

206 seniors graduate from college



Pasadena

GRADUATION — Left: Chancellor Herbert W. Armstrong, who delivered the commencement address at Pasadena, congratulates Shirley King, one of 112 who graduated there. Right: President Garner Ted Armstrong



Big Sandy

congratulates Randi Bloom, student-body vice president and one of 94 seniors who graduated at Big Sandy. (Photos by George Buschmann and Scott Moss)

Two hundred six students received the degree of bachelor of arts from the two Ambassador Colleges as the 28th year of the college in Pasadena and the 11th year of the Big Sandy campus came to a close.

Chancellor Herbert W. Armstrong conducted commencement exercises in Pasadena Friday, May 16, for 112 graduating men and women. President Garner Ted Armstrong led the ceremonies in Big Sandy on the same day as 94 ended their college careers.

Pasadena

The lower gardens of the Ambassador campus in Pasadena were the setting for the college's 25th commencement. (No one graduated the first three years of the college.)

After Chancellor Herbert Armstrong opened the exercise with the invocation and address of welcome, Student Body President Dan Boyce gave a discourse, "You Have Something to Give." Chancellor Armstrong followed with his commencement address, "The World Today and Tomorrow."

Mr. Armstrong talked of worsening world conditions and described the political unrest he has seen in his travels. He said God will intervene to "establish the world government that is going to bring us peace at last and force the way of life that will not only produce peace but give it to us forever."

Attending the ceremonies as honored guests were Barbara Y. Angeles, president of Angeles Uni. (See **GRADUATION**, page 16)

Church negotiates the sale of Ozarks, Pocono Feast sites

BIG SANDY — The Worldwide Church of God is currently negotiating the sale of two of its Festival sites, at Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., and Mount Pocono, Pa., with the outcome of the sale of one of the sites possibly to be determined June 3, according to Festival Director Bill McDowell.

"All Church-owned U.S. Festival sites except Big Sandy [the two mentioned above plus the Wisconsin Dells, Wis., site] are for sale, and we have been actively pursuing a sales and promotional program," Mr. McDowell said. "School of the Osage, in Lake Osage, Mo., has taken option on Lake of the Ozarks pending a school-bond vote June 3. The Pocono Mountain Vacation Bureau has an option running until Oct. 1 of this year pending a feasibility study by the federal government's Economic Development Administration."

Mr. McDowell said in each case the Church plans for a "lease-back" stipulation as part of the sale agreement so the facilities may continue to be used for the Festivals.

"The sale of the sites will be a good thing all the way around," Mr. McDowell said. "Not only will it give us a shot in the arm monetarily, but it will negate our current maintenance costs on those properties."

It is better to have the sites in use year-round than just for the brief periods the Church currently uses them, he said.

Another reason for the sale: The Church no longer has the need it once had for its own large auditoriums.

"There are now so many convention facilities scattered around the

country that we can hold the Feast in virtually any major area we desire," Mr. McDowell said. "However, many of these convention complexes didn't exist when we originally developed our own sites."

Lake of the Ozarks

W.L. Curtwright, superintendent of School of the Osage, said his school system plans to convert the Church facility into a high school for grades nine through 12 if the purchase goes through.

"Before we can buy we have to have our voters in our school district vote on a bond issue," he said. "If we pass the bond issue, then we go through with buying the property. The property is pretty centrally located in our school district."

Mr. Curtwright said the bond election would require a two-thirds majority for passage.

"It takes two yes votes for every no for a bond issue, and that makes it tough. I don't know if we can predict anything. We think we have a good chance of it passing, but the two thirds makes it hard to do, and we're aware of this."

If purchased, the auditorium would be converted into 32 or 33 classrooms, a large library and a gymnasium. A fairly long excerpt from an article in an Eldon, Mo., newspaper is reprinted at the end of this article. The article, outlining the proposed purchase from a local point of view, was termed "comprehensive" and "factual" by Mr. Curtwright.

Mount Pocono

Robert Uguccioni, executive di-

rector of the Pocono Mountain Vacation Bureau, a regional nonprofit tourism organization supported by the State of Pennsylvania, said his organization is interested in the purchase of the Festival site there for

conversion into a convention facility for trade shows and other large gatherings.

"There has been much consideration given to using it in concert with the bicentennial celebration," Mr. Uguccioni said.

He said he thought the site would be a "natural" for bicentennial concerts featuring orchestras, high-school marching bands or other large bands.

Despite the Pocono Mountain Va- (See **CHURCH**, page 15)

A Personal Letter from

Garner Ted Armstrong

Dear brethren in God's Church:

Greetings! I'm writing this just prior to departure to Europe once again. I had not really wanted to return to Europe so soon after my recent trip, which took me all the way to Jerusalem, but with the upcoming NATO conference in Brussels, which President Gerald Ford plans to attend, plus some very interesting top-level interviews arranged by Ray Kosanke of our Brussels office, it was impossible for me to avoid.

I hope to have interviews with a top man in NATO and the top architect of NATO defense strategy, and possibly I'll also obtain entry to the press conference following Gerald Ford's remarks at the NATO conference.

It will be my very first opportunity, if it occurs, to be in the same room with a President of the United States while he is in office (I saw former Presidents Eisenhower, Johnson and Nixon, but not while they were in office). Possibly I will go on

to Salzburg, where President Ford is to visit with President Anwar el-Sadat of Egypt for a few days, and I will be doing on-the-spot radio programs from these locations as well as from the Paris Air Show in Paris, France.

At the present time I do not know whether I will be able to visit with Franz Josef Strauss on this trip. My two attempts to contact his personal assistant, a Dr. Voss, have so far been unsuccessful, but I do have tentative plans to interview Prime Minister Leo Tindemans of Belgium. This would be only my second opportunity to interview a prime minister of a nation directly. (The first was my interview with Ian Smith of Rhodesia.)

If you have been staying close to the news lately, you know that the Belgians are the final holdout in the decision for many of the NATO countries to purchase the newly designed American lightweight fighter. (See **PERSONAL**, page 15)

Work ordains 102 ministers

PASADENA — The Church Administration Division (CAD) here and overseas offices of the Work have announced ordinations of 102 men, including 44 preaching elders and 58 local elders.

"It is deeply rewarding and fulfilling to all of us in Christ's ministry, and especially those on various CAD teams around the world, to see the steady growth and development of so many dozens of you fellows right out there 'on the firing line' serving and helping the brethren!" wrote Garner Ted Armstrong as he congratulated the newly ordained men in the May 20 issue of *The Bulletin*, a magazine for ministers and other administrative personnel.

In the United States, 26 were ordained preaching elders, while 38 were raised in rank to local elders. Of the local elders, 15 will be employed by the Work.

The Canadian office named 11 preaching elders and 10 local elders, while the Australian Work ordained five preaching elders and five local elders.

In England one was named preaching elder and four were made local elders.

The Philippine office ordained one preaching elder, and the German Work ordained a local elder.

A complete list appears on page 2. Some were ordained on Pentecost, May 18, while the others were to be ordained shortly afterward.



CHUCK DANIELS AND LAVONNE SMITH
MIAMI, FLA.



DAN DEININGER AND VALERIE WOOD
SPOKANE, WASH.



MIKE AND DARLENE HENLEY
MACON, GA.



BRONSON AND MYRA JAMES
CHICAGO, ILL.

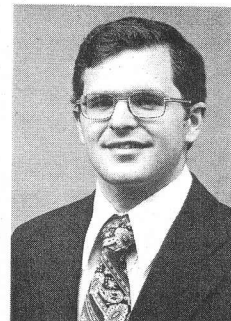


CURTIS AND TERRY PRICE
LONG BEACH, CALIF.

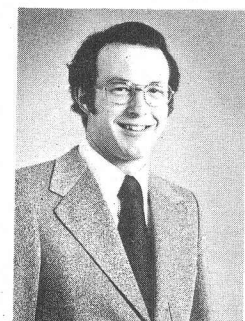
TO THE FIELD—Below each of these eight photographs are the names of the ministerial trainee, his wife or fiancée, if applicable, and the area he will serve. Those graduating from Pasadena: Chuck Daniels, Dan Deininger, Bronson James, Curtis Price, Carl Brooks and Dana Vinson. From Big Sandy: Mike Henley and Steve Buchanan. Mr. Price, left, was one of the original 28 graduates assigned, but his picture was not available to *The Worldwide News* until now. (Photos by Ken Evans and Scott Moss)



CARL BROOKS
CHICAGO, ILL.



STEVE BUCHANAN
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX.



DANA VINSON
APPLETON, WIS.

Church names seven more trainees

PASADENA — Seven more men, five from Ambassador College here and two from the campus in Big Sandy, have been chosen as ministerial trainees for the Worldwide Church of God in the United States. Along with the 28 who were selected a month earlier (*The Worldwide News*, April 28), 35 men will serve as trainees.

The seven senior men were notified the last week of classes, between finals and graduation, of their selection.

They are Carl Brooks, Dana Vinson, Dan Deininger, Chuck Daniels

and Bronson James from Pasadena and Steve Buchanan and Mike Henley from Big Sandy.

These men had taken a three-hour written examination on Bible knowledge and had been interviewed by a panel of ministers with about 70 other men who had applied for the ministerial-training program.

The ministers then made their recommendations to a committee made up of Garner Ted Armstrong; C. Wayne Cole, director of the Church Administration Division; Leslie L. McCullough, International Division director; and Ronald Dart, executive

vice president of the college at Big Sandy.

The committee chose 28 of the applicants. The seven who were hired a month later were "next in line," according to the CAD.

Mr. Brooks and Mr. James will go to Chicago, Ill.; Mr. Vinson will serve Appleton, Wis.; Mr. Deininger is assigned to Spokane, Wash.; Mr. Daniels will assist in Miami, Fla.; Mr. Buchanan will be in Corpus Christi, Tex.; and Mr. Henley in Macon, Ga.

Most of the men will arrive in their new areas in June.

Machine-gun battle erupts near South African office

By Frank Nette

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — The Ambassador College-owned offices here are on the northwest corner of the 35th floor of the Carlton Centre, the largest and tallest building in downtown Johannesburg.

Shortly after 1 p.m. on Monday afternoon, April 28, we — the office staffers — were startled by sporadic bursts of machine-gun fire coming from the streets below. We rushed to the windows to see small puffs of smoke, closely followed by the sound of rapid machine-gun fire coming from a building a mere stone's throw from us. The busy lunchtime crowds were frantically scattering.

Within minutes came the sirens of police cars and ambulances. Quickly about nine city blocks were cordoned off by the police. Sharpshooters took up positions on the roofs of buildings opposite the one from which the shooting had come. Ambulances converged on the spot to transport the wounded to hospitals.

Only then did conflicting reports begin to trickle in. Some claimed Arab terrorists had occupied the Israeli consul general's offices and were holding hostages. Other reports claimed a Japanese suicide squad was responsible for the chaotic disruption. It later turned out that only one man, David Protter, a 24-year-old security guard at the Israeli consulate, was responsible for the mayhem and destruction, possibly aided by his brother Charles.

From our vantage point 30 floors above the offices held by David Prot-

ter, we continued to witness the gun battle between him and the police.

It was not until 5:30 the following morning that he finally surrendered, releasing the hostages he had held for 18 hours.

When we arrived at our office Tuesday morning, the whole episode was over and the effects of this bizarre incident could be surveyed. Thirty-seven people had been injured by bullets or chunks of concrete that had been sent hurtling through the air by ricocheting bullets.

One person was killed.

Four bullets actually went through the windows of the offices below us on the 34th floor and lodged in the floor beneath our feet.

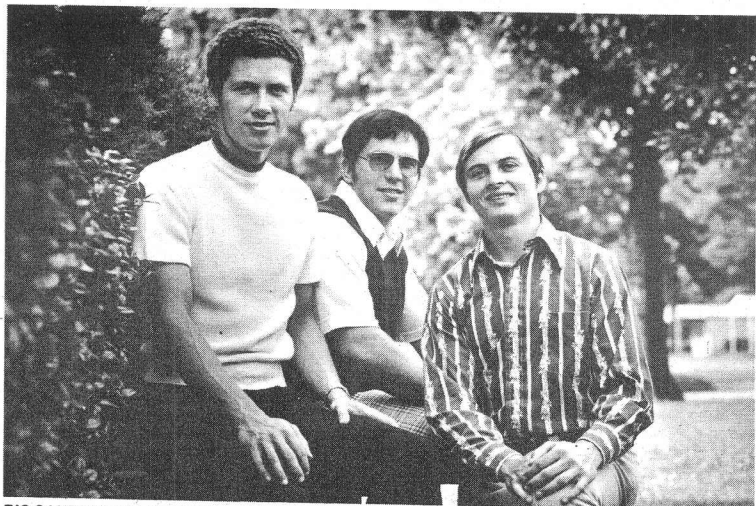
Allegedly Mr. Protter, a South African Jew, has a history of mental instability. A personal grudge was said to have triggered his actions. Because of mental instability he had been deported from Israel in 1972. He is now awaiting trial.

Now you know

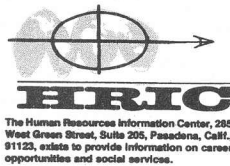
PASADENA — According to Richard Rice, director of mail processing, a woman recently wrote Herbert W. Armstrong:

"If you write back to me, write slowly, because I can't read fast."

Another woman mentioned that receiving her literature in brown envelopes has caused a problem because her cat has a habit of "wetting" on brown envelopes. She therefore requested that literature be sent to her in cellophane bags.



BIG SANDY'S NEW STUDENT-BODY OFFICERS — The three senior student-body officers for 1975-76 were announced at the Graduation Ball May 15 by President Garner Ted Armstrong. From left are Senior Class President Mike Hale of Peoria, Ill.; Student Body Vice President Perry Hoag of Eagle River, Alaska; and Student Body President Tony Hill of Haxtun, Colo. None of the class officers has been announced in Pasadena. (Photo by Scott Moss)



By Paul Meek
HRIC Assistant Director
PASADENA — "People are not going to travel far from home this year." That's the prediction of one newspaper publisher representing a small but popular resort town in Southern California. Last year 2.2 million people spent recreational time in this same area, including a Memorial Day crowd estimated at 50,000.

