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OVER 7800 OBSERVE PASSOVER AROUND THE WORLD

The greatest Passover in modern times has just been observed by members of God's Church. Seven thousand eight hundred and two were known to have kept this commanded Festival of God Almighty.

Here in Gladewater, over 1600 members were in attendance for the Days of unleavened Bread, with 869 adult members of God's Church partaking of the symbols of Christ's death in the Passover service.

Wonderful fellowship, and an inward thirst for the precious knowledge of God's truth, made this a joyous festival that will long be remembered by those who attended. The LIVING, DYNAMIC, PULSATING sermons and sermonettes by Mr. Ted Armstrong, Mr. Ken Swisher, Mr. Les McCullough, Mr. Tom Blackwell and Mr. Arthur Craig, were encouraging and useful.

Mr. Ted Armstrong, on the last day of the Festival, preached a POWERFUL and timely sermon on being sure that each member WILLS in his mind to come back NEXT YEAR and EVERY YEAR to God's Festivals.

Many activities were scheduled during the afternoons that were free, including softball games, roller skating, horseback riding, and square-dancing.

As another Passover ended one could help contemplating that in a very short time from now, we shall, through God's mercy, be taking the Passover with Jesus Christ—PERSONALLY IN HIS KINGDOM!



SERVICES OVER—Brethren walking toward dining hall for the noon meal. The physical food this year was surpassed only by the spiritual.

Summer Program Takes Final Shape At Imperial Headquarters

Feverish preparations to make the coming summer program at Gladewater an enjoyable success are being made at Imperial School headquarters here in Pasadena. Response to the proposed vacation-time summer program has been a landslide! Every day, new letters from Church members stack up to be processed. Response to the program has been so good that nearly three-hundred applications have already been received and processed.

At least 200 students of high-school age will participate in this splendid program beginning June 24 and ending

August 17. More students may possibly be admitted if enough supplies can be obtained to administer a sound program. To make this possible, the Spokesman Clubs throughout the country are doing what they can to provide added equipment and supplies. They are also reconditioning donated equipment and shipping it to Gladewater. This will save countless dollars and enable even more fortunate youngsters to enjoy a fun-filled, thrill-packed summer of work and pleasure.

The planned summer program will

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Editorial

Have we really been appreciative of the wonderful blessing that the ETERNAL has given us?

The Gladewater-Minden Church of God Newspaper IS YOUR newspaper and is designed to SERVE YOU as an individual member of God's Church. Have we forgotten that it costs money to produce a newspaper?

Some of us have apparently assumed that the Spokesman Clubs of Gladewater and Minden should pay the expenses of the paper. This is A CHURCH paper—not a Spokesman club paper. It is true that the writing—layouts—editing—proof reading and photography is done primarily by those who are Spokesman Club members, but EVERYONE of us in the local churches is responsible for the expense incurred in printing the paper.

Only two or three Sabbaths ago, our local minister mentioned that as a result of having a "special issue" of the Church of God News during the Days of Unleavened Bread we had a rather large bill due at the printers—well over a hundred dollars. We received donations from only a few members. *This is serious!* The printers were kind enough to extend us credit; therefore,

Meet The Brethren

We are honored to welcome Mr. & Mrs. Joe L. Scudder who have moved here from Waco, Texas. Their desire was to be able to attend a local Church and they chose Gladewater.

Mr. Scudder is retired after forty-two years of service as a comptroller for the Citizens National Bank of Waco. At one time he was a secretary for Texas A & M College.

The Scudders are building a new home at 517 N. Tyler St. in Big Sandy. They expect to be moved in by the 1st of July.



it is right and proper that we meet this obligation BEFORE other papers are printed.

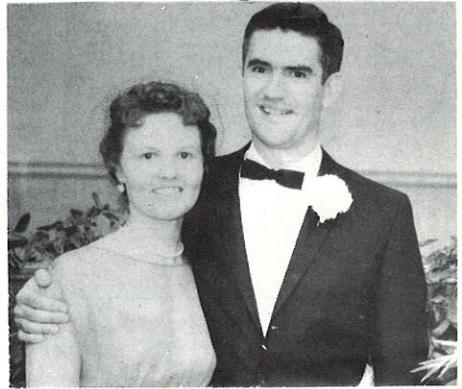
We are kept in contact with the growth in the Church worldwide, as well as to the various activities that take place in the local congregations.

Let's remember that this newspaper has been whole-heartedly approved and endorsed by Mr. Armstrong. We should do our part to support the paper. Let us PROVE that we do appreciate this blessing.

