

Rostropovich concert success for local AICF

By Dave Haver
MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Mstislav Rostropovich, the 49-year-old Soviet-born cellist who was allowed to leave the U.S.S.R. three years ago, performed before a capacity crowd at a concert sponsored by the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation here Feb. 8.

"It was a fantastic concert," commented Herbert W. Armstrong, who was among the estimated 2,000 people in the audience. "They heard the best in the world."

Mr. Armstrong, founder and

chairman of the AICF, and Stanley Rader, the foundation's executive vice president, traveled here for the inaugural performance of the first concert series sponsored by a local chapter of the AICF. Mr. Rostropovich, with piano accompanist Samuel Sanders, performed works of Handel, Weber, Brahms and Rachmaninoff in Milwaukee's Performing Arts Center.

The Milwaukee chapter of the AICF, formed in December of 1975, had already served the city with projects for the elderly, blind and underprivileged.

Sheltered Solzhenitsyn

Launching the music series was the man who has been called the world's best cellist, a man who for four years sheltered dissident Soviet writer Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn in his Moscow home. (In retaliating, the Soviet government reportedly banned travel by Mr. Rostropovich for three years.)

In describing the concert, Mr. Armstrong said Mr. Rostropovich (See **ROSTROPOVICH**, page 8)

30,000 kids see play in Auditorium

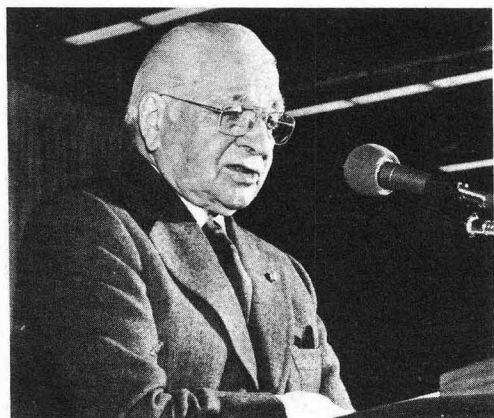
PASADENA — Some 30,000 students from grades one through eight from Los Angeles-area public and private schools saw *Heidi*, the play by June Walker Rogers, in twice-daily performances Jan. 19 to Feb. 4 sponsored by Ambassador College in conjunction with its Music and Art Department.

The play, adapted from the novel by 19th-century Swiss author Johanna Spyri, was produced by Wayne Shilkret, general manager of performing arts for the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation; Ellis LaRavia, manager of the Ambassador Auditorium (the site of the production); and Teri Solomon, producer of a Milwaukee, Wis., children's theater company.

The performances, which were the idea of Mr. Shilkret, were during school hours and featured a profes-

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Mr. Armstrong lauds concert, leaves for Europe and Africa



IN MILWAUKEE — Herbert W. Armstrong addresses a combined-church service in Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 5.

TORONTO, Ont. — Garner Ted Armstrong traveled to Toronto to speak twice, Feb. 12 and 13, to campaign crowds of 2,518 and 2,458 (1,100 and 1,350 nonmembers) and while here addressed a combined Church congregation of 2,250 the Sabbath of Feb. 12 and was to open a three-day conference of Canadian ministers before heading back to Pasadena.

According to personal-appearance director Sherwin McMichael, Mr.

Armstrong in his first campaign sermon spoke on Matthew 24 and the end of the age, noting that world events are leading to the return of Jesus Christ.

In his second sermon, on Sunday, entitled "Who Is Boss?", Mr. Armstrong explained that God is the Creator and Ruler and will soon return. Mr. McMichael said both sermons emphasized "the end of the age." Both campaign sermons were delivered in the Grand Ballroom of

Toronto's Sheraton Centre Hotel.

According to Budde Marino of the Big Sandy-based Personal Appearance Department, "Mr. Armstrong had not had a campaign in Canada for some time, and had not had any previous exposure in Toronto," so took the opportunity to hold the campaign.

Time Test

Mr. Armstrong's campaigns have usually run for two or three consecutive evenings, but this time the first

was Saturday night at 8 o'clock and the second Sunday afternoon at 1:30.

"This is a little test that we're conducting to see what kind of response we get on Sunday afternoon," Mr. Marino said.

The nonspeaking portion of Mr. Armstrong's appearances usually features singers and instrumentalists from Ambassador College. This time 27 students, from both Ambassador campuses, made up the campaign

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Toronto: first campaign for '77

'Quest/77' in the mail

PASADENA — Vol 1, No. 1, of *Quest/77* is in the mail, and as of press time some charter subscribers to the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation's new magazine had already received their copies.

Since the concept of the publication was announced by Herbert W. Armstrong in 1975 (*The Worldwide News*, June 9, 1975), a "rehearsal issue" was mailed to charter subscribers, its name was changed, from *Human Potential*, and a new editorial staff, headed by editor Robert Shnayerson, formerly editor in chief of *Harper's Magazine*, was acquired (*The Worldwide News*, Aug. 30, 1976).

The March-April issue of *Quest* (at left) begins a bimonthly publication selling for \$2 a copy or a special charter-subscription price of \$9 (\$10 outside the United States). Published by the Pasadena-based AICF, it has editorial offices in New York City, a subscription department in Greenwich, Conn., and distribution offices in Philadelphia, Pa. *Quest* is printed in Glasgow, Ky.

A Personal Letter

from

Dear brethren in Christ:

GREETINGS from Toronto! I am in my hotel room at the moment, following a brief talk and question-and-answer session plus special music with the brethren here at the Sheraton Centre Hotel. I am appearing tonight for the first of our two-part campaign at 8 o'clock together with our group from both Pasadena and Big Sandy.

We had over 2,000 brethren packed into the hall for afternoon services (Mr. Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division, is the speaker this afternoon) and are expecting a turn-away crowd tonight (capacity somewhere over 2,500) but are anticipating giving out tickets for preferential seating on Sunday afternoon.

We came here yesterday after a very busy week at headquarters that included recording some more of the five-minute radio programs, plus our

one-minute television spots.

World-Renowned Personalities

I was very honored to be able to meet some world-renowned personalities this last week. Beverly Sills, internationally known soprano, appeared under the auspices of our AICF concert series in the Ambassador Auditorium, and I was privileged to meet both Miss Sills and her husband and daughter following the concert at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Kuhn.

At a dinner, written up in three of the major Los Angeles newspapers, I was also able to meet General of the Army Omar Bradley and his wife; the president of the Ralph M. Parsons Co., a multinational firm; actress Rhonda Fleming; producer Ted Mann; and a number of others. It was very interesting for my wife and me to be seated alongside Gen. Bradley

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Letters TO THE EDITOR

Heart pulsation

Thanks to the *WN* for all its splendid writers, who feed the readers with inspiration. Plus well-seasoned humor, creating a rhythmic increase of heart pulsation — yes, in a lady of 90 years.

Sallie M. Reed
Menlo Park, Calif.

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From the first

Thank you for the stories for young readers. Our son, Jimmy, wants them read over and over, so we have put them in a loose-leaf notebook for him.

We have received the *WN* from the first issue and appreciate it very much. We read it all but especially like Mr. Ted Armstrong's personal column. There seems to be something for everyone, and the *WN* has become very important to us. We are able to read about the latest developments in the Work as well as keep up on activities in other church areas where

GTA on 52 weeks a year

By John A. Halford

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — The *Garner Ted Armstrong* program can now be seen in all Australian capital cities 52 weeks a year, announced Dean Wilson, regional director of the Australian Work. Starting Feb. 6 the half-hour telecast became a regular feature of Sunday programming on Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth and Hobart stations.

A pilot series of 13 programs was aired in most of these cities last year. The show broke new ground, and in some cases the stations opened up entirely new time slots. But, when a further series of programs was planned for Sydney, it was found that the slot had been already booked by another program. So the decision was made that in the future, when the telecast goes on a station it stays on 52 weeks a year.

Meetings in Pasadena last year ironed out many of the technical troubles in converting the videotape for use in Australia. Already 26 new telecasts are ready for airing, and it is expected that a 52-week supply will be finished shortly. A sufficient backlog of programs exists in Pasadena to keep the Australian Work supplied for weekly TV for several years, says Television Production Department personnel.

Mr. Wilson expects the weekly TV broadcast to establish the Work in Australia in the same way that it has in Canada and the United States.

Now that the capital cities have the telecast, plans are being made to expand into other population centers. Programs in Newcastle, Rockhampton and Toowoomba are scheduled to begin in early April, and times are available or under negotiation in 10 more areas.

Mr. Wilson says he is optimistic about the future of the programs.

"Our media agents are finding more and more stations willing to show the program," he says. "The main limiting factor at the moment is our budget consideration. Because of Australia's unusual population distribution, it only needs the addition of nine or 10 more stations in country areas to be able to reach 90 percent of Australians with the weekly TV program."

Mr. Wilson plans to back up the telecast with new five-minute radio broadcasts, newspaper and TV Guide advertising and the weekly half-hour radio program "when good times are offered."

we have lived.

We feel the *WN* helps lift us out of our local setting and makes us continually realize how much we are really a part of a worldwide Church.

Thank you seems inadequate, but we wanted you to know we consider the *WN* one of the best things in our life.

Harry and Linda Coble
Orlando, Fla.

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Addresses in obituaries

The *WN* is a superior publication, each issue being a "gold mine" in helping me keep my ever-growing prayer list up to date. A specific example is the "Obituaries" section. Since its inception I have prayed for each family, but now I would like very much to carry it one step further by writing a personal note of sympathy to each family. May I respectfully suggest that each obituary include the complete mailing address of the family?

When my own beloved husband died the *WN* carried his picture with the write-up, and because our complete mailing address was included I heard from many, many brethren who knew only that I had moved from my home state "to some place in Chattanooga." I would like to thank you for making it possible for these Church members, whom I had not seen in six years, to extend their love and sympathy during my time of sorrow.

Mrs. Margaret K. Jones
Chattanooga, Tenn.

The *WN* is happy to print addresses in obituaries when they are included by the writers who send them in. However, we realize that some people may prefer not to have their addresses included.

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Year's end

How exciting and how nostalgic it was to read through *The Worldwide News*' 1976 special, month by month!

What memories it brought back of events, in so many areas, that we had lived through, prayed for and finally saw fulfilled!

Grateful thanks to all those who worked so hard to produce this wonderful 1976 special, which I think is a great improvement over the 1975 issue.

(Mrs.) Louisa Greensill
East Ipswich, Australia

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Thanks expressed

I am extremely grateful for *The Worldwide News* you send to me every month. Although I do not know how to express my thanks to you, but, all I am saying is for the Good Lord to bless good works.

Please, I do like you to keep sending me the newspaper, even though I am not financially able to send anything to you. May the Almighty bless and protect you in your endeavor to let the good news reach us poor folks over here in Africa. I did also like to be having *The Good News* magazine. You see, many Africans now are turning from paganism to Christianity.

Solomon U. Ede
Lagos, Nigeria

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Ready to scream

In *The Worldwide News*, Monday, Nov. 8, 1976, you had a story called "Escape." Mom read it in a way that we were ready to scream when she said "to be continued next issue." I don't see it in the Monday, Dec. 20, issue.

We're all disappointed. Please explain.
Ron McClaskin
Sietler, Alta.

The second, and concluding, installment of "Escape," a story for young readers, appeared in the Nov. 22 issue.

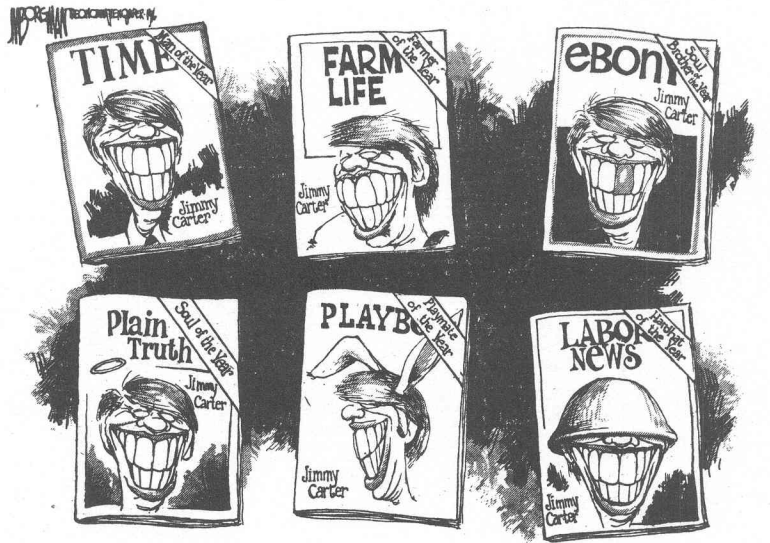
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Functional part

First, *The Worldwide News* is a superb paper filled with lucious tidbits of valuable information for the entire brethren. Please continue to tell us of the worldwide events of members in other lands.

It's quite invigorating for me, a new member, to realize that others in foreign lands have problems that are worked out because of close, cooperative action on the part of fellow brethren within their area. It's really great to hear and see these events unfold.

The best sections for me are Garner Ted's personal letter, the personals and the biblical word search by Bobby Whipkey [Jan. 17]; please, please have more of these! It's great fun and it helps to become familiar with biblical



MAGAZINES OF THE YEAR — Political cartoonist J.M. Borgman of the Cincinnati, Ohio, *Enquirer* in an end-of-year illustration speculates about how various publications could spotlight the new President. [Reprinted by permission from the *Enquirer* of Dec. 29, 1976.]

characters and their place in the chapters of the Bible.

[The *WN*] is a functional part of God's Work. Continue to do well. And, believe it or not, *The Worldwide News* is becoming better because of its freshness and honesty.

Sean H. Ross
Chicago, Ill.

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Active being

Sir, when I read the "Transplantee" [article] re Dannie Greyling and Brenda, his lovely wife [Jan. 17], knowing them personally so well, I thought I could also add a little color to this wonderful world from far away countries so close to one another! God's people are so different and outstanding to the rest of the world. And through getting to know what is being done in so many different parts of the world by God's people is so refreshing and binding together, becoming at one with God our Creator!

I am 83, a very active being. I do all my sewing myself, dresses and everything. I crochet many dresses and costumes, fancywork too. I made 12 teeshowers and 3 1/2 dozen baby booties, four pinafores for a sewing class here in Queenshaven at a "home" for the aged ... Yet I could never have done so if God did not heal me in many instances. Outstanding is, I became blind in one eye over a period of eight days. In a miracle after anointing, within three days while I was sitting in Sabbath service my sight suddenly came back! I cried with joy and thankfulness to God! Great Church! Let us therefore live up to it, brethren.

Mrs. M.E.M. Victor
Johannesburg, South Africa

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More on temperature

I refer to your rejoinder to Larry Sharp's letter, "C. Wayne Hot," in the Jan. 3, 1977, issue of *The Worldwide News*. Your reply contains certain inaccuracies.

The centigrade and the Celsius scales are not "one and the same." In 1960 the General Conference of Weights and Measures altered the defining fixed point from the ice point to the triple point of water. The triple point is that point at which the three phases of water (i.e., ice, water and steam) can coexist under conditions of equilibria. Under the authorized definition, the interval between the triple point of water and steam on the centigrade scale becomes 99.99 degrees, instead of 100 degrees. The word "centigrade" is thus a misnomer, and the word "Celsius" substitutes it accordingly. The symbol "C" is standardized in all international scientific proceedings and stands for Celsius, not centigrade.

Nareesh Kumar
Calcutta, India

Faculty positions open

BIG SANDY — The Texas campus of Ambassador College is seeking qualified faculty members for the 1977-78 academic year, announced Dean of Faculty Don Ward. Applicants interested in the following areas should send their resumes and college transcripts to Dr. Ward at Ambassador College, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755:

Behavioral science. Chairman of the Behavioral Science Department. The applicant would be an associate professor or professor and must have a Ph.D. in psychology or related fields with at least 30 graduate hours in psychology and college teaching experience. Responsibilities will include developing a major in behavioral science and teaching psychology. Salary will be commensurate with experience and credentials.

Physical education. Instructor or assistant professor. The applicant must have teaching and coaching experience. Responsibilities will include teaching activity and academic physical-education classes and coaching women's varsity basketball. Salary will be commensurate with experience and credentials.

Journalism. Assistant professor. Applicant must have a Ph.D. in journalism or related field with a master's in journalism and college teaching experience. Responsibilities will include teaching photojournalism, reporting and editing, magazine production and layout. Salary to be commensurate with experience and credentials.

Speech communications. Chairman of the Speech Communications Department. This applicant must be an associate professor or professor and must have a Ph.D. in speech communications and college teaching experience. Responsibilities will include the chairmanship of a department of four members and teaching fundamentals, interpersonal communications, public speaking, and voice and articulation. Salary to be commensurate with experience and credentials.

Agricultural economics. Assistant or associate professor. Applicant must have an earned doctorate

in agricultural economics and college teaching experience. An agricultural-production background and interest in intermediate technology or environmental science are preferred. Responsibilities will include agricultural economics, marketing, agricultural-business management and agriculture policy. Salary will be commensurate with experience and credentials.

Business. Assistant professor. Applicant must have a doctorate and college teaching experience. Responsibilities will include teaching basic economics, introduction to marketing, basic business statistics and other general business subjects. Salary will be commensurate with experience and credentials.

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30,000 kids see 'Heidi' in Auditorium

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sional cast headed by Barbara Mallory in the title role and Philip Baker Hall as the grandfather. Miss Mallory has appeared on national television in *Marcus Welby, M.D.*, *Room 222*, *Love Story* and *Movie of the Week*. Mr. Hall, a performer in many Broadway productions, has been seen on the television shows *Good Times*, *Emergency*, *Camera Three*, *The Defenders* and *Movie of the Week*.

The students were bused from their schools for the performances, which ran two a day, four days a week, with Ambassador assisting in some cases with the transportation. Most students were charged \$1 apiece for the one-hour production, but some were given free tickets.

One performance, the afternoon of Jan. 30, was open to the public.

Heidi is about a girl sent to live on a mountaintop in Switzerland with her curmudgeonly grandfather. Her charm eventually mellows the old man, but, unexpectedly, she is spirited away by an aunt to Frankfurt to live as a companion to Clara, a sickly child in a wealthy household. The play revolves around Heidi's eventual return to the mountain and her grandfather.

The production, directed by Mark Schoenberg, who was director of the Broadway productions of *All the King's Men* and *Here Come the Clowns*, was well received, Mr. Shilkret said.

"The production of *Heidi* was outstanding," commented Anna Robinson, who brought a class of third graders from Carden of Foothills, a private school. "On behalf of all children, teachers and mothers attending, I would like to express our thanks."

Mr. Shilkret said thank-you letters from the students "have poured in at a furious rate. Some of them are really quite humorous.

"One letter thanked us for the invitation to see *Heidi* and the Auditorium, even though she said that she goes there all the time. Then, writing in slightly smaller print, she said, 'I'm one of the Worldwide Church of God.'"

Mr. Shilkret credited other groups who contributed financially to the production, including the Ralph M. Parsons Co., the Exchange Club of Pasadena, VSI Corp. Aerospace Group, Farm Fresh Distributors, R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co., Rusnak

Porsche-Audi and parent-teacher groups.

