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## Work Accelerates At Furious Pace

The BOOMING Work of God is shooting ahead at a new dynamic pace! Astounding growth, challenging assignments, a new foreign office opened, more radio stations added and plans to expand into READER'S DIGEST in SIXTEEN different countries are marking the new stepped-up pace!

Skyrocketing mail receipts flashed past the first half of 1962 with a BIG 64% increase! The total number of letters received for the first six months of 1962 was 593,212! While the Work of God races ahead with phenomenal growth, our Pan American Advertising Agency reported that other religious works are down 15% and MORE for the same period!

Good news! Big news! God's Work thrusts forward into India, Africa, the Middle East and Europe.

The contract has been signed for opening an office in **Dusseldorf**, **Germany**. A suite of five rooms will be ready for occupancy within a few weeks. Five more rooms are available as an addition when required.

One of the German-born students from Ambassador College in Pasadena, Mr. Frank Schnee will move to Germany with his wife and two children to take charge of the office there. This phase of the work will be directed from the Bricket Wood office by Mr. Gerhard Marx, also German-born and a graduate of Ambassador College.

To step up the **spiritual Gospel offensive on Germany**, there will be a monthly purchase of **two pages** each issue in the **German** edition of **Reader's Digest** and also the Austrian edition—a total circulation of 1,015,000 copies. This means actually between **three million and five million** readers.

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## Nine Recently Baptized in Chicago

I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentenance.



Back Row—from left to right: Mr. Homer C. F. Smith, Mr. Thomas Schattke, Mr. William Kromer.

Front Row: Mrs. Voneva Denham, Joyce M. Davis, Mrs. Dina Schattke, Mrs. Diana Kromer, Mrs. Rebecca Manuel, Mrs. Marie Carringgon.

### **South Bend News**

By R. Van Slooten

The age of small flocks seems to be a thing of the past with God's work continuing to double about every two and one half years.

At South Bend, God is adding those who are being saved to His Church week by week. New faces are a weekly blessing as the Church continues to grow.

Let's look back for a moment at a (Please Continue Page 3)

## God's Work Expands; Personnel Reassigned

Mr. Gerald Waterhouse received urgent word to report to Headquarters for final instruction before embarking for the Philippine Islands to oversee establishing of the new office in Manilla. Mr. Longuskie will rendezvous with Mr. Waterhouse to help lay the groundwork for the office that will fill the multiple hundreds of requests for literature prompted by the ads now appearing in the PHILIP-PINES FREE PRESS.

Mr. Arthur Craig, who was leading a baptismal tour, received word to immediately take over the pastorate of the Opp and Montgomery, Alabama churches vacated by Mr. Waterhouse. Mr. Hal Baird then replaced Mr. Craig as leader of the tour covering the southeast, and to continue the whirlwind pace, Mr. John Bald took over the pastorate of the St. Louis and Bloomington churches in place of Mr. Baird!

Three more Ambassador graduates are being transferred "down under" for thrilling and challenging new assignments. Slated to depart for Australia in a few short weeks are Messrs. Bill Myers, Leroy Cole and Miss Jessie Emmet. Mr. Myers will replace Mr. Frank Longuskie in the office, Mr. Cole will double in the office and also in visiting, and Miss Emmett will be the new receptionist and secretary to Mr. Wayne Cole.

On the other side of the world, Ambassador College, U. K., awaits the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Dart, (formerly scheduled to open the Indianapolis church,) to its teaching staff for this fall.

Meanwhile two new radio stations have been added to the log—KMAC, San

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## Combined Spokesman Banquet

The joint meeting-banquet of the Chicago Spokesman Clubs had been a long time in the planning but this happy affair, which has become an annual one, was held in Wozniak's hall on Sunday night July 29, 1962. Approximately 100 men from the Saturday night, Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Tuesday night groups arrived by 7 o'clock to feast and take part in the occasion which enables the four sections of the club to be reunited.

Beautiful maidens served a sumptuous meal prepared in the kitchen by members of the elite Sunday morning Ladies class. It is feared many more members would have taken more active parts in the meeting if they had not been engrossed in tasting and testing the various dishes. The bachelors seemed particularly impressed!

The awards for the evening went to: Mr. Ackerson for the "Most Effective Speaker"; Dale Schurter for "Most Improved Speaker"; Mr. Perez for "Best Evaluator"; Mr. Gene Carter for "Best Comment" in the Topics session; and the Topicmaster was rated "Good," the Toastmaster "Excellent" for their performances. Unhappily, many men received whitewash brushes symbolizing failures to fulfill their various responsibilities in the club. Scenes from the banquet are pictured below.

