nail.*

December Tea

TORONTO, Ont. — The Toronto Central church was officially formed in January, 1975, from the well-established Toronto East and West churches. Members felt torn from their friends and thrown together in an entirely different atmosphere; it was quite a change.

Something was needed to establish the new church. A tea social was planned for Dec. 6 in hopes of bringing the Central members closer. It did just that and was a success.

The credit goes to all the ladies for their sandwiches and cookies. Several members commented they would like more fellowship teas in the future. *Rita Jardim.*

Periodic Get-Together

HOUSTON, Tex. — Twenty-two women met for lunch in a cafeteria Dec. 9. Periodically the get-together is held in different parts of town. Newcomers to any of the three Houston churches are especially welcomed, and it is an opportunity for ladies from different churches to visit each other between Holy Day meetings.

The idea has been successful and growing in popularity here since July, 1973.

Judy Briseno was remembered with a get-well card signed by all the "lunch bunch." She remains in poor health. *Mrs. Philip Pettyjohn.*

Costume Carnival

WHEELING, W. Va. — A costume carnival was held here Dec. 13 that included a puppet show, cakewalk, egg relay race, judging of costumes, door prizes and other games. *Mrs. James E. Ash.*

Basketball Teens

MARYSVILLE, Wash. — Twelve basketball games in three days left basketball fans hoarse and tired as teams of teens from Spokane, Olympia, Tacoma, Seattle and Sedro-Woolley, Wash., and Vancouver, B.C., played for improved standings in the battle-to-be in the Portland regional play-offs in February. The Sedro-Woolley church was host of the tournament in the Marysville Junior High School gymnasium.

The 5½-hour daily program began Friday, Dec. 26.

Sunday's play started with Tacoma No. 2 meeting Seattle. A close first half preceded Seattle's scoring surge, which ended in a 53-38 victory for Tacoma. James Easton led Seattle's scorers with 19, and Wayne Pate bagged 10 for Tacoma.

Spokane No. 1 bowed to Tacoma No. 1's Terrible Trojans 62-40 after a tight first half. Rod McConnell of the Trojans poured in 23 points, including a spectacular last-second long shot, and Spokane's Dan Jager had 18.

Vancouver's visiting Vikings vanquished Spokane No. 2 with a score of 35-27, their Ken Hall tipping in 11 points, although Spokane's

Doug Graybeal had high points for the game with 13.

Host Sedro-Woolley encountered Olympia in the finale in a close, exciting contest, tying it with but a minute left in the game. But costly fouls contributed to Sedro-Woolley's loss, 34-29. Pete Vulchey had 13 points for victorious Olympia, and Sedro's Kirt Kelstrup put in 20.

Enthusiastic cheerleaders supported their teams and added color and spice to the tourney. Tacoma No. 1's cheerleaders, who did a perky semidrink number Saturday night during halftime of their team's game, were chosen by the judges for a Miss Cheerleader award. The eight girls were Julie and Tricia Goethals, Elaine Pate, Rita Graves, Jill Garnett, Judy Hendrickson, Felicia Revis and Karen Schow.

Wayne Hageman, who had organized and directed the tournament, presented trophies to Mr. Rebound (Dan Park, Spokane, No. 2), Mr. Assists (Kirt Kelstrup, Sedro-Woolley), Mr. Steals (Glen Davies, Vancouver) and Mr. Hustle (Jeff Herrmann, Tacoma, No. 1).

Coaches were Paul Pelela, Olympia; Ted Brush, Seattle; Gil Goethals, Tacoma; Wayne Hageman, Sedro-Woolley; Paul Shumway, Spokane; and Lorne Davies Jr., Vancouver.

The Sedro-Woolley brethren opened their homes to the visiting teenagers and coaches, and the Sedro-Woolley ladies staffed the snack bar throughout the tournament. *Jo Morehouse.*

Farewell to the Orchards

TEMORA, Australia — After Sabbath services here Dec. 28, some 76 members took part in an afternoon

talent show presented at the Feast of Tabernacles at Kenmare, Ireland, last September.

After the show the members were impressed with the warmth and gratitude of the staff and guests.

Local radio covered the events and interviewed some of the guests, whose comments were favorable.

The Belfast church now has a public-relations officer to organize such performances. These will help the community see that God's Church wants to serve others. *Ellen Kingsmore.*

Meeting With International Flavor

MOBILE, Ala. — Seventy members of the Gulf Coast Women's Club met at the Grand Hotel at Point Clear, Ala., for their January meeting.

The meeting, planned and emceed by Linda Smith, wife of the pastor at Mobile and Fort Walton Beach, Fla., began with lunch in the hotel's dining room, which overlooks picturesque Mobile Bay.

After lunch the women moved to a club room on the top floor of the hotel, where four chefs from some of Mobile's finest international restaurants — representing Chinese, Greek, Italian and Mexican cuisine — demonstrated their techniques and revealed some of their secrets in preparing their native dishes.

