

HWA flies to Washington, D.C., attends Kennedy Center concert

By Aaron Dean
PASADENA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong returned here Feb. 28 after a four-day trip to Washington, D.C., and Ambassador College in Big Sandy.

Aaron Dean, a pastor-nark minister, is Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's personal aide.

During the trip Mr. Armstrong met U.S. Vice President George Bush; Secretary of State George Shultz; Senator Pete Wilson of California; Senator James A. McClure

Treasurer reviews income

By Leroy Neff
PASADENA — February has come and gone, but not without its problems for the financial area. On the positive side, we had a good income month with an increase over February, 1983, of 15.3 percent. This brought the year-to-date increase to 15 percent over 1983.

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This shows a slightly increasing trend over January's income figures. At the same time, overall 1984 expenses have been within budget.

But we do have a temporary problem with cash flow. As I previously reported [see "Treasurer Reviews History of Finances for Church," *W/N*, Jan. 16], the Church ended 1983 with lower bank balances than expected. This was because of several factors, including lower than expected income and higher than expected expenses for November and December of that year.

To correct this problem we have requested that all Church and college departments reduce their expenditures until bank balances increase. In addition, some budgetary and financial changes are being implemented to ease the cash flow problem. We expect to be able to work through this problem, but it will take time and effort.

It is our hope that brethren worldwide will be prepared in a special way for the soon-coming Holy Day offerings [April 17 and 23]. Even though we have had good income this year, the need is even greater.

If brethren prepare ahead of time I am sure that the offering will be even more generous than usual.

In addition, continued fervent prayers could have even greater effect. God could inspire co-workers and donors to give greater amounts and inspire noncontributors to begin giving.

This increase in finances would certainly help God's Church increase the power of preaching the Gospel as a witness to the nations (Matthew 24:14).

of Idaho; Austrian President Rudolf Kirchschlaeger; and others.

The trip began Feb. 24 when the pastor general left the Burbank, Calif., airport at 9 a.m., Pacific Standard Time. Aboard the Church's G-II jet with Mr. Armstrong were evangelist Ellis La Ravia, a vice president of the Ambassador Foundation, and his wife, Gwen; Wayne Shilkret, director of performing arts for the foundation, and his wife, Kathy; Aaron Dean, personal aide to Mr. Armstrong, and his wife, Michelle; evangelist Leslie McCullough, deputy chancellor of the Big Sandy campus, and his wife, Marion; evangelist Burk McNair, pastor of the Big Sandy and Tyler, Tex., churches, and his wife, Billie Sue; and Elaine Browne, Mr. Armstrong's nurse.

The McCulloughs were returning to the Big Sandy campus after participating in the faculty exchange program between the Pasadena and Big Sandy campuses, and the McNairs were returning to Texas after the first session of the Ministerial Refreshing Program.

The G-II touched down on the campus airstrip at 1:30 p.m. Central Standard Time. After being greeted at the airstrip and stopping at the campus guest house, Mr. Armstrong and his group went to the faculty dining room for lunch. The Big Sandy faculty expressed their delight in having the chancellor join them again for lunch.

After lunch Mr. Armstrong walked with Ruth Walter, professor of music, to the Field House auditorium, where he inspected a new Steinway grand piano purchased for the Texas campus. Ordered last year, the grand piano was handmade in Hamburg, West Germany.

Mrs. Walter played a few compositions, and then Mr. Armstrong sat down and played. A big smile showed that Mr. Armstrong was pleased with the new addition to the campus.

The pastor general returned to the guest house, where he relaxed a few hours before Bible study. He viewed a beautiful sunset over Lake Loma through the home's picture windows.

Mr. Armstrong arrived at the campus auditorium at 7:30 p.m. for a special Bible study. Mr. McCullough introduced a piano recital by Mrs. Walter on the new Steinway. The five pieces included compositions by Domenico Scarlatti, Claude Debussy, Frederic Chopin and Franz Liszt.

Next was the videotape presentation of the history of the Philadelphia era of the Church shown during the Church's 50th anniversary celebration in Pasadena Feb. 14 (see "HWA Leads Anniversary Celebration," *W/N*, Feb. 27). After the presentation, Mr. Armstrong recalled the early days of the Church.

Sabbath sermon

Sabbath afternoon, Feb. 25, Mr. Armstrong returned to the auditorium for services. In a powerful sermon he explained the origin of humanity's problems with the wrong choice made by Adam, and what the two trees in the Garden of Eden mean to both this civilization and the one to come under the reign of Jesus Christ.

That evening the chancellor went to the women's and men's basketball games. The men's game, which was

the annual all-star game, featured selected sophomores against a team composed of faculty and freshmen. The game was close for a while, but the sophomores finally broke the game open and went on to win.

Sunday, Feb. 26, amid clouds and rain, the G-II left Big Sandy for Washington. Continuing to the nation's capital with the pastor general were the La Ravias, Shilkrets and Deans.

Although the weather was clear for Sunday's 2 p.m. Eastern Standard Time arrival at National Airport in Washington, some snow fell Monday, Feb. 27.

Meeting a senator

Mr. Armstrong, the La Ravias and the Deans drove to the Hart building in downtown Washington while the Shilkrets went to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts to arrange the evening's activities.

Upon entering the Hart building Mr. Armstrong was recognized by one of the security guards. She said she watched Mr. Armstrong on television and enjoyed his programs. She asked the pastor general to autograph a copy of the *April Plain Truth*.

Mr. Armstrong continued to an 11 a.m. meeting with California Senator Pete Wilson, who returned from Honduras the night before.

In the cordial half-hour meeting, Mr. Armstrong explained the activities of the Ambassador Foundation. Mr. Armstrong's talk was interrupted several times by buzzing sounds, which the senator explained was a code system to announce whether a Senate proceeding was coming up for a vote, how many minutes a senator had in order not to miss the vote or whether a roll call was about to take place. The Senate buildings are connected by subways, which allow rapid access to other government buildings.

After the talk Mr. Armstrong and Senator Wilson were photographed together.

From the Hart building, the Armstrong party drove to the Pentagon for a luncheon with Verne Orr, secretary of the Air Force, and his wife, Joan. Both the secretary and his wife are natives of Des Moines, Iowa, place of Mr. Armstrong's birth.

The limousine with Mr. Armstrong pulled up to the River Road



EMBASSY VISIT — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong discusses a scheduled performance of a Chinese children's performing group in the Ambassador Auditorium with Hu Dingyi (right), deputy ambassador from the People's Republic of China, Feb. 28. (Photo by Aaron Dean)

entrance of the military complex, where the group entered. After being notified of Mr. Armstrong's arrival, Mrs. Orr met the group in the security area of the building and escorted the Armstrong party to her husband's office. The hallway was adorned with historical Air Force pictures.

The group entered Secretary Orr's office, where Mr. Armstrong greeted Secretary Orr, whom he knew in Pasadena in the late 1940s and 1950s (see "HWA Meets Otto von Habsburg, Flies East to Speak in Three Cities," *W/N*, July 25, 1983). Mr. and Mrs. Orr escorted the group to a private dining room.

The dining room reminded the group of Ambassador Hall on the Pasadena campus with its beautifully crafted woodwork. Secretary Orr said the room once was painted, but workers discovered the quality wood underneath when the room was being prepared for repainting. The stripping and finishing was done by staff volunteers after hours and on weekends.

The group was seated at a rectangular table with Secretary Orr at the head and Mrs. Orr seated at the other end. The table service included pewter plates with the U.S. Air Force seal. Individual luncheon menus written in 1700s-style script were on the plates.

The luncheon included tomato bisque with almonds, poached breast of chicken, ovals of fresh winter vegetables, warm oven rolls, leaves of paprika butter and a dessert of a paper-thin apple tart with creme fraiche.

The meal and conversation were exceptional. Secretary Orr recalled many of his experiences as leader of

the Air Force, and answered questions on nonconfidential items.

Mr. Armstrong explained the activities of the Ambassador Foundation and discussed his January trip to New Zealand, Australia, Southeast Asia and Japan.

Mr. La Ravia informed Mrs. Orr of a foundation-sponsored concert in the Ambassador Auditorium and Washington's Kennedy Center that will feature a children's performing group from the People's Republic of China.

After the meal the secretary took the group back to his office where he showed some exhibits he has collected as Air Force secretary. He brought in his attaché from the U.S. State Department, Jacques Klein, to introduce him to Mr. Armstrong.

Before he could be introduced, Mr. Klein said: "I know that voice — that's Herbert Armstrong. I've been listening to him for 20 years."

After thanking the secretary for the luncheon the group left for the Four Seasons Hotel in Washington.

That evening the group drove to the Kennedy Center for a concert by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. The Philharmonic performed in two well-received concerts Feb. 18 and 19 in the Ambassador Auditorium.

The Ambassador Foundation was instrumental in making the orchestra's U.S. tour possible. Before the Washington concert, the foundation sponsored a reception at the Kennedy Center under the patronage of the Austrian Embassy.

Concert reception

Mr. Armstrong and his group arrived at the center at 7:45 p.m. where they were escorted to the Israeli Room. About 20 guests were gathered there for a reception. Included in the group were Roger Stevens, chairman of the Kennedy Center, and his wife; U.S. Senator McClure and his wife; Doug Wheeler of the Washington Performing Arts Society; and other Kennedy Center and Austrian officials.

Mr. Shilkret, employed by the Kennedy Center before coming to the Ambassador Auditorium, and his wife, Kathy, were helpful in making arrangements and introductions at the center.

After the half-hour reception the group was seated for the concert. Mr. Armstrong was seated in the Austrian box adjoining the box reserved for the President of the United States.

The presidential box was occupied by George Bush, U.S. vice president; George Shultz, U.S. sec-



CALIFORNIA SENATOR — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong explains activities of the Ambassador Foundation to Senator Pete Wilson (right) of California at the senator's office in Washington, D.C., Feb. 27. (Photo by Aaron Dean)

Why East and West Europe need each other

PASADENA — The selection of Konstantin Chernenko as the new leader of the Soviet Union represents, as was discussed last time, a sort of holding pattern on the part of the Soviet hierarchy.

This means that the Soviet economy, along with that of its East bloc neighbors, will continue to limp along, making little, if any, progress.

"Konstantin Chernenko," notes the Feb. 27 *U.S. News & World Report*, "is confronted by the same dilemma that bedeviled Yuri Andropov and other leaders of the world's first self-styled workers' state . . . The work force, nearly 67 years after the Russian Revolution, is inefficient and unmotivated. The work ethic is virtually nonexistent, and absenteeism is a national disease."

The Soviets are falling further behind the United States and Japanese economies, which together are streaking into the high-tech future. A new word was coined to express American and Japanese technological collaboration — *Jamerica*.

'British disease' spreads

It is not only in Eastern Europe that the economic future seems bleak. The once proud industrial powers of Western Europe also are afflicted with long-term prospects of little growth.

In 1970, according to the Feb. 5 *Sunday Times* of Britain, the 10 countries of Europe's Common Market had a combined gross national

product equal to the United States, and more than twice the size of the 10 major Pacific-basin economies — Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, South Korea, Taiwan, Indonesia and the Philippines.

Today the EEC has contracted to 93 percent of America's GNP and the Pacific 10 have expanded to 62 percent.

"The economic centre of gravity of the free world," wrote Brian Reading in the *Times* article, "is moving from mid-Atlantic to mid-Pacific . . . Whereas the Pacific has sailed through this latest world recession with hardly a pause and America is pulling out of it like an express train, somehow we in Europe have not come to terms with the shocks of the past decade . . ."

"Are there sunset continents as well as sunset industries or economies? If there are, Western Europe is one."

Just how serious the stagflation in Europe is, was revealed in a poll conducted by *The Wall Street Journal* and published in its Feb. 1 edition. More than 200 chief executives representing the top 1,000 companies in Europe (ranked by revenue) were surveyed by the *Journal's* European-edition staff.

The survey, reported the *Journal*, "produced stark evidence that Europe's executives believe their continent has declined as a source of technology leadership, with the U.S.

maintaining its top position and Japan gaining in importance."

No European country ranks as the leading source in any technological area, in the view of the executives. In most fields the top European country, usually West Germany, is ranked a distant third when compared with Japan and the United States.

ceptible erosion of the famous German work ethic — all have undoubtedly played a part. But so have government tax policies, which for years have discouraged investment and left German industry desperately short of cash . . .

"German quality remains, but in too many cases so do the same old

to have slept through crucial new developments in the areas of micro-electronics and biotechnology, industries that many believe hold the key to success in the 21st Century.

"In the important area of large-scale micro-electronic circuitry, West Germany counts only one major producer, Siemens, and industry observers believe it to be roughly a year and a half behind the United States and Japan."

The search for an egalitarian society has also produced negative results. The burgeoning growth of higher education in the postwar period, coupled with the decision to distribute student and faculty talent equally among the country's 60 universities, has, added the *Times* report, "effectively ended the long tradition of the German professor nurturing a select few brilliant students."

"For the type of work we're doing we need to tap an elite," said Heinz Schwartzel, director of Siemens' Corporate Laboratories for Information Technologies in Munich, West Germany. "The problem is there is not an elite to tap."

West Germany's unprecedented (See *EUROPE*, page 11)



WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg

Despite the continual cry for greater intra-European cooperation in technology, the chief executives responding to the *Journal* survey appeared to favor links with U.S. and Japanese companies rather than with their continental neighbors.

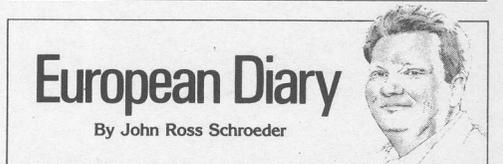
Faded miracle

In West Germany, the heady days of the postwar *Wirtschaftswunder*, or economic miracle, are fading into the past. West Germany has slipped surprisingly in the fields of technology and scientific research.

According to a feature article in the Feb. 1 *Los Angeles Times*: "a reluctance to take risks in an era of rapidly accelerating change, a per-

products. Industries famous for innovation have slipped from the pinnacle."

Far more worrisome to West German economic planners, observed the *Times*, "is the growing realization that the nation appears



European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder

European Parliament

BRUSSELS, Belgium — Do you realize that in addition to the conventional lawmaking bodies in each of the European Economic Community (EEC) countries, there is a separately elected European Parliament with legislators from each EEC nation?

This directly elected Euro-Parliament is still in its infancy. The first pan-European elections took place in June, 1979.

Beyond the right to fire EEC commissioners by two-thirds majority vote and to set annual budget limits, the Euro-Parliament has limited powers at its disposal.

Even the firing threat is limited because there is no corresponding power to hire. If they did fire a commissioner there is nothing to prevent member countries from rehiring the same person.

Perhaps this parliament's chief function is informal influence on policymaking.

The European Parliament meets in three different locations — Brussels, Strasbourg, France, and Luxembourg, Strasbourg and Luxembourg each take half of the plenary sessions, and nearly all committee meetings are conducted in Brussels.

