

A Personal Letter from *Samuel Had Armstrong*

Dear brethren in Christ:

Greetings!
Again, my apologies to all of you brethren who came to the Concord, N.H., area for Sabbath services on our international fast day and the several thousand who assembled in Mount Pocono. Even though I sent a personal letter to you via Mr. Ron Dart, I wanted all of you to know how doubly sorry I was that the pressures of administrative decisions at headquarters demanded my time and that I was unable to be with you as I had planned.

This is the first time I've had to cancel any of my combined-church visits, which have put me in close personal contact with about 60 percent of the United States churches (and a small percentage of you Canadian brethren) over the past few months.

As I said, I will try to reschedule a meeting with you in those areas as soon as feasible.

I am writing to you on the morning of our Sabbath fast. I am expecting to bring the main message in the afternoon services in the Auditorium on the Pasadena campus this afternoon and then make up another canceled commitment by preaching to our combined gymnasium and Imperial-gym churches in the after-

noon while my father is preaching to the Auditorium P.M. services on Pentecost.

Father leaving for Europe

My father will be leaving in the next few days for another extensive trip which will take him to Europe and then, I believe, to South Africa again.

I know the prayers of all of you go with him for another very successful trip abroad, and, of course, he always appreciates your prayers on behalf of his protection while flying and his physical health and condition.

As I have told all of you, we have "sold" the fan-jet falcon, which was being leased by the college, and, although the major savings will be in the area of increased energy cost and our monthly lease payments, I am very saddened to see the airplane go.

We had obtained a "slot" about a year ago or so for the eventual delivery of a Falcon-50 (a Falcon trijet utilizing engines which would burn about the same amount of fuel on three engines, delivering a more than 3,000-nautical-mile range, as the present Falcon-20 delivers on two engines with barely more than a 1,600-mile range!), but canceled our slot, because we knew an advance

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have kept these things to yourself, personally and privately. After reading your letter announcing your marriage, I felt happy for you and thankful to God for having provided, as you said, the wife you need — but also felt a little left out. But having the opportunity to hear it from you as we did helps so much to rejoice in just how "God moves in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform."

Thank you so much. With many wishes for happiness to you and your wife.

Mrs. Joanne Cook
Burnaby, B.C.

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Thank you for sending [the] issue of 25 April 1977 to me. It contains interesting information in re the wedding and in addition gives me some news about the Work which I did not know.

Mrs. Frank R. Stewart
Piedmont, Ala.

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Small service

To the entire staff of the WN, you're doing a fantastic job!

I especially want to express my gratitude for the special-request column [of the personals]. Being a spiritual widow, I can't do all that much to serve God's Work, but I can pray for and send letters of encouragement to those who need it. This small service benefits me just as much as them. I have been going through a sad trial, and whenever I start to feel sorry for myself I write to and pray for others who are so much worse off than I. It sure helps me to smarten up in a hurry.

Name withheld
Canada

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Sabbath at home

It has been interesting to read your mail about how people keep Sabbath and Holy Days at home. Many years ago, when churches were few and far between, I kept these precious days alone for three years. I was the only one of my family called, so it had to be sort of low-key.

It was easy enough to get the house in order, shop and prepare extra-rice food for Sabbath. To help make the day very special in a private way, I . . . never used or wore anything commonly used during the week. That has been a habit ever since, and it does really help me to set the day or days apart as precious time to be used in a different way than all the other days.

Nettie Herzog
Pasadena, Calif.

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Armstrong's marriage

Referring to the April 25 issue of the WN with news of your [Herbert W. Armstrong's] marriage, your personal column and comments in an article, plus the background information concerning Mrs. Armstrong, her particular abilities and training: Some of the feelings that bubble up are joy, elation, thankfulness — and just plain delight!

Thank you, Mr. Armstrong, for sharing with us your personal feelings, needs and experiences in such an open, heart-warming and humorous way. To me it is an example of the greatest love story there could ever be — and I'd like to take the opportunity to explain what I mean by this.

First of all, it is a beautiful example of our heavenly Father's great love, compassion and mercy to His people — and in particular to His faithful apostle. He sees our humanness, our needs and desires and wants us to be happy. He is able to intervene to bring things about in unexpected ways (to us) and to truly renew strength miraculously. He can reward faithfulness, faith and patience in waiting for His answer. Most of all it helps us see how, as Samuel found out before he anointed David (1 Samuel 16:7), that "the Eternal sees not as man sees, for man looks on the outward appearance, but the Eternal looks on the heart."

It is wonderful to see how God can honor an individual, in this case your new bride, just as He did Ruth, who wasn't even an Israelite.

Finally the way you so beautifully and lovingly describe your wife, her personality, and special abilities and how you knew God sent her to you is a great inspiration in so many ways. God must have inspired it for our benefit just as He did examples in His Word of other circumstances.

Your joy and happiness must please and make our heavenly Father joyful — so it certainly makes me very joyful also. I'm sure I speak for many others of God's people too. I hope and pray your marriage will be a beautiful example to the whole world, and that you'll both have the extra strength, wisdom, courage and other abilities necessary to get God's Work done — in greater power and strength than ever — together.

I know, Mr. Armstrong, you could

Fate of Middle East uncertain

By Gene H. Hogberg
News editor, "The Plain Truth"
PASADENA — The Middle East: Will it be peace, round five of the Arab-Israeli War or a dangerous stalemate?

The dust has not yet settled from the remarkable upset victory scored by the hard-line, right-wing Likud Party in the May 17 Israeli elections. Experts knew the election would be close, but the 29-year rule of the Labor Party, which had never been out of power in Israel since the founding of the Jewish state in 1948, was expected to continue.

But a declining Israeli economy, intensified by an epidemic of strikes and a 38 percent inflation rate, along with the resignation just before the election by former Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin because of a scandal involving his wife, was simply too big a hurdle for Labor Party candidate Shimon Peres to surmount.

So, like the proverbial cat with nine lives, Likud Party candidate Menachem Begin, who had tried eight times previously to become prime minister, bounced back again, this time to the top. But, while garnering the highest number of votes, Begin and his Likud Party will have to rule in coalition with other smaller parties to achieve a working majority in Israel's Knesset, or parliament.

It is believed that members of two small highly conservative religious parties will join the coalition, among others, an interesting development of itself that we will have to watch closely.

There is no doubt that Begin's outspoken hard line against the return of any occupied Arab territories captured in the 1967 war appealed to an electorate that had begun to be suspicious of talk coming out of Washington regarding a West Bank homeland for the Palestinian Arabs. Recent cutbacks in various U.S. military-aid projects also helped Begin's cause.

Pledged not to give

All who know him say Begin is tough, persistent, principled and not likely to be swayed by compromise or threats. And herein lies a potential danger for peace in the Middle East. Arab nations, both moderate and extreme, had felt that the Middle East tide was turning in their favor and that Washington was showing success in getting the Rabin government to budge on the issue of occupied territories.

Now in comes a man representing a party that has pledged to give up not an inch of the former Jordanian West Bank territory, plus the Gaza Strip. In fact, Begin refuses to call these areas "occupied territories." They are "liberated territories," he stresses.

Will Begin compromise in the end?

Only time will tell. But one thing is certain: If the United States is successful in twisting the new prime minister-to-be's mind on the territorial issues, Begin will have a much easier time of selling his countrymen on the issue than the Labor Party, which the Israeli electorate obviously felt had gone soft on the occupied-territories issue.

Mondale-Vorster talks

Also as we go to press, U.S. Vice President Walter Mondale is meeting with South Africa's Prime Minister John Vorster in Vienna. Mondale is now "in charge" of U.S. African policy. Of course, he has no background in the horrendous complexities of African affairs; his appointment was intended primarily to counter the criticisms leveled at UN Ambassador Andrew Young.

The Vienna meeting will hardly take place in the spirit of give and

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take. The essence is this (Mondale speaking): "John, please assist us in solving the impasse over Rhodesia and let the SWAPO [South-West Africa People's Organization] terrorists have a major say in the new government-to-be in South-West Africa [Namibia]. In return for your help, we ask your government and society in South Africa to self-destruct as well."

Of course, it won't be put that way in all the communications. But, when Mondale says South Africa must "move toward majority rule," that's what it means.

U.S. officials simply do not understand (or, in the case of Mr. Young, understand but refuse to see anyone else's views) the complexities of South African society. (I tried to explain this in the April Plain Truth article, "Trying to Avert Africa's Armageddon.")

No homogeneous mass

Let South Africa's former ambassador to the UN, now its foreign minister, Roelof "Pik" Botha, explain:

"The basic problem is that Americans simply cannot and will not understand that in Africa, and southern Africa in particular, nonwhites are not simply one homogeneous mass. I encountered this total lack of understanding very often while in America.

"Americans, therefore, tend to view all black peoples as belonging to one nation, and they also suffer from a pronounced guilt complex [regarding past treatment of blacks]. I have candidly told Americans again and again that we are not prepared to relieve them of their guilt complex or act as sacrificial lambs.

"The American government knows very well and is fully informed of the patterns of government in Africa. It knows very well that virtually all African states are authoritarian and dictatorial . . . and almost invariably with no freedom of expression whatsoever. The American government knows very well that is the pattern in nearly all Africa. Yet that is the pattern it demands for us."

All in the name of "majority rule."

Meanwhile, Ambassador Young as of this writing has spent the past five days in Maputo, Mozambique, attending an "informal" UN conference on anticolonialism at which he had his mind filled with diatribes against Rhodesia and South Africa. Mozambique's Marxist dictator explained that the South African border was the frontier "between freedom and fascism."

Young condemned a Rhodesian army "hot pursuit" into Botswana, but conveniently overlooked a raid by SWAPO forces from Angola into northern South-West Africa in which 120 schoolchildren were abducted and taken to guerrilla training camps. Perhaps the oversight was because of the cordial relations in Maputo between Young and SWAPO chieftain Sam Nujoma.

Timid giant

While Mr. Young claims the United States shouldn't get so excited over Soviet inroads into Africa, others are not so fooled.

It took swift action by France and Morocco to turn away communist invasion from Angola into Zaïre. While America sent "nonlethal" aid to Zaïre, France (plus Belgium) sent military advisers and "hard" aid. Morocco sent 1,200 troops. Morocco's King Hassan leveled some particularly damning blows to U.S. "nonpolicy" in Africa in a May 16 Newsweek interview.

Apparently, said Hassan, there is no U.S. policy in Africa, "but a series of discordant voices from high officials" (referring to Young, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and others). He added:

"You Americans conquered space but you are abandoning your place on earth . . . You no longer seem able to distinguish between friend and foe . . . We are not telling America to intervene, but to back your friends working in the interest of the Western world with assistance, economic and military, and diplomatic clout.

"Hopefully, I have shown the U.S. and its friends that appeasement is not the better part of valor."

In an earlier Newsweek interview, Zaïre's President Mobutu also scored U.S. fence-sitting:

"I must confess we are bitterly disappointed by America's attitude. It is your weakness versus their [the communists'] will power and strength. I just wish that the U.S. were not so afraid to stand up and be counted."

Name, not reality

The Pretoria newspaper *Hoofstad* chipped in:

"In name America is still the leader of [the] Western alliance. But in reality not only South Africa, but the whole of Western Europe and other supporters of democracy, are deeply concerned about the lack of leadership which emanates from the government of President Carter.

"Proof of this is the reaction of Western powers to the pathetic figure cut by America in Zaïre.

"President Carter must be careful that he does not become known in history as the president who lost the case for the West, in that he busied himself with the high ideals of human rights while Russia carried through its plan of world domination."

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Omar Bradley speaks on leadership

By Roger Fakhoury
PASADENA — "It's a rare opportunity to meet a living legend," said Garner Ted Armstrong at the Ambassador College student forum here April 26.

Gen. Omar Bradley, 84, the only living five-star general of the U.S. Army, spoke in the forum about leadership and "my views on some

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of the leaders who helped shape the history of our nation and the world."

Gen. Bradley was born Feb. 12, 1893, in Clark, Mo. After his graduation in 1915 from the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., he served as a second lieutenant in the infantry.

From 1938 to 1940 he served on the War Department's general staff.

He advanced from brigadier general, 1941, to major general, 1942, to lieutenant general in 1943. In that same year he was appointed to command the Second Corps in the North Africa Campaign.

That fall Gen. Bradley was transferred to Great Britain and given command of the U.S. First Army, taking part in plans for the invasion of Nazi-held France.

In June, 1944, he led his men

ashore in the Normandy landings.

Last command

His last command, the 12th United States Army Group in Europe, was the largest body of American soldiers ever to serve under one field commander. The 12th Army Group at its peak consisted of four armies: Gen. Courtney Hodge's First, Gen. George Patton's Third, Lt. Gen. William Simpson's Ninth and Lt. Gen. Leonard Gerow's 15th.

In August, 1945, Gen. Bradley became administrator of veteran affairs. He relinquished this post in December, 1947, to familiarize himself with Army problems before taking on new duties as chief of staff.

The general was nominated by President Harry Truman for promotion to general of the Army, a move confirmed by the Senate in September, 1950. He became the fifth five-star Army general.

"We must turn to you," Gen. Bradley told the students, "for the preservation of our heritage. We

apply as with the military. All great leaders follow these principles."

Some of the principles the general discussed in his talk:

- A leader needs mental and physical energy. "You never saw a lazy person get very far," he said.

- Leadership requires a certain amount of humility and human understanding. "Men are not robots; they are not to be treated as though they were machines."

- Loyalty goes down as well as up. "A leader should go to bat for his men."

- A leader must have character. "He must be a person who has high ideals, stands by them, and one who can be trusted absolutely."

- A leader should encourage the members of his staff to speak up if they think their leader is wrong, and he should invite constructive criticism. "I told my personal staff that anyone who didn't object to something I was doing for a month would be relieved."

- A leader must "see and be seen."

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must look to you to carry on, hopefully, better than we have.

Same principles

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- Leaders should surround themselves with clear-thinking, objective individuals, not yes men. "The test of a leader lies in the response and reaction of his followers. He should not have to impose authority. His influence should be felt by his example and instilling of confidence in his followers. The greatness of a leader should be measured by the achievements of his men. A good leader is one who inspires others, staff and subordinates, to do a good job."

Someone asked Gen. Bradley what were his impressions of Gen. George Patton.

"Gen. Patton was a very impressive leader," he replied. "His men had confidence in him and would follow him anywhere. They didn't like his attitude too much sometimes. They called him Blood and Guts Patton, our blood and his guts."

What does Gen. Bradley feel would be the attitude of the American people if plunged into another war?

"I'm afraid it wouldn't be as good as it was in World War II. The Japanese made a terrific blunder when they attacked Pearl Harbor because they got all the Americans angry and in a fighting mood. The attitude during the Vietnam War was different. It was a very unpopular war."

He talked about actor Karl Malden's portrayal of him in the movie *Patton*.

"I felt Mr. Malden did a very fine job. He came up to our house on several occasions and asked how I would react to the various situations in the script. After it was over he said the hardest part to play was not raising his voice when he got mad. When I am angry, I lower my voice. My theory is, Why yell at somebody if they can't yell back?"

History has shown, the general

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said, that for a nation to survive it must have an "endless reservoir of morally strong, fearless, dedicated young people that carry our heritage from one generation to the next."

"I charge you with that responsibility."



GUEST SPEAKER—Gen. Omar Bradley, above, the only living five-star general of the U.S. Army, addresses students on the Pasadena campus of Ambassador College April 26. Below: Garner Ted Armstrong, left, greets Gen. Bradley. [Photos by Ken Evans]



Entire stock gone

'PTs' keep vanishing

RADLETT, England—Church member John Whittaker-Axon noticed a *Plain Truth* display at his place of employment increase dramatically in popularity one day when suddenly the "entire stock" vanished.

"With the display being near an outside door, it was possible that someone had stolen them," he said. "But it kept on happening."

Then one day he happened to see two schoolboys "walking off after taking all the magazines on display."

