



FEAST TIME — Feastgoers last year join in singing hymns at the Tucson, Ariz., Festival site. This year's Feast of Tabernacles will begin Monday night, Sept. 30, and end Tuesday night, Oct. 8. (Photo by Ken Evans)

'74 Feast to be 'great,' director says

By Mac Overton

BIG SANDY — "We're going to have a great Feast," said Bill McDowell, director of the Worldwide Church of God Festival Office here.

The Festival Office has estimated that as many as 100,000 will attend the Feast of Tabernacles worldwide this year — 85,000 in the United States and Canada and 15,000 in other countries — at 35 sites. If that many do attend, this Feast will be the largest in the history of the Work.

Mr. McDowell said Herbert W. Armstrong and Garner Ted Armstrong will speak at all sites in the United States — with the exception of Pasadena, Alaska and Hawaii — and at Penticton, B.C., Canada.

Their paths will cross briefly at the Lake of the Ozarks site in Missouri. Registration is almost complete for this year's Feast, Mr. McDowell said. "Now we're only dealing with problems and changes."

Mr. McDowell said that though

the trend in the future may be toward more sites with fewer people at each site, the Feast will continue to be the major annual celebration for the Church.

"The Feast will be held in the same pattern indefinitely," the Feast director said. "The Feast would change its configuration only if it becomes an absolute necessity, like some kind of national catastrophe."

No Arbitrary Change

"Let's say we had a national fuel shortage that made it impossible to go to the Feast and then under those circumstances we obviously would observe it at home. But we have no intention of making any arbitrary change just for the sake of changing. It would be something that would be due to an emergency that would require us to change it, like fuel short-

age, economic collapse, national disaster, war or some other catastrophe.

"Otherwise, we'll plan to keep the Feast the way it is."

"We hope to have the Feast smaller in size at every site, because we have found that 10,000 or more people becomes an unwieldy group, and if we can make the Festival site smaller it has a more family-like atmosphere."

Mr. McDowell also said that traffic at a smaller site would be more easily controlled and that there would be less strain on housing.

"It also gives us a better bargaining position with hotel-motel facilities," he added. "When we overfill an area, it leaves us with no bargaining power."

Mr. McDowell mentioned that the (See '74 FEAST, page 3)

College hosts Festival site

By Les Stocker

PASADENA — The Pasadena campus of Ambassador College will be a regular site for the Feast of Tabernacles this year.

According to Joe Tkach, Festival coordinator for this site, about 3,000 will attend here.

For several years Pasadena has been a "maverick Festival site," said Mr. Tkach. It was not a regular, planned Feast location, but various people needed to remain in Pasadena to maintain essential functions of the Work or because they were elderly or unable to travel great distances.

While Pasadena was not a Festival site per se, services were held.

But more and more people stayed in Pasadena for the Feast each year, so headquarters will be a regular Feast site this year with a schedule of services like all other sites. College students will remain here for the Feast for the first time ever on this campus.

Mr. Tkach said no housing is being planned except for the handicapped and the elderly. Everyone else will arrange for his own housing.

Mr. Tkach is receiving help in arranging the Feast from assistant Festival coordinator Tom Justus.

The Ambassador Auditorium will be used as the main assembly building. But the edifice will not accommodate everyone at one time. The college gymnasium and what used to be the Imperial School gymnasium will be equipped with closed-circuit television for those not in the Auditorium.

The process of registration will segregate the audience into three segments. On a rotating basis everyone will have the privilege of being in the Auditorium at least every third service.

Ambassador students will perform many of the normal service jobs, such as ushering and attending parking lots. And Gary Prather, Ambassador College Choral director, is preparing a student fun-show program which may also travel to the Tucson, Ariz., or Squaw Valley, Calif., site, or both sites.

A Personal Letter from

Garner Ted Armstrong

Dear Brethren in Christ:

I am dictating this "Personal" with a raw throat and very little voice. By the time most of you receive this issue of the *WN*, you will be just about to leave for the Feast — or at least well into your final preparations for departure.

As you will note elsewhere on this page, we have moved our copy deadlines ahead so that we could mail a day early (our normally scheduled mailing date falls on Trumpets). We also made this issue half the size of a regular *WN*, knowing most of you would not have the time to be doing a lot of reading in the days immediately prior to the Festival.

By the time you read this I will hopefully have preached to a large group of brethren in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area — that is, if my voice recovers sufficiently. As I mentioned in my last "Personal," I was asked to fill in for my father, who received a special invitation from the brethren to speak there. But, as you know, he is currently on another trip — this time to Japan and the Middle East. In Tokyo he met with over 200 distinguished Japanese — university pro-

fessors, bankers, industrialists, executives — for a Bible study. Mr. Armstrong was introduced to each person before speaking for 90 minutes on "What Is the True Gospel?" and explaining why they had never heard it before. (This lecture will form the basis for an expansion of our booklet on the subject.)

The reaction of the audience was excellent (some even brought Bibles!), many staying afterwards to talk with Mr. Armstrong, later following him out to the street. Bible studies are being planned for October (See *PERSONAL*, page 6)

NOTICE

In order for this issue of *The Worldwide News* to reach subscribers before they leave for the Feast of Tabernacles, this smaller, eight-page issue is being mailed out early. No issue will be published during the Feast. Regular publication is scheduled to resume on Oct. 14.

College doctor advises Feastgoers to take steps to safeguard health

BIG SANDY — Dr. Wilmer E. Parrish, physician at the Ambassador College campus here, advised those attending this year's Feast of Tabernacles everywhere to take certain steps to safeguard their health during the Festival.

"I think perhaps the best thing for people to do when they come to the Feast is not to overdo — to have a balanced amount of recreation and rest and not be overindulging in foods," Dr. Parrish said.

"Of course, when we think of the Feast, we anticipate that people are going to eat, and they're going to eat more things than they do at any other time. However, they can watch their diets and eat a well-balanced diet and not eat just a lot of ice cream, cake, candy, soda pop and things like that."

Dr. Parrish said another major health problem at the Feast was lack of sleep.

Wilmer E. Parrish, M.D., is director of the departments of Health Services, Personnel and Safety at the college in Big Sandy and has been campus physician since 1964. He has also served as physician at the Summer Educational Program at Orr, Minn. Dr. Parrish, 57, graduated from the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, Norman, Okla., in 1943 and served his internship at Jefferson Davis Hospital in Houston, Tex. He completed residence in pediatrics at the University Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City.

"Perhaps one of the worst things people do at the Feast is that they stay up late and they party until the early-morning hours, when probably they should be going to bed at 10:30 or 11:30 and getting some rest so their bodies can recuperate from

what they've done the day before," he said.

"Of course, Feastgoers will get a fair amount of recreation no matter where they are because of the amount of walking that's involved," the physician said.

Nonstop Driving

Dr. Parrish also advised against long, nonstop drives to the Feast.

"I think all trips should be broken down to get rest and not overdo it," he said. "Five hundred miles a day is a pretty good figure to stick with at a 55-mile-an-hour average."

He also advised those who will be camping this year to check their camp-stove gas systems for leaks and to use extra caution with catalytic heaters.

"Campers should never light catalytic heaters, lanterns or stoves inside a tent or anything made of com-

(See *SAFEGUARDS*, page 6)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

A microcosm?

The issue of Aug. 19 gave much space to the historic resignation from the presidency of Richard Nixon. It contained many comments concerning that sad event. However, I wonder if Mr. Nixon was being used to mirror for the American people the low moral and ethical standards which are largely the cause of the sad state in which this country finds itself.

Mr. Nixon's rise to power from the very beginning . . . [reflected] the common drive in this country to use any means to reach a personal goal. His election as President on a law-and-order platform, while he and his close associates were flouting the law, is only a reflection of the many voices in this land demanding law and order to be strictly enforced except when it applies to themselves.

Mr. Nixon's manipulation of the tax law to build up a fortune for himself is only a glaring example of what millions of taxpayers in this country do as a matter of course. His lust for power which justified the use of any means, legal or illegal, to maintain himself in office reflects the practices of much of this country's society in the world of business and labor.

It is interesting also to note the appearance of a Jesuit priest and a rabbi, representing the present-day religious institutions, condoning Mr. Nixon's activities and actively championing his cause and condemning his critics.

. . . In reflecting on Mr. Nixon's career, one cannot but wonder whether he has not been used as a microcosm of the prophetic events which have been forecast for this nation in the days to come. If only our people had the eyes to see.

Jacob M. Black
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Food for thought

. . . I must say the issue dated Aug. 19, 1974, is, by far, the best, truly full of good meat. The most food for thought I have received yet from this unique paper.

The first column I read is Garner Ted Armstrong's "A Personal Letter From Garner Ted Armstrong," which always manages to be enlightening. But the article submitted by Mr. [Dexter] Faulkner [on President Nixon's resignation] and the one submitted by Mr. [Jeff] Calkins [on inflation] were also superb.

Please keep your synopsis-style "Dateline" coming in each issue.

Also, the letter [regarding Bible-study helps] from Gavin N. Cullen, deacon, Toowoomba, Australia, struck an harmonious chord in me. It strikes me as being a very good suggestion, both because it unifies all congregations and also strengthens the prayers we utter. By being "one voiced" unilaterally and keeping incentive and striving in front of our faces, we are united commonly, not only in spirit but also in works.

Perhaps this is a God-inspired idea, an answer to prayer.

Also, the thought came after reading "Philippine Tax Ruling to Help Members" that we could pray a likewise decision in the inflation-hard-hit countries would do so for the Work.
(Mrs.) Sandra A. Escobar
Houston, Tex.