The Mexican chef of the Spanish Villa prepared a full-course meal beginning with a guacamole salad and ending with an enchilada.

The Greek chef of Zitsos' Cafeteria explained the art of Greek cooking.

The Chinese chef, David Wong, brought nearly his whole kitchen staff with him to demonstrate the deboning and skinning of a chicken, the making of sweet-and-sour chicken,

frivolous friend Linda Godin. Lloyd Drover and Rick Blazecka demonstrated their wit and repartee in their rendition of Noah's Ark, and Samantha Moss, 10, played a brilliant violin duet with her sister at the piano.

The best part of the dance session was the appearance of the long, tall Texan on his big, white horse and with his 10-gallon hat. Actually, it was Rick Blazecka, who had spent hours making his horse out of papier-mache. *Lorna Lukinuk.*

Operation Escape

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Fifty-six members here took to the mountains Dec. 24 to 28 in what became known as Operation Escape.

The place of safety, primarily from the hustle and hyperexcitement of city life at Christmastime, was Chesterville Youth Camp, 4,500 feet up in the 7,400-foot Blue Mountains.

High points of the four-day operation included a picnic at Cinchona Botanical Gardens, at which some 40 members and children played cricket, football, baseball and other games.

The only serious business on this occasion was eating; many pounds of camp-made food were put away. This was as much to provide warmth in the sub-70-degree atmosphere as to supply energy to play and for the five-mile return trip to camp.

After coming up from the camp, hiking part of the way, with assistance from two cars and a Land Rover, many in the group, including women and children, decided to hike most of the way back.

Believe it or not, this was merely a warm-up for the highest point of the operation, 5,060 feet high, in fact.

hamburger barbecue after the Sabbath was followed by a sing-along and talent show.

Operation Escape ended Sunday, Dec. 28, as members began their return to the city in time for work the next day. *Carlton Gordon.*

December Picnic

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — About 125 members and families enjoyed an outing that began at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 7 with a basketball game between the Seniors (20 to 30 years of age) and the teenagers. The score was 21-20 at halftime; the game ended with the Seniors winning 56-52.

It was a perfect day, with the temperature in the low 80s. On the grounds of Lake Vista Park were games of horseshoes, volleyball and cards.

Tables had been spread with gourmet foods. *Michael Meis.*

Supper for the Church

MERIDIAN, Miss. — Young people of this area sponsored a supper for the church Dec. 20. On the menu were chili, frankfurters, apple-sauce, mixed vegetables, cakes, hot chocolate and coffee.

The supper, at the Meridian Council of Garden Clubs Building, was directed by Janan Oliver, teen-club president, and assisted by Mark Denny. Forty-four attended.

Afterwards was a short sing-along conducted by Wendell McCraw and table games. Then several young people and adults went to the Playland amusement facility to roller-skate or bowl. First-time skaters were Tony Diaz, Stephanie Diaz and Anita Walker.

Later six girls stayed overnight at the Tom Steinback home for a slumber party and cheerleading practice. They were Laura Diaz, Stephanie Diaz, Jennifer McCraw, Katherine Reeves, Anita Walker and Carey Watkins. *Charla Steinback.*

Valuable Engravings

SEATTLE, Wash. — Boy Scout Troop 2 of the Seattle church is involved in an unusual community project in conjunction with the county and city police departments. The pilot program is designed to discourage theft and burglary and facilitate the recovery of stolen goods.

The scouts use engravers to mark valuables with the owners' driver's-license numbers. They then leave a 2-by-5-inch red decal with the house or apartment owner or renter. The decal warns a potential robber that valuables within the house have been marked; it is hoped the thief would be discouraged from breaking in.

The one-year-old 25-member troop has a full calendar of events planned. Scoutmaster Chuck MacLearnsberry says the scouts plan to have at least one outing a month in 1976. A "winter shakedown" is planned for historic Ft. Flagler.

In the planning also are trips to Camano Island or Gold Creek; training in igloo construction and overnight survival; and first-aid and citizenship training.