Talking with a fellow employee, Mr. Whittaker-Axon found that his co-worker had also seen the boys carry off all the magazines.

"They explained that they needed them for the school and asked if there would be any more for next week. Sure enough, they returned the following week."

On checking further, Mr. Whittaker-Axon found the boys are "given lessons with the aid of the *PTs* in the form of projects" at their school.

Father, three of his children drown in lake boating accident

LEE'S SUMMIT, Mo. — A Church member and three of his children drowned in Lake Jacomo, near here, March 23 after a boating accident. Dead are Ove D. Jensen, 42, a member of the Kansas City (Mo.) East congregation, his daughter Alice, 9, and sons Jon, 6, and Ted, 4.

Surviving are Mr. Jensen's wife, Janet, daughters Holly, 17, and Karen, 11, and son Dan, 2. (Holly is Mrs. Jensen's daughter from a previous marriage.)

Mrs. Jensen said her husband and the three children left their home here about 6:30 p.m. to go canoeing on the lake. The accident reportedly was discovered when a fisherman noticed the overturned 14-foot aluminum canoe on the lake. A park ranger found the body of 6-year-old Ted in 50 feet of water about 8:30 p.m. the same day; the bodies of the other three victims were recovered the next day.

There were apparently no witnesses to the incident, so park rangers and sheriff's deputies in the area could not say how it had happened. Ted was reportedly found with his arm hooked through the strap of his life jacket, but none of the others was wearing a preserver. The preservers and paddles were found in the canoe along with an inflated inner tube.

Mr. Jensen, a Danish citizen, was a welder at the time of his death and had worked as a photographer, miner and cabinetmaker and had translated booklets into Danish for the Work.

While living in Canada, Mr. Jensen met his wife, a native of Independence, Mo., at the Feast of Tabernacles at Squaw Valley, Calif. They were married in 1965, living in Canada until 1971, when they moved to this area.

Mr. Jensen had grown up near the ocean, his wife said, and was an expert seaman, always careful not to overload the family's canoe.

"The children had been around water since they were wearing diapers," Mrs. Jensen said. "Alice could swim, and Jon and Ted could float. Ove always insisted on putting on the life preservers. He was not careless

with the children."

Mrs. Jensen thinks the accident must have occurred while her husband and children were leaving the shore in the canoe before they had put the preservers on.

William M. Keesee of Lee's Summit, also a Church member, said Mr. Jensen was a "very gentle and kind man" who set a "fine example as a Christian" that was "well noted by the townspeople around which he lived."

Mr. Jensen's co-workers "had a very high regard for him," Mr. Keesee continued. "Upon hearing of his death, the men were so upset they wanted to take the day off and help search for the bodies. But a shop steward told them, 'No, I don't think that would be what Ove would have wanted,' so they worked that day and took up a collection totaling almost \$500. The company matched the donation with a \$500 check."

Several newspapers in this area, including the Kansas City Times and the Kansas City Star, have written of the incident, and local banks have set up special accounts for the surviving family members and solicited donations from the public.

Two of the drowning victims were namesakes of evangelists in the Church; Jon was named after David

Jon Hill, and Ted was named for Garner Ted Armstrong.

Mrs. Jensen is expecting another child.

Jan Clifton of the Missouri State Water Patrol was quoted by the Kansas City Star as saying the drownings could have been caused by the shock to the body of the 49-degree water (9 degrees Celsius) in the lake that night.

"Ordinarily in water of that temperature, people won't survive in it too long at any rate," Mr. Clifton said. He said survival time even in water of 70 to 75 degrees is usually less than five or six hours.

To survive in cold water, Mr. Clifton suggests making as few movements as possible. A person should draw his knees up and cross his arms around them to keep the body warmth concentrated.

If a boat or canoe capsizes, Mr. Clifton recommends remaining with it if it stays afloat. He cautions all boaters always to wear lifesaving devices adjusted to their size.

He said swimming to shore is the "last resort" of a person in trouble in a large body of water because it's easy to misjudge the distance to shore. And spotting a person near a craft is easier for rescuers.

Mr. Jensen, a graduate of the Van-



JENSEN FAMILY — This portrait shows the entire Jensen family. Victims of the boating accident are, from extreme left, Jon and Mr. Jensen and, extreme right, Ted and Alice. The surviving members are, from top, Holly, Karen, Mrs. Jensen and Dan.

couver, B.C., Spokesman Club, had attended churches in Vancouver, Prince George and Kelowna, B.C., and the Kansas City South and East congregations.

Other survivors include Mr. Jensen's mother, Gerda Jensen, a brother, Hugo, and a sister, Else Kristensen, all of Vejle, Denmark.

The Jensen family's address is 611 W. Third, Lee's Summit, Mo., 64063.

She keeps in tune at 69

By Sherry L. Marsh
BALTIMORE, Md. — "I've been looking forward to this day for 60 years. Nobody can convince me it's too late," Mrs. Loraine Bryan was talking about the piano lessons she just began taking several weeks ago for the first time in her life.

Mrs. Bryan, who will be 70 next September, is not your average piano student, but neither are the other 10 people in her class; they're all over 60 years old.

The fledgling pianists are taking their first lessons courtesy of the State of Maryland, which pays the tuition for any college classes for credit taken by citizens over 60.

Mrs. Bryan, a Church member who began attending services in 1960, explained why she waited until now to study piano.

"When I was a child I loved music," she said. "But I grew up on a farm in Pennsylvania, and we couldn't afford a piano. We had a phonograph, and I loved to wind it up and hear opera music. I'd play [records] over and over again."

"My parents would take me to band concerts at Littlestown [Pa.], and I would say to myself, 'If I could only play.' But on a farm you needed money for so many other things."



LORAIN BRYAN

"When I got older I married a Baltimore man who worked at Bethlehem Steel, so we moved to Dundalk [Md.]. We had five children, and I was determined they'd get the advantages I didn't have."

So the Bryans bought a second-hand piano.

"It was the most wonderful thing to hear them practicing. Every one of them learned to play. But I never had time or the money to take lessons myself."

"Now they are all gone. I'm a widow, and I live on Social Security."

Mrs. Bryan walks to her class, which meets once a week at Dundalk Community College. She lives with her daughter, Jean Johnson, and her family and attends the Baltimore church.

The unusual happens

By Jack Scruggs
JERUSALEM — While Jerusalem has experienced many unusual happenings, this one has to be near the top of the most-unusual list. I mean, it just hasn't been done. Well, at least, it hasn't been done for quite some time; not in God's Church, anyway.

Those were some of the thoughts that ran through my mind as I shook hands with Jim Malm and Michel Charland. Granted, if you're going to observe the Passover and the Holy Days, you may as well do it correctly, thinking and even imitating in a small manner that first great Passover, but this was just too much.

Well, first a little background: Jim and Michel are members of the Canadian United Nations forces serving with the UN peacekeeping force stationed on the west side of the Suez Canal in Egypt. As Passover time drew near this year, these two young men found that the nearest group of members of God's Church dwelt in Jerusalem.

So, not being the kind that were

easily discouraged by a little thing like hostile borders, desert sand or arduous journey, they showed up on my doorstep a few days before Passover.

So there I was shaking their hands in a firm and friendly grip, thinking the thoughts expressed earlier; to wit, it hasn't been done in 3,000 years. I could be wrong, but was not this the first time in a long time that a member of God's congregation left Egypt to observe the Passover, especially in Jerusalem?

Well, however unusual the circumstances surrounding two of our members during that Feast time, they did indeed leave Egypt to join a group in Jerusalem that totaled 14 hardy sojourners fortunate enough to be geographically close to the signature of some of the events remembered during the Passover.

Now, there is no reason why a Feast should be any more meaningful in Jerusalem than, say, in Atlanta, Ga., or Fargo, N.D. Perhaps there is no real reason that it should be more meaningful . . . but it is.

Tumors disappear

FORT SMITH, Ark. — Tumors that could have been breast cancer, discovered when two doctors examined Opal L. Belicek, were no longer there after she was anointed, Mrs. Belicek reported March 13.

"About 4½ years ago I had a radical mastectomy" and "recovered very well," Mrs. Belicek said. "Week before last I had several pains, so I went to the hospital for certain lab tests. Two doctors, very capable ones, confirmed certain lump tumors in my right breast. I was sorely shaken."

Mrs. Belicek, a member of the church here, asked minister Ivan Sell to anoint her. Then, "when a third doctor came in for consultation, he could find no lumps or any mass at all," she stated.

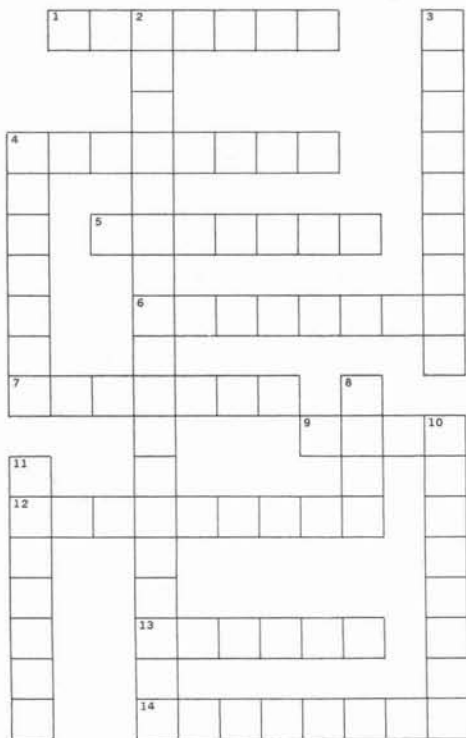
She then asked her doctors "to make dead sure they were right," so they ran more tests, including a mammogram and a "thermogram," and "nothing at all showed up," Mrs. Belicek said.

"I just wanted to share this with everyone" and "witness to all God does heal, even when our faith may not be up to par."

Mrs. Belicek's husband, Emil, is also a member of the Fort Smith church.

HOLY DAYS PUZZLE

BY AMY HARMAN



ACROSS:

1 "On the tenth day of this seventh month . . . ye shall . . . your souls" (Numbers 29:7)

4 " . . . Fourteenth day of the first month at even is the Lord's . . ." (Leviticus 23:5)

5 The seventh day of the week is a . . . (two words)

6 The Feast of . . . pictures Christ's return (Leviticus 23:24)

7 A memorial of creation.

9 The Pharisee does this twice a week (Luke 18:12)

12 The day referred to on 1 across.

13 A type of sin; it puffs up.

14 " . . . Walk in the . . . of life" (Ezekiel 33:15)

DOWN:

2 Pictures the Millennium (three words) (Zechariah 14:16)

3 Feast of Firstfruits.

4 "And golden vessels full of odours, which are the . . . of saints" (Revelation 5:8)

8 "In the . . . day, that great day of the feast" (John 7:37)

10 Offerings, rents, taxes or the like paid by a subject to a sovereign.

11 Pictures a death to sin and a new life in righteousness.

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Local church news wrap-up

Spaghetti dinner

ALBANY, N.Y. — The YOU here has completed its second service project, a spaghetti dinner on the last day of Unleavened Bread, April 9.

The YOU members handled the entire evening, from the meal to the clean up to the recreation, under the direction of coordinator Leon Sims. There were games for the whole family. The profit made by the group was about \$150. *Joel E. Langlois.*

Friendship quilt

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A friendship quilt, bearing the names and handiwork of most of the brethren here, was presented to the pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Porter, April 9. Even though the project, which was initiated by Diane Slater and coordinated by Eunice Goodrich, had taken a year to complete, it was a well-kept secret and came as a total surprise to the Porters.

Each square of the quilt was embroidered with the inscription of Isaiah 11:6, a lion, a lamb and a boy on a crest, along with the name of the individual who made the square. The quilt was bound with purple material.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter were hosts for an open house April 17 in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Don Goodrich, deacon and deaconess here. The gathering was a gesture of farewell to the Goodriches, who will be making their home in Claremore, Okla. The brethren presented them gifts of silver, a food warmer with a set of four toasting goblets and a set of Corning Ware.

Mr. Goodrich is employed by the U.S. Indian Public Health Service and will be in charge of the dental laboratory at the Indian Hospital in Claremore. *Mrs. Jim Johnson.*

Mothers honored

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Twelve members of the Women's Service Club here met at the home of President Janet Lonsberry April 26. A trooper from the Michigan State Police presented a film, *Rape — A Preventive Inquiry*, and conducted a question-and-answer session.

The club plans to sponsor a "Total Woman" seminar May 23, 24 and 25 in Ann Arbor. Berry Goudzwaard of Grand Rapids, Mich., will be the instructor.

The ladies also planned a sandwich brunch after services May 14 in honor of the mothers in the church here. *Pam Vreeland.*

Mountains of Mourne

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — Sixteen members of the YOU here, under the leadership of D. Anderson,



DANCING GIRL — Helena Maria Perez gives her interpretations of Spanish dances to an audience of senior citizens at the Johannesburg youth group plays host for a Spanish evening March 27. (See "Spanish Dancer," this page.)

staged a sponsored walk through Tollmore Forest Park, situated on the slopes of the Mountains of Mourne, which were made famous in a song by Percy French. The group was accom-



COLLEGE SEAL — John Cafourek, left, pastor of the Poplar Bluff and Cape Girardeau churches, accepts a hand-carved seal from its sculptor, Eric Copeland, April 9 during combined services in Cape Girardeau. (See "Hand-Carved Seal," this page.)

panied along the way by seven children and 14 adults.

Thirty stalwarts set out on the first eight-mile stretch of the planned 20-mile walk. At 2 p.m. the hikers stopped for lunch and recuperated. The next stage was around the lake of a wild-bird sanctuary.

As the miles slowly passed, each stage was shorter in length. Despite this, legs grew wearier and blisters bigger.

Unfortunately, due to lack of time, most had to leave without completing the 20 miles. However, four YOU members, one child and the leader finished the course. The amount raised was about 120 pounds. *Peter Roycroft.*

"From Scratch"

BRICKTOWN, England — Five members here sang with a massed choir of more than 500 singers at London's premier concert auditorium, the Royal Albert Hall, March 31. The Tuesday Partnership, a London-based organization, has for the past four years brought together choral singers from all over Britain for a "From Scratch" performance of such oratorios as Handel's *Messiah* and Mendelssohn's *Elijah*. The singers perform together in one performance without prior rehearsal. Richard and Linda Wood, John Stettford, Michael Hustwait and Edward Smith took part in the performance of *Elijah*.

The church here is planning a summer fete and social June 5 on the grounds of the former Ambassador College campus. The social will be in commemoration of the Silver Jubilee of Britain's Queen Elizabeth II.

Brethren here welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Colin Adair April 16 en route to their Belfast family from Manila in the Philippines. Andrew, their son, is on his way to full recovery from his recent arm fracture.

A series of singles' Bible studies has begun here on a biweekly basis. Programs include tapes from headquarters relating to marriage, dating and personal relationships, as well as question-and-answer sessions.

A spate of births in the congregation shows that springtime has arrived. The next wedding here will be that of Alan King and Sue Burchell on May 31. *Edward Smith.*

Instrumental selections

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — The Bridgeport and Hartford, Conn., churches held their annual talent show in nearby Woodbury March 26.

Elbert Atlas, visiting here for the first time since becoming Northeast

Area coordinator, delivered the sermon.

Following a picnic lunch in the auditorium, with entertainment that included singing, dancing and instrumental selections provided by young and old.

Peter Kamen, choral director, was music producer for the show. YOU teens ushered. *Wilma Wilson.*

Football and dominoes

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados — A YOU venture April 24 at Folkstone Park, St. James, featured a picnic, accompanied by downpours of rain coming in 20-minute intervals.

Some of the girls were involved in a net-ball match, Monopoly and other games. Some of the boys played cricket, football and dominoes. Others went for a swim, danced or chatted.