## Three Graduates Ordained

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

# Bible Story Book Explodes Record

The initial response for Volume II of the BIBLE STORY has been fantastic! Mail receipts have exploded! Existing records were wiped out by an avalanche of mail that threw the Mail Receiving Department (Pasadena) tens of thousands of letters behind!

A record week of 65,395 letters totally eclipsed the old mark of 34,266 set in May, 1961. The old week-day high of 6,176 went by the wayside on Monday, June 18, when 16,767 letters poured into the office! A record month is also in the making with a possible 160,000 letters!





#### SOUTH BEND (Cont'd)

little of South Bend's Church history. Mr. Dean Blackwell started a Bible Study in March of 1961, with seventy-five in attendance. After about four months of Bible studies, Church services began with about one hundred fifty in attendance. By the third week there were two hundred and twenty! In the fall of 1961, Mr. Frank McCrady moved to South Bend to feed the newly formed Church and rapid growth continued; by the first of the year as many as two hundred and fifty were attending. Following the ministerial conference in January 1962 a new minister (to this area) was sent to South Bend.



Mr. and Mrs. Lester McColm and their two fine teen-aged children arrived at South Bend, and moved into the apartment vacated by Mr. McCrady.

Mr. McColm's spiritual begettal oc-

curred in the Pacific Northwest where his parents had moved during the thirties of dust bowl fame. This was a "Grapes of Wrath" exodus from North Dakota.

Mrs. McColm was called first, causing many a stormy day at the McColm home. God soon opened Mr. McColm's eyes, and I believe the first scripture he read was-"Whatever you set your hand to do, do with your might" (Ecc. 9:10). In two years he was ordained a deacon, and under the tutorship of Mr. Raymond Cole he was soon giving sermonettes, and in 1961 he was ordained a Local Elder. The McColm family was next moved to Salem, Oregon to assist in the Church there, and in the fall of 1961 the entire family moved to Pasadena where Mr. McColm attended Ambassador College for one semester.

Since their arrival at South Bend the Church has continued to grow at an accelerated pace with as many as three hundred and eighty-five attending Sabbath services.

With brethren scattered over three states, Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, Mr. McColm found it impossible to counsel as he had hoped, especially with prospective letters coming from Pasadena at the rate of one per day.

The answer was evident—group counsels on Bible Studies would help. The Glen Keeley family graciously opened their home (located near Gobles, Michigan,) to cover South Western Michigan and to date the highest attendance has been seventy-seven. To help the Indiana and Ohio area a Bible Study was inaugurated at Fort Wayne with up to sixty-three attending. To help those farther north in Michigan a Bible Study has been conducted at the home of Mr. Neil Skinner, west of Shelby, Michigan.

The training of leaders for the Church and the home, as well as for the coming Kingdom of God, has not been neglected. The night of May 6 brought a group of thrilled men to the plush Pick Oliver Hotel for their first Spokesman Club meeting. After several meetings it became evident a second club was needed.

For the Sunday morning club Mr. Joseph Tkach was imported from Chicago to take over the duties of President. Other Club officers are—Vice-president, Mr. James Hambrock; Secretary, Mr. H. Huber; Treasurer, Mr. J. Buckley and Sergeant at Arms, Mr. G. Keeley.

The Sunday evening Club is presided over by your writer, Mr. R. Van Slooten. The other officers are—Vice-president, Mr. R. Johnson; Secretary, Mr. J. Moore; Treasurer, Mr. J. Hosterman; Sergeant -at-Arms, Mr. G. Johnson.

## Mr. Marrs and Family Sent To Meridian

by Elisha Crim

The Chicago Church has lost one of its Negro deacons. At the request of the ministers, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Marrs and their three boys Edwin (four), Michael (two) and Jonathan (six weeks) have moved to Meridian, Mississippi. Mr. Marrs will be working under Mr. Arthur Craig, helping him to serve the hungering, thirsting and widely-scattered Negro brethren in that area.

A farewell party was given in their honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maceo Hampton. There was an abundance of delicious snacks and fruit punch, along with music, dancing and games. These created an atmosphere of gaiety and joy. But an air of sorrow and inner regret could be felt because they would no longer be with us. But even in the midst of this, all of us felt elated and thankful that God had selected one from among us to assist in serving our brethren in the South.



