

A Personal Letter

from

Samuel Led Armstrong

Dear brethren in Christ:
Greetings!

As I write, my father is at headquarters and is about to embark on another lengthy trip which will take him to the Middle East and Europe, as well as England.

I shall be leaving on the 15th, about the time many of you receive this issue of the *WN*, for a preliminary trip to Egypt, where I will be met by Mr. Adli Muhtadi at the Cairo airport and thence be engaged in a series of whirlwind meetings with officials in the Egyptian government, paving the way for in-depth television and radio interviews with top officials in the latter part of February and the first of March.

I hope to send back another series of on-the-spot radio broadcasts from various points along the way and in Egypt, and I hope almost all of you will be able to hear these programs I will do overseas.

As you have probably noticed, this

issue of the *WN* is actually two issues in one. While I include some overall comments on the *Plain Truth* and *Good News* in a special article inside the special issue, I wanted to expand on those comments here. I pointed to the improving content of the *Plain Truth* and explained that we hope to return to more of a magazine format within the first few months of 1976.

'Plain Truth' Improvements

I had asked the managing editor, Mr. Art Ferdig, to conduct an in-depth survey, including consultation with some of the top specialists in the publications field in New York City on some of these needed format changes, which he has done. We are sure that the more cautious and steady change for the *Plain Truth* is to be desired rather than sudden or capricious change for which we might be sorry later.

I know you have all noticed the new feature "Human Survival" in (See *PERSONAL*, page 4)

Mr. Armstrong begins 1976 with stops in Cairo, Jerusalem

PASADENA — Herbert W. Armstrong's first overseas trip in 1976 will take him to Cairo and Jerusalem, where he will hold back-to-back "testimonial dinners" at the end of January and in early February, according to Stanley Rader, vice president of financial affairs for the Work.

In a coworker letter dated Dec. 24, 1975, written en route from Paris to Pasadena on the last leg of his latest round-the-world trip, Mr. Armstrong announced that campaigns in 1976 are planned for Korea, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Thailand, Nigeria,

Malaysia and possibly India.

Mr. Armstrong also mentioned a second campaign will be conducted in Jamaica in 1976, with smaller campaigns planned for Barbados, Trinidad and the Bahamas. He also hopes for a campaign in South Africa.

Mr. Armstrong said many testimonial dinners are planned for 1976. A Jerusalem dinner is set for Feb. 3, while one in Cairo is planned for an earlier date, Mr. Rader said.

The Ethiopian ambassador to Egypt, who was once a guest on the Ambassador campus here, will be

host for the Cairo dinner, Mr. Rader said.

Mr. Armstrong will leave for the meetings in the Middle East about Jan. 27, according to Mr. Rader, who also said Mr. Armstrong will first make a trip to Mexico City Jan. 11 or 12.

In late February Mr. Armstrong will probably conduct a campaign in the Bahamas. Mr. Rader added that a follow-up appearance is planned for Jamaica (where Mr. Armstrong first appeared Nov. 21 and 22), and "preliminary appearances" are planned for Barbados and Trinidad.

Chicago tournament draws 61 teams

By Carl Gustafson

CHICAGO, Ill. — Sixty-one basketball teams from 11 states and the District of Columbia met here Dec. 25 to 27 for the 1975 Chicago Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Tournament headquarters was the 14-story O'Hare-Kennedy Holiday Inn Convention Complex, which was

filled to just under its 520-room capacity by tournament participants and fans.

An estimated 1,000 players, coaches and cheerleaders and 2,000 fans converged on Buffalo Grove High School, a new facility a half hour's drive from the hotel, where six basketball courts were kept in use almost constantly during two days of tournament play.

Games began at 10 a.m. Dec. 25 and went until midnight. The next day's action lasted from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Seventy-five Illinois High School Association referees officiated the 83 tournament games, and the teams scored more than 6,000 points all together during the tourney.

51 Church Areas

The 61 teams, representing 51 church areas, were grouped into five divisions: senior AA, A and B and junior (YOU) A and B, with divisions designed to match teams of similar ability.

After two days of play, championship games in four of the five divisions were held Friday afternoon, Dec. 26. In the senior-AA championship, the Cleveland (Ohio) Panthers defeated the Forshiem Loafers, a team from a local Chicago church league, 71-64.

Appleton-Wausau, Wis., edged Lafayette, Ind., 55-54, in the senior-A-division championship game, and Grand Rapids, Mich., took the senior-B championship with a 62-49 win over St. Paul, Minn.

In the junior-B championship game, Fort Wayne, Ind., dropped Rockford, Ill., 49-43, with the junior-A championship scheduled for Saturday night, Dec. 27.

The next day 3,000 people met for Sabbath services in the convention hall at the hotel to hear a split sermon by Paul Flatt of Pasadena, southern-area coordinator of church administration, and Dean Blackwell, an evangelist and theology instructor at Ambassador College, Big Sandy.

On Saturday night, the first game featured the Ambassador College Royals of Big Sandy and Joliet Christian Youth Center of Joliet, Ill., a team of former college players competing on a junior-college level in the Chicago area.

Although the Royals took a 54-50 lead into the dressing room at halftime, they couldn't hold their

lead and lost to Joliet 106-89.

32 Teen Teams

The second game of the evening was the junior-A championship, with the winner to receive a trip to the Youth Opportunities United basketball tournament in Pasadena this spring. Thirty-two teen teams had entered the tourney, and now the Big Sandy Challengers, who had come to the tournament by bus with the Royals, squared off against the Chicago Fire, tournament winners for the last three years.

After a scoring duel between Big Sandy's Gary West (19 points) and the Fire's David Cain (23 points), Big Sandy came out on top 56-51. Gary was awarded the game's most-valuable-player trophy.

Upon registering at the tournament, each cheerleader had been (See *CHICAGO*, page 8)

1,600 attend campaign in Philippines

By Nap Acebron

MANILA — Colin Adair, director of the Philippine and Northeast Asian Work, held a campaign here Dec. 12 as a last-minute stand-in for Herbert W. Armstrong, who at the last moment was not able to speak as planned.

Osamu Gotoh, overseas-campaign director for the Work, had asked Mr. Adair to take the campaign just before it was to begin. Mr. Gotoh told the audience, estimated at 1,600, that with deep regret Mr. Armstrong would not be able to come as planned but that plans were being made for a bigger campaign here for March 20, 1976.

"Had I known at least 10 minutes before the campaign that Mr. Armstrong could not come, I would have shaken like a leaf," Mr. Adair said. "But the news was so sudden and given at such short notice by Mr. Gotoh that I simply had no time to feel nervous."

Mr. Adair began by explaining the difference between the Worldwide Church of God and Ambassador College. He also talked about (See *PHILIPPINES*, page 8)

'WN' produces year-end special

Don't be confused if you see two front pages of *The Worldwide News* in this issue, because it is actually an issue within an issue. Inserted within the regular bi-weekly *WN*, which this time is eight pages, is a special 16-page 1975 wrap-up issue. The special issue excerpts articles from all 25 of the 1975 editions.

Reviewing the year through the 396 pages of the Church newspaper in 1975 and trying to select the articles to be run was a major problem. How do you condense the major events, covering hundreds of pages, into 16?

"It was a real challenge to try to reduce the year's activities into 16 pages," said John Robinson, managing editor.

"When you work with one twenty-fifth of the space, the process of selection becomes very difficult. I'm sure we missed some things, and I'm sure that if someone else had done it they would have selected different stories. Our efforts aren't the ultimate or any sort of official listing, rather a selection of what struck us as newsworthy. We tried to maintain a balance in producing the issue."

Klaus Rothe, assistant managing editor, said putting together the special issue was "one of the most concentrated efforts we've ever put into any single project. We tried to make this special issue informative. It is the sort of thing that I think some of our readers would like to keep in a special place to remember the year by."

Senior editor Dixon Cartwright Jr. summed up his thoughts:

"More pages means more



work for a small staff, but I think our subscribers will like the special; it'll help them remember how many things can happen in just a year."

Many of the major events of 1975 were recorded by *WN* editor Garner Ted Armstrong, who produced 22 "Personals" for the 25 issues of 1975. Mr. Armstrong wrote 896 column inches, or

about 75 feet of copy, for the *WN*.

"We wanted this year-end wrap-up issue to serve as a historical reference for many of the major events that transpired in the Work in 1975," Mr. Robinson said. "We think many of our readers will want to preserve the commemorative issue by keeping it in some type of protective folder to avoid paper deterioration."

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Story about Marian

Your story about Marian, the little girl with cerebral palsy [Nov. 24], was very heartwarming. And the picture of her talking on the phone was so sweet.

Thank you for telling us about her.
Mrs. Billie Wakeman
Humboldt, Iowa

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Next stop: the morgue?

I have just read the story in *The Worldwide News* about Dale, Bernard, Rick and Ronnie [Dec. 3], and these things really tear at my heart. I am the mother of a drug-addict son. I would have hope, if he went out and talked about it.

But at this time he is in prison, not for selling drugs, but for robbery to support his habit. He is 31 now, and it all began at about age 17 or 18. Two times he was high and had a car accident; someone else's car. He never worked but a couple of times in his 31 years.

We were called to the city hospital about late '74, at about midnight or later. When we (his dad and I) arrived, he had been in an accident and was bloody and was so high on drugs they had him strapped down. His dad went in to see him. He was using foul language. I didn't go in because the doctor didn't think I should. As soon as he was stitched up (by the way, he only had a cut on his head from the accident), he went to jail. So last June, I think I'm right, we were called to the hospital again, another car accident, he and his girl friend.

So now I go to prison when I get the chance to see him. And it's a relief to know where he is. And I wonder what's it going to be like when he gets out again. But in spite of everything, I still love him. This is only a small part of all he has done.

... I can feel for those mothers of Dale, Bernard, Rick and Ronnie. I have shed enough tears to take a bath in. Well, I'm exaggerating, but truly I could write a book on my son's life. And I can't understand why he ever got started that way. But the story in *The Worldwide News* leads me to believe that they hate what they did but can't stay away from drugs. As soon as [my son] gets confined, then he begins to talk like these boys. But as soon as he is out, the old gang is still there. Oh, maybe one or two are in prison, but there are always more as bad or worse.

So I always pray, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done. Not selfishly but to put down suffering. No one can ever know the heartache a mother has, unless it's a mother who has experienced that trauma... But I wonder if the next time I am called in the middle of the night, will it be the morgue???

