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Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong

From the Executive Suite

This past Sabbath, May 30, I preached the traditional "Baccalaureate sermon" to the Ambassador College faculty and student body in the Pasadena P.M. Church. But it was anything but "traditional."

I showed how we are going to combat the debilitating "spin off" from any worldly influence of "accreditation." First, last and always — Ambassador will remain true to *the* Founder's statements in the front of the Ambassador College Catalogue. We will NOT become a rubber stamp!

I am planning a similar sermon on the Big Sandy campus for the Sabbath preceding my Commencement address there.

Now on to other news. Mr. Herbert Armstrong will be leaving soon after Commencement exercises here in Pasadena for graduation and Commencement in Bricket Wood. Then he will "hop" on over to Jerusalem in time for the arrival of our 70 students who will be spending a "summer session" at the "big dig." The Ministry of Tourism for the Government of Israel will host a special reception for Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Minister Moshe Kol and all the Ambassador students immediately after their arrival. This means that a top minister of the Israeli Government will welcome *our* students.

As for me, I will soon be off to Big Sandy to be rehearsing with the "AMERICA LISTEN" group. The participating students from Pasadena will be flying commercially *on student rates*. That will save two full days — time is *crucial* — and prevent possible sickness, sore voices, sore backsides, bad food, loss of sleep, fatigue, etc. due to a long, gruelling bus trip.

Then it's on to Nashville for our opening on Saturday night, the 20th of June. I'll be taking the Queen Air up from Big Sandy. We'll be staying in a private condominium — which has been rented in someone else's name in order to circumvent any problems from unwanted telephone calls or unsolicited visits.

Mr. Armstrong's Co-Worker Letter explained many of the details concerning the July fourth "Stars and Stripes" show. I have been asked to give the invocation at the morning dedication of the Dwight Eisenhower memorial in the Stars and Stripes Park in St. Louis. Following that, I have also been asked to give the invocation at the opening of a two-hour telethon featuring Red Skelton, Art Linkletter, Anita Bryant, and perhaps other well-known names. I plan to "slip out" (not long after my part in this event is concluded) for a quick trip to Cincinnati for the opening of "AMERICA LISTEN" that same night (July 4). I might mention that the trip from St. Louis to Cincinnati — which enables me to participate in both events — would have been completely out of the question were it not for our own jet.

Now that I've told you what is *going to happen*, let me bring all of you up to date on what has *already* happened.

The speech in Tulsa was a complete success in

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Personal NOTES

NEWS FROM U. S. CHURCHES

- New Alaska Church in Anchorage began 5/30/70 with Bill Gordon handling weekly Sabbath services. Carlton Smith will travel to Alaska about once a month to oversee. Church will begin with about 125 in attendance. That brings the number of Churches worldwide to 226, and the number in the U. S. to 174.
- Cliff Ackerson, ministerial assistant in the Washington, D. C., area will be transferred to the Kingsport, Tennessee, and Bluefield, W. Virginia, Church areas to assist Bob Lay.
- Les Stocker is assigned to HQ as part of the new Public Relations Team under David Antion. Replacement for Nashville is Bill Miller from the Big Sandy Campus. Tom Tullis, from Big Sandy, is assigned to Des Moines.
- Vernon Hargrove and Rowlen Tucker will be assigned to Phoenix, Arizona, and Sacramento, California, respectively. Ron Reedy will move

1970 PENTECOST PLANS

<i>England</i>	<i>Minneapolis</i>
Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong	Mr. R. Meredith
<i>Pasadena</i>	<i>Milwaukee</i>
Mr. Portune & Dr. Hoeh	Mr. Frank Brown
Mr. Dart & Mr. Apartian	
<i>Oakland</i>	<i>New York</i>
Mr. Luker	Mr. R. Plache
<i>Portland</i>	<i>Akron</i>
Mr. McCullough	Mr. Dave Antion
<i>Denver</i>	<i>Miami-Lakeland</i>
Mr. Ron Kelly	Mr. Jon Hill
<i>Kansas City</i>	<i>Hawaii</i>
Dr. Zimmerman	Mr. Carozzo
<i>Big Sandy</i>	<i>Alaska</i>
Mr. G. T. Armstrong	Mr. Royer
<i>St. Louis</i>	<i>Toronto</i>
Mr. N. Smith	Mr. Waterhouse
<i>Chicago</i>	<i>Philadelphia</i>
Mr. Meredith, on Sabbath after Pentecost	Mr. R. Cole

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to Akron, Ohio. James Doak, Jim Lichtenstein and Charles Scott will be coming to Ambassador College, Pasadena, in August.

