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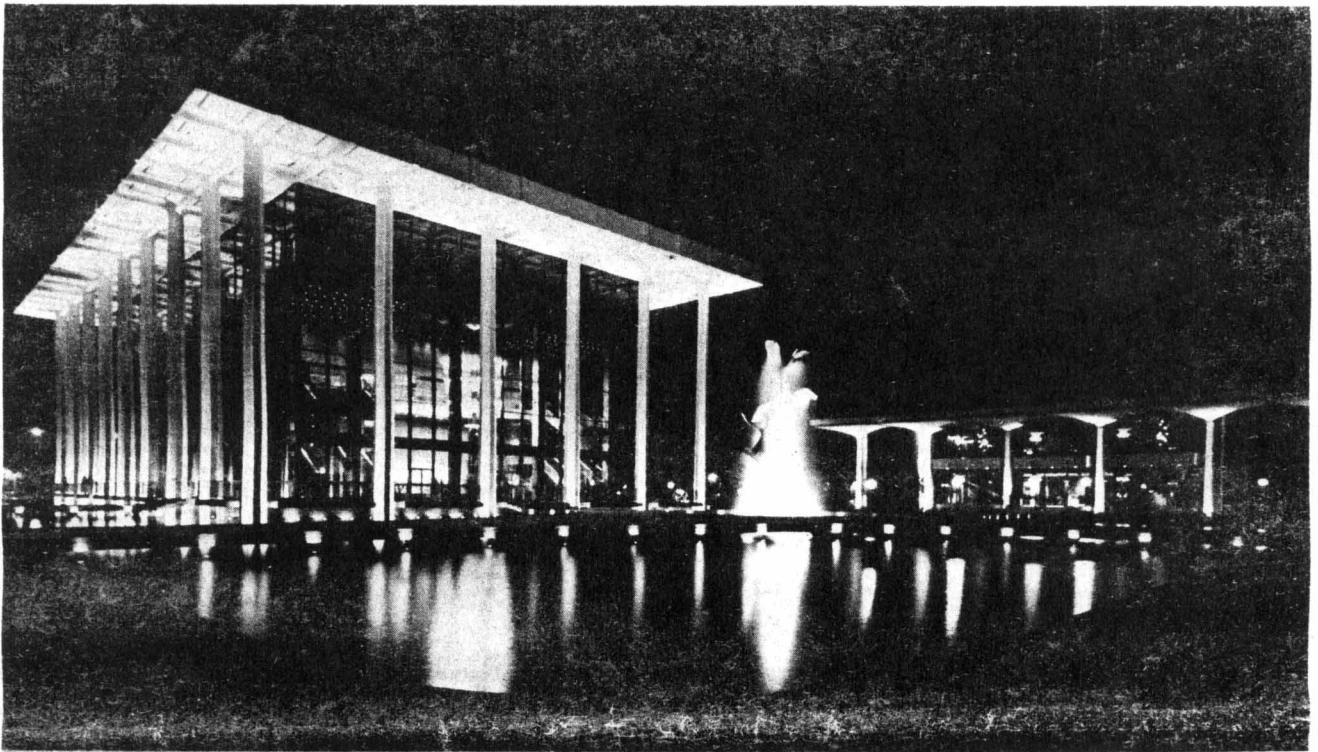
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Ambassador Auditorium opens

By Klaus Rothe and David McKee

PASADENA — "You've added a jewel to the Crown City," Mayor Donald F. Yokaitis of Pasadena remarked to Mr. Herbert Armstrong in ceremonies immediately preceding the opening of the Ambassador Auditorium here April 7.

The Auditorium doors opened to an invited audience of 1,200, which included leaders of the civic, academic and music worlds and visiting dignitaries sprinkled throughout a large contingent of Worldwide Church of God members who were able to attend.

The Vienna Symphony, fresh from a tour of Russia, highlighted the opening with its first American appearance with conductor Carlo Maria Giulini. Giulini, universally recognized as one of the world's great conductors, was appointed music director of the symphony just last year.

The symphony's opening of the Ambassador Auditorium adds another performance to the long list of world premieres and first performances in the history of the Vienna Symphony.

"It is very fitting that an auditorium of this type should be inaugurated in this manner," said Getachew Mekasha, Ethiopia's ambassador to India.

He was one among many dignitaries and personal friends of Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Ambassador College who attended the opening-night performance.

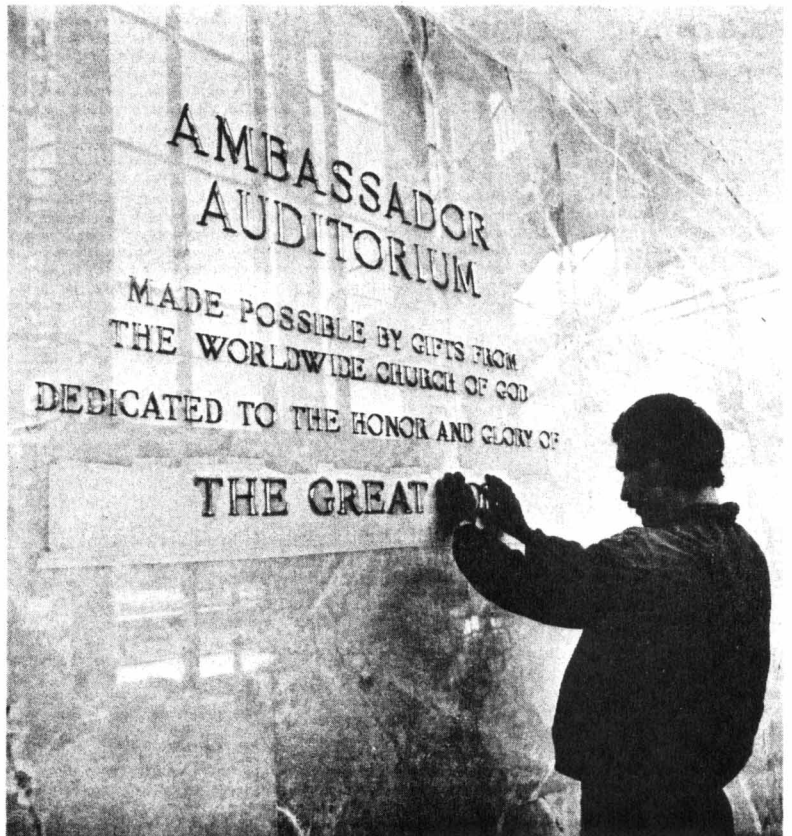
Other special guests included Bunsei Sato, member of the Japanese Diet; Nagendra Singh, justice of the International Court of Justice in The Hague; Dr. Santiago de la Cruz, president of the University of the East, Manila; Mrs. de la Cruz, mayor of Rizal, Philippines; Dr. Kentaro Hayashi, president of the University of Tokyo; English sculptor David Wynne; conductor Henry Mancini; composer Burt Bacharach; Tommy Mason, former member of the Los Angeles Rams football team; Mr. Mason's wife, Cathy Rigby, Olympic gymnast; Art Gilmore, broadcasting personality, who introduces each *World Tomorrow* broadcast; and numerous representatives of the press.

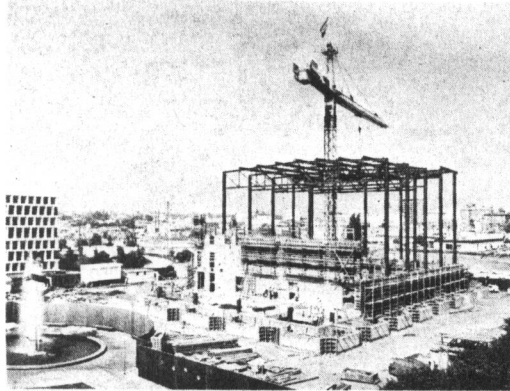
Jubilant Audience

Following renditions of Beethoven's "Egmont Overture," Stravinsky's *Firebird Suite* and Brahms' *Symphony No. 1*, which climaxed in a standing ovation and an encore of Strauss' "Emperor's Waltz," a jubilant audience poured into the main lobby of the Auditorium.

"The concert was a very great performance, and this auditorium is a tremendous achievement," said Nagendra Singh immediately follow-

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UNDER CONSTRUCTION — Not too long ago the Auditorium, above, was just a steel skeleton rising on the Pasadena skyline. Right photo shows, from left to right, Lyon "Frenchy" Duchesne, Ambassador College's registered inspector of the Auditorium; Joe Bauer, Auditorium manager; Herbert W. Armstrong; and Adli Muhtadi, director of the Asian Studies Department on the Bricket Wood campus, looking over floor plans.



Around-the-clock volunteer help makes Auditorium open on time

By David McKee

PASADENA — The story of the Ambassador Auditorium, from the moment of groundbreaking, Jan. 2, 1972, to the official inaugural ceremonies, April 7, 1974, has been one which includes myriad personalities and innumerable details.

"There have been incredible difficulties involved in the opening," said Joe Bauer, manager of the Auditorium. "It has been necessary for people to work day and night as well as weekends; students and employees have donated a tremendous number of hours."

Difficulties included the administration of a by-invitation-only policy for attendance of the Vienna Symphony concerts. R.S.V.P. invitations were sent out for all three nights, and tickets were then sent to those responding in the affirmative.

Articles appearing in the Los Angeles Times, the Pasadena Star News, the Hollywood Reporter and other publications spurred many of the more than 9,000 who requested tickets through the mail and over the phone.

In recent weeks Auditorium offices have reverberated with the incessant ringing of telephones.

Details — including design and production of programs, brochures and maps detailing the route to Ambassador College; arranging for unleavened hors d'oeuvres; and myriad other organizational particulars which came up every day and every minute, according to Mr. Bauer — made the final moments of preparation a bit tense.

Valet parking, involving 100 students, employees and Imperial High School students, was provided for the VIPs.

More than 150 Ambassador students and employees were also involved in ushering for the performance and in serving during the reception which followed each night's performance.

Quite a Hassle

Construction inside the Auditorium "has been quite a hassle," said Earl E. Smith, campus architect. "But," he added with a laugh, "it's been a fun kind of hassle."

Why a hassle?

"Time," he said quickly. Last-minute odds and ends slowed the work. The biggest problem in that regard, according to Mr. Smith, was the onyx which covers the walls of the lobby. The late arrival of Turkish stone for the front of the building was a problem, as was also the arranging and matching of the squares of stone.

Smaller worries — such as half a dozen too few seat numbers and the nonarrival of a bronze letter for an inscription on the wall of the main lobby — also made matters difficult.

The missing letter was supplied by an employee who handmade one out of brass.

"It's nice to have such talented people around," said Mr. Smith. "Only I know which letter it is."

The carpet for the main lobby had been completed in the week preceding the concerts, and the vacuuming and polishing continued feverishly through the final available minutes.

Looked Impossible

Work on the mall and landscape surrounding the Auditorium began in February.

"On paper the project looked impossible to achieve," said Ellis LaRavia, director of the college's General Services Department, which includes the Landscaping and Custodial departments.

Many changes had to be made in the area. Old sidewalks were removed; soil level was raised (requiring about 1,200 cubic yards of topsoil, most of which was obtained free of charge from a local freeway site). Four hundreds cubic yards of compost and four tons of organic fertilizer were spread as well.

About 93,000 square feet of sod was laid; over 90 trees were planted; 2½ miles of irrigation pipe and four miles of sprinkler-control wire were used.

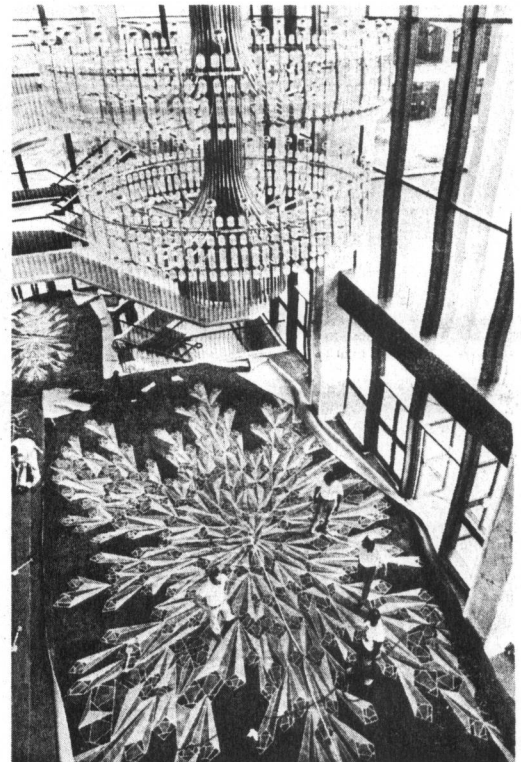
In addition, over 800 shrubs and 450 azaleas were planted.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong personally inspected the landscaping frequently and helped determine the contour of the lawns and position of many of the trees.

"It was a crash program," said Mr. LaRavia. "Though it seemed impossible, due to the long hours and volunteer help it was finished on time."

The weather, "which could have been disastrous," said Mr. LaRavia, worked in our favor. We got the rain we needed, yet it came on weekends and at night and didn't slow us down too much at all."

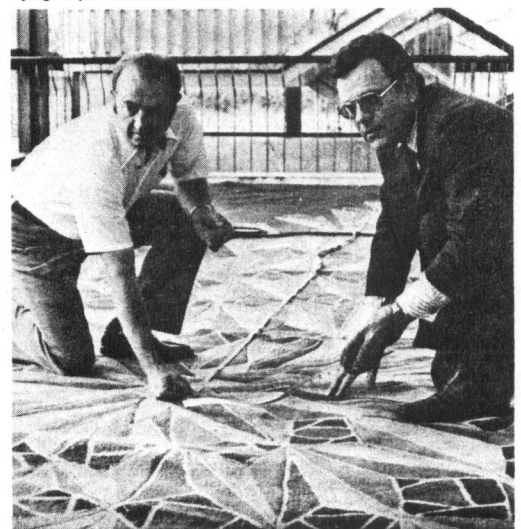
And . . . it all got done.



LAYING THE CARPET — Workmen labor feverishly before the opening of the Auditorium to put the finishing touches on the building, including laying carpet, above and below.



WOW! — Jim Thornhill, assistant to Garner Ted Armstrong, looks, along with his son, into the lobby of the Auditorium as opening day nears. (Photo by Klaus Rothe)





TRAIL OF DESTRUCTION — A residential section of Xenia, Ohio, is in ruins. (Photo by Jerry Gentry)

Members protected from killer tornadoes

It may never be known exactly how many lives were lost, and it will be months before the total financial loss can be calculated, but one thing is certain: The tornadoes which swept from Alabama to Ontario April 3 were the most devastating and destructive of any that have hit the U.S. since 1925, when twisters killed 689 people.

At press time, close to 400 people were known dead and property damage was estimated at close to \$575 million.

Newspapers and magazines throughout the country have published numerous personal stories of people whose homes were totally destroyed or, worse yet, had close relatives killed by the twisters.

Incredibly, no members of God's Church have lost their lives or been severely injured as far as can be determined, though members lived in some of the hardest-hit areas.

The *Worldwide News* has many personal accounts from members telling how they were miraculously spared from disaster.

Following are some of those personal accounts compiled from members throughout "Tornado Alley."

By Mark Robinson
XENIA, Ohio — "I was sitting at

a restaurant having a cup of tea when the waitresses began to holler and scream, running through the restaurant. They were telling everyone to get into the basement because a tornado was coming.

"Personally, I didn't think it was all that dangerous and continued to talk to another contractor. We walked outside and began to notice small tornadoes in the area and a hollow place coming down from the sky.

"Suddenly, this thing rose up out of a housing project. It looked like a giant windstorm about the size of half of the city. It had chunks of houses and anything you could imagine twisting around in the air.

"So I ran toward my truck and sped to my house as fast as I could and parked in an alley. I ran in and told my kids to get into the basement because a tornado was coming.

"They didn't believe me, so I told them again. We ran into the basement and about 30 seconds later we began to hear a noise like a B52 shuddering at 100 percent power just prior to takeoff. The whole house was quaking and clattering — just unbelievable. The whole world was shaking and we could begin to hear the house falling apart.

"Then I began to pray, and the

thing lifted immediately and left the area. I walked out and stood in an open space and saw the whole city destroyed, stacked everywhere, worse damage than a bomb could cause."

So relived D.C. Combs, Dayton, Ohio, Church member, concerning the killer tornado that passed through his hometown here Wednesday, April 3.

In what has been billed as the worst natural disaster in Ohio since a 1913 flood that destroyed Dayton, the tornado was responsible for 30 deaths, hundreds of injuries, more than 300 destroyed houses and many millions of dollars' worth of damage.

More than 50 percent of the city was destroyed, and many people are still missing.

Watching a Tornado

Steve Wyke of Xenia, also a member of the Dayton church, was at work on the afternoon the tornado hit. About 5 p.m. he was warned that a tornado was approaching.

Wyke, along with Bob Bull and Bob McCaughey, two members who work with Wyke, actually watched the funnel form.

They fled for an apartment building and from there watched the tornado knock down power lines, tele-

phone poles and everything in its path.

Wyke called his wife and warned her to take cover. Then the men witnessed extremely high winds and driving rain. They saw two large heavy steel garbage hampers blown around like cardboard and a Ford Mustang bounced on its tail, whipped back and forth with the high wind.

As soon as the tornado passed and the high wind subsided, Wyke drove to his house along with McCaughey and Bull.

