

## Ministers meet for conference keyed to unity Nearly 300 converge at headquarters

PASADENA — A conference of nearly 300 Worldwide Church of God ministers (approximately 100 from the Pasadena area and 187 from elsewhere in the United States, Canada and overseas) was held here Jan. 2 through 4. Included were all U.S. and Canadian church pastors and most International Division regional directors.

The three days of meetings were conducted by Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong and Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong.

The first meeting began shortly after 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 2, with a brief keynote address from Mr. Ted Armstrong. His opening remarks centered around what he called a real need for unity.

"The greatest need we have in this Work today is oneness," he said.

Following his remarks he called on his father for an opening prayer and to take charge of the remainder of the meeting.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong began by asking how many of the visiting ministers would be interested in touring the construction site of the new Auditorium. Since virtually every hand went up, he said that he would conclude his portion of the meeting by 4 p.m. so that there would be enough daylight remaining to take the entire group on a guided tour of the new complex.

Mr. Armstrong proceeded to trace the modern history of the Work, beginning with his calling 47 years ago. He explained how God had called him for a specific purpose, and, despite the efforts of various people over the years to thwart the Work, God had seen to it that His will had been accomplished.

"No man can stop the Work of God," he said. "We are the only church which has preached the Gospel of the Kingdom. We are God's

Church."

### New Phase of Commission

Mr. Armstrong also spent a portion of the meeting discussing the importance of his around-the-world trips and private talks with heads of state. He feels these meetings are a vital new phase of the Work's end-time commission and are "the most important part of the Work today."

He explained how these meetings with world leaders are more and more requiring that he be out of the United States and away from headquarters.

In the following meeting Mr. Stanley Rader, general counsel for the Work, said he and Mr. Armstrong had spent 270 of the last 365 days traveling.

However, Mr. Armstrong said he was not concerned about being away so much, since his son was able to function as chief executive officer in his absence:

"Christ, the living Christ, has provided me with a man to be the

chief executive here — of course under me — and that is my son, Garner Ted Armstrong. I have said something about the circumstances under which he was born. My wife — when she was alive — and I were confident that God had him born."

"I'm satisfied that God caused him to be born in order to speak this Gospel, the Gospel of the Kingdom of God, which has gone out to millions and millions and millions of people," Mr. Armstrong continued. "And some of you are here because you hear his voice and because of what he said, and what God was saying through him brought you to repentance and conversion and to Ambassador College and into the ministry of Jesus Christ."

### Personal Tour

The meeting adjourned shortly after 4 p.m., and Mr. Armstrong personally conducted the tour of the new Auditorium, scheduled for comple-

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**WARM EXCHANGE** — Mr. Ted Armstrong says good-bye to his father, who had to leave the conference early for his latest trip. Seconds later the two men embraced amid applause from the other ministers. [Photo by John Robinson]

## A Personal Letter

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To all the brethren in God's Church: Greetings, in Jesus' name!

I am dictating this in my office, following the Friday morning, Jan. 4, concluding meeting of a very rewarding and profitable series of meetings with all of the pastors of churches in the United States and Canada, plus many from far-flung

areas abroad, such as South Africa, Mexico, New Zealand, Australia, Chile and the Caribbean.

As I'm sure all of you will receive via announcements and sermons in the coming weeks, the ministry here unanimously felt that these were the most thoroughly satisfying and profitable meetings we have ever had.

## Mr. Armstrong receives award for capturing spirit of 1776

By Susan Karoska

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong was chosen for an award for presenting the television program which "most exemplifies the spirit of 1776" at a dinner held at the Sheraton Inn here Dec. 16 celebrating the observance of the 200th anniversary of the Boston Tea Party.

The award was accepted on behalf of Mr. Armstrong by Mr. James L. Friddle, pastor of the San Diego and Escondido, Calif., churches. Mr. Armstrong was unable to accept the award personally; he was conducting a personal-appearance evangelistic campaign in Seattle, Wash., on that weekend.

Other award recipients included John Stull, state senator from San Diego; Taylor Caldwell, American authoress; Alistair Cooke, British-born American historian and TV commentator; and Union Oil Co.

Also selected for a similar award was the British Broadcasting Corp., owned by the government against which the American colonies rebelled with their famed Boston Tea Party in 1776. That act helped precipitate the revolutionary war against Great Britain.

In reporting on the awards dinner to his Bible-study group, Mr. Friddle stated he was somewhat dismayed to find that San Diego's observance of this historical occasion was sponsored by an organized group of local citizens which is protesting high taxation. The original "tea party" was a result of American colonists' objections to a three-pence tax on a pound of tea.

Mr. Friddle was emphatic in informing his Bible-study group that the Worldwide Church of God does not in any way advocate or condone any kind of protest against the laws of the United States of America. The Bible shows that, among other things, Christ paid taxes and that we are commanded to be obedient to the laws of the land.

Mr. Friddle said he observed that each succeeding speaker seemed to think that he or she knew the causes of the deplorable condition in which the world finds itself today and the answers.

He said the true causes and real answers are available to them if they would only take the time to listen to the man and the TV program which they honored on this occasion.

far closer together in the deep brotherly love, mutual respect and appreciation that is so desperately needed in a far-flung organization such as this, where the essential ingredient, through God's Holy Spirit, is that of unity!

Other articles in the paper will elaborate further on the meetings; I wanted to say personally that while many of the sessions might have proven difficult for me emotionally, they were nevertheless of utmost importance. And I feel, without any reservations, that these were the most thoroughly profitable and to-the-point meetings I have ever attended!

Mr. Herbert Armstrong had to leave about midway through this recent conference for his next trip.

At this time I would like to give you Mr. Armstrong's itinerary in advance — and in detail — so all of us can be thinking about and praying for the success of these extremely critical activities on a day-by-day basis.

My father, Mr. Stan Rader and the rest of their party left Thursday, Jan. 3, for Tokyo, arriving there on the 4th.

On Saturday (I am dictating this Friday) there will be a Bible study there, with more than 50 people in attendance.

Monday they will depart for Nepal, in the company of five to seven members of the Japanese Diet (congress), who are being sent by the Diet and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan on an official mission to the oil-producing nations of the Middle East.

### Overnight in Nepal

The first stop with the congressmen will be in Nepal, for an over-

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**MINISTERIAL-CONFERENCE ADDRESS** — Mr. Herbert Armstrong gives his address Jan. 2 at the first meeting of the conference. [Photo by John Robinson]



# Local church news wrap-up

## Country Fair

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The Plumbers' Union Hall Dec. 25 was the scene of a big family get-together for the Columbia and Walterboro, S.C., churches. The brethren had the opportunity to use their skill, creativity and talent to produce their second "country fair" of the year.

There were 15 fair booths, with games such as a football throw and a bean-bag toss.

The best-booth cash prize went to the marble-game booth, which was decorated and set up by Mrs. Eudele Taylor and her Busy Bees, the young-girls' group.

Prizes were also given for the highest games — a game consisted of earning points at each booth and totaling them up.

Winners in the different categories were Joe Seab and Doris Hunter, adults; Dale Frye and Becky Davis, teenagers; and Tommie Grant and Jenny Sexton, preteens.

A country store, a jail, a kiddie booth, a "penny-pitch" and food-and-drink stands were also set up.

The festivities, enjoyed by young and old, were overseen by our own pastor, Joel "Marshall Dillengreen" Lillengreen. *Paulette Jameson.*

## Hardboard Frogs

DURBAN, South Africa — Saturday night, Nov. 10, turned out to be a fun-filled, fund-raising get-together organized by Mr. Dan Botha, local minister, to help sponsor the December Summer Educational Program (S.E.P.), the first to be held in South Africa.

At 7:30 p.m. Sherwood Town Hall here became a den of righteousness as members risked five cents a throw to play each of the incredibly varied games of chance and skill others had dug up for the occasion.

Winners at darts, chess, fishing (for bottles), pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, miniature golf, horse racing, soccer and a dozen other attractions walked away with prizes — including deliciously prepared traditional South African snacks.

Guests for the evening were the regional director of the South African Work, Mr. Robert Fahey, and his wife. As everyone else, they thoroughly enjoyed the main event of the evening: a frog race.

In each heat six contestants jockeyed their hardboard frogs along a string from starting point to finish line. In the thrilling final contest, Buntie McGuire jumped clear ahead of the favorites to take first place.

Two hundred forty dollars was raised — everyone had food and fun — and ideas for another such evening are already circulating. *Geoffrey Neilson.*

## No Gaps

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — The generation gap was tightly closed, as was the communications gap, when a group of preadolescent girls inaugurated a unique interview-type visiting program in this area over the weekend of Dec. 22.

The girls, ranging in age from 8 to 12, spent that Sunday visiting some of the elderly women of the Church

who live alone.

Under the direction of two of the mothers of girls in the group — Mrs. Robert Gardenhire and Mrs. Neil Dwinnell — the group members took turns in asking the older women a variety of interesting and unusual questions which enabled them to gain valuable insight into the life and times of those who lived 60, 70 and even 80 years ago.

At the conclusion of each visit the girls presented each woman with a pair of pot holders personally made by the girls.

The girls had been treated to a "sleep-in" party the night before at the Gardenhire home in La Mesa, Calif. The evening was spent preparing the pot holders and watching TV (simultaneously, Mrs. Dwinnell said) and planning their questions for the following day.

It was an occasion in which all persons involved were benefited — the very young and the very old. All who participated agree there was no generation gap and no communications gap for them. *Susan Karoska.*

## New Scout Charter

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — The Pittsburgh area, like other church areas, is finding that the Boy Scout program is a beneficial developmental program for boys.

Troop 120 recently received its charter from the Boy Scouts of America, and nearly 40 boys of scouting age are working diligently on merit and skill awards and various projects.

The troop, with the help of its 16 adult volunteer helpers, has already had two weekend campouts. *David Gilbert III.*

## Mum's the Word

MIDLAND, Mich. — It was a snowy and windy night Dec. 10 when the church here held its Women's Club meeting on flower arranging. Forty-one women ventured out that night, one car coming all the way from Cadillac, Mich., 70 miles away.

Joe Smith, a member who operates his own flower shop, made seven beautiful arrangements. The first one was a dozen red roses, and he gave them to Mrs. Lila Kladis, the oldest lady present.

Next was a beautiful yellow-and-maroon mum arrangement to accent the gold refreshment table.

Five other lovely arrangements followed, consisting of variously colored mums, birds of paradise, and pastel ribbon.

Smith gave four of his creations to the club to be auctioned off. These increased our treasury by more than \$25. *Betsy Tomich.*

## Rain, Rain, Go Away

TOLEDO, Ohio — Saturday, Nov. 24, dawned cloudy and rainy with a forecast of rain for afternoon and evening. What a night for the Toledo and Findlay, Ohio, teenagers to have a hayride scheduled!

There was no announcement of cancellation at church, though the rain was continuing. By 7:30 p.m., when the group began gathering at

the Deiningers' farm near Gibsonville, Ohio, it had stopped raining. It couldn't have been a nicer evening.

A tractor pulled two wagons loaded with bales of hay and teenagers, and the ride along the country roads was great fun, though it seemed all too short.

Then a bonfire was built, and there were cookies, doughnuts, cider and hot chocolate.

A rousing sing-along around the fire topped off the evening's activities.

Just as the last few people were getting into their cars to go home, the rain began again. *Karen Deily.*

## The Oldest Game

ELKHART, Ind. — *Encyclopaedia Britannica* says chess has been played for over 2,000 years and is probably the world's oldest game. The game apparently originated in India and from there spread to Persia and Europe and finally to America. Ben Franklin is given credit for making chess popular in the United States.

Here in the Elkhart area 12 men got together and formed their own chess club. Lee Hochstetler is the club's president and John Green the club's secretary.

Each man plays twice, for a total of 11 rounds and 22 games. A win counts a point, a tie one-half point and a loss, of course, nothing.

The player with the most points at the end of the year will be the chess champion.

This winter, when night comes upon us after the Sabbath and the temperature drops, we can sit by the fire and play an exciting round of the world's oldest game. *James R. Green.*

## Six-Course Meal

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — "Let's

do this more often!" commented one.

This seemed to sum up the general feeling of a group of our widows and senior citizens who gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bailey, members of the church here, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 2, for a sumptuous meal and entertainment.

The six-course meal was followed by two movies, including one on Japan and Thailand, which were very interesting as well as educational. Mr. Bailey provided live commentary on the film.

It was a very enjoyable afternoon for everyone, including the families who helped with the preparation and serving. *Jack Jackson.*

## Plain Talk

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — Thirteen widows gathered here Nov. 18 for a wiener roast and afternoon of games at the home of Carl Smith.

The highlight of the day was a game of pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, which was won by Mrs. Jean Wash of Laurel, Miss.

Mrs. Downing won the award for "longevity of life" for a widow at the outing. She is 90 years young.

After a rousing morning of bingo, everyone gathered around an open fire to roast wieners and marshmallows on long sticks.

The afternoon was completed by other games and a lively session of just plain talk and fellowship. *Charles J. Voss.*

## Finger-Lickin'-Good Time

SPOKANE, Wash. — The Half Century Club of the Spokane church met at 12 noon Dec. 16 to enjoy "the three F's": fun, fellowship and food.

That last F was special, because Mr. Valden White, one of our ministers, went with his son, Mr. Glen White, pastor at Winnipeg, Man., deep into the wilderness of the high country of western Canada to bring home the moose he had been wanting

for a long time. And he did!

It dressed out to 520 pounds, and at our meeting he shared it with us in the form of mooseburgers that were finger-lickin' good.

Cards, other games and talk followed eats, a time of real happy togetherness on a blanket-gray, rainy Sunday. *Margaret Lay.*

## Crisp, Cool Hayride

BIG SANDY — The evening of Dec. 9 was perfect for what we had in mind. The weather was crisp and cool, and the moon was full. The event: The Big Sandy Young Adults' Group was having a hayride.

Two things made this year's hayride even more enjoyable than last year's: We invited the Longview, Tex., young people to join us, and we combined the hayride with a trail ride. Our destination was the Circle M Ranch — which is leased by Ambassador College — where we roasted hot dogs and held a short meeting to discuss future activities, including a weekend campout in Oklahoma and a couple of service projects.

After a sing-along, Mr. Dean Blackwell, Big Sandy evangelist and leader of our group, announced the officers for 1974.

They are Wes McQuown, president; Ed Weiss, vice president; Sherry Alas, secretary; Karen Sterling, librarian; Jim Dietz, sergeant at arms; Mike Long, sports director; Steve Kraft, treasurer; Diane Luker, historian; and Donna Eddy, decorations supervisor. *Donna Eddy.*

## Challengers Challenged

ADELAIDE, Australia — When the first Adelaide Challengers — boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 14 — set out on their first hike on the first train from the Adelaide railway station on that memorable day, Sunday, Nov. 25, it was for them the first time a hike had turned into an endurance trial.

