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SPOKESMAN CLUBS GROW

by Maeco Hampton and Edwin Marrs

Our Chicago Clubs are really showing growth — both in numbers of active, willing men, and, in the ability of the men to speak with purpose and clarity.

SUNDAY NIGHT CLUB

During an evening at the Sunday Night Chicago Spokesman Club, one may experience many interesting and entertaining moments, and also expect the timely and witty humor of the club members to bring forth hilarious laughter at any second. Yet, this is properly balanced by mature, down-to-earth sound-mindedness which is easily discernible in the comments and speeches made during these enjoyable evenings. From the beginning until the very end, those attending must brace themselves for the unexpected which may spring forth at any moment adding variety and spice to the evening's activities.

For example: during the topics session the Topicsmaster may ask one of the club members to stand and give his opinion as to whether a man should purchase a wig for his wife and if so, what color? Another may be in the form of a debate asking the men if they would prefer a do-it-yourself haircut for themselves and their sons (perhaps barbered by the "little wife") or to play it safe and let the experienced barber ply his trade. Nine chances out of ten you will get a good job at the barber's, but this cannot always be afforded. On the other hand, the 'homemade' haircut is like a grab-bag session, you can never be quite sure how it is going to turn out until it is too late. Every meeting has its times of refreshing and relaxing laughter precipitated by alert and growing spokesmen. Continually we are captivated by informative speeches-glued to the edges of our seats with suspense while hearing an account of the workings of the dreaded 'Electric Chair'. Variety is abundant, humor not wanting, and neither are our taste buds neglected-being satisfied by health-giving juices, coupled with mouth watering creations prepared by the wives of our members.

Some of the Spokesmen make the rewarding sacrifice of traveling about one hundred and thirty miles round trip to attend the meetings. And even though tired

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Mr. Regnier presents Most Improved Speaker Award to Mr. Sienkiewicz and Alvin Kampe

OUT ON THE LAKE WITHOUT A PADDLE OR A BOAT!

by Martin C. Filippello

Have you ever been on the middle of a lake without a paddle, or even a boat? This is what happened to yours truly, while attending the Sunday night spokesmen club as guest!

During the regular Bible quiz, president John Kreidich asked how many of us knew the six basic doctrines of God's Church? Can you imagine—not one of the 30-odd men present knew all six.

Do you realize, that everyone who attended the Feast of Tabernacles, was admonished by evangelist, Mr. Herman Hoeh, who spoke of these points, to be able to give the answer.

Brethren, what more can I add—not one of us did as he was told by God's own minister! We who were present at the Sunday night club, were rebuked sharply and each of us had to write each doctrine 25 times.

It might seem rather odd, to treat grown men as if they were back in school, but we should be thankful that it came about this way, giving us a second chance. We know that the Bible says "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip." Go back and re-check your notes on the BASIC 6 doctrines: 1. REPENTANCE FROM DEAD WORKS, 2. FAITH TOWARD GOD, 3. BAPTISMS, 4. LAYING ON OF HANDS, 5. RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD and 6. ETERNAL JUDGMENT.

This article wasn't written just for some, but for all of US. Again let me point out to you that among 33 men who were in attendance EVERYONE received a BIG FAT ZERO.

If you would have been in the same "Lake" by allowing these to slip away, take your second chance, for I tell you, they are now in my mind and will be FOREVER.

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Do You Read Editorials?

Some people have the habit of overlooking the editorial in a newspaper or magazine. Some say it is dull reading, others reflect it is just someone's opinion, and they are not interested in opinion. Again others feel the editor has his own axe to grind politically or for another cause. Sometimes these statements are true and hold merit.

However, this will not be true of the editorials in the Church of God News, Chicago-Midwest Edition. An editorial is defined as an article written by, or pertaining to the editor; an article expressing the editor's opinions. An editorial is also a leading article in any newspaper.

Henceforth, the editorial in this newspaper will be written by Mr. Dean Blackwell, or one of the ministers in the area. It will deal with the condition of the churches in the Midwest, their needs, shortcomings, how we can be knitted closer together, problems, high points, low points, in our spiritual growth, where we show improvement and where we lack. In a sense the pulse of the churches in the midwest.