Accommodating bureaucracies is big business. Strasbourg's neatly designed Palace of Europe is the only building large enough to seat (See *PARLIAMENT*, page 11)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Letters of appreciation

Each time I read "Just One More Thing" it is evident that God has answered prayers. He is inspiring the articles that we, as Christians, so desperately need to grow — to develop as a whole person . . .

I especially benefited from the article on "The Best Is Yet to Come" [*JWN*, Jan. 16] and have written all the suggestions on spiritual evaluation in my Sabbath notebook for quick review.

Pauline Earl
Orange, Tex.

I don't wish to single out any particular part of the work for praise since I am so thankful for each part. But let me say that Rod Matthews' column in the *Worldwide News* brings tears to my eyes occasionally for pure joy. It really helps to cement the brethren together.

Nancy L. Graham
Salisbury, N.C.

This past year *The Worldwide News* has kept us up-to-date on Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong's important travels as well as the many other areas of the Church's work. We thank you so much for keeping us informed.

Keeping the Church well fed is what we consider *The Worldwide News* is accomplishing

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mottin
Grand Island, Neb.

Please . . . pass on my appreciation and gratitude to all writers for *The Worldwide News*. You are not only helping me to keep up on the world scene but most importantly on God's work and His people around the world today.

Thank you for enabling me to be a much more informed and active participant in God's work.

Fran Siebert
Salem, Ore.

(See *LETTERS*, page 11)



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

Marriage the give way

"How do I love thee? Let me count the ways." Elizabeth Barrett Browning's poem is a valuable lesson in strengthening marriage.

My wife and I recently celebrated our 25th anniversary. I would like to dedicate this column to those couples who are contemplating, anticipating, planning on, getting up steam for, entertaining the hope of, chomping at the bit for, looking forward to, *marriage*. Believe me, my wife and I are all for it!

A student in my writing class asked, "What are the most essential ingredients for a happy, successful marriage?" I thought for a moment and responded, "Giving of yourself. Loving. Forgiving. Serving. Sacrificing."

All this and more is accomplished in two words, *communication* and *togetherness*. Here are some thoughts about these two most important ingredients in marriage:

Let's talk about good marriage communication first. Consider Webster's final meaning for *communicate*: "to have a sympathetic or meaningful relationship." That's marriage at its best!

But how does it get that way? Simply by following what Webster stated as one of the primary meanings: to make known, to give a message or information, to exchange information, signals, attitudes — in any way, as by talk, gesture, writing and others.

We've talked — or allowed our mate to talk. That's one way. Possibly the fastest, but not always the best. Sometimes we have to follow the old adage: "Your actions speak louder than your words." Let your reactions do the talking. Keep your mouth closed once in a while.

What about gestures — especially by hands and eyes, including eyebrows? Our eyes talk, both positively in appreciation and approval — and

negatively, unfortunately.

Eyebrows are difficult to control when we disapprove. But, if you want to improve communication in marriage, think before you raise an eyebrow or squint an eye. Be positive. Smile — even with your eyes.

The smile is life's universal positive communication. An English-speaking person can smile in the heart of Russia and communicate approval and friendship. Yet we don't use the smile enough in marriage.

Agreed — marriage is a serious business. But never forget smiles are icebreakers and friendship makers. Smile and say I love you to your mate. I've seen it melt mountains of frosty silence.

Include in your gestures hand motions, body motions, touches, hugs, kisses. Ah yes! How delightful to live in such a loving environment.

Let's not forget modern electronics — the telephone. Especially excellent when we are away from home. A telephone call. A two-way communication of love.

Don't neglect pen and paper communication. Sometimes it's only a one-liner saying what she or he means to you.

Communication is an old concept, and there isn't any substitute for it. It can be as exciting and fresh as sunshine in the morning. But we all have to work at it daily in our marriages. Practice. Practice. Practice makes perfect marriage communication.

During the past two decades we've been bombarded with the view, Do your own thing. So we've sharpened our individual skills, gone our individual directions and done our thing. We've learned independence and self-reliance. We've told ourselves we can get along by ourselves, male or female.

This attitude has some good qualities. Self-reliance makes for stronger character. It sometimes brings clear-

tivity to the forefront.

But this attitude has penetrated marriage relationships. Even while having some things in common, we've been encouraged to have independent interests, be self-sufficient, and if necessary self-supporting.

But let's not forget that this is Satan's world, his society, his ideas. Satan would love for everyone to do his or her own thing just like he did. This kind of independence can and does destroy marriages.

One of the best prescriptions for marriage enrichment is togetherness.

Marriage should be a blending of personalities. And that blending isn't theoretical only. It's practical. It comes from doing things together.

Where can a couple start? Why not with household chores? Do the dishes together. Straighten up the house or apartment. Then go outside. Plant flowers together or in a vegetable garden. Mow and manure the lawn. Wash the car together.

Share each other's regular household activities. It'll not only promote togetherness, but will give each an understanding of the other's tasks. Walk in each other's shoes.

Physical togetherness will promote togetherness in more creative, spiritual and exciting ways. While doing the dishes, a couple can plan an outing. What entertainments would each enjoy? What church activities can they be involved in together? What interesting hobby can they share? What spiritual principles did they learn from that sermon, sermonette or Bible study?

Doing things together does not in any way discount one's individuality. Rather, when one gives himself or herself fully to a joint activity, he or she discovers untapped inner resources. Each learns from his or her mate. Each desires and prompts the best from the other.

When we were married reference was made to two becoming one. Remember? That's what togetherness is all about. Sharing responsibilities. Creating joint activities. Making the other happy by being active with, as well as simply being with, him or her. That's giving in marriage. Togetherness enhances the personality and productivity of each partner.

Let love be the glue that not only binds us together in marriage, but as active and communicating team members in God's Church.

Invitation to Spanish-speaking brethren

Spanish sites open for transfers

By Leon Walker
PASADENA — Brethren who speak Spanish or Portuguese are invited to transfer to a Spanish-language site. There are no translations to English at any of the sites listed in this article.

The Worldwide News received this article from the Spanish Department.

The Spanish Department recommends that Spanish-speaking brethren consider transferring to one of the sites listed below rather than to Acapulco, Mexico, because of the limited number of transfers that can be accepted in Acapulco.

The Festival locations described below range from 75 to 450 in attendance. All sites will present the Feastgoer with an intimate, family atmosphere.

Transportation to most sites will be by air, and it is advisable to contact a travel agent to obtain the most economical fares.

Room and board costs are substantially lower than the average prices of U.S. or Canadian Feast sites. The following will describe each available site and list certain costs. All prices are in U.S. dollars.

To request a transfer to one of these sites, first obtain a Writing Festival Application by writing to:

Spanish Department
Spanish Transfer Request
300 W. Green St.
Pasadena, Calif., 91129

Or, you may call the Church's Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) line, 1-800-423-444. In either case, please specify which site you are interested in.

Cullera, Spain

The town of Cullera, just south of Valencia, Spain's third-largest city, is nestled in the slopes of the Monte de Oro, an isolated promontory about 700 feet above sea level.

An ancient city, where you can see the remains of a 4th century B.C. Iberian town, Cullera's harbor was frequented by Phoenician, Greek and Roman merchant ships. An Arabic castle overlooks the town, witness to five centuries (A.D. 740-1240) of Moorish occupation.

The scenery around Cullera is impressive: the majestic, meandering Jucar River, lakes Estany and San Lorenzo, the pinewoods of Santa Marta (one of the finest camping areas in Europe) and the ubiquitous orange groves.

Brethren from Spain and Portugal will attend this site, and there will be space for 75 transfers. Maximum attendance will be about 125.

There are convenient flights from New York, Los Angeles, Calif., and Miami, Fla., to Valencia (transferring in Madrid, Spain). The secluded, modern four-star Hotel Sicania will house transfers. Rates are \$20 a day for lodging and meals for people 5 years old and older.

Liberia, Costa Rica

Located 30 minutes from the Pacific Ocean on a plain accented by two volcanoes on the horizon, the Costa Rica Feast site can accept 10 transfers this year. The warm, dry climate and tropical vegetation creates a relaxing atmosphere in one of the most stable Latin American countries.

Liberia, a provincial capital about three hours from the nation's capital, San Jose, will be host to brethren from Costa Rica and Panama. Attendance is expected to be 75. Points of interest include the Poas volcano, Santa Rosa National Park

and Sarchi artisanry works.

Food and lodging will cost \$100 a person for eight days.

Peru

The Feast site in Peru has not yet been determined. Huaraz could be the location this year. Twenty to 30 transfers can be accepted.

Huaraz is in the Huaylas Corridor, known as the Switzerland of Peru. The altitude, about 12,000 feet, accentuates the warm days and cool evenings, and provides pure, crystal clear air. Those transferring to Peru can plan on a side trip before or after the Feast to Machu Picchu, site of a hidden Incan city and one of the modern wonders of the world.

The Huaraz area has many scenic spots worthy of side trips, as well as access to swimming pools, tennis courts, horseback riding and hiking.

Attendance is expected to be about 250. A group of brethren who speak Quechua, the language of the Incas, live in the Huaraz area.

The cost per person for food and lodging ranges from \$100 to \$250 for eight days.

Chile and Argentina

The Feast sites for Chile and Argentina have not been selected yet. It is possible that a combined site will be found. However, those brethren interested in transferring to this region should request a transfer application, and the Spanish Department will let you know the details as soon as final decisions are made.

Attendance could be as high as 450 if the sites are combined. Up to 40 transfers could be accepted.

The cost per person for eight days of room and board is not expected to exceed \$200. (Both Chile and Argentina are famous for their fine wines and good food.)

Melgar, Colombia

The lush, tropical setting of Melgar, Colombia, will be host to brethren from Colombia and Ecuador, and up to 25 transfers can be accepted.

At 3,000 feet above sea level near the equator in the Magdalena Valley, the Colombian Feast site offers a wide range of recreational activities for people of all ages. Temperatures should be in the 90s Fahrenheit (mid 30s Celsius), and it will be

humid. The CAFAM vacation center offers a variety of accommodations and other facilities.

The CAFAM hotel has rates of \$32 a day for a double room, plus \$15 a day per person for food. A cabana, equipped with a kitchenette, five bedrooms and three baths, costs \$61 a day and will house 8 to 10 people. Families or singles can share the cost of a cabana. Also, self-service food is available for about \$10 a day.

Round-trip land transportation from Bogota, Colombia, to Melgar is about \$20 per person and takes about three hours each way.



SPANISH FEAST — Brethren from Spain, Portugal and Colombia relax after Festival services in Cullera, Spain. Space is available for 75 transfers to the site in 1984. [Photo by Thomas Williams]

Site set for Netherlands Feast

By Johan Wilms

UTRECHT, Netherlands — For the second year in a row the Dutch Feast will take place at De Tamboer in the town of Hooegeveen. This will be the 10th Feast of Tabernacles celebrated in the Netherlands.

Johan Wilms is business manager for the work's Utrecht, Netherlands, Office. For application forms to attend the Feast in the Netherlands write to Ambassador College, Box 333, Utrecht, Netherlands, or call 31(30)31-7117 until April 1. After that date call 31(3429)1709.

De Tamboer means "the drummer." In Hooegeveen they would drum up people for attending important events or meetings. They did not toll the bells as they still do in some provincial towns.

Hooegeveen is in the northern part of the country, about 60 kilometers (about 37 miles) south to southeast of Groningen. The area around Hooegeveen provides one of the most beautiful, peaceful, natural environments of the country. Heather, woodlands, brooks, farmlands, lakes and villages form a peaceful and beautiful setting.

Merged in the landscape are bungalow, or chalet, parks, seemingly made to order for Festival accommodations, not only for the Dutch-speaking brethren, but for

visitors as well.

Last year 525 people kept the Feast in the Netherlands, 345 from Holland and Belgium and 180 visitors from outside the Benelux countries. This year the Dutch Office expects 370 people from Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg, and 180 people are again welcome from elsewhere. Services will be as usual in Dutch, with simultaneous English translations through earphones.

Mrs. J. Johnstone of Surrey B.C., who attended the Feast in Hooegeveen last year, wrote:

"I would like to thank you and my brethren in the Church very much for the wonderful Feast of Tabernacles in Hooegeveen. I really learned so much spiritually and also the fellowship with my 'spiritual family' was so good. It was the best Feast ever."

"Also the motel Hooegeveen was excellent, the people there so friendly and service-minded. And thank you also for the beautiful trips by coach which we made. For me it was Holland the beautiful!"

"It was a time I won't forget. I do hope to come back one day."

De Tamboer is suitable for family entertainment such as a dance night with a professional band or a combined dinner-dance, square dance night, film nights and fellowshiping.

The Dutch Office has an option on five quality bungalow parks until April 30, but for visitors this option

can probably be extended until June or July. Accommodations are first come first served.

There is no public transport service to the bungalow parks. The bungalow parks are at distances from the meeting hall varying from 5 to 8 miles (8 to about 13 kilometers). All are first class.

Most bungalows are of the two and three bedroom types to accommodate families up to six people, or two or three singles. Price per bungalow varies from 375 to 750 guilders (about \$125 to \$250 at February exchange rates). These charges apply whether there are from two to six people in one bungalow. The price is for the period of the Feast, Wednesday, Oct. 10, until Thursday, Oct. 18. Additional days can be arranged.

Application forms for the Feast in the Netherlands will be sent on request. After approval the Dutch Office will supply addresses of the bungalow parks so that members can arrange their own booking directly with the managers of the chalet parks.

Bungalow parks are mainly for people having their own transportation. Only motels are linked with public transport service. There is a good motel in the vicinity of Hooegeveen — bus service every half hour. But this motel charges 75 guilders (about \$24) per person per night including breakfast. A two-bedroom place is 98 guilders (about \$32) per night.

The chalets and bungalows at the bungalow resorts feature gas stoves with an oven, a full array of silverware and cutlery for six persons, central heating (which will probably not be needed in the middle of October), roomy dining and living room areas, a running hot and cold water, full electricity and other necessary facilities. All of this is included in the rental price, including occupancy for up to six persons.

Supermarkets are conveniently near the meeting hall and also on the chalet resorts. Restaurants are also near the main hall, while the main hall (De Tamboer) prides itself on the best restaurant and the best quick service. They have a new full-fledged restaurant and a large recreation lobby or hall, besides the auditorium. Luncheons for any number of people can quickly be served in this professional complex.

Big Sandy WATS facility opens

BIG SANDY — In what was described as "an aura of real excitement," the Telephone Response Department here received its first Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) call at 2:10 p.m., Central Standard Time, March 6, said William Butler, supervisor of the Telephone Response areas in Pasadena and Big Sandy.

"The first day brought a variety of callers requesting Church literature," Mr. Butler, a local elder, said. The Texas facility received 25 calls during its first three hours of operation.

The Big Sandy office is operated under the auspices of the Mail Processing Center (MPC) in Pasadena. Richard Rice, a pastor-rank minister, is MPC director.

The Texas facility was scheduled to begin operations in mid-January, but technical difficulties delayed the start-up until March.

