

## Mr. Armstrong returns from latest around-the-world trip

PASADENA — Herbert W. Armstrong returned here Aug. 8 from an around-the-world trip that included stops in Japan, Hong Kong and Israel and was highlighted by a two-night evangelistic campaign in Liberia.

Mr. Armstrong, contacted at his home here shortly after his return, said the latest trip was successful and another is planned for late August that will carry him to Warsaw, Poland, and other Eastern European countries.

After his departure from Hong Kong (*The Worldwide News*, Aug. 1), Mr. Armstrong flew aboard the G-II to Jerusalem, where he was honored at a luncheon by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolleck.

"Mr. Kolleck presented me with a

2,000-year-old sword which had been excavated," Mr. Armstrong said. "The luncheon and later another dinner were attended by many of our important friends."

From Israel Mr. Armstrong flew to Abidjan, Ivory Coast, which served as a regional base of operations for trips to two adjoining West African countries, Liberia and Ghana.

"We were in the area about 10 days," Mr. Armstrong said. "We flew to Accra, Ghana, where we were to have seen the president."

### Successful visit

Because of unforeseen circumstances, the meeting did not take place. However, Mr. Armstrong felt the visit to Monrovia, the capital of

Liberia, was successful.

"The first time there we were met by the mayor of Monrovia. He took us in his car to see the president, and we spent 40 minutes with him. From that time on the president put his limousine and driver at our disposal."

Mr. Armstrong said the mayor also held a luncheon in his honor that was attended "by 50 to 75 important people" there.

"The next night we had a public meeting in an auditorium which seated 2,400. It was far from filled that night, but I had the most responsive audience. They were so warm and enthusiastic."

Mr. Armstrong said those who attended were encouraged to bring three friends with them the next

night. "The next night the auditorium was half to two thirds full."

Mr. Armstrong said Osamu Gotoh served as master of ceremonies and Stanley Rader, vice president for financial affairs, who accompanied Mr. Armstrong on the trip, also spoke.

Mr. Armstrong was encouraged by the attendance, noting that Liberia has a high illiteracy rate, and when "you get 1,000 to 1,200 out to hear

## Newsstand network takes to air

PASADENA — *The Plain Truth's* Circulation Department has just signed on 17 new airport newsstands to distribute the magazine, bringing the number of airports in the *PT's* newsstand network to 30.

The Work's end of the negotiations for the latest 17 outlets was handled by a local elder from St. Petersburg, Fla., Bill Starling, who has also worked as *Plain Truth* representative for the St. Petersburg area.

Gordon Muir, assistant circulation manager for *The Plain Truth*, said arrangements have also been made, in separate negotiations, for the magazine to be on display at Newark (N.J.) International Airport and John F. Kennedy Airport in New York. "With the prospect of the other terminals to follow."

### Only one more

Dr. Muir said only one large airport-newsstand chain has yet to be contacted by *The Plain Truth*, "and early indications are that this will be completed successfully in the next few months. As this chain is headquartered virtually on Bill Starling's doorstep — it's in Miami, Fla. — we are asking Bill to handle this one also."

Dr. Muir said Mr. Starling's success in securing the latest "massive opening" for newsstand distribution contains "that bizarre degree of coincidence that lets us see once more there was a lot of help, as Bill says, from upstairs."

"The Circulation Department had enlisted the help of New York-based *Quest* newsstand consultant Mike Andrews to try and get a meeting going with the chain management, in Memphis, Tenn. Meanwhile, Bill was trying to get a distribution going in Tampa [Fla.] Airport. He had the approval of the local manager, but this was part of the Memphis chain, and the deal was stalled for lack of head-office approval."

Finally, with Mr. Andrews' help, a meeting was arranged in Memphis between the company and the Circulation Department.

"The timing was awkward," Dr. Muir said. "Planning to go ahead with the opportunity, we called Bill Starling for any information that would be helpful to us from his contact in the Tampa branch of the company."

Mr. Starling, who owns an insurance business in Tampa, said (See NEWSSTANDS, page 6)

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the Gospel preached you've really accomplished something."

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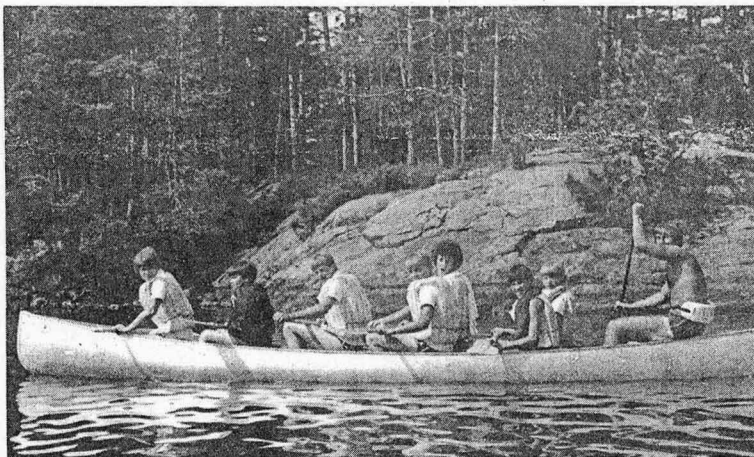
While in West Africa, Mr. Armstrong did quite a bit of writing, he said, for the Work's publications. He also said he hoped to return to the Ivory Coast for evangelistic efforts there but would have to have a translator since the country is predominantly French speaking.

"I've done quite a lot of speaking through a translator before, especially in Japan," he said.

Mr. Armstrong plans to depart Aug. 23 on a trip with his "Japanese sons" (members of the Diet) that would take him to Eastern Europe and possibly the middle East.

Mr. Armstrong, commenting on his overseas travels, said that, overall, things are going well, but "Satan is trying to do everything he can to hinder."

"But God's on His throne, and the Work is getting done."



SEP FLOAT — SEP campers learn canoeing on Pelican Lake in the camp's 15th year, which ended Aug. 9. More than 700 youths from the United States and Canada attended this year's two sessions. (Photo by David Armstrong)

## SEP campers head back home

ORR, Minn. — The 1977 sessions of the YOU-sponsored Summer Educational Program came to a close Aug. 9 as campers and staff members crowded the shores of Pelican Lake to watch a water show put on by the camp's top talent.

Youth Opportunities United and SEP director Jim Thornhill acted as emcee at the gala, which included a parachute exhibition, hang gliding and trick waterskiing.

Only hours before campers headed for their homes across the United States and Canada, Mr. Thornhill handed out awards to outstanding campers for noteworthy achievements during their stay at SEP. He called this the "finest year" of SEP and thanked the campers for their part in making it so.

This year's two sessions marked the 15th year of operations for the camp, near the Canadian border. Applications from youths associated with the Church this year totaled 942 requesting to attend one of the sessions. Because of space and staff limitations, though, only 720 could

be accepted.

In addition to the usual outdoor activities offered campers, basketball made its debut thanks to a new gymnasium built last winter. Los Angeles Laker Abdul Kareem-Jabbar made a brief appearance at SEP for those who had signed up for a week-long basketball camp.

According to camp officials, the activities that received overwhelming response were waterskiing and rock climbing. Those campers eager and willing scaled cliffs five stories high.

While SEP staffers noted this has been a "smooth-running year," two separate events threatened to bring things to a halt. One was a drought that caused local-government officials to consider prohibiting outdoor activities because of possible fire hazard. All SEP activities would have been restricted to indoors, according to personnel director Ron Dick. But relief came in time, with consistent showers during the evenings as SEP got under way.

The only other major problem the

camp faced was the possibility of a measles outbreak that gave campers and staffers a momentary scare.

Church members had donated \$21,000 to YOU to help many who otherwise would not have been able to attend SEP, Mr. Thornhill said. The money was made available in the form of scholarships for some 70 youths.

PASADENA — "Operation Shoehorn" is well under way as a consolidated student body prepares to begin classes Aug. 22 at Ambassador College here.

After the closing of the Ambassador campus at Big Sandy last May, and the wholesale transfer of its students, the enrollment here may swell to more than 1,300, according to Ronald Kelly, vice president for student affairs. Mr. Kelly said accommodating student needs will be a "challenge," but he is optimistic.

"Consolidation has definitely solved a housing problem," he said.

He said 819 bed spaces are available on campus, and as many as 250 to 300 students may have to live off campus. But most freshmen will live on campus.

Dr. Lynn Torrance, registrar and director of admissions, said 1,321 students have indicated they will enroll for the fall semester.

"However, the no-show factor is not known at this time," he said. "I

am greatly encouraged by the response so far to the merger. There is great enthusiasm among the students."

Dr. Torrance said 430 freshmen have been accepted, 151 of whom had previously planned to go to Big Sandy. He said 383 former Big Sandy students plan to transfer, and 508 Pasadena students plan to return.

According to Mr. Kelly, all freshmen are to be on campus by Aug. 15, with the faculty reception to take place Aug. 21.

## AC to resume classes Aug. 22

# A Personal Letter

from

*Samuel H. Armstrong*

Dear brethren in Christ:

GREETINGS. It seems impossible to believe summer is gone — at least as far as the Summer Educational Program, conducted at our YOU camp at Orr, Minn., is concerned!

By the time you read this, the full complement of our consolidated student bodies will be in Pasadena, and "Operation Shoehorn" will have been completed.

We are expecting more than 1,000, perhaps even more than 1,100, students on the one campus for the beginning of the fall term.

We are looking forward to a most rewarding and exciting year with the hundreds of young people from God's Church, including dozens and dozens of international students all in residence on one campus — and perhaps more than 400 brand-new students on campus for the first time!

Of course the usual flurry of beginning college activities, orientation, the faculty reception, our first forum and assembly and the week of registration and entrance and aptitude examinations will have been completed by the time you read this issue of *The Worldwide News*.

### Overseas trends

I am becoming increasingly con-

cerned about ominous new trends overseas, most especially in the countries of the Common Market and Japan!

Though I shall have to begin traveling commercial, I am committing definitely to our trip scheduled for Australia, the Philippines and Tokyo sometime in the month of November this year and am striving to see to it that no other important commitments of any kind are added to that part of the calendar.

I hope you have been keeping sufficiently abreast of news during the summer (in spite of vacations or trips which might have intervened) so that you recognize what is happening in Europe!

During the waning days of July, the United States' dollar dipped lower in competition with the German deutsche mark and other European currencies than ever before!

We were piling up our biggest balance-of-payments deficit in all of history — I forget the exact sums but it was something like double; it just soared beyond belief — all of this basically attributable to the high cost of imported Arab oil! Because the United States is paying so many billions of dollars for our seemingly indispensable supplies of expensive

Arab oil, but exporting only tiny fractions of that sum in expensive, sometimes inferior American products abroad, our balance-of-payments deficit soars upward, and the dollar grows weaker and weaker in competition with viable foreign currencies.

### Yen growing stronger

What a shock it is, as I look back to my days in the Navy during the Korean War, when you could buy 360 Japanese yen for \$1, to see the yen growing stronger and more powerful against the U.S. dollar day by day.

Meanwhile the tottering economy of Britain is sinking even farther into runaway inflation and stagnation of business and industry as trade unions vow they will struggle to the last to get the utmost out of the government for their workers, some unionists apparently believing that, even as the nation comes crashing down around their ankles, it is better for their constituency to be able to enjoy a few weeks or a few months of artificially high income levels in order to have their "fun in the sun," even if it means the death knell of the British economy!

In a recent program I reminded our listeners of the growing might of the Soviet fleet, the largest, most powerful, fastest, newest and most sophisticated marine force the world has ever seen!

We just completed a telecast (one of the first few of our new 26 television-program series) on the growing might of the Soviet Union and comparisons between Soviet strength and that of the United States, which included an assessment of the (See PERSONAL, page 7)

# Letters

TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Armstrong's writings  
Mr. H.W. Armstrong's two articles in the July 4 edition were both informative, inspiring and mind-boggling.

Mrs. Henry Huebner  
Pioneer, Calif.

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I especially enjoyed the article, in the July 4, 1977, edition, "Just What Is Our Mission?", by Mr. H.W. Armstrong. Hope he continues to write such articles in every edition.

Mrs. R.L. Mank  
Whitesboro, Tex.

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I was most impressed with the article on Pentecost by Mr. H.W. Armstrong. Hopefully we will find articles such as this from time to time in "our paper" — it seems to bring it all together.

Mrs. Edward Neitzelt  
Wheeling, W. Va.