After alighting at the national park railway siding, 42 miles southeast of Adelaide, and after a short walk into the hills, the group of 25, including five adult leaders, split up. Sixteen turned to the right and nine left to the left on predetermined tracks, planning to meet again for lunch.

But the track markers not being where they were expected to be, the older boys and girls became lost and never made it to the luncheon.

They did not give up, though, but persevered through rough scrub, high grass and thorny blackberry bushes and down cliffs, on and on, weary and tired.

Eventually, by late afternoon, they made it back to the little railway siding.

Aside from this incident, the hike into the Adelaide hills, along with the aching muscles and sore feet, was enjoyable. *Adolf Heimann, Chris Carrick.*

## Snow Elephants

FRESNO, Calif. — Donning inner tubes, toboggans and plain old cardboard strips, 55 Fresno teens, young adults and not-so-young adults braved snow-covered slopes in the Shaver Lake area of the majestic Sierra Nevada at a fun-filled outing there Dec. 16.

Happy to leave a cold and foggy valley below, the adventuresome party enjoyed a day of tobogganing, snowball throwing, football passing and snow-elephant sculpting under a warm and relatively cloudless sky.

Back at camp (a rented cabin), there was enough good food and sparkling conversation to hold the energetic group for lunch.

Then it was back to the slopes for some, while the rest topped off the day with a sing-along.

And whether through tobogganing, romping, exploring or just standing still and taking in clean air and inspiration, it was a tired but happy clan that trekked back to civilization that evening. *Alex R. Lukes.*

## FOODS OF THE BIBLE

BY IRENE BURKE

The names of 55 foods mentioned in the Bible are hidden in the puzzle. As with these different foods, you will find their names growing up, down, sideways and diagonally. Listed at the bottom are the foods and where they are found in the Bible.

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Apple . . . . . Joel 1:12	Flour . . . . . Ezek. 16:13	Olive . . . . . Deut. 6:11
Barley . . . . . Deut. 8:8	Fowl . . . . . I Kings 4:23	Onion . . . . . Num. 11:5
Beans . . . . . I Sam. 17:28	Garlic . . . . . Num. 11:5	Ox . . . . . Deut. 14:4
Beelle . . . . . Lev. 11:22	Goat . . . . . Deut. 14:4	Partridge . . . . . Sam 26:20
Bread . . . . . Gen. 3:19	Grape . . . . . Jer. 31:29	Pomegranate . . . . . Joel 1:12
Butter . . . . . Gen. 18:8	Grasshopper . . . . . Lev. 11:22	Pygarg . . . . . Deut. 14:5
Calf . . . . . Gen. 18:7	Hart . . . . . Deut. 14:5	Quails . . . . . Ex. 16:13
Chamois . . . . . Deut. 14:5	Honey . . . . . I Sam. 17:29	Raisins . . . . . I Chron. 12:40
Cheeses . . . . . I Sam. 17:18	Kids . . . . . Gen. 27:9	Ram . . . . . Ex. 29:31
Coriander . . . . . Num. 11:7	Lamb . . . . . Ex. 12:4	Rie (Rye) . . . . . Isa. 28:25
Corn . . . . . Gen. 41:5	Leeks . . . . . Num. 11:5	Roebuck . . . . . Deut. 14:5
Cow . . . . . Lev. 22:28	Lentiles . . . . . Gen. 25:34	Salt . . . . . Ezra 6:9
Cucumbers . . . . . Num. 11:5	Locust . . . . . Lev. 11:22	Sheep . . . . . Deut. 14:4
Cumin . . . . . Matt. 23:23	Manna . . . . . Deut. 8:16	Water . . . . . Ex. 29:23
Ewe . . . . . Lev. 22:28	Melons . . . . . Num. 11:5	Wheat . . . . . Ruth 2:23
Fallow deer . . . . . Deut. 14:5	Milk . . . . . Gen. 18:8	Wine . . . . . Matt. 9:17
Fig . . . . . Luke 13:7	Millet . . . . . Ezek. 4:9	
Fish . . . . . Num. 11:5	Mint . . . . . Matt. 23:23	

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## Follow tips, save 105 percent

By William L. Johnson  
ARLINGTON, Tex. — A Texas engineer has humorously suggested a program to save gasoline:

- Remove antipollution devices (20 percent savings).
- Tune engine for optimum performance (15 percent savings).
- Overinflate tires by three pounds (10 percent savings).
- Drive at steady 50 miles an hour (15 percent savings).
- Avoid jackrabbit starts and stops

(10 percent savings).

- Do not use air conditioner (15 percent savings).
- Do not use vehicle for short trips (15 percent savings).
- Install a special ignition system (five percent savings).

"Therefore," he explains, "if you observe all these methods and have a 21-gallon tank, drain approximately one gallon from tank each week in order to avoid excessive gasoline in vehicle."

# HI-LITES

FROM IMPERIAL SCHOOLS AND TEEN-AGERS AROUND THE WORLD



**CAMPFIRE GET-TOGETHER** — This was the scene at a recent San Antonio, Tex., get-together by the young-people's group for roasted wieners and marshmallows. (Photo by Jerry Gentry)

## Spirit of togetherness felt in club

By Jerry Gentry

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Some two dozen teenagers here — sitting around a campfire roasting wieners and marshmallows at Randy and Bailey Peyton's house in the country, or going to see a pro basketball game between the San Antonio Spurs and the San Diego (Calif.) Conquistadores, or packing into a bus for a three-day trip to Monterrey, Mexico — all have one thing in common.

The common denominator of all these varied activities is the teenagers pulling together — simply having fun by doing things together.

For these teenagers, pulling together is something that's more felt than explained. It's like having a

## Ohio youth healed

The writer is a local elder in the Akron church.

By Paul Kurts

AKRON, Ohio — Sabbath, Dec. 15, I was called out of services because of a problem which had arisen with Mr. William Noy's young son, Nathan, age 2.

When I got back to the hall where the problem was, Mr. Noy had little Nathan by the heels, smacking him on the back, obviously thinking he had lodged some object in his throat.

Nathan had stopped breathing and turned blue during services before being taken out. By this time he was limp, moaning, and burning up with an extremely high fever. No one could get his fingers between Nathan's clenched teeth to check his tongue, and he was in a state of semi-consciousness.

I saw the need for immediate intervention by God, so I anointed him.

No sooner had I taken my hands from Nathan's head than he started breathing, opened his mouth and said, as only a little child can, "Mamma! Mamma!"

Mr. Noy took him to the hospital emergency room; his fever had gone down to 105 upon arrival and continued to go down to normal.

By the next day, Nathan was able to run and play. He is now completely normal.

close friend, somebody you can open up to, somebody you are not afraid of or jealous of. Only it's not just one friend — it's a whole clubful.

"As a result of our Teen Club, more people know each other, like each other," commented teenager Jerry Sandoval, son of Mr. Delfino Sandoval, who is the assistant pastor of the San Antonio church. "We play together, fight together, eat together, and once we even showered together . . ."

That was last summer, when club members packed into a newly reconditioned school bus and drove to Dallas, Tex., for two days. After a rousing basketball game between the Royals (the San Antonio church team) and the Dallas church team (Dallas won by two points), San Antonio teenagers spent a day at Six Flags Over Texas, a Dallas-area amusement park.

By late afternoon the teens had worked up quite a sweat, and there was nowhere to take a shower. They were now staying in a single large room where everyone bedded down in sleeping bags — girls on one side, boys on the other, chaperons in the middle.

Chaperons were Mr. and Mrs. Sandoval and Mrs. Audrey Brown, all parents of club members.

The first night wasn't so bad, but for a second warm night all those odor-exuding bodies without showers would have been too much. So after a potluck supper Mr. Sandoval told everyone: "Put on your bathing suits. We're going for a shower."

### Putting On a Dampener

Everyone gathered out back with soap in hands. Then Mr. Sandoval hooked up a garden hose to a nearby faucet and sprayed everyone down. That was one way to put a dampener on a smelly situation.

This is just one example of the spirit of togetherness felt among San Antonio's teens. And that spirit goes more than skin-deep. It is fostered by the philosophy behind the club activities.

According to Mr. Sandoval: "We don't plan the activities. We call a meeting of the club and ask them,

wide church league."

Jerry Sandoval is presently a high-school junior and president of the Teen Club. He is the third teenager to be appointed that post.

Money for activities comes from a variety of sources. Sometimes businessmen in the Church donate tickets or money to help the club. Teen Club members sponsor car washes, garage sales, candy sales. They also clean offices and yards. Once they sponsored a cake sale.

Mr. Sandoval commented on how the Teen Club began to play such an active part in Church teenagers' lives:

"My own concern at first was selfish — my own family. I saw we needed more for our teenagers or we were going to lose them."

A mother of two club members commented:

"It used to be easier to say no than to take a chance when our boys want-

ed to do something. Now the parents have really let go. At first it was hard for them."

### Things to Do

The same theme is reflected in a comment by Jerry Sandoval:

"Before, it was 'We can't do that; we're Church kids.' Now we have our own things to do. I think most of our teenagers know how to have a good time."

"Do you ever have problems with drugs, drinking, etc.?" I asked.

"We don't need drugs. We try to do something every weekend — bowling, skating . . . We do a lot of local activities. It's cheaper."

"None of our teens are a problem — no drugs, no drinking, no juvenile delinquency . . . nothing really bad. There's always a bonehead in the group who does something foolish and we have a good laugh. We have fun within ourselves."

### "The miracle kid"

## Once not expected to live, Houston youth back home

By Dave Havir

HOUSTON, Tex. — Seventeen-year-old Rusty Grindele, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Grindele, is at home here and doing well after being involved in a pickup-truck accident Sept. 1 in Wichita, Kan.

When the doctor of the emergency room at St. Joseph's Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in Wichita phoned the Grindeles in Houston, he asked them to come at once. The Grindeles caught the next plane.

Rusty's neck was broken in three places; his cervical spine was crushed; his back was broken; his right side was completely paralyzed; and his left ankle was crushed. It was tough and go as to whether he would make it.

After Mr. Bill Winner, Wichita-church pastor, came to anoint him, Rusty began to wiggle a toe. A day or two later he found himself moving his whole right leg. Following another few days there was movement in his fingers.

### Back Not Broken

On the Sabbath Mr. Winner told the members of the Wichita congregation about Rusty and asked them to pray for him. X rays were again taken of Rusty's back. These X rays showed his back wasn't broken, although the first X ray showed that it had been.

The doctors couldn't believe it. They would walk in, look at Rusty,

shake their heads and then walk out. He was called "the miracle kid." (Surgery had been performed on the ankle, and it was completely well.)

One of the workers in the hospital told Mrs. Grindele that she couldn't believe the healing, that the doctors had said they didn't expect him to live, that even if he did live he'd be a vegetable.

Rather than risk Rusty's life by transporting him back to Houston, his parents decided to continue Rusty's care in Wichita. There he was treated six weeks; appliances were applied to his skull which exerted traction on the cervical spine to relieve pressure.

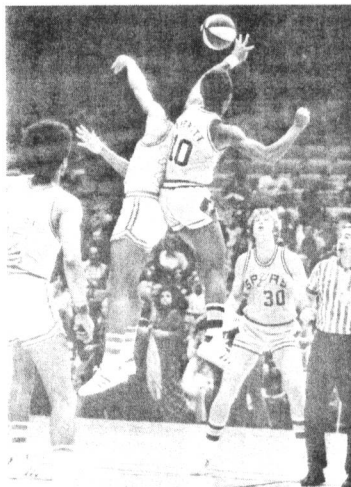
Taken out of traction on Oct. 12, he was put into a "four-poster" neck brace. Told that he would have to wear the brace from three to six months, Rusty was able to shun the neck brace on Dec. 3 — only 51 days later.

Rusty is still a partial paraplegic. He can't use his right hand too much yet, but the Grindele family is very happy to have him back home again.

### Walking Without Cane

He's walking without the cane he had to use for a while, and he's even driving a car again. And he's happy. He knows that God healed him.

And he and his parents wish to thank all those who were praying for him. The Grindele family is very grateful to God, who answered the prayers.



**YOUTH GROUP ATTENDS PRO BASKETBALL GAME** — One thing the San Antonio, Tex., young people did for a get-together was attend this match between the San Antonio Spurs and the San Diego Conquistadores. Right: Jerry Sandoval and Natalie Skilling enjoy the game. (Photos by Jerry Gentry)

# Records fall in fourth annual marathon

**BIG SANDY** — Few of the 29 runners, lined up for the starting gun at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25, relished the race that lay ahead of them: 26 miles, 385 yards of grueling, muscle-knotting continuous running.

Yet the fourth annual Ambassador College Marathon was a race most of them had been training for all semester, an endurance run every one of them had been working toward and wanted to complete.

Two hours, 47 minutes and 51 seconds later freshman Jim Todd, a dark horse, broke the tape, eclipsing 2 minutes and 27 seconds off the old college record, set last year by 1971 graduate Doug Burns.

The first five finishers all broke the three-hour mark, which means they had to run a scorching sub-seven-minute-mile pace for the 26 miles over a tough, very hilly course.

Both of the women who ran, juniors Malvina Kardos and Rose Anna Willhoite, topped the previous women's record of 4:41:55 set last year by Donna Reeck Ellett.

To sum up the performance, senior Alvin Hicks, the cross-country coach, said:

"It was the best marathon we've ever had."

And stated Mr. Kermit Nelson, head of the department:

"Distance running is a growing aspect of the Big Sandy physical-education program."

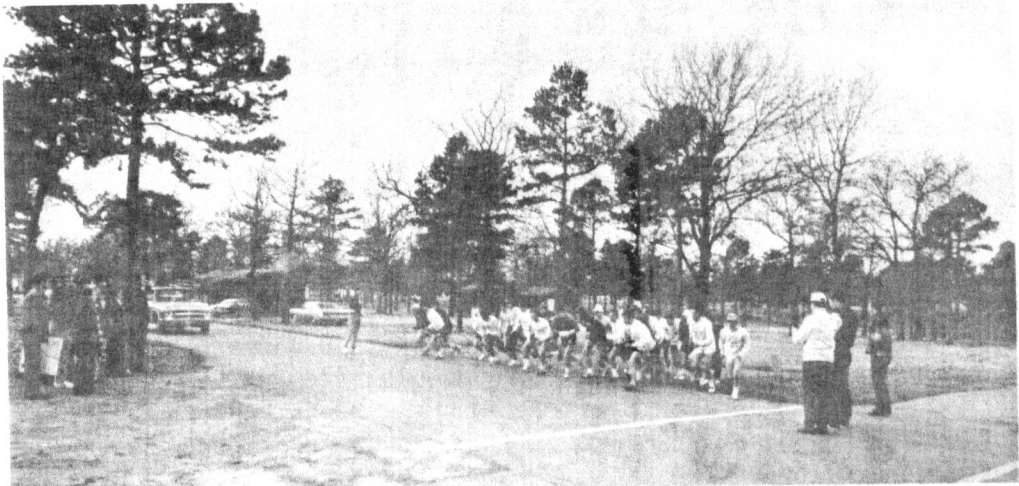
In the past four years the college has sent runners to marathons in Albuquerque, N.M., Milwaukee, Wis., and Wichita, Kan., as well as a cross-country meet in Denton, Tex.

