

NEW CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR — Mr. Albert J. Portune, who was just appointed the director of campaigns worldwide, is shown here. He is presently organizing some 50 campaigns for the next 12 months. [Photo by Ken Treybig]

Directors hold conference

By Dave McKee

PASADENA — The eight United States regional directors of the Worldwide Church of God met in Pasadena with Mr. David Antion, vice president for church administration, for four days, from Sept. 10 through Sept. 13.

The meeting, the third such gathering of the directors since their appointment in January, covered a variety of areas.

The discussions centered around, according to Mr. Antion, how the directors "can better carry out their jobs, how they can better serve their men and the people in the field churches, how we can do a better job of educating our ministers, how we can do a better job of serving God's people and how we can do a better job of supporting the first commission of the Work."

One important item which came under discussion was the opening up of regular Bible studies to the public and the basic format which should be used for these Bible studies.

"All Bible studies in the field are now being turned into public Bible studies," stated Mr. Antion.

103 brethren seen in India

By Richard Frankel

JERUSALEM — In the midst of India's burning drought, gnawing famine, raging floods and accelerating unemployment, renewed hope and courage are being brought to a few of her despondent populace. Two of God's representatives — Mr. Owen Willis, '72 Ambassador College graduate, and I — recently completed a 33-day tour through India and Sri Lanka (Ceylon).

Maharashtra, with its capital of Bombay, was in the grips of a drought in July. At that time there was only one month's water supply remaining for the entire city of Bombay.

God's people there had been praying. (See INDIA, page 11)

Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong took part in some of the meetings and talked about the responsibilities of the ministry.

A presentation was also given by the Business Department for the Work concerning the 1974 budget.

Before the conclusion of the meetings, various research projects were assigned to the directors — projects covering a wide variety of subjects applicable to the ministry, pastoral counseling and service to God's people.

"They were very profitable meetings," commented Mr. Antion, who was also "very pleased" with the regional system and its operation.

Mr. Portune named director, heads 50 coming campaigns

BIG SANDY — "We're working on 50 campaigns for the next 12-month period," announced Mr. Albert J. Portune, newly appointed director of campaigns worldwide, in a telephone interview Friday, Sept. 14. "We hope to nail down the towns and cities and the people who are going to participate in them and then really get going."

Mr. Portune, who served for many years as the business manager of the organization and was named vice president for financial affairs and planning in 1969, is very excited about his new opportunity of being directly connected with the campaigns.

According to Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, executive vice president:

"Mr. Portune is now going to be director of campaigns worldwide. He is still a member of the topmost Executive Committee and will continue to function directly with me and my father at the highest levels in God's Work."

"Mr. Portune has a fine, loyal, converted and qualified staff of men he has developed in that area. Each of them remains right where he is, and has been, in many cases, for years."

He went on to add that "Mr. Frank Brown is interim business manager."

Mr. Portune explained how the transfer came into fruition:

"Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong and a number of us on the Executive Committee have felt for some time now that our evangelists need to do more evangelizing. This seems to be one of the primary callings that God has indicated for the present as well as for the future ahead of us. The personal appearances and the campaigns are a vital dimension in this area."

"Mr. Ted Armstrong has men-

tioned how he wants to get more of our evangelists out speaking before these audiences. He has mentioned in the *Ministerial Bulletin* about specific callings and specific God-given talents or abilities that God has given us in doing certain things.

"He feels that my talents lie in that direction. I personally identify with and have always felt that I would like to have a larger dimension in that kind of work."

"Then, when I went to Edmonton [June 9 and 10] and did the Edmonton campaign, I came back all inspired."

It helped me to realize the deep and profound dimension that these campaigns can have on the lives of those in the audience.

"When I saw people's eyes and how they listened intently with a sincere desire to know, they seemed like (See PORTUNE, page 11)

Applicants to Ambassador urged to take test early

The following guidelines are offered by the Registrar's Offices in Pasadena and Big Sandy concerning the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT):

An application is not complete until the Admissions Office on the campus being applied to receives the Scholastic Aptitude Test scores from the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB).

It is imperative that applicants register early for the SAT; Sunday administrations will be given only in November and December.

Normally these tests are given on Saturday. However, applicants planning to take the SAT on Sunday, Nov. 4, 1973, must have their registration forms postmarked by Sept. 21 because registration must be made six weeks prior to the test date.

Those taking the examinations on Sunday, Dec. 2, must be registered by Oct. 19.

The English Achievement Test, required for those applying to Pasadena, will be given only on Dec. 2. It is important to be registered on one of these two days, since the CEEB requires three to four weeks for processing.

College admissions offices receive applicants' SAT scores approximately four weeks after the test has been taken.

Registration forms may be obtained through high-school counselors or by writing directly to the College Entrance Examination Board, Box 592, Princeton, N.J., 08540, or Box 1025, Berkeley, Calif., 94701.

Be sure also to request a Clergyman's Certification Form with your registration form. This should be signed by your minister and returned with the registration form to the CEEB.

Updated high-school and college transcripts should also be requested early from principals or counselors.

Be sure your class rank is listed on your high-school transcript. An approximation will be sufficient until your final rank is determined, which should then be forwarded to the Admissions Office.

Due to the recent addition of a two-year program at Ambassador College, Big Sandy, the Admissions Office there is offering the following (See APPLICANTS, page 7)

Vienna Symphony to open Auditorium

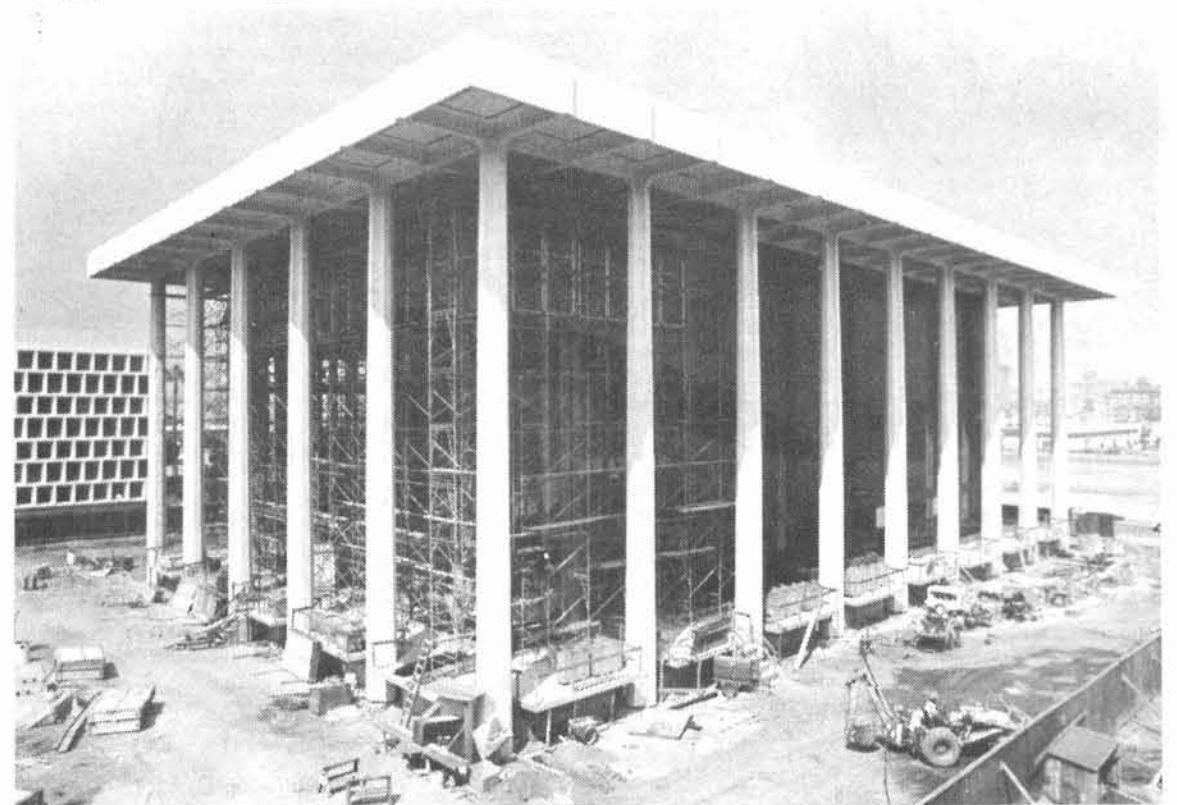
PASADENA — Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong announced at Bible study Friday night, Aug. 31, that the new Auditorium, as yet under construction on the campus here, will be officially opened by a three-night performance of the Vienna Symphony.

The symphony and the opening of the Auditorium are scheduled for the first three days of the Days of Unleavened Bread, April 7, 8 and 9.

It was Mr. Armstrong who personally made the arrangements for the opening concert during a recent trip to Europe. This included a lunch with the conductor of the symphony, Carlo Maria Giulini, who, in the words of Mrs. Lucy Martin, head of the Music Department at Ambassador College in Pasadena, is "one of the outstanding conductors in the world today."

Giulini will lead the symphony through an identical program on each of the three nights, including Beethoven's overture to *Egmont*, Stravinsky's *Firebird Suite* and Brahms' *First Symphony*.

Due to the limited capacity of the building and the heavy demand for seats, attendance will be by invitation only for this premiere performance.



NEW AUDITORIUM — The new Auditorium going up on the Pasadena campus is scheduled to be officially opened by a three-night performance of the Vienna Symphony April 7, 8 and 9. Photo shows completion of the Auditorium so far. [Photo by Ken Evans]

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Travels 70 miles for "News"

I traveled 70 miles on foot to borrow Mr. Herbert T. Zam Heyi's *Good News* and *Worldwide News*. As it would be very useful in my study, I want to have copies of my own. If I could send you I would have sent you \$4 for the first year's subscription. To me personally this paper would be worth the price at \$40 or \$400.

Thomas P. Tial Hoe
Dawngva, Burma

What happened to East German?

Is it possible for you to print some information concerning an article, a letter actually, that appeared in *The Good News*, November-December, 1973? It concerned the brethren in East Germany, specifically Mr. Dietmar Pistorius, who was scheduled to be drafted by the East German army.

What ever happened? Did he get a postponement? Please, if you can, let us know any new developments. It would be appreciated.

Cliff Bonacker
Long Island, N.Y.

We'll do some checking and let you know.

Extension clubs educational

I have been particularly interested to read about the women's clubs organized through Extension Service Homemakers Clubs. As an Extension Service home economist, I would like to encourage church women to contact their local county agent's office for educational information in home economics that is provided as a free service to the public. Extension Services throughout the country offer a wide range of opportunities through the Homemakers Clubs, leader training and program development, and special-interest meetings and workshops.

Another tremendous service offered through the Extension Service is 4-H Clubs for young people ages 9 to 19. The broad objectives of 4-H are to build character and citizenship through projects and activities in home economics, agriculture and urban youth development. Educational materials, professional guidance and leader training are available free to those adults and young people interested in organizing 4-H Clubs; 4-H is fun, educational and wholesome for our church youth.

My main job responsibility is working with over 600 4-H girls in my county. It's rewarding and challenging, but I also see how much more effective a 4-H Club of church youth could be. The combination of learning true values and 4-H could be a great experience for our youth.

Barbara W. Becknell
Andalusia, Ala.

Aware of New York?

Is the staff aware of the fact there are brethren in the New York area, besides Pasadena, Bricket Wood and Big Sandy? As any visiting V.P. will attest to, we're a tough, swingin' bunch! You have to be tough to survive in this jungle.

Yes, we laugh about it — with tears in our eyes. We're ready for that trek to Petra. So maybe just a few lines to inform brethren about the East Coast.

Now, take Mr. Spence — he got his stripes in New York. What other qualification is needed to conduct Bible classes at Leavenworth? Wish he would have copies made of the mug shot of himself — I'd like one.

Sylvia C. Westrate
Jamaica, N.Y.

We have a feature on New York slated for after the Feast.

Enjoys Mr. GTA's "Personal"

I have really enjoyed reading the "Personal" letters from Mr. T. Armstrong. It is good to hear what he has been doing and to be able to pray about it firsthand, so to speak. It looks and reads like a first-class newspaper, and I am amazed at how much information it holds. I know it must take much work to put together such a newspaper and to sort out what to put in and what to leave out.

Mrs. C.A. Burke
Tempe, Ariz.

Record of hymnal

I'd like to make a suggestion about the lovely hymns we sing in church. There are so many beautiful ones and we really don't know how to sing them all, so I

wondered if perhaps the Ambassador College Chorale could sing them and be accompanied by the band and have it put on L.P. records and then offer them for sale to church members who want them.

It would teach us to sing the hymns properly and would be most uplifting music to listen to at home, especially on the Sabbath.

Mrs. Monica Berdin
Toronto, Ontario

We'll pass your suggestion along.

Visiting ministers

I have just come from one of the three most beautiful places on this earth. And as I think back on the beauty, serenity and peace, I just can't help but wonder if those who are privileged to live, work and study at Ambassador College, Pasadena, really stop, occasionally, to see the incredible beauty, as one seeing it for the first time does.

If only ALL of God's people could see headquarters! The lasting memory will be a long time on my mind — forever, I hope.

I stood, unknowingly, on Mr. Herbert Armstrong's doorstep while taking a picture of the pond in his yard. I later found out whose home that was. I wished I could have knocked on the door and been invited in, really been welcome to walk with and get to know the man who decided years ago to obey God [and] who made it possible for a person like myself to obtain God's truth and learn to also obey our magnificent Creator. I realize to be invited into that house or any of God's top ministers' homes is impossible, but it sure would be an inspiring experience.

Mrs. Wende Bassett
Auburn, Wash.

Can't pay for "WN"

I enjoy *The Worldwide News* very much, but I cannot seem to pay for it. I've been going through financial trials and have been borrowing the newspaper from one of the area brethren. She told me you may still have extra funds to help because that is how she receives it.

Mrs. Linda Schmock
Elyria, Ohio

Family is nationwide

Many thanks to the people of the Raleigh and Fayetteville churches (especially the Kobernauts, Colemans and Shigeharas), the people out in Pasadena (especially John Zaprzala, the Nagels and Debbie) and Ken and Sue Peterson in Denver, Colo. You all helped my trip around the country become a warm and memorable experience.

I took a Greyhound "See America" tour for five weeks. The brethren I met were simply fantastic. I felt at home and it didn't even bother me that I traveled alone. In God's Church, you just naturally have family all over.

Miss Roz Woloszyn
Syracuse, N.Y.

Songwriting idea

The songwriting contest gave me an idea I would like to pass on to you. I have been thinking how nice it would be for our little children to have songs fitting for their age group to sing that would put the truth in their minds. There are many stories from the Bible that could be put into songs they would enjoy.

Our five- and three-year-olds love to sing, and we really need songs to teach them that would put God's way into their minds instead of the nursery rhymes that are available to us.

Mrs. Charles Stewart
Webb City, Mo.

Wants article on Mr. GTA

I would like to request that you write an interview of Mr. Ted like the ones about Mr. Antion, Mr. Meredith and other top-rank ministers. I think the new members would like this, and also a family picture of Mr. Ted and wife and three sons. I don't think most of us know what his family looks like.

We have Mr. Herbert's autobiography to learn about his life but no up-to-date article on Mr. Ted and family.

Mr.-Mrs. Otto R. Worten
St. Augustine, Fla.

From Australian readers . . .

I would like to express my appreciation of the newspaper, which has so much interesting material in it. I just wish I had more time to spend reading it. It is tremendous to meditate on the fact that we all have brethren and friends all around the world with whom we are united through one faith and one spirit, though in most instances we do not know each other

personally.

The newspaper keeps reminding us of this fact and makes us realize the scope of the Work that each of us is a part of. Let me again say thank you for keeping us informed of things happening in the Work, so that in turn we can be more effective through our prayers.

Eva Degen
McKinnon, Australia

I desire to add my appreciation in regard to the wonderful blessing this paper provides.

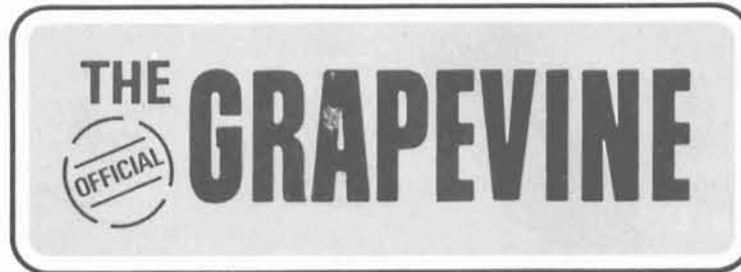
I find it most encouraging to learn of the Work in different areas. One prays for God's blessing on the Work in various places, and to read of its expansion and

something about it makes one realize God hears indeed. The Philippines, for instance. One realizes more fully how much they needed the financial help we sent, and how God assisted His people in spite of martial law.

Could we hear something about the Work in the West Indies and Mexico? I pray daily for those in these areas, and have we brethren in Gibraltar?

I understand the copies of the paper we receive in Australia and New Zealand are printed at Sydney headquarters. That being so, may we hope that when ordinations are made affecting these areas of the Work they will be printed.

Mrs. Ethel Noad
Brisbane, Australia



CALGARY, Alberta — Saturday and Sunday evenings, Aug. 25 and 26, Calgary had its second campaign, exactly one year to the day since Mr. Ted Armstrong's campaign in this Canadian city of 400,000.

Mr. Sherwin McMichael, assistant campaign director for the Work, conducted the meetings. Mr. Al



MR. SHERWIN McMICHAEL

Portune Jr., youth coordinator for the Work, acted as emcee.

Seven hundred sixty-one attended the first night of the campaign, held at the Crescent Heights Senior High School. Seven hundred seventy-three attended the last evening.

Both times well over half those in attendance were non-church members.

PASADENA — The latest message to headquarters from Mr. Harold Jackson, presently on tour of Africa, reads:

"Greetings from Enugu, Nigeria. Out of 25 members scheduled so far on the tour, 16 were visited . . . (nine did not show up).

"Out of 194 PMs [prospective members] scheduled so far, 110 were seen and 17 of these were baptized (84 did not show up).

PASADENA — "I'm in for refitting," jokingly remarked Mr. Colin Wilkins, head of the Geneva, Switzerland, office of the Worldwide Church of God.

In actuality, Mr. Wilkins, along with quite a few other ministers from the United States and the Foreign Work, is in Pasadena for a year of studies.

The office head noted that it has been 10 years since he has been back to Ambassador College, having at that time — in 1963 — graduated from Bricket Wood as the first graduate of that campus.

Mr. Wilkins commented that one of the interesting aspects of his year-long visit to Pasadena is the fact that his three children will for the first time in their lives (and more than likely the last) be attending an English-speaking school: Imperial.

At the close of this academic year Mr. Wilkins will return with his fam-

ily to Switzerland and his responsibilities there as head of the Geneva office and pastor of three churches.