Name withheld
Ohio

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Temporary inattention

Certainly one can appreciate the consideration behind the suggestion in the *WN* that came yesterday, regarding having our literature handy in traffic jams ["Letters," Nov. 10].

Personal remorse from blindly restarting after temporary inattention — not knowing for example if a child had darted under the car — motivates me to plead with fellow readers to find other ways to overcoming impatience. It is with sorrow that we collectively have not been following in His footsteps, were He behind the wheel. Please consider that nothing justifies our present despoiling of speed limits and in other ways jeopardizing the lives of pedestrians.

Name withheld
England

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Pioneering of Imperial

It's with regret that we "old-timers" of the Big Sandy-Gladewater-Longview area learn of Mrs. Vernice Lochner's demise [Garner Ted Armstrong's "Personal," Dec. 8]. Our sympathy to Dr. Lochner, Otto and Peggy.

And... with reference to the pioneering of Imperial School at Big Sandy: It was Mr. Marion McNair and his wife DeLoyce who, as its first teachers, opened the school. Following them were Mr. Raymond Cole and Dr. Lynn Torrance as directors of Imperial's second year of operation. Then entered the Lochners to make their contribution.

Alton Crosswell
Longview, Tex.

Life behind iron curtain

Brothers face trials with army

By Gary Hopkins

BONN — The Harz brothers, Martin, 21, and Joerg, 19, live with their parents in Jena, East Germany. On Oct. 29, Halloween Eve, Martin received the best treat of his life, direct from the communist government: his discharge from the People's Army. The trick came expectedly two weeks later: Joerg was drafted.

These two young men are members of God's Church living behind the iron curtain. Unlike most western nations, East Germany penalizes conscientious objectors — severely. Therefore, brethren confronted by such a problem are usually advised by the Church to serve out the mandatory 18-month military service, as the lesser of two evils. At least they have an occasional opportunity to visit their families.

Previous Problem

Dietmar Pistorius, son of deacon Heinz Pistorius in East Germany, had met this problem in 1972. He managed to struggle through at a time when "liberalizing" had less of an effect on the strict military life in the communist countries. It was tough as a married man separated from his wife and daughter, but it was quickly over. His experience had prepared Martin Harz for the worst. Martin told us, however, that the worst never did come.

In May, 1974, shortly after Dietmar had returned home, Martin was inducted. Because he was stationed in the extreme northwestern corner of East Germany, it looked like he wouldn't see his family for a long time.

Then he was surprised when he soon received a clerical job, thereby



HARZ BROTHERS — Martin Harz, right, was discharged from the East German army two weeks before his brother Joerg was inducted. Both are members of the Church. (Photo by Lydia Harz)

missing nearly the entire nine-week long boot camp, where it is very difficult to observe the Sabbath.

Martin also soon realized the favor God had given him with his commanding officers. Although he was stationed so far away, he managed nearly one weekend every month to go home. His homecomings were often planned to coincide with feast days or with visits from one of the several ministers in West Germany.

However, Martin, like Dietmar,

had more trouble with the army cooks than the officers. Unclean foods proved an almost inescapable problem, but, thanks to gift parcels from his mother and grandmother, Martin avoided going hungry.

Happily Back

Martin is now happily back at his job with the East German railroad, but Joerg faces a tough military career. Luckily, Joerg was prepared for the worst, because he's getting it.

Trying to keep the Sabbath, Joerg has already suffered several abuses from unyielding officers. Until recently, it even appeared as though his entire family would be dragged into the matter. His case is soon to come before the East German high command, but until then Joerg is free on the Sabbath.

Besides constantly being humiliated, he writes, he's regularly going hungry. And it now looks as though he's going to be transferred. Until now, his family could visit him on Sundays, bringing gifts of food.

Once again friends and relatives will need to send gift parcels, taking the chance they may never reach him, as is often the case in East Germany.

At the moment the army doesn't want to make Joerg a full-fledged soldier, which could be good news. When he's transferred, he may be put on a work detail instead of serving as a soldier.

Joerg requested only one thing in a recent letter to Frank Schnee, director of the German Work, headquartered here:

"Please remember me in your prayers!"

Counted a transgressor: a day in life of a minister

By Mark Robinson

FORT WORTH, Tex. — Being a rape suspect and numbered among the transgressors is not enjoyable, although it can be exciting. Felix Heimberg, pastor of the church here, can testify to that.

Dec. 19 was just another day for Mr. Heimberg as he made a routine visit with an interested party in southeastern Fort Worth.

After he left the house, Mr. Heimberg made his way home along a busy thoroughfare crowded with Christmas shoppers. He looked in his rearview mirror and noticed flashing red and blue police lights.

Contemplating a speeding violation, Mr. Heimberg immediately looked at his speedometer, which indicated he was exceeding the limit by about 5 miles an hour.

He stopped, reached for his wallet and opened the door to walk back to the police car, which was parked about 20 feet behind.

Blaring Voice

As he left his car a voice from the police car blared: "Get out of the car! Put your hands on the roof, and don't move!"

Stunned at the announcement, Mr. Heimberg answered with a "Whaaaat?"

The instructions were blared out again, so he got out and placed his hands on the roof.

Another patrol car arrived with lights flashing, and momentarily three officers approached a puzzled Mr. Heimberg.

He later said, "I thought this was

unusual treatment for a speeder."

The three began interrogating him about his activities, asking who he was visiting, where he lived and what he was doing in the area.

Mr. Heimberg then asked, "Is this any way to treat a minister?"

One of the three replied, "Ministers aren't anything special."

Having no answer to that, Mr. Heimberg remained silent as he was frisked for the first time in his life.

Upon examining his wallet and finding his ordination card, one patrolman told Mr. Heimberg they had apprehended the wrong man. He explained the three had been on a stakeout in the neighborhood of Mr. Heimberg's visit for a man wanted for rape and assault.

Perfect Description

Mr. Heimberg answered his description perfectly. Both drove a late-model Ford with California license plates; both were about 6 feet 2 with brown hair and a mustache.

After apologies, the officers released Mr. Heimberg. Although embarrassed by the incident, which took place in front of hundreds of passing cars, he parted friends with the officers and wished them well in cornering the real culprit.

Less than a week later in the same area Mr. Heimberg was again stopped by the police. This time the charge was driving at an unsafe speed for prevailing weather conditions (it was snowing).

No ticket was issued, and he was once again freed. Later Mr. Heimberg commented, "I'm going to start avoiding that area of the city."

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A special tribute to a total woman

PASADENA — "When the last page in her life was turned and the book was closed, God received her spirit, and now she is waiting to receive her crown," said minister Robert Oberlander in announcing the death of Vernice Ruby Lochner, 58, to the congregation here during a Dec. 6 sermonette in the Ambassador Auditorium.

In the weeks since Mrs. Lochner died of cancer at her home here, in the early-morning hours of Dec. 5, many friends and associates have taken time to honor her memory and pay tribute to her example as a wife, mother, teacher and Christian.

She and her husband, Dr. Floyd O. Lochner, are perhaps best known to the Church through their roles in Imperial Schools and the Summer Educational Program (SEP). For years Dr. Lochner was superintendent of the schools, while Mrs. Lochner served first as a first-grade teacher and later as dean of girls and instructor in home economics.

From the start of the SEP in 1962, and every year of the program until this past summer, she was active in the program's activities as girls' counselor and staff-faculty adviser.

The Alex, Okla., native graduated from the University of Oklahoma at Norman in 1938. A year later, in June, 1939, she married; she and Dr. Lochner were in their 37th year of marriage when she died.

In the spring of 1954 the Lochners were both baptized.

Mrs. Lochner began teaching at Imperial Schools, Big Sandy, in the spring of 1955, and Dr. Lochner began teaching at Imperial in the fall of the same year.

In 1956 the couple and their children were transferred to pioneer Imperial Schools, Pasadena. Dr. Lochner was named superintendent, and Mrs. Lochner continued her career of service to the school, which lasted until 1972, when she was appointed assistant dean of students for Ambassador College, Pasadena.

She is survived by her husband; a son, Floyd Otto Jr.; and a daughter, Mrs. David (Peggy LaRue) Harris.

The younger Lochner and his wife Nancy have two children: Greg, 5; and Peggy, 3.

The couple is expecting a third child.

The Harrises have three children:

Robb, 7; Shelly, 5; and Shana, 2.

A Great Teacher

Mrs. Lochner was greatly admired as a teacher both by her peers and by her students.

Dorothy Lacour, now director of continuing education at Ambassador College here, began teaching at Imperial in 1961. She said she learned from Mrs. Lochner how to teach elementary children, even though she already had a master's degree in another field.

"I taught second grade at Imperial School using the things which I had learned from her and was totally dependent upon her for inspiration and guidance, because when I began teaching I was not trained as a professional teacher."

In 1964 Mrs. Lacour began working in the school office and served Dr. Lochner as secretary and administrative aide until his assignment to the college in 1970.

"Mrs. Lochner was infinitely patient and alert to strengths in others and carried a great respect for children as well as for adults. How often I remember the little children coming out of the church crowd to throw their arms around her knees and look up with great joy in their faces. She always demonstrated her appreciation for those who interacted with her, with little notes, with little gifts, and was always ready to encourage, and yet firm in giving correction. Giving correction was difficult for her, yet she realized the need for other people to profit by it."

Mona Schurter, the former Mona Zachary, now married to Dale Schurter, director of development, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, taught at Imperial Schools in 1959 as a single college student. She, as Mrs. Lacour, observed Mrs. Lochner in the classroom for a year and later taught first grade with Mrs. Lochner.

Mrs. Schurter said she was always amazed at Mrs. Lochner's never-ending patience with children. "She never raised her voice. She would be firm in what she said. But she never yelled or raised her voice at the children. She had very good discipline in the classroom and had a respect for the children."

What Are Your Bowels?

Randal Dick, assistant pastor of the Washington, D.C., church, was a student in Mrs. Lochner's first-grade

class at Imperial here. He has fond memories of the first grade.

"You go through school and there are some grades where you look back and there are things you didn't like about it," said Mr. Dick. "But to me the first grade under Mrs. Lochner was a totally good experience."

Throughout the last 17 years Mr. Dick said he "had the opportunity to tell her how much I appreciated her contribution. I don't know if all of her students kept in touch with her or not, but I know there was a group . . . that were fond of her and maintained fairly close contact with Mrs. Lochner."