Among family breadwinners searching for recession-proof vacations, proximity to home is bound to be a major consideration. Statistics reveal that, as family earnings increase, the range of vacations widens geographically. The cost of such vacations obviously increases as well.

For instance, the more economy-minded U.S. nomad can pull a camping or tent trailer around the countryside for \$15 a day, \$100 a week or \$350 to \$400 a month, with \$75 to \$100 rental paid in advance.

Or motor homes, such as vans or bus types 26 feet long, can be rented for \$75 to \$85 a day, or \$350 a week, plus 12 cents a mile.

This means a family of five will pay anywhere from \$250 to \$600 a week in travel expenses alone, depending upon the type of conveyance used and distance traveled.

In fact, Americans spend more dollars on travel in a year's time than on any other budgeted items except food. Tourism today is a \$61 billion-a-year industry. By 1980 that figure is expected to reach \$127 billion, in spite of rough times. U.S. travel is 70 percent by private automobile, 27.6 percent by commercial air transportation, 1.5 percent by bus, 0.5 percent by passenger trains and less than 1 percent by other modes.

Americans traveling more than 100 miles from home spend an average of \$82 per person-trip. Include this figure in the preceding rates of travel with either camper trailers or vans and a family of five will spend on the average a total of \$410 for any trip over 100 miles.

Next to convention-bound travelers who spend \$138 per person-trip, vacationers spend \$107 per person-trip, about 50 percent more than those taking nonvacation trips. And, most important for Americans unable to afford lavish vacations this year, those who visit friends and relatives spend the least: \$61 per person-trip. That means Americans will be sharing more food and lodging costs of visiting relatives on "vacation."

Facts Tell the Tale

By looking at the overall picture of U.S. travel, one can better determine whether vacations are in this year or not, and, if so, which kind of vacation is most feasible. Whether a person decides to take a vacation depends upon its necessity even more than its costs. According to the Newspaper Advertising Bureau, people who think vacations are a necessity rather than a luxury are the ones most likely to travel.

Out of every dollar spent on travel in the United States, 36.8 cents goes for transportation, 23.1 cents for lodging, 21.4 cents for food, 15.6 cents for incidentals and 3.2 cents for entertainment and recreation.

Who is apt to spend vacation dollars? Those under 30 who are college educated and have family incomes over \$15,000.

That's not all. American vacationers are likely to take trips on both long and short weekends, and they

are likely to have flown in the past three years. A survey for the Air Transport Association found that 55 percent of adult Americans have now flown on U.S. airlines.

Tourism Paradox

While breadwinners may be reticent in taking vacations in the face of economic slumps, the economy on the other hand is counting on those breadwinners to do so.

Of the 50 states, 46 rank tourism among their top three industries. In Florida, Hawaii and Nevada it is the leading industry.

According to figures of Joel Slead of Newhouse News Service, 144 million Americans out of a 1972 population of 209 million traveled an estimated 370 million miles on trips of 100 miles or more away from home. Of that figure, 22 million took business trips, 86 million vacation trips and 74 million weekend trips.

Further, the U.S. tourism industry pays an estimated \$4.3 billion a year in local, state and federal taxes. How does this relate with private benefits? Four million persons are employed in the tourism industry, which comes out to one of every 20 in the civilian labor force.

Vacations Are In

There is no need for families to do without vacations, if the cost of

doing so is carefully considered. Here are a few ways that will help cut costs:

- First, cut down on travel, food and lodging costs. Visit points of interest closer to home. Break up vacations into smaller time capsules (for example, one vacation week into three weekends, in addition to Saturday and Sunday; that stretches seven days into 13). Have more picnics and barbecues. Sleep either at home, in somebody else's home, in tents or inexpensive rented campers, etc.

- If traveling greater distances, take advantage of new economy motel chains. Such motels usually lack large restaurants, cocktail lounges, convention halls, swimming pools, color TV and room phones. And they scorn credit cards. But all these are savings to you. Reservations should be made in advance; they will be crowded.

- For the more Spartan families, more than 150 American Youth Hostels are scattered across the United States (5,000 hostels in 47 countries), mostly in scenic, historic and recreational areas and sometimes in popular cities such as Washington, D.C., and Phoenix, Ariz.

Here is a description of youth hostels taken from "Low-Cost Lodging and Other Timely Travel Notes," by Michael Frome, May, 1975:

"They provide simple facilities,

including kitchen and use of cooking equipment, at the extremely low cost of about \$1.50 to \$2.50 per night. Generally there are separate dormitories for men and women, but occasionally there are family units too. Hostelers appeals to people of all ages, and all are welcome. Most guests share an interest in outdoor activities such as hiking, bicycling, canoeing, horseback riding and sailing.

"The emphasis is on simplicity and self-service. Hostelers buy and cook their own food and are expected to leave every hostel in good condition by sharing common cleaning chores. House parents enforce some strict rules. Smoking usually isn't permitted and never in bunk rooms; beer and other alcoholic beverages are forbidden too. An essential requirement is an American Youth Hostel Pass, the key to 5,000 hostels in 47 countries. The cost ranges from \$5 for a Youth Pass (for those under 18) to \$10 for an Individual Pass and \$12 for a Family Pass.

"American Youth Hostels and its 33 local councils are in the midst of an energetic bicentennial program to double the number of hostels by 1976; already 12 have been added in the heart of the Colorado Rockies. AYH also conducts a series of leisurely paced guided tours combining travel by foot power, bicycle, bus, train and plane in the United States

and other countries. Make reservations now if you want to take a guided tour this summer. Write Justin Cline, American Youth Hostels, Department WD, Delaplane, Va., 22025."

• Finally, an eye should be kept open for tourist homes and guest houses in the suburban Maryland and Virginia, as well as Washington, D.C., areas. What was an answer to U.S. travel before the motel boom may now be on the way back as part of the reaction to high costs and impersonal treatment found in today's lodging. Designed for private housing for vacationers, including continental breakfast, built-in baby-sitting (for a reasonable fee), kitchen facilities and the run of the house, these Americana dwellings may be had for \$10 to \$21 for a family of four.

For further information on where such tourist homes and guest houses are located, write to Hilda Baum, Holiday Hosts, Inc., Department WD, Box 1108, Langley Park, Md., 20787.

Rocky's road wasn't always as easy

By Clay F. Richards

WASHINGTON (UPI) — When he was a youth in 1930, as Nelson Rockefeller tells the story, he wanted to furnish his first home in expensive American antiques, but his father didn't want to pay for them.

So, without identifying himself, the enterprising young Dartmouth graduate went door to door through Vermont and New Hampshire and bought the furniture from farmers and townfolk at a price he could afford.

"There was an old house where George Washington was supposed to have slept in — one of those Dutch Colonial houses — and my mother was fixing it over and I was going to live there when I got married," Mr. Rockefeller explained to reporters during a chat on *Air Force II* recently.

"So I said to my father, I would like to get some antiques — pine and maple — Early American, and he said it was too expensive," the U.S. vice president said.

His father, John D. Rockefeller Jr., said he would pay to furnish the house in antique reproductions. The house was on the family estate, Pocantico Hills, overlooking the Hudson River at Tarrytown, N.Y.

"I took the blueprints of the house, I laid out the furniture in each room, I then took the price of the reproduction and put it on each piece and then I added it up for each room — the totals — then I went to my father and said, 'If I could furnish the house within this total, will you let me have the money?'" Mr. Rockefeller said. "So he said yes."

"Then I spent my weekends the last year at college going around to old houses in Vermont, New Hampshire, in the attics and buying these pieces, knocking on doors," he said. "It was a little embarrassing."

"Did you tell them your name?" he was asked.

"No. I just knocked on the door and said, 'Could I look in your attic? Have you got anything in the barn?'" he replied. "There were a lot of nice people out there."

Mr. Rockefeller said when he was researching the project the books by the experts said there was no such thing as an Early American pine grandfather's clock.

"I found two," he said. "One I bought for \$12 and one for \$16, so I really did pretty well."

"I furnished the whole house that way and for considerably under the price."

Cook Cook takes the cake

LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Toasted Butter Pecan Cake has always been something special for the Jerry Cook family of Wolcott, and now it's extra special since Mrs. Cook won the sweepstakes prize in the *Journal and Courier's* fourth annual recipe contest.

Entering the contest for the first time this year, Jacqueline Cook captured the top prize with the rich three-layer cake she makes for her family on special occasions.

She found the recipe in the *Farm Journal* several years ago and adapted it to her family's tastes.

City Girl, Farm Husband

The recipe was just one the newly married city girl from San Diego, Calif., discovered while searching

Mrs. Jerry Cook of Wolcott, Ind., entered a recipe contest sponsored by a Lafayette, Ind., newspaper. Out of 2,800 recipes entered, hers won first place.

Mrs. Cook is a member of the Worldwide Church of God in Lafayette.

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magazines and farm publications for dishes to please her midwestern-farm husband, a graduate of Purdue University.

Now a Hoosier farm wife herself, Mrs. Cook enjoys cooking and especially likes to bake and try different

recipes including ones in the other three issues of the *Journal and Courier's* "Creative Cooking" which she has kept.

The Cooks and their four children, Stan, Mike, Laurie and Annette, moved recently from Wolcott to a large farm home on Route 2. Here they enjoy having the space for animals. Stan is now old enough to be active in 4-H and has the expert guidance of his father, vocational-agriculture teacher at Tri-County High School.

The children also enjoy helping their mother in the kitchen; both the boys are "real helpers," while the girls, still a little young for some tasks, like to help knead bread dough when their mother is baking.

Mrs. Cook had planned to enter all 24 categories in the recipe contest, but the move to their new home came during the time the entries were to be submitted and she found she didn't have the time.

A Real Winner

However, one of the recipes she did send turned out to be a real winner.

Toasted Butter Pecan Cake: 4½ tablespoons butter; 2 cups chopped pecans; 1 cup butter; 2 cups sugar; 2 teaspoons vanilla; 3 eggs; 3 cups sifted flour; 2¼ teaspoons baking powder; ½ teaspoon salt; 1 cup milk.

Place pecans in shallow pan; dot with three tablespoons butter. Toast in 350-degree oven 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir one cup butter to soften. Gradually add sugar and cream until light and fluffy; add vanilla. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each. Add sifted dry ingredients to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beating well after each addition. Fold in 1½ cups of the toasted pecans. Turn into three greased-and-floured eight-inch round cake pans. Bake in a 350-degree oven 30 to 35 minutes; remove from oven and cool cake in pans 10 minutes; remove and cool completely. Frost with Butter Pecan Frosting.

Butter Pecan Frosting: Mix until smooth: 4½ tablespoons soft butter; 4½ cups sifted confectioner's sugar; 4 tablespoons light cream; 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Stir in remaining toasted pecans. Use to frost cake.



TAKES CAKE — Mrs. Jerry Cook's recipe, Toasted Butter Pecan Cake, won first place out of 2,800 recipes entered in a contest sponsored by the Lafayette, Ind., *Journal and Courier*. [Photo courtesy the Lafayette *Journal and Courier*]

Minister wins \$23,000 on game show

By Mac Overton

BIG SANDY — What's a pastor going to do with a bar stereo? For that matter, what's he going to do with a Peter Max print, two free cars, two trips to Europe and other prizes worth a total of \$23,240?

That's the problem facing Bill Cowan Jr. and his wife Betty, who are being reassigned to the Chattanooga, Tenn., church following a two-semester sabbatical at Ambassador College, Pasadena.

Shortly before the end of the sabbatical, Mr. and Mrs. Cowan appeared on the CBS daytime television game show *Gambit* and walked away with the fourth-largest winnings in the four-year history of the show. They appeared on four shows, all taped May 1 in Hollywood, Calif., for showing nationwide May 13, 14, 15, and 16.

The Cowans' prizes, counting welcoming gifts and farewell prizes, included:

- Two American Motors Gremlins, valued at \$3,790.60 each.
- His-and-hers Zodiac watches worth \$425.
- His-and-hers Polaroid SX-70 cameras.
- A car stereo.
- A Peter Max print worth \$250.
- A Bell & Howell movie camera and projector.
- Jewelry by Monet worth \$300.
- A Whirlpool air conditioner.
- A Whirlpool dishwasher.
- A Whirlpool range.
- A garden party in Denmark and a dinner in Paris that include the cost of the party and dinner plus air fare from Los Angeles for each trip.
- A Carnegie bar stereo.
- A raccoon-and-leather jacket worth \$600.
- A \$218 clock assortment.
- Z-brick worth \$75.
- Four cartons of flint-rock tile.
- Deodorant worth \$25.
- Rug shampoo worth \$25.
- Frozen Mexican food worth \$25.

Mrs. Cowan said their children, Michelle, 8, and twins Rod and Ron, 6, felt the grand prize was \$25 worth of sugarless bubble gum.

"Wow! You should have seen the grins. They were really happy," Mr. Cowan said.

Doesn't Seem Real

Mr. Cowan said the experience still doesn't seem real since the prizes were all won in one afternoon and most haven't been delivered yet. They picked up the fur jacket and Peter Max print before they left California and received order forms for the Gremlins while they were visiting Mrs. Cowan's parents in Illinois last week.

The other prizes will be delivered to Chattanooga.

He said the cars come with many options, including V-8 engines and \$250 each to pay taxes and title fees.

The trips were the only prizes they could cash in. They decided to take money instead, because hotel costs and living expenses were not covered by the prizes.

Mr. Cowan said the air fare to Copenhagen was worth \$1,082, and the Paris air fare was worth \$1,080. This pushed their cash winnings to about \$10,800.

How It Happened

Mr. Cowan said Mel and Betty Turner, a minister and wife also at the college for a sabbatical, "ordered some tickets to go see the show live while it was being taped and they ordered some tickets for us also."

At the studio, those in the audience were asked if they would like to be interviewed for the program.

That was in April.

"There were about 660 people in

the audience that day." Mr. Cowan said, "and about 500 to 550 probably filled out cards to be interviewed. In between the shows they interviewed everyone in the audience that wanted to be interviewed, but it was very short—about a minute per person."

At the end of the program about 50 names were called out. Those persons were given written tests.

"They said if you couldn't answer the questions on the tests, you wouldn't do very well on television under pressure," he stated. That weeded out several and those that passed were given an appointment to report back for another interview which was "sort of a screen test."