The Auditorium staff was prepared for the students, who were of different ages and backgrounds, said Mr. LaRavia, manager of the building. The youths were well behaved, he said, and were as interested in the Auditorium as they were the stage production.

"The children come in with heads bent backward, trying to view everything," Mr. LaRavia said. "They consider the chandelier [in the lobby] everything from a weapon to a thing of costly beauty. Some have asked, 'Will the chandelier withstand an earthquake?' This comes from first and second graders.

"Others have said, 'Wow, that must cost \$100!'"

Youngsters commented on other features of the Auditorium too, Mr. LaRavia said.

"One effervescent little second grader stated, 'I have never seen anything like that. What makes that automatic toilet work?'"

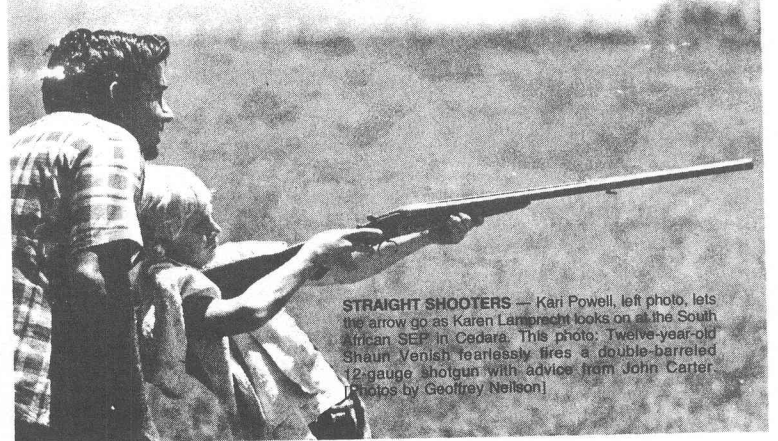


GOING TO SEE "HEIDI" — These are some of the many school groups, totaling more than 30,000 students, who went to see the production of *Heidi* sponsored by Ambassador. Helping guide a group is Roman Borek, left in above photo, house manager of the Auditorium. [Photos by Ken Evans]



MAIN CHARACTERS — Above: Heidi (Barbara Mallory) and her grandfather (Philip Baker Hall) pose in their costumes. Below: Grandfather, Heidi, Peter (David H. Stafford) and Grandmother (Genny Boles) are the main characters of the play. [Photos by Ken Evans]





STRAIGHT SHOOTERS — Kari Powell, left photo, lets the arrow go as Karen Lamprecht looks on at the South African SEP in Cedara. This photo: Twelve-year-old Shaun Venish fearlessly fires a double-barreled 12-gauge shotgun with advice from John Carter. [Photos by Geoffrey Neilson]

SEP: roughing it in South Africa

CEDARA, South Africa — One hundred three teenagers from South Africa and Rhodesia participated in a Summer Educational Program here, in the province of Natal, Dec. 20 to Jan. 4.

"These kids are doing things at SEP that I wished I could have done at age 13 or 14," commented overall SEP supervisor Andre van Belkum, who said he was also speaking for most of the adults present.

The program included archery, canoeing, horseback riding, sailing, squash, skeet and trap shooting, soccer, swimming, volleyball, tennis, a cross-country race, a grueling obstacle course and a strenuous hike.

"Boy's clubs proved very popular," Mr. van Belkum said. "The clubs were similar to the Spokesman Club format, and the staff were amazed at the performance of the children, especially the spontaneity and frankness with which they expressed opinions and ideas."

Water sports were held at nearby Midmar Dam, inside Midmar Game Reserve. White rhinos, zebras, blue

and black wildebeests (gnu) and several varieties of buck inhabit the reserve, "which everyone was able to view at close range either from the back of a truck or while horse riding or canoeing," Mr. van Belkum said.

16 Miles in Canoes

A grueling but exciting activity was a 16-mile canoe trip. First the campers received basic instruction on how to handle a canoe.

"Balancing yourself is the most difficult part," according to Mr. van Belkum. "Yet, after a few hours of shrieks and splashes as kids tumbled out of their canoes, they developed sufficient proficiency to proceed on an extended overnight trip."

The camp supervisor talked of the typical 16-mile canoe trip:

"With reasonable weather the trip would last five to six hours. After arriving at their destination the canoeists would set up camp for the night. There would be chatter about who managed the entire trip without capsizing and who held the record for the most capsizes. That night a few

found the ground too hard to sleep soundly."

SEP campers had an opportunity during the 16 days of the program to learn to water-ski from a champion, the South African holder of the 50- and 100-kilometer waterskiing world speed records, Derick Levy, who provided free instruction.

"He used a unique and very effective method of allowing the youngsters to hold onto a metal bar which protruded from the inside of the boat," Mr. van Belkum said. "This enabled Derick to stand in his craft and instruct the skiers regarding proper

skiing techniques. After developing confidence the youngsters then progressed to the tow rope.

By the end of the camp virtually everyone could glide over the water with reasonable proficiency. "It was not as difficult as I imagined," was a comment often expressed."

Two-Day Hike

A favorite with the campers each year is the 25-mile overnight hike. This year's trail leader for the boys was Louis Bouwer, from near Johannesburg. The girls were taken on a slightly shorter, daytime hike by John

White, pastor of the East London church.

"Louis Bouwer's aim was to make the two-day journey pleasant, but also a real challenge," Mr. van Belkum commented. "He took the four boys' patrols individually during the two weeks and each party faced different conditions and experiences. Groups trudged through rainstorms, and others sweltered in the summer heat. No journey was the same for Uncle Louis."

"Part of the excitement of the hike are the unpredictable experiences, weather or otherwise. One group marshaled together to carry a patrol member through the dark for emergency treatment. He had been bitten by a snake or scorpion at dusk, and without the united effort of the team and God's intervention would probably now be dead." (See related article, page 7.)

In teaching sailing, the staff used four rented yachts and trained a greater number of skippers and crews than in years past.

"The climax of the sailing activities was a most enjoyable regatta," Mr. van Belkum stated, "with some expert handling around the marker buoys and some hilarious

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SEP IN SOUTH AFRICA — Beauty consultant Di Rowan, left photo, demonstrates for SEP girls how to apply makeup on Susan Hildebrand. Above: Jack Jelbert (front) and Peter Marais finish a canoe race, while Mary Finch, inset above, nears the end of an obstacle course. Right: Belete Allan emerges from the water after water-skiing. [Photos by Geoffrey Neilson]





MINI-OLYMPICS — Sports activities at the Warwick, Queensland, SEP culminated in tugs-of-war for both boys and girls, left photos. Below: Boys under 12 sprint in mini-Olympic competition. [Photos by Laonie Stockman]

Tightly planned program

Volunteers staff Australian SEP

By Bruce Dean

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — The fifth annual Summer Educational Program for the Queensland area began Dec. 23 for 85 young people who traveled to Warwick, a 3½ hours' drive southwest of Brisbane. The campers used the National Fitness Council camp, alongside Leslie Dam, as a site for the nine-day SEP. The dam provides both a lake and small river for water sports.

SEP each year has been organized by Tom Burchard, a Toowoomba local elder, who with his wife has modeled the camp after those in Orr, Minn., and Scotland. This year a team from Brisbane helped plan and run SEP to take some of the pressure off Mr. and Mrs. Burchard.

The camp — which this year was divided into 10 units of eight or nine campers each — has been staffed over the years entirely by volunteers. Dormitory and activity supervisors give of their time and even pay for the privilege of doing so. Much of the food is donated by Church members,

and all equipment is lent to the camp.

The first day it rained, but the supervisors decided to go ahead with the tightly planned program. Within 20 minutes the weather had cleared, and the remainder of the camp the sun shone, except for a brief storm the last day.

Vying for E Flag

A normal day's activities began when the campers rose around 6 a.m. Before breakfast they did their chores, played in the gym and cleaned their dorms, vying for the E Flag for that day. After a parade and presentation of the E Flag came three hours of activities in the morning and another three in the afternoon. Evening activities took the youths to lights-out at 10 p.m.

Each morning three dorms traveled by car and truck to the dam for water sports. While one dorm tried to water-ski or had rides on a toboggan, another dorm sailed. A little farther along, the other dorm was trying to paddle a rubber dinghy or canoe.

Meanwhile two other dorms were working their way around the lake in what was to become the infamous day hike. Church members Barry Johnston and Bruce Fanning took the campers on this six-mile walk in extremely hot weather across rough terrain. They recovered by swimming and eating a picnic lunch. Later groups were warned about the "15-mile endurance test."

On the campgrounds another dorm rode horses, learning how to saddle, mount, ride and care for a horse. Helen Saville had set up an obstacle course and gave each camper a time trial to see how well he could handle his steed.

Pam Scott and Jeanette Dean taught screen printing this year, including how to place lettering and designs on T-shirts.

In a bush-survival course campers learned to use initiative in making a stretcher out of what they could find in the bush and out of clothing.

Another dorm was given some wood, truck tires and rope and chal-



lenged to make a river raft.

Sports Popular

Sports were again popular and included basketball, softball, touch football, cricket, gymnastics, trampolining and tennis, and a commando course was taught. Sports culminated in mini-Olympics.

Evening activities included a sing-along, barbecue, talent show and dance (to records and live music provided by Sam West).

On the Sabbath David Noller, national director of YOU in Australia, spoke of his plans for the

coming year.

Sharon Ricketts, 18, of Brisbane, an ex-camper and this year a dorm supervisor, said:

"Speaking for Dorm 8, I think it was the most enjoyable and fun-filled camp the girls have been on."

Phillida Harvard, a camper from Theodore, said:

"I really enjoyed it; it was great. I enjoyed the horses the most."

Mark de Mey, 19, a dorm supervisor from Rockhampton, thought this, his fourth camp, was "by far the best. It was a very exciting and full program."



CAMP LIFE — Above photo: Susan Ellis, left, and Elizabeth Ritson make balloon candles. Left photo: Instructor Neil Collier shows Kelvin Langford how to use an oar. [Photos by Beverley Kelly]

Kiwi SEP is thrilling and spilling

By Colin Kelly

KARAPIRO, New Zealand — The fourth New Zealand Summer Educational Program began here Dec. 20 with more than 75 campers and staff members attending from around the country. Many of the SEP activities represented first-time experiences for more than half of those who attended.

The river flowing by the campsite provided excellent yachting and canoeing. In fact, a popular part of the program was an overnight canoe trip up the river to a campsite near the habitat of glowworms, clearly visible around the banks of the river.

Another unforgettable experience was a night trip through a 100-yard corridor between river banks also covered with the tiny lights of thousands of glowworms, which some say is the purest light known to man.

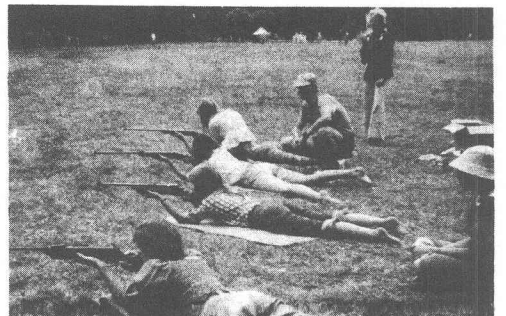
Other activities included sports, swimming, water ballet, candle making, confidence-course exercises, sailing, overnight camps on the slopes of a mountain, archery and riflery.

Campers took home with them memories of fireside sing-alongs, addresses of new friends to write to and tales of thrills and spills to relate to their parents.

The 10-day program provided many New Zealand teenagers with opportunities to acquire and develop skills and creativity and the chance to live a full, exciting, balanced life of social, cultural and sporting activities.



SEP TRAINING — New Zealand SEP campers learn archery, above, and riflery, below. [Photos by Beverley Kelly]



Decorating on a string

'WN' volunteer ties loose ends

By Sherry L. Marsh

BIG SANDY — Some people can find a second use for anything, and this is true of Martha Massey, a volunteer worker for *The Worldwide News*, who helps with several other volunteers to mail out the paper each issue.

Mrs. Massey began helping out the *WN* in May of last year when she moved here from Lufkin, Tex., with her daughter Sherry, one of eight children. Employees at the Ambassador College Press, where the paper is made ready for mailing, began to notice that Mrs. Massey picked up the discarded string that held bundles of papers together when they came back from the shop in Gladewater, Tex., in which the *WN* is printed.

The string is usually thrown away when the bundles are taken apart to affix the mailing labels. But Mrs. Massey saw another use for the string and dutifully gathered it up every other week when she came to help with the paper.

About a month ago Mrs. Massey revealed the 60-by-78-inch bedspread she had crocheted from the string she had saved.

Mrs. Massey had completed a similar project several years ago when her husband brought home

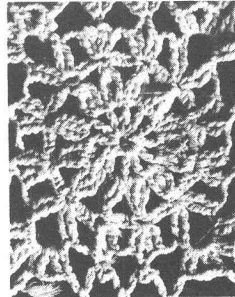
tangled string that had been thrown away at his place of employment. Mrs. Massey made this into a bedspread that her youngest daughter now owns.

Mrs. Massey has been crocheting and knitting for some time and is now working on quilts out of scraps of material that she hopes to sell and make enough money for a trip this summer.

Mrs. Massey first heard *The World Tomorrow* on radio in 1945 and has been attending church since 1960. She has attended every Feast of Tabernacles since her first in 1958 at Big Sandy, her early Feasts made possible from money she had earned selling articles that she had crocheted and knitted.

Mrs. Massey feels fortunate to live so close to a church now, since the first church service she attended, in Odessa, Tex., was 75 miles from her home. Many of the pen pals she corresponds with, whom she met through the *WN*, are in the situation she was in then, she said.

"I used to be the lady that lived in the woods, and now I've switched roles," she said. "There are a lot of ladies who can't get to a church and would like to know about the Work and about the college, and I can tell them."



PATTERNS OF STRING—Martha Massey, right, displays the bedspread she made from string she salvaged from *Worldwide News* bundles. Mrs. Massey crocheted the string into squares, left, which she then connected to complete the bedspread. (Photos by John Wright)

Kingsport YOU group: 'We've only just begun'

KINGSPORT, Tenn. — When the YOU program was launched in 1975 Kingsport had a church with about 25 teenagers. The question faced by members here, as was the case with other congregations with few young people, was, as pastor Joe Mills put it, "What can we do with a small, scattered, nonpolarized group?"

"Our first year passed with a lot of talk among the teens and a lot of thought among the ministers and adults, but very little action," Mr. Mills said. "Trying to get something going was proving to be more difficult than simply being the natural result of desire."

The turning point came last summer when several teenagers in this area said to Mr. Mills, "Let's do something!"

"The teens wanted to stop shooting the bull and start taking the bull by the horns," he said. "I told the teens we would help them and back them in every way possible, but I expected them to decide what they wanted to do and be willing to expend the effort to make ideas become accomplishments."

Swinging into Action

The first step was to organize a "YOU club," Mr. Mills said, "both for organization and to ultimately generate a local YOU chapter to be a part of the national YOU scene. Officers were appointed, meetings conducted, and our teens were ready to swing into action."

Girls' volleyball was the first order of business. A district tournament was held in Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 7, 1976.

"Although short on talent and even shorter on practice and experience, our girls had a positive, winning attitude," Mr. Mills commented. "They played until their hands were blue, their knees were skinned and their emotions were drained — and until they were the undefeated champions of the district."

The regional tourney, near Atlanta, Ga., didn't go as well for the

Tennesseans, "but the girls still played like champs by maintaining their poise and never giving up."

After volleyball the YOU chapter here has become involved with boys' basketball and girls' cheerleading. Both groups are "somewhat young and inexperienced," but full of enthusiasm and dedication, Mr. Mills stated. "While winning may not be too important, a winning attitude is."

Fund raising with refreshment stands at YOU and adult athletic events has been successful financially and has provided a service to the brethren here. Citrus sales have been the main means of financing the local program.

"For icing on the cake and to show appreciation, our teens wanted their first major social activity to be a YOU-sponsored dance for the entire Kingsport church," said Mr. Mills. "Dec. 18 was the date for 'Let's Boogie.' The teens fulfilled and exceeded the expectations of the adults. We thoroughly enjoyed the decorations, abundant food and, yes, even the music."

Adult Backing

Mr. Mills quoted excerpts from a letter written to him by some parents and other adults of the Kingsport church:

"Please express our sincere appreciation and total enjoyment as regards the recent 'Let's Boogie' dance sponsored by our own YOU group of teens. We have a wonderful 'family' of teens, and are genuinely proud of their accomplishments, both in and out of the Church."

Adult support is important for a successful youth program, Mr. Mills feels. He credited YOU coordinators Bill and Debbie Hicks, along with Cheryl Smith, chapter president, "and all the rest of the teens, who have contributed their time, talents and energy."

The past six months "have been busy as well as rewarding," he concluded. "And, while we feel we've come a long way in a short period of time, we've only just begun."

SNOWBALLS

STORY FOR YOUNG READERS
By Kenda Turner

"Watch me knock down that icicle!"

Jan pointed toward the house as Barbara leaned down and scooped up a handful of snow. The girls were playing in the fresh snow that had fallen during the night. They had already built a snowman, and now they were trying to hit targets with snowballs.

"I'll hit that fence post," said Barbara. She cupped snow in her mitten-covered hand and threw it hard, laughing as her hat fell over her eyes. "No fair," she called. "I couldn't see!"

"Hey," said Jan, "let's have a contest. See that big tree across the road? Let's see which one of us can hit it first."

As Barbara agreed, they raced to the ditch at the edge of the road and tumbled into the snow. And they began throwing snowballs. One, two, three, even four snowballs each, but neither girl could hit the tree. Barbara decided to quit.

"This is no fun after all," she said as she stood up.

"Wait, Barb, I've got another idea. When the next car goes by, let's see if we can throw a snowball over it. Okay?"

"Okay," agreed Barbara.

Above the Roof

The girls made a pile of snowballs and waited for a car to pass.

Jan tilted her head. "Listen," she said, "I think I hear a car coming. Get ready."

A blue station wagon came into view. As it passed them, Jan threw her snowball, aiming above the roof of the car.

But, instead of going over, the snowball smacked right into the side of the car!

Jan's eyes widened, and she gasped in surprise. Barbara muttered, "Whoops."

Then the car stopped. "Oh, no," said Jan. "What is he going to do?"



A man was getting out of the station wagon. Jan thought he looked angry.

"Run!" she yelled. "Oh, Barbara, run. He's mad at us. Oh, no." Both girls darted toward their homes.

Jan ran so fast she almost stumbled in the snow. She reached her back door and bolted in, then scampered down the basement steps. With her heart pounding, she crouched beside the washing machine.

She waited. "What if he comes down here and finds me? What should I do?" She wouldn't let herself move, even to scratch her nose.

Then there was noise at the top of the stairs. Footsteps. Someone was coming down.

Jan held her breath and closed her eyes. She hoped whoever it was would not find her. But the sound of footsteps continued, coming closer to her hiding place.

"Jan," she had been found.

Dangerous Game

Opening her eyes, she saw her mother standing in front of her.

With great relief, Jan said, "Oh, Mother, I am so glad

it's you. I'm sorry. I didn't mean to do anything wrong."

