

Mr. Armstrong pays first visit to South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Herbert W. Armstrong met for more than an hour with South African President Nicolaas Diederichs June 2 as part of a heavy schedule of activities that was to include *Plain Truth* lectures in major cities here and visits to South-West Africa, Swaziland and Rhodesia after he leaves this country.

After Mr. Armstrong's arrival here May 26 for this his first visit to South Africa, he launched into a speaking schedule that included Sabbath services May 29 before 600 South Africans, with services on Pentecost to follow June 6 with members attending from all over the country.

Bob Fahy, regional director of

the Work in South Africa, said June 4 that "a very large meeting is being planned with people coming from all over the republic, of all races, to hear Mr. Armstrong on the Holy Day."

Commenting on the visit with President Diederichs, Stanley Rader, the Work's vice president for financial affairs, who is accompanying Mr. Armstrong on the trip, said the head of state, with whom Mr. Armstrong discussed the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation (AICF) and *Human Potential* magazine, "has been a devoted *Plain Truth* reader for some considerable time and has expressed keen interest in the content of our magazine and the scope of our mission."

Mr. Armstrong, who left Pasadena May 18 immediately following addressing the conference of ministers from around the world, arrived here May 26 via Paris, Oman and Kuwait.

In Oman Mr. Armstrong was to meet Sultan Qabus bin Said at his palace in Muscat, but the sultan wasn't able to keep the appointment. In Kuwait, however, Mr. Armstrong did meet Sheikh Sabah al-Salim al-Sabah, the emir, May 26.

"As Mr. Armstrong's co-worker letter [of May 28] relates, the meeting with Sheikh al-Salim al-Sabah in Kuwait was highly successful," Mr. Rader commented, "and will lead to substantial contacts between Kuwait and other neighboring Arab states and the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation, as well as the Church."

The day after his arrival here Mr. Armstrong held a press conference, with newspapers and television and radio stations represented. In describing the day's activities in his most recent letter to members and co-workers, he wrote:

"After the main conference, which lasted over two hours, I did a television interview and then, by

tape, a radio interview. This is Friday [May 28], and we hope we catch all Sunday papers. The television interview was also taped and will be on the one and only television station here in this city of one and one-half million people at 8 o'clock tonight."

Full Schedule

Mr. Armstrong plans to appear before "*Plain Truth* readers and the public in Cape Town, Durban and now Port Elizabeth — one night in each place — and twice in Johannesburg," Mr. Rader commented. "He will speak before combined Rotary groups and/or Rotary and Lions groups in Johannesburg and Cape Town, as well as other assorted ser-

vices organizations in Cape Town and Johannesburg.

"He will be speaking in both Johannesburg and Cape Town before the Zionist organization, and will also be hosted again . . . in Cape Town at a luncheon . . . attended by the minister of information, the minister of education and the minister for South-West African affairs."

On June 1, at a second news conference, Mr. Armstrong answered questions from reporters from English and Afrikaans publications.

"As a consequence of the pieces that have appeared about Mr. Armstrong and his plans for South Africa," Mr. Rader commented, "ad- [See MR. ARMSTRONG, page 8]



HER FIRST — Continuing-education student Dianne Melnyk of Edmonton, Alta., examines the first film she developed in a photography class. (Photo by Scott Moss)

Continuing-education students get small taste of Ambassador

BIG SANDY — More than 50 people, including couples, widows and teenagers from church areas in 13 states and Canada, are attending classes as a part of Ambassador College's continuing-education program here.

Classes, which began May 31 and end June 11, cover agriculture, family finance, photography and theology and are taught by members of the Ambassador faculty.

Besides the classes, Ambassador's recreational facilities — including racketball, basketball, softball, handball, swimming, canoeing, fishing and camping — are available to the students.

Program participants, many of whom are staying in student housing or camping on the campus, will be awarded certificates for classes they complete, designating they have earned Continuing Education Units (CEUs). (Courses do not earn official college credit and do not count toward a degree.)

Dean of Faculty Donald Ward of Ambassador defined the CEU as "10 contract hours of participation in an organized experience under responsible sponsorship, capable direction and qualified instruction."

"The primary reason we did this was as a service to the Church," Dr. Ward said. "It has tremendous potential by informing the people what is going on at the college and enriching their own educational experience."

According to Dr. Ward, the idea for the classes was that of former college Vice President Ronald Dart, now vice president for pastoral administration in Pasadena.

Plans call for offering classes year-round, thereby making them available to anyone living near the college, but next year's summer session is to take place in July so more Church members can attend.

The program lets participants combine a vacation with furthering their education.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Knight, Church members from Houston, Tex., said they read about the classes in *The Worldwide News*. Mr. Knight said they "sounded like a good opportunity. When I came into the Church 12 years ago I always wanted to attend Ambassador College."

"This is just a small taste of it [the college]," he said, "and I'm really enjoying it. I'd like to come again next year and take more classes."

'WN' offers supplement

BIG SANDY — A special *Worldwide News* supplement, featuring photographs of more than 200 ministers of the Church who serve as area coordinators, senior pastors and church pastors, is included in this issue.

Readers will note two pages of whiter and better-quality paper

sandwiched between the newspaper pages. (Some overseas copies were printed entirely on newspaper because of the constraints of shipping and receiving costs.)

These white pages, which contain the ministerial pictures, should be completely removed from the issue and refolded following the natural folds of the tabloid pages. By creasing the folds flat and trimming the bottom of the page as indicated, the reader will have a 16-page directory.

Most readers will probably use scissors for the trim, though a guillotine-type paper cutter would give better results.

According to *WN* managing editor John Robinson, the supplement represents the culmination of a "massive" effort. "The *WN* staff had wanted to produce a ministerial directory for several years. We felt the most logical and least expensive means of getting pictures of the ministers was during a ministerial conference. Since there was two years between major conferences, we simply didn't have an occasion to undertake the project."