How It Works

Gambit is based on the card game blackjack, or twenty-one, in which the object is to get cards whose value most closely approaches 21.

Two couples play the game. Questions are asked, and the couple that presses a buzzer first gets to answer a question. If that couple answers correctly, it gets control of a card that has the same point value it would have in blackjack. Without its point value being known, a card is either accepted or passed to the other couple.

"The only card you see is the first card in the game," Mrs. Cowan said. "The other cards stay face down."

New decks are supplied every match of three games, and after each match contestants go to the "Gambit Board." Contestants go to the board when they win two out of three games in a match.

The board has numbered squares. When a contestant chooses a number, it flips over, revealing the prize he's just won. The objective is to achieve a score as near 21 as possible without going over, or "busting."

Mr. Cowan complimented the emcee of the show, Wink Martindale.

"He's a very fine fellow, very likable, very affable, real friendly. In between the breaks when we were winning, or during commercials, he would always come over and shake our hands and talk to us and congratulate us. I could tell he was pleased. We were winning and he seemed to be very happy about it."

Mrs. Cowan agreed.

"He was a very sincere person; he didn't just put on a show," she said. "He really meant what he did."

What Church?

On the first show Mr. Martindale, while introducing Mr. Cowan, noticed his introduction card said he was a minister.

"What church?" he asked.

"Worldwide Church of God," Mr. Cowan said in his deep, resonant voice.

"Did you hear that voice?" the emcee exclaimed. "Would you repeat that?"

All shows for a week are produced on the same afternoon. During breaks between shows the Cowans had to change clothes to give the impression the shows had been filmed on different days.

Mr. Cowan said several comments came from the audience, producer, television crew, cameramen and others about "help" he and his wife received because he is a minister.

The announcer for the show, who presents the gifts, said during one of the breaks, "Mr. Cowan, I guess I'm going to start going back to church."

One of the cameramen commented to the audience: "You can beat two people playing this game, but it sure is hard to beat three. If you look over the minister's shoulder there you'll see this guy standing behind him with halo and wings, whispering in his ear."

"It really seemed to be quite a witness to the people there, because we were the fourth couple to go as high as we went," Mr. Cowan said.

The other three won \$25,000 in prizes, the show's maximum.

Mr. Cowan said the prizes will be treated as income for tax purposes.

"They will send me a W-2 form," he said. "There's no special tax like a gift tax, luxury tax or something like that. They'll be sending me a W-2 that will say the exact amount that my winnings are to the penny. That will go onto my income. So all I do is pay straight income tax."

"I understand that I will be able to average my income over three to five years, so that should save quite a bit on taxes."

Mixed Feelings

Mr. Cowan still has "mixed feelings" about game shows.

"I don't like to see people just go berserk. On many of the game shows they pick people that are highly volatile and emotional and they scream and shout — just get so excited about winning a car or losing — they'll cry and break down or something like that."

"We were excited and very thankful that God was blessing us, but I don't think we ever lost control of our feelings or emotions or anything like that. Many times the shows will try to bring this sort of thing out. The producer actually talked to us, to all the contestants that were there, about it before we went on camera and said he didn't like this... He said, to him, people are just making idiots out of themselves. He didn't like it and he didn't want anyone to react like that."

Mr. Cowan was the pastor in Little Rock, Ark., before coming to college for postgraduate courses. He had gone into the field as a ministerial trainee in 1966 after graduation from Ambassador College in Pasadena and was assigned to the Little Rock area.

He and his wife will celebrate their ninth wedding anniversary June 1. Mrs. Cowan is the former Betty Welshans. Her parents live in Fairview Heights, Ill.

While at headquarters, the Cowans lived in college-owned apartments. A few months before leaving Little Rock in August, 1974, the Cowans had purchased a home there.

Now They Can Buy a Home

The Cowans said the prizes come as a real blessing, because now they can afford to buy a home in Chattanooga. And many of the prizes are things they needed.

"Moving into a new home it'll be kind of hard to tell exactly what we will need," Mr. Cowan said, "but we did win a Whirlpool range. We don't have a stove because where we lived previously had a built-in stove and range so that can definitely be a blessing."

"We won an air conditioner and a dishwasher, and it was the exact model and type that my wife wanted. We had it in a home built earlier and she just loved it and so we wanted to buy the same identical type. God just gave us one."

"And there were several things that we will be able to use. The Carnegie bar stereo — that will be real nice in my office. So really all the items we won we'll be able to use."

"I don't have a movie camera or a projector so that will be very nice. We plan to keep one of the Gremlins as a second car and sell the other one."

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan both said the show was a challenge.

"It's more than a card game," Mr. Cowan said.

"A lot of times we were just sitting there like dumb dodos and God would work it out despite us," he said. "We wouldn't know the an-



GAME-SHOW WINNERS — Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cowan Jr. recently won more than \$23,000 in prizes on the CBS television game show *Gambit*. This picture of the Cowans was made at Big Sandy during the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles. He now has a mustache. Mr. Cowan, who just completed a sabbatical at Ambassador College, Pasadena, has been reassigned to pastor the church at Chattanooga, Tenn. They appeared on four shows, all taped May 1, which were televised May 13 to 16. Before returning to college in August, 1974, for postgraduate work, Mr. Cowan had served eight years in the field ministry. [Photo by Eugene Smyda]

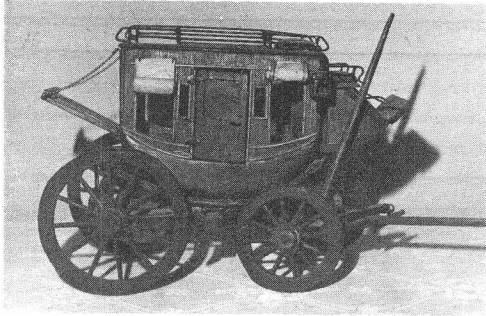
swer to the question or something like that and the other people would get a card and they'd bust [go over 21 points] or pass the card to us and give us 21. We received four 21s in a row," a record for the show.

"I thought it was a real good experience," Mrs. Cowan said. "We thought that even if we didn't win a

thing at least it was very interesting to see how they taped the program and what all was involved. Of course, winning made it even more exciting, and it's just kind of like Bill said, it's hard to realize it's real. It happened so fast and all in one evening. It's just really hard to realize it's real, but I'm thankful that we were on it."



BACK AT COLLEGE — Mr. Cowan and other ministers recently on sabbatical at Ambassador College, Pasadena, leave a classroom in the basement of the Auditorium. From left are Felix Heimberg, Mr. Cowan and Bob Cloninger. Before the end of his sabbatical, Mr. Cowan and his wife appeared on the CBS television game show *Gambit* and won more than \$23,000 in prizes. [Photo by Gary George]



She's 'always done something'

Member handy with handicrafts

By Paulette S. Jameson
STATESBORO, Ga. — After Lucille Kersey, a member of the Waltherboro, S.C., church, moved recently, she decided she needed more kitchen cupboards in her house. So she tore out a wall and built them herself.

Unusual?

Well, maybe for most women, but not for Mrs. Kersey.

Mrs. Kersey not only does carpentry work, she enjoys wood carving. About six years ago she

carved a spinning wheel out of boards from an old chicken coop, using a pattern from *Popular Mechanics*.

She has also carved, from a pattern, an extremely detailed stagecoach with leather seats.

Mrs. Kersey says she has "always done something," ever since she can remember. She's also done basketwork, made dolls, worked with leather (she's even made a small saddle), created pictures from seashells and done all kinds of needlework, include cross-stitch, embroidery and crewelwork.

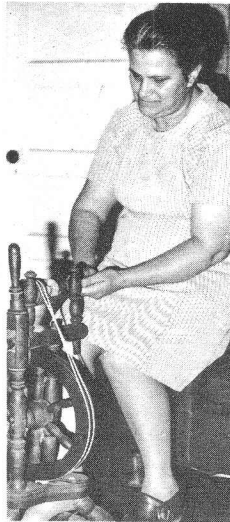
How did she learn to do all these handicrafts?

"I either got a book or figured it out for myself," she says.

Mrs. Kersey, a member since 1972, lives here and works as a quality supervisor for Marydell Styles.

She has three children: Tommy of Costa Mesa, Calif. (he and his wife attend services in Santa Ana); Sarah of Los Angeles; and Kenny, who is married and lives here.

Mrs. Kersey says, "There's still lots of other things I still want to try, such as macrame and decoupage."



ARTISTRY IN WOOD — Items carved by Mrs. Lucille Kersey include, far left, top, a tiny rocking chair, a chair in a bottle, a tiny stool and wooden shoes. Far left: Mrs. Kersey also carved this small-scale model of a stagecoach. Left: Mrs. Kersey demonstrated how to make thread on a spinning wheel she carved with a wood lathe. She made the spinning wheel from a pattern in *Popular Mechanics*. [Photos by Ronald K. Jameson]

First 'sabrat' baptized in Israel

By Christopher J. Patton
JERUSALEM — Near the end of his recent trip to Israel, Gomer Ted Armstrong baptized Edith Platau, 23, of Gevat, a *kibbutz*. Miss Platau is the first *sabrat* (native Israeli) to be baptized in Israel during this age of God's Church.

Her parents, Avraham and Ruth Platau, came separately to Israel from Germany in 1934. They met and married at Kfar Rupin, another *kibbutz*, in the Jordan Valley. In 1944 they moved to Gevat, just north of Megiddo and southwest of Nazareth.

Miss Platau has two brothers, Amos and Nir. Amos was born at Kfar Rupin. Miss Platau and Nir were born in Gevat.

Miss Platau's life has been typical of a *kibbutznik*. She grew up in children's houses in which boys and girls of about the same age eat, play and sleep together, only seeing their parents for several hours a day in the afternoons.

At 18 she entered the army and was stationed in Beersheba.

Released in August, 1971, she returned to *kibbutz* life.

Until his accidental death a year ago, Miss Platau's father was director of Gevat's volunteers. One of those volunteers introduced Miss Platau to the Work through long talks and literature. Eventually her interest led to contact with Richard Frankel, then manager of the Work's office here, in the summer of 1974.

For Miss Platau, that first talk with one of God's ministers proved to be an "eye-opening experience" that quickly led to further growth.

Her greatest obstacle has been language. Although she studied English in school, she knows only the fundamentals. She has literally spent hours on a single page of the Correspondence Course; Bible and Hebrew-English dictionary in hand. She plans to improve her English and pick up secretarial skills during the coming year to prepare to attend Ambassador College, which she hopes to do beginning in the fall of 1976.

ELBUBRT NIMT TWIN TROUBLE

"I wish you'd keep your rock collection in the basement," I said. "It's making our room a mess."

Poking her fingers through a small box of collected stones, Jill did not even bother to look up as she replied, "I'll straighten up later." She dumped out the rocks on the top of the dresser that we share.

"Do you have your poem memorized for tomorrow's school program?" I asked. I knew she didn't. She puts off everything to the last possible minute.

"I don't have one picked out yet," Jill replied absently.

"Honestly!" I scolded. I walked out of the room and quietly descended the stairs to the kitchen. It isn't easy to be 12 years old and have a twin. Everybody says Jill and I look alike as two raindrops, but the similarity stops there. She's an awful tomboy; she plays ball with the boys in the neighborhood and she's a one-man humane society, rescuing cats from trees and returning stray dogs to their owners. She doesn't mind how tangled her hair looks or how wrinkled her blouses are or how faded her jeans get. The trouble is, the whole world thinks, There goes Janet Evans, untidy as ever. But it's Jill they see and I'm getting her awful reputation.

"Will you set the table, Janet?" Mother asked as I entered the kitchen. She was starting supper.

"Yes, Mama. May we use the new plates?"

Mother smiled. "I think we'll save them for the Sabbath. Then they'll be special. Do you like the new dishes?"

"Oh, yes, they're so refined. And cultural." I added this as Jill clattered down the stairs and burst into the kitchen.

"Don't put on a plate for me," she chirruped. "Barb wants me to go on a picnic with her family."

Mother turned from the stove. "But surely Janet was asked to go too?"

"Nope." She paused at the back door. I elevated my nose. "Barb and Jill know I loathe picnics. The mosquitoes and bugs are — ugh!"

"All right, Jill, but don't be late. You

have that poem to memorize for the school program."

"Okay, Mom." She hurried out the door.

Poem Finding

In the morning Jill finally came to her senses. "Jan, you've got to help me find a poem," she pleaded as we combed our hair. "I don't know any good poems. What are you reciting?"

"'Little Orphan Annie,' by the well-known Hoosier poet James Whitcomb Riley," I replied. Opening my book, *Best Loved Poems*, I said: "Here. You might do 'The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere.'" I passed her the book with it open at that poem.

Jill gave a squeak. "It's a mile long."

"How about something from Mother Goose, then?" I asked sweetly.

"Jan, please help me. Miss Anthony said everybody's got to participate in the program. I wanted to be in Peggy's skit, but I asked too late. She only needed three people."

"I'm sorry, but you must learn to stop procrastinating."

"Pro — what?"

"Putting off what you should do the minute it's assigned. Here. Turn back to my poem and prompt me, will you? I'll go over the last verse one more time to make sure I have it right."

Like a good scout, she let me show her the place on the page and she said, "Go ahead."

"And little Orphan Annie says when the wind goes woo-oo . . ."

"Woo-oo-ew," Jill said, making a windy sound.

"And you hear the crickets quit . . ."

"Crick! Crick!" said Jill. She plopped on the bed beside me. "Jan, why don't you have me be your sound effects?"

"Be what?"

"I'll do your sound effects. Look at all the places I could jazz up this poem." She ran her finger down the page. "Every time you say 'gobble-uns' I'll say

'boo!' " She studied the first verse a moment. "You say, 'Shoo the chickens off the porch, and I'll go, 'Cluck! Cluck!' "

I have to admit that Jill does good imitations. We went over the whole thing and I decided to let her try it. It was kind of unusual and it would be fun. "If we do this, you've got to promise you won't put things off any more. You've got to reform."

"I promise I'll do better."

Shrieking Audience

We didn't tell Mama what we'd cooked up because the parents were invited to the afternoon program and we wanted to surprise her.

She was surprised. The audience shrieked with laughter as Jill's sound effects came out from behind the stage scenery near where I stood. After I finished all the verses they burst into applause.