"Jan," answered her mother, "everything is going to be all right. I know what happened." She then began explaining that the man had stopped to talk to her and that he was unhappy with the girls, but not mad at them.

"He wanted me to be sure to tell you that your game could be dangerous by distracting a driver. He doesn't want anyone to get hurt."

"It isn't a very good game," Jan said. "I won't do it any more."

Then, with arms around each other, Jan and her mother walked up the stairs.

Jan stopped at the back door. "I think I'll go out and find Barbara," she said. "We'll find something better to do now." She smiled. "Maybe we'll shovel the sidewalks."

Her mother hugged her. "That's a good idea," she said.

So Jan went back outside. The snow sparkled before her. She saw the shovel. "There's work to be done," she whispered as she picked it up.

Youth within minutes of death

By Peter Hawkins
 JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — What would you do if suddenly somebody's life were dropped into your hands? At the 1976 Summer Educational Program in Cedara, in the province of Natal, we discovered anything is possible.

The morning of Dec. 26 we started our 25-mile hike with no suspicion of what awaited us. The sky was blue, and high cirrus clouds offered protection against the scorching summer sun. We knew dangerous snakes were in the area and the occasional poisonous spider, sometimes even a scorpion or two. But most snakes slink away at the sound of footsteps and have long since disappeared by the time hikers pass their resting place.

Besides, what could happen to us? We found out.

It Happened

The day had been strenuous. We hauled our backpacks up and down rocky slopes, stopping occasionally both for breath and breathtaking views. We set up camp at 4 p.m. at the halfway mark, quickly seeing to it that grub was cooking over the crackling fire.

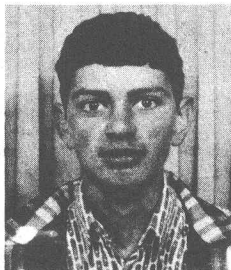
At 7 p.m. came dusk, and many of the patrol had already eaten. Camper Lionel van Graan went to pick up a friend's plate, and then it happened! Two small pinpricks of blood on one finger revealed the bite; whatever was responsible disappeared without a trace.

Dusk hid many things in its

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shadows. Within 10 minutes hike leader Louis Bouwer knew quick action was needed. Shots of pain thrust their way up Lionel's arm, and he began to lose consciousness. We knelt and asked God's protection on the 17-year-old's life while we did all we could to help. The nearest farm was several miles along a winding mountain road, preceded by several hundred yards of wild terrain. We knew there wasn't any time to waste. Louis and I took off.

The first mile was bearable, but later it was mentally agonizing to



LIONEL VAN GRAAN

force feet faster when they felt like lead. . . someone's life depended on that message to Garcia.

Forty minutes and several pints of sweat later, we reached the farm. The farm manager kindly loaned us his pickup truck, and he and Louis charged down the slope to a point nearest the camp. In the meantime members of our patrol had been nursing the now unconscious and shallow-breathing young man. Forming a six-man moving stretcher, they swept through the brush and around boulders. As one fell, another would take his place, steadying the human ambulance as it moved along.

Follow That Cloud

At the farm I had phoned for a minister, requesting him to be ready at the surgery when Lionel arrived. The pickup rocketed past the farmhouse entrance, heading for Howick, where a doctor was waiting. I followed the cloud of dust in a Volkswagen and arrived a little later at the waiting room. Patrol members anxiously stood awaiting news.

John White, pastor of the East London church, anointed the teenager before a speechless doctor. Shallow breathing and dilated pupils caused the doctor concern as he injected cortistone into the hiker's arm.

"Ten minutes later and he could have been dead," retorted the doctor.

It was now 8:30 p.m., an hour and a half since the bite. He was still in danger, but we had the added assurance of God's help. What's more, the rest of the SEP students at Cedara had already heard of the incident and had prayed for Lionel.

After the initial treatment, the boy was rushed to the nearest hospital, in Pietermaritzburg, 20 miles away.

Thirty minutes later, at Pietermaritzburg Hospital, Lionel was strong enough to lean on one elbow and talk to us.

"I expected someone in far worse condition," the doctor said.

Second SEP for Cape

By Henri Fortuin
 CAPE TOWN, South Africa — About 50 colored (mixed-race) children participated in this area's second Summer Educational Program, this year held at the Round Table service organization's holiday camp at Hout Bay, on the west coast of the Cape Peninsula, Dec. 19 to 30.

Activities included sailing, canoeing, horse riding, skin diving, swimming, sand sliding, hiking and mountain climbing, a cultural tour of Cape Town and eating. The former activities were supervised by deacon Peter van der Byl, while the last was overseen by Walter Bester, another deacon, assisted by members Violet Francis and Miriam Speckmann.

Owen Visagie, who attended to camp administration, and Angus Francis, both members here, provided camp security.

Participants were organized into eight groups — four male and four female — with Glenda Sissing, Moira Adams, Ingrid Speckmann, Carol Anne Francis, Eddie Pelston, Lawrence Boks, Loyal Piet and Henri Fortuin as group leaders. Instruction in activities was provided by Pat van der Byl and Frances Prior (horse riding), Dan Botha (skin diving), Peter van der Byl (sailing), Stan Campbell (swimming) and Patrick Bartnick (canoeing).

Apart from the progeny of members of the congregation, participants included friends and relatives, plus pupils of member and schoolteacher Eddie Pelston and nominees from the Cape Flats Distress Association, a colored community organization.

Robert Engelbrecht, 15, one of the association nominees, was presented with an award for being the outstanding SEP student. Crystal Europa and Moira Adams also received awards.

After a sermon by camp director and Cape Town pastor Dan Botha on the Sabbath, the congregation provided meat, music and company that evening at a *braai* (barbecue) for SEP. The next day members provided lunch after 3,600-foot Table Mountain was

scaled by SEP staffers and participants.

Rain on the first and last days dampened the camp, but there were 12 days of ideal weather.

The final night featured a mini-Spokesman-cum-ladies' club, with creditable speeches and evaluations.

Camp has family atmosphere

By Robert L. Ainsworth
 BINNINGUP, Australia — Zebras, giraffes, buffalo, bears, antelope and camels stomped all over the rolling sand hills of this part of Western Australia one summer's day in January. Teams named after these animals — made up of 56 children and seven adults from the Perth church, 90 miles from here — vied for victory in a game of capture the flag.

The game was part of the annual summer camp for youths of the Perth church, which this summer ran from Jan. 2 to 9.

Who cares about minor bruises and scratches while enjoying a seven-day camp, especially when it includes three superbly prepared meals a day?

The camp is leeward of the sand hills, only 300 yards from the beach, and is equipped to house about 60 participants. This is the third year at these facilities, which include a kitchen and large eating-recreation hall.

This year the youths, whose ages ranged from 10 to 16, were divided into six groups named after the animals mentioned at the beginning of his article.

Here's how a typical day went for the campers:

They were up at 6 a.m., ready to run half a mile up the beach and back, have a quick swim, clean up the dorms and eat breakfast. Then came archery, volleyball and other sports, an instruction class, morning tea, a swim, beach-buggy and bike rides



CAMPSITE — This complex at Binningup in Western Australia was the site of a camp for youths of the Perth church.

and lunch. Next were a bus trip inland to a riverboating and swimming rendezvous, the evening meal, a beach sing-along and toasted marshmallows around a camp fire.

Enough energy had to be saved to trudge back to camp and swallow supper before retiring.

The week's activities also included a concert, a bus tour to a public-works department, the showing of Walt Disney cartoons and other activities.

A major reason for the success of this year's camp, supervisors felt, was the daily 15-minute instruction class, the aim of which was to orient



HIKERS — Counselor Steve Thomas, back row with hat on, and his group of South African and Rhodesian SEP campers pose just before leaving for a two-day hike. Louis Bouwer, far left, organized the hikes. (Photo by Geoffrey Neilson)

SEP in South Africa

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 examples of backward sailing."

Other Activities

Other features of SEP were a discussion on hunting by conservationist Ian Player (brother of golfer Gary); a display of shotguns and rifles by Alan King, director of a sports shop; and a demonstration of makeup and skin care for the girls by beauty consultant Di Rowan.

"The last two days were crammed with activities and competition to determine the prizewinners," Mr. van Belkum said. "Incidentally, this year we were able to award very attractive prizes to 12 students, due to the combined effort of all the members in southern Africa who raised the necessary funds."

The entire group spent the next-to-last day of camp at Midmar for tennis and squash final competitions. A picnic lunch was followed by canoe races and the sailing regatta.

The final day began at 8 a.m. on the archery range to decide the winning teams and best individual archer. Then came the finals of the

obstacle course, where teamwork and initiative count.

"Bob Klynsmith's group clinched the title," Mr. van Belkum said. "The time his team took to negotiate the entire course was an outstanding 5 minutes 35 seconds."

Every student was then able to score points for his or her group by taking part in the cross-country race. Johan Oetle of Cape Town stormed across the finish line to take first place, closely followed by Mike Burt and Mark Webber.

"The next activity was a swimming gala with 13 events for boys and girls," Mr. van Belkum reported. "This was followed by the soccer finals. George Jacob's group romped away with the honors."

"That evening the presentations to those who excelled in the various activities were made."

Those Awarded

Mara Kading, Wendy Harley, Jack Jelbert, William Jelbert, Peter Marais and Thomas van Wijk won five days in the Wilderness Leadership Course (which Ian Player founded) in the Umfolozi Game Reserve.

"This prize was awarded to the teenagers we feel have most leadership potential," explained John Bartholomew, SEP director for the last three years. "The course is designed to impress upon future leaders the need for environmental care."

Judged the most talented athlete at SEP this year was 16-year-old Mark Webber, who walked off with the best-canoeist and best-boys'-squash-player awards. His brother Bruce, 15, won the prize as best archer.

The outstanding tennis players were Nerine James, 15, and Jeffery Bennett, 16, and the best girl squash player was Alison Lee, 13.

Glenn Crankshaw showed excellent class during sailing and qualified for the prize to attend the Mountford Sailing School in Durban.

Bob Klynsmith and Bev Berry were the two counselors whose groups attained the highest overall competition points at SEP this year.

"SEP '76 was brought to a grand finale when on the last night each group performed a skit which proved an enjoyable highlight after the strenuous program," Mr. van Belkum stated. "John Clifford, the sailing instructor, true to form, dressed as a pirate and compered the show."

Robert Fahey, director of the African Work, traveled from Johannesburg to attend SEP for several days.

"He held a special Bible study during which the youngsters were given an opportunity to ask questions and to discuss problems they face in the society," Mr. van Belkum said. "He also took the Sabbath service and spoke on the seven laws of success, especially stressing the need to have clearly defined goals."

campers toward biblical principles.

A further improvement resulted from the posting of each of the four adult supervisors to a separate dormitory to assist in creating a family atmosphere, helping to stabilize the excited youngsters.

At the beginning of the seven days, some had their doubts about some aspects of the program, but when all were ready to say good-bye and drive back to Perth, most were convinced that, regardless of how uncontrolled and confused the world becomes, kids will revel in discipline and organization and, in fact, thrive on it.

Mr. Armstrong en route to Europe, Africa



center, as Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rader look at the AICF chapter, Mr. Grede and Archie of Milwaukee's Performing Arts Center.



COMBINED SERVICES — Peter Ochs leads the 180-member choir in special music, above, during services Feb. 5. Carl McNair, left, leads songs for the 3,000 members, below, who gathered to hear from Herbert W. Armstrong.



(Continued from page 1) members from the churches in Chicago and Rockford, Ill., and Appleton and Wisconsin Dells, Wis. Small contingents of members also came from Minneapolis, Minn., and Eau Claire, Wis.

going to keep on doing it for quite a while." Mr. Armstrong expressed appreciation for the "very fine work" done by Art Mokarow, director of the AICF Extension Center. "Mr. Mokarow did a superb job that will help me immensely, city by city, to give us the means of opening up other communities like Minneapolis... to the Work. We are planning campaigns there, in addition to our Work in world capitals abroad."

Mr. Armstrong said the enthusiasm he felt during the concert was much the same as he felt at the first AICF concerts in Pasadena. "If anything it was more so," Mr. Armstrong said.

After the sermonette by Stanley Rader, executive vice president of the AICF, Mr. Armstrong outlined some of the events in getting the Church's message to the world.

Carl McNair, coordinator of the Upper-Midwest Area, said Mr. Armstrong was "very vibrant and enthusiastic about the Work of God. It is unfortunate that many of the members from eastern Chicago were not able to travel and hear his address because of the deep snow in that area."

According to George Meeker, senior pastor and the first resident pastor in Milwaukee, the "contact with Mr. Armstrong is very beneficial. Local churches can sometimes feel remote from Pasadena. But seeing Mr. Armstrong's youthful zeal is an inspiring reminder of our purpose."

Wesley Olson, deacon and member in attendance at the first Sabbath service of the church here, said Mr. Armstrong's visit to Milwaukee was the first in 20 years. "In February of 1957 he spoke to the fledgling church pastored by Dean Blackwell," Mr. Olson said.

Ministerial Dinner

Later in the evening Mr. Armstrong met with 26 ministers and their wives. Mr. McNair gave a brief introduction of Mr. Armstrong to the ministry, and during the evening Tom Grede, chairman of the local AICF concert committee, discussed the influence of the foundation in the Milwaukee area.

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Rader fielded questions from the ministers following dinner. For 1½ hours various subjects were discussed, including insights into Mr. Armstrong's ministry, the importance and impact of the AICF and the connection of the AICF to the Church.

Senior pastor Bob Hoops said the opportunity to communicate with Mr. Armstrong was "so very important. He shared many of his thoughts and feelings. The man is singularly sincere and honest in his approach to God, to the Work of God and to people in general."

Mr. Armstrong encouraged the ministry to appreciate the privilege of being in a Work sponsored, backed and blessed by God. "Go home and thank God that you are a part of this great Work which is serving humanity," he exhorted.

Televised Interview

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Rader were televised, live, during an interview by station WTMJ-TV Feb. 4. They discussed the concert series and other projects of the foundation in different parts of the world.

Just before the Rostropovich concert, Mr. Armstrong met with Milwaukee civic leaders at a dinner in which he and Mr. Rader introduced them to the foundation and Church.

Mr. Armstrong said about 35 people attended the dinner, representing some of "the top members of the Milwaukee community."

Mr. Grede, Mr. Rader and Mr. Armstrong each spoke briefly.

"I simply said that I was so glad that there were two ways and only two ways of living, and that this world is entirely geared to the way of get," Mr. Armstrong said. "Everything we [the Work] do is the way of give and that I was so glad of that. That is the way it will ultimately become. All of our troubles are blamed on this way of get, and it is something new that we have never done before, and it is something we know is right. We are

Toronto campaign: first in '77

(Continued from page 1) chorale and band, said Marty Yale, 20, a junior student from Big Sandy.

Mr. Yale, a guitarist for the group who is also president of his class at the Texas campus, said others in the campaign troupe feel Toronto is "about the warmest church area" they have served. "The Church members here have gone out of their way for us," he said.

Mr. Yale said some of the singers and musicians also performed for patients in a Toronto veterans' hospital before the campaign.

Many parts of Canada are made to order for personal appearances by Mr. Armstrong because of extensive exposure of the *Garner Ted Armstrong* telecast, which appears on 175 Canadian stations.

Mr. Marino, who headed advertising for the appearance, said "mass-

media advertising coverage in the Toronto area" was extensive and covered the surrounding cities as well. "We've advertised on two radio stations in Toronto and the television station and the leading newspaper in Toronto, plus posters and transit cards [signs inside buses]."

He credited members of the Toronto churches, along with area coordinator Gary Antion, with contributing significantly to the success of the appearance.

"They [the members] were involved in fund-raising projects, and they're participating in manning the hall, ushering, some of the localized promotion. They're handling transit cards. A lot of the legwork is handled by the local church."

Weather Warmer

Mr. McMichael said the weather

cooperated with plans for the campaign. Though this area had been experiencing subfreezing temperatures of late, along with much of the rest of North America, the weather warmed before Mr. Armstrong's appearance and was "the best in three months," Mr. McMichael said.

"Mr. Armstrong will open a three-day ministerial conference tomorrow morning [Feb. 14] before returning to Pasadena," Mr. McMichael stated.

Also to speak at the conference, according to Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division, were C. Wayne Cole, director of the Canadian Work; Robert Kuhn, executive vice president of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation; Jim Thornhill, director of Youth Opportunities United; and Mr. McCullough.

Cellist His Energy

— Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weiser say of their son, who is still more than two years old.

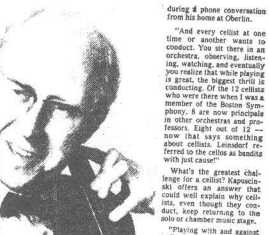
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Soloist and in Ensemble

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THE Performing ARTS: Music... Drama... Dance

Rich, Man in Motion



Mikhail Rostropovich playing with an orchestra of the USSR. Leonard Rowe

that appeared in the Milwaukee calls Music in Moscow."

grow older with memories. Memories of good times, of drinking coffee with neighbors and practicing his cellist. And out of all those memories came a comment on the substance of his life — music.

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A Personal Letter

from

James Earl Ray

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and his wife and next to Beverly Sills. In the course of the evening, though wondering how the general (whose 84th birthday was Saturday, Feb. 12) would respond to questions concerning his wartime career, I ventured to ask him a few questions concerning Gen. George Patton's removal from command following the Sicilian campaign, the famous slapping incident and other experiences: (I was an impressionable teenager during those years, during World War II, and read dozens of books and historical journals, plus biographical stories — Winston Churchill's memoirs, Eisenhower's *Crusade in Europe* and others.)

In reference to the slapping incident which resulted in Gen. Patton's being "placed on ice" (according to Gen. Bradley) in Sicily, Gen. Bradley told me, "That private probably did more to win World War II than any other private in the Army."

Eager to Talk

I found the general not only willing but eager to talk about some of his wartime experiences, and he began relating several of the six times in which he escaped either serious injury or sure death by only the slightest margin.

I was particularly struck by the first event in which he described his feelings when the vehicle in which he was riding drove over a German land mine. For some reason the mine did not go off and the general's life was spared. He told us, "I felt right then that God wanted me to remain alive for the duration of this war and that He had some special task for me to perform."

Needless to say I was quite struck by his words and responded, "I am sure history has borne out that fact."

At any rate, it was truly an experience to meet such a stellar group of personalities all in one evening, and I

was very pleased to be invited to a surprise birthday party for Gen. Bradley on the following Saturday night, only to have to send my regrets, for we had already scheduled the Toronto campaign for that Saturday night some weeks earlier.

Nevertheless, we sent the general an album of color pictures of his evening at Ambassador, including pictures of Beverly Sills and of Gen. Bradley and his wife chatting with many of his guests.

Looking Forward to Visit

We are very enthusiastically looking forward to the full-scale accreditation visit in the next few weeks.

On the last preliminary visit to go over our self-study report, Dr. Robert Thomas (Brigham Young University) and Dr. Kay Anderson (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) gave us many interesting pointers concerning the self-study report, and in subsequent exchanges of correspondence and personal telephone calls the full-scale visit was once again reconfirmed for March.

