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Mr. Waterhouse Reports

Latest Philippine Developments

Conditions and circumstances are much different in the Philippines. But, in that Jesus Christ is leading the Work and giving us favor, it is coming along in a very favorable manner. There have been TYPHOONS, FLOODS, AND OTHER SETBACKS (I have had a severe intestinal upset) but nevertheless, the Work has progressed much faster than I thought possible (Eph. 3:20).

God has given us unusual favor in the eyes of many, and through very miraculous circumstances, He has opened up fine offices for His Work in these

Islands.

I arrived on the morning of July 23rd. By early afternoon, Christ had led Mr. Ortiguero and me out of the district in which I thought offices would open to us — to a very new business district in Makati, a suburb of Manila. Not only is the atmosphere much more favorable here than in the city itself, but also, it is within a five minute drive of the nice home God has opened to us.

Even though there are several new buildings in this district, only one had (Continued on Page 4)



Exotic entrance to new offices



Radio Church of God Offices occupy the corner of the CCC Building

Attendance Records Broken

Records in the San Antonio Church were broken on the Sabbath of August 25. One hundred and forty-four were present. This encouraging leap in attendance was due to the addition of several new faces to the San Antonio congregation.

It was also very encouraging to see so many interested brethren come to Bible Study on Friday night, August 24. All previous records for Bible Study attendance were shattered with a grand total of ninety-one in attendance.

On August 25 the Corpus Christi Church also had a record attendance. 136 were present that Sabbath. The Bible Study in the Rio Grande Valley had 39 in attendance on August 26.



Ball players at picnic

Plans For Trumpets and Day of Atonement

This year the Feast of Trumpets will be held once again in Beeville on September 29. All day services will be conducted in the American Legion Hall which is on Highway 202 going south. Potluck lunch will be served at noon. Please bring your own plates, cups, silverware, etc. Services will commence at 10 A. M. and again at 2 P. M.

October 8, Services on the Day of Atonement will be held in both Corpus Christi and San Antonio. In San Antonio services will be held in the West Wing of the Municipal Auditorium and will commence at 3:30 P.M.

Services in Corpus Christi will be held in the Quarter Deck Room of the Downtowner Motel, and will commence at 10:00 A.M.

CHURCH PICNIC

By Mrs. Jack Burton

The Welder Park in Sinton was the site for a very enjoyable picnic for the Corpus Christi Church on August 26th. The picnic got started about 10:30 a.m.

The children were eager to get started playing on the swings and slides while the adults got an exciting and fun-filled volleyball game started. When more men arrived the men left the volleyball game to the ladies and went to play baseball.

One of the most important parts of any picnic, the food, was served about one o'clock which everyone was ready

for by this time.

After the delicious lunch was over and everyone had rested awhile, the men had another baseball game. The ladies and some of the children played miniture golf.

About 5 o'clock everyone went home to rest after a day filled with fun and

exercise.



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EDITORIAL

By Donald Winn

My wife and I were talking the other night right after we had just received our Plain Truth. She asked me this question: "How is it that they do not have trouble getting enough articles and we can't get enough for our 4

page Church newspaper?"

Well, now that is a good question. Why should this be? One of the main reasons, and there are many more besides, is this: Our Apostle, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, and the ministers of God's Church that contribute or write these articles have a goal ever before them. They know of the tremendous value this magazine is to God's Work. They are serving God and the people in getting this message out to the whole world. They put their whole heart and every fiber of their being, plus the very power of God's Holy Spirit leading and directing them, into writing these articles.

Do we see the tremendous opportunity we have in writing for our own Church paper, though? This is a great chance for all of us to really grow and to overcome, while at the same time binding the Corpus Christi and the San Antonio Churches closer together. We need to really realize how important this service can be to both Churches and really put our hearts into this endeavor of love to the brethren.

Remember, if you are willing to sacrifice a little of your time and in return to receive a great blessing, then let's all get behind Your Church Paper.