Wyke was greeted at his front yard by his unharmed wife and child. His house suffered minimal damage — only a small section was blown off — yet only four houses down, all the homes were flattened for several hundred yards.

Many of the homes on the other side of the Wyke home were severely damaged, but the Wyke home was relatively unharmed.

After arriving at the scene of the tornado destruction, Wyke, McCaughey and Bull began to administer first aid to tornado victims and freed a young girl trapped in the wreckage of a house.

Wyke said many people were just walking around in a daze, not really knowing what had happened.

Mrs. Lloyd Baker, also a Church member from here, watched from her basement window as a tornado came right up to her property line, traveled along it and then veered up and on to the north, leaving the Baker property with only a few cracked windows.

At the time, her husband was at work in a supermarket where the roof was blown off. He was unharmed.

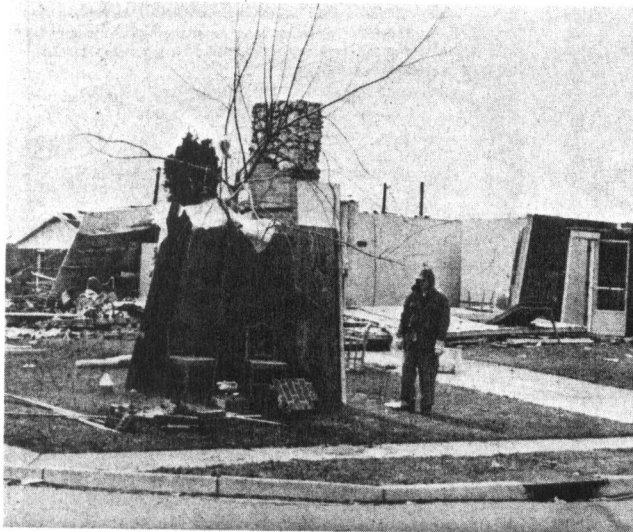
Later in the same evening, Dale Dakin, a Church member in Waynesville, about eight miles southwest of here, was on his porch when he saw two tornadoes coming straight for his house. He went inside and prayed that he and his family might be protected. When he went back outside, the tornadoes had disappeared.

Canceled Checks

At last count, over 300 houses had been destroyed here. Hundreds of others had been damaged due to high winds and debris. According to some reports, canceled checks belonging to people in Xenia floated down as far away as Cleveland, Ohio, 160 miles from here.

One Church member in Springfield, Ohio, had a canoe land in his front yard.

On the day of the tornado a
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ONE OF THE FORTUNATE — Dayton, Ohio, Church member D.C. Combs stands in front of his home in Xenia. Though the rented home was severely damaged, all the Combs property was insured, and his furniture was salvageable. (Photo by Mark Robinson)



PROOF OF PROTECTION — Only four houses away, tornadoes cut a swath, leveling the area, but here Dayton member Steve Wyke points out his home was virtually untouched except for some missing shingles and a few broken windows. (Photo by Mark Robinson)

Tornadoes

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member from here thought he saw a body floating down out of the air. It turned out to be a large stuffed teddy bear.

Wyke, who had been in Vietnam for several years, stated that in all of the bombed cities he had seen, he had never seen destruction like he was seeing in Xenia.

The destruction caused by the tornado was beyond belief. But what was even more fantastic was the way God protected the Church people during the disaster. No members or any families of members were killed or hurt in any way.

All of their homes were supernaturally spared destruction, except the Combs home, which was rented. Everything the Combs lost was fully insured, and he was the only one in his area who could salvage his furniture.

All of the Church people's prayers were answered, and everyone was protected.

Dayton ministers Jim Chapman and Gene Watkins toured the city and said it was hard to believe that no one was seriously injured.

The rebuilding of Xenia, which could take three to five years, has now begun. Area citizens responded to the tragedy in a very heartwarming manner, donating food, clothing, blood and money.

Offers of help poured in from Church brethren all over — from Columbus, Ohio, Indianapolis, Ind., St. Louis, Mo., and even as far away as Santa Barbara, Calif.

LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Houpt of the church here had to go into Monticello, Ind., to get things ready for the recent Holy Days.

"We had cleaning to get done," recounted Mr. Houpt. "My wife said let's go to the Monticello Cleaners; I said no, let's go Peerless."

"The Monticello Cleaners disappeared in the storm."

"We were going to the drugstore downtown which disappeared in the storm."

"We were going to get the car serviced. I said let's get something to eat before we do anything; my wife said let's go to the Burger Chef downtown."

"I said no, I want to go to the Frosty Way out on the west side."

"Downtown was just about completely demolished. We were served in our car at the drive-in and the tornado hit. It rocked our car and boards and limbs were flying through the air. After it was over, the large trees across the street were lying like tenpins. The garage we were going to was flattened. Our Father in heaven had His hand on the wheel of our car that night."

Mrs. Jessie Wilson of Rockville, Ind., a member of the church here, told about a simultaneous hailstorm and earthquake in her area:

"The hailstorm struck in our area about 5:45 p.m. during tornado warnings and watches. Our 13-year-old son was in the woods mushroom hunting and ran all the way to the house."

"Our 17-year-old son took refuge in the shed. The hail was the size of baseballs, and when we looked at the field across the road it looked like a field of Easter eggs."

"Some were embedded in the ground two inches."

"We had no damage, but some in the area weren't as fortunate. An earthquake struck at 6:05 p.m. and the hills by our house skipped like lambs, it seemed."

Mrs. Mary Cortelyou of Urbana, Ill., heard on the radio a news report that a tornado was headed straight for Monticello, Ind., a town in which are many members. It came to and completely diverted around it. The radio

announcer said it was a "miraculous occurrence."

Mr. Bob Persky, minister in the church here, after talking with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Houston of Lafayette, said that "Mrs. Houston and her son were in Monticello making deliveries of some of the furniture they had prepared for people. They went right on into the little town of Monticello and into a real bad storm. But they didn't know at first it was a tornado."

"They looked out the left side of their pickup truck and right across the street, a half a block way. They saw a tree bend almost to the ground."

"Then the truck began to shake and they realized, 'Look, this thing can blow over.' They still didn't know what was happening, so they figured that right after the next lightning strike they would run to the other side of the street and see if they couldn't get into an apartment."

"So as soon as the lightning struck they rushed over to the apartment, looked back at their pickup truck and saw it had disappeared."

"They knocked on the door and the woman immediately let them in and at that time they said the pressure was so great that they had to put their hands over their ears."

"The tornado was literally on the other side of the street."

"The woman immediately let them inside the apartment and they no sooner had shut the door when the roof blew off of that apartment and the place next to them blew away."

"And then it was all over. In a matter of seconds they came back outside and they couldn't believe the devastation in Monticello, Ind."

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Wednesday, April 3, 1974, has been called "probably the most tragic day in the history of Kentucky" by Kentucky's Gov. Wendell H. Ford.

According to Mr. Bill Roberts, associate pastor of the church here: "The death toll for Kentucky is placed at 72, and bodies are still being found in the rubble of what was once homes and businesses."

Early estimates placed Kentucky's financial loss at \$81.5 million.

The Louisville area was hard hit by the tornadoes, which touched down in the city about 4:30 p.m.

Ten people were killed and 914 homes destroyed or severely damaged.

The city waterworks was hit, so many areas of the city were totally without water.

Electrical substations were knocked out, so parts of the city were blacked out for a few hours, and some areas will be without electrical service for a week or more.

Many of the brethren in the local church were right in the disaster areas, according to Mr. Roberts, but none of the brethren suffered any bodily injury or any serious property damage.

One on Right, One on Left

Walter Smith Jr., a member of the church here who lives in Elizabethtown, Ky., reported:

"In the recent storms that devastated parts of Kentucky, a tornado touched down and crossed parts of my farm in the Elizabethtown, Ky., area."

"My family escaped injury and only a few window panes were broken as a massive tornado destroyed my brother's home just to the left of my house."

"A smaller offshoot of the tornado went to the right of my house, tearing down buildings and doing considerable damage to a house of my neighbor's on the right side of my home. Hailstones the size of softballs came crashing down as the storm passed over, breaking out windows in the car sitting beside mine. But my car was not damaged at all."

"God certainly spared the lives of my family and those who were in my

house, leaving only small damage to my property as the tornadoes roared by, one on the right, one on the left, leaving mass destruction behind."

Loud Noise

Lee Wingham of Madison, Ind., also a member of the Louisville church, said:

"My experience during the tornado of April 3 was, to say the least, miraculous. I was getting ready to clock out and leave work at 3:57 p.m."

We had noticed a loud noise on the roof of the factory that sounded like a loud thunderstorm, so I ran outside and picked up some hailstones the size of baseballs.

"We saw wood flying through the air. Every building in the line of our factory was completely demolished, yet we didn't realize it until afterwards."

"Just as the tornado got to our factory, it turned. Everyone was scared beyond belief. I am the only one that attends God's Church, yet our factory was saved. I thank God that I am alive to tell this."

Six grateful teenagers of the Louisville church (Karen Lee and Camillia, Kitty, Timmy, Terry and Toby Shipman — sons and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Shipman) attending school at North Harrison School, lo-

cated in southern Indiana, were miraculously protected from injury when a tornado was heading directly for the school.

The tornado changed its course and touched down instead on a neighboring school, injuring six students and doing major structural damage to the building.

But the tornado came so close that some of the students were able to see debris rotating in the tornado's funnel.

The only damage to the North Harrison School was a few broken window panes and damage to a small part of the roof.

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Northern Kentucky, near here, suffered severe damage, but again God's people were protected, reports Mr. Ray Meyer, pastor of the South church here and the Louisville, Ky., church.

The paths of two tornadoes crossed in the backyard of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Meyer, members from Burlington, Ky.

Meyer said: "Wednesday, April 3, started out as an average day but had a frightening and dramatic ending. It rained most of the day, and about 5 p.m. hail started falling. The size of the hail was about 2½ inches in diameter."

"We began to get concerned, especially when we heard that a tornado was heading our way. We warned our neighbors and then went down into the backyard to watch..."

"The wind was blowing very hard and we saw these light-gray clouds rolling together in a funnel-shaped thing coming down right over us. There was a terrible roar like a jet plane."

"We ran into the basement and we lay down on the floor with our two children, and all of us were fervently praying for God's protection."

"I looked up through a window and saw debris blowing all around. It passed in just a few minutes."

"Our shed, about 200 feet from the house, was destroyed."

"Our neighbors' homes were damaged and some completely wiped out."

"Later we learned there was a tornado coming directly towards our house."

"Another tornado approached from a right angle and met the first tornado right in our backyard."

"And then both tornadoes bypassed our house to the southeast, destroying everything in their paths."

"Trees were uprooted, things were thrown around in our house, but nothing was broken. We know God intervened to save us and our home."



DISASTER AREA — Shown here are several scenes of destruction in Xenia. Above: This photo was taken only seven or eight houses away from the home of Steve Wyke, whose home was spared. Right: Some five or six American flags were seen flying in one neighborhood soon after the tornadoes struck. A newspaper photographer on the scene said the flags were a "patriotic display that the victims' spirits were not broken." Steve Wyke stands by one of the flags. Below: These wrecked cars, in the parking lot of a supermarket a block away from Church member D.C. Combs' home, were no obstacle in a twister's path. A child on the scene said he saw a dead woman in the back seat of the car on the right. (Photo by Mark Robinson)





ENDING AND BEGINNING—Freshman Ron Berlin finishes a leg of the 24-hour relay and passes the baton off to junior Dave Link. Berlin and Link were just two of the men on a team that set a Texas state record for the endurance test. (Photo by Scott Moss)

Faculty jobs offered

PASADENA — Dr. Michael P. Germano, dean of faculty of the campus here, has announced the following faculty openings for the fall semester, 1974.

Anyone interested should send a resume and placement materials to Dr. Michael P. Germano, Dean of Faculty, Ambassador College, Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Accounting — Competence in managerial accounting and accounting systems. Ph.D. or D.B.A. preferred; M.B.A.-CPA with teaching experience considered.

Business-economics — Competence in finance or management and economics. Ph.D. required.

Chemistry — Specialization in organic chemistry preferred. Ph.D. required.

Biological sciences — Specialization in microbiology and/or invertebrate zoology. Ph.D. required.

French — To teach intermediate language courses. M.A. (plus) or doctorate.

Speech — Two positions, one in voice and diction and oral interpretation of literature and the other in speech correction. Both should be interested and competent in teaching fundamentals of communication. Doctorate preferred; will consider M.A. (plus) with experience.

Library — Competence in technical processing. Doctorate preferred; will consider M.L.S. and experience.

Music — To develop and direct concert band, teach woodwinds, coach brass, oversee groups. M.A. (plus), recent experience and knowledge of pops and strings desirable.

Salary and rank of each position are dependent upon qualifications.

National and state records fall to college runners in 24-hour relay

By James Worthen

BIG SANDY — Two track records, one a national record and the other a Texas record, fell during a 24-hour relay on the Ambassador College track here March 31.

The objective of a 24-hour relay is for a team of two to 10 runners to cover as much ground as possible in a 24-hour time period. Each runner on the team runs one mile on a 440-yard track and then hands off to the next team member, who runs his mile.

Should a runner miss his turn for any reason, he must drop out of the competition and the relay continues without him.

The relay began at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 30, and ended 8 p.m. the next day.

Each runner's turn to run one mile came up approximately every 50 minutes.

The group of Ambassador women smashed the national women's record in their eight-member team effort by logging 165 3/4 miles in 24 hours to break the old U.S. record of 110 1/4 miles.

The men's team, consisting of 10 members, broke the old Texas state men's record for a 10-man team by covering 255 miles 990 yards. The old record was 247 miles 398 yards.

The Ambassador teams were not without adversity in their quest to crack the existing records. The women's team lost two runners two thirds of the way through the day and had to run the rest of the race with only six team members.

One of the runners on the men's team suffered a pinched nerve in his hip and had to stop running.

The weather was also an antagonist. Mid-90-degree temperatures wilted the runners, while wind gusts of up to 25 miles per hour slowed their pace.

The Ambassador women's team, which broke the national record by 55 miles, was made up of Elaine McMillan, Rose Anna Willhoite, Dottie Strnad, Malvina Kardos, Evelyn Wilson, Darlene Ussery, Barbara Pawlowski and Karon Martz.

The women had actually broken the record by about 10:30 Sunday

morning. By noon they had run 123 miles, well over the previous record.

However, two of the original eight women had dropped out because of injuries and fatigue.

Women's relay coach Paul Alexander decided to have the women eat lunch and take a nap for about two hours.

The women responded beautifully when they began running again and piled up outstanding mileage.

The men's team, consisting of Wayne Jones, Terry Kennebeck, Ron Berlin, Dave Link, John Warren, Jim Todd, Pete Leschak, Don Smith, Larry Moluf and Dave Sutton, had to compensate for one runner's injury to beat the state record. The record finally fell about 7:10 Sunday evening.

The records were confirmed by *Runner's World* magazine of Mountain View, Calif., which officially keeps records of the 24-hour relay.

College track coach Alvin Hicks commented that Ambassador hopes to make the 24-hour relay an annual event.



CATNAPPING — Freshman Julian Gehman catches 40 winks under a rest tent, trying to salvage a little strength before beginning another mile in the relay. (Photo by Scott Moss)

Summer-school students selected

BIG SANDY — The Ambassador College Admissions Office here has released the names of the following 114 applicants who have been accepted to this campus' summer-school program.

Canadian students will be attending the summer program on a visitor basis and will not receive official credit because of present Texas immigration laws.

Single men — Richard Andrews Jr., Marshall, Mich.; Gilbert Backfisch, Zalma, Mo.; Peter Beale, North Reading, Mass.; Curtis Blake, Fayetteville, N.C.; Roman Borek, Bergenfield, N.J.; Raymond Cotti, Naguabo, Puerto Rico; Robert Davis, Hutchins, Tex.

Raymond Diener Jr., Champaign, Ill.; Arnold Dorsey, Chesapeake, W. Va.; John DuBry, Longview, Tex.; Philip Edwards, Okmulgee, Okla.; Michael Feist, Pipestone, Mich.; Bradford Fleming, Oroville, Calif.; Michael Foster, Natchez, Miss.

John Foy Jr., Newark, N.J.; Walter Golden, Clinton, Tenn.; Travis Grimes, San Bruno, Calif.; Carlos Gutierrez, San Francisco, Calif.; Alpheus Hall, Austin, Tex.; Thomas

Hanson, Evansville, Ind.; William Hesser, San Bernardino, Calif.

Moses Jones, Compton, Calif.; Harley Lapp, Harleysville, Pa.; Daniel Kallies, Simi Valley, Calif.; Ernest Lawrence Jr., Mount Airy, N.C.; Michael Lynch, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Dale Machi, Altadena, Calif.; William Noack Jr., South Pasadena, Calif.

James Owens, Anchorage, Alaska; Don Parker, Memphis, Tenn.; Donald Pavlik, Rochester, N.Y.; David Perino, Von Ormy, Tex.; Dwight Phelps, Marengo, Ohio; Randal Rebbe, Spearfish, S.D.; Rodney Reinchuck, Kingston, Ont.

Steven Repp, Spokane, Wash.; Stephen Richardson, Pasadena, Calif.; William Richardson, Chandler, Ariz.; Willard Roelofs, Calgary, Alta.; Samuel Simms III, Garland, Tex.; James Skoufis, Dover, N.J.; Keith Slough, Kannapolis, N.C.; Michael Torode, Union Lake, Mich.; Harry Zola, New Kensington, Pa.