Mr. Nelson said that "we could send four or five representatives to the Boston Marathon" this spring.

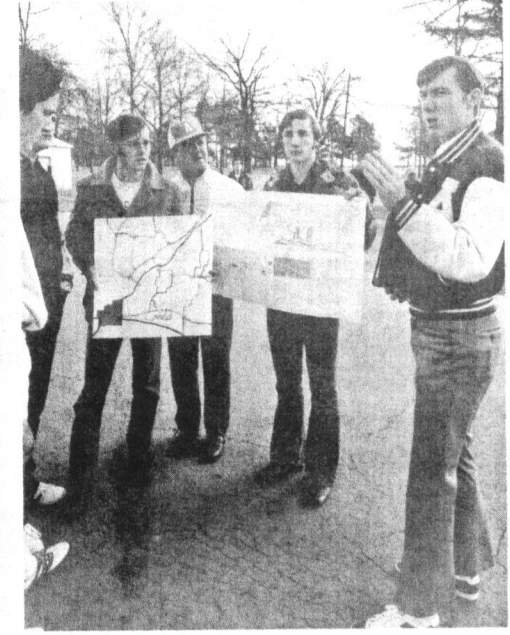
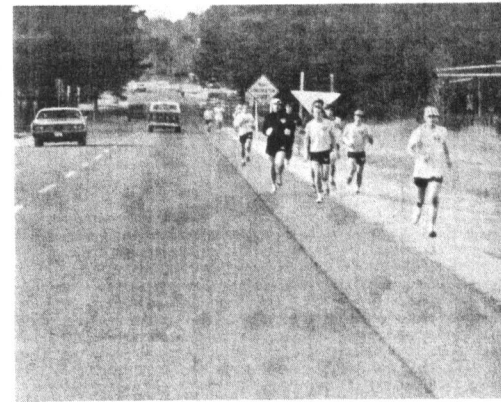
The following list was supplied by Big Sandy's Physical Education Department:

## MARATHON RESULTS

1. Jim Todd ..... 2:47:51
2. Terry Kennebeck ..... 2:48:38
3. Wayne James ..... 2:51:21
4. Brent Blomberg ..... 2:51:57
5. Dave Sutton ..... 2:58:00
6. Gary Smith ..... 3:00:01
7. Dave Link ..... 3:00:03
8. Pete Leschak ..... 3:09:53
9. John Warren ..... 3:14:50
10. Tom Kennebeck ..... 3:15:20
11. Todd Derstine ..... 3:26:48
12. Warren Melum ..... 3:34:14
13. James Murray ..... 3:39:40
14. Ron Berlin ..... 3:40:37
15. Russ Edwards ..... 3:41:19
16. John Doss ..... 3:51:18
17. Dave Darnon ..... 3:51:18
18. Byron Griffin ..... 4:02:07
19. John Anderson ..... 4:02:08
20. Jim Doerr ..... 4:07:45
21. Malvina Kardos ..... 4:09:46
22. Guy Swenson ..... 4:15:06
23. Rose Anna Willhoite ..... 4:35:15



**26 MILES, 385 YARDS** — Starting below and going counterclockwise: Cross-country coach Al Hicks outlines the route; the 29 runners get ready; eventual winner Jim Todd catches a drink on the run; Todd later takes the lead; three runners top a hill on a backwoods road on the way home; three hours or so later, an exhausted marathoner receives congratulations and a helping hand after finishing the grueling race. [Photos by Ken Treybig]





**LAND-REST PASTURAGE** — One of the blessings of the land rest just completed on the Big Sandy campus was the amount and many varieties of grass on the ranch's pastures. Here several of the Brown Swiss milk cows, standing knee-deep in grass, give the photographer the once-over. (Photo by Allen Stout)

## Continuing good trends hoped for as Big Sandy completes land rest

By James Ricks

**BIG SANDY** — The Ambassador College campus here recently completed its first sabbath land rest. Numerous benefits were the outcome of the land's resting, according to Mr. Dale Schurter, head of the Agriculture Research Department.

It has always been a recommendation of the Church to observe the land sabbath, but only recently has a policy been formed. In brief, the policy states:

"The land sabbath is to be taught as an ecological principle. The principle is that God wants us to take care of the soil. It is advisable that God's people, after working the land for six years, allow it to rest in the seventh year. This rest may be done in part — a little at a time over a period of years — or may be done all at one time, if desired.

"However, this principle is not a binding law for which the transgression is sin — and the penalty is death. This is merely an ecological principle which is intended to take care of the land.

"This principle . . . becomes a member's personal responsibility."

In Ambassador's keeping of the land sabbath, said Mr. Schurter, "we followed as closely as possible the outlines in Leviticus 25 as it applied to our situation, and we certainly feel that we were blessed for keeping it.

### Amazing Value

"For instance, the pastureland, which is our most important commodity, was of amazing value to us this past year. We started off with our usual 10,000 bales of hay at the beginning of the year and only had to use half that amount to feed our cattle. This is remarkable when you realize that the winter was more severe than normal. The cattle were able to feed on our pasturelands longer than usual in both the fall and spring."

Another blessing that came out of the year was the highest calving percentage the department has experienced so far.

"We had a 98 percent average as opposed to a 65 to 80 percent average in most of East Texas," stated Mr. Schurter. "We had 98 calves out of every 100 cows."

## Now you know

**JOGJAKARTA, Indonesia** — An ancient custom is still followed on the island of Java. Worn-out garments belonging to the sultan are thrown into the sea as an offering to Nyai Loro Kidul, goddess of the South Seas.

In observing the land sabbath one of the purposes was to monitor what differences are apparent or might become apparent in soil fertility, crop production, animal health, etc.

Several different management practices were performed on the land within the framework of keeping the land rest. For instance, some areas were not touched at all through

the year; other sections were disced once; and other areas were bush-hogged to keep the weeds from going to seed.

During the next year the crops will be gauged to determine any improvement or difference in soil organic matter and soil fertility as a result of the different practices.

But because the year is just over, it will be a while before any results will be evident.

However, there were some other blessings through the year that were evident.

### High Rain Levels

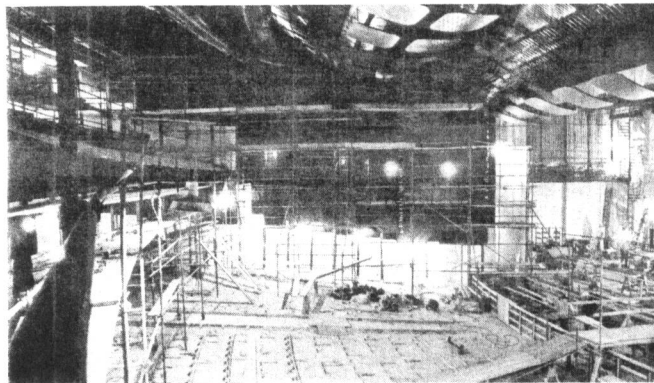
"We had high levels of rain, which is really good for cover crops but causes erosion on cultivated lands lacking a good cover," Mr. Schurter pointed out.

Cover crops of clover and grass were planted on all normally cultivated land in preparation for the land's year of rest.

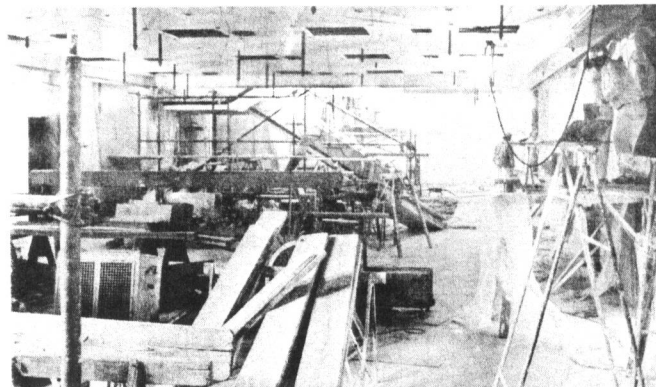
"Therefore, since we were keeping the land sabbath, the rain was good for us but would have been damaging to our topsoil if we had been cultivating it."

The result of having more crop cover, crop residue and reduced grazing pressure improved the environment for increased earthworm and microorganism activity.

"Another blessing was that we had fewer health problems in our animals than ever in past years," Mr. Schurter continued. "Only time will tell if the good trends continue."



**INSIDE THE AUDITORIUM** — Just as the Auditorium in Pasadena heads toward completion on the outside, so it is progressing on the inside. The photo above shows the progress of work on the main portion of the building; the stage is at the right, and the balcony and ground-floor seating extends to the left. The building is being constructed acoustically superior; and because of this, there are square, adjustable reflecting surfaces on the ceiling. In the photo below, workmen continue their labor on the foyer of the building. (Photos by Ken Evans)



## Disaster

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whole village alight.

Along with our dog Bugle we drove out of the village past residents who were busy loading furniture into cars and trucks. We saw one residential house 100 yards from our home burning furiously.

We decided to spend the night at the office.

We could see the fire from my office window and we watched anxiously as the night wore on. There seemed to be no signs of it abating.

Every now and then I telephoned our home and was relieved to hear the phone ringing. At least this gave an indication that our home was still intact.

### Waiting and Praying

My wife and I honestly didn't expect to see our home again. Knowing the poor equipment the fire departments maintained, we knew that once a few houses caught fire the whole village would be razed in a short time. We began to think about how we would start all over again, but still we waited and prayed for a miracle.

At 4:15 a.m. I was awakened by my wife. She said there was no sign of the fire any more. We telephoned the village association and were told the fire was now almost extinguished, thanks again to chemicals flown in from Clark Air Force Base. It was safe to return.

We were overjoyed to find no sign of fire or further damage to our home. At 5 a.m. Sabbath morning we thanked God for protecting our property and also that of Mr. Ortiguero. We went to bed to catch up on lost sleep.

True to human nature, there were many sightseers at the fire at the time of the second explosion, and some of them were burned. Two firemen died in the blaze; three houses were razed; at least three fire trucks were destroyed; and one or two private vehicles were burned.

The smell of diesel oil hung over the village, and the roads were slippery with grease. At this time of the energy crisis it is tragic that five million pesos' worth of oil and tankers was destroyed.

### Could Have Been Worse

Yet it could have been much, much worse. The village could have been drowned in flaming oil. Hundreds of people could have died. Millions of pesos' worth of property and the dreams and hopes of people could have gone up in that thick, oily smoke.

The Ortigueros and my family thanked the great God for His protection of our lives and property. The village people will probably never know in this life who was really responsible for turning a potential tragedy into a happy ending.

## Is that what they said?

By Frances Anater

**ANCHORAGE, Alaska** — During intermission at a government world-affairs lecture series here recently, the following item was projected onto a movie screen:

"In the early 1800s the famous clipper ships from New England visited the South China coast.

"The Chinese called the Americans *yang kwei*.

"This sounded like *yankee* to the American sailors, who took the name back to New England.

"In Chinese *yang kwei* means 'foreign devil.'

"Later the Chinese . . . lengthened this name to '*an yang kwei* . . .

"This is the origin of *damyankie*. '*T'an yang kwei* means 'greedy foreign devil.'"



**MIDWEST BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** — There were 42 squads represented at the start of the midwestern basketball tournament until the eliminations produced two teams fighting for the championship. The final game, above, pitted Cleveland, Ohio, against the quick Chicago Southside team. Cleveland nudged its way to victory, 62-60. [Photo by Duane Urbanik]

## Chicago scene for giant church gala as 25 cities compete in tournament

By Carl Gustafson and Warren Cleman

CHICAGO, Ill. — "I had heard that this was to be a giant basketball tournament here in Chicago, but I didn't know we were having a Feast of Tabernacles," said Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong to a near-capacity crowd of brethren from 25 midwestern cities assembled in the 3,000-seat club room of the Arlington Park Racetrack here Dec. 22.

It was certainly a Feast atmosphere that night at the Arlington Park Hotel, where athletes, cheerleaders and fans filled 11 of the hotel's 12 floors.

The view from the 12th floor was one of Chicago covered with 20 inches of fresh snow. Snowmobiles scurried around the hotel and racetrack, while inside the more warm-blooded brethren splashed in the plant-surrounded swimming pool or took advantage of the health club and

game rooms.

The activity at the hotel was only an introduction to the beehive of excitement at Chicago's Hoffman Estates High School gym.

With four games being played simultaneously in the huge, brand-new two-level gym, the atmosphere tingled with excitement. Forty-two teams competed — teams from such places as Jonesboro, Ark., and Minneapolis, Minn., and from Iowa City, Iowa, and Cleveland, Ohio.

Cheerleaders brightly attired and full of pep kept the hundreds of fans noisy and happy.

The sounds of referees' whistles, pep-band music and dozens of galloping footsteps continued almost nonstop Saturday night and then from early Sunday morning until late Sunday night.

Across the hall, in the cafeteria, hot dogs, hamburgers and soft drinks

were being sold and consumed at an amazing rate, while in the lobby people bought copies of the 28-page program, along with tournament, bus and dance tickets, at the busy information booth.

### Called a Sing-Along

Sunday evening more than 1,000 people jammed the Jimmy Durante Ballroom and listened to Mr. Armstrong sing. It was called a sing-along, but most people just sat, mouths open and eyes gleaming, enjoying everything Mr. Armstrong did — which included telling tales

and swapping stories with Mr. Jim Thornhill, one of Mr. Armstrong's personal assistants.

Also backing Mr. Armstrong were traveling companion Ron Dick of the Pasadena faculty and a local-church band led by Randy Dick of Crown Point, Ind.

The whole affair was designed to give the brethren, especially the young people, the finest-quality sports organization available. The final games fit this philosophy beautifully. The young players quivered with butterflies as the national anthem was sung. The band sat down and the movie cameras whirled, recording all action, as they had done all through the tournament, for a documentary film.

In the boys' division, Chicago Southside proved to be best of the tournament. Although Peoria fought and scrapped until the very end, there was just no stopping the exciting Southsiders as they coasted to a 10-point victory.

Adding to this game was an interesting judo demonstration at halftime by Bill Palumbo and sons.

At the halftime in the men's championship, football artist James Brown put on a thrilling show with bullet passes behind his back and through his legs. He caught the ball behind his back on the run across the length of the court.

The men's-division championship was the gem of the tournament, with Mr. Armstrong announcing.

The well-disciplined team from Cleveland, Ohio, and the quick, crowd-pleasing team from Chicago Southside traded buckets from the opening whistle.

With 11 seconds left, the score was 62-60 in favor of Cleveland, with a jump ball at midcourt which resulted in a bad scramble for the ball, with fans literally jumping up and down.

Southside could not gain control and lost a heartbreaker.

### Four-Foot Trophies

Mr. Armstrong then awarded the giant four-foot trophies to both champions and shook hands with the

game's most valuable player, Cleveland's Ron Lohr.