Second thoughts

When I first received *The Worldwide News*, it was a bit of a shock to see the cartoons by Basil Wolverton. But on second thought, I realized they were a good way of showing us of our own, sometimes inner, thoughts—no one is without them.

I have missed the cartoons in the last couple of papers. Please continue to publish them.

Nancy E. Blomgren
Middle Island, N.Y.

Mr. Wolverton has been very ill and unable to continue his "Third Thoughts" cartoon series at this time. More information about his illness is in the "Grapevine" column, page 8.

Eight-day rest

I have been wanting to write this letter for a long time. . . . But now that there is a Feast site right there at world headquarters I feel it proper to make this suggestion.

As you yourself [Garner Ted Armstrong] suggested in the last paragraph of your "Personal Letter" on page 9 of the *WN* of July 22, you asked for us to make suggestions, so here are ours.

. . . We consider you and your father as brethren. If Jesus Christ was an elder brother, then you also must be a brother. Therefore, if I understand the Bible, the Feast of Tabernacles was given by God for a time of rejoicing of the brethren, you not excluded. And at the bottom of column two on page 9 under the heading "Breakneck Schedule," you said just how tired you and your father got by visiting all Feast sites every year. I have been at the Feast and saw you and your father, and each time I was so far back I could just tell it was a man up there, that's all. Don't you really think it would be much better

for both you and him just to settle down at headquarters and really enjoy the Feast and an eight-day rest so you would be full of vim and vigor to take up God's Work after the Feast? It would also save quite a bit of money besides. I think the Feast was given for the brethren to really enjoy and I can't really see how you or your father can really enjoy it and be on the go continually. Pretty soon it will be physically impossible anyway, [so] why not right now . . . chop it off right at this 1974 Feast? And I know there would be many thousands of brethren really rejoicing with you to know that you also were rejoicing. Think about it.

Cle T. Wilkinson
Springfield, Ore.

Keep it up

My wife and I would like to reaffirm our financial and prayerful support of both of you [Herbert W. and Garner Ted Armstrong] in the Work of God. We are excited about the great success in [the campaign in] Manila and hope that it is only a very small beginning and that many such campaigns can be soon coming. We also want to mention that the radio broadcast (we don't receive the telecast) has grown greater in excellence. We are behind you!

. . . We encourage you to keep up the strong, arduous efforts you expend daily. We owe to both of you a hearty thanks for helping make our lives very rewarding and happy.

Alan and Mary House
Eldon, Mo.

Wondering

I would like to thank you for [the] article by Gary Hopkins of Aug. 5, '74, concerning the saints of God in East Germany. I was praying for them as well as wondering how they were doing.

Pearl Donald Saultz
Ypsilanti, Mich.

Funny money

I've just finished reading the final part of the series on inflation. Jeff Calkins omitted what is the most basic cause of inflation. That is, removal of specie (metallic money with intrinsic value, i.e., gold and silver). When this is done, confidence in the money is lost, the government has no restraints on "funny money," i.e., printing-press money, and Gresham's Law takes over: "Bad money drives from circulation good money." Everyone hoards the good money (gold and silver coins), and the government has to print more and more paper money, and then we have the situation of "too much money chasing too few goods," and infla-

tion results.

Of course the deficit spending is a major cause and as inflation continues the natural human greed helps as everyone tries to get his share by raising prices and wages.

Most of the major economists miss the "specie" point, but it is very apparent when you study the French situation in the 1700s . . . The German post-World War I situation also proves the point and one day we will wake up and find that it was true here in the U.S.A.

William B. Scherer
Boise, Idaho

Cut that out

Lately, I have been going through magazines and cutting out the coupons. My last grocery shopping trip netted the Work \$2.68 from the coupons. Not much—but a beginning.

Mrs. Laurence Dimmitt
Seattle, Wash.

Executive interview

May I suggest that you do an executive interview with Stanley Rader? He is always traveling with Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong, but I have never read of his responsibilities and duties are. I don't hardly believe he goes along just to enjoy the scenery.

Robert O. Brown
Riverview, Fla.

Mr. Rader, who is general counsel for the Work, was featured in an executive interview in the March 4 *WN*.

Read the Book

After reading Mr. Gavin N. Cullen's letter to the editor, *The Worldwide News*, Aug. 19, 1974, regarding personal Bible study—and the problems of maintaining interest—I would like to relate some personal Bible-study experiences that could be helpful to the brethren.

. . . School, formal education was the key. I asked myself, how did I do it? It was effective study, even though I was no genius. It was a struggle to obtain a place on the school honor roll, but I did, through good study habits. Those habits must have formed a pattern I could use now.

What was outstanding throughout that early period of study was just this—I always had a pencil or pen in hand. There is something about it that alerts my senses; I am studying. This little discovery led to one of the most inspiring and lengthy Bible studies I have experienced. About this time the booklet, *Read the Book*, had convinced me to do just that, but I had tried it before, bogged down, not understood what I read and found it difficult to keep my mind on the job at hand. Now I had it, I did read the book, but with a pen and notebook at my side. I outlined the Bible, sitting at the dining-room table, under good light (part of the study pattern). I read every word, making the outline by chapter and paragraph, and sometimes even by individual verse. I also added my personal thoughts, what it meant to me, for correction and inspiration.

. . . I started this study by doing the New Testament first, with the exception of Revelation, then back to the Old Testament—straight through, and finishing with Revelation. Just a suggestion, it worked great for me.

Mrs. J. Fried
Odessa, Mo.

Avoid difficulties

. . . The Feast of Tabernacles is approaching and we have to take our children out of school in order to obey God and rejoice before Him at the Feast, [but] . . . even our children can be silent witnesses of God and His Feast days.

Ever since our first F.O.T. attendance, we let our two school-going sons bring back some small gifts for their class teachers and principal. We do not want to bribe or convert them, but we have never had trouble in taking our sons out of school for the Feast days . . .

Some brethren might want to copy this practice and avoid difficulties with school authorities when taking their children out for the Feast.

Horst Schwanke
Franklin Centre, Que.

Correction

An article in the July 22 issue, "Australian Office Rents Computer," stated that subscription files are maintained for 125,000 active *Plain Truth* subscribers. The correct figure, according to the Australian office, is 250,000.

Director plans India visit for Feast

BRICKET WOOD, England—Richard Frankel, director of the Indian Work, will leave here with his wife and family following the Day of Trumpets, Sept. 17, to observe the Feast of Tabernacles in India and Sri Lanka.

While en route to Bombay, he will spend four days visiting prospective members in Malta and will stop in Tel Aviv, Israel, for three visits.

The Frankels expect to arrive in Bombay in time for the Day of Atonement, Sept. 26, and will be joined by John Meakin, mail-processing supervisor from here. Twenty-five people are expected to attend these Holy Day services.

Between Atonement and the Feast of Tabernacles Mr. Frankel and Mr. Meakin will visit Indian members and prospective members.

Indian members this year will meet together for the first five days of the Feast.

For the first time, the Feast will be held in northern India, only six hours' drive from Bombay. The Dina Hotel in Mahabaleshwar will be the site for this year's Feast.

Mr. Meakin will leave early for Sri Lanka to open the last four days of the Feast with the members there. The Frankels will join him later.

The site, Nuwara Eliya, is in the heart of the hill country at an elevation of 6,199 feet, overshadowed by Sri Lanka's highest mountain, Pidurutalagala (8,291 feet).

Attendance at each of the Feast sites is expected to top 50 people, including all the members.

As well as the sermons, there will be telecasts, a fun show and activities for all members in India, and a dance, mountain climbing and other activities in Sri Lanka.

Following the Feast, the Frankels and Mr. Meakin will do some visiting in Sri Lanka and again in India before returning to Bricket Wood.

NOTICE

Because of an early pre-Feast deadline and lack of space, "Dateline" does not appear in this issue. It is scheduled to resume in the next issue.

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Watch out for other guy, official cautions Feastgoers

By Dave Molnar

BIG SANDY— "Nearly all traffic accidents are caused by human error; seldom are they caused by mechanical error," said David Robinson, head of the Transportation Department at Ambassador College here and Festival coordinator for the Feast site here.

The way to curtail this factor of human error, he said, is to "drive defensively."

In an interview with *The Worldwide News*, Mr. Robinson spoke of the necessity for safety in driving to and from the Feast of Tabernacles.

"It is distressing that nearly every year we have to make announcements at the Feast about someone who has been killed or injured in a traffic accident driving to or from the Feast," he said. "We hope that won't be necessary this year."

Mr. Robinson described defensive driving as "defending yourself from the other driver. You must count yourself as being responsible for both you and the other fellow."

He referred specifically to driving practices such as tailgating. He said that one car length should be maintained between two moving vehicles for each 10 miles per hour being traveled.

Another principle is known as the two-second rule. The driver of a vehicle should always try to stay two seconds behind the vehicle in front of

him.

Mr. Robinson felt that all-night driving should be avoided.

"It's just not worth it," he said. "In fact, out of love and concern for us, Mr. Armstrong used to forbid us to do it."

Mr. Robinson described defensive driving as just using common sense.

"In defensive driving, you watch

and defend yourself from the other driver. You anticipate what he is going to do."

Overall, Mr. Robinson feels that the 55-mile-per-hour speed limit in the United States will help to prevent many accidents.

Even if this is true, he cautioned that we all need to be "aware of the other fellow."

ATTENTION: PROSPECTIVE AMBASSADOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Applications are now being considered for January, 1975, admission to the Pasadena campus of Ambassador College. If you would like to apply, you may request an application for undergraduate admission from the Office of Admissions, Ambassador College, 300 West Green Street, Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

Applicants for January admission who have not yet taken the Scholastic Aptitude Test (S.A.T.) should do so no later than Nov. 3, 1974.