LEARN TO COMMUNICATE

(Courtesy of Wichita-Liberal Edition)

Writing is one of our main forms of communication. No doubt many of you brethren have been thinking about a subject you would like to write about. Why not do it? If your article is used you will have made a real contribution to the success of our church paper. Even if your article is not used, you will be gaining in experience and practice.

Here are some basic principles that, when followed, will help you to write better and more clearly:

Use Short, Familiar Words

Don't be afraid to use common, everyday words. Remember, your reader's concentration should be on the ideas you are trying to get across. Don't force him to use part of that concentration on difficult words. A good vocabulary is an essential tool for a writer, but it should be used sparingly. Use a large word only when you do not have a small word that will do equally well.

Keep Most Sentences Simple and Short

Newspapermen used to say that no sentence should be over 20 words long. This rule has been relaxed somewhat today, but the principle is still a good one. Don't worry about short sentences sounding choppy. Short sentences can be just as smooth and fluent as long sentences. Read Hemmingway if you don't think so.

Avoid Being Passive—Use Active Verbs

The passive voice is weak and uninteresting, but the active voice is exciting and colorful. Notice the difference in these two sentences: The passive voices would be, "The flag was hoisted on Iwo Jima by the marines." The active voice would be, "The marines hoisted the flag on Iwo Jima." See the difference? Make sure the subject (marines) performes the action which the active verb (hoisted) describes. After you have mastered the use of simple words and short sentences, use plenty of active verbs to add sparkle to your writing.

Use People in Your Writing

When you talk about people, passive verbs will automatically disappear, and your sentences will be more accurate and interesting. A dull sentence like, "It was realized that drastic changes would have to be made" should be written, "We realized we would have to make drastic changes." The first

sentence leaves unanswered the important questions, "Who would make the changes?" and, "Who realized it?" The second sentence leaves no doubt. Remember to talk about WHO.

Conversational Style Is Usually Best

When you come to a point in your writing where you can't seem to find the words to express what you want to say, ask yourself, "How would I say this to a friend if we were discussing it over a cup of coffee?" You will be surprised at how the words will begin to unfold.

Know Your Subject

Be thoroughly familiar with the subject about which you inend to write. It is surprising how many people try to write about a subject they do not really know. As a result, they have a tendency to cover up with vague generalities. Knowledge gives the writer confidence and enthusiasm. Know whereof you speak!

Have Organization and Method

You may want to start your article by telling what you are going to write about—then develop it step-by-step to that conclusion. This method of writing creates interest and suspense in the reader, as he must continue to the end of the article for your answer or conclusion. Or, you could start by giving your reader the gist or conclusion right off, then develop the basis for your conclusion. This way the reader can digest each step as he goes along and compare it with the end result. Logic and common sense should be your guide to determine the proper order or development of the idea and method. Regardless of how you organize your material, do keep it in some order. Do not jump around!

Remember that good writing should be clear and simply stated. Keep your reader in mind and don't forget—writing that is easy to read is also easier to write.

If you want your children to get a good education today, you have to pull a few wires. (On the TV, the radio and the Hi-Fi!)

CHURCH NEWS

Campers Return:

Parents, as well as friends, were glad to see their children return from the Summer Camp in Gladewater. Those who attended from San Antonio were Janice Burgess, Reinhold Fuessel and Arvel Herring.

It was good to see John Robinson, Jimmy Cade and Bobbie Kirkpatrick back with us August 18. They were our Corpus Christi representatives at the Summer Camp in Gladewater.

College Begins:

We were all happy for Mr. John Robinson who was accepted to attend Ambassador College. Of course, we will all miss him and Jimmy Redus, who was home visiting this summer, but we know it is one of the greatest opportunities and blessings that God could bestow upon them.

Miss Sarah Bruns of Kerrville was also accepted to attend Ambassador College this year. She has written that she is extremely grateful to be one of the very few individuals who will receive the blessing of an Ambassador College education.