"The primary reason was the divestiture of the Bell telephone system into separate companies at the beginning of 1984," Mr. Butler said. "As a result, we had to make some very complicated arrange-

ments and deal with several telephone companies from executive levels on down to complete the installation."

He credited Fred Gilreath, manager of Communication Services in Pasadena, and employees of the department for helping complete the final arrangements.

The Texas WATS facility has 16 lines receiving calls from 12 states. "We are scheduled to receive four more by late March and have requested an additional eight lines to be installed by mid-June," Mr. Butler said.

Calls originating in area codes 205, 208, 308, 315, 318, 402, 405, 509, 518, 605, 614, 615, 701 and 802 will be answered in Big Sandy. This includes part or all of Alabama, Idaho, Louisiana, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont and Washington.

"Figuring out which calls to route to Big Sandy involves some complicated calculations," Mr. Butler explained. "We want to have enough calls to fully utilize our resources here, but not too much that we overload the system."

He said the area codes routed to Texas will change with equipment additions and changes in stations airing the *World Tomorrow* programs.

One hundred fourteen Ambassador College students were hired to work in the Texas Telephone Response area under office manager Frank Parsons, a local elder. "We have 100 other potential nonstudents available for work also," Mr. Butler added.

Only the full-time staff was present when the first call came in. "We had Mr. Parsons, Mrs. [Jane] Parsons, Lynn and Sherry Hebert, James Smith and myself here," Mr. Butler said. Mr. Hebert and Mr. Smith work under Mr. Parsons as floor supervisors while Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Hebert serve as department secretaries.

Mr. Butler said that "an extensive testing program [of the system] involving brethren throughout the United States will take place through March 9."

Mr. Butler traveled to Big Sandy with his wife, Donna, and 2-year-old daughter, Tyanne.

Unleavened Recipes

If you would like a copy of the unleavened bread recipes that were published in *The Worldwide News* in the past two years, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

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Not pictured:
Grace Fenstermacher

Pasadena campus announces fall chancellor's and dean's lists

PASADENA — Ambassador College here released the chancellor's and dean's lists for the fall semester, 1984.

The chancellor's list recognizes students who have achieved a 3.2 or better cumulative grade point average for at least two semesters. The dean's list recognizes students who have achieved a 3.2 or better grade point average for one semester.

Chancellor's list

Cindy Acheson, Greg Achtemichuk, Heather Aikins, Allswell Alalibo, Kelly Ambrose, Gloria Angel, Darcy Ashcroft, Jennifer Atkinson, Nigel Bearman, Steve Bearman, John Bearse, Ian Bell,

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Steenport, Ramona Stephens, Amy Stoner, Linda Strelow, Wendy Styer, Susan Sutter, Lisa Tanksley, Ken Tate, Robert Tennant, Karen Thomas, Roxanne Tidmore, Kimberly Tompsitt, Gayle Travis, Ruth Traynor, Laura Urista, Clifton Veal, David Vernich, Sophia Victor, Charles Wakefield, Robert Walker, Charles Waller, Wesley Webster, Michael Wells, David Witt, Perry Worthen, Deborah Wright and Agnes Youngblood.

Dean's list

Greg Achtemichuk, Heather Aikins, Christine Allgeyer, Kelly Ambrose, Francesca Anastasi, Gloria Angel, Darcy Ashcroft, Jennifer Atkinson, Fred Attayh, Nigel Bearman, Steve Bearman, John Bearse.

Ian Bell, Kathleen Bellamy, Douglas Benner, Paul Bennett, Rachel Best, Deborah Boraker, Sandi Borax, Daniel Bosch, Arthur Bradic, Patti Briggs, Jeffrey Broadnax, Linda Brooks, Paul Brown, Denise Browne, Lori Bug-
(See LISTS, page 9)

AMBASSADOR ACTIVITIES

BANQUET FEATURES MISSISSIPPI THEME

PASADENA — "Cruisin' the Mississippi" was the theme of the annual Outreach senior citizens' banquet Sunday afternoon, Feb. 26.

The banquet took place in the Faculty Dining Room in the Student Center. Guests included senior citizens from the Pasadena churches and four ministers and their wives, according to Mark Dixon, Outreach director. The meal began at 12:15.

After the luncheon, students escorted the guests to the Student Center club rooms for entertainment. The rooms were decorated with a wall-size mural of a riverboat at sunset on the Mississippi River.

Patrick Moore, an Ambassador College senior, was master of ceremonies, and students performed vocal and instrumental numbers such as "Old Man River," "St. Louis Blues" and "The Tennessee Waltz" to continue the theme.

"The show went exceptionally well," said Mr. Dixon. "It had a very joyous finish with 'When the Saints Go Marching In.' Everyone in the entertainment [about 45 people] participated." The event ended at about 2:15.

About 133 students involved in the Outreach program helped with the banquet. This included about 45 escorts who met the guests at the parking areas, stayed with them until the luncheon began and returned to take them to the club rooms and escort them back to the parking areas.

FIELD DAY OFFERS SKATING, SKIING

PASADENA — About 150 Ambassador College students went to Snow Summit in Big Bear, Calif., for a day of skiing, while about 400 others walked to the Ice Chalet Palace in Pasadena for ice-skating Tuesday, Feb. 28.

The field day, which was scheduled to include an option of skiing or inner-tubing, was modified when the lack of snow prevented tubing.

The skiers left campus at about 5:30 a.m. and arrived at Snow Summit at about 8 a.m., according to Ambassador College junior Todd Martin, who



TURNING HEARTS — During an all-star basketball game Feb. 25 at Big Sandy Ambassador College, Chancellor Herbert W. Armstrong waves to Brittany Smith, granddaughter of Yolanda Bailey (center), wife of Dale Bailey, facilities manager of the Big Sandy campus. Brittany is the daughter of Scott and Debbie Smith. [Photo by Scott Smith]

organized the day's activities. The group skied on manmade snow. Lessons were available, and lunches were provided by the college. They returned to campus at 6:30 p.m.

The other group skated from 8:30 to 10:30 and then watched or participated in a hockey and broomball exhibition. "A lot of international students had never skated before, but everyone seemed to catch on quickly," said Mr. Martin.

Lunch was served picnic-style on campus between 1 and 3 p.m., after which the skaters watched a movie, *The Great Race*, in the college gymnasium.

The skiers and skaters got together at 6:30 when a shish kebab dinner was served family style in the Student Center, and slides were shown of the day's activities. Photographers returned to campus at noon to process the film at the Photography Department, Mr. Martin said.

Faculty members and ministers here for the Refreshing Program also

attended the dinner and slide presentation.

BARN DANCE INCLUDES HAYRIDES, BONFIRES

BIG SANDY — Students attended a barn dance and hayride on the campus farm here Saturday evening, Feb. 18.

In one barn students danced and had chili, hot drinks and cookies, according to Dean Newcomb, student body president. Decorations included a stuffed horse made of chicken wire covered with paper, which people could sit on.

In a smaller hay barn, tables were set up in the loft for card games. Downstairs were game booths including a ring toss, balloon pop, softball pitch, BB-gun alley and a football throw, Mr. Newcomb said.

Each person was given a ticket, and later a drawing took place to award prizes, which included dinners at faculty members' homes, he said.

Outside the barns were two bonfires where students sat and talked. A "pony-rest express" ran

every half hour to restrooms at the Booth City student residences, since there are none near the barns.

The hayrides, which ran on a 4-mile course through the farm, were accompanied by sing-alongs and lasted about 45 minutes.

UNDERCLASSMEN WIN ALL-STAR GAME

PASADENA — Ambassador College students, faculty members and other Church members attended the end of the season all-star basketball games in the college gymnasium Saturday evening, March 3.

In the women's game, which began at 7 p.m., the freshman-sophomore team came out on top with a score of 71-53.

The men's all-star freshman-sophomore team came from behind to land an overtime victory 85-83.

"In terms of the men's teams, it was a very balanced league. We almost ended up with a

three-way tie," said James Petty, Pasadena athletic director. "There were quite a number of close games and excellent play."

Greg Albrecht, Pasadena dean of students, who was announcer for the games, acknowledged the seniors participating in their last game or playing in the pep band. They are: basketball players Bertha Brandon, Kay Jermakowicz, Teresa Peterson, Joel Rissingier, David Rothwell, Richard Walker, Perry Worthen and Agnes Youngblood, and band members Mark David Bogdanich, Joseph McNair, Richard Morris and Teresa Peterson.

Each member of the dance team presented a rose to Marsha Suckling, adviser to the team.

FINAL SEASON STANDINGS

| MEN | WON | LOST |
|------------|-----|------|
| Faculty | 6 | 2 |
| Juniors | 6 | 2 |
| Freshmen | 5 | 3 |
| Seniors | 3 | 5 |
| Sophomores | 0 | 8 |
| WOMEN | WON | LOST |
| Faculty | 7 | 1 |
| Freshmen | 7 | 1 |
| Seniors | 4 | 4 |
| Juniors | 2 | 6 |
| Sophomores | 0 | 8 |

PASTOR GENERAL ATTENDS TEXAS ALL-STAR GAMES

BIG SANDY — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong attended the final basketball games of the 1983-84 season in the Ambassador College Field House gymnasium Saturday evening, Feb. 25.

The first game was between the sophomore and freshman women. The freshmen won 37-33.

The second game was the annual all-star game, where the sophomores defeated a combined freshman-faculty team 94-72.

FINAL SEASON STANDINGS

| MEN | WON | LOST |
|----------------|-----|------|
| Faculty | 7 | 1 |
| Sophomore Gold | 4 | 4 |
| Sophomore Red | 4 | 4 |
| Sophomore Blue | 4 | 4 |
| Freshman Green | 1 | 7 |
| WOMEN | WON | LOST |
| Sophomores | 3 | 4 |
| Freshmen | 2 | 7 |

Berlin: where East meets West

By Moshe Ben-Simha
BERLIN — "Germany is . . . a mutable, Proteuslike, unpredictable country," wrote Italian journalist Luigi Barzini in his book *The Europeans* — and, to my amazement, I found Berlin — historic capital of Germany — the most changeable and unpredictable of its cities.

There is not one Berlin, but many. For a start, there's the great division between communist East Berlin, the capital of the prosperous, powerful nation of East Germany, and West Berlin — a lonely, embattled outpost of the West — prosperous and modern, but surrounded by the barbed wire, tank traps and concrete of the Berlin Wall.

West Berlin, I found, is a city remade in the image of New York, with its bright, gleaming skyscrapers of concrete and steel. Walking along the Kurfuerstendamm, the city's main boulevard, the luxury shops, solid buildings and trees remind you of the better parts of New York's Fifth Avenue.

The richness and quality of goods in the department store Ka-De-We put Macy's of New York to shame, and boasts the largest delicatessen in the world.

But near the Bahnhof Zoo — the

Hauptbahnhof Zoologischer Garten (the city's Zoo Gardens Central Railway Station) — the atmosphere is more like Times Square and 42nd Street. Seedy sex shops and pornographic cinemas openly display their wares. Hundreds of sad drug addicts, the "Children of the Bahnhof Zoo," as they were called in a film that shocked West Germany three years ago, are slumped on the pavement or lean against walls.

The drug addicts and misfits, attracted by easy social service payments, flock to West Berlin. In all of West Germany, only Hamburg's well-known Reperbahn has a worse reputation for vice.

Yet walk behind the Central Rail Station, and turn right, and the city puts on another face. Before long you're strolling in its Central Park, the Tiergarten. No city in Europe has more parks and rivers than Berlin. Incredibly, it has more waterways than Venice, Italy.

Out in the suburbs is Wannsee — with its lakes and marinas, surrounded by trees. Yet in this idyllic area the most infamous crime of modern history, Nazi Germany's mass murder of Jews and other people, was plotted out at the Wannsee Conference of January, 1941.

At first the grandeur and horror of the Nazi past are a far cry from the skyscrapers and sex shops of West Berlin. But there are echoes. The great forbidding ramparts of Spandau Prison still stand where Adolf Hitler executed participants in the 1944 bomb plot, and where the Allies later imprisoned convicted war criminals.

Hitler's Fuehrerbunker is in no man's-land, between the guard posts of the Western city and the communist East — just a hump in a depressing piece of wasteland.

But the old parliament building or congress of Imperial Germany, the Reichstag, has been fully restored. Coming to its enormous black, heavy stone mass looming up as you leave the Tiergarten — so different from any building built in the city in the past 39 years — is like going back in time to a different Berlin and a different Germany.

Inside the building is a well-equipped parliament chamber, but apart from special sessions it is not used. Restored in the 1970s it is to be the home of the parliament only when Germany is reunited.

Outside, the grim present asserts itself at once. Right behind the Reichstag runs the River Spree, dividing the communist East from

the West. Beside it stands a sad little memorial remembering the 70-odd East Germans who were killed by Communist security guards while trying to escape to the West in the years since the Berlin Wall was raised in 1961.

Talking with West Berliners, the Imperial and Nazi past is far away. Berliners are relaxed, cynical and full of dry humor. In its politics, the city is Social Democrat, moderate left of center.

Former Chancellor Willy Brandt built his career as mayor of West Berlin in the crisis-filled years when the Berlin Wall was raised.

I then crossed over to East Berlin at Checkpoint Charlie — where American and Soviet tanks faced each other in the early 1960s when the world seemed at the brink of nuclear war over Berlin.

While West Berlin was rebuilt in the 1950s and '60s in the image of an American city, the German Democratic Republic restored the East as it had been before British and American bombers wreaked destruction during the Second World War. The old heavy monumental architecture was restored, and in the past two or three years even the statue of Frederick the Great has been restored on the Unter den Linden (Avenue of Linden Trees).

In contrast to the bright night life of West Berlin, the streets of the Eastern city emptied as if by magic

after 6 o'clock. Even more than in Moscow itself, I found the sensation of some "Big Brother" always looking over my shoulder weighed heavily. I found myself counting the hours and minutes till I'd be returning to the West. All of a sudden freedom seemed something precious that we all take too much for granted.

The museums of both East and West Berlin are magnificent, but the Pergamon Museum in the Eastern suburb of Dahlem steals the show. You can walk through the processional way of Nebuchadnezzar's ancient Babylon and visit the enormous (probably 150 feet long by 20 feet high) altar of the pagan temple of Pergamos, "Satan's seat" of Revelation 2:13. Both were excavated and transported to Berlin, stone by stone, by German archaeologists, more than 80 years ago.

And just across the road from the Pergamon Museum stands the historic home of German science, the Kaiser Wilhelm II Institute, where Otto Hahn split the uranium atom for the first time in 1938, beginning the nuclear age.

Oxford historian A.J.P. Taylor claimed that there has been peace in Europe for the past 39 years only because Germany is divided. Nowhere is that division more striking than in Berlin, a living city, cut in half — with two widely different personalities.