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We really love being able to get this great paper and will enjoy it even more now that Mr. Herbert Armstrong will be writing more in it.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jacques  
Lake Toxaway, N.C.

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### 'Wrap' upped

Regarding the steady stream of flak directed to the "Wrap-Up" section — is not the sad news of Mrs. [Kermit] Nelson's death a church-news wrap-up? Is a fascinating outing in distant Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, any different training in organization from that received by ministers meeting with Mr. [Leslie] McCullough in Africa? Is not Mr. Armstrong's eagerly read "Personal" a church-news wrap-up?

Rather than eliminate the whole paper, since it is a church-news wrap-up, let's drop the whole argument and reread I Corinthians 12, particularly verses 12, 14-17 and 21 to end.

Name withheld  
Alaska

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### Rhyme time

I don't like the "Grapevine."  
The "Wrap-Up's" way too long.  
Obits are gloomy and morbid.  
The personals are silly and dumb.

The baby announcements are messed up  
(Someone please check the editor's head).

"Member Honored" puffs somebody's ego.  
The "Story for Young Readers" is dead.

Who cares if you married,  
Got born,  
Or were buried?

Your picture takes far too much space.  
Fifty years spent together?  
Doesn't matter to me.  
Shouldn't give your story a place.

Some people would rather complain than give thanks  
For the things in the W.N.  
We all have our gripes and our dislikes and beefs

(And they get to us now and again).  
But if they cut out my personal peevess,  
And edited yours to the bone,  
We'd soon have a paper  
Of several blank pages,  
With simply the masthead alone.

Leslie A. Turvey  
Essex, Ont.

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You asked for comments concerning the W.N. So I penned a few lines to tell you a little bit of how I feel.

*The Worldwide News*  
Helps cure my blues.

The morning you arrive,  
I take more than five.

I thank you from my heart,  
For doing your part.

In bringing news to me  
From here and over the seas.

And I read you all over  
Before you're used by Rover.

Mrs. Renetta Wilson  
Glendale, Ky.

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### OKinawa, Japan

Just some bits and pieces:

1) If you were taking a poll, then I am one who prefers the old baby announcements. They read so much easier. The new way reads awkwardly.

2) Vol. 5, No. 15, edition, page 6. Regarding the Okinawa member. I do believe it should be *Naha*, OKINAWA, and not *Naha*, JAPAN. As I have lived (See LETTERS, page 7)

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# Asian security demands U.S. leadership

By Gene H. Hogberg

News editor, "The Plain Truth" PASADENA — Summarizing my account in the last issue of *The Worldwide News*, we are in for some startling changes throughout Asia in the near future. The common denominator of these big power shifts is the same in each case: new policies. In fact, new and gross miscalculations emanating from Washington that threaten to disturb the uneasy so-called peace (the status quo) that has existed throughout Asia for nearly three decades.

### Helicopter incident

The day my colleague, Keith Stump, and I left Seoul, an American Army helicopter was shot down north of the DMZ in Korea, killing three of its four crew members. The pilot of the craft had inadvertently strayed off course, was forced to land by North Korean warning shots, attempted to take to the air again and met a fiery fate in a hail of bullets.

We heard about the incident after we had landed in Taipei, Taiwan, late the same evening. For a while it appeared the incident would be a serious one. If history were any guide, the North Koreans would certainly make the most in propaganda out of it, demand hours of ugly head-to-head confrontation at Panmunjom, withhold the names of the deceased and the lone survivor (and who was who) and keep the survivor in prison for a year or more.

This time, however, the North Koreans handled the matter in the exact opposite fashion. The names of the fatally injured helicopter crewmen were released almost immediately. The survivor, moreover, walked out to freedom only two days after the crash.

"No one knows why the North Koreans cooperated," opined a headline in a Hong Kong newspaper two days later.

How imperceptive. The reason was actually quite obvious. With the Americans implementing their five-

year troop-withdrawal plan, now was not the time for North Korea to be truculent. Instead it was the time to be cooperative, lest Washington reconsider its phaseout operation.

### Whither Japan?

The troop-pullout plan has nations all around the rim of northern Asia concerned, not the least of which is Japan.

While we were in Seoul we were given a copy of a letter, an open letter to President Carter, written by the president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Korea. It was severely critical of the pullout plan and concluded by saying: "The balanced presence of U.S. forces has been a deterrent to large-scale, rash actions by the North Korean communist regime. Now this fragile balance of power is placed in serious jeopardy by the announced troop withdrawal. The withdrawal, which inevitably must be followed by an increase in Japan's defense posture, may shatter the de-facto, tacit alliance between Japan, China and the United States . . . There is no way that the peace, prosperity and well-being of the Korean people and the United States can be enhanced by this action."

The letter raised the biggest question of all in the complex relationships of the northern-Asian region. What will Japan do, or feel compelled to do, if the United States' sun continues to set in the Pacific?

Make no mistake about it: The Japanese — overwhelmingly — are perfectly satisfied with the status quo as it has existed in northern Asia for more than two decades. Burned severely in the Pacific war (World War II), they have no desire once again to take military matters into their own hands.

Yet several people we talked to, Japanese included, took it for granted that Japan would have to seriously consider a rapid and serious rearmament if America retreated too far, or if the North Koreans ever overran their southern countrymen.

### Full-page ad

In this light, another open letter to President Carter, this time from a group of concerned Japanese, is important. It appeared in the form of a full-page ad in the July 17 *New York Times*. It was brought to my attention just as I was writing this report.

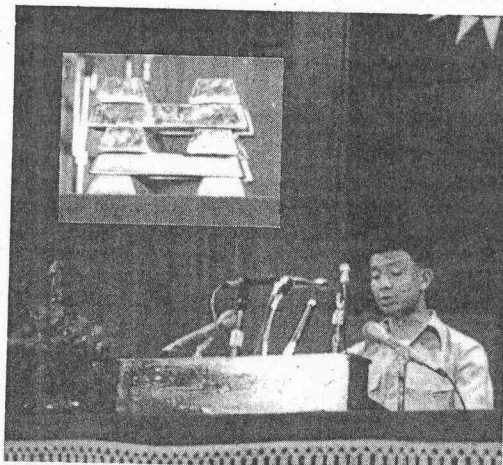
The names at the bottom of the letter include many professors of Japanese universities, political and military analysts and authors and even retired generals of Japan's self-defense force.

In their letter, published under the heading "Asian Security Demands American Leadership," these concerned Japanese wrote, in part:

"Dear Mr. Carter: We the undersigned wish to urge you to exercise extreme caution in undertaking any policy changes in East Asia as you

formulate the new foreign policy of the United States. We strongly believe that any precipitate withdrawal of American troops from the Korean peninsula or change in America's relationship with the Republic of China would have a dangerous destabilizing effect on security relationships in East Asia. For more than 20 years East Asia has enjoyed unprecedented peace and prosperity. But it would be a grave mistake to take this situation for granted. A continuation of the current U.S. role in the Republic of Korea and in the Republic of China is absolutely vital to the security of Japan and to that of the East Asians in general . . .

"More than any other part of the world, East Asia through the spectacular success stories of Japan, the Republic of Korea and the Republic (See ASIAN SECURITY, page 4)



TAIWANESE HERO — Fan Yuan-yen, who defected from Communist China, delivers a speech denouncing his Communist Party membership. The inset shows his reward for fleeing the mainland: gold bricks worth \$700,000. [Photos by Gene Hogberg]

# Couple, 17 kids till organic acres

By Christine Bertelson  
DODGEVILLE, Wis. — Pushing a shovel into the cool, tan dirt that will soon become a cornfield, Herman Zoellick picked out a handful of the wriggling, slimy creatures he refers to as "my hired men." Earthworms, he says fondly, are the key to his success as an organic farmer.

While most southern-Wisconsin farmers were kicking up clouds of dust and herbicides putting in this year's corn crop, Zoellick sat at the breakfast table with five of his 17 children discussing his philosophy

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of farming from the laws of the Old Testament and Mother Nature, and nearly two decades of organic trial and error.

Herman, his wife, Helen, and their large family raise most of what they eat, from beef to maple syrup to beans, on the tillable half of this 250-acre farm tucked high in the rocky, rolling hills near Dodgeville — "Indian country." Helen calls it. Their life is simple and hard, but the mood at the small, weatherbeaten white house with a sagging front porch is a happy one.

When the Zoellicks moved to this farm three years ago, there were few earthworms in the soil, Herman said. Depleted from years of overuse, "poisoned" by strong doses of pesticides and petroleum-based fertilizer, the ground was dusty, hard



**FARMER HAS HELP** — Herman Zoellick employs natural methods to produce the kind of crops he and four of his 17 children are standing in. The oats at right will yield 100 bushels per acre, he says. [Photo courtesy the Madison Capital Times]

and pale yellow. The first year's crops were spindly; 20 of Helen's strawberry plants withered and a few green beans that managed to struggle up in the vegetable garden were "so bitter the kids wouldn't

even eat them raw." There are still strips of naked, chemically burned ground in their hay fields where nothing will grow.

Today, as Herman will proudly demonstrate, there are several earth-

worms in each handful of dirt, aerating the richer, darker soil and spurring biological action in the soil that will make healthy crops.

### Converted 18 years ago

Zoellick, a dairy and beef farmer, is totally committed to the organic alternative to the highly mechanized, chemically intensive brand of farming practiced by most American farmers. That kind of agriculture, Zoellick believes, is headed down a blind alley as fossil-fuel supplies dwindle and the land and food supply become increasingly tainted by pesticides and "artificial fertilizers."

His conversion to organic farming came about 18 years ago, he explained.

"I was planting corn with my brother down in Illinois and wherever the fertilizer fell on top of the seed it killed it," he said. "I decided right then that was it. Both my brothers laughed at me when I started, but now I have got two of them convinced. We have to get off chemicals to grow decent food."

Zoellick's oats and alfalfa are well out of the ground, but corn will not be planted before mid-May, when the soil is warm. Other cornfields may have a head start of a week or two, but his will catch up rapidly as the weather warms, he said.

Instead of applying herbicides, he will cultivate the ground three or four times before planting, a practice largely discontinued a generation ago by conventional farmers. More cultivation throughout the growing season will keep the weeds down.

Insects like cutworm and rootworm, which plague other cornfields, are not in his fields, he said, and can be kept out with another time-honored practice: crop rotation.

"Most people don't know what an insect is for," Herman said. "It is there to tell the farmer there is something wrong with his operation. If you don't grow corn on corn year after year, you don't get the insects."

Every seventh year, as prescribed in the Old Testament, some fields will lie fallow, he said.

### Organic fertilizer

The only thing Herman adds to his soil is a soft, mineral-rich gray rock mined in Colorado and sold under the name of Planters II. Zoellick claims this organic fertilizer is not only good for soil and plants, but keeps animals and people healthy as well.

Unlike nonorganic fertilizers, the amount of Planters II needed to produce a good crop can be halved

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**FARMING FAMILY** — Mr. and Mrs. Zoellick, center, standing, have 17 children, 11 of them and a son-in-law (right) shown here. Below: A field of wheat yields 55 bushels and 115 large bales of straw to the acre. Right: Mr. and Mrs. Zoellick work their large garden, which provides food for the family. [Photos courtesy the Madison Capital Times]



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# Asian security demands U.S. leadership

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of China demonstrates how peace and prosperity can be achieved in a free world under American leadership. To endanger this situation by a major change in the status quo would surely be a tragic mistake."

## Triangular relationship

The letter is interesting from another angle: Its contents reveal the interlock between the fortunes of Japan, South Korea and the Republic of China on Taiwan. This is true even though Japan abruptly switched diplomatic recognition from Taipei to Peking in 1972.

Economically Japan does far more business today with Taiwan than she does with the mainland. Waves of Japanese tourists visit what Taiwanese officialdom calls "the island province of the Republic of China" every year, their needs on the island handled by a sizable Japanese diplomatic corps that constitutes an embassy in fact if not in name.

It is significant that, in view of the triangular relationship between Japan, South Korea and Taiwan, the United States is moving ahead on what could prove to be another destabilizing political front: the eventual diplomatic recognition of the People's Republic of China and the cutting of all political ties to Taiwan, including the severance of the 1955 U.S.-Taiwan defense treaty.

How do the Taiwanese feel about the heavy hints of change from Washington?

After our five days in Korea, Keith and I went to the tiny sliver of free China, 100 miles off the mainland, to find out.