Admissions for January, 1975, are not open to first-time applicants at the Big Sandy campus, since space will be filled by those who are already on the waiting list.

However, applications for summer school, 1975, are now available. The six-week summer session in Big Sandy will begin Monday, June 9, and end Friday, July 18. All interested in attending the summer session may request an application from the Office of Admissions, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755. S.A.T. scores are not required with the summer application.



The Human Resources Information Center, 285 West Green Street, Suite 205, Pasadena, Calif. 91122, exists to provide information on career opportunities and social services.

By Paul Meek

HRIC Assistant Director
PASADENA — The Human Resources Information Center is thriving from a growing number of brethren interested in the services it offers.

The following quotations are illustrative of many comments and requests that come across our desk each week.

A 14-year-old girl asks, "Do you have information regarding careers? I would like to study for a career

This is the first column of a new regular feature written by staffers of the Human Resources Information Center, headed by Art Mokarow.

which could carry over into the World Tomorrow."

For us at HRIC that is an important question to answer.

Middle-aged workers are some of the most frustrated workers in the U.S. The average U.S. worker changes jobs once in three years past the age of 35. That is 10 different jobs by retirement time.

One such frustrated member writes, "I am working steady as a carpenter here locally. Although I enjoy this work, I still feel like the oil field is where I belong, because of my education and training, and that is where I would really like to be."

Why aren't people working in the areas they desire to work in?

HRIC can provide helpful information as an answer.

How about the wife who wants to help bolster income to meet inflation?

One lady expressed a good degree of financial security by stating, "I

have had some success with my crafts. I guess that is why I don't have a complete financial collapse."

We know that it doesn't take a large amount of business expertise to be successful in home businesses. Again, HRIC is glad to help brethren begin businesses for themselves.

Finally, the greatest degree of service HRIC has empathy for is illustrated by the comment from a 54-year-old woman: "I just want someone to live with me... I just need someone to talk to."

As a result of requests from hundreds of brethren who have genuine needs, the Human Resources Information Center was led to find measures to provide information more expeditiously.

Thus we are beginning a Human Resources Information Center column, "HRIC," that will appear regularly in *The Worldwide News*.

The purpose of such a column is to provide a constant stream of information that will be uniform and complete to service the needs of many people who have requests in similar circumstances.

Here is a list of questions commonly asked:

- How do I change jobs?
- Should I move to another area to find work?
- How do I know what career I

(See INFORMATION, page 7)

Now you know

OROVILLE, Calif. (UPI) — Douglas Esmond found a sweet way of getting revenge against gasoline thieves.

Someone stole a five-gallon can of gasoline from his pickup truck last month while it was parked at his home here.

Mr. Esmond told sheriff's deputies that he put another five-gallon can of gasoline in the back of his truck and added several pounds of sugar. The can was taken from his truck.

Deputies were looking for a vehicle with a gummed-up engine.

Big Sandy's Feast program to go to five locations for the first time

By Dave Molnar

BIG SANDY — *Skool Daze* is the name of the 1974 Big Sandy Feast show, to be performed this year at five Festival sites.

The show, presented by the Ambassador College Band and New World Singers, is performed annually at the Feast of Tabernacles as a by-product of music classes at the college.

Traditionally, the show is performed at one or two sites, but this year for the first time the show will go to five sites.

"So many of the Church members enjoyed and were encouraged by the show last year that we wanted to take it to as many sites as possible this year," said Gary Briggs, director of the band and New World Singers. "The show is service oriented, and it gives the brethren a chance to see and meet the products of Ambassador College."

"Several students are in college this year as a result of seeing the show last year, and we hope to meet more prospective students this year."

The show will be performed at the Feast sites in Big Sandy, Tex.; Niagara Falls, N.Y.; Mount Pocono, Pa.; Jekyll Island, Ga.; and St. Petersburg, Fla.

Lighter Side

Students make up the cast of *Skool Daze*, which, according to Student Body President Ross Flynn, is a look at the lighter side of Ambassador life.

"We don't intend for the show to be an exact representation of what college is like," he said. "Rather,

The student body of Ambassador College in Pasadena will also present a show at the Feast this year. At press time, however, details of the show were not available.

we are exaggerating certain elements of college life to present an entertaining show."

This year the show is an all-original production. All of the songs featured were written by Ambassador students and members of the music faculty.

Even the arrangements for the songs were written by Ambassador personnel.

"Being able to perform at the Feast of Tabernacles is a tremendous incentive for the students to apply the knowledge they gain in their music-theory and arranging classes," Mr. Briggs said.

Songs from last year's Feast show were recorded on a long-play stereo record album, *Spread Some Sunshine* (*The Worldwide News*, Feb. 18).

"We had a tremendous response last year from the original music that we performed at the show," Mr. Briggs said. "So many people asked us if we had a record of our music that we decided to make one."

Record Sales

According to the student-body president, the record will be on sale at each of the Festival sites this year. After traveling expenses are paid, the proceeds from the record sales and show donations will go into the

student-body fund.

The fund finances all student activities throughout the year, he said, including educational field trips and the possible production of another record. Nearly all of the money for the student fund is made during the Feast.

"We feel that record sales are better for all parties involved," Student Body President Flynn said. "The Church brethren give us money to finance our activities, while we give them a memento of the Feast show which they can have year round."

The students themselves are excited about the prospect of performing at five sites.

"Although it will be a physically exhausting trip, we're all tremendously excited about meeting and performing before so many of the members of the Church," said senior Byron Griffin, production manager for the show.

The performance schedule for each of the sites is listed in the box elsewhere on this page.

Obituaries

BIG SANDY, Tex. — Mrs. Laverne Helen Jenison, 57, died Sept. 5.

Formerly from the Minneapolis, Minn., church, Mrs. Jenison had been a member for more than 14 years. She and her husband moved to Big Sandy three years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Owen "Bud" Jenison, an employee of Ambassador College's Landscaping Department; two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Ann Eaton (a former Ambassador student) and Miss Melba Jenison (an Ambassador junior); a son, Lee, working at the college greenhouse; and four grandchildren.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Mrs. Velma Harris, 71, died here Aug. 5 after an illness of three years.

She had been a member of the Worldwide Church of God since 1965.

She was a widow and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. J. V. Mullins; a sister, Mrs. Mary Howell; one granddaughter; two grandsons; and two great-great-grandsons.

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — Agnes Virginia Brown, 51, died in her home July 16 after suffering a series of strokes that eventually left her totally disabled. She was in a coma for six weeks prior to her death.

Although not a member of the Worldwide Church of God, Mrs. Brown accompanied her husband, Robert Q. Brown, a member since 1966, to church and Holy Day services and social activities, even when confined to a wheelchair.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Brown is survived by two sons and a daughter.

FORT PIERCE, Fla. — Arthur R. Knabb, a member of the Melbourne, Fla., church, died July 31 after a lingering illness.

He is survived by his wife Catherine, two daughters, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Mrs. William Hicks died Aug. 14 after a prolonged illness.

Gertrude, or Gert, was a member of the Worldwide Church of God for many years. She was also a member of the church choir.

She is survived by her husband, a deacon in the church here; four children; her mother, Carrie Melton of Norfolk, Va.; one sister; and three brothers.

'74 Feast of Tabernacles to be great, director says

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Work is planning to sell the Festival sites it owns at Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.; Mount Pocono, Pa.; and Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

"It is economically unfeasible to operate them when we can rent nice facilities for much less money," he explained. "For the same reasons, we're planning to sell the large tent we own and use in Penticton."

Speakers and Coordinators

A list of principal speakers and Festival coordinators at each U.S. site plus Penticton for the 1974 Feast follows, with the opening speaker listed first, followed by the closing speaker and Festival coordinator. At some sites, one speaker will preside the entire Feast:

Anchorage, Alaska — David Antion, speaker; Bill Gordon, coordinator.

Big Sandy, Tex. — Bill McDowell, Sherwin McMichael, speakers; Dave Robinson, coordinator.

Lahaina, Hawaii — Glen White, speaker; Tom Blackwell, coordinator.

Jekyll Island, Ga. — Dean Blackwell, Art Mokarow, speakers; Dale Schurter, coordinator.

Lake of the Ozarks, Mo. — Charles Hunting, David Jon Hill, speakers; Dick Thompson, coordinator.

Mount Pocono, Pa. — Raymond McNair, Leslie McCullough, speakers; Ben Chapman, coordinator.

Niagara Falls, N.Y. — Leslie McCullough, Dean Wilson, speakers; Gary Antion, coordinator.

Pasadena, Calif. — Herman L. Hoeh, speaker; Joe Tkach, coordinator.

Penticton, B.C. — Dean Wilson, Ron Kelly, speakers; Richard Pinelli, coordinator.

St. Petersburg, Fla. — Sherwin McMichael, Dean Blackwell, speakers; Richard Ames, coordinator.

Squaw Valley, Calif. — Norman Smith, speaker, Ellis LaRavia, coordinator.

Tucson, Ariz. — Ron Kelly, speaker; Leroy Neff, coordinator.

Wisconsin Dells, Wis. — David Jon Hill, Frank Brown, Bill McDowell, speakers; Bill Rapp, coordinator.

Traveling Speakers

Ten men will serve as traveling speakers, visiting several sites.

Ronald L. Dart will speak at St. Petersburg, Jekyll Island, Mount Pocono, Niagara Falls, Wisconsin Dells, Lake of the Ozarks and Big Sandy.