Married men — Peter Bissenger, San Jose, Calif.; Gordon Graham, Edmonton, Alta.; Rod Martin, Tampa, Fla.; Kenneth Pritt, Pasadena,

Calif.; Edmund Smith, Big Sandy, Tex.; Harry Sneider, Pasadena, Calif.

Single women — Debra Bailey, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Deborah Beaver, Wheeling, W. Va.; Deborah Bretz, Carlisle, Ky.; Juna Broadwater, Chippewa Lake, Ohio; Christine Brownson, Santa Rosa, Calif.; Linda Campbell, Springfield, Mo.; Julianne Christensen, Lakeville, Minn.

Virginia Collie, Ashland, Va.; Martha Corbett, Blain, Tenn.; Sandra Crim, Chicago, Ill.; Paula Cummins, Mount Vernon, Ky.; Nancy Dark, Arlington, Tex.; Mina DeGennaro, Downsview, Ont.; Leona Denbow, Concord, N.H.

Susan Marie Douglas, Lebanon, Mo.; Vicki Elser, Wooster, Ohio; Tamara Engstrom, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; Leah Farnsworth, Springdale, Ark.; Deborah Forrester, Parkin, Ark.; Theresa Frazier, Saline, Va.; Idella Gordon, Houston, Tex.

Joyce Graham, Kalispell, Mont.; Victoria Graham, Ewing, Va.; Debra Gurley, Rockmart, Ga.; Sue Guss, Troy, Va.; Marcella Halper, Piscataway, N.J.; Velda Hatch, San Jose, Calif.; Diane Heath, Pasadena, Calif.

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Shirley Kelm, Duluth, Minn.; Joan Kessler, Williamsburg, W. Va.; Karen Kilpatrick, Grifton, N.C.; Rita Kloss, Austin, Tex.; Patricia Kurr, Pocono Pines, Pa.; Michele Lina, Duluth, Minn.; Sherry Lindsey, Garland, Tex.

Juanita Lujan, Lemitar, N.M.; Deborah Martin, Monroe, La.; Sarah Mason, Onancock, Va.; Karen Miller, Hialeah, Fla.; Klara Molnar,

Roseville, Mich.; Vicki Moore, Knoxville, Tenn.; Cynthia Muller, Houston, Tex.; Bonnie Pearce, Morgan City, La.

Janis Pittman, Dallas, Tex.; Maureen Pittman, Dallas, Tex.; Maureen Pittman, Dallas, Tex.; Kaye Prather, Selma, Calif.; Darlene Reed, Brookville, Ind.; Crystal Schellenger, Wichita, Kan.

Katherine Shuster, Concord, N.H.; Scarlet Smith, Oldtown, Ky.; Vickie Sutherland, Green Briar, Tenn.; Patricia Torkelson, Seattle, Wash.; Joan Toven, Anchorage, Alaska; Karen Irene Weber, Wheatland, Wyo.; DeAnn Wender, Pasadena, Calif.; Katie Wyndt, Plain City, Ohio.

ATTENTION: PROSPECTIVE AMBASSADOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

If you are interested in applying to the Big Sandy campus for the 1974-75 school year, please note the following deadlines:

Applications must be requested by June 1, 1974, from the Admissions Office, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

Applications must be submitted by July 1, 1974, to the Admissions Office.

A Personal Letter

from

Garner Ted Armstrong

(Continued from page 2)

lated to leave once again for Manila, Philippines, where arrangements will be once more made for his upcoming personal appearance before a large crowd, sponsored by the government, as he has explained in his letters to you brethren.

I hope you all really enjoyed "looking over our shoulders" into *The Bulletin* recently! I know you're probably "eye-sore" from reading so much — but I have certainly felt there has been a need, as never before, for you brethren to be truly INFORMED about the Work and all that is happening.

Thank God for His wonderful mercy and deliverance; we are busily DOING THE WORK once more, with all systems GO and most of the terrible problems of late behind us. Some of our brethren have stumbled or fallen; the majority have stood firmly rooted in faith, solidly loyal and firmly dedicated to finishing the great commission we have been given.

I have been busier than ever before in my life, it seems, and 24 hours just aren't enough in one day. But this work is my life, and I've got no complaints coming — just thanksgiving for Christ's calling and the great and satisfying rewards He gives for serving Him, preaching His Gospel of His soon-coming government to RULE this earth with a rod of iron — whether it means writing to you brethren, preaching each Sabbath, doing the radio programs (I've been doing more radio lately, because of temporary technical changes in the TV studios so that taping of the opening of the Auditorium could be possible) and the television programs or trying to find time to write articles for our magazines.

I know ALL God's people are equally busy — whether in their own jobs and in their own family lives, spending time in Bible study and deep, earnest PRAYER for God's Work and their friends and brethren around the world, or busy with church activities, etc.

With our many recent pastoral re-assignments, I know thousands of you brethren are getting acquainted with a new pastor; others are disappointed at seeing a beloved minister and his family having to leave for another area. But this too is part of our lives, and a necessary part.

As Paul encouraged those to whom he wrote concerning some of the young men helping him (like Gaius, Aristarchus, Secundus, Titus, Timothy, etc.), "receive him" and "I have no man likeminded who will care for your situation." So I ask all of you brethren, please give all the help and encouragement you can to those who may be new in your area. I have had meetings with most of them, and I know their hearts and minds. They want to serve God and their Savior and be "helpers of your joy," not hard-fisted policemen over your faith!

Renewals

Our WN staff has just completed, with much volunteer help from students and local Big Sandy members, the mailing of renewal letters. They have been posted third class, so it may take you a while to receive them.

I hope you all read my letter about our upcoming renewals. I'd like to remind you with this "Personal" to renew as soon as possible (we're going to send this issue and the next one, whether we receive your renewal or not, to make sure we don't deprive anyone of a paper who just misplaced my letter, or was moving, or forgot to renew, or was perhaps involved in some personal problem — like sickness, etc.).

Everyone — in the U.S. and Canada — who wishes to continue getting the paper should write us. Even if you have only recently subscribed, you need to send us a note. (Subscribers outside the U.S. and Canada will be notified separately.)

Thanks to all of you in advance for your cooperation in our renewal program.

Attention: Prospective College Students

The following article came over the United Press International wire concerning tuitions:

"PRINCETON, N.J. (UPI) — The college student living on campus in the coming academic year will have to pay more than ever before for an education, the College Entrance Examination Board says.

"In a report based on a national survey, the board said it would cost \$4,039 for a student to attend the average four-year private college, 9.4 percent more than this year. Resident students at four-year public colleges and universities will have to spend less money — \$2,400.

"The board said Princeton University would be one of the most expensive schools to attend, at \$5,829. It will cost \$5,700 to go to Harvard. Among the least expensive will be Georgia Tech, \$2,350 for tuition, fees, room and board."

I think it is TERRIFIC that Ambassador College, which we feel has re-

ally FINE facilities and the BEST POSSIBLE education, can still offer PRIVATE college tuition, fees, room and board for \$1,800 at Big Sandy and \$2,200 at Pasadena.

This is *less* than the very LEAST EXPENSIVE school — Georgia Tech (according to UPI) — at \$2,350 per year.

MORE GOOD NEWS! Any veteran who is eligible for Veterans Administration assistance from the federal government can now use that assistance to attend Ambassador College at Big Sandy! That's right. We received FULL VA APPROVAL recently!

MORE good news! We're putting together a really EXCITING sports program for the next college year, with the schedule already settled for Big Sandy and being worked on by Coach Jim Petty in Pasadena. Ambassador will be meeting other top-quality small colleges in basketball, track, tennis, swimming and other sports. So any of you young people who want to be real PIONEERS in our very first year of intercollegiate sports competition, perhaps it's STILL NOT TOO LATE!

That's about it for now, brethren. To tell you what hundreds of you have told me: "Hang in there!" Especially in your PRAYERS for my father and me and ALL our ministers — and for EACH OTHER! Until next time . . .

Love to all,
in Jesus' name,
Garner Ted Armstrong

"BIBLE STORY" EXHAUSTED

For those who wrote and requested *Bible Story* volumes from the Pasadena Postal Center and have not received them, the Postal Center explains that the response to its offer has been overwhelming and that the limited supply has already been exhausted. Therefore, the Postal Center will not be able to fill all the requests it has received. But it does appreciate the interest of those who wrote.

Mr. GTA encourages support of national fast

BIG SANDY — Garner Ted Armstrong in an April 11 interview here encouraged all U.S. members of the Worldwide Church of God to remember and support the "National Day for Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer" jointly adopted by the Senate and House of Representatives.

"I have been talking about the fast day on the radio program already and plan to hit it again this next week," he said. "Whereas we are not asking for a formal church-wide fast as such, I hope our members will support this day, which is so reminiscent

of the resolution passed by Congress in the days of Abraham Lincoln."

The resolution, proclaiming April 30, 1974, as the special day, is reprinted below:

Joint resolution to proclaim April 30, 1974, as a National Day for Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer.

Whereas it is the duty of nations, as well as of men, to owe their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions, in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine

repentance will lead to mercy and pardon, and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord; and

Whereas we know that we have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven; we have preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown; but we have forgotten God; and

Whereas we have forgotten the

gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own; and

Whereas, intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us; and

Whereas we have made such an idol out of our pursuit of "national security" that we have forgotten that only God can be the ultimate guardian of our true livelihood and safety; and

Whereas we have failed to respond, personally and collectively, with sacrifice and uncompromised commitment to the unmet needs of our fellow man, both at home and abroad; as people, we have become so absorbed with the selfish pursuits of pleasure and profit that we have blinded ourselves to God's standard of justice and righteousness in this society; and

Whereas it therefore behooves us to humble ourselves before Almighty God, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Congress hereby proclaims that April 30, 1974, be a National Day of Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer, and calls upon the people of our nation to humble ourselves as we see fit, before our Creator to acknowledge our final dependence upon Him and to repent of our national sins.

Mr. Apartian returns from trip

By Thomas Rogers
PASADENA — Dibar Apartian, director of the French Work, returned to Pasadena April 8 after spending nearly three weeks visiting French-speaking churches and ministers in Europe and the West Indies.

The first leg of Mr. Apartian's trip took him to Fort-de-France, Martinique, where a steadily expanding congregation will eventually need a new meeting hall, and the possibility of building one by the local members is being looked into.

On the Sabbath of March 23, 190 persons, eager to have news from headquarters and to hear from one of God's evangelists, were present for all-day services.

The Work in Martinique is showing good growth, but the main obstacle right now is the poor postal service given to anything but first-class mail. This has seriously impeded delivery of *La Pure Verite* (the French *Plain Truth*). Most subscribers in Martinique have not received any magazines since December.

The next stop on Mr. Apartian's

itinerary was Paris, where he held a marathon ministerial meeting Tuesday, March 26. Among the decisions reached in the meeting were several manpower changes.

Bernard Audoin, a local elder in Paris, will take charge of the Lyons and Geneva churches.

A ministerial trainee in Paris, Bob Scott, will also be transferred to Lyons to assist Mr. Audoin.

Marc Flynn, now a senior at Ambassador College here, will be going to Paris after graduation to take Mr. Scott's place.

It now appears that a new, bi-weekly church will be raised up after the Feast of Tabernacles at Tours, a city of 150,000 about 140 miles southwest of Paris.

After making a brief visit to Brussels, Mr. Apartian moved on to Geneva for all-day services on the Sabbath of March 30.

During the rest of his five-day stay in Geneva, he counseled with a number of Church members, held various conferences with members of the Geneva office staff and con-

ducted a special Bible study.

He also made a side trip to the French Feast site at Praz-sur-Arly to meet with the management there.

Then it was back to Paris again, where he conducted services for Passover, the weekly Sabbath and the first day of Unleavened Bread.

One hundred seventy-two members took the Passover in Paris and 113 in Geneva.

There were 280 in attendance for the first Holy Day in Paris and 159 in Geneva.

Brussels reported 60 for Passover and 98 for the first Holy Day.

Upon returning to Pasadena, Mr. Apartian happily announced that, overall, the French-speaking churches he visited were solidly behind the Work and unshaken by the recent problems that have affected the ministry in the U.S.

His latest trip was, in his estimation, the most successful one he has ever made to the French-speaking churches in the West Indies and Europe.

WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD U.S. MINISTERIAL TRANSFERS

The following list was released by C. Wayne Cole (coordinator of a pro-tem church-administration team at Pasadena) and is reprinted here from the April 2 issue of *The Bulletin*, a publication which goes to all ordained ministers and deacons and other key administrative personnel in the Worldwide Church of God and Ambassador College.

- Ada, Denison Gerald Witte
- Allenton Robert Bragg*
- Baltimore Gene Bailey
- Big Sandy Al Mischnick
- Buffalo Harry Schaefer*
- Charlotte, Lenoir Vernon Hargrove
- Chicago Northwest George Meeker
- Columbia Dick Rand
- Corpus Christi Hal Baird, John Ogwyn*
- Dallas Jim Lee*
- Evansville, Bowling Green Ron Reedy
- Fort Wayne Frank McCrady III
- Grand Rapids Bill Miller
- Greenville, Asheville Dave Mills
- Harrisburg, Lancaster Roy Demarest
- Huntsville, Gadsden Bill Swanson
- Johnstown Chris French
- Kansas City East Brian Hoyt
- Lake Charles Warren Heaton*
- Lake of the Ozarks Darryl Watson
- Lawton Don Billingsley
- Lubbock, Roswell Brent Curtis
- Nashville Tony Hammer, Fred Bailey
- Oakland Carlton Smith
- Odessa, Abilene Chuck Dickerson
- Oklahoma City Ray Pyle
- Omaha Charles Groce
- Peoria, McComb Bob Boyce
- Phoenix A.M. Fred Davis
- Portland Dan Fricke
- Richmond, Newport Roy Holladay
- Roanoke John Strain
- Rolla Mel Turner
- San Antonio Bobby League (in June)
- San Antonio Larry Neff (from Austin until June)
- Springfield, Albany Dave Bierer
- St. Louis South Ray Wooten
- Washington A.M., P.M.; Hagerstown Larry Salyer

*Associate pastor

Our men in Brussels

BRUSSELS, Belgium — Here in what is known increasingly as the capital of Europe — some 300 yards from the doorstep of the European Economic Community (EEC) Commission headquarters — the Work has established an editorial outpost to help serve in watching and reporting on the unification of Europe.

Brussels, the capital of Belgium, is the headquarters of two international organizations — the EEC and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) — which are destined to play a major role in world affairs.

The Plain Truth has long understood and predicted that Europe would once again hold the key to the world's future.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong himself made his first trip to Europe in 1947, inspecting firsthand the damage and rubble of a continent which had not yet even begun to recover from the devastation of World War II.

In the early '50s young Ambassador graduates, such as Richard Armstrong and Roderick Meredith, were sent over to inspect conditions firsthand for needed background for the articles they were beginning to write for *The Plain Truth*.

As Ambassador College gradually opened offices around the world to receive mail, send literature and make personal counsel available, personnel in these offices filed many reports.

Some of these men included Raymond McNair in England, Frank Schnee in Duesseldorf and Colin Wilkins in Geneva.

But for more than 20 years the Work had no one devoting all his efforts to watching — reading about and gathering information in detail about — the unification of Europe from the spot in Europe.

In May, 1971, Mr. Ted Armstrong announced plans to open *Plain Truth* offices in Washington, D.C., and Brussels. (Washington office staffer Dexter Faulkner's story was told in *The Worldwide News* of Nov. 26, 1973.)

The man selected to fill the job opening in Brussels was just then finishing his studies at Ambassador

and was prepared in many ways for the job.

Working Knowledge

Ray Kosanke holds a previous degree in political science from Stanford University in California.

Before attending Ambassador, Pasadena, he had already lived for two years in Belgium, acquiring a working knowledge of French and Dutch while there.

He already had a basic knowledge of German.

Further, his wife Daniele is Belgian.

"All these factors were helpful in establishing an editorial office here in Belgium," Mr. Kosanke explained. "They also cut down on all the red tape involved."

Though born in Hammond, Ind., Mr. Kosanke grew up in Tucson, Ariz. He early won recognition for his prowess in basketball — he's 6 feet 9½ — and was named all-American in high school, then cocaptained Stanford's team during the 1965-66 season.

Mr. Kosanke did not devote his entire life to sports, however. He served as "youth governor of Arizona" and student-body president during his senior year at Tucson High.

He chose Stanford University over the University of California, Los Angeles, because of Stanford's academic program.

After receiving a degree in political science, Mr. Kosanke turned down professional-basketball offers after graduation and moved to Belgium.

Choosing to play on a Belgian semipro team, he still had time for travel and further studies in Europe.

Even today, over five years later, he is occasionally stopped on the street by people who remember him from his ball-playing days.

Mr. Kosanke used his free time in those two years to travel and to study languages at the University of Antwerp (also in Belgium) and the University of Brussels.

It was also then that he met Daniele Brocteur of Liege, Belgium.

She was also interested in languages; she had earned a translator's degree in French, English and German.

It was also while in Belgium that Mr. Kosanke first heard *The World Tomorrow*. In those days it could be heard in Europe over both Radio Luxembourg and Radio Caroline, a British ship station in operation at the time.

He wrote for a number of booklets, then decided to check Ambassador out in person, first going to the Bricklet Wood campus for an initial visit.