## News Briefs

By Fred Mancewicz

- There was great joy when the news broke—Dale Schurter, Karl Beyersdorfer, Karen Jauch and Lorene Fellows are slated to attend Ambassador College this fall. Also to attend are William Topash and Artis Thomas from the South Bend Church.
- Deaconess Viola Peets has moved, with her husband to Milwaukee. Mr. Peets is now employed by Mr. Ochs, of the Milwaukee Church.
- Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Plache on the birth of their new daughter.
- A young people's committee has been formed to aid in coordinating their activities. It is composed of Bill May, Ed Rudicel, Ihor Karpowycz, Sally Marshall, and Andrea Beyersdorfer. Much has been done to provide wholesome activities for our single young men and women.
- A Bible Study is held every other Sunday in Rockford, Illinois at the Singing Society, 15th Avenue and 7th St. Scheduled meetings are on August 5th and 19th; September 2nd, 16th, and 30th, starting at 2 P.M.

### Australia — Part 5

Early in March an unprecedented event occurred—three arrivals in one day! Gene Hughes and wife with son, John, arrived at Mascot from the U.S. just a few minutes before Mr. Waterhouse's return from Manila, followed by the arrival of Mr. Portune, a flight behind him.

Mr. Hughes arrived as the Work expanded to become the Business Manager of the office under Mr. Waterhouse. The two ministers had rendezvoused in the Philippines to survey the Work there. Under Mr. Ortiguero's direction the Philippines showed great possibilities for adding more radio stations as God directs, and conversion of many people there. Groups scattered through the Islands observed the Sabbath and Holy Days.

Then came news of the proposed ex-

pansion to Africa, with Mr. Waterhouse leaving Australia to direct this new office.

Sunday, 7 January 1962, Mr. Tony Hammer stopped in Sydney while on his way to the Ministerial Conference. Days later it was announced that Mr. Waterhouse was not to return to Australia, and that Mr. Wayne Cole was officially the director placed in charge of the Australian Work. This event brings us up to the present. Since its beginning the work that God began here in Australia has taken tremendous leaps and shown phenomenal growth. A great deal of respect goes to the first director sent here -Mr. Gerald D. Waterhouse, for his diligence in doing God's will. For his part in this growth, we salute him, but as he himself would be the first to admit, this work is just "beginning to get ready to commence to start". So while we can rejoice in what has been done, let's at the same time set our hands to the plow that we have been given.

#### WORK ACCELERATES (Cont'd)

It has been arranged to purchase two pages every month in the FRENCH edition of Reader's Digest, probably by early autumn.

More news. Plans have been made to place double-page messages in the following editions of Reader's Digest, in their own native languages in each case: Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, South Africa, India, and the Arabic language edition reaching a large percentage of the literate and educated peoples of Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Sudan.

This will mean a **Reader's Digest** circulation of over FOUR MILLION COP-IES, read by more than TEN MILLION PEOPLE!

#### PERSONNEL (Cont'd)

Antonio, and KDB, Santa Barbara. Also, Radio Lourenci Marques, which blankets South Africa, has cleared three additional half-hours a week, giving us six nights a week, straight across the board!

Brethren, the Work of God is leaping ahead at a furious pace! Are you keeping up with it?

### "Baseball Is A Must!"

by Ed Rudicel

Top of the ninth!! These words can bring pain or pleasure—depending upon whose bull-pen you share.

Horsehide fever is running high. Can the local Gage Park Whammers upset the La Grange Pros? Not if Mr. George (Foxy) Gibbs can still bamboozle the Windy City Sluggers!

Every Sunday afternoon (provided no monsoon blows into town) the friendly foes vie for the satisfaction of victory in the wholesome quest for **profitable** exercise. Through the light of the Scriptures we learn that there is a measure of physical gain (1st Timothy 4:8), but these weekly contests provide, also, for development in Godliness which is a gain in every way.

After the tension and stress of **limited** action in the Spokesman Clubs melt away, Chicagoans and La Grangers alike are pushing for grand slams. If you haven't seen Byford (**This**-is-a-catcher?) Edwards and Kenny (**The Hitter**) Svehla burn leather, you haven't lived! Don't run away—this is only a **starter!**!

Mr. John (What's-the-score-now?)Kreidich and Mr. Ed (I-didn't-know-he-could-run) Karwacki are more "gone" than ever! You may not believe it 'til you see it, but Mr. Oscar (Steal-any-base-but-home) Olson can fan out with the best of them!

So you can't hit the side of a barn? Don't fret; Bill (The Pacer) May will whip you into shape in no time! You say you never could connect with the ball? Don't sweat; Mr. Marvin (Well, hecan-play-basketball) Gardner can show you how it's done!!

You say they used to call you "Butter-fingers"? Don't let even THAT throw you for a curve; you can always keep score as Ed (So-it-shouldn't-be-a-totalloss) Rudicel does. SEE YOU AT THE BALLPARK!!

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