Ronald Kelly will give sermons at Tucson, Pasadena, Squaw Valley and Penticton.

Bill McDowell will be at Big Sandy, Lake of the Ozarks and Wisconsin Dells.

Frank Brown is slated to speak at Squaw Valley, Penticton and Wisconsin Dells.

C. Wayne Cole is scheduled for Penticton, Squaw Valley, Pasadena, Tucson and Big Sandy.

Sherwin McMichael will go to St. Petersburg, Jekyll Island, Lake of the Ozarks and Big Sandy.

Art Mokarow will speak at Wisconsin Dells and Jekyll Island.

Paul Flatt is scheduled for St. Petersburg and Jekyll Island.

Burk McNair will be at the Lake of the Ozarks and Mount Pocono.

Dennis Pyle will go to Squaw Valley and Tucson.

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THE AMBASSADOR BAND and NEW WORLD SINGERS

Local church news wrap-up

Reaching Out

CHICAGO, Ill. — At a recent banquet at the Pick-Congress Hotel here, Michael J. Bakalis, Illinois state superintendent of public instruction, presented awards to the 1974 winners of a program called "Those Who Excel."

Daniel Perkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Perkins, was honored as winner in Region IV, which included northern Illinois.

Mr. Perkins is the pastor of the Chicago Southside church.

Daniel, who graduated this year from Oak Park-River Forest High School, was recognized for outstanding work in the area of student human relations. This year he was chairman of a student-council "Reach Out Committee," which worked with student grievances and helped to resolve racial and other tensions among students.

The principal of the high school called Daniel an "outstanding student" who "personally resolved a potentially disruptive situation." He was referring to a walkout in October, 1973, of a group of 65 white students who didn't want to discuss their problems with the principal or parents.

Daniel's efforts played an important role in relaxing tensions among the dissenting students, as well as promoting racial harmony in the school. *Martin Manuel.*

Rally Round the Route

ALLENTOWN, Pa. — The members of the Worldwide Church of God in this area held a picnic and auto rally Sunday, Aug. 18. This was the first picnic here for the members since they began having regular Sabbath services a year ago.

Intense but friendly competition marked the auto rally, which began at 9 a.m. with 12 cars.

The object of this rally was to remain on a predetermined course by following route instructions and answering written questions while traveling along the route.

The Ed Ballek family took first place.

The rally ended at the Living Memorial Picnic Grove in Coopersburg, Pa., around noon. Approximately 150 members attended a family-style picnic which followed.

Many activities, which emphasized family togetherness, took place throughout the day.

The evening meal included 200 cobs of corn prepared by chefs Jerry Sacks and Wilbur Boehm over an open fireplace. Stuart Knerr completed the day with some guitar picking. *Gordon Long.*

100 Hungry Brethren

LONDON, Ont. — Twenty-eight teenagers and 16 adults had a camp-

out at Fanshaw Park near here Aug. 9 to 11.

Doug Smith, pastor of the London and Windsor, Ont., churches, had a short rap session with everyone Friday evening around the camp fire, plus a private service Sabbath morning for the teenagers and a separate service for the adults.

Activities included a short hike by the lake, a nature trail and a museum visit.

Sunday morning, Aug. 11, the teens were hosts for the church's second annual pancake brunch, serving pancakes and fried eggs to almost 100 hungry brethren.

The day was spent playing ball, swimming, canoeing and fellowshipping.

This was the first church camp-out for the teens. *David Wright.*

Jumping the Waves

PORTLAND, Ore. — The teens in the church here took part in a beach party Sunday, Aug. 11.

The teenagers played football and jumped the waves.

Everybody brought sack lunches and gathered around picnic tables at Fort Stevens Lake near the beach.

Dan Fricke, minister here, named a teenage committee after lunch and then everybody dispersed to go swimming in the lake.

The party ended late that afternoon. *Teresa Butler.*

Green Brownie Camp

ELKHART, Ind. — The eight girls of Brownie Troop 210 met at troop leader Joan Green's house for an overnight camp-out, their first.

The meeting got under way Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 7 p.m. The first thing on the agenda was to erect a large tent to handle the girls and the two Brownie leaders. The girls had an experienced boy scout, Tom Rabbit, erect the tent.

After the tent was up, troop leaders Sally Walker and Mrs. Green fixed supper for the girls.

Later in the evening the girls roasted marshmallows over a camp fire while songs were sung and stories told.

The Brownies were up early the following morning to clean up the tent and take a hike before breakfast. *James R. Green.*

Chess-Tourney Stats

DETROIT, Mich. — The Ambassador Chess Club of the Detroit East and West churches sponsored its first annual chess tournament Aug. 11 under the direction of McArthur Mickens.

It was a four-round Swiss tournament with 40 moves per hour.

Here are the results: Michael Sorwiec (4-0), first place; Charles Nouhan (3-1), second place;

James Lane (2½-2½), third place (tie); David Vhay (2½-2½), third place (tie).

Several players tied for fourth place with a score of 2-2. *McArthur Mickens.*

Sabbath in the Out-of-Doors

REGINA, Sask. — Friday, Aug. 9, 23 Regina teenagers and chaperones left for Nickle Lake Provincial Park 80 miles from here.

The group pitched tents before sunset and had supper soon afterwards.

Sabbath morning in the out-of-doors was a first for most. The highlight that day was outdoor services and a song session accompanied by a tape recording of hymns.

After the Sabbath came a late-night swim.

The next day featured the 12- to 16-year-olds challenging all others to a game of line-tackle football. After they battled to a 7-7 tie, the minister called it a day, and the group headed for home. *Darrel Hubel.*

Biggest Sucker

PASCO, Wash. — Sunday, July 14, was the date of the first Pasco-church picnic for this year.

It was held on an island in the Columbia River, so water skiing and boat rides were highlights of the outing.

The approximately 90 attending also held an egg-throwing contest and sack race.

A "big sucker" contest was introduced by minister Arch Bradley. Husbands were seated with hands behind their backs while their wives fed them 7-Up from bottles fitted with lamb-feeding nipples. Lee Roeticoender proved to be the biggest sucker by drinking the most 7-Up in the time allotted.

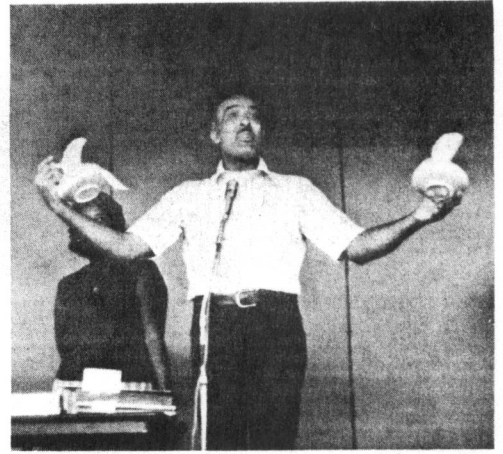
Aug. 18 another picnic was held. Although the weather was cool and windy, 59 people showed up to eat corn and watermelon and participate in a sing-along and a volleyball game. *Beverly Daniels.*

Frollicking Carolinians

GREENSBORO, N.C. — They came from such widely scattered places as Huntsville, Ala.; Richmond and Newport News, Va.; Nashville and Kingsport, Tenn.; Florida; and West Virginia for the "Carolina Frolic."

The Greensboro church played host for the first event of the frolic, an eligibles' dance — the first to be held in this area — at the Golden Eagle Convention Center Saturday night, Aug. 3.

The purpose of the dance, as described by coordinator Ken Gardner, was to bring together single adult members of the Church of God from a wide geographical area and afford



AUCTIONEER — C.L. Hardy auctions off several items in a sale designed to help raise funds for an upcoming personal-appearance campaign in Oakland, Calif. (See "Auction Nets Funds," page 5) [Photo by Robert Griesinger]

them an opportunity to make new friends prior to the Feast of Tabernacles at Jekyll Island, Ga.

About 200 attended.

Greensboro's band, The Crystal Ship, performed. Vocalists Jerry and Lynda Johnson of Greensboro contributed to the evening by singing pop hits, and Alvin Walker, also of Greensboro, impersonated Elvis Presley.

To encourage mixing, the music stopped frequently so dancers could change partners.

Several prizes were awarded. Corby Hobbs of Greensboro won the first door prize: a door.

Bryce Smith of Charlotte, N.C., won the last door prize: an "autograph bound" signed by everybody.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Greer — Greensboro's pastor and wife — awarded prizes to Mrs. Thelma Anthony of Greensboro for having the "warmest, friendliest and biggest smile" and to Mike Sturgill of Roanoke, Va., for displaying the "hairsiest smile."

After the dance, out-of-towners were invited to stay overnight in homes of local brethren, helping to defray expenses for the weekend.

Sunday morning the group met at nearby Hagen Stone Park for a picnic and baseball, volleyball, horseshoes and other games. But by noon the bottom dropped out of the sky, bringing the entire group together under one shelter for several hours.

Greensboro deacon and director of the event Hollis Crofts and committee planners Ken Gardner, Janice Smith and Sam Williard felt the Carolina Frolic had been a huge success. *Gary and Linda Fitzner.*

The Kirks' Cow Pasture

ADA, Okla. — The church here

had its annual picnic in Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kirk's cow pasture Aug. 25.

Many came up from the new Sherman, Tex., church to join in the festivities, headed by Ada minister Gerald Witte.

Members played softball, volleyball and golf and competed in a raw-egg-throwing contest.

Youngsters enjoyed wagon rides provided by a neighbor.