"It's interesting now to look back and see what I understood — or rather, didn't understand — at the time. The question of whether God existed was a real challenge then, and to see how the reality of the answer to that has changed so much of what I now believe is personally an amazing thing."

Minor Upheaval

On a visit to the U.S. to see his family, he visited the Pasadena campus. He decided to "prove" the Ambassador way and applied for college.

Accepted, he entered in the fall of 1968.

This created a minor upheaval with his basketball team owner in Belgium, but one other aspect worked out well: Daniele came over from Belgium and entered college the same year.

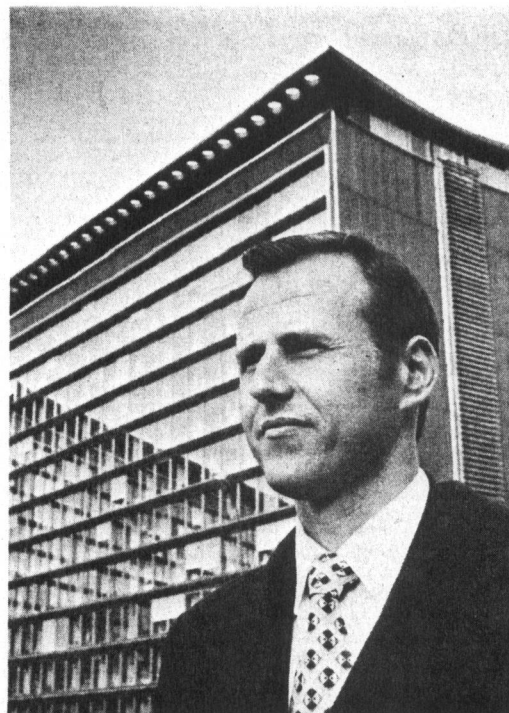
They were married at the end of the school year.

Today they have two children: Celine Anne, 3, and Jocelyn Joy, 18 months.

Mr. Kosanke graduated in 1971 after serving as an Ambassador Club president, French Club president and captain-coach of the "Nephthilim," the unbeatable team of giants in the class of '71.

Also while a student, he worked as an assistant in heading up the "America, Listen!" campaigns in the summer of 1970.

At graduation he was hired by Pasadena's Editorial Department and spent the summer there in preparation for the move to Brussels in the



MR. RAY KOSANKE

fall of 1971.

Settling In

Mr. Kosanke described the past two years in Belgium as "organizing, settling in, filling out forms, standing in line and getting accredited."

"It's hard to realize," he continued, "the effect an immense bureaucracy has on the European way of life. Trying to get things done quickly is a giant task here in comparison with the U.S."

It was also a valuable time of learning, understanding and making contacts.

Recent articles written for *The Plain Truth* include: "When Europe's Lights Go Out," "What Europeans Think of America" and "Europe's Number One Concern."

The Stockholm Environment Conference, the Paris European Summit (both in 1972) and the Copenhagen Summit this past December were among the major conferences he has covered.

In June of 1973, Henry Sturcke was sent over to assist Mr. Kosanke. He had just graduated from Ambassador in Pasadena and had previously graduated from Boston University with a degree in journalism, so during his last year at Pasadena he served as a faculty aide in the Journalism Department and helped teach the Newspaper Production class.

"I don't know how much the students got out of it — I had a lot to learn about teaching — but I loved every minute of it."

Jumping at Opportunity

Mr. Sturcke's original interest in journalism dates back to high school. "I never expected this job to be available when I graduated, but it was, and I jumped at the opportunity."

He also has studied both French and German.

Now that he had an assistant, Mr. Kosanke moved his office operations to a location barely two blocks away from the headquarters of the EEC Commission.

In fact, the original offices of the commission were right next to the present *Plain Truth* offices, so the address is quite well known to everyone working with the EEC.

Before that, Mr. Kosanke had been working out of his home, which was within view of a monument in Waterloo, Belgium, marking the

point in Europe where Napoleon was finally defeated.

The office features a 24-hour answering service — Mr. Sturcke, a bachelor, lives there. It has adequate room for books, files and other necessary materials.

"We're still in the building stage, though, in terms of acquiring the furnishing necessary to adequately represent the Work here," said Mr. Kosanke.

Maintaining Contacts

A large part of the Brussels operation includes maintaining personal relations with the numerous individuals and officials responsible for the organizations that make up the EEC.

Other than the EEC and NATO, contacts are also maintained with the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and embassies from several nations, including Turkey and the People's Republic of China.

These contacts are of importance to the job because they represent access to sources of information necessary to keep tabs on Europe and gain entrance to the conferences and press briefings continually taking place here in Europe.

As events continue to move in Europe, both men look forward to making a continually improved contribution to *The Plain Truth* and to all other media through which Ambassador College is reaching the world with its unique message for mankind.



MR. HENRY STURCKE

Newsstands in the "tubes"

Britain displays *The Plain Truth*

By Peter Butler

BRICKET WOOD — All over London and throughout many areas of Britain, *The Plain Truth* is now on display — in "tube," or subway, stations, in mainline railway stations and on newsstands.

The network of outlets managed by the Newsstand Department increases every day.

But what is the reaction of the public to this innovation at the newspaper kiosks and bookstores. "Free — Please Take One," invites the placard. And throughout the country people respond, in one way or another.

The British temperament is strange. Thoughts flash through a would-be customer's mind as he flicks through the magazine. Free? Then it's to be suspected. Some religious tract? Subversive propaganda? Soft-sell advertisement?

But this looks like a fine-quality production. That picture of Princess Anne and Capt. Mark Phillips on the cover is superb.

Furtive Glances

Can it really be free? The potential reader glances around him to see if the newsagent is going to accost him for payment. He still hesitates — looks about himself again — and steps gingerly away with his prize.

A few paces away he glances back

furtively. He still can't believe it.

Then he disappears into the crowd, and we are left to wonder how soon he will read the letter inserted between the magazine pages that will finally convince him he is no petty thief.

Of course, the old hand — the reader who always obtains his *Plain Truth* at the newsstand — is easily recognized. Hurrying on his way, he glances at the *Plain Truth* stand outside the kiosk. Ah, yes! This month's magazine is out.

Unabashed, he takes his copy and pops it into his briefcase without so much as a pause in his pace. Another satisfied subscriber. A member of Parliament, perhaps. Or a lawyer. Or maybe just a humble bank clerk.

Some people are so taken with the magazine when they see it for the first time on a newsstand that they stop there and then to read whole articles. Just recently a young woman was observed at the commuter-choked Baker Street subway station in London taking the March *Plain Truth* and standing directly in front of the stand, reading the entire article entitled "A Happy Marriage — Is It Only for a Princess?"

Then she went back to the beginning and began to read it all over again.

Reactionary Readers

Other people are a little reaction-

ary. They pick up the magazine, glance through it, stop, reconsider and thrust it back onto the stand.

One person seen doing this had just reached the "Satan Is Back" page.

Others put the magazine back quite calmly; obviously, they are either simply not interested or do not think they have time to read it.

Most important is the fact that in Britain about six magazines are taken from newsstands every minute of the day while stocks last.

A total of 105,000 magazines are circulated each month in this way.

And as a follow-up, six percent of those who take *The Plain Truth* from newsstands subsequently request a year's subscription — at a cost to the Work of only 84 pence (\$1.93) to attract each subscriber.

These figures compare favorably with other means of distribution, for to attract a single subscriber through *The World Tomorrow* broadcast when it was aired in Britain via off-shore radio stations cost over seven pounds (\$16).

The cost to obtain a single subscriber through *Reader's Digest* ads was about six pounds (\$14).

Moreover, as display methods are expanded and new distribution methods pioneered, the response is being pushed up toward seven percent, while the cost is actually falling.

Auditorium inauguration

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ing the musical program.

His remarks prefaced the many congratulations directed to Mr. Herbert Armstrong and the orchestra during a private reception which came on the heels of the concert.

"Impeccable. I thought it was a marvelous performance. But then, I do admire Giuliani very much," said David Wynne, the English artist who sculpted the bronze eagrets at the Auditorium's entrance.

In the grand lobby of the Auditorium are two more of his works, *Sir Thomas Beecham* and *Yehudi Menuhin*.

"I think the whole complex of Ambassador College leads one into the right mood for listening to music," he remarked.

Bunsei Sato related that he was so overcome by the performance that he

Project manager praises building

PASADENA — "In my 30 years of construction experience," said Roy Wood, project manager for William Simpson Construction, a firm working on the Auditorium. "I've never had the opportunity to work on a building that was a genuine work of art. This is it, and it's going to be the talk of all Southern California."

The \$9.8 million Ambassador Auditorium, just completed on the 40-acre Ambassador College campus here, opened Sunday evening, April 7, with a premiere special-invitation performance by the Vienna Symphony.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong conceived the idea of the Auditorium 11 years ago as a multipurpose community center to be used by the college's student body and occasional community events, but more so, said Mr. Armstrong, "as a monument to the honor and glory of the living God. We could not have justified producing a structure of this magnificence for college purposes alone."

The Auditorium was made possible by special gifts from the worldwide membership of the Worldwide Church of God.

"Because of its many planned uses for the Church and college, the Auditorium combines more design features than does any other single auditorium in the world, public or private, and for a college auditorium is unequalled on any other school or university campus," said Patrick Flynn, manager of communications for Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall (DMJM) of Los Angeles, architects and designers for the Auditorium who spent seven years in the design and construction of the building.

"The building is a new focal point for campus life as well as a landmark for the city of Pasadena," continued Mr. Flynn.

He said the construction of the Auditorium "touched everybody connected with it in a remarkable way not encountered in a commercial project."

The quality and magnificence of the job inspired all the hundreds of workmen to do their best, he said, and a "rare degree of quality control and building excellence was achieved."

The worldwide sources of the construction materials posed difficulties in scheduling and construction problems, which DMJM project architect Harry B. Clausen said at times seemed insurmountable.

Many individuals and companies contributed to the Ambassador Auditorium, said Mr. Flynn, including DMJM principals Arthur E. Mann and Stanley M. Smith.

"Certainly Chancellor of Ambassador College Herbert W. Armstrong was the prime mover," he said.

felt he must express himself in his native tongue at the expense of translation, rather than communicating his thoughts in English.

"I think this is the highest peak to which a human being can ascend," said the Japanese representative. "I was moved by the quality of the entire campus."

Artistic Feeling

Giulini, presented with three garlands of red roses at the end of the concert's closing number, said:

"The Auditorium gives one an artistic feeling. It's not just a cold building."

The manager of the Vienna Symphony, Karl Peter Pietsch, currently preparing for a world tour, concurred with the conductor.

"Among modern auditoriums that we have seen, this is the finest," he said.

"I would love to play in this auditorium," commented George Sotorojas, conductor of the Pan-American Philharmonic Orchestra of Los Angeles. "It's magnificent."

Chief general counsel for Ambassador College, Stanley Rader, thought the performance and the

Auditorium should be recognized as "the highlight of Pasadena in the last 50 years."

"It was unbelievably fine," he said. "The maestro told us yesterday that everything would be as everyone expected. You can tell, yourself, how everyone is responding."

"All of this is the result of his [Mr. Armstrong's] inspiration — his guidance and faith. It took a tremendous amount of faith on his part, a tremendous amount of work. And now it's here."

"It is a fulfillment in which we can all share. Without faith there would have been nothing here. I remember when I first met Mr. Armstrong he said that someday all of this would be here."

"Now it is here."

Dignity and Elegance

Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong remembered also.

"I was in the original meeting when my father envisioned the kind of auditorium he wanted," he said. "We went down and talked to the architects — Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall — and he began to talk about how he wanted something with flair and dignity — elegance without being opulent, and on and on. It seemed that some of the

things he stated were almost impossible to ever achieve, but I've already talked to three members of this firm and they said, 'Your dad told us how he wanted it, so here it sits, just as he described it.'"

And the orchestra?

"Magnificent," Mr. Ted Armstrong said. "I was pleased with everything from start to finish."

"I've heard an unending stream of comments ever since I got here this evening," continued Mr. Armstrong. "As I was walking out after the performance I was talking to a man who himself is the conductor of a symphony orchestra. He said he couldn't believe the woods, which he felt were the key to having a beautiful auditorium for sound."

Sharing the spotlight this evening were members of Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall. Harry B. Clausen, architect for the firm, which was largely responsible for the Auditorium's design, stated:

"It's been a one-of-a-kind job. It's the kind of job many architects never get in a lifetime."

"I feel great about it," he continued. "It's been an exciting job for me personally. It gives me a great deal of satisfaction tonight to have it finished and turn out well."

Irvan F. Mendenhall, president of

the company, said:

"There couldn't have been a nicer or more appropriate thing to open up the Auditorium than the Vienna Symphony.

One in a Million

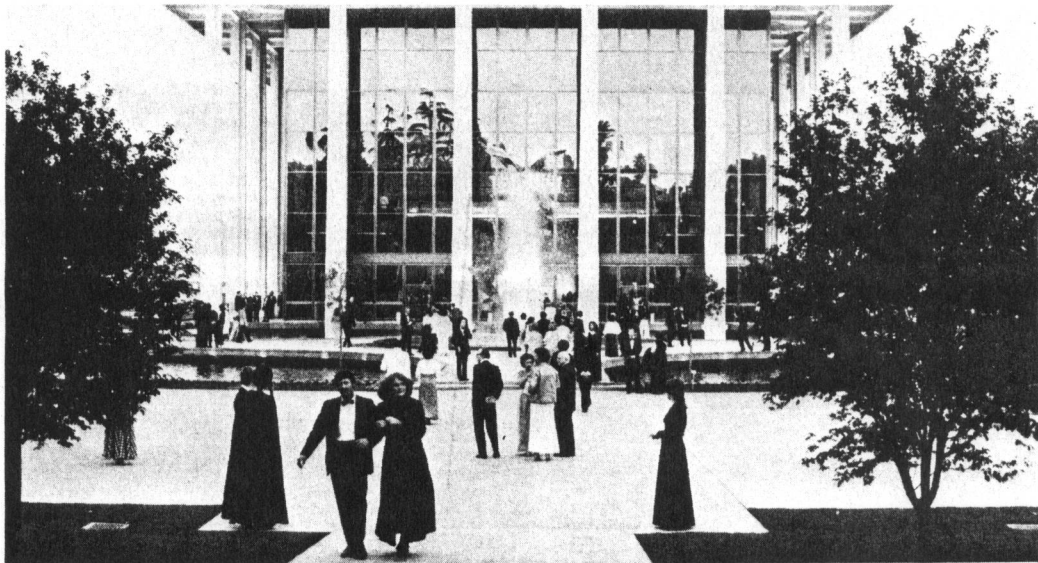
"We take quiet pride in a building of this sort. I think it will be well accepted and liked for decades to come. Mr. Armstrong is to be complimented in permitting and encouraging us to do the maximum toward an outstanding design. It's a one-in-a-million building."

The Pasadena *Star News* agreed. In a column the following day, classical-music editor R.W. Stiles called the Auditorium Pasadena's "gleaming new hall" and "one of the world's most beautiful concert halls."

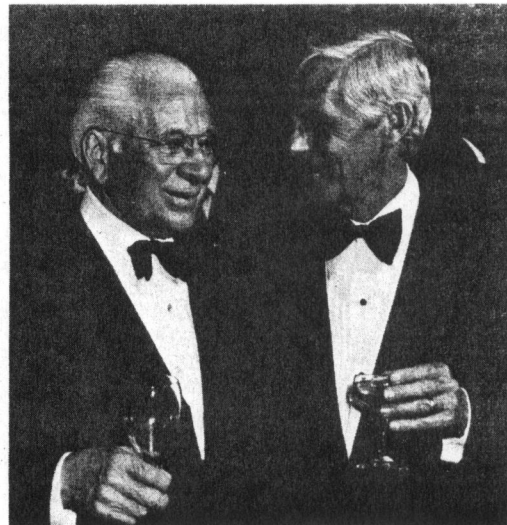
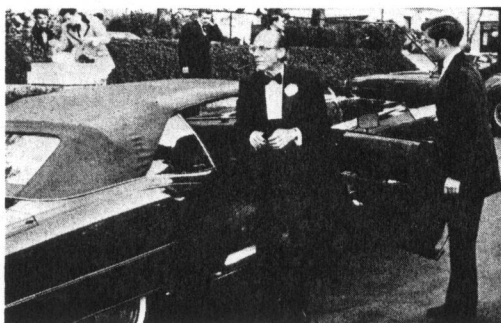
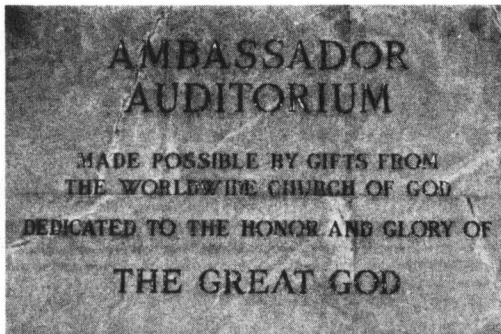
The orchestra performance he called a "unique musical event, a cultural landmark for Pasadena."

The inaugural concert was identically performed Monday and Tuesday nights, after which the Vienna Symphony flew directly to Vienna.