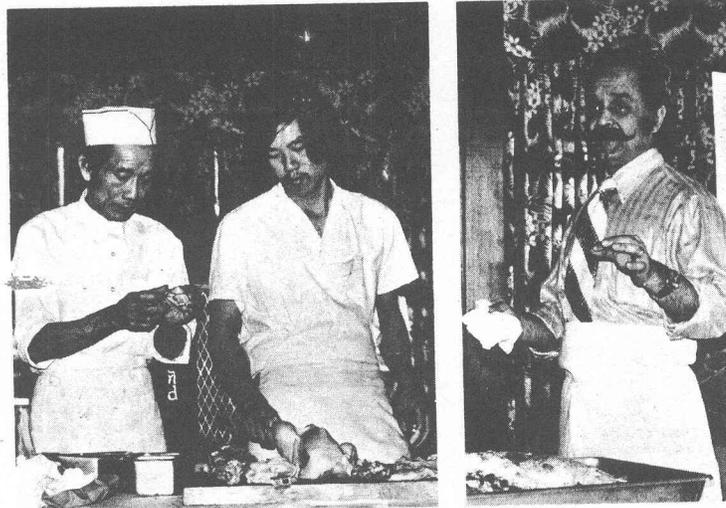
A three-day bike hike is set for June; a canoe trip and mountain hike are to follow in July and August. *Mike McDermott.*

Going Away

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — A farewell party was given Nov. 22 at the YWCA in honor of the Gary Hohnholt family, which later moved to Grand Island, Neb.

The Hohnholts were one of the pioneer families of the St. Joseph church when it started 8½ years ago.

Eighty people attended the evening of games, dancing and visiting. As a going-away gift, the Hohnholts were presented an autograph book, which everyone present had been asked to sign and include his address. *Jackie Ristan.*



FOREIGN FOODS — Two Chinese cooks from a Mobile restaurant show how to prepare chicken for cooking, left, and Pete Zitsos, right, a Greek chef, prepares a leg of lamb in demonstrations for the January meeting of Mobile's women's club. (See "Meeting With International Flavor," this page.) (Photos by Linda Smith)

tea as a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Orchard. Mr. Orchard, pastor, was transferred to the Melbourne North church.

The Temora church is one of the smallest in number but covers one of the largest areas.

A gift of an encribed silver ice jug was presented to the Orchards.

Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Colin Sutcliffe. Mr. Sutcliffe replaced Mr. Orchard as pastor here.

Mrs. Orchard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sutcliffe. *Mrs. Y.A. Druce.*

Irish Hillbillies

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — A group from the church here recently visited a home for deprived boys to present a hillbilly act. Elderly people in the area had also been invited.

Members sang country-and-western songs that were taken from a

en, the technique of cutting vegetables and the making of almond cookies.

Maria Stafford, from Italy, prepared a pizza and lasagna. *Sarah Ryerson.*

Hungry Hordes

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Peasants in prints, patches and jagged jeans describes the costumes of the Hard Times Social here Jan. 4. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson won the prize for the best costumes.

A foot-stomping, hand-clapping sing-along started the day, followed by a game session.

The teenage girls held a bake sale to raise funds for their cheerleading uniforms.

Chili on a bun with coleslaw filled the hungry hordes at mealtime.

During the entertainment, Roger Reimer got a pie in the eye from

The next day 17 survivors of the Cinchona affair, including two women and two children under 10, launched a single-filed assault on Catherine's Peak, the fifth-highest mountain in the Jamaican Blue Mountain range.

Among those who began the 2½-hour climb through beautiful, thick woods and grasslands and a cold drizzle was Kingsley Mather, recently ordained preaching elder from the Bahamas, who is also responsible for the church in Jamaica.

The group was led by Carlton Gordon.

The descent took just over half the time it had taken to get up.

A Sabbath service was conducted Dec. 27 by Mr. Mather at the camp, attended by 56 persons, including 16 who had traveled up from Kingston especially for the occasion. A

THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

PASADENA — Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rader celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Jan. 26.

Mr. Rader is vice president for financial affairs for the Work.

The Raders were honored on their anniversary with a dinner at the home of Herbert W. Armstrong here.

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BIG SANDY — Garner Ted Armstrong's guest appearance on *Hee Haw* was seen on many U.S. television stations Jan. 31.

Hee Haw, a nationally syndicated country-western program, is viewed by 35 million people, according to Sherwin McMichael, the Church's director of personal appearances, who helped arrange the appearance.

Mr. Armstrong performed two songs, "Put Your Hand in the Hand," with the *Hee Haw* cast, and a song he helped write, "Workingman's Name." The former song was shown during the first half of the hour program, and "Workingman's Name," accompanied by Buck Owens, the show's colost, was the last song of the show.

Mr. Armstrong also introduced a "salute," a regular feature of the program, for his hometown of Eugene, Ore.

Mr. McMichael, who was with Mr. Armstrong when the program was taped in Nashville, Tenn., in October (*The Worldwide News*, Oct. 27), said everything Mr. Armstrong had taped was broadcast except for some conversation with Mr. Owens.

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PASADENA — A going-away party for Frank Brown, new regional director of the British Work (*The Worldwide News*, Jan. 19), was

given Jan. 31 after Sabbath services by members of the Pasadena Imperial P.M. church.

After being appointed business manager of Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God in 1973, Mr. Brown became pastor of the Imperial congregation, largely made up of employees of the Financial Affairs Division.

Mr. Brown plans to arrive in London, England, Feb. 5, when he will formally take charge of the Work in Britain.