## Booming Taiwan

Seeing Taipei, Taiwan's capital, for the first time was quite a surprise. Taipei has mushroomed into a traffic-choked metropolis of two million people, which means it contains one eighth of all Taiwanese. It seemed to Keith and me that at any given moment half of Taipei's populace was in the street, riding on innumerable motorcycles and scooters. I remarked to Keith that the name of the country should be changed to the Republic of Vespa-Honda.

Taiwan hasn't quite reached the level of prosperity to enable the people to make the inevitable advance from a Honda motorcycle to a Honda Civic automobile, but clearly that stage, whether for better or worse, isn't far off.

Taiwan's economic indications, we soon found, are even more remarkable than those of Korea. Per-capita income reached \$809 in 1976. That same year the economy grew 11.5 percent, industrial output jumped 23.7 percent, and foreign trade soared 39 percent.

On a per-capita basis, Taiwan's trade exceeds that of Communist China by 65 times. Even in absolute terms, Taiwan's trade volume exceeds that of the People's Republic, even though Taiwan has only 16 million people and 14,000 square miles (about the size of the Netherlands) compared with the mainland's 850 million people and 3.7 million square miles.

Walking the streets of Taipei, we could see the people seemed happy and content. They were as well dressed as the Japanese, better than the Koreans. The little kids, in their T-shirts, short pants and sneakers, looked remarkably like American youngsters. Which shouldn't be surprising; many of the clothes Americans wear these days are made in Taiwan.

The morning after we arrived we contacted the government information service to see if our request for interviews had been relayed to it from its office in Los Angeles. The Telex from L.A., rather surprisingly,

had arrived only the day before, so Li Kun-kun and his friendly staff had not had time to make any arrangements at all.

While Mr. Li labored to make up for lost time, we did a bit of sight-seeing, including paying a visit to the National Palace Museum, just outside the city. This museum is the world's principal repository of Chinese art and culture. Nearly 250,000 Chinese art treasures are housed there, but only 3,000 to 4,000 are on display at any given time.

Exhibits are changed every three months. It would take, we were told, more than 30 years for all the objects stored on the site to be rotated for viewing. The bulk of the treasures was removed from the mainland to Taiwan in 1948 in advance of the onrushing communist armies.

Keith and I were struck by the beautiful examples of jade, ivory, bamboo and red lacquer-ware carvings. Some of the ivory carvings are so intricate and done on such a minute scale that they must be viewed through a magnifying glass provided in the display case.

## Dr. Tsai talks

The next morning the hardworking Mr. Li arranged for us to visit the Institute of International Relations, also just outside Taipei.

The 16-year-old think tank has become one of the world's principal research centers for the study of communism, both of the Soviet and Chinese varieties. Scholars from all over the world come to study and research their material at the IIR. Its massive archives contain every issue of the Peking *People's Daily* published since 1953.

The institute also monitors and records all major mainland-China radio broadcasts.

After a tour of the facilities, we were ushered into a conference room in which we met the director of the institute, Dr. Tsai Wei-ping.

Dr. Tsai talked to us, almost non-stop, in perfect English for more than an hour. He began by reviewing the difficult times on Taiwan after the communists took over on the mainland in 1949, forcing the nationalist government, along with one million people, to flee to Taiwan.

## Hell into heaven

Even by 1955, Dr. Tsai said, the average coolie on Taiwan had no shoes; his shirts were cut out from gunny sacks.

But only 20 years later, in 1975, the Chinese on Taiwan, he said, had "changed hell into heaven."

Land reform (not expropriation) came first. Now 90 percent of the farmland is owned by the tillers themselves. Former big land owners received full compensation through a complex arrangement whereby their funds were invested in industry. Thus land reform fueled an industrial upsurge. The old landlords are now the industrial tycoons.

Among all countries that have received U.S. aid, Taiwan has been one of the few success stories.

U.S. economic assistance to Taiwan was terminated in 1965 when it became the first of 108 countries and colonies receiving aid at that time to qualify to be removed from the list.

"Now," Dr. Tsai asked us, "why is your country changing a winning game?"

He assured us that the United States has little to gain and much to lose by recognizing Peking and derecognizing the Republic of China.

"Why?" we asked him.  
For several good reasons, he countered. First, the United States is foolish to think that by recognizing Peking it can better play off the Communist Chinese against their archrivals, the Russians.

His remarks reminded me of the advice given in Proverbs 26:17: "He that passeth by, and meddeth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears."

It's the United States that is going to be bitten! (I also heard another proverb recently: "Don't cut in on dancing bears.")

## Deep and permanent

Second, the United States is badly mistaken if it thinks it can solve the China problem through its own efforts. The dispute between the communists of the mainland and the nationalists on Taiwan is deep and in fact permanent. (A Taiwan-government pamphlet says "the struggle for China and the Chinese people is final and to the death.")

Dr. Tsai had the impression that Mr. Carter, similar to his approach to the Middle East dispute, is trying to solve the China problem during his term in office and thereby go down in history as a great peacemaker.

Such an approach, Dr. Tsai said, could boomerang on the United States and lead to a great loss of credibility around the world for Washington.

## Why?

Simply this. The United States is acting impatiently. China is not. The communists on the mainland are apparently in no hurry to consider what they think of as an internal matter anyway.

But, if the United States asks for full diplomatic relations now with Peking, it may unwittingly force a solution, a bloody one, to the problem simply because Peking will not extend diplomatic recognition except on its own terms. And those terms mean (1) removing recognition from Taiwan and (2) abrogating the 1955

mutual-defense treaty between Washington and Taipei.

The treaty is the big stumbling block. The treaty, Dr. Tsai, an international lawyer, told us, is of a permanent nature, containing no termination date. It can only justifiably be terminated if one of the parties fails to live up to the terms of the agreement, not once, but repeatedly.

## Faithful ally

The problem (for America) is that Taiwan has been a completely faithful ally throughout the 22 years of the treaty. Thus the United States has no grounds to renounce the pact.

If, Dr. Tsai told us, the United States went back on its commitment, what would other allies of America bound to similar treaties think? What would be the impact upon Australia and New Zealand (the ANZUS treaty), upon Japan and even upon the entire NATO alliance?

U.S. credibility could suffer a blow from which it would never recover.

I then asked what I felt to be the most important question of all. If the United States recognized Peking and abrogated its defense treaty with Taiwan, did he feel the communists would try to take Taiwan by force?

Yes, he believed they would, "and they will move much quicker than you might think."

The reason being that the Soviets would tell the Communist Chinese: "What are you waiting for? The imperialists have gone. Are you just a paper tiger?"

Again the rivalry among the two communist giants, unleashed because of faulty U.S. diplomacy, may decide the fate of the 16 million Taiwanese and produce a military solution to the Taiwan problem much

earlier than Peking would itself have contemplated.

## Unusual ceremony

Another interview we had requested could not be arranged, but Li Kun-kun informed us he had secured permission for Keith and me to attend an unusual ceremony that afternoon.  
Fan Yuan-yen, the pilot who defected from Communist China in his MiG-19 only a few days before, was to be commissioned as a lieutenant colonel in the Taiwanese air force at 2 p.m. At the ceremony he also was to renounce his Communist Party membership.

When the time came Mr. Li personally took us downtown to the site of the proceedings, a movie theater. Inside, every seat was filled with Taiwanese military brass.

Keith and I were the only two American newsmen-photographers present, although there were some Taiwanese on assignment for the New York Times and other foreign publications and wire services.

It was a rather stirring ceremony. Appearing first in civilian clothes, pilot Fan walked onto the stage, turned his back to the audience (as a communist he was still ceremonially unclean), bowed before a huge picture of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, founder of the Chinese republic in 1911, and vocally severed all ties to the mainland.

After a short speech he walked off the stage to change into his new military uniform, after which he would be given medals and commissioned by the officer in charge.

During the five- to 10-minute intermission, Lt. Col. Fan's reward (a standing reward for any defector bringing a plane over) was wheeled onstage: 5,000 ounces of gold in the form of 10 gold bricks, about \$700,000 worth!

A nice nest egg to invest in Taiwan's booming economy.

# Jerusalem: hard place to leave

By James D. Scruggs

JERUSALEM — Jerusalem is an unusual city, hard to live in but harder to leave. But leave my family and I must.

As readers may remember, I am a member of the Foreign Service of the United States and as such am subject to periodic moves around the world. So, with great reluctance, we prepare to take leave of Jerusalem after three good years and at least 3,000 good memories, including:

- The scores of visitors who have passed through Jerusalem in the past three years include such notables as Carl McNair, Herman Hoeh, Ken Smylie, Hal Baird, Charles Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dixon, Herbert W. Armstrong and many, many others.

- Ambassador College students moving the dirt and debris of centuries, by hand and shovel, at the Temple Mount, with each shovelful bringing the potential of discovery out of the past.

- The memory of a Bible study in Mr. Armstrong's hotel suite.
- The site of a sunset seen from the Mount of Olives.

All these combine to fill three years of our lives with a memory of pleasant hue.

## Different kind of growth

During our years here the growth of the church might seem a disappointment to some. When we arrived in Israel, the number of members in the country stood at four, and even now we have but eight people for services in my home on the Sabbath.

But a far more exciting kind of growth has occurred here in Israel. My wife and I have personally heard an energetic white-haired gentleman tell the leaders of this nation about the reassuring prospects for a soon-coming world peace and the paradox of mankind's utter helplessness in

bringing it about. That to me is real growth.

So we won't leave here seeing great numbers in our organization in Jerusalem, but we do leave with a great message ringing in our ears from a well-known and well-loved voice.

So we leave. From an immediate and practical standpoint, it will mean that there will be no phone number by which members of the Church of God can be contacted in Jerusalem, as reported in our article of Nov. 8, 1976. However, we will still maintain P.O. Box 19111 on the east side of the city.

And, while I am thinking of things we won't have here, I will mention that there will be no Feast site here, contrary to many rumors we have heard regarding a Feast in Jerusalem. Most of our members here are striving hard to make arrangements to leave the country to attend the Feast at some English-speaking site.

## Fourth of July

One date sticks in our minds when we think of our time here: the Fourth of July. During our first July 4 spent here, in 1975, a bomb hidden in a refrigerator in the center of West Jerusalem exploded, leaving 16 mutilated bodies on the main street of Jerusalem and an acquaintance of ours lying wounded in a pool of his own blood.

It was a subdued day. We attended a picnic given by the American community, but somehow the hamburgers tasted like straw and there wasn't much life in the softball game. It was difficult to celebrate the freedom of America and our people on Independence Day when the freedom and very lives of those around us were so visably threatened.

Our second July proved almost equally dismal. We approached July 4, 1976, with a feeling of gloom as more than 100 people in Uganda

were facing possible death for the crime of being born to a certain race. All week, as the drama at Entebbe was building, a pall of gloom descended over Jerusalem. Our druggist had a son at Entebbe, but there was little comfort to give him.

## Rebel yell

Then, as I awoke Sunday morning, July 4, my wife simply said, "The hostages are on their way home."

The immediate result was my adding a "rebel yell," perfected in Tennessee, where I had grown up, to the songs of gratitude being chanted and sung around the city. I remember getting sunburned tonsils from looking up in the air for those lovely fat American-made C-130 Hercules airplanes winging their way home with the precious cargo of human life, and, sadly, the few casualties.

It was, on the whole, a perfect day complete with a picnic to celebrate 200 years of freedom for our nation and in a very real way to celebrate the triumph over tragedy that had so recently held sway over a few citizens of Israel. The hamburgers tasted wonderful.

Somewhere within the story of those two days lies the story of Jerusalem. The pain and despair; the triumph, joy and hope. Perhaps Jerusalem is representative of the world. If people can't live in peace in Jerusalem, they won't be able to live in peace anywhere; if people can't live in safety in Jerusalem, they will be unsafe everywhere; if people can't survive in Jerusalem, where will they be able to survive?

We leave Jerusalem with a hope. A hope, no, a certain knowledge that we will come back to view this city from the Mount of Olives. So with that hope we depart, and because of that hope we will return.

# Local church news wrap-up

## Alaskan farewell

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Brethren from as far away as Fairbanks, 500 miles north, gathered at Daniel's Lake near Nikiski for the annual Fourth of July weekend of combined services and fun.

A truckload of freshly washed, exhausted SEP campers, just finished with the 22-mile return leg of their canoe trip, came wheeling into the camp area July 1 to have their final dinner and presentation of awards before meeting their parents and disbanding SEP for the year.

