

Mr. Armstrong visits England, Germany, meets Prince of Wales

By Aaron Dean
PASADENA — During an 11-day trip to England and West Germany, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong attended a performance given by pianist Vladimir Horowitz, met Charles, Prince of Wales, tentatively arranged a midsummer meeting with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, oversaw arrangements for a July meeting with Greece's President Constantine Karamanlis, met with officials of the Royal Opera House in Britain, and conducted Sabbath services in Eltville, West Germany, and Pentecost services in London, England.

Aaron Dean, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's personal aide, traveled with Mr. Armstrong to England and West Germany May 20 to 31. Frank Brown and Frank Schnee, regional directors of God's Work in Great Britain and German-speaking areas respectively, also contributed to the account.

He returned to Pasadena May 31.

Mr. Armstrong addressed Pasadena Ambassador College commencement services May 19 (WN, May 24). He departed for Europe aboard the G-II May 20.

Also aboard were evangelist Ellis LaRavia, facilities manager for the Work and Church and vice president of the Ambassador Foundation, and his wife Gwen; Wayne Shilkret, director of performing arts

for the foundation and his wife Kathy; *Plain Truth* news editor Gene H. Hogberg; and my wife Michelle and I.

In flight, Mr. Armstrong typed his May 20 co-worker letter.

The G-II landed at Luton Airport in England at 5 a.m., British Summer Time.

After resting a few hours Mr. Armstrong met with evangelist Frank Brown, regional director of God's Work in Great Britain, Scandinavia, East and West Africa and the Middle East. They discussed the Work in England.

Saturday, May 22, Mr. Armstrong and his group left the Dorchester Hotel in London for pianist Vladimir Horowitz's performance at the Royal Festival Hall.

The performance, given before a capacity audience of about 3,000, was a benefit to help renovate the Royal Opera House. Prince Charles, who attended the performance, is patron of the opera house and asked the pianist to play at the benefit.

The pianist's concert, his first in England in more than 30 years, was broadcast throughout Europe. It included six sonatas by Domenico Scarlatti; *Polonaise Fantaisie, Opus 61*, and *Ballade in G Minor* by Frederic Chopin; *Kinderscenen (Scenes from Childhood) Opus 15* by Robert Schumann; and concluded with Sergei Rachmaninoff's *Sonata No. 2 in B Flat Minor*.

The *Times* of London wrote that Mr. Horowitz added the Schumann *Childhood* piece in honor of Prince Charles and Princess Diana's yet-to-be-born child.

The concert was videotaped and later aired throughout the United States on the Public Broadcasting System (PBS). The broadcast was funded by grants from the Ambassador Foundation and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

After the concert, Mr. Brown said the pastor general remarked that Mr. Horowitz is "undoubtedly the best pianist alive today."

Meeting royalty

A private reception followed the concert on the top floor of the Festival Hall. About 150 people waited for Prince Charles, who was expected to make a brief appearance if his schedule allowed. The prince had gone backstage to congratulate Mr. Horowitz.

At 6:55 p.m., the prince arrived. He was scheduled to go to a dinner engagement at 7 p.m. He entered the room from a rear door, near Mr. Armstrong.

Mr. LaRavia stepped over to one of the prince's aides and explained that Mr. Armstrong was sponsoring the concert's broadcast in the United States. He asked that a formal introduction, a requirement



MEETING ROYALTY — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (left) and evangelist Ellis LaRavia (center) converse with Charles, Prince of Wales (right), May 22 following a concert by pianist Vladimir Horowitz at the Royal Opera House in London. [Photo © Clive Barda/London]

of protocol, be made. The aide agreed.

After being formally introduced to the prince, Mr. Armstrong presented a handsomely framed photograph of Mr. Horowitz playing in the Ambassador Auditorium. Their conversation was brief, lasting

about a minute.

After conversing with other guests, the prince prepared to leave. Before he could make his exit, two men — Jacob Rothschild, a prominent member of the Rothschild family in England, and Klaus Mos-

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World Tomorrow begins daily series in Washington

BELLINGHAM, Wash. — The *World Tomorrow* telecast began daily broadcasts here May 31 with a potential viewing audience of more than one million households, according to David Hulme, media liaison for the Work and Church.

Airing on KVOS-TV here, the *World Tomorrow* program featuring Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong is transmitted by airwaves and cable lines throughout the Seattle, Wash., and Vancouver, B.C., metropolitan areas Mondays through Fridays at 7 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT). Mr. Hulme continued.

Calling the event a "milestone for the Church," Mr. Hulme said the daily program will air 13 weeks as "an experiment." Summer broadcast time opened up and was offered to the Baker-Lovick advertising firm, the Canadian affiliate of BBDO (Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborne), the advertising agency retained by the Church.

"Summer is not generally the best viewing time," Mr. Hulme said. "But the time opened up at 7 a.m., when we feel people would be more inclined to watch a religious broadcast."

The evening and afternoon slots are occupied by programs that draw

a wider audience, or offer other activities that pull people away from their television sets, he said.

"Mr. Armstrong approved the program after I discussed it with him," Mr. Hulme said. "I think it will draw an audience that will build." He added that the contract to run *The World Tomorrow* runs until Aug. 29, when the program results and contract will be reviewed.

He said that if the 13-week series looks promising, it may lead to similar schedules being placed in U.S. cities in 1983.

The series utilizes studio broadcasts made by Mr. Armstrong and is programmed to "proceed logically through certain subjects like the book of Revelation," Mr. Hulme said.

The Seattle area was also the point of another milestone passed by the Work and Church in 1940. Mr. Armstrong recalls in his autobiography: "Finally, three long years after the program expanded from Eugene [Ore.] into Portland [Ore.], it now leaped into Seattle!"

That Sept. 15, 1940, broadcast over KRSC-radio, a 1,000-watt station, was the first time the *World Tomorrow* program was aired outside the state of Oregon.

Speakers from Pasadena give Pentecost sermons

Ministers report Church unity

PASADENA — Fifteen Pasadena-based ministers traveled to churches in the United States, Canada and Haiti for Sabbath and Pentecost services May 29 and 30, according to evangelist Joseph Tkach Sr., director of Ministerial Services. Those contacted by *The Worldwide News* unanimously said they found "a spirit of unity and warmth" in the churches they visited. Evangelist Raymond McNair, deputy chancellor of Pasadena Ambassador College, said he "certainly enjoyed the visit," as it enabled him and his wife Eve "to meet several deacons, elders and their wives, and at least a few hundred brethren."

Mr. McNair spoke in the Lafayette and Baton Rouge, La., churches on the Sabbath. He had a "fine visit and dinner" that evening with Lynn Torrance, registrar of Big Sandy Ambassador College, who traveled from Texas to speak in Louisiana; Karl Beyersdorfer, pastor of the Lafayette and Baton Rouge churches, and his wife Gaylon; and Jim Servidio, pastor of the New Orleans, La., church and his wife Judy.

"Mr. and Mrs. Servidio had very kindly come to pick me and my wife up to drive us back to New Orleans," Mr. McNair said. "We were able to have a very fine talk and visit with them."

On Pentecost, Mr. McNair gave the offertory in the morning and delivered the afternoon sermon on the meaning of Pentecost.

"I was impressed with the warmth and a definite spirit of unity not only in the New Orleans area, but also in other churches in Pittsburg [Pa.] and Youngstown [Ohio] and other areas where I visited during the Passover season.

Ministers and brethren seem to be solidly behind God's apostle and behind headquarters.

"People seem to be growing together in unity and love," he concluded.

Combined services in Montreal

Evangelist Dibrar Apatian, regional director of the Work in French-speaking areas, traveled with his wife Shirley to Montreal, Que., where "we had a 'weekend Feast,'" he said.

The previous Friday, May 28, the evangelist conducted a ministerial conference for French-speaking ministers in Canada, deacons and their wives. Thirty people attended.

Giving four sermons in two days, Mr. Apatian said a record attendance of 671 French-speaking brethren also gave a record offering. "People were very excited and strong in the faith," he said.

Enthusiasm on Pentecost was heightened when the evangelist announced that *Le Monde a Venir* (French *World Tomorrow* broadcast) would begin airing on CJMS-radio in Montreal in June, Mr. Apatian said.

"This is very important news," he continued. "CJMS is the biggest radio station in Montreal. The Work in Quebec is growing. I even saw people taking copies of *The Plain Truth* from newsstands at the airport when I arrived."

'Wide open spaces'

Rod Matthews, manager of the International Office in Ministerial Services, flew to Wyoming with his wife Ruth to keep the Sabbath and Pentecost with brethren there.

"We traveled the entire circuit Mr. [Dennis] Wheatcroft travels every weekend," Mr. Matthews said. "It's a trip that covers 580

miles in two states."

Taking a slide program on God's Work worldwide, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews and Mr. Wheatcroft, pastor of the Billings, Mont., Sheridan and Casper, Wyo., churches, and his wife Sidni, drove 4½ hours from the Wheatcrofts' home in Casper to Billings for a 7:30 p.m. service May 28.

After staying overnight at a hotel in Billings, the group rose early for the two-hour drive to Sheridan for 10 a.m. services. From there, the Matthews and Wheatcrofts drove back to Casper for a 3:30 p.m. service there.

"After that," Mr. Matthews said, smiling, "we collapsed."

The Matthews and Wheatcrofts drove back to Sheridan for Pentecost services the next day, the most centrally located area for brethren. Between services, Mr. Matthews said the churches served "one of the best potluck meals I've ever had in my life."

Following the meal, the churches reconvened and Mr. Matthews delivered a sermon on the significance of Pentecost.

"The churches there are a very fine, solid group of people," Mr. Matthews continued. "Despite the distances, they're in touch with what's going on in God's Work and very warm and friendly."

Trip to Haiti

John Halford, a pastor-rank minister working in Media Services in Pasadena, and his wife Pat flew to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, where he conducted Sabbath and Pentecost services.

Mr. Halford conducted a Bible study May 28. On the Sabbath and Pentecost, he and Lionel Estinvil,

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England

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er, chairman of the Royal Opera House — approached the prince.

They had attended a dinner in Jerusalem in Mr. Armstrong's honor Nov. 19, 1981, that Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek was host to. They had been impressed with the pastor general's address (*W/N*, "Christ's Apostle in the Middle East," Dec. 14, 1981). They asked the prince if they could introduce him to Mr. Armstrong.

Thus, a second introduction was made and Mr. Armstrong and the prince conversed further. Mr. Armstrong asked how the Ambassador Foundation could help the Royal Opera House, and the prince asked the pastor general to speak with Patrick Spooner, director of the development organization for the House.

One of the prince's aides was overheard asking: "How did they get the prince to stay 10 minutes longer than was scheduled? He doesn't do that."

As the prince exited, he directed one of his aides to return and obtain more information about Mr. Armstrong.

More meetings

Sunday, May 23, Mr. Armstrong worked on a *Plain Truth* article before meeting with Frank Schnee, regional director of God's Work in German-speaking areas, and John Karlson of the Bonn, West Germany, Office.

They had arrived to pick up some Ambassador College students who are spending the summer in West Germany working in the regional office and learning German.

Later, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Brown, Mr. LaRavia and I had lunch with Mr. Spooner and Sir Joseph Lockwood of the Royal Opera House as the prince had suggested. After the meal, we toured the Opera House and found that there was indeed a real need for

renovation.

During the tour, Mr. Armstrong discussed a possible meeting with Prime Minister Thatcher. Mr. Spooner contacted the secretary to the British cabinet, Sir Robert Armstrong, but found that Mrs. Thatcher was too occupied with the Falkland Islands crisis to meet the pastor general this trip. We are hoping to schedule a meeting in July with her.

Side trip to Greece

Mr. and Mrs. LaRavia left May 25 for Athens, Greece, to arrange a meeting with that nation's president in July.

While there, they met with George Voyadzis, a parliament member. They discussed the possibility of sending a few students to Ambassador College. They returned to London May 27.

Also on May 25, Mr. Armstrong and some of the British Office staff had lunch with Sir Bernard Braine, a prominent member of the British Parliament. In a stimulating exchange, Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Braine discussed British and American ancestry, with Mr. Armstrong tracing the peoples back to ancient Israel.