As people filed out they passed the big tournament map. A small light bulb had been placed in the location of each of the 42 represented teams. As each team was eliminated, the bulbs were removed. Now only two remained, blinking away in tribute to their champions.

The tournament was capped by the big tournament dance Monday night, held in the elegant Chandelier Ballroom at the Arlington. Sixteen more trophies were awarded to divisional and consolation winners by Mr. George Kemnitz, the Chicago regional director. Cameras flashed everywhere.

As people left that night they realized it had been more than just a basketball tournament. Friendships had been created; our young people had taken away new character developed in quality competition; new ideas in organization had been tried and proven.

Perhaps best of all was the unity that was strengthened here. Mr. Armstrong set the stage for it with a union which stressed unity among brethren.

Men were able to fellowship with one another in such an informal manner for three days was a treat to be treasured by all.

To the staff from the Hinsdale, Ill., church, that hosted the tournament, the success of the whole affair was a satisfying reward for months of preparation. Everyone involved hopes that many people felt like the man from Elkhart, Ind., who was overheard saying: "It was the best time I've ever had. I can't wait until next year."

## Church begins in Canada

By Larry Van Zant

ST. CATHARINES, Ont. — Sabbath services were held Dec. 22 for the first time in this city of 110,000 situated on Queen Elizabeth Way about halfway between Canada's steel city, Hamilton, and the U.S. border at New York.

The pastor of both the Hamilton and St. Catharines churches, Mr. George Menassas, delivered the inaugural sermon, dealing with "comparing ourselves among ourselves."

An overflow attendance of 128 provided enthusiastic response for the kickoff service.

Brethren living in the scattered townships throughout the Niagara Frontier — a populous area encompassing Niagara Falls and extending west along the peninsula between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario — will find it much more convenient to attend St. Catharines; it takes much longer to travel to Hamilton.

St. Catharines is the first of several new churches beginning in the greater Ontario area in eastern Canada, which is under the direction of Mr. Gary Antion.



**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER** — Ron Lohr of the Cleveland team was named the most valuable player of the tournament as he led his team to a 62-60 victory over Chicago Southside. Here he is pictured standing among his teammates and holding the championship trophy, which was presented by Mr. Ted Armstrong. [Photo by Duane Urbanik]



**CHAMPIONS** — The Cleveland team joyously celebrates its victory in the basketball tournament. [Photo by Duane Urbanik]

### Three-day tournament

## Omaha holds third invitational

By Echo Jun

OMAHA, Neb. — To the Omaha church area Dec. 23 to 25 meant the third annual Omaha Invitational Tournament.

Even though the weather left something to be desired, roaring crowds, enthusiastic cheerleaders doing exciting routines, and nervous, keyed-up players from Bismarck and Fargo, N.D.; Des Moines, Iowa; Grand Island and North Platte, Neb.; Kansas City, Mo.; Kansas City, Kan.; and Sioux Falls, S.D., church areas were present for the three-day tournament.

Beautiful trophies were given to the top three finalists in the men's

and teenagers' basketball categories as follows:

**Men's basketball** — Bismarck-Fargo, first; Grand Island-North Platte, second; Kansas City East, third.

**Teenage basketball** — Grand Island-North Platte, first; Omaha, second; Sioux Falls, third.

The most valuable player for the men's and teenagers' teams also received a trophy.

First- and second-place trophies were given in the women's and teenage volleyball competition:

**Women's volleyball** — Omaha, first; Sioux Falls, second.

**Teenage volleyball** — Omaha, first; Grand Island-North Platte, sec-

ond.

Cheerleaders also vied for a trophy. This award went to the Omaha cheerleaders, whom the judges felt had the most enthusiasm and sportsmanship.

Along with all of this outstanding sportsmanship, there was an abundance of good food served throughout the tournament, with a potluck supper on Sunday night, followed by a teen dance and a roller-skating party for those who didn't care for rock music.

Monday night there was a spaghetti supper served to all at minimal cost.

Donations went to the activity fund to sponsor the tournament.

## Bulk of year's activities for students paid for by Rose Parade proceeds

By David McKee

PASADENA — Sunrise on Dec. 31 revealed the first trickle of what would soon become a flood of persons gathered along Orange Grove and Colorado boulevards here.

They carried tents, blankets, chairs, sleeping bags, groceries, radios, televisions and innumerable other articles.

Busily and somewhat nonchalantly they staked off their temporary living quarters and spread themselves and their gear on the lawns and curbs that bordered two of the most heavily traveled streets in Pasadena as if this were something one might do every day.

This was not any ordinary day, however; rather, it was the eve of the most magnificent of all parades: the New Year's Day Tournament of Roses Parade.

Fifty thousand people were eventually to be assembled along the 5 1/2-mile parade route, camped and waiting throughout the day and night preceding the parade to assure themselves of a good look at the 21 marching bands, 60 floats and 265 horses that comprise the spectacle.

To Ambassador College students, this is a very important selection of people. For these are the ones who, along with nearly a million others who will arrive on the parade day, unknowingly sponsor the bulk of the year's activities of the student body of the Pasadena campus.

### Preparation

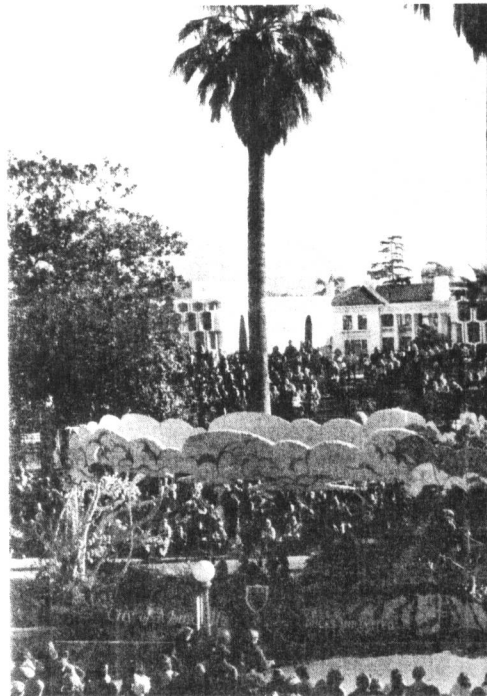
While the Rose Parade Committee is working year-round on the many details essentially a part of any undertaking as enormous as the Rose Parade, plans are being made many weeks ahead of time by the student body in Pasadena as well. Individuals are selected to head committees in the areas of concessions, parking, programs, finances and transportation.

These people in turn begin to organize their committees, drawing up detailed plans and duly noting problems which may arise.

The student body must then be assigned to the various committees; ushers must be selected for the grandstands which line part of the parade route; film must be acquired and sorted into the different sales kits for the 16 people who will be selling that product.

Food must be purchased and programs procured, and in turn everything must eventually be distributed.

Over the years of selling, ushering



**PARADE PASSES COLLEGE** — One of many floats in the Tournament of Roses Parade passes by the grounds of Ambassador College in Pasadena. Two of the college's buildings (the Fine Arts Building, left, and Ambassador Hall) can be seen in the background. [Photo by David McKee]

and participating in the activities which surround the parade, Ambassador College students have built themselves quite a reputation. Consequently, each year when the time for another parade comes, there are not nearly enough students to sell all the products that various suppliers would like.

This year's student body president, Doug Horschak, noted that there were even some banks that wanted Ambassador students to sleep on the roofs of their buildings as a security measure.

### Eve of Parade

Almost abruptly it was the eve of the Rose Parade. Classes were canceled that afternoon, Dec. 31. The students took care of the final details. Some were involved in the prepara-

tion of the four concession stands along the parade route.

Others set up phone lines; others distributed film and programs.

A number of students went to bed in preparation for the coming night, when they would be parking cars, selling and manning security shifts.

Meanwhile, great crowds of people were roaming the streets around the college campus. (The parade itself would skirt the western end of the campus.)

The noise and din built as the afternoon melted into evening and then night. People were everywhere, blowing horns, whistling, shouting, setting off firecrackers.

Vendors found their way through the crowd, selling peanuts, popcorn and endless varieties of souvenirs and, in the case of Ambassador Col-

lege students, hot drinks, doughnuts and hot dogs.

The noise finally climaxed in a virtual explosion of sound at midnight as people greeted the new year.

Then the noise diminished as people lay back and awaited the dawn and the 12 million flower blossoms.

The students worked throughout the night in their various areas of responsibility and on into the next day, through the parade and then afterwards cleaning up.

This activity netted \$13,000 for the student-body fund this year, a good year. Nearly \$4,000 of this total came from concessions, an area which did poorly last year.

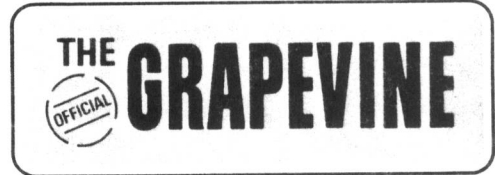
The sky cleared in time for the parade, but a cold wind continued to

blow on the first day of the new year, favoring the sale of hot foodstuffs. Ambassador stands and foot peddlers sold plenty.

One hundred twenty-five million persons turned on TV sets and saw a spectacular parade with streets full of enthusiastic people, but there was something they missed: all of the behind-the-scenes work and effort.

Vendors, salesmen and parade workers went unnoticed — along with the violence of the night before. Two brothers had been stabbed, one fatally, in front of one Ambassador College student. More than 200 people had been arrested that night for various crimes.

This is what is behind the greatest parade on earth.



**BRICKET WOOD** — Good news from England: In the last edition of *The Worldwide News* it was reported that the Work in England could be severely reduced in the face of the fuel crisis there. It was feared then that the Press faced a three-day work week: Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Since that report, however, the British government has classified the English campus a charity, making it exempt from the mandatory three-day week, opening the way for the printing of college literature to continue uninterrupted.

**PASADENA — Mr. Hans W. Quast**, European media representative, and his wife were injured in an



**HANS W. QUAST**

automobile mishap in Germany this past week, it was learned from **Mr. Frank Schnee**, German regional di-

rector.

"My assistant, **John Karlson**, informed me of the accident just before I left to come over for the conference," Mr. Schnee said. "Mr. Quast had just taken delivery on a new Mercedes and was driving in icy conditions. Another car broadsided him and a third car rammed them from behind. **Mrs. Quast** suffered three broken ribs and required hospitalization. Mr. Quast received a slight concussion but was not hospitalized."

**BIG SANDY** — **Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hegvold**, who have been with the college campus here since its inception in 1964, were honored by the college faculty with a special champagne brunch Sunday morning, Jan. 6.

The Hegvolds, having been transferred to the Bricket Wood campus ("Grapevine," Nov. 12, 1973), will be leaving here Tuesday, Jan. 15, during the break between semesters.

Mr. Hegvold has been the head of the Science Department here, while Mrs. Hegvold has served as the head of the Home Economics Department.

**PASADENA** — "The circulation of the expanded *Good News* magazine has taken a healthy upswing since we began to offer it to non-members," reports **Mr. Richard Rice** of the Mail Processing Center. "For example, 125,000, approximately, new subscribers who are not members are now receiving *The Good News*. This represents an initial response of over one third of all those offered *The Good News*."

"The total *GN* circulation now stands at 247,000. Of this number, 33,000 are members."

**PASADENA** — Because of the short notice of the recent ministerial conference, most ministers flew to Pasadena, but Rochester, Minn., and Waterloo, Iowa, church pastor **Karl Beyersdorfer** took a Greyhound bus.

"It was the only way I could afford to bring my wife, and she hadn't been back to headquarters for years," he said of his trip out. "However, I think we will go back on the train; the 52-hour ride out was a little much for me. All in all it was a very interesting experience, however."

### ANSWERS TO PUZZLE ON PAGE 11

To find the first letter of each food, use the two letters printed after each food in the following list as a guide. For example, the horizontal row of letters beginning with the H on the left and the vertical row beginning with the R on top intersect at the A in **anise**: anise HR, apple OM, barley BI, beans JP, bread DH, bread BI, butter IF, call MC, cheese CL, cheeses MC, coriander MC, corn AO, cow DA, cucumbers AO, cummin BB, ewe BM, fallow deer RB, fig FC, fish FM, fishes AA, flour FC, fowl EF, garlic FO, goal II, grape LG, grasshopper FG, hart KD, honey NI, kids LI, lamb OC, mink MF, lentils RA, locusts IA, marina AF, melons FG, milk AF, millet GH, mint HK, oil NJ, olive NJ, onion FB, or DD, partridge EE, pomegranate EE, pygmy IG, quails EM, raisins GO, ram KL, tie DP, roebuck AH, salt IO, sheep MI, water GR, wheat KN, wine HA.



**STUDENTS WORK DURING PARADE TO RAISE MONEY** — Every year students sell various products at Pasadena's Tournament of Roses Parade to raise funds for student activities during the year. Left: The



parade route gathers crowds in the early hours. Center: Sophomore student Ralph Lujan sells programs. Right: Sophomore Ed Nau helps out a spectator. [Photos by David McKee]



## Letters TO THE EDITOR

**Mr. Herbert Armstrong's "Personal"**  
Like the many other readers of *The Worldwide News*, I too find it filled a definite need. I enjoy and look forward to every issue. It gets better and better. It draws us together so that we feel a part of what the WORK is doing in the life of others and eventually what it will do for the whole world.

I expect God to accomplish great things as you [Mr. Herbert Armstrong] are favored by Him to bring in-depth Bible studies to the world leaders. Your letter of July 30 will be prayed about often. I truly desire an active part in holding up your hands, the hands of your son and all the ministers who are faithfully carrying out our primary commission as well as feeding the flock.

Mrs. Gertrude C. Yeary  
Overland Park, Kan.

### Encouragement

Thank you so very much for your letters in *The Worldwide News* and the letter I received from you [Mr. Ted Armstrong] this week. They are very helpful and encouraging.

It never occurred to me that we, the members, should also write letters of encouragement to you, the ministers. Mr. Ted, you are always in my prayers. I know God is with you, because no man could do what you, Mr. Herbert and all ministers are doing except God be with him.

I have been reading tonight in Deuteronomy and came to this: "Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. . . . Fear not neither be dismayed."

Mr. Ted, with this I say keep up the good works and walk through God's opened doors.

Mrs. Leo Kimbrough  
Danville, Ark.

### Southern preacher

I'm writing you to offer a suggestion about an article I would like to see you have printed in *The Worldwide News* paper of the Church.

Last year at the Feast of Tabernacles in Mount Pocono, Pa., you [Mr. Ted Armstrong] told the very amusing story about a preacher from the South who came North and applied with others for a position or job as a preacher. When his turn came he gave a sermon covering the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, using his own amusing style in describing the different events. In the end he got the job. Ever since the Feast I've wanted to hear this very enjoyable story again as I couldn't hear it too . . . [well] the first time due to where I was sitting at the time.

I know brethren worldwide would enjoy reading this story printed in its entirety in the Church's *The Worldwide News*.

Jack E. Tate  
Trenton, N.J.