Moved:

Mr. Sammy Lyles has just recently moved to Oklahoma City in order to get further training for his job. The San Antonio Church and Spokesman Club will miss him but we are sure he will profit from the new experience and training that he will receive.

Golden Anniversary:

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Gilley recently celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Gilley.

Twins:

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Clark are the happy parents of identical twin girls, Karen Ann and Sharon Lee. Mr. Clark is the minister of the Springfield and Kansas City, Missouri Churches.

News from Scattered Brethren:

Mrs. Bessie Donaho, former member of the Corpus Christi Church who recently moved to Gladewater, reports that she is feeling fine and is very happy to be able to be so close to the Tabernacle where she will now be able to attend all of God's Feasts.

Leonard Robinson, son of Mrs. Ezra Robinson, spent this summer in Washington doing construction work. From his letters he really had a profitable and enjoyable summer, but was anxiously looking forward to returning home (Ambassador College).

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Robinson report they hope to be able to attend the soon-coming Feasts. Mr. Robinson has some type of sore on one of his arms. Let's all remember them in our prayers.

SPOKESMAN CLUB NEWS

Several things have happened in the Corpus Christi and San Antonio Spokesman Clubs this month. It seems we are always doing something to have more fellowship with one another and we are very happy to be able to have this close association with one another.



Joint meeting of Corpus Christi and San Antonio Spokesman Club

Both Clubs had a Ladies Night during the month of August, the first for each as a separate club since we split the clubs in Iuly.

In San Antonio the ladies met with the men on August 23 in the upstairs dining room of the Highlander Cafeteria. Mr. Roman Salas served as President in Mr. Flores' place; his first time in this position. Speakers were a little more nervous than usual, but the entire program was enjoyed by all.

In Corpus Christi Ladies Night was held August 11 in the upper dining room of the Talley-Ho Motel. The club was very happy to have as guests Mr. and Mrs. Klotz from Laredo and Mrs. Baecker from Victoria.

Another interesting sidelight was the combined meeting of the two clubs in Beeville, Texas, September 2. Each club presented three speakers and evaluators. San Antonio supplied us with several visitors and for some it was the first meeting ever attended.

Personal Glimpses

Have you met the Konze's? This very interesting little family, consisting of Mr. Walter Konze, his wife Mamie, and daughters Barbara Ann and Frances Carolyn, is one of the most recent additions to the Corpus Christi Church. This being the the case, perhaps we should become better acquainted.



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Konze

Mr. Konze was born in Comfort, Texas on November 13, 1907. He attended Woodsboro Public School. He holds quite a record in time spent with one company, being with the Telephone Company for thirty-three years. He lists his occupation as telephone repairman. He also raises registered Red Angus cattle on his farm near Calallen, Texas.

Mrs. Konze gives her birthplace as Smiley, Texas and birthdate as January 17, 1905. She attended Harlingen Public Schools and Sul Ross College. She has worked for Western Union and also taught school for two years.

The Konze's met at a friend's home in Harlingen, Texas and were married in that same city October 6, 1935. Both their daughters were Valedictorians of their respective graduating classes from Calallen High School. Barbara attends Illinois State College where she is a senior and Carolyn is attending Del Mar College in Corpus Christi.

Mr. Konze first heard of the Truth on the World Tomorrow Broadcast. After being brought to repentance, he was baptized February 4, 1962 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Reading is one of his chief enjoyments and he is also interested in baseball and football.

Mrs. Konze enjoys doing fancy work in her leisure time. She also enjoys swimming.

When you have a few spare moments, why not take the opportunity to know this delightful family even better?

CALIFORNIA VACATION

By E. A. Laney

"Greetings Everyone:

"What a trip we had to Pasadena, California. My wife, daughter, Lillian, T. W. and myself. It was a long, long trail winding into the land of my dreams.

"As we went through the desert it seemed like a valley of death it was so dry and hot, no life to be seen. It was 109 degrees in some places. We reached Pasadena, California July 15th, and found our son living in a big apartment house owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Geiger, members of the Radio Church of God. They, having a vacant room, invited us to stay there.