The pastor general spoke plainly of how God is working out His plan, and of the awesome problems the United States and Great Britain will soon face.

Mr. Braine said to Francis Bergin of the English Office, "You are privileged to work for such a man."

Mr. Armstrong and the Shilkrets attended a Wagner opera that evening at the Royal Opera House. Mr. Armstrong noted the excellent acoustics in the century-old hall.

The Shilkrets returned to Pasadena May 26. The pastor general continued writing for *The Plain Truth* through the morning.

He took a short break in the late afternoon to visit Woburn Abbey of the Duke of Bedford.

The abbey is a private museum surrounded by an animal park. It

houses some silver art pieces, of which silver copies stand in the campus Social Center in Pasadena.

Mr. Armstrong met again with Mr. Spooner and Mr. Lockwood of the Royal Opera House May 27. They discussed needed improvements. Mr. Armstrong agreed to meet Mr. Spooner on Friday.

The next morning, Mr. Armstrong and his party drove to the former Brickett Wood campus of Ambassador College, where they were met by Howard Silcox and Mr. Brown.

Now the site of the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) staff college, Mr. Armstrong toured the grounds with CEGB senior executives Derrick Littler and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ruffell. The Japanese Garden was in full bloom.

Inaugural meeting

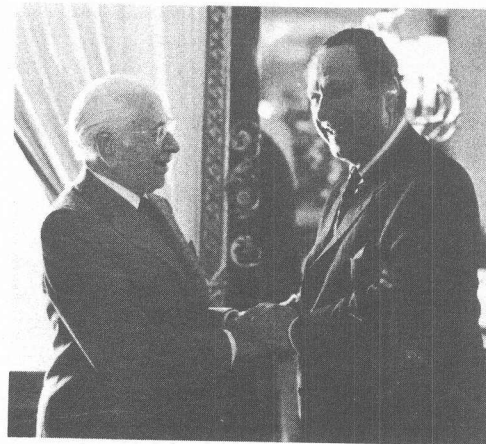
From the former campus, the group drove to the Work and Church's new offices at Borehamwood. There, Mr. Armstrong conducted the inaugural board meeting in the new boardroom of Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God. The board members later joined the pastor general for lunch in a nearby hotel.

Shortly after his afternoon return to his suite in the Dorchester Hotel, Mr. Armstrong met again with Mr. Spooner and presented a check from the Ambassador Foundation to help renovations at the Royal Opera House.

Sabbath morning Mr. Armstrong and his party departed for Frankfurt, West Germany. Mr. Hoberg traveled over to Ireland to cover events for *The Plain Truth*.

Sabbath sermon

After landing in Frankfurt, Mr. Armstrong was driven to Eltville, where he conducted services for 720 brethren at 3 p.m., in the Rheingaulhalle. Those in attendance represented more than 95 percent of the weekly Sabbath service attendance in the German-speaking area.



PARLIAMENT MEMBER — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong meets Sir Bernard Braine, a member of Britain's Parliament, in London May 25. The two discussed British and American genealogy, with the pastor general tracing both peoples back to ancient Israel. (Photo by Aaron Dean)

In his sermon, which was translated into German by ministers John Karlson and Paul Kieffer, and transmitted over wireless earphones, Mr. Armstrong discussed the tremendous power of the Holy Spirit and how it is Church members' only hope to be born of God.

Mr. Schnee called the sermon "a very uplifting experience for everyone."

Mr. Armstrong opened his address by saying: "Ich habe mein Deutsch alles vergessen. Ich kann mich nicht mehr erinnern (I have forgotten all the German I learned. I

can't remember it anymore.)" He studied German when he was 17. The brethren applauded when they heard him speak their language.

The German brethren spent Saturday night in Eltville, creating a mini-Feast-of-Tabernacles atmosphere. Area services were canceled so brethren could travel and hear the pastor general.

The area previously served as a Feast of Tabernacles site in 1974 and 1975, and the Church was able to book rooms at half price for the Pentecost weekend.

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time. For example [in 1977 on the HMS *Amazon*] an operations room fire melted ladders and bulkheads.

"If that [use of aluminium] has been a blunder of appalling dimensions, other political decisions made 16 years ago have proved as shortsighted. Perhaps the most crucial decision was the 1966 Defence Review when Mr. Denis Healey decided to rob the Royal Navy of its next generation of aircraft carriers.

"This means that the Navy no longer has Phantom interceptors which would have provided a fully effective air defence over the Falklands. Even more crucial was the loss of the Gannet airborne early warning aircraft . . .

"The sad fact is that four years ago the Royal Navy was better suited to dealing with the sort of war which has broken out so suddenly in the Falklands.

"Had General Galtieri waited another six months the *Invincible* and *Hermes* would have been sold and the fleet could not even have contemplated action in the Falklands."

It was four years ago that the Royal Navy got rid of its big carrier, the *Ark Royal*. It was the only carrier that could have launched planes carrying the AEW (Airborne Early Warning) system.

Pride shaken

Despite the setbacks, British pride, patriotism and determination (the term "stiff upper lip" does appear in newspaper copy) is still high. Of course, the mushy Left dismisses it all as mere jingoism.

Nevertheless, these are trying times. In one real sense, the royal navy is the embodiment of national pride for Britain. Therefore, the

increased number of crippled and sunk ships takes its toll on the nation's soul. Naval cities like Portsmouth go into mourning for days after a home port ship is lost.

Newspapers run article after article of moving stories of anxious mothers whose sons (in one case three sons) are 8,000 miles away at sea and virtually out of communication.

Perhaps the greatest pressure of all is on another British woman, the "Iron Lady," Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Grim faced and dressed in black she told an assembly of Conservative Party women's conference delegates that "despite our losses, neither our resolve nor our confidence is weakened."

The metal of the Iron Lady is surely being tested. One member of Parliament told Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong and several others of us at

a lunch yesterday [May 26] that Mrs. Thatcher "is the greatest prime minister since [Winston] Churchill." She possesses courage and determination, said Sir Bernard Braine, but it is not yet known whether Mrs. Thatcher has another key quality of leadership — vision.

As of now neither the prime minister nor anyone else in the cabinet really knows what to do with the contentious islands should they be recovered. No one is in any mood to give them to Argentina, not after the loss of so many lives — more than 100 to date — and that's before any ground action against Argentine positions in Port Stanley.

Neither can anyone ascertain what the postwar period will be like, specifically British relations with Argentina, the United States or Europe.

Ten killed, \$100 million in damages in city

Brethren escape Illinois tornado

MARION, Ill. — A tornado killed 10 people, injured another 137 and left \$100 million in damages here May 30, said Harold Smith, pastor of the Mount Vernon, Ill., church. Nine Church member residents were spared injury.

"Everybody's in good shape with no injuries," he continued, noting that eight of the nine members were at Sabbath services in Mount Vernon when the tornado struck the city of 14,000 at 3:40 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT).

Church member Maxine Webb, wife of member Leaman Webb, stayed home to care for her elderly mother who was ill.

The tornado passed within three blocks of the Webbs' home, demol-

ishing a shopping center and other homes. The Webbs' property suffered no damage.

Chuck Jones, a spokesman for the Illinois Emergency Services and Disaster Agency, told *The Worldwide News* that the tornado was a "particularly destructive one. One of the unique aspects of this tornado was that it was slow moving. It cut a 15-mile swath 400 to 700 yards wide [24 kilometers long, 360 to 630 meters wide]."

He said because the tornado moved slowly, the fatality rate was reduced.

"Many people were able to see the funnel cloud and move out of the way," he said. "It's hard to talk about how fortunate we were. If the

PASADENA — *Plain Truth* subscriptions and newsstand distribution in New York City continue to rise, reported Boyd Leeson, U.S. *Plain Truth* circulation manager May 28.

In the New York "Area of Dominant Influence" (ADI), a term used by advertising and marketing strategists, more than 20,000 new subscribers have been added to the *Plain Truth* list since January, 1982.

The ADI includes New York City, and parts of the states of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Connecticut.

In this same area, 78,000 newsstand copies are distributed monthly, bringing the monthly total of *Plain Truth* subscription and newsstand distribution to 206,000, Mr. Leeson said.

But *Plain Truth* distribution will expand in New York even

further in the future, Mr. Leeson pointed out. "It's the single biggest metropolitan area in the United States, so we have many things to do, many people to reach, through whatever means we have available."

With a base of seven million households that doesn't include suburban areas, New York City poses a complex challenge for magazine distribution.

To help reach people in different social strata, the Work leased space in distribution stands in the Grand Central and Pennsylvania railway stations, he continued.

This month, a new distribution stand will go up in New York's World Trade Center because of an unexpected opening in advertising space there.

"This is a very prestigious outlet," Mr. Leeson said. "More than 5.3 million work or visit in the center each month, and because of the great demand for space, we were told we would have to wait years for space. We asked to be placed on a waiting list, and then we got a call on May 20. A display island had unexpectedly become available — were we still interested?"

"We jumped at the chance and reserved the space," the *PT* circulation manager continued. "We hope to distribute up to 7,500 copies there each month."

He added that about 2,500 *Plain Truths* are distributed from the Grand Central Station stand each month while 3,800 issues are distributed from the Pennsylvania Station stand.

To help draw attention to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's *World Tomorrow* telecast and radio broadcast in New York, June/July *Plain Truths* distributed in the New York ADI have a special blow-in card that lists the radio and television stations airing the program.

FOCUS ON YOUTH

300 CAMPERS GATHER FOR SEP

ORR, Minn. — About 300 campers are here for the first of three Summer Educational Program (SEP) sessions that started June 7, according to Jeb Egbert, business administrator for Youth Opportunities United (YOU).

Mr. Egbert said about 12 field ministers and six Pasadena Ambassador College faculty members will assist Kevin Dean, YOU director, in running the camp.

About 70 Ambassador students and 50 high school workers also will work at camp this summer. The college and high school students will teach various activities, serve as counselors, or work in food services, custodial and other departments.

The past winter weather damaged some of the dormitories and other buildings at camp, Mr. Egbert said. Three weeks of rain before the staff arrived added problems. He said, "It's requiring a great deal in maintenance to get the camp fixed up."

He added, however, that camp set-up procedures are better arranged this year so problems should be handled quickly. "We'll be better prepared this year than we have been in the recent past," he said.

Activities at SEP include basketball, volleyball, archery, dance, wilderness skills, water skiing, canoeing and swimming.

SEP IN BIG SANDY TO BEGIN JULY 1

BIG SANDY — The Summer Educational Program (SEP) here is scheduled to open July 1, according to Kermit Nelson, SEP director. Dr. Nelson said, "Plans are rapidly being completed on staff assignments and on activity schedules."

Two hundred forty campers are expected for the four-week session, Dr. Nelson said. He added that about 10 faculty members from both Ambassador College campuses will teach various programs. The faculty will be assisted by 43 college students from both Ambassador campuses and 26 high school workers from throughout the United States.

Jeb Egbert, business administrator of Youth Opportunities United (YOU), described the program as "a graduated program with more advanced activities."

Activities include cycling, tennis, racquetball, aerobic dance (girls), golf (boys), Rebounder (minitrampoline) conditioning and speech. Speeches will be videotaped and campers will be able to watch themselves on a television monitor afterward, according to Dr. Nelson.

YOUTHS HONORED

ALBANY, Ore. — Ruth Ann Wheeler, 11, a fifth-grader at Garfield Elementary School in Corvallis, Ore., placed second in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) state American history essay contest March 27.

She received a medal and a certificate for her essay on Winslow Homer, an American artist. She chose not to attend the awards ceremony because

it was on the Sabbath.

Before the state contest Ruth received first place for the same essay from the Winema, Ore., DAR chapter.

She read her essay at a luncheon for the Winema branch and also for an area radio station before submitting the essay to the state contest.

Ruth also wrote a book entitled *Four Animal Stories* and attended, for the second time, the Young Authors' Conference April 20, sponsored by the Corvallis School District and Oregon State University.



RUTH ANN WHEELER

Ruth attends the Albany church with her parents, Robert and Susan Wheeler, a brother and a sister.