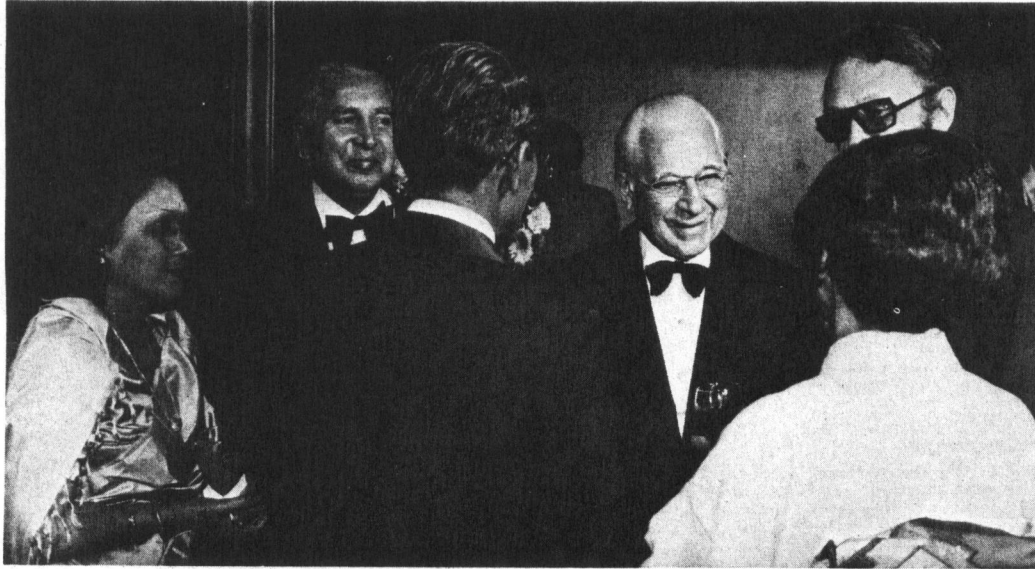
"Later this spring the Auditorium will be officially dedicated," said Mr. Herbert Armstrong, who prior to the inaugural concert called the Auditorium a "bejeweled monument of art."



GALA — Guests gather, above, in front of the Auditorium, which, for the April 7 concert, as the dedicatory statement in the grand lobby acknowledges, is built "to the honor and glory of the Great God." Bottom-left photo shows students serving as parking attendants. In the photo below, Mr. Herbert Armstrong, left, and Harry Clausen, project architect for Daniel, Mann, Johnson, & Mendenhall — one of the men largely responsible for the design of the Auditorium — discuss the success of the evening at a reception following the inaugural concert. [Photos by Mike Hendrickson, Rick Dykes and David McKee]



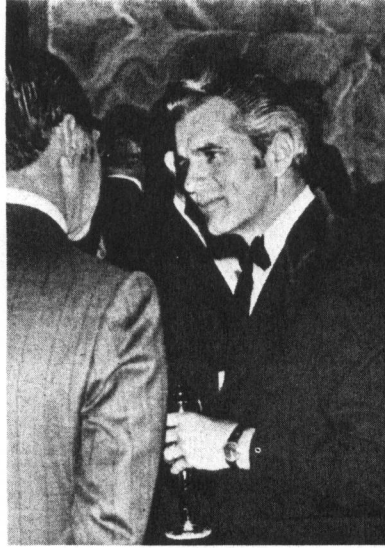
Opening night at the Auditorium



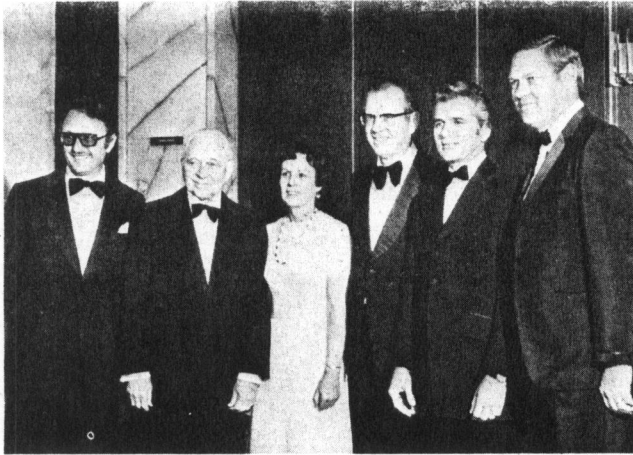
OPENING-NIGHT SCENES —

The Ambassador Auditorium was a beehive of activity on the April 7 opening night as guests from around the world gathered for the inauguration. In the above photo, Herbert Armstrong greets Dr. Hidezo Kinjo, president of the University of Ryukyus in Okinawa, and his wife. Mr. Armstrong is flanked on the left by Justice Nagendra Singh of the International Court of Justice and his wife and by Ambassador College legal counsel Stanley Rader. At left, a violinist in the Vienna Symphony concentrates on his score as Conductor Carlo Maria Giulini, in the bottom series of photos, expressively conducts the orchestra. In the photo at the right, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Deputy Chancellor Ronald Dart, left, and his wife chat with Dr. Kentaro Hayashi, president of the University of Tokyo. Part of the concert crowd, above, right, gathers in the grand lobby of the Auditorium on the opening night. [Photos by Gary George, David McKee, Ken Evans and Rick Dykes]





MINGLING WITH THE CROWD — Garner Ted Armstrong, above, converses with an unidentified guest at the concert while, in the upper-right photo, Ethiopian Ambassador to India Getachew Mekasha, left, chats with Ambassador College, Bricket Wood, bursar Charles Hunting before the inaugural performance. In the bottom-right photo, Supervisor for the County of Los Angeles Kenneth Hahn, left, presents an official welcome to Mrs. H. Ishii, wife of one of the Japanese Diet members who was unable to attend the April 7 affair, as Mr. Armstrong looks on. In the group photo below, from left to right, are Stanley Rader, Herbert W. Armstrong, Mrs. Kenneth Hahn, Kenneth Hahn, Ted Armstrong and Pasadena Mayor Donald Yokaitis. (Photos by David McKee and Klaus Rothe)



Local church news wrap-up

Choosing a Country

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Last spring Doris Phelps of the Cincinnati East church suggested that a Homemakers' Club (through the Cooperative Extension Service of the United States Department of Agriculture and Ohio State University) would be a good organization for the women of this church.

With the help of Luella Glover and Karlene Denny the club began in July, 1973.

The meetings have not only been good fellowship, but the women have learned quite a bit.

For instance, last month the club meeting featured slides showing what to do in emergency road situations.

The month before, the ladies learned what signs to look for in heart disease and how to prevent it.

Another month they heard about fraud, deceit and abuse in advertising.

But this month the ladies had an international luncheon, with each woman choosing a different country.

The meeting started with appetizers and wine from Spain, followed by borscht from Russia, Swedish meatballs, French bread, Chinese noodles and vegetables and sukiyaki from Japan.

Each woman gave a short talk on the customs and family life in her country.

The ladies would highly recommend Homemakers' Club as a good organization for other church areas. *Betty Richter.*

Touch of Sophistication

TORONTO, Ont. — Over 400 people attended the first-ever fashion show presented by young ladies from the Toronto East and West churches. The show was held Saturday, March 9, during the intermission of a church social.

Ranging in age from 2 to 25, a total of 26 girls worked for weeks making their dresses (some mothers did help).

Overall coordinator Kim Barlett spent quite a few hours writing the show commentary and coaching the girls on posture and modeling techniques.

Dress styles included pantsuits, Sabbath dresses, hostess gowns and formals.

Church-member electricians provided lighting effects, adding an extra touch of sophistication to the show, and other members worked on stage display, floral design and special decorations.

Warren Lee, choir leader and band coordinator, provided musical background at the piano and was accompanied on drums by Russ Farr.

There was also something for the men — tips on how to buy and wear a suit. The expert on this subject was local elder Terry Johnson.

No one took him seriously, but the audience did enjoy his skit. *George Merritt.*



Cricket's Cricket

TEMORA, Australia — Sunday, Jan. 27, was the date of the first annual cricket match between the Sydney and Melbourne churches.

The game was played here, in a country town approximately halfway between the two cities.

For the benefit of our American readers, cricket is Australia's national summer game. Although an international game can last as long as five days, the interchurch game was trimmed down to only seven playing hours.

Melbourne batted first and reached 126 runs all out, with Capt. Harold Clews top-scoring with 42.

After lunch and refreshments, served by the Temora church congregation, Sydney batted to try to pass the Melbourne total.

However, the superior fielding of the more experienced southern team won the day. Sydney could only reach 88 all out, with Graham Mills top-scoring with 43 runs.

After the presentation of the Reg Platt-John Halford Memorial Cricket Trophy, 22 weary men prepared for a long drive home.

It was an enjoyable and profitable opportunity for the members of the churches in Australia's two largest cities to get together in friendly competition — and the best team won.

But watch out next year, Melbourne! *John Halford.*

Potential Picnickers

PUEBLO, Colo. — Dancing and winter picnics don't usually go together, but the congregation here recently enjoyed a covered-dish supper plus about two hours of square dancing.

A very patient professional caller taught young and old the basic dance steps, and before the evening was over people were dancing well enough that they didn't want to stop.

The picnic was in Colorado's Rocky Mountains. The evening before, about four inches of snow had



fallen in the lower elevations, so there had to be much more in the mountains.

This did not deter anyone in any way, however. Potential picnickers traversed the icy roads, arrived at the designated spot and soon had two roaring fires ablaze.

The snow fell gently; the lake was covered with about two feet of ice. There was an abundance of delicious food, an invigorating soccer game out on the ice; and — would you believe? — a game of horseshoe pitching in the snow. *T.J. Stewart.*

Year of Bubbles

ATLANTA, Ga. — "Happy Days Are Here Again" was the theme of the Atlanta church's first teen social of the year.

The evening centered around the '50s, with music, dancing, entertainment and costumes reminiscent of that era.

Music was provided by a jukebox programmed with golden oldies.

A live band played music for dancing and the entertainment portion of the evening.

The band was composed of young people from this area: Lani Finley, lead guitar; Steve Laughlin, rhythm; Leslie Sutton, bass; and Mark Carroll, drums.

Entertainment featured well-known radio personality Flip Side as emcee and included a guest appearance by Elvis Presley (Mike Boss) singing "Jailhouse Rock."

Specialty dances included a ballroom dance, a freeze dance and an elimination dance, with prizes for the winners ranging from a year's supply of Double Bubble gum to baby socks and Brylcreme. *Ken Giese.*

Shower Power

LAKE CHARLES, La. — Tuesday, March 19, a ladies' luncheon and surprise baby shower for Mrs. JoAnn Smith was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baudoin. Eighteen ladies attended, and



good food and fellowship were enjoyed by all.

Dennis Doucet, a deacon, joined the ladies for lunch. All agreed to do it again soon. *Florence Nail.*

Fitting Climax

CINNAMINSON, N.J. — The championship game of the Philadelphia (Pa.) Church Basketball League was a fitting climax to a fine season last week. The game pitted the Blue Bombers, first-half winners, against the Red Raiders, second-half leaders.

The Philadelphia church cheerleaders split in two, with a group cheering for each team.

The Raiders streaked their way to a 22-6 lead and led 27-13 at the close of the first quarter.

Second-quarter play was improved as the two teams traded baskets. Raider captain Steve Marandola ended the half with a buzzer-beating 47-foot bomb that gave his team a 37-25 lead.

In the third quarter the Bombers continued to close the gap behind the fired-up play of Roger Ables (14 points), Tony Marandola (13 points) and George Greco (12 points).

The Blues only trailed by seven at the end of the third quarter and were building up momentum. They continued to mount a swarming press and with 3:24 remaining trailed by only three points.

The Raiders then called time. With play resuming, the Reds' Steve Farney hit his only bucket of the night, but it proved to be the turning point.

Leroy Pace (18 points) had two fine drives and Steve Marandola (36 points) scored six straight as the Raiders pulled away to win 68-56.

Other Raider scorers were Dale Carlen (eight points) and Joe Nereski (two).

Joe's brother Tony added eight for the Bombers, while Jim Domiano had nine. Each Raider player received a fine trophy for being part of the church champs. *Steve Marandola.*

Chance to Dance

TULSA, Okla. — The A.M. and P.M. churches had their annual for-



mal dance Saturday night, March 16, at Tulsa's Elks Lodge.

Mr. James Redus, pastor of the two congregations, appointed Carl Fritts, deacon and choir director, to organize the affair and find an outside combo for dance music.

The Tulsa churches have a home-grown band that plays frequently for socials in a five-state area, but, as Leon Avery, the band's drummer, pointed out, hiring an outside group "gives us band members a chance to dance with our wives." *Natalie Avery.*

Plastic Pellets

CHARLESTON, W. Va. — A new girls' 4-H Club chapter — the Charleston Charmers — under the direction of Mrs. Nelson Haas, wife of the minister — finished its first project of the year: a fund-raising project for the personal-appearance campaign scheduled for the end of April here.

The project consisted of making and selling stuffed frogs.

Mothers and friends of the 4-H girls made the frogs, and the girls sold them for \$1 apiece.

The material used for the frogs — including plastic pellets used for stuffing — was donated by Church members.

The income from the frog project has leaped to an unbelievable total of \$620.

Anyone who would like to use the frog pattern may send for it from Mrs. Cal Vallet, 101 Brentwood Road, Nitro, W. Va., 25143. *Mrs. Cal Vallet.*

Giant Fly

HALIFAX, N.S. — The church here held its first masquerade social March 23. Most felt it was the most successful — or at least the most hilarious — social yet.

All sorts of costumes were represented — from hobo to 1890 aristocrats and from Mickey Mouse to a giant fly.

After a short period of mutual costume admiring were games, movies, refreshments and prizes — all capped with a sing-along. *Mrs. Vera Abbott.*

(See WRAP-UP, page 13)

FASHION SHOW — The first fashion show in Toronto, March 9, proved to be a huge success. Shown above and below are some of the models and their creations. From left to right, top row, are Allison Parker, Jane and

Suzi Antion, Mrs. Marg Stubbins and Anne Ledingham. Bottom row: Mrs. Joan Merritt, Mrs. Barbara Myles, Nella Vande May, Diana Waiters and Marianna Bukovcan. (Photos by George Merritt)





FAREWELL — Mr. and Mrs. Alton Billingsley and daughter Jeanne, center, were honored at a farewell party in Big Sandy before their recent transfer to Lawton, Okla. [Photo by Pete Leschak]

Wrap-up

(Continued from page 12)

Your Move, Mr. Billingsley

BIG SANDY — A farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Alton "Don" Billingsley and daughter Jeanne was hosted by the Big Sandy and Longview, Tex., churches Saturday night, March 30.

The Billingsleys, who served in this area for the past five years, are now living in Lawton, Okla., and Mr. Billingsley is the new pastor of the church there.

The Billingsleys may be new to the brethren in Lawton, but not to the Church in general. After their baptism in 1952 while living in Oklahoma City, Okla., the Billingsleys moved to Pasadena a year later.

At that time Mr. Billingsley headed the then small college Transportation Department.

After 7½ years at headquarters the Billingsleys were transferred to San Diego, Calif., where Mr. Billingsley spent four years in the ministry.

Following a year in the Fresno and Bakersfield, Calif., area and a year in Denver, Colo., they served in the Pittsburgh and Uniontown, Pa., churches for three years before moving here.

During the "come-and-go" party that was held in the Ambassador College field house 7:30 to 10 p.m., a "money-tree card" containing coins and currency was presented to the Billingsleys by Buck Hammer (a Big Sandy deacon and head of the college's Buildings & Grounds Department) on behalf of the large group.

Cookies, nuts, fruit punch and coffee were served, while local musicians provided background music. *Ellis Stewart.*

Back to the Slopes

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Cook-out in the wintertime? Well, that's what it was for the church here Feb. 17.

The day was full of excitement, beginning with a two-hour drive to Heath, Mass., where a member has a mountain campsite. Many had the enjoyment of a snowmobile ride while others went tobogganing or skiing.

Then, of course, there were the usual snowball fights. And anyone reaching the top of the hill after sliding down was bombarded with snowballs by the gang on top.

It was sunny for the most part, though later in the afternoon fluffy flakes of snow began to cover the dazzling mountainside.

The aroma of hot dogs and hamburgers cooking on an open fire brought everyone back to the campsite for a while, but then it was back to the slopes. *Anne Marie Emerson.*

The Sting

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. — Sunday, March 17, 17 teenagers and six adults from the church here started a bike ride from the Tehachapi Valley, about 40 miles east of here.

Ten-speeds, five-speeds, three-speeds and single-speeds were seen careening down Tehachapi's "old road," formerly the only route from Tehachapi to Bakersfield, a total distance of about 40 miles.

The steep and curvy road caused a few minor accidents, but the trip was completed without major mishaps.

After about an eight-mile ride down the mountainside, the group stopped for a five-minute rest and the teens were on their way again. This time the slope went gradually uphill and by the end of it everyone was exhausted.

Off the road about 200 yards the group had lunch at Hart Flat, a beautiful canyon covered with pines and oaks.

Then the group was off again. Thirty miles the group traveled; a few gave up on the way, but the main party kept going.

About three fourths of the way to Bakersfield, screams of torture were heard. The automobiles that were with the group went dashing to the rescue. The problem was a swarming mass of thousands of angry bees. One teen had his hair full of bees and was stung all over his head. A few others escaped with only a few stings.

Even with the mishaps, the bike ride was still a lot of fun. *Faith Anderson.*

Dancing in the Back

BRICKET WOOD — Remember Tommy Dorsey, Duke Ellington and Glenn Miller?