- John Khouri moves to HQ as head of Imperial Music Department. Tom Blackwell to Hawaii — working as carpenter, but serving the people there in all the duties of an Elder.
- Earl Roemer transfers to Evansville, Bob Steep to Cleveland-Youngstown.
- Boyd Mansanarez has a fine job now. It should pay close to \$10,000 per year. He is working in radio and TV. He helps build and wire the stations.

BABY NEWS

Kelly Barfield: Our fourth child, a boy, was born Tuesday, May 12, weighed 7 lbs., *Brent Hayes*. Vinita and baby are doing fine.

Paul Zapf: Thought you might like to know that the Zapfs now have three girls. Elizabeth Marie was born Tuesday, May 19, and weighed 8½ pounds. Paul's comment: looks like we are going to be supplying wives for the World Tomorrow!

Guy Engelbart: God has blessed Penny and me with a fine new baby boy! Kevin Guy Engelbart was born May 13th at 10:37 a.m. He weighed 8 lbs. 5½ oz. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Bill Jahns: My wife delivered a healthy 7 lb. 13 oz. baby girl Friday night at 9:42. Both mother and baby are doing fine.

WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

WORLD HEADQUARTERS
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HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG
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Vice President

Dear Fellow Ministers:

I'm writing this personal section in order to save the time of my father, who is so burdened with his many heavy responsibilities (with the closing days of college upon us, and the imminency of his trip to Jerusalem) that he simply cannot find the time right now.

Still, I wanted to give you somewhat of an insight into what is "going on" at Headquarters, and, hopefully, Mr. Herbert Armstrong will be able to write to you all personally from time to time -- perhaps in these pages.

Only yesterday, we (Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Portune, Mr. Rader, Mr. Bob Haworth and I) were hosted at JPL by Dr. William Pickering, head of the Caltech Jet Propulsion Lab. The meeting actually interrupted a very busy schedule for all of us in these closing moments of the academic year -- but had come about through an earlier visit of Dr. Pickering and his staff to the campus here, and his reciprocating with an offer of a high-level, VIP tour through their facilities. We arrived at 10:00 a.m., and were taken directly into Dr. Pickering's office for a brief discussion of the plant -- then into a viewing room for about a 20 minute film of the history of JPL -- then on a whirlwind tour through the many buildings (we only saw a tiny part of the vast layout -- I believe around 8,000 employees work there). As you may know; this is where the "Mariner" spacecraft are made -- and we saw actual spares of the identical spaceships which originally soft-landed on the moon, and several of which are even now in solar orbit. We were briefed on the planned Mars, Jupiter and Venus "fly by" for the future.

I had to leave at about 12:00 noon because of the pressures of radio and television; and the others remained for lunch, and were back on campus before 2:00 p.m.

Then, I did a TV program on "Sex Revolution." Originally, we had planned one on family finance -- but I couldn't seem to get stirred up enough on it (they're waiting on me right now to do that one yet today), and so quickly made some notes, and simply

did a "WORLD TOMORROW" radio-type delivery on video tape. Don't know whether we'll air it; I was pretty strong -- but maybe.

You wouldn't believe the steady stream of people in and out of the executive offices here. Mr. Armstrong's day consists of only partially beginning a very important letter to the Co-Workers when interrupted by a student disciplinary problem; which is interrupted by Art Ferdig, requesting approvals on ad layouts, or presenting requests for ad copy; which is interrupted by a call from Stan Rader, who is interrupted by an urgent answer for Mr. Portune, who is only part way through explaining the problem when Mr. Hill needs approval for the brown lines of "TOMORROW'S WORLD" -- and he is then interrupted by Mr. Meredith requesting approval for ordinations, who is interrupted by a couple of long-distance telephone calls, which are in progress when two or three telex messages from Jerusalem, London, or elsewhere are brought in -- probably these are interrupted by news from Frank Schnee of the visit of some "Hor Zu" officials who are coming to "check us out" for Axel Springer, who is the "William Randolph Hearst" of Germany -- and then I most likely end up interrupting all the other people -- (many of whom have been just as busily interrupting me -- not to mention Dave Antion, who walks in with some Imperial Schools problems, local in-house personality problems, manpower problems, or other questions, or Ron Dart, who has free access at any hour of the day to talk over the foreign work).