Coordinator Osmond Douglas and the adults who accompanied the 60 youths expressed their thanks to the YOU members for an enjoyable picnic. *Yvette Beckles.*

Hand-carved seal

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. — At combined services for the Poplar Bluff and Cape Girardeau, Mo., churches April 9, Eric Copeland presented to the Cape church a hand-carved Ambassador seal. John Cafourek, pastor of the two churches, accepted the carving with words of appreciation and thanks.

Mr. Copeland, a sculptor by profession, has also carved Ambassador seals for the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena and Herbert W. Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong's seal was made of more than 30 varieties of imported wood.

The seal for the Cape church took about one month to carve and was made of 12 types of wood. *Barbara Harrison.*

Cross-country skiers

CRAIG, Colo. — Almost every skiable Sunday of the winter, Gary Castle, YOU coordinator here and cross-country ski racer, gathered a convoy of cross-country ski enthusiasts from here and Hayden and journeyed to Steamboat Springs, Colo., for many enjoyable spills and thrills on prepared touring and racing tracks.

The cross-country ski competition was April 10 at Rabbit Ears Pass. After Sabbath services April 16, the entire congregation traveled 17 miles to Hayden to the Circle B Restaurant for the YOU ski awards banquet.

Everyone guessed the number of miles traveled this winter on cross-country skis by the YOU and church

members here. Kristy Pack, 18, won a free dinner with a guess of 1,499 miles. The actual number of miles was calculated to be 1,459.

Mr. Castle earned the Kodak patch for skiing more than 500 miles this winter. Jim Sena, 17, Phil Sena, 15, Wayne Sena, 16, and Ted Wilson, 13, all earned bronze Kodak pins for having skied more than 75 miles each this winter.

Andy Zimmerman, 18, received the award for best crash of the year, though only his skis were injured. Trophies were presented to Ted Wilson, most improved skier of the year, and Jim Sena, top skier of the year. *Johanna Chadwick.*

Arctic Bowl

FAIRBANKS, Alaska — The brethren here held their first bowling tournament April 17 at the Arctic Bowl. The contest pitted the men's team, the Male Chauvinists, against the women's team, Femininity's Finest. Each team having a deep bench, captains Ralph Dow and Sandy Lewis made several substitutions. At the end of each game, the two highest-scoring men and the two lowest-scoring women were replaced.

High three-game averages were achieved by Terry Angiolillo and Roger Lewis. The men captured the tournament three games to one and took total pins (handicap) 2,995 to 2,850. *Dennis Gentleman.*

Standing ovation

GARDEN GROVE, Calif. — The New Horizon Singers, under the direction of Dan Salcedo of the church here, opened their second annual concert season with their presentation of "The Beautiful Rainbow" April 17. The 48 singers are members of the Garden Grove and Santa Ana churches. The performance was given a standing ovation by the 1,200 patrons who packed the Louis E. Plummer Auditorium in nearby Fullerton. Those in attendance included members from most of the churches in the headquarters area and a number of local residents.

The concert, produced by Wayne Dunlap, pastor here, and Larry Holbrooks, local elder, again utilized the narration and slide-presentation accompaniment that has come to be the hallmark of the New Horizon thematic concerts.

The concert included a series of tunes by the Rainbow Singers, the children's choir; selections from Walt Disney's *Snow White*; "It Was a Beautiful Rainbow," the theme song; an original composition by the Fourhand Band and sung by bass soloist Bob Maw of Garden Grove; and the encore selection, "A Thing Called Love," by Jerry Hubbard. Soprano Ginny

Blekeberg, who attends the Denver, Colo., church appeared as featured guest soloist. *Gary Myrle.*

Large-mouth bass

JACKSON, Miss. — Camp Kickapoo Boy Scout Camp was the setting for 34 men and boys from the congregation here who undertook an overnight camp-out and fishing contest April 30 and May 1.

Saturday night everyone roasted wieners over an open fire, camping on a bluff overlooking Kickapoo Lake. At 6 a.m. the next morning the fishing contest began, continuing until noon.

The prize for the largest fish went to 5-year-old Davey Wells. The 54-pound large-mouth bass was the first fish he had ever caught. A new rod-and-reel outfit went to Todd Parsons for the most fish caught. Second place went to the team of Mike Cooper and Jim and Elbert Westrope. *Sanny Parsons.*

Spanish dancer

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The newly formed youth group here played host to 30 senior citizens at a Spanish evening March 27. While guests enjoyed the candlelit meal, they were serenaded by softly playing Iberian guitars.

Thirteen-year-old Helena Maria Perez delighted the audience with her interpretations of Spanish dances.

Afterwards, overall coordinator Bob Klynsmith presented gifts to Helena and her mother in appreciation of their support and a thank-you card to Cecil Roberts, who had accompanied the group on a recent cycle trip.

Special guests were minister Andre van Belkum and his wife. *Amanda Duminy.*

Preteen skating party

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The preteens here had their annual skating party May 1 at Skate Town. After a morning of skating, the group trekked to Concord State Park for a wiener roast with all the trimmings. Relays and sack races followed. *Becky Morgan.*

Demise of the dinosaur

LANCASTER, England — The first Sabbath school for children of the church here was April 23. The class will be taken alternately by Betty Clements and another member.

Creation was the theme of the first class, followed by an explanation of the origin and demise of the dinosaur. The class learned the words of a hymn, which was sung by the congregation at the end of the service. *Kae Tattersall.*

Cheese and wine buffet

LIVERPOOL, England — The Women's Club here, established six months ago, held its first men's night April 6. Husbands and other guests (See LOCAL CHURCH, page 12)



ANTIQUE SHOW AND SALE — Buffalo-church photographer Bob Lenkey gets in the picture for once while buying an antique glass for his wife's collection at the Buffalo antique show and sale April 13 and 14. About \$500 was raised for the church's social fund. (Photo by Bob Lenkey)

Big Sandy campus: education for 2,479

Vision transforms Texas woods into another Ambassador College

BIG SANDY — The doors of Ambassador College, Big Sandy, swung open in the fall of 1964. In the 13 succeeding years the college grew from a small, ill-equipped facility with a student body of 100 to a model campus with 650 students.

How the college came to be founded in East Texas is a story in itself. In 1948 a listener to *The World Tomorrow* radio broadcast, the late Roy Hammer, his wife and his son

(now head of the Buildings & Grounds Department at Big Sandy) heard that the Church wanted to build a permanent site in East Texas for the Feast of Tabernacles. He decided to donate some land to the Church.

At the time, the land was a combination of forest and underbrush, liberally sprinkled with snakes and insects. Mr. Armstrong came to look at the newly acquired property late in 1952.

He saw its potential. His vision was one of rolling hills, streams, breathtaking landscaping, modern dormitories and classrooms. But this vision wasn't to become reality for many years.

The next year, 1953, saw the construction of what was first called the Redwood Building for the Feast of Tabernacles. Roy Hammer spent much of that year laboring on the building, basically completing it in the fall.

It was cold that fall, but more than 700 people met in the building, even though there had not been time enough to install windows in the end walls.

In 1954 the Redwood Building served as classroom facilities for the newly established Imperial grade and high school. Classes were held there until the Imperial School complex was built in 1964. The 12 grades of Imperial continued after Ambassador began until 1974, when it closed because of lack of finances.

What is now the Ambassador College Field House was built in 1958 to serve as a convention center for the Feast. The Redwood Building, which had been outgrown, was used as a dining hall.

In 1959 the field house had to be enlarged by a third to take care of increased Feast attendance.

Eight years later

It was now eight years since Mr. Armstrong had first inspected the Big Sandy property. In 1960 plans were considered for starting a junior college here, but the plans never got off the drawing board. But work continued on the grounds and a house near the grounds entrance that has served as the chancellor's residence.

In 1961 some 600 additional acres (240 hectares) was purchased. The land acquired is now the setting for the college's farm lake, the farm warehouse and the west end of Faculty Row (faculty homes).

Mr. Hammer died in 1962. Mr. Armstrong announced that, when the Redwood building was completely remodeled, it would be named in honor of Mr. Hammer.

In September, 1969, the structure became the Roy Hammer Library. In recognition of Mr. Hammer's labors, an inscribed plaque stands in front of the building, and a painting of him hangs inside the library.

When his father died, Buck Hammer took over the responsibilities of preparing the grounds for the beginning of Ambassador College at some unknown point in the future.

The year 1963 saw another rescheduling of the opening of the campus. By this time plans were calling for a full-scale college. Leroy Neff, now pastor of the Houston, Tex., churches, was to be business manager and registrar. Mr. Neff and his family moved from Pasadena.

On Feb. 24, 1964, Garner Ted Armstrong was the speaker at a student assembly at Ambassador College in Pasadena at which he announced the names of students who would transfer to Big Sandy. That year 40 excited students were given the chance to become pioneers.

During the second week of June that year, transfers began arriving from Pasadena to open a most active work program on the grounds. A priority that summer was converting a pine-tree orchard from a forest into a camping area for the Feast of Tabernacles.

Working pioneers

The students labored long and hard, removing brush, clearing the land, fighting bugs and tackling weeds (especially bull nettles and burs). But the summer was broken up by picnics, parties and water activities on the campus' Lake Loma.

The end of the summer came and

"half of the workers began packing and planning for the trip back to Pasadena," records the first issue of *The Portfolio*, the campus newspaper, dated Sept. 1, 1964. "Many joyful and piquant memories went with them. They tasted the tang of pioneering and loved it." A staff member who worked on that charter issue was John Robinson, now managing editor of *The Worldwide News*.

The third Ambassador College campus opened here 18 years after the parent campus, in Pasadena, was begun. The goals of the campus were no different from those of the sister campuses in Pasadena and Brickton Wood, England. Steven Gray, editor of that first *Portfolio*, wrote, in an editorial:

"This is the pioneer year for Ambassador College, Big Sandy — and this discloses another major responsibility we have. We are here to help FOUND A COLLEGE."

"Life for the next nine months is going to be that of pioneering! We may have to 'rough it' a bit — and, unless we are careful, it will be easy to lose sight of the PURPOSE for which we are here. We must remember that purpose every day from now until the close of the college year. Because — freshman, sophomore, junior and senior alike — our joint responsibility is to instill . . . the same cultural balance and true values that make Ambassador Pasadena and Ambassador Big Sandy what they are. (See BIG SANDY, page 7)



ROY HAMMER

and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hammer, traveled from East Texas to Pasadena, Calif., to see Ambassador College.

Four years later, in 1952, Roy Hammer opened his home to the then Radio Church of God for Passover services. That year 89 members of the Church met in the Hammer home in Gladewater, Tex.

That same year Buck Hammer

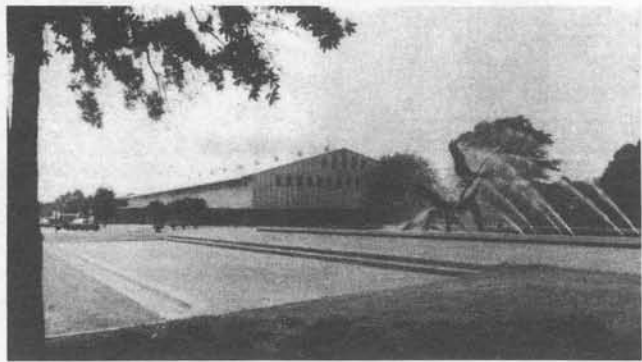
A time of transition is a time for reflection. The Big Sandy students and faculty of Ambassador, Big Sandy, are merging with their Pasadena counterparts, so now seems an appropriate time to relate the story of a part of the East Texas woods that became an Ambassador College.

To the more than 2,000 students who attended classes on the Texas campus, not to mention the members of the faculty and staff and supporters of Ambassador around the world, Big Sandy will surely continue to mean more than just a small town in Texas.

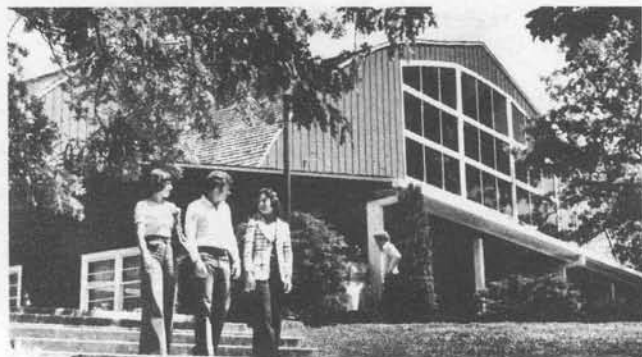
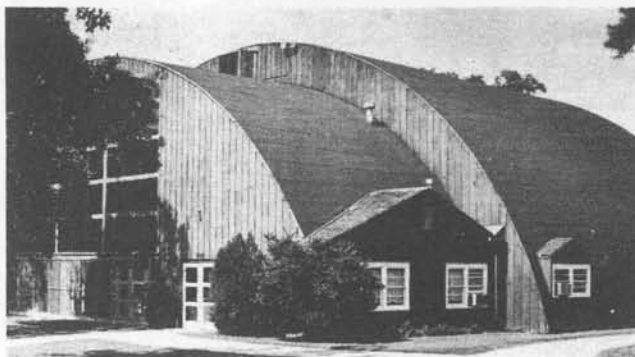
The Worldwide News thanks Faye Odie, a former Big Sandy student, whose research is the basis for much of this article.



BEFORE AND AFTER — Here's how the college field house, above, looked before Ambassador, Big Sandy, began in 1964. Before its college days, left, the building served as the site of Feast of Tabernacles services. Above right is the building in 1977. It most recently was used to house the student dining hall and kitchen, gymnasium and administrative and other

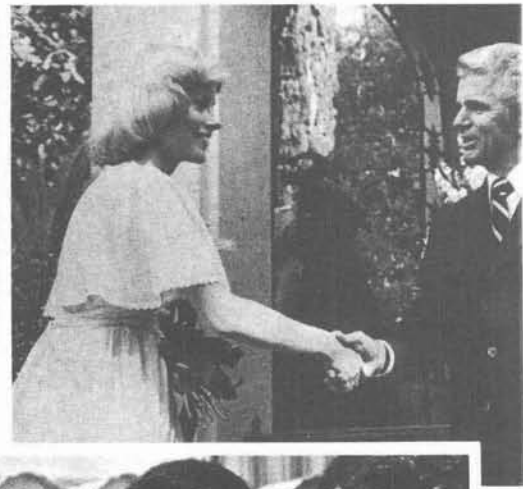


offices. Below are views of what was once known as the Redwood Building, left, now the Roy Hammer Library. The Redwood Building was the original structure used for Feast of Tabernacles services, later housing the student dining hall. In its present form, below right, it houses the campus library, bookstore, commissary and some faculty offices.





GRADUATION DAY
— Members of the Big Sandy graduating class of 1977, above, prepare to receive their diplomas as Herbert W. Armstrong, right, looks on. Left: Gamer Ted Armstrong shakes the hand of Big Sandy graduate Ray Willingham, one of 111 graduates from Big Sandy. [Photos by Scott Crawford and Klaus Rothe]



GRADUATION '77
— Clockwise from top: The Pasadena graduating class enjoys an outdoor ceremony; Mr. Armstrong congratulates another Pasadena graduate; Big Sandy graduates congratulate each other; a Pasadena graduate receives a hug after four years of work. [Photos by Charles Buschmann and Sherry L. Marsh]



Ambassador College graduates 212

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dress the seniors during the ceremonies but did speak to them at a cocktail party in Pasadena and a luncheon in Big Sandy. He did attend both graduation exercises.

The student body president of each campus, John Stryker in Pasadena and Steven Schantz at Big Sandy, also addressed the graduates.

As part of the ceremonies in Pasadena, 36 ministers and other men of the Church received "ministerial certificates" for having participated in the Work's ministerial-certification program conducted by the Ministerial Services Department. Some of the men had attended classes here for a year while on sabbatical from their regular ministerial duties; others had completed an extra year after the four-year course of study leading to the bachelor's degree.