Major's adventures with Prince

STORY FOR YOUNG READERS
By Shirley King Johnson

Major stared at the size of the horse. The huge, heavy feet with long hair waving like feathers from hoof to knee were what impressed him the most. He trembled a little as he stood at the pasture fence and watched the big horse come stomping up. What if the horse decided to go through the fence?

The big horse stopped at the fence, raised his head to look over the barbed wire on top, and then leaned down to say hello.

Major touched his nose ever so lightly to the horse's velvet upper lip and gave a little "Woof!" that meant, "Hello, neighbor."

So it was settled. They were friends. The big horse raised his head. Grandfather and Jim came walking through the orchard to the fenceline that separated the Wilson farm from the neighbor's pasture.

"I see Major's met Prince, the new Clydesdale," Grandfather said with a chuckle as they stopped beside the beige.

"I wish you had that horse, Grandfather," Jim said, his eyes bright. "I could ride him all day! Isn't he beautiful?"

"Yes, he's a fine creature."

"I see some gray hairs under his mouth," Jim went on. "Is he old?"

"Fairly old. He's done his share of work and now he's sort of retired. Neighbor Sterner told me he bought him at a bargain price just to have a mount for his sons to ride. Horses need a lot of attention. They have to be cared every day and fed proper rations."

Jim watched the Clydesdale nibble pasture grass. "I see he eats lots of grass."

"Sterner told me he feeds that horse 25 quarts of oats and bran and molasses a day — plus 50 pounds of hay."

"Then I guess you wouldn't want to get a horse for me to ride," Jim said wistfully.

"I love horses, but they aren't prac-

tical, honey. I used to have four horses." He turned and gazed off down the hill where the big red barn stood. It was half full of good hay for the two milk cows and their calves. But the east side where the boxes once had stabled four work horses were empty. Jim had spent many happy hours playing there with Susie.

"I wouldn't be surprised if neighbor Sterner's boy Harry doesn't invite you to ride on Prince. That Clydesdale



Artwork by Judith Docken

could carry both of you boys like you were butterflies on his back."

"When did the Sterners move in?" Jim asked as they watched the horse move on down the fence row, pulling at long blades of grass that grew there.

"Last month. Mr. Sterner has a wife and a little boy Susie's age and another son older than you. He's pale and skinny as a plucked chicken."

Grandmother rang the dinner bell by the back porch, signaling that lunch was ready, and Major trotted along behind Grandfather and Jim as they

walked back to the house. He glanced over his shoulder to make sure the big horse stayed back in the pasture. The Clydesdale was chomping grass, his eyes blissful as he watched their departure.

That afternoon Grandfather took Jim to the sale barn in town to see how the little calves were selling, and Major made a trip down to the Seven Mile Creek to smell out any new wild life that had come since his last visit.

There were the usual squirrel and rabbit scents. The beavers had moved on downstream and their round house of mud and sticks stood quiet and uninteresting. But frogs leaped in frantic hops just ahead of his nose as he zigzagged along the creek bank. He spent a happy hour playing with them and enjoyed it a good deal more than they did.

The hum of Grandfather's car coming around the corner on the road interrupted his pursuits, and he whizzed up the hill toward the barnyard as fast as his legs would take him. By the time he got to the house, Jim and Grandfather had gone inside.

Major sat down by the back door to doze and wait. A curious sound a moment later brought him to his feet. It came again. A whinny. Then a gallop of hooves. Prince thundered across the pasture.

Scurrying around the house, Major saw the horse coming toward the orchard and thin, blond Harry sat on his back. A whip came down on the horse's flanks and Major blinked. He raced through the orchard to the fence, barking furiously as the whip cracked again and again. "Woof! Woof! Woof!"

The boy reined up the horse at the fenceline. "Stop that dumb barking!" Harry shouted. He wore a red plaid shirt and blue jeans that were tucked into cowboy boots.

"Woof! Woof!"

"I said, stop it!" shouted the boy again. He swung down out of the saddle, picked up a handy stone and sailed it straight for Major.

Startled, Major turned. Thump! "Yipe!" Major's hip stung as he ran fast for the house.

Jim came walking through the orchard. "What's going on?"

The beige leaped up into Jim's arms and licked his face.

"Hey!" yelled Harry Sterner. "You keep your dog quiet when I'm riding my horse. He could make Prince throw me!"

Jim put Major down and walked to the fence. Major kept one step behind him. "Hello, I'm Jim Wilson. This is my dog, Major."

"I don't care what your dog's name is. Keep him quiet." Harry turned back to his horse and swung up rather clumsily into the saddle. "Giddap!" Waving his whip, he set off at a trot between a row of cedars. "Hi! Giddap! Faster!"

Jim's eyes squinted. "I hate to see him whip Prince," he told Major. "Prince isn't supposed to be a fast horse. He deserves better treatment."

Harry seemed to enjoy being watched. He rode back again toward the fence.

Major opened his mouth to shout an exclamation of distaste, but Jim said, "Quiet," and Major closed his mouth. He sat down and watched.

"Hi! Look at me!" shouted Harry, coming up fast on Prince. He reined the horse around before they reached the fence and went pounding back between the trees, his whip flying.

Jim and Major started to turn away from the sight.

"Hi! Watch me!" Harry shouted again. He came riding back but Prince had had enough. The big horse veered to the left and went under a low branch. Caught by surprise, Harry was swept out of the saddle and sent tumbling to the ground.

"Now maybe you'll quit whipping a good horse!" Jim called out.

The neighbor boy had rolled over on the turn, the whip gone from his hand. When he slowly pushed himself to a sitting position, his nose was bloody. "Help me. I'm hurt!" Harry whimpered, his voice muffled as he clutched his face with both hands.

The smile faded from Jim's face. He started to climb over the fence. "Major! Go get Grandfather!" He pointed to the house. "Hurry!"

(To be continued)

FOCUS ON YOUTH

TEENS FROM 16 CHURCHES ATTEND TEXAS TOURNEY

AMARILLO, Tex. — Participants and spectators from six states and 16 church areas attended an invitational volleyball and basketball tournament at the West Texas State University Activity Center Dec. 23 to Dec. 25.

The tournament included Bible seminars for the youths and a marriage seminar and Bible study for the adults. James Reyer, pastor of the Denver, Colo., congregation, gave the sermon on the Sabbath, Dec. 24.

After the Sabbath, the games began again. Amarillo brethren took care of scoring, security, concessions, setup and cleanup. The Denver band played for a dance Saturday evening.

Sunday, Dec. 25, trophies were presented. Denver I took first place, and Midland, Tex., placed second in girls' YOU volleyball. In women's volleyball Denver III took first, and Durango, Colo., placed second. Denver I took first place in mixed volleyball, and Durango I placed second.

Denver I placed first in YOU cheerleading, and Midland was second. Denver's peewee cheerleaders took the top honors, while San Antonio, Tex., came in second.

In basketball, results were peewee boys: Denver first, San Antonio second; peewee girls: Amarillo first, Lawton, Okla., second; YOU girls: Lawton first, San Antonio second; YOU boys: Amarillo first, Denver second; men's division: Denver I first, San Antonio second.

District results: YOU boys' basketball: Amarillo first, Midland second; YOU girls' volleyball: Midland first, Amarillo second.

Boys' basketball sportsmanship trophies went to Aaron Beans of Liberal, Kan., and Rick Maddy of Amarillo. Tina Herring of Amarillo won the girls' volleyball sportsmanship trophy. The overall team spirit trophy went to San Antonio. *Sammy O'Dell.*

YES MEMBERS ATTEND THREE-DAY CAMP-IN

DERBY, England — After the Sabbath, Dec. 24, seven YES members had a three-day camp-in at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Gale.

The camp-in differed from a camp-out in that it took place indoors instead of outside, where it was cold and damp. Ideal camping conditions in Great Britain are not often found because of the frequent climate changes. The boys slept in one room and the girls in another in sleeping bags on the floor.

Most young people in the British churches are familiar with this because houses are small and when they visit, it is common to share rooms this way.

For three of the children it was their first time away from home. Daily activities included swimming, roller-skating and horseback riding. Indoor activities included playing board games, making clowns and calendars from cloth and paper and drawing.

Older children helped with household chores like cooking and cleaning up. The calendars, clowns and drawings were exhibited on the church notice board



BARBERSHOP QUARTET — Houston, Tex., YOU members (from left) Mark Wright, Mike Rochelle, Bryan Rogers and Chris Rochelle participate in "A Musical Salute to the Last 50 Years" Jan. 8. [Photo by George Foshee]

the following Sabbath. *Fiona McLaren.*

BELLE VERNON CHURCH BEGINS YES CHORALE

BELLE VERNON, Pa. — The first performance of the YES chorale here, directed by Connie Erler, was Jan. 7. The children sang "God Is Watching Over You," composed by Mary Fozard of the Washington, Pa., church.

Members of the children's choir include Eddie Copper, Shawna Copper, Alana Hoffer, Ranea Kancir, Sarah Novak, Stephanie Novak, Andrea Protos, David Sethman, Sonya Simons, Liza Sprowl, Christine Smithburger, Ronda Stahl, Mike Summy, Scott Summy, Janet Thompson, Debbie White and Michelle White.

Assisting with the chorale are Debbie Lamm and Angie Protos. Colleen Erler is the pianist. *Betty Novak.*

CHURCH GIVES CARNIVAL FOR PRE-YOU CHILDREN

ALBANY, Ore. — About 60 pre-YOU children and their families attended a Carnival Night Jan. 7. The event was a service project to benefit the 3 to 12 year olds.

Game booths were set up in a school gym. They included a fish pond, darts to break balloons, a ball toss, bean-bag toss, ring toss, wheel of fortune and a cake walk.

YOU members manned the booths while the younger children earned prizes. Prizes were awarded for participation so every child went home with a helium balloon and pockets full of goodies.

Handcrafted prizes were made by older members. The cost of putting on the carnival was small because of donated time and prizes.

The event was coordinated by Greg Kinsler, and Pam Penrod was in charge of prizes. Local elder Rex Sexton was overall director. *Susan Wheeler.*

YOU MEMBERS PUT ON REVUE AND CAST PARTY

HOUSTON, Tex. — A cast party for teens from the Houston North, East and West churches who participated in a YOU revue took place Jan. 8. The revue was staged here Dec. 10 during a YOU district weekend.

Stage hands and family mem-

bers also attended the party in the Galveston County Park pavilion. The party included a hamburger lunch and a viewing of the show on videotape.

The theme of the revue was "A Musical Salute to the Last 50 Years." It included an Andrews Sisters act; a barbershop quartet; tap, swing, jazz and gymnastic dancing; piano, flute, clarinet and trumpet solos; and songs ranging from "The White Cliffs of Dover" and selections from "Chiquitita" to *The Sound of Music.*

Masters of ceremonies were YOU members Robbie McGowen and Bryan Rogers.

At the end of the party David Johnson, pastor of the Houston East congregation, and John Ogwyn, pastor of the Houston North congregation, commended the YOU members for their participation and for the standard of excellence they aimed for and achieved. *Yvonne Davey.*

YOUTHS TRAVEL TO WEST GERMANY

BOREHAMWOOD, England — Thirteen young people from several churches in England left on a weekend trip to West Germany Friday, Jan. 13.

After traveling by road and sea, the group stayed with the Johannes Eisermann family.

Sabbath services took place in Bonn for the combined churches of Duesseldorf, Darmstadt and Bonn. Minister Alfred Hellemann gave a sermon on the importance of knowledge and wisdom.

After the service, a dinner and dance took place. The next day the group drove to Wuppertal to ride a suspended monorail before returning to England. *Vanessa Vaughan.*

GIRLS SERVE ELDERS IN SERVICE PROJECT

PARK FOREST, Ill. — "Across the Generations" was the theme for the Girls' Club service project here Jan. 14.

Each girl in the club made cookies and served them with coffee and punch to the congregation before services.

A few weeks before, each girl interviewed an older member of the church and then wrote an essay from the interview. During the tea the essays were posted on a bulletin board.

The Girls' Club is organized by Nancy Wright and Janet

Metz. It consists of 14 girls between the ages of 6 and 12. *Linda Halliar.*

ENGLISH TEENS ATTEND EVENING OF DANCING

CROYDON, England — More than 140 YOU members and parents attended a dance here Saturday evening, Jan. 14.

Guests were from the London, Basildon, Godalming, Maidstone and Brighton, England, churches. Church member Joe Doncheck and his son Paul provided a variety of dance music. *Ian Bearman.*

YOU RAISES FUNDS WITH TURKEY DINNER

SMITHS FALLS, Ont. — As a fund-raiser, eight YOU members served a turkey dinner with trimmings (cooked by their mothers) to Smiths Falls and Kingston, Ont., brethren Jan. 14.

Pastor Jon Kurnik asked the blessing on the meal and appreciation was expressed to the participants. Afterward YOU members joined guests for card and board games, while the children watched two movies.

Brethren paid \$5 each for the dinner, and the YOU raised more than \$200. *Jeannine Lortie.*

YOU WEEKEND FEATURES DANCING, SKATING, SKIING

TORONTO, Ont. — YOU members from eight churches arrived here for a weekend of activities sponsored by the Toronto East YOU, which began with a dinner-dance Saturday evening, Jan. 14. The dance, with a Hawaiian accent, took place at the Don Valley Holiday Inn here.

YOU members Paul Knapp and Wayne Woods were disc jockeys for the evening.

After the dance the YOU members stayed at the homes of Church members. Sunday morning, Jan. 15, the group of 107 teens went roller-skating at Wheelies Roller Rink in Pickering, Ont.

To top off the weekend, more than 60 teens showed up for cross-country skiing at High Park in Toronto. *Jean Scheifele.*

ONTARIO CHURCH SPONSORS INVITATIONAL

SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont. — YOU members and parents from the Sudbury and North Bay, Ont., and Wolverine, Mich., churches attended an invitational weekend here Jan. 14 and Jan. 15.

A Sabbath sermon was given Jan. 14 by Leo van Pelt, district YOU coordinator.

Saturday evening activities consisted of volleyball and swimming. Subzero temperatures Sunday morning, Jan. 15, did not prevent the families from heading outdoors onto a speed-skating rink.

After a lunch provided by the Sault Ste. Marie brethren, teens and parents were treated to an old-fashioned sleigh ride. *Gary King.*

MONTREAL CHURCH PRESENTS YES FAIR

MONTREAL, Que. — The second annual Montreal English church fair for the YES took

place Jan. 21.

The evening began with a potluck dinner followed by a sing-along led by Cecil Maranville, pastor of the Montreal English church, and accompanied on guitar by Ted Callan.

After the sing-along, children participated in games such as a bean-bag toss, jelly-bean race, pretzel munch, balloon pop and others. The game area was decorated with balloons, streamers and colored clowns' heads.

Dozens of handcrafted gifts, which were made by women in the church, were given out at the end of the fair. None of the children went away empty-handed. *Helmut Wiet.*

CHILDREN AND TEENS PRESENT CONCERT

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — Brethren attended a concert performed by pre-YES, YES and YOU members Jan. 21.