As I was telling many of the brethren here in Toronto just this afternoon, perhaps some of our brethren do not realize the tremendous progress we have made at Ambassador College in the last few years with the addition of certain of the very thoroughly credentialed and adequately staffed majors in such fields as business, data processing, computer science, mass communications and others.

For example, we are going to graduate in the neighborhood of 70 seniors this coming spring, about half of whom will be business majors.

Our major in business is of the finest quality, and, to illustrate, only the other day officials from the Bank of America were on campus recruiting some of our students for future career opportunities!

Some few have not really understood fully that Ambassador College is able to offer top-quality education in certain of the more technical fields, and offer sufficient majors in a wide-enough area

to provide graduating seniors with an immediate transition into meaningful career opportunities with significant salaries.

Stopping in Chicago

I will be stopping for about an hour in the Chicago area following the Toronto campaign to meet briefly with principals in the very well-known Field Enterprises, Inc., one of the major syndicates, in discussions concerning my coming syndicated column.

When any new information breaks concerning either the columns or the book, I will keep you fully informed.

Meanwhile, we are very pleased to see that the weather here in Toronto released its icy grip, and just prior to our arrival the people here were enjoying their first above-zero weather in quite a long number of days. It is cool but fairly pleasant outside, and as a result of the somewhat milder weather we are hopeful of very large crowds at both meetings.

That's about it for now. I have sent you several letters of late, including one special letter directed more toward our so-called "inactive" members which is quite strong, plus another, shorter, one concerning the coming Holy Day seasons, containing your Holy Day-offering envelopes!

My father is leaving on another overseas trip very shortly, and of course as always I will keep you informed, both in the "Personal" and via the other pages of *The Worldwide News*. I'm sure my father will be writing concerning his activities in his own "Personal" in *The Plain Truth*.

Once again, I hope all of you realize that the stoppage of transportation, slowing of the mails and serious economic strains placed upon a good section of the country have made their effects felt in God's Work, so we truly do appreciate the continued encouragement and support from all of you who can help take up the slack from those who have been hard hit!

Your brother in Christ,
Garner Ted Armstrong

BABIES

ADA, Okla. — Timothy Edward, second son, fifth child of Bobby and Maxine Ozment, Jan. 20, 10:01 a.m., 10 pounds 10 ounces.

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Lara Nicole, first daughter, first child of Paul and Marie Penney, Jan. 18, 10:40 a.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces.

BRICKET WOOD, England — Benjamin Robert, first son, first child of Andrew and Dana Silcox, Dec. 7, 9:30 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces.

CALGARY, Alta. — Alexandria Dawn, first daughter, first child of William and Karen Kichok, Jan. 15, 10:58 a.m., 9 pounds 11 1/2 ounces.

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Timothy Michael, first son, first child of Mike and Lorraine (Nelso) Stratford-Smith, Jan. 12, 9:34 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces.

CHICO, Calif. — Shaul Elias, first son, second child of Lyle and Alyce Chrysler, Jan. 20, 12 p.m., 7 pounds 5 1/2 ounces.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Jason Edward, first son, second child of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Worden, Oct. 19, 11:58 p.m., 10 pounds 10 ounces.

CONCORD, N.H. — Tammy Suzette, first daughter, second child of Anthony Charles and Faye (Dix) Limanni, Jan. 19, 3 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces.

DALLAS, Tex. — Abigail Bea, first daughter, second child of Tom and Vera Walston, Jan. 22, 6:53 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces.

DULUTH, Minn. — Vanessa Anne Watts, daughter of Stan and Gail Watts, Jan. 7, 11:11 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces.

EDMONTON, Alta. — Jennifer Lynne, fourth daughter, fifth child of Dennis and Norma Thibault, Jan. 15, 7:45 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces.

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Melody Anne, first daughter, first child of Burton and Ramona Crawford, Jan. 24, 2:58 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces.

HINSDALE, Ill. — Jason Scott, first son, first child of Scott and Sue Regnier, Jan. 7, 4 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces.

HOUSTON, Tex. — Monica Michele, second daughter, second child of Greg and Norma Manuel, Dec. 15, 3:46 a.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Jonathan Charles, first son, first child of Rod and Heather Ridley, Jan. 18, 4:30 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces.

JOPLIN, Mo. — Lena Gail, second daughter, third child of Gail and Leanna Hanson, Dec. 13, 10:34 p.m., 9 pounds.

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Alyson Dorann, first daughter, second child of Andy Bob and Elizabeth Alexander, Jan. 13, 5:14 p.m., 8 pounds 11 1/2 ounces.

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Jennifer Renee, first daughter, second child of Suzanne and James R. Walker, Jan. 24, 10:30 a.m., 7 pounds.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Angela Renee, first daughter, second child of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Crawley, Jan. 11, 3:23 a.m., 7 pounds 5 1/2 ounces.

MONROE, La. — Amanda Gayle, first daughter, first child of Mr. and Mrs. S.G. Walmsley, Dec. 10, 11:20 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces.

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Jason Eric, son of Gilbert and Patricia (Wilder) Morris (his seventh son, seventh child, his second son, third child), Jan. 17, 8:10 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Amy Elizabeth, first daughter, first child of Herb and Pat Van Curen, Jan. 26, 12:45 p.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce.

OLYMPIA, Wash. — Brian Roy Paul, second son, second child of Mario and Gail (Donaldson) Winkelmar, Dec. 5, 3:19 p.m., 10 pounds 9 1/2 ounces.

OMAHA, Neb. — Anthony John, first son, first child of Chuck and Carol Hillerson, Dec. 8, 7:44 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Leanna Rosa, third daughter, fourth child of Allan and Edna Barr, Dec. 16, 9:31 p.m., 10 pounds 5 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Scott David, second son, second child of Larry and Carolan (Meade) Darden, Dec. 31, 6:15 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — David Carson, first son, fourth child of Carson and Verna (Baldrey) Grabbe, Jan. 13, 8 a.m., 11 pounds 10 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Ron Tito, fourth son, eighth child of Tom and Gloria Metoyer, Nov. 18, 8:33 a.m., 7 pounds 13 1/2 ounces.

PASADENA, Calif. — Laura Beth, first daughter, first child of Robin and Susan (Leimbach) Webber, Jan. 1, 10:09 a.m., 9 pounds.

PEORIA, Ill. — Joseph Dan, first son, first child of Danny and Kathy Boyce, Jan. 9, 8:50 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces.

PETERBOROUGH, Ont. — Brenda Lyn, first daughter, second child of Bruce and Lyn Kitchen, Jan. 13, 3:57 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces.

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Patricia D'Anne, second daughter, second child of Leroy and Suzanne Daniels, Jan. 7, 8:01 p.m., 9 pounds 10 ounces.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Stephanie Jean, second daughter, third child of Cindy and Pat Ingram, Nov. 15, 3:25 a.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces.

ROCKFORD, Ill. — Douglas James, third son, third child of Alvin and Ramona Kampje, Jan. 14, 11:32 p.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces.

SALEM, Ore. — Lydia Anne, first daughter, third child of David and Gloria (Kuiper) Mason, Jan. 19, 3:25 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces.

SYDNEY, Australia — Arley John Samuel, second son, second child of John and Christine Connor, Jan. 10, 12:20 p.m., 8 pounds.

PERSONALS

Send your personal, along with a *WN* mailing label with your address on it, to "Personals," *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A. Your personal must follow the guidelines given in the "Policy on Personals" box that frequently appears on this page. We cannot print your personal unless you include your mailing label.

PEN PALS

Dance buffs: discotheque, ballroom, ballet, jazz, square, whatever. Member, 29, ex-Arthur Murray dance instructor, wishes to hear from all serious dance enthusiasts, both teens, adults. Albert Wojcikowski, Box 131 Jean Brillant, Roxboro, Que., H8Y 2S6, Canada.

Jimmie Easley! Last letter I received from you was in September. I sent a reply and am waiting to hear from you. Tell me where you are, how you are. Jeanie Gruber, Rt. 1, Box 370A, Upper Greenwood Lake Rd., Hewitt, N.J., 07421.

Enjoyed my visit with the Fort Walton Beach, Fla., congregation Dec. 18. Hope to hear from someone who lives right in Fort Walton. Need more info on the area. Phyllis Ai, Ambassador College Student Center, Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Member, 70, would like to visit ladies 60 to 65. John Loder, Box 123, Salmo, B.C., V0G 1Z0, Canada.

Would like to visit teens who live in Bermuda and will attend the Feast there, or any other teen who will attend Feast there. Paul Farrow, Rt. 2, Box 102A, Hillsboro, Tenn., 37342, U.S.A.

I am 10, like cats, swimming, skating. Would like to see PERSONALS, page 11

Youths rescue injured driver

By Dave Molnar

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Alert thinking and quick action by two Ambassador College students and two Youth Opportunities United members were instrumental in saving the life of an injured truck driver in Tennessee Dec. 31.

The four — Bob Crisp, 17, delegate to the recent international YUO conference at Big Sandy from the Columbus (Ohio) P.M. church; George Fenton, 19, a YUO member here (the driver); Jim Todd, Ambassador, Big Sandy, senior; and Curt Lucka, Ambassador freshman —

were driving home from the conference when they found themselves in the heart of the massive snowstorm that blanketed Ohio of the nation Dec. 31.

A stretch of Interstate 40 between Memphis and Nashville "looked like a demolition derby," they said, with stranded cars and jackknifed trucks dotting the highway. It was on that stretch of road that the accident occurred.

"It had snowed all night the previous night," Bob Crisp said, "and the temperature had dropped well below zero [minus 18 degrees Celsius] the

next day. The entire freeway was covered with a half inch of ice. We were lucky to do 10 miles per hour."

18-Wheeler on Ice

Suddenly an 18-wheel tractor-trailer rig booted past them at about 40 miles an hour on the glazed highway.

"We were surprised he was attempting to drive that speed," Bob said. "Just as he cleared us his trailer started to fishtail, and we knew he was in trouble."

The driver fought for control to no avail, and within seconds the rig toppled over directly in front of the Fenton car.

The four of them immediately jumped from their car and ran to help. They found the driver sitting inside the overturned cab with his leg outside the door and pinned beneath the cab.

"He evidently tried to jump out of the cab when he sensed that it was turning over," Bob said, "but he only got one leg out. We later found out he had a double compound fracture in the leg — broken from knee down."

The frigid temperatures combined with the stiff wind made for a chill factor that sent the temperature, in effect, to nearly 40 degrees below zero Fahrenheit (minus 40 degrees Celsius).

"We had to act fast," Bob said.

The four tried to pull the trucker's leg from beneath the cab, but it was wedged too tightly. They tried to dig the ground from beneath the leg, but

it was too hard. They tried to bend back the door with a metal rod, but the door would not come free.

By this time the driver had lost feeling in his leg and was beginning to show signs of shock.

Finally one of them thought they might be able to lift the cab with a car jack. Bob ran back to the car and got the jack.

Through the Other Door

While the other three steadied the jack and raised the cab, Bob pulled the driver out from the top through the other door.

They took the injured driver back to their car while another trucker called the highway patrol on his Citizens Band radio. The injured trucker was taken to a hospital and at last report was in good condition.

According to Bob Crisp, the greatest danger might have been the cold weather.

"It's a good thing we were right behind him when it happened," he said. "Otherwise he might have frozen to death. If we hadn't seen it happen we probably would have passed it by like all the others, thinking that everything had been taken care of."

"I didn't notice the cold so much at first, until I put my hand in a puddle of water on the side of the hot cab. When I pulled my hand out of the puddle the water instantaneously froze on my hand."

Crash misses members

By John A. Halford

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — More than 80 Australians were killed Jan. 18 and many more injured when a concrete road bridge collapsed on a derailed train in the Sydney suburb of Granville. No Church members were among the casualties, but there were some narrow escapes.

Deaconess Shirley Middlemiss was driving to work through Granville when the disaster occurred. Her vehicle was eight cars behind the cars crossing the bridge when it collapsed on the train.

Sydney member Bob Barnett had a late meeting with West Sydney minister Alan Dean the night before. Mr. Barnett slept in and caught a later train, though he usually travels to work on the train that was wrecked.

Mr. Barnett said he always sits in one of the cars that were crushed by the bridge because they are reserved for nonsmokers.

Newcastle member Wilf Matusch was attending a seminar in Sydney. He had planned to travel on the train but changed his mind the night before and went by car.

Rod Cooke's daughter usually catches the train, but that morning Mr. Cooke took her to the station earlier and she traveled on a different one. Deacon Alan Gubb's daughter Rhonda sometimes catches the train to work. On the morning of the crash she missed it.

Blackheath member Michael Dujmovic had ridden the train to work for more than 10 years. In recent weeks he had given up the job and was at home when the crash occurred.

PERSONALS

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girls, boys 9 to 11 to write. Brynda Everman, 312 N. Green, Lee's Summit, Mo., 64063.

Malaysian student now studying in U.S. would like to write fellow Malaysian brethren. All welcome. F. Sellapan, 305 Atwood St., No. 25, Pittsburgh, Pa., 15213, U.S.A.

I am 20, with 2-year-old son, attend services with my husband, a member. I love children, horseback riding, swimming, camping. Would like to hear from someone with the same interests. Janice Ondracka, Box 466, Nelson, B.C., V1L 5P4, Canada.

I am 16, my hobbies are writing, singing, dancing, taking photos. Hobbies like pen-pals from anywhere, around my age. If I may help, I am from Indian descent, mixed with some Spanish. (Please send photos.) Sherry Ann Williams, Extension Rd., Cantaro Village, Upper Santa Cruz, Trinidad, West Indies.

I am interested in writing to one or two English-speaking pen friends from Great Britain or elsewhere for mutual exchange of ideas, news. Would prefer ladies up to about 30. I am 31. Have received Plain Truth since '65 and have been a member for 3 1/2 years. David G.M. Quentin Rd., Lewisham, London, SE13 5DD, England.

Chuck and Phyllis, could you send us your address? Thinking of you, Harold and Janice White, Box 67, Guilford, Ind., 47022.

Jason Robertson, where are you? Sent you a letter and got a back marked "address unknown." Mike White, Box 67, Guilford, Ind., 47022.

Hello to all of you who read the pen-pals column. I wish to welcome renewal of any old correspondence and beg me to see the about 30 and a graduate student at the University of Iowa, Bob Goodard, 420 N. Gilbert, No. 2, Iowa City, Iowa, 52240.

Dear pen pals: If I fail to answer your letters it is because I am busy making marriage plans. Thanks to all. Mae Castleberry, Eules, Tex.

Jennifer Stokes, congratulations! I heard about the talent show and wanted to write, but I don't have your address. Please write Ellen Stinner, 54640 Michael Dr., Elkhat, Ind., 46514. Also anyone else who knows me from camp or the YOU convention.

Single male, 27, would like to hear from other co-workers and Church members in this world. Interests: music, literature, art. Sean H. Ross, 8841 S. Union Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60622.

Hello, brethren in Alaska, Montana, Washington, Wisconsin, North Dakota and other northern states! Please write so we can get acquainted. I live in the North Woods and Angle Inlet area (the northernmost part of the U.S.) I am a young woman from the north who writes to other Canadians, Europeans, other foreign countries. Enjoy cooking, stamps, scrapbooks, quilt sewing, reading, writing. Will to answer. Marina Faye, nickname Tilly, c/o Mrs. C.L. Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 6A, Heflin, Ala., 36264.

To my many friends and pen pals: When you write, please use my home number as the post office recently required rural routes to start doing so to speed mail. Mrs. C.L. Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 6A, Heflin, Ala., 36264.

I am 8. Would like everyone 7 to 10 to write. I will answer all. Tammy Hutchins, Rural Route, Guion, Ark., 72540.

I would like to have postcards from any and everywhere. Debbie Hutchins, Guion, Ark., 72540.

I am 19. I love making new friends, boys or girls. Interests: hockey, basketball, music, math, electronics, you name it! Please write Richard Pullin, 48 Abourl Glen Crescent, London, Ont., N5Y 1Z9, Canada.

Joann Meldrum, your mail is not being forwarded to you. Please write and send me your new address. Your pen pal, Matthew Elizabeth Gans, 5 Alpine Court, East Brunswick, N.J., 08816.

Woman, 39, white, D&R, would like to hear from members 40 to 50. Will answer. Yvonne Torino, 615 Ashland, No. 1, Pasadena, Calif., 91104.

Brenda Lindley in Glenora church: We met at Squaw Valley. Remember B.L.? Please write. Betty Lynch, 102 Pineleaf Dr., SE, Smyrna, Ga., 30080.

To all my friends: I have a new address: 123 W. Philadelphia St., Flint, Mich., 48055. Bermuda buddies, please note: I lost all your addresses. Lillian R. Huddleston.

Hey, you folks of mixed heritage, namely: Irish, American Indian, African. I'm sure I'm not the only one in God's Church. Write up. Spessure you're so anxious to hear from you. Lillian R. Huddleston, 123 W. Philadelphia St., Flint, Mich., 48055.

Negro female teacher, 30, single, one daughter, 11, enjoys music, movies, gardening, sports, baking, would like to hear from single Church members or co-workers 30 to 40. Kathy, c/o J. Morris, Box 9809, Nassau, Bahamas.

Hi! I'm 17. I'd like pen pals from anywhere to write to me. I like skating, reading, want to be a veterinarian. Becky Miller, 1229 Midland Rd., Saginaw, Mich., 48663.

In Jan. 17 issue of WW, in "Wrap-Up," I noticed in Mount Pocono, Pa., the smallest man in the Worldwide Church of God, Mr. Bill Wassner. I thought my wife and myself were the smallest. I didn't know there were other small people in the Church. I would like to know more about Mr. Wassner. Please ask him to write to us. Mr. and Mrs. Rory Murphy, Rt. 1, Felton, Ga., 30140.

Lady, 51, would appreciate letters from brethren in Christ. Enjoys listening to Bible discussions, letters, good music, people, cooking, the small things in life. Dalia M. Frank, 913 E. Elm St., Apt. 103, Springfield, Mo., 65808.

I'm 12. Would like boys or girls from 11 to 14 to write. Interests: sewing, cooking, horseback riding, most animals. Please write to the claret. Will answer all. Denise McNew, 3836 W. Liberty, Oklahoma City, Okla., 73107.

Cross-country skiers, are there any out there? We would love to hear from you. Our mountains are knee deep in powder. How is your area? Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bennett, Rt. 2, Box 12A, Newland, N.C., 28657.

Member in Rhodiassa wishes to write members in Israel on the common problems our countries face. Come on, Israelis, don't be shy. Malcolm Toffs, Box A112, Avondale, Salisbury, Rhodesia.

Would like to write the lonely ladies and gentlemen of the Worldwide Church of God? Mrs. George W. Wood, 605 Grant Ave., Morganlton, W.Va., 26055.

Member, 41, returning to Pacific Northwest (Seattle area) soon, wants pen pals in Washington and Oregon and Vancouver, Canada, area. Marilyn Fuks, Box 42, Mineral Wells, W.Va., 26150.