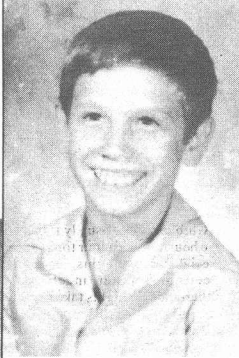
HOBBS, N.M. — Kim Brown, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy C. Brown, was recognized for outstanding achievement in his building trades class at New Mexico Junior College May 5.

His class built a house as its major project this school year. Kim received a plaque at an awards assembly.

Kim attends the Hobbs church with his parents and four brothers.

LINCOLN, Calif. — Theodore Deppner, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Deppner, placed first in the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce Community Pride poster con-

test, kindergarten to third grade division. Ted attends the third grade at Glen Edwards Elementary School.

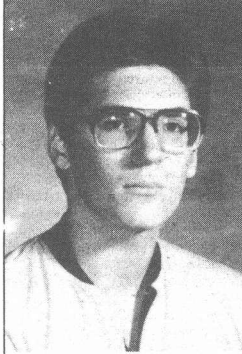


THEODORE DEPPNER

Ted attends the Sacramento, Calif., A.M. church with his parents and brother.

NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask. — Marcel Schnee, 15, received recognition for his achievement in the Canadian Schools 1982 Pascal Mathematics Competition for Grade 9 students.

The competition is sponsored by the faculty of mathematics, University of Waterloo, Ont. The



MARCEL SCHNEE

contest consists of standardized tests administered to selected students.

Marcel received a silver medal and certificate for the top score in his school, and his name is included on the Saskatchewan honor roll. He received a certificate of distinction for placing in the top 5 percent of all contestants throughout Canada.

Marcel, son of Paul and Bernice Schnee, is a member of Youth Opportunities United (YOU) and attends services with his family in North Battleford.

OMAHA, Neb. — Laura Hoefker, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoefker, was a finalist in the Nebraska Habitat Stamp Art Contest, Senior Youth Division. The contest is sponsored by the Nebraska Games and Parks Commission and the Omaha Fish and Wildlife Club.



LAURA HOEFKER

Laura received a certificate for her achievement and a two year subscription to *Nebraska-land* magazine. Her colored pencil drawing of a great blue heron is displayed in a traveling exhibit.

Laura attends the Omaha church with her parents. Her brother Scott is a junior at Pasadena Ambassador College.

PARKIN, Ark. — Paul Forester, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Forester, received three awards for the 1981-82 school year at Parkin High School.

He received one certificate for meritorious conduct and the honor roll. He received another certificate of merit for outstanding accomplishments in the Science Research Association (SRA) national achievement test for the school year.

Paul also received the Letter P Award for the highest scholastic average for the eighth grade at Parkin High School. Paul attends the Memphis, Tenn., church where he is a Youth Opportunities United (YOU) member.

WHEELING, W. Va. — Kellie Rumer, 17, and Lori Ruscak, 15, daughters of Jeneane Rumer and Mr. and Mrs. John Ruscak, each received a Conscientious Obliging Group (COG) Award, March 29.

Selected by the staff for the COG, the girls were cited for unselfish service in some facet of their school program. The students selected for these awards were honored at a banquet.

CHEERLEADERS PERFORM, DESPITE OBSTACLES

LUBBOCK, Tex. — When you have a small church area, no coach for a cheerleading squad, as well as no money for uniforms, equipment or cheerleading camp, how can you have a good cheerleading group?

Encouraged by pastor Keith Walden's wife Renee, who lives 150 miles away, six determined teenage girls of the Lubbock church decided to become cheerleaders. Through several months of dedication they made their goal become reality.

To learn cheers they checked out cheerleading books and watched high school cheerleaders perform. At practices the girls changed some of the movements and adapted the words to eliminate phrases that promoted a wrong competitive attitude.

During the summer the girls practiced in the park. In the fall and winter they obtained use of a ballet dance studio. Since they had no coach, the girls took turns studying and evaluating each other's performance.

With no money, ordering uniforms seemed to be impossible. However, through the hard work and support of the cheerleaders, their parents and other Church members, more than \$900 was raised.

Money-making efforts included a bake sale, pecan and watermelon sales, garage sales and a chili supper. Catalogs were studied from various cheerleading supply companies, and as soon as the colors and styles were agreed upon, uniforms were ordered.

In January the girls (representing the combined Raider team of Lubbock and Midland, Tex., and Hobbs, N.M.) were ready. They led cheers for a three-day tournament in Canyon, Tex. They also cheered at the district tournament April 24 and 25.

Says head cheerleader Lorrye Shamblin: "It's not easy; it's something you really have to be willing to work hard for. However, when you finally make it, the close friendship you develop with the other girls and the reward of accomplishment is well worth the effort."



WEST TEXAS CHEERLEADERS — Pictured above are the West Texas Raiders cheerleaders from the combined Lubbock and Midland, Tex., and Hobbs, N.M., churches. They are, from left: Karen Magruder, Margaret Forson, Lorrye Shamblin, Sharla Shamblin (center), Katherine Forson and Ronda Spoon.

Club builds bond of brotherhood, produces pillars, says director

By Jeff Zhorne
PASADENA — "I'm not a speaker. I don't need club."
 "But that's not even the biggest thing club does for people," said evangelist Dean Blackwell, regarding how some Church members feel about Spokesman Club.

Mr. Blackwell is overall director of the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. Spokesman Clubs.

"I think the biggest thing [in] club is the brotherhood that's there," said Mr. Blackwell.

The evangelist compares club to a family growing closely together — it's brothers being able to stabilize each other for the real bad years ahead, "because we're all going to need to lean on one another and encourage one another, inspire and boost one another."

Mr. Blackwell received his first club training in Ambassador Club in Pasadena in 1953 with Richard Armstrong, president, Roderick C. Meredith, vice president, Herman L. Hoeh and Raymond F. McNair.

"Together we went through very rigorous training," Mr. Blackwell said. "It was difficult to win a cup with all those men in club!"

The first Ambassador Club, on Feb. 10, 1953, had 21 members and was organized by Jack R. Elliott, then executive director of Ambassador-Spokesman Clubs and now a member of the Longview, Tex., church. Mr. Elliott received approval from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong to start the club.

Mr. Blackwell feels there's no bigger supporter of Ambassador and Spokesman Clubs than Mr. Armstrong. "Nobody had to go as long and do a work without help as he had to do without deacons and elders for years," he said.

Mr. Armstrong really appreciates trained, cultured, polished, capable pillars and leaders in the Church, he added.

To make Ambassador Club available for Church members, Mr. Armstrong approved the first Spokesman Club (then called Senior Ambassador Club) in 1956.

Sidney Hegvold, a faculty member at Pasadena Ambassador College, was president of the first Spokesman Club, which began Oct. 24, 1956, on the Pasadena campus.

Developing brotherhood

The purpose of the new Spokesman Club, according to Mr. Blackwell, was to "accomplish with local members what Ambassador College does with students — recapturing the true values and developing a cul-

ture and a brotherhood among the family of God."

"We're really polishing men to be kings and priests in the government of God," he continued. "That entails more than just learning the mechanics of speaking. If a person's life doesn't back up that mechanical polish of speaking, that is really a hypocrisy and a fraud."

Soon clubs sprang up in Big Sandy and Houston, Tex., St. Louis, Mo., Eugene and Portland, Ore., Tacoma, Wash., and San Diego, Calif. By January, 1962, there were 37 clubs. Today, 20 years later, more than 6,000 members attend 228 clubs in the United States.

"In those days [1950s and 1960s] local churches published monthly newspapers, summarizing church activities," noted Mr. Blackwell. Spokesman Clubs funded the publications. Clubs often sponsored campers to the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Orr, Minn.

"There was no such thing as graduation," he continued. "Club was intended to train men in the Church to be pillars and masculine and to be responsible leaders of their families and in the Church. Clubs were forever."

When the Spokesman Club manual was published in 1961, club members were graduated after successfully completing 12 types of speeches.

"We've always felt like God had a big hand in the 12 types of speeches in the manual, because it just seemed so perfect," the evangelist remarked. "The 12 types of speeches each build on the previous one."

Club format

According to the Spokesman Club manual, clubs are designed to help develop the whole personality, provide opportunities for fellowship and recreation and show God's government in action. In short, development of the whole man for leadership in God's Kingdom.

This is carried out by procedures in the club manual. After the opening prayer, members warm up with vocal exercises. Then club minutes are read, followed by a business portion.

During a 20-minute tabletopics session, the topic master asks questions about Christian living, news events and biblical knowledge. Club members learn to think on their feet by responding promptly.

The club director (the local pastor or a man appointed by him) then evaluates the first half of the meeting, and a 10-minute recess takes place after which five six-minute

speeches are given, each followed by a two-minute evaluation.

After the director's overall evaluation, three trophies are presented: the Most Effective Speech, Most Improved Speaker and Most Helpful Evaluation. Those who receive the cups keep them for a week and present them to the three winners the following week.

In the final 10 minutes, members hear a lecture on speech techniques or personal instruction by the director. This portion is omitted in Ambassador Clubs because speech classes take the place of the lectures.

Club meetings usually last about two hours. At least four times a year, special ladies' nights, combined meetings, dinner meetings or father-and-son nights take place.

The Spokesman Club manual in braille is available at the U.S. Library of Congress, who selected the manual as the one best suited for blind persons wishing to learn the art of speaking, according to Mr. Blackwell.

All can participate

Today, deaf members' speeches are translated from sign language into voice. Deaf brethren also evaluate.

Even quadriplegics have been in clubs, Mr. Blackwell said. "From a table, they [paralyzed members] gave 'Stir to Action' and 'Attack' speeches," he explained.

"It's very moving to see deaf members participating and to realize men value the training so much that they participate even if totally paralyzed."

Mr. Blackwell once asked a man in a North Dakota club who had just graduated how much his certificate of completion had cost. "He figured out how many years he had been in club and said 35,000 miles is what it cost him to get that certificate."

Men in the club remain dedicated to the growth they receive in Spokesman Club. "When an individual isn't in club, other men may not know him well enough to help him improve," says evangelist Harold Jackson.

"But with club, that man has a chance to evaluate and be evaluated by his own peer group, thereby having opportunity to grow."

Whitewash brush

In the 1950s and early '60s, evaluators contended with the whitewash brush, which they received if they gave insincere or improper evaluations from a motive of "impressing other people," said Mr. Blackwell.



SPECIAL GUEST — Evangelist Dean Blackwell evaluates members of the Imperial Spokesman Club at a ladies' brunch at Brookside Country Club in Pasadena March 28. [Photo by Sheila Graham]

"The whitewash brush taught men not to be backslappers or apple polishers — not to put on the veneer of an insincere, artificial salesman."

"It wasn't put on a pedestal like a trophy — it had a hole in the handle with a chain or a string around it, and you wore it around your neck."

"And you weren't limited to one whitewash brush," the evangelist continued. "If you really goofed several times in the evening, you could end up with more than one brush."

Evangelist Joseph Tkach Sr., director of Ministerial Services and a member of the first Spokesman Club in Chicago, Ill., in 1958, remembers receiving six brushes from Mr. Blackwell for telling an "anti-Texas joke during tabletopics." (Mr. Blackwell is a native Texan.)

"Though the whitewash brush 'taught a humility and a frankness,' its use was discontinued in the mid-'60s because of the 'growth in Church members' attitudes," noted Mr. Blackwell.

Today, Spokesman Clubs teach unity and brotherhood. "As Mr. Blackwell taught us in Chicago," said Mr. Jackson, who joined the club there in December, 1959, "the rapport between club members is wonderful, and we all had the same spirit."

That spirit is present wherever clubs meet — in Mu'a, Tonga; Tilburg, Netherlands; Palmer, Alaska; Kumasi, Ghana; Hamilton, Bermuda; Thunder Bay, Ont.; Hobart, Australia; or Yakima, Wash.

In Pasadena, Mr. Blackwell continues to teach, challenge, encourage and direct club members.

When the Auditorium P.M. clubs began last year, the evangelist asked the members to look around them.

"Now how many of the men around you do you really know? At the end of the year, go back over the roster and see how many of them you know, and how deeply, how closely, how brotherly you know them. If a man never gave a speech, isn't club worth it even for that?"