According to Mr. Dick, Mrs. Lochner is responsible for telling an anecdote about him when he was in elementary school. Young Randy was on the playground during recess when he felt the need to go to the rest room. Mrs. Lochner, who was standing nearby, said, "Well, Randy, you just went." To which he replied, "I know, ma'am, but I have to go again."

"Is there something wrong with your bowels?" Mrs. Lochner asked.

Mrs. Lochner also asked him if he knew what his bowels were.

Randy replied, "Oh, yes, ma'am, I do: A-E-I-O-U."

Outstanding Example

Mrs. Jack Bicket, wife of the manager of the Work's Accounting Department, recalled Mrs. Lochner as "an outstanding example."

"We first met the Lochners in the fall of 1959," she said. "Jack had just enrolled at Ambassador and was teaching math and science at Imperial. We were newly married and they adopted us as their children. We learned to love them like parents."

She recalled attending teachers' meetings with her husband and working with Mrs. Lochner on high-school banquets, preparing refreshments and food for school activities. Mrs. Lochner was with Mrs. Bicket at the birth of the Bickets' first child, Cindy, who will be 13 next July.

"Mrs. Lochner was an example in leadership and femininity. She combined the two as well as any lady I know. She excelled at being a wife, mother and teacher," Mrs. Bicket said.

"The one thing I learn: I most vividly from her was a keen sense of



VERNICE LOCHNER
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loyalty and deep respect for those in authority over us, basically the leadership in the Church. I remember her as a woman full of joy and happiness, one who always had a cheery hello and just seemed to spread sunshine wherever she went."

Another admirer of Mrs. Lochner remembers her as a woman who lived God's way. "She set the example of character, rather than discussing character."

Mrs. Schurter also remembered trying to copy everything Mrs. Lochner did because she so deeply admired the way she conducted herself. "She was such an impressive woman. I admired her greatly and I watched the way she folded her hands and the way she held her Bible in church. I watched her in front of a classroom and tried to imitate the way she stood, the way she held her head, the way she talked."

"Laughing and joking with her over a cup of coffee on a shopping trip was just plain fun. She could go from one thing to another and she would just laugh and giggle and cut up. You would have a ball with her because her sense of humor was so spontaneous. She was just fun to be with."

"But when you had something serious to talk with her about, she never put you down or made you feel like she was superior to you in any way."

"I think both of the Lochners made everyone that came in close contact with them feel special."

Dark-Haired Sarah

Mrs. Schurter said she remembers hearing a sermon depicting the life of Abraham's wife Sarah in which the minister said Sarah was probably a fair-haired, fair-skinned woman. "That was a shock to me, because to me Mrs. Lochner was Sarah."

"She was the epitome of everything that I admired and respected in a woman. She could cook, she could sew, she got along with people well. Everyone liked her. She was just a total woman, and to me she was a dark-haired Sarah."

Ruth Walter, dean of women at Ambassador College, Big Sandy, pointed to the team effort of Dr. and Mrs. Lochner. Mrs. Walter taught at

Imperial Schools, Pasadena, in the early 1960s and spent many hours with Mrs. Lochner in the classroom.

"I would say two main things come to my mind when I think of Mrs. Lochner: the tremendous dedication she had along with Dr. Lochner in the educational field and how she went side by side with him through the years, establishing Imperial Schools and teaching and learning together. Couples like that are fairly rare, where the husband and wife are a team in an outside pursuit."

Mrs. Walter said that when she worked with Mrs. Lochner she felt she was constantly learning from her. She said Mrs. Lochner seldom said anything orally in the way of correction, "but corrected so many things on just the basis of her example."

Mrs. Lacour also commented that Mrs. Lochner was a "Bible-oriented" person, yet not in a sentimental way. "When she had a problem she hunted for the answer in the Bible and taught others to do the same. She was completely selfless."

"In summary she was one of the greatest teachers that has ever lived. She was one of the most devoted wives whom the world has ever seen, a towering personality who gave all women who knew her a level of excellence for which they could press."

Example Far Above Many

Evangelist Herman L. Hoeh conducted Mrs. Lochner's funeral service at Mountain View Cemetery in Altadena, Calif., Dec. 9. During the grave-side service he also paid tribute to her life. He said she was a "remarkable" woman who had set an example "far above many."

He spoke of the resurrection, when she will have a chance to teach and set an example for "not just hundreds" as she did in this life but be "an example, a guiding hand, a leader in the Kingdom of God, the family of God in the World Tomorrow . . ."

"We all fall short here and there, but let's walk in faith and go on in hope, as Vernice Lochner had to the very end of her life."



LOCHNER FAMILY — Dr. and Mrs. Lochner, center, pose at Orr, Minn., with their two children, Peggy and Otto.

A Personal Letter

from
James H. Lindsey

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the center section of the *Plain Truth*; this is to become a permanent feature of the publication and will highlight articles concerning the entire scope of human survival, the biggest and most important issue confronting humankind today.

One important point about the *Plain Truth*: From time to time, brethren, a sincere member of the Church might write in, wanting to see a great deal more "BIBLE" in the *Plain Truth*. As I have explained in past years, the *Plain Truth* is, to so many people in countries where there literally is no radio or television, the "hors d'oeuvres," the first entry, the first contact for people at all social and economic levels with God's Work! As such, the *Plain Truth* is not now and has never been intended as a vehicle to educate God's own converted Church members in deep biblical subjects!

We don't seem to realize that, as converted brethren, while we may hunger and thirst for deeper truths from God's Work, some of the seemingly more general articles in the *Plain Truth* appear to be very POWERFUL and very significant, even *Biblically*, to those in the world who do not know the truth we have been privileged to share.

God's Church has grown to the place where there is not one single individual in the entirety of the continental United States who needs

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Hilton were nonmembers.

"The response and enthusiasm following the meeting was just great, with some 48 persons requesting literature from the display counter specially set up for the occasion," Mr. Nieto said.

Lectures are planned for one or two Sundays a month, according to Mr. Nieto.

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PASADENA — Streets adjacent to Ambassador College here (Orange Grove and Colorado boulevards) were packed with 1.38 million spectators for the annual Tournament of Roses Parade Jan. 1.

Students of Ambassador used the event this year, as in years past, to generate income for student activities by providing four types of services for parade spectators. Students parked cars, campers and trailer houses on the campus, ushered in stands along Orange Grove Boulevard, operated five concession stands and sold 12,900 programs to spectators along the route.

According to **John Zahody**, student-body president, the students fared better financially this year than last.

A minor earthquake that hit Southern California the same day was not felt on the Ambassador campus, according to Mr. Zahody.

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BIG SANDY — The Ambassador campuses in Pasadena and here will begin classes for the second semester Jan. 12.

According to the Pasadena Registrar's Office, 80 new students will be admitted in Pasadena. Fifty-two freshmen will enter in Big Sandy, according to the Admissions Office here.

Eighty-one students (50 men and 31 women) are scheduled to graduate in Pasadena next May 17. Seventy-three students (49 men and 24 women) are on the docket to graduate in Big Sandy May 13.

to miss going to either a Bible study or church service at least part of the time, except through illness or serious poverty. Our loyal and faithful ministry is doing a fantastic job of "feeding the flock," and not only of continually feeding the flock but also facing the weekly chore of preparing sermons and Bible studies for the many new people who come in as visitors and guests to God's Church under our more "open-door" policy in Bible studies and church services.

More Bible in Telecasts?

I sometimes become a little desirous of seeing a great deal more "BIBLE" in the telecasts!

But, when I voice this to some of those out here at headquarters, and especially members of our television-production staff, they nearly always carefully get me the statistics which show the overwhelming number of people in these same areas of government, high economic strata and even the entertainment field who continually watch the telecast.

I have had letters from congressmen, state senators, governors, police chiefs and people high in the entertainment field MANY times concerning the telecast, and I continually receive invitations to speak before local and state conventions of social and civic clubs, doctors, dentists, police chiefs and other such conventions throughout the year as a direct result of their impressions gained from watching the telecast.

One interesting sidelight of note: At a dinner preceding one of the top-quality concerts held in the Auditorium in connection with the AICF some weeks ago, Efreim Zimbalist Jr., the star of the television series *The FBI*, was a guest for dinner at the home of Dr. Robert Kuhn.

I had to be out of town and so was not privileged to meet Mr. Zimbalist. However, Dr. Kuhn related to me how enthusiastic Mr. Zimbalist was over having seen the telecast, and he spoke very glowingly and in a friendly manner concerning the programs he had seen and seemed genuinely impressed.

So, brethren, even though once in a while a Church member might wish to see me on the screen in a telecast with more of an in-depth BIBLE STUDY, let us all please realize that that is the specific calling of the broad majority of the ministry today! And the ministry is doing a fantastic

job in feeding the flock!

Fantastic Job

The *GN* is also doing a fantastic job for the Church. And please remember that the membership of the Church represents only a tiny minority of the actual subscription list of *The Good News*, meaning that we are reaching perhaps more than one million people (with perhaps multiple readership of single copies going to households) with the most powerful and meaty scriptural and biblical articles possible.

In the radio programs when I define *The Good News*, I make it very clear that this is for people who really WANT biblical-type articles and are not afraid to investigate biblical doctrines and truths. And, surprisingly, instead of turning people away, this results in an explosive number of requests over our WATS [Wide Area Telephone Service] line (for instance, I was told recently of more than 3,000 separate *Good News* subscriptions requested as a result of just one of my advertisements of *The Good News* in the electronic media!)

I thought I would go to some length to explain a couple of these points because at least a few letters I have received recently indicate that some few of the brethren may feel we are not doing as effective a job as we should in either the telecast or the *Plain Truth*.

Believe me, brethren, the proven methods being utilized by God's Work today have stood the test of the years, and we firmly and staunchly believe Jesus Christ is at the helm and making the right decisions and leading His Church in the wisest way possible.

Open Door to Britain

For many years we have felt we simply do not have a door open to the British people. But we DO! We have the newsstand program in Britain, with a very powerful magazine-format *Plain Truth*, which the broad majority of you have never seen! It has a wraparound full-color cover and yet is "saddle stitched" with newsprint inside. But MOST importantly it contains far more self-generated articles from the British ministry and British writers concerning specific British problems in the light of Bible prophecy and is thus oriented far more toward a British readership.

It is our intention that, as the funds can be made available (and we need to pray that they will), we will do a far more viable and creditable job in

reaching the masses of the British people with this powerful door of evangelism: the *Plain Truth* on newsstands!

It is our hope we could have up to a million or more copies of the *Plain Truth* available on many, many more newsstands, not only in Britain, but in other countries in the commonwealth and elsewhere around the world!