This will be our leading article, and one where we will all be able to profit greatly. It is just another way we can all grow, and be bonded together in love, as one big family I implore each one of you; DO NOT OVER LOOK THE EDITORIAL. It truly will be the highlight of the Church of God News.

EDITOR

COURTESY

by Clarence Svehla

We have been told "Be courteous" 1 Pet. 3:8. Paul was lodged three days courteously Acts 28:7. Julius the centurion entreated Paul courteously Acts 27:3.

"Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners" 1 Cor. 15:33. In the past our manners have been subject to corruption; many of us just didn't care what others thought as long as we had a good time. Now we are commanded to be courteous 1 Pet. 3:8. The opposite of courtesy is discourtesy. A dictionary definition of courtesy renders the following: 1. Courty politness; 2. An expression of respect. We are also told to let brotherly love continue. "Let nothing be done through strife or vain glory, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than ourselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others, Phl. 2:3 & 4. When we look into a book of etiquette we find courtesy is *consideration for others and the rights of others.*

Now then, there are many books available concerning etiquette and every day good manners. These books magnify the practical application of courtesy. Almost every used-book store has a large variety of these books at about one-fourth the original price. Teach these to your children and practice them at home. This is another way in which you love your neighbor as yourself. Emerson wrote "Life is not so short but that there is always time enough for courtesy."

A MIRACLE FIBER NOT YET EQUALLED

Do you know of a miracle fiber existing since creation - a fiber too unique in composition and construction for man to invent? It will last a lifetime of washing, it is possible for it to recover after much abuse, is protective, decorative, elastic, preserves heat, and if given reasonable care, will replace itself. Give up? It's your "crowning glory" — your hair!

The average hair grows approximately one-half inch per month; the life span of a hair on the scalp is from two to six years. We lose twenty-five to fifty hairs per day. Through the process of regeneration, a new hair actually grows from a part of the old one, thus replacing itself. Dr. Herman Goodman, M. D., a noted dermatologist, explains this very clearly in his book, YOUR HAIR — "in healthy hair, the rate of replacement keeps abreast with the rate of loss, but when once an old hair leaves its follicle" (a tube-like inversion of the skin through which the hair reaches the surface of the skin) "without depositing the vital growing nucleus, there will be no new hair to replace it. Baldness, thus is the inevitable consequence of the rate of loss exceeding the rate of regeneration."

Strong chemicals in the endless array of synthetic lotions and preparations have been known to poison the roots of the hair, resulting in either partial or complete de-

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MIRACLE FIBER (Con't)

struction of the ability of the hair to replace itself. Mr. J. I. Rodale, in his book, **THE HEALTH FINDER**, relates an incident reported in the November 3, 1951 issue of the **JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION** of two young women who applied a hair lotion containing ninety per cent of carbon tetrachloride. "The two women applied the hair lotion in a dressing room with the windows closed, so that they inhaled a maximum amount of lethal fumes. In one case, although there was severe kidney and liver damage, the patient recovered, although she may have a permanently damaged liver. The second patient became violently ill as she applied the lotion, developed acute nephritis and died on the eleventh day afterward". *The importance of reading the labels on every item we use cannot be overly stressed.* Dr. William A. Sawyer, an IAM Medical Consultant, informs us "Recently a home permanent wave lotion was introduced which contained a neutralizer that was also a shampoo. It was in use only a short time when women began to have severe painful eye irritations. The product had to be withdrawn from the market". Dr. Sawyer further warns us "*There is much to be accomplished in protecting the consumer.*"