PASADENA — Mr. Leslie L. McCullough, director of the Foreign Educational Service, announced there is a strong possibility Mr. Clarence Bass will be transferred to San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Mr. Bass, who was stationed in Barbados until early 1972, has been visiting throughout the Caribbean from his home base of Miami, Fla.

Mr. McCullough also mentioned the possibility of Mr. Roland Sampson, currently on a baptizing tour in Africa, being transferred to one of the other Caribbean islands.

DETROIT, Mich. — The setting was central Michigan's picturesque Waldenwood Convention Center. With the mid-August weather perfect, 34 ministers, trainees and wives converged on the shores of beautiful Lake Walden for this brief two-day occasion.

Mr. George Kemnitz, Chicago regional director, summed up the conference by stating that its primary



MR. GEORGE KEMNITZ

purpose was to build camaraderie and closeness among those serving the churches in Michigan and Fort Wayne and South Bend, Ind.

Mr. Kemnitz further explained the importance of forming a strong foundation of communication and closeness among the ministry. They would then be better able to teach their churches through a right example.

BIG SANDY — "I just proved to everybody that I'm not hard-nosed," explained Big Sandy's Deputy Chancellor Ronald Dart as he taught classes with a large nose guard protecting his broken nose.

Wednesday night, Sept. 12, the faculty was playing the junior team in the college flag-football league when the freak accident occurred and broke the nose of the deputy chancellor (of all people!).

Blocking in the backfield for a running play, Mr. Dart and a teammate collided — it was Mr. Dart's nose vs. the teammate's shoulder.

The shoulder won and Mr. Dart

visited the hospital to have his nose set and the nose guard put on for protection.

"No, my nose doesn't hurt," answered Mr. Dart to a frequently-asked question on campus this past week. "I have to wear the nose guard for three weeks, especially at night so I don't bump it."

Asked if the nose guard hampers him, Mr. Dart mused:

"It plays a noticeable role in how I kiss my wife."

BIG SANDY — Pilot Frank Sherrick was transferred Friday, Sept. 14, from Pasadena to Big Sandy. The move, according to Big Sandy's Deputy Chancellor Ronald Dart, is part of a general cost-reduction plan for Flight Operations in Pasadena and also to assist the pilots on the Texas campus.

PASADENA — With the new Auditorium on the Pasadena campus drawing nearer completion (with a scheduled completion date of March, 1974), the designation of a supervisor and organizer for the building was required.

Mr. Joe Bauer, formerly campaign director and currently instructor in broadcast journalism here, was appointed to occupy the position.

In fulfilling this position Mr. Bauer will be responsible for ticketing, supervision of publicity and maintenance, the organization of a house and stage crew, the calendar of events, and all other related areas.

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The Foreign Work

Fast-growing Indian Work shows promise for future

By John Meakin

BRICKET WOOD — The origins of today's fast-growing Indian Work stretch all the way back to the early 1950s. It was 1953 when Radio Ceylon first opened its doors to us and *The World Tomorrow* began to beam God's message to the Indian Subcontinent. Response to the broadcast was low, especially by today's standards, and the broadcast ceased in 1955.

Then in 1956 Radio Goa began broadcasting *The World Tomorrow* program. Goa, a Portuguese colony at that time, is situated midway up the west coast of India.

This station, therefore, was able to cover most of the northern area of India. This continued for about a year until we terminated broadcasting in 1957.

Memorable Year

The circulation of *The Plain Truth* slowly began to build up and by 1966 numbered 2,000 people.

This year was memorable, however, for another reason: Our first two members were baptized!

Mr. and Mrs. Kulasingam, after 13 years of patient waiting and correspondence with God's ministers in England, finally achieved their heart's desire and were baptized!

For many years we had told them we would send a minister whenever we could work it out. Finally, after the Feast of Tabernacles that year, Mr. Raymond Cole was able to stop off in Bombay on his return home to America from Australia, where he had attended the Feast.

In 1969 yet another radio station — Radio Maldives — began to carry *The World Tomorrow* program. This is based on the Maldivian Islands — miles out in the Indian Ocean. Responses were steady and further contributed to our growing circulation of *The Plain Truth*.

Late in 1968 the Indian Work came alive with electrifying force. September of that year saw the start of our *Reader's Digest* advertising in India, part of a worldwide effort at that time to advertise our key booklets and *The Plain Truth*.

The response was stunning and

quite beyond our expectations. Each ad carried a coupon with our newly acquired Bombay post-office address.

The mail was collected by Mr. Kulasingam and then packaged for airfreighting to Bricket Wood. Very soon the Kulasingams were submerged in a sea of mail as thousands of letters and cards poured in each week requesting our booklets and a three-month subscription to *The Plain Truth*.

Circulation Soared

In the first six months of advertising we netted well over 32,000 requests, and our *Plain Truth* circulation soared. (It had taken 13 years to build up 2,000 subscribers.)

By the end of 1969 *The Plain Truth's* circulation stood at 57,000 people.

Readers' Digest carried our ads from September, 1968, until March, 1970. At this time *Plain Truth* circulation reached about 70,000 and was therefore pruned with the introduction of an annual renewal policy.

It is also interesting to note that long after we ceased to advertise in *Readers' Digest*, old ad coupons still found their way into people's eager hands from friends and secondhand bookshops. Even to this day we still receive some of these requests each month, now dating back well over four years!

By the time the advertising campaign came to an end we had, in addition to the *Plain Truth* list, built up 14,000 *Tomorrow's World* subscribers, about 1,000 *Correspondence Course* subscribers and 15 co-workers.

We were receiving at Bricket Wood an average of about 10,000 pieces of mail each month, with requests for *The Plain Truth*, booklets and articles and requests for answers to their many questions and even requests to be visited.

Mr. Richard Frankel, now Jerusalem office manager, and his wife had gone on the first tour of India in the fall of 1969. Thirty people had been visited and two were baptized.

Requests built up again over the months, and another tour took place

in February of 1971. Mr. Frankel this time was accompanied by Mr. Chris Carpenter, a 1969 Bricket Wood graduate, who, incidentally, is married to the former Grace Kulasingam.

Major Development

Two further visiting tours took place in 1972. The first was early in the year when about 90 members and prospective members were visited and two baptized.

The second also proved another major landmark in the history of the Work in India with the last two days of the Feast of Tabernacles being observed in Ceylon.

This was followed by a brief visiting tour which lasted a month. Observance of this Feast was preceded, however, by another major development.

From July 1, 1972, we started broadcasting on Radio Ceylon. This followed a visit by Mr. Armstrong to Ceylon (also known as Sri Lanka). The powerful Asian beam can be heard every day throughout the whole of India at 10:30 p.m. on the 19-, 25-, 31- and 41-meter bands on shortwave radio.

We have received responses from all over India — as far away as the foot of the Himalayas and from the eastern and western extremities of the Indian Subcontinent. To date we have received 3,250 responses, which average out to be about 250



THE WORK IN INDIA — Map accompanies article to left on the history of the Indian Work. [Artwork by Mike Hale]

responses per month.

At the time we started Radio Ceylon, Radio Maldives ceased to carry the broadcast.

Today, in 1973, the *Plain Truth* circulation stands at 85,000, with 1,645 taking the newly revised *Correspondence Course*. We get an aver-

age of 6,000 pieces of mail each month.

Although the Indian Subcontinent has few members in the Worldwide Church of God, the recent growth in the number of *Plain Truth* subscriptions shows great promise for the future.

Over 20 million people affected in one of India's worst famines

The following article was written by a member in Bombay, Dr. Sudhir Chandra.

By Sudhir Chandra

BOMBAY, India — India is presently going through one of her worst famines in living memory.

Though nearly all states are affected to some extent, Maharashtra, the western state with Bombay as its capital, is probably

the worst off.

Even today only eight percent of the cultivable area in the state is perennially irrigated.

Known as a "normally deficit" region — two out of every five years are regularly lean — the conditions this time are particularly severe because it is the third bad year in succession.

All the 25 districts of the state have

FAMINE IN INDIA — Photo shows scarcity relief work (canal digging) in progress in Maharashtra. India is presently going through one of her worst famines in living memory.

officially been declared to be experiencing "acute scarcity conditions," a government euphemism for the distasteful word famine.

Over 20 million people are directly affected. It is admitted to be "an unprecedented calamity," according to an official government publication, and the condition of water and fodder is stated to be "precarious as never before."

People in the countryside have had to sell whatever they could — even their cooking utensils and the tin sheets serving as their roofs — and move out, either to the government-organized relief works or to the nearby towns and cities to do odd jobs — or beg.

Most of the fruit trees were dried up and were used as firewood.

The majority of the cattle have either died or were sold to the butchers. Some farmers just set their animals free, scorning to sell them for a few cents.

Most of the plowing in India is still done by bullocks. It costs \$2 a day to feed a bullock; just to keep it alive costs \$1. The daily earnings of an average villager are merely 28 cents.

People have to trek long distances to collect water. Villagers gather from miles around at railway stations to take water from steam engines. Most are drinking unsuitable water, and there have been epidemics of cholera and typhoid.

Even Bombay city is declared to be a compulsory-vaccination area for these diseases.

Food grains are strictly rationed, and the quota is being gradually reduced. The latest fortnightly quota of one pound of rice, five pounds of wheat and one-half pound of sugar per adult is obviously less than the bare minimum.

One may try the traditional black market for the rest of one's require-

(See FAMINE, page 5)



Mexico City's Institución Ambassador

Office serves growing numbers in Latin America

By Jerry Gentry

MEXICO CITY — Just two blocks off the tree-studded Paseo de la Reforma, the historic street where Aztec Emperor Montezuma and later Emperor Maximilian of Austria traveled to their respective palaces when each in turn ruled Mexico, stands the office of Institución Ambassador.

This today serves a growing readership throughout Mexico and Central America.

Just six years ago the Work in Mexico and Central America was nearly nothing — no members, no magazine, no *Correspondence Course*, no radio broadcast and only a few booklets which were sent periodically to scattered persons.

The total mailing list was under 5,000.

Yet in little over half a decade since the Mexico City office was established, a mailing list of about 50,000 in Mexico and another of almost equal number in Central and South America have been built.

Most of these were added through responses to ads in the Spanish edition of *Reader's Digest*.

Today there are about 40 members attending regular Sabbath services in Mexico City.

Interest Mushroomed

Interest in the principles held by Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God began to mushroom when the office was established in October, 1967 — the time when Mr. and Mrs. Enrique Ruíz were assigned to open an office for the Work in Mexico City. With the personal help of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, necessary legal requirements were met, a bank account was established and a small office suite was rented.

After such a very miniscule beginning, the first big growth explosion hit in November, 1968. At that time an unprecedented *Reader's Digest* advertising campaign was launched.

This campaign included ads in the Spanish edition, which circulated in Mexico, Central and South and America.

During the first month alone, as a result of the campaign, some 10,000 letters poured into the Mex-

ico City office, which was in no way physically equipped to process such an avalanche of mail.

(At that time, Mr. and Mrs. Ruíz shared the total work load, including office management, mail reading and answering, typing, addressing, mailing and of course all the official business of operating an office.)

After several months of that great avalanche of mail — in Mexico City and in the Spanish Department at Big Sandy — the only solution at the time was to postpone the massive advertising campaign until a budget and staff could be developed.

(Today the layout, translation and printing of *La Pura Verdad* is done in Pasadena. Also, a great amount of the mailing — particularly to South America — is done from there.)

Seven Employees

Seven employees work full time in the Mexico City office, in addition to general manager Enrique Ruíz.

A work day in the Mexico City office begins at 8:30 a.m. Oscar Moreno and Pablo Dimakis are two enthusiastic staff members. Both

read and answer letters.

They are also currently doing a readership tabulation as part of a study to determine the types and classes of people who are responding to a recently launched three-pronged advertising campaign.

This campaign is promoting *La Pura Verdad* and other literature in leading newspapers, magazines and through 60-second radio spots on several FM stations.

Helping handle the many phone calls, welcoming visitors and typing letters is the energetic, vivacious receptionist, Irma Jimenez.

Other letters are typed by Flora Lorina and Teresa Dimakis, who also serve in keeping the files, addressing envelopes and stuffing and stamping outgoing mail.

Alejandra Miranda is the accountant responsible for keeping the financial end of the office in good record, and Rafael de Arana is the auditor.

With the help of this able group of dedicated employees, the first five of whom are members of the Worldwide Church of God, Mr. Ruíz supervises an efficient operation.

Huge Area

Mexico alone contains over 700,000 square miles, ribbed with mountain chains which stretch into great semideserts to the north, making the whole nation impossible for one man to cover effectively.

The office suite itself is very beautiful, much in keeping with the philosophy of quality of Ambassador College.

The office occupies the whole fifth floor, the penthouse, of a modern office building in downtown Mexico City.

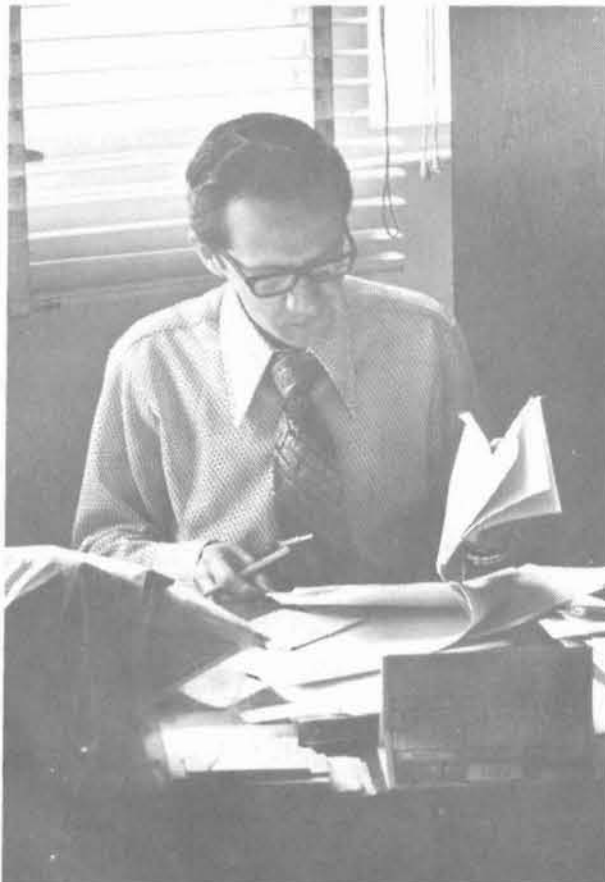
Leafy green plants and a fine inlaid wooden floor add to the decor.

The suite was only recently acquired (March, 1973) when the former much smaller office was simply outgrown.

The Mexico City office personnel show great enthusiasm for the Work they are part of. Getting to know them, their jobs and their needs will perhaps help us all draw a little closer together and help us focus on the truly international scope of this Work.



MEXICO CITY OFFICE STAFF — Shown are some of the office members at their respective jobs. General manager Enrique Ruíz is at his desk. Oscar Moreno, above, and Pablo Dimakis, center, below, tabulate the mail response to a recent advertising campaign. Flora Lorina, below, left, displays some frequently requested literature while Irma Jimenez, below, right, works as secretary-receptionist. Other staff members not shown are Teresa Dimakis (wife of Pablo), Alejandra Miranda and Rafael de Arana. [Photos by Jerry Gentry]



Famine

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ments — at two to four times the controlled prices. But there is not much food even there.

How do people manage? It is quite simple.

"Sometimes we don't eat," said a worker; "we manage."

The mother of a young church member with a large family admonished him not to ask for more at the table or "others in the family would have to go hungry."

Vegetable prices are rising steeply. They have jumped over 200 percent in the past four years.

Cooking oils, another essential item for him, are getting dearer every day. A good-quality tinned variety was available for \$1.25 four years ago. Today's price: \$5.

Prices of meat and fish have doubled in the same period. Eggs have risen by a third. Only the price of milk, supplied by the government dairies, has remained steady — but not its consistency, which is getting increasingly watery.

Man's Natural Tendency

The government has put forth a heroic effort. It is doing its best. Many private agencies have also pitched in to do their bit. Their efforts are, however, limited by man's natural tendency to treat only the effects and be ignorant of the causes.

Many irrigation canals are being dug, but the government admits that "without sufficient rains they cannot be of much help."

Many waterworks remain pending for decades because of interstate quarrels over who should take how much from which river.

A massive program of drilling deep-bore wells is in progress even as some groundwater experts warn of the "dangerous consequences of overlapping the groundwater reserves."

The soil is being "enriched" with chemical fertilizers.

An even greater reliance is being placed on the so-called miracle high-yielding hybrid seeds with their huge requirements of artificial fertilizers and pesticides.

Incidentally, an entire harvest of "IR8" hybrid rice in the state was completely wiped out a couple of years ago by a new and potent virus.

Cattle camps and feeding stations have been opened. Relief works, including road building, are being carried out. Loans are being advanced to farmers, though the government is apprehensive about the "total breakdown of the loan-repaying capacity of the farmer."

Mobile medical teams are being pressed into service to treat the growing sickness. But most of the diseases are primarily caused by malnutrition, for which medicines can obviously do little good.

Too Much Too Early

The new monsoon season has just set in from the middle of June. Maharashtra has welcomed early showers, though in some places it is a case of too much too early.

The people of the state are returning to their farms. But even as they thankfully resume sowing operations, reports of the famine getting severe because of lack of early rains, and of troops being called in as a preventive measure against possible violence, pour in from northern India.

What will it be? Everyone is hoping and praying for this to be a bountiful, or at least an adequate, year — but the prospects are anything but bright.

Now you know

The phrase "white elephant" originated after showman P.T. Barnum exhibited an albino elephant, but it did not attract crowds and Barnum found it difficult to dispose of.



PINNED UNDER TRUCK BED AND LOAD OF GRAVEL — Shown is David Rogers, 20, of Newport News, Va., who was crushed into a two-inch space between the above-pictured truck cab and bed. He indicates the space with a ruler. After the accident, which occurred while he was delivering gravel for a member of the Newport News church, he was taken to a hospital but released 1½ hours later with only a scratch on his arm. He didn't even require a bandage. Complete story appears below.

Letters tell of God's intervention

During the past few months the WN staff has received dozens of inspiring letters. Following are examples of God's intervention in the individual lives of members of God's Church:

Man crushed by truck

Recently we poured a driveway in our back yard. When the young man driving the truck brought the gravel, I showed him where to put it.

He backed the truck into the driveway and raised the bed of the truck — then got out to find the gravel had not come out. He had forgotten to release the lever on the tailgate.

The bed of the truck was now in a raised position. So the young man jumped upon the bed to grab the lever, which he could not reach from the ground. The man, weighing about 160 pounds, caught hold of the bed with one hand and reached for the lever with the other.

The bed fell on him. I yelled for him to jump. He tried, but his foot was caught in the frame of the truck. He was in a sitting position, with his leg in a bent position. With his back against the cab of the truck, the bed of the truck, plus the load of gravel, came crushing down on his knee.