As a matter of fact, while it is very preliminary and I can reveal no details as yet and wish to cause no speculation, we are beginning an in-depth study which will be aimed at finding ways and means to do precisely that in the months ahead!

Exciting New Changes

We are very much looking forward to the upcoming ministerial conference already announced for April, and I want to tell you right now that some very exciting new changes are coming in the entire structure of the ministry in God's Work! All of us who have already discussed some of these future events preliminarily are very excited and enthusiastic over them, and we know God's Work and Church will experience far greater growth in the calendar year of 1976 than for the past several years! With events of the recent past fresh in our minds, I know that the upcoming ministerial conference is going to prove to be one of the most rewarding and exciting in all of our history.

Remember what I warned following the Feast of Tabernacles?

I warned against the "after-the-Feast letdown," or the "after-the-Festival doldrums," which nearly always seem to come along to give some of God's people a feeling of hopelessness or defeat during the early-winter months. Perhaps this is partly the result of the weather, and perhaps it is simply the natural psychological letdown after the heightened intensity and feverish activity of the real spiritual "high" for the year, the Feast of Tabernacles.

At any rate, it seems only a few weeks now until the beginning of spring and the Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread, so let's all experience a true revival of spirits and a reawakening and dedication to the Work of Jesus Christ for this age and look forward to the immediate future with zeal and thanksgiving!

That's about it for this time. Until next time . . .

With love, in Jesus' name,
your brother in Christ,
Garner Ted Armstrong

Lecture aired in Philippines

By Pete Melendez

MANILA — For the first time, a *Plain Truth* lecture by Colin Adair, director of the Philippine and Northeast Asian Work, was carried on live radio.

The lecture, the ninth and final one for 1975, was Nov. 29 at the Cultural Hall of the Araullo Lyceum in Cabanatuan City, two hours' drive north of here. More than 600 attended, the most since the lectures began last January.

Radio DZCI, Cabanatuan, covered the campaign live. Another station, DWAR, taped the lecture for future programming. These stations reach an estimated audience of 100,000 in Luzon's Central Plains and Cagayan Valley.

In Mr. Adair's hour lecture he asked, "Will there be World War III?" and, "Is there a way of escape?"

As usual, the lecture had been preceded by the movie *Herbert W. Armstrong: Ambassador for World Peace*.

The next day Mr. Adair conducted an open forum attended by 64 people, half of whom were Church members who had helped distribute *Plain Truth* copies and handbills advertising the lecture.

Besides the lecture, Mr. Adair's activities in Cabanatuan included courtesy calls on Mayor Mario S. Garcia and Eduardo L. Joson, governor of Nueva Ecija Province.

The governor invited Mr. Adair to return to Cabanatuan to visit the province's much-hailed Pantabangan Dam irrigation project.

At the invitation of Nicolas de Guzman, president of the Cabanatuan Rotary Club, Mr. Adair spoke at a club dinner two days before the *PT* lecture. His subject was "Your Marriage Can Be Happy" as he addressed some 80 Rotarians and their wives and guests.

A day before the lecture he also had spoken to 500 senior students of the city's Philippine Wesleyan College. The subject, which is standard for his college and university lectures, was "Dating, Marriage and Family Relations."

The morning just before the *PT* lecture Mr. Adair addressed the entire Cabanatuan police force on the topic "Criminals Are Made, Not Born."



BRAINSTORMING — The production staff of *The Worldwide News* plans the 1975 year-end wrap-up issue. Front pages of all 1975 editions are on the wall in the

background. The special issue is included as an insert inside this regular issue of *The Worldwide News*. (Photo by Scott Moss)

POLICY ON PERSONALS

The personal column exists to serve our readers, but we cannot be responsible for the accuracy of each ad. Therefore, when you answer a personal, it is your responsibility to check the source of the ad. Get all the facts before you act!

WE WILL RUN: (1) Only those ads accompanied by a recent Worldwide News mailing label with your address on it; (2) pen-pal requests; (3) engagement, wedding and anniversary notices; (4) ads concerning temporary employment for teenagers wanting jobs for the summer; (5) lost-and-found ads; (6) ads from persons seeking personal information (for example, about potential homesites or living conditions) about other geographical areas; (7) other ads that are judged timely and appropriate.

WE WILL NOT RUN: (1) Ads from nonsubscribers; (2) job requests from anyone seeking full-time employment or job offers for full-time employees (however, job requests and job offers for all types of employment may be sent to the Human Resources Information Center, 300 W. Green, Pasadena, Calif., 91123); (3) for-sale or want-to-buy ads (e.g., used cars); (4) personals used as direct advertising or solicitation for a business or income-producing hobby; (5) matrimony ads; (6) other ads that are judged untimely or inappropriate.

NOTE: All personals are subject to editing and condensation.

WHERE TO WRITE: Send your ads to "Personals," The Worldwide News, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A.

BABIES

ATLANTA, Ga. — William Thomas Grimes, second son, second child of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grimes, Nov. 24, 4:20 p.m., 9 pounds 12 ounces.
ATLIN, B.C. — Rebekah Janae Cox, first daughter, first child of Ted and Jan Cox, Oct. 18, 6:47 a.m., 6 pounds.
BALTIMORE, Md. — Kendall Jason Warren, first son, third child of Carl and Anne Warren, Dec. 2, 8:12 p.m., 6 pounds 5 1/2 ounces.
BARRIE, Ont. — Peter Christopher Selen, first son, first child of Herbert and Bonnie Selen, Dec. 12, 10:58 a.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces.
BUFFALO, N.Y. — Rebecca Lynn Kozak, first daughter, fourth child of Peggy and Daniel Kozak, Dec. 11, 3:52 a.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces.
CINCINNATI, Ohio — Marjorie Ellen and Michael Russell (twins), second son, first daughter, and second child of David and Vicki



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Church area:
Baby's full name:
No. of children same sex as baby (including baby):
Boy/Girl:
Total No. of children (including baby):
Parents' names:
Birth date:
Time:
Weight:

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE WORLDWIDE NEWS

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PEN PALS

Mr. and Mrs. W.F. Williams of the Carterville, Ga. church celebrated their wedding anniversary on Dec. 7. They eight children and 17 grandchildren hosted the open-house affair.

of Kankakee, Ill., my hometown. Cathie Morgan, Rt. 2, Box 130, DuQuoin, Ill., 62932.

Girl, 15, would like male or female pen pals 15 or older. Like to bike-ride, swim, play tennis, dance, cheerlead. Will answer all. Laura Perich, 332 S. Myrtle Ave., Sharon, Pa., 16146.

White female, 23, would like to write young people my age from Greece, Canada, Germany who are interested in poetry, travel and food nutrition. Julie A. Weston, 116 W. Liberty, No. 236, Hubbard, Ohio, 44420.

Diane Ballard of Salt Lake City, I would like to hear from you. We met at the YOU dance in the Salt Palace during the Feast. Steve Schoenbeck, 817 21st St., Santa Monica, Calif., 90403.

Linda Kelly, Oregon, I have lost your new address. Please write Linda S., Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Santa Barbara. Just received your address. Would love to write. What's your address? Aloha.

Girl, 9, interested in collecting stamps. Would like to hear from others with same interest and exchange stamps worldwide. Laura Ann Green, Rt. 6, 55788 Cowin St., Elkhart, Ind. 46514.

Would like pen pals 55 to 62. I am 60. A widow, white, member, Virginia Water, 311 W. Morland Rd., Charleston, W. Va., 25302.

Wanted: Pen pals. Ft. 21, white, male. If you're a girl 17 to 20, write Bill Box, 1213 Crow, Visalia, Calif., 93277.

Divorced white coworker, 36, would like to meet other coworkers 25 to 40 in McHenry County, Ill. Call me at my home, 715 E. Tracy L., Turley, Box 474, Crystal Lake, Ill., 60014.

Single member desires female and male pen pals 58 to 108. Sometimes the elderly left out of things. So let's get in the middle of writing one another. I love many things, the Work, people, gardening, cows, chickens, confectionery, Verta Mae Anderson, Rt. 3, Box 35, Carriera, Miss., 39426.

Single white male, 31, maintenance mechanic would like pen pals 21 to 31. Interests: world news, science, reading, music, gardening, skating. Vincent C. Schneider, 4783 Rock Spring Rd., Rt. 6, Ravenna, Ohio, 44268.

Married female member would like to correspond with same in Glasgow church, Scotland. Mrs. Edna Irvine, 7357 Newcombe St., Burnaby 3, B.C., Canada.

Widow, 55, would like to receive mail from members from Worcester, Boston and surrounding areas. Mrs. Tom E. Kruse, Rt. 5, Box 5194, Bucyrus, Ohio, 44820.

Member, white, 26, DNR, looking for pen pals. Dean Roberts, PSC No. 1, Box 2739, Vandenberg AFB, Calif., 93437.

Single ladies of Indian (Asian) origin, where are you? I am 33, a physician from Bombay. Interests: watching world trends and reading politics, ancient history, wildlife, travelogues and humor. Write: Dr. Sudhir Chandra, 113, Wootlar, Thane-400601, India.

I'd like to correspond (by letter or cassette recording) with others interested in oil painting. Also anyone who works with acrylics, charcoal or pastels. Mrs. Linda Kelly, 21861 SE Foster Rd., Boring, Ore., 97009.

ENGAGEMENTS

Congratulations, George Jobbett and Donna Heller, on your engagement and marriage. To take place on Dec. 24, 1975 (Santa Barbara, Calif. church). May life bring us the greatest blessing to both of you. Earl and Shirley Bailey, 55744 (Rt. 6) Marie St., Elkhart, Ind. 46514.

WEDDINGS

Samuel Carra and Pearl Desmond were married Dec. 6 in Coffeyville, Kan. Mr. Don Mason, pastor of Calvary Baptist and Coffeyville churches performed the ceremony. The couple will reside at Rt. 2, Box 143, Sedon, Kan., 67561.

Ed and I and our children and their families would like to thank all the brethren at Square Valley who for their prayers, visits, donations, and kind words of concern for us when Ed was hospitalized during the Feast for treatment of a bleeding ulcer. We also thank our Portland brethren for their prayers, visits, cards, letters and for return to work before long. Ed and Lydie Kiepe, 4503 SE Conway St., Milwaukie, Ore., 97222.