While I have not protrayed the actual happenings of any one day -- this unbelievable (yet true) chain of events makes up many of the days (spelled "daze") here at Headquarters, believe it or not.

I know all of you realize there is a pace here that is not found in the "field" -- and I know most of you do appreciate the heavy burden on Mr. Herbert Armstrong's shoulders, and on mine, and all the vice presidents and EVERYONE ELSE in this whole work -- but I thought a quick little "look" into some typical activities might be enlightening.

It's very frustrating sometimes -- you'd like to slow down, take about 4 or 5 hours in long, interesting discussion over some problems you try to solve in 15 or 20 minutes -- but which one of us would want to change jobs??

So, while I know you DO pray for Mr. Armstrong, and for me, and for ALL of us in the work -- and you're conscious of what's happening here -- please KEEP IT UP. We know most of YOU are laboring -- really LABORING in God's work -- and we know ONLY if you are really working, driving yourselves, until your tired mind and body knows its been put through a TOUGH DAY -- only then are you really filled with that feeling of satisfaction and

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Church Administration

RODERICK C. MEREDITH

Dear Fellow Ministers:

Greetings again from Headquarters! I will have to get used to organizing the Church news and information and instruction in this new format, but with the additional news, pictures, etc., I am sure this ministerial Bulletin will be a tremendous help and inspiration to all of you in the Field. Be sure to look for most of the strictly *news* items regarding new ministerial assignments, Churches, Bible Studies, babies, etc., in special little news blurbs in "personal NOTES" on page 2 and/or here in our Church Administration section. I will be including some of these items here in my personal letter if I wish to explain or magnify them in any way, but normally they will be simply as a quick news item.

We are all fine here, and everyone is in good health, to my knowledge. I do want to especially thank you for your prayers for my eye condition. It retrogressed somewhat after the Passover season but is *much better* now and certainly on the way toward complete normalcy again. Thank you for remembering me!

With graduation coming up, things are certainly getting busy. But you will be happy to know that a number of our men are obtaining Master's degrees this spring including Mr. Bill McDowell who will be out here in a few days to receive his. Lester Grabbe and Bill Dankenbring, here on campus, will also be receiving their Master's degrees. Then Mr. Arthur A. Ferdig will be awarded a Master of Arts in Education. And finally, Mr. Sherwin McMichael has sent us his thesis and will be granted his degree over in Bricket Wood. Congratulations to you all!

As you can see in the item giving our Pentecost plans, many of us will be out to see you again soon. We will be looking forward to this and hope that close communications can be constantly improved between the Field and Headquarters. I will be coming out on a Field visit nearly every month from now on — as Mr. Luker will continue to do. However, most of my visits will be to the District Superintendents — although I will try to stop by other areas also from time to time.

One C.A.D. item that is very encouraging is the good growth in the number of prospective member requests so far this year. During the first four months of 1969, we only had 1867 requests of this nature. This was actually fewer than we had in 1968 as TOMORROW'S WORLD had not yet filled the gap. But for the first four months in 1970 we have received 3386 requests — almost *double* that for the same period last year! I can report to you that the trend is still up during the month of May, so you and your assistants should have plenty to do as this growth continues during the summer months. Also, Mr. Ted Armstrong's Personal Appearance Tours will undoubtedly generate a certain percentage of personal contacts among many outsiders who would not otherwise have responded so quickly and that should begin to have an impact by the middle or end of July if not sooner.

So *get organized* and prepared to use your own time — and that of your assistants — to the maximum efficiency this summer!

News comes from Indiana and Michigan that the "Sacred Names" people are trying to make inroads into our membership and perhaps weaker Co-Workers. The "new" approach these people have is that they claim to keep the seventh-day Sabbath and the Holy Days. Some, of course, have *always* done this — though I know of no group which ever kept the Sabbath and *all* of the Holy Days as they should. But they are beginning to prey on our weak members and Mr. Kenneth Martin mentioned one man in the Church who had to be dropped because of this. However, this man reported that these people were holding regular meetings in that area and also said that he met some of our people from the Milwaukee Church who made a special trip clear over to Indiana to attend one of these meetings!