He yelled for me to pull the gears. I jumped into the truck, and as soon as I did, the motor cut off. My daughter and I tried hard to start the motor three times, but we failed. We tried to get the bed to go up, but again we failed.

The man was now being crushed in his stomach and chest. I ran to get help, and in the meantime my daughter Debbie had been inside the house twice to pray. She stood by him all the time.

I couldn't stand to watch. It was so horrible. We screamed for help again and again. A lot of women came, but no man. They were all still at work.

I looked again and saw that the bed of the truck was all the way down to its normal position. I began to pray and to ask God to spare his life.

Debbie was beside him, and his last words to her were to pray. She ran into the house again to pray for him.

All that could be seen of him now was a small portion of his face and some of his shoulder. He was black and blue. He stayed this way for about eight to 10 minutes.

When Debbie and I went back out, the bed of the truck was raised. A man down the street had heard the screams and came to help. A neighbor lady who is a nurse also came to help.

She later said, after she had lifted him

from the frame of the truck, that "he was light as a baby."

The nurse put him on the ground and tried giving him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. She said it was hopeless because of the fluid in his mouth. She said the fluid indicated severe lung puncture.

As we looked on, his shape and color came back — just as if he was just waking up from a sleep. He smiled so sweetly and looked at us — then said, "I'm all right."

The ambulance took him to the hospital. We waited 1½ hours for word on his condition. Finally his father called and said he was putting on his clothes to go home.

He did not even have a broken bone — no brain damage, no punctures — only a small scratch on his arm which didn't even require a Band-Aid.

All the people looking on said this was a complete miracle. My daughter Debbie, who is 13 years old, didn't wait for man's help! She trusted God from the very beginning.

She said later, "Mamma, if I had run away, he would have lost faith."

She also said, "Although he knew I would be back when I went into the house to pray, he needed someone to encourage him," and she did just that by keeping self-control and showing faith that he would be all right.

The policeman who came and the doctors at the hospital said they could not believe he had been under that load of gravel, plus the weight of the truck bed, and still was alive.

All the people that were there saw a miracle performed by God. We know that the man was dead. There was a two-inch space between the cab of the truck and truck bed. This was the area where he was crushed. At the bottom there was no space at all. It was steel against steel.

Dolly McClanahan
Newport News, Va.

Split bone healed

Here now is a bit of news which may help someone grow in faith.

... I broke the index toe on my right foot. I was in Las Vegas. I did not see a doctor until I arrived home 10 days later. [An] . . . x ray . . . showed the bone split down the center of the middle joint. The doctor said it would take a miracle to keep from opening the toe and putting a pin in it.

The following Sabbath I was anointed and prayed. The minister asked for a miracle. God gave it. There has been no pain since the anointing, although there is yet some swelling and soreness. It will not have to be operated on.

To some this may seem small. But to

me it is really a great thing, and I count it a special blessing for which I truly thank God.

Indeed prayer changes things! I went dancing last night.

Lillian R. Huddleston
Flint, Mich.

Scripture takes on new meaning

[Matthew 25:35, 36] . . . took on a very deep and special meaning to me over the Memorial Day weekend, and I will never forget it.

On my first jet flight I became very ill as the plane landed in Eugene, Ore. I was taken off and rushed to the hospital.

The staff notified my family and after a series of phone calls the local elder of the Eugene church, Mr. Ernest Hoyt, was contacted and he and his wife arrived a short time later.

I was alone, ill and understandably upset when they arrived. Mrs. Hoyt greeted me with a hug and kiss and they both opened their home and their hearts to me, a stranger. This was a wonderful answer to a frantic prayer.

Arriving at their home, I was anointed, made comfortable and cared for as if I were indeed a member of their family. This was an example of love and hospitality that I have heard and read of and now experienced.

A deeper understanding of the life of a minister and his family was brought home to me. Always remember your ministers and their families in your prayers. Their job is not from 8 to 5, nor is it an easy one. And above all, thank God for people such as these. I surely do.

Ruth Snyder
Oakland, Calif.

God fights for His people

I have a bit of news you may think would inspire some others in like circumstance.

Three years ago I was dismissed from a very good job for a woman of my age and education. They agreed upon hiring me to my terms (Saturday and Holy Days off).

After more than four years' loyal service with them (and I went to the top position for a woman) they allowed a new employee to come in over me and fired me because I refused to work their schedule (on Saturday and Holy Days).

I complained to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission immediately.

Three years later to the day of my discharge, they printed a check in my name for \$4,000. I never once lost faith and followed the minister's advice and the EEOC. I even had to go to court . . .

in Brunswick, Ga.

You can be sure I had the Glynn Reporter paper with me showing our warm welcome to Brunswick and Jekyll [for the Feast of Tabernacles]. All were quite impressed.

It ended with a few questions about my job and many about God's Church. They were quite taken up with *The Envoy* (the four attorneys), and the clerk of court was engrossed in God's calendar during my testimony.

There were five men to testify against me. My testimony was the only one heard and only partly . . . They stopped the court proceedings and settled it right then.

God is fighting for His people these days, so we should all hang in there. We will reap if we faint not. I had written and asked some at headquarters to pray with me. My thanks for all prayers. We won! Not only did we win, but those people were told God's law is in effect and must be obeyed! I said it was an honor to be used by the Eternal as a witness but received a \$4,000 bonus in doing it!

Woman from South Carolina

God cares for mother, baby

When we first decided to have another baby, our doctor said I couldn't get pregnant and would need surgery before it would be possible. I got anointed on Sabbath, and almost immediately I got pregnant! Quite a shock for the doctor!

Near the due date I began to have a few complications. I was having some bleeding and irregular contractions. The reason was the baby was turned wrong. The doctor wanted us to go to the hospital, have x rays, get a specialist and a possible Caesarean section. We told her we felt sure the baby would turn if given a little more time. She finally agreed.

We went straight to our minister, Mr. Bob Persky, to get anointed. The bleeding stopped, although I still had irregular contractions. The baby turned about a day before he was born. It was almost two weeks from the time our problems began until his arrival.

Thanks to God our Father we now have a beautiful new baby boy to love and cherish and train to become a member of God's family.

We lost our oldest daughter two years ago, so what a joy for us and a surprise to her when she's resurrected and meets the baby brother she had wanted for so long.

Mr.-Mrs. James McCain
Lafayette, Ind.

School problem

The following is an incident that recently happened to our eight-year-old daughter, which serves as a witness to the tender and loving compassion of our heavenly Father and Lord Jesus Christ:

Our eight-year-old daughter Christine had been having a disturbing problem in school. It seemed there was one little girl in her class that delighted in harassing our daughter. She was constantly whispering to other children about her and directly hurling verbal insults — all of this unprovoked. Our daughter would come home from school nearly in tears. Mornings I would send her off to school with a stomach ache.

The situation was not becoming any better, so on a Friday morning I instructed Christine to go to school as usual and that I would pray to God that if it be His will he would put into the teacher's mind the thought to move our daughter's desk or put into the little girl's mind some thoughts of kindness to my daughter.

God heard and He acted.

Christine came home for lunch with the wonderful news that her teacher moved her desk. She went back to school very happy. Later that afternoon as she returned home from school for the day I asked her how the situation was again. She said that even though her desk was moved the little girl was still acting unkindly. I told my daughter we would just have to pray some more about it. We were confident God would hear.

Again God heard and acted.

My daughter went back to school in the morning after a short spring recess. The little girl who was causing this problem was sent home from school with the chicken pox.

Instead of rejoicing at the fact that her problem was temporarily solved by the little girl being sent home for illness, Christine made her a get-well card and had several other students sign it. She then took it to the little girl's house. Needless to say, they are friends now.

Christine learned many lessons from this incident.

Mrs. Terry Brantzeg
West Allis, Wis.

Jewish customs carry tradition of how the Sabbath unified Jews

By Hans Biglajzer

"More than the Jews have kept the Sabbath, the Sabbath has kept the Jews," once phrased a writer.

The traditions of the Jewish people concerning their Sabbath have been a very influential factor over the years in unifying their people.

Many people laugh when reference is made to the traditions of the Jews concerning the Sabbath. Why, many ask, are there so many specifications about breaking the Sabbath command?

When the Jewish people were scattered throughout all the nations as a result of breaking the original intent of the law, they later sought all kinds of human ways to appease the Creator.

To avoid carrying a burden or performing a duty there were such commands as to "carry no more than the equivalent weight of half a fig," and they could "not kill a flea unless it bites you first."

Although these Sabbath traditions may sound odd to most of you, they made for many delightful memories in my childhood.

Jews are citizens in many a nation, yet we were never really accepted as native sons.

Under the burden of exile and yearning to put down roots, the Sabbath was the miraculous time when even the lowliest, poorest and least consequential of men could feel himself in kingly communion with the Almighty.

As a sign between God and the children of Israel forever, the Sabbath is a special time to the Jews.

Down through the generations in every land Jews have prepared for the Sabbath by scrubbing every nook of their dwelling, bathing with utmost care, donning fresh garments and laying out however poor their best linens, glasses and utensils.

The Sabbath brought each week throughout a lifetime a sense of personal splendor, cleanliness, devotion and exaltation.

This day made my father king and my mother queen. And we children were princes and princesses — cheerfully free from delusion of grandeur, yet with a sense of belonging to Someone.

My mother dressed in her best, lighted the Sabbath candles and whispered as she asked God to pre-

serve her family, its health, its peace, its honor and integrity.

She was then a momentary priestess. Two braided loaves of bread she baked were placed at the head of the festive table, a goblet of wine standing near.

She was alone in the home. Husband and children were at the synagogue welcoming the Sabbath "Bride" with singing.

In populous neighborhoods, rent by shouts of peddlers, screams of children and noises of the city, there was every Friday evening a wondrous stillness, an eloquent silence.

It was so quiet that two blocks from the synagogue you could hear the chant of the cantor and prayers of the congregation.

When the service was over we went home with Father to find Mother prepared for this special occasion.

Father then asked the blessing for the Sabbath — for wife and children — with the bread and wine.

Jewish husbands sing a tribute to their wives on Sabbath eve in the words of Proverbs 31:10-31 — the song "Esheth Chayil," a woman of valor, virtue and priced above rubies. Then the most delicious meal of the week is eaten.

The world around us had its Christmas once a year, but we had exaltation every Friday evening.

On the Sabbath our Jewish community was redolent with intimations of divinity with an atmosphere of wonder and miracles.

A custom to invite a stranger — be he student, traveler or poor man — to the Sabbath meal and lodging was a duty and an honor on the Sabbath.

No labor leader has ever been so insistent on the 40-hour week as the Sabbath-keeping Jew on his six-day week. We loved the Sabbath.

It was no siesta affair. Who wants to sleep away the loveliest day for which we waited with great anticipation and preparation, a day that is melancholy, but not depressed, suppliant, but not importunate?

Voices emanated from our dwellings. "Father, Father in heaven, look upon us Your people — ai, ai, ai."

Truncated and repetitious, these minor Jewish chants, meaningless to the outsider, intimate and vivid to

the insider — evoke dimly a long history of loneliness, yet hope that soon we will again be gathered under His wings.

Meanwhile, the Sabbath slips away. The "Queen" is preparing her departure. The harsh world, the daily struggle and bitterness of life stand at the gate of the evening.

Get everything you can out of this heavenly interlude, an hour or two of prayer and study at the synagogue or home.

As the day's end draws near, another tradition is performed by the head of the family: the sweet, sad rite that each week bids farewell to the Sabbath, Habadalah, which means separation.

My father would with a chanting voice recite: "Blessed be the Lord our God, King of the universe, who makes a distinction between holy and profane, light and darkness, clean and unclean, Israel and the nations, and the Sabbath and the other six days of work."

An ornamental box in which spices are put, called the Habadalah Box, of which my grandfather was a happy owner and which indicated that he had prospered in his days, is passed around.

Its sweet aroma is inhaled by everyone to remember the pleasantness of the day and hope that the coming week will be as sweet and aromatic as the day that is passing on.

A duty of obedience to parents is placed in connection with observance of the Sabbath in the words of Leviticus 20:8-9: "For everyone that curseth his father or mother shall be put to death."

The word *curseth* in Hebrew here means to belittle or to make unimportant.

It saddens me that most Jews are giving up these traditions which have kept them together and separated them from the ways of the nations.

Very rarely if at all can one hear young voices singing "My Yiddishe Mama" emanate from a Jewish dwelling on Sabbath eve, bringing sparkles to Mother's eyes and a few tears of joy, a broad grin on Father's face, they both feeling that the fourth and fifth commands were being fulfilled, setting the pace for the next 24 hours.



EAST GERMANY — Pictured on the map is a look at East Germany, which today ranks as the 10th-highest nation in industrial output. [Artwork by Mike Hale]

Member portrays picture of East German growth

By Bill Noack

SAN MARINO, Calif. — Mention East Germany and most Americans will imagine a harsh Orwellian state.

But I've spent a few months traveling throughout most of East Germany during three separate years, and my observations are quite different. Beyond the circle of ruined buildings along the Berlin Wall — left there purposely — lies an East Germany that few westerners see.

God is not a communist, and I do not endorse atheism, but neither is God's Kingdom a republic nor a democracy.

Freedom of travel and press in East Germany is regrettable, but the accomplishments and good points about East Germany and its government leave an outstanding, yet hidden, lesson for other nations.

After World War II East Germany was stripped of practically all its heavy industry by Russia, while at the same time America was pouring aid into West Germany.

Modern East Germany had to be built by its own people, so the two German states did not start out equal in 1945.

Does this mean that in 1973 East Germany is still underdeveloped and without industries?

Far from it!

Ranks High Economically

East Germany today ranks high in economic power, the 10th-highest nation in industrial output. Unemployment is nonexistent, and prosperity and possession of luxury goods are accelerating rapidly.

Twenty years ago the largest cities of East Germany were totally devastated (downtown Dresden and Berlin were total losses). So the East German government started a master plan of city designing.

The plans of building whole cities at once may have been greatly ridiculed at the time, but today most of these plans have been consummated.

Downtown East Berlin, centered around Alexanderplatz, has an impressive 1,000-foot-high television tower with restaurant and observation deck, a 39-story luxury hotel, an educational center, a multistory department store and large open-air dining facilities.

Likewise, downtown Leipzig has a new 40-story university building and another 40-story Leipzig World's Fair headquarters, and Dresden is completing a 27-story downtown hotel. There are no slums.

The nationalization of farms in East Germany seems to have

worked. Farmers who chose to remain farmers were allowed to, and those desiring other jobs were given shares of stock or a percentage of the overall farms for their ownership.

Today the farm output is 50 percent higher with only two thirds of the labor force it once had.

Encourages Culture

East Germany encourages cultural activities — music, theater, arts — and cultivates personal talents in science and history.

Artists, scientists or historians are generally given freedom of travel, as are all men over 65 and women over 60.

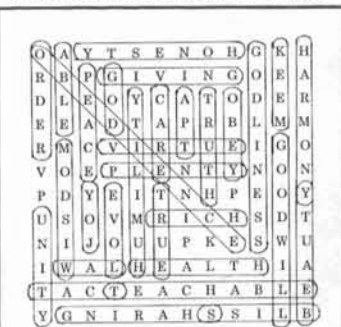
East Germany pays a pension in western currency to all elderly persons who choose to travel or live in the West, and only an extremely small percentage of those allowed to travel west have decided to remain in the West.

Part of this reason may be the extreme deluge of pornography and marijuana in West Germany and the high morals in East Germany.

The high morals and character-building institutions in East Germany can be best described by Dr. Herman Hoeh's article on Russia in the April, 1968, *Plain Truth*. This applies also to East Germany.

A family-like atmosphere prevails throughout the country, and people seem very happy and content, although curiosity causes many to desire to travel to the West.

ANSWERS TO SEPT. 3 PUZZLE



Applicants

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guidelines for applicants to the Texas campus:

Applicants applying for either the four-year or two-year program will use the same application. No distinction between the two programs is made either during application or at the time of acceptance.

Only prospective high-school graduates and those already having high-school diplomas will be considered for admission at the Texas campus.

Further, our students are required to be citizens of the United States. Citizens of other countries interested in attending Ambassador College should request an application from the Office of Admissions at Ambassador College in either Pasadena or Bricket Wood.

To request an application for Big Sandy, prospective students should

write to the Admissions Office, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755. Those applying for the 1974-75 school year should request an application in October of 1973.

After receiving an application, the "Instructions to Applicants" should be read *carefully*. Each application form should then be completed and returned to the Big Sandy Admissions Office.

The application must be carefully completed before an applicant will be considered for admission.

Many students inquire whether they can be admitted at the beginning of the spring semester. Ambassador College does not provide for January admissions, since many required courses continue through the second semester.

As Big Sandy enlarges its enrollment, it is trying to eliminate difficulties which might hinder the consideration of an applicant. Following these guidelines will insure smooth processing of your application.



PETRIFIED SHELL — Close-up shows a petrified shell of *Testude thompsoni* (tortoise) found on the Rex Norman Ranch. [Photo by Douglas A. Johannsen]

History in the back yard

Records in stone show evidence of sea life

The writer of the following article is 25, single, lives in Rapid City and is a member of the Rapid City Church of God.

By Douglas A. Johannsen

RAPID CITY, S.D. — On July 9, 1972, Rapid City was the scene of a major flood disaster in which over 200 lives were lost.

But within 100 miles of Rapid City, sealed in stone, are records of a far greater ancient disaster.

Seventy miles southeast of Rapid City, next to the Badlands, lives a young bachelor member of God's Church named Rex Norman. Primarily interested in motorcycle riding, Norman and I decided to ride into the Badlands to spend the 15th of July climbing the hills.

There are acres and acres of petrified turtle shells. Finding many turtle shells two or three feet in diameter does slow down motorcycle riding. Many of these ancient relics were in near perfect condition, though some of the shells were cracked and flaked away by the weather.

A quick check at the Museum of Geology at the School of Mines and Technology at Rapid City revealed these to be *Testude thompsoni*. Other bones and skulls found were identified to be from the camel-like oreodont.

More evidence of sea life?

Yes. Approximately two miles from the turtles several mounds of oyster shells (or small clam shells) were found embedded in what must have been mud many years ago. Nothing remains but a ragged rock pock-marked with clam shells.

Finding these relics generated some excitement among other motorcycle-riding, rock-collecting,

fossil-hunting members of the Rapid City church.

July 29 found Ed Kapsa, Mark Fergen and me at the Norm Wester Ranch, approximately 140 miles north of Rapid City.

On an earlier trip, Wester and I had found a near-perfect skull of an oreodont, *Merycoidodon culbertsoni*, west of his ranch in the geological formation called the Short Pines.

Needless to say, expectations on this trail ride were high.

Old bones? According to scientists, these creatures inhabited the earth from the late Eocene (53 to 54 million years ago) to the early Pliocene (12 million years ago). These dates are reportedly accurate to within a few million years.

