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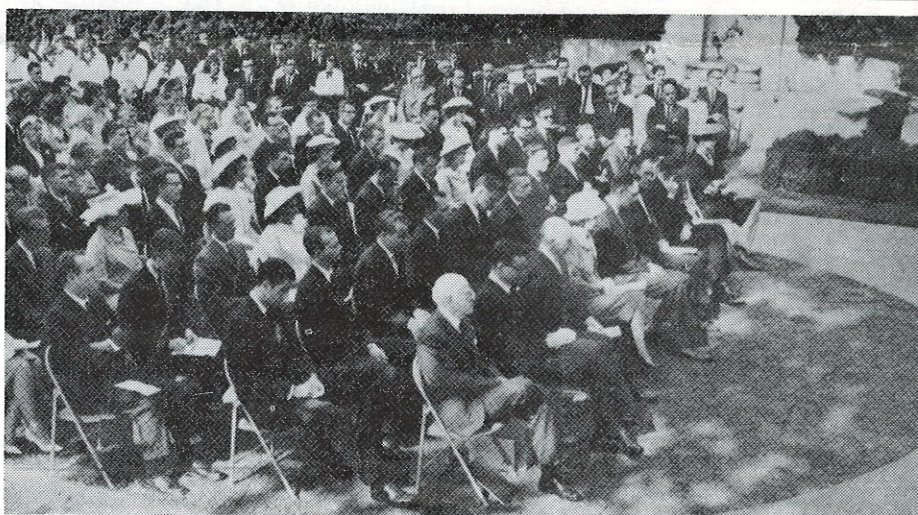
At 1:00 p.m. Sunday, April 8, a TEAL (Tasman Empire Airlines) Electra Prop-jet lifted from the runway at Sydney Kingsford-Smith Airport carrying two representatives of the Radio Church of God on the first lap of a baptismal tour taken throughout the north and south islands of New Zealand.

Mr. C. Wayne Cole and Mr. Clarence Huse had prepared the itinerary for this trip in such a way that they would be able to meet groups in the main cities with a minimum of touring from town-to-town and be able to travel from Auckland on the North Island to Invercargill on the tip of South Island in one week's time returning to Sydney on the following Friday, 13 April. However, difficulty in making airline bookings on the return to Sydney necessitated the cancellation of the trip from Christchurch to Invercargill and returning to Sydney on Thursday, 12 April, from the beautiful city of Christchurch.

The first stop for the baptising
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THREE GRADUATES ORDAINED

Sabbath, June 9, was filled with great surprise, sincere happiness and deep joy as Mr. Ted Armstrong called to the platform Mr. Dean Wilson, Mr. Arthur Craig, and Mr. Bill Winner to be ordained as Preaching Elders in the very Work of Jesus Christ! All three men had just been graduated from Ambassador College the preceding day and the entire Headquarters congregation rejoiced in their ordinations.



Ambassador Seniors during memorable Commencement Exercises of 1962.

GRADUATION HI-LITE OF EXPANDING WORK

June 8, 1962—The most inspiring Ambassador College graduation ever! Climaxing a week of great strides in God's Work, the 12th annual commencement exercises produced two notable firsts—the largest graduating class ever in the history of the college, and the first doctorate degree ever awarded at Ambassador.

After an inspiring commencement address by Vice President Armstrong, in which he outlined graphically the seven major differences between the Ambassador Colleges and all other institutions, the Degree of Bachelor of Arts was conferred upon 42 candidates—twelve more than the previously largest class of 1960.

Following this presentation, the Degree of Master of Arts in Theology was conferred upon Mr. Dibar Apar-tain and Mr. Leroy Neff. Then, in conclusion, something the audience had been anxiously awaiting, the De-

gree of Doctor of Theology was presented to Mr. Herman Hoeh.

With God's Work expanding world-wide on all fronts, this greatest harvest of trained servants could not have come at a more strategic time. The need was illustrated the following day when three of the graduates were ordained into the ministry of the Living Christ. The foreign departments will also benefit, with the Canadian, Australian and English work each absorbing a graduate. And, as soon as an office in Manila is opened to han-

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WHERE WERE YOU?