### Not the Arabs' oil

I found the article by David McKee on paper [Nov. 26] interesting. After all, the earth is the Lord's and the paper thereof, so there isn't any reason why the Work of God should run short on paper.

And whose is the oil really? Not the Arabs'. So I'm sure the Work jets will keep flying regardless of what the Arabs say.

Mrs. William Schettle  
Gwynne, Alta.

### Void filled

It is almost an understatement to say that the newspaper is a tremendous blessing. Talk about refreshing, wholesome jokes! Laughter is really an effective medicine. The paper has really filled a great void in Church members' lives, especially those of us who are not even privileged to attend a Sabbath service. It really opens up one's eyes to the happenings of the Church and the lives of our brethren in it.

Rufus A. Camancho  
Falmouth, Antigua

### Sharing news

Thrilled to receive my first two copies of *The Worldwide News*. Just reading about GTA campaigns alone "makes me feel" much more a part of God's Work!

Seeing pictures of the top men in God's Work and their families, the engagement

and wedding pictures, the baby news and the many and varied articles in this exciting paper will help us brethren in South Africa pray more for the top men and the Work and brethren worldwide.

Thank you for letting us share in *The Worldwide News*.

Sylvia Jones  
Durban, South Africa

### East German members

In the Sept. 3 issue of the *WN* on page 3 in the article by Mrs. [Gerhard] Marx on East European distribution of the *PT*, it says that there are a total of eight baptized members in East Germany. However, in *The Good News* magazine of August, 1972, in the article by Mr. John Karlson of East Germany it says that there is a group of 14 baptized members there.

What I wondered was, has anything happened to the six people that make a difference between the 14 of '72 and now only eight members in '73, or have they been able to move out of East Germany?

Mrs. Monica Berdin  
Toronto, Ont.

*At the time of Mr. Karlson's writing of the article—the summer of 1972—there were only 12 baptized members, but two were prospective ones. Since that time, however, two families have stopped attending and are not considered baptized members now. That leaves a total of eight baptized members of the Church of God in East Germany.*

### Knocking down a straw man

In No. 16 of *The Worldwide News* was an article which bothered me since I cannot figure out the purpose of the approach used in it. Why does it mention several times that "Church people cannot work together"? I have never heard that as an accepted "fact" of life before. The approach reminds me so much of a cheap debating trick in which the speaker tries to score points by knocking down a "straw man" which he puts up himself.

I am writing about this because there is no need to employ this kind of technique in articles about the Church and its people. To me it greatly took away from the value of the article. I think this approach should be avoided. I am writing about this also because in general the paper has a lot of good and well-written information which I enjoy every time it arrives at my house.

Keep up the good job and may God bless you and your efforts.

Werner Peterke  
Baltimore, Md.

### Christmas card

Guess who we received a Christmas card from? The owners of the motel that we stayed at during the Feast in St.

Petersburg [Fla.]. Shows how much they know about the Worldwide Church of God. Right? Or don't know.

Mr.-Mrs. Bill Williams  
Waynesboro, Miss.

### Newspaper drives

Here is an idea you might like to consider. All the brethren in God's Church who take "local" newspapers could save them and have newspaper drives in their local churches several times a year and send money to the Work.

With paper shortages mounting, do you suppose in the future that perhaps Ambassador College could recycle old newspapers itself and use it for the Church's paper supplies for things such as stationery and envelopes and the *WN*? If so, let us all stop burning those newspapers! (Of course, *The Worldwide News* papers are collector's items and treasures to keep or share.)

Mrs. Wayne Sage  
Topeka, Kan.

*A good part of the material—especially envelopes—mailed from headquarters is made from recycled paper.*

### Nassau invitation

The *WN* is sure a great news and informative medium for the 80,000-plus members of the WCG. It certainly tells a lot of news about the brethren around the world.

Reading it is just like talking to the individuals themselves.

Must say thanks to all the contributors and especially to all the staff for producing such a fine paper. Greetings to all the brethren around the world— . . . of you from all of us here in Nassau . . .

If at any time all of you or any of you visit Nassau, buzz me at phone 53471 night, 34191 day, and let's have a get-together.

P.S.—Not all the 80,000-plus at one time, though it sure will help our economy in the Bahamas. Talk about biting off more than you can chew . . .

Sidney Carey  
Nassau, Bahamas

### Money where mouth is

Enclosed find . . . a special offering. I pray that all God's people will respond to . . . [Mr. Ted Armstrong's] letter in the *News*. Mr. Carl McNair told us in Lenoir [N.C.] how serious the crunch is right now. God's Work means everything to me, so I will try to put my money where my mouth is.

Mrs. Gladys Kelly  
Drexel, N.C.

### Becoming involved

I just wanted to write to express my deep appreciation of *The Worldwide*

*News*. This should bring all of God's people closer together in spirit. Also, the power of our collective voices in prayer should be greater due to the unification. It really is sobering to realize the great need of the Work at this time. Is this because of the failure of God's people to pray and become involved? This has really worried me.

Well, aside from this, I just wanted to "put in my mite" and let you know I think all of you at headquarters are doing a great job.

Mrs. Buford Terrell  
Hamilton, Ala.

### Mr. Ted Armstrong's "Personal"

I had to write you [Mr. Ted Armstrong] after reading your "Personal" in *The Worldwide News*. My heart is very full as I write and tears of joy are dimming my sight. We all love and respect you and your father very much and are behind you 1,000 percent! We are so grateful to have a part in God's very Work here on earth. We are also very thrilled by how the House for God is coming along. Though many of us may not be at the dedication, we will be there with our mind's eye.

This is God's Work, and He will use us. You mentioned sometimes you wish you were in our shoes—oh, you don't know how many times I wish I were with you or your father, serving in some small way! We love you all, where you are. We are with you in thought and prayer. We love you all.

Name withheld  
Missouri

### Front-row seat

I cannot begin to tell you how much our church newspaper means to me.

We all can become familiar with our brethren clear across the world. How marvelous that our Father has made a way for this to be possible.

Before, we never knew anything about spectacular conversions, inspiring lives of those afflicted or anything other than our own area's activities.

Now we are sitting in the front-row seat, so to speak. We can follow Mr. Armstrong's trips around the world and see pictures of the leaders as we see the prophecy of Matthew 24:14 unfolding before our very eyes. How wonderful to be a part! Thank you so very much, and may our Father bless and protect every last one of you.

Tawanda Ray  
Hamilton, Ala.

### Overcoming

Can we have articles once in a while about members and how they have overcome obstacles . . . ? They would be most encouraging. Dr. Hoeh's article on Tonga [Nov. 12] was really inspiring.

Mrs. John E. Varnell  
Los Angeles, Calif.

### Paper enjoyed

Sure enjoy reading *The Worldwide News* paper, Church of God. Like to read about the personal letters from Garner Ted Armstrong and Mr. Herbert Armstrong and all the ministers in the churches and peoples. I thank you for a wonderful paper.

Mrs. Blanche A. Ward  
Farmington, Mo.

### No Christmas party

We've had a most wonderful thing happen that I'd like to share with everyone. Neosho School, like most schools, has been bustling with activities related to party plans for the holiday season. But within the school itself there are two classes that have chosen to go a different way.

Not too long ago I went to school to bring my children home after classes. I was asked to come in to speak to my older son's teacher. He explained that the whole class had unanimously voted to have a vacation party instead of a Christmas party so that my son could be among them. They did away with all plans pertaining to Christmas—songs, decorations, gift exchanging, etc. The teacher explained how well liked my boy is and they wanted my okay and consent for him to be included. Then the very same thing happened for my other boy. What an amazing blessing for two young boys, age 11 and 12! Fantastic!

Mrs. Phyllis Brumm  
Neosho, Wis.

### Family again

We have enjoyed so much *The Worldwide News*. It has brought us back into the Work in a way that we once were. Remember, when the Work was small and we knew all of the ministers and were encouraged to keep up with their names

and pray for them? Just a few years ago.

Each ordination and transfer was announced throughout the entire Church. The Church news was read in Bible study and portions on the Sabbath—then put on the library table on Sabbath for all to read . . .

But then we were small and concerned and felt a definite responsibility and love for our brethren everywhere. The ministers continued to talk in that way and encouraged us. But somehow—as we grew larger, churches multiplied, responsibilities grew larger and more demanding around the world—that small-family attitude dissipated. Love for God's Work and people remained in me but not like it was when we were small.

But now that's over. *The Worldwide News* has given back to me the family feeling and spirit. I am in touch with Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong, Mr. Ted Armstrong . . . Now when I ask God's help for His ministers or our lay members, I can make it plain and clear what I am talking about . . . We are a family again.

David J. Bell Jr.  
Boynton Beach, Fla.

### Big bouquet

We'd like to send a big bouquet (of words) to all the school-age children that endure, especially during the Christmas season. It takes courage, patience and endurance on their part to be different in this society of fixed customs. We think we should let them know we care! They need an extra bit of encouragement this time of year, especially in the smaller schools, where everyone notices. One of these days the others will be the "different" ones and they will be able to help them. Their trials don't go unnoticed by our Creator God.

Mrs. Gordon Byerly  
Myers, Mont.

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**BONN-OFFICE CONFERENCE** — While in Germany Mr. Leslie McCullough, director of the International Division (seated, second from right), was able to meet with, left to right, Mr. Ray Kosanke, Mr. John Karlson, Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Mr. Frank Schnee (back to camera) and Mrs. Alfred Hennig. Readers may recognize the picture of world leaders on the wall behind the group, which was taken by Mr. Hennig at the time of West German Chancellor Conrad Adenauer's death, in 1967. [Photo by John Robinson]

## Division head returns from Europe

PASADENA — International Division head Leslie McCullough returned here Dec. 23 after a two-week trip which took him to Texas, England and Germany.

In Texas Mr. McCullough talked with senior Ambassador students at Big Sandy who were interested in working in the International Division upon graduation. (See the Dec. 24 issue, page 9.)

From Texas he flew to Bricket Wood, arriving Dec. 13.

While in Bricket Wood Mr. McCullough had extensive talks with Mr. Charles Hunting, vice president in charge of financial affairs in Europe and the Middle East; Dr. Roy McCarthy, director of the Dutch Work; Mr. Stuart Powell, director of the Scandinavian Work; and Mr. Harold Jackson, director of the West African Work.

"Our talks principally centered around financial cutbacks that we're having to implement in several areas," explained Mr. McCullough. "Mr. Hunting and I were especially able to spend quite a bit of time together, and we had some very profitable discussions. There's nothing like the face-to-face conversations with the men in their own areas."

Thursday, Dec. 20, Mr. McCullough; Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Publishing Division head, who had flown to Bricket Wood to discuss the effect of the energy crisis on England's printing; and Mr. John Robinson, managing editor of *The Worldwide News*, who accompanied Mr. McCullough on his trip, flew to Dusseldorf, West Germany.

Upon arriving in Dusseldorf on Dec. 20, Mr. Cole and Mr. McCullough were able to get together for a brief meeting with Mr. Hans Quast, European media coordinator for the Work; Mr. Ray Kosanke, *Plain Truth* regional editor stationed in Brussels; Mr. Frank Schnee, regional director for the German Work; and Mr. John Karlson, Mr. Schnee's assistant.

On Friday the group drove to Bonn to see the office there and toured portions of the West German capital with Mrs. Hennig, wife of *Plain Truth* photographer Alfred Hennig, who, with his wife, staffs the small Bonn office.

That evening Mr. Cole returned to Bricket Wood, where he was scheduled to preach on the weekly Sabbath, and Mr. McCullough stayed in Dusseldorf for Sabbath services.

Mr. McCullough gave the main message, in which he described cur-

rent activities in the International Division and opened up the final half hour of the sermon to questions.

According to Mr. Schnee, about half of the Dusseldorf church is English-speaking. Consequently, the half that could understand English listened to Mr. McCullough, and the remainder of the audience received a translation via headsets.

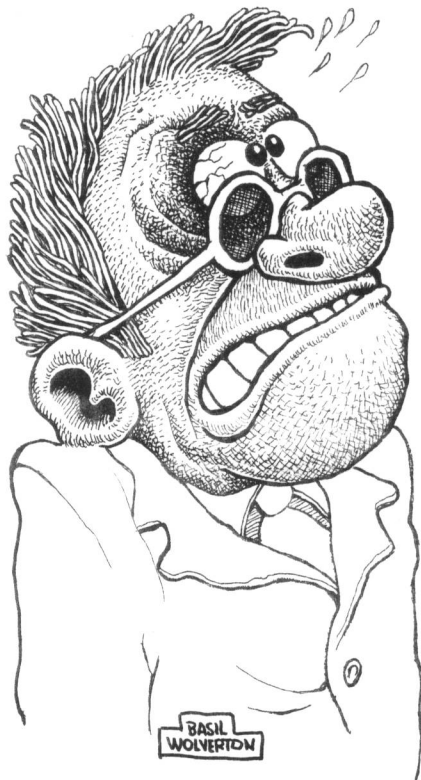
Mr. Schnee, commenting on Mr. McCullough's visit, said:

"We were very enthusiastic about the opportunity of having Mr. McCullough visit us and speak to the church."

Mr. McCullough returned to Pasadena the following day, Dec. 30.

An interesting note on his return trip: He dined on the plane with American actor William Holden and his wife, who were returning to the United States from Kenya.

### THIRD THOUGHTS By Basil Wolverton



"There he goes on family relations again! I hope he can't see my black eye through my sunglasses."

## Family life around long time, says campus painter, decorator

By Philip Shields

BRICKET WOOD — David Finlay, a college employee here who is responsible for the painting and decorating around campus, has been around since the property first became a college, nearly 14 years ago.

Finlay started work at age 14 in a Welsh coal mine for a mere 70 pence (\$1.75) a week.

Several years later the Nazi war machine was rumbling across Europe. World War II had begun, so when he was 21 years old he was called up into the Royal Air Force and passed out as a flight mechanic.

During the war he served on the Gold Coast in West Africa, assembling aircraft to be flown to the Eighth Army in Egypt.

Later on he served on the Second Front in Europe, salvaging damaged planes and gliders.

Toward the end of the war, in 1944, he was married and the next year returned to civilian life. He was immediately government trained as a painter and decorator and began his career painting for a contractor during the rehabilitation period.

Opposing religion of any sort and ridiculing a fellow workman in 1956 because of his religious beliefs, he was shocked into silence when he heard what the man had to say. This same man introduced him to *The World Tomorrow* program on Radio Luxembourg.

It was only two years later that Finlay and his wife began attending services in London.

In 1959 he offered his services to the college, and just two months later Mr. Raymond McNair, then deputy chancellor of the college, and Dr. Ernest Martin, who was then on the faculty, were driving down to his home in Wales to bring him to the campus.

### From the Beginning

Finlay was in Bricket Wood from the beginning of the campus. The opportunity to watch the transformation from an overgrown plot to the beauty we see today is one on which he often reflects. He has many anecdotes to tell.