Children between 3 and 5 sang and acted out such songs as "I'm a Little Teapot" and "Where O' Where Is Pretty Little Susie?" Bears and clowns were used as props when the YES teamed with the younger children to sing "The Bear Song" and "Pierrot Pong-Ping."

The YES children took over by singing and acting out numbers such as "The Happy Wanderer," complete with knapsacks and Swiss hats.

The program also included flute, piano and vocal numbers and the demonstration of three square dances. The Bugaboo Boogie and the stick dance that was performed by the Young Ambassadors in the 1983 Feast film were performed by YOU and YES members.

YES members Heather McCord and Robin Johnson were masters of ceremonies. *Shawn Anderson.*

YOU HONORS WIDOWS WITH DINNER, SHOW

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — YOU members were hosts for a widows' dinner at the Live Oak Community Center Jan. 22. Master of ceremonies Sam Patterson opened the evening by welcoming guests, which included pastor Gregory Sargent and his wife, Marian, and the local elders and their wives.

A number of YOU members, briefed ahead of time in serving etiquette, served dinner to each guest. The meal consisted of Hawaiian chicken over rice complemented by a vegetable and dinner rolls and followed by pudding for dessert.

Entertainment featured a piano solo, a poetic recitation, a vocal solo and duet, a flute trio and a modern dance interpretation by some of the teens. *Sam Patterson.*

YOU RAISES MONEY FOR SKI OUTING

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — Forty-three YOU members and their families traveled to Appalachian Ski Mountain in Boone, N.C., for a day of skiing Jan. 22.

Most of those who went skied although some were spectators. Lawrence Grieder, pastor of the Fayetteville church, and his wife, Bonnie, gave lessons to those who had not skied before.

The YOU earned the money for the trip by selling candy and by selling baked goods at church socials. *Janice Bridges.*

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Area activities include dances, fairs, skits

SYRACUSE, N.Y., brethren brought their favorite dishes for a winter social Jan. 2 that included talent performances and slide shows.

After a meal Jeff Blouin, junior division winner in the district and regional YOU talent finals, performed his entry: a piano solo "Second Air Variation" by Bellini.

Then the international travels of two members were featured. Laura Maybury gave a travelogue of her trip to the Jerusalem dig in 1983, including scenes of Ambassador College students and historic and scenic spots such as Mt. Sinai, the Sea of Galilee, the Red Sea, a bedouin settlement and Egyptian desert scenes.

Jerry Smith showed slides of sights he and his wife, Norma, saw when they attended the Feast in Malta in 1983. Syracuse brethren were surprised to see how closely the terrain of the Maltese islands resembled that of Israel. Mr. Smith included slides of England, Scotland and the Black Forest in West Germany.

Brethren ranging from toddlers to grandmothers sped downhill during a sledding party at Turtle River State Park in GRAND FORKS, N.D., the evening of Jan. 21. A week before, the wind chill factor kept temperatures around minus 50 degrees Fahrenheit (about minus 46 Celsius), but warmer air prevailed Jan. 21 with virtually no wind.

When not sledding, the group enjoyed a barbecue, popcorn, games and fellowshiping in a chalet.

Young and old alike found fun and entertainment at the MOULTRIE, Ga., country fair after the Sabbath Jan. 28, when Moultrie and Tallahassee, Fla., brethren browsed

among arts and crafts and in a country store and flea market.

"Terrells" Taco House," maintained by women from both churches, provided a Mexican meal. A cakewalk, cartoons, video games and door prizes rounded out the activity. The country fair served as a fund-raiser for both churches.

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., brethren took part in their third annual country-time shindig and potluck Jan. 28. Sabbath services were conducted with St. Catharines' sister congregation, Hamilton, Ont.

After services about 225 brethren shared the potluck and were serenaded by bluegrass and down east fiddle tunes. The mood was set for brethren to don Western clothing and dancing shoes for an evening of square dancing. Music was provided by Hamilton member Ron Hepworth and the Across the Lake Boys. Gerry Cooke was dance caller.

One hundred eighty LAKE CHARLES, La., and BEAUMONT, Tex., brethren gathered for a "Touch of Elegance" winter formal dance Jan. 28, organized by Wendell and Carmen Miller and assistants. A variety of music was provided by the Kingsmen, a group from San Antonio, Tex.

A gazebo created the focal point in the center of the dance floor, and a tropical garden was set off by a fountain.

Brethren danced amid splendor reminiscent of a Southern colonial plantation. When not dancing, they fellowshiped at candlelit tables.

Finger foods and punch, supplied by members, were arranged on tables complete with silver candel-

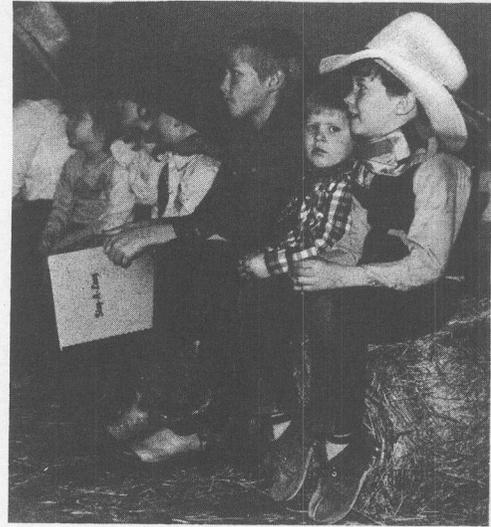
abras and a punch fountain. Children were entertained with games, movies and clowns. An antique popcorn machine received much attention.

Two door prizes were given away. An original oil painting by Barbara Williams depicting the theme of the evening was won by the Don Ross family, and the Lloyd Lee family won a silk flower arrangement by Mrs. Miller.

The RAPID CITY, S.D., and CHADRON, Neb., churches got together Feb. 4 for a sing-along and skits. Music was provided by area musicians Bev Hjilmer, Dan Dunlap and Waldo Armstrong, a local church elder. Leading the group in song were Don Hilmer and pastor Steve Buchanan.

Clarice Armstrong prepared sing-along books filled with songs that have become American traditions. The books were printed and bound for the evening and for future use. Brethren created a Western atmosphere by replacing chairs with hay bales for audience seating.

Vernon Rockey, a deacon from Chadron, showed the audience in a skit a "typical" day in the life of (See ACTIVITIES, page 9)



TALENT NIGHT — Rapid City, S.D., and Chadron, Neb., children sit on hay bales used to create a Western atmosphere during a sing-along Feb. 4. (Photo by Doug Johannsen)

Churches commemorate anniversaries

Nearly 400 brethren from MANSFIELD and FINDLAY, Ohio, and surrounding church areas gathered Jan. 21 at the Myers Convocation Center in Ashland, Ohio, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of *The Plain Truth* and the Philadelphia era of God's Church.

Sabbath services included guest speaker Guy Englebart, pastor of the Cleveland, Ohio, East church. "Golden Jubilee Ball" was selected as the theme for a dinner and dance that evening.

Brethren dined on a catered meal of baked sirloin and all the trimmings, and later danced to the music of the band "Stardust," composed of members from the Canton and Findlay, Ohio, churches.

Decorations included a banner constructed by Betty Hall and her son Gary. Floral arrangements were made by women of the Mansfield church, under the direction of

Maureen Leible and Lois Haefele. A floor fountain featured live goldfish.

Baby-sitting was provided by area teens, and children were treated to two feature-length Disney films.

The WODONGA, Australia, church celebrated its 10th anniversary on Australia Day weekend Jan. 28 to Jan. 30, with 126 persons attending Sabbath services. Local church elder Peter Wurster recounted the history of the area.

Sunday, Jan. 29, 126 people attended an anniversary dinner followed by a family dance in Myrtleford, a village south of Wodonga.

The hall was decorated by Alan and Meryl Harris and the singles. More than 1,000 pink and white crepe flowers were sprinkled amid trails of green ivy, around the stage, door and walls and on tables surrounding the dance floor.

Photos of activities during the past years were displayed on two bulletin boards, along with photos and cards from past ministers of the Wodonga congregation.

The Wodonga Continental Band and a talent show rounded out activities. Ted Ots recounted the dangers of a trip to the "suffermarket"; Debbie and Jenny Wyatt performed a jazz ballet routine; Karen McGorlick recited a story of a young motor enthusiast, Ethel Read; Janet and Paul Selzer and Liz Wurster sang "Time in a Bottle"; and the Jacob family played "Get Me to the Church on Time."

Later Gordon Murison, master of ceremonies, organized children's games.

Bruce Dean, pastor of the

Wodonga, Temora and Wagga Wagga, Australia, churches, and Mr. Wurster cut a decorated anniversary cake made by Loraine Lord. Afterward a supper was served.

After staying overnight in Myrtleford, many brethren enjoyed an Aussie barbecue breakfast Monday morning, Jan. 30, then a picnic that included softball, volleyball, touch rugby, swimming, a treasure hunt for the children, a nail-driving contest, gum-boot throwing and nappy (diaper) tying on three dolls.

Weekend activities were organized by Mr. Selzer, a deacon in the Wodonga church, and Church member Hedley McLaughlin.

Brethren commemorated the 10th anniversary of God's Church in the BAHAMAS during January, beginning with festivities in Freeport, Bahamas, Jan. 7.

Pastor Kingsley Mather conducted Sabbath services, exhorting Church members to obey all of God's commandments. In the evening 41 brethren celebrated in the roof suite of the Shalimar Hotel with a social and games.

Jan. 14 celebrations moved to Nassau, Bahamas, where a congregation of more than 130 heard Mr. Mather speak on recognizing and appreciating God's power and personality. The Nassau choir, commemorating 10 years of service under the direction of Basil Lord, performed two selections that were videotaped with the church's newly acquired audiovisual equipment.

That evening women prepared a potpourri of finger foods that added spice and enjoyment to a talent (See CHURCHES, page 9)

Clubs feature special events

An evening of conviviality and information marked the first ladies' night of the KINGSTON, Jamaica, Spokesman Club at the church office Jan. 24.

Fifty-one people, including guests, attended the evening. President Derrick Milwood was chairman. Pastor and director Charles Fleming gave the opening prayer and led vocal exercise.

Juston Sutherland presented tabletopics, and toastmaster Gerald Scale presented speakers Woodrow Hartley, Lawford Chang, Junior, Hart, Daniel Smith and Carlton Taylor.

The Most Effective Speech cup was awarded to Mr. Taylor. Mr. Hart received the Most Improved Speaker trophy, and the Most Helpful Evaluation trophy went to Bernardo Beckford.

Harry Grant provided background music, and refreshments were served by Jennifer Ferguson and Valrie Morris.

Men and wives of the MACOMB and PEORIA, Ill., Spokesman Clubs assembled on the Monmouth, Ill., College campus Jan. 28 and Jan. 29 for an overnight outing.

The outing began after sunset with the Peoria club providing refreshments and a number of activities, including a lost-shoe relay and a backward spelling bee.

Sunday morning both clubs rose early for breakfast at the college cafeteria. Jess Ernest, Peoria and Macomb pastor, presented a one-hour lecture titled "What is a Real Christian Leader?"

Mr. Ernest's lecture was followed by a club meeting. Gary Smith, associate pastor, introduced Steve Hanshaw, Peoria club president, who outlined high points of the club year. Mr. Hanshaw then introduced David Davison, Peoria

club vice president, for a tabletopics session, during which not only the men but also the women thought on their feet.

After tabletopics Macomb club President Bob Volmer spoke about the Macomb club, before introducing the afternoon's toastmaster Barry Brown, Macomb club vice president.

In the speaking session Mr. Brown introduced Rod Fortner and Mark Banner of Macomb and Russ Mulvaney of Peoria. Mr. Smith evaluated the entire meeting, after which he presented Bob Druen, a Macomb local church elder.

Mr. Druen conducted a workshop during which 21 club members expounded upon different portions of the club manual. Mr. Druen concluded by quoting Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong: "The value and importance of Spokesman Club is beyond evaluating."

The Macomb club featured an activity with the group dividing into teams and receiving a grab bag of household items. The teams were instructed to devise a skit using the grab bags.

The first after-brunch meeting of the NEW ORLEANS, La., Spokesman Club with women guests took place at the Ramada Inn in Metairie, La., Jan. 29.

Because of cost, room availability and convenience, club members decided that a brunch would provide a pleasurable environment for a club meeting.

The cup for Most Helpful Evaluation went to Conan Webster. The Most Improved Speaker was Curtis Verdun, who spoke on the 19-year time cycle, and the Most Effective Speech cup was awarded to Maurice Ledet for a speech on how clubs train men.

Derrick Milwood, Janice Keefer and Maurice Ledet.

Floridians raise funds at NFL game

Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 22, was one of the biggest events to hit TAMPA, Fla., in years. About 215 brethren from Tampa, Lakeland, Sarasota and Fort Myers, Fla., sold National Football League (NFL) novelty items to raise funds for their church areas.

The group followed the examples of the Pasadena Ambassador College student body, which sold similar items at the 1983 Super Bowl in Pasadena.

Pastors Ronald Lohr, Frank McCrady III and Dan Bierer encouraged brethren in their areas to serve in the activity. Some served by providing baby-sitting.

Training began in mid-December when about 150 brethren learned management responsibilities. Two meetings followed in January that brought together all 215 volunteers.

At the Super Bowl 46 stands were erected with displays and novelty items. Twelve to 16 hours were spent selling souvenirs to many of the 72,000 fans. Commissions totaled \$10,946.99, which will be divided proportionately among the churches participating in the project. Phillip J. Brooks.

Seniors honored at potluck

After afternoon Sabbath services Feb. 4, the SEATTLE, Wash., congregation shared a potluck in honor of senior citizens ranging from age 65 to 92. After the meal evangelist Dennis Luker, pastor of the Seattle church, commented on the wealth of knowledge contained by seniors and presented each senior with his or her biography.

Senior biographies are an ongoing project of the Seattle church to preserve in writing the life experiences of the senior citizens. Church members helped in interviewing, writing, editing and publishing the

books, which were added to the church library.

After sundown Mr. Luker's wife, Lee Ann, narrated a musical variety show accenting songs and music from eras in which the seniors grew up. The Gay Nineties, Roaring Twenties, Depression Years of the 1930s and war years of the 1940s were represented in music, song and dance.

Tables were cleared to make room for a dance. The first segment featured the church's own swing band. Two other bands then played. Gary Crouse.

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An optometrist, Doris West and Thelma Elwess prepared a skit in which some of the YES-age girls modeled hats. A brother and sister team, Frank and Jennifer Monnens, acted out a children's book on Raggedy Ann and Andy.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., brethren sponsored a church fair Feb. 11 with the help of Tisdale and Saskatoon, Sask., brethren. During the afternoon service a YES choir sang "For the Beauty of the Earth" and "Blessed and Happy Is He."

After Sabbath services 142 brethren ate a potluck. When the tables were cleared an arts and crafts display was set up featuring ceramics, sewing and needlework, poetry, woodworking and basket weaving, photography and art and handicrafts.