By Malcolm Martin

We missed you the other night at Bible Study.

Do you remember that "new couple" with the teen age daughter and the two young sons? They were there. A lot of people met them who didn't get to meet them the Sabbath before at Church. You know how it is, you just do not get around to everyone on the Sabbath.

This sure is a good time to really fellowship. To talk over those things that shouldn't be discussed on the Sabbath, like making plans for parties and etc.

Some of the men in the Spokesman Club were talking about a "fishing trip". I wouldn't be surprised if we hear more about that later!

No! I didn't say this was what the Bible Study was about. All of these things took place beforehand. Why, Bible Study doesn't start until 8 o'clock and some of these people were there by 7.

Now Bible Study is the most important part. The things we talk about then are different in a way but not altogether. We have an opportunity to ask any questions we might have. Questions about how to live an abundant life, how to conduct ourselves under any given circumstance — according to God's way. Not only that, we too are asked questions sometimes. We then learn how much WE

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DON'T KNOW!

Next, we continue going through "The Laws". This is where we get back to where I said, "it is not so different to what we were talking about before Bible Study began."

You see, these laws are filled with PRINCIPLES of HOW WE SHOULD LIVE! That is really what they are all about. They are rehearsed in our ears and all of the ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES for living GOD'S WAY are pointed out to us.

If you haven't been coming you are really missing a treat. Remember now, every other week and it starts at 8 o'clock but get there a little early if you can because I want to ask you more about that ----- and besides everyone wants to get acquainted with you.

GRADUATION HIGHLIGHT

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the mushrooming Philippine work, additional help will be sent there as well.

God's colleges are indeed producing fruit with now over 150 trained men and women serving world-wide. Let's all pray that increasing numbers will be added—that many more will, as Student Body President Sherwin McMichael said in his discourse, learn through their years at Ambassador to serve the people of God.

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team was Auckland where they spent Sunday night. At 9:00 a.m. the following morning the actual work of the tour began. The first group was met in this city of Auckland, the largest city in New Zealand. This first meeting was a very encouraging send-off with six persons being baptised in a tepid bathhouse in the city center. At 1:00 p.m. of this day, Monday, 9 April, the team picked up a rented car that had been reserved for them and began their next lap of the trip, the only part they would actually cover by auto touring. Heading South in their rented Holden, the next stop was Hamilton, then on to Tokaanu, Taihape, Palmerston North and then into Wellington the capital city of New Zealand where they arrived Wednesday morning for the last meeting to be made on the North Island. Again a bathhouse in the city center was provided for the baptism service. Here they turned in the rented car and continued by plane to Christchurch, the largest city on the South

DARTS VISIT HOUSTON

The Houston Church welcomed Mr. Ronald Dart Wednesday night at the church Bible Study, July 12. Sabbath he delivered a split sermon and also served as overall evaluator the following Wednesday at the Houston Spokesman Club.

God's work is sending Mr. and Mrs. Dart to England where he will join the faculty at Ambassador College as an instructor in Speech and Bible Classes.

SUMMER CAMP PROGRESS

Tom Seelig

On Sunday, June 24, 1962, my wife and I had the opportunity to visit the Church grounds near Big Sandy, Texas. What we saw and heard, we want to share with you.

The Summer Camp was just about ready to get into full swing. Preparations were being made on all sides. Boys and girls working to make their 8 weeks camp a success.

Opportunity is abundant for learning things such as ceramics, leather tooling, and safe hunting methods as well as many water sports.

Highlights of the camp will be a week camping out on the Lake of the Pines for the girls, and a 125 mile canoe trip down the Sabine River for the boys.

The best all around campers will get to take a 3 day canoe trip on a lake in Arkansas.

The Summer Camp is a work of faith, so let's all get behind it with our prayers.

Island, where a group was waiting to meet with them late Wednesday evening. Thursday morning the last contacts were made by visiting with two men, who although were not baptismal candidates, were very interested in the Work of God.

The results of this tour were most encouraging considering that actually none of those visited were able to hear The WORLD TOMORROW radio programmes with any regularity and with most none at all. Their contact with God's Work came through The Reader's Digest and they made their spiritual growth by reading The PLAIN TRUTH, the booklets and studying the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course.

