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New Bible Study

AKRON - There was a chilly wind blowing at Kanawha Airport on Sunday, March 14--as Mr. Bente, Pittsburgh's flying deacon, nosed his small plane down on runway No. 31 for what he called a high, fast landing. Mr. and Mrs. James Friddle, Mr. Don Waterhouse and Mr. Bente disembarked to find two automobiles waiting to take them to conduct the First Bible Study in the handsome new Charleston Civic Center.

As we drove up to the Auditorium, we were startled to see the street choked with cars waiting to enter the parking area. Mr. Friddle said, "My, what are all of these people here for? Surely they are not all here for the Bible study!" Then we noticed that many were carrying choir robes. So we twisted and
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GROUNDBREAKINGS BIGGER AND BETTER FACILITIES AT ALL THREE COLLEGES



Ground-breaking for new gymnasium at Bricket Wood campus.

Another First

COLUMBUS - On March 7, 1965, Mr. James Friddle and Mr. Robert Hoops started the new Bi-monthly Columbus Bible Study to be held the first and third Sunday of each month.

The ministers nourished 107 spiritually-hungry brethren through their clear answers to our questions. The climax of this Bible Study was the explaining of the second chapter of Galatians.

After the Bible Study, two interesting movies, "The Thread of Life" and "Nature's Half Acre", were shown. Thus ended a full evening of enjoyable Christian fellowship.

All three Ambassador Colleges have witnessed official ground-breaking exercises on the separate campuses. Last month the Pasadena campus set the pace by inaugurating construction on the much-needed dining hall. This was the second truly formal ceremony for the Headquarters college.

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How Much Will It Take For You?

By Mr. Bill McDowell

TODAY'S WORLD IS A HECTIC ONE! Knowledge and technical understanding is increasing at a fantastic rate--but this world is running scared!

All this knowledge is being turned to mass destruction and possible genocide -- total annihilation! And growing with a correspondingly horrifying rate--are mental "disturbances," fears and tranquilizer
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pills. The people are up a blind alley they don't know where to turn--lost, with no hope for the right answer because they must either depend on themselves or other human beings!

But YOU, brethren, in God's Church, don't have to worry about such things. You have someone to go to, someone to help, someone to give the right answer to your problems, frustrations and worries. And we all know who that is--Almighty God, the Father. He has His Church through which He works in this last end time of trouble and sorrow. MANY of the answers to your problems come through that Church--in the form of articles, booklets and sermons on the Sabbath day.

But many of us are laboring along with our carnal difficulties BECAUSE WE REFUSE TO READ AND APPLY the articles in the PLAIN TRUTH and GOOD NEWS! There are periodic articles on Child Rearing, Marital Problems, Overcoming--myriads of vital subjects that could be put to use to really help each of us, IF we would read and apply them!

If we're still grovelling in our own problems, it is our own fault, and God will hold us accountable! The Prophet, Amos, warns that there is to be a famine of the hearing of the word of God. With all the knowledge and opportunity for over-

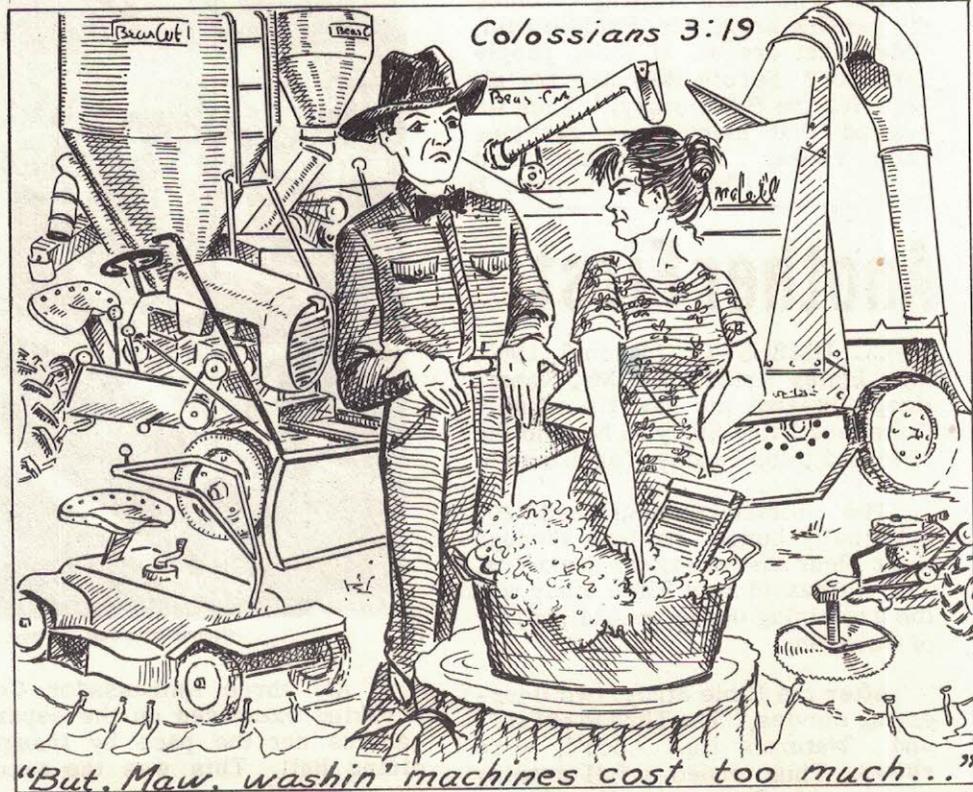
coming we have now, we will be without excuse when that time comes Brethren, many of us are NOT taking these things to heart and really working to do something with our lives. This makes us WORSE than the unbelievers around us!