Evangelist C. Wayne Cole, director of the Canadian Work and the Alaskan churches, and his family were on hand for the barbecue and program commemorating the seven-year stay of Alaskan pastor Bill Gordon.

A plaque brought by pastor Earl Roemer, Mr. Gordon's replacement, from Poplar Bluff, Mo., was mounted on the lectern in time for Sabbath services. Mr. Cole commented that it was the first time he had given a sermon with an open collar and the first time he had ever seen a chorale member sing with a pair of pliers in his hip pocket.

Sunday evening the SEP portable cook house floor became a dance floor. The debut of the band, made up of members Kevin Hall on drums, Steve McWilliams on guitar, Bill McWilliams and Dave Salmon on brass and Dave Shaules on guitar, was sponsored by the Anchorage and Kenai YOU groups.

A fireworks display was sponsored by deacon Leonard Ballard and his wife.

Mr. Gordon gave his last sermon here July 16. The Alaska Festival Choir sang hymns and Mrs. George Elledge played the flute.

Local elder Al Tunsteth presented Mr. and Mrs. Gordon a card signed by nearly all Alaskan members. The card was a framed painting of an Alaskan scene by member Grace Seeholzer, underscored by a lake full of signatures in pastel blue.

After services, Mr. Roemer and his wife, the elders, deacons and deaconesses and their spouses converged on Dick Eckman's home in Palmer for a farewell buffet meal with the Gordons, Mike Pickett.

## Outdoor luncheon

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — An outdoor luncheon honoring Aimee Vance, wife of pastor Bruce Vance, was given by the Women's Club here June 26 at the home of Elizabeth Rollins.

A decorated cake made by Jeanie Merkle for Mrs. Vance was served for dessert.

A large *Schefflera* (potted plant), the centerpiece, was presented to Mrs. Vance as a gift. Julie Slauterbeck.

## Supper picnic treat

ANNISTON, Ala. — The youth choir sang at Sabbath services here June 25, their second performance. That evening they and their parents were treated to a supper picnic at a nearby park.

The following day the Anniston and Gadsden brethren gathered for an all-day social, with lots of food, games and contests. Verna Faye "Tiny" Johnson.

## Brownie and lemonade stand

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Ill. — The Highland Park and Wood Dale Ladies' clubs of the Chicago Northwest church, with the combined efforts of other church members, neighbors, relatives and friends, held a garage sale June 21 and 22 at the garage of Bill and Ida Cocomise to benefit the Work.

While the children — Michelle and Lisa Preikschat, Jill Archie, Lisa Hansen and Christina and Ann Karpowycz — manned the brownie and lemonade stand, Joe and Dorothy Bott, Jacki Crumbliss, Sally Emerson, Sig and Darlene Preikschat, Ruth Unger and Shirley Karpowycz as-



**CHICAGO SOUTHSIDER** — Ivan Lane keeps his eyes on the ball. (See "Full Afternoon," this page.) (Photo by John Loupe)

sisted Mrs. Cocomise with the sale. The sale netted \$300 to contribute during the cash crisis. Shirley Karpowycz.

## Gastronomical delights

CALGARY, Alta. — The young people's group held its first box-lunch sale at the farm of Bill Chappelle, near Carstairs, July 19. Auctioneers were Tony Albert and Pat Andrechow.

After the auction in which lunches sold for as high as \$8, the men found out who their lunch dates were and what gastronomical delights were awaiting them in the creatively decorated boxes.

A big surprise came at the end of the auction with a tiny box that almost went unnoticed and unpurchased. The buyer became convinced that great things can come in small packages and discovered a note in the diminutive package directing him to a cooler full of food hidden away in a car. Don E. Smith.

## Yellow seal

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — Following a sermon given by pastor Reg Platt of the Boston church, a farewell social was held by the Bridgeport and Hartford congregations June 18 to honor pastor Jim Rosenthal, his wife, Dianne, and his sons, David and Eric.

Lunch was served picnic-style. A cake bearing the Ambassador College seal in yellow icing was baked by Josephine Hamblin.

Ed Rubin presented gifts from the congregation to the Rosentals, with a card that had been signed by all. Before leaving to return to Amba-

sador College, Mr. Rosenthal introduced minister Bruce Anderson, formerly of Columbus, Ohio, who, with his wife, Locketta, and three children, arrived here recently to pastor the two congregations. Wilma Wilson.

## Spirit of Hawaii

BUFFALO, N.Y. — The Spokesman Club here held its annual graduation party June 28, with the Spokesmen bringing the spirit of Hawaii to the Depew Grove in nearby Depew.

The Ladies' Club and volunteers helped set up the party and prepare the food. The Busy Bees made leis. The top beverage of the evening was a mixed drink called nighttime, served in a pineapple shell and made by Bob Lenz. Barbecued chicken and smoked fish were served by YOU members to the 100 guests. Bob Rodkey.

## Surprise visit

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Pastor Abner Washington and his wife of Ghana made a surprise visit to the church here July 9.

Mr. Washington arrived from Johannesburg, where he had been attending the African ministerial conference July 4 through 6. He spoke about the work in Ghana and meditation.

Cape Town's two Spokesman clubs had a combined ladies' night June 18. The function was held at the residence of local elder Peter van der Byl and cochaired by the two club presidents, Morgen Kriedemann and Dudley Buys. Topicmaster was Francois Hendricks, while Barry Strydom officiated as toastmaster. Most effective speaker was Larry Vockerodt with a facts speech and most improved speaker was Wally Cozyn with a crystal-clear speech.

Sherry, cheese and wine were served. William Thomas and Henry Fortuin.

## Full afternoon

CHICAGO, Ill. — Amid forest-preserve greenery at Camp Sullivan, the Chicago Southside brethren held their annual church picnic July 3. The picnic on Sunday was the conclusion of activities begun at a camp-out the previous evening. Contests in horseshoes, flag football and softball, as well as games for the younger kids, provided a full afternoon for the picnickers.

This picnic marked the final recreational event directed by pastor Carlos E. Perkins prior to his return to Pasadena to begin his sabbatical year. John Loupe.

## Parents honor graduates

EUGENE, Ore. — The parents of 15 graduating high-school seniors were hosts to a weekend at the beach June 24 through 26 to celebrate the

teens' graduation.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Stores, the parents of one of the teens, extended the use of their two cabins on Woahink Lake.

Pastor Dave Albert conducted an informal discussion on the Sabbath about subjects relevant to the teens' past and future goals.

Larry Walker, pastor of the Portland church, and his family came down on Sunday to enjoy the surroundings and recreation with the teens. Claudia Baer.

## Once-a-month service

EUREKA, Calif. — *The Plain Truth* is now being distributed at two stores and one restaurant here.

The Eureka once-a-month Sabbath service was July 16, followed by a potluck meal and three movies, one about earthquakes.

Ruth Dewey and Verna McGaughey brought flowers. Forty-one people were in attendance. Minister Marc Segall and his wife, Lisa, will be adding to the number attending by having a baby in about five months. Kathleen Buck.

## Final service

FAIRMONT, Minn. — The church here had its final service July 9, followed by a fun-filled picnic in the park.

Pastor Richard Shuta gave the closing sermon. George Kackos, former pastor of the Wisconsin Dells, Wis., church, en route to Pasadena for his sabbatical, and Ken Churchill gave split sermonettes.

Fairmont members will attend church services in Mankato, Minn., and Mason City, Iowa.

A plastic and brass pedestal planter filled with money was presented to Mr. Shuta and his family. He will pastor the Rochester, Minn., and La Crosse, Wis., churches. John Cox.

## Dunk-your-buddy tank

FONTANA, Calif. — At 8 a.m., hammers and saws were noisily constructing booths at Gage Park in Riverside on July 3 for the annual Fontana, Glendora and Banning fair.

The 25 booths featured everything from "hot dawgs" to "taquitos" to corn on the cob. As the temperature climbed, the dunk-your-buddy tank became more popular, as did the "froh" of July booth. A \$50 gate prize kept everyone waiting for the 3:45 drawing.

At 4 p.m., booths were dismantled and Gage Park was once again quiet. Jim Pierce.

## Teens honor parents

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — The YOU members here held a spaghetti supper June 26 at the Melrose Park community center to honor their parents and promote enthusiasm



**BRIDGEPORT FAREWELL** — Jim Rosenthal, his wife, Dianne, and son Eric cut into a cake at a farewell social in their honor. (See "Yellow Seal," this page.) (Photo by Wayne Bailey)

among the teens and parents. Each member served the meal to his parents and then joined them in fellowship.

Along with the supper, the club held its monthly meeting, discussing ways to promote enthusiasm and encourage more YOU members to participate in activities and the monthly meetings. Plans were made for activities, such as a beach party sponsored by the Guys' and Gals' Club, a swimming party on July 17 and ways to earn money.

The parents met with Baxter Biggs to discuss how they could help and encourage the YOU members. Danny Jacques met with the teens and discussed ideas on what they want to do and what they like about YOU and how to change what they don't like. Denise Jacques.

## Food hardly dented

FORT SMITH, Ark. — Brethren from the Fayetteville and Fort Smith churches met for a potluck picnic from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 10 at Park Lake Fort Smith in Mountainburg.

A few went fishing in the spillway, some played horseshoes and others played baseball. However, most just enjoyed time with those members whom they had not seen in quite some time.

The crowd hardly made a dent in the food. Marian Wilson.

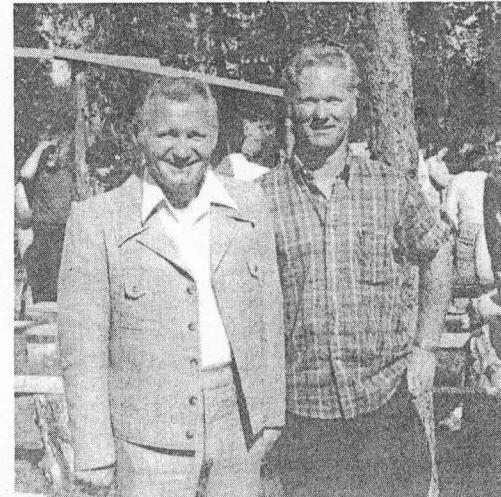
## Miniature-golf champions

FRANKFURT, West Germany — For the brethren here, some of whom have to drive long distances to attend the fortnightly services, July 10 was a special opportunity for fellowship and fun. The group met in the Taunus Mountains some 15 miles north of Wiesbaden, Hessen's state capital.

After playing a round of miniature (See LOCAL CHURCH, page 8)



**WAY UP NORTH** — Above: Alaskan pastor Bill Gordon with wife, Helen, and son Jason are the subjects of a "This is Your Life" program narrated by deacon Bill McWilliams. Right: C. Wayne Cole, left, meets his look-alike, Wayne Dillon, at a weekend of activities honoring outgoing Alaskan minister Bill Gordon. (See "Alaskan Farewell," this page.) (Photos by Don Webster)



# Newsstands take to air

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 ance agency, by coincidence was contacted by another Memphis-based company that wanted him to handle its business. The company asked him to come to Memphis at its expense, enabling him to be there when the management of the newsstand company wanted to see a *Plain Truth* representative.  
 "We got the point," Dr. Muir said, "that this job was meant for Bill and gladly turned it over to him. All we did was to finalize his appointment."

### Could reach 60,000

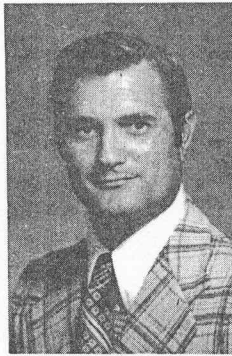
Dr. Muir said 30,000 copies of each edition of *The Plain Truth* are now being distributed via airport newsstands, but the number could reach 60,000 when all the 17 newly acquired outlets are operational.  
 "Because of the nature of Bill Starling's business, his background and his recent experience of picking up one of our most prestigious distribution opportunities," Dr. Muir said, "the Circulation Department

proposes to enlist Bill's services in similar special projects in other parts of the country."

The magazine is now on display at airports in Atlanta, Ga.; Boston, Mass.; Dallas, Tex. (Love Field); Dayton, Ohio; Detroit, Mich.; Fayetteville, N.C.; Houston, Tex.; Lexington, Ky.; Louisville, Ky.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Portland, Ore.; and St. Louis, Mo.