A total of 29 persons were scheduled for this tour . . . 20 actually met the team as instructed and of this 20

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FEAST OF PENTECOST—HOUSTON



285 enjoyed feasting on Pentecost

The Houston Church of God brethren were privileged to meet for two full days of services during this Pentecost season. God's Church in Houston is enjoying a growth rate of about 30 percent per year giving us a total of 285 in attendance for a joyous festival. These services afforded much encouragement and correction to help qualify us to enter into God's Kingdom.

Sabbath (June 9, 1962) Mr. Martin brought a timely sermonette rehearsing the meaning of ALL of God's Holy Days. By keeping the Holy Days, we are acting out God's plan of salvation.

The sermon by Mr. Prince brought a vital subject into sharp focus. He asked what is equality? Is integration equality? In these times of unrest and violence among the races it is necessary to know what should be our attitude—whether colored or white.

That afternoon, an interesting and informative sermon by Mr. Battles showed "What our foreign aid program is doing to the U.S. and what it means to us."

Next, Mr. Prince, asked in his message "How do you contend for more faith?" He pointed out these ways to have more faith: (1) By hearing the word of God, (2) Study the

Bible, (3) Assemble together often, (4) Ask for faith, (5) Fast, (6) Obey God, and (7) Have an attitude of expecting from God.

Monday morning (June 11, 1962) Mr. Treybig challenged us in a sermonette to remember that even though we have great liberty under God's laws - we are not free to decide to disobey God.

The second speaker, Mr. Prince, showed God has a secret (or mystery) that He is revealing to only a few at this time. That mystery is how we are to be born into the Kingdom of God at the return of Jesus Christ.

During the afternoon the Church was inspired by two stirring sermons. The first, by Mr. Battles, revealed from the Bible that God's spiritual laws have always existed and that He also obeys His own laws.

Mr. Prince kept everyone wide awake after a good pot luck dinner by a continuation of his morning message. Since we know God's plan of salvation—Pentecost pictures our responsibility as first fruits—He exhorted us to remember that the whole creation is waiting on us. Let's not forget what this day means in our lives. God is calling us to help Him bring salvation to the world through Jesus Christ and the Church.

15 BAPTIZED

HOUSTON GROWS

God's church continues to grow and we are very happy to welcome nine recently baptized people as members of the Radio Church of God, Houston, Texas.

On Friday, June 22, 1962, Mr. Battles baptized Mrs. Vercy Edwards and Mrs. Josie Franklin. Then on Sunday, June 24, 1962, at Mr. Battle's home six more people were baptized in the portable baptistry. They were Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Lutes, Mrs. Esther L. Nash, Mrs. Lilly Saldana, Mrs. M. R. Scott and Mr. James W. Wilkins.

Several days later, Mr. Thadus Williams acknowledged the living Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour and was baptized.

Let us not forget to include these new converts in our daily prayers and to extend to them a joyous welcome into the body of Christ.

DALLAS GROWS

Sunday, June 24, 1962, was indeed a JOYOUS occasion for many brethren in the Dallas area. In fact, we know that there were many angels rejoicing this day and without a doubt you've guessed what was taking place - a baptismal service!

The service added seven more members to God's world-wide Church. Those baptized were Mr. J. L. Bridger, Mr. J. B. Pelts, Mr. O. L. Denton, Mrs. R. L. Mask, Mrs. L. J. Dean, Mrs. W. K. Wiley, and Mrs. L. Thomas.

Mr. Richard Prince, with the assistance of Mr. E. B. Vance conducted the baptismal. The "laying on of hands" and prayer were given by Mr. Prince and Mr. Rowan Lusby. Once again the Oak Cliff YMCA was of service through its swimming pool.

The apostle Paul in his letters to the Ephesian and Philippian Churches stated that he was thankful for and rejoiced in their faith. He said that he prayed CONSTANTLY for them and had a great desire to fellowship with them. Paul loved the brethren and by following his example we too can show our LOVE towards our new brethren.

A GIRL AT LAST

Wylita Elaine Carter came into the world on June 26, weighing 9 pounds. Mrs. Doris Carter is also the mother of ten strong healthy boys.