Additionally, one of our members returning from the Feast at Mount Pocono last fall met a man with a fine camper. He assumed he was one of our people. Upon engaging in conversation, it was determined that he was a member of the "Sacred Names" group and claimed he was returning home after having kept the Feast of Tabernacles — apparently with us. So we need to *be aware* of this and stop these inroads.

If there is any problem in any of your congregations — and be sure to *ferret it out* — give a sermon or have a Bible Study exposing this

heresy. Also, be sure to refer the brethren and any interested people to Dr. Hoeh's very fine reprint on the subject, "The Unknown God."

INSTRUCTIONS: Many of you ministers request transportation regarding the moving of widows from time to time. From now on, be sure to request these moves *through C.A.D.* and we will best be able to determine *whether* college equipment or Third Tithe expense should be used in these cases.

Since the whole Work has had to become "budget conscious," all departments have had to make procedural changes to conform to basic accounting principles. Our department has had to change all of our cards and forms involving money transactions to give the Business Office the information they need to properly determine whether a purchase or expenditure is an *asset* or a liability, and to *clearly* define which area of the budget to charge. The cards affected are the Monthly Ministerial Expense Card, Hall Rental Card, Minister's 2nd Tithe Card, Member's 2nd Tithe Card, 3rd Tithe Authorization Card, and 3rd Tithe One-Time Assistance Card. We will be sending the new forms and instructions to those of you in the U. S. soon.

One of our leading ministers recently wrote in regarding a problem which occurs from time to time in *nearly all* Church areas. Because of its universal and explosive nature, I want to paraphrase — in order to disguise names, places, etc. — his points and suggestions and add some of my own on this important topic. It involves the principle of a woman in the Church sometimes "using" the Church to get *her way* with her unconverted husband. Mr. Ted Armstrong has been concerned with a similar case in the South in recent months, and now this other one appears which shows this to be, perhaps, a common problem.

To see the "pattern" of events and approaches that may come up in similar cases, notice the basic points in the case to which I am referring which resulted in the man *divorcing* the woman in the Church, violently *HATING* the Church and blaming our ministers for "taking sides with his wife" against him:

1) Indications now show that Mrs. Woman always wanted to be "center stage" — always in the middle of things, and first whenever she could be. She was not ready for baptism, but some of her friends were ready and were baptized. She evidently disliked this very much and

rushed to get baptized also so that she would not be left out. She "got" one of our ministers to baptize her.

2) Before coming into the Church, there was a chronic background of trouble between her and her husband — adultery, wife-swapping and perversion. Her hands have been far from clean.

3) It is clear now that she simply "used" the Church to inflict her will and her way on her husband to bring him into line!

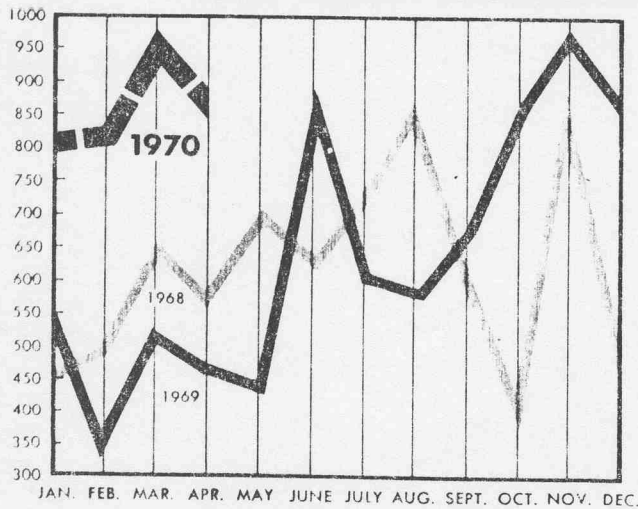
4) While she was in Podunk (after having left Mr. Woman), Mr. Minister reports that she gave at least one deacon the distinct impression that she had a strong "crush" on another minister. We feel this is probably one — if not **THE** — reason Mr. Woman hates this other minister so much. She "used" this minister to circumvent her husband — "Mr. So and So says this and Mr. So and So says that, or does things that way" — literally infuriating her husband as it would nearly any carnal man.