Planning to move to Corpus Christi area in January. Would like to hear from brethren about climate, scenery, housing, other information. Chuck Puntum, 1405 Manor Dr., Janesville, Wis., 53115.

Would like to express a heartfelt thank-you for the prayers and to all of those who sent cards or telephoned during our son's stay in the hospital. A special thank-you to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Freeman for their concern. Jared at home now and is doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. Terry Englund, Stearns, Mo., 65565.

Would appreciate the rules to the game of 50 (often called bunco). It's a lively game, easy to learn, played with a pair of dice. Thanks in advance. Wayne Donovan, 3201 Springdale Ave., Michigan City, Ind., 46360.

Would like information on how to butcher goats at home. Also any favorite recipes with goat meat and best ways to cook it. Marjorie Rooney, Rt. 2, Box 134A, Conway, S.C. 29526.

ANNIVERSARIES

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To Darrell (Tooter), Happy fourth anniversary Jan. 8. You have made my complete world would be a better place if more people were like you! All my love, Linda.

Happy 17 years to the "Friendly Deacon and his lovely wife, Scottie and Lovetta Poston of the Columbia, S.C. church. A neighbor.

Darrell and Linda Happy fourth anniversary to you two. We love you. Mom, Dad, Wendell and Wayland.

LITERATURE

Envoys, 1966, 1969, 1972, to give away. Pay postage only. Bruce Robinson, 1415 Oakland Blvd., Walnut Creek, Calif., 94596.

Would like to obtain set of the two-volume Compendium of World History, by Dr. Hoeh. Will accept any postage. Please write to 1108 NE 72nd St., Sp. 44, Vancouver, Wash. 98665.

Request: Any Tomorrow's World magazines Will pay postage. Bob Hill, 206 Emming St., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45219.

Wanted: Plain Truth and Good News for library. Mainly can't issue but will accept all issues to date. All you people who no longer want or need them, please send to Don W. Ellsworth, Box 871, Las Cruces, N.M., 88001.

Any volumes of The Bible Story, by Basil Workman, Will pay postage. Also, any standard Bible commentary or other supplements. Bob Hill, 206 Emming St., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45219.

Wanted: CC lessons 59, 60, 61, 62; TW, June, July, September, 59; EW, May, 1, May 14, 73; PT, January, '67, and pre-'67 issues; GM, pre-'70 issues; the booklet Probably Not!; Nalal A. Fernando, 3, Letitia's Lane, Negombo, Sri Lanka (Ceylon).

MISCELLANEOUS

Thank you for the love fund. We had to borrow from it and want all those who have ever given to it to know we appreciate it. It sure is nice to know there are people like you. Bob Mackay and family, Medford, Ore.

Would like to hear from anyone with a stereo tuner and tape deck capable of recording frequency stereo tapes (real-to-real, cassette or eight-track) from FM of contemporary FM stations. I am probably one of the oldest foreign-language music. I would be willing to tape music from Toronto FM stations that will not be available in your area. Hans Kroger, 97 Fred Van Dyke Dr., Unionville, Ont., L3R 1S9, Canada.

Your prayers and cards will be appreciated very much. Mrs. Andrea Meez underwent surgery Dec. 11. She has paralyzed her right hand down. She has cancer on the right of her body. Write: Andrea Meez, Presleye, California, 1300 N. Vermont, Los Angeles, Calif., 90029, U.S.A. Nora Norgren.

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Mrs. D. Buland, formerly from Revelstoke, could you please write Mr. J. Goodman, Box 1165 Revelstoke, B.C., V0E 2S0, Canada.

My mother, who has a smashed vertebra, has been in bed for nine weeks and expected to be there another three months or maybe more. Would be thankful for all prayers and letters of Wt readers. Mrs. Edna Greene, Rt. 2, Box 54, Sneedville, Tenn., 37869.

I am desperately in need of daily prayers for healing. I have many serious health problems and am probably one of the sickest people God has baptized into His Church. It is almost impossible for me to pray and study I am so sick. Jack Fitzgerald, Box 6907, Mountville, W. Va., 26041.

I collect articles on the Worldwide Church of God, Ambassador and related subjects. Please send any articles you have written or read on these subjects. Those in campaign circles, I would appreciate your sending the clips from local papers. Also would like articles from foreign publications. Also wanted Bible hymn in good condition. Will reimburse original cost and pay postage. Please write first before sending hymn. Donald Hiker, 84 Union Blvd., Apt. 201, Kitchener, Ont., N2G 2K2, Canada.

Interested in talking to any member of the Dallas church who is a Knaer, C. Knaer, member, (214) 821-9249.

Houston! Please welcome our dear friends Carl and Ellen Hakes and their three sons, Rodney, Dale, and Scott! Your daily volleyball players have just played a gold mine! We mo in our loss. The Dallas P.M. Monday volleyball team."

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Please help me find fax-ssed oil. If anyone knows where I can buy it, please send me the name and address. I am 78 years old with a broken hip and can't get around very good, but I am sure there is some somewhere. I will be well and praying (Mrs. Clara Lovett, 3450 Halcyon Rd., Stevenson, Md., 21153).

Parents of a girl, 9, girl, 7, and boy, 4, would like ideas from parents (of children in these age groups) on how to make family time more exciting and rewarding for children. All ideas, suggestions welcomed! W.C. Lowrey, Box 622, Haledale, Calif., 94524.

Mrs. Clyde Hubbard, Mrs. Marcella Barron or Mrs. Sherona Adkins, please write if needed to any information you have on course instruction in color draping. Mrs. Marjory Ross, 5737 N.

Obituaries

COCOIA, Fla. — Pearl M. Braden, 72, died Dec. 18, Mrs. Braden was a member of the church in Melbourne, Fla. Survivors include her husband William; two sons, Roger of Merritt Island, Fla.; and Wilson of Canton, Ohio; three brothers; two sisters; and four grandchildren.

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Charles F. Francis, 86, a member of the Olathe, Kan., church, died Dec. 1 at his home here. Mr. Francis is survived by his wife Emma and a son, Jack, of San Diego, Calif.

KINGSPORT, Tenn. — Darvin R. Barker Sr. of Woodway, Va., died Dec. 16 after a brief illness. Mr. Barker, a retired miner, had been a member since 1968 and attended the church here. Survivors include his wife, a son, two daughters, three grandchildren, three brothers and three sisters.

SPOKANE, Wash. — Marilyn Foster, 42, of Troy, Mont., died Dec. 15 in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, after a year-long battle with cancer. She was a member of the church here. Mrs. Foster was a native of Nebraska, later living in Seattle, Wash., before moving to Montana, where she and her husband owned and operated the Yaak River Ranch, near the Canadian border.

Surviving, besides her husband Tim, are a son, Shawn David Foster of Seattle; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLaughlin of Big Springs, Neb.; a granddaughter, Cassie Foster of Seattle; a brother, Jerry McLaughlin of Ogallala, Neb.; and two sisters, Ronda McLaughlin of Phoenix, Ariz., and Janet Fach of Wolbach, Neb.

RENO, Nev. — Mary Ann Dubois, 40, died Nov. 3 of lung congestion caused by influenza. Mrs. Dubois had been a member for 18 years. She is survived by her husband Phil; two daughters, Kathryn and Collette; two sons, Phil Jr. and Keven; her mother, Mrs. V. Hallett of Council, Idaho; nine brothers; and two sisters.

Abina, Portland, Ore., 97217. Interested in collecting foreign recipes, breads, vegetables or meat dishes, soups, etc. Marjory Ross, 5737 N. Albina, Portland, Ore., 97217, U.S.A.

We in Springfield, Mass., would like to request the prayers of all for Mrs. Rita Wysh. She is our Ambassador and, even though she gets around, she is in a lot of pain. She has cancer and needs all of our help. Letters and cards will help also to let her know we are thinking of her. Her address: 10 Charles Hill Rd., Holyoke, Mass., 01040.

Your prayers and cards or letters of encouragement are requested for my mother. She has diabetes and from it is starting to go blind. She is a member in the Springfield, Mass., church. Her address: Mrs. Ernest Lawrence, Munns Ferry Rd., Northfield, Mass., 01360. Mom, we all love you, and Dad sends his encouragement along also.

I am requesting prayers and get-well cards for Mrs. Gladys Williams, formerly of the Baltimore church, now residing at 2542 E. Seventh St., Charlotte, N.C., 28225.

Earliest prayer is requested for Allen Barrett, 24, who was struck by an 80-foot tree at work Nov. 24 and has a fractured spine and paralysis from waist down. Address: c/o Rogue Valley Hospital, Medford, Ore., 97501. He reads the Plain Truth and is a friend of the Church of God people in Klamath Falls.

"Wall Cligg," let us hear from you! Richard French, home Falls Rk., Polson, Mont., 59860.

Australia, hello! We would like to obtain two or three Tablets bearing the official symbol of the 1976 Australian Olympic Athlete. Will trade for something you want along with general correspondence. We are members. Schimmel, 3045 W. Port Au Prince, Phoenix, Ariz., 85023, U.S.A.

Can any brethren obtain any John Warrens strict-tempo dance records? Believed to be on Telemark label. Unobtainable in England Will pay postage, etc. John Dawkins, 2 Westdown House, Harington Place, Eastbourne, Sussex, England.

Break, break. Are there any CB-radio enthusiasts in the northwest? Chicago area reading the WN or P77 Contact Bus Fes on channel 12, early evening hours. George Malayazek, 3408 N. Avers St., Chicago, Ill., 60618.

The San Francisco Spokesman Club would like to write or make contact with any family members, projects, activities, etc. Write San Francisco Spokesman Club, c/o A. Guazzelli, 747 Edinburgh, San Francisco, Calif., 94112.

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

Local church news wrap-up



SABBATH SCHOOLERS — These 17 children were among 18 who attended the first Sabbath school for 4- and 5-year-olds in the Champaign church. They have mainly studied the creation, but a special Thanksgiving class was also held. In the front row, from left, are Barbie Mattis, Lisa Strange, Dave Ras, Todd Baillie, John Sanders and Angela Agee. Middle row: Toby Bauter, Cymy Redman, Mike Elliott, Kimberly Morris, Jamie Toth, Neal Persky and Ted Persky. Back row: Nate Huber, Karris Bauter, Jason Reynolds and Elaine Sills. (See "18 Attend First Class," this page.) [Photo by Maxine Bauter]

18 Attend First Class

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — The first Sabbath school, for 4- and 5-year-olds, was Nov. 8. Instructed by Maxine Bauter and Barbara Sanders, the class was attended by 18 children.