The School of Mines indicated that this was the first oreodont found in the Short Pines, thus establishing some link between this area and the South Dakota Badlands some 200 miles to the southeast. The oreodont was probably as common then as the deer or antelope is today.

At any rate, Mr. *Merycoidodon culbertsoni* had been gone for quite some time; he was thoroughly petrified.

On the July 29 expedition, numerous bits of petrified wood, oreodont bones and one huge petrified vertebra of some unidentified creature were found.

Found too was the fact that campfire coffee tastes better than the kind that Grandma used to make.

Our only disappointment came in the time spent rock hunting. Parts of South Dakota are noted for semiprecious stones, the most famous of which is probably the Fairburn agate.

Member's 'old-time religion' to get test from Maryland zoning board

The following article is reprinted here from the *Baltimore, Md., News American* of Aug. 23. It was originally headlined: "Perry Hall's 'Old Time Religion' to Get Test From Zoning Board."

By Joyce Price

BALTIMORE, Md. — Ernest Marsh, of Perry Hall, who likes that "old-time religion," questions how it can be illegal to conduct church-related activities, such as Bible study and choir practices, in the privacy of his home, and he has asked the board of zoning appeal to back him up.

Marsh, who lives in the 9500 block Bauer Avenue, is a member of the Worldwide Church of God, a denomination which celebrates Saturday as the Sabbath and which believes in a literal interpretation of the Bible.

Since fellowship is emphasized in this faith, Marsh admits his home is often used for social and educational functions involving church people, which include choir practice, Bible classes, dinner parties, picnics and youth groups.

Last January, Baltimore County Deputy Zoning Commissioner James E. Dyer, acting on a complaint by Marsh's neighbor, found Marsh in violation of county zoning regulations by holding "church-related activities," which are normally conducted in a church building, on the premises of his residential property.

The Worldwide Church of God, which has some 700 members in the Baltimore area, does not have a building of its own, but must rent space in movie theaters and schools to hold its worship services.

Marsh appealed Dyer's decision and yesterday the case came before the Baltimore County Board of Appeals. His attorneys in the appeal were Newton Williams and Kenneth Masters, while Richard D. Byrd, an assistant county solicitor, represented the county's side in the case, which contends Marsh's use of his home for religious activities violates the county zoning code.

John J. Dillon Jr., a zoning technician for Baltimore County, admitted to the zoning appeals board that current county zoning laws do not actu-

ally define what a church is.

He said churches are allowed as a "matter of right" in all residential zones, but for an individual to convert his home to a church requires the submittal of a site plan and receipt of a change in occupancy and variances for parking setbacks.

Orville Curry Jr., Marsh's neighbor, who made the original complaint which brought the case before the deputy zoning commissioner, testified that the religious activities in Marsh's home were not disturbing but he complained about parking and traffic problems allegedly resulting from the religious functions and the "overflow of people going in and out disturbing the privacy of Bauer Avenue." Several other area residents also testified about the alleged traffic and parking problems.

Counsel for Marsh argued that if his client were entertaining members of a bowling league or a motorcycle club, and were not disturbing the peace, he would not be violating zon-

ing regulations, but since his social gatherings were with fellow church members for religiously oriented functions, he was being called on the carpet.

Marsh testified that he had "never held church services in his home."

Asked whether he ever considered converting his house to a church building, he replied, jokingly, "I've had one far-out thought that if I could get it off the tax rolls, I might consider converting it. But it is definitely not a church, and I have no plans to convert it to one."

Now you know

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — A produce truck carrying 45,000 pounds of garlic bulbs overturned on a freeway interchange transition road and the mess smelled as bad as it looked.

"It was so bad we nearly needed gas masks out there," said officer Bob Phillips of the California Highway Patrol.



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.

Therefore . . .

We would like to remind you of our general policy as outlined by Mr. Ted Armstrong in his "Personal," Vol. 1, No. 1: "As with any newspaper, we have to ask that if such information [written contributions in the form of poetry, musical lines, comments, ideas, etc.] 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!"

The above-stated policy saves literally thousands of dollars per year — savings which are reflected through what we feel is a nominal subscription donation. We ask that you bear with us in keeping costs down.

Campaign spawns merry matrimony

RICHMOND, Va. — Glenn Sheffield was very excited when he heard that Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong was going to conduct a personal-appearance campaign in his home town of Richmond on Feb. 9, 10 and 11 of this year.

He realized the spiritual benefit he would receive from attending these campaigns which have inspired many.

But he never dreamed how much this campaign was about to affect his life.

Printed is a letter that was received by *The Worldwide News* — a letter which we feel you will find very interesting. You never know what can result from a personal-appearance campaign.

Dear friends in God's Church:

My wife, the former Carol Lynes of Lancaster, Pa., and I wish to express our thanks to the person responsible for our meeting at Mr. Armstrong's Richmond, Va., campaign in February and to those who extended their hospitality to us during our courtship.

Thanks also to those who worked so hard to make our wedding a memorable one and to the Richmond teens, whose artistic talents were so proudly displayed on our car. As a tribute to these teens we now have a slightly (?) battered set of Budweiser wind chimes hanging in our dining room.

Carol and I would like to share a part of our honeymoon with these friends and with others who may appreciate our experiences.

Following our wedding Aug. 19 here in Richmond, we destroyed a true work of art by washing the car. The rice remained as an unnecessary reminder that we had just been married.

We then headed east, stopping that evening at Jackass Flats, Va.

By mutual agreement we decided that the reference was too strong, and the gag value wasn't worth it, so we continued on to Colonial Williamsburg, where we stayed at the new Hilton 1776.

Monday we had a very nice drive back to Richmond to pick up the traveler's checks I had forgotten. It wasn't so much the money, but the fact that it was safely stashed in my shaving kit, and I didn't particularly want my marriage to start from scratch.

That afternoon we drove to Virginia Beach and checked into the Cavalier Oceanfront Hotel, where our room on the ninth floor had a balcony overlooking the Atlantic Ocean.

After a refreshing dip in the ocean, a sand-crab-hunting lesson from my wife, and a swim in the hotel pool to rinse off most of the sand and salt, we cleaned up for dinner.

On the 11th floor of the hotel at the Prior Supper Club, our fine meal was highlighted by a trio from England who serenaded us with "The Hawaiian Wedding Song."

Later that evening after we retired to

the sound of the surf and the smell of salt air, it became apparent that surf wasn't all we were going to hear that night. The prevailing wind placed the landing pattern for Oceana Naval Air Station about 100 yards from the hotel, and it seemed that Navy jets were landing every 20 to 30 minutes.

Soon after, we were unceremoniously disturbed by the fire alarm sounding off right outside our door. It wouldn't go away, so after a concerned phone call to the front desk, we found to our relief it was a false alarm.

Tuesday morning we were awakened to the cheerful sound of the maid entering the room to do the cleaning. There were NO DO NOT DISTURB signs, and we didn't think to make one.

Fifteen minutes after we told the maid to go away, someone else tried to come into the room. We decided to get up.

The rest of the time passed quickly and uneventfully. We bicycled, saw historical sights, visited the Mariners' Museum and enjoyed each other's company.

We are both very excited and happy about the new responsibilities God has placed before us. We are grateful to Him for allowing us to spend these few happy days away from it all, and we know that as long as we're close to Him, each and every day will be just as enjoyable.

He never promised to make our lives easy, but I'm sure glad that He allowed living to be so interesting.

In Christian love and gratitude,
Glenn Sheffield
Richmond, Va.

Executive interview

Curiosity and knowing nothing pay off for new Feast director

My life to date has been a bit hectic. I attended about 15 public schools before I left home, went to work and settled down at Goodnight [Tex.]. Since then, the main point of controversy has been religion. That is what I hope to settle with this application.

In all probability, theology will be my chief academic interest while in college. However, as in anything else, it could change.

As for a life vocation, I am completely satisfied that it will be determined for the most part by the education I receive at Ambassador.

— Bill McDowell

By Clyde Kilough

BIG SANDY — These seven sentences comprised the entirety of Mr. Bill McDowell's autobiography for his application to Ambassador College in 1956. Yet in only seven sentences he generally covered everything that was to happen later on in his life: His religion controversy was settled and his life vocation was changed by the Ambassador education he received.

Went Out of Curiosity

Mr. McDowell, after spending 10 years in the field ministry, now shares the dual responsibilities in Big Sandy of teaching Epistles of Paul and Biblical Prophecy in college as well as being Festival director for the Feast of Tabernacles sites in the United States and Canada.

About this time of the year in 1956, though, Mr. McDowell would never have imagined he'd be where he is today. At that time he was just getting settled in Ambassador College in Pasadena; the fact he was there was "out of curiosity."

After finishing high school while living alone in an old deserted dormitory, Mr. McDowell attended two years at Clarendon Junior College in Clarendon, Tex., before applying to Ambassador in 1956.

He found out about Ambassador — what little there was to find out for someone with absolutely no religious background — through a sister.

"In those days very little was known about it by most people," remembered Mr. McDowell. "I'll never forget my impressions as I was going out there. I was expecting everybody to walk around with a crooked stick and white robe, because I had no concept of religion.

"I really didn't care if I went or not, I thought I'd go out there, go a couple years and see what it was all about — then come back to do my own thing like a lot of people do.

"But I never made it back."

No Concept At All

Looking back on it now, Mr. McDowell laughs at the circumstances he ran up against, but at the time he didn't know what he was getting into.

"There at AC I didn't know what I was doing. I met Mr. Armstrong the first day and Charles Dorothy, who was a student at the time. Mr. Armstrong gave me the royal tour, and I knew so little about it I didn't even appreciate it. It was just some man showing me around. I really had no concept at all."

He went on to describe the "most momentous moments" of his first days on campus — meeting fellow students:

"They were much more religiously inclined than I'd ever been. One fellow explained the plan of salvation to me in one breath the first night. Another fellow had a loose-leaf wide-margin Bible with markings you wouldn't believe — sun symbols, rocketships, flares, etc.

Did they encourage that back then?

"I don't know. I didn't know what they encouraged."

Advantage in Knowing Nothing

"It was a culture shock."

That is Mr. McDowell's description of coming to college without any experience with the Church.

"I had no religious background — period!"

But what would appear at first to be a disadvantage — going to a Bible-oriented institution with no prior religious training — actually turned out to be quite an advantage.

"I found that after the dust settled and a few months passed," Mr. McDowell explained, "my real advantage was that I had no religious training. I found that, first of all, I did not have to unlearn a false doctrine in order to learn a true doctrine. When I read a scripture, since I didn't know what anyone taught, I took it at face value and it really made it a lot easier.

"I remember so vividly Mr. Armstrong would get up and talk about various doctrines and I didn't know anything about it. I would have to go out and read what the Baptists believed and what other people believed so I would know what he was talking about."

Why did he stick it out? Still out of curiosity?

"No. Because it was right and I had no choice," he answered.

Intense Training

With no choice in his mind but to follow what he was being taught, Mr. McDowell learned quickly, especially with the help later on in college of working in the Letter Answering Department.

"Not only did I spend hours and hours in LAD answering letters where people had doctrinal questions," he explained, "those were the days when we didn't have form letters and we had to answer them ourselves, so a lot of research was done that way.

"Then when I went on three nationwide baptizing tours in which we met really thousands of people who had questions of one degree or another, that proved to be a very intense training ground. I found that even though I did not know what the teaching of some particular church

that person came from was, it was like anything else — when you know the truth, you know where the answers are."

Another aid to Mr. McDowell was the recurrence throughout college of one particular instructor. As he explained:

"My freshman-Bible teacher was Garner Ted Armstrong; my sophomore-Bible teacher was Garner Ted Armstrong; my freshman-speech teacher was Garner Ted Armstrong; my fourth-year-speech teacher was Garner Ted Armstrong. He taught me almost singlehandedly through college, which I have realized has been much to my benefit through the years."

Marriage and Ministry

Since he had had previous college, Mr. McDowell was able to take off one semester and travel with Mr. Gerald Waterhouse on special visiting tours throughout the southern United States.

After his senior year in college, in which he inaugurated the office of student body vice president, he married the former Helen Rose Butler, who had finished two years of her Ambassador education. The move to Big Sandy in 1970 gave Mrs. McDowell the opportunity to finish college; she graduated in 1972 with a B.A. in home economics.

After their marriage, in 1966, the McDowells were sent to minister to the churches in Corpus Christi and San Antonio, Tex., for 4½ months before moving on to cover the circuit of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Akron and Toledo, Ohio. They left there in June of 1964 for Seattle, Wash.

Fifteen months later Mr. McDowell assumed new responsibilities as district superintendent of the Chicago area.

While in Chicago Mr. McDowell received his master's degree in theology. His thesis, entitled *A Survey of Funeral Customs*, stemmed from his being "stunned by the pageantry involved in the funerals that I performed in Chicago."

Feast Responsibilities

In 1970 he was transferred to Big Sandy to teach in college. That summer Festival Operations moved to Texas, and Mr. McDowell received the additional job of Festival coordinator, working for Mr. Leslie McCullough, Festival director.



TIME OUT FROM CLASSES — Mr. McDowell is shown in the faculty dining room in Big Sandy perusing *The Portfolio* during a lunch break last year. [Photo by John Robinson]

On Aug. 2 of this year Mr. McDowell was named Festival director for the Worldwide Church of God, taking full responsibility as coordinator and organizer of the overall planning and direction of the Feast and its related activities.

His job, in general terms, involves organization of each Festival site in the United States and Canada, as well as operating the Festival reservations system under the auspices of the Worldwide Convention Service.

This entails working with the Festival coordinators and Festival advisers and others who work at making each Feast site run smoothly; budgeting and appropriating funds; being a public-relations man for the Church in all Feast areas (this requires traveling to each site at least once during the year); looking into and recommending future Festival sites for consideration and final approval; and supervising maintenance of the various sites owned by the Church.

Philosophy of Living

Being Festival director is a year-round, full-time job, but Mr. McDowell still finds time to teach, which is something he greatly enjoys.

"As far as teaching, I enjoy the students as much or more than the subject matter," he said. "I enjoy being around the students, talking with them, sharing their hopes, their ideals, plans, whatever it may be, and I enjoy explaining things to them."

A stickler for close family life, Mr. McDowell also enjoys taking his wife and three boys (Joel, 12, Shawn, 10, and Brandon, 4) with him on various activities, whether it be motorcycling, working in the woods or flying.

"A man has to continue to grow in his personal as well as his professional life," he feels. "That is, in his professional life he has to be educating himself and finding out what's going on, and in his personal life he continues that education through hobbies and interests. Everybody, I think, ought to have a wide range of interests.

"I've found a great deal of sermon material I could utilize from learning to fly and from the various things we have done, and usually my wife and I have done them together.

"She learned to fly also so we would have a common ground of communication. Wherever I have been we've tried to do things that related to the area or was something that would help us expand personally.

"That's been very helpful."

17 Years Later

To write an autobiography today would certainly take Mr. McDowell more than seven sentences.

But everything he would write does tie in with one of those seven sentences in his 1956 application: It was determined for the most part by the education he received at Ambassador College.



THE McDOWELLS — Shown above are Mr. and Mrs. Bill McDowell and their sons, from left to right, Brandon, 4, Joel, 12, and Shawn, 10. [Photo by Eugene Smyda]

96,000 prepare for Feast of Tabernacles

BIG SANDY, Tex. — This year an estimated 96,200 people will attend the Feast of Tabernacles in sites located around the world. So reports the Worldwide Convention Service, located in Big Sandy.

To accommodate the number which will assemble for the eight-day period, Oct. 11 to 18, two new major sites have been added in the United States this year. They are Tucson, Ariz., and St. Petersburg, Fla. Both these locations offer many recreational and educational facilities.

Other sites in the U.S. and Canada are Big Sandy; Jekyll Island, Ga.;

Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.; Mount Pocono, Pa.; Squaw Valley, Calif.; Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; Pasadena, Calif.; Penticton, British Columbia; Lac Beauport, Quebec; Anchorage, Alaska; and Maui, Hawaii.

As of press time the overseas Feast

sites, 21 in all, are Minehead, England; Praz-sur-Arly, France; Moselbay, South Africa; George, South Africa; Victoria Falls, Rhodesia; Blackheath, Australia; Perth, Australia; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Taupo, New Zealand; Baguio City,

Philippines; Tagum, Philippines; Don Carlos, Philippines; Barbados and Martinique (both in the West Indies); Algarrobo, Chile; Tonga (in the South Pacific); Potsdam, East Germany; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Mexico City, Mexico; Kodaikanal,

India; and Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka.

Any additions or deletions of sites which may occur before the Feast will be reported in upcoming editions of the News.

An expected 82,500 are to attend the 13 United States and Canadian sites, while 13,700 are anticipated overseas.

A further breakdown shows 11,900 people are expected at Big Sandy, 7,700 at Jekyll Island, 10,700 at Lake of the Ozarks, 10,300 at Mount Pocono, 8,100 at Squaw Valley, 8,200 at St. Petersburg, 8,100 at Tucson, 10,300 at Wisconsin Dells, 5,800 at Penticton and 200 at Quebec.

Projected attendance figures were not available for Alaska, Hawaii or the overseas Feast sites at press time.

Some 20,000 campers are among the total number of Feast goers. Over 13,000 are staying in private homes, while the majority of U.S. and Canadian Feast goers have reservations in motels and hotels near the various sites.

FESTIVAL PREPARATION — Festival Director Bill McDowell, right, confers with Mr. Leroy Neff, coordinator for Tucson, after a post-Feast coordinators' meeting in November, 1971. [Photo by John Robinson]

With the Feast only a little more than two weeks away, this will be the last edition of the "News" many will receive before returning home.

We regret we were not able to feature all the Feast sites before the Feast. By no means did we mean to slight any of the sites, such as Squaw Valley, Lake of the Ozarks, Wisconsin Dells, Mount Pocono and numerous other sites overseas. Time and availability of copy simply did not allow us to give equal time to all.



Year-round planning the keynote to organizing a smooth Festival

By Clyde Kilough

BIG SANDY — Whether captain over 10 or Festival coordinator for the entire Feast site, a primary concern for those with any responsibility is organization and smooth operation.

To coordinate all the Festival sites throughout the United States and Canada is a job that demands thorough organization, exact planning, year-round attention and a special staff whose sole purpose is to make the Feast of Tabernacles as enjoyable and efficient as possible for everyone from church members to local businessmen.

This and the related articles on this page give an insight into how the Festival Department of the Worldwide Church of God coordinates the organization of over 80,000 people attending the Feast in the United States and Canada. And it looks at plans for the future.

Planning Ahead

While members are busily preparing for the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles, which begins the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 10, the Festival Office has already started work on the 1974 Feast with plans of offering opportunity this year for reservations

and transfers in 1974. (See detailed information in accompanying box).

Such planning is part of an effort to lessen the sudden flood of applications received each spring and will be very helpful for both the Festival Office and those trying to plan ahead. To complete a number of those applications beforehand would greatly aid processing the remainder.

Behind the Scenes

To process those applications is a many-stepped procedure.