Mr. Robinson said much of the impetus for the project had come [See 'WN' PRINTS, page 8]

A Personal Letter

from

Garner Ted Armstrong

Dear brethren in Christ:

GREETINGS! It's been a very busy two weeks and it appears the next two weeks will be even more so! There are so many things happening in the Work just now, it's difficult to know where to begin, but perhaps it's better to tell you what has been developing in more or less chronological order.

About a week ago I flew to St. George, Utah, to deliver a baccalaureate address before the 1976 graduating class of Dixie College, a junior college which began as a small academy over 40 years ago. My remarks were very warmly received, and I met quite a number of the administration and the faculty and was honored to be a platform guest for commencement activities the following morning, which included the commencement address by Utah's Gov. Calvin Rampton.

I was very impressed by the warmth and enthusiasm of the Dixie College student body. Naturally, the Mormon underpinnings of the institution are obvious in the code of conduct required of the student body, and in so many ways the spirit of the student body and to a large degree the appearance of the young people there remind one of Ambassador College.

I was made to feel I was at home among friends, and my visit couldn't have been more pleasant.

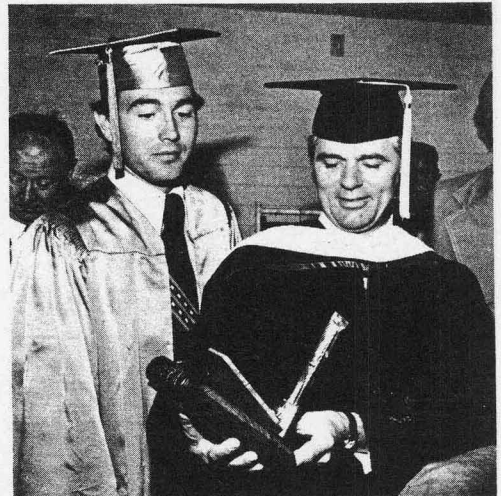
Serious Situation

Arriving back in Pasadena, I was told of the very serious situation which was discovered when Dr. Roderick Meredith's wife Margie was taken to Pasadena's Huntington Memorial Hospital in considerable pain as a result of what had

earlier been suspected of being a combination of several physical ailments including arthritis and even the suspicion of skin cancer.

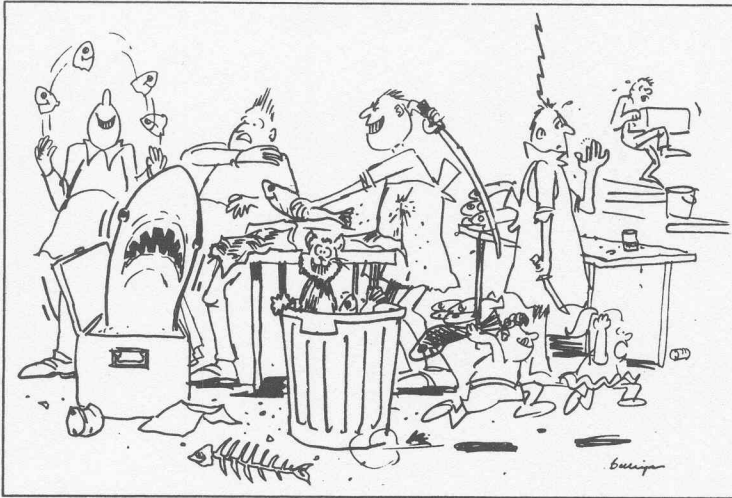
Later I had opportunity to talk to Dr. Meredith, who told me personally of the extreme gravity of the situation.

After a thorough examination by specialists, the Merediths were given the very grave report that Mrs. [See PERSONAL, page 2]



MEMENTO — Garner Ted Armstrong examines a desk set presented him by Dixie College after his baccalaureate address to the school's 1976 graduates. (Photo by Lyle Christopherson)

Local church news wrap-up



FISH FRIED — This is an artist's concept of a fish fry for the Russellville, Pine Bluff and Little Rock, Ark., churches May 2 in Little Rock involving 250 members. All ages played softball, volleyball and other games as other members, illustrated here, prepared the meal. [Artwork by Jerry Ballinger]

Last Meeting

ADA, Okla. — The speech club of the Sherman, Tex., and Ada churches held its last meeting of the season May 2 at Lake Texoma Lodge.

Six members gave speeches at the dinner meeting, followed by dancing. *Paul A. Parker.*

Moved to Horizon

AKRON, Ohio — Young people from Akron and seven surrounding churches had a night of loud music and fast dancing May 8 at a dance sponsored by the Akron chapter of YOU.

More than 100 moved to the music of Horizon, a professional band from the Cleveland church.

The four-hour session was at the Northern Building, where the Akron church has exclusive all-week use of a former downtown ballroom.

Four door prizes were awarded by Don Cole, dance coordinator. *Tom Delamater.*

Creek in Left Field

ALEXANDRIA, La. — The Beagle Club here was the site of a picnic for 62 members and their guests May 2.

Softball played on an unusual field with the right side uphill, the left side downhill and a creek in left field provided difficult but interesting field-

ing obstacles and some amusing moments.

Other activities included cards, Frisbees, singing, horseshoes, badminton and old-fashioned chitchat. *Judy Oakes.*

Items Donated for SEP

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — A garage sale May 2 at the home of deacon Leonard Ballard raised money for this summer's SEP in Alaska.

The people in the Anchorage church had donated the items to be sold. They were priced and later sold by several SEP campers and their mothers, gaining \$392 for camp equipment and development. *Sue Deal.*

Three Men Noted

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Ill. — The Women's Club here had a dinner May 4 with husbands as guests. The evening consisted of games and the presenting of awards for appreciation of long-term projects.

Three men were also noted for their help in the Women's Club. *Sally R. Einersen.*

Dance and Swim

BLUEFIELD, W. Va. — The teenagers of this church area were host of a dance and swim party at the YMCA April 24.

About 50 teens danced to recorded

music presented by member and former disc jockey Jesse Faust.