After the seniors on the Texas campus received their diplomas, Vice President and Provost Ronald Kelly conferred the degree of doctor of letters, *honoris causa*, on William

Watson Wise, a Tyler, Tex., philanthropist, businessman, author and former delegate to the United Nations.

The 212 students receiving bachelor's degrees are as follows:

Bachelor of science, Pasadena: Cheryl Allworth, Carolyn Ashland, Albert Baroody Jr., Cedric Becker, Geoffrey Berg, Susan Bryce, Norman Case.

William Chaffee, John Chandler, Michael Denzinger, Barbara Forney, Anthony Garside, Philip Gaston, Brenda Germano.

Joyce Graham, Alice Greenwood, Robin Harris, Kenneth Hermanson, Patricia Hiemstra, Linda Holfelder, Brenda Jansen.

Dennis Keefe, Daniel Kotora, Bob Lessman, Michael Lewis, Lamont Long, Stephen Mapes, Klara Molnar.

Karl Moore, Celestle Morgan, George Morgan, Bruce Morrison, Shirley Noffsinger, Mary Powell, Beth Quillen.

Gary Regazzoli, Dennis Robertson, Vernon Rockey, Helmut

Rudajs, Martha Ryan, Keith Schmides, Ray Stacy.

Anton Striffler, John Stryker, Dennis Thomas, Richard van Pelt, John Walsh, Tobin Wegner, Dallen Wendt, Douglas Wendt, Wendy Zebrowski, Patricia Zonneveld.

Bachelor of arts, Pasadena: Deborah Barr, Regina Claro, Brian Cosgrove, William Cummings, David DePra, Lionel Estinvil, Larry Ford, Stephanie French.

Coleen Froehlich, Dennis Gonzalo, Bernard Granka, Carlos Gutierrez, Charlene Hargrove, Stephen Hart, Beverly Hix, Jerry Horton.

Reginald Killingley, Mitchell Kimbrough, George Kovanis, Ralph Levy, Astrid Lie, Gregory Mercer, Karl Moe, Walter Neufeld.

Rosanne Newell, William Noack Jr., Ralph Patten, Tom Purnell Jr., Gerhard Reimer, Mario Ricci, Hector Roybal, Stephanie Saracino.

Janice Striffler, Andrew Urban, Jeffrey Velasco, Nancy Wagner, Richard Watts, Ronald Wroblewski, Joseph Brown.

Bachelor of arts in general studies, Pasadena: Helen Bagnall, Alan Boyer, Olivier Carion, Denise Dozier, Linda Lisman, Lee

McGraw, Kathy Pawlak, Joanna Pilkington, Susan Pye, Ronald Robinson Jr.

Bachelor of arts, Big Sandy: Kathy Adams, Carol Allen, Jan Anderson, Thomas Arritola, Diane Bailey, Cynthia Bangert, Paula Barr.

Lee Berger, Ron Berlin, Dee Bishop, Joni Borghese, Bill Box, Debbie Broach, Jnay Buffington.

Michelle Bumpers, Rhonda Burton, Brad Buzbee, Leslie Carr, Mary Carr, Luciano Cherin, Owen Colston.

Cherine Cotanch, Cal Culpepper, Bob Danford, Lydia Darnell, Jo Ellen Deily, Ray Diener, John Dobrich.

Sue Doerr, Kent Doucet, Bill Dunham, Rick Eckert, Phil Edwards, Eric Ernst, Sandra Feintress.

Bernice Fisher, Steve Foote, Mike Ford, Mike Foster, Rick Frazee, Chuck Fredrikson.

Lloyd Garrett, Lou Gloux, Sandy Gordon, Gordon Graham, Mike Greider, Alan Guss, Randy Hall.

Tom Hanson, Lynn Harris, Bob Harrison, George Hart, Theresa Hartman, Jacquelyn Harvey, Timothy Higgins.

Chuck Hoover, Cynthia Hopkins, Mike Hopper, Emogene Hornbuckle, Mohandas Jayasekera, Gerald Johnson, Jacki Jones.

Ann Jungren, Pete Kendall, Rita Kloss, Kay Lane, Virginia Lane, James Lewis, Anne Linge.

David Machanick, Cheryl Maxwell, Lu McSpadden, Beth McVay, Charles Melear, Henry Mez, Scott Moss.

Vicki Moore, Roy Newell, Anette Prettyman Nichols, Ava Norton, Olga Otasevic, Jim Owens, Dale Pack.

David Perino, Judy Pritchett, Dennis Rendall, Clarence Ritsema, Edward Ronish, Steve Schantz, Nancy Scull.

Wynn Skelton, David Smith, Debbie St. John, Matt Steinke, Karin Taylor, Jim Todd, Laura Tomich.

Gini Upchurch, Jim Valekis, Jeff Wahlen, Nancy Watkins, Mike Waters, Sherri Watts, Anne Wilcox.

Terry Willhoite, Bob Williams, Ray Willingham, Debbie Wood, Jim Wright, Dennis Wunderlich, Mark Zebrowski.

Doctor of letters, "honoris causa," Big Sandy: Watson Wil-
iam Wise.

CONGRATULATIONS — Graduates from both Ambassador campuses receive congratulations in all forms from college administrators, friends and relatives. (Photos by Charles Buschmann, Scott Crawford, David R. Knight and Klaus Rothe)



For your protection

Recognize the hazard

By Sidney Lyle

ODESSA, Tex. — A recent FBI report on rape confirmed that the American female has fallen victim to a most hideous crime at the rate of 26 per 100,000. With the crime of rape increasing year after year, and be-

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cause the criminal is more sophisticated in his mode of transportation, it becomes necessary for women to practice personal safety techniques that will help them become less vulnerable to attack.

Far too many offenders get off the hook merely because the victim does not want to go through the degradation of a court hearing, or because of the fear that the victim's husband or son will seek vengeance and become the subject of prosecution himself.

Therefore, the best approach is one of prevention.

Rapes cannot be totally prevented. We can, however, eliminate to a considerable degree the opportunity for crime to occur. Although the adage "Remove the opportunity and you remove the crime" holds true, the opportunity cannot be completely eliminated.

Two extremes

There are two extremes: dangerously careless conduct (which is totally unacceptable) and conduct that is 100 percent safe (which is totally unattainable). What must be achieved is a proper balancing of the extremes so that normal routines and activities are altered only slightly, while reducing the opportunity for the crime to occur. The result of this balance must be cautious awareness.

Several good rules will, if followed, aid in developing awareness. First, recognize a potential crime hazard when it develops. For example, you are driving in downtown traffic and stop for a traffic signal. Does a hazard exist?

Yes. If your doors are unlocked, a

stranger may decide to enter your vehicle, or your windows may be down so low that a thief can reach inside and remove your purse.

Solution: Keep your doors locked and your windows up.

At home keep your doors locked, and don't allow strangers inside your house or apartment without proper identification, and then only if necessary. If the person at the door says he is with a utility company, make him prove it. If he says his car is broken down and he needs to use your phone, make the call for him.

In any event, don't let the caller inside your home.

Window peepers

Everyone is aware of the danger associated with curtains or drapes that don't completely shut out the night, yet many women carelessly overlook drapes or shades that are open just enough to allow a window peeper to peer in.

Solution: Make your premises secure from outside view, and keep all shrubbery and hedges around windows trimmed so they can't be a hiding place for the potential attacker.

Whether you are driving to work, walking to the neighborhood market or staying at home, the 52,000 reported rapes each year in the United States are a clear indication that it can happen to you, if you are careless.

One thing is for sure: This year there will be at least 52,001.

Now you know

By Everett Corbin

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A 4-year-old provided an apropos answer to a question June 13 as members of the Nashville East and West (Dixon) churches held their early summer social at Henry Horton State Park near Chapel Hill, Tenn.

Observing that the youngster was alone at the time, a Church member asked the boy: "Are you by yourself?"

His straightforward answer was a simple: "I'm not by myself; they're by themselves."



SEVEN-WEEK DELIVERY — All but one of these children were born in a seven-week period to families in the Dallas North and South churches. Top row: Brad Lusk, Brent Lewis, Bryan Lewis, Abby Walston and Troy Williams. Bottom: Kristina Zimmerman, Erik Leerskov, Ben Newkirk, Johanna Ray and Jaime Thomas. Of the four girls and five boys born in the seven weeks, seven of them are firstborns. Dallas attendance runs under 900 for both churches.

BABIES

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Sarah Rebecca, second daughter, second child of Dennis and Marie Thum, April 18, 7:23 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces.

BALLYMENA, Northern Ireland — Jonathan Mark, second son, third child of Denny and Tina Campbell, Feb. 28, 5:45 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces.

BIG SANDY — Christopher Vernon, first son, third child of Rex and Sandi Comstock, May 1, 1:45 p.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces.

BONN, West Germany — Gunnar, first son, first child of Helga (Wezpahl) and Siegfried Patzold, April 5, 1 p.m., 3,370 grams.

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Robert Dale Jr., first son, first child of Robert and Mary Taylor, April 22, 12:16 a.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces.

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Amy Denise, second daughter, second child of David and Bernice Capehart, March 22, 5 a.m., 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces.

GLOUCESTER, England — Anne Georgina, second daughter, second child of George and Audrey Webb, April 7, 5:35 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — Amy Lynn, first daughter, first child of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Day (Peg Walker), April 16, 7:58 a.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces.

HALIFAX, N.S. — Melody Jean Charlotte, first daughter, first child of Dan and Lillian (Young) Magee, March 18, 10:40 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces.

HARRISON, Ark. — Rose Allan, fourth son, fifth child of Charles and Karen Blair, April 8, 2:26 p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Lori Marie, first daughter, first child of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Loveday, April 29, 12:30 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces.

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Julie Ann, first daughter, first child of Ronnie and Carol (Stallons) Froedge, May 1, 11 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces.

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Elizabeth Montelle, first daughter, first child of Beth and Jerry Jeffers, May 1, 11:30 p.m., 5 pounds 15 ounces.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Colleen Elizabeth, first daughter, fourth child of Dale and Carolyn Perkins, April 14, 3:13 a.m., 7 pounds 13 1/2 ounces.

OVERTON, La. — Erin Elyse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McCarty Jr., Feb. 17, 8 pounds 15 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Aaron Charles, first son, first child of Michael and Linda Young, April 30, 5:46 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Jamie Sue, first daughter, first child of Nick and Mary Jo (Wheatcroft) Leaver, April 13, 6:30 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces.

PEORIA, Ill. — Jeremy Todd, first son, first child of Kenneth and Mary Bentley, April 28, 10:14 p.m., 4 pounds 2 1/2 ounces.

RALEIGH, N.C. — Rachel Annette, second daughter, second child of Mack Lee and Carol Simons Lee, April 29, 1:37 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces.

SAINT JOHN, N.B. — Benjamin Robert, third son, fourth child of Bob and Jean Jokela, March 14, 8:20 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces.

SALISBURY, Dominica — Arlette Bertha, second daughter, second child of Orford and Mary (Marcelin) Vidal, April 14, 1:45 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces.

SEATTLE, Wash. — James Dee, second son, second child of Steve and Sherry Koon, April 25, 1:56 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces.

THUNDER BAY, Ont. — Michael Wayne, first son, first child of Wayne and Lindsay Stewart, May 4, 11:01 p.m., 6 pounds 9 ounces.

TUCSON, Ariz. — Melissa Ann, second daughter, third child of Larry and Linda Neff, April 22, 11:20 p.m., 9 pounds 11 ounces.

PERSONALS

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PEN PALS

Female German nonmember, 26, married, desires correspondence with WN readers, any age, sex, color, ethnic origins. Various hobbies and interests. Elke Proetzle, L101.

I am a member, 27, legally blind, can't write letters, don't like to type very well. I want to get swamped with tape letters, reel-to-reel or cassette. Would like to tape single or DAF females 21 to 28, males any race, marital status, to 40. Interests: God's church, fellowship with God's people, current events, general interest, model railroads, collecting postcards, penpals, miniature plastic radio (CB, shortwave, other forms), music (solo rock of 50s and 60s, country), sports, travel, weather. Would like to hear from people in U.S., Canada, all countries. I speak only English. Jack Meier, L102.

Retired lady would like to write single female and male church members interested in hobbies such as art, flowers, gardening, many others. Someone please write to me. I promise to answer. Mrs. Mercedith A. Pointer, L103.

I'm 12, would like pen pals 10 and on up. Trying to get a few more friends. Please send picture. Sara Matika, L104.

Hi I am 11, Would like boys or girls 10 to 13 to write. Hobbies: swimming, horseback riding, collecting horse statues, softball, guitar. Vicki Lyn Thomas, L105.

Hello, A.O. from Ohio. I would love to hear from you. Please write me at L106. David Gregg.

Single male, 37, wishes to write females 20 to 36. Interests: playing guitar, country music, interested in you. Kenneth Boyd, L107.

Hi I am 12 and would like to write pen pals 11 to 13, girls, anywhere in the world. Interests: swimming, hiking, music, biking. Will answer all. Faith Fidler, L108.

Because I intend to be in the Poconos in Pennsylvania for the Feast of Tabernacles this year, I would like to write members from the Boston, Mass. area, where I visit two sisters. To my sisters is the Church unknown, but one, Hedwig Johansen, who is a widow, like me, wants to go with me to the Feast. Would like letters from such members who will be at the Feast too. My sister is 68; I am 65. Margret Richer, L109, I am from Germany.

Florida widow would like to write mature, semiretired, gentlemen, who love good music, a quiet, wholesome life. Dorella Hansen, L110.

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.

Would like to hear from widowed gentleman co-workers, members, 55 or older, who need someone to "talk" comfortably to, someone who can "listen" and understand and who knows loneliness too. I am a co-worker and a very interested, earnest "student" of the Church living in east-central Ohio. All responses answered promptly as possible. Joyce Stephenson, L111.

Where are the tall boys hiding? If you are 6 feet or over, preferably over, single member 26 to 29 and like tall single girls, why not come down out of the tree? I'm 27, a member. Gen Miller, L112.

Nonmember, 23, black, seeks female pen pals 20 to 23 who are willing to share their faith. I'd like to learn more of the faith. E. Winsley, L113.

Wish to contact anyone who was a Lone Scout between 1915 and 1924. This organization was formed by W.D. Boyce, founder of Boy Scouts of America. A. Zakutynski, L114.

Pen pals wanted! Elizabeth J. Steel, age 57. Any age can write me. I am single. Hobbies: many. I am a good listener. Will answer all. L115.

Single guy, 27, interested in writing mature, intelligent young ladies 21 to 28. Interests and hobbies: camping, hiking, jogging, bicycling, volunteer work, reading a classic novel. Oscar E. Ferreira, L116.

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Would someone from the Hampton Feast site please send me information about the site. I am from the Louisville Church and will come back there this fall. Hope to meet all of God's people there. Flora Simpson, L119.

Doll collector wishes to write other doll collectors. Also looking for old dolls, any condition. Dorothy Isaacson, L119.

Single Caucasian female, 18, likes all kinds of

sports and activities. Would like to hear from young men 18 to 21. Lorraine Rape, L120.

Thirty-four-year-old desires to write ladies 21 to 34. Bob, L121.

Rhodesians interested in corresponding and swapping their stamps for New Zealand ones, or just corresponding. Write Ron Janson, L122.

Caucasian, 26, would love to correspond with women 21 to 26. Interests: Spokenman Club, writing fiction novels, electronics. God's Work. Curtis Appleby Jr., L123.

Member of God's Church, widow, 61, would like letters from guys 20 to 70 years young. Promise to answer all. Mrs. Ruby Fitzpatrick, L124.

My mother and I plan to be in Paris July 19 to 24. Would love to hear from and maybe really meet some of the brethren there. Mrs. Charles H. Nappes, L125.

To the lady who suspects her husband is an alcoholic: Please write us. We're involved in Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon. AA can do what no human doctor or psychiatrist has been able to do. It can keep him sober if he so desires. Also, anyone else who has problems rising from alcohol, please write. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lansing, L126.