The first step for the Festival Office, located in Big Sandy, is to get member lists from Pasadena with addresses.

Applications are then sent to the Festival advisers in local church areas, who in turn send them to the members and give any help needed in filling them out.

The completed application is then sent back to Big Sandy.

While members are doing their part, men in the Worldwide Convention Service — a separate administrative organization within the Church of God designed to handle Festival needs — are visiting the various sites and signing up hotels and motels and compiling data regarding rooms, facilities and costs.

These housing officers usually spend two or three weeks in the area making sure they are familiar with all the accommodations, where they are, what they are like and what type of needs they can fulfill so that when they make an assignment they can visualize as much as possible which place would best suit the requirements listed on any particular application.

The data they collect are fed into the computer, which prints gummed labels listing the information for each room of each motel.

Each housing officer then sits down with an application in front of him and considers primarily what the person requests and what he can afford. Then he goes through the computerized list of housing accommodations and finds the place probably best suited.

Requests are granted as freely as possible, but when the specific requests outnumber the accommodations several times over, those wants cannot always be fulfilled.

He then lifts the label off, sticks it on the applications and feeds it into the computer. The computer prints a confirmation, which is sent to the member to let him know his assignment.

If there is a question, problem or mistake, the member sends back the confirmation tear-off portion, which is fed back into the computer to correct and make a final confirmation.

At the same time, the computer prints lists which are sent to motels to show the managers who is going to be there, the room assigned and when they are expected to arrive.

At the last minute an updated list is again sent, showing changes.

When the person shows up, he presents his accommodation confirmation to show he has already paid his \$25 deposit, which is then deducted from his bill. From that \$25 the Worldwide Convention Service deducts from the motel 10 percent for the service provided them.

Other Areas

Handling housing is one of the

PLAN NOW FOR '74

BIG SANDY — "Plan ahead for 1974," urges the Festival Office.

New plans are being inaugurated this Feast to help members and the Festival Office in 1974. People should be aware of them while at the Feast this year so they won't miss out on any opportunities:

- For those interested in registering in advance and being given primary consideration for the 1974 Feast, forms will be available at each site this year for making tentative housing reservations for next year.

"The new plan will help people applying, help planning and help motel owners," said Mr. Bill McDowell, Festival director.

For example, if someone is staying in a certain motel in the Ozarks and says, "I like it here; I'd like to stay right here in this room next year," he'll have a confirmation slip prepared for him with his name and computer index number. All he has to do is indicate his desire to stay there, and he will be preregistered with special consideration for space available.

- All those planning to go to a foreign site in 1974 should begin laying plans now. The Festival Office wants to have foreign transfers approved no later than the first of the year so people can make their plans earlier. Transfer forms and additional information will be available during the Feast.

So if you would like to make plans a year in advance, be given special consideration on particular accommodations and help the Festival Office avoid the giant influx of applications in the spring, be sure to do so during the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles.

primary duties of organizing a Feast, but it is by no means the only one.

A great deal of communication must take place among the Festival Office, ministers in the field, Festival coordinators and local Festival advisers to make sure announcements are made on time to members, arrangements are made for the site itself, and, if we have our own site, labor forces are available to have it ready.

A Festival coordinator has the job, to put it simply, of making sure the Feast at his site happens the way it should. That entails coordinating everything from parking arrangements to stage setup and a host of special problems in between.

And Mr. Bill McDowell, Festival director, has the responsibility of

overseeing the whole operation.

What About the Future?

Although St. Petersburg, Fla., and Tucson, Ariz., have been added this year, no new sites are planned for 1974.

Does that mean we have enough that each area can grow slowly for the next few years?

According to Mr. McDowell: "No. Only next year."

He went on to explain: "Look at it this way: Our average size of a site is going to be roughly 10,000 people. If you have 10 sites and you add even 1,000 per site, on the average (which is not that much), you suddenly have another site, just like that, with no room for expansion."

"It almost demands one every year. After this year it will."



CONFIRMED — Jane Staples, Festival Office employee, checks a housing confirmation on the computerized file. [Photo by Clyde Kilough]

Local church news wrap-up

Teens Travel to Texas

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. — Eighty-five teen-agers and chaperons from Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Paducah, Ky., churches traveled to Big Sandy on Aug. 17 for a four-day excursion.

The group chartered a bus, and several chaperons drove carloads of excited kids. Housing accommodations had been provided in Booth City, which are student residences during the school year.

The teen-agers ate in the dining hall with the students, participated in two Ambassador traditions — brunch and Sabbath singing — took a tour of the campus and had an excellent opportunity to acquire an idea of what life is like on the Big Sandy campus.

Other activities included swimming at Lake Loma, horseback riding and a sock hop, which capped off an interesting and enjoyable weekend.

The young people of the two church areas began early in the year to raise money for this outing. Light bulbs, stationery and candy were sold for moneymaking projects. When spring came bake sales were held.

Everyone who participated in this project would like to encourage others to organize similar outings. As a wise man once said: "Try it — you'll like it!" *Keith and Nancy Wagner.*

Skagit River Campout

SEATTLE, Wash. — Fifty-seven boys ages 8 to 18 and 12 adults from the Seattle A.M. and P.M. churches spent three beautiful sunny days, Aug. 19 to 21, on the Skagit River in northwestern Washington.

The campout was under the direction of Herbert Simonton, deacon from Seattle P.M.

The boys were assembled in groups of nine or 10 and lived and participated in field activities in these groups.

Activities included capture the flag, a log-rolling relay, a compass game, an arm-sling relay, a tug-of-war, a stretcher race, fire building and string burning, water boiling and flapjack flipping (some were eaten raw).

William Conway, a forester and member in the Seattle area, took the boys and adults on a brief tour of their area and explained just what God had put there for all to enjoy. *Wayne Hageman.*

Six Flags, Seven Seas

AMARILLO, Tex. — Sunday morning, Aug. 19, the teen-agers of the Amarillo, Tex., and Liberal, Kan., churches climbed aboard the bus that would take them on a fun-filled trip to Dallas.

This was what they had been working toward all summer. Their efforts in the form of candy sales, bake sales, garage sales, concessions sales and many hours of work were finally being rewarded.

Upon our arrival at Seven Seas, a marina near Dallas, everybody came to life. Feeding the seals, watching the exhibition divers, seeing the antics of Pancho the elephant seal, looking at the shark pool, and riding boats through the "Arctic Seas" exhibition were all part of the fun.

Penguins and dolphins put on quite a show too, but the highlight of the day was watching Newtka the killer whale go through her routine. Seeing an 18-foot 2 1/4-ton whale leap 26 feet out of the water, wave hello with her powerful tail and give the trainer a ride around the tank on her back — to say nothing of letting her trainer place his head in her mammoth jaws — was quite a thrill.

The next day found the whole gang ready and eager for our trip to Six

Flags Over Texas, a large amusement park in the same general area. There was no getting bored here; 95 exciting rides and countless shows and exhibitions, shops and long lines kept us occupied all day.

Some of the favorite attractions were the Runaway Mine Train, the 300-foot Oil Derrick, Crazy Legs (otherwise known as the Alka-Seltzer Ride), the Log Ride (alias Big Dipper), which ended in a giant splash at the foot of a steep incline, and the breathtaking Big Bend, one of the fastest rides in America.

The last stop on the agenda was at what former Dallas Cowboy quarterback Don Meredith referred to as a vulgar display of wealth, the new Texas Stadium at Irving.

Since it is the home of the Dallas Cowboys, we were anxious to get a close look, and the assistant manager of the complex took time out to give us our own personal tour. *Jeffery P. Booth.*

Oklahoma Rodeo

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — The City Slickers' Rodeo sponsored by the Oklahoma City church at nearby Chandler, Okla., on Aug. 19 was held to raise money for the young adults' and teens' activities. It proved to be a success even though all the animals didn't show up.

Most rodeos have a greased-pig contest, but the Oklahoma City church substituted with two ducks. Approximately 15 youngsters chased them at one time.

Then came the ladies' turn to show their speed in milking goats. The contest consisted of four teams with four women on a team. The first team to fill a drinking glass won.

Then the calves pranced onto the field waiting to be roped. The contestants were on foot and had to run with lasso in hand to catch the animals.

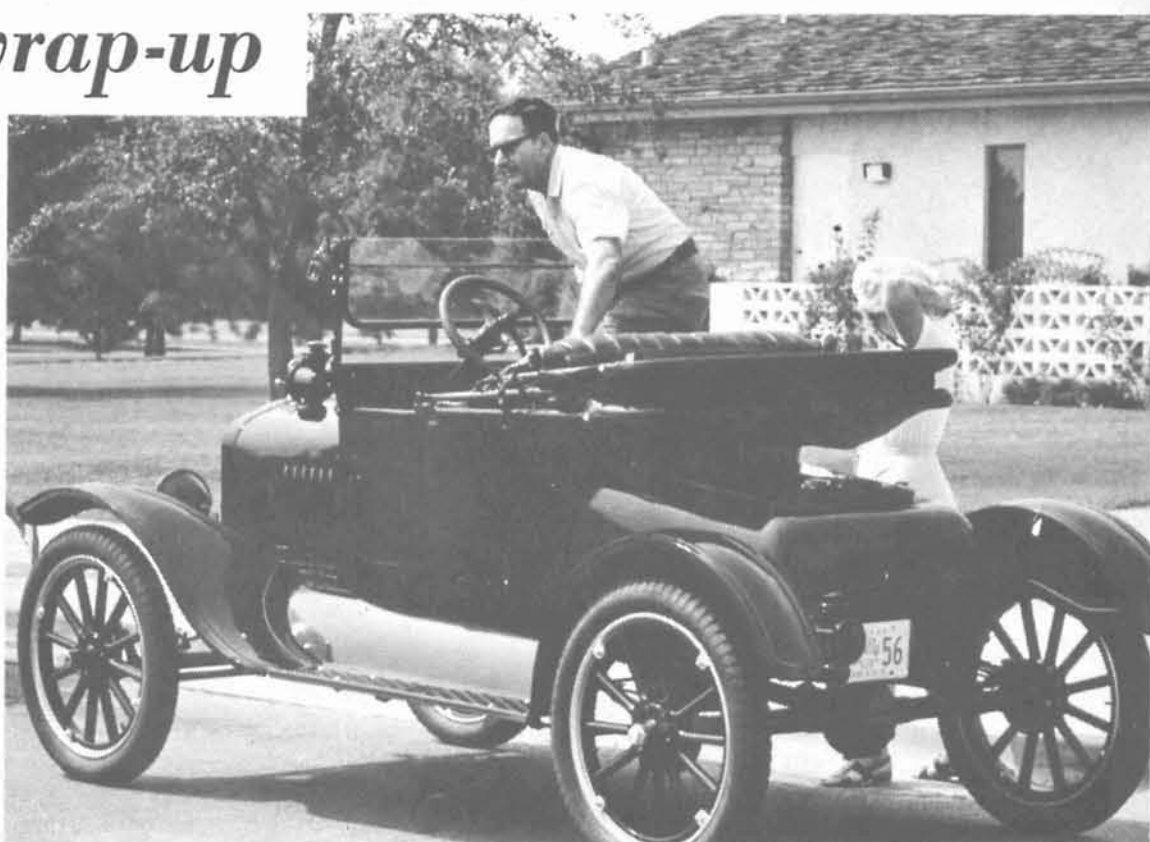
The scheduled "donkey baseball game" was canceled when the donkeys didn't arrive at the arena.

Over \$100 profit was made off the rodeo. *Paula J. Clark.*

Half-Century Club

SPOKANE, Wash. — Sunday, July 29, 23 members of the Half-Century Club (age 50 and up) of the Spokane church held a very successful picnic in one of the city's attractive parks.

There were no footraces or ball games — the temperature was high in the 90s — but croquet, pinocle, Scrabble, other games, and fellowship were much enjoyed, and late in the afternoon the earlier-shared sack lunches were topped off by cold watermelon furnished by the club fund. *Margaret R. Lay.*



VINTAGE AUTO-CLUB TOUR — In conjunction with a campus tour, some 55 participants of the East Texas Vintage Auto Club showed off a number of vintage cars on the campus of Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Aug. 26. Photo shows one of the members of the Longview chapter climbing into his vehicle near the Festival Administration Building. [Photo by Ken Treybig]

Wiener Roast

ALEXANDRIA, La. — Deer fled, rabbits scurried down dark holes, and frogs and crickets protested noisily (chiggers stayed behind and attacked full force) as 58 Alexandria church members invaded their usually peaceful piney woods at the home of an area member Saturday, Aug. 11, for a wiener roast and sing-along.

Members were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Glen Chandler, who have appeared on the popular country-music show *The Louisiana Hayride*.

Chandler has written and recorded songs in the country-music field and is a member of the Alexandria church.

Special thanks go to H.L. Triplet of the Alexandria church, who organized the music program and also performed, and to members of the Monroe church, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burks and Mrs. Gerald Fulford, who traveled close to 100 miles in order to entertain us.

Mrs. Fulford's rendition of "The Arkansas Traveler" brought smiles to the face of everyone.

The wiener roast — Alexandria's first — included the usual hazards of such an outing. An occasional "Oh, no!" was heard as marshmallows burst aflame and disintegrated.

There was even a bewildered "I just can't believe I did that" uttered by Mr. Dick Thompson, area minister, whose roasting stick burned in

half, sending his hot dog into the flames. *Judy Oakes.*

New Church

MELBOURNE, Fla. — The Melbourne church had its first Sabbath service Sept. 1 with an overflow congregation, a total attendance of 169.

Mr. Carl McNair, regional director from Atlanta, Ga., rendered the inaugural sermon: "The Relationship of the Church to Us and God."

Mr. Dave Odor, preaching elder over the Orlando church, will pastor the Melbourne church as well as Orlando.

Mr. Ted Japhet led the visiting Orlando chorale in "I'll Walk With God," featuring a duet portion by Carol Boyd and Dave Northagel.

Inauguration of the Melbourne church will relieve the attendance pressure of both the Orlando and Deerfield Beach churches and will allow much shorter driving distances for people living along the Space Coast from Titusville to Stuart, Fla. *Robert S. Overstreet.*

Texas Teens

LONGVIEW, Tex. — The Longview teens are ending an eventful summer and looking forward to a greater fall season.

Among the activities already enjoyed was a picnic-hamburger fry on the shores of Ambassador College's Lake Loma in Big Sandy. Volleyball, boating and swimming were also available to all interested.

August was the time for the big weekend campout at Lake o' the Pines in East Texas. Quite a crowd joined in for a sing-along, barge rides, water skiing, swimming and water polo.

A homemade ice-cream party was held recently in order to have a gabfest to make plans for activities in the months ahead and plan moneymaking activities. *Carol Klotz.*

Fathers, Sons (and Daughters)

BRICKET WOOD — At 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, a large group of fathers and sons met on the banks of the lake at the college here to watch a display of radio-controlled boats and airplanes at the opening of Bricket Wood's Fathers' and Sons' Club.

From the lake everyone went to see an interesting display of model airplanes in flight. The children themselves were given the opportunity of operating the "control-line" airplanes. With a flick of the wires connected to the plane, the operator can cause these to climb or dive, and

the kids were thrilled.

A control-line model can be made for less than one pound, but the radio-controlled models are much more versatile, with a range of up to 2,000 yards.

The operator on the ground can control his plane as effectively as a pilot in his cockpit.

After the display, fathers and sons went to see the new clubhouse and to discuss plans for the future of the club.

The aim of the club is to enable and encourage fathers and sons to work together not only at the clubhouse but also in their own homes.

The club is there to supply the instruction and make the kits and equipment available.

Meetings are scheduled for two evenings a week and for Sunday mornings, giving everyone plenty of opportunity to attend at least once a week.

The club is a family project — and not just for fathers and sons; daughters are just as welcome.

We hope too that we can perhaps include as many single people as are interested — to share in the family atmosphere. *Paul Suckling.*

Birmingham Church Campout

BIRMINGHAM, England — The Exodus came alive for 126 members of the Birmingham church this August. For three days a group of men, women and children left the burdens of city life and journeyed into the quiet English countryside to enjoy the peace and simplicity of camping out of doors.

They pitched their tents in the green hedge-lined fields of Worcestershire on the farm of George Bullas, a member in the Birmingham church.

The camp was divided into three sections comprising 10 units (tents) in each, with one man in charge of each section.

On the Sabbath we held an open-air service in one of the fields. The entire camp fasted on Sunday after Mr. Richard Plache, the pastor of the Birmingham church, spoke about the needs of the Work.

Monday afternoon we toured Hartlebury Castle, the historic seat of the bishops of Worcester. Its history goes back to 1282, when Edward I visited the castle on his way to suppress the Welsh rebellion.

The three-day camp was a learning experience. Two Bible studies as well as personal counseling sessions helped the church grow closer together. *Kerin Noller.*



CAR WASH RESULTS IN TRIP FOR COLUMBUS TEENS — After much thought on how to raise money some easy way, 71 teens of the Columbus, Ohio, church decided that hard work was the only answer. After car washes during the summer, Mr. Bruce Anderson, local elder and director of the Teen Club, announced they now had enough money to go to King's Island, an amusement park located 75 miles south of Columbus. Pictured is part of the group at one of the car washes.

They too are praying for you and asked me to pass on their love to you in the WORLDWIDE Church of God.



MAKING THE ROUNDS — Mrs. Helen Calver delivers the dailies on her newspaper route in Harrogate, Yorkshire, England. Mrs. Calver travels the distance to services in Leeds every week on the money she earns from the route. [Photo by Richard Dalver]

Hobby of growing day lilies keeps 96-year-old man active

By Larry C. Grove

ROCKWELL CITY, Iowa — Archie I. Warren, member in the Des Moines, Iowa, church area, keeps active by shoveling snow from his walk in winter and raising day lilies (genus *Hemerocallis*) during the summer months.

Warren was born in a walnut log cabin in 1877 near Knoxville, Iowa, and will be 97 years old next January.

He was called into God's Church in June, 1962, when he was 85 years of age.

Warren has raised flowers for many years as a hobby. He grew dahlias for some years, until borers got too destructive. Then he changed to growing gladioli, which he learned had pest problems too.

He heard that day lilies have practically no pests, so he planted his first ones in 1963. In 1966 he started to cross-pollinate them and found it to be a fascinating hobby, because every seedling plant grown from the same seed pod is different from the two parent plants used in the cross-pollination.

Warren shows visitors how he cross-pollinates by simply pinching off with a pair of tweezers one of the anthers holding the dusty pollen in one flower and selecting a



DAY LILIES — Archie Warren inspects one of the flowers he raises as a hobby.

different-colored flower on another plant to dust the pollen on its sticky pistil tip.

It is good practice to remove all stamens from this bloom earlier before the dusty pollen appears. This avoids any of it getting on the pistil tip accidentally.

The object is to select two parent

plants of colors and characteristics of plants and bloom.

Warren has certain favorite parents he uses to pass on strong desirable characteristics to their offspring. Warren's day lilies bloom all summer until frost.