The members had brought sack lunches. Later in the day they had watermelon and a wiener roast around a camp fire. *Judy Young.*

Certain Handicaps

RESEDA, Calif. — The church here recently held a men-vs.-women softball game.

The men were required to play with certain handicaps: using only one hand to hold the bat, hopping between base pads on one leg, and fielding and throwing using the hand opposite the one the player would normally use.

In the bottom of the third the women led 4-0.

By the fifth, the men were ahead 5-4.

A home run in the sixth by Judy Loper batted in two runs, giving the women a 7-5 lead.

Sometime later, with two outs, a score of 7-6, bases loaded and pastor Bob Cloninger at bat, the umpire screamed, "Ball one! Ball two! Strike one! Ball three! Strike two!"

This was the moment. As the sagging pitcher wound up, the poised Mr. Cloninger looked confidently like he knew a home run was about to be seen by all.

The ball left the pitcher's quivering hand a second later. The ball found its way into the catcher's mitt. *Jim Wilson.*

Confusing the Women

ELKHART, Ind. — An unusual softball game took place between the Ladies' Club and the men of the Elkhart church.

Aug. 18 was the church's annual picnic at Eby Pines Campsite east of Bristol, Ind.

The men challenged the women to a seven-inning contest, so to make the game more evenly matched, the ladies were given four strikes for an out and four outs per inning.

The gentlemen had to bat left-handed and needed five balls for a walk. The game started at 4 p.m. and was to be the highlight and final event of the day.

Coached by minister George Afeldt, the men won the coin toss and elected to bat first. They took a commanding four-run lead.

But the ladies protested the game before it started on the grounds that

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CHESS-TOURNAMENT WINNERS — In the left photo, from left, David Vhay, H. White and McArthur Mickens present a trophy to Michael Sorwiec, winner of the tournament. In the right photo are, from left,



Charles Nouhan, second-place winner; Michael Sorwiec, first-place winner; and David Vhay and James Lane, who tied for third place. (See "Chess-Tourney Stats," this page.) [Photos by Johnny O. Smith]

Wrap-up

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the men's starting pitcher, local elder Henry Bontrager, was wearing stilts.

The males quickly saw their lead disappear as soon as the ladies had their chance to bat.

As the innings faded away, the women started to drop behind. The men took a commanding lead, but the final dust had not settled and the ladies promised they had a secret weapon.

The daring and tiring housewives kept hammering away at the men's lead. The dominant males kept changing their players at random and pulling tricks out of the hat to confuse the women.

Capt. Millie Lanter of the women kept her team together and along with scorekeeper Jackie Affeldt gave them confidence and made sure the game was played fair and all had an opportunity to play.

It was now the last of the seventh and the ladies were trailing 22-18 in this close-pitching duel. But the determined women kept swinging away and soon had the bases loaded. Then the women crossed the plate so fast that the men lost count.

When the final dust had settled, the women had won 23-22. *James R. Green.*

Small World

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The Plumbers Union Hall here Aug. 18 looked like the United Nations as the Columbia and Walterboro, S.C., churches participated in an "International Social."

Ten countries — Scotland, Canada, Japan, Mexico, Germany, Austria, Spain, Turkey, Switzerland and Norway — plus Jamaica were represented. Booths were decorated for each country, and the family representing each one dressed in the national costumes.

Desserts typical of each nation were served in the booths.

Everyone danced in this international atmosphere as the Columbia Band provided music.

Small children, accompanied by Joseph Rivers on the piano, contributed to the evening by singing "It's a Small World." *Paulette Jameson.*

Maintain the Strengths

TORONTO, Ont. — Brethren



10TH ANNIVERSARY — Gary Antion, pastor of the Toronto church, and his wife cut the cake as part of the Toronto church's 10th-anniversary celebration. (See "Maintain the Strengths," this page.) [Photo by Roy Sinkler]



ALASKAN CAMP-OUT — Bill Gordon, pastor of the Anchorage and Kenai, Alaska, churches, delivers a sermon from the front porch of member Edward Ladd's cabin. The cabin and nearby lakefront were the site of a recent weekend camp-out for members of the Anchorage and Kenai churches. [Photo by Mike Hunicke]

from Toronto East and West met with others from adjacent church areas Saturday, Aug. 17, for a 10th-anniversary celebration.

Back issues of *The Church of God News* (a now-defunct publication) and the *Plain Truth* and a photo display showed newcomers the growth during the past decade, not only in the Toronto area but in the Work worldwide.

Back in 1964 the second church area in Canada started with 243 attending Sabbath services conducted by Raymond Cole (then district superintendent) and the newly appointed Toronto pastor, Gary Antion. That original area has now grown to more than 2,000 people in nine local-church areas.

More than 800 people applauded as a large coffee percolator was presented to long-time pastor Antion.

Mr. Antion's sermon reviewed highlights of the past 10 years. He admonished members to maintain the strengths of the early church. *Ryan Watkins.*

Sitting in a Barrel

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Sitting in a barrel going down a waterfall, Richmond, Va., and Charlotte teenagers began the day at Carowinds Amusement Park, on the border of North and South Carolina, Aug. 11.

The Richmond and Newport News, Va., teens had driven to North Carolina Friday, Aug. 9, and had stayed with the brethren there and

attended church in Charlotte on the Sabbath.

Curtis May and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Austin organized the activity and drove cars for the teens.

Other drivers were Ray Lisman, Mrs. Lavelle Fisk and Mrs. Nancy Lawson. *Helen Ellis and Pat Fisk.*

Auction Nets Funds

PLEASANT HILL, Calif. — Two months of preparation paid off Sunday, Aug. 11, for the members of the Oakland, Calif., congregation. At the new Recreation Center here, a reception for new minister Carlton Smith and his family was combined with a benefit luncheon and auction.

A fashion show by ladies of all ages, from preschool to mothers; a spaghetti lunch; and a beautiful day all added to the festivities.

The lunch was prepared and served by ladies of the church, with others contributing their share for punch and needed utensils.

With few exceptions, every member of the congregation had a hand in the preparations.

C.L. Handy, a member who acted as auctioneer, sold items to the highest bidders.

The auction items were all contributed and included furniture, cast-iron and wrought-iron work, paintings, china paintings, needlework, preserves and even blackberry wine.

The receipts from the lunch and auction, well over \$900, will help to defray costs of a personal-appearance campaign in Oakland. *Anne Robinson.*

Fair Country

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — The second annual "Country Fair" of the church here was held Sunday, Aug. 25. Members and their children exhibited items they had produced in one or more of 10 categories: garden produce, canned foods, needlework, clothing, drawing and painting, flower arranging, pies, cakes, breads and hobbies and crafts.

A panel of eight judges, selected and headed by pastor Robert Persky, awarded first-, second- and third-place ribbons in the grade-school, high-school and adult divisions of each category.

The outstanding entry of the day received special recognition, a bedspread crocheted by Mrs. Betty Brooks.

A potluck picnic lunch was served. Games and races were participated in. *Garry Pfifer.*

Triumphant Tacoma Tug

OLYMPIA, Wash. — At Lake Lawrence Resort near here 25 Olympia men (plus a few Tacoma, Wash., renegades) and an equal number of Tacoma men simultaneously grabbed a rope that had been lying on the ground. Egged on by onlookers, they strained and tugged until the Tacocomans succeeded in pulling the Olympians over a line.

This minor controversy was part of the Aug. 10 Tacoma-Olympia

church picnic.

On that sunny but breezy Sunday, picnicers swam, played horseshoes and volleyball, organized games and contests, flew kites and threw softballs.

Chuck Downey, picnic coordinator, emceed awards at the day's end. Children receiving prizes were Jamie Aitkins, Tim Melzer, Brad Marson, Jennifer Fenchel, Terry Graves and Shelley Goethals.

Tops in the kite contest were Matt Fenchel, highest, Ray Corey, biggest, and Ron Goin, most unusual. Mr. Downey, who failed to get his gigantic plastic kite airborne for the required full minute of flight, described the event as "fun for some, disaster for others."

First- and second-place winners for the women's softball throw were Nancy Goethals and Fran Melzer; the male winners were Lanny Berg (a Pasadena visitor) and Paul Pelela.

Ed Leyda, anchorman for the triumphant Tacoma tug-of-war team, accepted for the Tacoma team what Olympians hope will be a traveling trophy. *Elly Mayfield.*

Big Sandy 49ers

BIG SANDY, Tex. — Mr. and Mrs. Mansel C. Watkins celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary Aug. 15.

The Watkinses have been members of the Worldwide Church of God since 1956. They lived in Dallas, Tex., until 1969, when they moved here.

Mr. Watkins has survived several near-fatal heart attacks but still works



MR. AND MRS. WATKINS

as an appliance repairman.

Several friends, including college students and graduates, surprised "Mammy" and "Pappy" Watkins on their 49th anniversary with a party at the home of Mrs. Pearl Hammer of Big Sandy.

Sunday, Aug. 25, the Watkinses held an open hour at their home so friends could help them celebrate the anniversary. *Wesley McQuown.*

Hawaiian Sweethearts

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — A touch of Hawaii was brought to 340 members of the San Diego and Escondido, Calif., church congregations at a luau, the final social event of the summer season, held on the shores of the Pacific, Sunday, Aug. 25, at Moonlight Beach in nearby Encinitas, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barrett, who supervised preparations for the event, were assisted in planning the Hawaiian motif by Mrs. Florence Haars, a native of Hawaii.

Mrs. Haars personally arranged a Hawaiian tablecloth made of Samoan-bird-of-paradise leaves and ferns, onto which carnations and hibiscuses were arranged.