If your hair is in a condition which needs correcting, may I suggest "attacking" your problems on two "fronts"? First - real beauty of hair begins from within, by proper diet free from carbohydrates and fats and rich in vitamins and minerals. Second - refrain from using hair preparations with harmful chemicals and shampoos which have a detergent base. Let it be said that the same One Who originated the miracle fiber also equipped its owners with glands to spread its lubrication down the hair shaft to keep it protected and lustrous. We can chalk it up to man, who through greed for profit and the vanity of thinking he can improve upon perfection, is responsible for this sad state of affairs. The strong detergents man has invented absorb this oil so vital to the beauty and health of the hair. In Mr. J. I. Rodale's **THE HEALTH FINDER**, he relates one of the many arguments against detergents, "A firm manufacturing an antiseptic detergent for the use of surgeons and operating room personnel advertises its product by saying: the substances in this detergent 'adhere to the skin and resist rinsing.' Because the detergent is actually absorbed by the skin it provides skin-deep protection from germs in the deeper layers of the skin. The anti-bacterial effect is prolonged and increases with repeated and frequent use.' In other words, *the oftener you use this particular detergent, the more of it clings to your skin.*"

After speaking with chemists and representatives of several of the prominent soap companies, it seems that a pure shampoo - one free from any chemicals and detergents - is almost a thing of the past. A letter from a representative of the Proctor and Gamble Company honestly informed me "Today, most prepared shampoos contain synthetic detergents of one kind or another; some are even a blend of synthetic detergents and soaps."

I received the following letter from Mr. Kurrie, Manager of Industrial Sales Department of Armour and Company: "This will confirm our tel phone statement of today to the effect that Armour's Hexachlorophene Liquid Soap, U. S. P., does not contain any synthetic detergents and is made wholly from a soap base. The product bears the U.S.P. label on the original containers."

If you want further information, you can get in touch with Mr. Kurrie at Armour and Company.

A pure Castile or coconut oil shampoo is the most desirable. However, since many of the shampoos are a mixture of soap and detergents, when purchasing your shampoo it is wise to check the label to see if it contains any harmful ingredients.

If you are in an area which has only hard water, it is better to add a little water softener to the water and use a pure soap shampoo than to resort to those with a detergent base which cling and penetrate the hair and scalp.

But cheer up ladies, your hair can be restored to a "crowning glory" with the proper diet and reasonable amount of care. Specific suggestions for individual problems will be discussed in a future issue.

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upon arrival, I have heard one of these make the statement that he loses that tired and weary feeling as soon as this profitable meeting begins. The reader may gather from this article that we of the Sunday night Spokesman's club take great delight and satisfaction in being privileged to attend. The truth of the matter is that we consider time well spent and that there is nothing remotely comparable to the multitudinous benefits and rich rewards one receives from continual, whole-hearted participation.



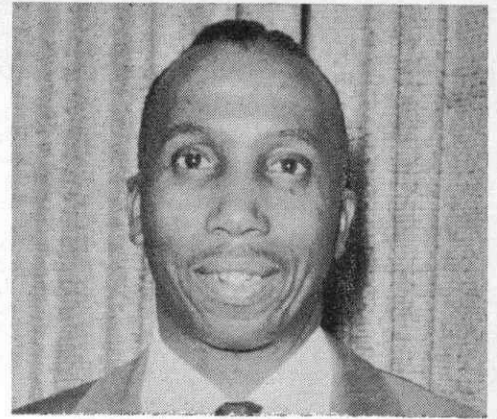
SATURDAY NIGHT CLUB

Having fresh crisp, new officers in the Saturday Night Spokesman Club has also produced new ideas to strengthen each member spiritually and thereby strengthen the Church.



Mr. Martin Filippello had no sooner taken the gavel from our past President, Mr. Kreidich, when he introduced the new "500" club. This club consists of men who have

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ABOUT MR. JACKSON

by Elisha Crim

Mr. Harold L. Jackson is probably the first Negro to be ordained as an Elder in the Church of God since the days of the apostles. His drive and fervent zeal for God's work can be seen by all. The recent semester he spent at Ambassador College has strengthened him and even better prepared him for his many tasks.

Here are some of the interesting things about Mr. Jackson's past life, which you may wish to know.

He was born and reared in Des Moines, Iowa. His parents are members of the Baptist Church. He stopped attending that church when a close friend showed him, out of the Bible, the truth about the Sabbath. Then he began to attend the Seventh Day Adventist Church. He did not join it, because he didn't believe that they had the right name.