Lessons have mainly been on the creation, but a special Thanksgiving class discussed America's traditional Thanksgiving holiday.

Then the children were served orange juice and cookies.

In future classes students will learn why people not in God's Church celebrate Christmas and what the decorations mean.

Then on to the favorite Bible stories, with some of the objects and characters made out of dough art. The instructors hope to obtain a mimeograph to give the children pictures to color and copies of material covered in lessons.

Parents say that, as a result of the Sabbath school, children talk about what they have learned at home and feel included at church. *Maxine Bauter.*

Presidential Interruption

PALMER, Alaska — The Alaskan churches met for combined services in Palmer, in the middle of the Mantanuska Valley, Nov. 29.

After services was a roast-and-corned-beef meal. Supplies for their own trimmings and beverages.

The evening continued with four hours of dancing. But the music was temporarily preempted by President Ford's visit to Alaska; members of the band are in the Air Force and were called to Fairbanks to play at the President's arrival.

The evening was saved, however, with the exotic sounds of Frankie & Danny, a local band.

The activities were in the Palmer Community Center. *Stuart Aiken.*

Boston's November

BOSTON, Mass. — November was a busy month. The church here enjoyed a movie and a potluck dinner after services one evening. Several talented members formed a combo and entertained during the meal.

A new Spokesman Club has begun, with some Spokesman graduates also attending.

And the ladies are not to be outdone. They have formed a Women's Club. Boston's first.

The teenagers have a pizza-and-bowling night planned. *Dorothy Durnan.*

Bachelor Chefs

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Bachelors are usually invited out for Thanksgiving dinner, but this year it

was the bachelors who did the inviting. Ten of them combined efforts and prepared a feast for the elderly and other families.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Deal of the Anchorage church provided their home for the occasion. Place settings, silver, tables and chairs had been borrowed from families of the church.

Twenty-five people did their best to consume three turkeys, a leg of lamb and other traditional foods. *Pat Rockel.*

Do Your Own

ASHEVILLE, N.C. — A "do-your-own-thing" social was attended by members of the church here Nov. 22.

A meal of hot dogs, cider and hot chocolate followed afternoon Sabbath services.

While games for all ages were being played on the sidelines, an impromptu dance took place in the center of the floor. Dances included polkas and square dances. *Dot Maxwell.*

Country Mood

WHEELING, W. Va. — One hundred squares of the Wheeling church turned out for a chili supper and square dancing Nov. 22.

As the brethren learned dance routines, Rose A. and assistants entertained preschoolers with a movie, games and prizes.

Music was provided by the Youngstown Square Dance Band.

Pat Lazear set a country mood with arrangements of haystacks, pumpkins and wagon wheels. Red-checked tablecloths, with centerpieces of dried corn, nuts and gourds, completed the motif.

The door prize, Carrie Rinard's famous carrot cake, was won by Mrs. Al Evans. *Claudelle Molnar.*

Raleigh vs. Charlotte

RALEIGH, N.C. — The Raleigh team played the Charlotte, N.C., church team in basketball here Nov. 11.

Raleigh had a few good plays, especially by Todd Dobbins, who made a 20-foot shot. But the Charlotte team was just too big for the small Raleigh team.

The final score: Charlotte 104, Raleigh 24. *Deborah C. Young.*

10th-Anniversary Dance

OTTAWA, Ont. — A dinner-dance commemorated the 10th anniversary of the Ottawa church Sept. 6. About 200 attended, including brethren from the Montreal, Que., and Kingston and Cornwall, Ont., churches who had

attended here during the church's formative years.

A guest was minister Cam Catherwood, who had raised up the Ottawa church on Sept. 4, 1965, and is now director of the Montreal District of the Church.

The evening began with a catered Chinese dinner, followed by the cutting of an anniversary cake.

Next were a slide show, music and skits, all provided by members.

Dancing followed, with music by the church band. *Ruth Fisher.*

Prolonged Risk

COLUMBIA, Mo. — The church here held a chili supper Nov. 22 at the home of Milford Haller in Boonville, Mo. About 100 people came and enjoyed games and plenty to eat.

Richard Rand, pastor, won a prolonged game of Risk.

The younger children pulled taffy.

The high point of the afternoon was tryouts for a cheerleading team. Les Davis, captain of the cheerleading squad at Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo., assisted and evaluated the girls.

Eight were chosen, including one alternate: Eileen Conrad, Liz Conrad, Jody Christal, Beverly Douglass, Charlene Whistler, Connie Oswald, Libby Sheffield (captain) and Julie Walker. *Glenn LaMoun-tain.*

YMCA Camp

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Teenagers of the church here, under the direction of ministerial assistant Roger Ludwig, traveled to a YMCA camp in Zelienople, Pa., Nov. 1.

After an evening of table tennis, board games, records and a camp fire, the girls retired to the main lodge — complete with game room, kitchen and bedrooms — while the boys retired to a second lodge or to pitched tents.

Sunday was spent playing softball, football and volleyball.

Said one teen girl: "It was the best activity the teens have had yet." *Dave Golder.*

Meeting Eclipsed

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Ladies' night for the Spokesman Club here was Nov. 18, with 48 attending.

The meeting was out in the open in an atmosphere of tall oak trees, chirping crickets and an open fire.

The evening began with a cook-out of grilled hamburgers over smoldering coals, served with baked beans, salad, hot apple cider and coffee.

When all were served, club members and their dates sat around the fire on bales of hay and began the meeting with topics by local elder Tim Snyder.

The main speakers gave their speeches around the theme "Being Thankful."

Remarks from minister Fred Boyce closed the meeting. Later was a sing-along to music by Mr. Boyce and Jack Jackson.

God Himself had performed the major event, at the beginning of the evening: a total eclipse of a full moon. *Leon R. Wiggins Jr.*

First Court of Honor

GADSDEN, Ala. — Boy Scout Troop 285 of the church here held its first court of honor Nov. 8 as seven boys were presented with certificates of Tenderfoot rank, one with Second Class and two others Tenderfoot and Second Class.

The troop began last April and has earned about 80 skill awards and merit badges collectively.

Ted Phillips, minister, made the presentation.

Scoutmaster John Weaver gave a short talk to the parents, noting that

the boys overall have an exceptional attitude and are doing an outstanding job. He said the continuing concern and help from parents and others are a tremendous aid to the success of the troop. *Ginger Weaver.*

Who's Who?

FRESNO, Calif. — The first church-sponsored activity for the recently organized group for preteens (ages 6 to 12) was Nov. 16. The children met at Fresno's Roeding Park Zoo & Playland for a day of fun.

Cloudy weather could not dampen the spirit of the youngsters.

Once inside the zoo, group leader Dean Flowers became concerned when he discovered that the antics of the preteens and those of the dwellers of the monkey cage were quite similar.

After the zoo visit, the preteens and their escorts enjoyed a sack-lunch picnic. Drinks were furnished by the Jack Butlers and Delbert Boozes. The picnic was followed by games and rides.

This was the first of several activities planned for the preteens. *Dean Flowers.*

Sitting for 75

COLUMBUS, Ind. — The Women's Club and the girls of the Teen Club here collaborated on a moneymaking project recently.

A church in the Indianapolis, Ind., area was holding a Thanksgiving dinner and meeting Nov. 23 and was in need of baby-sitters. So 18 women and girls from here made the trip to sit with 75 children, who ranged in age from 6 weeks to 12 years.

The day was enjoyable and tiring, with the women and girls meeting at a restaurant afterwards for a meal and to relax and talk about their day. *Bonnie Harrell.*

Raising YOU Funds

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — All ages from the Walsenburg and Colorado Springs congregations were represented Nov. 8 at a Youth Opportunities United (YOU) fund-raising activity.

A potluck supper was followed by dancing, with music furnished by guitarists John, Cary and Janette Spannagel and vocalists Janette and Donna Spannagel.

During intermission was a fun-filled show. Tickets had been sold at the door; the door prize was an oil painting by John Spannagel, won by Kathy Kochis.

Part of the fund was used to send John and Cary to Pasadena to accompany Janette in the YOU-contest finals. *Mrs. Erskine Stewart.*

Orlando Girls

ORLANDO, Fla. — The first meeting of the Orlando Girls' Club was Dec. 11 under the leadership of Roberta Miller, Johanna Japhet and Alice Sims.

Twenty girls 6 to 18 attended.

Each girl set up a basic sewing box at the meeting and made her own wrist pin cushion.

Plans include a picnic and a pajama party.

January will be knitting month; each girl will make a needle holder for her embroidery and sewing needles that will be used in February.

Cookies and punch closed the December meeting. *Karen J. Porter.*

Marshalls to Australia

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — More than 250 people attended a farewell dance here in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Graeme Marshall, who are returning to Australia after having served eight years in the New Zealand Work.

The high point of the evening was

a gift presentation to the Marshalls. After recounting some of the unforgettable incidents of the past eight years, Bill Hutchison, the business manager in the Work's office here, presented three gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall on behalf of all the New Zealand churches.

A gift with a distinctive New Zealand flavor was the Maori chieftain's ceremonial adz, hand carved out of native kauri wood, with decorations of multicolored shells and an axehead of New Zealand jade.

The other gifts included a white-onyx penholder and stand and a German clock, which when mounted on the wall appears like a lantern.

Earlier, at the Feast of Taberna-



FAREWELL PARTY — Mr. and Mrs. Graeme Marshall look at one of the gifts they received at a farewell dance in their honor in Auckland, New Zealand. Mr. Marshall, who headed the Work in New Zealand for eight years, was recently transferred to Australia. Two hundred fifty people attended the party. (See "Marshalls to Australia," this page.)

cles, when all of the Kiwi members had been together, a magnificent white sheepskin rug had been given to the Marshalls.

Mr. Marshall said he leaves New Zealand with a feeling of accomplishment after eight profitable years. He originally arrived to pioneer the Work here in August, 1967. At that time, only 37 people attended the first Bible study here. Now, just eight years later, 650 people attend seven churches and five Bible studies throughout the nation.

Mr. Marshall will now be based in Melbourne to take up his new responsibility as ministerial superintendent for Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania. Robert Morton will replace him as the new regional director for New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. *Rex J. Morgan.*

Childhood Photos

GAYLORD, Mich. — The Sabbath of Nov. 15 was special for this church area. For one thing, services were in the afternoon instead of the morning.

After the Sabbath the women prepared a turkey dinner for the entire church. Then members and children played bunco, cards, checkers and other games.