She also made leis and performed three authentic Hawaiian dances.

Dan Edelman was master of ceremonies for the entertainment and performed to the accompaniment of recorded island music.

Vocal soloists were Marge Friddle, John Renz Jr., Virgil Gordon and Miss Rhonda Edelman.

Dance soloists were Mrs. Haars

and daughter Buffy.

A Hawaiian square-dance octet included John Renz Jr., Miss Edelman, Mr. and Mrs. John Saxon, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Voss and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Shoquist.

San Diego's guitarist trio of John, Jim and Paul (Renz, Row and Smith) also performed.

A grass-skirted group called the Hawaiian Sweethearts was Leslie Nelson, Janie Voss, Becky Friddle and Bobbi Rinehart. *Susan Karoska.*

Erie County Fair

HAMBURG, N.Y. — The Buffalo, N.Y., church, under the direction of minister Dan Bierer, ran a display booth at the Erie County Fair here Aug. 16 to 24.

Many of Ambassador College's booklets were displayed, as were several *Plain Truth* and *Good News* magazines.

A continuous slide show showing the extent of this global Work was presented.

Church members answered the questions of those interested.

The fair is reportedly the nation's largest county fair and the second-largest fair in the state of New York. A total of 535,478 attended.

While most of the people going by the booth were either curious or interested, a few were antagonistic. One man asked member Ed Heitzman what church he belonged to.

Mr. Heitzman said, "The Worldwide Church of God."

The fellow said, "No, I mean before that."

Mr. Heitzman replied, "Catholic."

The man then said, "Why don't you come back?"

Around 280 signed literature-request cards and were added to the mailing lists; 116 also requested *The Good News*. This is a 30 percent increase in this area, excluding members.

Garner Ted Armstrong is scheduled for a personal-appearance campaign here Nov. 15, 16 and 17. *Ronald Wlodoga.*

New Dimension

CHICAGO, Ill. — The Lake County Fair at Grayslake, Ill., has always been a typical county fair, but this year a new dimension was added.

The Chicago Northwest church rented booth space at the fair July 24 through 28 for an exhibit, the first of four planned in the Chicago area to promote interest in Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God.

The booth featured a display of booklets, the *Plain Truth* and the Bible Correspondence Course and information about the broadcast, the personal-appearance campaigns and the TV summer specials.

A highlight of the display was a slide exhibit explaining how the Work makes the Biblical answers to the world's big questions freely available. *Oma L. Baker.*

Almost-Capsized Club

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — The eight boys of the Boys' Club from this church area had their final camp-out Aug. 17 before school began.

They camped on a gravel bar on Bull Creek on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Adford Pierce.

Just as they got everything set up, and were having seconds on hot dogs, wind and rain forced the boys and six chaperons (including club leader Warren Ott) to grab what they could and jump into a boat (they had to cross the creek to get to the cars).

After almost capsizing a couple of times, they made it to shore and drove to the Pierce house, where they spent the night.

The next morning, after a few hours' sleep, they went back to the creek and swam and finished the camp-out with barbecued chicken. *Kathryn Hungerford.*

A Personal Letter

from

Samuel Lee Armstrong

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and November, when we hope to see the attendance increasing.

Mr. Armstrong's current trip (with the two high-ranking Japanese Diet members to the Middle East) shows the extent of God's guidance. Nobody could have predicted a few years ago that as a result of a continuous strengthening of Japanese faith, confidence and trust in Mr. Armstrong, he would be officially cited, in formal diplomatic occasions, for making significant contributions to Japanese-Egyptian and Japanese-Israeli relations (and on the same trip!), as well as giving speeches on the true Gospel to such distinguished audiences.

Furthermore, Prince Mikasa of Japan will be officially visiting Egypt in January and Israel in June, the initial contact and arrangements having been made through Mr. Armstrong. A tentative visit of the prince to Ambassador College in Pasadena is in the works for next August. Considering the enormous prestige of the prince (who is the emperor's brother) and the worldwide influence of Japan, this whole sequence of events certainly seems to be providential!

Looking Forward to Feast

I hope all of you are really looking forward to the Feast of Tabernacles. God gave His great Feast of Tabernacles to picture to us the conditions on this earth in the era now just ahead of us — the time of the reign of the Kingdom of God!

He has commanded us to COME OUT of this world for these eight days for the Feast of Tabernacles and the final great feast of the year (the Last Great Day), picturing the great

Safeguards

(Continued from page 1) bustible materials," he stated. "There's a real danger of setting the tents on fire and getting fire in the camps or the people getting burned themselves. And a catalytic heater should never be used in any kind of closed space unless there is some degree of air circulation through it."

"In other words, you don't tie down all the flaps on the tent and everything else and put a catalytic heater in there, because a catalytic heater does use up oxygen and you can get carbon-monoxide poisoning."

Dr. Parrish also said that those who stay in tents could prevent moisture buildup and help dry damp tents by leaving flaps and windows open on pleasant days.

He suggested that those with tents erect plastic covers over them and leave six inches to a foot of space between the plastic and the canvas.

Feast First Aid

Practically all sites will have first-aid areas this year, Dr. Parrish said.

"The only medical care that's given at Feast sites is that which can be given generally by a nurse in a first-aid setting, and all accidents and serious illnesses will be referred to local hospitals," he explained.

The doctor advised courtesy in obeying traffic rules and regulations at the Festival sites.

"I think one of the big hazards of any Feast is vehicular traffic — cars, motorcycles, bicycles — and failure to observe common-sense rules of safety or disregard of rules that have been issued by the camp office," he said.

"It's a matter of common sense and a matter, really, of being concerned about not hurting anybody or yourself, which, after all, is the golden rule."

judgment to follow. He has told us to dwell in temporary domiciles, living together in peace and harmony, hearing inspiring messages from God's ministers, working, eating, listening, studying, praying, fellowshiping together — so we can learn a vitally important lesson.

The real meaning of the Feast of Tabernacles is to portray to us the Kingdom of God — the earth here below as it will be under the rule and reign of that Kingdom, which is the great ruling family of God, into which we must be born.

The Feast pictures government on earth, order on earth, system on earth, harmony, peace and happiness on earth!

How Little Peace

But how precious little of that peace and happiness we witness today as we see yet more vicious attacks against former President Nixon in the news media, the completely uncalculated, supersensationalized announcements that Mr. Ford had "begun a study" concerning blanket pardon for all those involved in Watergate, when in fact Mr. Ford had said nothing of the sort.

Later it was admitted that while Mr. Ford may have said he would "study each individual case on its own merit" (or words to that effect) if and when such cases might be brought to him, the new media, ever ready to criticize and condemn the highest office in the land, caused an avalanche of furious speculations, even going so far as to attempt to tie President Ford to Watergate. (The media inspired at least one ridiculous "impeach President Ford" call from somewhere in California!)

Meanwhile, it was revealed that Mr. Nixon was in Palm Springs, Calif., with one leg swollen nearly twice its normal size with phlebitis, which had earlier plagued him on a trip to Egypt, while millions of Americans were still screaming for his blood.

What a sick, sorry, sad spectacle it is to see those standing knee deep in their own sins screaming for yet additional torment for a man who has already been toppled from the highest office on the face of the earth.

The problems we see around us should make us all that much more thankful that the Feast pictures the dawning of a new age, in which Jesus Christ will bring peace to this earth.

Profit Personally

I hope each of us takes it upon himself to profit as much as possible individually from this year's Feast. We are looking forward to a fine array of speakers at each site. As usual, my father and I will be at all continental-U.S. sites and Pentecost, B.C., in Canada.

In addition, Ronald Dart, C. Wayne Cole, David Jon Hill, Bill McDowell, Ronald Kelly, Frank Brown, Sherwin McMichael — all top speakers in the Work — will be visiting anywhere from three to seven sites each. (A complete list of the men and the sites they will be attending is on page 3.)

Outside of services themselves, remember that a key to a fulfilling Feast is seeing how much you can contribute to the enjoyment and well-being of others!

See how much of your interest, your time, your energy, your concern, your warm smiles and words of encouragement you can sprinkle through the Feast. See if you can make it a point to MEET more of your brothers and sisters than you did last time — really getting acquainted with them — and have and show more love than last time.

See if you can do more good working at straightening chairs, sweeping, dusting, cleaning, serving in any capacity, than you did last year.

But suppose there are enough laborers in different jobs? Suppose YOU are not really needed helping in

a particular duty after all? What then?

Then comes the biggest responsibility of all. We can really serve by making as few problems as possible for others. If you can be clean, neat and orderly and follow directions faithfully, you will be doing a real service to your brethren. You would be surprised at how much dirt, trash and litter volunteer Feast of Tabernacles crews have to clean up from the sewers and walkways every year.

"Not-Employed" Feastgoers

You'd be surprised at how many man-hours and how much special attention is required just to collect and keep track of and return lost and misplaced items. Why not do your part to make some of your brethren "not employed" at the Festival?

And there is another very, very big thing you can do. If you are cheerful, cooperative, easy to be directed, always following suggestions and instructions from deacons and their assistants, and if you are always really illustrating the very fruits of a totally changed and converted life, it will make your Feast immensely enjoyable. That joy will not only be yours but also that of your brethren.

I hope all of you will earnestly pray that all of God's people will be given special divine protection during and traveling to and from the Feast this year! We have been shocked and sobered in past years by saddening news of drownings, horrifying automobile accidents with several members of entire families being wiped out and other serious accidents and mishaps.

Take Care of Health

And, of course, there is always the usual problem of disrupted diets, work and sleep schedules, change of climate, sometimes drafts and really cramped quarters or sitting in a tent with one's feet on damp grass, as in Pentecost.