5) She always painted her husband as a real "beast." But no one ever found out what *she* was like! She was the "angel" who did no wrong, supposedly. But in reality, it was apparently she who needled her husband, pushed him, upset him and "inspired" him to the drastic actions he took. She now *admits* to this after much prodding and soul-searching! She admits she was *never* a real wife and helper to him.

One mistake in this whole situation was that our ministers unwittingly allowed themselves to be arbiters in disputes between a wife and her *unconverted* husband. Remember, Jesus said: "Who made me a ruler and a judge over you?"

This is, of course, a delicate area and sometimes a minister *can help* and prevent such a couple from going to the divorce court through proper counsel and encouragement. But the minister should be there primarily to help patch and build up the marriage — **NEVER** as a "judge" whom the husband sees as prejudiced against him and as one trying to break up his marriage. So our ministers must learn to **STAY OUT** of this role of "judging"! **IF**, however, they win the respect of the unconverted mate and are asked by *both parties* to the marriage to give general counsel and guidelines for both, then they should do so — being *especially* careful to give the unconverted mate *every* consideration so that he can have no real grounds for feelings or accusations of prejudice on the minister's part.

We perceive that many women give such woe-



U. S. PROSPECTIVE MEMBER GROWTH 1968-1970

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	TOTALS
1968	477	511	658	589	703	632	731	861	639	425	869	488	7583
1969	560	310	521	476	448	850	597	572	674	855	474	880	7720
1970	803	816	960	867									

TOMORROW'S WORLD began to show its effect by the third issue, and prospective members have increased nearly twofold over the previous year on a month-to-month basis ever since.

fully wrong impressions of the Church and the ministry that this, in itself, causes harm. Our women must be cautioned against this in sermons and Bible Studies. So, if we find that the Church, and our churches, are being dragged into a family argument *anyway* (as they usually are), it may actually be preventative medicine for the minister to explain the *principles* of our churches and attitudes regarding husband-wife relations to the couple so the husband gets the sincere, positive explanation and not some wrong ideas his wife uses as a "club" over him. Many of these women give their unconverted husbands the impression that they are taught to obey the minister rather than the husband, that their Bible studies and/or prayer life has to be put at a certain time to directly *inconvenience* their wifely duties and fellowship with their husband, or even that their eternal life hangs on whether or not they should have sex on the Sabbath. One lady thought she should withhold sex for one week before and one week after the menstruation period! Pity him if she had a long

period! But she used the Church for her cloak of "righteousness." It seems a big test of a woman's true conversion is whether she will truly submit and work to *make* her marriage a success, sexually and otherwise. We must teach our women this and to quit using the Church as an excuse for their own weaknesses, inadequacies and carnal human selfishnesses.

Well, there is much more that could be said on this point and perhaps one of us will write an article on it in *The Good News* or even in *TOMORROW'S WORLD* in the near future. But in this *personal*-type instruction for our ministers in this letter, I thought it best to apprise you of these basic points and exhort you to handle these problems with *wisdom*.

That's it for now. Please let us know how you like the format of this bulletin and any suggestions you may have for our Church Administration news, or anything else you would like to suggest. Keep *praying* for the Work and for the big events coming up, and prepare for a busy summer.

Your brother in Christ,

Robert C. Needham

News

from the FOREIGN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE

Office of
RONALD L. DART

OVERALL CONDITIONS

In general, the status and progress of the Foreign Work appear excellent. Steady growth is being maintained. New areas are opening up. And, rather surprisingly, there are no outstanding problems at the present time.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

April saw some changes in the HQ staff. Mr. James Thornhill moved down the hall to assist Mr. Ted Armstrong. (One of his main responsibilities will be coordinating the *America Listen* Personal Appearance Tours.) Mr. Howard Clark was transferred from his ENVOY duties to assist Mr. Ronald Dart, Vice-President: Foreign Educational Service. The addition of Chris Hunting, graduating in June from Bricket Wood, should round out the HQ staff for the time being.

Mr. Richard Frankel and his wife are now settled in the crucial Jerusalem office. They have been well received by Israeli officials and all seems to be going well there. Remember the Frankels. They are *really* "at the front."