The dance was followed by swimming. *Tom Wiseman.*

Telling the Trippers

BRIGHTON, England — The church here began its second year in May, providing fellowship for people up to a distance of 40 miles, nearly two hours' travel.

Minister Arthur Suckling also conducts small Bible studies here and in Uckfield and Eastbourne.

Social events during the year have included a rock-climbing course, a post-Sabbath social and a series of after-service open houses, all of which have helped unite the diverse personalities into a strong family unit.

The coming year will open with a campaign lecture series in Brighton through May and June, to be followed by a newsstand display at the South of England Royal Agricultural Show at Ardingly June 10 to 12.

Newsstand distribution is doing well, and members look forward to the season's trippers getting the message via the stand on Brighton railway station. *Clive Walters.*

\$4,000 for the Telecast

BRISBANE, Australia — The third annual Brisbane Church Family Day was May 2. Originally conceived as a moneymaking venture, it has also proved a successful public-relations gesture.

The event was at the nursery of Alex Scott, deacon and locally well-known TV gardening personality. Using radio ads, pamphlets and invitations to garden clubs, organizers attracted more than 1,000 members of the public.

The main features were a tour of the nursery, a flea market and children's amusements.

With help also from Toowoomba members and the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Gold Coast church, \$4,000 was raised, which will go toward airing the telecast here in Brisbane. *Rod and Martha McQueen.*

Shower and Climb

BURNABY, B.C. — It was a bright day at the Bain Anderson residence April 25 as a double shower was held for two mothers-to-be.

Barbara Wright and Julie Blair were delighted when the women of the Burnaby church got together to invite them to each other's baby shower.

eighth-grade and six high-school graduates.

Each received complimentary gifts from the Concord church.

Edge, a local band, played for dancing. The activity was coordinated and run by associate pastor John Foster, Mrs. Foster and other members. *Radd Zedrik.*

Personalized Branding

DALLAS, Tex. — Boy Scout Troop 1212 of the Dallas churches conducted its first court of honor April 22, beginning with the presentation of the colors and speeches by scoutmaster John Peterson and church pastor and former Eagle scout James Kunz.

Ten scouts were promoted to the rank of Tenderfoot, while nearly all received merit badges and skill awards.

The court concluded with speeches from the scoutmaster and senior patrol leader Lon Kennebeck and a surprise presentation of a personalized branding iron and plaque to Mr. Peterson. *James W. Christeson.*

SHE Includes Men

DES MOINES, Iowa — Service, Home & Education (SHE), a women's organization of the church here, included the men in its last meeting of the season May 13 for a dinner and play at Charlie's Show-place here.

A catered buffet meal had been set up onstage. After dinner the buffet was removed and props for the play moved into place. *Critic's Choice*, three acts by Ira Levin, was enjoyed by a packed house.

SHE has started last fall and meets every two weeks. Officers are Dolly Kobernat, adviser; Janette Steele, chairman; Ruth O'Connor, treasurer; and Mrs. Larry Grove, secretary. *Larry Grove.*

Children's Theater

DULUTH, Minn. — A first for the local congregation began April 25 with a search for ways to more involve children ages 5 to 12 in church activities.

When it was announced that a children's theater would be formed, 30 youngsters signed up. With the bicentennial in mind, a series of historic skits was written for them, and regular rehearsals were held all winter.

A variety show was then planned as an outlet for the children and for other interested people in the church. The program was set for April 24 after the Sabbath.

When the big evening arrived, with only an hour between sunset and showtime, the flurry of activities backstage heightened the anticipation for those involved. The show, (See WRAP-UP, page 4)

At the same time, a teenage scavenger hunt was taking place on Ford Mountain 60 miles away, watched by their mothers and dads from four southern-British Columbia churches: Burnaby, Surrey, Vancouver North and Vancouver. The teens searched for objects planted by minister Norm Strayer. *Bain Anderson.*

Attractive Cheers

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — The youth basketball team of the Colorado Springs and Walsenburg churches played the Denver team at Gorman Junior High School here May 1, cheered by attractive cheerleaders.

The Colorado Springs-Walsenburg cheerers were Darla Barber, Linette Cobb, Yvonne Cobb, Susan Magoon, Phyllis Sasser and Renee Valenti. Denver cheerleaders were Lana Gardner, Terri Gregory and Lorrie Street.

During halftime of the game, won by Denver, cakes, cookies and pies were auctioned to the highest bidders by Tim Johnson. The YOU fund increased by \$114.

Snacks and drinks were served by Bessie Jones, Nancy Torguson, Sue Vandergriff and Jan Williams. Gene Walt had made the arrangements for the gymnasium. *Susan Peterson and T.J. Stewart.*

What Makes Them Tick

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — The Ambassador Leadership Club of the Colorado Springs and Walsenburg churches held its final meeting of the year May 2 at the Garden Valley Motel here. Consisting of Spokesman Club graduates and their wives, the club heard talks from Tommie Joe Stewart and Dimple Todhunter, deaconesses, and Cherie Samuels, Norma Renck, Doris Spannagel and Judy Adam, deacons' wives, about their backgrounds and what makes them tick.

Each speaker's husband was her evaluator.

Randy Samuels, president, asked Marilyn Magoon, wife of Herbert Magoon, pastor, to give an impromptu speech on the life of a minister's wife.

Later the club had a dinner and games at the Magoons' home in Widefield, Colo. *Susan Peterson.*

Dance for Graduates

CONCORD, N.H. — An annual graduate dance was held at the Manchester, N.H., YMCA May 15 for the Montpelier, Vt., Augusta, Maine, and Concord churches' nine



FIRST NIGHT — The home of James Govender, left, was where 38 people, including 16 members, from the Durban (South Africa) Nonwhite church met April 15 for their first observance as a congregation of the Night to Be Much Remembered. Durban Nonwhite began Feb. 28; about 40 people regularly attend. Member Winston Dunn, center, and Ronnie Govender also attend. [Photo by Izak Bosman]



\$4,000 RAISED — These women, Brisbane members, stand in front of a health-food stall at the Brisbane Church Family Day May 2. (See "4,000 for the Telecast," this page.)