AUDITORIUM CLUB — Left, Gerald Bieritz, Ambassador College instructor, gives tabletopics during a meeting of one of the six Pasadena Auditorium P.M. clubs. Club



director Mordakhai Joseph encourages and points out areas of improvement and growth to club members. [Photos by Scott Smith]

1982 YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



MOST UNUSUAL (COLOR): STEVEN J. MOONEY
BEST ALL-ROUND FOR COLOR

PASADENA — Deanna Schow, 18, of Port Orchard, Wash., submitted the best overall black and white photograph, and Steven J. Mooney, 18, of Mobile, Ala., won the best overall color category, in the 1982 Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Photo Contest. Judging was May 26.

Deanna also placed first in the general subject, portrait and action categories for black and white photographs and the best general subject for color. She submitted the best overall black and white photo in last year's contest. (See *WN*, July 13, 1981.)

Steven also placed first in the most humorous black and white and the most unusual color categories in this year's contest.

The best overall awards were chosen from the winning photos in all categories.

Dexter Faulkner, managing editor of the Church's publications, said: "I was impressed with the variety of shots. I feel that many of the photos will be used in *Youth 82*,

either for the back page or for illustrating articles."

Sheila Graham, senior editor of the *WN*, said, "One of the major benefits of the contest is that young photographers get their photos published in an internationally distributed magazine and newspaper."

Mr. Faulkner said that the contest is an excellent opportunity for teenage photographers to concentrate on their hobby. He hopes that next year more people will enter the contest and "let us see their talents."

The judges of this year's contest were Sylvia Owen, Roland Rees and Scott Smith of the Photographic Services Department; Randy Cole, *Plain Truth* graphics editor; Greg Smith, design consultant for *The Plain Truth*; and Mrs. Graham.

Mr. Cole said: "It didn't look like there was as much response from individuals. There were fewer photographers entering more photos."

Mr. Cole added that some photos were entered in the wrong categories that might have won if entered correctly.

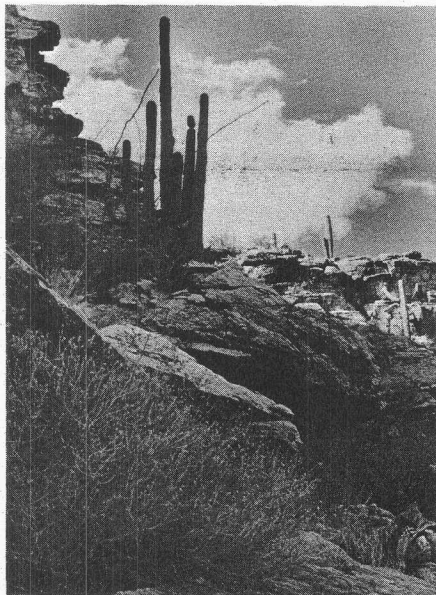
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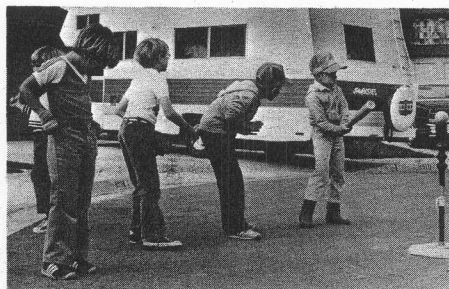
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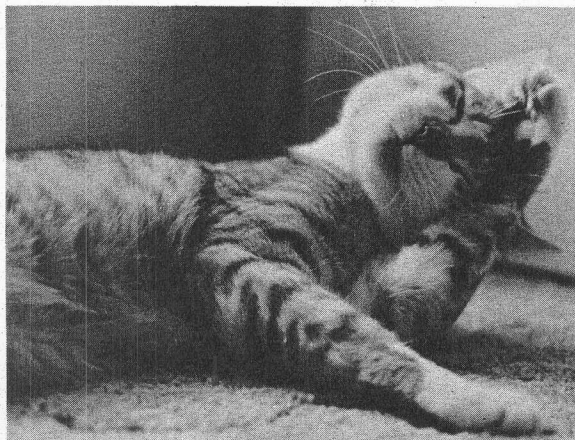
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Mr. Smith said, "We need more people to enter." About Deanna winning the contest again, he said: "She looks like she takes her photography seriously. She does an extremely good job at it."

Best human interest (color): Melissa Horst, Monmouth, Ore.; Harold Wayne Boze, 18, Shreveport, La.; Terry Harms, 17, Newton, Kan. **Black and white:** Philip Jerold Aust, 16, San Diego, Calif.; Steven J. Mooney, Mobile, Ala.; Lisa Roe, 19, Big Sandy.

Best nature (color): Susan Thomas, 16, Waco, Tex.; John Chalaris, 18, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dean Burke, 16, St. Cloud, Fla. **Black and white:** Lisa Roe, Big Sandy; Philip Jerold Aust, San Diego, Calif.; Goldie Lewis, Lodi, Calif.

Most humorous (color): Ron Hiebert, 18, Winnipeg, Man.; Terry Harms, 17, Newton, Kan.; Susan Thomas, Waco, Tex. **Black and white:** Steven J. Mooney, Mobile, Ala.

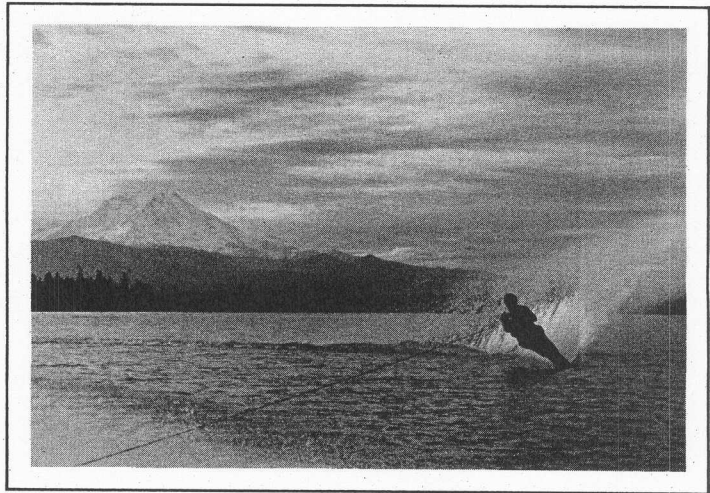
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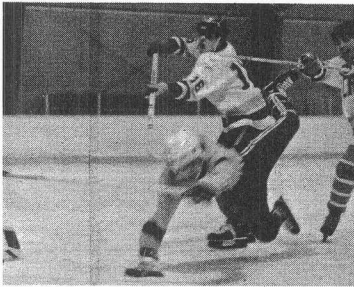
Best portrait (color): Katherine Nemeth, 17, Montreal, Que.; Ron Hiebert, Winnipeg, Man.; Cathy St. Charles, 17, Whitmore Lake, Mich. **Black and white:** Deanna Schow, Port Orchard, Wash.; Lisa Roe, Big Sandy; Steven Faw, Thorndale, Ont.

Best action (color): (tie) Ron Hiebert, Winnipeg, Man., and S. DeAnn Dean, 14, Ellsworth, Pa.; Brigitte Gauvin, 17, Yachats, Ore. **Black and white:** Deanna Schow, Port Orchard, Wash.; Goldie Lewis, Lodi, Calif.; Bob Baxter, 16, Warburg, Alta.

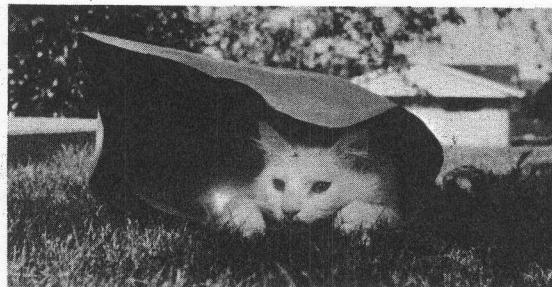
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BEST ALL-ROUND FOR BLACK AND WHITE



BEST ACTION (COLOR): RON HIEBERT (TIE)



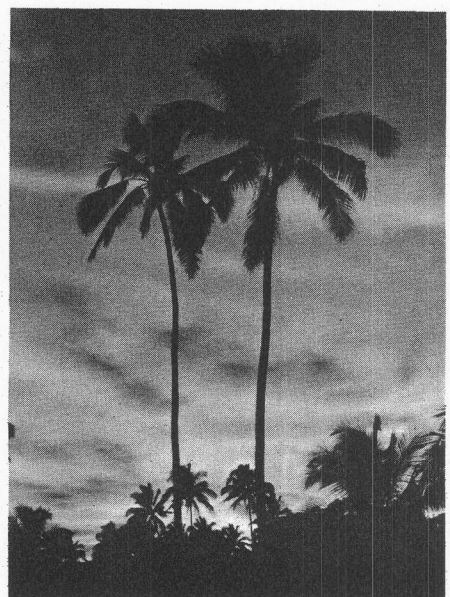
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BEST NATURE (COLOR): SUSAN THOMAS



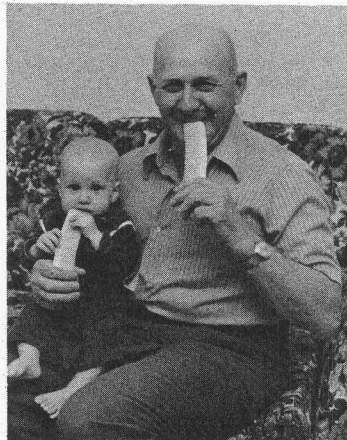
BEST PORTRAIT (COLOR): KATHERINE NEMETH



BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (COLOR): DEANNA SCHOW



BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (B&W): S. DEANN DEAN (TIE)



MOST HUMOROUS (COLOR): RON HIEBERT



BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (B&W): DEANNA SCHOW

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

A chili supper and square dance took place April 24 for the ASHEVILLE, N.C., church at the Greek Hellenic Center. Musicians were Ben Anders, fiddle; Earl McCurry, guitar; Edmond Stepp, banjo; and Betty King, piano. Dances were called by a professional dance caller. Swannanoa Country Cloggers, who danced several numbers, included Mark Silvers, son of Asheville members Vernon and Marjorie Silvers. During intermission Jean Shirin sang and accompanied herself on guitar, and Donald Jacque was master of ceremonies. *Steve Tershansky.*

Lake Perris was the setting for the BANNING and SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., churches' family fun day April 25. Men served breakfast to more than 300 brethren, feeding them pancakes, eggs, hash browns and beef sausage. Later volleyball and softball were played while the children biked, skated, fished and swam. Bill Brazil's Pasadena band Brazil Country provided music. *Yvonne Braidic.*

After Sabbath services April 24, the BASEL and ZURICH, Switzerland, churches gave a farewell reception and a Swiss-cross cake to Willi and Ruth Weber, who are returning to the United States after two years in Switzerland. Refreshments included the cake. *Martin Ryser.*

BETHLEHEM, Pa., brethren had their annual semiformal dinner-dance May 2 at the Blu Manor Banquet Hall. Attendance was 83. After a meal of chicken caeciatore, beef, potatoes, beans, salad, fruit cup and dessert, brethren danced to the music of Bud Crawford's Good Times Band. *Gordon Long.*

BRISBANE and IPSWICH, Australia, churches had a family camp-out May 2 and 3 at Lake Moogerah. Activities included waterskiing, canoeing and hiking. Sunday night, following a veal dinner with potatoes, gravy, peas, carrots and pumpkin, the group enjoyed a campfire sing-along. *Robert Hoffman.*

May 2 the BUFFALO, N.Y., church sponsored its annual spring antique show and sale in Clarence, N.Y. Church volunteers assisted 22 dealers carrying in wares and setting up booths. Members also baked coffee cakes for the dealers, took admissions, parked cars and helped prepare and serve the lunch provided by the member-owned Asa Ransom House. *Joan Orsi.*

LAWTON, Okla., church's outdoors weekend April 24 and 25 brought about 50 brethren to the farm of Winifred and Erceline Bailey for a Saturday night wiener roast. Some remained to camp overnight. Sunday morning other brethren joined the campers for a picnic, softball, volleyball and horseshoes. Winners of a moon tournament, Sharron Meek and Della Lowber, received thermometer desk set trophies. *Ellen Jackson.*

Brethren from the NEWCASTLE, Australia, church enjoyed a dinner May 1, which featured wine and cheese tasting. The dinner, organized by Gareth and Sharon Lock, included predinner drinks, then fish, vegetables, quiche, pizza and kebabs, followed by crackers, cheese, fruit, tea and coffee.