Brethren age 4 to 84 participated for prizes in each category. While many viewed the displays youngsters took part in carnival games organized by YOU members. Some of the men judged a pie-baking contest.

BALTIMORE, Md., brethren attended a semiformal dinner-dance Jan. 28 at Martin's Eudowood in Towson, Md., with musical entertainment provided by Clem and Loretta Scardino.

The Scardinis have more than 4,000 records, some from as far back as 1936. The couple have provided music for family dances at the Mount Pocono, Pa., Feast site.

After an open-bar cocktail hour, 282 brethren feasted on green salad, pineapple wedges, roast sirloin of beef or stuffed boned breast of hen, rolls, duchess potatoes and peas with mushrooms. Cheesecake, tea and coffee topped off the meal.

Brethren then danced to songs spanning six decades. Pastor Roy Demarest and his wife, Pauline, enjoyed the jitterbug. There were fox-trots, waltzes, polkas, fast dances and novelty dances such as the Alley Cat, the Stroll, the Bunny Hop and the Hokey Pokey.

The management of the catering facility was so impressed with the group that they offered three hours' free use of the establishment.

A biannual fun show took place Feb. 4 for **GRAND ISLAND and NORTH PLATTE, Neb.**, brethren who shared a potluck after Sabbath services led by pastor Donald Hooser Jr.

Afterward Doug Raymond and Doug Schrader were masters of ceremonies for 45 talent acts, including antics by clowns Mary Peyton, Angie Graus and Barb VanWinkle.

A variety of performances featured poetic recitations, instrumental numbers, a children's choir, vocal selections, humorous glimpses of life, acrobatics and a friendly uniting of Nebraska farmers and ranchers to sing a song.

At the close of the program, Mr. Schrader summoned Mr. and Mrs. Hooser and their children, Amy, Randy and Danny, to the stage where Ralph and Doris Bierberger, North Platte members, presented them with a quilt made and signed by church families.

The sixth annual **PRESCOTT, Ariz.**, winter social Jan. 28 featured an international potluck of Mexican, Italian and Oriental foods and a chili cook-off.

Singles mark 'days of yore'

Singles of the **ANNISTON, Ala.**, church threw a banquet commemorating "days of yore" for Anniston senior citizens Jan. 22. The church hall was decorated with booths containing mementos, pictures of the senior citizens as infants, teens or young adults, and displays of *Plain Truth* and *Good*

Lee Sieg from the Flagstaff, Ariz., church won a trophy for the best chili. Pastor Douglas Horchak presented a slide show including YOU functions, young adult activities and past church socials.

Area members then presented a talent show, with acts ranging from comedy to dancing and singing. An international dessert table completed the evening.

Musical variety skits, songs and dances were the order Jan. 29 for **SPOKANE, Wash.**, and **COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho**, brethren who began activities with a potluck at the Masonic Temple in downtown Spokane.

Area members, in groups and individually, performed 28 musical numbers, skits and piano, violin and guitar solos. Each performer wore clothing befitting his or her skit or song.

Val Deining and her daughter Nicole, 5, performed a clown company dance. The Cabbage Patch Kids, a quartet of preteen girls, dressed like dolls and sang "I Love to Laugh."

The Coeur d'Alene young singles scratched and crowded to "Stew Fowler," a Western skit depicting a showdown of strutting cocks for king of the hen house.

Ballerinas Jenny and Shelly Long graced the stage with "Catrina Balserina." Violet Wright sang nursery rhymes with her hand puppet, and the Dupuis family performed a Filipino dance, stepping in and out of bamboo poles.

Master of ceremonies was local church elder Rick Stafford. The church band "Short Notice" provided music for a family dance.

After combined services of the **HAMMOND, Ind.**, and **PARK FOREST, Ill.**, churches Jan. 28, brethren shared a potluck. After dinner Bob Branch served as master of ceremonies for a talent show, introducing performers ranging from cheerleaders and piano and guitar players to flutists and vocalists.

Four children's numbers were presented by Kati Wright, 8, who sang "Somewhere Over the Rainbow"; Kenny Griswold, 8, "Tomorrow"; the Keenan family (Becky, 10, Carey, 8, Melanie, 5), "Best Friends"; and the Liesenfelt family (Anna, 7, Greta, 4), "Man Named the Animals."

Desserts were served after the show. YOU members sold popcorn and sodas. Tables were set up for board games and cards.

In recognition of the Church's new Festival site in China, **WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis.**, brethren used "An Evening in China" as a theme for a winter social Jan. 28.

After Sabbath services and a Bible study, brethren dined on a catered Chinese dinner, complete with chopsticks. Chinese background music and decorations of bamboo wall-hangings with Chinese designs and baskets of flowers added to the theme of the evening.

After dinner brethren danced to

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show, dancing and games for children and adults. The talent show included semiclassical and Broadway vocal and instrumental music. Katherine Moss traced the history and growth of the church in the Bahamas in a humorous rendition

Newspapers from as far back as 1948.

Singles served dinner with wine to the seniors, after which a biography of each senior citizen was read by the single who interviewed him or her. Afternoon activities ended with a sing-along. *Kathy Strange*.

American music. Hors d'oeuvres and a Mai-Tai punch were served for refreshments.

More than 180 **OCALA and GAINESVILLE, Fla.**, brethren attended an annual international night in Gainesville Jan. 22 with a talent show and samplings of food from around the world.

"Cuisine of the Nations" included menu selections from Africa, the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, Mexico, the Orient, Polynesia, Scotland, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The theme of the evening's talent show was "Harmony Around the World." Young and old participated in a variety of skits and song and dance routines, instrumentals and recitations.

"Memories in Song" served as a theme for the fourth annual **SASKATOON, Sask.**, church concert at Castle Theatre Jan. 5. From the start of rehearsals in November to showtime, pastor Maurice Yurkiw stressed an attitude of teamwork, service, enjoyment and the need for family oriented entertainment.

The stage, arranged by Blanche Friesen, conveyed a cozy home atmosphere. Singers and musicians performed in a family room setting, with a fireplace, plants, stuffed toys, rocking chairs, cushions and colorful afghans.

About 400 people heard the 45-member chorale, directed by Scott Friesen and accompanied by pianist Clara Friesen, open with "It's a Grand Night for Singing" and close with an encore of "Li'l Liza Jane."

Master of ceremonies Jerry Lucky dedicated the chorale's rendition of "Paper Moon" to Mr. and Mrs. Yurkiw, who were celebrating their 18th wedding anniversary that day.

After the show, cast and crew presented the Yurkiws with a bon voyage cake before they left the next day for the Ministerial Refreshing Program in Pasadena.

Marilynn Denny, Polly Edington, Pat Godwin, Craig Roberts, Wendell F. Miller Jr., Doug Johannsen, Sheila Hainstock, Jon and Ginnie Cook, Christine Spitz, Lisa Kenna, Rod Hall, Linda Halliar, Patricia Gauden, Terrie Payne and Jake Friesen.

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Reese Edmondson, Cara Edwards, Drew Efimov, Nabil El Hage, Cory Erickson, David Evans, Alex Evdokias, Pam Fannin, Kerry Flaman, William Flaman.

Jeffrey Fozard, Dawn Fricke, Scott Friesen, Frankie Gomer, Milie Gonzalez, Darlene Gunderson, Colleen Gus, George Hague, Barbara Haines, Becky Harden, Amy Cox, Luciano Cozzi, Tim Crabb, David Cuvelier.

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SEMIFORMAL EVENT — Clem and Loretta Scardino, the Sound Transition Dee Jays with more than 4,000 records in their collection, play for a Baltimore, Md., dinner-dance Jan. 28. (Photo by Bob Collins)

New church in Philippines

Felipe C. Casing, pastor of the Tacloban City, Philippines, church, conducted the first Sabbath service Jan. 14 for the new church at **CATBALOGAN, Philippines**, with a sermon titled "What Real Christianity Means" to 54 people in attendance.

Gorgonio D. de Guia, a deacon

from Tacloban, gave a sermonette on gratefulness, and the nine-member Catbalogan church chorus sang "Praise God's Name."

After services brethren feasted on a lunch prepared by Catbalogan brethren, before attending a Bible study on Proverbs 1 to 3 by Mr. Casing. *Ernesto S. Zeta Jr.*

Inventory brings in \$1,789

Jan. 22, 115 **TORONTO, Ont., EAST** brethren raised \$1,789 in less than five hours assisting a K Mart store with its annual inventory. Church members assembled at the store at 7:30 a.m. and counted stock until about noon with one 15-minute break.

The store manager, appreciated

such a large group, which simplified her recruiting work. Each person was paid \$3.50 an hour, and the money was collected by deacon Don Wallbridge.

The fund-raising effort brought in enough money to fund almost six months of activities in the Toronto East congregation. *Ken Parker.*

Midwest basketball tourney

Teams from Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas participated in a **WICHITA, Kan.**, basketball tournament Feb. 4 and Feb. 5. Judd Kirk, pastor of the Wichita church, set the theme for the weekend with an introductory sermonette on teamwork on and off the court.

At noon Sunday, Feb. 5, the games stopped for a cheerleader showcase. Each squad performed a cheer for the audience, with the girls showing the results of work and coaching. The finale was a cheer performed by all the squads. *John M. Williams.*

Michael North, Eric Olinger, Sheri Olmstead, Armando Olvera, Kennan Owens, Frank Parsons III, Catherine Peine, Dennis Pelley, Michael Peterson, Teresa Peterson, Michele Petty, Anna Pifer, Kim Popham, Jennifer Preteroti, Elisabeth Prevot, Martin Prince, Liane Proulx.

Pamela Rains, Ernest Raynor, Douglas Rendall, Raymond Rex, Daniel Reyer, Lynn Reyngoudt, Michael Rice, Geoffrey Robertson, Julane Roocks, Christopher Rossi, Blanca Roibal, Doug Ruml, Charlotte Ruppert, Martin Ryser, Tammy Sanders, Kathy Sartert, Michael Savoia, Angela Schartner, Kadi Schmidt, Norbert Schneider, Prakash Sebastian, Sarah Segers, Lorrye Shamblin, Sio Ching Shia, Sio Oui Shia, Kathi Shields, Joe Slevin, Carmel Smith, Linda Snuff, Crystal Spahr, Sandra Steadman, Lisa Steenpott, Ramona Stephens, Edwin Stepp, Linda Strelow, Susan Sutter.

Lisa Tanksley, Ken Tate, Robert Taylor, Robert Tennant, David Terdik, Karen Thomas, Daniel Thompson, Roxanne Tidmore, Kimberly Tompssett, Ruth Traynor, Donald Turgeon, Laura Urista, Christine Vavra, Clifton Veal, David Venich, Sophia Victor, Charles Wakefield, Robert Walker, Wanda Walker, Ted Welch, Michael Wells, Roger Weyman, Cindy Whitmore, Julius Widmer, Edna Wilkie, Gerald Williams, David Witt, Jill Woelfle, Ronda Woodbridge, Perry Worthen, Deborah Wright, Briary Yeates and Agnes Youngblood.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ABERCROMBIE, Frank and Cynthia (Wager), of Jacksonville, Fla., boy, Brian Dwight, Feb. 2, 8:46 p.m., 5 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

ARNOLD, Peter and Marilyn (Sandell), of Shreveport, La., girl, Lauren Emily, Jan. 16, 9:40 p.m., 9 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, first child.

BEATH, Ross and Gaye (Halford), of Perth, Australia, girl, Katherine Marie, Jan. 23, 6:52 a.m., 9 pounds, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

BLACKWELL, Bruce and Jane (Scholar), of Asheville, N.C., boy, Trevor Joseph, Jan. 16, 9:29 a.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BLUE, David and Pamela (Farley), of Pasadena, boy, Ryan David, Feb. 11, 2:26 a.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys.

BROCKMAN, Neil and Kathy (Gore), of Kingston, Ont., boy, Jonathan David, Jan. 20, 7:15 p.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CAMACHO, Rufus and Loleta (Greenaway), of Falmouth, Antigua, boy, Rufio Antonio, Jan. 26, 7 a.m., 9 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CHAMBERS, David and Debbie (Rains), of Salem, Ore., girl, Jennifer Kay, Jan. 22, 11:08 p.m., 9 pounds, now 2 girls.

COCKRELL, Tim and Cathy (Lucas), of Kansas City, Mo., boy, Mark Lucas, Feb. 11, 8:41 a.m., 7 pounds 13 1/2 ounces, first child.

COOPER, Thomas and Cheryl (Allworth), of Portland, Ore., girl, Dawn Olive, Jan. 20, 2:40 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

DANIELS, Chuck and Lavonne (Smith), of Arlington, Tex., boy, Matthew David, Jan. 30, 10:40 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

DENNY, Mark and Judith (Manning), of Pasadena, boy, Michael Andrew, Feb. 20, 3:30 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

DeSANTO, Ray and Karen (Janesco), of Pittsburgh, Pa., boy, Michael Raymond, Jan. 15, 7:05 p.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DITZEL, Peter and Mary Beth (Reynolds), of Pasadena, boy, Jonathan Russell, Feb. 17, 4:24 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

DREWNIAK, Maurice and Josie (Krylsak), of Winnipeg, Man., girl, Jolene Lizzette, Jan. 6, 8:18 p.m., 8 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

ELLIOTT, Malcolm and Marianne (Gilbert), of Waco, Tex., girl, Melissa Gayle, Feb. 2, 12:15 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

FORD, Mike and Carol (Rittenbaugh), of Dallas, Tex., boy, Cody Rhyas, Feb. 9, 8:30 a.m., 10 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

FOWLER, Roger and Jennifer (Knowles), of Borehamwood, England, boy, Richard David Charles, Dec. 9, 1:20 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 3 boys.

FULLER, Stephen and Judi (Hudson), of Houston, Tex., boy, Samuel Marshall, Nov. 7, 10:45 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

HADEN, Jay and Cathy (Stanhill), of Kansas City, Mo., boy, Logan Dee, Jan. 1, 2:43 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

HARMER, Peter and Ann (Glennie), of Aberdeen, Scotland, boy, George Christopher, Feb. 14, 4:15 p.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

HBBS, John and Ann (Heykoop), of London, Ont., girl, Darlene Rachel, Dec. 28, 6:25 p.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 3 girls.

ISAAC, Allan and Sofia (Trolle), of Kamloops, B.C., boy, Joshua Axel, Dec. 21, 5:15 p.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 3 boys.

JASMIN, Andre and Jacinthe (Savard), of Montreal, Que., boy, Etienne Daniel, Jan. 6, 2:23 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

KILGORE, Jimmy and Sheila (Seates), of Oakman, Ala., girl, Amanda Gill, Jan. 17, 9:37 a.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

KLUNDERT, Jack and Ann (Druar), of Windsor, Ont., girl, Pamela Suzanne, Feb. 15, 7:18 a.m., 7 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, first child.

LeBARON, Volney and Lori (Baldwin), of Alamoas, Colo., girl, Lacey Leigh, Jan. 19, 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 girls.