"One evening we were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jameson for a turkey dinner.

"On another occasion Dr. Herman Hoeh invited us to his home where we enjoyed goat milk and wine. We were honored by his invitation to go to Fresno with him for a Sabbath service. This was an experience that will be remembered always. We viewed unique water carved mountains and massive rows of grape vineyards. Just to see the beauty filled me with joy.

"At Fresno Dr. Hoeh brought a wonderful sermon. After the service Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Anderson invited us for dinner. We enjoyed the dinner so well that we stayed all night.

"The night before our return home we enjoyed, along with several other brethren, a pot luck supper and home made ice cream at the home of Mrs. Margaret Hite.

"We made a tour of the regal buildings and the beautifully landscaped grounds of Ambassador College. We enjoyed a live broadcast of the World Tomorrow by Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong. He was sowing the seeds of the Kindom and also casting the bread of life upon the waters that others could take of.

"Then we came to Ambassador's mountain stream. It looked to me almost like the millennium, when living waters will come from the fountain of life. I could almost see the wolf and the lamb feeding together and what a picture it all was.

didn't have any respect for any of us on the gloomy day of September 2, 1962. What was the final score anyway? Would some kind gentleman from San Antonio please write and inform me, for my head is still reeling from shock.

Anyway, we still love the San Antonio Spokesman Club, but would someone tell them to have a little more respect for the Corpus Christi Club's softball team?

Well we will recover I think and will be looking forward to the **Next Time**.

PHILLIPINES ...

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available space. Had I been here one week earlier, there would have been several spaces from which to choose. But, it seem Christ caused every space to be taken right out from "under our nose," showing us where He wanted an office.

There were probably several reasons why office space was opened to us in this building and not in the others. However, I would have not seen these reasons had I not been forced to analyze why Christ opened space in this building instead of in some of the much taller ones.

The "CCC" Building (Commercial Gredit Corporation) has been open just more than one year and has just the space I think we need. The grounds around it are spacious compared to most office buildings, offering no parking problem. Surrounding the building is a fish pond about six feet wide with various trees and shrubs planted nearby.

Even though the building has only two floors and a mezzanine, it is an attractive building for this area of the world. It is constructed mores sturdily than the others. Also, it won an award from the Hawaiian Architectural Society for several features of its design. And it makes me wonder if God kept us out of the tall buildings and in this shorter, more sturdily-built building for a reason—perhaps He sees there is going to be a terrible earthquake in the next few years. Maybe I am wrong on this assumption, but God surely caused these doors to close right before us.

The crew doing the work (partitioning the office) started the day the contract was signed, July 31st, and within 12 days had completed the initial work in the office space. Now, my first official work in this office, is this article informing you of the WONDERFUL WAY Christ has established another overseas mailing office!

Day of Reckoning!

By Donald Winn

The days started out so beautiful, the sun shining, the air so fresh and crisp. It was just wonderful to be alive. But what went wrong? How did such a wonderful morning end up so devastatingly bad by sundown? The Corpus Christi Spokes-

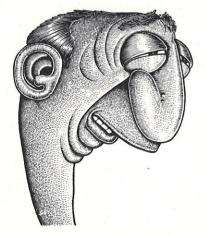
man Club started the afternoon full of confidence and we had it crushed out of us before the evening was over. What happened? We were hit by a run-away express in the form of the San Antonio Spokesman Club softball team. Yes, we were crushed on the battlefield of the softball diamond. What turned these "patsies" into such tigers? I am



WINN . . . Wad'da ya mean I LOST!?

still asking myself this question. I started the game pitching and had to retire after three unglorious innings, because my neck was so sore and stiff from watching the balls sail over my head.

I thought surely they would respect Mr. Seelig's pitching though, but alas! again I was wrong. He seemed to hit their bats as well as I could. They just



JENNINGS . . . "Ain't these kids great?"