The 17 new outlets that will begin distribution in the next few months are at airports in the following cities: Austin, Tex.; Charleston, S.C.; Charlotte, N.C.; Colorado Springs, Colo.; Columbus, Ohio; Des Moines, Iowa; Indianapolis, Ind.; Little Rock, Ark.; Memphis, Tenn.; Newark, N.J.; New York, N.Y. (John F. Kennedy); Raleigh, N.C.; San Antonio, Tex.; Savannah, Ga.; Shreveport, La.; Tampa, Fla.; and Wichita, Kan.

Being negotiated are outlets in New York City (La Guardia Airport); San Francisco, Calif.; and Toledo, Ohio.



"PT" REP — Bill Starling, a local elder in the St. Petersburg, Fla. congregation, successfully negotiated agreements with newsstand companies for distribution of the magazine via a chain of stands covering 17 U.S. airports. Mr. Starling is now scheduled to work with *Plain Truth* newsstand programs in other areas.

# 1,000-booklet request could start something

BONN — A request that 1,000 booklets be sent by the Work's office here to the youth adviser of Peine, West Germany, may have started something. Office personnel hope now to offer booklets on smoking and pollution and other literature to youth advisers in other cities in the country.

"It all began in January of this year with a rather large order of the booklets *Our Polluted Planet* and *You Can Quit Smoking*, 500 each," said Gary Hopkins of the office.

The youth adviser of Peine had requested them for distribution in the *Rathaus*, or city hall.

"We complied with only 250 booklets each, however, requesting him to write us when this supply was exhausted," Mr. Hopkins said.

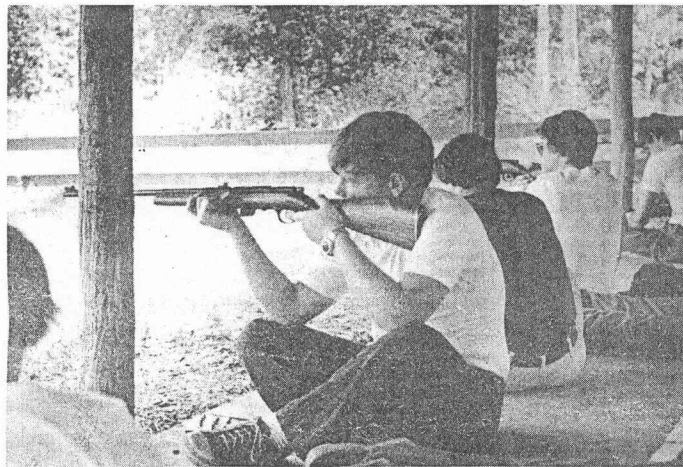
In February the same man ordered another 500 each, plus three other booklets: *Personal Finances* — *Tips*

*to Success; Hippies, Hypocrisy or Happiness?* and *The Seven Laws of Radiant Health*.

Again, in March, came the order for another 500 each of the five publications.

"Since we've started sending booklets to the City of Peine, we've received at least 20 letters for additional literature or magazines," Mr. Hopkins said. "One such letter arrived in our office on June 20 from the Peine-Salzgitter Steelworks, West Germany's third-largest steel producers. Their technical-school director wants to use our booklet *Our Polluted Planet* — 300 requested — in courses on social and commercial politics."

Mr. Hopkins said the office hopes "we can contact the youth advisers of other cities in Germany, offering them our booklets for distribution in their cities."

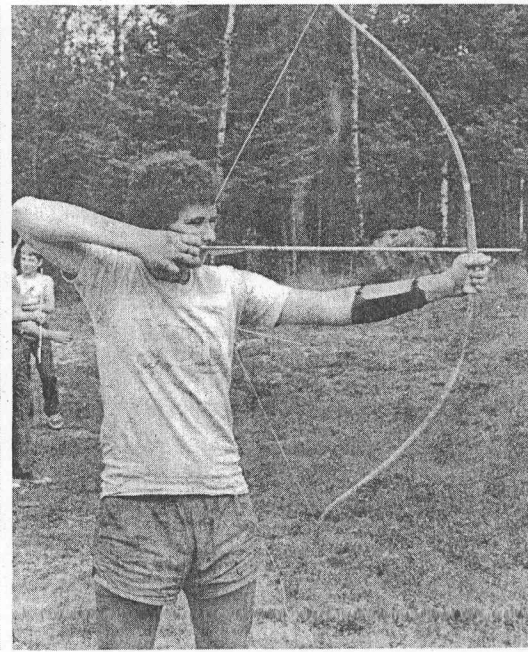
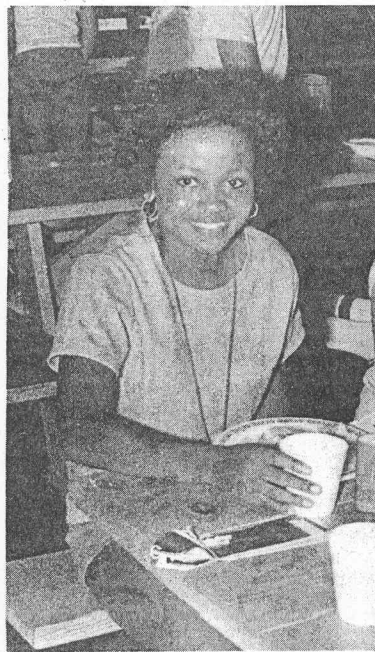


Campers from across America and Canada were observed tenting, shooting and eating, along with several other outdoor activities, at SEP for '77 at Orr, Minn. [Photos by David Armstrong]

Marching band  
 6/14  
 Phil Donnelly

# SEEN AT SEP

turnips sale of trade



**A Personal Letter**  
from

*James Lee Armstrong*

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Soviet navy's surface and submarine vessels.

You will be shocked when you find the enormous disparity between the Soviet naval forces and those of the United States.

However, the point I made in my radio program was that you will very likely see another powerful nation answer the growing threat of Soviet naval might: Japan!

You see the Soviet naval presence at the approaches to the Red Sea, in the Indian Ocean, around the Cape of Good Hope, in the Mediterranean and, increasingly, in the Sea of Japan, the South China Sea, around the northern Pacific. All this naval show of strength is an obvious warning to Japanese leadership that the Soviet naval presence hangs like a scimitar over the exposed jugular of the Japanese bicycle economy.

**"Bicycled" products**

Japan must import almost ALL her raw materials and then "bicycle" the products back out of Japan in a massive outflow of exported commodities which is bringing cries of "tariffs," "surcharges," "buy American," quotas, import taxes and even embargoes from worried American manufacturers whose products cannot compete with cheaper, and oftentimes better, Japanese products.

I have told in my radio programs of how the Japanese have leased vast timber tracts in the northwestern United States. In a cartel-like arrangement, Japanese lumbering industries virtually purchase the trees before they are mature and see them delivered to their docks in Portland or Seattle and loaded aboard super-sophisticated factory-type ships. These vessels take on raw logs and end up at their destination in Japan with completed lumber, even reducing the bark and sawdust into synthetic building materials, extracting the rosins for marine products such as lacquers, varnishes and the like, where not one scrap of the raw log is wasted en route to its destination in Japan.

I keenly feel the requirement to do more on-the-spot radio and television broadcasting during this next television season. And I know I am going to very specifically feel the loss of the mobility in doing so because of the sale of the Falcon, which incidentally has now gone to the Mexican banking firm (with a change in registration), and the firm has accepted delivery. Nevertheless I still intend to do as much of that type of on-the-spot survey, analysis and incisive reporting of world events as they continue to fulfill biblical prophecies as I possibly can.

I have become increasingly aware of the ominous trends of the twofold fulfillment of prophecy we have been preaching about for decades!

**Two major trends**

The bottom line of the hundreds of broadcasts I have done on the subject was that our peoples would see two major trends: (1) the growing might and power of our vanquished former enemies of World War II, with Germany eventually at the head of a revitalized 10-nation union in Europe, together with the rising might of Japan, and (2) growing weaknesses in all areas of the United States, including ravages from so-called natural disasters (have you been reading the critical analyses of the most violent weather upsets in our history lately?), crime, divorce, pornography, a shaky economy, urban crises, race riots, blackouts accompanied by pillaging, burning and looting, the growing number of the abled on welfare, and all the assorted problems which together

add up to further debility, sickness and weakness for the entire socioeconomic fabric of the United States of America.

In short, both of these major trends — the continuing problems of the United States, which seem every day to become more and more insoluble, and the enormous power of the European Common Market and Japan — are continuing to develop!

Of course, while we must preach a message of hope — the hope of salvation through Jesus Christ and His sacrifice for our sins — we are also constrained to fulfill Jesus' own commission to His disciples in warning of the forthcoming Great Tribulation ("For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be") and to preach the message of an Elijah, an Ezekiel, an Isaiah, a Jeremiah, a Jonah, a Hosea and even the message of a Joshua: "Choose you this day whom ye shall serve."

I hope all of you brethren will never forget that we, collectively, are "God's watchmen" to watch (Luke 21:36) world events and these growing trends and to report them faithfully and powerfully to the world as a combined warning and witness!

**Definition of Gospel**

One of the best definitions you will ever find throughout the entirety of the Bible of the Gospel is found in I Corinthians 15:1-6, where Paul said, "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved (being saved), if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain."

In verse 3 Paul then gives them the kernel of the Gospel by saying, "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, HOW THAT

At this point you may as well use the English punctuation mark of a colon, for Paul proceeds to explain exactly what it was he preached to them, which he called "the gospel which I preached unto you," by saying HOW THAT: "Christ died to our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep."

This introduction to the "resurrection chapter" is a very brief summary of the Gospel the apostle Paul preached — that Jesus Christ of Nazareth is the soon-coming King of the world, that He died for our sins exactly according to the Scriptures (meaning He spent exactly three days and three nights in the tomb, as prophesied), that He was buried and arose the third day, exactly on time, according to the Scriptures, and that living eyewitnesses had seen him alive after His resurrection.

Later on in that chapter Christ is called the *firstfruits* and, as Paul said in Romans 8, the "firstborn" from the dead.

**Attuned to world happenings**

The fact that Jesus devoted so much time to world affairs (I have asked over the years, "What is religious about a drought, about wars between nations and kingdoms, about famines, about pestilence and disease epidemics; what is religious about an earthquake?") shows that His servants would be closely attuned to major world happenings and would obey His injunction that "when these things BEGIN to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

I thought I would share these thoughts with you — they have been much on my mind of late — and I feel the urgent need to be doing as many of the on-the-spot, analytical radio and television programs as I can to keep, not only our brethren in the

Church, but all of the millions of faithful listeners and viewers to our programs alert and aware of what is really happening in world affairs!

Let's never bog down so deeply into a churchlike "social-club" environment or atmosphere that all we are doing is waiting it out until some major events occur as if we were only spectators or casual passersby.

God insists that His Work, His Church, is to be right at the very heart and core of what is happening, even as Daniel was next to the helm of government in ancient Babylon and

as Jesus Himself was brought before the governor, the Roman ruler in the area, and as Paul was brought to Caesar himself.

My father's trips before world leaders and his messages of an "announcement" of a coming world rulership under Jesus Christ are growing stronger, as I'm sure you have noticed, and we all need to be aware of the urgency of our message and the need to bear down harder and harder on that message as time goes speeding by.

That's about it for now. It seems

impossible to me that another school year has begun and that the Feast of Tabernacles is almost upon us.

Once again, please be reminded that if you have not yet completed reservations and travel plans for what we expect to be the greatest Feast in our history, the Festival Department, at Big Sandy, would really appreciate hearing from you very soon so they can spread their work load over as long a period as possible.

With much love,  
in Christ's service,  
Garner Ted Armstrong

**Letters**

**TO THE EDITOR**

(Continued from page 2)

for a year on Okinawa, I know there is a Naha there. But maybe there is one in Japan also.

Mrs. Dennis Duyck  
Cornelius, Ore.

*Naha is on Okinawa, but since 1972 Okinawa has been part of Japan.*

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**Adults can understand**

I, also as a mother, agree with Terry Kirby from Virginia ("Letters," July 18). I would love to see something more that the younger children could identify with on the Sabbath, instead of it all being adult oriented. I'm sure they would look [forward] more to going to Sabbath services if this were true. I'm sure as adults we can all understand how hard it is to be interested in something we don't understand or if it's over our heads, so to speak. Thanks for listening.

Doris Dinkins  
Columbia, S.C.

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**Cut that out**

I personally would appreciate it very much if the subscription-renewal coupon were not on the back of information in a letter or an article in *The Worldwide News*. Because, when it is, I always hate to cut out the coupon and lose the information on the back of it. When more than one coupon is available, then I must try to decide which information on the reverse

side is the least important to me. Usually there is more that I want to part with, so I end up, as I did this year, copying the information on the reverse to keep it with the letter the coupon is cut from.