Early, midseason and late-flowering plants provide a continuous display of colors, ranging from red to very deep vibrant red, black-purple, pale, medium and deep yellow, old gold, apricot, peach, pink, blends and pastel colors.

Visitors drop by to take color pictures of the blooms, and the local newspaper ran a story on his rewarding hobby last year.

A young news photographer dropped by to take his picture, after which he thanked him and added that he hoped to be around to take his picture again when he reaches 100.

"Don't know why you shouldn't," said the nonagenarian. "You look healthy enough to me."

Couple recalls 20 years in Church

By Alan S. House

LAKE OZARK, Mo. — With July 30 marking the completion of their 20th year in the Worldwide Church of God, Joab Dyer, 90, and his wife Grace, 84, of Lake Ozark have gathered a number of interesting stories to tell about how it was in the Church way back when.

"It was over XEG back in 1941 that I first heard the Bible preached," Dyer recalled. "I knew what Mr. Armstrong preached was the truth, but I kept putting it off."

Eleven years later, in 1952, Dyer finally wrote in requesting baptism, and soon a baptizing team headed by Mr. Raymond McNair came to their Alley Springs, Mo., home.

Rough Roads

When Mr. McNair and party arrived in Alley Springs, he was advised at the post office to hire horses rather than to try to drive the five miles to the Dyer farm, because the roads were so rough.

Dyer was not at home when the baptismal group arrived, but something caused him to feel he should return home, so the trip was not in vain.

Mr. McNair had apparently forgotten the clothes he intended to use

Mother follows children's example, delivers dailies on regular route

By Peter Butler

BRICKET WOOD — The newspaper boy on his morning rounds is a common enough sight to all — or at least to those who are up early enough.

But who ever heard of a paper lady delivering the dailies — often well before dawn in the wintertime — at an age "nearer 60 than 50"?

Well, now you have. Mrs. Helen Calver of Harrogate in Yorkshire is that lady.

Mrs. Calver is a member of the Church of God and attends services in Leeds, Yorkshire, some distance from her home.

Raising the fares for the weekly journey to Leeds proved a problem, until her children inspired an answer.

Delivering for 3½ Years

"In helping my children out with their paper rounds it seemed a good idea to do one myself," said Mrs. Calver.

So for the last 3½ years she has been delivering newspapers five days a week and has been paid a full six-day week's wage. This has enabled her to earn enough money to attend services at Leeds each and every Sabbath.

And there are additional bonuses:

"The early rising inspired me to get up even earlier to study and pray before going out, and the daily exercise in all weather is exhilarating and keeps me fit."

Mrs. Calver says the cheery greetings to postmen, milkmen, paper boys, workers and passersby early each morning enable her to be a "good ambassador," and she finds it very rewarding to greet reserved and sullen faces by giving a cheery good morning regardless.

Indeed, one of her early-morning acquaintances has now become a good friend who stops for chats and even delivers a paper for her at times.

Appreciate Concern

Mrs. Calver finds her paper round puts her in a position to be specially helpful to the householders on her round. She tries to get to know as many of them as possible, especially the aged and infirm — old ladies and gentlemen living alone, or elderly couples — all of whom from time to time appreciate the concern and

help of a good neighbor.

Many of these people have come to know they can trust Mrs. Calver, and often she finds a notice on the door asking her to ring — sometimes simply because the occupant is lonely and wants a chat, other times because someone is sick or prevented from going out due to bad weather, snow and icy roads.

Mrs. Calver is always more than happy to help out by fetching them a little shopping.

And if at any time she finds yesterday's newspaper is still in the door the following morning, Mrs. Calver will contact a neighbor or the news agent's shop or even the police if

necessary to make sure all is well. You never know when such steps might save a life.

Some time ago the news agent changed Mrs. Calver's morning round, and several weeks later an elderly office cleaner met her in the street and with great concern asked if she were well, a sure sign that the people on her former round missed her immensely.

But for Mrs. Calver the greatest reward of all is to be fit and energetic enough at close to 60 to be able to keep up the paper round and earn the money to attend Sabbath services at Leeds each week, where she can fellowship with the brethren in God's Church.

Tips given for learning skill of simple flower arranging

By Mary Shriver

Home Economics Department

BIG SANDY — Flower arranging is an art. Some people seem to have a natural flair, but anyone can develop this skill. All it takes is the desire, knowledge of some basic principles and actual practice.

Minimum of Tools

You can arrange flowers in your home with a minimum of tools.

A holder helps the flowers stay in place in a container the way you want them to. Some of the readily available kinds of holders are galvanized chicken wire, pin frogs, basket frogs and crushed Styrofoam — all of which may be found at a five-and-dime or variety store for a minimal cost.

If you have problems with the holders sliding around in the containers, floral clay or floral tape (also available at five-and-dime or variety stores) can be used to secure them. You'll also need a sharp knife or shears.

Common household items, as well as standard-type flower containers, can be used as vases. Try using a vegetable bowl, sugar bowl or creamer, or set a bowl in a breadbasket. Choose the container to suit the

flower arrangement and the occasion.

Before starting, decide what kind of arrangement you want. Where does it go? Will it be seen from one side only?

If it's for the dinner table, keep it low so you can see over it, and it must be seen from all sides.

Next come the flowers. Fresh-cut flowers keep better and longer if they are cut while it is cool (early in the morning or late afternoon) and if they are placed in lukewarm water and refrigerated for a few hours.

Single flowers with sturdy, straight stems are easier to work with.

While you're cutting flowers, clip some greenery too. A tough, sturdy leaf, such as waxleaf, works well. Use this as a filler and a covering for the frog.

Now you are ready to do the actual arranging. Prepare your vase with either one of the holders. Start with the top flowers and go to the sides, then the bottom. You should be able to see each individual flower.

Common Mistake

A common mistake is overcrowding and trying to use too many flowers.

Don't be afraid to cut away buds in a cluster of flowers. Keep the flowers uneven (not perfectly equal or level). Achieve depth by having some flowers protruding, some deeper in the arrangement.

Flowers grow unevenly, so maintain that natural look. Then cover the stems, back the arrangement with greenery and fill in the empty areas.

After creating an arrangement, remember the finishing touch — water it. And keep your arrangement refreshed by regular watering.

Pull off old petals and replace flowers as they die. That way you can have a nice-looking arrangement for days.

Notice professional arrangements. They will give you many pointers for making yours better. Clip pictures from magazines to remember ideas you like, and if you're really serious, you may want a good book.

Better Homes & Gardens magazine's *Flower Arranging* and *Carnations, Elegance in Floral Arrangements*, by the Colorado Flower Growers Association, are both helpful.

Practice whenever you get the chance. The more you do, the easier it will get, and the more natural your arrangements will look.

So whether you cut your own or get surprised with a dozen lovely roses, you can take pride and enjoyment in arranging them.

Schoen of Kaiser, Mo.

Staying with Mrs. Schoen enables them to attend services regularly at the Lake of the Ozarks church.

At the age of 90 Dyer finds his enjoyment "in the Sabbath services and being a servant of the Almighty God."

Are you one of the many that Mr. and Mrs. Dyer have met over the years? They would be happy to hear from you.



20-YEAR MEMBERS — Shown are Mr. and Mrs. Joab Dyer of Lake Ozark, Mo. [Photo by Alan House]

during the baptizing, because, as Mrs. Dyer told it, "he went to the river barefooted, wearing a pair of Joab's overalls."

Events since that beginning on a cool July evening in 1952 have led the Dyers to two trips to Ambassador College in Pasadena and to several different Festival sites.

The Dyers recall one of their most memorable times in the Church as being their first Feast, in Seigler Springs, Calif., in 1952. Among some of the other 490 people attending, they recall meeting several of the Armstrongs, Dr. Roderick Meredith, Dr. Herman Hoeh, the Coles and Mr. Cecil Battles.

Mr. Armstrong as Tour Guide

Shortly after that Feast they toured Ambassador College in Pasadena and were happy to have Mr. Herbert Armstrong as tour guide.

The library was being refurbished, and Mrs. Dyer recalled that "you could pretty near write your name in the dust on the tables, and there were just a few books."

Today Mr. and Mrs. Dyer maintain a home in Summerville, Mo., but spend most of their days living with another member, Mrs. Beulah

BABIES

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Duane Edward Engi, son and third child of Desmond and Dorothy Engi, Aug. 19, 4:15 a.m., 8 pounds, 3 ounces, 20 1/2 inches.

BRISBANE, Australia — Robert Clifford Tyler, son and second child of Bruce and Sonnie Tyler, Sept. 2, 10:55 a.m., 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

BIG SANDY, Tex. — Brendt Edward Howard, son and first child of Ray and Krisie Howard, Sept. 10, 1:50 p.m., 6 pounds, 2 ounces, 19 inches.

BISMARCK, N.D. — Verna Kay Hoover, daughter and first child of Vern and Barbara Hoover, Aug. 27, 5 pounds, 12 ounces, 19 inches.

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Melissa Margaret Koenig, daughter and third child of Michael and Joanne Koenig, Aug. 10, 11:43 a.m., 7 pounds, 12 ounces, 20 1/2 inches.

CINCINNATI, Ohio — James Matthew Frantz, son and first child of George and Wilma Frantz, Aug. 29, 11:12 a.m., 8 pounds, 21 inches.

CLARKSBURG, W.Va. — Daniel Michael Hixenbaugh, son and eighth child of Dorris and Darrel Hixenbaugh, Aug. 12, 3:04 a.m., 8 pounds, 3 ounces, 20 inches.

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Pamela Denise Johnson, daughter and first child of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Johnson, Aug. 19, 4:44 a.m., 6 pounds, 10 1/2 ounces, 19 3/8 inches.

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Aaron George Stief, son and second child of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Stief, July 25, 9:56 a.m., 7 pounds, 9 ounces, 20 inches.

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Angela Elizabeth Cherry, daughter and first child of Bill and Debbie Cherry, Aug. 25, 3:10 p.m., 8 pounds, 20 inches.

DENVER, Colo. — Trena Janette Shobe, daughter and first child of Robert and Janette Shobe, Aug. 25, 1:30 p.m., 8 pounds, 20 inches.

DETROIT, Mich. — Derek Conrad Hagmaier, son and first child of Roger and Alene Hagmaier, Aug. 4, 8:40 p.m., 6 pounds, 3 ounces, 20 inches.

EUGENE, Ore. — Amy Christine Bontrager, daughter and third child of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bontrager, Aug. 8, 12:49 a.m., 10 pounds, 11 ounces, 23 inches.

EUGENE, Ore. — Anthony Shawn Gibson, son and second child of Lawrence and Wacana Gibson, Sept. 2, 3:20 a.m., 8 pounds, 19 1/2 inches.

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Matthew Leon Ware, son and third child of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice H. Ware, Aug. 27, 5:00 a.m., 7 pounds, 12 ounces, 20 inches.

FORT-DE-FRANCE, Martinique — Giulio Carbonnel, son of Gilbert Carbonnel, Sept. 1, 9:15 a.m.

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Tamena Lee Cantrell, daughter and second child of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Cantrell, July 9, 12:45 p.m., 5 pounds, 8 ounces, 19 inches.

HINSDALE, Ill. — Robert Kerry Taitano Kissell, son and second child of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kissell, July 18, 8:44 p.m., 7 pounds, 7 ounces, 19 1/2 inches.

HOUSTON, Tex. — Michael Edward Dokupil, son and second child of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dokupil, Aug. 11, 6:13 p.m., 8 pounds, 4 ounces, 21 inches.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Angela Bonnie Thorrold, daughter and second child of Tony and Wendy Thorrold, July 23, 5:30 a.m., 3.41 kilograms, 48 centimeters.

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Jonathan Phillips Williams, son and fourth child of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Williams, Aug. 9, 7:39 a.m., 8 pounds, 2 ounces, 20 inches.

LUFKIN, Tex. — Christopher Hollis, son and second child of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ferrell Jr., Aug. 5, 8:37 a.m., 9 pounds, 2 ounces, 20 inches.

MAIDSTONE, England — Wendy Bellini, daughter and fourth child of Mr. and Mrs. Bellini, Sept. 5, 5:15 p.m., 7 pounds, 19 inches.

MELBOURNE, Australia — Robert James Murray, son and second child of Jim and Sandra Murray, Sept. 6, 4:40 a.m., 9 pounds, 21 inches.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Jonathan Benjamin Jurkowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald J. Jurkowski, Aug. 16, 5:05 a.m., 6 pounds, 14 ounces, 18 1/2 inches.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Jonathan Paul Colbeth, son and first child of Ron and Betsy Colbeth, Aug. 15, 6 pounds, 14 1/2 ounces, 19 1/2 inches.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Susan Dawn Nolder, daughter and fourth child of Nevin and Jane Nolder, Aug. 11, 8:12 p.m., 5 pounds, 1/2 ounce, 18 inches.

MOBILE, Ala. — Robert Jerold Williams, son and third child of Bob and Merle Williams, Aug. 13, 9:15 a.m., 7 pounds, 10 ounces, 21 1/2 inches.

Obituaries

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Florence C. Bloomquist, 55, of the Longbeach church died of cancer Aug. 1.

She is survived by her husband, Conrad Bloomquist, daughters Corrine Mello and Valerie Niemann, son Lawrence, and seven grandchildren.

PASADENA, Calif. — Scott Ryan Erickson, son and second child of Stan and Judy Erickson, July 31, 7:40 a.m., 9 pounds, 20 inches.

PASADENA, Calif. — Kaye Elizabeth Graham, daughter and third child of Ken and Faroli Graham, Sept. 2, 12:45 a.m., 8 pounds, 12 ounces, 20 1/2 inches.

PASADENA, Calif. — Elisa Annette Lieber, daughter of Martin and Chris Lieber, Aug. 7, 2:04 p.m., 6 pounds, 14 ounces, 19 1/2 inches.

PASADENA, Calif. — Kathryn Anne Suchocki, daughter and first child of Stanley and Betty Suchocki, Aug. 31, 2:50 a.m., 7 pounds, 4 ounces, 19 inches.

PEORIA, Ill. — Ruth Ellen Davison, daughter and fourth child of J.H. and Myrna Davison, Aug. 29, 9:16 a.m., 9 pounds, 5 1/4 ounces, 21 inches.

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Randy Benjamin Yeckel, son and second child of Roger and Patti Yeckel, Aug. 27, 7:36 a.m., 6 pounds, 13 1/2 ounces, 19 1/2 inches.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Esther Margaret Allshouse, daughter and third child of Meri L. and Donna Allshouse, July 9, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, 20 inches.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Christine Elizabeth Rukstela, daughter and third child of Peter and Margaret Rukstela, Aug. 21, 11:22 p.m., 11 pounds, 15 1/2 ounces, 23 inches.

RAPID CITY, S.D. — Eric Peter Maas, son and second child of David and Aurilla Maas, Aug. 15, 1:16 a.m., 8 pounds, 15 ounces, 21 1/2 inches.

SEATTLE, Wash. — Katey Margaret Saunders, daughter and second child of Mr. and Mrs. Ted J. Saunders, Aug. 17, 12:20 a.m., 8 pounds, 10 ounces, 21 inches.

SEATTLE, Wash. — Jessica Susanne Stanley, daughter and second child of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stanley, Aug. 17, 1:40 a.m., 7 pounds, 6 ounces, 20 1/2 inches.

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Joseph Allen Waterman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrall Waterman, May 30, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, 21 1/2 inches.

SPOKANE, Wash. — David Lee Todhunter, son and seventh child of Mr. and Mrs. James Todhunter, Aug. 24, 12:37 p.m., 8 pounds, 5 3/4 ounces, 21 1/2 inches.

TORONTO, Ontario — David Stephen Faulkner, son and first child of Warren and Judy Faulkner, Aug. 19, 6:45 a.m., 6 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces, 21 inches.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Greg Alan Destephanis, son and first child of Al and Delois Destephanis, Sept. 7, 3:42 a.m., 7 pounds, 15 ounces, 22 inches.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — Jeffrey Jon Peter, son and third child of Peter and Helen Dyck, Aug. 31, 5:50 p.m., 7 pounds, 9 ounces, 21 1/4 inches.

PERSONALS

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If possible we'll print your note the first issue following the week it is received.

PEN PALS

I am 13 1/2 and would like a pen pal in the United States that likes horses and all kinds of sports. Would prefer a 14- to 15-year-old boy. Rhonda Moseley, Rt. 5, Box 88A, Brewton, Ala., 36426.

Anyone interested in playing postal chess and in general correspondence, please write. I am 24 years old and have played chess for only a year. Anyone, from beginners to Bobby, is welcome to write. First move: P-K4. George Breidenthal, 11414 East 215th Street, No. 21, Lakewood, Calif., 90714.

Widow, 68, would like pen pals of both sexes in the Tucson, Ariz., area. Transferring there this fall for the Feast and know no one there. Mrs. Marie Medlock, 701 South Belview, Springfield, Mo., 65802.

I'm a 13-year-old girl. Would like to correspond with anyone. I love to write letters, love sports, dancing. Would like anyone going to St. Petersburg, Fla., for the Feast to write. Sandy Collins, Apt. D-625, Deerfield Road, Gretna, La., 70053.

I would like to write to anybody who lives in the U.S.A., especially if you're going to Big Sandy for the Feast. I'm 15. Brenda Harrison, Box 241, Scott City, Mo., 63780.

I am 14 and would like lots of English-speaking pen pals from all over the world. Christina Ullerick, 2730 Southwest 330th Federal Way, Washington, D.C., 98002.

I'm 17, like all kinds of music and sports, and play the piano. I would like to correspond with those who are 17 to 19, male or female. Pam Morgan, Rt. 2, Charleston, Mo., 63834.

Would like a girl pen pal. I am 10 1/2 years old. Like reading, cooking and biking. Rebecca Hodges, 141 Penfort St., Pittsburgh, Pa., 15214.

I would like pen pals — any age, sex and country. I can only read and write English. I am 45 and married. Mrs. Dorothy Stratton, Rt. 4, Box 176, The Dalles, Ore., 97058.

I would like pen pals from anywhere in the world. I am 14 years old. Bruce Murphy, 2890 Westsyde Road, Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada.

We are looking for some people to write to in a foreign country. Miriam and Elizabeth Saddul (sisters), 166C Manuel de la Fuente Street, Samp., Manila, Philippines. Joselina A. Medina (23), 45 Mariveles Street, Quezon City, D502, Philippines. (Want correspondence with Filipino brethren.)

I would like to correspond with boys and girls either in Europe or the U.S. or else a teen-ager who will be going to Squaw Valley, Calif., for the Feast. My interests include horseback riding, hiking, swimming and lots of other sports. I also like to be with other teen-agers. I am 15 years old. Teresa Butler, 22625 Southwest Riggs Road, Beaverton, Ore., 97005.

I am 11 years old. I would like pen pals from the United States. Jean Dusek, 11628 Rogue Way, Dallas, Tex., 75218.