You will find the directions as to where you may mail your contributions in the box below.

Mail Your Letters to the
"Church of God News"
Box 401, Gladewater, Texas

Livingston, Youngblood Wedding



"Ruskets" for breakfast, sandwiches for lunch, cold cuts with dinner music such as "One Alone"—that was a glimpse into the daily routine of Mr. Livingston until a lady from Wichita Falls came on the scene. With an analytical scientific view Mr. Livingston made his choice, but other than that it was 'love in bloom'. Everything worked on schedule—even the unique manner in which Mrs. Youngblood, a young widow and mother of one of our 8th graders, and Mr. Livingston just happened to be checking for their mail at the same time in the Gladewater Post Office each day after school.

After seemingly weeks of anxiety and nervousness, Mr. Livingston was a picture of gallant composure keeping time to the "Wedding March" as he took the 'long walk' to meet his lovely bride dressed in an ensemble of campagne beige set off by a frilly corsage of symbidiums. Her two attendants wore striking outfits of rose and beige. Wedding music was furnished by Mrs. Wiley Black and she accompanied Miss Nadine Burley as she sang "Through the Years", "Still as the Night", and "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life". Ushers for the evening were Mr. Avon Pfund and Mr. Cecil Reece. Mr. Richard Rice was the "best man".

With the warmth of a family and three balanced meals each day, Mr. Livingston's favorite dinner music now—"Till the End of Time"—and even the ride to Kilgore doesn't seem too long anymore.

News Briefs

Word comes from Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Crain that they have moved from Phoenix, Arizona to Salem, Oregon. Mr. Crain has a good job and they like Salem fine.

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Mr. Warren Heaton, who lost his job after the Feast of Unleavened Bread, has found work in Kansas. The family will move after school is out, IF work doesn't show up so he can return to Tulsa.

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Mr. Antion has recently ordained Mr. Stein to the office of deacon in the Oklahoma City Church. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hammer had the pleasure of hearing him give his first sermonette.

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Mrs. Mary Flint is enjoying a visit with her daughter in New Mexico but she misses all the people in Gladewater.

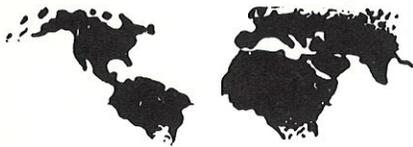
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Welcome home Mrs. Pyle and Joe. We trust you had a nice trip.

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Everyone is happy over all the new little girls in the church. We know some who hope the trend will change soon to boys.

WORLD NEWS



The pet industry is growing by leaps and bounds. Latest estimate is that there are now 24 million dogs, 22 million cats, 15 million parakeets and 8 million canaries in the U. S. To feed these and other pets, such as hamsters, toads, turtles and guinea pigs, the American public is currently spending most one billion dollars per year. Pet owners spend \$65 a year total on the average cat, \$50 a year on the average dog. *Parade*—March 18, 1962.

4th Anniversary For Gladewater Spokesman Club



April 29 was an eventful occasion for the Gladewater-Minden Spokesman's Clubs and their guests. The fourth anniversary of the Gladewater Spokesman Club was at hand. This special gathering was held in the Longview Hotel and was made into a lively dinner meeting.

This meeting was a special one for Mr. Rice. It was his last meeting as President over the Gladewater Club. It was now time to relinquish his opportunity and blessing to someone else.

The meeting promptly began with Mr. Charles Black reading the minutes of the previous meetings over the past four years, and adding at the end his final comments.

Mr. Rice did away with the business portion of the meeting in order to leave plenty of time for the Table Topics Chairman and the formal portion. Filling part of this speaking portion was Mr. Powers as Table Topics Chairman, and Mr. Wilson as Toastmaster. Mr. Powers gave interesting and exciting topics such as "Should one go to the world's fair and why?" These topics succeeded in getting the members on their feet and to get the club warmed up and relaxed.

Next on the agenda was the formal portion. The speeches were made by

former presidents. Mr. Buck Hammer gave a revealing speech on "How cows and women are alike." Following this speech Mr. Nelson gave us "How the club prospers its members." Mr. Pyle's speech was on how the Spokesman Club can be used as an effective tool. Finally, Mr. Boyce expounded the very interesting and revealing subject of "America's road to ruin." These speeches were very interesting and enlightening to all those present.

The speakers' evaluators were all former Vice-Presidents of the club. The schedule gave everyone who previously held high office a chance to participate in the meeting.