Let's read--and act!

(Courtesy of July 1962 Church of God News Pittsburgh-Akron Edition)

Spring Dinner-Dance

Newark - On the evening of March 21, 1965 approximately 160 members of the New York - Newark Churches enjoyed a gala night of dining and dancing while attending the third annual semi-formal dinner dance held at DeMaio's Silver Anchor, Whippany, N.J. The ladies, escorted by the men, appeared in beautiful gowns and fashionable dinner dresses. The affair began with a cocktail hour at 5 o'clock, followed by a delicious full-course dinner of roast breast of capon. The meal was served at individual tables in a warm, friendly atmosphere. This was followed by dancing and entertainment provided by our talented brethren. All too soon the strains of "Good Night Sweetheart" were heard, bringing to a close an evening of pleasure and fellowship.





A SIGN OF THE TIMES

Who's Leading the Parade?

While the Supreme Court struck still another blow for sexual "freedom", by reversing a ban on the showing of a Danish film that depicts sexual intercourse, the statistics continue to pour in showing that the flood of pornographic publications does something to augment sexual violence. In the United States, cases of forcible rape increased by 19% in 1964!

Who then is leading the parade in providing an environment in which such a thing can develop? It seems as though the churches and the courts are neck and neck.

More than 900 clergymen and students gathered last week at Harvard Divinity School to ponder the new morality and its significance for the church. Inevitably the speakers reached no definite conclusions, but they generally agreed that in some respects the new morality is a healthy advance, as a genuine effort to take literally St. Paul's teachings that through Christ "we are delivered from the law."

What they propose is an ethic based on love rather than law, in which the ultimate criterion for right and wrong is not divine command but the individual's subjective perception of what is good for himself and his neighbor in each given situation.

Joseph Fletcher of the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, thought that no sexual relationship should be absolutely condemned by the church. The new morality, he said, would certainly approve of an Episcopal priest in New York who

provides contraceptives for a gang of delinquents he attempts to serve.

In the situational approach of the new morality, he said, "one enters into every decision-making moment armed with all the wisdom of the culture, but prepared in one's freedom to suspend and violate any rule except that one must as responsibly as possible seek the good of one's neighbor." Which is quite a long thought for an eighteen year old during a passionate moment in the back seat of a car.

Wonder?? Drugs

Last winter six year old John H. Rozier Jr. of Flint, Michigan developed a disease called vaccinia necrosum. Something that turns up once in about 100,000 smallpox vaccination cases. In an ordinary body, anti-bodies knock out the cowpox virus in the vaccine shot and then remain strong to fight smallpox. In John's body the cowpox virus went wild and started destroying his skin.

John was brought to Dr. C. Henry Kempe, one of the world's leading experts on smallpox control. The child's left arm had to be amputated. His nose fell off one day when he rubbed it. Until recently the disease was incurable. He was then given a new drug called moroban and blood transfusions.

John began responding slowly. His improvement was regarded at the hospital as amazing, except for jagged red scars on his face which plastic surgeons will attempt to erase. A doctor said, "We assume he's cured but it's going to take six months to a year to be absolutely sure." (Mrs. Rozier noted that 2 1/2 months ago the medical and hospital bill was \$30,000, which was paid by medical - study grant and contributions.)

(COURIER JOURNAL, Louisville, Ky., Aug. 2, 1964).