I am 21, married, and would like to correspond with some of the brethren in Germany. I know some German and would like to learn it fluently. Mrs. Roberta Lashua, 1630 Druid Road, Clearwater, Fla.

I am 12 1/2. I would like a pen pal in the United States or anywhere else. I like all sports. Jennifer Hedrick, 224 Hackberry, Baytown, Tex., 77520.

Can I write to you? / I really would like to. / If you're from a foreign country, / Would be of interest to me. / A woman around 30, / Your letter need not be wordy. . . . I have five children; my husband is not a member. Please write; I am looking for your letter. Mrs. Joyce Gingerich, Rt. 4, Stratford, Ontario, N5A 6S5, Canada.

I am black and want someone with whom to form a beautiful friendship. I would like to hear from male or female in the middle-aged group. I attend the Meridian, Miss., church. I haven't been married, Miss Hallie L. Pede, Rt. 2, Box 50, Preston, Miss., 39354.

Australian housewife, grown family, would like to write to lady members in other church areas. Interested in all topics and will answer all letters. Please write to Mrs. H.M. Nickson, 14 Sunnyslopes Road, Kallista 3791, Victoria, Australia.

I am 27, a single man desiring pen pals. Please be 23 to 30, men or women, married or single. Phillip M. Jackson, 1827 Englewood, St. Paul, Minn.

I am 13 years old and my hobbies are reading, horseback riding and stamp collecting, and I would like to have a pen pal in the United States who is a boy. Wendy Bennett, 15 Kerr Street, Yepoon, Queensland, 4703, Australia.

Would like both boy and girl pen pals in U.S. or any foreign country. I am 15. Please write soon! Becky Metzgar, Rt. 5, Greenville, Pa., 16125.

I would like a girl or boy pen pal. I am almost 13. I will be going to the St.



SIX GENERATIONS — The birth of Stephanie Southerland of Longview, Tex., has brought the total number of generations now living to six for the family of Mrs. J.B. Strain. Mrs. Strain, who was 102 years old on Aug. 29, says her greatest highlight in life is when her children are with her. Seated are Mrs. Margaret Frances Strain, 102, right, and Mrs. Minnie Watson, 85, who is a member of the Longview church. Standing, left to right, are Mrs. Ruby Gibson, 67, Mrs. Mary Southerland, 39, Travis Southerland, 19, and Stephanie Southerland, 5 months. [Photo by Kathy Southerland]

Pete Feast. Beverly Davidson, 111 South Jefferson Street, Dublin, Ga., 31021.

Texaner will mit junge (18-24) Deutscher übereinstimmen. Adresse: Joe Rolke Jr., 1202 Kenny, Deer Park, Tex., 77536.

I am a nine-year-old girl. I would like to hear from girls from England or Australia. I like to write, read and do hobby crafts. Cindy Sherrow, Rt. 1, Corbyville, Ontario, K0K 1V0, Canada.

Want pen pal from Mildenhall, Diss, Bury St. Edmunds or near those cities in England. Am a church widow. Mrs. Lunda Neff, P.O. Box 5926, Texarkana, Tex., 75501.

MISCELLANEOUS

Would like to get in touch with Mr. Don Carlson. Please write to Bill Richardson, c/o Ernest Groth, Rt. 1, Satanta, Kan., 67870.

WANTED: Someone who would like to move from another church area and live with semi-invalid lady. Must prepare one or two meals a day and do some light housework. Would be living in Peoria and Macomb, Ill., church area. Write Mrs. Mildred Griffin, 610 Superior Avenue, Chapin, Ill., 62628.

If you need a ride to Wisconsin Dells for this year's Feast, please contact me. I live in the Philadelphia, Pa., area and plan to drive out. But since I'll be alone, I could use some company. If you live in the Washington, D.C., area, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware or even Ohio, I could pick you up. If you live in New Jersey, the New York City area or the New England states and can get a way to come down to me somehow, I would be glad to accommodate you for the ride. William Wilson, Yardley, Pa., (215) 493-3326.

I am a high school senior who is extremely interested in history and geology. Former Ambassador students who would like to sell me their geology textbooks and the two-volume "Compendium of World History" by Dr. Hoeh, please contact me. Michael Benson, Rt. 1, Box 262, Erwin, N.C., 28339.

My stepmother (Eleanor Joslyn) of Gossville, N.H., has a cousin in the Boston church. Would you please contact me. Mrs. William Richardson, 33023 56th Avenue South, Auburn, Wash., 98002.

Songwriter, age 22, wants to form combo with brethren of similar age for musical career. Guitars, bass, etc. Will be at Big Sandy for Feast of Tabernacles. Dennis Ryan, 3307 Norwood Hill, Austin, Tex., 78723.

WANTED: Housekeeper to live in and help with child. For more information call (201) 731-3690 or write Mrs. Sorge, Box 299, West Orange, N.J., 07052.

Am tracing family history. Persons

with the names of Neff, Cutlip, Bennett or Shaver in the U.S., England, Ireland or Germany with relatives who may have either immigrated to or moved from the eastern U.S. please write Violet Neff, P.O. Box 5926, Oklawm Station, Texarkana, Tex., 75501.

I wish to buy a copy of Dr. Hoeh's "Compendium of World History." Contact Gary Walsh, 705 Miller, Greenfield Park, Quebec, J4V 1W6, Canada.

I am a native of Guam and would like to know whether there are any other Guamanians who are members of the Worldwide Church of God living in the United States or overseas. Mrs. Lydia Cruz Mann, 3715 Matney, Kansas City, Kan., 66106.

I wonder if anyone that reads the paper in the U.S. or Germany could help me to identify my name and nationality. My name before marriage was Baker. If anyone can help, please write. Mrs. Lotha E. Hamilton, Rt. 2, Stockton, Mo., 65785.

I am a 27-year-old male Ambassador College employee. I plan to move to Fort Collins, Colo., and would like to find out more about the area (general living conditions, jobs, weather, etc.) from members who live there. Randy Pinkston, 411 Waldo No. 1, Pasadena, Calif., 91101.

I wish to express deep-felt gratitude on behalf of my dad, Conrad Bloomquist, my sister, Corrine Mello, and myself for all the cards and letters that were sent to my mother, Florence Bloomquist, during her illness. God truly did answer all the prayers that were prayed for her, as He did heal her in His way. It is a comfort and a blessing to us her family, as I hope it will be for others, that she trusted and put her faith completely in God, who will resurrect her at His chosen time. Valerie Niemann, Tistom, Calif.

WEDDINGS

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Calvin Swartzendruber of Marengo, Iowa, and Betty Lee of Evansville, Ind., July 15.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa — Paul Ronald Darling and Patricia Anna O'Brien, Aug. 12, he a graduate of the University of Iowa and now self-employed in a window-cleaning service, she a graduate of Mount Mercy College, Cedar Rapids, now teaching at Jefferson High School — will be living in Grand Island, Neb.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Arnold Hampton and Wilma Moore, both 1973 graduates of Ambassador College, Pasadena, Mr. Hampton is employed as a ministerial trainee in Baltimore, Md.



WEDDING — Shown are Beverly Ragan and Bill Nelson, who were married in Lawton, Okla., July 29. Mr. Edward Smith (right), who is Beverly's uncle and the Cincinnati regional director, performed the ceremony. The couple now lives in Big Sandy, where Nelson is employed by Ambassador College's Physical Education Department.

EXPECTING A BABY?

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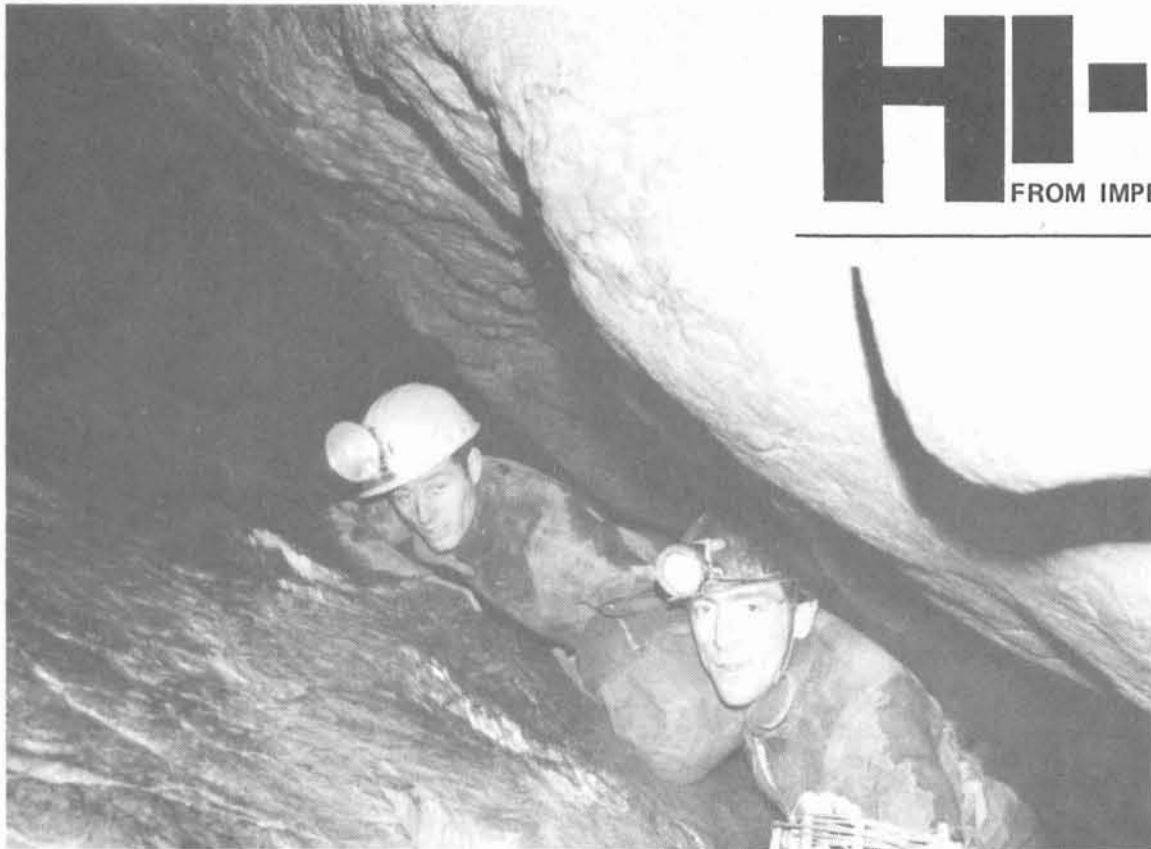
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HI-LITES

FROM IMPERIAL SCHOOLS AND TEEN-AGERS AROUND THE WORLD



SPELEOLOGY EXPEDITION — Fifteen members of Bricket Wood's Social and Activities Club (S.A.A.C.) recently descended into the depths of the earth on a speleology expedition in Somerset, in southwest England. The group was led by their own potholing expert, who is a member of the British Association of Caving Instructors, Derek Taylor. The potholers were equipped with wet suits, safety helmets, steel-toe-capped boots and waterproof lead-acid caving lamps. They also carried emergency gear, food, spare lighting, first aid, blankets and rescue tackle. The team's objective was Balch's Forbidden Grotto, where a waterfall plunges 30 feet over white rock formations. At one point the party had lunch 300 feet below ground. The entire expedition took 4½ hours. Photo shows two members of the club, Alan Harley and Stanley Maddison, edging their way along a traverse deep under the ground. [Photo by Derek Taylor]

Teen club presents variety show

The writer of the following article is a ministerial trainee in the Dayton area.

By Mark Robinson

DAYTON, Ohio — Setting: Wayne, 14, and Errin, 6, are children in a church family that has just moved into a new neighborhood.

Errin: "I've been in all our new neighbors' houses and I told them we observe Saturday Sabbath and keep the Holy Days too!"

Wayne: "Boy, you tell everything, don't you! I'll bet you even told them we don't eat pork!"

Errin: "No, but I did tell them we won't be eating at all next Monday because it's the Day of Atonement!"

This situation is embarrassing when it happens, but on Sunday, Aug. 26, over 300 spectators roared with laughter at these lines when the Dayton Teen Club presented its first variety show, with several skits depicting day-to-day problems in church life.

The show was a 1½-hour production comprised of six musical numbers and several skits largely written and produced by the Dayton teenagers.

The teens climaxed their presentation with a Bill Cosby routine and a group rendition of "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing."

The idea for a variety show was originally conceived by the teens themselves. Early this year the show was recommended as a possible way to raise money to finance teen activities.

It was originally a production based on problems confronted by teens in the Church, but due to material nonavailability it was decided to sponsor a variety show instead of the original idea.

Stephanie Hostetler, Ambassador College freshman, and Jeanie Walters, a teen, wrote several of the skits.

Pat Kelley and Carolyn Ripp, both Dayton church members, were mainly responsible for the musical numbers, which included banjo solos, guitar solos and piano-and-guitar duets.

The show was emceed by Martin Fannin, Dayton member, who works closely with the Dayton teens.

Bill Marsh, Dayton church member, and I were responsible for putting the show together.

The show was held in an area elementary-school auditorium, where refreshments were served. Proceeds from the play were used for a teen trip to Columbus, Ohio, to visit the state fair.

According to Mr. James Chapman, Dayton pastor, the show was an unequivocal success.

But he is doubtful many shows of this magnitude will be presented in the near future.

Teens sock-hopped into the night afterwards, celebrating completion of the show.

Birmingham youth sets records

By Bill Linton

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Sixteen-year-old Keith Lowrey has just proved being in the Church does not prevent one from excelling in athletics.

Lowrey, who is a member of the Berry High School swimming team in this southern-U.S. city, won eight medals and set five citywide records in city-league competition with over 500 swimmers Aug. 9 and 10.

The swimming meet included participants from 12 to 25 years of age from local pools throughout the Birmingham area. Lowrey set records in the 15-to-17-year-old free style, the 15-to-17 breast stroke, the butterfly (15 to 17 years old) and the open butterfly.

With his help the city-pool 15-to-17 200-yard relay team set a new record of 1:53.4 for the event.

In addition to setting records in these five events for which he received gold medals, Lowrey also won medals for second place in the open relay, fourth in the 15-to-17 backstroke and sixth in the open backstroke.

Lowrey had to put in a lot of training to keep in shape for this year's season. He said he has trained by swimming at least a mile a day, five days a week.

Sometimes he and his comrades practiced at night in addition to their daytime training.

They worked by swimming sprints for building speed and distance for endurance.

They lifted weights to build shoulder and chest muscles.

"He works hard at it," Lowrey's father said.

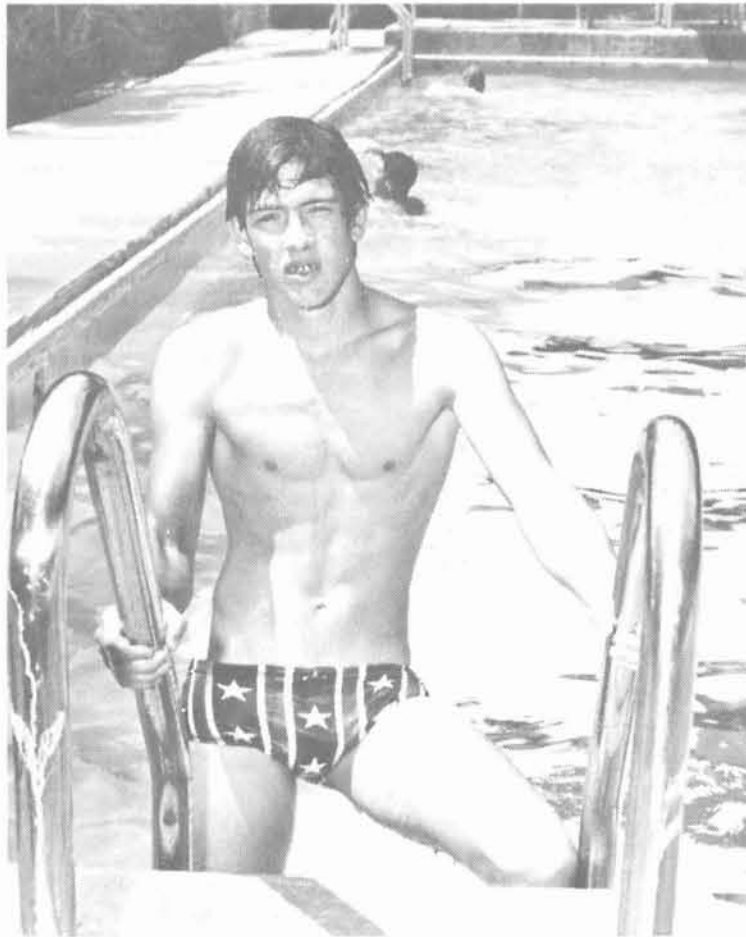
I asked Lowrey if being in the

Church or keeping the Sabbath ever created a problem for him as far as competing in meets.

"The out-of-town meets are always on Saturday," he said. "The big state meet this year was on Satur-

day. I couldn't go to that."

Although his coach has sometimes given him a rough time about it in the past, Lowrey said the coach has finally come to realize he won't give in.



BIRMINGHAM YOUTH SETS RECORDS — This Birmingham-area teen-ager won eight medals and set five city records in a Birmingham, Ala., city swimming meet Aug. 9 and 10. [Photo by Ken Ives]

Teen develops idea into finished product

By Al Portune Jr.

PASADENA — Some time ago Pam Lawrence of Montgomery, Ala., wrote to me about an idea she had for a book list for teens. Pam is a teen-ager herself.

Following is her letter and first book list.

I hope many other youngsters will develop their ideas into a finished product like Pam did. Don't hesitate to write to me about any suggestions or ideas you may have.

Dear Mr. Portune:

Thank you very much for your last letter — it makes me feel that you truly are interested in the young people and are not just doing a "job." When I wrote you my idea I had no thought that you would actually let me participate in carrying it out, and I am so happy you did. Yes, I am enthusiastic, and I will work hard on the list. I am young and healthy, so don't worry about me wearing myself out.

Well, here is the list, and I hope it's all right. I can see that it would be better to submit each list with only about 12 books on it, since they would not all be needed at the same time. And I guess the psychological aspect of it is also correct — I have a harder time making the decisions I need to if there are many alternatives to choose from.

The question I have now is how much time should elapse between

each list of books submitted? I am way ahead of myself and have already typed up three lists of between 12 and 15 books. Just let me know the most efficient time lapse.

By the way, you mentioned *The Worldwide News* — has anything been decided definitely as to where the list will be used?

When you write back, don't thank me for anything. I just want to thank you for letting me do something!

Sincerely yours,
Pam Lawrence

Young People's Book List

• *Teen-agers Who Made History*, by Russell Freedman. Here are eight biographical sketches of men and women who earned their place in history before they turned 20, proving that the number of years possessed is not as important as what is done during those years. Some of the teen-agers included are Wernher Von Braun, Louis Braille and Edna St. Vincent Millay.