Introducing: Dominic Mancini, 20, single, baptized Jan. 24, 1927, and have had various happy Methodist parsonage and have lived in the Tawas-East Tawas area all their lives. They have four children: Allen, 24, Tucson, Ariz.; Betty Heriman of Tawas City, Robert of Flint, Mich.; Stanley of Tucson. They have 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Would like to hear from some member of the WCG who attends services in Waterboro, S.C. I recently moved from Alabama and would appreciate riding with someone. I am a black baptized member, 55, Ben Pinckney, Box 425, Fairfax, S.C., 29827.

Hi! I'm a girl, 17. Would like guys and girls 17 to 24 from all over to write. I like most sports and most different things. If you are interested, write to Linda Wiggins, Rt. 8, Box 39A, Lake City, Fla., 32055.

Alice M. Marlow would like for anyone who knows anything about MS to please write and tell Gina Cage of 1564 Noe St., San Francisco, Calif., 94131, phone 285-4531. She is not able to write. We thank the thoughtful people for the letters Gina and I both have received.

A native-Greek Ambassador student would like very much to hear from everyone who wants to write in Greek or English. George Kovaris, 169 S. St. John, No. 485, Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Would like pen pals 21 to 50, preferably female, but will also write male readers. Interests: science fiction, nonfiction, food, health. I am 46, Caucasian, D&R, a co-worker. I read, I collect cassette tapes. I am the only one in a hospital population of 1,300 patients and 800 employees who attends church. I cannot own a car with anyone who has the same knowledge. I would like to write to those interested in the Church with similar interests. Forrest C. Hurley, Hospital Annex 2, Ward X-4, Box 13, Veterans Home of California, Vallejo, Calif., 94593.

I'm a girl, 17. Would like boys and girls 16 to 19 to write. I like most outdoor sports, crocheting, crocheting, many other things, Shirley Smith, 2342 Lexington Ave., Lorain, Ohio, 44052.

I am 11. Would like to hear from anyone 10 to 13. Like reading, outdoors, cooking, crocheting, other things, Sharon Westfall, 2131 E. 42nd St., Lorain, Ohio, 44055.

Hi! I am 8. I would like boys and girls 8 to 10 to write. I like all sports. Mary Rodgers, 2573 Merriman Rd., Medford, Ore., 97501.

Have lost touch with many of my AC, Pasadena, classmates and friends. Some of you have traveled so far away; so I would love to hear from you. Leona Wilson, 5107 E. Dr. S., Battle Creek, Mich., 49017.

Attention Billy Bryant of Atlanta, Ga., church: Please write Kaye McCue, Box 346, Flowery Branch, Ga., 30542. Also would like to hear from anyone 11 to 13 who enjoys horses, boat riding, fishing.

ENGAGEMENTS

Lillie Belle Hinton of Springdale, Ark., and J. Calvin Smith of Wichita, Kan., are happy to announce their engagement wedding will be Jan. 29, 1977, in Fayetteville, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hornbuckle of Grassy, Mo., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Emogene to Walter Hutchinson of Victoria, B.C. Emogene is a senior at Ambassador College, Big Sandy, and Robert is the owner of Garder's Driving School in Victoria. A July wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carion of Lovrevel, Belgium, are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Marie, to Michael J. Crescenzo of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Greider of Columbus, Ohio. The wedding will take place in Belgium shortly before the end of Tatemarades.

Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Pritchett of Birmingham, Ala., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Darford of Denver, Colo., are happy to announce the engagement of their children, Judy Rose and Robert Roy. Both are seniors at Ambassador College, Big Sandy. A May wedding is planned.

WEDDINGS

Susan Endres and Fred Whitaker were married Sept. 30. The ceremony, officiated by Mr. Charles Oehlman, was held in Pasadena. Karis Setzak, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Stan Martin was best man. The couple now resides at 1740 Raymond Hill, No. 2, South Pasadena, Calif., 91103.

Rose Marie Kellogg and Glenn Redifer were married Dec. 18, 1976, in Olympia, Wash., with Mrs. Gerald Hoy as maid of honor and Doug Redifer best man, with Mr. Lambert Greer, minister of the Olympia church, performing the ceremony.

Anderson Neil McIver and Helen Mae Edelbach exchanged wedding vows at Dallas, Tex., Jan. 8. Mr. James Lee presided over the ceremony in which the bride's father, listened in by telephone from Minnesota. Ellen McIver and Randy McIver were attendants for the couple. Neil and Helen now reside 1011 Cascade St., Apt. D, Mesquite, Tex.

Melissa Terrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Terrill of Carl Junction, Mo., and Mr. Eugene Hilgenberg, son of Clem and Rosetta Hilgenberg of Carlthage, Mo., were united in marriage Jan. 1. Mr. Don Mason performed the ceremony. Charman Terrill and Joseph Hilgenberg were attendants. The couple will reside in Columbia.

My sister, nonmember, has asked for prayer. She has been hospitalized for over two months. Along with other problems, she has muscle inflammation affecting her legs so she is not able to walk or stand. Her address: Mrs. Ruth Anderson, 216 B Rye Colony, Rye, N.Y., 10580. Mrs. Clifford Demaree.

Brethren, please continue to pray fervently for Wanda Henry and her family.

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Brethren, need your prayers desperately in trying to overcome a serious fault of mine. William E. Muhlolland Jr., 3000 Woodhaven Rd., Apt. 103, Building 14B, Philadelphia, Pa., 19154.

Brethren of God's Church, please pray for my mother, a nonmember, in Jacksonville, Fla., Rt. 2, Cleveland, Ga., 30528. She has arthritis so badly and is in such severe pain. I know our heavenly Father can heal her and choose no one. If not, pray that the pain will be bearable. Pat Butler, Rt. 2, Cleveland, Ga., 30528.

Please pray that God will heal Mrs. Phyllis Dyer, a church member. She is weak and in much pain with complications. I am praying for her and appreciate. Her address: 423A E. Second St., Bensenville, Ill., 60013.

Brethren, pray for my son, Charles Mason Evers. He is in jail for the murder he did not commit, and unless God intervenes he can receive a "natural-life" sentence. March 15 is trial date. Lillian R. Huddleston, 123 W. Philadelphia St., Flint, Mich., 48055.

MR. AND MRS. EUGENE HILGENBERG

ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brown of East Tawas, Mich., observed their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 9. They were married Jan. 19, 1927, at the Tawas City Methodist parsonage and have lived in the Tawas-East Tawas area all their lives. They have four children: Allen, 24, Tucson, Ariz.; Betty Heriman of Tawas City, Robert of Flint, Mich.; Stanley of Tucson. They have 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Dearst Roy, I wanted to thank you for the love, patience and kindness you have shown me for the past two years we have been married. It means more to me than I can express. You are a wonderful husband and have set a wonderful example as head of this family. I love you always. Linda.

Verlan and Dora Smith of the Cleveland West church in Ohio: Happy 25th anniversary on Feb. 19! We all love you a lot. Kathy, Robin and Heather. Dorothy and Bob, Keith Dale, Shirley, Author and Laura.

Happy anniversary, darling Lee. Thanks for sharing my life for 33 years on March 8. Your loving wife, Mary; sons Dale and Dean.

Happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. 8805 1/2 417 W. Third St., Elmira, N.Y., 14805, who will observe their 47th wedding anniversary Feb. 21. Congratulations, from their family.

Happy anniversary, Pat, on Feb. 4. Ten wonderful years together. I love you always. Betty.

I would like to have a happy 13th anniversary to Leon and Linda Hutchins, my mother and father. From your children, Debbie, Tammy, Bennie and Maxine.

Brenda: For your love and encouragement over the past six years, a big thank-you. Next to the great God, you are my reason for good health. I love you, Dan.

I am asking the brethren in God's Church to pray for the health of our children. Each has a health problem. Also, thank you for prayer more physical and emotional health so I can be a better wife and mother and a better member of God's Church. Thank you very much in advance for your much-needed prayers. Mrs. Curtis B. Price, 1002 Dolores Dr., Altadena, Calif., 91001.

Request an earnest appeal to our Father for complete healing for friends of a member.

I am asking the brethren in God's Church to pray for the healing of my daughter, who is a diabetic and has other sickness and has been married a short time. Thank all of you. We know God does answer prayers. We both are in God's Church. Mrs. Frank A. Wood, Rt. 2, Box 181, Mileedgewood, Ont., Canada, Room 251-48.

I request your prayers for my brother, Roland Hinch. His condition is very poor, with cancer. I'm a member of any church. Robert Hinch Sr., 6890 Taylorville Rd., Dayton, Ohio, 45424.

A physical checkup resulted in a discovery of a problem with the doctor thinks I may need surgery, a problem in addition to my inability to perform my job. I am praying for your prayers that God will intervene with complete healing so this drastic (in my opinion) step of surgery and expenses will not be needed. My prayers are any warmth of emotion are deeply appreciated. Ms. Georgia Kemp, 95415 Gooden Cove, Apt. C, Clarksville, Tenn., 37040.

Prayers are requested for Mrs. A.L., a co-worker, who was in an automobile accident and broke ribs. She is 68 and still in the hospital. Thank you.

Pray for God's healing and divine guidance for our whole family, to bring back the lost sheep. Pray for a friend here in Fort Lauderdale, on her way to becoming a Church member. Thank you, Mr. Gibbs.

Brethren, please continue to pray fervently for Wanda Henry and her family.

My sister, nonmember, has asked for prayer. She has been hospitalized for over two months. Along with other problems, she has muscle inflammation affecting her legs so she is not able to walk or stand. Her address: Mrs. Ruth Anderson, 216 B Rye Colony, Rye, N.Y., 10580. Mrs. Clifford Demaree.

Brethren, need your prayers desperately in trying to overcome a serious fault of mine. William E. Muhlolland Jr., 3000 Woodhaven Rd., Apt. 103, Building 14B, Philadelphia, Pa., 19154.

Brethren of God's Church, please pray for my mother, a nonmember, in Jacksonville, Fla., Rt. 2, Cleveland, Ga., 30528. She has arthritis so badly and is in such severe pain. I know our heavenly Father can heal her and choose no one. If not, pray that the pain will be bearable. Pat Butler, Rt. 2, Cleveland, Ga., 30528.

Please pray that God will heal Mrs. Phyllis Dyer, a church member. She is weak and in much pain with complications. I am praying for her and appreciate. Her address: 423A E. Second St., Bensenville, Ill., 60013.

Brethren, pray for my son, Charles Mason Evers. He is in jail for the murder he did not commit, and unless God intervenes he can receive a "natural-life" sentence. March 15 is trial date. Lillian R. Huddleston, 123 W. Philadelphia St., Flint, Mich., 48055.

To all brethren worldwide: Your urgent and fervent prayers received. My mother, an old niece, who is dying from cystic fibrosis. She is in much pain from treatments given her. She is very frail and thin and suffers greatly. Please ask God to intervene and heal her completely. Her name is

Obituaries

BOISE, Idaho — Sarah Dick, 73, a longtime member, died Aug. 22. Mrs. Dick is survived by three sons, Raymond, John and Herbert; two daughters, Sarah D. Wiens and Dianna Berndt; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Her son Raymond has served the Work both in the United States and the International Division and is now manager of the Feast of Tabernacles site at Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

Her daughter Sarah is a deaconess in the church here.

Three of her grandsons, Robert, Ronald and Randy, are employed by the Work. Randy is an assistant to Garner Ted Armstrong; Ronald is associate director of Youth Opportunities United; Robert is pastor of the Columbus, Ohio, churches.

CANTON, Ohio — Florence May Zerbe, 83, of North Canton, Ohio, died Jan. 3 after an apparent heart attack at her home.

She had been a member of the Akron church since the middle 1960s. A lifetime member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, she was a scribe until shortly before her death.

Miss Zerbe was also a collector of antiques and memorabilia from the period of William McKinley's presidency. She was buried half a block from President McKinley's tomb in Canton.

Though able to walk with the assistance of a walker, she attended church regularly in a wheelchair for several years before her death.

Miss Zerbe is survived by three nieces.

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Mr. Davitt is survived by his wife, Ruth, and son, Michael.

GARDEN GROVE, Calif. — Louise Blomberg, 81, died Jan. 16.

She had been a member of the Milwaukee, Wis., and Santa Ana, Calif., churches since 1963.

She is survived by her sister, Florence Bansemer of Garden Grove, and her niece, Kelly Gray. Mrs. Alyn Gibson, 108 Boston St., Whitesboro, Tex., 76273.

Request prayers that God would heal my sister, nonmember, who was in a stroke, partly paralyzed, has other severe problems. Paul Netz.

Please pray for Mr. F.R. Ward (member's dad), 1537 Monte, Houston, Tex., 77018. He has a "pocket" of osteophytes (an offshoot) on his brain swallowing his food without filling up and choking him. Due to other health problems and age, an operation would be dangerous. Also pray for encouragement for his wife, cards, letters appreciated. Wallace Patton.

I am a disabled veteran of the Korean conflict. For a long time I was blind, but through anointing and prayer I can see clearly today. But I have diabetes, hypertension, glaucoma, obesity, liver and kidney infection. Doctors still think I have glaucoma. Would like my Church brethren to pray for my complete physical healing. Forest C. Hurley, Box 771, Hurstons, Home Station, Yountville, Calif., 94598.

Please pray for my complete healing. I have severe nerve attacks and depression. I would like to hear from someone out there who knows about women's problems of middle age and what to do for relief. I thank you. Mrs. Paul Stone, 836 N. Monroe, Topeka, Kan., 66608.

Request prayer for my mother. She has cancer and is taking chemotherapy and can live up to three years if they can arrest the cancer. She is 77 and wants very much to get well and go home again. I know the prayers of God's people can do much, and she needs them very badly right now. Maybe someone could write to her. Shirley J. Clark and family, 38A Blue Spruce Park, Berthand, Colo., 80513.

FOLLOW-UP

I would like to thank all the brethren and let you know how much your letters and cards have been helping me to be a brave soldier for God. I'm praying more and leaving all to Him to make a way. Still would like someone in U.S. to write to tell me about job opportunities. Cannot answer all letters, but please keep sending them. Marjorie Martin, 15 Bervyn Ave., Lansing City Blvd., Ft. A., Jamaica.

I would like to thank all for your prayers for my family. My grandfather died Jan. 21 in a nursing home. Things have improved for my mother and sister. I know your prayers have helped. Thank you all so very much for your love and concern. Perry Rankin, 1905.

I sincerely wish to thank all who wrote to my aunt in the nursing home in Claremont, Calif. Her surgery has been postponed, because she had a cold, to a possible February date. She can hardly see but scribbled a little note to me to say how this (the) was to get your letters of encouragement. And for your prayers. If really gave her a bit to know there were those who were praying for her and loved enough to write. Please continue to remember her in your prayers. She is Nola M. Hopkins, El Acres Guest Home, 501 S. College, Claremont, Calif., 91711. Thank you, Daisy Mc.

Madeleine (Bansemer) Fiske of Santa Ana.

GLADEWATER, Tex. — Lona Irby, 80, a member of the Big Sandy church, died Feb. 2 after a long illness.

Mrs. Irby, a native of Kaufman, Tex., had been a longtime member of the Dallas, Tex., church before moving to this area.

MOOSOMIN, Sask. — Gertrude Harrison, 100, died in a hospital here Jan. 8. A member since 1959, she is survived by two nephews in Canada, Eric and Guy Stillborn, both living in Moosomin.

Mrs. Harrison was featured in an article in *The Worldwide News* of Sept. 23, 1976.



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I would like to extend my very deepest appreciation and love to everyone who has sent cards and letters and given their prayers for my baby, Warren Keith Franks. The doctors have him on a treatment that we are praying will prevent progressive disease from going further. So far he is responding well. Please keep praying. For I know that is all that will really help him. Stacy Franks, Box 113, Goddona, N.J., 71031.

I wish to give you my heartfelt thanks for all the cards and letters I have received since my special request in the WW. I do still have my suffering, which the doctors tell me, tension which affects my muscles throughout my body. So please, I do still need your prayers. I will do my best to answer all the letters, and I thank every one of you. Marlene Windebank, 177 Kirby Rd., Stone, Hartford, Kent, DAZ 6GH, England.

So many people have written and asked what our troubles were, as I am a victim of cancer, and wife Eula has had two heart attacks. What to thank everyone who has sent their cards and letters and prayers. Jesse and Mrs. Floyd, Rt. 2, Box 428, Ashcroft, N.C.

Would like to thank those who prayed for Mrs. Aline Ward (member's mother) and those who sent the beautiful cards and letters. I can't express how much they meant to her. She did not have the operation for gallstones because she hasn't had any more difficulty. It has been about six months since she was considering an operation. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace R. Patterson.

To all the brethren: We want to thank everyone from all over the world for your prayers for my father, Mr. Eddie F. Rapp. He is at home and attending services again. He appreciated the mail he received. Please continue your prayers that he will be able to keep attending services. Mrs. Frances Goodwin, Rt. 1, Box 314, Eastman, Ga., 31023.

Would like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude for all the cards and prayers on my behalf over the past months since my accident in the sawmill in February of 1976. I am now fully recovered in every way and am deeply appreciative of worldwide concern and recovery. Ben Craimean, Chillingham, New South Wales, Australia, 2484.

Thank you very much for your prayers and the many, many cards I received. I'm doing fine now and soon expect a clean bill of health from the doctor. Your concern meant so much. Jo Ellen Hoeker.

Wish to express sincere thanks to all who sent letters and beautiful cards of cheer and prayers for my dear husband, who is ill from emphysema. They brought tears of joy to my eyes to express his appreciation. He is improving some but prayers are still needed and appreciated immensely. Mrs. H.C. Eaton, 711 E. Bridgeport, Spokane, Wash., 99201.

Giving thanks to God and to our many brethren, known and unknown, for cards, letters, most of all your prayers, for my daughter, Jo Ann Rogers. Her conviction stands firm. And for my dear friend Whittington, I am much, much better. Continue to

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Local church news wrap-up



SOUND OF MUSIC— Teenage disc jockeys feature songs especially for the older set at a teen-sponsored social in Barrie, Ont. (See "Cross-Country Skiing," this page.)

Boy Scouts Sell Snacks

ANNISTON, Ala. — Brethren from the Anniston and Gadsden, Ala., churches gathered for a social Jan. 22. Activities began with a potluck supper, followed by a talent show. The boy scouts sold drinks and desserts.

Ginger Weaver and son David, who attend the Gadsden church, led the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner." R.L. Pace, master of ceremonies, told jokes, and Ted Butler's gang and other groups performed songs. Charles Stenmoe led the singing of "This Land Is Your Land." Mark Winner played a piano piece entitled "I Don't Know What the Name of It Is."

A square dance followed, with Bill Winner and the band providing the music. *Verna Faye Johnson.*

Cross-Country Skiing

BARRIE, Ont. — Members of all ages here participated in the fast-growing sport of cross-country skiing Jan. 16 at the Shanty Bay Country Club. Many of them had never attempted cross-country skiing before.

At noon the group gathered around a bonfire for hot chocolate.

Teens here sponsored a church social Dec. 25. The young people under the direction of Glen Lucas and Debbie Hope handled all responsibilities. They provided baby-sitting and entertained the school-age youngsters with movies, while inside the main auditorium music was served up by a teen disc jockey who featured songs especially for the older set.