Triple Header for Detroit - Toledo

DETROIT - On March 28 at 3:00 p.m., Detroit and Toledo played their first scheduled basketball game. Toledo came out on top with a final score of 98-74. It was a very colorful game, complete with referees and cheer-leaders and an enthusiastic

Two Deacons Ordained



MR. FRED GATES (L) AND MR. JOHN W. RITENBAUGH

"The biggest problem of success is to force your way through the crowd at the bottom." These were the words that Mr. Raymond C. Cole offered as he announced the ordination of two more men as Deacons in the Pittsburgh Church. The men ordained were John W. Ritenbaugh and Fred Gates.

Mr. Ritenbaugh has been a consistently faithful servant in God's Church for the past six years. He is on the Visiting Program, has given sermonettes, and was the first President of a Pittsburgh Spokesman Club. He also writes the World News Watch column for this paper. He has been diligently aided by his faithful help-mate, Evelyn Ritenbaugh.

Mr. Fred Gates is a newer member of God's Church, and together with his wife Virginia has been a very willing and useful servant for the local church. He also serves on the Visiting Program and has served as a past Spokesman Club officer. His willingness to give of himself has led to a rapid rise in responsibility and a subsequent ordination.

Following the laying on of hands, Mr. Cole encouragingly mentioned that it is not crowded at the top.

cheering section which very nearly brought down the rafters on every basket. It was a hard-fought game.

Afterward, there was a pot luck supper with 407 persons being present. At 8:00 p.m. a musical movie, "Student Prince" was shown. This was the largest social turnout this area has ever had and when it was time to go home, most were reluctant to leave.

BAPTISMS



NEW BABES IN CHRIST
IN BALTIMORE

BALTIMORE - Seventeen brethren were baptized into the Church of God on April 11th by Mr. Guy Engelhart, minister of the Baltimore-Harrisburg Churches. The services were conducted in his home. Sixteen were from the Baltimore area and one from Harrisburg.

We welcome them with great joy and humble thanks to God, and do pray for a short diet of "milk" and a quick change to strong, nutritious "meat".

Saturday Night At the Movies

PHILADELPHIA - The brethren who stayed after services on March 20, 1965 to brush up on their history, were well rewarded. After a three hour period of enjoyable fellowship coupled with "tide-over" lunches, everyone settled down to the full-run color motion picture, "Samson and Delilah". Most were so engrossed with the presentation that little extraneous sound was heard throughout the show.

During two extra long intermissions, light snacks, - highlighted by hot popcorn and cold beverages, - were served. Warm conversation sparked by the Biblical content of the movie flowed spontaneously and helped greatly to make it a profitable and pleasurable evening for all. It proved to be an enjoyable way of having a realistic view of past historic events.

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SOME OF THE RECENTLY
BAPTIZED IN DETROIT
AND TOLEDO CHURCHES

COLUMBUS - Denying self in water baptism, nine persons became members of the Church of God during services conducted at the Odd Fellows Hall in Columbus, on April 4th.

Mr. Robert W. Hoops officiated and presented the pre-baptism briefing in which he emphasized the deep seriousness of this decision and explained how the blood which flowed from the ripped and torn body of Jesus Christ can erase our sins and heal our sicknesses. Not the least important of his briefings was the explanation that all human beings are equally guilty in making necessary the crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Ground

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Within two weeks Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong had to fly to England to preside in the ground-breaking ceremonies for the gymnasium there. Of course in every way, the English gymnasium will complement the cultural English setting for that Ambassador College.

And thirdly, the Big Sandy campus formally began construction on the dormitory complex scheduled to be complete for the coming fall semester. This ground-breaking was most unique! For the first shovel of dirt was turned by Mr. Armstrong who was seated at the controls of a large bulldozer! When you begin building things in Texas, you have to do it Texas style!

With all three campuses in full swing in their building programs, the keynote in Ambassador growth certainly is construction. We're

DETROIT - God's Church continues to grow. Detroit and Toledo are being blessed with a goodly increase. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Graham on March 21st, seventeen new brethren were added to God's Church after counseling by Mr. Arthur Mokarow who was assisted by Mr. Kenneth Westby.

Again on April 4th, another baptism was held and nine more entered the body of Christ. We welcome our new brethren.

building the finest campuses the world has ever known. And it is inspiring to know that we're setting an example that will be followed throughout coming history!

"The Jolson Story" --A Big Hit!

AKRON - Old memories were brought back for some, and others discovered a pleasant experience Saturday night, March 14, 1965. Familiar melodies drifted through the atmosphere in the ballroom of the Northern Building in Akron, Ohio, as the brethren enjoyed a movie centered around the life of Al Jolson, one of the greatest showmen of his time.

This was truly the kind of wholesome treat that God's people appreciate as enjoyable entertainment. The silent journey home may well have been interrupted by a hum, whistle, or family "Sing-Along" of the wonderful tunes that were heard,



NEWARK - We were happy to have Mr. and Mrs. E. Emmons from the Atlanta Church visiting the Newark brethren on April 10th.