I'm sure it costs less to include the coupon in a letter or in *The Worldwide News* than it would to print the coupons separately. But maybe you could arrange it so that there wouldn't be important information in a letter or part of an article on the reverse of the coupon that we must cut out, either by leaving it blank, or maybe the reverse of the coupon could be a notice about the renewal coupon itself.

Barbara W. McCormick  
Westminster, Calif.

*Most of the time there is no way to predict ahead of time what will appear on the reverse side of a page with a coupon on it, because layouts are usually determined at the last moment. If, however, you wish to keep your WN intact, feel free to copy the information from any coupon onto another piece of paper.*

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**Promoting unity**

Thank you for this paper — I can't think of anything which promotes more love and unity among God's people. And thanks for having the guts and/or humility to print some of the critical letters in the paper.

Ruth Looger  
Richardson, Tex.

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The paper is really great! I like the *Klar und Wahr* [The Plain Truth] and *Good News* also very much, but for me personally I consider the *WN* the best one. It lets

you be so close to any church events and makes you feel like a part of a big family. Besides that it is very informative and I like the Gene Hogberg articles very much. After I read all the magazines I usually give them away to friends and colleagues who are very interested in the "Work," although they belong to other religious communities.

Elke Proetzl  
Remscheid, West Germany

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Thank you for such a wonderful magazine!

Mr. GTA said it all when he said: "The WN is the best way to keep up with all that is happening in God's Work and I consider my 'Personal' column to be my main way of communicating with you brethren."

So true, so very true!

Thank you, friends, for such dedication! Keep up the good work.

Mrs. G. Perrault  
St. Johnsbury, Vt.

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We cannot help but to echo the praises of others who have written in about the value of *The Worldwide News* to God's people. We think it is a wonderful way for us all to keep in touch. To know of what is going on in God's Work and to share each other's moments of joy as well as sadness — after all, we are a family! And certainly the letters from both you and your father are interesting and informative and keep us a close-knit family, the way I used to feel that *The Good News* magazine did.

George James  
Denver, Colo.

**SEP Alaska: wilderness camp**

By Mike Pickett

NIKISHKA, Alaska — The high rate of unemployment in the state this summer meant only 10 campers could be part of Alaska's Summer Educational Program this year, but this year's group of young people, whose ages ranged from about 12 to 18, converged here, north of Kenai on the Kenai Peninsula, and turned out to be the closest and most dedicated group of Youth Opportunities United members ever assembled at SEP Alaska.

The Alaska campers this year were joined by Clint and Dave Delaplaine of Lakeport, Calif., and SEP director Al Tunseth hopes in future years that other out-of-staters may participate.

After the two-week SEP began, June 17, campers took tours of several major points of interest, including the giant Collier Corp.'s fertilizer plant and an RCA microwave station.

The youths joined in a riflery tournament in which, unlike many National Rifle Association contests, the boys shot better than the girls.

The best fish caught was an 18-inch rainbow trout landed by Stephanie Ellington at the main campsite, which has been lent the past three years by Ed Ladd, a Church member now living in Canada.

The campers hiked eight miles up historic Resurrection Trail of the gold-rush days. As they climbed they saw thundering waterfalls, the awe-inspiring bald eagle so commonly found in Alaska and mountain sheep thousands of feet up and waded through a painful and numbing, washed-out trail section covered by nearly knee-deep, frigid mountain-



SEP ALASKA — Canoeists at the Alaskan Summer Educational Program paddle down the Moose River. (Photo by Don Webster)

stream water.

After an overnight stay, the campers returned the eight miles to their vehicle through a thunderstorm. All were happy to have rain clothing on hand and wear it.

The campers had prepared for the hike and final canoe trip by taking two hours of swimming lessons every day from Mrs. Steve McVeda of the Kenai church. After this and other vigorous training, the campers were ready for the exhausting 30-mile canoe trip, which included portages of up to a mile.

The most excitement came when the campers paddled madly two miles across Swan Lake toward the hidden camp used by SEP for three years, trying to beat a monolithic thunderstorm looming in front of

canoes. Five bolts of lightning simultaneously hit about 12 miles away, setting the woods on fire. The campers spent the evening watching the smoke rise and planes circle the fire as attempts were made to quell its advance.

The last leg of the canoe trip, a grueling 15,000-stroke ordeal down the Moose River, took the campers past schools of red salmon getting ready for their spawn. Canoes coasted silently by twin moose calves, giant horned owls, bald eagles and bear signs.

Kenai deacon Bill McWilliams made his annual air drop of ice cream from a plane to the cheering and clapping of sweaty, dirty campers on Swan Lake, 30 miles from civilization in the wildest country in the United States.

# Local church news wrap-up

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golf on the idyllic course, Kurt Gutmann became the Frankfurt champion with the best score. Hans Weinhart took second and Johanna Sperzel third. These three will compete in the miniature-golf tournament at the Feast of Tabernacles, which is again to be held in the Black Forest.

Sausages (wiensers) were plentiful, with the brethren grilling them over the glowing fire and eating until all hunger had been quelled. The all-beef sausages were specially ordered from a member in Austria.

The call of the sea lured several out in little boats onto the lake. Others played handball or badminton or took walks in the pine-scented fresh air. *Tony Johnson.*

## Cod, mackerel and saithe

GLASGOW, Scotland — A fishing trip was organized July 10 by the YOU committee for the Glasgow and Kilmarnock brethren. They left from the town of Largs, a holiday town some 30 miles southwest of here on the Ayrshire Coast.

About 40 adults, sons and daughters, with an assortment of garb and the inevitable heavy jumper (pullover) for emergency weather one expects out in the Firth of Clyde, participated. The fishing vessel was packed to capacity with members and gear, all roaring to get at the mackerel and cod found in this area of water.

But it became obvious that most of the fish had moved to safer waters. Davie Storrer of Glasgow caught the first cod of the night, then John McMillan from Kilmarnock pulled in a saithe but threw it back to the sea gulls hovering overhead. Bobby Letham hooked a cod to put Glasgow 2-1 up on Killy.

But what of the professionals? Not a fish among them, while young Robbie Jeffrey showed the way by hauling in seven mackerel one after the other.

The boat's skipper's assistant enjoyed the evening so much that he parted with five of his cod fish, giving them to this author. *Bob Jeffrey.*

## Atlantic provinces' YOU camp

HALIFAX, N.S. — Twenty-three youngsters from Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia attended a YOU camp-out July 3 through 10 at New Harbour, N.S.

While roughing it in tents, the teens enjoyed archery, canoeing, swimming, riflery and soccer, with trophies awarded at the end of the week for the highest male and female scorers in each category.

Floor hockey and basketball were available, along with showers, at a nearby school gymnasium.

Evenings were spent with either a bonfire sing-along or a record hop. The culmination of the camp came on the Sunday when camp was broken with a water-balloon battle in which ministers Steve Botha and Adrian Smith emerged as the only victims.

Awards were presented as follows: Billy and Kelly Mitchell, swimming; Don Ferguson and Kelly, canoeing; Kevin Thibodeau and Susanne Boudreau, archery; Steve Thibodeau and Susanne, riflery; Roxanne Conrad and Billy, best overall campers. *Harlean Botha.*

## First ladies' night

KINGSTON, Jamaica — The Spokesman Club here held its first ladies' night July 3 at the Casa Monte hotel in Stony Hill.

Director Kingsley Mather brought the club to order and vice president Hugh Wilson, who was chairman for the evening, welcomed the ladies.

After dinner, topicmaster Michael Case took charge with a series of thought-provoking questions. Toastmaster Carlton Gordon introduced the speakers: Joseph Brown, Lawson Davis, Keith Mudie, George Clarke and Kenneth Barnett. Most effective speaker was Mr. Mudie, most improved speaker was Mr. Clarke and most helpful evaluator was Roy Hall. Among the guests were the director

of the Caribbean Work, Clarence Bass, and his wife, Mr. Bass and Mr. Mather evaluated the evening's session. Both congratulated the club members on fine performances and thanked the ladies for their participation. *Michael and Beverly Case.*

## Stuffed cabbage

LAUREL, Del. — The Women's and Spokesman clubs held a combined dinner meeting July 2, featuring a "Family Unity" theme.

Before the meeting the club members and families enjoyed a buffet dinner. Each woman had brought a meat dish, vegetable or salad and dessert.

Bobby Culp led the topics session, with both men and women participating. Tom Hales gave a speech on fatherhood, followed by a speech by Carlton Smith on marriage.

The brethren roasted in the sun and swam in the ocean at Assateague Island July 17. Those attending turned out with an array of beach umbrellas, a canopy, grills, suntan lotion, drinks and food, including Joe Komlo's stuffed cabbage.

A volleyball game rounded out the afternoon. *Ann Hampton.*

## Dogs night out

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. — Pastor Cecil Maranville appointed Jim Kotow, a high-school teacher, as the local YOU coordinator, thus kicking off the formation of a YOU chapter here.

The first officers are Hilmar Bohnert, president; Bernie Pohl, vice president; Veronica Pohl, secretary; and Dixie Pansky, treasurer.

The brethren packed picnic lunches and enjoyed a day of games, espe-



**BACKING HIS PLEDGE** — Paul Cummins backs up his pledge to give a free wheelbarrow ride to anyone who made a better dessert than he did. His son Roy gets the ride and has his cake too. (See "Just Desserts," this page.)

cially baseball, June 26 at Park Lake Provincial Park in southern Alberta. Husbands were treated with an opportunity to pose for their wives with their heads stuck through the center of a target for wet sponges.

Many families shared a sunset in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains with the fish jumping in snow-fed Beauvais Lake at the annual church camp-out July 8.

Most sat around the lamp fire, not a camp fire due to the prolonged drought in the area, chatting until 11:30 p.m.

After eating breakfast, the campers enjoyed a sing-along, accompanied by an accordion and all the dogs who were camping with us. Sabbath services were held in an enclosed kitchen area, where Mr. Maranville gave a sermon on the book of Galatians.

In the evening, some of the more dedicated fishermen got out their poles and tackle boxes to try for some fish, which were shared with all for breakfast Sunday morning. *Jim Kotow and Jan Peterson.*

## You band awarded

LEXINGTON, Ky. — You, a YOU music group here, was honored July 20 as the first recipient of an award for service to the Lexington Public Library and community.

The award, a certificate, was presented to Haz Hall and the You band as part of the library's Midweek Mad-

ness program by Sue O'Neil, publicity director for the library, and signed by Mary Powell Phelps, library director; Begly Faulkner, president of the Friends of the Library; and Jean L. Gardener, chairman of the board of trustees.

Fran Kurci, coach at the University of Kentucky, praised the band and said how lucky the community was to have a group that dedicated so much of its time to community involvement.

Carol Wiggington, director for social services for Fayette County, Ky., was also present. *G.M. Russell.*

## Just desserts

LONDON, Ky. — Attendance of more than 200 persons marked the annual summer picnic of the brethren here at the American Legion Hall July 10.

Softball, horseshoes, volleyball and other games were enjoyed during the morning hours, while used clothing was on display for anyone who might wish to take some.

The ducking machine, a product of the fertile mind and hands of Carl Kinnaird, served again as a main attraction, with volunteers sitting in the hot seat, while others paid for the privilege of sending them into the water.

Everyone brought food, but the main attraction was a table of desserts furnished by the men, who not only

made them strictly on their own, but agreed to clean up their own messes in the kitchen.

Paul Cummins, deacon here, agreed to give a wheelbarrow ride to anyone who made a better dessert than he did. Fortunately, it was his young son, Roy, who won first prize, with two single layer cakes decorated and named Barb and Mel, which, by a strange coincidence, happens to be the names of the minister and his wife here, Mel and Barbara Dahlgren.

Second-place winner was Bob Gilliland, with lemon-filled meringues. Charles Daniels was third with a cake covered with banana slices. Judging was done by the ladies. *Bob Gilliland Sr.*

## A few latecomers

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — An area picnic for members east of here and around Murfreesboro was held July 24 in a park near the Murfreesboro airport, with some 65 in attendance.

The youngsters had ample facilities to play on in the park. Some of the teens tested their swimming abilities, going down the road several miles to Walter Hill. The men and women fellowshipped and some played horse-shoes.

Several families had ventured out early enough to eat breakfast in the park, frying eggs and bacon.