Request correspondence from anyone. I am in prison, single, never married, age 30, a white male. I receive *The Plain Truth*. William A. Bue, L117.

ENGAGEMENTS

The London Hilton was the scene of romance when Alan King proposed to Sue Burchell Jan. 4. Engagement ensued, and now the couple are happy to announce their forthcoming marriage, to be held at Bricket Wood May 31.

Steven L. Deuel of Brainerd, Minn., and Julie A. Hill of Pilsner, Minn., are pleased to announce their engagement. A wedding date has not yet been set.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Chase of the Concord, Mass., church would like to announce the engagement of their son Charles A. to Cathy Ann Leonard. Both are attending Ambassador College, Pasadena. No wedding date has been set.

Joan Bradford and Marvin Curtis of Bronx, N.Y., are happy and proud to announce their engagement. A July 17 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Miller of Vancouver, B.C., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sue Lynn, to Lee R. Berger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Berger of Harrison, Tex., April 28. No wedding date has been set.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Daniel of Edmond, Ala., would like to announce the engagement and coming marriage of their daughter Penny Linda to Ron Hebert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hebert of Edmond. The wedding date is to be announced at a later date.

WEDDINGS

Miss Lou Ann Carroll and Mr. Ray Daniel Hitchens Jr. were married March 26 at the bride's grandparents' home in Fenwick Island, Del. Mr. David J. Odor, Laurel, Del., pastor, performed the ceremony. Miss Ti Coffin of Sarasota, Fla., was maid of honor. Mr. Joe Zook of Alco, N.J., was an attendant of the groom. Their address: L131.



MR. AND MRS. R. HITCHENS JR.

Edna H. Nevitt and Alex T. Wilson exchanged marital vows and began a new life together Feb. 5. The ceremony was performed in Pasadena by Mr. Wayne Dunlap. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson now reside in Lynwood, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Campbell of Birmingham, Ala., wish to announce the marriage of their daughter Kathy Darlene to Denny Fale, son of Mrs. Dorothy Fale of Gadsden, Ala. The wedding took place May 5 in Gadsden.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blosser of Indiana, Pa., are very happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Linda to Steven C. Martens. The wedding took place Dec. 30 at the Pasadena campus, where Mr. Les Slocker performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by Karen Borden, sister of the bride. The groom was attended by Tim Martens. The couple are now living at L147.



MR. AND MRS. SELMER STAHLE

Mr. and Mrs. Selmer Heygild of Big Sandy are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Karen Kay to Ulf Anders Stahle of Skarup, Sweden, April 10. The ceremony was performed in the Ambassador Auditorium by the bride's father. They will reside in Stockholm and Oslo.

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PERSONALS

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Dr. Sudhir Chandra of Bombay and Sheba Dasson of Ipoh, Malaysia, were married in Bombay March 26. The couple may be written at L132.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT DANFORD

Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Pritchett and Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Danford are happy to share the joy of the marriage of their children, Judy Rose and Robert Roy. The wedding took place May 12 at Big Sandy. The maid of honor was Debbie Broach, and best man was Dave Stephens. The bride and groom graduated from Big Sandy earlier the same day.

ANNIVERSARIES

We are members of the Scandinavian church; we were baptized Oct. 3, 1969. We have five children. Our son, Reidar, graduated from Ambassador, Pasadena, 1976, and our daughter, Astrid, is a member of the graduating class of 1977. The other children's names are Karin, Irene and Sigmund. Our three oldest children are members, and the two youngest are very interested. My wife's name is Ethelred Lie, and I thank her for the 25 years we have had together. It was 25 happy years. She was interested in the Church from 1960, and I from 1968. Reidar Lie.

A very happy first anniversary to David and Hilda Gilbert III on May 15, from Tom and Charla, May 15.

Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Todd and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Eddy, all of Laurel, Miss., May 15.

Congratulations on 38 years of married life, Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Williams.

June 4 marks the 12th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Easonson.

Best wishes to David and Barbara Chatham on your 10th anniversary.

Dear Brian and Joyce: Best wishes and congratulations on your first wedding anniversary, June 27. May God grant you many more, each year happier than the one before.

To my husband, Edward Schneider: Thank you for a wonderful first year of marriage May 30. You are the kindest man in the whole world. I love you. Your "Princess," Fran.

To my wonderful wife of nine years: Happy anniversary, darling Linda, the best wife and mother of his children a man could have. Love you, Sam.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Asking prayers for my friend, Fred Martin, a nonmember who knows nothing about God's Church. He was recently involved in a motorcycle accident.

Please fast and pray for our heavenly Father to intervene for me and give me complete mental, physical, spiritual healing that I may be able to serve Him in His Work and overcome. Through problems and stress I went into home and was given drugs and injections that have reacted violently and caused mental imbalance and illness. My strength is almost gone. Mrs. J.J. Castelman, 66 Newlands Ave., Benoni, 1500 Transvaal, South Africa.

Please pray that I will get to go to the Feast. I have asked my boss could I be off for two weeks to go. We need two weeks counting travel. He said no! I would be fired if I went. I need your prayers that God will intervene, that he will say yes. Lynda Murphy, Rt. 1, Fallon, Ga., 30140.

Special prayers for Oddie Dracey, 2476 Congress, Old Town, San Diego, Calif. She has been on a kidney machine for a long time. She is not in the Church. Rose Norgren.

My son, 18, had an accident on his motorcycle. Besides minor injuries, he really messed his hip up. He will be in the hospital a month and unable to work for at least a year. Please pray for God's perfect healing and send cards. If possible, to Doug Polito, 7120 Meade St., Hollywood, Fla. 33024.

Please pray that other members of the Church would remember the special-request section of the right leg that has resulted in partial paralysis of the leg and foot. Glenn E. Toier.

Your prayers urgently requested for my mother, Mrs. Lillian Toier, who suffers from acute pain of the right leg and foot. Glenn E. Toier.

You can really help cheer a faithful member of God's Church. Mrs. Hilda Vike has recently been confined to a wheelchair in a rest home. Your cards and notes would make those days go by much more pleasantly. Send them to Co. Tiskum House, 520 Second St., Okanagan, Wash. 98840.

We're requesting worldwide prayer for the healing of our nonmember friend, Bill R., a dedicated recovered alcoholic. He has a lot more work to do in AA and only 37 percent tungs to do it with.

Would you please pray for an elderly lady, not in the Church but very hospitable to the brethren, in Cape Town, South Africa. She suffers from

arthritis and is physically very weak. Neville.

Prayers requested for Gayle Dragger, member of the West church in Houston, Tex. The third week in March she went back to the hospital for surgery of a tumor that affected her inner ear. Pray that God will intervene. Send cards, letters to her at 7000 Fonville, No. 3101, Houston, Tex., 77074, U.S.A.

Please pray for a young lady studying in the U.S. She deals with selective material and may be acting contrary to U.S. interests, but God appears to be calling her. Because of her interest in God's way, she may be in great trouble now back home.

Request prayers for my mother, a nonmember. She suffers severe depression. Also, I need prayers for myself. My mother would love to receive letters from the brethren. She is Mrs. Eugene Knud, Box 582, Shelton, Wash. 98584.

Please continue to pray for me. I have a long list of serious conditions, including an injury to my arm and hand so I can hardly write. Have problems with my eyes, muscles, nerves, other serious problems. E. Whaley, 817 W. Third St., Elms, N.Y., 14905.

Co-worker, Joyce Stephenson, east-central Ohio, needs prayers of the co-workers and members, asking God's great healing power to restore her eyes to clear vision and that she will be given a more satisfying, happier new phase in her life.

Please ask God to heal my wife, Shelby Romska, who has advanced breast cancer. She is a member and would appreciate your cards and letters. Address: 2831 Fairway Ave., Redding, Calif., 96001.

Please pray for my healing of diabetes, low blood sugar, allergies, memory trouble.

Would like to request prayer for my husband. He has been having problems with his stomach, apparently a blockage at times. Mrs. R. Long.

Earnest prayers requested for Mrs. Rosemarie Finlay, who suffered a heart attack April 26 and has been in a coma since then. The doctors diagnose extensive permanent brain damage. She is physically sound and could live on this way for many years unless God intervenes.

Brethren, please pray that God will provide me with work so I can support my family and the Work.

Please pray for two sweet, wonderful, elderly ladies who no longer can attend services. Mrs. Olga R. has sight and hearing problems; Mrs. Hester R. can no longer endure the trip to and from services and all the sitting.

FOLLOW-UP

My little niece, Mary Frances McKee, and her mother, Janice, are both back home from the hospital and doing fine. Mary Frances came out of the coma. My daddy is still in the nursing home; he's blind, and I am sick. Please pray for us. Rufus McKee.

Thanks to the prayers of the brethren: God has miraculously healed me of cancer. After my surgery on April 5, the doctor said, "It was only by the grace of God that you have been saved from the jaws of death; when you first came to me I wouldn't have given 2 cents for your chance of survival." On my recent visit to his office, he said, "You are a miracle! There is no trace of cancer in me. I am deeply grateful to all who prayed on my behalf; and I hope all of you will thank and praise God for answering those prayers. A very special thanks to the brethren of Washington, D.C., for

their tender loving care during my illness the past four months, especially to the Member Services Committee, which tirelessly provided for all my needs. Ann Mark, 501 Chillum Rd., Apt. 201, Hyattsville, Md., 20783.

This is to inform all the many wonderful people who wrote to my aunt, Nola Hopkins, that she has moved back to her mobile home at 1052 E. Mission, Space 25, Pomona, Calif., 91766. She asked me to write of her change of address. Her eyes are still very tender, and I will be some time yet before she gets her final glasses. She thanks you for your continued prayers in her behalf. Daisy Mc.

Many thanks to everyone for your prayers, cards, letters, words of encouragement. Your love truly came from God's Holy Spirit. Juanita has the type of seizures that can only be stopped by medication, so she will always have to be taken to emergency unless God intervenes. They have now doubled her daily medication, which has slowed her up in school a little. Helena Hagam, 2450 Church St., Trenton, Mich., 48183.

THANK-YOUS

Thank you, Lexington, Ky., church, Gerry and Dotie.

Thank you, Anna and Curley Spencer, Charleston, W. Va. Gerry.

We would like to thank very much Al. Nancy, Jenny, Lisa, David, Sharon, Chris, Larry. Pat member and would appreciate your cards and letters. Address: 2831 Fairway Ave., Redding, Calif., 96001.

Our collective thanks to all sponsors whose spontaneous, generous contribution had made the trip to Mount Ophir a reality. With deep appreciation and gratitude from the participants of the Mount Ophir climb (April 30 to May 3), Ben, Stephanie, Slew Hock, Pee Wah, Raj, Rajan and Hock Ang.

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, thoughtfulness for William Goffert, my nephew. It was not God's will that he be healed at this time; he died April 21. I feel the prayers were answered. For William's pain ceased and he slept a lot. His wife and daughters ask me to thank all of you. Leona Hines, Colorado Springs.

Please accept my heartfelt thank-you to all the wonderful letters and cards for my recovery, the strengthening notes of good wishes and positive thoughts. I never felt so taken care of. Nola E. Wood, Oklahoma City.

Thanks to the members who sent me back issues of *The Plain Truth*, Frederick and Virginia and Mrs. Virginia de Ste. Croix from New Brunswick, Canada, and an inquiry from as far away as Finland, Mr. Termonen.

Mrs. Graham and I wish to thank you all for responding to our need with warmth and compassion. It means so much. Bill Mulholland Jr.

Thank you for your prayers, cards, letters, which have helped beyond words. The condition is improving and with God's help I expect it to continue. Your prayers still needed. Madeleine R. Gandy.

Thank you for all your prayers, letters, cards, good wishes, gifts, personal visits over the months of illness. I am sorry I am unable to respond personally, but the cancer is leaving me very weak. I request your continued prayers for total healing. Kay Baker.

Obituaries

ANTIGO, Wis. — Betty Butzlaff, 50, died May 8 of cancer. Mrs. Butzlaff was baptized in 1969 and attended the Wausau, Wis., church. Survivors include a daughter, six sons, a brother, a sister and four grandchildren.

BIG SANDY — Jane Frances Osborn, 30, a member of the Big Sandy Church, died May 15 after a long illness.

Miss Osborn, a native of Corpus Christi, Tex., had taught school in Gary, Tex. She had been a member of God's Church since 1970.

Survivors include her mother, Jane Osborn, also a member here.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. — Joe Howard, 62, died unexpectedly at his home in Jackson, Mo., May 2.

Mr. Howard had been a member of the church here since 1969.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, also a member; two daughters; a stepson; a stepdaughter; and seven stepgrandchildren.

LITERATURE

Wanted: Voice. I and Viol The Bible Story. Will pay postage. G. Perriault, L141.

Does anyone have copies of the following literature they no longer require: Mr. HWA's booklet *Does God Heal Today?* and CC lessons 1, 4, 11, 15, 19, 22, 26, 36, 43, 58 and over. Ron and Carol Janson, L42.

LOST & FOUND

Found: camera at Lake of Ozarks May 7, Saturday night, at dance with GFA. Please write and identify type and brand. Edward L. Smith, L139.

Have lost contact with two special friends since they moved. Anyone knowing the new location of Jim and Caroleen Van House, please contact Tom and Clara Miller, L140.

TRAVEL

Lubbock church: Family of six planning move to your area this summer. Would like info as to good rural schools, houses for rent, etc., within 10 to 15 miles of North Lubbock. Any brethren working at Texas Instruments? Leslie R. Dickinson, Rt. 1, Box 45, Dorchester, Tex., 75030.

I will be a 1976 graduate from AC, Big Sandy, and plan to travel throughout Europe this summer and early fall. I plan to start from Scotland in August and end up at the Feast site in Norway. Please send info on the best way to travel and what sights to see, as well as where local services are held. Warren Melum, L127.

We're AC, Pasadena, students coming across to work at SEP, Scotland. Church members, we want to go to know you and God's Work in Europe. We'll be glad to sleep on the floor, pay for our own food. May we (two of us) be your overnight guests for a night or two? Respond, please. If you live in London or Brick Wood, Rome, Brussels, near the Paris or Holland churches, or wherever we have a European office. We're traveling from sometime in June to mid-July. Melissa Robinson, L128.

I and two small children will be in Kansas City and all nearby area for services June 18. If someone near I-435 and Wornall Rd. can give us a ride, please write Mrs. Dale Heathman, L129.

I would like to know if anyone is traveling to the first session of SEP and would have room for a boy, 14, from North Carolina. I would be happy to share expenses and would prefer to find a ride in North Carolina, Virginia or South Carolina. This would make it possible for me to drive a short distance if necessary. Return transportation is also requested with the same expense sharing. Henry P. Hansard, L130.

Two AC students and one high-school student will travel throughout Europe this summer and would like to visit Church brethren in various countries. Please write Barb and Lynn Harris, L143.

MISCELLANEOUS

Co-worker trying to locate a record player with three or four speeds, 78, 33 1/2, 45, possibly 16, with treble and bass control, good sound. I'm thinking of purchasing one due to financial circumstances. The machine would be used for the enjoyment of others as well. Frederick Hildebrand, L133.

May you have a long, fruitful and loving lifetime together. Dad and Marilyn. Congratulations on your engagement! Hope the wedding comes out just as you dream it will. It will be the special fulfillment of our lives too. Love, Charla, Tom, John, Mark and Emma Jane.

My dad and mom (nonmembers) are moving to Florida. Both interested in the Church. Dad seeking information about work in the tool-and-die trade. He is an honest, hard-working, experienced foreman and carpenter. Please contact Jacques, L134.

Wanted: Does anyone know where I could obtain a copy of the long-playing record called *Brazil Country*, featuring GFA as guest singer? A good taped copy would be fine. Will pay any expenses involved. B.L. Mackie, L135.