PASSOVER-HOLY DAY ATTENDANCES

Passover and Holy Day attendances reflect the solid growth of God's Work around the world. Ordinarily we will not cite attendance figures, but it has been quite some time since most of you have seen these far-flung outposts' statistics which show them to be quite respectable congregations. Following are some of the numbers from the various areas:

CHURCH	PASSOVER	FEAST
Auckland, New Zealand	154	254
Barbados, West Indies	113	220
Calgary, Alberta, Canada	104	185
Durban, South Africa	64	122
Edmonton, Alberta	286	560
Geneva, Switzerland	60	92
Johannesburg, South Africa	201	357
Kelowna, B. C.	131	262
Kitchener/Toronto, Ontario	461	898

Manila, Philippines	237	387
Martinique	60	143
Montreal/Ottawa, Quebec	139	298
Moosomin/Regina, Sask.	100	203
Paris, France	110	205
Prince George, B.C.	72	144
Rosales, Philippines	111	178
Saskatoon, Sask.	179	345
Vancouver, B. C.	351	535
Victoria, B. C.	79	124
Winnipeg, Man.		429

FULL BRITISH ISLES REPORT SEPARATE

The following Passover-Unleavened Bread report was received from Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Vice-President: Financial Affairs for Australasia and Asia.

We have just completed a very inspiring Feast of Unleavened Bread in all Church areas throughout Australia. Coming at the time of one of the most severe crises God's Work has ever experienced, and following soon after a time of special *fasting* and prayer for the Work, this festival was one of the most *purposeful* and uplifting we have ever observed in Australia.

Many brethren have expressed to me that this was unlike any other Passover-Unleavened Bread Feast ever observed. I personally feel this Holy Day season has meant more to me than any other Spring Festival I have observed in my 20 years in God's Church.

I was in Sydney for the Passover, Night to be Much Observed, First Holy Day and one evening meeting during the Festival. My wife and I were then privileged to spend the weekly Sabbath plus the Last Holy Day with our brethren in Perth, West Australia. Adding to the inspiration of the Last Holy Day's service in Perth, was the ordination of Mr. William Dixon as a Local Elder. Mr. Dixon was employed in November 1968 as a ministerial assistant. Now, as a Local Elder, he will be a more effective help to Mr. William Winner (pastor of the Perth Church) and the brethren in W.A. Mr. Dixon and his wife were baptized in May 1962 during the

first baptismal tour taken to W.A. — conducted by Mr. Frank Simkins and myself.

In eight church areas in Australia — Sydney, Blackheath, Newcastle, Melbourne-Ballarat, Adelaide, Launceston, Brisbane-Toowoomba, Perth — 1649 partook of the Passover. The attendance for all areas on the first Holy Day was 2772 and for the last Holy Day it was 2365.

The offerings were unusually good being 35 percent more than taken up last year, amounting to over \$5.00 (nearly \$6.00 in U.S. currency) per man, woman and child attending. This is a very good offering considering the low local wage and salary structure plus the fact that *no* tithes or offerings can be deducted on income tax returns.

This Passover and Festival season has certainly been a spiritual boost for God's Church in Australia. As well as being a time of rejoicing, it was sobering in the realization that this is 1970. The question is, "Do we have only *one* more such Passover-Unleavened Bread season to observe in similar surroundings and circumstances in this age?"

BRITISH ISLES ATTENDANCE FOR PASSOVER AND FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD 1970

	PASSOVER	FEAST
Belfast	122	211
Birmingham	94	150
Bricket Wood	723	1101
Bristol	76	106
Glasgow	89	171
Guildford	65	
Leeds	69	140
Newcastle	37	49
Warrington	80	152
Total	1,355	2,080

CANADA

Two items of special interest in the Canadian Work are a recent review of *The WORLD TOMORROW* television program written in the *Calgary Albertan* and Glen White's report of a police chief's glowing comments regarding the Crime Booklet.

We reproduce Shirlee Gordon's May 11 newspaper column in toto.

I am writing this column at approximately 4:40 p.m. on Mother's Day, immediately after watching a program that has renewed my faith in this medium. A show that's got the guts and back-up proof to 'call

it as it sees it.' A show called *The WORLD TOMORROW*. CFCN's every Sunday at 4 p.m.

"80 percent of the PARENTS are at fault if their children take drugs... not 6-point-something, 80 percent!" This from the host, in my opinion one of the most magnetic in the business, Garner Ted Armstrong.

The WORLD TOMORROW is an Ambassador College production, with address in Pasadena, California and Vancouver, B.C. It utilizes film, location interviews and a lot of straight talk, and of course the subject lent itself to straight talk (and about time) . . . Children Taking Drugs.