In the early days Finlay was often privileged to meet Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Armstrong and was occasionally invited to enjoy a meal with them.

But the early days weren't all joy for Finlay. It was a terrible blow when his wife Mavis died after 17 years of happily married life. She was a beehive of activity, working on the switchboard and at other activities when she wasn't working as a secretary.

Finlay said: "I didn't want to live after Mavis died. But God saw to it that I did and rewarded me with another wonderful wife and two healthy, adorable children. There's not a happier family."

The job load kept increasing for the painters, so in 1963 Paul Anness joined Finlay.

But that didn't last long. Anness was soon given the gymnasium pool to look after, so in 1967 Stan Madison and Roger Fowler were recruited. Two years later Tom McKeown joined the crew as well.

A few of Finlay's first students on the crew included George Menassas, John Stettaford, Derek Seaman and Gary Arvidson.

### 40 Backdrops

Finlay has enjoyed being actively involved in social activities, and many have enjoyed his jokes as master of ceremonies for some of the Bricket Wood church dances.

He also has taken time to paint over 40 backdrops for student and employee social functions. Even the

props of our recent student talent show in Minehead, England, for the Feast of Tabernacles made the acquaintance of his brush.

Finlay summarizes his feelings this way:

"The fun, the laughs, the sorrows, the excitement, the adventure, the heartaches, the work, the play, the concern for each other — in essence the family life has been at Bricket Wood since it began, and I would have never appreciated life the way I do now if I hadn't left Wales in 1959 and started to work for the college."



DAVID FINLAY

## Names released of chorale, band for campaigns

PASADENA — Mr. Albert Portune, director of the Personal Appearance Department, recently released a list of the Ambassador College Chorale and Band members who accompany Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong on his personal appearances. They are as follows:

**Chorale** — Marsi Gordon, Big Sandy; Anna Helmut, Pasadena; Virginia Hockwald, Pasadena; Deborah Kraemer, Pasadena — first sopranos.

Karin Gab, Pasadena; Alrika Pendry, Big Sandy; Cindi Woollaston, Big Sandy — second sopranos.

Kathy Batchelor, Big Sandy; Louise Rubin, Pasadena; Julie Wills, Pasadena — first altos.

Jan Peterson, Big Sandy; Pat Porter, Pasadena; Pam Redd, Big Sandy — second altos.

Sandy Gordon, Big Sandy; Mike Isaac, Big Sandy; Kent Wilson, Pasadena — first tenors.

Harold Barksdale, Big Sandy; Mike Eash, Pasadena; Mike Hale, Big Sandy — second tenors.

Gary Pendergraft, Big Sandy; Rex Sexton, Big Sandy; Jim Tuck, Big Sandy — baritones.

Jim Bates, Pasadena; Bob Grace, Big Sandy; Bronson James, Pasadena; Phil Perkins, Pasadena; Fred Whitlark, Pasadena — basses.

**Band** — Tim Butz, Big Sandy, flute, piccolo; Mike Cox, Pasadena, oboe, bassoon; Creighton Miller, Big Sandy, flute, alto saxophone; Larry Carlson, Pasadena, alto saxophone, bass clarinet; Harold Reimann, Pasadena, tenor saxophone, clarinet; Dean Wheelock, Pasadena, baritone saxophone, clarinet; Bruce Clausen, Pasadena, French horn; Gary Briggs, Big Sandy, trumpet; Leonard Zola, Pasadena, trumpet;

George Pendry, Big Sandy, trumpet; Charles Vinson, Pasadena, trombone; Norman Rowe, Big Sandy, bass trombone; John Payne, Big Sandy, piano; Fran O'Neal, Big Sandy, drums; Houston Wheeler, Pasadena, timpani; Ron Barksdale, Pasadena, string bass.



**BROWN FAMILY** — Mr. Frank Brown, recently announced business manager of the Work worldwide, sits with his family in the motel room they occupied during the 1973 Feast of Tabernacles at St. Petersburg, Fla. Members of the Brown clan are, from left to right, Elizabeth Clare 5; Mr. Brown; Mrs. Brown; and Rachel Ann, 6. Mr. Brown's present responsibility is to monitor and report to Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Mr. Ted Armstrong on financial matters of the Work. (Photo by Scott Ashley)

#### Executive interview

## New business manager of Work gives glimpse into background

By Scott Ashley  
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — "I was very impressed with the people and their attitude . . . and the general feeling of unity among the members," commented Mr. Frank Brown, business manager of the Worldwide Church of God, during an interview at the Feast here last October as he recalled the first Sabbath service he ever attended.

"My first contact with the Work was in 1958 [in England] through a business acquaintance, Mr. John Butterfield, who became the director of printing in England," he continued. "At the time, he had his own printing business and was printing booklets for the Church; I was in the advertising business . . . I got hold of a few copies of the booklets and after many late-night discussions ended up attending church."

However, a promising future in the field of advertising drew his mind off the then-fledgling Work in England. He put it out of his mind for about two years while he concentrated on building his career as a printing-and-sales display-ad man.

Then, in 1961, he met Mr. Butterfield again by accident and "the whole thing started up again." He had to go to St. Albans, England, on business one day and arranged to meet Mr. Butterfield, who suggested that they take a tour of the Bricket Wood campus.

"It was a beautiful spring day in 1961—the grounds were just beautiful; the whole atmosphere was one of peacefulness," said Mr. Brown of that first visit to Bricket Wood.

The late Dr. Benjamin Rea, then dean of faculty at Bricket Wood, talked him into applying for college.

#### Profound Influence

At first Mr. Brown was reluctant, still thinking of building a career for himself, but he applied and was accepted.

He and Dr. Rea became personal friends, and Mr. Brown received a lot of good advice, guidance and encouragement from this man who was

to have a profound influence on his life during his college years.

Mr. Brown was 24 years old as he started his freshman year during the second year of the Bricket Wood campus' existence as a college.

During his first two years at college he worked in the Press, concentrating on photography, stripping and plate making. (*The Worldwide News* of July 9, page 8, shows Mr. Brown at work with Bricket Wood's tiny presses at that time.)

In his third year he worked for a short time on the grounds before being transferred to Mail Receiving, Mail Reading and the Letter Answering Department.

He continued this job into his senior year but was forced to share his time between answering letters and carrying out his responsibilities as student body president.

Responsibility is no light thing to Mr. Brown, who also held during his college years the office of class president his first, second and third years and was an Ambassador Club secretary and president.

#### Converted Stables

"My most unique experience at college was to watch the development of the campus," said Mr. Brown. "Mr. Herbert Armstrong spent a lot of time in Bricket Wood during the early years of the college. In forums and assemblies he would tell of his plans for a track, a gymnasium, a men's dormitory and a women's dormitory, but we had none of that—only converted stables and servants' quarters."

"Perhaps I was a little too cynical and dubious about how these things could ever be accomplished—it just wasn't the British way of doing things."

By the time Mr. Brown graduated in 1965, though, he had changed his mind. The men's and women's dormitories had just been completed and construction was under way on the track and gymnasium.

"The growth was breathtaking and phenomenal," he added. "Then

we were crammed three and four to a room, and now we have an international student body. When I first attended the Feast of Tabernacles in 1961 there were about 400 people



**EXECUTIVE INTERVIEW** — Mr. Frank Brown, business manager of the Work, is shown here in his office. He worked as Mr. Albert Portune's executive assistant until a few months ago, when Mr. Portune was appointed to be director of personal appearances. At that time he became Mr. Portune's successor as business manager. (Photo by David McKee)

attending. This year there are 3,900 at Minehead from 57 countries. That's quite a growth!"

Mr. Brown went on two baptizing tours while in England. The first was a five-week tour at the end of his junior year in college during which he traveled two weeks with Mr. Charles Hunting and three with Mr. Ronald Dart. On this tour they covered England, Wales, Scotland and the Shetland Islands.

"To me that was a very profound experience," he explained. "It's amazing to see the situations and positions and places that you find people whom God has called. It's hard to explain how they ever heard the broadcast or came into contact with the truth."

"It wasn't a very fruitful tour—we baptized only a very few—but some of those we visited have since become members."

#### Hours With One Person

After his graduation from Bricket Wood in 1965 he led a baptizing tour through France, Switzerland and Belgium. He was first accompanied by Mr. Etienne Bourdin, then a deacon and now a preaching elder in France.

The second half of the tour he was accompanied by Mr. Colin Wilkins, then the manager of the Geneva office.

"Baptizing tours were different then," commented Mr. Brown. "At that time the people we visited didn't know as much—but didn't have as much depth of understanding—and we would spend hours with one person, teaching them and answering questions."

"Some things we ran into were a little bit paradoxical—like some French who wouldn't eat pork, yet they would eat rabbit, not realizing that it too was unclean. They just hadn't studied in depth."

"The big lesson I learned from those tours was a personal one—that being in college and away from

people's problems, I didn't realize the problems people have in coming to repentance and changing their lives and the pressures they are under. It really taught me a lesson about feeling for people who have problems and praying for them."

Soon after these tours he was sent to Pasadena to assist Mr. Dibar Apartian in the French Work and to teach French at the Pasadena campus.

He had originally been scheduled to go to Big Sandy as a French teacher for that campus, but Mr. Apartian requested that Mr. Brown be hired as his assistant.

Mr. Brown continued in his work with the French Department for seven months before requesting to go to the field ministry to gain experience in that area. He then served as a minister in the Akron, Ohio, area with Mr. David Antion for two months before returning to Pasadena.

#### Assisting Mr. Portune

Upon his return to Pasadena, he was offered a job in the Business Office working with Mr. Albert J. Portune.

Mr. Brown had previously taught a few classes for Mr. Portune, so Mr. Portune knew of his abilities. He discussed the matter with Mr. Apartian, and they agreed that a person cannot do his best in a foreign-language department unless he is steeped in the language—taking classes and traveling to Europe regularly to use the language.

On this basis Mr. Brown decided that he could be more useful in assisting Mr. Portune in financial matters of the Work.

Mr. Brown's position in the French Work was soon filled by Mr. Peter Grieder, a native Swiss who speaks four languages.

"It worked out pretty well all the way around," commented Mr. Brown.

In 1966 he began his work with Mr. Portune. His first work consisted of assisting in the setting up of the budget, computerizing the accounting system and developing the purchasing and personnel systems. Together they planned the basic organizational entities that would allow the Work to grow to the size that it is today.

It was both a challenge and an opportunity to work in this capacity.

#### Mr. Portune's Successor

Mr. Brown continued as Mr. Albert Portune's executive assistant until a few months ago, when Mr. Portune was appointed to be worldwide director of personal appearances. At that time he became Mr. Portune's successor as business manager of the Work worldwide.

His present responsibility is to report to Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Mr. Ted Armstrong in matters of financial budgeting and activity and monitoring and reporting all financial activity of the Work worldwide.

Mr. Brown in married to the former Sharon Roesler of St. Louis, Mo., whom he first met during his senior year at Bricket Wood when she was an exchange student from Pasadena in her junior year. They were married after Mr. Brown's graduation in 1965, and at the present time they have two daughters—Rachel Ann, 6, a first-grader at Imperial School in Pasadena, and Elizabeth Clare, 5. Both the girls enjoy swimming, gymnastics and dancing, and both also enjoy travel, having ample opportunity for it with their father in his present position.

When not involved in his responsibilities, Mr. Brown's favorite pursuits are reading and playing bridge. His reading tastes include "just about anything."

In summing up his new responsibility as business manager of the Work, Mr. Brown commented that he is very happy with the opportunity and added: "We're all in this together—it's a team effort."



**GIFTS TO BROTHERS IN EAST** — Alfred Hellemann, a deacon in the Dusseldorf church, and Connie Hoffmann, an employee of the German office in Dusseldorf, look over donations of clothing destined for brethren facing difficulties. [Photo by Gary Hopkins]

## Office gets overwhelming response as assistance pours in for brethren

By Gary Hopkins  
German Office Staffer

**DUSSELDORF, West Germany** — Friday, Dec. 7, four Dusseldorf office-staff members left with a Volkswagen bus laden with winter clothing and shoes for our East German brethren. Costs are rising behind the Iron Curtain, as they are everywhere else, but in East Germany the wages have been stagnant for many years. With the early and especially harsh winter, their needs were great and had to be met.

The extent of the financial burden among our East German brethren was clearly seen as the early winter suddenly descended upon Europe with numbing temperatures of 4 degrees Fahrenheit.

Like many other East Germans, our brethren were unprepared. The system there — with its frozen low wages and its chilling high prices — forces both husbands and wives to work just to provide barely enough food for their tables.

Essential winter clothing is difficult to save for, and it is for this reason that many East Germans look forward to the gifts they receive from relatives in the West.

On the previous weekend — Nov. 30 to Dec. 2 — Alfred Hellemann, a deacon in the Dusseldorf church, accompanied by his wife,

made the scheduled once-a-month visit to East Germany. (I was also able to make the trip with them.) Throughout Germany several inches of snow already covered the landscape.

When Mr. Hellemann returned, he reported the difficulties facing the brethren in the East to Mr. Frank Schnee, director of the German Work, who immediately authorized a special letter to be sent to all brethren in West Germany. Included with the request for used clothing and donations was a chart giving the clothing sizes of each of the brethren and his family.

That Thursday an overwhelming response poured into the office, and it is still coming in. So far, 19 parcels have arrived, not including the numerous articles of clothing donated by the office staff.

The parcels came from all over Germany, labeled "DDR-Hilfe" (East German Assistance). Many of these contained new clothing as well as used clothing, which was cleaned and pressed to look like new.

Winter coats, suits, dresses, socks, shoes, scarfs, hats, gloves — and on it went. Donations bought some items that were lacking, such as winter shoes.

By Friday three Pasadena graduates now employed by the Dussel-

dorf office — Paul Kieffer, Gloria Jebens and Connie Hoffman — and office staff member Mrs. Christel Wilson, packed the bus with the clothing and a generous quantity of fresh fruits for our brethren behind the Iron Curtain.

That Sabbath they met together in Zwickau at the home of Mr. Heinz Pistorius. Warm fellowship and a Bible study were additional blessings so soon after the previous visit.

After the Sabbath the clothing was distributed to the grateful members, who were very emotionally moved by their brethren's generosity and concern; in most cases the help came from people they had never met. So it is in the Worldwide Church of God!

## Campaigns take team effort

By Albert J. Portune  
Director of Personal Appearance

**PASADENA** — We of the Personal Appearance Department (P.A.D.) wish it were possible to show all of you our campaign "war room," which is beginning to take shape. It is in this conference room that all campaign planning originates: cities selected; speakers, emcees and soloists assigned; unit managers designated; a basic advertising program outlined.

Campaign planning represents a real team effort; the many discussions needed to produce a campaign in any one city are staffed by personnel from Church Administration, Advertising, Marketing, Information Services, Data Processing and our own department, P.A.D.