After the separate evaluations, Mr. Swisher gave the club his overall helps. Mr. Swisher also appointed the new officers for the club in its coming semester. After the overall evaluation, the meeting adjourned—but not to go home! Members and guests were asked to make good use of the beautiful music provided by Mr. Paul Smith. During the dancing portion of the night there was a special Charleston demonstration by Mrs. Paul Smith and Mr. Wiley Black. Oh how they could dance!

At 11:30 the dancing ended. All trooped toward their cars looking weary but very happy after experiencing such a night.



Do you enjoy reading back issues of *The Plain Truth* or *The Good News*? Have you ever discovered upon rereading articles that there were many points that you missed or had forgotten?

Take advantage of The Spokesman's Club Binding Service. It provides an efficient, and economical means of knowing where your most valuable magazines are at all times.

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You may send your booklets and copies of the *Plain Truth* or *Good News* that you wish bound in this manner, to C. E. Reece, P. O. Box 53, Gladewater, Texas. Any further information may be obtained by writing to this address.

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include hard physical labor for conditioning and a proper amount of recreation supplemented by limited classroom instruction in arts and crafts. Each day, students will be awakened early to enjoy an exhilarating half hour of calisthenics followed by a hearty breakfast at the tabernacle cafeteria. The rest of the day will be spent in many *guided* activities.

The first two weeks of camp will be spent working on the grounds eight hours a day. This will not only help pay for the project, but will teach students the necessity of work and how to enjoy a job well-done. Plenty of time will be left during the following six weeks for pleasurable entertainment and development. A full round of scheduled activities will feature: arts and crafts, dancing, camping, and nature studies. To these will be added boating, swimming, and water skiing.

To complete the very full summer, advanced students who qualify will be given the opportunity to participate in a four day canoe trip on the Sabine River or, if they wish, spend five care-free days camping on beautiful Crystal Lake.

This will be a summer to remember for a lifetime by all fortunate enough to attend!

Summer Program Needs Your Help

One of the greatest projects yet sponsored by the Church of God has caused no small stir here at Headquarters. Though its purpose is not to convert or add members to the Church, this project will lay foundations for ministerial training unequaled in the history of our work.

Beginning this summer, our Imperial Schools will operate a "SUMMER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM" on our own Tabernacle Grounds offered to boys and girls from the eighth through the twelfth grades.

Pledges have been pouring in from members all over the United States offering to sponsor a child or contribute toward supporting a child's attendance. This is a *thrilling opportunity* for many children of the members of God's Church who otherwise would never have such an experience.

Camping and hiking equipment will be needed; canoes, boats and fishing equipment, water skis, softball, kickball, volleyball equipment, bicycles, and much special equipment will be required to train these youngsters in arts and crafts.

You Church members should join effort and search your garages, attics, cellars, utility closets to see what is in storage that can be used. Out of storage came tents, cots, camping equipment of all sorts.

If enough members and enough clubs supply the need out of storage, however, the committee planning the Summer Educational Program will not only have sufficient, but will also consider admitting another hundred or two boys and girls. The original figure was set at 100 boys and 100 girls. This was because of the shortage of equipment.

We have adequate personnel consisting of trained instructors from our own Imperial Schools and Ambassador College, administrators, nurses, etc. *Our main shortage right now is equipment!*

What's gathering dust in your garage that might solve a portion of this problem? What you have might be just the thing to help send another boy or girl to camp. Contact a Spokesman or drop a card to the Editor—you might help just what we need.

LIST OF NEEDS! SPORTS AND GAMES

Softballs
Baseball equipment

Tennis equipment
Bicycles

Archery equipment
Rifles

CAMPCRAFT

Canoes
Boats
Fishing equipment
Water skis
Skin diving equipment

Life jackets
Outboard motors
Tents
Gear bags
Dutch reflect ovens

Axes
Shovels
Lanterns
Flashlights

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Looms
Kilns
Potter's wheels
Knives
Woodcutting tools
Mallets

Used and broken jewelry
Hack saws
Coping saws
Hard drills
Bits
Camps, vises, squares
(for wood and metal)
Round and needle files
(three-cornered)
Wood burning pencils

Tweezers
Leather tools
Wood rasps
Sewing machine
Cameras
Enlargers

Pliers

Developing tanks

Jewelry findings

Film

Spokesman Clubs are ready to collect, package and ship any equipment and supplies donated to the program. Those not in an area where a Spokesman Club can package and ship should send their packages by *Texas Pacific Motor Freight* to:

Mr. Floyd O. Lochner

Imperial Summer Educational Program

c/o Radio Church of God Tabernacle Grounds, Highway 80

2 miles E. of Big Sandy, Texas

8 miles W. of Gladewater, Texas