TWT visited a special rehabilitation school in Arizona for young men of all ages, plagued by serious emotional problems brought about by "kicking the habit." It interviewed young men who had successfully rid themselves of drugs, and asked what advice they could give other teens about the problem. Armstrong pointed out the simple statement made by one-such, statement you hoped a parent would make: "Find out WHAT you are doing, before you do it. If you don't know what effect a drug is going to have on you . . . you won't know how to handle it."

Another said: "Marijuana can get to be a psychological hangup, and addictive that way. But it's the person himself that leads to stronger drugs."

"If only they could have talked to me more, tried to see my side, be interested in ME, I wouldn't have had to search elsewhere for answers."

Armstrong was vehement in his attack on the 80 percent . . . those who in essence declare: "My child wouldn't do a thing like THAT" and even with overwhelming evidence, ignore the problem rather than "lose face" in their community. Best they stand to lose the child! Films, interviews and frank discussion made this one of the best shows I've seen on this problem.

If you are interested in plain facts about raising your child, and I mean PLAIN FACTS in how to handle sticky situations and more, and if you are in a bind about the 'hippie thing' you can send away for two FREE books that tell it the way it is: *The Plain Truth About Child Rearing* (which host Armstrong helped to write) . . . and . . . *Hippies, Hypocrisy and Happiness*. They gave a California address (as this show is seen state-side) but also one next door. Send your name and address to: Ambassador College, P. O. Box 41, Vancouver, B.C. These books will be sent to you FREE. I just wrote my letter, as a Mother's Day present to myself.

TASMANIAN TOUR

Mr. Dart received the following communiqué from Mr. Reginald Platt after his baptizing tour

of Tasmania — that's the large island just south of, though part of, the Commonwealth of Australia. (For those of you who never took Geography.)

Our trip to Tasmania was very successful. We had no troubles or difficulties. We baptized 19 and laid hands on one lady who had previously been baptized, making 20 new members, and Mr. Halford followed me down a week later to take the services and baptized three more who were ready. Our attendance now runs around between 120 to 125, and could be, if everybody made it, 135 or more.

Mr. Platt then goes on to reiterate a familiar hope of the "field" ministers — a visit by Mr. Armstrong.

We are praying and hoping that if Mr. Armstrong and party were to come to Australia that you could put in a word for us so that he might come by and see us in Melbourne. I am praying that God will help us keep the big jet to facilitate Mr. Armstrong's travels — and also (selfishly) to enable him to visit us in Melbourne. I know it would be a big event for all of us here in Australia if Mr. Armstrong could come.

SPANISH WORK

Just a brief notice from Mr. Enrique Ruiz concerning the Bible Study in Salvador, Central America. Attendance was 20, including two newly baptized members.

From the Executive Suite

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every way. Standing applause, a fine auditorium, an enthusiastic, responsive, attentive audience, etc. (I would greatly appreciate copies or photostats of all newspaper articles which covered that event.)

Many people told me how often they listen to, and enjoy, *The World Tomorrow* broadcast. One man specifically, high up in IBM in the Tulsa area, actually had tears in his eyes as he mentioned how much the program had changed the lives of his wife and himself.

The speech in Tallahassee — to the Florida Junior Chamber of Commerce — was utterly different. It was quite an experience — to say the least: a huge gym, sweltering

weather, no air-conditioning — what was apparently supposed to be butter was actually a warm, oily pool dripping over the edge of its dish. About 2,500 to 3,000 were present — and many were completely sloshed. Whistles, horns, sirens, plenty of placards, signs, buttons, badges, etc. — the complete paraphernalia of a political convention. To top things off, the sound system broke down. When a make-shift replacement was finally set up, we were already one hour late. And then followed the formal introduction of *everyone* at the whole head table — which was about as long as the Ambassador College gym.

I did enjoy, however, meeting and talking with Fred Haise, Jr., Command Module pilot on Apollo 13. (While attending this convention, I wonder if he wished that he were back out there?)

"Inspired" by the setting, I revised my speech. I left my notes in my pocket and merely ad-libbed a little on "capsule societies," referring to rioters and ultra-extremists — then applying the principle directly to the JC's themselves, showing that only if they *lived* their creed (Faith in God, etc., etc.,) could they really say, "Follow me . . . I have the solutions."