Miss Anthony presented paperback books, gift wrapped, to the "most deserving" students. "First place goes to Peggy Nelson," she announced. "The original skit she wrote was excellent. And the Evans twins have second and third places. Janet wins for her good memory work with such a long poem, and Jill was so original with her sound effects."

On the way home from the program in the car, Jill and I unwrapped our books. *The Hardy Boys Lost in the Amazons* was the title of mine, and the cover picture showed a snake curling on a vine above two boys' heads. I closed my eyes and shuddered.

Jill moaned on the seat beside me. "Linda Lovely — Fashion Model. How boring." She saw the title of my book. "Would you consider trading?"

"I certainly would." We traded.

"Well," Mother said as she swung the car into our driveway, "I wish Daddy could have been there. It was a very satisfying afternoon, wasn't it, darlings?"

Jill gave me a happy glance. "Fun."

I opened my new book to page 1.

"Quite satisfactory," I agreed.

A STORY FOR CHILDREN By Shirley King Johnson

WHERE ARE THEY GOING?

PASADENA

Lygia Alvarez Spanish Department, Pasadena
 Daniel Bates Undecided
 Diane Bauer Graduate work
 Ross Beath Ministerial trainee, Melbourne, Australia
 Anita Wickham Becker Homemaker
 Wayne Becker Undecided
 Carole Beeston Married Philip Shields
 Beverly Blatt S.E.P., Orr, Minn.
 Roger Blekeberg Undecided
 Martin Bode Ministerial trainee, South Africa
 Danny Boyce Seeking employment
 Larry Boyts Ministerial trainee, Santa Ana, Calif.
 Carl Brooks Ministerial trainee, Chicago, Ill.
 Harlan Brown Seeking employment
 Joyce Clark Undecided
 Theodora Clay Dutch Department, Bricklet Wood
 Glenn Connell Undecided
 Robert Coser Seeking employment
 Eduardo Crepinsek Spanish Department, Pasadena
 Charles Daniels Ministerial trainee, Miami, Fla.
 Dawn Davies Receptionist, Pasadena
 Dan Deininger Ministerial trainee, Spokane, Wash.
 Anna Dunlap Accounting, Pasadena
 Michael Eash Undecided
 Lynn Egbert Undecided
 Gary Eure Seeking employment
 Susan Fleisher Booklet Department, Pasadena
 Richard Forkun Ministerial trainee, Toronto, Ont.
 Wayne Garratt Undecided
 Jennifer Gehr Married Grant Spong
 Julia Gillen Receptionist, Pasadena
 John Goodwin Unknown
 Bruce Greenaway Seeking employment
 Marinus Gruter Undecided
 Sarah Guerrero Undecided
 Franklin Guice Undecided
 Lona Haggerty Seeking employment
 Paige Hall Married Philip Reid
 Dennis Hallingstad Seeking employment
 Kenneth Harper Seeking employment
 Victoria Hieb Seeking employment
 Ronald Hiebert S.E.P., Orr, Minn.
 Diane Hoot To marry Melvin Rhodes
 Bronson James Ministerial trainee, Chicago, Ill.
 David Johnson Undecided
 Patty Johnson Secretary, Pasadena
 Anne Jule Graduate school
 Kenneth Karas Seeking employment
 Colin Kelly Ministerial trainee, Auckland, New Zealand
 Gary King Graduate school
 Shirley King Data Processing Department, Pasadena
 Wanda King Spanish Department, Pasadena
 Paul Krautmann Seeking employment
 Linda Larkin Library, Pasadena
 Dennis Lawrence Undecided
 Michael Lohr Seeking employment
 Peter Longley Seeking employment
 Roger Ludwig Ministerial trainee, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Lorrel Lucy Undecided
 Kathleen Mathews Data Processing Department, Pasadena
 Thomas Mathews Data Processing Department, Pasadena
 Lolla McMichael Publications Department, Pasadena
 Donald Melville Undecided
 Sharon Muehlbauer Secretary, Pasadena
 William Murphy Graduate school
 Edward Nau Seeking employment
 Bernie Nikotal Seeking employment
 David Parker Graduate school
 Barbara Patton Receptionist, Pasadena
 Alexander Peck Theology Department, Pasadena
 Phillip Perkins Seeking employment
 Stephen Powell Ministerial trainee, Akron, Ohio
 Senior Grundy Pulley Homemaker
 Victoria Quartz Seeking employment
 Alan Redmond Ministerial trainee, Winnipeg, Man.
 Phillip Reid Ministerial trainee, Greensboro, N.C.
 Santana Reyes Seeking employment
 Daniel Robert Spanish Department, Pasadena
 Brenda Robinson Seeking employment
 Phillip Schneider Undecided
 Cynthia Schoon Married Scott Murray
 Fran Selgile Ministerial trainee, destination unknown
 Victor Simpson Ministerial trainee, Puerto Rico
 Lavonne Smith Married Charles Daniels
 Harry Snider Physical Education Department, Pasadena
 Grant Spong Seeking employment
 Chris Starkey Undecided
 Ed Stonick Seeking employment
 Bruce Tepley Graduate school
 Alexander Thomson Undecided
 Beverley Tinworth Married Colin Kelly
 Angelika Tirschler French Department, Pasadena
 Clayborn Umberfeld Undecided
 Jeanette Uskert Undecided
 Christina Van De Polder Undecided
 Matthew van der Wende Married Roger Ludwig
 Dana Vinson Ministerial trainee, Appleton, Wis.
 Anna Wagner Married Richard Wilkinson
 D'Arcy Watson Undecided
 Annette Weatherley Married Richard Forkun
 Kenneth Webster Ministerial trainee, Kamloops, B.C.
 Fred Whitlark Theology Department, Pasadena
 Kathy Widmer Secretary, Pasadena
 Richard Wilkinson Ministerial trainee, Kamloops, B.C.
 Charleston Williams Undecided
 Barbara Wiseman Science Department, Pasadena
 Valerie Wood To marry Dan Deininger
 Gayle Woodham Undecided
 Janet Young Data Processing Department, Pasadena
 Susan Zimmerman Jerusalem dig

Worldwide News reporters at Pasadena and Big Sandy contacted each new Ambassador graduate to ask what his postgraduate plans were. Fifty-three graduates are seeking employment outside of the Work; 36 have been hired by the Church as ministerial trainees; 24 have been hired on the campus in Pasadena; 11 have been hired in Big Sandy; 10 are marrying ministerial trainees; 32 are undecided; several didn't respond to the survey.

BIG SANDY

Nassam Abraham Undecided
 Thomas Adams Brookside Farms Laboratories, New Knoxville, Ohio
 Lana Akers S.E.P., Orr, Minn.
 Wayne Aman Seeking employment
 Lindsay Anderson Seeking employment
 Sherry Bardahl Seeking employment
 Harold Barksdale Bank officer trainee
 Kathy Batchelor Secretary, Big Sandy
 Linda Benton Secretary, Big Sandy
 Paul Beshoner Undecided
 Randi Bloom Ministerial trainee, Atlanta, Ga.
 Curtis Borman Insurance adjuster
 Steve Buchanan Ministerial trainee, Corpus Christi, Tex.
 Joe Cochran Festival Office, Big Sandy
 Wood Coston AC Ranch, Big Sandy
 Bill Crumpler German instructor, Big Sandy
 Suzanne Davis Seeking employment
 Bruce Dean Ministerial trainee, Brisbane, Australia
 Denise Garrison To marry Dave Dobson
 Tom Doerr Sales manager
 Wes Eckles Computer technician
 Tom Fitzpatrick Ministerial trainee, Flint, Mich.
 Ross Flynn Ministerial trainee, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Barb Gereaux Home Economics Department, Big Sandy
 Steve Gembowski Seeking employment
 Bob Grace Book salesman
 David Gray Insurance salesman
 Byron Griffin Seeking employment
 Trevor Hames Seeking employment
 Bob Hildebrand Seeking employment
 Tom Hamilton Farming
 Mike Henley Ministerial trainee, Macon, Ga.
 Jim Hepper Machinist
 Bernard Hongerfoot Ministerial trainee, Paris, France
 Bob Howell Seeking employment
 Kevin Hudson Ministerial trainee, Newark, N.J.
 Ian Hufton Undecided
 Cindy Issler Continue education
 Charles Ivins Insurance representative
 John Jackman Seeking employment
 Robin Jackson Seeking employment
 Wayne Janes Farming
 Brenda Johnson Secretary, Big Sandy
 Greg Johnson Seeking employment
 Judy Johnson To marry Bob Corbett
 Lesley Kalber Transfer to AC, Pasadena
 Malvina Kardos Seeking employment
 Bruce Keener Seeking employment
 Ron Kymala Landscaping Department, Big Sandy
 Glenn LaMountain Ministerial trainee, Columbia, Mo.
 Julia Lane Seeking employment
 Janet Leske To marry Trevor Hames
 Gordon Lind Seeking employment
 Terri Lowder Undecided
 Tom Mahan Design landscaping
 Toni Huffman Maddison Homemaker
 Becca Marshall Married Royce Rampy
 Thalia Martin To marry Ian Hufton
 David McKee Seeking employment
 Creighton Miller Music
 Debbie Mohler To marry Randi Bloom
 Dave Molnar Ministerial trainee, Columbus, Ohio
 Larry Murluf Ministerial trainee, Kansas City, Mo.
 Ken Murray Seeking employment
 Ken Nelson Seeking employment
 Stormy Norman Unknown
 Sam O'Dell Seeking employment
 Fran O'Neal Graduate school
 Jenny Osborn To marry Guy Swenson
 Glenda Osborne To marry Ken Pearson
 Angie Otasevic Switchboard, Big Sandy
 Anthony Owens Seeking employment
 Dan Payne Seeking employment
 Royce Rampy Ministerial trainee, Springfield, Mo.
 Martin Regtien Seeking employment
 Norm Rowe Undecided
 Mel Searls Secretary, Pasadena
 Ed Shanklin Undecided
 Glynn Smith Seeking employment
 Cathy Snyder Seeking employment
 John Stalnaker Seeking employment
 Dave Sutton Seeking employment
 Dave Swain Agronomy instructor, Big Sandy
 Guy Swenson Ministerial trainee, Duluth, Minn.
 Ed Topfer Brookside Farms Laboratories, New Knoxville, Ohio
 Jim Torrance Self-employment
 Verna Torrance Homemaker
 Ada Travis Seeking employment
 Joan Fagerstedt Tuck Homemaker
 Karon Martz Turk Secretary, Big Sandy
 Laurie Wagner Seeking employment
 Ron Weinland Seeking employment
 Mike Welch Farming
 Rose Anna Willhoite Seeking employment
 Brenda Yale Undecided
 Laura Yoder Data Processing Department, Big Sandy



LAST TIME TOGETHER — After graduation ceremonies on the Pasadena campus May 16, the usual congratulations were exchanged. Above: A student, Mickie Hygh, congratulates a graduate. Three more graduates: Beverly Blatt, below, and Paige Hall and Philip Reid, bottom. [Photos by Warren Watson]

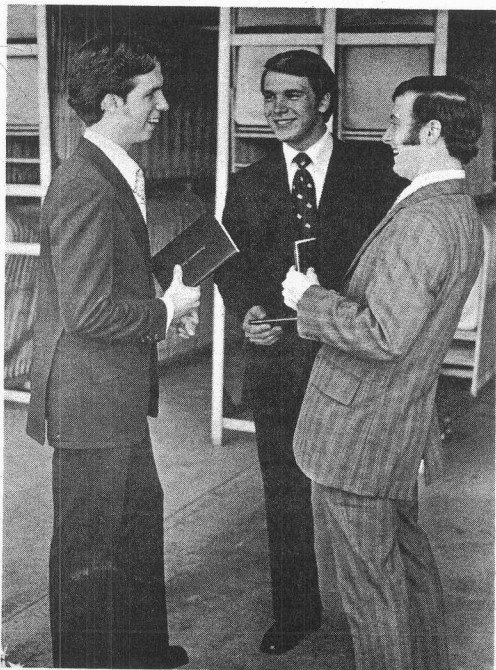




THE FACES OF GRADUATION — These graduates were all smiles after commencement exercises on the Pasadena campus May 16. At left: Wayne Garratt. Photos beginning at right: Susan Zimmerman; Valerie Wood; Kathy Matthews; Alex Peck; Barbara Patton and Sally Guerrero. [Photos by Warren Watson, George Buschmann and Ken Evans]



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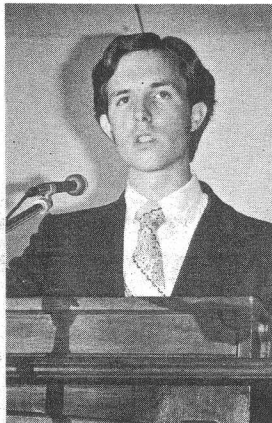
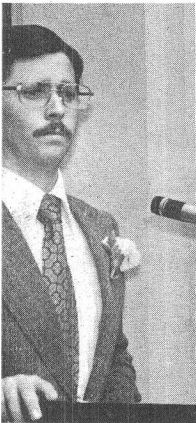


DISCOURSES AND DEGREES — Pasadena's graduation exercises, above left, were held in the campus' lower gardens, while at Big Sandy ceremonies were in the field house, below. Three Big Sandy graduates, below left, get together after receiving their diplomas moments before (from left, Ross Flynn, Kevin Hudson and Dave Molnar). Photos within box: Addresses were given by Herbert W. Armstrong and Student Body President Dan Boyce, second from left, in Pasadena. Ross Flynn, Big Sandy student-body president, and Garner Ted Armstrong spoke at Big Sandy. [Photos by Scott Moss, Warren Watson and George Buschmann]

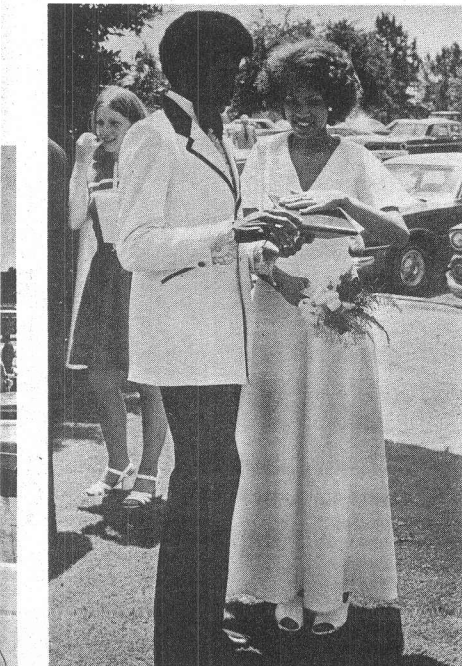




aduation in pictures



COMMENCEMENT SCENES — Big Sandy graduate Angie Otasevic, above, was one of 94 to graduate from Big Sandy, while 112 received diplomas in Pasadena. Suzanne Davis, below left, with diploma and well-wisher Charles McKenzie at Big Sandy. Attending the ceremonies as honored guests in Pasadena were, below, Barbara Angeles, president of Angeles University in the Philippines, and her husband, Emmanuel Angeles (standing next to Mr. Armstrong), executive vice president of the university. Also shown are Ambassador officials Michael Germano, left, and Frank Brown. [Photos by Scott Moss and George Buschmann]



Senior class tours Mexico City

BIG SANDY — Ninety-five members of the senior class of Ambassador College, Big Sandy, took a five-day class trip to Mexico City during which they toured the city, visited historic sites, "experienced the culture in general" and joined Mexican brethren in a special Sabbath service, according to Dave Molnar, class president.