All had been asked ahead of time to bring old photographs of themselves, particularly those taken when they were children.

The climax of the evening was seeing who could match the pictures with the names of members. Prizes were awarded all winners. *Wally Gilbertson.*

Need to Be Needed

PEORIA, Ill. — Twenty members of the Peoria Single Adults' Club and 10 guests turned out for a steak dinner at the Ramada Inn here Dec. 1.

After dinner Bob Boyce, pastor of the Peoria and Macomb, Ill., churches, led a discussion on the pitfalls and advantages of single living. Five needs of a single person

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were brought up: people, self-esteem, a goal, marriage and a need to be needed. *Elizabeth Wright.*

Social at Solvang

SOLVANG, Calif. — The churches at San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara, Calif., combined for Sabbath services Nov. 22 in this little town between the two cities.

After the Sabbath, tables were set up for a potluck dinner for the 200 members and their families.

Members of both churches presented skits, singing duets, solos, quartets, dances and choral presentations. The children watched movies in an adjoining room.

After the program was dancing. *Beth Cooper.*

SEP Alaska

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — A meeting Dec. 2 at the home of Al Tuneth, local elder and youth coordinator, resulted in plans for an Alaskan Summer Educational Program for the summer of 1976.

Last summer the campers cooked their own food with counselors' supervision.

Next summer's food preparation will be directed by Anna Kay Evans of the Kenai church.

Miss Evans is cook in Kenai public schools.

The program last summer lasted 2½ weeks and involved 14 campers. The next camp could have as many as 40 campers, even though Alaska may not have quite as many in the 12- to 17-year age-group this year.

The campsite to be used is being provided by Ed Ladd, a pioneer settler and member of the Anchorage church now living in Canada.

The educational part of the camp will also include a National Rifle Association program, first-aid training and experience in several outdoor skills such as rope tying, fire preparation and fishing for 20-inch trout.

With more counselors in the expanded program, all indications point toward an exciting month at SEP Alaska. *Mike Pickett.*

Troop 30's First Meeting

HINSDALE, Ill. — From its conception and months of planning, it finally paid off and became a reality for the Chicago Southwest congregation (which meets here) as 11 boys and eight men on Nov. 18 became part of the Boy Scouts of America, Tomahawk District, West Suburban Council No. 147, Troop 30.

The actual chartering of the troop was a culmination of efforts by Joseph Jacoby, the new scoutmaster, and Carl Gustafson, pastor at

Chicago Southwest. With help from several men, the troop will provide recreation and training for 19 scouts 11 to 17 years of age.

The troop is comprised of three patrols, each led by an assistant scoutmaster. The patrols meet individually at separate locations because the scouts' homes are too widely scattered to meet each week as a group. The patrols do meet twice monthly as a troop, however, once in a regular meeting and once for an outdoor activity. *W.A. Mangum and Paul P. Dzing.*

Brighton's First Social

BRIGHTON, England — Nov. 22 saw the first social of this new church.

The evening began with a buffet meal provided by the ladies.

A fancy-dress parade of children was followed by games for young and old.

The evening was rounded off by a sing-along and the usual cleanup of hall and dishes. *Joyce Suckling.*

Tasteful Poster

BALTIMORE, Md. — A small, tasteful poster was displayed in the church lobby here Nov. 8. It was an invitation for all to share their bounty with others.

On Nov. 15 Gene Bailey, pastor, made a similar announcement and stated that foodstuffs would be placed onstage in a harvest display in front of the lectern.

On Nov. 22, the last Sabbath before Thanksgiving, the gifts of food began pouring in, by the jar, sack, basket, case and armload. The final display stretched 40 feet across the stage, and still the food kept coming.

All of the families in the Baltimore church had ample food for the Thanksgiving season, with extra to spare. The remaining food was distributed to needy families. *Carl F. Kelly.*

Setup to Cleanup

WAYNE, N.J. — As the lights dimmed at Schyler Colfax Junior High School here, the talent show for the Newark, N.J., church area began.

More than 200 members and their families attended the Nov. 22 social.

The teenagers of the area sponsored the affair, which included a costume party, giving their parents a rest by doing all the work from setup to cleanup.

Thanksgiving was the theme; appropriate decorations had been hung about the hall, all made by the teens.

The show lasted about an hour; acts ranged from a comedy doctor skit to a modern-dance routine.

John Randall, 16, emceed and kept the members of the audience on the edges of their seats.

Prizes for the best and most

original costumes were awarded after the talent show, and pictures of everyone who dressed in costume were taken by Joe Policiani.

Winners of the adult class: Charles Nickel, Mr. and Mrs. Sal Cimino and Gerald Backhus.

Winners of the second class: Denise Cimino, Kris Hendrick, Lisa Allman and Stephen Dutton.

Glenn Klink and Gregg Lewis were stagehands for the show; Bob Scull ran the spotlight; the entire evening had been organized by Charles Nickel and Carol Klink. *Kris Hendrick.*

Chargers Credited With Wins

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Fans of all ages cheered three basketball games here Nov. 22 as the Fort Smith (Ark.) Chargers teams clashed with the Springfield (Mo.) Eagles.

First was a women's game.

Then the men from both areas played a close, tense game, which Fort Smith won 45-41.

The teenagers' game showed teamwork and sportsmanship from each team. It was a great defensive game for Fort Smith's Chargers, who captured and held the lead with a final score of 54-26.

The games were supported by cheerleaders from Fort Smith and Fayetteville. *Dianne Thurman.*

Ministerial Move

OMAHA, Neb. — Local elder Ted Mattson and Mrs. Mattson were honored with a reception after Sabbath services here Nov. 29. The Mattsons are moving to Tulsa, Okla.

Serving at the refreshment table set up in the foyer of the hall where the church meets were Mrs. Russell Meacham Sr., Mrs. Frank Tomasek, Mrs. Keith Hudson and Mrs. Paul Thompson. Mrs. Cal Bone was in charge of a guest book. *Shirley Johnson.*

Thanksgiving Contest

CHICAGO, Ill. — Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful, so the Chicago Northwest church held an art contest to help children think about this national holiday and express what it means to them.

After 18 children registered, pictures drawn by the youngsters were judged by Marilyn Anderson, Richard Stanczak and Roy Garman.

The pictures were displayed and prizes awarded in a special ceremony after services the next Sabbath.

In the 6-to-7 age-group Lisa Baltes won first prize; Lisa Blake took first in the 8-to-9 bracket; and Patty Brigg's entry took first among 10- to 12-year-olds.

In an essay contest, children were encouraged to write on the theme: "What the Bicentennial Means to Me." The two winners in this competition were Kim Blake and Joel Meeker. *Roy Garman.*

Three Fundamentals

WATERTOWN, S.D. — The Worldwide Church of God Women's Club of this church area met in the Staurilite Inn in Brookings, S.D., Dec. 7. Janice Spieker of Willow Lake, S.D., was the hostess, assisted by LeeAnn Cunningham of Bruce, S.D., and Marilyn Zemlicka of Brookings.

The theme was "A Woman's Responsibility to Herself." The lecture, by Art Dyer, Watertown pastor, emphasized the importance of this responsibility.

Ardean Wangness of Miller, S.D., was the guest speaker, lecturing on charm etiquette. Mrs. Wangness gave the women basic dos and don'ts of standing, sitting and walking, of things that go together and those that must be avoided.

She said three fundamental qualities comprise a human being: the mental, physical and spiritual.

Other speakers were Neva Jensen of Tyler, Minn., explaining how to write a check, and Marie Skorsch of

Gary, S.D., advising club members to "think metric."

The next meeting was Dec. 21 at the Guest House here. Blanche Nelson of Russell, Minn., was hostess, assisted by Margie Cook and Peggy Wangness, both of Watertown.

Marie Beebe of Clear Lake, S.D., and Vivian Wolf of Watertown spoke. *Frieda B. Tupper.*

New Cincinnati Hall

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Cincinnati North has a new meeting place, chosen because of its central location, which is more convenient for members than the old meeting hall downtown.

The first service, in the UAW Hall, was Nov. 1 as 280 attended.

Songs were led and the sermonette was given by local elder Arnold Lane. Then pastor Jim Reyer took care of the announcements and sermon. *Mindy Lockard.*

Occupying Spare Time

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Arts and crafts was the theme of the Dec. 14 meeting of the Ladies' Club here. Hostess was Grace Deveaux. A demonstration of arts and crafts was given by Beth Kind.

On display were many of the arts and crafts made by club members to give others ideas for their own crafts and ways to occupy their spare time. *Joan Jacques.*

Teens Hosts of Social

HAMILTON, Bermuda — The teenagers here were hosts Nov. 9 of a social in the hall where services are held. Featured were a movie, *Benji*, and a cartoon.

Then all 95 persons who attended played games.

The teens had been assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Sampson, the pastor and his wife, in planning the event.

Then, on Nov. 29, was a potluck supper to welcome Victor Simpson, his wife and son Andrew, who were visiting the island for the first time. Mr. Simpson is a ministerial trainee from San Juan, Puerto Rico, who was filling in for Mr. Sampson, who was on vacation in the United States. *Darren Woods.*

Fun at the Dowlings'

COLUMBUS, Ind. — Teens of this church area helped at a work party Nov. 2 at the home of member Clarence Dowling, near Seymour, Ind.

Wood was cut and everything made ready. Then, on the evening of Nov. 8, the teens and their families met back at the Dowlings' for an evening of fun.

While the teens were on a hayride, a fire was readied for a wiener roast upon their return.

Entertainment was furnished by the Dowling family.

After a couple more hayrides, the group enjoyed hot chocolate and doughnuts before returning to homes to try to get the straw out of clothes and hair. *Bonnie Harrell.*

The Last Survivors

MOUNT POCONO, Pa. — The latest social here whisked the church back to the nostalgic 1950s, though it all really took place Dec. 13, 1975.

After an early-evening meal, the preteen set was treated to nature movies in the conference room of the Festival Administration Building while emcee Frank Murman kicked off a '50s-style sock hop in the lobby.

John "Dick Clark" Lopez was the deejay leading the Pocono Band Stand, which featured music for dancing by the Platters, Elvis, Fats Domino and others. Dances included the twist, limbo, freeze and balloon dance, of which Allentown, Pa., visitors Tim and Terry Benner were the last survivors.

A greasers' hair contest was won by Gene Hedgepeh.