I am especially concerned for all the young children. Our ministers have always informed me that there is a skyrocketing rise in colds and flu among the younger children during the Feast because of being allowed to sleep on pallets, on blankets, on drafty floors or allowed to indulge themselves in unusual amounts of sweets, soft drinks or various pacifier-type snacks in between meals because of travel and the like.

While a certain amount of these things might be enjoyable on an outing at the Feast, overindulgence in them can lead to health problems!

Dr. Wilmer Parrish is interviewed in an article on this subject on page 1. I hope you will all read it carefully!

We're expecting the greatest Feast ever this year, with many thousands of new babes in Christ among us for the very first Feast of Tabernacles in their lives. And many additional hundreds (at each Feast site) of unconverted relatives and friends who will hopefully come along (and who are WELCOME!) will be noticing our example as we live and worship God together for these eight days.

Don't forget about the Holy Day offering during the Feast. I have already said much about it over the course of the last three months. So now all I'll do is remind you of it.

Don't Forget Prayer

Sometimes, because of the crush of time-consuming details, a very involved eight-day schedule, a great deal of travel and lots of time for visiting with friends and meeting new friends, it is a great temptation to let down on your own personal PRAYER!

But, brethren, let's not let this happen! Let's remember to be in an attitude of prayer all the time during the Feast and to force ourselves to spend as much or more time in prayer during the Feast of Tabernacles as we do at home.

The real KEY to a successful Feast is the amount of time we all individually spend in deep, personal communication with our God and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! If we all collectively do this, we are going to see a powerful and obvious working of God's Holy Spirit through His ministers and through all His people in this Feast of Tabernacles. The spiritual blessings and rewards will

be beyond our ability to describe or comprehend!

We do not know from year to year when these incredible world conditions will finally dictate that God's people simply cannot meet to rejoice and fellowship together in safety! It would be foolish to make any predictions that the Feast of 1974 is the last for this age — and equally foolish to predict confidently that it is not!

Jesus says we must be "like unto men that wait for their lord." I believe that should be the keynote and the theme for this Feast of Tabernacles: the uncertainty of the times in which we live and the absolute conviction and assurance that the second coming of Jesus Christ is very near.

Until we meet together at the Feast, I hope you will pray for my father and me, as we will be praying for all of you!

In Jesus' name,

Gamer Ted Armstrong

P.S.: Brethren, we must always keep in mind we are a worldwide Church — one body united in Christ but scattered all over this world! When you read of terrible weather conditions, you are very likely reading of day-to-day, real situations striking and affecting your brethren in some other part of the world!

Just recently Hurricane Carmen struck the Louisiana coast, causing tremendous damage to crops and property alike. Early reports indicated none of our brethren in serious trouble, but we must always go to God in prayer when we see these natural calamities occurring, knowing that there could be some of God's people living directly in that area who could be seriously affected except for God's divine protection.

LET STUDENT CONCESSIONS GIVE YOU A HAND THIS FEAST!

Ambassador College, Big Sandy, is again serving you this Feast of Tabernacles through student concessions. For your convenience we will be serving coffee, doughnuts, chicken dinners, sandwiches, cold drinks, milk and other snacks. Concession stands will be in operation before and after services at the Lake of the Ozarks, Wisconsin Dells, Mount Pocono and Big Sandy Festival sites. Helping you helps us!



SOFTBALL TOURNEY — A member of a Houston (Tex.) East church softball team stretches to beat a throw to a Shreveport, La., first-baseman in a softball tournament held on the Big Sandy campus of Ambassador College Sept. 1. The Houston East team won the double-elimination tourney by defeating Houston West in the final. Shreveport placed third, while the host team, from Longview, Tex., failed to win a game. (Photo by Wayne Janes)

IMPORTANT!

We are receiving more personal than we have room for. To help us make sure your personal gets in, please make it as short and concise as possible...

BABIES

- ATLANTA, Ga. — Nathan Christopher Price, second son, fourth child of Wilbur and Dianne Price, Aug. 15, 8:06 a.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces.
BRICKET WOOD, England — Ryan Andrew Shevane, first son, first child of Tony and Cheryl Shevane, Aug. 24, 10:25 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces.



MR. AND MRS. PETER MCLEAN



MR. AND MRS. JIM TORRANCE

prints on this page. We cannot print your personal unless you include your mailing label.

PEN PALS

Mother, 31, four children, husband not at home, would like to correspond with others in same situation. Also would like to exchange ideas with those who have a child with stuttering problem (7½ daughter). Answer all letters. Sue Romero, 518 Walnut Avenue, Kingsport, Tenn., 37660.
Single lady member, 57, attending Dallas church would like to correspond with gentlemen 55 to 65. Will attend Big Sandy Mrs. Christine Bankston, 10136 Klarney Drive, Dallas, Tex., 75218.

Dublin, Ohio, 43017.

We are a new women's group from the Olympia church scattered over Grays Harbor and Pacific counties, yet we are all near enough to meet at least once a month to get to know each other and dream up ways to earn money for the work...

Anyone knowing Gordon Fell, have him write me quickly, giving address and information about him. I'm checking his Festival-housing confirmation. John S. Christason, 737 North Beckley, Dallas, Tex., 75203.

We in the Niagara Falls Feast area have been blessed to be able to arrange a special program at the Feast which should include the music in your local church. Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 2, at 1:30 in the Convention Center. Great Warring organization will have a team from the Fred Warring organization to conduct a choir workshop with singing, inspirational, concert, stage and popular music...

Attention those transferring to the Wisconsin Dells Feast site! This year at the Dells we'll be having an arts-and-crafts display for Church members. We would like to encourage you attending the Dells who would like to display your handwork to bring it there. Awards will be given to those who will have a chance to view your creativity. Just report to the Dells recreation booth at the Feast upon arrival at J.J. Gustafson, 6942 West 60th Place, Chicago, Ill., 60638.

Was anyone inspired by reading the article 'David the King' in the November, 1968, Tomorrow's World? I know I was. It was about David's ability to solve any problem we come across. I am a contractor. By the way, I wrote the article. David L. Parker, 59 Dover Avenue, Banbury, Oxon, OX16 0JG, England.

Elementary-school teachers: Please let me hear about your art projects, particularly those with a winter theme. Kay Peterson, Washington School, Hibbing, Minn., 55746.

Wanted: Back issues of PT, March, 1968, to May, 1969, December, 1969, January, 1970, March to September, 1970. Back issues of TW, issues before November to December, 1970, and The Bible Story, Vol. 2. Am also willing to trade. Have back issues of PT, TW, all in excellent condition. PT, December, 1970, to September-October, 1972; TW, July, 1971, to December, 1971. Philip Adams, 28 Sorrel Lane, Rolling Hills Estate, Calif., 90274.

Uncle Wayne. We love the tractor, and we love you too. Wish we could see you. Wayne and Dallas Vinson.

To Darwin and Janet Nelson: Congratulations on the birth of little Juliet! We think of you often. Mike and Sandy Vinson, Rt. 3, Alhambra, Ga., 30201.

'Granny' Boehmes. How are the chickens? We love you. Say to Nancy, M. and S. of Georgia. James Rodney Silverthorn, where are you? Request that person in question or other person's knowing whereabouts of said person get in touch with us. Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Baker, Rt. 3, Box 329C, Georgetown, Ind., 47122.

Would like to have old Correspondence Course, reprints, TWs, GMS, PTs if anybody would like to give them away. Also would like pen pals. Darrell W. Pollard, Box 753, Lakeland, Fla., 33802.

South African brethren, please help. Ex-Bricket Wood student/employee and family planning to emigrate. Would appreciate help-suggestions and/or contacts in employment field. Will consider anything. Please write soon. Keith Dewrance, 15 Cumberland Drive, Redburn, St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England.

Four Church members would like possible photo-identification areas in north-central or northwestern Kansas during Thanksgiving week. Martin Rich, Box 325, Gran Valley, Mo., 64029.

Here's a tip to new parents. Instead of passing out cigars? I know I don't give out cigars? Simply buy a set that reads "It's a boy" and one that says "It's a girl" from any firm that sells personalized stationery equipment. Write to: John F. Cardie, 337 Nottingham Road, Woodbury, N.J., 08096.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

We'd like to let the readers of The Worldwide News know about your new baby as soon as it arrives!
Just fill out this coupon and send it to the address given below as soon as possible after the baby is born.

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Birth date: Time: Weight:

MISCELLANEOUS

Thank you to the man who ran the display booth at the Rochester, Minn., fair. You offered the PT to a good friend of mine. She told me she has been searching for answers and for a church where she can really worship God. She'll find those answers now! S.S. Dallas, Tex.

PERSONALS

Send your personal ad, along with a WW mailing label with your address on it, to PERSONALS, The Worldwide News, Box 111, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755, U.S.A. Your personal must follow the guidelines given in the 'Policy on Personals' box which frequently ap-

THE OFFICIAL GRAPEVINE

VANCOUVER, Wash. — "I think things are looking up," Mrs. Basil Wolverton said of Mr. Wolverton, 65, who has been suffering from a severe illness which required his hospitalization for three weeks beginning July 5 (see "Grapevine," Aug. 19).

"He isn't able to stand too long yet," she said. "He's had a lot of ups and downs . . . But he's progressing pretty well under the circumstances."

Mr. Wolverton's *Worldwide News* cartoon series, "Third Thoughts," has been interrupted for an indefinite period of time, depending on how rapidly he recuperates, Mrs. Wolverton said.