The two circumstances surely delineated the opposite extremes for a public speaker: Tallahassee, the world's *worst* speaking environment, and Tulsa, a very fine one. Well, chalk this trip off to experience. Seriously, I was very thankful for the opportunity — even for the traumatic one — since it will unquestionably help prepare me for the eventualities of the "AMERICA LISTEN" personal appearance tours.

My Tallahassee encounter somehow reminds me of another unpleasant subject. The current issue of "The Atlantic" magazine (formerly the "Atlantic Monthly") has an article on radio preachers. It's called "The God-Hucksters of Radio" and discusses the techniques — financial and otherwise — of many radio evangelists. I was amused — only partly — to find myself lumped with "A.A. Allen" as the "two giants of radio religion." The comments about me personally and God's Truth were expectedly sarcastic and obviously slanted, yet not as distorted as one might have predicted. The bad part is, of course, the association.

The article was written by a William C. Mar-

tin who is assistant professor of sociology at Rice University in Houston.

I have really enjoyed — and have surely profited from — the opportunity to speak before so many of God's outlying local Churches within the past year. These include New Orleans, Little Rock, Odessa, Albuquerque, Phoenix, Portland, Eugene, Oakland and Sacramento.

It has been a source of encouragement to both Mr. Armstrong and myself to continuously hear the brethren say again and again, "I sure hope you don't have to sell those airplanes, Mr. Armstrong." The total selflessness of God's people — their sincere, heart-felt desire to see Mr. Herbert Armstrong and me protected by private transportation, and enabled to travel with such speed and convenience as we attend to the needs of this Work — was really obvious wherever I went.

IF we continue to hold down expenditures, and *IF* the income continues at present levels, we may be able to circumvent being forced to get rid of either of the airplanes. But God knows we're certainly willing. And they're always there

as tangible assets to be disposed of if and when the need becomes so critical that it must be done.

What's up with me personally? What are my present pursuits? The expected: How to catch up on TV, keep current on daily radio, and still find time to get all the preparation done for the personal appearance tours — plus the usual range of continual "splinter picking," solving the various personnel problems right here at HQ (which seem to be a perennial, continual, unavoidable challenge.)

There is so much more I want to write. There is so much more that *needs* to be written! So — if Mr. Hill will continue to plague me, even during the campaigns, I'll try to present to all of you, as soon as possible, *the whole overall perspective of the Work* — especially its scope and its format from here on out. Furthermore, I will explain what few fully comprehend: **WHY** the need for TOMORROW'S WORLD, how it came to be — and how this new magazine is really beginning to produce! Next time!

reward when you finally go home to relax (if you can!) with your wife and family.

I'm right now in the "America Listen" office we temporarily occupied (until we find other quarters, we've been operating in a lounge room), having just read over many of the details of the preparations for the campaigns, talked to Mr. Smith about the full-page newspaper ads, and to Joe Bauer about housing for our Negro couples on the Big Sandy campus.

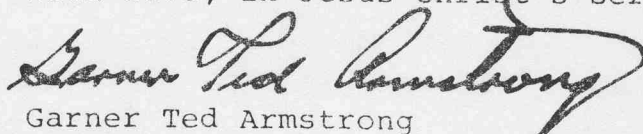
Had lunch (and discussed many points, including a whole list of ordinations) with Messrs. Meredith, Bill McDowell (who is here for his master's degree!), Dave Antion, Dennie Luker and Jon Hill just after the radio broadcast, which had not even 30 seconds preparation and was ad libbed on the Ten Commandments, because I was still talking to Mr. Portune and Mr. Hill about various problems until only moments before program time.

And now, I'm due at the TV studio -- so have just got to close. Mr. Hill is waiting patiently (but with a certain measure of anxiety) for me to finish typing this personal note to become part of the first Bulletin.

Again -- I'm only doing this FOR my father, and because he just couldn't take the time right now today!

Keep doing the WORK!

With love, in Jesus Christ's service,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Garner Ted Armstrong". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Garner Ted Armstrong

P.S. -- forgot to mention I've got the Imperial Commencement tonight, and that will make me late for the Senior year's end dance, which is tonight, and didn't mention that Mr. Herbert Armstrong is working on the commencement address for the College, which is tomorrow at 4:00 p.m., or that I'll be leaving immediately for Big Sandy, and from there to Nashville.