The speaker assignments for some of the recently announced campaigns have been made and are as follows:

- St. Louis, Mo. — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, Jan. 25, 26, 27.
- Raleigh, N.C. — Mr. David Jon Hill, Jan. 27, 28.
- Kingsport, Tenn. — Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Feb. 1, 2.
- Columbus, Ohio — Mr. Albert Portune Sr., Feb. 2, 3.
- Dayton, Ohio — Mr. David L. Antion, Feb. 23, 24.
- Knoxville, Tenn. — Mr. Sherwin McMichael, Feb. 22, 23.
- Cincinnati, Ohio — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, March 1, 2, 3.
- Wichita, Kan. — Mr. Albert Portune Sr., March 9, 10.
- Houston, Tex. — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, March 30, 31, April 1.



**NEW DEACON** — Shown is the newly ordained deacon in East Germany, Heinz Pistorius, and his wife. [Photo by Gary Hopkins]

## Peaceful Sabbath shattered as disaster threatens homes

By Colin Adair  
Director, Philippine Work  
**MAKATI, Philippines** — It wasn't exactly my idea of a peaceful Sabbath evening.

It all started early Friday morning, Dec. 14 — 5:25 to be exact. I was awakened by a tremendous explosion and the sound of shattering glass.

As my mind slowly cleared I was jolted by my wife leaping out of bed and dashing into the other bedroom, where our little boy, Andrew, had awakened with a scream.

She came back into the room calming him down. I was still dazed and my first thought was that it had been a loud clap of thunder directly overhead. But then it dawned on me that it wasn't raining.

As I finally completely awoke, I was aware of a glow in the darkness. Now I was sure what it was. The Rockwell Power Station, which is near us. It couldn't be anything else.

I ran down the hall and opened the doors leading to the patio. Sure enough, there were the smoke and flames leaping high into the air.

My wife passed me and went to open the French windows. The curtains only parted slightly before catching on broken glass.

Putting on our dressing gowns, we went outside. People up and down the street had the same idea.

We were told that a bunker fuel tank had exploded and was burning fiercely.

Soon our phone began to ring. Brethren from nearby, on hearing the explosion and detecting its origin, were concerned about our safety. Shortly afterwards some came to the door.

The home of Mr. Pedro Ortiguero, a preaching elder in this area, was even closer to the burning tank than our house.

He and his wife had left earlier for Urdaneta, but his three daughters were still in the house. Some of the brethren immediately went there, only to find the house empty and a few window panes in the garage area shattered. Esther, Elizabeth and Eunice Ortiguero were found shortly afterwards, shaken but unharmed, on a side street.

### Real Danger

There was real danger of the fire spreading to Mr. Ortiguero's home, so the brethren began to evacuate the furnishings and possessions. They were brought to our carport for safety; our home was by that time not in danger.

The burning tanker had a capacity of 180,000 barrels, but thankfully it contained only 53,000 barrels at the time of the explosion.

In a fire like this, water is totally ineffective, and the surrounding fire

departments were not equipped with the proper chemicals to douse the flames.

The fire burned all morning, sending black clouds of smoke over Greater Manila.

Towards noon U.S. fire-fighting teams came from Clark Air Force Base with the needed chemicals. A few minutes after noon it looked like the fire had been extinguished.

Half an hour later, however, the smoke thickened again, and it was obvious that the fire had not been completely controlled. It burned constantly all afternoon. Authorities reckoned it would burn for two days before dying out.

The danger was increased because of three other storage tankers nearby. Officials worked to siphon off the oil contents to prevent the fire from getting worse, and by this time the wind had changed and the flames and smoke were drifting in the opposite direction to Mr. Ortiguero's home.

### Disaster Threatens

There seemed to be no immediate danger to the village as long as the fire was contained in the one bunker. As the Sabbath arrived, around 5:25 p.m., my wife and I prepared for a quiet evening.

At 5:55 p.m. as my wife went into the kitchen to attend to our dinner there was another loud explosion. We rushed out to the patio and stood transfixed at the sight.

The early darkness was illuminated by blinding light soaring overhead.

Flames leaped high in the air and hung over the village. We could feel the blast of heat strike our faces.

I knew at that point what Meshach, Shadrach and Abednego had felt as they faced the fiery furnace. People were screaming and running down the street to get away from the heat.

On going into our back bedroom I saw that the house behind us facing the power station apparently was on fire. (I later learned that it wasn't the house that was on fire; burning oil had flowed right up to the fence and gave this impression.)

At this point I decided we would get out immediately. We bundled a few possessions into the car just as the lights over the village went out. (It's funny the things you think of at moments like this, but I realized I didn't have a clean shirt for Sabbath services the next day, so I groped in the darkness, grabbed a few shirts and went outside.) More of the brethren were at the front gate with a van.

There was real danger of yet another tanker exploding, so I told the brethren to forget any more possessions and to leave the village right away. Flaming oil could have set the

(See **DISASTER**, page 14)



**DISASTER THREATENS AS FUEL TANK EXPLODES** — Fire hoses keep cool a storage tank as 53,000 barrels of crude oil go up in flames and smoke at the Rockwell Power Station in Makati, Philippines, which is very close to the homes of two ministers. [Photo by the Manila Daily Express]



**AMBASSADOR COLLEGE CHORALE PRESENTS COMIC OPERA, "H.M.S. PINAFORE"** — The Ambassador College Choral, Big Sandy, under the direction of Mr. Ray Howard, presented two performances of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera *H.M.S. Pinafore* Dec. 30 and 31. Six weeks ago Mr. Howard introduced the format of the musical comedy to the 60 singers. Taking place aboard "Her Majesty's Ship, *The Pinafore*," the plot of the story is explained by the alternate title, *The Lass That Loved a Sailor*. Lead parts were played by Marsi Gordon, Bob Grace, Mike Isaac, Tim O'Connor, Gary Pendergraft, Norm Rowe, Rex Sexton, Nancy Windom and Cynthia Woolflaston. The rest of the male voices were sailors, and the women were an entourage of sisters, cousins and aunts. Consisting of songs and dialogues, the two-part production was enhanced by a bit of choreography. Costumes and scenery were rented from a company in Boston, Mass., to avoid the expense of unnecessary manhours of labor. (Photo by Scott Moss)

## Legal Department outlines services

By David McKee

**PASADENA** — Over the past 13 years, since its initiation, the Legal Services Department of the Worldwide Church of God has grown steadily, both in size and responsibility.

From the two people who pioneered the department — one of whom is Mr. Ralph Helge, the attorney

who was the original and is the current head of the department — Legal Services has grown to employ eight, with a corresponding increase in its duties.

The department wishes to make known the services in the following list, which are now available to Church members:

- Information and assistance on how best to make donations of real estate, stocks and bonds or other property in a manner that obtains the best tax savings. The information covers outright donations during life, as well as wills and gifts in trust, whereby the donor can reserve the income for life.

- Information and assistance for those who are discriminated against in their employment due to keeping the Holy Days and the Sabbath or for any other religious reason.

- Information and assistance for men who are dealing with the Selective Service regarding their legal responsibilities in this regard.

- Information and assistance in cases where the children of members have school problems because of being off for the Holy Days.

- Assistance in locating local attorneys to aid in various legal matters to assure representation of an attorney who is favorable.

- Information and assistance in any type of legal controversy in which religious convictions are in question.

Correspondence to the Legal Services Department should be addressed to Ralph K. Helge, Attorney at Law, Box 111, Pasadena, Calif., 91123. In case of an emergency, the phone number is (213) 577-5380.



**"H.M.S. PINAFORE"** — Lead parts in this comic opera by Gilbert and Sullivan, presented at Ambassador College, Big Sandy, were played by Marsi Gordon (as Josephine) and Mike Isaac (as Ralph Rackstraw, the able seaman). (Photo by Scott Moss)

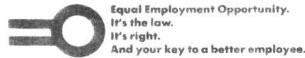
### Could you be practicing illegal job discrimination—and not even know it?

Answer: True. Due to outdated policies or failure to understand the law, many employers do discriminate in the way they hire, fire, promote or pay.

Take this 30-second test and see where you stand.

As an employer...	True	False
1. I can refuse to hire women who have small children at home.	_____	_____
2. I can generally obtain and use an applicant's arrest record as the basis for non-employment.	_____	_____
3. I can prohibit employees from conversing in their native language on the job.	_____	_____
4. Whose employees are mostly white or male, can rely solely upon word-of-mouth to recruit new employees.	_____	_____
5. I can refuse to hire women to work at night, because it wishes to protect them.	_____	_____
6. I may require all pregnant employees to take leave of absence at a specified time before delivery date.	_____	_____
7. I may establish different benefits — pension, retirement, insurance and health plans — for male employees than for female employees.	_____	_____
8. I may hire only males for a job if state law forbids employment of women for that capacity.	_____	_____
9. I need not attempt to adjust work schedules to permit an employee time off for a religious observance.	_____	_____
10. I only disobey the Equal Employment Opportunity laws when I am acting intentionally or with ill motive.	_____	_____

Answers: The answers to 1 to 10 above are false. The Equal Employment Opportunity Act makes it against the law for an employer to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex or national origin. It's a tough law, with teeth, but most Americans think it is a very fair law. Yet unfair practices continue—in big business and in small. So, if you are in private industry, state or local government, or educational institutions, it is your business to know your rights and obligations. Contact your local EEOC office, listed in the phone book under U.S. Government or write to us in Washington, D.C.



**The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission**  
Washington, D.C. 20506

**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION ADVERTISING** — This ad, aimed at employers, was sent to us by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Washington, D.C. The ad contends that many employers may be discriminating in the way they hire, fire, promote or pay their employees. It specifically states it is against the law for an employer to discriminate on the basis of religion, race, color, sex or national origin. Readers of *The Worldwide News* may be particularly interested in point No. 9, which states that an employer should attempt to adjust work schedules to permit an employee time off for a religious observance.

## Well-traveled News film finishes trip in Philippines

In the Aug. 6 issue was an article on Australian printing and distribution of *The Worldwide News*. Although the article mentioned that photographic negatives of each issue of the paper are eventually sent to our Philippine office from Big Sandy (where they originate) via Australia, the writer of the following feels the story is somehow incomplete. What happens when the film reaches Manila?

**By Mrs. Perla R. Acebron**  
**MANILA, Philippines** — Here is the final step in the story that makes *The Worldwide News* a truly worldwide newspaper:

The film flies by jet from Australia. As soon as it arrives in the Manila office it triggers a lot of actions. Being a month late, everything has to be rushed.

Mr. Colin Adair, director of the Philippine Work, immediately instructs Mrs. Mendoza, our Manila

office receptionist, to call our local printer (a member) to pick up the long-awaited films.

Then the negatives are stripped, newsprint is bought, and chemicals are prepared for making printing plates.

Then the paper is printed, collated, folded and delivered to the office, where it is stuffed into addressed envelopes ready for mailing.

Finally the finished product is brought to the post office, which brings the newspaper — hopefully in two weeks' time — to the homes of the Filipino brethren and to the scattered members in Northeast Asia.

What happens to the well-traveled film that comes all the way from Big Sandy and Australia? It ends up in the files of Goodprint Press, a small print shop that is ever grateful for the privilege of serving the Work of God in the Philippines.

## Getting there is all the fun

**LONDON, England (UPI)** — Elizabeth Ginal, an American secretary at the U.S. embassy, grew so fond of riding one of London's red double-decker buses to and from work that she decided to throw a party for the route's drivers and conductors.

Miss Ginal, of Sheridan, Mont., hosted one party several weeks ago at her London apartment and said she will give another soon for some of the other men and women who man the buses on Route 74.

"For me the trip from my home to central London has been the highlight of the day because of the banter and humor of the busmen," she said. "I thought the best way to say thanks was by giving a party for them."

## Personal

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night visit, including luncheon the following day.

On the afternoon of the 8th the group will proceed to New Delhi and remain there until the 10th. During the stay in New Delhi Mr. Armstrong will be received by Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and the American ambassador, as well as Dr. Nagendra Singh — Indian judge of the World Court — and the Japanese ambassador.

On the 10th they will proceed to Tehran, Iran, where Mr. Armstrong will be received by the queen, the sister of the shah and, perhaps, the shah — if the oil crisis and his schedule permit such an audience at that time.

From Tehran, as mutual scheduling permits, Mr. Armstrong will join the Japanese on a one-day visit to Kuwait and back to Tehran. And after concluding the mission in Iran he will fly together with them to both Nairobi, Kenya, and Ethiopia, where Mr. Armstrong will see President Mzee Jomo Kenyatta of Kenya and His Majesty Haile Selassie of Ethiopia.

After leaving Nairobi Mr. Armstrong will leave his Japanese guests in Cairo on the way to Vienna. While in Vienna Mr. Armstrong will visit with Dr. Pletsch, the mayor of Vienna, and the minister of education and culture.

The Gulfstream-II will then fly to Vienna on the 21st to England, subject to being able to refuel, and proceed on the 22nd to Jamaica for a testimonial dinner, as well as audiences with the prime minister and the governor general.

Mr. Armstrong will then return to Los Angeles on Jan. 26.

I will be in close communication with Mr. Armstrong several times weekly during his trip, and I intend sending him a Telex immediately today following this "Personal."

I will in turn keep all of you completely informed about his activities in these coming days and weeks, and I am sure you will rejoice with me as larger and larger numbers of top-echelon leaders of some of the really great countries of the world are brought the very forceful and very powerful witness and warning from God's apostle about the times in which they live, the immediacy of Jesus Christ's return to this earth and the desperate need for humankind to find a way for survival and eventual world peace!

### Mrs. Hunting Very Ill

I am sorry to report that Mrs. Charles Hunting is still in very serious condition. I talked to Mr. Hunting only this morning, wanting to communicate with him and other ministers in Bricket Wood, England, concerning my disappointment that they had been unable to attend our latest series of meetings. Obviously, Mr. Hunting could not leave the bedside of his stricken wife, and — although we were all very encouraged to learn, following Mr. Herbert Armstrong's quick trip to England for the express purpose of anointing and praying for Mrs. Hunting, that she had indeed improved and that the pain had left and she seemed in far better spirits — Mr. Hunting had to tell me today that her condition is "not good."

I know that the Huntings both very deeply appreciate the literally hundreds of letters and cards and the avalanche of flowers they have received from brethren from all around the world and especially from so many of those in England. But, while you may not know them personally, I know they will very deeply appreciate your heartfelt and most earnest prayers!

I know of no couple which, at least to me, seems more like "two peas in a pod," more alike, in spirit and atti-

tude, and more perfectly meant for each other than Charles and Vervyle Hunting! To even consider a future with Mr. Hunting without his wife at his side seems to be so completely foreign and impossible to my thinking that I simply could not adjust to it emotionally.

I am very deeply concerned, as is my wife Shirley, and we are thinking of and praying for the Huntings continuously — and I want to urge all of the rest of you to really be on your knees in sincere and continual prayer for Mrs. Hunting's complete healing!