Donna Smith, please contact Mrs. L. McMillan as soon as possible, if you are still in the Lawton, Okla., church. PS: Anyone knowing Donna's location, please contact Mrs. Lillian A. McMillan, L136.

A warm hello to all the brethren of the Springfield, Mass., church. I will never forget your loving fellowship. May God be with you all. Love, Cathy Leonard, L137.

I would like for someone, a lady a little younger than myself, to live with me. I am 84. I need companionship. I live alone on Social Security. Maybe someone who doesn't want to be alone. My daughter is in the Church. I'm not. Chontia Montoya, L138. Prefer someone in San Francisco or Oakland or Davis.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE ON PAGE 6

Across: (1) 4) Passover; (5) Holy Day; (6) trumpets; (7) Sabbath; (12) Atonement; (13) trumpet; (14) statutes; (22) Feast of Tabernacles; (23) Pentecost; (41) prayers; (46) last; (10) tributes; (11) baptism.

Local church news wrap-up

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were invited to a regular club session, with the added attraction of a cheese and wine buffet. The topical room and table decorations were red, white and blue in recognition of the Queen's Silver Jubilee.

The president, Mrs. David Magowan, explained the purposes of the club to the guests. The speeches were about Peru, home wine and beer making and first aid.

Club director David Magowan commented on the progress of the club in such a short period of time.

Members and guests enjoyed the buffet refreshments, with background music that inspired the more adventurous to display their dancing skills. Dorothy Adlington.

Debating society

LONDON, England — A member of the Wimbledon Spokesman Club, Clive Walters, and two members of the London club, Louis Onyeama and Peter James, represented their clubs in the annual Lloyd's Insurance Debating Society speech competition March 30. Schools, colleges and debating societies all take part in this contest in which the speaker has to be prepared to speak at a moment's notice on any one of 25 subjects.

Although the men did not place, the experience was worthwhile and involved all of the club members, who had prepared outline speeches on the topics for possible use by the speakers. The 25 topics ranged from questions on government to the entertainment media and aspects of everyone's daily lives.

Several church members attended the debates. David Gomm.

Newlywed game

LONDON, Ky. — The crowning touch of a successful season was the dinner party the Women's Club here gave for the members' husbands and escorts April 9.

After the sumptuous feast, Barbara Dahlgren, club leader, introduced the entertainment, based on the TV show, *The Newlywed Game*. Mel Dahlgren, pastor here, drew the names of four couples from a hat. Questions were asked the husbands and wives concerning their mates while their respective spouses were out of the room.

The final count determined the winners to be Bob and Mildred Gilliland. The other couples receiving prizes were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farmer and Mr. and Mrs. Arville Elliott.

Then Mrs. Dahlgren opened a long, mysterious box and found a quilt prepared for the Dahlgrens by the members. Each block of the blue and white quilt contained a bird holding in its beak a nameplate with the name of the person who embroidered it. Mrs. S.

Mink had intricately quilted this work of art.

The YOU and the singles' club, Chat-N-Chew, met April 15 for the start of a weekend in Nashville, Tenn. The Chat-N-Chew rode in private cars, but the YOU members traveled on the McDonald's bus.

The bus is named Big Mac, worth \$200,000 and weighing more than 18 tons. It has a fully carpeted interior, plush velvet swivel seats, complete kitchen, bar, bath, color TV, stereo and more.

Saturday night the YOU chapter at Nashville invited the London YOU to a dance. Sunday morning the clubs went out to breakfast at McDonald's, where a presentation of a gold digital watch was made to the bus driver.

The climax of the trip was a visit to Opryland, where the group took the rides and viewed the shows and museum. Bob Gilliland and Tonya Oxendine.

Gazebo swing

LONGVIEW, Tex. — On the last day of Unleavened Bread, April 9, the Longview and Lufkin, Tex., churches met at the Fredonia Inn in Nacogdoches for afternoon services. Former pastor of the two churches, Jerold Aust, who is now pastor of the Wichita, Kan., church, gave the sermon.

As evening approached, doors were opened to a spring-garden atmosphere for a cocktail party. A gazebo was decorated with flowering vines and colorful potted flowers. The theme of the evening, "Swinging into Spring," was carried out with a swing centered in the gazebo, where many had their pictures taken.

A buffet meal was served. During dinner a style show was presented by members of the two Women's clubs. Ladies and children modeled creations of talented seamstresses, with Lynn and Linda Foster commentating.

After dinner the young children were entertained with movies and the family dance began. Walt Deputala, Lufkin member, provided the music with his combo from Nacogdoches.

Dwayne Canup headed up the arrangements and decorations for the dinner dance with the YOU and YAC assisting. Carol Klotz.

Busy bees

MEDFORD, Ore. — April was a busy month for the Busy Bees Preteen Girls' Club here. They began the month by collecting and selling bottles and cans for an offering for the spring Holy Days.

Their next project was a poster contest sponsored by the county library. Out of 200 contestants, two of the Busy Bees took first place in their respective age-groups. They were each

the recipients of a blue ribbon and \$10.

The girls sponsored a party April 25 at Hearthstone Manor Convalescent Home for April Johnson, whom the girls have adopted as their honorary grandmother through Community Services. They each baked cookies or cupcakes to serve along with punch at the party. They provided entertainment under the direction of Sharon Durlin.

To cap off the month, the girls donated their entire cash reserves of \$20 to the Work when they heard of the current need. I. Schreiber.

Raisin bread

MOBILE, Ala. — The Gulf Coast Ladies' Club here participated in the Fairhope Arts and Crafts Week Tour March 13 to 20. This is an annual event in Fairhope, Ala., with artists and craftsmen coming from all over the United States.

The ladies' booth displayed art work, crocheted slippers and shawls, knit work, fancy bird cages and ceramics. Baked goods were also sold, with top honors going to Harry Bodin for his raisin and rye breads.

Proceeds will be used for future club activities. Clara Richardson.

Masquerade party

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Impressive victories were registered during the two first games played here by the Worldwide women's softball team in the Rock City Open League. Games are played with local teams.

The first game April 16 was a smashing win over Martha O'Brien, 22-8, followed by a 9-6 victory over Clara's Angels April 19. Twelve more games are scheduled, according to Lee Robinson, coach for the church team.

Members of the team are captain Patsy Covington, Vicki Bryant, Donna Davis, Sue Rutledge, Susie Rutledge, Shirley Frazier, Tanya Winfrey, Elaine Smith, Debbie Duncan, Jan Robinson, Jane Wright, Susie Langley, Pat McKinnon, Debbie Paterson, Mimi Robbins and Regina Hill.

Teens here are planning their second annual trip to the Big Sandy campus June 19 to 26. Tony Hammer, pastor here, announced that the \$786 profit from a recent fruit sale by the teens will be used for some of the trip's expenses.

The teens planned an informal dance for May 14 in nearby Gallatin. The music was to have been provided by the WMAC disc jockey.

The Men's Club's last meeting of the year May 7 was to have featured a masquerade party. Everett Corbin.

Joint championship

OTTAWA, Ont. — Hockey teams from Kitchener, Hamilton, Toronto, Peterborough, Sudbury and Ottawa, Ont., and Montreal, Que., met April 17 for the annual tournament sponsored by the church here.

More than 100 determined hockey players played 13 games to decide the champ. Several ministers were in the lineup: Leo Van Pelt of Kitchener, Doug Smith of Toronto, Rob Elliot of Peterborough, Rainer Saloma of Sudbury, Bill Rabey of Montreal and Eric Livermore and Bob Berendt of Ottawa.

The tournament was billed as a double knockout, with each team having to lose twice to be eliminated. Five games had to be decided by sudden-death overtimes.

At the end of the day, only Montreal and Toronto remained in competition. Due to scheduling problems at the arena, there was not time for the final game. Tournament director Bob Berendt did not feel the trophy should be awarded in a sudden-death situation and decided to award the trophy for hockey supremacy in the eastern Canadian churches to both Toronto and Montreal. Peter Grainger and Jean Guy Gauthier, team captains, accepted joint ownership of the trophy until the next tournament.

The Ottawa ladies provided meals

for the participants. Gary King.

Ambassador's 30th anniversary

PASADENA — Ambassador College students, under the auspices of Ambassador Outreach, gave the single senior citizens here an "Evening at Ambassador College, 1977." The occasion was the college's 30th anniversary.

The men of Grove Terrace West and the women of Grove Villa West sponsored the evening, which began



GIFT QUILT — Mel and Barbara Dahlgren stand in front of a quilt presented to them by the London, Ky., Women's Club April 9. (See "Newlywed Game," this page.) [Photo by Virginia Burkay]

with a formal dinner in the faculty dining room.

The guests were then escorted to Ambassador Hall to be entertained by the Choraleers. A radio script by Kathy Pawlak and orchestration by Mark Graham harked back to the days of Jack Benny, Fibber McGee and Molly, Nelson Eddy and Jeanette MacDonald and Baby Snooks.

Then big doors were opened into the Rosewood Room and the guests were given a sumptuous reception.

Special thanks were given to Ron Guizado and Martha Ryan. Nettie Herzig.

Rap session

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo. — The meeting April 23 of the Women's Club here was informal, with coffee and refreshments. The ladies worked on ideas for the year's remaining sessions and ways to improve next year's club meetings. Linda Arnold.

60 years of service

PORTLAND, Ore. — More than 60 years of service to God's Church in the Portland area was recognized April 2 with the ordination of four deacons and a deaconess.

Joyce Wyland was called to this Work some 27 years ago. Her husband, Bert, is a deacon.

A member for 12 years, Dale "Pete" Swanson serves the church here on the greeting crew.

Dan Oliver received God's truth

after having reenlisted for a second four-year hitch in the U.S. Air Force. He is responsible for the sound system and has occasionally filled in as song leader.

Providing the congregation with a place of safety, Elroy Farah covers the building to ensure the brethren will be free from accidental injury due to hazards on the premises.

Bob Nichols serves as scoutmaster for the church's Boy Scout Troop 151. Woody Corsi.

Miniature umbrellas

RENO, Nev. — The church here met after Sabbath services April 23 for a fun-filled evening. After a potluck

dinner, Lorna Graunke, who is moving to Las Vegas, Nev., was presented a gift and cake.

The group then separated, men going to Spokesman Club and women and girls enjoying a fashion show sponsored by the Reno Ladies' Club. Women, teens, and tiny tots modeled outfits made at home.

The theme was "April Showers of Fashion." Umbrellas filled with flowers decorated the stage. Table decorations were miniature umbrellas filled with handmade flowers.

Coordinator for the show was Carol Lacey. Narrator was Susan McConnell. Adult-catalogue prize was given to Mrs. Dennis Mestynek for her pant suit with hand embroidery. The teen prize was awarded to Darlene Mestynek for her formal gown. Honorable mentions went to Carol Lacey for her child's outfits and Martha Springmeyer for her ensemble. The door prize was awarded to Susan McConnell.

Entertainment included songs by Ginny Mestynek and Clara Miller, accompanied on the piano by Irene Welling. Playing background music on the piano was Naomi Yutzy.

Paula Newman did a skit, "How Not to Look." Barbara Springmeyer gave a reading entitled "How to Choose a Wife." Barbara Springmeyer.

Comprehensive coverage

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Art (See WRAP-UP, page 13)



UNUSUAL GIFT — Jim Thornhill comments on the gifts given to Mr. and Mrs. Garner Ted Armstrong by the Wichita, Kan., church April 23. Mr. Armstrong was presented a World War I leather pilot's cap with goggles and red-and-white muffler, and Mrs. Armstrong was given a small gold jewelry case. Ten churches attended services at Wichita that morning and a dance with entertainment provided by Mr. Armstrong and his band that evening.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR — Special music for the Modesto, Calif., Church is performed by the children's choir, led by Carolyn Burchett. The children are looking forward to singing with the children's choir in Squaw Valley, Calif., at the Feast of Tabernacles.

Wrap-up

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Mokarow, director of the AICF Extension Center, spoke before the Chamber of Commerce here April 7, giving insight into the formula for achieving marital compatibility.

The chapter of the AICF here is a member of the Rochester-area Chamber of Commerce. With the Chamber's backing, George Robinson coordinated a comprehensive radio and TV schedule for Mr. Mokarow. On Tuesday morning Mr. Mokarow appeared live on the WROC-TV talk show, *Midday*, and WROC radio. The day was capped off with a 1½-hour appearance on the WHAM Opinion Program with Peter Wile.

Wednesday morning he appeared on the WHEC-TV Eddie Meath show and the WOKR-TV show *AM Rochester* with Matt Rinaldi. Later on he was taped for the WHAM radio *Jack and George* show and the University of Rochester's *WRVR Interviews and Comments* program. *Jake Hannold*.

Pewee basketball

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Members of the church here enjoyed a 17-mile canoe trip down the Peace River near Arcadia, Fla., April 24.

After driving to Arcadia and paying the canoe rental, the overcast skies began to clear. Halfway along the trip the group stopped for a picnic lunch on top of a small, shaded, grassy knoll beside the river.

Eleven preteens from the church here participated in a pewee league at the Salvation Army gym this basketball season, placing fourth.

The players were Bryan Sauls, Mike Jones, Jodi Smith, Marlon Lewis, Tim Smith, Susan and Tina



POSTER GIRLS — Kelli Franco, left, and Coleen Canady show their blue ribbons and \$10 checks they won in a poster contest. (See "Busy Bees," page 12.)

Coulson, Denise Davis, Robbie Nolan, Cheryl Starling and David Davis, coached by Howard Carell. *Sheila Carell*.

Split decision

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — The church's preteen coed softball team gained a split decision in the season's opening games here against Long Beach May 1.

The A team won decisively over Long Beach, 12-6, while the B team lost a close one, 17-16.

Jim Butler coaches the squad, assisted by Bob Gompert and Skip Miller. *Susan Karoska*.

Exodus reenacted

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. — The congregation enjoyed the *Night to Be Much Observed* together April 2. In addition to the annual banquet, a group of members put on a play that portrayed events leading up to the night the Israelites went out of Egypt. It was written and directed by Mary

Juranek.

The program opened with a piano solo, the theme from *Exodus*, by Penny Larson. The story was narrated by Dave Larson. Members of the cast were Darlene Crank and her children, Laura and John, and Heather McCord as the children of Israel. Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCord were the pharaoh and his queen, Beth McCord posed as the strict taskmaster and Agnes Stoeber was the midwife.

Moses' mother was acted by Grace Bos, with Sarah Juranek as Miriam. Eleanor Salzman was the pharaoh's daughter who found the baby in the river. Albert Chickester played the role of the adult Moses. He married the shepherd's daughter, played by Mary Smith, and Mike Bassett was his brother, Aaron.

At the time of the Israelites' departure from the land, the queen had all her jewels taken by Israelite Alice Cunningham. Everyone sang "When Israel Out of Egypt Went," accompanied by Penny Larson at the piano and Mary Juranek on the clarinet. *Nadine Van Laeck*.

Hot mustard

WASHINGTON, D.C. — For the third year in a row, the church here enjoyed a formal dinner dance during the Days of Unleavened Bread. The gala event was April 9.

After a prime-rib dinner, the Hot Mustard Ragtime Bag provided fox-trot and swing music from the '20s and '30s.

To help pay for its activities, the church relies heavily on its semiannual rummage sale in Springfield Plaza, Springfield, Va. With members donating baked goods, clothing, books and furniture and serving as deliverymen and salesmen, the church netted about \$1,600 in its spring sale April 24 and still had two truckloads



NEWLY ORDAINED — Four deacons and a deaconess were ordained April in Portland, Ore. From left: Dan Oliver, Dale "Pete" Swanson, Joyce Wyland, Elroy Farah and Bob Nichols. (See "60 Years of Service," page 12.) (Photo by Woody Corsi)

They were met by ministerial trainee Ron Hiebert, who was responsible for the organization of the social and banqueting arrangements.

Dinner, dancing and drama followed, as Murray Polushin and gang provided everyone with a tale of mystery and intrigue.