In those early years of his life, Mr. Jackson was a professional embalmer, painter and band leader. He led his own sixteen piece jazz band playing several nights a week and touring the United States.

His attendance at the Seventh Day Adventist Church continued until 1934, when he came into contact with a branch of the Sardis Church (the true Church of God at that time). He attended this church for two years before he was baptised into it in 1936.

In 1943, he moved from his home state to San Diego, California. There he continued studying and obeying the Laws of God which he understood, but not attending any church. Late in the year of 1951, he heard Mr. Armstrong for the first time. After listening for two weeks, he and his wife drove to Pasadena to meet and talk with Mr. Armstrong. In the latter part of 1952, Mr. Roderick Meredith came to San Diego and baptized seven people, and from these, the San Diego Church was started. Mr. Jackson's growth continued, as he studied hard, even attending night classes for several years to better prepare himself to serve God. In 1957, he was ordained Deacon in God's Church, the first Colored deacon of this Philadelphia era.

Mr. Jackson is the father of three children of a former marriage (The former wife is deceased). The children are a son, 28, and two daughters, 23 and 33.

It was on November 7, 1959, that God had him ordained to the position of Elder in His church. It was then he hung up his paint brush, the main tool of his profession of painter and decorator (grossing an annual income of \$8,000 to \$10,000) and went full time into the work of God.

After his ordination, he was sent here to work among the people of his race. He has also spent several months in New York, working with the Colored people there.

We rejoice to have Mr. Jackson back with us after his recent tour through the Southern States, baptizing and visiting the scattered members.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

by Gene Madison

Winter is approaching! We are experiencing blustery weather now - nature's warnings!

I remember a long cold walk I took in November of last year. Cold weather had set in. The temperature was far below freezing, the air dry and pungent. Many motorists had not heeded the earlier blasts of winds bringing in colder weather. They were polluting the air with exhaust fumes rich in partially burned fuel. They hadn't had tune-ups; their cars couldn't be started. Many were badly missing; chokes were not opening up - being clamped tight from the cold weather.

Filling station attendants were thawing out frozen radiators in stalls while several frustrated drivers hopped about from one cold foot to another while waiting their turn. Case after case of anti-freeze was being sold! And this all was happening after winter was upon them - after repeated warnings!!

Brethren, another such season is upon us! How many of us have heeded the signs given from the north - from the face of the sky? And in like parallel, how are you heeding God's warnings of the "signs of the times"? Matt. 16:3.

You have seen these early winter scenes the same as I. Some of you have been caught unprepared - the same as I. "Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets." Prov. 1:20. Let these things teach us that we have failed in the small things and that we can lose out in entering God's kingdom. We have been stranded motorists and we can be stranded Laodiceans!!

Prepare now - NOW is an accepted time! Pray. Study to be found worthy. Don't be one of the stranded Laodiceans pictured in Matt. 25 as the five foolish virgins who had failed to put enough oil in their lamps.

Let God's Spirit into your mind - and put anti-freeze in your radiators!

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for five consecutive times scored "100" in the Bible Quiz which is a regular portion of the club. It is with joy and sorrow that I give the names of these three men: Messers. Harold Cormany, George Gibbs and Edwin Marrs. I am joyful because these three men are our first "500" Club members, and I am sorrowful because the entire Saturday Night Spokesman Club cannot be listed. I certainly hope this list will grow.

Following closely on the heels of the "500" Club was the introduction of regularly assigned "attack" speeches which certainly will help "easy going Charlie's" to become "Vigilant Johns". A sterling example of an attack speech was given by Mr. John Bald (whom I thought would split the podium). One of the most informative and helpful attack speeches was given by our past Secretary Mr. John Freel. Mr. Freel's speech was filled with ideas to help us to be more effective in studying God's work. He did not generalize in his six minute attack speech but gave us point by point, step by step examples of just how important it is for us give attack speeches.