Well, the Ambassador College Band does — and how! The concert held in the gymnasium Thursday evening, March 14, included numbers such as "In the Mood," "Pennsylvania 6-5000," "Tiger Rag" and "A String of Pearls." People were dancing in the back row!

A couple of original numbers were also performed. Duncan McLean, the band director, wrote a piece to be played as a piano exercise, but he added arrangements for other instruments and turned it into a full band number. Because of its slow, easy rhythm, it was named "The Lope."

Two freshman band members, Nancy Scull and Leanne Morris, composed a swinging number called "You and Me."

Mr. McLean was presented with a set of gold pens by the band; it played an encore; the crowd went wild. *Diane Hoot.*

Only the Brave

MEDFORD, Ore. — When winter comes, so does snow. And snow means fun, especially for the church here.

Feb. 17 found many members heading for the hills with their hats, boots and mittens for a snow party.

When they arrived at their destination the brave ones grabbed the nearest inner tube and climbed a high hill in anticipation of a swift and scary ride down. The more chickenhearted ones stood down by the fire and watched.

The party began at 11 a.m., but a working committee consisting of adults and teens arrived much earlier to build a fire, set out food, build steps in the snow and start runs for sliding.

Included in the paraphernalia were around 20 to 30 inner tubes, most of them large enough to carry two or three people. Loads of people — from tots to grandparents — climbed the hill and had a thrilling ride down the slopes.

After a few climbs up and scary rides down, people were bound to get wet — and hungry.

So time was taken out to rest on bales of hay around the fire and thaw out while eating chili and drinking hot chocolate or coffee.

It was a very successful day, with sunshine and soft, powdery snow. Everybody escaped with minor cuts and bruises. *Sharon Bailey.*

Everyone Cooked

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. — Mr. and Mrs. John E. Adams, local minister and wife, hosted a get-together for

the singles of the church here Sunday, March 10.

Nine singles, four teenagers and five older types successfully made up for their lack of numbers with noise and talk.

The evening got under way with punch and hors d'oeuvres before table games.

For dinner was a fondue-type meal, Japanese tempura, in which everyone cooked his own meal.

Mrs. Adams had prepared a wide variety of vegetable salads and meat. *Robert Rixon.*

From Sand to Snow

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Just as Jesus was taunted ("Can anything good come from Nazareth?"), members of the Las Vegas church frequently hear the astonished exclamation from others, "Could God have a church in Las Vegas?"

Not only does God have a church there, but the church has experienced close to a 50 percent growth in membership in the past year.

Not all is sand and sagebrush in this recent area, and a 45-minute drive recently placed the members in the nearby mountainous area of Charleston Peak for a snow-line party.

The bill of fare for the outing ranged from chicken gumbo to mulligan stew. *Dennis B. Adams.*

Under the Big Top

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The girls' club from the church here met under the big top for its March meeting.

With family and friends swelling

the attendance to 80, the girls spent a thrilling afternoon at a circus.

Many who went had never attended a circus before. *Naomi Ferguson.*

Wandering in the Water

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Sunday, March 10, 12 fishermen took off early in the morning to drive 60 miles north of here, where a sturdy launch and skipper waited to carry them out to Little Barrier Island in the Pacific.

For over two hours the group plowed through a stomach-upsetting heavy sea.

Arriving at their destination at 11 a.m., the fishermen cruised to find a good spot. Then there was a flurry of activity as everyone struggled with his gear.

The party consisted of normal above-water-type fishermen and seven spearfishermen. So four fished from the bow of the launch and seven — rigged out in snorkels, masks, spear guns and wet suits — wandered around in the water. They were about five hours in the water in two different spots and caught quite a haul of fish.

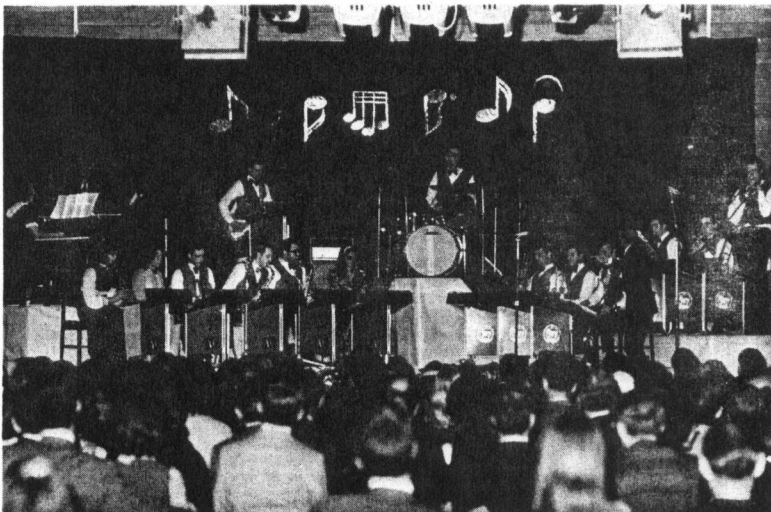
Will Waters speared a 14-pound snapper; he had quite a struggle to get it to the surface. Later on he speared an 18-pound kingfish and then dived 30 feet to retrieve a dropped spear.

The folks in the bow hauled in many small snapper.

The return trip was smoother, so several sat on the bow, talking and enjoying the breeze and sunset. As the launch returned to the harbor, a bright, yellow moon was rising. *Virginia Waters.*



BIKE HIKE — Teens and adults in the Bakersfield, Calif., church take a welcome break for lunch during their recent 40-mile bike hike. See story at left. [Photo by George Henderson]



ON A GOOD NOTE — The Ambassador College Band at Bricket Wood is shown in concert Thursday, March 14, in the college gymnasium. See story at left. [Photo by Phil Stevens]

HI-LITES

FROM IMPERIAL SCHOOLS AND TEENAGERS AROUND THE WORLD

Cousin Bruce and Capt. Steve spark radio program at summer camp

By Virginia Forbes
PASADENA — "From across the lake . . .
And from down the trails . . .
The KSEP radio news team reaches out to bring you up to date in news . . .
Sports . . .
And weather . . .
With real live weather girls."

"And now, here with the news this morning is KSEP's own Cousin Bruce."

"Uh, I thought you were doing the news this morning, captain."

"No, I worked up the sports this morning."

"Well, campers, it looks like we have a doubleheader in sports on tap for you this morning."

"No, seriously, we do have news. First, from Indiana: The gas shortage is no hoax; so reports Grandy Panderelly at the Indianapolis 300."

"From Washington: Economist Zippy Postum says if present trends continue, it could go up to \$200 an ounce. Not gold — postage. But congressional leader Bobby Bullaslot has recommended a plan that will postpone any postal increase by at least two years. He says, 'Have them request it by mail.'"

Actual Broadcast

This was the opening of one of the KSEP radio broadcasts this past summer.

KSEP is a creation of ex-deejay and television director Steve Gilbreath, a senior now at Ambassador College here, who was first asked to be a part of the Summer Educational Program (S.E.P.) staff at Orr, Minn., in 1971.

In '71 Gilbreath assisted with S.E.P.'s social recreation program and coordinated the morning news and announcements, which gradually evolved more and more into a radio format.

A phone patch was even set up and live interviews with campers became

a regular part of the program.

Camp director Floyd Lochner and his assistants liked the new radio-type format so well that "Capt. Steve" was asked to go to S.E.P. again this past summer to coordinate an extended radio-program format for the campers.

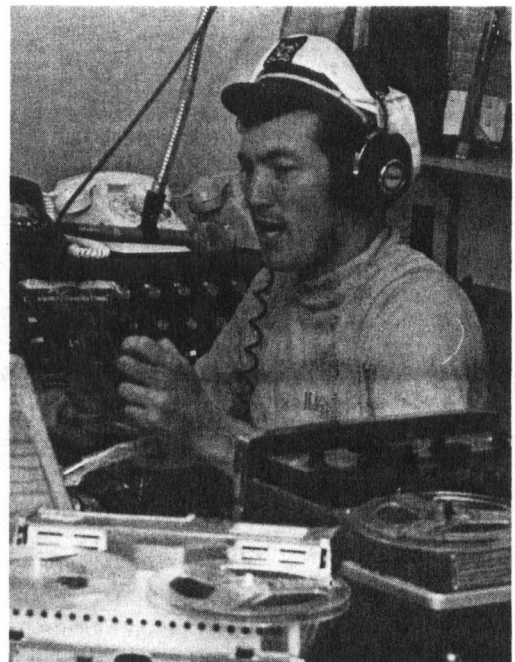
"Our goals," says Gilbreath, "were many."

"We wanted to entertain the campers with some lighthearted fun and good music. We wanted to keep

them up to date and informed on world news and all pertinent campus happenings — including daily inspection results, volleyball and waterpolo winners, who did what to whom, how and when, etc.

"We even included a little education with an unusual twist with our infamous Professor Smartz and his daily bonus questions which stumped more grown-ups than campers."

"But most of all we strived for camper participation in the program



KSEP — "Capt." Steve Gilbreath prepares to play a song at the Summer Educational Program in Orr, Minn., last year. The lighthearted but informative radio program is an aspect of camp which will be continued this year. (Photo by Hassel White)

'We are very privileged people,' says parent of child in Imperial

By David G. Finlay
BRICKET WOOD Member
BRICKET WOOD — If you are a member of God's Church, then you are a privileged person. If you are a member of God's Church and have children attending Imperial School, then you should be on cloud nine. I am on cloud nine.

In this day of violence, rebellion, drug addiction, sex abuse, permissiveness — in this mad world today — I can't help but thank God that my children are attending Imperial School.

I have read enough, heard enough and seen enough documentaries on the schools outside to make me a little scared and apprehensive at the thought of Imperial School closing down.

I have seen and heard frustrated teachers in the schools outside giving up their profession in sheer disgust. The world has gone berserk.

We in God's Church have learned where the problems are; we are being taught how to cope with these problems, how to remedy false teachings and wrong ways of life.

Imperial School stands out like a precious, sparkling jewel in a cesspool of iniquity today. We are among an infinitesimal minute body of people today who are so privileged that the odds must be millions to one of having one's child attend the one and only truly right educational school.

It's fantastic. I know the parents of children attending Imperial feel the same way I do. We are very privileged people!

When our children are old enough, I would love them to attend Ambassador College. But speaking hypothetically, if I had to choose between sending them to Ambassador College or Imperial School I would choose Imperial every time.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will

not depart from it." These tender twigs will remember that they were once taught by converted men and women who had the backing of their parents; it will be seared into their memories.

There is not enough credit being given to Imperial. We know the feelings of Mr. Charles Hunting (an evangelist here and vice president for the Work in charge of European and Middle Eastern affairs) on Imperial School; he has told us.

I think I'm speaking on behalf of all parents who have a child there. We are grateful to God, to the Church, to Mr. Armstrong, to Mr. Hunting and especially to the teachers of Imperial School, who are doing a remarkable and profitable job and if nothing else deserve a fine round of applause — a standing ovation.

May Imperial School continue to function until the last child is born and grown to the age of 17.

with emphasis on unity among the camp. That's why you see the three phones — hot lines, as we call them — in the picture . . . [printed at the beginning of this article].

Talk About Camaraderie

"Campers would call in throughout the show and we'd put them on — whole dorms at a time. Sometimes they'd sing a new dorm song or a song about S.E.P. they'd just written. And it wasn't infrequent — talk about camaraderie! — that the losing dorm would call in and cheer for the winning dorm that had beaten them in some activity just to show their good sportsmanship."

"Camp is really a fantastic thing for the young people of God's Church. It just brings out the best in them."

"And talking with Dr. Lochner recently, it looks like this year camp will be better than ever. I hope every young person out there who hasn't gone will have an opportunity to go

this year. "We'll even be helping to coordinate a mini-S.E.P. program in Germany for the brethren's children there this summer."

When asked if he had anything else to say in closing this interview, Gilbreath said:

"I'll just say to those going to S.E.P. this year: You can plan on a summer filled with more exciting things than ever."

"And of course there will again be KSEP camper radio."

"It should be one great summer."

Now you know

BERLIN (UPI) — Dr. Ernst Urbahn, 86, of the East German town of Zehdenick on der Havel has a collection of 25,000 butterflies of 2,500 different species.

He plans to leave the collection to East Berlin's Natural History Museum, the East German magazine *Wochenpost* said.

BIBLE NAME STAGGERS

BY VIVIAN PETTYJOHN

From the descriptions given, enter the correct names in the spaces to the right. Each name (after the first) begins with the second letter of the preceding name. Example:

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L..... (etc.)

It may be hard work, but don't let it stagger you!

- Moses' brother and spokesman -----
- Father of Seth; name of all animals -----
- Judge and prophetess -----
- Prophet fed by ravens -----
- Physician who wrote the book of Acts -----
- Hittite husband of Bathsheba -----
- Sister of Laban; mother of Jacob -----
- Adopted by grandfather Jacob; received brother's blessing -----
- First-century Jewish convert; apostle; letter writer -----
- Moses' Levite father -----
- Hebrew statesman who delivered laws of God to people -----
- Son of Ruth; father of Jesse -----
- Bethlehemite who married Ruth -----
- Philemon's runaway slave -----
- Jewish cupbearer to Persian king Artaxerxes; governor of Judea -----
- Jewish priest, prophet; led revival in reading and obeying Book of the Law -----
- Prophet whose name is on 11th book of the Minor Prophets -----
- Prophet to whom Elijah gave his mantle -----
- Mother of Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun -----
- Called by Paul (in Colossians) "faithful minister," "dear fellow-servant" -----
- Apostle, preacher, writer, brother of Andrew -----
- Prophet of sixth century, preacher, master of allegory -----
- Prophet whose name is on ninth book of the Minor Prophets -----
- Mother of John the Baptist -----
- Third son of Jacob and Leah -----
- Husband of Hannah; father of Samuel -----
- Son of Haran, nephew of Abraham -----
- Friend of Paul who helped him while prisoner in Rome -----
- King of Damascus, cured of leprosy while dipping seven times in Jordan River -----
- "Father of the faithful!" -----

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Managing editor interviewed

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY — John Robinson had served as the faculty adviser of the Big Sandy student newspaper — *The Portfolio* — for a number of years and had devoted many hours nurturing the publication. He is well acquainted with the workings of a newspaper.

When it came time for Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong to generate a proposed Church newspaper beyond the thinking stages, it was Mr. Robinson who prepared a dummy issue to help Mr. Armstrong visualize the ideas and finally adopt many of the details — typefaces, format, etc. — which are necessary in producing a newspaper.

Mr. Robinson helped to bring Mr. Armstrong's ideas for the Church newspaper into reality.

Today, Mr. Robinson continues to serve in coordinating the physical activities of that newspaper, which has grown in circulation to over 30,000. As managing editor of *The Worldwide News*, Mr. Robinson's main responsibility is, as he says, "to make sure that the paper runs smoothly."

Born in Glasgow

Mr. Robinson, 29, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1945, the firstborn son of U.S. Air Force officer David Robinson and his Scottish bride, Margaret Hadden, whom he met while stationed there during World War II. Young John was only 13 months old when he was brought to the U.S. by his mother as she joined her recently discharged husband, who had already returned to the States.

Mr. Robinson's parents became members of the Worldwide Church of God in 1950, when he was 5. He and his family spent many years in South Texas and attended the Corpus Christi church from its inception. His father, who was ordained a local elder in the Corpus Christi church in 1969, spent a year at Ambassador College, Pasadena, and a year in the field ministry in Lakeland, Fla., and has been the head of the Transportation Department here since 1971.

His whole family is in God's Church. He has a brother, Mark, who is a ministerial trainee in Dayton, Ohio, a brother and sister at the college here and a sister in high school. His grandmother, Mrs. Clem Robinson, 86, also of Big Sandy, is a member as well.

Referring to his early years in the Church, Mr. Robinson explained that he had "always believed that what my parents were doing was right."

The Thing to Do

After his teenage years, which he said resembled the years portrayed in the popular American movie *American Graffiti*, Mr. Robinson went to Ambassador College in September of 1962.

"I applied for Ambassador basically because it was the thing to do," he said. "At that time I was not theologically or ethically motivated to come to college. Yet I knew it was the thing to do."

When Mr. Robinson arrived on campus in Pasadena, he admitted, he was rather disappointed.

"It was just not as pretty as the *Envoy* pictures," he commented. "The buildings weren't as nice, the grounds weren't as green, and the college was just not as impressive as I had imagined."

"Frankly, my student memories of Ambassador College are not pleasant ones. I was almost always in some kind of trouble — usually as a result of my own stupidity and carnality — all four years of college. In fact, it's a miracle that I even graduated — that's a tribute to God's

mercy and the patience of the faculty. "But if I had it to do all over, I'd still go to Ambassador. Early in my college career I came to have a deep desire to be a part of the Work. I didn't often think I would ever qualify to be used in the Work, but I did want to be in the Work."

Pioneering Students

Alice Rothery, who later became Mrs. John Robinson, entered Ambassador College in 1961, after spending much of her childhood in the Church.

Reflecting upon those years in Oregon, she told of her family listening to A.N. Dugger — a minister in what has been called the Sardis era of the Church — and Mr. Herbert Armstrong.

She had a lot of friends in college and thoroughly enjoyed the social aspects of college. When she was selected to come to Big Sandy as one of the pioneer students on the Texas campus, which opened in the autumn of 1964, a friend of hers was also coming along: John Robinson.