Ron Hiebert and Penny Darnell announced their engagement to the crowd of about 300 as part of the evening's entertainment. The only thing was, Penny had no idea of what was about to happen.

Ron led his lady to a chair awaiting her on stage, sat her down and proceeded to read a poem telling the story of their courtship and how he had waited three years for this moment.

It was about then that Penny began to get an inkling of what was occurring. Ron called for a waiter, who brought a covered tray containing a pillow and a ring, whipped off the cover, threw the pillow at Penny's feet and before the entire crowd asked, "Will you marry me?"

Despite a stray voice from the crowd who suggested that she say no, Penny accepted.

The lost-traveler story occurred on the trip home when the group stopped in Lloydminster, Sask., for gas. Later, after they had driven over 20 miles out of town, one car realized, after intense speculation, that they had left behind the group leader.

By the time they got back to Lloydminster, their trusted leader had called the police in an effort to head the car off at the North Battleford "pass."

Luckily, a carload of Regina, Sask., members returning from Edmonton had spotted their Winnipeg friend on the side of the road, picked him up and returned him safely to his fellow travelers as they were madly explaining the situation to a local police woman. *Teri Koutecky*

Going Dutch

ULTRECHT, Holland — Fifteen YOU members of the Dutch church

had an enjoyable evening together, followed by a sunny day playing volleyball.

After the service April 9, the greater part of the YOU kids went by train, the rest by car, to Voorthuizen to the Wilms family, who had organized it. Games included table football, Monopoly and shuffleboard.

The next morning the boys set up the volleyball pitch while the girls did the dishes before the games began. The team is preparing for competition at SEP in Scotland.

Since the congregation of the Worldwide Church of God here has separated into two churches, the southern in Tilburg and the northern in Bithoven, the teens here became further apart. For the near future the teens are planning a few separate activities and more combined activities, such as the coming get-together with members from England and Germany. *Richard Steinfert and Steven Van Lerberghe*.

Camp offers chance to get away

TACOMA, Wash. — Camp Tanglewood gives Church youths in at least six U.S. states and three Canadian provinces a chance to get away for 10 days of making new friends and finding out about summertime activities in the great outdoors.

So says Gil Goethals, a Tacoma local elder and operator of the camp.

The coeducational program, which Mr. Goethals says is entirely self-supporting, is offered at \$65 a person to 10- to 15-year-olds on a "first-come basis."

The facilities will handle up to 80 young people in each of two sessions, which will run July 20 through 29 and Aug. 3 through 12.

Camp Tanglewood, named after Tanglewood Island in Puget Sound, is annually "packed" with outdoor activities, says the camp's operator, including water skiing, boating, canoeing, swimming, hiking, mountain climbing, fishing, scuba diving, snorkeling, water polo, track and field, baseball, football, basketball, tennis, badminton, volleyball, gymnastics, cheerleading, archery, riflery and camping skills.

Overnight Canoeing

"One of the highlights of the camp," Mr. Goethals says, "is an overnight canoe trip. Those who pass their swimming and canoe tests have

the opportunity to go on a six-mile trip to another small island. Four or five canoes with 12 to 15 people go on each trip. For those who don't go on the canoe trip, an overnight hike in the nearby mountains is available."

Tanglewood is in a protective cove north of Fox Island, near Tacoma. The island, according to Mr. Goethals, used to be an Indian burial ground and became a boys' camp beginning in 1944. The Tacoma congregation in 1971 began sponsoring the present program, now in its seventh season.

Facilities on the 18-acre island include eight cabins, used as boys' and girls' dormitories, and an 18,000-square-foot dining hall and recreation center. "There are two tennis courts, a basketball-volleyball court, a baseball diamond, track, saltwater swimming pool, many canoes and boats," Mr. Goethals says.

Camp Tanglewood, Mr. Goethals is quick to point out, is not meant to compete in any way with the Youth Opportunities United-sponsored Summer Educational Program in Minnesota. "It is planned as a regional camp for younger people and for those who are unable to go to SEP," he says.

Camp business manager Barry Palmer agrees. "Our camp is primar-

ily for younger people and those who cannot afford to go to SEP," he says.

"We offer a camp opportunity on a regional basis" for "young people who may never get a chance to go to SEP. With 17,000 people in YOU it's a shame that so few will ever see a summer camp, but we're trying to do all we can in this region."

Counselors Too

Tanglewood can be a learning experience for counselors as well as campers, Mr. Goethals believes. He's also looking for people to serve as counselors who have the "ability to live with others in a close personal group, get along well with kids, like people, have a serving attitude, are leaders, are patient, have a sense of fairness, have self-control, are imaginative and reliable, have enthusiasm, are of good character and want to set a good example."

Residents of any state or province may come to Tanglewood, though the campers generally come from the U.S. Northwest and Canadian Southwest. Anyone interested — either as a camper or counselor — may write Camp Tanglewood, Box 8127, Tacoma, Wash., 98408, for an application and more information. Mr. Goethals asks that inquiries be made as soon as possible.

Future guide dog

Pup learns to lead the blind

By Michael Seither

LEBANON, Ore. — A log truck followed by a long line of traffic roars by them five miles north of Lebanon on Highway 20. A German-shepherd pup sits on her hindquarters near a mailbox on the shoulder of the road, unruffled by the traffic.

It takes some convincing, but the pup finally takes the day's mail in her mouth from the girl, and together

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they walk hand and leash to the safe confines of a fenced yard across the road.

For most dog owners, getting a dog to carry something in its mouth might seem like nothing more than a neat trick. But for Julie Prior, 16, it's all part of a day's work. And the sage goes for Pala, the 6-month-old pup Julie is training as a guide dog for the blind.

Julie got Pala in January from Guide Dogs for the Blind, a nonprofit corporation in San Rafael, Calif., which trains dogs for people who have lost their sight.

And as far as Julie knows she is the only person in Linn County training a guide dog.

"I belong to the county 4-H Guide Dog Club," Julie says, "but I'm the only member. At least now."

Because of experience

Julie was able to get Pala because of her past experience training other

"The thing that makes guide dogs so special is that they obey the commands every time. A lot of dogs go through obedience training, but they still don't respond to commands consistently. That kind of behavior just isn't tolerated," Julie says.

Julie, a sophomore at Lebanon Union High School, says she is required to spend at least 15 minutes a day training Pala. But usually it winds up being a half hour, she says.

According to Julie, it takes a long time to teach Pala, or any dog, the fine points. The command to heel for a normal dog, for instance, is different from one required for a guide dog. For a blind person to know the dog has heeled, the dog has to walk behind and brush the person before coming to a halt. And a fetch isn't simply retrieving a ball. A guide dog must instinctively learn to pick up anything a blind person may unwittingly drop—like a wallet or a piece of mail—and carry it until his master realizes the dog has it.

All the privileges

Although Julie is not blind, when she is in public with Pala she is allowed by law all the privileges afforded a blind person with a guide dog. That means she can take Pala in buildings and on public transportation. She carries a letter from the Oregon State University Extension Service outlining the law.

"I tried to take Pala into a discount store last week, but the manager said no dogs were allowed inside. I told him she was a guide dog, but he



SMELL IT WELL — Julie lets Pala sniff a ball before she teaches him to fetch it. Julie must teach Pala to sit, lie down, stay and heel on command as well as fetch and carry objects in his mouth. (Photo courtesy the Albany, Ore., Democrat-Herald)

dogs. She's gone through obedience training with a "rambunctious" Labrador and another German shepherd her family bought before moving to Lebanon from Massachusetts last April.

"Gretchen, my first shepherd, came from a very nervous litter. I tried to train her, but she wouldn't calm down. We had to finally sell her as a watchdog," Julie says.

But Pala is a different dog altogether, Julie says. Although feisty like any pup her age, Pala seems to be learning what's demanded of her, which amounts to a strict code of obedience necessary for a guide dog. On simple verbal commands the dog must sit or lie down and stay, heel, fetch and carry objects in its mouth. Unlike other dogs, guide dogs must also learn not to bark at either people, dogs or other distractions.

didn't believe me until I showed him the letter," Julie says.

After she finishes high school, Julie says she plans to become a full-time dog trainer.

"I plan to write the school about its requirements for trainers pretty soon. But from what I've heard it's a long, hard course which takes about four years. After a written test, you have to take a blindfold test with a dog you've trained. That means you have to go out in the streets with no eyes and trust the dog to take care of you," Julie says.

But in the meantime she has enough to do getting Pala in shape.

"Pala should be ready to go back to California in August," Julie says. "We spend so much time together that I've really grown attached to her. It won't be easy to see her go."



IN TRAINING — Julie Prior of the Salem, Ore., church and Pala, the puppy she is training to be a guide dog for the blind, collect the day's mail. (Photo courtesy the Albany, Ore., Democrat-Herald)

Youths receive recognition

WHEATLAND, Wyo. — December Fertig, seventh-grade daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Fertig, was selected as a member of Wheatland Schools' program for gifted and talented students. In the program — Project Challenge — the student is

W. Oliver Jr., 18, a senior at Gardiner Area High School, has received awards in track, science and library and became a member of the National Honor Society in January. Daniel hopes to attend the Univer-

"We felt Yours conveyed the newspaper's association with YOU very well," he said.

Karen attends the Burleigh Heads State School, where she was class captain last year. Her interests include rock collecting, sewing, reading and stamp collecting.

Karen will be awarded \$20 by YOU for submitting the winning title.



DECEMBER FERTIG

chosen by grades and attitude.

December will receive instructions from special teachers on two subjects for three weeks as an extra-curricular program.

December is a member of YOU.

SONORA, Tex. — Tammy Williams, 13, daughter of Marie Williams, a member of the church at San Angelo, Tex., was awarded two



TAMMY WILLIAMS

medals April 1 in a band contest at Cisco, Tex.

Tammy, who plays clarinet, won one medal for playing in a trio and another for performing in a quartet.

RANDOLPH, Maine — Daniel



DANIEL OLIVER

sity of Maine at Presque Isle after graduation.

Daniel's mother is a member of the Church.

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — Karen Crabtree, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Crabtree of the Gold Coast church, was the first to submit the name Yours in a contest to select a title for the Youth Opportunities United newspaper in Australia.



KAREN CRABTREE

Yours was chosen from 55 other entries, announced national YOU director David Noller.

Member honored

SHEFFIELD, Ala. — A Florence, Ala., Church member's hobby proved to be worth \$500 to a Brownie troop, plus \$100 for herself.

Barbara Strandvold learned April 13 of the award, which was presented by the Colgate-Palmolive Co. through its Help Young America Sweepstakes.

Mrs. Strandvold entered the draw-



BARBARA STRANDVOLD

ing by naming the troop as her favorite local youth group (as designated on the entry blank).

On April 14 she received a \$100 check, her share of the \$600 prize.

"My hobby is sweepstakes," Mrs. Strandvold stated. "A few years ago I won a lot of prizes, including a car."

"I'm happy that the Brownies won, as I know they can do something with it."

The girls of Troop 126 plan to use the money for community projects.

A Personal Letter from

Samuel Lee Armstrong

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payment would be coming up soon and under the present financial conditions felt we could not retain this commitment.

If God provides at some time in the future, two, three, four or five years from now, then such an aircraft might be possible, for it would give me the capability to reach every point in the world, including Australia.

'Sensible Citation'

In the meantime, I will try to fulfill every commitment I have in the United States and Canada by the utilization of the tiny little Cessna Citation, which had been operated for about six months by the combined Festival Department, Pastoral Administration Department and, to some extent, Ambassador College in Big Sandy. Interestingly enough, the "sensible Citation," as it is called, delivers at max cruise (approximately 400 miles an hour, or about 100 to 150 miles an hour slower than the Falcon) the same fuel flow as the Falcon-20 at idle on the ground.

Though it does not have anywhere near the size (even four people are very crowded and luggage is very awkwardly loaded through the passenger compartment into a tiny cubicle at the rear), and though it does not have the airlines-standard dual backup fail-safe systems, we feel it is a fine compromise that will enable me, albeit somewhat slower and with nowhere near the room for other passengers and luggage, to accomplish a great deal of my work in the United States and Canada.

I will relate, in this regard, an event that occurred recently which deepened my resolve that my father and I must not fly together.

On one previous occasion, when my father was in a very great hurry and I happened to be on the Big Sandy campus at the same time (I believe it was at the last Feast of Tabernacles), there were no other pilots available and my father was so far behind his schedule he needed to be flown from the Big Sandy campus to the Gregg County Airport rather than spend the 45 minutes required by driving.

Therefore, on this special occasion, I flew at the controls of our Falcon from Big Sandy, taking my father and his party to the Gregg County Airport. Then, recently, during the commencement exercises at Big Sandy, my father was again on campus, and this time I flew over to meet him at Gregg County in the Cessna Citation and flew, after dark, back to the Big Sandy campus.

Remarkable event

Of course, we rotate the trained pilot and copilot on the aircraft so that the pilots with whom I fly (in this case Mr. Benny Sharp, who has been flying with me for the past several months following Mr. Dan Spencer's enforced retirement from flying because of a severe chronic back ailment), so this was my "left-seat leg"; my right-seat leg was on the return trip a day or so later.

It was on this flight that a remarkable event occurred.

My father climbed very laboriously aboard (the aircraft is quite awkward for him because of its tiny size), and, with my father and his wife, his driver, Mel Olinger, and Mr. Dale Schurter in the passenger compartment, Benny Sharp and I, with Benny in the left seat, took off from Big Sandy and climbed out toward Gregg County.

While we were on climb, Benny kept going well beyond the usual 2,000 feet for the short flight to about 6,000 feet, and I began to wonder why. Though I am thoroughly famil-

iar with flying the Citation, and expect to receive a type rating soon, it is only after you have flown for hundreds of hours in the enclosed environment of any particular airplane that you become totally attuned to every tiny noise and any irregularity. Benny looked at me and asked, "Do you notice anything wrong?"

Scanning all the instant engine instruments, as we continually do anyhow, I replied, "No."

Then, in pulling the power back on descent, we began to notice a loud hum from the engine. This was not alarming to me, because the engine temperature gauges and all other engine and flight instruments were completely normal, and I am very accustomed to the aft fan engines of the CJ-710 General Electric on the Falcon setting up a kind of "harmonic noise" when the aircraft is at idle in descent.

'We're going to lose something'

Benny became increasingly concerned, however, and as we were on "base leg" called for approach flats and then the gear-down. Turning on the final, Benny brought the power back up to about 60 percent when we noticed the loud hum had become virtually a roar, getting louder and louder until it was almost impossible to hear each other in the cockpit!

By this time Benny looked at me and said, "We're going to lose something!"

I was scanning the engine instruments, and the percent of r.p.m. [revolutions per minute] on the fans were right together; the internal-turbine-temperature gauges were right together; the turbine r.p.m. were right together; the oil-pressure and temperature gauges were right where they should be — as were the fuel-pressure gauges and the fuel flow! Every engine instrument was exactly where it should have been!

However, just as Benny was bringing the power up and called for "full flaps," about a mile out on final, the right engine suddenly seized!

We had lost an engine at the most-critical-possible moment in flight, with the gear down, full flaps extended, flying at about Vref plus 10 knots, which is standard for final approach on a calm day with no wind, when the engine quit!

Watched anxiously

Instantly Benny called for approach flats, pushed the left throttle forward, secured the right engine by chopping the right throttle, got on the rudders to overcome the sudden asymmetrical thrust and the resultant yaw, and we both watched very anxiously as it seemed the left engine was very slow in "spooling up" to the full thrust required.

However, as I told others, perhaps at that moment of emergency we were thinking in milliseconds and the engine was responding in fractions of a second, but it did of course respond, or I wouldn't be writing to you about it now.

We safely continued the approach, Benny waiting to call for full flaps until just before touchdown.

Only Mr. Schurter of the four passengers in the cabin knew that any emergency had taken place, for he had been looking out the window and had actually seen the right-hand engine suddenly freeze solid from its thousands of r.p.m. to dead stop, glanced up to the cockpit to see us, as he put it, "pushing buttons and pulling levers" and knew that some sort of emergency had occurred.