The entertainment featured a fashion show of literal and straightforward designs, such as a plunging neckline complete with a bathroom plunger. Other items included tennis-racket shoes, a 10-carrot necklace and a box skirt.

The teens auctioned off baked goods to raise money for the teen fund, netting almost \$150. *Lawrence W. Greider.*

Revolutionary Artifacts

BINGHAMPTON, N.Y. — The Binghampton and Painted Post, N.Y., churches held a bicentennial semiformal dance in Ithaca, N.Y., at the Sheraton Inn Dec. 18. Several members came in Early American costumes to celebrate the event. Music for the dance was provided by Charlie Piscitello, member here, who was formerly a guitarist with Blood, Sweat and Tears and known as Charlie Starr.

Artifacts used during the Revolutionary War — flintlocks, powder horns, tomahawks, tin dinnerware, bullets and pouches — were displayed by a local collector, who also gave a lecture about clothing

worn by the frontiersmen and life in those times.

Dick and Linda Furney emceed an entertainment program with a Parisian revue and modern dances. Frank and Francine Race were chosen winners in the costume parade and were awarded a punch-bowl set.

A sing-along came next, and dancing lasted until the wee hours. Proceeds of the dance were donated to YOU. *Bob Forest.*

Prime-Rib Dinner

BOISE, Idaho — Diane Sower, hostess for the evening, opened the Women's Club here Jan. 8 at the Rodeway Inn with 31 attending. The ladies invited their husbands, sons or friends to the prime-rib dinner meeting that concluded the first year of the club.

Speakers were Linda Crabtree and Lynn Baehr, who presented ideas on how families can enjoy winter activities. Judy McGowan led a discussion session, and Jeff McGowan, pastor here, concluded the meeting with a talk about the purpose and what needs of a women's club and what its goals should be. *Aletea Paulson.*

Thunder Egg Fossickers

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — Twenty-three people from the Gold Coast church searched for thunder eggs, eggs boiled hard as rocks and laid down by a volcano ages ago in what is now Thunderbird Park, about 30 miles from here.

The park has long been the hunting

ground for thousands of fossickers searching for the remarkably patterned thunder eggs. For \$1 each, members were allowed to search and dig all day. Several paid the 12-cents-per-square-inch fee to have their specimens cut to determine if they had found good eggs. Thunder eggs have to be sawn in two to reveal the agate or crystal formations inside, if any. No one found his fortune, but most went home with a supply of thunder eggs, hoping that after they are cut at least one will have made the outing worthwhile. *David K. Noller.*

Abraham's Arcade

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Fun for all ages was the purpose of Abraham's Arcade, a carnival sponsored by the East church here Jan. 2. Booths such as Boaz's Bingo Bonanza, Delilah's Duckies, Solomon's Treasure, Daniel's Darts and the Capernaum Cakewalk brought smiles and squeals of delight.

Tickets sold for 5 cents each, with admission to all games except the cakewalk for one ticket. Participants appeased their appetites with sloppy joes, hamburgers, cookies and popcorn at Sarah's Kosher Korner. *Julia Palmer.*

Shrewd Vermont Farmer

CLEVELAND, Ohio — If the Bicentennial Talent Show had been a contest, judges would have been hard pressed to choose a winner from the array of talent displayed by members of the West church here at Gargus Hall Dec. 26.

The diversity of acts included a demonstration by the basketball cheerleaders, a drum solo by Rich Taylor, selections by the children's choir, an accordion medley by Carol Dute and a hula dance by Ann Rolco, Paula Powell and Marge Watson. A vocal rendition of "Tender Appleblossoms" by Sam Jenkins was a big hit, as was a clown pantomime presented by 12-year-old Teresa High.

Gladys Mardis performed a clarinet solo and later teamed up for a vocal duet with Renee Williams. George High gave a medley of tunes, including yodeling, with his guitar, and a female quartet performed with five vocalists: Julie, Jackie and Janet Pachinger, Dana Schmock and Sharon Westfall. For the final act Wilma Davidson regaled the audience with a telephone monologue entitled "After the Ball."

Hilarious dialogue ensued when emcee Tex Henderson was interrupted from time to time by a shrewd Vermont farmer named Obadiah (Dan Abbott). Disc jockey Carl Craven closed by leading cast and audience in the singing of "God Bless America."

Light refreshments were served under the direction of Al and Audrey Savina. Ron and Gladys Mardis were show coordinators, Ray Williams was promotion man, Bill Gardner was audio director and Eileen Craven was piano accompanist.

The Cleveland West YOU chapter held a meeting and activity in Elyria, Ohio, Jan. 16 at the home of coordinators Ron and Brenda Gus. The day began with the meeting, with President Dale Smith and Vice President Ronda Dute presiding, assisted by secretary Nalene Honess and treasurer Robert Gus. A coming youth day and the YOU bylaws were discussed, as well as Nalene's trip to Big Sandy for the recent international youth conference.

Afterwards, even below-zero temperatures could not spoil the fun of sledding and tobogganing at Cascade Park on a quarter-mile stretch of a 200-foot-high hill. Then everyone rambled back to the Guses' home for hot dogs, cookies and hot chocolate. The outing was aptly described as "thrilling and chilling." *Laverne J. Witting and Colleen Gus.*

New Format

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The second monthly meeting of the Ladies' Club here was Jan. 12 at the Plumbers' Union Hall. John Ritenbaugh, pastor, spoke to the group about the community's Voluntary Action Service and announced the club's officers: Karen Martin, president; Charlene Wheatley, vice president; Betty Mize, secretary; and Betty Baity, treasurer.

Future meetings will have a new format. Each member will come prepared to tell briefly about something she has read, viewed or experienced in the last month. Others will then add their opinions and comments about each subject mentioned. The purpose of these discussions will be to share knowledge and to learn each other's interests and ideas. *Karen Martin.*

Cribbage and Canasta

CONCORD, N.H. — Members here met at the Knights' of Columbus hall for a game night Dec. 25. Chess,

checkers, cribbage and canasta tournaments were held in addition to billiards, darts and other games. A door prize was given away. Snacks and drinks were provided. *Bruce Elder.*

Frosting on the Cake

DETROIT, Mich. — The East church here began Sabbath services Jan. 17 with the Toledo, Ohio, church choir performing special music.

After services the church here repaid the singers by inviting them to a dinner, social and talent show. The sit-down dinner of roast-beef sandwiches, coleslaw, potato chips and pie was served by the teenagers. The standing-in-line potluck dinner has given way here to this even more orderly and faster system.

The talent show put the frosting on the cake. The topper of the evening was the performance of pastor Reinhold "Shorty" Fuessel, who brought down the house with two popular trucking songs, "Phantom 103" and "Teddy Bear." *Keith Hillman.*

Wallabies and Wombats

DEVONPORT, Australia — Tasmanian teenagers squeezed the most activity they could from the last three days of 1976 with a hike and camp-out in the wild scrub Dec. 29 through 31. More than four hours of backpacking into the rugged Great Western Tiers and "Land of 3,000 Lakes" proved challenging, possibly more than anticipated, but all made it without dropping.

Kangaroos, wallabies, wombats, devils and tiger snakes were part and parcel of the trip, which ended with a camp-out on the shore of a quiet, never-visited trout lake. Hiking, shooting, fishing, dampers, a log fire and absolute solitude added up to a time of strenuous relaxation (if there is such a thing) and a welcome break from the mundane norm. *Kerry Gubb.*

Panel Discussion

EDMONTON, Alta. — The South church here was host for a panel discussion about juvenile crime Jan. 19.

The panelists were detective James Cummings, Youth Section, Edmonton City Police, who spoke about the type of crimes committed and apprehension; Henri Marsolais, community social worker here, who spoke on the function of the courts and the Family Social Service; and Robert Romito, treatment supervisor, Youth Detention Center for Alberta, who discussed detention and rehabilitation.

After the discussion by the (See WRAP-UP, page 13)



WILDERNESS JOURNEY — Teens from the Tasmanian churches in Australia pose for a group shot before leaving their campsite on the shores of a secluded lake. The adventurers who made the three-day backpacking trip are, from left, John Klassek, Eric Klassek, Christine Klassek, David

Evans (hidden), Stephen Odell, Katrina Banham, Grant Pearce, Melanie Pearce, Phillip Hopwood, Cheryl Holtum, Lloyd Holtum, Barry Williams, Kelsey Pearson, Kerry Gubb, Jamie Banham and Geoffrey Gubb. (See "Wallabies and Wombats," this page.) (Photo by Stephen Odell)



SONGS OF THE ROAD — Reinhold "Shorty" Fuessel, pastor, sings popular trucking songs at a Detroit East talent show. He is backed up by, from left, James Davis, Keith Hillman and Robert Schaefer, musicians from the Detroit churches. (See "Frosting on the Cake," page 12.) (Photo by Rondal C. Mullins)

Wrap-up

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panelists explaining their specific roles, Will Wooster, minister here, opened the question-and-answer period. *Benson H. Ziviski.*

January Inventory

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Sixteen people from the church here volunteered to do inventory for a Greensboro department store Jan. 3 to raise money for the Work. After the day's task was completed a check for \$301.90 was issued to the Worldwide Church of God and forwarded to headquarters. The store's personnel manager was pleased with the performance of the members and asked them to return next year.

The first meeting of the Women's Club here was Jan. 9 at the home of pastor Bob League, with about 90 women attending.

Mr. League, club director, spoke about putting the club in its right perspective in relation to the Work and the Church. Faye League, club coordinator and adviser, then explained the purposes and format of the club. Its two main purposes are to be a service to the Work, the Church and the community and to improve the members so that they can help others more effectively.

The format of the club will be flexible, with several types of meetings. Guest speakers will give lectures or members will present talents or project demonstrations, working alone or in groups of two to four people. The club also plans to become involved in community projects. *Paige Reid and Faye League.*

Short Night's Sleep

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — The YWCA building here served a triple purpose for youth day Jan. 8, beginning with the Sabbath services. Teens assisted during services with ushering, taking attendance, handing out hymnals, parking, coffee service, piano playing and cleanup. The YOU representative who attended the recent international youth conference in Big Sandy spoke on what he learned there.

A formal dinner, with teen girls serving as waitresses and hostesses, was a fund-raising project for YOU that evening.

Afterwards all enjoyed a rousing basketball game against the Meridian, Miss., team. Hattiesburg lost, but spirits picked up as 23 teens trooped to the YOU coordinators' home for refreshments, a rap session about the youth conference and a short night's sleep.

The next day was filled with basketball, cheerleading and volleyball practice at the YWCA. *Ann Odum.*

Workingman's Social

HAYS, Kan. — Everyone wore

the clothes that he normally wore at his job for a church social here Jan. 2.

YOU members operated a concession stand selling cookies and cakes provided by the teens and pop purchased at discount prices by John Lueke. The brethren contributed items for a YOU white-elephant sale. The fund-raising projects brought in \$257, of which \$25 was sent to headquarters and \$25 was given to the church fund, leaving \$207 for YOU.

A rope-the-steer contest gave participants three tries for a quarter to rope a plastic steer head stuck on a hay bale. Anyone who roped the steer all three times received a free glass of pop.

At a box supper that evening, boys bought the girls' boxes and the adults bought each other's boxes. The Charlie Hensons paid \$100 for the highest-selling box, made by Marvin Leiker. Everyone brought his baby picture for a contest, with all trying to identify the pictures. Mrs. Gordon Wheatcroft was the winner, correctly naming 25 of the 46 pictures. Those attending also brought their craft and hobby projects for others to see.

The last event of the evening was a dance to the music of the Jolly Mixers.

The officers of the YOU chapter here are Joyce Henson, president; John Lueke, vice president; Joyce Case, secretary; Steve Schemm, treasurer; Jim Daniels, reporter; and Brad Tuttle, YOU coordinator. *Jim Daniels.*

Belated Celebration

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Some 260 members gathered at the Atkinson Hotel to celebrate the 14th anniversary of the church here with a semiformal dinner dance. The church was begun in September, 1962, but circumstances forced the delay of the celebration.

In attendance were Vernon Hargrove, pastor here; Burk McNair, Dennis Pyle and Don Lawson, all previously pastors here; Ed Smith, Cincinnati pastor; Garvin Greene, former ministerial trainee here and now pastor of the Anderson and Richmond, Ind., churches; and members of several nearby churches that previously attended here.

Door prizes were awarded during intermission, a skit was presented by several members and a history of the Indianapolis congregation was presented, with printed copies distributed to those attending. A band provided music for dancing. *George Dellinger.*

Basketball Bombers

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Another game, another win. That seems to be the name of the game for the Kansas City East Bombers basketball team. The Bombers' season record now stands at 6-0, after defeating Grand Island, Neb., 67-45 and 78-61 Dec. 26. With the addition of three new players and constant practice of the

entire team, "the Bombers are the best they've ever been," says coach Richard DeBerry.

Contributing greatly in the team's victories are Dwayne Barnes' 28-point average and the 15-point averages of Mike Leipard, Bo Gregory and Lonnie Monneyham. In addition are the rebounding talents of Bruce Gregg, Bryon Kendrick and Gary Gregg and the defensive talents of Tris Anderson and Bill "Pistol" Kendrick.

The Bombers placed eighth in the national YOU competition last year. *Linda DeBerry.*

Family Movie Night

KENAI, Alaska — The Kenai church choir, a part of the Alaskan Festival choir, held a family movie night Dec. 18 to raise funds to buy equipment for a better speaker system to be used during the Feast seasons.

Refreshments were sold by choir members, with teens selling pop for the youth fund.

Don Webster, Alaskan choir director, said the movie night was successful. *Joan Ellington.*

Two-Horse Open Sleigh

KINGSTON, Ont. — Twenty Kingston and Smith's Falls, Ont., teenagers enjoyed Dec. 25 and 26 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Storey, deacon and deaconess. Activities began with a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, followed by a chocolate fondue with fruit, marshmallows and cake to dip and games for everyone.

The next morning, after a breakfast of pancakes and sausages, all went ice skating.

That afternoon the Storeys' neighbor hitched his team of Percheron draft horses to an open sleigh and took the gang for a rollicking ride through woods and fields. Hot chocolate was served as everyone warmed up and dried off around the fireplace.

An early dinner of spaghetti and meatballs and pie completed the day, with parents picking the teens up at 4:30. *Carolyn Gosse.*

Cold Cash

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Seventy-three members of the congregation here braved near-zero weather Jan. 16 to participate in a department store's semiannual inventory. The members put in 426 man-hours of work, earning nearly \$1,000 in the fund-raising effort, part of which will be donated to the Work.

This was the third time that a group here has been involved in the inventory, and, based on a job well done last year, the group was assigned to sections of the store that needed to be done quickly and accurately.

The next inventory will be in July. *John Bass.*

Men's Cake Competition

MIDLAND, Mich. — The brethren from the Midland and Gaylord, Mich., churches met Jan. 15 for a spaghetti dinner sponsored by the graduates' Spokesman Club. The ladies had the day off while the men did all the cooking.

Each man also brought an item he had baked for a bake sale. After the judges had tasted all the entries and reached a decision, an auction took place with pastor Gerald Weston as auctioneer. First prize, a chef's cap, was won by Dick Johnson, who had made a three-layer cake with black, sweet cherries and whipped cream, decorated with a smiling face. Wilbert McGeorge won second with his popcorn cake full of gumdrops and nuts. Duane Ledy took third with his raw-apple cake. Ray Griffie received honorable mention for his cake, which was shaped like a large golf ball on a tee on the 19th hole. The auction brought in over \$100, with the winning cake

selling for \$13.

The cakes were eaten for dessert after everyone had filled up on spaghetti, garlic bread, tossed salad and beverages. Some of the men braved the freezing cold for an hour of playing football, while the women and children ice skated or played table games. *Betty Tomich.*

Plant Lovers Brave Cold

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — A cold and snowy evening did not stop the flower and plant lovers of the Women's Club here from attending their meeting Dec. 29. The topic of interest was flower gardening and indoor houseplants. Speaker for the evening was Amy O'Herrin, a club member, manager of Williamsburg Flower Shop in Brookfield, Wis., and a graduate of Gateway Technical Institute with a degree in horticultural marketing.

Her talk emphasized organization of a flower garden with varieties, colors and requirements in mind and the needs and care of houseplants. She also brought examples of houseplants and sold them to eager customers after the meeting.

Mrs. O'Herrin's popular subject opened the meeting to many helpful comments and questions from the women. *Pat Kuczynski.*

20-Game Schedule

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Eleven churches from four states participated in the fourth annual Twin Cities Invitational Basketball Tournament in nearby Cottage Grove, Minn., Dec. 23, 24 and 26. Eight men's teams and six women's teams competed in the 20-game schedule.

Minneapolis won the men's division with an 81-77 victory over hot-shooting Des Moines, Iowa. Superior rebounding and 41 points from the tournament's most-valuable player, Randy McIver, overcame Des Moines' 74 percent shooting and Devin Downing's 37 points.

Third place went to St. Paul, Minn., with a 66-57 victory over Milwaukee, Wis. Wausau-Appleton, Wis., edged Bismarck, N.D., 82-78 for the consolation trophy. Rochester-Fairmont, Minn., squeaked by Duluth, Minn., for seventh, 51-49.

In the women's division Des Moines captured first place for the second straight year by easily defeating Fargo, N.D., 51-25. Joan Lemkuhl led the winners with 34 points and was chosen most-valuable player. Tina Huffman paced Fargo with 16 points.

Minneapolis got by crosstown rival St. Paul for the women's third-place trophy, 37-32, and Eau Claire, Wis., nipped Rochester-Fairmont 28-24 for consolation honors.

Team sportsmanship plaques were presented to the Minneapolis men and the Des Moines women.

What do a chicken, a gypsy, Steve Austin, a mummy, a robot, a cowboy, a clown, a pig, an Indian princess, a tiger and a fairy have in common? They all attended a costume party for the Minneapolis North church's children's choir Dec. 27 at the home of director Jean Cline.

First place for the most original costume went to Tommy Smiley, 5, the choir's youngest member. Games were played, including a race by two teams to stuff balloons into long Johns worn by two of the mothers. After a potluck supper children decorated their cupcakes with candy faces.

The choir sang "Sabbath Prayer" and "Somebody Bigger Than You and I" at services Jan. 8. *Dick Ziminski and Jean Cline.*

Wild Duckeroo

MISSOULA, Mont. — Western hospitality was at its best Dec. 26, when the Missoula and Kalispell, Mont., churches met at Charlo, Mont., near Flathead Lake, for the annual Wild Duckeroo. About 110 people attended the event, including visiting ministerial trainee Randall Stiver and his wife Linda, who traveled from Great Falls, Mont.

The western meal featured wild duck as the main dish.

Following the meal, a cakewalk raised money for the YOU chapter here and helped settle the food. Then came volleyball, after which members took time out for an hour of square dancing.

Concluding the day's events was the annual Missoula and Kalispell basketball game, with Missoula coming out on top, 31-30.

Mr. and Mrs. David Steindorf were instrumental in planning and organizing the event and also provided the majority of the wild ducks. *Rick Baumgartner.*

Wagon-Wheel Chandelier

MONROE, La. — Calls of "Swing your partner and promenade" filled the air here Jan. 8 as the church held its annual square dance. Bales of hay, plow tools and other country relics were brought in to set the scene. Decorations were topped off with a big wagon wheel and kerosine lanterns made into a chandelier.