The seniors left here Wednesday, May 7, and traveled by college bus to Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, from where they flew to the Mexican capital aboard a Mexicana Airlines jet. They returned to Nuevo Laredo by jet Monday, May 12, and traveled the remainder of the way again by bus.

Mr. Molnar said the staff of Institucion Ambassador (the Mexico City office of the Work) "was very helpful to us during our visit. They lined up our tours, arranged for our buses, arranged for tour guides and made sure that things ran smoothly during our stay there. They did this despite very, very busy schedules in the office."

Mr. Molnar said a high point of the trip "was when we were able to attend Sabbath services with the brethren there." The services turned out to be an "international affair," with sermonettes from Australian senior

Bruce Dean and California Student Body President Ross Flynn, the opening prayer in Spanish and the closing prayer in English.

All of the English portion of the meeting, including the sermon, given by *WW* managing editor John Robinson, who served as a chaperon on the trip, was translated into Spanish by Pablo Dimakis, an office employee in the Work there.

"It was a good experience for both students and members," Mr. Molnar said. "It was good for the students to sing in Spanish [no English books were available], and since the Mexico City brethren haven't been meeting regularly I think they got a big lift out of it. Both parties seemed rejuvenated after services."

After church the local brethren prepared and served a buffet lunch outdoors.

Mr. Molnar said Mexico City was chosen for this year's senior trip over several other choices. "One reason we chose Mexico was the monetary consideration, the fact that we could afford to go to Mexico rather than several other places that were being considered in the U.S."

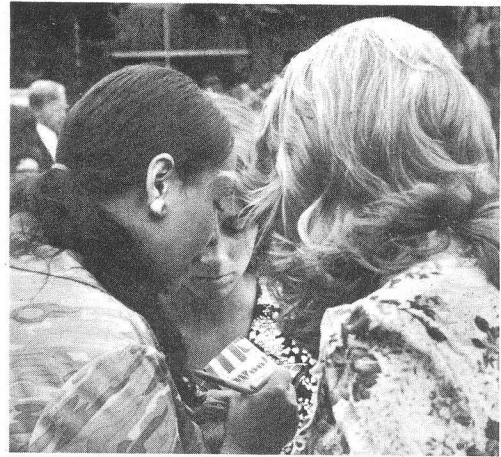
"Secondly was educational value of the trip. College officials as well as most of the students felt that Mexico City provided a golden opportu-

nity to learn about another culture."

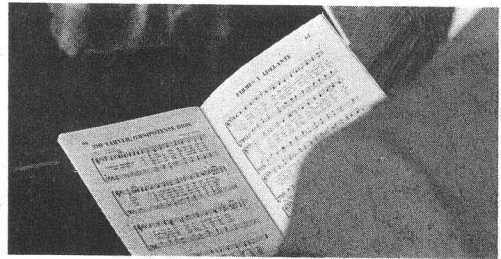
The trip was financed entirely by students via the student-body fund. Money in the fund is earned primarily through Feast of Tabernacles fun shows, record-album sales and concession stands, Mr. Molnar said.

"While in Mexico City we were able to visit most of the famous sites, including Chapultepec, the Flowing Gardens of Xochimilco, University City, the University of Mexico, the Olympic stadium that was there and the facilities connected with that, the pyramids of the Moon and the Sun," Mr. Molnar said. "Some of the students were able to climb Mt. Popocatepetl, while others went to the bullfights, some to the Ballet Folklorico."

"It seems that we were very blessed this year on the senior trip. In years past there has been a great deal of sickness because of the change of food, water and climate and just the physiological things that go along with that. This year we had very little sickness. I think there were only three anointings, which I feel must be some type of Mexico City record. The weather was beautiful and nearly every comment that I heard about the trip seemed to be that it was very enjoyable and that we couldn't have picked a better site to have a senior-class outing like we did."



MEXICO CITY SERVICES — Above: Mexico City member Irma Jimenez draws directions to a flamenco night spot for seniors Angie Otasevic and Debbie Mohler. Below: The song service was conducted in Spanish so a senior attempts to follow along in the hymnal. Bottom: Miss Jimenez, left, Mrs. Takenobu Kise, center, and an unidentified member prepare a buffet lunch that followed services. Below left: Pablo Dimakis, far left, translates services for Spanish-speaking brethren. (Photos By David McKee)



German Work's budget good, director of Bonn office says

BIG SANDY — "We've got a real good budget, a safe budget that will allow for a maximum growth," said Frank Schnee, director of the German Work, after he met with Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division, and others in the division in Pasadena the week of May 12 to 16.

Mr. Schnee was interviewed here on the Texas campus of Ambassador College on his way back to Bonn from Pasadena. He was here to meet with language students who will work in the German office this summer.

According to Mr. Schnee, the German Work's budget was cut by one third when a \$175,000 subsidy was ended by the International Division in late 1974.

"Now the Bonn office almost pays all expenses for the German Work except for the salaries of four German ministers," Mr. Schnee said.

Last year's income from the Work in Germany was more than a million deutsche marks (about \$350,000), Mr. Schnee said. The expected in-

come for this year will be near 1.2 million deutsche marks.

Mr. Schnee said the German Work budgeted for a 12.5 percent increase, although the actual income for the year now is at a 13.1 percent increase.

"We are going to watch our budget closely," Mr. Schnee said, and German-language campaigns will be scheduled "as we can afford" them.

German-language churches are in Hamburg, Hannover, Berlin, Duesseldorf, Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Zurich, Bonn and Salzburg, with a total membership of about 300.

The two church areas in which campaigns have been held so far have experienced a marked upturn in attendance. In Duesseldorf, where a campaign was held last September, 25 people are attending regularly, and in Berlin, which had an October campaign, 20 people are now attending services.

Before the campaign no services were held in Berlin, which had only three members.



DISCUSSES WORK — Frank Schnee discusses growth of the Church in Germany while visiting Big Sandy. (Photo by Tom Hanson)

Pastor starts public studies in Martinique

By Thomas Rogers

PASADENA — Gilbert Carbonnel, pastor of the congregation in Fort-de-France, Martinique, has begun a program of public Bible studies in the French language throughout Martinique. He reported to the French Department here that he has conducted two studies so far with 12 nonmembers present at each.

The first study was in Riviere-Pilote, a town of 12,000 near the southern tip of the island. The town of Basse-Pointe in the north was the site of the second study.

Mr. Carbonnel said the studies have gone "smoothly," although he has had difficulty in lining up meeting places. Since he is operating in towns outside the capital, fewer places are available, and he has been refused by owners who don't want studies held on their premises.

In any event, these difficulties have not been insurmountable and do not threaten to dampen the success of Martinique's public-Bible-study program, said Mr. Carbonnel.



MEMBER PARTICIPATION — More than 100 *Plain Truth* public Bible lectures are planned for South Africa and Rhodesia. A number have already taken place. Members in the areas help make the lectures a success by giving of their time and effort. These photos show Durban members stuffing envelopes with letters inviting interested *Plain Truth*

readers to a lecture in their vicinity. Beginning with the top wedge, going clockwise, are Alan Surgeson, Dave Oliver and Bob Fann; Greg Johnson; Wally Young, Euodia Venter, Louise Lees; Dave Oliver; Jock Bennie; and Norah Winterburn. [Photos and artwork by Geoffrey Neilson]

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Walk in the State Forest

BLUEFIELD, W. Va. — A sunny April 27 will long be remembered as the first spring hike for 30 teenagers.

Camp Creek State Forest provided the mountain trail, with yellow, purple and white wild flowers and flowering mayapples. Rippling streams and waterfalls added to the beauty and enjoyment.

Hot chili beans, cookies and iced drinks later welcomed the hikers.

Games followed in perfect weather. *Ruby Estep.*

New Spokesman

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The Spokesman Club held a ladies' night and graduation meeting at the Captain Cook Hotel here April 20. The dinner menu included 14 salads and baron of beef and all the trimmings. The hotel was the site of Alaska's 1973 and '74 Feasts of Tabernacles.

The speakers presented the top five lessons in the speech manual to let the ladies hear just what is required of graduates.

Vic Emery received the Most Improved Speaker award. The Most Effective Speaker award went to Bill Kranich.

The high point of the evening was when Leonard Ballard read a letter written to headquarters justifying an additional graduate. Much to his surprise, Bill Gordon, pastor of the Anchorage and Kenai churches, was

awarded a Spokesman Certificate of Completion signed by minister David Antion.

Mr. Gordon received a standing ovation. Although Mr. Gordon has been a Spokesman and director of the clubs for years, he had never received a certificate.

The evening ended with dancing and cocktails. *Stuart Aiken.*

International Night

GRAFTON, Australia — A barbecue and "international night" was held here at the home of Bill Mawhinney, a deacon, April 19.

Attending were Hindus, Chinese, French, American Indians, Pakistanis, English gentlemen, Irish and Welsh ladies, Russians, Sikhs, a kilted Scot, Arabs, a Canadian lumberjack, Mexicans, a beautiful Italian, Austrians, Hawaiian hula girls, karate experts, Uncle Sam and some hippies.

They performed songs and dances of their respective countries.

The star performer was singer Alan Manewell.

Grafton is a church area in northern New South Wales in which Rod Dean conducts a monthly Sabbath service and Bible study. *Robert J. Reeves.*

Saturday-Night Special

TUPELO, Miss. — After Sabbath services and a Bible study the after-

noon of April 12, the Tupelo church had a fish fry and square dance.

The fish were caught by some of the area's "better" fishermen, as Ron Haines, local elder, said.

French fries and coleslaw were served with the fish.

For dessert members of the Ladies' Club had made all kinds of delicious, fattening pies.

William O'Neal, a deacon from Memphis, Tenn., called the square dance.

During a break in the dancing, Don Moss, Steve Schrock, Margie Arms, Charlene Waters and Collette Murff performed several numbers. *Fanny Shurden.*

Away From Concord!

CONCORD, Mass. — The church here held a potluck supper and movie after Sabbath services April 26 in Worcester, Mass. (The event had originally been scheduled for Patriots' Day, April 19, but as soon as minister Rowlen Tucker had found out that thousands of tourists, sightseers and other visitors would converge on the Concord area to celebrate Paul Revere's ride and reenact the traditional British and Minute-man Patriots' Day exercises, he shouted, "Away from Concord! Away from Concord!")

The potluck was a group effort, with everyone contributing to the evening, even if it were only his

appetite and appreciation.

The women set out decorations and centerpieces on the tables with an unusual and exotic variety of food. A bake sale was also held to benefit teenage activities.

Later, members watched the movie *Kimberly Jim* and cartoons for the kids. While the children and others saw the movies, the more athletic played basketball. *Harry F. Aiguier.*

Bales of Hay

WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — A western roundup? In Wisconsin? In a country club?

That's right, partner!

Western Roundup was the theme of this church's spring social at the Baraboo Country Club April 20. Bales of hay, lanterns, saddles and a painted western scene adorned the club, and many of the 145 people attending were dressed in western garb.

The main activity was a square dance called by Jim Underwood.

After 2½ hours of dancing was a catered meal of barbecued ribs and chicken.

Then Dianne and Greg Resler, children of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Resler, sang "A Cowboy Song." Jim Buckmaster and Mrs. Anita Heywood sang "Hey, You're Adorable" and "Mother."

The event ended with a style show

that provided an opportunity to see clothing made by the women. Articles varied from T-shirts to evening formals. *John Torgerson.*

Florida Dance Party

TAMPA, Fla. — Tampa and Lakeland, Fla., held a dance party here April 12.

Dancing was to the music of Dee and the Js, with a Paul Jones dance for the singles and Jim Webster singing and playing the guitar.

In a party-hat contest partygoers wore bird cages, a chicken laying eggs, a floating island and other curious hats.

About 160 attended. *Carol Clark.*

British Do-Si-Dos

BRISTOL, England — Somebody said, "Let's do something new, exciting, different and suitable for anybody."

Bruce Kent, local elder, said, "Yes, let's."

So after sunset Saturday, April 5, members here held an American square dance.

The caller, a local professional, Mike Nash, brought his group, called the Nashcotheque, along to show members how. For three hours square dancers danced, do-si-doe and whirled around the floor.

At halftime the Nashcotheque team gave a demonstration.

The Nashcotheque has now been booked for the Feast of Tabernacles. *Eric Wood.*

Small Flower

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Twenty-seven women from the North and West churches here met at Cappell's, an arts-and-crafts shop, for two hours April 23 to study several types of crafts.

They learned how to make flowers from ribbon, wire and tissue paper and how to make temporary molds for plaster objects that can be painted and used in miniboxes or on plaques.

Each woman present received a small flower made from wire and ribbon.

After the demonstration the women looked over the supplies available for the crafts.

This outing was organized by two women from the Cincinnati North church. *James E. Reyer.*

Historic Ft. McHenry

BALTIMORE, Md. — Contingents from the boys' and girls' clubs here toured historic Ft. McHenry April 13.