He glanced at my father and my father smiled back, totally unaware that anything was unusual.

Until I knew the nature of what had happened, I chose not to frighten my father or the others at that time and waited to inform him of the circumstances on a telephone call a day or so later.

We discovered that one of the

bearings had let go along the shaft in the center of the turbine and had caused extensive damage to the internal-turbine sections of the aircraft, thus causing the loud humming noise which got louder and louder until the engine finally froze in mid-flight!

First time to lose an engine

Strangely, this was the third time ever since my father and I quit flying commercial together over 10 years ago that we had flown in the same aircraft. Strangely, too, Benny has been flying for about 7,000 hours, and I have been flying for a little more than half of that, over 3,500 hours, and in our combined flight time of 10,500 hours this was the very first time either of us had lost an engine on any of the dozens of single-engine, piston or turbo-twin, jet or float planes that we have flown!

During all of the other trials and tribulations in God's Work, it does give me pause and makes me think!

We were provided with a loaner engine from the Cessna Corp., and, with an engine even newer than the one on the left side, came on back out to Pasadena in the Citation without event a day or so later.

Since I know the unofficial "grapevine" sometimes tends to distort things, I thought I would relate the entire details of the circumstances here, knowing that it may be of interest and that it also may highlight the need that I am sure all of you brethren recognize for us to be remembering Mr. Armstrong and his party during their flights. I also hope that you will remember my wife and me in our travels locally.

This is by no means to imply that the Citation is an undependable aircraft, because it has one of the finest safety records of any airplane in the air. So far as I know, in the several years of operation in the hundreds of aircraft flying, there has not been a single fatality.

Colleges merge

I will not go into great detail on the merger of the two campuses, since I talked about it in great detail during our study for consolidation last summer and in public forums before the news media, and you will receive the information in other articles in this issue. Looking at the positive side of the merger, I am very enthusiastic over seeing about 1,200 in the Auditorium (capacity of about 1,300) beginning next fall and am

looking forward to the buzz and hum of excitement on campus with approximately FOUR HUNDRED new freshmen in Pasadena!

If the government grants us full use of the Vista Del Arroyo properties (covered in earlier articles in the WN), we will very quickly expand into a far more impressive small college, not losing our ability to retain our familylike atmosphere with all meeting in one building at the same time, or all attending the same student social or cultural event at the same time, and yet have the capacity by the combination of all of the talents of the young people on two campuses into only one to do a great deal more, not only in the field of intercollegiate athletics, but also in music and art.

In the weeks and months to come, additional personnel decisions will be announced as they are appropriate in our ongoing process of absorbing as many of the professionally qualified faculty from the Big Sandy campus as we can.

Copresidents in student body

I could not let the fine, young students who had earned a chance as student-body president, vice president and class officers in Big Sandy be deprived of such opportunity and so have asked that our student officers could be "copresidents" and "co-vice presidents" for the one transitional year.

Of course, I know all of you brethren who have young people in college will have mixed emotions over this announcement; some I am sure would prefer that their young students were not so far away from home, and yet, if you cannot see each other for a period of some months anyway, the extra hundreds of miles do not really mean all that much difference, most especially when you consider the combined strengths of the leading ministers and faculty members who will be consolidated on one campus and will be working with the young people on a day-to-day basis.

Dr. Lynn Torrance and I have both sent individual letters to all of the freshmen who had already received their acceptance notices for Big Sandy. We hope that a full 100 percent of them will want to come right on to the Pasadena campus in the fall.

Book almost finished

I have about one more hour's dictating and a few hours of editing to do, and, I believe I can safely say that

by the time you read this my book will be finally finished and the completed manuscript in the hands of the publishers!

I expect it will not be in bookstores until sometime in the autumn, and of course when I hear the final date I will be glad to let all of you know.

As I have mentioned before, I am sincerely hoping that this method of having the commercial publishers put out a book will break down the psychological barrier that may exist in many people's minds. As I have told many brethren in the past, I am confident that far more people are going to read the material by distributing it in this manner than would if I offered it free and the Work had to withstand the high costs of publishing, printing, mailing and the like should I announce it over the broadcast or on the television program.

Thank you again for your generous support most especially in the recent special Sabbath Day offering and the Holy Day offerings on the Feast of Pentecost. As I have told you before, it is an ongoing need in God's Church, and, as I am sure you can understand, with salary cuts right across the board at the top and every other economy we can imagine, we are all tightening our belts and doing the best we can to preserve, sharpen and strengthen the Work God has commissioned us to do.

That's about it for now. I hope to give you some fresh dates on coming church visits as soon as possible. To you brethren in Australia, I will move every obstacle and leave no stone unturned to see to it I can fulfill my commitment to come to Australia sometime in the fall after the Feast and after the college is under way once again.

Until next time . . .

Your brother in Christ,
Garner Ted Armstrong

Budget almost balanced

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Plain Truth has also been reduced, from 48 to 32 pages and from 12 to 10 issues in the coming budget year.

Special offering

"I'm very optimistic at this stage," business manager Wright said. "Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of the brethren in the special offering [taken up in most congregations April 30], the present cash-flow situation has been temporarily improved, and we are now making the necessary decisions to preserve our position in a healthy condition."

Mr. Wright said that, as of May 20, almost \$1.3 million has been received here from the special offering.

"Over the past several years in Pasadena, we have striven to reduce every element not essential or efficient to the operation of the Work," Mr. Wright continued. "Most of the brethren do not realize that in the past two years we have laid off in excess of 600 employees from the Pasadena operation alone."

"This is not an easy task when you see families that you have known for a long period of time leave the physical arm of the Work. It is a time of emotional stress and strain both on the management and on the personnel involved."

"But all the people left with a burning desire to serve the Work and with the knowledge that it was best for the efficient running of the Work. We have now reduced our operation, and, to borrow an expression, not only are we down to the bone, but now we are in the marrow of the bone in many areas."

Pasadena readies for Big Sandy transfers

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have already gone home for the summer. A transfer packet will be available shortly at Dr. Torrance's office [in Big Sandy] for those students who are staying on the Big Sandy campus during the summer.

"We will be communicating with the new students already accepted to Big Sandy for the autumn. They will receive all the needed information and help in transferring to Pasadena."

Dr. Stenger said he is in constant contact with Dr. Torrance "in making arrangements for an orderly transfer of academic records to Pasadena. With the summer to work through, I see the consolidation process as going very smoothly."

Welcome mat

Les Stocker, director of public information for the California campus, said:

"Anticipating the transferring faculty and students from Big Sandy, we are preparing informational materials to help with their move to

California. We want to do everything we can to make them feel at home and to literally throw out the welcome mat."

Dr. Michael Germano, vice president for academic affairs here, said the Pasadena faculty and staff "are looking forward to some 35 or 40 Big Sandy faculty members joining us. Together we can continue building a truly outstanding liberal-arts college. Our present faculty needs additional staffing in a number of areas, such as English, business administration and sociology. The addition of Big Sandy personnel will offer the breadth and depth of instruction which Mr. Armstrong has always wanted in Ambassador College."

Dr. Germano feels an increased student body of well over 1,000 "will certainly enhance our present program. It will allow greater variety in activities and academic enterprise which are typical in much larger institutions. Along with the small-college atmosphere, this new development will definitely offer Ambassador students expanded and new personal opportunities."

THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Twenty-two Canadian ministers will soon change responsibilities and location, announced **Richard Pinelli**, director of church administration for Canada. The target date for the transfers is July 1, he said.

The 13 ministers transferring, listed with their present and new assignments, are as follows:

John Adams, from St. John's, Nfld., to Ottawa, Ont.; **Robert Berendt**, from Ottawa, Ont., to Edmonton (North), Alta.; **Carn Catherwood**, from Montreal, Que., to Brussels, Belgium; **Eli Hofer**, from Edmonton (North), Alta., to Victoria, B.C.; **Pieter Michielens**, from sabbatical in Pasadena to Calgary (South), Alta.; **Ronald Miller**, from sabbatical to Saskatoon, Sask.

Owen Murphy, from sabbatical to Winnipeg (South), Man.; **Laurie Nyhus**, from Grande Prairie, Alta., to Edmonton (South), Alta.; **Royston Page**, from sabbatical to Winnipeg (South), Man.; **Alan Redmond**, from Winnipeg (East), Man., to Red Deer and Wetaskiwin, Alta.; **Philip Shields**, from Edmonton (North), Alta., to the Philippines; **David Sheridan**, from Halifax, N.S., to St. John's, Nfld.; **James Wells**, from sabbatical to the U.S. field ministry; **Dennis Wheatcroft**, from Red Deer and Wetaskiwin, Alta., to Calgary (North) and Didsbury, Alta.

The following seven men will travel to Pasadena to begin a year's sabbatical study at Ambassador. Their names and pretransfer assignments are as follows:

David Fraser, Winnipeg (South), Man.; **Ken Kneebone**, North Battleford, Sask.; **George Patrickson**, Victoria, B.C.; **Lyle Simons**, Edmonton (East), Alta.; **Harry Walker**, Edmonton (West) and Evansburg, Alta.; **David Register**, Calgary (South), Alta.; **Martin Watson**, Saskatoon, Sask.

Percival Burrows of Toronto (West), Ont., will attend for one semester at Pasadena during the first half of the college year, and **Gary Moore** of Toronto East will attend for the second semester.

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PASADENA — The Pastoral Administration Division has released the names of three men who were recently ordained ministers or raised in rank but who were inadvertently

Mr. Armstrong

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giving the brethren there much the same sermon he delivered in Pasadena on the Day of Pentecost.

Before departing, Mr. Armstrong said he wished to reiterate the appreciation he had expressed in his last "Personal" (*The Worldwide News*, May 9) for the "thousands" of cards and letters of congratulations after his April 17 wedding to Ramona Martin.

Mr. Armstrong said he is "overwhelmed with gratitude" for the tremendous outpouring of letters and cards. "There have been thousands and thousands of letters of congratulations for my marriage," he said. "Many of the cards have included special notes of support and best wishes or are filled with comments of personal affection and gratitude."

"I have been absolutely overwhelmed. It has been so inspiring to me. It means my work will be a lot better and I'll get a lot more done."

left out of previously released lists. The men, and their new ministerial ranks, are as follows:

George David Boothe of the Waterloo, Iowa, church, local elder (not employed by the Work); **Arnold Hampton** of the Baltimore, Md., church, preaching elder; and **Stan McNeil** of the Lubbock, Tex., congregation, local elder (not employed by the Work).

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PASADENA — Mezzo-soprano **Marvella Cariaga** sang in the Ambassador Auditorium May 10, accompanied by her husband, pianist **Daniel Cariaga**.

Mrs. Cariaga performed arias from Handel's *Xerxes*, Mozart's *La Clemenza di Tito*, Verdi's *Un Ballo in Maschera*, Saint-Saens' *Samson et Dalila* and Bizet's *Carmen*, plus songs by Schubert, Faure, Barber and Frackenpohl.

Mrs. Cariaga has performed with the San Diego and San Francisco, Calif., Seattle and Vancouver, Wash., and Portland, Ore., opera companies and has made recital and symphony-orchestra solo appearances throughout North America.

SENIOR DINNER —

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Armstrong talk with Big Sandy Student Body President Steve Schantz and his fiancée, Carol Allen, right, during a lunch, below, Mr. Armstrong held for the graduating seniors shortly after commencement ceremonies May 12 (see article, page 1). Mr. Armstrong discussed, among other topics, marriage and family relations, since many seniors will marry not long after graduation. (Photos by Scott Moss)

AC campuses to merge

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president for student affairs on the Pasadena campus, and Big Sandy Dean of Students Guy Carnes will remain on the Texas grounds as director of a YOU-sponsored summer program. College athletic director Kermit Nelson will become YOU coordinator here.

The announcement to merge the two campuses came a week after the college's 13th graduation ceremonies, in which 111 senior students received degrees (see article, page 1). Before graduation, the campus had been home for 650 students and had 158 employees on the faculty and staff.

Before graduation Mr. Armstrong had announced the Church is taking a "hard look" at the amount of money it has been spending on its two educational arms, particularly in light of both institutions' bids for regional accreditation. He gave "financial considerations" as the reason for the closing.

The college in Pasadena is a candidate for accreditation with the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and hopes to receive full accreditation soon.

The campus here, which opened 17 years after the California campus, was recently visited by representatives of the Southern Association of

Colleges and Schools, headquartered in Atlanta, Ga. College officials had been hopeful of receiving candidacy status for the Big Sandy campus. It had been unclear, at the time of the Southern Association's visit, whether the Church allocation could be guaranteed for another five to 10 years. Mr. Armstrong said he had been "very candid" with the accrediting officials regarding his hopes for the longterm development of the campus, but also told them of his apprehensions about future financial security.

Campus won't be deserted

Mr. Armstrong said the merger will "hardly leave the campus and facilities deserted, especially in the summer months." He said a YOU summer campus, similar to SEP in Minnesota, will open here the summer of 1978.

"Big Sandy has already been heavily used as a site for the Church's national youth (sports) tournaments, and now it will be used even more so," he said.

In April national basketball and cheerleading tournaments took place on the campus here (*The Worldwide News*, April 11), and a basketball camp conducted by Los Angeles Laker general manager Bill Sharman is scheduled for June 19 to 24. Mr. Sharman, who will be assisted by

Laker Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Houston Rocket Calvin Murphy, will also head a basketball camp for Church youths in Pasadena and at SEP in Minnesota.

Mr. Armstrong said the Texas campus, with its "42-acre lake, its beachfront facilities, its air-conditioned gymnasium with three basketball courts, its all-weather 440-yard track, tennis courts, baseball and softball fields, stables and plenty of wide open spaces, is ideal for the YOU program."

Mr. Kelly said about 30 employees will be retained here as a "support staff" for maintenance of buildings and grounds.

The campus is also the site of the Festival Office, coordinating the annual Feast of Tabernacles, attended by more than 80,000 Americans and Canadians each year. According to Festival director Sherwin McMichael, the grounds here will be retained as a Festival site, with an estimated 9,000 people scheduled to attend here this fall.

"We estimate that those attending the eight-day Festival will spend close to \$2 million in East Texas, most of which will be in Tyler, Longview, Gladewater and Big Sandy," he said.

Mr. Armstrong emphasized his desire to continue the cultural and humanitarian activities under the auspices of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation, bringing world-renowned artists to this area.

"We have seen a virtual cultural revolution here in these East Texas woods," he said, "and we hope to see it continue."

The Big Sandy campus also serves as the headquarters for the Southwest Area of the Church, which includes Texas, New Mexico and parts of Louisiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Mr. Kelly said many members of the college staff have "grown to love East Texas" and are "sad" about having to relocate in California. But he described faculty morale overall as high.

"Many of us and our families have made many fast friends in the community over these past 13 years," Mr. Kelly said.

College's background

Ambassador College, Big Sandy, opened in the fall of 1964. In its 13 years it grew from a small, ill-equipped facility with a student body of 10 to a model campus with an enrollment of 650.

Part of the present campus is land donated to the then Radio Church of God in the early 1950s. In 1948 the late Roy Hammer, an interested East Texas listener to Herbert W. Armstrong on *The World Tomorrow* radio broadcast, along with his wife and son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hammer, traveled to California to see the Ambassador campus there, which had opened in 1947.

In 1952 Buck Hammer (now head of the Texas campus' Buildings & Grounds Department) heard that the Church wanted to construct a permanent building in the area for the Feast of Tabernacles. He donated to the Church some land that at the time was covered with dense underbrush.

Herbert Armstrong came to look over the land later in the year and saw its potential. The next year he began construction of a building to serve as a convention site for the Church Festivals.

In 1958 another, larger building was constructed to accommodate Church growth, and in 1959 that building was expanded by one third.

Then, in the spring of 1964, the decision was made to open a branch campus.