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BIG SANDY — The Texas Ambassador Singers of this Amba-



RAY HOWARD

sador College campus will perform here and at four other church areas in February, announced Ray Howard, director.

Their program, which has a bicentennial theme, is the same one they plan to take on tour during the college's spring break this year.

The singers are scheduled to perform in Dallas, Tex., Feb. 7; Big Sandy Feb. 10; Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 13 to 15; San Antonio, Tex.,



EVANGELISTS PLAY CHESS — Ronald Dart, evangelist and executive vice president of Ambassador College in Big Sandy, plays a game of chess with Garner Ted Armstrong while in Bricket Wood, England, recently. Mr. Dart spent two weeks in Bricket Wood Jan. 4 to 18, and Mr. Armstrong was there over the weekend of Jan. 16 to 18. Mr. Dart said he and Mr. Armstrong play chess each opportunity they get because "it is a very good form of relaxation." He said the two are "pretty evenly matched" in their chess confrontations. The two were also pictured matching their wits on the chess board in the Nov. 10, 1975, issue of the *WN*. [Photo by Lyle Christopherson]

Feb. 20 to 22; and New Orleans, La., Feb. 27 to 29.

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PASADENA — Regional finals in the 1976 national teenage basketball tournament will be held in eight U.S. cities this month, according to Mike Blackwell, associate director of Youth Opportunities United (YOU). Finals will be played Feb. 14 and

15 in Harrisburg, Pa.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Des Moines, Iowa; Amarillo, Tex.; and here. On Feb. 21 and 22 will be finals in Gainesville, Ga., and Portland, Ore. Big Sandy's finals are set for Feb. 28 and 29.

The winner from each regional tournament will participate in the national finals, to be held April 16 to 19 on the Ambassador campus here. Mr. Blackwell announced plans

for a manual for coordinators. "We've sent out the first information on YOU sports competition and YOU basketball rules," he said. The material is mailed to pastors, who give it to coordinators.

"It will include everything from bylaws and rules for various activities to setting up a local chapter and responsibilities," Mr. Blackwell said.

Summer program

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Credit would be recorded in Continuing Education Units (CEUs). The CEU is used by U.S. educational institutions participating in the continuing-education program to measure, record, report and recognize participation in courses of study that in the past were not formally recorded in any way.

"The CEU is defined as 10 contact hours of participation in an organized education experience under respon-

sible sponsorship, capable direction and qualified instruction," said Dr. Ward. "The number of CEUs that are earned would be up to the individual. If one decides to take one class for the 10 class days, he would earn one CEU, etc."

He said students enrolled in the program shouldn't have any problems with housing: "The college will open its campgrounds to anyone who wants to camp during the two-week session for a fee of \$10. Student housing will be made available to those who do not wish to camp for a

fee of \$25 per booth [one-room student residence]. A booth will house two adults and a small child. A family of four would need two booths. In addition, meals may be taken in the college cafeteria for a cost of \$1.25 per meal or for a cost of \$50 for 12 days."

Tuition would be \$15 for each CEU.

Depends on Interest

Dr. Ward feels the feasibility of the proposed program depends on Church members' interest.

"There must be a sufficient number of persons interested in the program in order to make it feasible," he said.

Ambassador plans to hold the classes if at least 25 families sign up for them.

He requested that those interested notify his office as soon as possible. "Whether the program will be offered or not will depend upon the commitments" of prospective students, he said.

Classes and Recreation

The proposed schedule includes classes in theology, home gardening, animal care and family living in the morning. In the afternoon would be sessions in photography, journalism, leadership training, personal finance, principles of agriculture and horsemanship.

Dr. Ward pointed out that students would also have full access to college recreational facilities, and they could also take swimming lessons and would have access to the campus sauna.

To apply, fill out and mail the coupon at left.

Ambassador publishes summer-session plans

PASADENA — More than 50 courses are scheduled to be offered at Ambassador College here this summer. The Registrar's Office has announced that the summer session will consist of an 11-week term from June 1 to Aug. 13 and two five-week terms, from June 1 to July 2 and from July 12 to Aug. 13.

The session will have an "open-admissions" policy, according to Dr. William Stenger, registrar. In addition to students currently enrolled at either Ambassador College campus, any high-school senior or graduate is eligible to enroll. An application for admission is not required, Dr. Stenger said.

On-campus housing will be avail-

able for summer students; room-and-board charges will range from \$43 to \$50 per week, depending on the meal plan selected. Tuition is \$30 per unit, with a flat rate of \$240 for eight to 12 units.

The schedule includes courses in biology, business administration, chemistry, computer science, economics, English, geology, German, history, mathematics, music, psychology, sociology, Spanish, speech communication and theology.

For a schedule of classes, registration forms and housing application, return the coupon below to: Admissions Office, Ambassador College, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

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