Children were entertained by games and a movie in an adjoining hall. Speeches on home entertaining, along with wine and cheese facts, were presented by Gordon Godfrey, Mr. Lock, Merv Bell and Graeme Mills. Visiting ministerial trainee Bruce McNair spoke on dating at Ambassador College. *Graeme Mills.*

Twenty-six members and visitors attended the May 8 NEW ORLEANS, La., Reading Club special event meeting. Dennis Turner, geologist and former Ambassador College student, presented a slide show of his Israel tour and the Jerusalem dig. *Maurice Ledet.*

April 24 marked the seventh anniversary of the NORTHAMPTON, England, church. Pastor Graham Mitchell's sermon "Why the Church?" included local and international Church history. Slides were shown of the bound volume of signatures presented to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong last November. After lunch, Northampton photographs and mementos were reviewed. *Peter Williams.*

More than 90 brethren from the NOTTINGHAM and NORTHAMPTON, England, churches, along with visitors from Manchester, gathered May

9 at the Desborough home of pastor Barry Bourne. Chief organizers were Maria Ferrara, Christine Macrill and Thelma Bourne, wife of the pastor.

Following a picnic lunch, activities included quiz games, family games of coconut shy (toss), pony rides, darts, quoits, badminton, volleyball, throwing the wellington boot (or *welly whanging* as it is known in the Midlands) and a spaghetti race. Pasquale Ferrara was the spaghetti cook. Nottingham deacon Arthur Cliff was master of ceremonies, and Neil Hanley operated the public address system.

Game winners were: Barry Bourne, Arthur Cliff, Pat Devine, Maria, Naria and Pasquale Ferrara, Loris and Sam Gray, Neil Hanley, Daniel Howes, P. Howlett, Fiona McLaren, Ron McLaren, Mike Maher, Irena Marsh, Gary Merril, Bob and Pauline Salter, Peter Smith, Ethel Sweet, Eileen and Rosemary Thompson, Mavis Whiles and Brian and Paul Wright.

After the games Arthur Cliff barbecued sausages and beef burgers, and a meal was served by Marie Cliff, Pasquale and Maria Ferrara, Jill Gale, Jean McLaren and Eileen Thompson. Allen Wright and Dougie Goodhead supervised the beer table.

Prizes were awarded by Mr. Bourne, then a sing-along was conducted by Nottingham minister Bob Devine, accompanied by Allen Wallwin and Colin Sweet on guitar. *Ron McLaren.*

Young adults from the ROCKHAMPTON, Australia, church and surrounding areas met April 25 at the home of minister John DeMay and his wife Marie for games and dinner. Erna Stobbe provided waffles for the afternoon tea. Games included canasta, chess, table tennis and billiards, with background music provided by Gary Shaw. The barbecue dinner was topped off with cake and pie baked by Jeanette Dean, wife of pastor Bruce Dean, and Mrs. DeMay. *Kathy Jones.*

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., members had their annual spring yard sale May 2 and 3. It was again a profitable fund raising project. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

Graduating seniors of the TAMPA, Fla., church were honored at a dance May 8. Arrangements were made by Bob and Diane McClelland, Gregg and Sally Quick and Paul and Dorothy Topash. Cool Change, a church band from Miami, Fla., provided music. During intermission minister Bill Royer was master of ceremonies for Phil Brooks' slide presentation, which showed insights into the seniors' past years. Pastor Ron Lohr expressed the Tampa church's appreciation and presented to each senior a pen set. *Dale Yates.*

TASMANIA, Australia, churches met April 24 for Sabbath services at Spreyton Hall near Devonport. Later a hot casserole meal, served to 120 brethren, was followed by a square dance. Decorations depicted a Western saloon. Proceeds will help YOU members attend the next SEP camp in Queensland. *Max Hoskyns.*

A Western Night social April 17 for VANCOUVER, B.C., brethren included a dinner of roast beef, baked beans and salad. Brethren viewed the 1981 Festival film, square danced and had a hatmaking contest. Winning hats

were Muriel Willby's bird-cage hat, adults division, and Brian Peterson's tree-trunk hat, children's division. Emogene Hutchinson won the pie contest, and proceeds from a pie auction financed the social. *Zahia Naman.*

On May 9, 200 VANCOUVER, B.C., brethren wined and dined to the sounds of an 18-piece brass band at Capri Hall. Dinner included Pacific salmon, roast beef, salad and dessert. Dance intermission entertainment included the comedy of pastor Colin Adair, Peter Jasmin, Dale Peterson and the Wright family; a night club act by Warren Dyke; and guitar playing by Boris Zazubek. Door prizes and dance prizes were awarded. *Fred Whitehead.*

The VICTORIA, B.C., church's annual bazaar April 16 at the Hillside Shopping Mall topped last year in receipts. *Peter Crompton.*

More than 150 YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, and MERCER, Pa., brethren took part in a potluck and square dance May 2 at the Mercer Community Center. Pastor Eugene Noel called the dances, which began with a grand march. Clowns John White and Amy Noel entertained with a novel dance and gave balloons to the smaller children. Cake-walk winners were Robbie Diehl, Mary Jorja, Rebecca Redanz and Gail Whetson. Singers were Carol Jamison, Oran Telford, Leland and Mary Greuter, Thomas Montgomery, James Guy and Daniel Shenton. *Libby Kebrle.*

CLUB MEETINGS

The ADA, Okla., Ladies Club meeting opened May 2 with prayer by minister Alfred Vanschuyver. Tabletopics were led by hostess Annette Roark; Donna Scott demonstrated how to make and organize a purse; and Jan Walker gave photography instruction. After a salad luncheon, minister Steve Kirk conducted an auction. *Jan Walker.*

ALBANY, Ore., Ambassador Women's Club met April 3 with Vice President Terry Miller, hostess, and Mary Wykle, cohostess. Twice during tabletopics a timer sounded, at which time Kimberly Hannaway presented a gift to the person then answering a question. Linda Nemchick reviewed the book *Wife, Mate, Mother, Me*. Julia Hall read an article about accepting compliments. Speakers were Martha Swaggerty, Gloria Mason, Susan Wheeler and Regina Kuipers. Pastor and club director Randy Stiver evaluated the meeting and used the club's 1981-82 theme Proverbs 31 Woman as the basis for his closing remarks. *Susan Wheeler.*

A mother-daughter night was observed May 8 by the AMARILLO, Tex., Women's Club at the First National Bank's Centennial Room. Pastor Jim O'Brien opened the meeting with prayer. Silk flower hair clips, made by Debi Lowery, were presented to each girl. Jamie Parish made the name cards. Hostess Kathie Fitzgerald introduced the speakers: Kathi Meggers and Opal



SPOKESMAN CLUB GRADUATES — Pictured above are Edmonton, Alta., Spokesman Club graduates: from left, Edmonton North director Bob Millman, North graduates Alan Ferland, Brian Haley and Wyatt Mandel; Edmonton South graduate Ernie Marshall and Edmonton South director Bob Berendt. (See "Club Meetings," this page.) [Photo by F. Turek]

Grabbe, icebreakers; and Doris Gill, who spoke on Bible women. During intermission Vicky Davis' refreshment committee served sandwiches, punch and cookies. Topics were given by Greta Armstrong. President Faith Williams conducted the business meeting and gave a speech. Mr. O'Brien then evaluated and dismissed the meeting. *Greta Armstrong.*

The BELLEVILLE, Ill., Women's Club sponsored a mother-daughter brunch May 2 at Rousto's Sirloin Strip in Collinsville, Ill., attended by 72 women and children. Vicky Burns made the floral arrangements. Program chairman Mary Ann Burns was assisted by Pam Shrauner. Preceding a style show in which women and children modeled garments made by club members or guests, Mrs. Burns talked of the values of mothers and homemakers. Handcrafts were displayed, as well as baby pictures of members and guests. Door prizes were given, as were prizes to game winners. Officers for 1982-83 were announced by Peggy Buchanan, club coordinator and wife of minister Alfred Buchanan. *Helen Clare.*

A wine and cheese party May 2 was enjoyed by 38 CLEVELAND, Ohio, Graduate Spokesman Club members and their wives or dates at the Aintree Park Party Center. After a potluck dinner Bible charades were played, followed by tasting and evaluating wines and cheeses. *Jeff Smith.*

CUMBERLAND, Md., Women's Club, under the direction of pastor William Pack and his wife Wendy, coordinator, closed its club year with a May 2 meeting. Rebecca Bowers gave tabletopics, and Sharon Metz chose Jezebel as the Bible woman to discuss. Lena Beitzel told her life story. Hostess Paulette Hoban presented the program, "Planning for the Sabbath," which covered food preparation, as well as proper table setting and flower arranging. Earlier club meetings covered topics of educating handicapped children, home care nursing and home economy. *Jessie Hopper.*

Spokesman Clubs of EDMONTON, Alta., NORTH and SOUTH churches had their graduation dinner-dance May 2 at Pat and Mike's Restaurant, with 140 members and guests present. Morley Rae led tabletopics. Most Improved

Speaker's cup went to Ben Hofer for his speech, "Misunderstood Potato," while Most Effective Speaker was Al Ferland, who spoke on "The Benefits of Walking." Wyatt Mandel was declared Most Helpful Evaluator. Pastor Doug Smith gave overall evaluations, while club directors Bob Berendt and Bob Millman reviewed the past year's activities and presented the graduating members of their respective clubs. *Bob Millman.*

Members, wives and other guests of the EUGENE, Ore., Spokesman and Graduate Clubs met for a combined ladies' night April 25 at Frances Willard Community School. The men prepared and served spaghetti, salad, whole wheat sourdough bread and fresh pineapple. Minister Jim Hanson was master of ceremonies and Don Berens was topicmaster. Toastmaster Chuck McKay introduced speakers Doug Lindly, Doug Kastner and Larry Harding. Dancing completed the evening's activities. *Tim and Lin Rhay.*

HARARE, Zimbabwe, brethren enjoyed soccer and a braai (barbecue) May 9. The Harare A Spokesman Club defeated the B Club team 5-4, with pastor Ron Stoddart referee. Later baseball and volleyball were played while the children enjoyed sack races and Frisbee. *Rolf Varga.*

Pastor Hal Baird gave a Bible study at the HOUSTON, Tex., EAST Ladies' Club May 11 meeting at the Railroad Museum in Dickinson, Tex. He included pointers for strengthening the marriage relationship. Next year's club officers are: Louise Ramsey, president; Margaret Ryan, vice president; Martha Cook, secretary; and Mary Harris, treasurer.

A potluck luncheon followed the meeting. *Barbara Harris.*

The JACKSON, Miss., Spokesman Club met April 24 at the Battlefield Club for a dinner meeting with an Italian theme. The signors and their favorite signoras dined on Italian cuisine that featured lasagna. Tables were decorated with colorful spring flowers.

President Clint Brantley presided over the meeting. James McCraw was topicmaster and John Barlow was toastmaster. The Italian theme was used in the speeches of George Kurts Jr., Hiltan Bell, Norman Ashcraft, Hubert Stevens and Adolph Holbrook. Ministers Ken Courtney and Frank Parsons evaluated the two program sections, with overall evaluation by pastor Robert Peoples, who concluded the program with a talk "Managing Our Time." *Ann Quarles.*

President Ellen Jackson presided at the May 2 LAWTON, Okla., Women's Club meeting. Anne Walker gave tabletopics and Phyllis Woodall gave a "Points of Interest" talk. Program speaker was club director Ethel Register, wife of pastor Lloyd Register. She used the Church's two-week Refresher Program in Pasadena as her subject. The meeting concluded with a fund raising auction and luncheon. *Ruth DeClerck.*

The PASADENA churches' senior girls' club had a tea May 23 on the Ambassador College campus for the senior citizens of the four Pasadena churches. Members from the Auditorium A.M. and P.M., Imperial and Spanish congregations were invited to the event that featured an entertainment segment provided by the girls and area Church members.