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Duluth's first, obviously pleased minister Stan Watts, who commented that he wanted it to become at least an annual event. *Joanne Christian.*

Double Slides

DULUTH, Minn. — Duluth's final Bible study for the season was May 7 at Pike Lake Community Center as 150 people turned out for a potluck supper, followed by a double slide presentation.

Minister Stan Watts showed highlights of a recent European trip, and Guy Swenson, assistant, some that he had taken in the Middle East six years ago. *Joanne Christian.*

Graduation for Five Clubs

EDMONTON, Alta. — The five Edmonton Spokesman clubs had their graduation with a ladies' night at the Executive Motor Inn May 9.

Speakers for the evening were John Stokdijke, Monrad Chorlene, Brian Allam, Tony Ives and George Manscher. These men were roasted instead of evaluated, which added a casual, humorous atmosphere. Toastmaster was Oswald Sonnenberg, topicmaster was Ron Yappend, and president for the evening was Gary Hunt.

After the meeting 14 graduates from three of the clubs were awarded certificates by their directors. *Dawn Day.*

Southgate Sale

EDMONTON, Alta. — A craft-and-bake sale was sponsored April



NEW GRADUATE — Windsor MacDougall receives a graduation certificate from ministers Steven Botha, right, and Jonathan Buck April 18 at a Spokesman Club meeting in Halifax, N.S. (See "Six Graduate," this page.)

22 and 23 at Southgate Mall by Edmonton South and East.

The booth, on loan from the Calgary congregation, won first prize, \$50, in a best-decorated-booth contest.

A total of \$850 was collected, to be used to finance showings of Garner Ted Armstrong's campaign films to public audiences in Edmonton and environs. *Dawn Day.*

Bowler Awards

FLINT, Mich. — The bowlers of the church here were honored with a banquet May 1 for their participation in the Ambassador Mixed League.

After the meal Bernie Braman thanked the league's secretary, Monica Wood, Vice President Bob Hill and the substitutes that helped during the season.

Al Wood presented the league's trophies. A special award went to Fred Nowlin for "perseverance and performance."

First-place trophies went to Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Benner and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Heussner. Second-place trophies went to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carmon.

The banquet ended with a sing-along with minister Doug Taylor playing the guitar. *Helen Braman.*

Surprise Visit

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Ninety members, wives and special guests attended the final Spokesman Club and ladies'-night banquet on the backyard patio of Bob G. League, director of the club and pastor of the church, May 2.

After the meal James Duncan, member of the church and club, made cherries jubilee.

Highlights of the evening included the presentation of a gift to Mr. League and a surprise visit by Burk McNair, new coordinator of the Mid-Atlantic Seaboard Area, and Mrs. McNair. *Dan Hall.*

Six Graduate

HALIFAX, N.S. — Seventy-five people attended a ladies' night and Spokesman Club graduation April 18 at the Holiday Inn here.

Club President Ian Dennis called the meeting to order; Chris Starkey handled table topics; Bruno Janc chaired the speaking portion.

Six men were part of the fourth graduation ceremonies in this area: Mr. Dennis, Carl Fletcher, Windsor MacDougall, John Giffin, Alex MacDonald and Paul Pleau.

Dinner and dancing followed, with music provided by Quintessence, a band. *Mike Baker.*

News From St. Vincent

KINGSTON, St. Vincent — Seven Church members and one prospective member met at the residence of Elizabeth Lambkin, a member, for the Night to Be Much Remembered, April 14, during the

Twenty-three attended, and after the meal and meeting director Jerold Aust dismissed the group to an adjoining room for two hours of dancing and fellowship. *Ken Treybig.*

Women's Purpose

LUFKIN, Tex. — The Women's Club held its last meeting before summer May 12 with a guest from the county extension office lecturing on home canning and freezing. This year's club agenda has also included meetings on women's purpose, flower arranging and home interiors.

A decision was made to use the treasury to buy books helpful to women such as *All of the Women of the Bible*. According to coordinator Mary Ann Aust, wife of pastor Jerold Aust, the club was successful "primarily because it helped to channel the efforts of the Lufkin women toward improved fellowship, service and domestic needs." *Kathy Treybig.*

Bees Stay Busy

MEDFORD, Ore. — Eight members of the Busy Bees, Medford's preteen-girls' club, were honored at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schreiber May 13 to thank the girls for raising funds to buy prizes for a note-taking contest for children in the congregation.

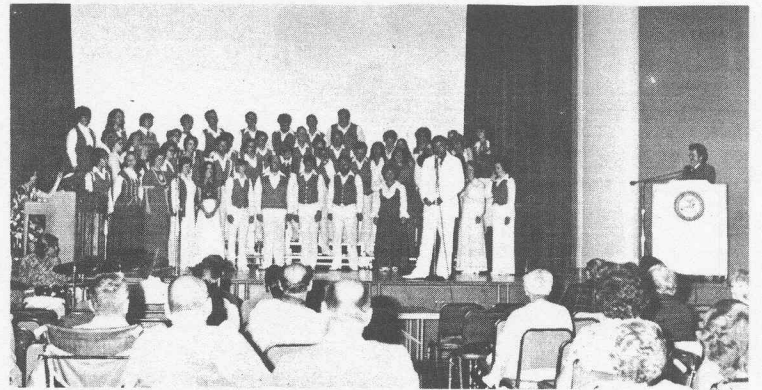
Refreshments were served to the girls and their sponsors, Ann Rogers and Betty Ritzinger. Special guests were Mrs. Grace Steward, honorary grandmother of the Medford church, Lois Woods and Kathy Franco. *I. Schreiber.*

Australian Sports

MELBOURNE, Australia — A youth sports day saw close to 120 teens gather here from four Australian states during the Days of Unleavened Bread at Monash University.