The fort is on a promontory overlooking Baltimore Harbor and was prominent in the defense of Baltimore during the War of 1812. It was during the night hours of that battle that Francis Scott Key, a prisoner on a British ship, wrote the words to "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The two groups, led by Morris Williams and Jack Wetzelberger, saw a film and exhibits that included cannons and firearms of that era. *C. Kelly.*

Split Doubleheader

LONDON, Ky. — Teenagers and young adults from the church here traveled to the Riverside Stadium in Cincinnati, Ohio, to see the Cincinnati Reds in action against the Houston Astros.

In the doubleheader baseball game the Reds took the Astros 5-3. In the second game the Astros won over the Reds 6-5. *Fran Morris.*

Scintillating Treatment

HONOLULU, Hawaii — Members and guests of the Spokesman Club here recently toured the Kaneohe Sewage Treatment Plant as part of a club outing.

Deacon Andy Silva, who is employed by the plant, was the guide. The scintillating experience was the (See WRAP-UP, page 13)

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high point of an afternoon picnic and softball game held near the home of Tom Blackwell, pastor. *Steven E. Brightbill.*

Expo '75

AUSTIN, Tex. — Members of the church here participated in a Jaycee-sponsored fair called Expo '75 by setting up and staffing a literature booth April 11 to 13 at the Austin Municipal Auditorium.

The Jaycees' Expo has become the largest trade show in central Texas over its 28-year history, with this year's attendance estimated at 13,500.

Larry Neff, pastor, announced that despite rainy weather the booth attracted in 14 hours 447 interested adults and teenagers and 93 requests for literature. This included one college professor's request for booklets to use in his classroom. *Jean Talbot.*

Half the Moonbows

LONDON, Ky. — This church's first social of 1975 was March 16 at the Dupont Lodge at Cumberland Falls, noted as one of two places on earth where a moonbow may be seen.

Then was a buffet dinner and dance for 150 people, including guests from the Lexington and Pikeville, Ky., churches.

Music was provided by the Bill Cannon Band of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mrs. Mel Dahlgren, Mrs. George Pinkney, Mrs. Earl Ingle and Earl Johns entertained with music accompanied by the band.

A door prize was won by Mark Ingle of Lexington, and a grand prize was awarded to Vicki Griffin. Anna Jacobs and Harold Hill won a prize as the couple who stayed on the dance floor the longest. *Fran Morris.*

Senior Citizens Play for Senior Citizens

TITUSVILLE, Fla. — The senior citizens of the Melbourne, Fla., church had an unusual evening of entertainment April 19.

The event began with a potluck dinner, and then the Goldtones Novelty Band, composed also of senior citizens, performed. Their director, Vivian Edge, is also director of the City of Melbourne's recreation department.

The music put the audience in a dancing mood. So the men asked some band members to dance with them; the ladies discarded their instruments and accepted while the remainder continued to play. In this way the audience became acquainted with the performers in a new and unusual way.

Refreshments of sherbet, cookies and drinks were served. *Ray and Mary Johnson.*

Attics Raided

MODESTO, Calif. — More than \$880 was sent to the Building Fund in Pasadena by members here as a result of a three-day garage and bake sale April 20 to 22.

The sale committee, led by Bob McNeely, used an abandoned service station on a busy corner in nearby Ceres, Calif.

Members raided their own attics, garages and basements for salable items. Others volunteered for stints as salesclerks, delivery persons, price markers and cake bakers. Some women worked all three days from early morning until late evening.

Of the results, Artie Satterfield, local elder, said:

"I feel like God was really with us. When the sale started, it just didn't look like we had very much to sell. I really didn't expect results like this." *Vern Kerr and Carol Barlow.*

Three Brave Families

HAMMOND, La. — Three brave families from the Baton Rouge, La., church camped out at the William Bradford farm, north of here, the night of April 25. The next day local elder John Lee held Sabbath services in the wilderness, with 28 attending.

Then, Sunday, 170 picnickers arrived for a day of volleyball, sack races and ice cream.

But lunchtime was the highlight of the day. Landis Singletary, a deacon, had prepared the meal. Who else but a cafeteria manager would have known how to prepare 90 pounds of beef, slow-cooked in closed pits, 60 pounds of fried potatoes, nine heads of lettuce, plus other ingredients for a tossed salad, and 10 gallons of tea all at the same time?

After lunch Les Meitzler's softball team played a New Orleans team, which had come up for the game. Baton Rouge won 14-10. *Wilson A. Grice.*

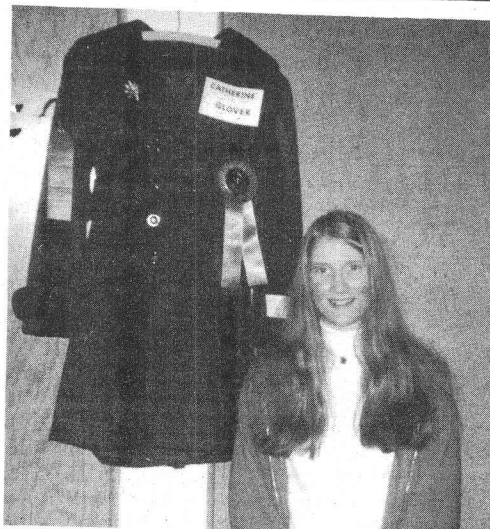
Truly Amazing

EUGENE, Ore. — Church members and visitors toured the Irving Grange Hall March 30 to examine displays at the Arts and Crafts Fair, sponsored by the Women's Club here.

Displays ranged from safety-pin jewelry to collector's dolls; from embroidery work to baby clothes; from quilts to paintings; from stitchery to unleavened pastries.

An unusual display was that of Mrs. Catherine Turcott of Roseburg, Ore., who had used bleach bottles and other plastic containers to make hats, coin purses, handbags, gadget bags and beverage coasters.

A card collection of famous base-



ARTS AND CRAFTS — Catherine Glover won the grand prize in the stitchery category at a Eugene, Ore., arts-and-crafts fair. (See "Truly Amazing," this page.)

ball and football players and a selection of model cars were displayed.

The young women weren't left out. They showed artwork, table decorations, needlework and additions to a dessert table.

The artwork displayed ranged from oils to watercolors, from acrylics to landscapes and still life; from pencil drawings to portraits. One painting sold for \$50; a person could have his portrait drawn for \$1.

The Women's Club also staged a chili-and-salad lunch.

The Boy Scout troop had a room set aside for games and refreshments.

Older teenage boys entertained with a homemade dunking pool.

A comment heard over and over: "Truly amazing." *Dave Albert.*

Rummage for Sale

CHARLESTON, S.C. — The Walterboro, S.C., Women's Club held a rummage sale here April 27 to raise funds for local expenses and a special offering for the Work.

The rummage sale, with a simultaneous bake sale and arts-and-crafts sale, took in \$480. *Paulette Jameson.*

Isolated Ladies

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Mrs. Harry McLaughlin, a member of the church here, lives in the state capital, Juneau, 573 miles southwest of here. Juneau is in a fjord nestled between 4,000-foot-high mountains, so it is not accessible to radio signals carry-

ing *The World Tomorrow* broadcast and not accessible by car. The only access is by airplane.

Another member here, Mrs. Edra Pfeiffer, lives 870 miles east of Juneau and 330 miles southwest of Anchorage. For Mrs. Pfeiffer, living on the coast of the Bering Sea allows her to receive a few signals from the continental United States, but, thanks to the mountains, not the broadcast from Anchorage.

On March 18, 1972, the Anchorage Spokesman Club began a program of circulating cassette tapes to Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. Pfeiffer. Lennarth Fransson records the tapes here in Anchorage. The circulation program in the ensuing three years has been a complete success for the isolated ladies. *Mike Pickett.*

British Squares

BRICKET WOOD, England — The college here may be closed, but the Sports and Social Activities Club, headed by minister Paul Suckling, continues.

The most recent church activity it sponsored was a square dance with a professional caller.

A bar and hotdog-and-ice-cream stall completed the program, together with the colorful dresses of the gals and shirts and scarves of the gals.

Square-dance caller Pete Skithins said, "I never saw anyone go wrong, but then I wasn't looking real close." *John D. Stettaford.*

Two-Hour Hour

PERTH, Australia — The church here held a two-hour amateur hour April 9 at the City Beach Civic Centre.

About 30 items on the program featured the best that the Perth amateurs could provide.

Ray Harvey emceed. After the first sessions — which had begun with Ken MacLeod presenting an Irish ditty while accompanying himself on the guitar, and which included instrumentalists, soloists and a children's group — tea and coffee were served by Koba Noordewier.

The second session produced more acts.

Some outstanding items during the evening were N.C. and the Jazzmen, a trio of John Suda on guitar, Martin Schroeders on drums and Noel Caro on piano; Peter Carter singing "Suddenly There's a Valley" and "April Showers," accompanied by Bob Banks on guitar; and Mrs. Verona Daniels reciting a poem entitled "The Lorex."

The show was stolen in the last act by Mrs. Daphne Aphleck when she

sang "Will You Love Me When I'm Mutton Just the Same Now I Am Lamb?," accompanied by Mrs. Ray Harvey on the piano. *Bert Kershaw.*

Educational Club

OAKLAND, Calif. — The East Women's Club here met April 27, with Carlton Smith, pastor, and his wife as guests.

A special effect had been created for the club with a cake decorated with lifelike red roses on the left side and part of a quote from Proverbs 1:5 on the right.

The speaker's table was adorned with a vase containing three red roses, and another graced an open book beside the vase. A pair of glasses rested near the book.

The topic of the club was education, formal and informal. Speeches on this subject covered results of and procedures for research, formal classroom education and informal-education situations.

Suggestions were made for helpful classes, time and costs involved and study methods for special interests.

The director, minister David Johnson, closed the meeting and suggested helpful reading material. *Phyllis Alexander.*

Music Award

TOCCOA, Ga. — Gina Leigh Shockley, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shockley of the Athens, Ga., church, was recently honored with a summer music grant.

The grant came from the Steve Stovall Music Education Fund, which is in memory of Steve Stovall, a student director of the Stephens County High School Band, who was killed by lightning during a band practice last August.

Thirty students were nominated from the area. The list included six high-school students seeking \$200 grants for summer study; the remaining students were to be considered for lower grants.

Those nominated were outstanding music students who wished to continue to work for the benefit of the band program and the school.

Winners were announced during the Stovall Memorial Concert April 15.

The Stephens County High School Band had been selected as one of the top 10 bands of the state to tape a 30-minute television show for WGTV in Athens.

Gina played flute for two years in the Merritts Elementary School Band and is in a gifted-students class at the school.

Besides band, Gina is involved in chorus and 4-H projects.

Her hobbies are cooking, sewing and bicycling. *Susan P. Lovell.*

Getting Together

OMAHA, Neb. — A senior-adult get-together was held here May 4, with 14 people attending. The get-together began at noon and lasted for three hours.

Coordinating the event, Cal Bone led the group through games that included a household quiz, riddles, brainteasers, jokes, word games, memory aids and completing proverbs and unscrambling words.

The group later saw a film and slides.

Alice Bone and Joan Taylor served during the activity. *Pam Havir.*

Belfast Barn Dance

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — The second Belfast Barn Dance was held here at the War Memorial Building April 8.

As patrons arrived, they walked through saloon doors.

After an accordion band had taken position, a square-dance caller summoned young and old to take the floor, and the dance was off to a flying start.

The band, which had been hired (See WRAP-UP, page 14)



SENIOR CITIZENS ENTERTAIN — Members of the Melbourne, Fla., church asked the Goldtones Novelty Band to entertain at a social. (See "Senior Citizens Play for Senior Citizens," this page.) [Photo by Henry Phelps]

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for the occasion, enjoyed every minute of the dance. One musician asked the minister, "How do you make these people so happy?" *Augustus Roycroft.*

Mexican Fiesta

SEATTLE, Wash. — A gala fiesta dance was held at the Vassa Park Community Center on Lake Sammamish May 3. The dance was sponsored by the church here, with guests from Sedro-Woolley and Tacoma, Wash., and Vancouver, B.C.

Giant paper flowers of all colors had been attached to cardboard cacti. Candles in bottles and huge someros on the walls gave a Mexican atmosphere to the dancing.

Beverly Vacca had made the flowers, Bo Overby had constructed the cacti, and Al Peterson had painted a scene of a Spanish bullfight.

Music was provided by the church's band, with Pat Peterson on lead guitar, Mrs. Joanne Peterson on piano, Tim Shafer on bass and Pat Lamb on drums.

Hal Reid emceed the entertainment.

Spanish music was performed by Mary Reid, Mike and Ann McDermott, Mary Torkelson and a trio, Lila Milhuff, Margaret Lundquist and Jean Lingey. *Mike McDermott.*

On the Dance Floor

OMAHA, Neb. — Fourteen young people met at the Willow Brook Clubhouse May 3 for dance lessons.

Providing the instruction for the group were Barbara Wolcott, a dance instructor here, and Ted Carlson, who has ballroom experience.

The rhythm for the night was provided by Steve Moore.

Joining Mr. Carlson and Miss Wolcott on the dance floor were Vance Bell, Larry Bishop, Monte Blackburn, Debbie Kelley, Judy Burk, Ted Carper, Kurt Frantzen, Janet Halvorson, Dave and Pam Havir, Linda Naylor and Debra Wallace.

After the dancing, the young people had refreshments and conversed. A follow-up get-together was held a week later. *Pam Havir.*

Dancing Shoes

RENO, Nev. — A social was recently sponsored by the Spokesman Club here.

Activities included a potluck dinner, after which all nongraduates gave three-minute speeches that were recorded.

Evaluations were then given. Tracey Rogers, minister, said, "Speaking ability [is] definitely on the way up, and that's the only way it could have gone."

After the potluck dinner and speeches, the members of the Reno church put their dancing shoes on and danced to folk music from different parts of the world. *Steve Ladnier and Virgil Valesquez.*

Hawaiian Greeting

COLUMBIA, S.C. — "Aloha" was the greeting at the church's annual formal dinner and dance, held April 20 at the Carolina Inn here. Hawaiian music was played during the meal of roast beef *au jus* and baked potato. The church band played for dancing; Cheryl and Becky Davis sang. *Paulette Jameson.*

Leaping Flea

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Two dozen women met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ballard for a Hawaiian-style luncheon April 30.