### New Booklet

While I'm on the subject of healing, I want to inform all of you that Mr. Herbert Armstrong is rapidly nearing the completion of a new booklet on the subject of healing, which — while it will not go into the many technical aspects about "repair surgery," the use of drugs, painkillers, certain operations, transfusions, etc. — will cover the entire main "trunk of the tree" of the doctrine from the point of view of God's Word, and the whole development of ideas which have become extant throughout the so-called Christian world as a result of the perversion of God's original truth down through the centuries!

Also, in widespread doctrinal discussions at headquarters, plus the careful collating of all material written or in note form over the past years of ministerial conferences, we hope to have a steady flow of information — concerning the more technical aspects or questionable areas which may perplex some few — made available to all the ministry in the form of our upcoming ministerial journal and/or through the *Bulletin*.

Events of the last month or so have prevented me from doing somewhere in the vicinity of 20 television programs, and I know the Work is suffering from this — forcing us to use a number of repeats, which we do not wish to do. So I hope to be able to throw myself into extensive television this coming week, with at least three per day for three days in a row, to give us nine programs prior to the time most of you will be reading this newspaper.

### 40th Anniversary

Also, I'm intending to do the 40TH-ANNIVERSARY BROADCAST of *The World Tomorrow* within the next three days!

Think of that! *The World Tomorrow* first began on the radio exactly 40 years ago this Jan. 7! At the time I was only four years of age! I doubt very much if I even heard that program. If I did, I probably only paid partial attention, and, like any small child, didn't have the faintest conception of why my parents may have been excited about that program.

I do vaguely recall the many times when, as a little boy, I would go with my father to radio station KORE in Eugene, Ore. (which was occupying quarters in an old residence). And I recall, as a child would, my encounters with my first double-hinged gate, between the secretarial area and the studio itself. As a matter of fact, one of the station personnel had to tell me repeatedly to get off that little swinging gate, which fascinated me because it swung in both directions, for fear I would break it!

Now I will be doing an anniversary program in which I will include certain excerpts of old tapes and discs from so long ago and talk about the ways in which the program has been gradually ever more effective in reaching the nations of the world with the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

My first first program was on television as a "guest" during one of my father's 26 programs he made in the year of 1955! To my recollection, I actually began speaking on the tele-

vision program before I ever did any radio!

As many of you may know, my brother, Richard David Armstrong (who died as a result of a serious automobile crash in 1958), was doing the radio program before I. Dick had a much finer voice than I — deeper, more resonant and mellow — and certainly had a very beautiful command of the English language. He was a minister of Jesus Christ and died as a result of a collision during a baptizing tour at the precise time in his life when everyone close to him felt he was really making fine spiritual progress.

While you may not realize this, some of the other evangelists at one time or another appeared as "guest" speakers, helping Mr. Herbert Armstrong, on the radio program! These included Dr. Herman L. Hoeh and Dr. Roderick C. Meredith.

I hope all of you have an opportunity to hear this 40th-anniversary broadcast. While it will not be aired on the 7th (I plan to make it that day, and we have a "live" hook-up direct to a local radio station), I do hope you all are able to hear it in your area.

One other announcement in connection with the radio program: We are now on the nation's biggest and most important independent 50,000-watt station, in New York City, station WOR! Our program is aired at 10:30 p.m. five nights a week, Monday through Friday, and then twice on Sunday at 6:30 a.m. and again at 9:30 p.m.

WOR reaches a vast area, far outside the inner urban area of New York City. And even though we have been on at the ridiculous time of 2 a.m. in past years, we have always received a fairly substantial response from that station. We are really looking forward to great results from WOR.

As a personal aside from recent campaigns, I have been very deeply moved and encouraged by hearing that over 120 people began coming to the Bible studies after the Salt Lake City, Utah, campaign last year, and that so far 69 people have been baptized and are now members of God's Church as a direct result of that campaign!

Also, Mr. Fred Brogaard, minister in the Seattle, Wash., area, just recently informed me that 83 people began attending the Bible study immediately following my campaign there, and I believe he said 25 had thus far begun attending church, with a number already having been baptized and other baptismal requests

pending!

I probably don't need to tell you how much deep personal gratification and satisfaction it gives me to realize that there is real fruit as a result of the campaigns!

I hope all of you read the recent coworker letter, in which I expressed myself very thoroughly concerning the financial conditions in the Work but didn't go into technical details concerning the actual figures!

Actually, I read a thorough report from our business manager, Mr. Frank Brown, during the ministerial conference in which I emphasized that we had been able to give substantial, really direly needed increases to areas of the first and second commissions of God's Work, including media, publishing and even ministerial needs, and that we have been able to cut back very stringently in some of the "support functions," such as buildings and grounds, schools, academic areas and the like.

I know all the men were very encouraged by this — as I'm sure are all the brethren.

### "Vote of Confidence"

Frankly, brethren, your unbelievably generous "vote of confidence" in the form of the avalanche of unexpectedly large Holy Day offerings at the close of the Holy Day season for 1973 was a very moving response on your part, which told all of us in God's Work as eloquently as possible where your hearts really are and how you really feel about the many wonderful things happening in this great Work of Jesus Christ!

Again, I would like to reiterate that the recent conference has been the most thoroughly instructive, helpful, rewarding and, I might even say, cathartic that we have ever experienced! Looking at the sun-tanned faces of those who have come from faraway Australia and South Africa — and talking to those who have come all the way from the southern part of South America, from the Caribbean, from Mexico and New Zealand — makes us realize more than ever before the really worldwide configuration of God's Work for today!

Seeing Mr. Herbert Armstrong, together with Mr. Stanley Rader, forced to complete their remarks in time to rise and leave even during the meetings to head once again for Asia — and realizing that yet that afternoon while we were still in session they were hundreds of miles out over the broad Pacific Ocean high in the sky in the G-II en route to Japan —

served very much to heighten this feeling of the worldwide characteristics of God's Work.

From the more human point of view, it was great to be able to rub shoulders, quite literally, with lots of the fellows in from the field — even scrapping away in scrimmages on the basketball court with literally dozens of them (lots of the ministers turned out for exercise sessions at least two of the days in a row) — and to get together with old friends we had not seen in years.

### Greatest Thing in Years

All of the ministers voiced, with absolute unanimity, their very deep gratitude and excitement over the meetings, saying it was the very greatest thing to happen in years and years in God's Work!

Remember, many of these men have not been in to headquarters for three, five or even up to eight long years! Obviously, they saw many changes in the visible plant and the facilities here, but I am sure they found the same spirit and attitude and the kind of dedication and warmth and brotherly love that they had grown to expect as a part of the headquarters campus and the ministry here.

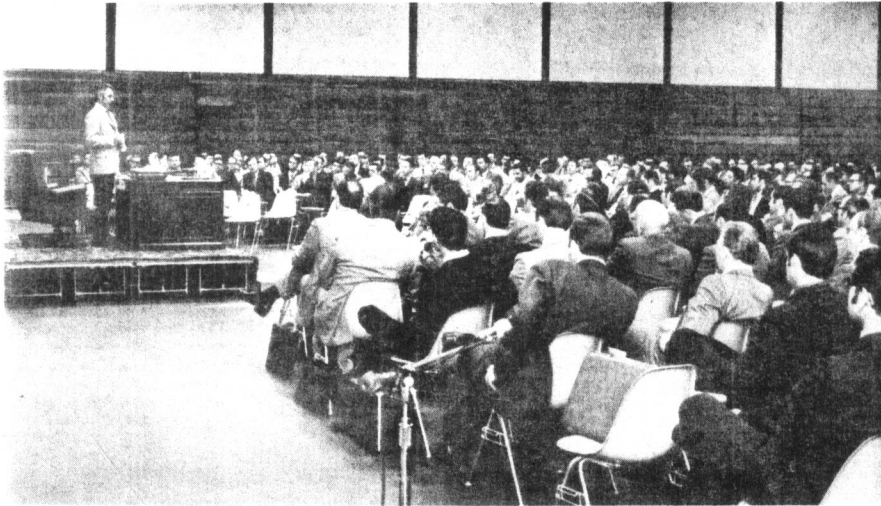
I believe I would like to conclude with a scripture which I used in conclusion in the most recent edition of the *Bulletin*, that goes to all ministers and key supervisory personnel in God's Work:

"For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions. . . . Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, AFTER ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith: BUT IF ANY MAN DRAW BACK, MY SOUL SHALL HAVE NO PLEASURE IN HIM. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the . . . [obtaining of life]" (Hebrews 10:30-39; margin, verse 39).

With much love,  
in Jesus' name  
Garner Ted Armstrong



A CHANCE TO VISIT — Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong, left, chats with Mr. Fred Coulter, minister of the Santa Monica and Torrance, Calif., churches, after the Jan. 2 meeting of the recent ministerial conference. Mr. Coulter was one of nearly 300 ministers from around the world who met in Pasadena for the three-day conference, which began Wednesday, Jan. 2. See also pages 1, 8 and 9. [Photo by John Robinson]



## Headquarters conference

**CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS** — Nearly 300 ministers of the Worldwide Church of God gathered in the Ambassador College, Pasadena, gymnasium (top left) Jan. 2, 3 and 4 for a headquarters conference, which was basically keyed to church unity (see story, page 1). Before departing for their trip to the Orient, Mr. Herbert Armstrong, top right, and Mr. Stan Rader, left, addressed the ministers and discussed both the modern history of the Work and the around-the-world trips and private talks with heads of state. Pictured immediately below are Mr. Raymond McNair, visiting with an unidentified minister, left photo, and Mr. Ben Chapman and Mr. Ron Dart, right photo, chatting before the Jan. 3 meeting. In the bottom photos, Dr. Charles Dorothy, left, shares a laugh with another minister, and Mr. Ted Armstrong, right, confers with his father before beginning the Thursday-morning meeting. [Photos by John Robinson and David McKee]



# Conference

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tion in April of this year. Mr. Armstrong, narrating the tour through a bullhorn, explained to the visiting church pastors how the building would look upon completion and spent time describing the types and quality of the building materials selected for what Mr. Armstrong calls the "finest building in the world."

The following day, Thursday, the meeting began at 9:30 a.m. with Mr. Ted Armstrong introducing Mr. Rader, who addressed the group on his impressions of the Work during the past 17 years, during which he has worked for Mr. Herbert Armstrong.

Mr. Rader also described what he called the tremendous reception Mr. Armstrong has received from world leaders and the boldness and power he has had in his recent "testimonial dinners."

"The Gospel is being taken to these other countries," Mr. Rader said.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong, who, with Mr. Rader, was scheduled to leave as soon as he concluded his remarks to the ministers on his latest trip to the Orient and the Middle East, then took charge of the meeting. He encouraged the ministers in their responsibilities as shepherds of the flock and reiterated the need to stress the "basics" and "keep our eyes on the trunk of the tree."

He again spoke of the history of the Work and what God had accomplished:

"I could no more have done the things God has accomplished through me than fly to Jupiter and back in one day. I used to say 'fly to the moon and back,' but I can't say that any more since one Armstrong has already done that," he jokingly referred to astronaut Neil Armstrong's flight to the moon.

### Faith and Confidence

In Mr. Armstrong's closing remarks to the ministers before leaving the meeting, he said:

"I want to impress you that there is a god of this world who is very active now. He is always on the job. Let's have faith. Let's have confidence in this Work."

"This Work is God's Work," he continued. "Let's get our minds on the trunk of the tree. The Work is being done — the Gospel is being preached."

"God is still on His throne," was his closing statement.

He and his son then exchanged a handshake and an embrace amid the applause of the ministers.

Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Mr. Rader then left to prepare for their departure in the Gulfstream-II.

Mr. Ted Armstrong took over the meeting for his father and continued until 1 p.m. He covered topics of

particular interest to the ministers, equipping them to function successfully in their roles.

The afternoon meeting, which ran from 2:30 to 4:50 p.m., was conducted again by Mr. Ted Armstrong, and he continued along a similar vein. He discussed some of the rumors and detractions which have recently circulated through the Work.

He enlisted the continuing and urgent prayers of all the ministers worldwide.

"I know I'm nothing and can do nothing without God's constant help," he said. "I pray fervently that God will never allow anything to happen to my father. This work, I — all of us — so desperately need him. No one but no one can do the job he is doing."

The final meeting of the three-day conference began Friday morning at 9:30 and lasted until 11:50 a.m. Mr. Ted Armstrong again covered materials pertinent to the ministry.

In his closing remarks, Mr. Ted Armstrong said:

"I hope these meetings have been catalytic to a greater spirit of unity. I certainly feel that they have. We haven't even begun to scratch the surface of what we really need to get into . . . I wish we could have hundreds of hours to use together."

## Visiting pastors able to speak at headquarters

PASADENA — A number of visiting ministers in for the recent ministerial conference were able to speak to headquarters-area churches the Sabbath of Jan. 5.

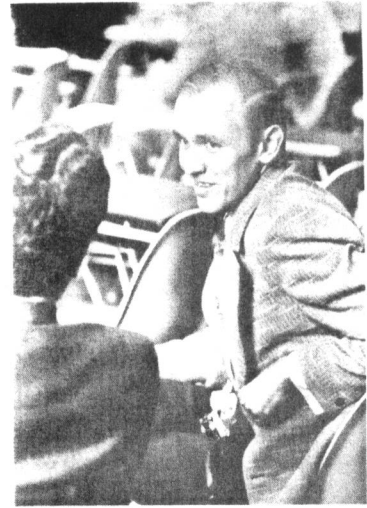
Mr. Carl McNair, Atlanta, Ga., regional director, spoke to the San Marino, Calif., morning church, while Mr. Ed Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio, regional director, spoke to the afternoon congregation.

Mr. Gerald Waterhouse, evangelist currently touring U.S. churches, took the Imperial-gymnasium Bible study. Mr. Mark Salyer, Fort Worth, Tex., pastor, and Portland, Ore., Regional Director Paul Flatt took the Imperial A.M. sermonette and sermon, respectively. In the afternoon, Canadian Regional Director Dean Wilson took the main sermon.

At the college gymnasium Mr. Frank Schnee, German regional director, and Mr. Dennis Luker, Australian regional director, gave a split sermon at the Friday-night service.

Mr. Graemme Marshall, New Zealand regional director, gave the sermonette, and Mr. Bob Fahey, South African regional director, gave the sermon at the college morning services.

Mr. Ted Armstrong gave the sermon at the afternoon services in the college gym.



**A CHANCE TO GET TOGETHER** — The Pasadena conference provided, in addition to the regularly scheduled meetings, opportunities for old friends to get together again. Dr. Robert Kuhn, top-left photo, and Mr. Roy Demarest, top right, talk with unidentified ministers before some of the meetings while several of the International Division regional directors, photo immediately above, confer with Mr. Leslie McCullough (back to camera), director of the division. The regional directors are, from left to right, Mr. Frank Schnee of Germany, Mr. Dean Wilson of Canada, Mr. Clarence Bass of the Caribbean area and Mr. Bob Fahey of South Africa. The visiting ministers near sundown of the first day of the conference were also given a personally guided tour by Mr. Herbert Armstrong (bottom photos) of the nearly completed Auditorium. [Photos by John Robinson]