According to Barry Gridley, chairman of the club, the girls provided "family style entertainment" that could be enjoyed by a variety of people. Some of the songs performed were "I Am the Very Model of the Modern Major General" from *The Pirates of Penzance*, "The Rainbow Connection" from *The*

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SPOKESMAN CLUB SOCCER — Harare, Zimbabwe, A and B Spokesman Clubs square off in a soccer match May 9. (See "Club Meetings," this page.)

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Muppet Movie and "Tomorrow" from *Annie*. Also in the entertainment were piano solos and a rendition of the poem *The King's Breakfast* by A.A. Milne, acted by five of the girls.

According to Mr. Gridley, about 70 people attended the social. After the entertainment the guests were served baked goods, punch and tea prepared by the girls. *George Hague*.

A graduation banquet for the six PASADENA Auditorium P.M. Spokesman Clubs took place May 22 at the Huntington-Sheraton Hotel. Evangelist Dean Blackwell, overall director, opened the meeting with prayer. Master of ceremonies for the evening was Robin Webber, a minister in the Auditorium P.M. church.

Topicsmaster was Robin Stow. Toastmaster Jim Downes introduced the four speakers who spoke on individuals who had inspired them. The speakers were George Birdwell, Michael Paige, Phil Robison and Torin Archer.

Club directors introduced the graduates from their clubs.

Martin Filippello, director of the Monday night club, introduced graduates Ray Johnson, Phil Robison, Cliff Higgins and Paul Williams; Mike Feazell, director of the Tuesday night B club, introduced Dan Archbold, Garb Wardrop and Geary Whiting; Ben Faulkner, director of the Wednesday night A club, presented Mark Mickelson, David Bonilla, John Thomas, Bob Curry, Ron Dodgen, Steve Gilbreath, Gary Glasford, Don Smith and Ken Zlab; John Borax, director of the Wednesday night B club, introduced Al Jefferson, Al Scheck, Al Garrett and David McKeever; Mordakhai Joseph, director of the Thursday night club, introduced graduate Nilo Azeredo.

Mr. Blackwell gave closing comments saying, "I'm sure God is well pleased to see his sons improve and grow." Club members and guests danced to the sounds of an ensemble from the Ambassador College Band, directed by Ross Jutsum. *Tom Hanson*.

The first ladies' night for the PRETORIA, South Africa, NORTH Spokesman Club took place April 26 at the home of pastor and club director Daniel Botha. Overall evaluator was Roy McCarthy, regional director.

The evening's Italian emphasis was evident in the dinner and speeches. Topicsmaster was Roy Molepo and toastmaster was Reuben Nitaliane. Speakers were Philip Machaba, Kenneth Tlou, Palash Moodley and David Tolo. The Most Effective Speech was given by Philip Machaba. Dr. McCarthy presented the lecture and awards. *Palash Moodley*.

Sunday brunch was served May 9 to the PROVIDENCE, R.I., Women's Club by Carol Arenburg in her home. Afterward, her husband Bob took the group on a tour of his jewelry factory in Attleboro, Mass. He presented to each woman a pendant engraved with her initials. *Kathleen Herd*.

The final 1981-82 meeting for the ROANOKE, Va., Graduate Club was a ladies' night dinner April 25 at the Western Sizzlin' Steak House. Dinner arrangements were made by Vice President Guy Estes, and the 34 members and wives were welcomed by President Mike Sturgill. Topicsmaster John Bass and toastmaster Charlie Millican centered their topics and speeches around the evening theme, "The Proof of God's True Church." Speakers were Don Roschelli, Mr. Estes, John Lanum and Duane Long, each of whom recounted how he was led by God toward His Church. Mr. Long received two awards: Most Improved Speaker and Most Effective Speech. Pastor and club director Robert Persky evaluated the club meeting, spoke on the evening's theme and told about club plans for next year. *John Bass*.

Members of the ST. ALBANS and BOREHAMWOOD, England, Women's Club met May 4 using cooking as the evening's theme. After the business meeting Josephine Allen conducted tabletopics, and hostess Lani Van der Wende introduced speakers Celia Vasey, Doreen MacDonald, Jean Sole and Jill Newman. Pastor and club director George Delap gave concluding comments, after which refreshments were served. *Jill Newman*.

The VICTORIA, B.C., Women's Club met April 26 for its fifth and final meeting of the club year at the Royal Oak Inn, with 44 members and guests present. Viv Nivens was hostess, and speakers were Jeanette Chepardak, Pat Plunkett, Laurel McCrea, Rene Jodrell, Ida Fortune and Margaret Sherwood.

Rita Dundys led topics. During the evening, wine and cheese tasting also took place, and pastor and club director Bill Rabey led a toast to a successful first year. *Laurel E. McCrea*.

VISALIA, Calif., Women's Club members and guests had their annual brunch May 2, with Phil and Maxine Nelson as hosts. An impromptu question and answer session followed the meal. *Renee Ezelle*.

Concluding the 1981-82 club year, WHEELING, W.Va., and CAMBRIDGE, Ohio, churches had a combined meeting May 2 of Graduate, Spokesman and Women's Clubs at the Wheeling church hall. Cut flowers decorated tables for the buffet champagne breakfast, which included scrambled eggs with cheese, hash browns, chicken a la king, whole wheat biscuits, coffee cake, cantaloupe and strawberries. Chefs were pastor Shorty Fuessel and ministers Ron Smith and Eli Rebach. The meeting opened with a joke session, followed by humorous speeches by Samuel Templeton, Herman Spindler and Susan Fish. Don Pickenpaugh was winner of a written quiz contest. Clubs will resume in September. *Bennie Carother*.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

The BOWLING GREEN, Ky., church honored senior citizens April 24 with a banquet. Seated at the head table with pas-



SWISS FAREWELL — Willi Weber cuts his farewell cake as pastor Tom Lapacka of the Basel and Zurich, Switzerland, churches looks on. (See "Church Activities," page 8.) [Photo by Herman Birawé]

tor Kent Fentress and his wife Alana, Women's Club director, were guests Daniel Carey, Woodrow Dobson, Gladys Franklin, Carl Hayes, Robert and Mary Lockhart, Floyd and Velma McPherson (married nearly 60 years) and Herman and Nancy Motschenbacher. After dinner members of the Women's Club reviewed the lives of the 10 guests. *Larry Hahn*.

After Sabbath services April 24, the EAU CLAIRE, Wis., church honored its older members with a potluck, served by YOU members. Pastor Bill Jahns expressed appreciation for the honored guests' example, service and faithfulness to God and His Church. Janet Patterson introduced seven performers who paid tribute to honorees Glen Anderson, Dorothea and Ruth Cloeter, Ruby Hegna, Bernie Hoffstetter, Gordon and Louise Kuhl, Don and Orpha Marshall, Hilda Morse, Jennie Olson, Olga Olson and Violet Sand. Deacons Gerald Glasshof and John Quast read biographical sketches of the guests and presented each with a plaque inscribed with his or her baptismal date. *Roger Galstad*.

SINGLES SCENE

May 2 the newly formed BUFFALO,



BOUND FOR SAN FRANCISCO — Larry Salyer and his wife Judy look at a photo album given to them at a social May 25 played host to by Ministerial Services. Mr. Salyer, former pastor of the Auditorium A.M. church, was transferred to San Francisco, Calif. [Photo by Hal Finch]

N.Y., singles group met at the Cook-Koehn farm in Clarence, N.Y., with about 35 present to plan for the May 8 meeting. A hike through the woods was followed by hot dogs and hamburgers cooked outdoors, accompanied by salads and desserts. Dancing and a softball game preceded the evening program, which featured two slide shows: one on Petra, by Bill Koehn; the second, part I

WICK, Derbyshire, England.

British ministers lectured on "The Roles of Men and Women," "Overcoming Inferiority Complexes," "God's Eternal Triangle" (marriage), "The Christian and Industrial Relations" and "Health and Exercise."

In addition to archery, riflery, fencing and paragliding, notable events were a barbecue and square dance and a fancy dress ball.

Older singles, including widows and widowers, also attended, including three from Sweden, six from Holland, one from Denmark and two from France.

Thirty-eight VANCOUVER, B.C., singles drove to Clear Brook, B.C., for May 1 Sabbath services. Later the group ate lunch at a barbecue shelter, then enjoyed a walk in Williams Park. Louis Gloux and Edna Wilkie planned the activity. *Fred Whitehead*.

SPORTS

The 80-acre \$12 million Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Sports Centre in BRISBANE, Australia, was the setting April 26 for the seventh annual Queensland Mini Olympics in which seven churches took part. Several hundred brethren from a 20,000 square mile area, including the Gold Coast, Brisbane City, Brisbane South, Caboolture, Grafton, Ipswich and Toowoomba churches, made up a "little flock" in the 58,000-spectator arena for eight hours of activities.

Entrants were classified into three teams according to the first letter of their last names. Points were awarded for places and a point for every entrant. Certificates were awarded to the first three finishers in each event, with trophies and medallions to the most outstanding ath-

letes. The Blue team (surnames A-G) gained the most points; Gold team (O-Z) was second; and Red Team (H-N) placed third.

Champions under age 12 were Katie Clark and Martin Pearce; ages 12 to 15, Lucille Hoffman and David Fraser; and ages 16 to 19, Charmaine Hartman and Russell Pearce. Champion female athlete Susan Burchard of Toowoomba and champion male athlete Stephen Clark won the most points of the day. *Robert Hoffman and Selwyn Russell*.

Churches from North and South Carolina and Georgia were represented May 2 at the District 31 YOU track and field meet in FAYETTEVILLE, N.C., at the Cape Fear High School stadium. Events included long jump, triple jump, shot put, discus, high jump, one and two mile runs, relays and dashes. Standings were: Greensboro, N.C., first; Columbia, S.C.-Augusta, Ga., second; and Fayetteville, third. A concession stand provided refreshments. *Charles B. Edwards*.

The SPRINGFIELD, Mo., YOU placed in eight events of the Fayetteville, Ark., district track meet May 2. YOU members attending were Barbara Gray, Shawn Mooneyham, Jason Lovelady, Tim Gray, Jason Frantz and Scott Barlow.

Jason placed third in the 200-meter dash, Tim was third in shot put, Shawn was second in high jump and Jason was second in long jump. The relay team placed second in both the 400-meter and mile relays. Qualifying for the May 23 Big Sandy regional track meet were Shawn, first in pole vault, and Jason, first in the mile run. *Polly Rose*.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The ABBOTTSFORD, B.C., church sponsored a YOU weekend April 10 and 11. The event, which attracted teens from many parts of British Columbia, began with a buffet lunch following Sabbath services, after which Bible bowl was played. That evening bowling was enjoyed. Sunday morning activities included a seminar, volleyball and lunch. *Bryan and Shannon Ross*.

The first YOU sports program awards banquet in ALBANY, Ore., took place April 24. After a potluck dinner, coaches, cheerleaders and team members recognized each other's contributions. Linda Cole represented volleyball coach Gloria Herman in thanking the girls' volleyball team, noting that the team of six girls played the entire season without substitutes. Coach David Hannaway presented awards to the teen boys' basketball team. Kimberly Hannaway awarded the cheerleaders. Greg Kinzer received a gift for being referee. The parents' support throughout the season was rewarded by giving them humorous prizes. After presenting each cheerleader with a helium balloon, the boys' basketball team and coach performed a cheer. Assistant pastor and wife, Randy and Linda Silver, were also given gifts in appreciation. *Susan Wheeler*.

ATTLEBORO, Mass., High School was the site of a YOU-family weekend May 1 and 2 with Providence, R.I., and (See CHURCH NEWS, page 10)

CHECKLIST FOR CHURCH NEWS WRITERS

Since "Local Church News" is such a great way for you to let others know what's happening in your area, here are a few helpful suggestions in telling your story. You can use this as a checklist whenever you are the reporter for a big happening in your area.