A phone-booth-stuffing contest



PHONE-BOOTH CONTEST — Sixteen people of the Mount Pocono church stuff themselves into a phone booth during a party reliving the '50s. The party featured dances from the '50s and a greasers' hair contest, as well as the booth-stuffing competition. (See "The Last Survivors," this page.)

ended after 16 tightly packed contestants were jammed into a cold outdoor booth. (Mount Pocono now lays claim to the Church record.)

Dancing was interspersed with skits featuring Larry and Theresa Dutcher, Bill Wassner and Valerie Evans.

The sale of milk shakes, arts and crafts and leftover food helped finance the festivities. *Joe Barron.*

Eagles Soar

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — A cold, sunny Nov. 23 was a day of basketball for four church teams.

The first game was between Paducah, Ky., and Evansville, Ind. The Evansville Eagles won convincingly 70-33.

Second-game challengers were the Bowling Green (Ky.) Bullets and the Cape Girardeau, Mo., team. Cape jumped to an early lead, playing good, quick ball. As the game progressed, the Bullets pulled back to within 10 of Cape after being down by 20. After the half the Bullets seemed to have put it all together with excellent teamwork, but the Cape team held tight to its precious lead, winning 64-54.

In the third game Bowling Green challenged Paducah. Bowling Green's Bullets at first shot out ahead, but not for long. With quick steals and fast breaks, Paducah edged within 3 points of the Bullets.

In the second half, each time the Bullets gained a lead of 8 or 10 points, Paducah hit a hot streak and came back to within 2 or so. Then the score was tied. In three minutes of overtime, the Bullets won 64-54.

In the championship game Evansville's Eagles challenged Cape Girardeau. The Eagles jumped to an early lead and never lost it. By the half the score stood at 48-13.

In the second half the Cape team played good ball but couldn't stem the Eagles' tide. The final score: 111-44. *David R. Knight.*

50th Anniversary

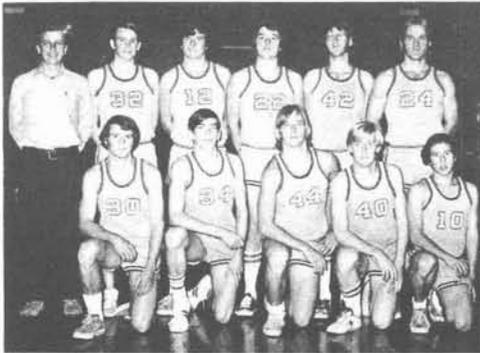
PLYMOUTH, England — The church here, which has been meeting since April, has grown to 70 members out of a few Bible studies with attendance averaging between 18 and 32.

Since April, the church has had several activities. On Oct. 18 a Spokesman Club was started, and on Nov. 22 a party marked the 50th wedding anniversary of a Mr. and Mrs. Wedlake (first names not available), members since 1958.

Then, on Nov. 23, 24 members braved rain and took off for a 10-mile hike through the Cornish and Devon countryside. *Frances Cann.*



GETTING PREPARED — Some of the scouts of newly chartered Troop 30, sponsored by the Chicago Southwest church, listen as Ron Mogavero, assistant scoutmaster, talks about the first patrol meeting. Standing, from left, are David Griggs, Art Schattke, Mike Kelly, Nathan Schattke, Jeff Kelly, Mr. Mogavero and Joe Jacoby Jr. Kneeling are, from left, Carl Schattke, Tony Mogavero, Bob Jacoby and Mike Mogavero. (See "Troop 30's First Meeting," this page.) (Photo by Will Vandermolten)



CHICAGO WINNERS — The Big Sandy Challengers captured the junior-A division of the 1975 Chicago Invitational Basketball Tournament by defeating the Chicago Fire 56-51. From left, kneeling, are Tom Jones, Robert Gordon, Stanley West, Joe Pyle and David Torrance. Standing are coach Tim Alexander, Perry Worthen, Robert Klepfer, Gary West, Keith Payne and John Jones. [Photo by Scott Moss]



PASADENA — Doctrinal discussions for those with questions from England (Garner Ted Armstrong's "Personal," Dec. 22) were held here Dec. 29 and 30. Meeting with headquarters evangelists and members of the Doctrinal Committee were Charles F. Hunting, regional director of the Work in the British Isles; Richard Plache, director of the Plain Truth lecture series there; and David Ord, assistant to Mr. Hunting.

Also attending the meetings was Kyriacos Stavrinides, a preaching elder from Bricket Wood, England.

Herbert W. Armstrong opened the first meeting and was followed by Garner Ted Armstrong, who outlined the events that led to the meetings, according to Leslie L. McCullough, International Division director.

Mr. McCullough said the questions presented revolved around "what portions of the law need New Testament Christians observe."

The first meeting began at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 29, and, following a lunch break, continued until 5:30 p.m. The Dec. 30 meeting began at 9 a.m. and, with a lunch break, ran

until 5:45 p.m.

After Tuesday's meetings the discussions were recessed to allow time for transcription of material presented orally and digestion of the questions presented.

Garner Ted Armstrong announced that Mr. Hunting has been transferred to the United States and given a leave of absence "preparatory to reassignment." Mr. Plache has been reassigned to the United States, and his ministerial duties have been temporarily suspended.

Business manager Frank Brown has been named director of the Work in England and will move there in the near future.

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BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — Dennis Luker, director of the Australian Work, is in the United States for four weeks.

Mr. Luker said this is the first time in two years he and his wife Lee-Ann have taken their two children, Stephen, 11, and Leah, 9, to visit relatives in Oregon and California.

Mr. Luker is spending three of the weeks in Pasadena, where he will talk with personnel of several departments to coordinate their activities with the Australian Work. The talks will include discussions on the availability of half-hour television programs for use on Australian television this year.

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PASADENA — Garner Ted Armstrong's guest appearance on the nationally syndicated show *Hee Haw* will be seen nationwide Jan. 31, according to Sherwin McMichael, director of personal appearances, who helped arrange the appearance.

After singer Buck Owens appeared at several U.S. feasts sites in September, Mr. Owens' manager asked Mr. Armstrong to consider being on *Hee Haw*.

During the taping session in Nashville, Tenn., in October, Mr. Armstrong performed two songs, "Put Your Hand in the Hand," which was done with the entire *Hee Haw* cast, and another, "Working-man's Name."

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BIG SANDY — Clarence Bass, director of the Caribbean Work, delivered a sermonette to the Big



FASHION SHOW — Four of 70 contestants in a fashion show in Chicago Dec. 26 model their garments. They are, from left, Debbie Metz, winner in the coats-and-suits category and overall women's-division winner; Vera

Haynes, judged best overall model; Ellen Belitz, first in YOU sports-wear competition and overall YOU winner; and Elza Bowens, winner, professional category.

Chicago tournament draws 61 teams

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given a ballot to indicate her choice for the best cheerleading squad. After watching the other squads in action, the cheerleaders returned their ballots and the five finalists performed two cheers apiece during halftime of the Ambassador-Jones game.

Cheerleaders in the stands were given a second ballot, with winners announced at the end of the junior-A championship game.

From 45 squads in the tournament, Bowling Green, Ky., cheerleaders took first place, followed by Dayton, Ohio; Peoria, Ill.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Chicago South, in that order.

After the Saturday-night game, a semiformal dance in the hotel convention hall featured a 15-piece

band.

During the awards ceremony, emcee Mark Salyer, pastor of Chicago South, awarded trophies to the winners in each basketball division.

Dave Treybig of the Cleveland Panthers, winners in the senior-A division, received his division's most-valuable-player award for his 23-point game average.

David Cain of the Chicago Fire, with a 21-point average, was named most valuable player in the junior division.

Other Attractions

The Cincinnati (Ohio) Crusaders took first place in a YOU regional girls' volleyball tournament held in conjunction with the basketball competition.

Beverly Davis of the Crusaders was the most valuable volleyball player in that tournament.

A ten dance was Thursday night, Dec. 25, after the first day of tournament play.

On Dec. 26 a fashion show with 70 entries was presented in the hotel ballroom. Sandy Salyer (wife of Chicago South's pastor) narrated the program, and Jill Gustafson (wife of Chicago Southwest's pastor) and Trisha Svehla announced winners in each category.

Judging the garments were Norda Day and Kay Bush of Chicago Southwest and Marilyn Donoho of Lee, Ill., professional dressmakers.

The winners and their categories were as follows:

Women's division: day wear, Zelda Hanisko, Milwaukee, Wis.;

after-5, Eileen Booth, Wausau, Wis.; sports wear, Betty Gregory, Chicago Southwest; children's wear, Charlotte Trout, Chicago Southwest; coats and suits, Debbie Metz, Chicago Southwest; professional, Elza Bowens, Milwaukee; and recycled, Mrs. Dennis Gillen, Paducah, Ky.

YOU division: day wear, Lorna Flake, Indianapolis, Ind.; sports wear, Ellen Belitz, Kalamazoo, Mich.; coats and suits, Cathy Jackson, Chicago South; and evening wear, Brenda Wine, Elkhart, Ind.

The overall winners were Debbie Metz and Ellen Belitz.

Awards for modeling were presented to Terri Francis of Indianapolis in the YOU division and Sandra Henderson of Paducah in the women's division.

Vera Haynes of Chicago South was judged best overall model.

Philippines

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Ambassador College Extension Program, which is being extended in this country with seminars at universities and colleges and before civic groups.

Mr. Adair expounded on the causes of the present world crises. He said the nuclear-arms stockpile is more than enough to kill mankind 50 times over. He talked about government crises, increasing crime rates, pollution, the population explosion, famine and pestilence.

He praised the "New Society" of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos as a step in the right direction. He assured the audience a new and better world is indeed coming.

The 1½-hour campaign was videotaped by a television station.



MANILA CAMPAIGN — Colin Adair, left photo, speaks to 1,600 persons, right, in Quezon City Dec. 12. Osamu Gotoh sits behind Mr. Adair. [Photo by Jerry Origuero]



CLARENCE BASS

Sandy P.M. congregation the Sabbath of Dec. 27.

Mr. Bass, who lives in San Juan, Puerto Rico, spoke on the Work's activities in his area.

Mr. and Mrs. Bass were on the Ambassador campus here Dec. 27 and 28 on their way to visit relatives elsewhere in Texas.

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BRIDGETOWN, Barbados — One hundred sixteen people attended a Bible lecture conducted by Carlos A. Nieto, elder of the Bridgetown church and the congregation in Castries, St. Lucia, Dec. 7.

According to Mr. Nieto, 69 of those attending at the Barbados

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