He had written a letter to Mr. Ted Armstrong and asked if he could transfer to the newest of the Ambassador College campuses.

"I don't remember everything I said in that letter," he said, "but I do remember the last sentence: 'I know I have been an ass in Pasadena, but I think I will be an "assette" in Texas.'"

Close Scrutiny

The two students had originally met on a bus going to the 1962 Feast of Tabernacles in Squaw Valley, Calif., during their freshman year, and they dated periodically while they were in college.

Mr. Robinson explained their romance this way:

"Since Alice was the sister-in-law of Mr. Les McCullough [then deputy chancellor of this campus], I came under closer scrutiny than the average romantically involved Ambassador student. Mr. McCullough didn't want his sister-in-law to marry a clod. So I guess you'd have to describe our five-year romance as a rather tempestuous one. We dated, broke up, dated, broke up, dated, broke up . . ."

Their final steady dating began around Thanksgiving, 1966. They both had just graduated and held jobs on the campus.

By the Night to Be Much Remembered of the 1967 Spring Festival, they were engaged.

Then, on May 21, 1967, the Rob-

insons were wed.

In June of 1967 Mr. Robinson began to visit in the Big Sandy area full time. He looks back on this experience as being very helpful.

"It was just like being in the field," he said. "I would have never come to know a love for God's people except for this period of time of working closely with people every day. There were sorrowful times, like watching people die of cancer, and there were the happy times of seeing people come to repentance and baptism."

Mr. Robinson, who was ordained a local elder in January, 1968, and a preaching elder in January, 1969, mentioned that he misses not having the opportunity to preach regularly any more.

Journalism Background

After working with his yearbook in a "very perfunctory way" in high school, Mr. Robinson began contributing to *The Portfolio* in his sophomore year of college.

Only contributing occasionally that year, he became very much more involved in journalism by writing many articles his junior year.

Then, in his senior year, Mr. Robinson was editor of the college newspaper. Then is when he really began to understand how a paper operates.

In September of 1968 Mr. Robinson became a full-time faculty member, teaching geography, speech and journalism. He discontinued teaching the geography class after one year and the speech class after two years as he became more involved in journalism.

With a growing interest in journalism, *The Portfolio* was beginning to gain prestige by 1969. Mr. Robinson took more of an interest in the newspaper and "began to baby it."

Beginning with the Oct. 15, 1969, issue, he found himself listed in the staff box as the faculty adviser. (He remained in the staff box until May 2, 1973, when his *Worldwide News* responsibilities caused him to step aside and allow Alan Heath of the journalism faculty here to take over.)

The biggest thing that happened to *The Portfolio* following his appointment as faculty adviser was the paper going to a tabloid format and being printed on newsprint.

"Up until 1970 *The Portfolio* was printed on glossy 8½-by-11 magazine-type paper," he mentioned. "But the paper received a real shot in the arm when Mr. Ted Armstrong made the decision for us to change to a tabloid format."



ROBINSON FAMILY — Mr. and Mrs. Robinson pose with their two children — Rachel, 5, and John David, 2½. At the time of this writing Mrs. Robinson was two weeks overdue expecting their third child. [Photo by Ken Treybig]

In January of 1970 Mr. Robinson began work on a master's degree at nearby East Texas State University.

Referring to his work for this degree, he commented:

"The master's degree had fantastic impact on me personally. It matured my journalistic concepts and gave me a more precise insight into professional journalism."

His thesis (*Strike-On Typesetting and the Campus Newspaper*) was the final step in receiving his degree in May of 1972.

Time for the Kids

The Robinsons presently have two children — Rachel, 5, and John David, 2½ — and another on the way.

Having contemplated writing a book about motherhood at one time, Mrs. Robinson realizes the importance of raising a future generation.

"Women don't need to compete in a man's world to find a fulfilling and challenging life," she said. "Spending time with your children and merely answering all of their questions is enough to keep a mother busy."

Mr. Robinson also agrees with the idea of spending time with the kids. He stresses the importance of just sitting down and talking with them. Although they may not comprehend many of the concepts which are discussed, he said, their vocabulary will

grow and soon more of these concepts will start sinking in.

"The Worldwide News"

The first issue of *The Worldwide News* was produced April 1, 1973. (see article, page 17, for details of the history of the newspaper.)

Mr. Robinson played a very important role in the beginning of the Church newspaper, since he and two part-time student employees did the original layout of the paper.

A great asset in serving as managing editor of the newspaper is the fact that Mr. Robinson has come to know many of the leading people in the Work as a result of being in and around the Work for so many years.

"You might say that one can become acquainted with a lot of people when he has been involved with the Work since he was five years old," he said.

Mr. Robinson has learned to take advantage of any travel opportunities which come his way. He explained:

"I thank my parents for stressing the value of travel. I had been around a good bit of the United States with my parents before I had gone to college."

Stressing the importance of traveling in connection with his job, he continued:

"Travel brings a certain awareness of people. These places are no longer just a dot on the map; now I have names and faces to associate with these places. I hope I can visit as many areas of God's Work as is feasible so that I can more effectively represent God's people worldwide."

Paper changed

BIG SANDY — With this issue *The Worldwide News* is being printed on a lighter weight, 30-pound paper, instead of the 32-pound used in the past.

The use of this thinner sheet is the result of the U.S. newspaper industry's desire to supply the demands during the past two years as a result of the present paper shortage.

"Reducing the weight two pounds — 30-pound paper means 500 sheets 24 by 36 inches weigh 30 pounds — can increase surface capacity for the printer 6.67 percent and at the same time conserve energy and natural resources," said Ellis Stewart, plant manager of the Ambassador College Press here. "The cost per ton increases 6.67 percent, making each sheet cost the same as the thicker 32-pound."



MANAGING EDITOR — John Robinson, managing editor of *The Worldwide News*, shares a laugh with his staff during the college's recent spring break. [Photo by Ken Treybig]

Anniversary edition spotlights the WN

April 1, 1974, marked the 25th issue of The Worldwide News, thus completing our first year of publication.

With this, our anniversary issue, we begin a new printing year, which we hope will be just as exciting as the first.

That won't be easy, however, because those early days and months of The Worldwide News were hectic, fast paced and very memorable as we strived to pioneer a suitable publication for Church members around the world.

In the following pages of this anniversary issue, we would like to share with you via pictures and the written word a bit of the history of the paper as well as a behind-the-scenes look at the WN.

By John Robinson Managing Editor

BIG SANDY — Would you believe I first learned about *The Worldwide News* via the grapevine? I went to lunch in the faculty dining room here, sat down to eat and immediately following the blessing on the meal a fellow faculty member dropped a bombshell on me.

"John," he began with a twist of a smile on the corners of his mouth, "Mr. Ted Armstrong is thinking about expanding *The Portfolio* [Ambassador College's student newspaper, of which I was the faculty adviser for the Big Sandy edition] and sending it to all the members — worldwide!"

Then he added rather cryptically: "Try to act surprised when he brings it up; I don't want him to find out I told you."

Mr. Armstrong came in five minutes later and sat down across the table from me. I tried to look nonchalant.

"Hey, John, how would you like to start sending *The Portfolio* to all the brethren," Mr. Armstrong began. "We have to begin doing something about this incredible rumor mill we have going."

Thus was my introduction to the planning of *The Worldwide News*.

Salt Lake City Planning

At this juncture, in March, 1973, Mr. Ted Armstrong was not sure what type of publication we should begin. Up until 1970, *The Portfolio* had been printed on glossy 8½-by-11-inch magazine-type

paper, but early in 1970 Mr. Armstrong had commissioned the Big Sandy *Portfolio* to go to a tabloid format and be printed on newsprint.

Those changes were made in April of 1970, and he had been very happy with the new format, which also included some national and international news.

At one time he had even considered expanding the circulation of *The Portfolio* to include the nearby communities of Big Sandy and Gladewater — perhaps even the cities of Longview and Tyler.

Since he had been very pleased with the overall production of our new format, it was to this he turned when contemplating the general type of publication to send to the brethren worldwide.

With a few brief preliminary instructions we went to work putting together a dummy issue. "We" included Clyde Kilough, a junior student who at the time was editor of *The Portfolio*, and Dave Havir, layout editor of *The Portfolio* who was then employed as a janitor.

I borrowed Dave from the janitor crew for a temporary period and robbed Clyde from *The Portfolio*, and the three of us went to work.

(Clyde and Dave have worked on the WN ever since. The two, both leading senior men, are to be married at graduation and will be assigned as ministerial trainees. They are two of the finest employees I have ever had.)

Both men worked tirelessly throughout the next weeks. Though they would not admit it to me at the time (and I probably didn't really want to know what they were doing), they skipped many of their classes for almost two months. I temporarily dumped many of the other responsibilities on Alan Heath, a faculty member who worked with me in our journalism program.

On several occasions (again I don't remember exactly how many — probably by choice) the three of us, including others from time to time, worked all through the night until daylight the next morning, putting together the sample issue for Mr. Armstrong.

Back to Pasadena

Since that fateful lunch, Mr. Ted Armstrong had left the Big Sandy campus to return to headquarters and had begun preparations for his up-

coming personal-appearance campaign in Salt Lake City, Utah. I received a telephone call several days prior to his departure to Salt Lake City for a series of preappearance interviews on radio and television. He dictated his very first "Personal" for *The Worldwide News* and asked me to bring all the material that he had compiled and meet him there.

Ronald Dart, newly appointed Big Sandy deputy chancellor, Ronald Kelly, Big Sandy dean of students, and I flew aboard the Big Sandy-based King Air 100 to Salt Lake City, where we met with Mr. Armstrong, who was accompanied from Pasadena by his wife, personal assistants Jim Thornhill and Jim Gillen, Les McCullough, who had just been named to head the International Division, and one or two others.

I remember as clearly as though it were yesterday sitting around a table in the lodge that we were staying in near Snowbird, Utah. The group of us circled a coffee table stacked with papers and proposed mastheads. And

in my notebook was a list of more than 20 questions.

In a two-hour-plus session we resolved many of the questions. Mr. Armstrong selected the title *The Worldwide News* over several other proposals. We even decided things like type style and format.

We discussed at length whether we should request a special donation to pay for the cost of production.

We discussed the candor with which we would approach specific subjects.

We discussed the importance of deadline and frequency of publication.

I felt it was a highly productive meeting which certainly had God's blessing. That meeting was the culmination of several weeks of work, collaboration and many Big Sandy-Pasadena phone calls.

I returned to Big Sandy, where we got to work on updating the changes Mr. Armstrong had made. He gave the overall guidance and overview, but there were still a number of

mechanical problems to resolve.

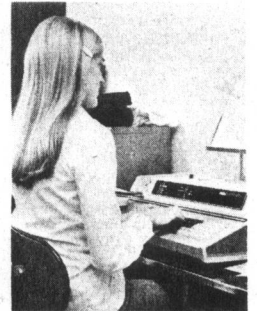
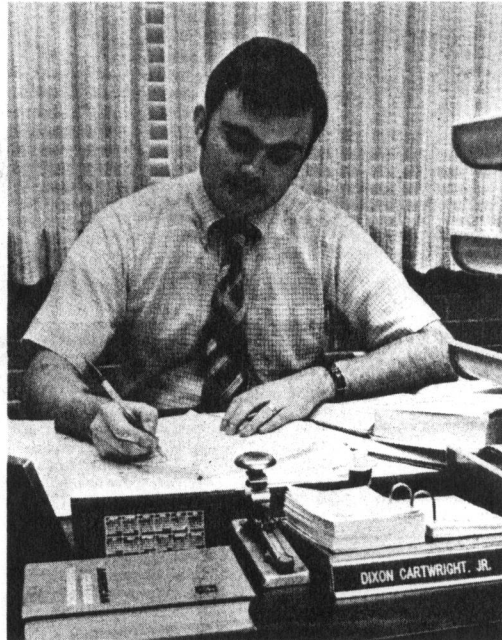
Back to Salt Lake City

One week later, the same weekend Mr. Armstrong conducted the Salt Lake City campaigns (April 6 to 8), I flew back to Salt Lake City — this time with Mr. Dart and our wives. The fledgling staff (now including members of our Big Sandy print shop) was up the whole night and had not yet finished the final page proofs before I left for Salt Lake City.

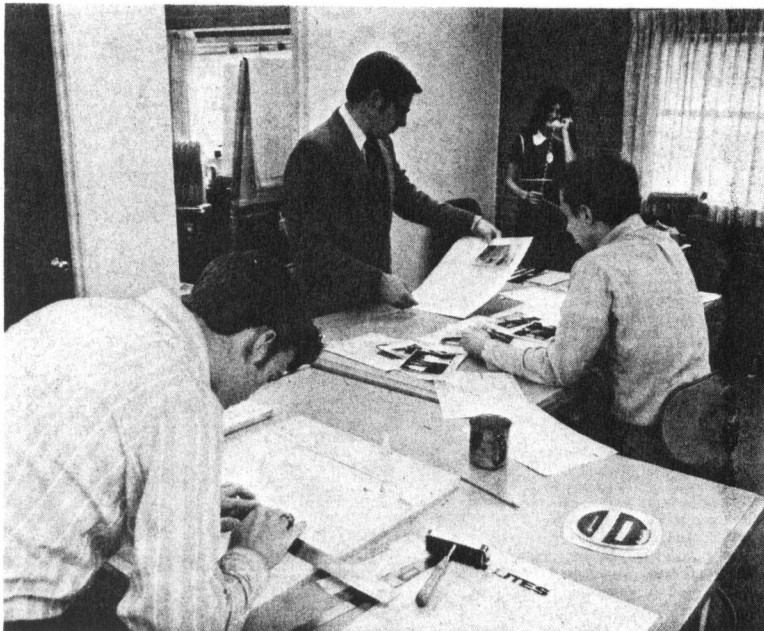
I went home at 4 a.m. for a couple of hours of sleep before our early-morning departure. Our print-shop employees were busily halftoning, stripping and contacting page proofs through the night.

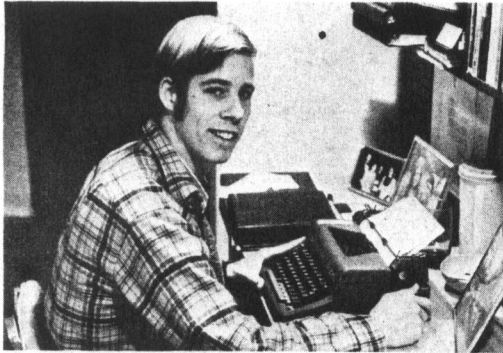
But by our 7:30 departure they had still not completed the work Mr. Armstrong had requested. So I flew with my wife; they finished the paper about 10 o'clock that morning and airfreighted the sample materials to Salt Lake City, where I picked them up later in the day.

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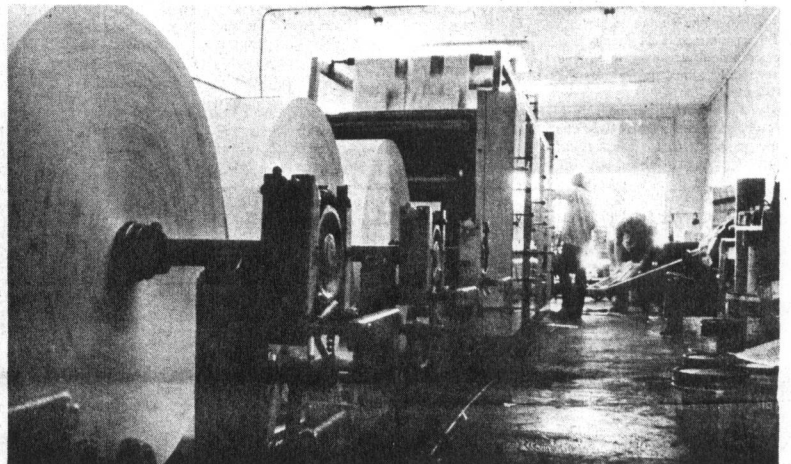
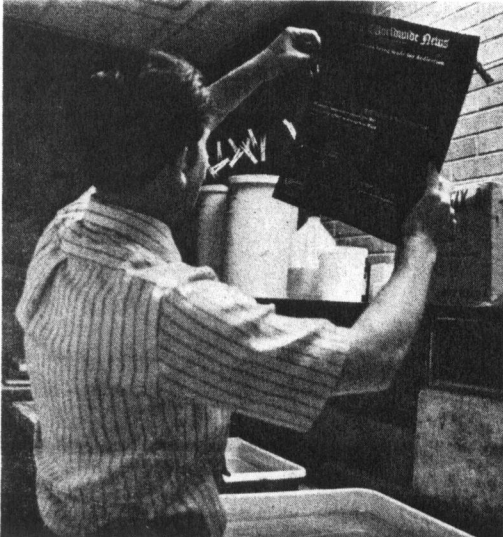


IN THE BEGINNING — The first step in producing the newspaper is sending the articles to copy editor Dixon Cartwright, left, who then has them typeset. Ambassador junior Judy Jackman, above, is shown typesetting copy for the WN. Layout is the next step in the process. In the bottom-left photo, from left to right, are Clyde Kilough, John Robinson and Dave Havir working on some page designs as secretary Beth Haines looks on. Kilough scales a photo to the proper size, below, while photographer Ken Treybig marks proof sheets for photos to be printed. [Photos by Ken Treybig]





ON THE JOB — Pasadena junior Dave McKee fills the much-needed role of headquarters correspondent for the paper. He is shown above at his desk in his dorm. At right, associate editor Klaus Rothe is shown working on an article at a Pasadena restaurant during the days surrounding the opening of the Auditorium. [Photos by Klaus Rothe and David McKee]



Anniversary

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Again I was able to have another planning session with Mr. Ted Armstrong and receive answers for the questions that yet dangled. This time around he okayed the printing and mailing of sample copies to each local church area to be shown to the brethren. His "Personal" explaining the paper was to be read in each church.