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18 were baptised. Three others were visited who were helped by the dis-

cussions and perhaps will request baptism at a later date.

LADIES NIGHT



The night of June 20, 1962, was one that will be long remembered by the Houston Spokesman Club. This was ladies night, and the new, plush, and spacious Towers Hotel dining room had been carefully selected for the occasion.

From start to finish, the president, Mr. John Ledbetter, strove to keep things moving. After an opening prayer and brief welcoming of our guests, everyone began to enjoy the feast of steak, salad, baked potato, and tea or coffee.

During the meal Mr. Ledbetter plunged into the business at hand. Two things discussed and accomplished were: (1) It was decided to have a semi-formal dance at some later date, and (2) A collection from the ladies was taken up to purchase a tape microphone.

Next, we moved into Tabletopics with Mr. Sam Harvey presiding. Some of the topics discussed were: (1) What is your pet peeve about your husband?, (2) If you could travel anywhere — where would you go and why?, and (3) What could the wives do to cut down on expenses? A humorous comment to this last question by Mrs. Battles was that she could save on the food bill, if Mr. Battles would stop eating peanut butter.

Following a short recess, we were treated to five speeches and able evaluations and this part of the meeting came to a swift conclusion. Mr. Tom Seelig acted as Toastmaster over this portion of the program.

To the disappointment of all, Mr. and Mrs. Prince were not able to attend. But, Mr. Cecil Battles as his able assistant gave a thorough evaluation of the meeting. He reminded us of the importance of the Spokesman Club and exhorted us to remember that both husband and wife must work together to make a real success of God's way of life.

NEGRO SPOKESMAN WIVES NIGHT OUT

June 20, 1962, 2111 Wheeler Street, Dela Cado Restaurant, time 8 o'clock P.M. In a completely private dining room with plenty of room and wall-to-wall carpeting, a very neatly dressed waitress is seen setting the table for guests to arrive.

Immediately upon the guests' arrival a modified Spokesman's Club meeting was called to order by Mr. Edgar Taylor, Toastmaster, who acted as chairman as well. With some proper remarks Mr. E. Taylor opened the meeting and presented the Topics Master of the evening, Mr. Milton Randle. In the meantime the guests were eating salad and having a glass of sherry wine.

Then the Toastmaster introduced the speaker, Mr. Daniel Holman, while a delicious steak was served. Mr. Holman gave a speech entitled, "Humorously Provocative". He humorously provoked us all to recognize our wives' hobbies and to see their need for a change from their daily routine. Mr. Holman had actually interviewed on his tape recorder several people on the street which proved that only one out of ten husbands interviewed knew what their wives did in their leisure time.

Later, the Toastmaster introduced Mr. Robert Taylor to evaluate Mr. Holman. He gave Mr. Holman some helpful points on which to improve.

There was such good, deep down enjoyment, entertainment, and helpful sound fellowship that no one wanted to leave at the close of the meeting at 11:15 P.M.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

DALLAS PICNIC

Bring covered dishes and drinks. Come to Tennyson Park (off E. Grand in Dallas) Sunday, July 29, Starting 8 A.M.

HOUSTON PICNIC

July 22, 1962, 10 A.M. - 6 P.M.

Sinclair Park

Planned activities for the entire family; sports, races, games, entertainment. Bring vegetables, salads, desserts, drinks. Colored Brethren and families will meet at 8400 East Hardy St.

FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

It was a humid Saturday night,
And at the Turner's — what a sight!
Their guests were dancing in their socks,
And drinking punch served on the rocks.

Gay Balloons gave a festive air,
And maidens with their scraggly hair,
Chips, and dips, all you could eat,
The party continued in spite of the heat!

When the whistle shrieked a noise,
That was the signal for all the boys,
To sweep the girls around the room,
Or end up dancing with the broom!
They square danced and polka'd on the run,

Waltzed and jitterbugged all in fun,
Some waited for a slower tune,
The evening ended much too soon.
It was getting rather late,
"Goodbys" were said at the Turner gate,

They headed for home and off to doze,
To rest sore muscles and nurse their toes!