As they stepped into the foyer, the ladies were greeted with palm trees and Hawaiian music. Hawaiian travel posters and pictures of Mr. and Mrs. George Wegh's Hawaiian Feast

trip decorated the walls in the downstairs recreation room, in which corages, hors d'oeuvres and a volcano-shaped punch bowl were waiting.

One of the two games played before lunch was matching a list of Hawaiian words with their English translations. After a flying start with *aloha, lei, luau* and *muumuu* came such words as *mahalo* ("thanks"), *ono* ("tastes") and *pupu* ("small snack"). Sue Rolinski got 14 correct answers out of 25. One Hawaiian word was an easier guess, *awe*, which means "ouch." But the one that stumped the most was *ukulele*, which means "leaping flea." Prizes were shell and seed necklaces from Hawaii.

The group moved upstairs, where a buffet of salmon, roast turkey, pineapple, watermelon, sherbet, salads, rolls, raw vegetables, sponge cake and coffee was served.

Then the women played charades. *Laurie Pickett.*

One Feller's Family

KINGSPORT, Tenn. — The regular meeting place of the church here was the site for a concert by the Kingsport-church choir after Sabbath services March 15.

On the program was a medley of patriotic songs by the choir, under the direction of Hal Salmon, and solos, duets and trios by choir members and other participants.

Highlights of the evening came with a skit, "One Feller's Family," with Lynn "Pa" and Inez "Ma" Barlow and Hal "Lukey" Salmon.

Then came toothpaste, soap and beer commercials and a pillow dance by the Big Heads.

Concessions were handled by the young people with help from parents.

Minister Joe Mills was overall coordinator. Ray King served as announcer and emcee. *Gordon S. Widener.*

The Inner Willie

AKRON, Ohio — A new dimension was added to youth activities here with the full-scale production of *The Inner Willie*, a play written by Betty Knapp.

Under the overly solicitous eyes of his three maiden aunts, Willoughby has for too long dutifully practiced the piano, swallowed gallons of cod-liver oil, eaten turnips and listened to his aunts argue whether he should be a lawyer, musician or architect. (He wants to be a geologist.)

Willoughby (Kent Sutton) has problems until he asserts himself and begins to make his own decisions.

The three aunts (Vauncile Schlarb, Annette Perry and Anita Manzella) charmingly steal the scene from time to time as they fuss over him with smother love.

Others in the cast filled supporting roles well. They were Bob Dezzo (Stanley Clark), Sandi Detwiler (Carol Martin), Jay Brothers (Mike Baxter), Charla Knowlton



YOUTH ACTIVITIES — Akron youths, from left, Jay Brothers, Bob Dezzo, Kent Sutton and Tom Delamater, act out the play *The Inner Willie*. (See "The Inner Willie," this page.)



FARMING FORUM — Dale Schurter, second from left, director of the farm program on the Big Sandy Ambassador campus, lectures in Brookings, S.D., on the crisis in agriculture. Flanking him are, from left, Zoell Colburn, Allen Stout and Neil Kinsey. (See "Farming Forum," this page.) (Photo by Floyd Melrose)

(Marybelle Turner), Cindy Ackerson (Trudy Marshall) and Toni Manzella (Janet Marshall).

The play was directed by Lee Chovan, wife of local elder Milan Chovan.

More than 400 people attended, with some returning for a second performance.

The proceeds from this event will be used to finance a young people's spring formal. *Charlotte I. Hensley.*

Dance in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — The churches here held their spring formal April 20 at the Edgewood Country Club, with 208 attending.

Entertainment was provided by a singing trio of Rick Caldwell, Joe Bellotti and Larry Anderson, accompanied by Ron Adamese and his group.

The Pittsburgh Quartet, including Earl Henn, Bill Krivach, Larry Kifer and Ed Szalankiewicz, harmonized to "I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandy." Mrs. Mozelle Herbert played a piano solo.

Mrs. Joanne Buchser sang a medley of George M. Cohan songs.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kuhns ended the talent show by pantomiming to "The Bickersons."

Graduating high-school students were honored during the evening. They included Robert Szalankiewicz, Tina Suskalo, Gale Kifer, Nancy Dorman, Kathy Disher, Cathy Galloway and Sherry McFeeley.

Dance music was provided by Ron Adamese and his group and by Harry Bente and his records. *G. Suskalo.*

International Look

PASCO, Wash. — The Women's Study Group of this church entertained husbands and guests at an International Dinner at the Richland, Wash., YMCA the evening of March 3.

Mary Boles and Connie Parker were in charge of decorating the room with an international look,

using travel posters and foreign flags to carry out the theme.

Beth Cox was stewardess, greeting guests at the door and giving them programs of the evening's events in the form of airline tickets.

Mrs. Arch Bradley, wife of the pastor, welcomed the guests and then with her husband led everyone by the buffet. Nancy Oettel was in charge of food, with a flag from the appropriate country decorating each dish.

Sue Gangnath was in charge of entertainment, which included skits.

To carry out the international theme were three folk dances, performed by eight women dressed in peasant costumes. Nancy Oettel, Sue McCorkle, Estelle Lenhart, Nena Bradley, Sandy Sampson, Marie Elder and Pat and Rene Gould danced Russian, Scottish and Israeli dances. They had been taught the steps by Mary Lou Fletcher.

For the finale, all members of the Women's Study Group sang "I Enjoy Being a Girl," from *Flower Drum Song*.

Later Jean Gangnath presented Mrs. Bradley a red silk rose as a token of appreciation from the group. *Beverly Daniels.*

\$1,500 So Far

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The brethren in the church here and the Gainesville, Fla., church are painting houses to raise money for Sherwin McMichael's campaign, scheduled for Jacksonville July 18 and 19. So far they have raised about \$1,500. *Fred N. Boyce.*

Farming Forum

BROOKINGS, S.D. — An agriculture forum sponsored by Ambassador College was held in the Stauro-lite Inn here April 27. The forum was presented to 185 Church members and guests by personnel of the Department of Agricultural Research of the college at Big Sandy.

Charles Scott, pastor of the Sioux Falls and Watertown, S.D., churches, was master of ceremonies and introduced the speakers.

Dale Schurter, director of the farm program at Big Sandy, lectured on the crisis in agriculture. He said reports from over the world echo one major factor governing food and fiber production that overshadows all other problems: weather.

After Mr. Schurter's lecture Allen Stout, a college veterinarian, presented a slide show on animal health and nutrition.

Neal Kinsey, a registered soil consultant with Brookside Farms Laboratories of New Knoxville, Ohio, and an Ambassador Agriculture Department employee, narrated a slide show on soil fertility, followed by slides and narration on family gardening by Zoell Colburn, a graduate of South Dakota State University and Ambassador College and now an Ambassador employee. Mr. Colburn emphasized family gardening for relaxation and lower food costs with more nutritional value.

Lunch was served by women of

the two South Dakota churches during two breaks in the program.

After the formal presentation was a question-and-answer period that began at 10:30 p.m. and lasted until after 1 a.m. *Frieda Tupper.*

Objective of Service

SANTA ANA, Calif. — With the recent outside emphasis on liberation movements and the questioning and delineating of the role of women in this changing society, the Santa Ana Women's Club was formed to fulfill the objectives of personality, character and intellectual growth.

In a recent meeting President Roberta Harrison introduced a service goal for the month that also will help the club meet its objective of service to the local church and community. A word for the day and table topics were presented, stimulating thinking on various subjects.

Floral expert June Shaver demonstrated aspects of flower arranging and how to preserve flowers.

Nutritious epicurean delicacies and Russian tea were sampled by members, thanks to club hostess Paola Brown and her committee.

Ken Smylie, minister, gave a brief Bible study geared to the club on how to make the Sabbath enjoyable for children.

Other club officers are Alice Murray, vice president; Donna Johnston, secretary; and Vivian Fakhoury, treasurer. Cheryl Nakashima was appointed to head a white-elephant sale for the annual church fund-raiser. The sale netted \$78 to help finance the Gerner Ted Armstrong booth for the Orange County Fair in July. *Amy Harman.*

Night of Fun

LONGVIEW, Tex. — The spotlight shone here April 20 as participants took center stage in the Spring Fun Show. Inhibitions disappeared as men, women and children displayed their talents and contributions in the night of fun.

Piano solos, guitar strumming, an accordion medley, vocal solos and skits brought out hidden talent. Minnie Pearl was there, along with Louis Armstrong, complete with horn and handkerchief, and Sir Walter Raleigh via telephone.

Two music groups, one from Ambassador College, Big Sandy, the other a combo led by Bill Bartholomew, also performed.

Jerry Aust, pastor, complemented the show with several voice renditions.

Ed Mitchell was in charge of the show, with Tom Cash as emcee.

Then, on May 4, a church picnic was held at McWhorter Park here. Those who were more energetic played volleyball in the morning and burned up calories after lunch with a softball game. Some enjoyed table games, while small children took advantage of playground equipment. Older children were entertained most of the day with their own softball game. *Carol Klotz.*

A Personal Letter
from

Samuel L. Armstrong

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the Northrop F-16. The F-16 will be on display at the Paris Air Show, and it has been indicated that Norway, Denmark and the Netherlands have already opted in favor of the F-16 over the French-built Mirage 1 (built at the same plant in which the Falcon is built). The reason for foot dragging on the part of Belgium is rather obvious, with the very close ties between Belgium and France and the fact that nearly half of the Belgians speak the French language fluently.

However, it is felt that all these NATO countries will choose the F-16 over the French-built Mirage 1. It has been announced that this decision may be made public following private talks between Gerald Ford and the prime minister of Belgium.

Actually, I had hoped to delay my trip until the latter part of August, at which time I had expected to obtain an interview with President Sadat of Egypt and perhaps other Arab leaders, as well as Israeli leaders, for a full-length special on the Middle Eastern situation. However, our television crew tells me it will be far simpler all the way around to go ahead with this present commitment and not require our cameramen to remain abroad for up to six weeks, with the risk of sickness and all the problems of traveling with up to 14 separate pieces of equipment necessary for our television program.

Three-Night Kenya Campaign

My father left just the other day and following a brief stopover in Paris went to The Hague, where he had a testimonial dinner attended by literally dozens of top diplomats from all over the world. Ambassadors and top consulate officials from Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union, Bulgaria, Egypt, Japan and many other countries, including several from Black Africa, were present.

Seated at the very same table with my father was the papal nuncio to the Netherlands, who also heard Mr. Armstrong's remarks concerning the underlying cause of world troubles and what the real solution must be.

Mr. Rader told me over the telephone that my father's remarks were very warmly received by all present and that the testimonial dinner in The Hague was a great success.

Shortly after you read this, Mr. Armstrong will be holding a three-night campaign in Nairobi, Kenya.

New Fiscal Budget

In a division-head meeting just the other day in the boardroom on the college campus here in Pasadena, I went over the entire budget for the 1975-76 fiscal year. As I have reiterated so many times, we have effected all the required budgetary surgery necessary to bring our costs down within our means. And, even though we have had some negative trends from time to time in income, we have also had some very positive trends that have largely offset the negative ones. And all the main indicators are definitely up!

For example, last month the Work of God experienced the largest income of any other April in history. April, 1975, broke all income records for that month. However, the property fund has fallen off again, and the second and third accounts are also down rather significantly, so that, even though income (that is, tithes and offerings of all the brethren, the coworkers and the donors) was dramatically up, the overall trend was slightly negative for the year to date.

Even though we had a record-breaking month for April, May has

taken a serious downward trend, and that one record-breaking month was not enough to offset the negative trend in the month preceding it or for the first three weeks of May.

While we were very encouraged by all of the positive indicators, we must never lose sight of the fact that there is a DAILY and WEEKLY responsibility on all of us in a continuing sense to support God's Work as much as we possibly can!

I wish we were able to LITERALLY SATURATE this country with these powerful one-hour specials, which are strong, solid preaching of the Gospel directly from the Bible (I hope the majority of all of you can see them!). But income simply does not permit us to expand at the rate we wish we could.

20 to 30 Million Reached Weekly

Brethren, this is a GIANT Work, girdling the globe and having a dramatic effect on the lives of literally tens of MILLIONS! It is estimated I am heard by somewhere between 20 to 30 million Americans ever single week! In many other countries (notably Canada and South Africa), we have had a tremendous impact on the population, with upwards of 85 or 90 percent of the total population fully aware of our Work and having already been exposed to it! Remembering Jesus' words that we shall not "have gone over the cities of Israel" until the Son of Man be come, we can only feel by looking at the combined force of chaotic world events and the growth of God's Work that we truly are living very close to the time of the end of an age as Christ predicted.

Budget Indicators

In explaining all of the budget indicators to the division heads, and talking about expenditures for the coming year, we made it clear that we had merely taken the annual expenditures of each division (such as Media, meaning radio and television, or Data Processing or Mail Processing or other such divisions) and had simply projected next year's budget on the exact amount of money they had required for the past year, plus the built-in increases necessary to offset the present rate of inflation.

Actually, then, we are adopting the most conservative possible budget for the fiscal year of '75-'76, and all of us, including Mr. Frank Brown in the Business Office, very

firmly expect that actual income will surpass our very conservative budget plans.

However, I feel God is certainly going to bless us a great deal more than we might expect in the coming years because of the many indicators which are right now occurring in all facets of God's Work. For example, you brethren as a whole gave a 13.4 percent increase over last year on the Day of Pentecost.

When I talk about "indicators," I mean the entire picture of response to the radio broadcast, the telecast, the Plain Truth, The Good News, our booklet program, the Correspondence Course and all of the open Bible studies and Sabbath services as well as the campaigns! From these and many other sources (including fair booths, direct member contact with friends and neighbors, as well as television specials), we are realizing a fantastic harvest in new lives brought in contact with God's Work. As I have said recently, it is very encouraging to see the Plain Truth circulation soaring well above the three million mark and to see solid growth in subscriptions to The Good News!

Very soon now it will be time for my one-hour television special of the Portland, Ore., campaign to be aired in many cities all across the United States and Canada.

We will keep all of you informed through the pages of the WN so far as the schedule is concerned. In the other half-hour specials that we have placed in brand-new television markets all over the country, we've experienced overwhelming success, with very large numbers (also record-breaking in many cases) of telephone responses.