Floods of Requests

Almost immediately thousands of requests began flooding in.

Processing the requests was a team effort all the way. Our Data Processing Department put on extra help to enter the subscription list into our computer system.

Students volunteered to help with various aspects of the new paper.

Literally within days the first issues of the *WN* were being mailed to our brethren.

I remember a lot of people commenting at the time how surprised they were at the speed with which the paper got into the members' hands. The speed with which the mission was accomplished was not a tribute to any one person. It truly was a team effort. Everybody evinced an incredible attitude of cooperation and camaraderie.

As of May, 1973, we still had no one who was a full-time employee of *The Worldwide News*. I still had teaching and administrative responsibilities and the other men were students. (Even though we have an extensive list in our staff box, those in the box had many other responsibilities which vied for their time and made it impossible for them to give full attention to the *WN*.) It appeared we simply had to have at least

one full-time person to help with the work load. The man we selected was Klaus Rothe, a ministerial trainee located in Edmonton, Alta., Canada.

Mr. Rothe had been in Canada since his graduation from the Big Sandy campus in 1972 and would probably still be in the field ministry had it not been felt he could be of even greater value to the Work by ministering to the entire membership through his work with *The Worldwide News*.

He was very excited about the chance to work with the Church paper, since he had been very active in journalism while in college.

I felt he was the ideal person for the job, and that feeling has certainly been borne out over the past months. He has since been named an associate editor and is becoming more invaluable all the time.

Mr. Rothe, a native-born German who came to the U.S. at age 12, is married to the former Vivian Potratz, a 1971 graduate of the Big Sandy campus. The couple and their six-month-old son Benjamin live in Big Sandy.

Headquarters Correspondent

One of the voids that I felt we still needed to fill was the lack of a Pasadena correspondent. Even though we had numerous people who were contributing and helping supply material for us, there was still no one to do the legwork, keep abreast of news, mail packages and help meet deadlines.

In August, 1973, I hired Dave McKee, a Big Sandy junior who transferred to Pasadena for the school year. Dave had been a dependable *Portfolio* reporter who had proved himself as a reliable journalist. He was eager for the job and I was eager to have him, since we had already established a firm working relation-

ship and we did not have time to break in someone from the Pasadena campus, who might not be familiar with our system. Dave rounded out our team.

Hats Off

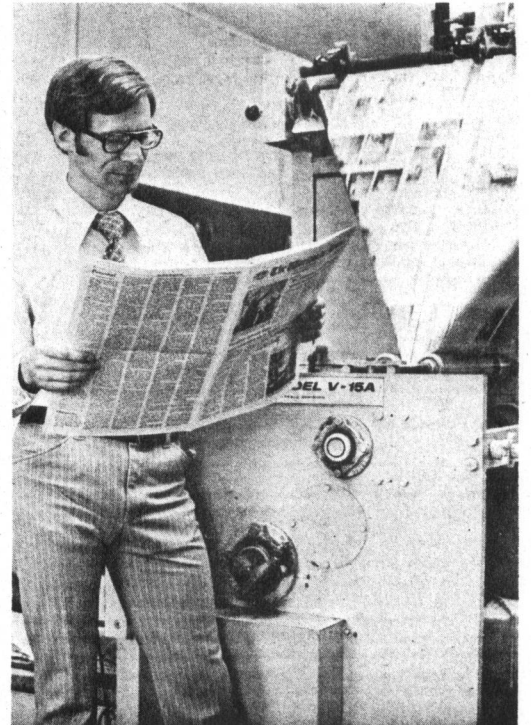
One person I simply cannot leave out — strangely enough — is Garner Ted Armstrong. He has been fantastic to work for. Some may say I'm being political. Not true.

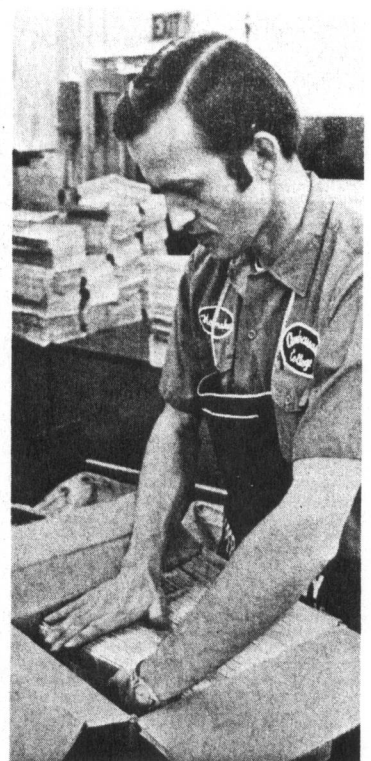
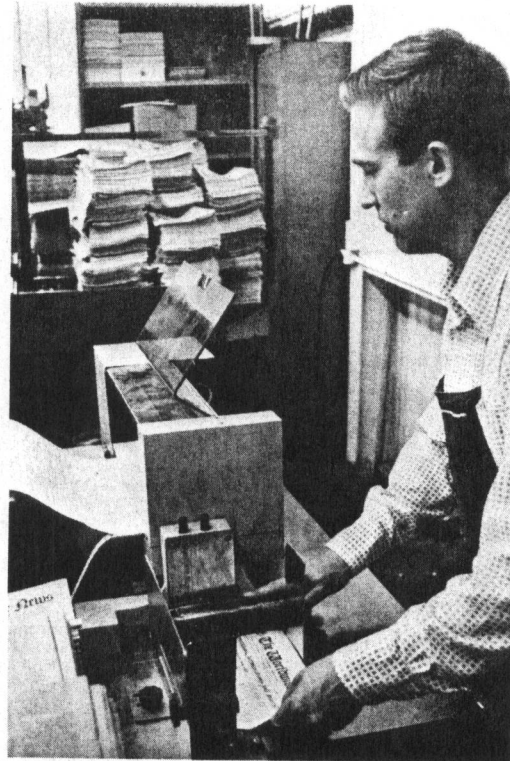
He has given us extensive latitude and unflagging public and private support. He has met his deadlines faithfully, taken time for questions when he didn't have it to take, tolerated photographic invasions of privacy, helped in every way his schedule would allow and provided the prestige to launch such a venture.

In trying to single out everyone behind the scenes who makes *The Worldwide News* what it is, you simply run out of space. I could go on and on.

I could mention Ellis Stewart, print-shop manager; Dean Koenke and Loren Weinbrenner, who handle circulation in addition to their other job responsibilities; Ken Treybig, photographer; Dixon Cartwright, copy editor and proofreader; Jerry Gentry, who serves as our roving reporter in concert with *The Plain Truth* and who was featured in the July 9, 1973, issue; the widows and members in the Big Sandy area who volunteer hundreds of hours each year in mailing; and, perhaps most important of all, you brethren worldwide who have displayed such fantastic support through warm letters of appreciation and contributions of articles, pictures, recipes, cartoons, puzzles, ideas and suggestions which make up *The Worldwide News*. Without all of you, we couldn't get the job done.

STEPS IN THE PROCESS — Plant manager Ellis Stewart, above left, checks over negatives of the line copy before they are stripped. Sophomore Scott Ashley, top right, strips in another page in final preparation for printing. All the printing of the *WN* is done on a Gladewater, Tex., webfed press, above, which completes the job in just a few hours. Associate editor Klaus Rothe, below, checks a copy as it comes hot off the press. [Photos by Scott Moss, David McKee, Wayne Janes and Ken Treybig]





FROM THE PRESS TO THE MAILBAG — After the papers are printed in Gladewater, they are loaded (as Mr. Stewart is doing above) for return to nearby Big Sandy, where they will be mailed. Loren Weinbrenner, center, above, runs papers through a labeling machine, which sticks a mailing label on each copy. Top right: Dean Koeneke packages some airmail copies of the *WN* in boxes for their final destination. Volunteer help plays a tremendous role in helping to get the *WN* in the mail. Every two weeks a number of widows and elderly people in the Big Sandy church donate their time to assist, as the right photo shows. Bottom left and right: Another edition of the *WN* is in the bag, literally. Loren Weinbrenner stuffs papers into U.S. mailbags, which are then labeled and sent to the post office and then on their way to you. [Photos by Scott Moss]



THE GRAPEVINE

OFFICIAL

PASADENA — The recently canceled Manila personal-appearance campaign of **Herbert W. Armstrong** has been rescheduled for May 17, 18 and 19, it was announced by General Counsel **Stanley R. Rader**.



STANLEY RADER

"There was a great deal of disappointment in Manila at Mr. Armstrong's having to cancel the special appearances, so he wanted to reschedule them as quickly as possible," Mr. Rader said.

"Mr. Armstrong will be leaving Pasadena May 8 for Tokyo and on to the Philippines.

"While in Tokyo he will be the guest of honor at a dinner to be given by Japanese Diet members **Kazuo Shinoya** and **H. Ishii**.

"Mr. Armstrong will spend almost a week in Manila for pre-campaign activities and will participate in a Southeast Asia conference of university presidents."

PASADENA — What do the *Tonight* show, the *Academy Awards* show and the opening of the Auditorium have in common?

Streakers!

A small group of streakers reportedly struck outside the Auditorium at intermission during the first evening's concert. Sorry, but photographers missed the event.

BIG SANDY — Ethiopian Ambassador to India **Getachew Mekasha** paid an abbreviated visit to the campus here Thursday, April 11.

Following a breakfast with Deputy Chancellor **Ronald Dart** and three other faculty members, the ambassador was given a tour of the grounds. He left for New York following the tour.

BIG SANDY — Ambassador College here hosted its second ministerial conference in as many weeks March 31 and April 1. Approximately 30 ministers were on campus for the two-day workshop, which was opened by **Garner Ted Armstrong**.

The ministers attending the meetings were those who were involved in



C. WAYNE COLE

recent transfers (see list of ministerial transfers, page 7).

Along with Mr. Armstrong were **C. Wayne Cole**, Publishing Division head and pro-tem head of church administration, and former regional directors **Burk McNair**, **Carl McNair**, **Ed Smith**, **Dennis Pyle** and **Paul Flatt**.

Mr. Cole directed the meetings after Mr. Armstrong's departure.

Mr. Armstrong was originally scheduled to leave at 12 noon Tuesday, March 31, but delayed his flight 2½ hours in order to continue the meetings, which he felt were very profitable.

BRICKET WOOD — **Stuart Powell**, coordinator of the Scandinavian Work, headquartered here, reports he has "just returned from a very successful Spring Festival at Sundvolden, north of Oslo," in Norway.

He says 65 Scandinavians attended for four days.

Also attending were **Sidney Hegvold**, head of the Science Department on the campus here; **Richard Sprotte**, head of the editorial function of the Scandinavian Department; and their families.

Christian von Zernichow, an assistant in the department, was ordained as the first deacon in the Scandinavian Work.

BIG SANDY — March 10 a new Bible study was begun in Monterrey, Mexico, according to **D.R. Sandoval**, local elder in the San Antonio, Tex., Worldwide Church of God.

"There were 33 in attendance, and 11 of those are baptized members, with three more pending," Mr. Sandoval said in a telephone interview received here.

"This is really a first in this age for the people of northern Mexico. They are greatly interested in the Work."

When asked who is conducting the Bible studies, Mr. Sandoval responded: "Thus far, I'm alone."

He commutes from San Antonio to Monterrey the fourth Sunday of each month.

This is the result of discussions which included Mexico City office manager **Enrique Ruiz**, Mr. Sandoval and International Division head **Leslie McCullough**, who authorized the study.

PASADENA — "A film designed to introduce Church of God members to the newly built Auditorium here will soon be available to all churches," said **Arthur Michaud**, production manager for the *Garner Ted Armstrong* telecast, who, along with the entire television-production crew, has been feverishly preparing the production.

The 20-minute film "will lay to rest the charges and rumors and misinformation about the Auditorium," according to Mr. Michaud.

Primarily, the film features a brief sketch of two years of work on the Auditorium and a selection from the April 7 opening-night concert.

"Not all church areas will receive the film at the same time," stated Mr. Michaud. "Several film copies will be sent and then sent from church to church."

Two other productions are also being worked on at the present. One features the entire videotaping of the April 8 concert performance.

Videotape of this will be offered to interested TV stations.



SUMO WRESTLER — Mr. Herbert Armstrong described his meeting with **Jesse Kuhaulua**, reportedly one of the biggest Japanese sumo wrestlers, as "an experience of a lifetime." "I felt like a pygmy beside him," said Mr. Armstrong of the 6-foot-4, 385-pound wrestler. Known in Japan as **Takamiyama**, Mr. Kuhaulua is actually an American citizen from Hawaii and is the only non-Japanese ever to win a sumo-tournament championship. (Photo by Mike Hendrickson)

PASADENA — In ceremonies moments before the inaugural concert of the Ambassador Auditorium Sunday night, April 7, the president of the University of the East, Manila, **Dr. Santiago de la Cruz**, toasted **Herbert W. Armstrong** on his school's behalf.

"I like to believe that what you are inaugurating here is not just an edifice of stone and steel and glass," he said, "but a commitment, a pledge, a guarantee that this edifice shall serve as still another instrument in man's noble endeavor to bring light and delight to the minds of his brethren."

"On behalf, then, of my university — thousands of miles across the Pacific from here — I raise my glass and my voice in a toast of salute to the past glories and future successes of Ambassador College, its officials, its faculties and its students."

The toast was one of many given Mr. Armstrong by visiting dignitaries who crowded into the lower lobby of the Auditorium.

Pasadena's Mayor **Donald Yokaitis** was on hand to present to many of the distinguished guests the key to the city.

PASADENA — The City of Pasadena granted a temporary variance from a local energy-curtailment ordinance to the college here last week.

This allowed full use of the architectural lighting and fountains for the inaugural concerts held April 7, 8 and 9 in the Ambassador Auditorium.

In order to conserve energy and comply with city ordinances, the decorative lights and fountains will not be operated during the energy shortage, college officials said.

PASADENA — Two works of art by sculptor **David Wynne** — busts of English conductor **Sir Thomas Beecham** and American violinist **Yehudi Menuhin** — were moved to the Auditorium before the April 7 inaugural concert at the sculptor's suggestion.

They had previously occupied prominent spots in the college's Fine Arts Building.

"I felt they needed to be in the Auditorium," said Wynne, who was on campus to attend the concert, conducted by **Carlo Maria Giulini**.

"Both Beecham and Menuhin are both great musicians and also great friends of Giulini. It was rather nice to have them there tonight."

Available to North Americans

Two European sites to open

BIG SANDY — The 1974 Feast of Tabernacles marks the first time that the Festival will be held in West Germany and Scandinavia, according to two Telexes received by the *WN* last week. And there is a chance that a few North Americans may be able to transfer to the two sites.

Scandinavian Site

Sundvolden, approximately 120 miles north of Oslo, Norway, will provide many activities during October — the month in which the Festival will come this year — for Scandinavia, says **Stuart Powell**, coordinator of the Scandinavian Work, headquartered at Bricket Wood, although there will be no snow in the mountains at that time.

The Feast site will accommodate a maximum of 150 people, who will be able to fish, ride horses, hike and participate in a host of indoor activities.

Since probably almost 100 brethren from Scandinavia and Britain will be attending, says Mr. Powell, there will be room for approximately 50 to transfer from North America. Preference for those thinking of transferring will be given to North Americans of Scandinavian origin.

German Feast

Since 1962 the German-speaking European brethren have traveled to England for the Feast of Tabernacles. But, according to a Telex from **Frank Schnee**, director of the German Work, headquartered in Duesseldorf,



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dorf, it has become increasingly difficult to make the journey as the numbers of German brethren have increased.

This year the Feast will be held at Eltville, a wine-producing town in Germany's white-wine district, the Rheingau.

Eltville is near Wiesbaden on the north bank of the Rhine and is known for its sunny, grape-ripening Octobers.

Since the airport at Frankfurt is only 24 miles from Eltville, the drive takes about half an hour.

It is expected that 350 people will be attending from the German-speaking part of Europe, says Mr. Schnee. Since the capacity for 1974 is 550 brethren, this leaves some room for about 200 German-Americans or German-Canadians to attend.

Any from the U.S. or Canada who feel their native background might provide them the chance to transfer to the Scandinavian or West German Festival site should contact the Festival Office, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

Toledo widow

shoots moon ...

TWICE

TOLEDO, Ohio — According to **Mary Whiting** of the church here, Jan. 1 some brethren gathered for a spaghetti dinner, one guest having traveled all the way to Ohio from Fargo, N.D., to join in the fun.

After dinner, Mrs. Whiting says, someone suggested a few games of the card game hearts be played.

"A certain widow in the Toledo church," Mrs. Whiting says, "who's initials are T.P., broke all her previous records. For the first time ever she was able to shoot the moon, not once, but twice. In two consecutive games she left us sitting there like dummies while she took all the hearts and the queen."

"She said she never had so much fun before, and we talk about it each time we see her. We understand the game hearts is based on the Biblical principle that it is better to give than to receive. That's the truth!"