LINKE, John and Nancy (Thull), of Thunder Bay, Ont., boy, Justin John, Feb. 7, 12:02 p.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

LOEWENDICK, Lawrence and Lori (Lallathin), of Columbus, Ohio, girl, Diana Lynne, July 1, 1:17 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

LOPEZ, Andrea and Lana (Johnson), of San Benito, Tex., boy, Aaron Lane, Jan. 18, 6 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

MEIER, Helmut and Gerda (Duerk), of Darmstadt, West Germany, girl, Gabriele Marion, Feb. 4, 12 p.m., 3.12 kilograms, first child.

MILLER, Bob and Ruth (Black), of Pasadena, boy, Brian Robert, Feb. 5, 7 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

MILLS, Peter and Roylene (Staples), of Brisbane, Australia, girl, Sally Lynn, Jan. 29, 8:40 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 girls.

MOMBA, A. and Grace, of Luksa, Zambia, boy, Bevin H., Jan. 15, 2 a.m., 3 kilograms, now 3 boys.

PALM, Gene and Kathleen (Wiseman), of Columbus, Ohio, boy, Kyle Richard, Jan. 8, 7:01 a.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 5 boys, 1 girl.

PATTON, Jeffrey and Carolanne (Gibson), of Pasadena, boy, Joshua Stewart, Feb. 4, 2:45 p.m., 7 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, first child.

PAYNE, Keith and Diana (Dickinson), of Big Sandy, boy, Kameron Lynn, Feb. 6, 8:22 a.m., 10 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

PETERSEN, David and Joni (Cyman), of Buffalo, N.Y., girl, Jacqueline Renee, Feb. 10, 10:30 a.m., 9 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

POWERS, Keith and Jerrrie (Oliver), of Greensboro, N.C., boy, Theodore Jerome, Feb. 14, 5:07 a.m., 9 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

PRICE, Norman and Dena (Holbrooks), of Denver, Colo., girl, Chelsea Rayo, Feb. 3, 1:13 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

PRUNTY, Michael and Catherine (McQuinn), of Monaghan, Republic of Ireland, girl, Lisa Katie, Jan. 31, 12:45 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

PUJAT, John and Mary (Van Bauden), of Montvale, N.J., boy, Adam Lambert, Jan. 7, 5:17 p.m., 9 pounds 4 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

RUNNELS, Tommy and Denise (Jacka), of Little Rock, Ark., girl, Monica Nicole, Dec. 16, 1:25 a.m., 9

pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

RYAN, Gordon and Lyn (Fallows), of Brisbane, Australia, boy, Kelly Gordon, Feb. 7, 4:16 p.m., 5 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

RYAN, Pat and Karen (Day), of New Plymouth, New Zealand, boy, Craig Anthony, Oct. 2, 1:15 p.m., 5 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

SCHMIDT, Gary and Jeanie (Petersen), of Grand Rapids, Mich., girl, Rebecca Jean, Dec. 28, 2:25 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

ST. PIERRE, Tracy and Kristi (Wangenesa), of Omaha, Neb., boy, Mitchell Cawood, Jan. 22, 12:12 a.m., 7 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, first child.

WATSON, Ivy-Joe and Nancy (Nicholas), of New Orleans, La., boy, Christopher Joe, Feb. 10, 8 pounds 11 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

WATSON, Richard and Linda (Morton), of Pasadena, girl, Merryrosa Yalora, Feb. 11, 4 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 girls.

WIESMAN, Mike and Jane (Miller), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Julie Ann, Feb. 7, 9:15 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

announce the engagement of their daughter Debra Karen Anderson of Phoenix, Ariz., to Aaron Douglas Benner of Berkley, Mich., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn C. Benner. Both are seniors at Pasadena Ambassador College. A May 14 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen L. Rucker of Wichita, Kan., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Julia Lin to Robert L. Hildebrand, son of Dothe Hildebrand of Louisville, Kan. The wedding will take place March 31 in Wichita.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. REGWINN BORROW
Regwin Thomas Borrow and Lily Irma Fecake were united in marriage Jan. 14 in Toronto, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Richard Pinieli, pastor of the Toronto churches. The best man was Stewart Switzer, and the matron of honor was Judy Faulkner. The couple will reside in the Toronto area.

ENGAGEMENTS



DENNIS KUHNES AND BETH NOEL
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Noel of the Youngstown, Ohio, church wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Beth to Dennis Kuhn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Kuhn of the Canton, Ohio, church. An April 8 wedding is planned in Canfield, Ohio.



M. MORRISON AND J. WOOD
Janet Wood of Papakura, New Zealand, and Michael Morrison of Pasadena are pleased to announce their engagement. Mr. Morrison is a 1983 graduate of Pasadena Ambassador College, and Miss Wood will graduate this year. An October wedding in New Zealand is planned.



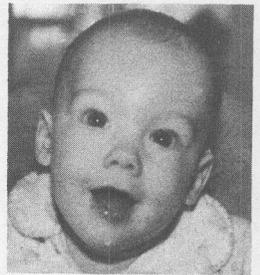
M. WILLIAMS AND J. ROECKS
Mr. and Mrs. Diana Reocks of Othello, Wash., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Juliane to Mark Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Williams of Flat Rock, N.C. Mark and Juliane, students at Pasadena Ambassador College, are planning a May 21 wedding on campus.



D. BENNER AND D. ANDERSON
Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Foster are pleased to

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

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



Our coupon baby this issue is Kevin Daniel Pearson, son of Ken and Glenda Pearson of Palm Harbor, Fla.

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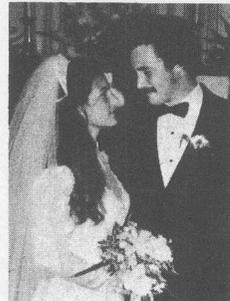


MR. AND MRS. A.D. RUARK
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bettes of Sun Valley, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Aaa D. Ruark Jr. of Southport, N.C., are happy to announce the wedding of their children Vickie and A.D. Oct. 16. Robin Webber, a minister in the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. church, performed the ceremony. Janet Taylor was maid of honor, and Mark Kersh was best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.

Avril Rabe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Rabe of the Johannesburg, South Africa, church, and John McCarthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McCarthy, were united in marriage Jan. 15 in Johannesburg. The ceremony was performed by Dr. McCarthy, regional director for the Church in southern Africa.



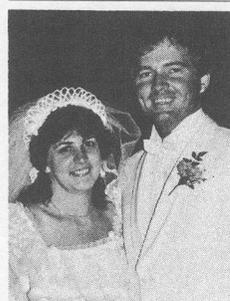
MR. AND MRS. JOHN YAVELAK
John and Stephanie Nicolaian of Perth Amboy, N.J., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Donna to John Yavelak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dimitri Yavelak of Carteret, N.J. The wedding was performed by James Jenkins, pastor of the Union and Middletown, N.J., churches. The couple reside in Randolph, N.J.



MR. AND MRS. DAVID KESNER
Leah Sue Mosholder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Mosholder, and David Jeffrey Kesner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kesner, were united in marriage Sept. 4 in Oakton, Va. They were married by Richard Frankel, pastor of the Washington, D.C., church, where both families attend. The bride's sister, Janice, was maid of honor, and the groom's father was best man. The couple reside in Falls Church, Va.



MR. AND MRS. PAT DELFINO
Marie-Anne Von Arx, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Von Arx of Granby, Que., and Pat Delfino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Delfino of Montreal, Que., were united in marriage July 17, 1983, in St. Roch-de-l'Acadian, Que. The ceremony was performed by Cecil Maranville, pastor of the Montreal and Magog, Que., English churches. The couple reside in Mansouville, Que.



MR. AND MRS. NEIL SCHNEIDER
Neil Schneider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Schneider, and Debra Watt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Watt, were united in marriage Nov. 27 in Ipswich, Australia. The outdoor wedding was performed by David Noller, pastor of the Lake Moogerah, Australia, church. The couple will reside at Lake Moogerah.



MR. AND MRS. PAUL CURRY
Mr. and Mrs. James E. Douglas are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Laurie Anne (See ANNOUNCEMENTS, page 11)

'Announcements' Pictures

Here are guidelines to follow when submitting pictures for the "Announcements" section of *The Worldwide News*.

- Include only the bride and groom in wedding photos.
- Black and white or high-quality color photos are preferred.
- Please shoot vertical pictures. Shoot head and shoulders photos of the bride and groom standing close together.

Parliament

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all 434 Euro-MPs (Members of Parliament).

But Luxembourg's hilltop setting is both inspiring and conducive to clear thinking.

Naturally, suggestions of saving money by moving the whole operation to Brussels are opposed by

Letters TO THE EDITOR

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Third title

This open letter to members of God's Church was written by Dennis Diehl, pastor of the London, Somerset and Middlesboro, Ky., congregations.

For me it is past time to write you a note of thanks on behalf of those I serve, for your unflinching faith in support of the widow and orphan in the Church of God.

Having pastored for 10 years in the more affluent churches of the Northeast United States, and now moving to an area of the country where life can mostly consist of needs and not wants, let me assure you all that your obedience to Christ in this area translates into genuine relief and hope for many of the brethren in this area of the country.

Were I not able, on behalf of the Church, to offer some real aid through these times for many, I truly would feel as if I were only saying "be warmed and filled" and leaving some without any hope or practical assistance.

I feel that you who can give what God has blessed you with need to know that you are doing a real work in the lives of many of your brethren. Christ commands us to pray for one another, but in these things we can also have the means to do for one another.

As a responsible pastor it is my responsibility to be sure the needs are genuine and that those in need are doing their individual part to help themselves. But without your faithful giving, I would spend many sleepless nights worrying about how to help those whose hearts are right and whose eyes are genuinely on the goal in the Church of God. Thank you, on their behalf, for they would thank you all if they could, and on my behalf for the means to be a doer and not a hearer only!

Dennis Diehl
Somerset, Ky.

France and Luxembourg. Nobody wants to lose the money generated by the presence of bureaucratic bodies.

Nonetheless, commuting between three cities costs the Community more than \$7 million annually. In addition valuable time is lost in transit.

Remember, Euro-MPs must also cope with normal travel between their constituencies and Common Market headquarters.

The European Parliament is composed of Conservatives, Christian Democrats, Liberals, Socialists and a small number of Communists. Some 20 members even call themselves Independents.

The fundamental problem with the European Parliament is that it is a legislative body without an executive. That is roughly equivalent to the U.S. Congress without a president. Real power rests individually with the 10 governments of the Common Market.

Will the Euro-Parliament eventually exercise great powers in Europe in both the economic and political spheres? Will it come to possess much greater power and influence than the 10 national parliaments? Only time will tell.

Consider carefully the following point. The existence of such a parliament could turn out to be enormously convenient for a future powerful European leader.

Membership Breakdown

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|---------------------|-----|
| United Kingdom | 81 |
| West Germany | 81 |
| France | 81 |
| Italy | 81 |
| Netherlands | 25 |
| Belgium | 24 |
| Greece | 24 |
| Denmark | 16 |
| Republic of Ireland | 15 |
| Luxembourg | 6 |
| Total | 434 |

PARLIAMENT MEMBERS — Members of the European Parliament are directly elected every five years through universal suffrage. These elections are independent of national parliaments.

Europe

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affluence and wide range of social benefits have tended to dampen the entrepreneurial drive of the nation. West Germans don't work as hard as they used to—or, more correctly, they may work hard, but they're not at the job long enough.

For anyone more than 30, six weeks of annual vacation are common, a benefit generous even by

European standards. The key trade union demand in the current round of wage negotiations is reduction of the work week from 40 hours to 35, said to be justified to share job opportunities with the large number of unemployed. Critics say, however, this policy will only make West German industry less competitive.

The high-flying economies of Japan and the United States are racing ahead, with the United States increasingly looking to the Pacific Rim area for its future. Meanwhile the Soviet bloc languishes in the

economic doldrums, and the nations of Western Europe fear that they too may be consigned to a second-class future.

Given this set of circumstances, it might prove logical for the Soviet Union to turn more than ever to Western Europe for economic relief. The West Europeans have the technological expertise to help the Soviet world — the latest in high technology may not be necessary. And West Europeans could certainly use the business — especially if trade ties with the United States continue to worsen.

Such a tie-in could form the economic part of a larger East-West "deal" in Europe in the future. In the light of this, the loan last fall from West Germany to East Germany takes on added significance.

The loan was hand-delivered to East German party chief Erich Honecker by none other than Franz Josef Strauss.

For more than 30 years East German schoolchildren have been taught that Mr. Strauss is imperialism incarnate.

East Germans were bewildered to learn by West German television (which 80 percent of East Germans view), that Mr. Strauss was the main agent in lending East Germany one billion deutsche marks (roughly \$370 million). They suddenly faced the rude realization that their country was in such economic disarray it had to accept a loan from the avowed archenemy of 'real socialism.'

Moscow is simply unable to provide the economic assistance needed by the relatively prosperous (by East bloc measures) East German economy. The German Democratic Republic has to maintain a higher standard of living than the other Eastern countries because its citizens are accustomed to comparing their life-style with the West Germans. The Kremlin has no choice but to give the G.D.R. a larger economic (but not political) leash.

The lesson is that Moscow will probably have to give all of Eastern Europe a longer leash. And the West Europeans will welcome the business.

"East is east and west is west," goes the old saying, "and ne'er the twain shall meet." Except in Europe, that is.

Couple commemorate 70 years of marriage



70 YEARS — Pictured above are William and Clara Oliverius when they were married in 1914, and in 1984 after 70 years of marriage.

HINSDALE, Ill. — William and Clara Oliverius celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary Feb. 14.

Mr. Oliverius, 90, and Mrs. Oliverius, 89, have two daughters, two granddaughters, two great-granddaughters and one great-great-grandson. Mr. Oliverius was baptized in 1975 and attends the Chicago, Ill., West church.

After their marriage, the Oliveriuses operated a confectionery in the Chicago area, and still enjoy making caramel candy from scratch. Mr. Oliverius was a barber for a time and recalls that "haircuts were 35 cents back then."

He worked for 16 years in the novelties and notions department of Sears &

Roebuck, and then for 13 years in the fashion department of Montgomery Ward, retiring in 1959. Mrs. Oliverius enjoys sewing, designing and altering clothing for her family.

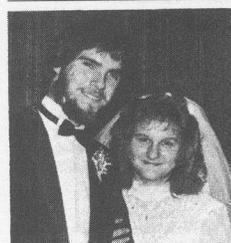
Mr. Oliverius said of his earlier years, "We worked hard during our days... very hard." He said he would advise young couples to "learn how to do things for yourselves. Everything's already done for people today."

After Sabbath services Feb. 11 the Chicago West congregation honored the couple with a card from the membership and congratulatory greetings from President Ronald Reagan. A U.S. flag that flew over the U.S. Capitol Feb. 14 will be presented to the couple.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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to Paul David Curry. The wedding took place Dec. 17. John Strain, a minister in the Houston, Tex., North church, performed the ceremony. Sheila Anderson, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Mark Curry, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside at 9819 Oldenburg Lane, Houston, Tex., 77085.