A variety show kicked off the action, with a band and singers. Then the dancing began, presided over by a professional square-dance caller imported from Arkansas.

As a drawing card and attendance booster, there was a door-prize drawing and cash prizes for best country and western wear in adult and youth age groups. *Nick Rogers.*

Veselo Kolo Dancers

MONTEREY, Calif. — The church here was host for an International Social at the Salinas Women's Club Jan. 1, where brethren sampled (See **WRAP-UP**, page 14)



TWIN CITIES WINNERS — The happy Minneapolis basketball team and cheerleaders display their trophies after winning the Twin Cities Invitational Tournament. (See "20-Game Schedule," this page.) (Photo by Karen Ziminski)

Wrap-up

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international cookery served buffet style.

European and Israeli folk dances were performed by the Veselo Kolo Dancers, a group of Ambassador College students and Pasadena-area members. The group, whose name means happy-circle dancers, was formed about three years ago to promote international dancing and cultural exchange. Its membership consists of young men and women from Greece, Germany, Malaysia, Canada and the United States. They have performed for many groups including shut-ins at convalescent hospitals. They performed at Lahaina Civic Center in Hawaii during the 1976 Feast of Tabernacles.

Following their performance, the dancers urged the congregation to join in and learn to do a few of the less-complicated dances. *Suzanne Barrett.*

Lucky Strikes

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — "Do you know a drug abuser?" This question was asked by Lieutenant Charles Stoner, former member of the Nashville Metro Vice Squad, as he spoke before a breakfast meeting of the Ladies' Club here Jan. 16, with about 60 members attending. Lieutenant Stoner has been in police work for 23 years, but now only lectures.

At the beginning of the program, Lieutenant Stoner lighted something in a tray, let it smoke for a while, then asked, "Has anyone experienced the odor of marijuana?" Several raised their hands. However, near the end of the program he repeated the question, stating: "We've had breakfast, but we might not have dinner after I tell you what was burning. It was horse manure and alfalfa." He explained that the mixture smells similar to marijuana.

He discussed how parents could determine if their children were on drugs, but said he had never had to deal with drug abuse in homes where the children had a "strong religious background."

The Nashville church's Mixed League concluded play at Hendersonville Bowl Jan. 16 after 14 weeks and 43 games.

Trophies were presented during the annual winter social Jan. 22. League champions were the Lucky Strikes: Larry Hunt, Sue Rutledge and David and Sandra Duncan. The Lucky Strikes and the Three-Legged Chickens were tied for first place and bowled each other on the final night, with the Strikes winning four for first place.

Individual honors went to Larry Hunt for his 165 average and Annie Way with the women's high average of 140.

Bobby Spicher and his band provided dancing music at the social. *Everett Corbin.*

Planning Session

PASADENA — To begin the new term of the Ambassador Women's Association here, a get-acquainted meeting was held Jan. 19 with all headquarters women invited to attend. Future activities were discussed at the planning session, all aimed to help fulfill the goals of the club: fun, fellowship, talent development and home and community service.

Appointed for the term, President Linnea Haas is backed up by Vice President Linda Case, secretary Debbie Sakach, treasurer Lee Jo Dykstra and several committee chairmen. Dale Hampton is the club's director.

Activities during the past six months, under the leadership of Sandy Nelson, past president, included projects to aid both a nursing home and a children's home, as well as a number of social events that pro-

vided fun and funds. The club donated \$1,140 to help finance Sabbath schools for the headquarters churches.

Lectures were given by guest speakers on the history of the telephone, personality development, setting goals and priorities, being a hostess, interior decorating and wise buying.

Subjects planned for lectures this term include ways and means of planning one's future, care of plants, rearing children with respect, and self-improvement. *Valerie Brown.*

Little Bo Peep

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo. — Jim Estes, president of the YOU chapter here, presented a report to the congregation Jan. 8 on the recent international youth conference at Big Sandy.

The first social of the season was enjoyed by 100 brethren here Jan. 22. Musical entertainment was provided by Eunice Swinson, Clara Bowers and Veda Waller. Juanita Stevenson played the guitar, accompanied by pastor John Cafourek on his concertina.

A mock fashion show had everyone in stitches, with Sue Grace as master of ceremonies. Mrs. Rynekey modeled bell-bottoms with bells, Beth Estes modeled a grass skirt, Pat Grace displayed the conventional office shirt, and Devona Kinder braved the crowd to model hot pants. Mae Estes concluded the showing with an inexpensive sack dress made from a sack.

After everyone composed himself, Margaret Franz presented a dramatic reading, Esther Brooks recited a sketch, and Jerry Potillo did a humorous rendition of "Little Bo Peep" as viewed from the pulpit, with Ed Kinder, James Barker and Roger Franz supplying solemn amens.

Door prizes were awarded to Mildred Rischer, David Grace and Bob Sanders. A quilt from the Women's Club was raffled off, with Mr. Backfisch, who attends the church in Cape Girardeau, Mo., winning. Dancing and refreshments concluded the social. *Linda Arnold.*

Home Decorating

ROCKFORD, Ill. — The Women's Club Alliance of the AICF met at the home of Mrs. Nick Mazanowicz Jan. 13. Judy Ratliff of the House of Lindberg presented the program, explaining the fine points of home decorating.

Officers were selected: Mitchell Knapp, director; Ruth Knapp, president; Mona Mazanowicz, vice president; Elizabeth Swiheart, secretary; Linda Falzone, treasurer; and Mary Dyer, historian.

The Alliance will meet at the home of Mrs. Mazanowicz Feb. 3 and will deal with the subject of crime and rape prevention for women. *Mary Dyer.*

Public Bible Lecture

ROME, Ga. — "What's Your Part in God's Master Plan?" was the title of a public Bible lecture in Calhoun, Ga., Jan. 10 and 11. The lecture, given by associate pastor Mike Booze, was the first of a series of lectures to be given in the surrounding counties.

A letter from headquarters was sent to Plain Truth subscribers inviting them to the lecture, and ads were run in newspapers inviting the public. Total attendance for the two nights was 59, which included 12 visitors and the rest members.

Mr. Booze said he felt the lecture was a success and that the 12 visitors met the goal he had hoped for. *William Richardson.*

Seven-Course Meal

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The Women's Club here had 28 women attend its formal dinner Jan. 18 in the Ballantrac Apartments party room. Hostess Joanne Zutz explained the

hows and whys of eating a formal dinner as each of the seven courses was served by hostesses Dawn Guth, Kathy Hoffart and Janice Howie. The meal was planned and organized by Cheryl Jahns and prepared by all five hostesses. Prime ribs of beef, Yorkshire pudding and peas made up the main course.

A gift was given to guest of honor Polly Edington, who will be moving back to Michigan at the end of January. *Nancy Litz.*

Mama Did the Hustle

SALEM, Ore. — Mama did the hustle at the You-Learn-It Disco Dance sponsored by the Women's Club here Jan. 8. The idea behind the dance was to provide music to please all ages and to have each age group teach the dances of its era. Dances ranged from the waltz and polka to the hustle and moon walk.

Chris Anderson was disc jockey, providing music and a good laugh now and then. *Regina K. Kuipers.*

Sporting Activities

SASKATOON, Sask. — The church here invited hockey, volleyball and basketball teams from Edmonton, Alta., and Tisdale and Prince Albert, Sask., to participate in sporting activities Dec. 25 and 26.

Edmonton won most of the games. In spite of their losses the other teams maintained good spirits by attending a teen disco dance Sunday night. James Ridgway and Rob Glendening provided the music. *Colin Ward and Karen Will.*

Jupiter's Moons

SONOMA, Calif. — The Santa Rosa and Fairfield, Calif., churches held their first session of Sabbath school during combined services at the Veterans' Memorial Auditorium here Jan. 8. Sabbath school will be the second Sabbath of the month, when the churches meet for combined services at this location.

Coordinator Ron Wheeler is assisted by many people, including two professional teachers, Ann Hennehan and Darrell Watkins.

The school is divided into three groups: preschool, ages 3 to 5, coordinated by Geraldine Nielsen; first through third grades, coordinated by Barbara Wheeler; and fourth through sixth grades, coordinated by Bob Sturm.

All classes covered the first and second days of creation. The sessions are 30 minutes long, with a break for refreshments. A special attraction for the youngsters was peering through a powerful telescope brought by Stephen Gregg, through which the moons of Jupiter were observed.

Ed Matuzey, pastor of the two churches, was pleased with the first session and is hoping the school can be expanded to include the older children.

Hal Baird, pastor of the Palo Alto, Calif., church, delivered the sermon. Brethren met and welcomed Mrs. Baird, the former Louise Morgan.

Brethren of both churches observed the seventh anniversary of the Santa Rosa church and the fifth anniversary of the Fairfield church Jan. 8 at a social here.

A candlelight dinner was followed by a dance, with music furnished by Bill Tuck and other musicians. Guests were entertained by a magician performing sleight-of-hand tricks.

Tapes were sent by Charles Scott, a previous pastor of the two churches, and Tony Hammer, former district superintendent for this area. A special edition of the churches' newsletter, *The North Bay News*, was published, giving the history of the two churches and pictures of members and former ministers and their families who have served this area. *Geraldine Nielson and Bill Lund.*

Men's and Ladies' Club

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — The

first meeting of the newly formed Men's and Ladies' Breakfast Club was at Bonanza Steak House in West Springfield Jan. 16, with about 30 people attending. After breakfast was served, a detailed discussion about the new club was led by Harry Schaefer, associate pastor here.

The idea for the club was received from Robert Bragg, pastor of the Allentown, Pa., church. A consideration of the equal talents and abilities of both men and women was used as a basis in forming the new organization. It will replace the previously separate Spokesman and Ladies' clubs.

The monthly meetings will include breakfast, a presentation of two or three speeches and an open forum about the topics discussed. *Richard D. Beltz.*

'50s Revisited

SUDBURY, Ont. — It was reminiscing time here Jan. 15 as the church turned back the clock to the decade of the 1950s. With eye-appealing baked goods on display for sale, the mood of the social was set. The sale netted a record \$303.35.

Dressed in leather jacket, dark glasses, Levis and captain's cap, emcee Dennis Schmucker introduced a cool-looking Sudbury band, who delighted the brethren with musical memories of the '50s.

A dance marathon to taped music of that era was competed in by no less than 23 couples. It lasted one hour, with few dropping out. Eventually Jim Stubbs and his partner, Chris Uhlig, were declared the winners. *Carl Lynch.*

Over-40 Club

TAMPA, Fla. — Thirty-four members of the Over-40 Club met at Dr. and Mrs. Don E. Ward's home for potluck salad and dessert.

After lunch local elder William Starling of the St. Petersburg church read to the group from an article by Herbert W. Armstrong in the Dec. 29 issue of *The Bulletin*. Following was a tape of an AICF-sponsored seminar on marriage and compatibility by Art Molarow, director of the Human Potential Center of the AICF. It was followed by a Bible study and discussion. *Ellen Rego.*

Hockey Spectacular

TORONTO, Ont. — The first annual hockey tournament here got under way Jan. 2 at the Thornhill Arena. Teams got up before breakfast to make their way to the rink by 8 a.m., to begin the five-hour hockey spectacular. Forty-nine players from Hamilton, Kitchener and Ottawa, Ont., and Montreal, Que., converged here for the action-packed series.

The games were refereed by Roy Cunningham, Stuart Brown and Jerry Brown, all of Toronto.

The championship game pitted rivals Montreal and Toronto, with Toronto coming out on top, 3-1.

The top scorer, with 4 goals and 1 assist, was Bill Rabey, Montreal pastor. Other ministers playing were Bob Berendt, Ottawa pastor; Leo Van Pelt, Kitchener associate pastor; and

Doug Smith, Toronto pastor. *Brian Shemilt and Judy Faulkner.*

Baby-Bottle Mugs

TULSA, Okla. — A deacons' beer-drinking race was a high point of a square dance and family get-together Jan. 16, with the Women's Club here sponsoring the event.

Six deacons and elders were enticed and slightly coerced to participate in a beer-drinking race. Facing the audience, the contestants were told to turn and grab their mugs. They turned and found the mugs were baby bottles equipped with new nipples. The goal was in sight and the method was obvious, but it was harder than it looked. Jax Britton drained his bottle first and won the prize, his choice at the bar, where the ladies were selling soft drinks, cookies and sandwiches.

A balloon stomp for those 12 and under had youngsters trying to step on and break others' balloons while keeping their own intact. Shelly Britton was declared champion balloon stomper.

Cakewalks, door prizes and past-the-Lifesaver-with-a-toothpick were other events enjoyed, as well as the square dancing and fellowship. *Sandra Hinman.*

Aquatic Program

WASHINGTON — The Itchuknee River of northern Florida flows into a jug-shaped natural faucet and forces 600 million gallons of 70-degree spring water up the neck and out of the 10-foot diameter mouth every day. YOU divers here explored the spring, called Jug Spring, on a diving and canoeing trip to northern Florida Dec. 23 to 31.

The trip was conceived last summer when Randy Dick, then associate pastor here and YOU regional director, set up an aquatic program, a mini-SEP, for all interested youth. C.C. Williams, coordinator and instructor for the trip and certified by the National Association of Underwater Instructors, taught the teens scuba and skin diving.

Nineteen adventurers made the trip: Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Dee, Matt, Sunnie and Kelly; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kessner; Jeff and Karen; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Salyer, Lisa, Jeff and Julie, Sherry and Monty Williams; Lisa Coleman; and Marietta Duray. Four other YOU members qualified but were unable to make the trip: John and Stephanie Finlay, Mark Williams and Steve Kessner.

Each of the eight YOU members paid only \$30 for the trip, because of a Spokesman Club donation of \$200. The cost was "considerably more for the families," commented Mr. Williams.

Part of the crew drove two vans and a pickup truck to Florida. Once in Florida they stayed overnight with the Dicks, who had recently been transferred to pastor the Jacksonville church. The next day they camped at O'Leno State Park, on the Santa Fe River. The Sabbath was Dec. 25, so Mr. Salyer, pastor here, fielded questions from the youths about Christmas.

Sunday featured a 12-mile canoe (See WRAP-UP, page 15)



WINNING TEAM — The Toronto Tontos were the victors of a five-hour hockey tournament Jan. 2 against four other Canadian teams. (See "Hockey Spectacular," this page.) [Photo by Richard Furkun]



WATER WOMAN — Karen Kessner snorkles in Ginny Spring of the Santa Fe River in northern Florida. She was with a group of YOU members and parents who traveled to Florida from Washington, D.C., in December for the snorkeling adventure. (See "Aquatic Program," page 14.)

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trip down the Santa Fe to a waiting pickup truck. Next day the group returned to Ginny Spring for the 150-foot cave dive. Mr. Salyer, after a brief instruction period, made his first scuba dive there.

Besides diving Jug Spring on Tuesday, the group stopped at Itchuknee Spring, where the river bubbles 20 million gallons a day out of the ground.

Wednesday, the adventurers canoe and snorkled 3½ miles of the Itchuknee River. While snorkeling a game of follow-the-leader, Marietta confronted a three-foot catfish, but Monty rescued her by swimming after it with a knife.

The adventurers reluctantly broke camp Thursday. Mrs. Kessner guessed that she cooked 1,000 pancakes during the trip for the hungry campers.

A long-running Monopoly game ended in a tie, according to one grinning and biased source. *Robert Curry.*

Public Drawing

WATERTOWN, S.D. — The public drawing for the quilt made by the Worldwide Church of God Women (WWW) was Dec. 31 at the House of Fabrics, where Margaret Bailey, manager of the shop, did the drawing. JoAnn Braun of Webster, S.D., was the winner.

The \$500 goal set by the women was exceeded by 50 cents, bringing the total gained to \$500.50. After sending a tithe and tithing an offering to headquarters, pastor Art Dyer said the remainder of the money will be used for activities here.

Prizes were awarded for top sales to LaVonne Schafer, Frieda Tupper, Viola Bitz, Janice Spieker, Marie Beebe, Peggy Wangness, Elaine Nelson, Marie Skorseth, Linda Dyer, Laura Thompson, Julie Hoffman and Margie Cook.

The church here participated in its first Action Day Jan. 15, organized by Tom Hoffman, chairman of social events. After Sabbath services, in minus-20-degree temperatures, members divided into three groups and visited Jenkins Nursing Home, Methodist Nursing Home (where the people expected Mr. Dyer to conduct church services), and the Kampeska Home for the Retarded.

After returning to the meeting hall, a covered-dish meal was served. The evening was spent playing bingo, while the youngsters went roller skating. *Frieda B. Tupper.*

Bogie Fever

WHEELING, W. Va. — Teens here boogied to the sounds of the latest hits Dec. 26, with the help of a disc jockey.

The theme was black and white, which meant that all the decorations were black and white. But to make it unusual, Sandy Lazear, head of the decorations committee, made black everything that is usually white, and vice versa. This created an odd, but interesting, atmosphere. *Melody Gable.*

Little Big Horn

WINDSOR, Ont. — About 60 residents of the University Rest Home here were treated to a variety show by members of the Windsor congregation Jan. 8. The audience was treated to vocal and instrumental music by Mike and Carol Greaves, Jim and John Paterson, Len Brown, and a children's trio called The Bondy Bunch. Other performances included a magic act by Jim Paterson, an original poetic recitation by Darlene Parks and a skit entitled "If I Were Not a Teenager" by four of the teens.

An impromptu sing-along was accompanied by guest performers Frank and Rock Ciccone on guitar and accordion.

Following the program, refreshments were served by the young people.

The evening concluded with a pizza party for the cast and their families at the home of pastor Tom Ecker.

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view. *Leslie A. Turvey and Rita Jar-dim.*

Bowling Leagues

WICHITA, Kan. — Every Wednesday morning church women here gather at a bowling center for a game of bowling. Sometimes they have an early-morning coffee hour, with everyone bringing cakes, cookies or rolls. The women started the league in the fall of 1975 with 18 members, but now the number has increased to 30. Most of the women had never bowled before and took advantage of the free lessons offered through the bowling center.

Three elderly members have joined the league: Agnes Anderson, 69; Ellen Hatten, 81; and Innes Gordon, 66. Even though they had never bowled before, they are making up for lost time with excellent bowling averages.

Officers are elected each season. Current officers are Vera Murphy, president; Judy Allen, vice president; Faith Stuber, secretary; and Roma Tennison, sergeant at arms.

In addition to the women's league are two Monday-night mixed leagues. During the summer, children 5 years and older learn to bowl and have their own league.

At a banquet at the end of the season, patches and trophies are awarded for high series, high games, most-improved, and first-, second- and last-place teams.

The Woman's Club here met at the Ramada Inn Jan. 14 with Mrs. Jerold Aust presiding.

The women discussed Deborah, this month's "woman of the Bible." Next month's featured woman will be Mary, mother of Jesus.

With a display of plants before her, Sarah Albertson, owner of Daisy Power, a Wichita plant store, gave a lecture about soil, food, lighting, humidity and water for plants.