Girls' and boys' teams competed in basketball, netball, squash, volleyball, track events, table tennis and less-vigorous activities such as chess and egg catching.

Teams came from the Melbourne North and South churches, Ballarat



VETERANS ENTERTAINED — Veterans at the California Veterans' Hospital in Long Beach are entertained by a bicentennial program presented by the New Horizon Singers of the Norwalk and Santa Ana churches. (See "Singers Benefit Patients," this page.) (Photo by Lowell Baker)

games, prizes, dancing and snacks at Bryant (Ark.) Community Center April 13.

Cathy Willingham won a record for a broom dance. The girls outwitted the guys in a game of wits, winning a candy bar apiece. Jay Ussery and Donna Norfield led the group in a do-your-dance soul train. *Deniece Jaks.*

Private Ladies' Night

LONGVIEW, Tex. — The ladies' night of the Spokesman Club here took place in private meeting rooms at Wyatt's Cafeteria May 10.

A buffet meal of roast beef and fried fish *amandine* was followed by music provided by a trio from Ambassador, Big Sandy, headed by then-senior (now graduate) Ross Jutsum on keyboards.

Twenty-three attended, and after the meal and meeting director Jerold Aust dismissed the group to an adjoining room for two hours of dancing and fellowship. *Ken Treybig.*

and Bendigo and the Gippsland church in Victoria, with interstate representatives from Tasmania, South Australia and Temora, in New South Wales.

The top team turned out to be Melbourne North, with a tally of 134½ points, followed by distant-second Melbourne South, with 84½ points. Tasmania was a close third at 80 points.

Malcolm Chapman of Melbourne North received the award for the best effort in the under-15-years boys' section, while Mark Forbes of Wodonga received the award in the over-25 group. Mark won his events in the 50-yard dash and 100-yard, 220-yard and long-jump contests.

For the girls, Lorraine Alter of Melbourne South was voted best in the under-15s, and Robin Sherwood of the Ballarat-Bendigo team was best girl over 15.

Graemme Marshall, Southeast District coordinator for the Work, said organizers hope for an even bigger teen competition for 1977. *Graeme Henderson.*

Sitting Up 46 Times

MILFORD, Ont. — Some members of the Church participated in a community event here April 5: a sit-upathon at Milford Town Hall sponsored by the South Marysburg men's softball team to raise money for new lights for Milford's softball diamond.

Pledges were placed on how many sit-ups could be done in 60 seconds, raising \$2,000.

The softball team is managed by Leo McAlpine, a member. Of the 23 participants, Terry Johnson, minister at Kingston, Ont., was winner of a trophy for the most sit-ups by a man, sitting up 46 times in 60 seconds. *Carolyn Gosse.*

Bicentennial Ladies' Night

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — The Spokesman Club was host of its annual ladies' night with wine, cheese and a bicentennial decor April 27.

Michael Hanisko, director, introduced Martin Laufer, president. The table-topics session was conducted by Tony Kuczynski. Roger Jones introduced the five speakers.

Awards for the most effective speaker, the most improved speaker and the most helpful evaluator were received by Terry Klimek, Edward Mentell and Gregory Drews, respectively. *Pat Kuczynski.*

Year's First

NEWCASTLE, Australia — The first picnic of the year for Newcastle took place on a warm, sunny May 2. Members met at Rathmines Picnic Ground for softball and soccer. Sideshows kept nonplayers occupied.

After lunch were children's races and games. The social committee sold toffee apples and sweets to raise funds for future activities. *Fiona Larkin.*

Singers Benefit Patients

NORWALK, Calif. — An evening of entertainment for servicemen was presented May 4 at the California Veterans' Hospital in Long Beach by the New Horizon Singers of the Norwalk and Santa Ana congregations.

Warmly welcomed by hospital staffers and patients, the singers were praised for their community spirit and the bicentennial theme of their program, narrated by Wayne Dunlap, Norwalk pastor.

The group plans several more benefit performances. The New Horizon Singers' annual awards-and-fellowship banquet was April 25, with members providing their own entertainment. Participants included Dan Salcedo, Amy Ward, Caroline Mello, Brian Reid, John Mello, Mark Salcedo, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Stanwood and Sherwood Brown. *Jane Stanwood.*

First Fair

PASADENA — The Ambassador Women's Association of the Auditorium A.M. church held its first annual Arts & Crafts Fair on the old Imperial School grounds May 2 as 45 participants displayed their crafts.

Lance Cosgrove's band and Ron Barksdale's group entertained all day as several hundred people shopped and socialized.

The fair had been planned as a community service to give craftsmen



SPOKESMEN MEET — Member Hollis Crofts, left, talks with area coordinator Burk McNair during a Spokesman Club ladies' night May 2 in Greensboro, N.C. (See "Surprise Visit," this page.)

a chance to display and sell their handiwork. Part of the money raised through entry fees and a baked-goods sale will go to charities outside the Church. *Wilma Murphy.*

Social-Time Rhyme

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo. — For the Poplar Bluff social, without a doubt, at least 150 people are what turned out.

Since it was our first, we made it a (See WRAP-UP, page 5)

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family affair; all the costumes and decorations gave it a bicentennial flair.

The children doing the pledge, a dance and singing were what got this lively event into gear and swinging. Then Marilyn Reinicke, with his male-chauvinist attire, did his pantomime, "Put Another Log on the Fire."

Roger Franz, directing "Band on the Run" with the teen band, was very well done.

Ed Hostetter, our narrator, and not by chance, gave "History of American Music," all song and dance.

Singing "America the Beautiful" ended the show, but not so the social; it was just beginning to go.

On our menu for the gala aod were cornbread, baked beans and buffalo steak.

All sorts of goodies were certainly not lacking, with lots of cool drinks just for the asking.

There were music and dancing for the young and old, and just plain fellowship, which was very apropos.