Ordinations, Field Assignments

As I mentioned in my last "Personal," we have been able to send a very large number of young college graduates directly into the field ministry as ministerial trainees from the colleges! And even more recently I have been able to give my congratulations to the 58 brand-new ministers who were ordained either on the Day of Pentecost or shortly following.

This type of solid growth in God's Church is very encouraging to us all!

I was able to conduct commencement exercises in Big Sandy while my father conducted those on the Pasadena campus just prior to his de-

parture. It was very moving and inspiring to see the very large classes (112 in Pasadena and 94 in Big Sandy), a number of whom will be going directly into God's Work in one capacity or another, and ALL of whom are certainly a credit to the college and represent solid and substantial growth in whatever local-church area in which they finally choose to settle.

As I'm sure you all know, we fully expect that many of these young people, while not immediately "hired" into the ministry, will become a very vital part of local-church congregations and within months or years, because of their Ambassador College training, will no doubt be called right on into Christ's ministry.

I am planning to address all of you in a sermon to be delivered here in Pasadena just a few hours from now. Rather than inform you of the subject in these pages, I will simply let you wait to hear the sermon for yourselves. But I feel it is very timely and much needed for the entirety of God's Church at this time.

I received such a tremendous response from the taped sermons I sent out on two previous occasions that I had intended to send you another sermon sometime in the early summer. I believe today is the best time, since I have to be overseas again for a short time.

I intend to stop in Washington, D.C., on the way back to attend conferences dealing with the next 25 years which will be addressed by what is perhaps the most distinguished collection of top scientists and "futurists" ever to be assembled in one area, including many I personally interviewed in past visits to the American Association for the Advancement of Science meetings in Chicago, Boston, Dallas and New York.

Tithing Booklet

As I write, I am working on the final approval for the booklet on the subject of tithing, which upon completion will automatically be mailed to each member of the Church. This booklet is a little didactic in its approach and is a thorough and scholarly biblical exposition of the subject, but we feel it is absolutely essential to have it in the hands of all members of the Church so they can be completely rooted and grounded in the knowledge of God's

truth on the subject of tithing as revealed in the Bible.

Later we plan to produce yet another booklet, which will be aimed more toward people in the world in general and will, of course, not contain quite so thorough an explanation of Scripture, for it would not appeal to the minds of most unconverted people and probably would not even be read. For you brethren, however, we wanted to place in your hands a very thorough and comprehensive exposition of the entire subject.

Along the line of reading our literature, I want to encourage you to read every single word of The Good News magazine! We have had some really POWERFUL articles of late, and I know it is one more method by which the brethren are really being fed.

In my letters to our ministry I have continually mentioned the kinds of sermons which I know you brethren want, and I know that our ministers are doing a tremendous job in feeding the flock and keeping you brethren informed and up to date on all of the latest happenings within the Work.

I can't tell you how personally thankful I am for the creation of this newspaper and all that it has meant to the Church of God in these last years to keep us thoroughly and completely informed of everything that is happening in all phases of the Work. It keeps me very much closer to you brethren, and I hope it keeps you much closer to me and my father.

That's about it for now. I will give you all the news about my trip to Europe as soon as I return.

In Jesus' name,
Garnet Ted Armstrong

Now you know

LAWTON, Okla. — The church here held Pentecost services May 18 at the Montego Bay Motel, the site where services had been held during the Days Of Unleavened Bread.

During the noon meal the members wondered when bread was going to be served. It never was.

Why? One of the members overheard a waitress say: "These are the people who don't eat bread. Don't even serve them crackers. They won't eat those either."

Church negotiates sale of Ozarks, Pocono

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Education Bureau's interest in purchasing the site, it has not been able to get the necessary response from the U.S. government's Economic Development Administration (EDA) because of red tape.

"We are still waiting for the federal government to decide if they are going to subsidize the feasibility study," Mr. Ugucioni said. "This is not government funding for the purchase but rather for the feasibility study. They require an additional option and some other material before they would consider funding the feasibility study."

"We have submitted all that material to them and they are now in the process of waiting for their approval. They really encouraged us in the beginning to the extent that we didn't go anywhere else. We stayed with the EDA because they had indicated to us that this was a very doable thing."

"Unfortunately, we put all of our eggs in that basket and we'll be a little late now to go to other avenues. We have [U.S.] Sens. Hugh Scott and [Richard] Schweiker who are most interested in this project and who are helping us with it."

Mr. Ugucioni said one of the

stumbling blocks to the EDA aid was that the main convention building does not have any heating or air conditioning.

"To use it year-round we will have to install air conditioning and heating," he said.

Ozark Reprint

Here are excerpts from the article on the proposed sale of the Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., site from the Eldon, Mo., Advertiser, a weekly newspaper.

"The crowd attending [a mass meeting at the Worldwide Church of God property] Thursday was taken by the church's shuttle train for tours of the landscaped grounds and black-topped parking area and given a view of the 104,000-square-foot interior of the metal festival building which would be converted for high-school use. Planned are facilities to accommodate a projected high-school enrollment of up to 400.

"The architectural firm of Frang-kiser & Hutchens, Kansas City, had drawn up preliminary plans to adaptation of the building to provide 32 or 33 classrooms, large library and gymnasium. Plans call for the 'noise-producing' areas such as music, shop, cafeteria and kitchen to be located along the southeasterly side

of the building. On the other end would be classrooms.

"In the vaulted area between the two would be the gymnasium, near existing rest rooms, some of which would be used for locker rooms. Roll-away bleachers, seating some 2,500, would serve the gymnasium. The stage would be left at the other end of a 30,000-square-foot auditorium. By rolling the bleachers to a diagonal position and putting additional seats on the auditorium floor, space would be provided for seating approximately 5,000 expected for future church festivals.

"We feel that we can seat the church people in the center and still have school," Superintendent Curtwright said.

"The church group normally comes in on Friday and Saturday.

"Friday-night sessions and week-end days would not conflict with school, leaving only Monday through Thursday if this eight-day schedule is followed.

"We might have to put four days — or five — at the end of the school," the superintendent said, "if we dismiss for the festival."

"Estimated cost of converting the festival center, providing 77,000 square feet of high-school space, was \$1,232,250. The administration

building with its more than 11,000 square feet would be used for offices . . .

"When the [school] board was first approached about purchase of the church site, the price quoted would have taken all the district's bonding capacity, leaving nothing for remodeling, he [Bill Bassett, school-board president] said.

"Our bonding man told us our bonding capacity was approximately \$2.6 million. The architect said we could convert to a high school adequate for 400 students for around \$1.2 million. We needed another \$100,000 for contingencies.

"This left us \$1.3 million for the site. We took the figure to the church and told them we were bound by certain laws."

"From this emerged a 'lease-back price,' allowing the church to use the facilities for 10 years for its fall festivals.

"For the difference in the price with all the pluses here, we felt we couldn't go wrong," Bassett said. "The board itself is asking you to support us . . ."

"He foresaw that this and future generations are 'going to be proud in years to come of another School of the Osage.'"

THE GRAPEVINE

OFFICIAL

PASADENA — Charles F. Hunting, director of the Work in Britain, was here May 19 to discuss the budget for the British Work with Leslie L. McCullough, director of the International Division.

Mr. Hunting had come from Bricket Wood via Mount Pocono, Pa., where he conducted Pentecost services May 18 and returned by way of the Canadian office in Vancouver, B.C.



CHARLES F. HUNTING

BIG SANDY — The board of trustees of Ambassador College, Big Sandy, passed a resolution May 16 changing Ronald Dart's title from deputy chancellor to executive vice president of the college here. The



RONALD DART

change in title follows Garner Ted Armstrong's title change from vice chancellor to president of both colleges.

Board members present for the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Garner Ted Armstrong, Norvel Pyle and Joseph Scudder. The two remaining board members, Herbert W. Armstrong and Harold Treybig, were not present.

OAKLAND, Calif. — Herbert W. Armstrong spoke to the combined Bay Area churches here Pentecost, May 18.

About 1,800 brethren representing eight churches attended.

Mr. Armstrong delivered the main message in both morning and afternoon services. During the noon break he met with ministers and wives.

Mr. Armstrong flew back to Pasadena that evening and left on another round-the-world trip the following day. His first scheduled stop was Paris, France.

According to Stanley R. Rader, vice president for financial affairs of the Work, Mr. Armstrong was scheduled to attend a luncheon May 21 in The Hague, Netherlands, held by Justice Manfred Lachs, president of the International Court of Justice, and a dinner on the same evening given by Justice Nagendra Singh.

Mr. Armstrong was to attend a dinner in Paris May 23 at which the Ambassador International Cultural

Foundation would be introduced to a "distinguished group of French citizens," Mr. Rader said.

On May 25 he was scheduled to depart for Kenya to prepare for a public appearance there June 6, 7 and 8.

"Immediately thereafter it is necessary for us to fly to Tokyo for our first meeting of the board of directors of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation of Japan," Mr. Rader said.

He added that Mr. Armstrong hoped to visit Warsaw, Poland, and Tokyo, Japan, on this trip.

BIG SANDY — Dale Schurter, head of the Ambassador College Agriculture Department, has been appointed a one-man task force to "research development and funding" for the college here, according to Ronald Dart, executive vice president of the college.

"Dale has been given the assignment of fact finding for the next six to 12 months on the subject of development as it relates to our institution and development in public affairs or public relations, as it is sometimes called," Mr. Dart said. "It may well be that he will become director of development for the college at the end of that period of study, but for now he still holds his present job with the ranch."

Mr. Dart said "development," or "the cultivation of various sources of income for the institution," is a new concept for the college and "none of us really understands it fully yet."

"Dale is going to be the workhorse who will dig out the information we need," he said.

PASADENA — Michael Germano, dean of faculty of Ambassador College here, announced the appointment of Donald Carruthers as associate dean of faculty.

Dr. Carruthers, who began as a faculty member at the now-closed Ambassador College in Bricket Wood, England, was chairman of the Joint Sciences Department and a professor here. He will begin his new duties June 1.

Pro player visits Ambassador

By John Zahody
PASADENA — Keith Erickson, professional basketball player for the Phoenix (Ariz.) Suns, visited Ambassador College here May 9.

After meeting Garner Ted Armstrong and touring the campus, Mr. Erickson spoke to the Ambassador Royals — the college basketball team — and their coaching staff, headed by physical-education director Jim Petty.

Mr. Erickson, 31, reviewed his career as an athlete, beginning with his early years of playing tennis under the guidance of his father, a professional tennis instructor.

Late Bloomer

Calling himself a "late bloomer,"



KEITH ERICKSON

he said he didn't begin playing varsity basketball until his senior year in high school. Then, after a year at junior college, Mr. Erickson applied to the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) at the urging of his college basketball coach.

He was accepted and began playing for the now-legendary John Wooden, recently retired UCLA basketball coach.

"I played three years for John Wooden," said Mr. Erickson, "and I got to know very closely the greatest coach and the greatest influence in my life."

In his junior year Mr. Erickson was a member of the first UCLA bas-

ketball team to win the national championship. His teammates included such players as Gail Goodrich and Walt Hazzard.

Between his junior and senior years he made the United States Olympic Volleyball Team and traveled to Japan to compete in the games. Then, during his senior year, UCLA again won the national basketball championship.

That was 10 years ago. Since then Mr. Erickson has played professionally in the National Basketball Association. Beginning his career with the San Francisco Warriors, he went on to play for the Chicago Bulls and the Los Angeles Lakers before joining his present

team, the Suns, two years ago.

Interest in Special Olympics

Aside from his athletic career, Mr. Erickson said he has become deeply interested in the Special Olympics program for the mentally retarded and handicapped (*The Worldwide News*, May 12).

He spoke enthusiastically about his involvement with the program:

"This is one of the greatest things I've ever taken part in. It's really important that I spend time out there, because I'm so thankful that I have what I have."

Mr. Erickson is married and is the father of two children. He has subscribed to the *Plain Truth* for about a year.



HUSBAND AND WIFE

Royce Rampey and his wife, the former Becca Marshall, depart after their wedding in the lower valley of the Ambassador campus in Big Sandy May 16. Many couples married on graduation day or shortly thereafter. [Photo by Scott Moss]

Graduation

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versity in the Philippines, and her husband, Emmanuel Y. Angeles, executive vice president of Angeles University.

Angeles University conferred an honorary degree of doctor of humanities on Mr. Armstrong in May, 1974.

Big Sandy

Graduation ceremonies were conducted in the Ambassador College Field House by President Garner Ted Armstrong. Ninety-four students received B.A. degrees while five sophomores received the degree of associate in arts.

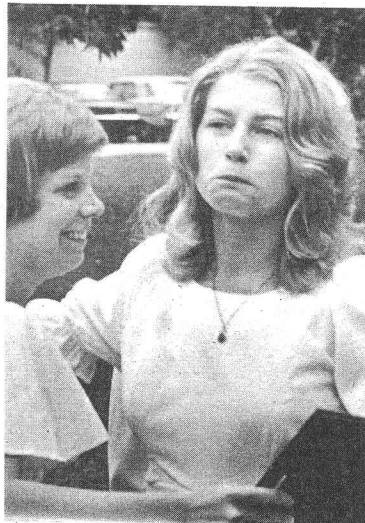
In the commencement address, "Was It Really Worth It?", President Armstrong described recent world events, with special emphasis on the recent seizure of the U.S. merchant ship *Mayaguez* by Cambodia.

He drew an analogy between the marines who took part in the action of freeing the *Mayaguez* and Ambassador graduates. Both need "basic training" before they go into action, he said.

He ended the address by speaking directly to the graduating class:

"Battles lie ahead; tough choices lie ahead; daily temptations, challenges, uncertainties lie ahead. Only when you have faced all of those will you answer the question, 'Was it really worth it?'"

Student Body President Ross Flynn's discourse was "Return the Investment." He said members of the Worldwide Church of God have an investment in each graduate, and it is the duty of each graduate to return that investment.



THE AGONY AND THE ECSTASY — Left: Beverly Blatt and Dawn Davies, both 1975 graduates of Ambassador College, Pasadena, react to commencement in two different ways. Right: Glenda Osborne and Randi Bloom in Big Sandy. (See related articles and photos, pages 7, 8 and 9.) [Photos by Warren Watson and Scott Moss]