The February meeting will feature a spring fashion show. *Roma Tennison and Gail Hubbell.*

Balloons at the Ball

WIMBLEDON, England — Members came from several nearby churches to dance to the music of the Bernard Desroy Trio at the church ball here Jan. 8. Dances included the cha-cha, the quickstep, the twist, the conga and gay Gordons.

Food and drinks were available at a buffet. Entertainment was compered by Geoffrey Stilwell, who also joined Brian Fields in a comedy skit and sang "Cabaret."

Kenneth Whitten conducted the Orgington singers, who sang "Spanish Eyes" and "More," accompanied on the guitar by David



SWINGING FROM A STAR — The Bondy Bunch, Jerry, Matthew and Greg, entertain residents of a rest home Jan. 8 with a song as Jim Paterson, left, accompanies. (See "Little Big Horn," this page.) [Photo by Les Turvey]

Jardine. This was preceded by a vocal solo, "Summertime," by Julie Irwin. As a contrast, Alan Pleasance gave a trumpet rendition of "The Shadow of Your Smile," followed by Eileen Clayton playing "I'm Getting Sentimental Over You" on the electric organ.

The church's chorale presented several numbers, and Sue Fenchel sang "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?," accompanied by Julian Martin on the piano.

Prizes were awarded to winners of an elimination dance, and at one point during the evening, balloons floated down over the dancers. *David Gomm.*

Cold Costumes

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — With the chill factor outside at minus-60 degrees, brethren here gathered at the Pointview Ballroom for a winter dance Jan. 21.

Members came in costumes. Steve Roberts came dressed as the Pillsbury doughboy and captured two prizes, one for the best costume for

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 pray, please, for us both. Address: 3217 Ashland Ave., Knoxville, Tenn., 37914.

THANK-YOUs

To Sandra Jacobson, Houston North congregation: I would like to say to Sandra that I was simply overwhelmed for your answering as readily to my requests for help. I am praying that all will work well and we will see each other face to face and I will tell you then how much I thank you all. *Margie Martin, Jamaica.*

Although it seems my natural mother is not a member of God's Church, the response to my ad inquiring of her whereabouts filled me with much joy and thanksgiving. For surely are Jesus' words fulfilled (Mark 1:29, 30) when He promises mothers "an hundredfold" to those who follow Him. *Dennis Emico.*

Who is the member living at 4710 Willowbrook Dr., Corpus Christi, Tex.? First I want to thank him profusely for the seven back issues of Reader's Digest he sent me. Unfortunately the package was received here with the wrapper so much torn on road that his name, zip code, etc., had been completely effaced. Would he please write me a letter giving his name and address in full as I can bank and communicate with him directly? *Mr. A. Bashiru, Box 2073, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.*

I thank all of you very much for your kind thoughts and prayers. May God bless you all. I will try to get all of you I have written. *Alice M. Marlow, 2419 22nd Ave., San Francisco, Calif., 94116.*

I want to give a special thank to whomever sent my puzzle to me. I was so very happy to receive it and I have taken a load off my mind. *Sandra Little, Ripley, N.Y.*

LITERATURE

I would like to receive Vols. 1 and 2 of *Compendium*, if available, all costs reimbursed. Also a copy of Nov. 1, 1975, PT, featuring HWA's article "Christianity, a Growth Process." *Frank Henderson, 8 Roseburn Place, Pakuranga, Auckland, New Zealand.*

In search of Dr. Hoel's *Compendium*, Vol. I and II, of *A True Story of the True Church*, by Dugger and Dodd, and Vol. III to VI of *The Bible Story*. Will be a great pleasure if I receive it from member, O.T. Nathaniel, 27 Cameron Rd., ABA, Ibo State, Nigeria.

I want and need all volumes of *The Bible Story*, by Basil Wolverton, printed in 1962. Mine were destroyed by vandals. M. Gibbs, 341 NE 58th St., Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 33334. Will happily refund postage.

Members with grown children: Will you share your six-volume set of *The Bible Story*, by Basil Wolverton, with my small children? We'd pay postage. *Mrs. Thomas M. Arnold, Rt. 5, Box 29K, Wilmington, N.C., 28401.*

Spokesman Club manuals are out of print indefinitely. Anyone willing to donate their copy to the Syracuse Spokesman Club, please write Herold Maybury, Star Route, Strong Rd., Freeie, N.Y., 13141.

When I was at lesson 52 the Correspondence Course was revised. Would be grateful if anyone would send me his extra copies of lessons 53 to 66. Those without extra copies may photocopy and mail post-free to Mr. A. Bashiru, Box 2073, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.

Urgently need good Russian-English and English-Russian dictionary in one or two volumes or info on where to get one. Will any member anywhere please help? Russian grammar books not needed. *Mr. A. Bashiru, Box 2073, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.*

For the second time I am placing an ad requesting Vols. I and II of Dr. Hoel's *Compendium* either on a loan-and-return basis or on a complimentary, non-return basis. I hope this time someone will come to my aid. *Mr. A. Bashiru, Box 2073, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.*

I do not have the GN issues of the following years: 1953 to 1956; 1958; 1960; 1963 to 1967. To complete my home library of the Church's publications I would appreciate receiving any back issues of these years. *Mr. A. Bashiru, Box 2073, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.*

Wanted: any issue of *Co-Worker Newsletter*, *Church of God News*, *Portfolio*, *News of the Oregon Churches* and/or any other local-church newspapers; PT prior to '57; GN prior to '60; old lessons 49 to 66; *Bible Story*, Vols. I to IV; booklets on makeup, Masonry, Protestant Reformation. Duplicates will be passed on. *Kristian Kristensen, Box 705, DK-5000 Odense, Denmark. If -anted, will reimburse postage, but write first.*

Request for the book *Man of Steel and Velvet*, by

children under 12, and the other for the best likeness. Theresa Henry, who came as a midget in a box, was judged as having the most-original idea. The geisha girl, Mary Jorza, was awarded a prize for the best adult costume while the prize for the most humorous costumes went to pastor Eugene Noel and his wife Jan, as the overstudied Mr. and Mrs. Frosty the Snowman.

Other awards were won by Ian and Kelly Lamon, who came as a bicentennial family, and Amy Norris, who won the best-group prize. Linda Morris and Leslie Fiebigler came as Big Bird and a friend and won the teenager prize.

Entertainment was provided by a professional band, The Gentlemen's Court. Children were amused by carnival games constructed by some of the members.

The decorations followed a circus motif, with clown posters, a caged animal and a circus-tent bar.

Travis Hoskinson guessed within 20 the number of corn kernels in a jar and received a prize. *Katy Hoskinson and Ralph Orr.*

Adelin. Will reimburse reasonable price for it. Send reply to Sylvia Pomcier, 616 Fellows Ave., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 18702.

Request a set of the six volumes of *The Bible Story* so my children can read and enjoy them. Will pay postage. *Jean Crabtree, 572 Yorktown Rd., Newport News, Va., 23605.*

Trying to locate: *The Budgeter's Handbook*, by Ernest H. Hart, *Finchas and Softbilled Birds*, by Henry J. Bueses and Robert L. Bates, and *St. Paul in Britain*, by Morgan. If you have any or all of these books and have no use for them, please send them to me free and postage paid, for I'm not able to pay for them. I have *Back and the History of the Treasury of Pleasant Valley* and Vol. 1 of *The Pictorial Encyclopedia of American History*. Will give them away for cost of postage. *Dominic Jancini, 328 Clinton St., Hoboken, N.J., 07030, (201) 968-0386.*

Does anyone have an extra copy of *The Plain Truth About Masonry*? Will pay all cost. *Orelle J. Hicks, Box 134, Kendallville, Ind., 46755.*

TRAVEL

We would appreciate hearing from anyone in the United States, Belmont, Bay City, Tex., area concerning living conditions. We are contemplating a move to this area because of a lot of steel-mill work up north. *Lloyd and Nancy Bieski, 2343 W. 86th N., Michigan City, Ind., 46360. (Church members.)*

MISCELLANEOUS

Ambsassador College, Big Sandy, grade and re-education. If you may be missing out did you see your name listed in *Alumni Update '76*, Big Sandy's alumni directory? Have you been receiving the official quarterly publication of Big Sandy's Alumni Association, the *Alumni Chronicle*? Did you know about the Alumni Scholarship Fund? Have you heard about AC, Big Sandy's first homecoming activity? If you answered "no" to any of these questions, you've been missing out! You've been missing out on the opportunity of being a part of Big Sandy's Alumni Association. How can you become a member? Simple. Just write: Alumni Association, Ambsassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, and give us your name, spouse's name, year you graduated or attended and years spouse graduated or attended along with any additional information you can give on your present occupation, the name of your employer (and that of your spouse), the number of children in your family, or other newsworthy items. Write us right away! We don't want you missing out!

Attention, those who wrote me requesting used stamps in response to my Aug. 30 ad: Because of the flood of responses, I am unable to send everyone used stamps. If you haven't heard from me, be patient. I will send you an unhelpful of used stamps soon on basis of first come, first served. Those whose aim is to sell their collections, please use the proceeds for charitable purposes. I placed on my mailing list to get free say of used stamps regularly. *Mr. A. Bashiru, Box 2073, Accra, Ghana, West Africa.*

To the person in Jan. 17W who has suffered for over a year with depression and loneliness: Please write me. I think I may have the answer. *Mrs. G. Hubbard, Rt. 1, Box 51, Kansasville, Wis., 53139.*

Am seeking info concerning my father's relatives or family who might be in the Church. His name was Edward Petter of Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa. *Mrs. Eleanor B. Wojcikiewicz (White), 1630 Creston St., Philadelphia, Pa., 19149.*

Trying to contact former husband, Mr. Paul M. Haacker, and my two sons, Timothy and Frank Haacker, ages 9 and 10. Would anyone knowing anything concerning their whereabouts please contact me immediately? Call collect Mrs. Barrett at (501) 667-3880.

Mark Nichols, I have the wedding photos and negatives if you will send me your address. *Paul Nowlen, Box J-1964 Columbia, S.C., 29201.*

I am a music teacher for a private school in Pasadena. All of our teachers are members of the W.C.G. We are in need of any small musical instruments, such as: tambourines, claves, maracas, triangles, bongos, etc. We especially need an Autoharp. If you might have any of these that are in use, the children would certainly appreciate them. Also, I am in need of felt scraps for music pictures in our school and Sabbath school. You may send collect on delivery to Mrs. L. Tucker, 1778 N. Roosevelt, Atadaba, Calif., 91101.

I would like a young raccoon. We will pay shipping charges. *Daniel T. Beatty, Box 192, Cochrane, Alta., T0L 0W0, Canada.*

Congratulations to Grandma Chrysler on the 90th anniversary of your birth. We thank God for your healing just three weeks before. Our special gift to you is the birth of your first great-grandson born the same day you were. With all our love, *Lyle and Alice Chrysler, Oroville, Calif.*

Paul: Sure would like to see you sometime again soon. How has the last 17 years been? You've sure come a long way, baby! Signed, 23 and holding.

THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

PASADENA — The sale of the former Ambassador College campus at Bricklet Wood, England, drew a step nearer as **Ray Wright**, the Work's business manager, announced Feb. 11 that Hillsdale (Mich.) College has given an oral commitment to buy the campus.

Mr. Wright said "paperwork is in transit to Bricklet Wood" and details will be announced at the conclusion of the sale.

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PASADENA — Soprano **Beverly Sills** performed in the Ambassador Auditorium Feb. 6, featuring the works of Handel, Mozart and Liszt. (For details, see **Garner Ted Armstrong's** "Personal," beginning on page 1.)

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FORT WORTH, Tex. — **David Jon Hill**, evangelist and senior editor of *The Plain Truth* magazine, con-



DAVID JON HILL

ducted a three-day campaign here Feb. 10, 11 and 12.

Mr. Hill, a resident of Sequim, Wash., who has been writing a series of *Plain Truth* articles entitled "A Tale of Two Prophets," lectured to crowds in excess of 300 the first two nights and about 600 the last day.

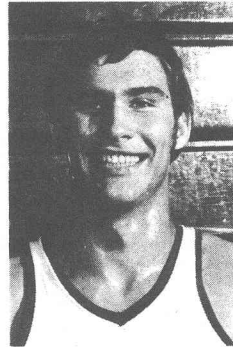
He immediately returned to Washington after the last lecture, where the Hill family is awaiting the birth of Mr. Hill's first grandchild.

MANILA, Philippines — In a ministerial conference here Jan. 17 to 20, two outlying Bible studies were declared full-fledged churches by **Colin Adair**, regional director for the Philippines.

Mr. Adair's decision brought the number of churches in this country to 10.

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PASADENA — **Mike Carter**, a forward on the Royals basketball squad here, was named Miller



MIKE CARTER

California College Player of the Week Feb. 1 by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). Carter, an 18-year-old freshman from Sunnyvale, Calif., was chosen from 30 candidates from California colleges and universities.

The recognition is the second of its kind for the Royal starter this season. He is currently the only player in California who ranks among the top 20 small-college scorers in the nation, standing at 15th.

Carter is the leading scorer in District 111 of the NAIA, with a 26.1-point-per-game average, hitting 51.8 percent of his shots. He also holds second place in rebounding in District 111.

"I wish there was some way the team could get it [the honor]," Carter said. "It wasn't individual effort.



CONFERENCE — Philippine and Northeast Asian ministers listen to Pike Mirto (not shown) discuss church organization during a ministerial conference in Manila. From left are Pete Melendez, Bien Macaraeg, Encardio Benitez, Pedro Ortiguero, Colin Adair and Jose Raduban. Not shown are Edmond Macaraeg, George Hood and Rey Taniajura. [Photo by Jerry Ortiguero]

Manila conferees plan new program

By Pete Melendez

MANILA, Philippines — "This was by far the best conference yet," said Colin Adair, director of God's Work in the Philippines and Northeast Asia, in summing up the 1977 ministerial conference held in the Ambassador College Agency's office here Jan. 17 to 20. The fifth annual conference since 1973, it was attended by the six ministers and four assistants in this country.

As in previous conferences, this year's updated the ministers and other key personnel on how 1976 went for the Work here, plans for 1977, organizational changes and doctrinal statements and policies from Pasadena.

"I'm glad there were not really any differences of opinion as regards doctrine, maybe just a few misunderstandings of administration, but not

major differences," Mr. Adair said. "I believe if we all just stick to the trunk of the tree and look to the one God has placed as head of the Work on earth and believe what he has been inspired of God to see as regards doctrine, then we can't go wrong."

An important subject taken up at the conference was church development, not in the sense of an inwardly directed growth, but growth to help the Church of God here do its part in fulfilling the commission to preach the Gospel to the world.

Nationwide Program

A nationwide program of development had been worked out and was discussed by Mr. Adair at the conference. He was assisted by the Manila office's Coordinating Center, headed by Pike Mirto, a preaching elder, with Rey Taniajura

and Pete Melendez as assistants.

The program's purpose is to move members toward greater Christian maturity and develop leadership in administrative work in the Church.

The member-development program includes activities in addition to regular Sabbath services and Bible studies. An essential aspect is special classes called Principles of Christian Living to be conducted by a minister for small groups of interested members.

As the curriculum literature for the course puts it: "Because the Church itself is composed of varied interest groups, the sermons (at Sabbath services) must be by necessity broad and comprehensive."

These special classes, therefore, allow the minister to zero in on specific subjects on the individual and his relationship with God, his family, the Church and the world.

The format gives the minister the chance to address specific groups (such as young people, married couples, senior members) on their problems and interests, which may not be of general enough interest to bring up at Sabbath services or Bible studies. At the same time it gives the people a chance to air questions they may not otherwise ask at studies.

A week after the conference, already Principles of Christian Living classes have been opened in three churches: Metro-Manila, Camarines Sur and Iloilo.

Leadership Development

With only six ministers pastoring some 1,750 members dispersed in this archipelago of more than 7,000 islands, the need for competent leaders to assist the ministry in administering church activities was underscored at the conference.

A nationwide program of leadership development has therefore been designed to give members with leadership potential training to equip them in assisting the ministry in church administration. This way, Mr. Adair says, it is hoped the ministers can have more time for the spiritual work of the Church.

Basic and advanced leadership-training courses have been designed for those two levels of leadership aptitude. Each course has a curriculum containing lectures on basic or advanced management and supervision, as well as basic or advanced biblical principles with emphasis on leadership, church government and the Kingdom of God.

Besides classroom training, leadership trainees will also apply what they learn to actual activities in the churches. Among these are physical arrangements for Sabbath services, Bible studies, church socials and annual festivals.

Two basic leadership courses were recently completed here, and an advanced course is now going on. Two new basic courses have been opened in Camarines Sur and Iloilo, and another will soon be in Pangasinan.

Without the team I couldn't have done it."

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PASADENA — **Robert Ashland**, director of physical-plant operations for Ambassador College here, is analyzing energy needs of the campus to see what can be done to save fuel in light of national shortages and cutbacks.

"We are investigating practical approaches to maximize energy saving," Mr. Ashland said.

The move comes after President **Jimmy Carter's** request that Americans sacrifice to ease fuel shortages.

Mr. Ashland said complying with the President's request isn't as easy

as it may seem. Dropping thermostats to 65 degrees (18 degrees Celsius) as per Mr. Carter's request, for example, causes Ambassador's air conditioners to come on, resulting in the use of more energy, not less, Mr. Ashland said.

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BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — Regional director **Dean Wilson** met with area coordinators **Bob Mitchell**, **Graemme Marshall** and **Mark Cardona** and administrative personnel in a series of meetings here the first week of February.

Mr. Wilson outlined objectives of the Work in this country for the remainder of the year. Major plans, he said, include the expansion of the *Garner Ted Armstrong* telecast to reach all Australian homes, the addition of new radio stations and campaigns in major cities in June, July and August.

Business manager **John Crabtree** and *Plain Truth* circulation manager **Roy Hickford** presented reports on their departments' activities.

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KUMASI, Ghana — **Harold Jackson**, director of the Black African Work, and **Abner Washington**, pastor of the Accra, Ghana, church, conducted the first services of the new Kumasi church Jan. 8. Mr. Jackson had traveled to this country from his office in Bricklet Wood, England, for the inaugural services of two congregations in Ghana. The first was Dec. 25 in Accra (*The Worldwide News*, Jan. 31).

Mr. Washington, who lives with his wife in Accra, announced his speaking schedule as he travels among the two Ghanaian congregations and two in Nigeria. He plans to speak in Lagos, Nigeria, the first Sabbath of each month; Kumasi the second; Enugu, Nigeria, the third; and Accra the fourth. Thirty-one adults and nine children attended the first services here, according to Church member **Stephen Ageymang-Duah**.



BUFFALO BLUES — Two residents of Summer Street in Buffalo, N.Y., brave the elements in the aftermath of record-making snowstorms that forced cancellation of church services for two consecutive Sabbaths, Jan. 29 and Feb. 5. Buffalo member **Rollin Perryman**, left, clears a path, while a neighbor uses skis to get around clogged but traffic-free streets, right. The large accumulation of snow has now been mostly removed and temperatures have soared to around 40 degrees (4 degrees Celsius). Stricken Buffalo may still be in deep water, though, as swollen waterways threaten to flood the area if things get too warm too quick. [Photos by Robert R. Rodkey]