A lot of people, time and effort were put into this affair, but we were well paid back when we looked

becue dinner at the Bob Morris ranch in Wanamingo, Minn.. April 25 was attended by several Rochester members.

Half a beef was barbecued. Afternoon activities included volleyball and croquet.

The men had gathered early on that Sunday morning to repair a stone retaining wall. This was a project to earn money for the church's youth activities. *Lonne Johnson.*

Fun and Bowling

ROCHESTER, N. Y. — One hundred fifty people from the Buffalo, Syracuse and Painted Post churches participated in the first annual fun-and-bowl night sponsored by the brethren here May 1.

A potluck supper topped off with fellowship followed afternoon services, conducted by Buffalo pastor Dan Bierer.

Holding services in a bowling hall had its advantages. Twenty alleys were reserved and waiting in the same building, and all were then filled with enthusiastic keglers.

Linda Dudek led the ladies in scoring with a 168 game. Dave Mitchell topped the men with a 233, and Doug Murphy led the small fry with 104. *Jake Hannold.*

International Cheeses

ST. ALBANS, England — A de-



TREES RELOCATED — These members of the Wisconsin Dells church raised money for their congregation by digging 10,000 holes in which to plant trees. (See "Tree Locations," page 7.) [Photo by John Torgerson]

licious wine punch and a sampling of many international cheeses, arranged by Brian Varney, stimulated the Bricket Wood B Spokesman Club on its ladies' night of May 3. The evening was directed by Bob Boraker. *Bill Allan and George Campbell.*

Final Club Meeting

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. — The St. Joseph Spokesman Club held its final meeting of the club year May 2 at Swiss Chalet Restaurant.

About 70 people were present, including club members, graduates, wives or dates, high-school graduates and a few other guests.

John Turner, president, presided. Topicmaster Clifford Crouch asked, "What does Spokesman Club mean to you?"

Masters of ceremonies Ivan Gatton and Richard Coy presented programs during a steak dinner.

Three high-school graduates, Jody Wells, Jim McCrerey and Doug Beyer, were recognized with gifts.

Three club members, Harry Brown, David McCrerey and Ivan Gatton, received their diplomas.

Club director Richard Prince was given a new Strong's concordance by the club. *Clarence W. Hanson.*

Basic Macrame

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Thirty-four ladies attended the second meeting of the Woman's Club April 26 at the home of Mary Lou Houllis in Seminole.

Discussed was a June luncheon and fashion show that friends and neighbors outside the Church will be invited to.

The program drew on talent from the membership. Percy Banks, a nurseryman, spoke on plant care; Cheryl Atkins gave tips on African violets;

Mrs. Atkins also showed how to do basic macrame. *Genie Howell.*

Girls' First Camp

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — After a year's wait the Salt City's Girl Scout Troop 532 took its first camp-out May 14 and 15 some 50 miles away at Camp Red Cliff in the Wasatch Mountains.

The girls — Rhonda Kartchner, Sonja Koning and Melanie Park, patrol leaders, and Kristine Heck, Julie Kartchner, Jackie Kennedy, Julie Park, Sharon Picker, Laurie Witt and Laura Woods — stayed in a scout lodge.

After an early-morning nature hike with Sue Woods, cadet leader, the girls listened to a noon sermon from ministerial assistant Ben Whitfield.

After lunch Nancy Witt, junior leader, and David Woodhurst, Boy Scout assistant scoutmaster, took the girls on a hike to a beaver pond. Eileen Koellner, in charge of first aid, Joy Heck and Connie Woodhurst made final cleaning checks, while Ron Heck and Robert Witt loaded the cars for the return trip to Salt Lake City. *Nancy Witt.*

What an Heir Should Do

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — This year's second Spokesman Club ladies' night, May 2, was attended by 60 people at the Travel Lodge Tri-Arc's Claimjumper Room.

Roger Townsend, president, was in charge of a nondinner meeting, which followed a regular club format so the ladies could see what one was like.

Topic chairman Robert Witt, treasurer, got members and audience alike on their feet with questions on news items of the previous week, how to prove the Sabbath when asked, and what to do if you inherited part of the Hughes estate.

David Woodhurst, secretary, was toastmaster. He introduced as speakers Toby Jaquez, Boris Aaron, Paul Mortensen, Kurt Park and Edmund Bratke. *David Woodhurst.*

Seattle Senior Citizens

SEATTLE, Wash. — Twenty-four past-50 members here met May 5 at Lakehurst Community Center.

Carroll Conley, president, called for reading of minutes of the previous meeting. He then proceeded to business at hand. A name for the group was adopted: Seattle Senior Citizens (of the Church of God).

Harriet Jones was put in charge of sending greeting cards to shut-ins. James Stewart, club coordinator,



GIVE HER BACK HER BALLOON — Julie Berg tries to separate her balloon from those being sold by clowns Mike Kurr and Chris Dolan at the Arts & Crafts Fair of the Ambassador Women's Association of Pasadena's Auditorium A.M. congregation. (See "First Fair," page 4.) [Photo by Jerry Berg]

initiated a show-and-tell session by showing a coat he had brought his wife from India 30 years ago.

Mrs. George Lambert passed around a picture of herself taken three years ago to share her success in bringing her weight down from 203 to 130 pounds.

Ray Mount took photographs, just before refreshments were served. *Ethel H. Kopp.*

Hot Dogs Pitched

SPENARD, Alaska — Spring arrived with a thud in more ways than one May 10 as the teens and young singles here drove up to 60 miles to play softball at Turnagain Elementary School here, just four blocks from the monument to the '64 earthquake.

The score was an earthshaking 27-23 after two hours of play in 40-degree, overcast, windy spring weather. A refueling session in the warm basement of local elder Al Tunseth's home ended the shivery evening as Mrs. Tunseth, Mrs. Leonard Ballard (deaconess) and several other women pitched hot dogs, chips, cake and cookies to the weary players. *Mike Pickett.*

Membership Open

UNIONTOWN, Pa. — The Ladies' Club of the church here met May 2 at the YMCA.