• *Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther*, by Rolin H. Bainton. Here is a vivid portrait of a man who had the strength and character necessary to stand up for what he believed to be true. Accused of heresy and threatened with excommunication and death, Luther continued to speak out on the corrupt religious practices of the Catholic Church, doing more than any other man to bring about the Protestant revolution.

• *Bring Me a Unicorn*, by Anne Morrow Lindbergh. These are the diaries and letters of Anne Morrow Lindbergh, daughter of a wealthy American diplomat, beginning at age 16 and ending with her marriage to Charles Lindbergh. They tell of her hopes and dreams and idealistic notions, her sudden and many loves, her despair, and her early attempts to understand herself and the world of her youth and adolescence.

• *Christy*, by Catherine Marshall. The story of 19-year-old Christy Huddleston and her experiences as a mission teacher in the wild Appalachian Mountain country of eastern Tennessee. A spirited young girl in search of her own place in life, she leaves Cutter Gap with a new awareness of the human spirit and, also, her lifetime love.

• *April Morning*, by Howard Fast. One day in the life of 15-year-old Adam Cooper. The year: 1775. The day: April 19. The place: Lexington, Mass. This is the story of a young man's initiation into the adult world at the famous Battle of Lexington, the birth of freedom in America.

• *Horses of Anger*, by James Forman. When World War II begins, 15-year-old Hans, who wants only to be a poet, finds himself instead an anti-aircraft gunner. Although he begins with fanatical devotion to Hitler, he ends with a lost war and total disenchantment. The author tells of the three types of Germans, but especially about the young people of that era who did not think for themselves but simply obeyed the loudest voice.

• *The Irish Answer*, by Tony Gray. After a short introduction to modern Ireland and her history up to 1916, the author begins his journalistic account of the tragic period (See BOOK LIST, page 15)

Churchwide songwriting contest winners announced

By Gary Briggs

Ambassador Music Faculty

BIG SANDY — The Ambassador College Music Department here announces the long-awaited news of the contest winners in this year's first churchwide songwriting contest.

A number of the contest entries showed originality and plain hard work, and as usual the selection of winners was difficult. There were approximately 250 entrants entering over 700 songs, with some people submitting up to 24 songs at one time.

There were originally three divisions in the contest: the Beginning Adult, Advanced Adult, and Teen categories.

Each category had three winners — winners of the first, second and third places — and to each of them goes a plaque.

First-place winners will also receive a \$25 cash prize.

Finally, a fourth division was created because of originality, and those in this Special Awards category will also receive a plaque.

Dr. Eugene Walter, head of the Music Department, stated that "overall, the contest was a good success. The number of entrants was larger than expected, and we received a number of good songs."

"There were, of course, some things we wish now that we had done differently. For instance, many people sent us numbers they had written long ago. Our intent was that the entrants would write several new songs for the contest and perhaps submit three or four numbers at most."

"Many did this. However, there were quite a number of people who sent us large numbers of songs which they had written a long time ago and which were apparently their life's works."

"We were also hoping to receive songs written in a more contemporary style."

He added, "We were especially pleased with the interest and quality of the entries from outside the U.S. We were also inspired by the enthusiastic response of so many and surprised to see so much musical talent in the Church."

First-place winner of the Beginning Adult category is James Albritton, with his song entitled "He's My Father and My God," which he wrote in 1970 after becoming a reader of *The Plain Truth*.

Albritton lives with his wife Joyce and two sons, Andy and Mike, in Tampa, Fla.

the future he may continue his training on campus at Ambassador.



JAMES R.W. HARGARTEN



MRS. DON ADAMS

The third-place winner in the Beginning Adult category is Mrs. Don Adams of the Kansas City, Mo., church.

Mrs. Adams, who is presently a

member of the Kansas City church chorale, studies private voice with a teacher affiliated with the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

Upon graduation from high school, she was offered a scholarship to study voice and ever since has had an intense interest in vocal music as well as ecology and history.

Mrs. Adams and her husband have two daughters, Valerie and Andrea, the latter being the source of inspiration for her song, "Mother's Dove."

Mrs. Adams also is a member of the Kansas City Community Fine Arts Association and is associated with the organization's newspaper in Kansas City.



JEANETTE BAUMAN

Jeanette Bauman of Bloomingdale, Ontario, Canada, is 14 years old and is entering her first year of high school this fall.

She attends the Kitchener church with her parents and has studied piano and theory and likes to do harmonizing on her own.

Jeanette is first-place winner in the Teen category for her song, "Please, Let Me Live."



KRISTY WOODBRIDGE

Kristy Woodbridge, second-place winner of the Teen category, comes from a musical family in Wellington, Kan. Her father sings and her mother plays the clarinet.

Kristy sings and plays the piano, clarinet and oboe.

Her song, "Our Planet Earth," was the second song she had ever written. Her first one was also written for the contest.



CATHY ANNETTE BENJAMIN

Cathy Annette Benjamin, 14-year-old third-place winner of the Teen category, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Benjamin. She has a brother, Keith, 11, and a sister, Angela, 2½.

Cathy is a freshman in high school and attends church with her parents in Findlay, Ohio.

Cathy enjoys reading, drawing, sewing, baking, playing the piano, swimming and bicycling. Her hobby is creative craftwork.

The first song she wrote, "Happy World," earned her third place in the Teen category.

First-place winner in the Advanced Adult category is Mrs. Dorothy H. Julien for "He Gave Me You."

Mrs. Julien has had 10 years of music lessons and plays in a church band. She enjoys composing and has done several songs centering around the World Tomorrow, as well as plans for a musical on the same subject.

Mrs. Julien is a member of the Wichita, Kan., church.

John P. Zahody, a freshman at Ambassador, Pasadena, submitted his song, "Hey, Look Around," and wins second place in the Advanced Adult category.

Zahody has written many songs and began his career with study on the piano and organ. He then learned to play guitar on his own.

In 1966 he started performing in a folk-singing duo called "The Sundowners."

Later, in 1970, he performed in Europe, and then he went back to Savannah, Ga., before going to college.

Brian Varney, another entrant in the Advanced Adult category, is from Cambridge, England, and attends the Ipswich church.

He first heard the broadcast on Radio Caroline, one of the ship stations off the coast of England, and became associated soon after with the Work.

Brian is an ardent fan of pop music and has composed songs mainly for his own amusement.

Not being able to write music or play an instrument, he remembers a tune by writing the words and melody at the same time, in order that the words will remind him of the tune.

"Vanity of Vanities," the song he entered in this contest, was inspired by one of the sing-alongs at the Feast in Minehead, England, and with the aid of Stephen Robson, who transcribed the melody onto paper, produced a third-place winner.



BRIAN VARNEY

A special award was given to Mrs. Ronald Dopico, who is a member of the Miami, Fla., Church of God.

She and her husband came to the United States in 1961 as part of the exodus of political refugees fleeing Castro's Cuba.

Mrs. Dopico has had no musical training, but a friend, Miss Ada de Luque, transcribed "Mi General" for her.



MRS. RONALD DOPICO

Miss Christie De Vicq of Crystal, Minn., is 73 years old. She wrote "Can't Get Down to Normal" in 1955 while a member of a musical society, but the song was never published.

She received a special award because of the humorous content of the song.

Some of the winning songs are being worked into the Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Feast show, and we are also considering ways to make them available to the entire church membership.

Now you know

The Outerbridge Crossing, a bridge connecting Perth Amboy, N.J., and Staten Island, was named for Eugenium Outerbridge, former president of the New York Chamber of Commerce.

Imperial students take on 12-day, 350-mile cycle trip

By Dean Rawson

PASADENA — Cycling is becoming a popular sport these days, with more and more people on bicycles.

Recently Imperial Schools in Pasadena organized a cycling club for people who were interested in cycling. The club took many trips, ranging from 14 to 30 miles each round trip. These trips were made on Sundays.

Near the end of the year Mr. Howard Colby, Imperial instructor, began making plans for a 350-mile cycling trip from Monterey, Calif., to Pasadena. The requirements were that a participant needed to have a 10-speed bicycle in good condition and be at least 12 years old and in junior high or high school.

Everyone was required to carry his own equipment — weight not exceeding 20 pounds — which included sleeping bag, extra clothes, bicycle-repair kits and some freeze-dried food.

About two weeks before the ride we took a preparation ride to Colbrook Campground in the San Gabriel Mountains.

The trip was mostly uphill and walking was the easiest way to travel. The last part was the hardest — seven miles in four hours.

Sunday, July 8, Mr. Mike Feazell and Mr. Randy Martin of the Imperial faculty drove nine energetic boys and Mr. Colby to a private camp in Carmel Valley.

The students included three eighth-graders — Danny Romike, Gary Wagnier and me.

Ninth-graders Steve Robbins and Steve Doucet, 10th-graders Mark Ackley and Garland Snuffer and 11th-graders Eugene Brusacorum

and Danny Pritchard also went.

Twelve days, a couple of bruises and scratches and 350 miles later the group returned to Pasadena.

Book list

(Continued from page 14)

of Ireland's occupation by the British and the events which led to Easter Monday in 1916. Gray explains Ireland's role in world affairs and attempts to capture the essence of the Irish by discussions with a variety of people on all aspects of life.

• *Death Be Not Proud*, by John Gunther. This is the story of young Johnny Gunther, the author's son, who died at the age of 17 from a brain tumor. The last 15 months of his life are covered, reflecting his courage and his determination to live a useful and productive life until the very moment he died.

• *Good Morning, Miss Dove*, by Frances Patton. As old-fashioned and strict Miss Dove lies in the hospital after a heart attack, she reminisces about her past 35 years — spent as an elementary-school teacher. While she is ill the whole town realizes how much she has shaped the young people of the town, how much she cared for her pupils, and how much she was needed.

• *The Miracle Worker*, by William Gibson. This is a moving play of how young Anne Sullivan came to teach little Helen Keller — a child deaf, dumb and blind from her earliest years. Miss Sullivan must first reach Helen's mind, which has been locked in darkness for so many years, before she can teach her the simplest aspects of civilized living, such as eating with silverware and using manners.



JAMES ALBRITTON

James R.W. Hargarten, second-place winner in the Beginning Adult category with "Young Vine, New Season," is from Brooklyn Center, Minn.

Through the years Hargarten has composed several songs and also writes poetry, lyrics and essays. And he is interested in creative writing in the fields of communications, literature and marketing.

Hargarten hopes that sometime in

Mr. Armstrong visits Mexico City, dedicates new office to serve Work

The following is a report from our Mexico City office manager.

By Enrique Ruiz

MEXICO CITY — Thursday, July 5, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong arrived in Mexico City on a direct flight from Burbank Airport on the Gulfstream-II, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Beverly Gott, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rader and daughter Carol.

This was the third time Mr. Armstrong has been in Mexico City.

Then on Friday, July 6, Mr. Armstrong arrived midmorning at our new offices located in the penthouse of a five-story building located only a few blocks away from the famous Paseo de la Reforma.

With a simple but very meaningful ribbon-cutting ceremony and moving prayer, Mr. Armstrong dedicated the office and all of its many functions to God and the service of the Mexican and all Latin American people.

After the brief ceremony an overjoyed and enthusiastic office staff, together with some church brethren, gathered around Mr. Armstrong and, although it was a little early in the morning, toasted joyfully with champagne and enjoyed some canapés.

While at the office Mr. Armstrong graciously consented to have his picture taken with several of the brethren.

After taking a tour of the facilities Mr. Armstrong was very pleased with what he saw, saying it was well decorated, spacious and practical. If he is well pleased, we are well pleased!

The present facilities we have are three times as large as what we had previously. Our present office is surrounded by the American, British and Israeli embassies — right in the midst of Israel, you could say!

Second Feast in Oaxtepec

Right after the dedication Mr. Armstrong wanted to visit the area in which the Feast of Tabernacles will be celebrated for the second year in a row in Oaxtepec, in the state of Morelos, which is only 55 miles from Mexico City over a modern superhighway and across some 9,000-foot-high pine-covered mountains.

The resort area of Oaxtepec is located in a peaceful semitropical valley. Mr. Armstrong took a quick tour, saw the bubbling blue-green sulfur springs, the grounds, the cable cars and the stadium, and while there he said it was almost a modern-day Shangri-la. He was very happy that the Mexican and Central American brethren have such a nice, unpolluted area in which to meet.

Then on Sabbath, July 7, at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Armstrong took the services in Mexico City — at a nice meeting hall, where we meet regularly — and preached the first sermon ever preached by him in Latin

Now you know

LONDON, England (UPI) — Britain's opposition Labor Party has signed a new pay agreement with its headquarters staff that includes a free cup of coffee every morning and a free cup of tea every afternoon.

But the agreement is retroactive to May 1, which means the 100 staff members have more than 18,000 cups of coffee or tea coming.

Officials have ruled out ordering every employee to drink doubles for the next four months, making the award good in cash or not awarding the back coffee or tea at all.

"We think the best thing is to leave it to the staff to sort out among themselves," said a headquarters spokesman.

America!

He also unveiled a plaque which hangs in the reception room of our office: AMBASSADOR, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION . . . DEDICATED BY THE WORLDWIDE DIRECTOR OF AMBASSADOR COLLEGE, MR. HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG. GENERAL MANAGER ENRIQUE T. RUIZ, JULY 7, 1973.

The congregation, although small by U.S. standards, was overjoyed, and since many of the members are bilingual, only a few needed the help of a translator.

Mr. Armstrong preached a powerful sermon on the true Gospel and the Kingdom of God and true Christianity. He spoke about the great God who is the God of the Mexican and Latin American people and after whose image they were created — a sermon in which he, as he always does, put all of his concern and love and enthusiasm; it didn't matter to

him that he did not have an all-English-speaking audience.

Many of the brethren were amazed at his enthusiasm and vitality and were greatly inspired.

Faraway Places

Some brethren came from faraway places in Mexico; one person came all the way from British Honduras to hear him preach.

After the sermon was over, eager and smiling brethren stood in line to shake his hand and to ask him to sign some of their Bibles. When there were no more hands to shake, with a warm smile he departed for the airport.

Mr. Armstrong invited my wife Holly and me to go with him to Acapulco, where he spent most of the days in heavy writing.

From Acapulco Mr. Armstrong flew to meet President José Figueres of Costa Rica.



CUTTING THE RIBBON — In a very meaningful ribbon-cutting ceremony and moving prayer, Mr. Armstrong dedicated the Mexico City office to God and to the service of the Mexican and Latin American people.

Morocco members delight in visit of black ministers

Mrs. Sylvia Wahid is one of the three members of God's Church in Morocco, North Africa. The other two members are Mr. and Mrs. James Scruggs, United States citizens living in Rabat.

By Silvia Wahid

CASABLANCA, Morocco — Greetings from the entire Church of God in Morocco!

In a recent issue of *The Worldwide News* we learned of Mr. Harold Jackson's forthcoming tour in Black Africa on which he was to be accompanied by Mr. Roland Sampson from the Houston, Tex., area in the U.S.

Their trip started Friday, Aug. 10, when they left London-Heathrow for Casablanca with a brief stopover in Gibraltar.

As we are the only members in this part of the world, the only opportunity for the three of us to attend services and Bible studies is during the annual Holy Days.

Mr. and Mrs. James Scruggs, an American couple with a two-year-old baby, living in Rabat, attend the

Feast of Tabernacles in Minehead, and I join the French-speaking brethren at Praz-sur-Arly, France.

Consequently, I am sure you can imagine how thrilled and happy we all were to have the two ministers visit us for a time and to be able to spend the whole Sabbath of Aug. 11 with them.

They held a Bible study, and, although time was pretty much taken up by this as well as by questions and answers, we also managed to show them a very small part of Casablanca.

I believe this was their first visit to an Arab country.

Needless to say, it was hard to bid them good-bye when they had to leave on Saturday, late in the afternoon, for Las Palmas, where they were scheduled to counsel with a group of interested people the next day.

Their trip will last three months and will take them to 13 countries in Africa, where they have planned visits with 473 people!



VISITING THE MEXICO CITY OFFICE — Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong spent a few days in July with Mr. Enrique Ruiz, the Mexico City office manager, to dedicate the new office building.

a look at... YESTERYEAR

PASADENA, September, 1962 — "The Undeniable Link Between the Hebrew Language and the Languages of Latin America" — that is the subject which Mr. Charles Dorothy, minister and teacher, is studying to achieve a doctorate.

At the request of Mr. Herbert Armstrong and the faculty, Mr. Dorothy went to La Universidad Interamericana, Saltillo, Mexico. It was here that he studied toward his doctor's degree in Spanish. His language thesis was approved — but only unofficially.

This has been Mr. Dorothy's third summer in Mexico. He plans to complete the requirements for his degree next August.

A full schedule of approximately eight class hours daily included such courses as Mexican archaeology, ancient history of Mexico, advanced composition, survey of Mexican literature, colonial history, and folklore.

An interesting sidelight was a trip down the West Coast and through southern Mexico. Here they saw many famous places, including Mexico City, Guadalajara and Zamora.

Mr. Dorothy said, "Mexico City is a sight in itself. It has much beauty . . .

"Its extremely broad streets maintain a hectic pace of life. Many of the buildings are gradually sinking, due to the fact that the central area of the city, 7,200 feet above the sea, used to be the middle of a lake."

Another highlight was the great Toltec pyramid at Teotihuacán, the "Pyramid of the Sun," which has the largest base of any pyramid . . . [From the *Pasadena Portfolio*, Sept. 21, 1962.]

CALGARY, Alberta, September, 1972 — For three nights in Calgary, Canada, Garner Ted Armstrong preached the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

It was the first of a series of personal-appearance campaigns by Mr. Armstrong. And it was a tremendous

success. Jubilee Auditorium overflowed for three nights in a row.

One man drove over 300 miles to attend one night. And one little old crippled man walked for four hours to hear the message.

"I've been watching Garner Ted Armstrong on television since he began [here in Canada]. Finally these campaigns make the TV broadcast mean something."

These were the words of the baggage officer at the Calgary airport.

Everything went "perfectly smooth," in the words of a band member, Louis Winant. There were "no problems whatsoever."

This was especially appreciated in the ease with which the band and chorale members cleared immigration and customs crossing into Canada.

(The only incident that can remotely be called a problem came when a small religious group attempted to distribute leaflets outside of the auditorium — in 15 minutes the auditorium manager told them to get off the premises.)

The audio technician at the auditorium (who was not among the campaign crew) commented concerning the band and chorale members:

"This is the most well-disciplined group I've ever seen in all my years of working in television."

Aug. 25, 26 and 27 — the first of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's personal-appearance campaigns — became an overwhelming success. And many observers have subsequently noted that Mr. Armstrong has never been more effective as a speaker. [From the *Pasadena Portfolio*, Sept. 6, 1972.]

Now you know

By United Press International

In ancient battles advancing lines of foot soldiers drifted to the right, due to the natural instinct of each man to hug closely to his neighbor's shield as a protection to his own unguarded side.