MR. AND MRS. SAULSBERRY

Norman Lee Saulsberry and Susan Gayle Winfrey were united in marriage Nov. 6 in Nashville, Tenn. James Friddle, pastor of the Nashville and Murfreesboro, Tenn., churches, officiated at the ceremony.



MR. AND MRS. P. EKONOMAKOS

Peter Ekonomakos and Luz Minerva Murga of the

Brooklyn, N.Y., church were united in marriage Nov. 20. The bride was given away by Edward Faulk, pastor of the Norfolk, Va., church. Earl Williams, officiated. Veronica Rose and Rose Rivera were maids of honor, and Steve Mervoz was best man. The couple reside at 881 55th St., Brooklyn, N.Y., 11220.



MR. AND MRS. NATHAN BERG

Nathan Eric Berg and Cherine Gay Cotanch were married Nov. 20 on the Pasadena Ambassador College campus. Maid of honor was Debbie Wood, and best man was Jeff Ledy. The ceremony was performed by Wilbur A. Berg, father of the groom and a minister in the Long Beach, Calif., churches. Nathan and Cherine live in Big Sandy and work for Ambassador College.

ANNIVERSARIES

Dearest Paula and Orrin Pankratz: Happy first anniversary! Best wishes now and in the future. May God bless you with a large family and prosper you always. Best wishes in all of your efforts, and have a wonderful second year.

To Mom and Dad, Mr. and Mrs. Dale E. Bailey of Big Sandy. Congratulations on your 25th wedding anniversary March 14. Thanks for being such great



MR. AND MRS. DALE BAILEY
parents. We love you! Brent, Colleen, Scott, Debbie and little Brittany.

Obituaries

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Clifford Irving Bergquist, 69, died Jan. 12 after suffering from diabetes. He has been a member of the Church since 1968.

Mr. Bergquist is survived by his wife, Alice; sons Clifton, Larry and Douglas; one grandchild, Wayne; brothers Eugene and Victor; and sisters Edith Mumford and Myrtle Grasser.

Interment was Jan. 18 at the Forest Lawn Cemetery in Vancouver, with the funeral service conducted by Lyle Simons, a minister in the Vancouver church.

TOLEDO, Ohio — Beverly Charles, 50, a member for 17 years, died Feb. 1 of cancer of the thyroid.

She is survived by her husband, William, and daughters Sue Jantzen, Lisa and Kim.

Toledo pastor George Kackos conducted funeral services.

TOLEDO, Ohio — Art Horn, 77, died Feb. 9 of heart disease. Mr. Horn was baptized July 4, 1971.

He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; daughter Kathy Rennett; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted by Toledo pastor George Kackos.

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Orral W. Snell, 95, died Feb. 7 in the Eventide Nursing Home in Sheridan. He has been a member of the Church since 1956.

Mr. Snell is survived by his wife, Anna, also a member; one son; three grandchildren; one stepson; and three stepdaughters.

Funeral services were conducted by Dennis Wheatcroft, pastor of the Sheridan and Casper, Wyo., and Billings, Mont., churches. Interment was at the Sheridan cemetery.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Grace M. Walker, 83, a member since 1972, died Dec. 27 of cancer.

A native of Indiana, she was born March 3, 1900.

Funeral services were in Frankfort, Ind., and burial was in Mulberry, Ind. Vernon Hargrove, pastor of the Indianapolis church, officiated.

MINOT, N.D. — Gilliam Strand, 78, a member of the Church since 1969, died Jan. 29.

Mr. Strand is survived by a son and three daughters, including Leora Laughlin, a member in Hobbs, N.M.

Funeral services were conducted in Blaisdell, N.D., by Dan Creed, pastor of the Minot, Bismarck and Dickinson, N.D., churches.

BISMARCK, N.D. — Knute Knutson, 91, died Jan. 20 after a long illness.

Mr. Knutson spent his life farming in North Dakota until he became ill. He lived in a nursing home for a number of years.

Funeral services were conducted in Bismarck by Dan Creed, pastor of the Bismarck, Dickinson and Minot, N.D., churches.

NORFOLK, Va. — Edith P. Clark, 75, a member of the Church since 1982, died Jan. 26.

Mrs. Clark is survived by her husband, Floyd, a member in Norfolk; seven sons; four daughters; 33 grandchildren; and four sisters.

Services were conducted by Edward Faulk, pastor of the Norfolk church.

WINTER GARDEN, Fla. — Tessa D. Blevins, 15, died Jan. 13 of injuries sustained in an auto accident. Miss Blevins attended the Orlando, Fla., church with her mother, Mrs. Rudy Rutherford, a member since 1980.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Rutherford; her father, James Blevins; brothers Ray, Ron, Jimmy, Rudy and Robby; paternal grandfather Curtis Blevins; and her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Simpson, members of the Church.

Funeral services were conducted by Robert Bertuzzi, pastor of the Orlando church.

YPSILANTI, Mich. — Eddie Bellers, 52, a member for nearly 19 years, died Oct. 1.

Mr. Bellers is survived by his wife of 29 years, Barbara; sons Eddie, Tony and Ricky; daughter Cathy; and grandchildren Chad Allen and Sarah Marie.

The funeral was conducted by the pastor of the Detroit West and Ann Arbor, Mich., churches, Ray Wooten. Mr. Bellers was buried in Ypsilanti.

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UPDATE

PASADENA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong approved a student transfer program between the Big Sandy and Pasadena campuses of Ambassador College Feb. 24, according to Aaron Dean, the pastor general's personal aide.

"About 15 Pasadena juniors will be selected for leadership positions next year on the Big Sandy campus," Mr. Dean said.

Under the program Pasadena juniors will be appointed to positions of faculty assistants, resident assistants, club presidents and other leadership positions on the Big Sandy campus. The juniors will return to the Pasadena campus to complete their bachelor's degrees after the 1984-85 school year.

"These leadership positions will also be available to sophomore and freshman students who continue beyond the two-year program," he added.

Mr. Dean said that Mr. Armstrong approved the program after discussions with evangelist Leslie McCullough, deputy chancellor of the Texas campus, and Larry Salyer, dean of students, during Mr. Armstrong's trip there Feb. 24.

"Mr. Armstrong noted that there are still plenty of opportunities for underclassmen to develop leadership qualities at Big Sandy," Mr. Dean explained. "The freshmen and sophomores there next year will be able to learn from the leadership experience of senior-level students from Pasadena."

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PASADENA — Thirty-eight U.S. Festival coordinators and business managers took part in planning meetings here Feb. 22 and 23 for the 1984 Feast of Tabernacles, according to evangelist Ellis La Ravia, Church facilities manager.

Also attending were Richard Frankel, coordinator for the Jerusalem, Israel, site; John Halford, coordinator for the Nanjing, China, site; and George Patrickson, representing the Canadian Regional Office in Vancouver, B.C.

"These were the smoothest set of Festival meetings we've had," Mr. La Ravia said. "We look forward to a Feast of Tabernacles of equally high caliber."

Mr. La Ravia serves on a Festival coordinating team with evangelist Joseph Tkach Sr., director of Ministerial Services, and evangelist Leroy Neff, Church treasurer. The three report directly to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong.

Mr. La Ravia said that work is proceeding on the 1984 *Festival Planner*, a tabloid publication listing accommodations for Canadian and United States Feast sites. The publication is scheduled to be distributed in late April, he added.

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BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — After seven weeks on the air in the Pacific nation of Kiribati, *The World Tomorrow* was suspended from future broadcasts, according to Phil Kingsman of the Church's regional office here.

The Australian Office received a telegram from the manager of the government-run station saying complaints were received from leaders of the Catholic and Protestant churches claiming *The World Tomorrow* conflicts with major churches' interpretations of the Bible.

Kiribati, formerly the British-controlled Gilbert Islands, was the second western Pacific nation to begin broadcasting *The World Tomorrow* in 1983. The first was

Nauru (see "International Desk, W/N, June 27, 1983). One Church member lives in Kiribati.

Robert Morton, regional director of God's work in Australia and Southeast Asia, said: "It is a pity that in this time when many doors are being opened to God's work, that this one should be closed. However, Christ knows what He is doing and will open something bigger to enable His Gospel to reach the people of this area."

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PASADENA — Four consecutive *World Tomorrow* telecasts aired in January and February brought in 47,699 calls to the Church's Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines here, according to Richard Rice, director of the Mail Processing Center.

"Revelation: Catastrophic Event," aired the weekend of Jan. 21 and 22 and drew a record 13,873 calls (see "Update," W/N, Jan. 30).

"Many callers commented that they normally show little interest in religious-type TV programs, but



FESTIVAL COORDINATORS — Evangelist Ellis La Ravia, a member of the Festival Coordinating team, speaks to Festival coordinators and business managers in Pasadena Feb. 23, during planning meetings for the 1984 Festival. (Photo by Hal Finch)

that *The World Tomorrow* is different," said Mr. Rice. "Viewers are particularly intrigued by [Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's] clear presentation of biblical prophecy and his message of hope about God's future government on earth."

Booklets offered during the programs included *Where Is the True Church?*, *The Book of Revelation*

Unveiled at Last! and *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.

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PASADENA — Ministerial Services here announced the following ordinations:

Earl Roemer, pastor of the Anchorage, Fairbanks and Palmer, Alaska, churches, was raised to pastor rank Feb. 25. Mr. Roemer was

ordained in Pasadena, after attending the Ministerial Refreshing program, by evangelists Dibar Aparian, Dean Blackwell, Ronald Kelly, Raymond McNair and Joseph Tkach.

Richard Pulliam of the Cincinnati, Ohio, South congregation was ordained a local church elder Feb. 11 by Bob League, pastor of the Cincinnati North and South churches.



INTERNATIONAL DESK

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PASADENA — The Church set up mailing offices in Ghana, Nigeria and Kenya.

The British Office in Borehamwood, England, reports that a letter in *The Plain Truth* to these areas, telling readers to write to the area offices rather than to the British Office, has met with almost 100 percent cooperation. The African mail arriving in Britain declined dramatically.

Complete stocks of main booklets and reprint articles were sent to the three offices, and literature requests are now handled locally, saving up to four weeks delivery time.

In these areas there is a high self-generated demand for *The Plain Truth*. Even without promotional activity, requests continue to roll in. It isn't easy to control circulation to keep within the budget and income.

To maintain the circulation and yet stay within the budget, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong approved the reduction of the English-language magazine for this area from 48 to 32 pages, starting with the March issue.

Now the circulation can be held at 40,000 throughout the year, although 20,000 requests for *The Plain Truth* held over cannot be immediately fulfilled.

African brethren are in good spirits. The crisis in food supplies in some areas several months ago has eased to some extent.

In Nigeria, a suitable Summer Educational Program (SEP) site was found.

South Pacific

In late January, Peter Nathan, regional director of the work in New Zealand and the South Pacific, visited Fiji and Tonga. He made five new visits on Fiji and baptized three members in Tonga, including two daughters of local elder Tolu Ha'angana.

Fifty-nine members live in Fiji and Tonga, and Mr. Nathan reported that they are well and growing in the faith.

The Auckland, New Zealand, Office reported that income was up

5.7 percent, and mail received was up 17.2 percent over January, 1983 (donation mail was up 30.8 percent).

In 1983, 15 pieces of mail were sent out for every letter received. Outgoing items numbered 1,127, 195 of which 14 percent were letters, 40 percent newsstand *Plain Truths*, 36 percent subscription copies and 10 percent other items.

The churches grew too, with 1,055 people attending each Sabbath (up 5 percent) in 14 congregations. There are 682 baptized members. New visits for the year were up 8 percent.

Australia

At the end of 1983 in Australia 72 television stations carried *The World Tomorrow* (including smaller relay stations that broadcast to remote population centers). The telecast has a potential viewing

audience of 95 percent of the population.

Advertisements in *TV Week* magazine draw viewers' attention to the program and airing times, increasing response.

More than 80,000 copies of *The Plain Truth* are distributed each month from 196 outlets across the country, serviced by 200 members. Newsstands are at 79 percent of the major airports, in 90 news agents, 53 shopping malls, 14 railway stations and four bus terminals, according to the office in Burleigh Heads. The newsstand program added 9,291 subscribers last year.

Circulation of *The Plain Truth* in Australia is more than *Time* and *Newsweek* combined. More than 140,000 copies are distributed each month by mail and newsstands.

Ads placed twice in *Reader's Digest* and five other leading magazines in 1983 brought nearly 6,500 new subscribers.

In Asia, measures were introduced in 1983 to control circulation growth because of budget considerations. The subscription list dropped 16 percent, leaving 34,800 people on file at the end of December, but income this year should allow moderate advertising in

selected Asian countries to bring some growth.

Canada

The number of radio stations carrying *The World Tomorrow* throughout Canada was reduced in December. The audience is much more fragmented than it was some years ago, and this has spawned radio stations who cater to these smaller audience cells. The budget freed up will be put into other promotional areas.

The overall goal of the Canadian office is to add more than 120,000 names to the mailing list in 1984. This will be accomplished by adding to the current programs — television broadcasts, blow-in cards, newsstands, waiting rooms and card holders.

The first big program to be implemented will be the direct mail. Forty thousand packages will be sent out, including test packages to find the most effective way of generating replies. Direct mail is one of the least expensive ways of adding to the mailing list. In late August or early September a national newspaper insert campaign will be tried again.

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retary of state; Austrian President Kirchschaeger; and Thomas Klestil, the Austrian ambassador to the United States.

At intermission the pastor general and Mr. La Ravia talked with Vice President Bush, Secretary Shultz, President Kirchschaeger and Ambassador Klestil. After learning of Mr. Armstrong's travels President Kirchschaeger extended a personal invitation for the pastor general to visit him in Vienna.

Although Mr. Armstrong's conversation with Vice President Bush was not long, he was impressed with the vice president's abilities.

The second half of the concert was as impressive as the first. The Vienna Philharmonic performed the same compositions as in the Ambassador Auditorium, which allowed the group to compare the two halls. The group agreed that while the Kennedy Center's acoustics are superb, the quality and intimacy provided in the Ambassador

Auditorium are incomparable.

After the concert the group joined a reception of 300 people at an atrium on the top floor of the center.

Mr. Armstrong was introduced to prominent individuals in the nation's capital who thanked him for his involvement in the performing arts. Many commented on his *World Tomorrow* programs and about his *Wall Street Journal* advertisements. As midnight approached the group returned to the hotel.

Tuesday, Feb. 28, Mr. Armstrong and his group took part in a luncheon at the embassy of the People's Republic of China. After dining on Chinese delicacies (the Chinese are familiar with Church dietary requirements), Mr. Armstrong discussed the scheduled Pasadena performance of the children's performing group in May.

After saying good-bye to his friends Mr. Armstrong and his group drove to the National Airport for the return trip to California. The group arrived in Pasadena at 5:30 p.m., PST, completing a short, but successful trip.

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