BRICKET WOOD, England — Harold Jackson, director of the Black African Work, and Abner Washington, minister from the Atlanta, Ga., area, left here Sept. 6 on a



MR. HAROLD JACKSON

visiting tour of western Africa which will continue until the Feast of Tabernacles.

In the 3½ weeks leading up to the Feast, they hope to visit 150 people in Ghana and Nigeria.

They plan to remain in Lagos, the Nigerian capital, the first three days of the Feast, which will be held in the suburb of Ikeja.

The remaining days of the Festival will be kept in Accra, the capital of Ghana.

Attendance could reach 300 in each city, though torrential rains in Ghana may reduce the figure there slightly.

This is the first time the Feast of Tabernacles is being held in Black Africa and is Mr. Washington's first visit to the continent for the Work.

The African brethren, with small incomes, must travel considerable distances with little means of transportation. Since they have little second title, many of them will have to supplement expenses from their own money.

Despite the difficulties, Bricket Wood's Mail Processing Department is receiving enthusiastic letters from African members determined to attend this first Feast of Tabernacles in Black Africa.

BATON ROUGE, La. — Hurricane Carmen ripped through Louisiana Saturday night and early Sunday morning, Sept. 7 and 8, causing an estimated \$100 million damage to the state's sugarcane crop.

Winds near the eye of the hurricane gusted to 180 miles an hour before the storm hit shore.

Church members here and at Lake Charles, La., were unharmed, according to Dick Thompson and Warren Heaton III, pastors of the respective churches. But some did suffer light wind damage, Mr.

Thompson said.

Mr. Thompson said that in his area, the sugarcane was not a total loss.

"One fellow said they might get in there by hand and harvest some sugarcane, but they don't know how much," Mr. Thompson said. "Others are just knocking it down and planning for next year's crop."

Mr. Heaton said winds were only 30 to 40 miles per hour as the hurricane passed through Lake Charles and caused no great amount of damage.

MANILA, Philippines — Eight follow-up weekly Bible lectures here in the wake of Herbert W. Armstrong's successful Manila personal appearance of May 17, 18 and 19 have drawn an "encouraging response," according to Colin Adair, director of the Work's office here.

While poor weather has kept attendance down, an average of 357, including 177 nonmembers, have attended weekly, and 507 attended one meeting, Mr. Adair said.

Nonmembers who attended one or more lectures totaled 565.

Mr. Adair said heavy rains had fallen on seven of the eight lecture days and that since few Filipinos



FREE LITERATURE — Those who attended the follow-up Bible lectures in Manila following Herbert W. Armstrong's personal-appearance campaign there of May 17, 18 and 19 examine free literature at a booklet-display board. (Photo by Jeremiah Ortigero)

have their own transportation, it is extremely difficult for them to travel during the heavy rain.

The final day was the worst of all, Mr. Adair added, because of heavy monsoon rains which flooded downtown Manila. The meeting on that day was almost canceled, he said, but the floods subsided quickly after the rain stopped and the office decided to go ahead rather than disappoint those who came. Forty-seven nonmembers and 203 members attended that meeting.

At the seventh meeting Leslie McCullough of Pasadena, director of the International Division of the Work, and Steve Martin, Mr. McCullough's assistant, were here to lecture and answer questions.

Mr. Adair said that because of the interest shown during the eight weeks of lectures, an additional meeting was scheduled. Sixty-six attended.

BRICKET WOOD, England — The resettlement of students from Ambassador College, Bricket Wood, has now been completed.

Most Bricket Wood students, a total of 96, transferred to Pasadena. Of the remainder, 33 went to Big Sandy.

A few left college to work for a year, hoping eventually to attend one of the two other campuses.

A small number were asked to remain here and accept full-time employment.

U2 pilot tells of capture by U.S.S.R.

By Les Stocker

PASADENA — The pilot of the U2 spy plane which created an international incident, Francis Gary Powers, appeared in the Ambassador Auditorium Thursday evening, Sept. 5. He was guest speaker as part of the college's "celebrity series."

The incident — on which he based his lecture — happened May 1, 1960, when Mr. Powers was shot down while flying over the Soviet Union in a U2 reconnaissance jet. Then-Premier Nikita Khrushchev revealed the occurrence to the Supreme Soviet on May 5 and charged the United States with an attempt to abort a planned summit meeting in Paris.

By May 16 Khrushchev withdrew from the Paris summit conference and rescinded an invitation to President Dwight D. Eisenhower to visit the U.S.S.R. He also asked for an apology from the American leader.

President Eisenhower canceled further U2 flights over the Soviet Union but refused to apologize.

The summit conference was canceled.

The U2 incident turned out to be one of the most serious moments in the Cold War years.

Mr. Powers' presentation at Ambassador College began with a 1960 newsreel which took the audience back to the turbulent conditions of that year. He then showed a short film on the amazing abilities of the U2 aircraft.

Close to Suicide

After the film, Mr. Powers, now 45, went on to recount his 1960 flight. He related his experience of being shot down and the story of his struggle to get out of the crippled plane.

He told of his thoughts as he dangled from a parachute falling to earth.

Mr. Powers said he came very close to committing suicide with a poison-tipped pin.

The pilot went on to tell the story

of his experiences while in the custody of the Soviets. He recounted his trial and imprisonment. He said he fully expected to be given the death penalty but was ultimately given a 10-year prison sentence.

The U2 pilot was released only two years later, however, in February, 1962, as the result of a prisoner exchange involving Rudolf Abels, a Soviet spy held by the United States.

Mr. Powers' life as a captive did not include torture or beatings of any kind. He was sometimes in solitary confinement, but he was not brutalized. He feels this was due to his unique situation as a showcase prisoner who drew worldwide attention. Perhaps most disconcerting to the captive pilot were the problems created by United States news media. Mr. Powers told his interrogators certain erroneous information about the U2 to avoid giving away secrets.

Major American newspapers contradicted his testimony by publishing

As of this writing, one man still keeps a lonely vigil in Lakeside, the men's dormitory. Australian Bruce Dean is waiting to leave for Belfast, Northern Ireland, where he will be assisting Robin Jones in the field ministry.

With no hot water, no food and no company, Bruce says he hopes it won't be too long before he leaves.

BIG SANDY — Dexter Faulkner, *Plain Truth* Washington correspondent and frequent contributor to *The Worldwide News*, presented a slide show at Ambassador College Wednesday night, Sept. 11, of a recent trip he took to the Soviet Union (*The Worldwide News*, June 24 and July 8).

The next day he discussed the Washington press scene at a student assembly.

BIG SANDY — Because of the ingenuity of two senior men at the Ambassador College campus here, students can now get static-free reception of *The World Tomorrow* broadcast.

Wes Eckles and Sam Abraham are broadcasting from their residence, booth 311 in the student-housing area known as Booth City, on 90-MHz FM radio.

Using a wireless microphone provided by the college, the two beam the broadcast in a one-mile radius, using 56 milliwatts of power.

Wes Eckles said that U.S. Federal Communications Commission regulations do not require licensing of stations with less than 100 milliwatts of power.

facts about the U2 which Mr. Powers had covered up. The validity of the captive's testimony was brought into question by American newspapers, putting Mr. Powers in a difficult predicament.

Easy Espionage

He explained the manner in which much Soviet espionage is carried out: by simply following the American news media. He cited the recent Pentagon Papers scandal as an example. He said American political leaders seem to comment on anything to the press whether they know anything about the subject or not.

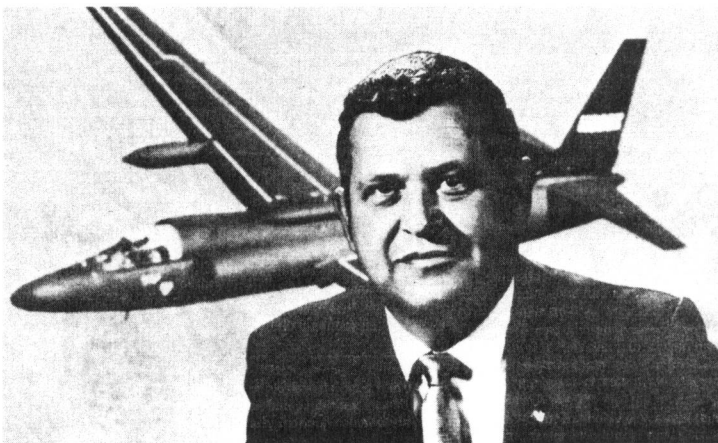
He feels that a simple refusal to comment could save a great amount of grief and difficulty.

Mr. Powers explained that U2 flights over the U.S.S.R. took place for four years, using planes based in Turkey and other border nations. They were there under the guise of "high-altitude weather reconnaissance."

The U2 flights were credited with providing President John F. Kennedy with essential information during the Cuban missile crisis. The accurate location of major industrial and military centers within the Soviet Union was an important contribution of the spy plane. After all, guided missiles must be trained on the proper target, he said.

Mr. Powers flew more flights over the U.S.S.R. than any other U2 pilot. (These pilots were actually civilians working for the United States Central Intelligence Agency and not the U.S. Air Force.) Between 1962 and 1964, four U2s piloted by Nationalist Chinese airmen were shot down in Communist China. Only one other American pilot was shot down in a U2 — over Cuba in 1962 — and the pilot was killed.

Mr. Powers is employed today as a pilot reporter for a radio station in Los Angeles. He flies over the Los Angeles Basin daily, reporting on traffic conditions and any disasters from the air.



U2 PILOT — A recent guest speaker as part of the Pasadena Ambassador College "celebrity series" was Francis Gary Powers. A U2 plane is pictured in the background.