The activities were organized by Ellen Smith, Sue Rutledge and Juanita Corbin. A few latecomers who had been playing ball in Nashville were also welcomed. *Everett J. Corbin.*

## Spanish moss

NEWORLEANS, La. — Members of the New Orleans church in the Morgan City area gathered for a pot-luck picnic beside Lake Palourde July 10.

Under the shade of cypress trees and Spanish moss, pastor Jim Chapman and associate pastor Jim Servidio joined the members for a feast of home-cooked dishes followed by homemade ice cream.

Both children and adults enjoyed the fun and games and swimming.

Morgan City is about 100 miles west of here. Also attending the picnic were members from the surrounding areas of Houma, Des Allemands and some from New Orleans. *Bonnie Pearce.*

## Agricultural show

ODENSE, Denmark — A first of its kind for the Scandinavian Work, a stand displaying some 20 publications was set up June 23 through 25 at the Odense Agricultural Show, which was visited by about 30,000 people this year.

Stuart M. Powell, pastor and regional director, characterized the event as an "experiment" and termed it a "qualified success."

Special features included the June edition of the *PT* with its color cover of Queen Elizabeth, "World Crisis in Agriculture," "Principles of Healthful Living," "The Dilemma of Drugs" and the Danish-language editions of "Why Were You Born" and "Seven Laws of Success." The latter two proved immensely popular.

Visitors from faraway places took literature with them. Three young men from the Philippines received almost all the booklets displayed, asked if services were held on Saturdays and were referred to the Manila office. One woman, a member of a delegation from Latvia, also took with her almost all of the English booklets.

People have already begun writing the Oslo, Norway, office for additional literature and information. *Kristian Kristiansen.*

## River float trip

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Cloudy skies and muggy weather greeted 57 anxious early birds, aged 4 to 60, at 6 a.m. June 26 as they embarked on an all-day outing to eastern Oklahoma to float the Illinois river in canoes.

A torrential downpour welcomed the passengers of the Greyhound bus as they arrived at the river after a 3½-hour ride. The skies soon cleared and the river was calm and uncrowded the rest of the day.

Everyone enjoyed a day of sun. (See WRAP-UP, page 9)

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**NEW CHURCH IN TEXAS** — The Worldwide Church of God in Tyler held its first service on July 9, in the Women's Building on South Broadway, with an attendance of 186. The church will meet each Saturday at 1:30 under the supervision of the pastor, Dr. Donald Ward. [Photo by Phil Edwards]



# Wrap-up

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swimming, picnicking and canoeing.  
Jim Mann.

## New Alaska church

**PALMER, Alaska** — A handful of cars pulled up at the little green railroad depot here at 1 p.m. July 9. From the cars emerged a group of eager people who entered the depot and transformed it into a clean, orderly place of worship for the new Palmer church.

By 2 p.m., voices were raised in psalms to God. Palmer local elder Dick Eckman served as song leader. Deacon Mike Pickett and his wife, Laurie, imported from Anchorage, filled in as sermonette man and piano player, respectively. Bill Gordon, who is being transferred to Pasadena for his sabbatical, gave the sermon. This is the fourth church he has started in Alaska in his seven years here.

The Palmer members formerly attended Anchorage morning services.

"Use odds and ends from around the house and lots of imagination." Those were the instructions given to members of the new Busy Betsys Club before they started their first summer project: making dollhouses from scratch.

Each girl was given a large cardboard box to partition, carpet, wallpaper and furnish completely. The girls' mothers worked with them, completing the project June 28. An exhibition is planned.

The members, Teresa Wilcox, Rhoda Reed, Tara Orchard and Wendy and Mandy Eckman, are all in the 6-to-11 age-group.

The girls made terrariums July 12 at a meeting in Wasilla. Every girl was supplied with a gallon jar, some soil, a little charcoal, a few pebbles, two small plants and a little instruction.

Rhoda served a banana-nut cake she had baked herself. *Linda Orchard.*

## A first for France

**PARIS, France** — At the request of the mayor of Herblay, a city in the western suburbs, a group of talented Paris members entertained 200 senior citizens on July 3 at a special banquet to which all the elderly people of the community were invited. The invitation represents the first full-scale service project to nonmembers in French-speaking Europe.

Five hours of songs, skits and poems visibly delighted the spectators, several of whom were invited onstage to get into the act themselves.

Jean-Paul Gorisse, 21, who teaches music in the Herblay school system, was instrumental in the church group receiving the invitation.



**PARIS CHURCH SERVICE PROJECT** — Paris, France, members provide the entertainment for a Herblay, France, senior citizens banquet. (See "A First for France," this page.)

Daniel Wierzbicki, 45, coordinator of the newly formed Paris Activities Club and oldest member of the group, introduced the entertainers.

Etienne Bourdin, Paris pastor, delivered the first outdoor sermon in the history of the French Work July 16. The scene was a small farm owned by member Gilbert Boyer in Bourg l'Abbe, a tiny village in Normandy.

Mr. Bourdin made the trip to speak to 30 youngsters, aged 9 to 14, who were assembled at the Boyer farm for a three-week, small-scale summer camp. Thirteen adults were also present to hear the sermon on the Fifth Commandment. *E. Pasquereau and Bob Scott.*

## Scout camp-out

**PITTSBURGH, Pa.** — The church's Boy Scout Troop 120 held a camp-out July 15 through 17 near Freeport, Pa., on about 80 acres owned by member Art Gaul. The land offers a wooded area, a creek, a spring and a newly mowed field where the scouts and their leaders camped.

Some of the weekend's activities included a hike and identification of types of shrubs, plants and trees, including some chestnut trees, which are relatively rare in Pennsylvania. A short session on camping safety was conducted for the Tenderfoot scouts.

The scouts' enthusiasm was not diminished despite the high humidity and temperatures, according to Gerald McFeely, one of the troop leaders. About 20 scouts and six lead-

ers attended the camp-out. *Frank Lewandowski.*

## Monthly picnic

**POPLAR BLUFF, Mo.** — The brethren here gathered for a picnic of good food and fellowship following services July 16.

Pastor John Cafourek had decided earlier in the year to have a church picnic once a month during the summer. *Linda Arnold.*

## Fabulous Fourth

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** — The gentle rolling hills of Newcastle, Calif., provided the perfect setting for the Sacramento brethren, who gathered July 4 at the home of Ken and Bea Williams for a potluck picnic, splashing in the old swimming hole, music, singing, games and fellowship. *Marilyn Gilmore.*

## Mutual baptism

**ST. LOUIS, Mo.** — Several brethren here got together for an anniversary fellowship commemorating something they all shared — each was baptized June 30, 1974. The group met at a smorgasbord restaurant. All agreed to repeat the celebration annually.

The anniversary members were Hervie White, Melvin Dorsey, Doyle Heim, Jim and Dolores Heim, Bob and Cindy Mahoney.

Other members attending were JoAnn Heim, Johnnie Mae Dorsey, Pero Dennis, Don Wilson, Linda Wilson and Amy Johnson. *Robert V. Mahoney Sr.*

## Church picnic

**ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.** — The church here enjoyed a potluck picnic at Phillippe Park, on the banks of Old Tampa Bay near Safety Harbor, Fla., July 24.

The park setting, under oak, palm and pecan trees, provided a scenic view of the bay along with activities for all ages.

Of special interest to the children was an Indian mound. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

## Pancake breakfast

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass.** — Brethren here held their annual pancake breakfast July 10 among the tall towering trees at Westfield's Stanley Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Emerson, pancake king and queen, mixed the whole-wheat batter for the cooks, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chapman and Ron Syriac, to pour on the piping-hot grills and serve to the hungry crowd.

Going-away gifts were presented to minister Harry Shaer and his wife. They received money for a stage show and dinner and a watch for Mr. Shaer, whose old one broke during a baptism ceremony.

Mr. Shaer planned to leave for Pasadena the end of July, with his wife to follow upon the closing of their house. *Anne Marie Freeman.*

## Teens go to Michigan

**TOLEDO, Ohio** — The teens here started their canoe trip near Hell, Mich., July 10.

Thirty-two teens and eight adults in 19 canoes enjoyed an exciting five-hour canoe trip down the Huron River. A dry-land short course in paddling techniques was conducted by Lyni Ashland, who was home on a short break from SEP in Orr, Minn.

Going over five rapids along the 13-mile route added to the excitement. A beautiful park showed up conveniently at lunchtime, where the boaters enjoyed lunch and swimming.

At sundown, 40 suntanned, sunbaked, sunburned and sun-kissed people drove home. *Jean Cox.*

## Pool and chitchat

**WALTERBORO, S.C.** — After Sabbath services July 9, the YOUNG group here left in the church bus for Colleton State Park for lunch, after which everyone journeyed to the nearby home of deacon Robert Ardis

for several short speeches, a topics session and a talk by Mr. Ardis.

After lemonade was served by Mrs. Ardis, the group traveled to Hardee's to eat and then on to a nearby miniature-golf course and driving range.

Then it was on to the campsite, where a pool table furnished by a local member kept most of the young men busy for the next two hours. The young ladies used the time for chitchat.

Breakfast the next morning got the group off early to the church picnic at a nearby state park, where softball, volleyball, basketball and swimming were enjoyed by those that braved the 100-degree heat. *Frank Frye.*

## Musical chairs

**WHANGAREI, New Zealand** — The end of duties in the Northland area for minister Gary Harvey and his wife, Pam, was July 2.

After services, a social was held in their honor, with activities ranging from musical chairs to individual acts by young and old. The evening ended in a sing-along, after which the Harveys were presented a lace tablecloth.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey are transferring to take charge of the Wellington, New Zealand, church. *Helen G. Wilding.*

## Churches shuffled

**WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis.** — Saturday, July 2, was a milestone day for the church here, marking the departure of pastor George Kackos and the beginning of the end of the Wisconsin Dells congregation.

Mr. Kackos, who is leaving for a sabbatical, will be replaced by Mitchell Knapp, who will be pastoring both the Wisconsin Dells and the Rockford, Ill., churches.

Beginning July 16, about one fourth of the Dells church will become a part of the new La Crosse, Wis., church. The Dells church will temporarily meet in the Festival Administration Building here until after the Feast, at which time the church will relocate in Madison, Wis., and be known as the Madison church.

Sabbath services July 2 were held at 11 a.m., followed by a potluck dinner. The brethren presented Mr. and Mrs. Kackos with gifts of money and a photo album with pictures of the members. The album was compiled by the Women's Club. *John Torgerson.*

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**"PUFFING BILLY" EXCURSION** — Thirty-five children from the Young Action Group in Melbourne, Australia, take in an outing on Puffing Billy, a steam-powered train preserved and maintained as a tourist attraction. The train winds its way along 15 miles of narrow-gauge track through the picturesque rain-forest area of the Dandenong Mountains on the outskirts of Melbourne. Young Action Group is children ages 6 to 14 who meet once each two weeks for activities based on gymnastics. (Photo by John Halford)

# Members, youths receive recognition

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Tony Knudsen, a third-grader at Morning-side School in Edina, Minn., competed in the Edina Optimist Club's annual basketball contest, entering the division for 8-year-olds and taking first place.

The contest covered three areas: shooting, dribbling and passing.

The winners were honored at a



TONY KNUDSEN

banquet at the Edina Country Club. Tony attends at Minneapolis South with his parents, Norman and Bonnie Knudsen, and brother, Michael.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Marshall H. Barnes II, a member of the Columbus A.M. church, has taken over as personnel-relations manager for Columbia Gas Co. of Ohio.

Recruiting professional personnel into distribution companies' opera-



MARSHALL BARNES II

tions and maintaining continued advances in equal-employment opportunities will be two primary goals of Mr. Barnes.

Mr. Barnes, 39, has been coordinator of equal employment opportunity for the distribution companies since 1973. He joined Columbia in 1966 as a budget analyst.

He will also be in charge of such employee relations as recruiting, placement and employee activities.

HONOLULU, Hawaii — In the office of Honolulu Mayor Frank Fasi June 9, David Sylva, 4, became the youngest recipient ever to receive the mayor's Good Guy Award. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Sylva of the Honolulu church.

David was honored for saving the life of 3-year-old Michael Price Jr. of Houston, Tex., May 8 when the Price boy was attacked by a horse and suffered bruises and abrasions after the animal bit and stepped on him several times.

David is credited with dragging the boy to safety and then running home for help.

The Price boy was hospitalized for 12 days after the incident.