The format for the meeting was altered to give the women a chance to hear a lecture on skin care and see a

face properly made up. Virginia Woodward, a member of the Pittsburgh church, gave the demonstration and an informative speech, then answered questions.

Barbara Barney and members of her committee served refreshments.

Minister Dave Johnson had organized the first Ladies' Club for the church and serves as its director.

Mr. Johnson announced that membership is now open to anyone interested in joining the club. *Hazel Worth.*

Five-Pin Superbowl

VANCOUVER, B.C. — The Ambassador Five-Pin Bowling League has completed its second year here. The high point of the season was April 4 with a Vancouver-Victoria five-pin "superbowl" as the Vancouver-based league traveled to the island to challenge members of the Victoria church.

The three-game match proved too much for Victoria as Vancouver walked away with an overall point advantage of more than 2,200.

Afterwards the two groups got together for lunch. Prizes were handed out to top bowlers in each category.

The event had been organized and was emceed by Richard Pinelli, superintendent of the Vancouver District, and George Patrickson, pastor at Victoria.

The Ambassador league presented its trophies and awards April 28 in (See WRAP-UP page 7)



AMBASSADOR UNITED — The Salisbury church recently formed the Ambassador United football club. Affiliated with a local amateur football association, the players compete each Sunday during the season. An unexpected benefit of the club: Word gets around among spectators that the team is connected with Ambassador College and *The Plain Truth*. Several inquiries about the magazine and Church have resulted. The club here poses before a match with a team from the European members of the congregation during the Days of Unleavened Bread. The game ended 3-3. [Photo by Rolf G. Varga]

Test on Revelation

RESEDA, Calif. — An interesting meeting of the combined men's and women's Spokesman Club (now known in Reseda as the Philadelphia Club) May 6 had as the theme, "Creation in Detail."

Jim Stiles, club president, introduced Irene Hayworth, who, acting as hostess, presented Nancy Weirich, who presided over lively table topics.

After refreshments the meeting resumed and the hostess introduced four speakers: Bruce Loper, Doris Wahlen, Ken Bowers and Sharon Durlin.

Director John Ouvrier concluded the meeting with a test on the book of Revelation (for which members had had a month to prepare). *Sallee Toms.*

Californians Congregate

RICHMOND, Calif. — The Northern California church areas all met here for Sabbath services April 24 with Garner Ted Armstrong giving the sermon. Members had traveled from as far north as the Chico church and as far south as Fresno.

A dance after sundown was sponsored by the Modesto church, with music and other entertainment provided by Brazil Country, a western band featuring as guests Mr. Armstrong and aides Jim Thornhill and Ronald Dick.

One teenager said: "It was really neat. When are we going to do it again?" *Julie Taylor.*

Retaining Wall Repaired

ROCHESTER, Minn. — A bar-

THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

PASADENA — Openings are still available for each of this summer's two sessions of Youth Opportunities United's Summer Educational Program (SEP) at Orr, Minn., but applications for the second session should now be mailed to YOU Summer Educational Program, Box 231, Orr, Minn., 55771, instead of the SEP's Pasadena address.

According to an SEP spokesman, application for the first session should be telephoned in at (218) 757-3211 and an application card will be processed over the phone.

The first session, June 15 to July 13, has 142 boys and 124 girls age 12 to 18 registered, and the second session, July 15 to Aug. 12, has 117 boys and 167 girls signed up.

The capacity is 175 boys and 175 girls for each session. The cost, excluding transportation to and from Orr, is \$210 per person.

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BIG SANDY — Almost 1,000 readers of the *WN* were recently mailed a six-page questionnaire soliciting their comments on the paper. The staff of the *WN* would like to thank those who have returned their questionnaires to date. Response so far has been excellent. For those readers who may have received questionnaires but have yet to return them, the *WN* encourages them to do so to insure the most effective reader evaluation possible.

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PASADENA — Dean Wilson, regional director of the Canadian Work, was honored here at an "appreciation dinner" by members of



DEAN WILSON — Canadian director Wilson addresses the ministry at an "appreciation dinner" in his honor. (Photo by Ken Evans)

the Canadian ministry who attended the recent ministerial conference. The activity was May 19 at the Hilton Hotel here.

The ministers serving in Canada wished to recognize Mr. Wilson's contribution to the Canadian Work before his transfer here later this summer for an academic year's study at Ambassador preparatory to re-assignment.

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PASADENA — Preliminary competition to determine church areas' representatives to the regional Youth Opportunities United (YOU) talent contests, to be held at each major U.S. Feast site this fall, should be completed by June 30, according to a Spokesman for YOU headquarters here.

Organizers of each church's con-

test have been asked to send winners' names to YOU headquarters here within two weeks of the end of the preliminary competition.

Contestants will compete in music, dance and variety categories at two levels: junior (those who will be in grades six through nine at the time of the regional contest) and senior (those who will be in grades 10 through 12 and high-school graduates up to age 20), the spokesman said.

Only senior-level winners will be eligible to come to Pasadena for the national contest, but anyone in the junior category wishing to compete at the senior level may do so if he registers in the senior category at both the local and regional levels.

The winners of the 10 regional contests will go to Pasadena for the national contest Nov. 28. Prizes for the regional and national contests have not been decided.

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BIG SANDY — Construction has begun on an "Ambassador College welcome center" at the main entrance of the campus here, according to construction supervisor Ray Fisk.

The rustic, eight-sided building, to be built on an island in the center of the entrance road, will serve as an information center and directory for visitors.

Tornadoes rip through Dallas area

By Sherry L. Marsh

DALLAS, Tex. — A tornado ripped through Dallas May 26, leaving an estimated \$1.3 million damage and minor injuries to residents, but Church members in the area were spared from any major effects of the storm.

Mrs. Jim Lee, wife of the associate pastor of the Dallas North and South churches, watched a twister from her house, located near a lake, as it touched down, "picked up some water" and returned to the sky.