1. Include your complete name, address and phone number on the article itself (not just on the envelope or accompanying letter).
2. Include date and location of the event in the article. Reports lacking the date of the event cannot be run.
3. Give complete, accurately spelled names of all people mentioned. Include first and last names.
4. Label pictures. Identify people in the photo, tell what's happening and give the photographer's name.
5. Write in the third person; use *he, she, they, not we or I*.
6. Type article or print legibly. Always double space.
7. Reports must be postmarked no later than 14 days after the event takes place.
8. Be creative, but brief! Tell the story in 250 words or less.
9. Be sure to include your *WN* mailing label.

Unity

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pastor of the church there, conducted services for 32 people.

"Brethren there are strong, faithful and loyal," Mr. Halford said. "They endure great economic hardships . . . but they want to know what they can give and how they can be of greater help to the Work.

"They were very pleased that someone was sent to observe Pentecost with them, and they wanted me to pass on their love to brethren around the world. They asked for your prayers and wanted people to know they pray for them."

Traveling ministers

The ministers and their schedules, according to Ministerial Services were:

Greg Albrecht, Sabbath, Bluefield, W. Va. (morning services), and combined afternoon services with Beckley and Summersville, W. Va.; Pentecost, combined services in Parkersburg, W. Va., of the Parkersburg, Charleston and Huntington, W. Va., churches; Harold Jackson, Sabbath, Boise, Idaho (morning services), and Ontario, Ore. (afternoon services); Pentecost, combined services of the Baker and Ontario, Ore., and Boise churches meeting in Ontario; Richard Ames, Sabbath, Sarasota, Fla. (morning services), and Fort Myers, Fla. (afternoon services); Pentecost, Fort Myers, Lakeland, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, and Tampa, Fla., combined services meeting in Lakeland.

David Albert, Sabbath, Mason City, Iowa (morning services), and Waterloo, Iowa (afternoon services); Pentecost, combined services of Davenport, Des Moines, Iowa City, Mason City, Ottumwa and Waterloo, Iowa, churches meeting in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Raymond McNair, Sabbath, Lafayette, La. (morning services), and

Baton Rouge, La. (afternoon services); Pentecost, New Orleans, La.

Richard Rice, Mercer, Pa. (morning services), and Youngstown, Ohio (afternoon services); Pentecost, combined services of Akron and Canton, Ohio, churches meeting in Wooster, Ohio.

David Hulme, Sabbath, Omaha, Neb.; Pentecost, Lincoln and Omaha, Neb., churches meeting in Omaha; Dean Blackwell, Sabbath, Dal-

las, Tex.; Pentecost, Denison, Tex.; Arthur Suckling, Sabbath, Uvalde, Tex. (morning services), and San Antonio, Tex. (afternoon services); Pentecost, combined services of Corpus Christi, Harlingen and Victoria, Tex., churches meeting in Corpus Christi.

Rod Matthews, Sabbath, Billings, Mont. (Friday evening), Sheridan, Wyo. (morning services), and Casper, Wyo. (afternoon services);

Pentecost, combined services of Billings, Casper and Sheridan churches meeting in Sheridan.

Robin Webber, Sabbath, Cleveland, Ohio, West church; Pentecost, combined services of Findlay and Mansfield churches meeting in Bucyrus, Ohio; Roderick Meredith, Sabbath, Jacksonville, N.C.; Pentecost, combined services, Fayetteville and Raleigh, N.C., and Florence, S.C., churches meeting in Fayette-

ville.
Gary Antion, Sabbath, Greensboro, N.C.; Pentecost, combined services of Asheville, N.C., and Greenville, S.C., churches meeting in Greenville.

John Halford, Sabbath and Pentecost, Port-au-Prince, Haiti; Dibar Apartian, Sabbath and Pentecost, combined services of French-speaking churches in Quebec in Montreal, Que.

CHURCH NEWS

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Fla., to participate in the family oriented weekend. During the morning Sabbath services pastor Ken Martin gave the sermon, and Montgomery pastor Paul Kurts gave the sermonette. After a break for lunch, YOU teams participated in a Bible bowl, with Gadsden placing first, followed by Birmingham and Montgomery. Saturday evening featured a cheerleading exhibition. Afterward, a family style sock hop took place in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Birmingham church. A special three-tiered cake was made for the occasion. In the Sunday morning basketball games Birmingham came on strong in the fourth quarter of the Final Division I game to defeat Huntsville by four points, and Geneva excelled over Birmingham in Division II for first place, scoring 45-33. The awards presentation concluded the YOU weekend. *Lawson J. Tuck.*

Wharfedale in West Yorkshire was the setting April 18 for a BRADFORD, England, YOU activity. Thirteen teenagers from nine families went on a trek. Parents found the going tough, but enjoyable. Eventually the tired and hungry party arrived at the home of pastor David Magowan to enjoy barbecued chicken, salads and baked potatoes. *David W. Magowan.*

Pastor Gerald Weston conducted a Bible study April 24 for the YOU of the CADILLAC and MIDLAND, Mich., churches. Meeting in the Spiegelhalter home in Midland, Mr. Weston's study focused on teenagers and the opportunities

that will be theirs in the place of safety. During the business meeting a planning committee was appointed. Following a potluck the group enjoyed board games and fellowship. *Patricia Smith.*

The Junior YOU of CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., sponsored the second annual Fun Run April 25 at North Georgia's Chickamauga Battlefield Park. Two runs took place simultaneously: the 1 1/2-mile winner was Ron Abney and the 5-mile winner was Dave Wagner. T-shirts with the Ambassador seal and "I finished the course!" were distributed. *Barbara Keeps.*

Free 20-minute airplane rides were a treat April 25 for the CHICO, Calif., YOU members and their parents when Church member Bob Jackson took them aloft in his Cessna 182 four-seater. Those awaiting their turn played volleyball and tossed Frisbees. *Tom Alexander.*

Seventy-one FLORENCE, Ala., brethren had a YOU fund raising spaghetti supper and cake auction April 23 at the home of Mel and Martha McGregor in Leighton, Ala. YOU members served spaghetti, baked potatoes, salads, rolls, tea and coffee. Later, the women's homemade cakes and pies were auctioned, netting the YOU \$508.30 to help fund their trip to the district track meet in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. William Bishop was auctioneer. *Jan C. Old.*

Children of the HUNTINGDON and JOHNSTOWN, Pa., churches were entertained April 25 by the YOU at a costume party complete with games, cartoons and a visit from a clown. YOU members also

served refreshments to their guests in the Seward, Pa., firehall, which they had decorated with cartoons and Walt Disney characters. *Carolyn Dunn.*

Directed by YOU coordinator Michael Anderson, 22 MAIDSTONE and BRIGHTON, England, YOU members spent May 1 to 3 at a Church member's home. Activities included volleyball, capture the flag, shooting and video games. The main event of the weekend was a barbecue and camp-fire sing-along. *Rachael Tate.*

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., church's seven YOU members sponsored a "Night in the Orient" dance April 24, with guests from as far away as Cincinnati, Ohio.

Sunday morning activities, arranged by associate pastor Steve Schantz, included softball, a three-legged race and balloon toss. *Charlote I. Hensley.*

YOU members and parents in the MONTREAL, Que., FRENCH NORTH and SOUTH churches had a Guadeloupean outing May 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Malinin, with YOU members serving their parents.

Afternoon refreshments featured Mr. Malinin's homemade fruit liqueurs, served in glasses with rims dipped in sugar.

Following a three-course evening meal, desserts served included sugar canes and pineapple delights. *Jean Guy Gauthier.*

Nineteen children from the NOTTINGHAM, CAMBRIDGE and NORTHAMPTON, England, churches spent April 30 to May 3 at the home of Midlands pastor Barry Bourne.

One weekend event was a visit to the farm of Stuart Howes, Northampton member, who gave the children, aged seven to 12, a tractor ride and even let some drive it.

May 1 the children attended Sabbath services at Northampton. The rest of their visit was spent roller-skating, pool riding and boating. *Fiona and Ron McLaren.*

The home of pastor Randy Holm was the setting for the first weekend activity of the YOU of the newly organized SPRINGFIELD, Ill., church April 24 and 25. Saturday night seven YOU members enjoyed making pizza, then took part in a discussion of dating, marriage, baptism and the Kingdom.

Following Sunday morning's breakfast of pancakes and eggs, Mr. Holm gave a Bible study on "How the Holy Spirit Works with Teens." This was followed by further discussion on dating. After lunch the group enjoyed a walk through the farmlands, some Bible detective games and charades. During the weekend YOU members did most of the food preparation and cleanup work. *Richard Gross.*

Senior YOU members and singles of the SYDNEY and BATHURST, Australia, churches spent April 24 to 26 together. Saturday evening's meal was eaten at Ken Banks' property, where a hay shed provided sleeping accommodations for the men, while the women and girls slept in the house.

On Sunday the group went sight-seeing at the historic gold rush town Hill End, visiting old buildings and the museum. After Sunday evening's barbecue and tea was a sing-along.

The group visited a dry creek bed Monday and learned how to pan for gold. Chris Murray of Sydney's YOU found a miniature nugget, while others found only gold flecks. *Murray Morrison.*

The YOU of TRENTON and HAMILTON, N.J., sponsored a family roller-skating party April 25 at Evsham Skating Center. *Terry D. Cole.*

Major's Mailbox Adventure

STORY FOR YOUNG READERS By Shirley King Johnson

(Jim has just discovered that the envelope he brought to school is not his report, but valuable papers he thought were taken from him the night before. The papers had been switched, unknown to his father or him.)

Miss Lacey looked at Jim with questioning eyes. "Why aren't you ready, please?"

"I wrote the report, Miss Lacey, but I don't have it now." Jim's voice was hollow, his cheeks burning hot.

"Where is it?"

"It was stolen last night."

"Stolen?" she repeated, her blonde eyebrows going up into her fluffy bangs.

"What do you mean?"

"I mean some man took it."

A howl of laughter went up from the sixth grade boys and girls.

"Class, please, let James explain. I've heard a lot of excuses in my day, but this has to be the — er — strangest." A slight smile flickered around the corners of her mouth but she stifled it.

"Can you tell us who took it from you?"

"I don't know, ma'am. I couldn't see who it was in the dark."

"Oh? It was dark?"

"Yes'um, very dark."

"In your house?"

"No'm. My father and I were driving through the rain in our car last night when a big old car came out from behind us and forced us off the road, and they made me hand over

my report."

Another howl of laughter and Miss Lacey rapped on her desk. "Please, students, don't encourage this." She glanced down to a list on her desk. "We'll get on with our reports. Martha is next. Meanwhile, James, I want you to please write a substitute report to hand in at this time tomorrow. Do you think you can get it here without it being stolen again?"

"Yes'm." Jim sat down. She did not believe him. Nobody did. He listened numbly as the reading of the reports went on. Then the full impact of what had happened began to take shape. The men who took his report would soon discover their error. Would they make a second try to get the papers? Would they know he had them right this minute in this envelope here at school?

He glanced up to a row of windows. Was a face looking in, watching him? No. Not yet. He must telephone his father at his office during recess and let him know the latest developments. He must get these papers safely back in his father's hands.

Frantic phone call

But at recess time when Jim phoned from the school office, his father was not in. He tried again the moment school was let out for lunch. This time his father answered the phone in the office himself. "Hello, Jim, Miss Barber said you phoned earlier and I was out. What's the problem? Are you and Susie all right?"

"We're fine, Father. The reason I'm phoning —"

"I'm glad you called," Mr. Wil-

son went on, "because I was just about to drop over to your school. I stopped at the house an hour ago to pick up a contract and I checked the mailbox. The mailman hadn't come, but guess what I found stuffed into our box? Your school report! I thought you had to have that thing ready for your teacher today. What's it doing in our mailbox?"



"Wow! I don't know. Unless the fellow that grabbed that envelope from us last night found out it was my school report instead of the papers from city hall and came back to our house today. He must have left it as sort of a warning that he wouldn't settle for that."

"What are you talking about, Jim?" came his father's puzzled voice.

"When I started to give my report this morning I found out I didn't have it with me. Instead, I had the papers from city hall. We got the envelopes mixed up last night, Father. I have

those important papers right here in my hand." He waved the manila envelope even though his father couldn't see it.