You can see that God's Spokesman Clubs are not in a rut, but are filled with ideas and ways to grow in every way. I can surely say that every "shy guy" who has stuck with the Spokesman Club realizing the help and benefit not only he could receive but how much more he himself would be able to give in return to God's Church, has not regretted the times he has made himself speak and participate and can truly say that here is the place to become "An Eloquent Man and Mighty in the Scriptures".

SOUTH BEND NEWS

by Roland Van Slooten

In modern religious circles groups of people gather together embracing certain cherished religious ideals and doctrines which are usually inherited from their parents: each believes it is right, because human nature refuses to harbor any thought that we could be in error.

At the South Bend Church, we are blessed by having four families converted from the Amish sect or religion: The Enas Hochstetler family, the Ben Bontrager family the Henry Bontrager family, the Adam Yoder family.

As usual, God found a way to get the call out to these people past the many safeguards the Amish religion sets up.

Radios are not permitted. Mr. Hotstetler left the original Amish sect a few years before his conversion, joining a split called the Beachy Church. This group had relaxed some of the harder "don'ts" of the Amish religion, which I will cover later in this article.

The basic doctrines of the Amish Church do curb materialism; automobiles are out, along with radios, electricity, and tractors although for the harvest, threshing machines are permitted. The clip-clop of the horse and buggy is a familiar sound to the ear in their community.

Their dress is indeed unique. The men wear dark suits and instead of buttons, hooks and eyes are used. Also stand-up collars are the vogue. Belts are out; suspenders still hold up the decency front. The women wear a covering, a white cape and an apron. I suppose the whiteness depicts purity.

The use of alcoholic beverages is discouraged around children, probably used for medicinal purposes (writers comment). Mr. Hochstetler said this was a paradox. They use strong drink in moderation and teach abstinence.

Church buildings are not used: the congregations convene in the houses of members. A Bishop is overseer, having under him two ministers and a deacon. At any rate this was the procedure where four churches were under one Bishop. Meetings were held on alternating Sundays making two ministers sufficient. The church officers are farmers and receive no salary so tithing was out. Communion is held semi-annually and the foot washing service is adhered to in an all-day meeting.

The Beachy Church permitted autos and a few other modern conveniences so Mr. Hochstetler allowed the glitter of this world to wean him away from the original Amish Church. The auto he bought had a radio and he neglected the removal of it long enough to hear God's call, so we are blessed with three former Amish families in God's Church today.

THE MILK QUESTION—Part 2

by Dr. Kenneth C. May

PASTEURIZED MILK:

Pasteurization can damage the quality of milk by:

- (1) Reducing its aliveness.
- (2) Damaging the enzymes.
- (3) Altering the calcium salts.
- (4) Destroying some of the vitamins, especially vitamin C.
- (5) Altering the proteins.

If the farmers desire to develop their calves satisfactorily, they cannot and do not feed them pasteurized milk. So would it be logical to apply the same principal to human consumption?

Disregarding God's plan, the modern tendency is to feed infants artificially, on boil d or pasteurized milk and proprietary foods,

which are all vastly inferior to mother's milk in substances essential to the well-being of the child. However, cow's milk is an important dietary constituent for young and old alike. It is worthy of notice, that despite the food restriction imposed upon the Belgian people during the last war, the infantile diarrhea and infant mortality decreased greatly, which was due to encouraging mothers to nurse their infants.

The stomach and upper parts of the intestines in the infant form practically a straight tube, which makes for an easy discharge of its contents, while in the deep curvature of the adult stomach the milk easily stagnates. The more relaxed and atrophic (wasting) the stomach, the more difficult is the digestion and discharge of milk. The digestive processes and peristaltic action in the young child are far more active than in the adult. This explains why some people cannot use milk as a food or medicine, why in some it causes *biliousness*, *fermentation* and *constipation*. —Solomon drank wine with milk. Song of Sol 5:1.

If milk causes *constipation*, it can be laid to large amounts of soft, pulpy, cheesy matter, which tends toward coagulation and slime formation. It does *not* contain sufficient cellulose matter, which excites the peristaltic action of the bowels and is also a *scourer* and cleanser: It is advisable to give fruits and leafy vegetables with the milk.

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