She said she heard two sirens go off before the tornado reached the area.

"I wasn't sure what was going on," she said. "The sky became extremely black as the storm passed over. Everything was calm for a while like the eye of a hurricane, then another storm passed over."

Mark Robinson, associate pastor of the Fort Worth church, saw two tornadoes from a distance while visiting members in Rio Vista, a town southwest of Fort Worth, and ventured outside to photograph them (see photograph, top of page).

"At first we were scared because we didn't know whether it was coming toward us or going away."

The first storm dissipated, he said, and a few minutes later a second funnel formed but moved away from them.

Farther south, in Waco, Tex., hailstorms plagued the area, dropping ice the size of large marbles and some the size of golf balls, according to Susan Booze, wife of Waco associate pastor Mike Booze.

"The storm only lasted five minutes," she said, "but it nearly covered the ground. There was some damage in the area, but no one was hurt during the storm."



TEXAS TWISTER — Violent weather in Texas spawned this tornado, which touched down near Rio Vista May 26. This picture was taken by the associate pastor of the Fort Worth church from the front yard of Darrel and Robbie Slinkard, who attend church in Fort Worth. The Slinkards were unharmed. Tornadoes were sighted the same day in Arlington and Dallas. One twister touched down in Dallas, causing substantial property damage. (See article, this page.) (Photo by Mark Robinson)

Mr. Armstrong in South Africa

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ditional invitations have been received . . . asking for Mr. Armstrong's presence for speaking engagements, etc., throughout the country."

Guest of Foundation Head

On June 1, according to Mr. Fahey, Mr. Armstrong was the honored guest at a luncheon sponsored by Dr. Jan Marais, who heads the South Africa Foundation, a group that dedicates itself to improving relations between South Africa and other countries.

"Dr. Marais, having read about Mr. Armstrong's travels throughout the world and his activities of building bridges between nations, felt it was very important for southern Africa that Mr. Armstrong visit here," Mr. Fahey explained.

He said Dr. Marais wants Mr. Armstrong "to visit every leader and nation in southern Africa" and believes Mr. Armstrong and what he teaches "to be of inestimable value to the countries of Africa."

Mr. Armstrong met June 4 with the rector of the University of the Western Cape, a school for the country's "colored" citizens. Mr. Fahey said the university head "explained in detail many of the problems that the colored people face. He mentioned that they are often grouped with the large black community but in fact are quite a totally different community, somewhere in between the whites and the blacks."

After South Africa Mr. Armstrong and his party plan to fly to Rhodesia for a meeting with Prime Minister Ian Smith and other government officials, but, Mr. Rader said, "because of the lack of diplomatic relations between the United States and Rhodesia and the embargo and sanctions that have been imposed upon it by various states, including the United States, special permission has been requested from the United States State Department for the flight of our G-II into that area."

"As of this date [June 2], we are scheduled to visit Rhodesia on the

16th or 17th and will also observe the Sabbath [June 19] in Salisbury, the capital of Rhodesia, with our Church members in that area."

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from requests from readers. "We hope the supplement will be a real service to our readers, as we have had so many requests for pictures of the ministry."

"We wish we had the means to publish the picture of every minister worldwide. However, because many of the overseas ministers did not attend this past conference, nor did many of the associate pastors and local-church elders, we felt it best to make a start with what we had available to us. Hopefully, at some time in the future, we can have a more complete directory, especially if there is reader interest. It is a rather expensive project, though, so we want to make sure it is a real service before we invest the additional funds for the project."

Mr. Robinson said the project was greatly facilitated by the cooperation of Ronald Dart, vice president for pastoral administration, his staff and the ministry. "After all, they were the ones who had to stand in line."

Mr. Robinson also noted the efforts of *WN* photographer Scott Moss and Pasadena photographer Ken Evans. "These men put in a lot of long hours. They photographed more than 400 ministers in three days in addition to processing and proofing all the film."

Pastor gives senate prayer

By Melvin Chunn

HONOLULU, Hawaii — Thomas Blackwell, pastor of the church here, gave the invocation before Hawaii's state senate March 31.

He was introduced by Sen. John Ushijima, president of the governing body.

After the session Mr. Blackwell toured the state capitol with his wife Patricia and son Joel and a friend, Jerry Sylva.

Festival Office offers Hawaiian-trip discount

BIG SANDY — The deadline for Festival applications for those wishing to attend the Feast at Lahaina, Hawaii, has been extended until June 21, according to Jack McKinney, business manager for the Festival Office.

In addition, a special Hawaiian Festival travel package is being arranged that will include discount airfare and housing rates, plus a three-night stay in Honolulu.

The package includes air travel from a Feastgoer's home city to Honolulu, three-night accommodations in Honolulu, round-trip transportation to and from the Honolulu airport, tips for baggage handling, a morning bus tour of Honolulu, an afternoon cruise of Pearl Harbor (including transportation to and from the hotel), a full free day in Honolulu, transportation to the airport and a short flight to the island of Maui (where the Feast site is located) Oct. 8 and the return flight Oct. 18.

Estimated cost for the package per person is based on double occupancy in Honolulu. Examples of the total package cost: from Dallas-Fort

Worth \$423.83, New York \$525.80, Chicago \$418.57, Atlanta \$481.49 and West Coast terminals \$347.07. (Those extending their stay must pay regular air fare.)

Housing accommodations are not included in the arrangement and will be as follows: one room (sleeps four) \$30 to \$35 per day, two rooms (sleep six) \$40 to \$50, three rooms (sleep eight) \$49 to \$55 (plus \$5 for each additional person).

Possible price reductions depend on the number of people who respond, so immediate response is needed to offer the travel package, Mr. McKinney said.

Interested persons should use the application form and special envelope they recently received from the Festival Office.

"All brethren wishing to attend in Hawaii this year must submit their applications before the extended deadline, Monday, June 21, with the usual \$25 housing deposit," Mr. McKinney said. "We will not be able to accept any applications after this date."