Back in frying pan

Mr. Wilson gave a low whistle. "It looks like we're right back in the frying pan again. Ok . . . now, follow me closely. I went over to see the chief of police this morning, and he said he'd been suspecting a cover-up of some kind at city hall for two years. He said we obviously have something very valuable or they'd not have gone to such lengths last night to get the papers back. I'm still not certain if the mayor is guilty, though. We must not jump to conclusions. You have the papers . . ." A short pause. "Go home, Jim, right now."

"I haven't had lunch and today's menu is pizza," Jim protested.

"Never mind that. Please go home and stay there until I can get there. I'll go over to the police station and get an officer to come over and pick up that manila envelope right away so it'll be in their hands once and for all."

(To be continued)



Artwork by Greg Sellandans

NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

UPDATE

AUCKLAND, N.Z. — Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong's** "Personal" in the March, 1982, *Plain Truth* entitled "Why Churches Are Divided" provoked much interest in this country, reported **Rex Morgan**, *Plain Truth* circulation manager here.

The regional office of God's Work here has received several phone calls and letters with questions and requests for information about the Church because of the article.

"A noticeable influx of visit requests nationwide was generated by this extremely effective article," noted Mr. Morgan.

One individual from Tauranga, N.Z., wrote: "I was very interested to read Herbert W. Armstrong's beliefs about what the Church of God is and who the body of Christ is.

I thought it would be interesting to ask a few questions about the Worldwide Church of God if you wouldn't mind."

A doctor from Kaitia, N.Z., queried Mr. Armstrong: "You finished your article 'Why Churches Are Divided' by saying 'Write me.' I have longed to do just this for some time, but felt it an imposition when there are so many more important things that need your attention. However, now the invitation has been given, I am doing just that."

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PASADENA — *Plain Truth* news Editor **Gene H. Hogberg** left here May 20 for a 24-day trip to the United Kingdom, Ireland and the European continent to cover economic and political events for *The Plain Truth*.

Reporting from London May 28,

where he was covering the visit of Pope **John Paul II**, Mr. Hogberg said he also was gathering "on the scene British reaction to the [Falkland Islands] conflict in the South Atlantic."

After observing Pentecost with brethren in Belfast, Mr. Hogberg went to Glasgow, Scotland, to continue his coverage of the papal visit.

On June 2, Mr. Hogberg flew to Paris, France, to cover the June 4 to 6 economic conference at Versailles. Government leaders and representatives from the United States, Canada, Japan, Italy, England, France and West Germany participated in the conference.

Following the conference, the news editor flew to Cologne, West Germany, June 7, transferring by car to Bonn, West Germany, for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) heads of state summit conference June 10 to 11. Mr. Hogberg plans to return to Pasadena June 13.

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AUCKLAND, N.Z. — Church member **Shirley Cole**, 53, was healed of skin cancer here after being anointed, said **Rex Morgan**, a

local elder serving as *Plain Truth* circulation manager here.

Mrs. Cole, the wife of member **Gordon Cole**, had an ulcerous mole above her left eye diagnosed as skin cancer by her family physician.

Her doctor sent her to a skin clinic that confirmed the diagnosis and recommended radiation treatment.

Instead of beginning the treatments, Mrs. Cole was anointed by Mr. Morgan Feb. 24. "After the anointing, it suddenly flared up, and [three weeks later] Mrs. Cole approached me for anointing again."

"Following the second anointing," Mr. Morgan continued, "it cleared up remarkably. Healthy skin closed around the depression that had been there. The ulcerous sore totally disappeared, leaving just a slight scar."

Mr. Morgan added that Mrs. Cole did not return to the skin clinic. The Coles have attended the Auckland church for more than a decade.

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PASADENA — Year-to-date growth in mail response is 56 per-

cent, according to the Work's Mail Processing Center (MPC). Since May 21, 1981, more than 1.5 million letters, cards and literature renewal requests have been received.

Telephone calls on the Church's Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines have increased 147 percent since last year, reported the Telephone Response Department. From May 15 to 21, 11,000 calls were received.

More than 5,000 callers requested *Youth 82* after Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** advertised the magazine on his May television programs.

Richard Rice, MPC director, noted that in March, after one year of service, the volunteer WATS line team had donated 10,000 man-hours and answered 80,000 calls.

"If we had used recording devices on the lines instead of 'live' operators," said Mr. Rice, "the trade record shows that about 40 percent of those calling would probably have hung up."

For the first two weeks in May, the number of brethren volunteering to serve on the WATS lines rose 15 percent.

England

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Heinz Pistorius, a deacon in East Germany, heard Mr. Armstrong speak in person for the first time. He was allowed by the East German government to visit his grandson Andreas Frostl, son of Willi and Hella Frostl of the Salzburg, Austria, church, according to Mr. Schnee. Mr. Pistorius has been a member of God's Church for 16 years. (*W/N*, "Couple Battles East Germany in Struggle for Right to Marry," Jan. 17, 1977.)

Mr. Pistorius was quoted by Mr. Kieffer as saying the pastor general radiates power "that was not his own." He said he'd not seen anything like it before.

The choir sang "No Man Is an Island" in German and English. The choir, which also performs during the Feast of Tabernacles, was led by Guenther Vorsatz of the Darmstadt, West Germany, church.

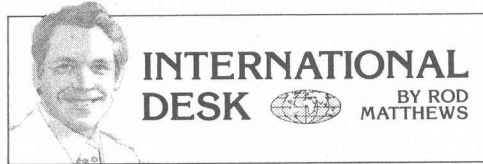
After the service, Mr. Armstrong and his party returned to England aboard the G-II jet.

Pentecost sermon

On Pentecost, Mr. LaRavia delivered the morning sermon to 800 brethren of the London area churches in the Town Hall of Kensington and Chelsea.

The pastor general spoke in the afternoon on the Church's calling as firstfruits. "We're learning to be teachers so we can teach God's way of life in the Millennium," he told brethren assembled there.

May 31, Mr. Armstrong and his group boarded the G-II jet for the 11 a.m. BST return trip to Pasadena, arriving there at 4 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time to conclude an important and successful trip.



PASADENA — Following is an update on activities in southern Africa over the past two months.

Regional director Roy McCarthy reported offerings during Unleavened Bread up 19 percent in South Africa. In Zimbabwe offerings were up 29 percent and 12 percent respectively on the two Holy Days.

Services were also conducted in Mauritius in the Indian Ocean, where a minister from the Johannesburg, South Africa, Office, Peter Hawkins, reported an attendance of 38 for Passover — up 58 percent over 1981. Offerings were up 294 percent. He baptized five new members.

Terry Browning, also a minister in Johannesburg, conducted services in Zambia. Attendance was 34 (including six new members), up 70 percent from last year. Offerings were up 409 percent.

An advertising campaign was launched April 25 with ads appearing in the national newspaper, *Sunday Times*, and *Rapport* (an Afrikaans paper). With a combined readership of more than 2.5 million, estimations are that 7,000 subscribers will be added to *The Plain Truth*. To date 2,535 responses have been received.

Ads will appear in *Financial Mail*, *Volkshandel* and *Barclaycard* magazine. A special ad will follow in *Garden and Home* and *Fair Lady* magazines. It is hoped to boost

Plain Truth circulation by 18,500 by the end of June.

For the first time in 2½ years all ministers and wives serving southern Africa met in Johannesburg for a conference from April 18 to 21. (*W/N*, "Update," May 10).

Solomon Islands

Minister Bill Sidney and his wife Daphne, from the Burleigh Heads, Australia, Office, visited the Solomon Islands in April.

The morning before a scheduled *Plain Truth* readers' lecture, a cyclone (hurricane) caused widespread damage, especially to the outer islands.

It rained all that day, April 2, and at times there was no electricity, but the *Plain Truth* lecture went ahead as scheduled, with eight new people in attendance.

Mr. Sidney reported that when the cyclone hit the island of Ranongga in the area where one member lives, only two houses were left standing. One belonged to Isaac Jiru (a member), and the other belonged to his uncle, Timothy Nake, who was baptized two weeks later.

At another *Plain Truth* lecture a week later another eight new people attended.

Two other members there, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Kuper, told how they were scheduled to travel from the southern island of Santa Ana,

where they live, to Honiara on Guadalcanal for the Passover.

It's a two-day boat trip, but because of the cyclone, the boat didn't show up. However, another ship unexpectedly turned up, and Mr. Kuper expressed his appreciation to the captain that the ship had come by.

The captain was just as surprised. He had not intended to go to Santa Ana, but made a navigational error. So the Kupers made the Passover, and the captain is probably still wondering how he came to be there.

By the end of this trip Mr. Sidney baptized four new members, for a total of 13 in the Solomon Islands.

Discussions took place with the manager of the radio station in Honiara to get the *World Tomorrow* program back on the air. The manager is favorable, but a decision was deferred until the Solomon Islands Christian Association can comment on the proposal. The decision should be made in about a month.

Canada

The number of new people contacting the Work in Canada for the first time increased 185 percent in April. In the French-language area it was up 144 percent. Those are excellent figures and promise much activity in the months to come. Income is up 15.3 percent for the year to date.

For the first time in the history of God's Work, more than 10,000 people attended services on the first Day of Unleavened Bread. Church figures are encouraging — attendance up 2.7 percent, baptisms up 27.4 percent and new visit requests up 10 percent over 1981.

A television station in Burlington, Vt., enables more people in Canada to see the broadcast on cable.

Australia

For the first time since 1978, people in Melbourne, the second largest city in Australia, can hear the *World Tomorrow* broadcast. The broadcast now airs on radio station 3GL in Geelong, 80 miles southwest of Melbourne. This station is clearly heard throughout Melbourne.

Seventeen of the less productive radio stations in Australia were canceled because of budget considerations. However, others were added, increasing both the number of broadcasts a week and the population covered by them.

Now 25 television stations carry *The World Tomorrow* on television.

The worldwide recession has not bypassed Australia, and the income this year — up 10 percent over 1981 — reflects this to some extent. In

April though, the number of letters received, 24,742, was the third highest total ever for the Australian Office. The number of booklets mailed in response was up 40 percent.

At the same time the Australian post office announced certain postal increases, including a 22 to 33 percent increase in the category in which booklets are mailed.

Argentina

No brethren in the two churches in Argentina, Ezeiza and Bahia Blanca, are directly affected by the Falklands war. They only have been affected by blackouts and some civil defense precautions. They would appreciate your prayers that things don't get too hot down there.

By the way, there are (were?) two *Plain Truth* subscribers in the Falkland Islands.

Ordinations

Tom Lapacka, pastor of the Zurich and Basel, Switzerland, churches, was raised in rank to preaching elder April 7 by regional director Frank Schnee.

In Mexico, office manager Tom Turk ordained Daniel Vasquez a local elder May 1. He was formerly a ministerial trainee and is serving in the Tabasco region of Mexico.

In the Philippines David Oloya was ordained a local church elder Feb. 5 to serve in Legaspi City.

Feast preparation, Church policies on agenda

Evangelist visits South America

DALLAS, Tex. — Evangelist Leon Walker, regional director of God's Work in Spanish-speaking areas, and his wife Reba left here from the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport Sunday evening, May 30 for a 24-day trip to visit pastors and churches in Latin America.

Mr. Walker said he plans to visit pastors and churches in Lima, Peru; Santiago, Chile; Montevideo and Salto, Uruguay; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and Bogota, Colombia, before returning to the Big Sandy campus of Ambassador College June 23.

"I may also go to Argentina," the evangelist added. "But I'll have to view the situation when I arrive in Montevideo, which is right across from Buenos Aires [Argentina]."

Albert Sousa, pastor of the Ezeiza, Argentina, church, and Luis E. Chavez, pastor of the Bahia Blanca, Argentina, church, will meet Mr. Walker in Uruguay if the regional director is unable to visit their country because of the Falkland Islands crisis.

"The purpose of this trip is to provide direct personal contact between myself and the ministers there," Mr. Walker explained. "I feel that there must be at least one

annual trip to resolve personally the many things you can't deal with over the telephone or by mail."

As the representative of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong to Spanish-speaking brethren, Mr. Walker said the trip is "the means of achieving unity and pointing ministers and brethren toward God's apostle and headquarters."

Subjects to be discussed during the trip with ministers include the Feast of Tabernacles, financial and administrative policies from Mr. Armstrong, and promotion efforts for *La Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) and other Church literature.

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