AWARD — Larry Vockerodt, left, receives medal from Dr. P.G.J. Koornhof.

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — After completing a four-year course at the Cape College for Advanced Technical Education, Larry C. Vockerodt, 23, a member here, was awarded a gold medal for merit for his National Diploma for Technicians in electrical engineering by P.G.J. Koornhof, minister of national education and sport and recreation, in Cape Town's city hall.

Dr. Koornhof was one of the government officials Herbert W. Armstrong met on a recent visit here.

Mr. Vockerodt also received the 1976 Hewat Trust Award for being the best engineering student. He also attained the highest marks for "automatic control," 97 percent, and electrical engineering, 98 percent, in the country.

PASADENA — Barbara Korthuis, 20, has been awarded a full California State Scholarship for the 1977-78 year. Mrs. Korthuis was accepted to attend the school of journalism at the University of Southern California, where she will pursue her degree.

The scholarship is based on academic achievement, leadership and financial need.

Mrs. Korthuis attends the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church with her husband, Roger. Her parents attend one of the Chicago, Ill., churches.

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Deborah Rea Lauver of the church here has been accepted as a member of the National Honor Society based on the recommendation of her teachers for her outstanding academic achievement and personality.

Deborah, 16, will be a senior at East Pennsboro High School. Besides being an artist, she is an active YOU member, is a member of a cheerleading squad and has competed on a track team.



DEBORAH LAUVER

BRISTOL, England — At the end-of-year ladies' night of the Spokesman Club here, Church member Michael James received his club graduation certificate from director Bruce Kent.

Mr. James has been blind three years; readers may remember that he recovered from Bashe syndrome, a rare disease that is almost always fatal. The disease left him totally blind.

Mr. James has successfully met the requirements for all speech assignments, as well as table topics, toastmaster's duties and vocal exercises, and has served as speech evaluator.

His advice to anyone: "You don't know you can't until you've tried"; to club members: "Avoid being notebook."

BIG SANDY — John L. Snyder, 13, son of John L. Snyder of Bay City, Tex., and Helen A. Snyder of Big Sandy, has received an award for



JOHN SNYDER

the highest grade average (94.27) in the seventh grade at Big Sandy School for the 1976-77 school year.

John attends the Big Sandy church with his mother and is a member of YOU. He is interested in sports, science, electronics and music. He plays tenor sax with the school band and recently made first chair in band.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Terrie Ellen McCammon, 18, daughter of



TERRIE McCAMMON

Mr. and Mrs. William C. McCammon Sr., members of the church here, has been chosen for two consecutive years to be listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*.

Terrie is a 1977 graduate of Everett High School. She was active in French, Spanish, math and pep clubs and lettered four years in the high-school band.

She also received a geography award her senior year.

Terrie was talent representative from the Knoxville church at the Feast of Tabernacles in St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1975, playing a piano solo.

She is a member of YOU and has been accepted to Ambassador College this fall.

OAKLAND, Calif. — Lisa Cocherell, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Cocherell of the church here, received four Torch Bearer Awards at a presentation of the Camp Fire Girls. They covered business, cookery, cultural heritage and special interests.

Lisa also earned a 100-hour service award, given for community service.

For two years Lisa earned a youth physical-fitness award. She just earned her brown belt in judo and is an assistant teacher of judo for the cities of Walnut Creek and Concord.

Her other interests are piano, guitar and diving.

ROME, Ga. — Tina Weyman, who attends church here, on June 24 was awarded the M.J. Newman Scholarship for the 1977 Georgia High School Workshop, held at the University of Georgia.

Tina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Weyman Sr., plays the French horn and was selected to play first horn in the orchestra and band. One hundred fifty students attended the June workshop.

During the past school year Tina was chosen to receive the ninth-grade citizenship award and honors in English I and physical science.

She ended the school year with a 98.4 overall grade average.

## Farm couple tills organically

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after three years, and again after six. Even with the drought last summer, Zoellick's yields increased, he said.

"A farm like this could take three years of drought where most could only stand one," he said. "Last year our corn was green all the way to the ground through the season; I got 75 bushels to the acre and my neighbor over here only got 10."

When his own cows are sick, which isn't often since chemicals have been purged from their food and water supply, he treats them with antibodies — not antibiotics — derived from the milk of freshened cows. The medicine is also a good tonic for the flu, he said.

"It stinks something awful," Helen said, grimacing. "But it doesn't taste too bad if you mix it up in a glass of grapefruit juice."

Except for her pregnancies, they have not had a doctor's bill in 23 years, she said.

### A more fulfilling life

Organic farming; and involvement in the Worldwide Church of God, has meant a more fulfilling, leisurely life, Herman said.

"A neighbor I got to switch to the organic system said he didn't know where he got all the time from all of a sudden," Herman said, after playing a few tunes on his pearl-gray, concertina, trimmed

in red glitter and rhinestones. "There is no rush to plant crops. You don't spend a lot of time with sick animals. You have more time to really enjoy your life."

In spite of the demands made on her by the family and the farm work, Helen, who recently turned 40, agreed.

"I have washed diapers every day for 22 years," she said with a cheerful laugh that punctuates most of her sentences. "When all the kids were in school I used to bake nine loaves of bread [ground by hand from their own wheat berries] every day. Now I only bake six loaves twice a week."

"Sometimes when I am pregnant I get so depressed . . . But when they are born and are healthy it makes me happy again. We have had so many blessings — the greenness of the corn, the health of our family. I don't think we would have had those things before," she said.

Although she occasionally helps with the milking while her husband and sons are doing custom farm work for neighbors, she gave up on driving machinery after running a John Deere tractor onto the bed of a pickup truck and ramming the family car into the rear end of a manure spreader.

### Love of the land

In addition to her work at home, Helen volunteers as a teacher's aide at a Dodgeville Head Start program. To earn extra money, she

worked the night shift at a nearby canning company last summer. Her paid working day began at 4:30 p.m. and often did not end until 4 the next morning, she said.

Walking with her three youngest children through ankle-high alfalfa dappled with dandelions, she said it is a life she would not trade.

"Here the kids have a creek to swim in, and it's cleaner than the pools in town. There's no traffic, the air is good. Every time we come back from visiting relatives in Illinois we all have a headache. I couldn't live in town."

Their love for the land is part and parcel of their conviction that a new "Kingdom of God" is approaching, Herman explained. When that day comes, it will mean a renaissance for organic, small-scale family farming.

"It's really a long story if you believe our religion," Herman said. "One of the reasons we sold our old farm and decided to rent this one is that if you don't have many possessions it will be easier to give them up when the time comes. Someday there will be a return to the 40- to 50-acre family farms; no one will own land."

Herman's careful nurturing of the soil, and his "hired men," will be part of his legacy for the new kingdom, he said.

"When I am building up the soil I am leaving something there for future generations," he said. "I couldn't just keep taking and leave nothing for them."





**HELPING HANDS** — Some of the volunteers, above, who have donated their time to mail each issue of *The Worldwide News* gather for an appreciation dinner. Right: Outgoing circulation manager Dean Koenke presents a certificate of appreciation to Lela Fisk, one of 75 people from the Big Sandy area who have given of themselves since the paper started in 1973. [Photos by Klaus Rothe]

*Couldn't have done it without them*

## 'WN' thanks volunteer help

**BIG SANDY** — Staff members of *The Worldwide News*, three days before the paper started its move from Texas to California, honored 75 people from this area who over the past four years have volunteered their labor to help mail the *WN* every two weeks.

The staff treated the mailers, who range from teenagers to octogenarians, to a meal at a cafeteria in Longview, Tex., Aug. 9, followed by the presentation of certificates of appreciation to each volunteer and a slide show about the production of the Church newspaper.

The meal was organized by outgoing *WN* circulation manager Dean Koenke, who is not being transferred along with the other four full-time staffers to California because the mailing will be handled by the Work's Mail Processing Center in Pasadena.

### Help essential

"Without these people's help the mailing of *The Worldwide News* wouldn't have been possible with our established system," Mr. Koenke said.

Forty-six of the 75 volunteers were at the presentation and meal, along with 17 spouses. Most of the laborers since the paper's beginning have been widows from Big Sandy and Gladewater, Tex., Mr. Koenke said, but they have also included widowers and married people and even teenagers.

"Those who labored the most were the ones that had limited incomes, and they felt this was the main way they could help the Work, through their own individual effort," Mr. Koenke said.

Managing editor John Robinson, who also presented Mr. Koenke a certificate of appreciation, said the volunteer helpers added a "personal touch" to the newspaper's operations and the *WN* "has been the better for it."

Also present was Ellis Stewart, former plant manager of the Ambassador College Press here, which did the necessary camera and prepress work on *WN* page layouts to prepare them for printing at a commercial firm in Gladewater until the move to Pasadena.

### The volunteers

The 75 honorees were as follows: Leigh Allen, Moodie Anderson, Sylvia Bjoraker, Fay Booher, Marline Boyce, Angela Brandt, Walter Capps, Jeanette Cooper, Lenona Crain.

Eva Daniel, Phil Edwards, Retta Farrington, Marie Fisher, Lela Fisk, Noble Fisk, Robert Fisk, Vera Frances, Dan Friz.

Selma Friz, Walter Friz, Helen Gideon, Katherine Goodchild, Oma Hamilton, Mae Harris, Lela Herrington, Laura Hicks, Jack Hogan.

Dora Home, Emma Jans, Lois Kalber, Shirley Karlson, Della Landwehr, Catherine Long, Eva Long, Alta McCann, Dorothy McKenzie.

Martha Massey, Sherry Massey,

Louise Moore, Karen Morgan, Darlys Murray, Keith Murray, Alrik Nilson, Bernice Nilson, Joyce Ragan.

Annie Ratliff, Lisa Roe, Ruth Roe, Cleila Rogers, JoAnn Rogers, Leah Rogers, Nina Rogers, Pat Scherich, Ruby Scott.

Marjorie Sharp, Sandra Sharp, Jean Shipman, Jean Shuster, Miriam Shuster, Alice Smith, Charles G. Smith, Bertha Turner, Thelma Van Orsdol, Kenneth Warren, Rosa Warren.

Annette Webb, Mildred Webb, Evelyn Weber, Donna Weese, Loren Weinbrenner, Mamie Wilkinson, Helen Worthen, Sarah Worthen, Brenda Yale, Velma Yale.

Present also were most of the *WN*'s full-time staff and two student employees who will make the transfer.



and without damage."

As of July 31 the death toll for the flood stood at 72, with 36 people reported missing.

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**BIG SANDY** — The last two of three busloads of former Big Sandy Ambassador College students left the East Texas grounds headed for Pasadena Aug. 6.

**Jeb Egbert**, who has been named one of two student-body presidents (the other is former Texan **Mark Mickelson**), said students already on the California campus turned out to welcome the transferring Texans when they arrived Aug. 7.

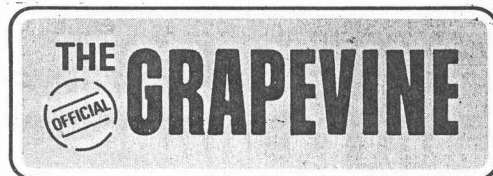
Since the announcement of con-

solidation of the two colleges, 383 former Big Sandy students have confirmed their plans to transfer to Pasadena.

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**BIG SANDY** — The Festival Office here reports that about 73 percent of the applications mailed to U.S. Church-member families have been returned to the office.

The number returned so far represents about 27,000 of the 37,000 applications mailed out. A Festival Office spokesman urged the tardy 10,000 Feastgoing families to get their forms in "as soon as possible" to facilitate last-minute accommodation reservations.



**PASADENA** — **Jon Hicks**, production supervisor for the Work's Television Production Department, has contacted the *WN* about employment opportunities in the department that are "immediately available."

Mr. Hicks said there is a need for experienced video editors, "preferably with CMX experience," operations engineers with experience in video control, someone experienced in "stock-shot libraries" and research and someone with experience in television-studio lighting and props.

Mr. Hicks said those interested should contact **Ken Karas** of the Personnel Department, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91123, or phone (213) 577-5100, as soon as possible.

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**JOHNSTOWN, Pa.** — Three Church members and their families are safe after the flood that ravaged

Johnstown July 20. *The Worldwide News* reported Aug. 1 that members **Felix Predko** and **Bill Di Ninno** and their families and **Christina Hiteshow**, who lived in this area, had not been heard from since the flood.

But **Ross Weaver**, a member who lives here, now reports all three members and their families "are safe

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