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NEWARK - Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Welsh upon the birth of a son, Robert. He was born 10:30 P.M. April 7th and weighed 5 lbs. 14 oz.

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AKRON - David Jon was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Todd on March 21st at 4 a.m. He weighed 9 lbs.

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AKRON - A pinkish heir to the Frand Tinley household, Christine Marie arrived April 4th at 1:25 a.m. weighing 8 lbs. and measuring 21 inches in length.

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AKRON - Charlene Marilyn weighed 7 lbs. as she entered the world on March 26. Her proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin King feel it's so nice to have a girl around the house.

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PHILADELPHIA - Family additions are expected by the David Kenders, Gordon Parents and Bruce Roosas.

MANHATTAN - Welcome to Janice Victoria, born to Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Allamby on April 13, 1965 weighing 6 lbs. 2 oz. All are doing well.

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BROOKLYN - "When Irish eyes are smilin'".....and they certainly are, as Mrs. Reg Platt joins our "Ladies-in-waiting."

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MANHATTAN - We were pleased to welcome Mrs. Roy Hammer to the New York area for the Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread. Mrs. Hammer is the mother of Mrs. Garner Ted Armstrong, Mrs. David Antion, Mr. Buck Hammer and Mr. Tony Hammer. Her entire family is in God's Church.

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NEW YORK - Engaged -- Mr. Michael Allamby and Miss Dorothy Rouse. Purported date of marriage, August 1st. Congratulations!

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MANHATTAN - The family of Mr. & Mrs. Miguel Rios was enlarged by one when on April 13th a 7 lbs. 9 oz. baby boy was born to them at N. Y. Hospital. Our felicitations!

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BROOKLYN - Mrs. Hines is grateful to the New York Spokesman Clubs for their gift to her of a walking chair which has facilitated her getting around.

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HARRISBURG - The Harrisburg Church expresses its sympathy to Mrs. Redcay at the death of her husband.

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HARRISBURG - We miss you, Mr. Schmeck. Hope your jaw is healed by the time you read this, so you can again join us.

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NEWARK - A broken arm, the result of a fall, did not hinder Mrs. Mable Massey from her usual early arrival for Sabbath service.

DETROIT - A potential new member of God's church breathed air for the first time March 17. She is Myra Melinda who weighed in at 8 lbs. 2 oz. Her parents? Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Miller.

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TOLEDO - Mr. Leonard Merkle of the Toledo Church has been appointed by Mr. Mokarow as the new Choral Director, replacing Mr. Robert Koch who died recently.

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DETROIT - Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crandall of Flint, Michigan, happily announced the birth of their son, Richard Dale, born March 15. Our best wishes are extended to them.

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ASHEVILLE - Mr. and Mrs. Gary Arvidson are the happy parents of a little girl, Dinah Michelle, born March 31 and weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz. At 2:00 a.m., when things began to happen, he thought it was a false alarm because calculations put the birth off for about 2-4 weeks. But, then found out it was the real thing and barely made it to the mid-wife 70 miles away before the baby was born at 5:58 a.m. Let's sum it up in Mr. Arvidson's words, "Whew, what a night!!"

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ASHEVILLE - The fourth child of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fox was born to them the night of April 8. Mr. Fox received a hurry-up call at the Spokesman Club meeting and had to make tracks for home. The little girl weighed 5 lbs. 8 oz. and was named Valerie Ruth Fox.

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ASHEVILLE - Congratulations to the nine new brethren that were added to the Asheville congregation through baptism.

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GREENSBORO - Deepest sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rivers. On March 24th, Mrs. Rivers gave birth to twin boys. It was apparent almost immediately that one of the babies had suffered brain damage. Our Heavenly Father in His infinite mercy took this life that He had given. The remaining child and Mrs. Rivers are now progressing nicely.

Destroyed For Lack of Knowledge

"Today we're going to make Easter baskets for you to take home to Mommy. Take out your scissors and crayons, children."

A child's hand goes up and he says, "My Mommy says I can't make an Easter basket." The teacher may want an explanation and the other children may wonder what type of mother won't let Johnny have a basket, but then he couldn't make valentine cards either and remember at Christmas ... and so the story goes.

Children want to belong and be identified with a group. They're conformists who want little more than to be accepted by their companions. Yet, as we are a peculiar people, so are our children. While our children have desired acceptance, they have often received rebuttal and rebuffs, taunts and jeers.

Our children are at a disadvantage because they are educated in a satanically-controlled world. Especially with the young, their education is geared to pagan holidays--prayer has been taken out of the school, but Satan's holidays have remained. We've taught our children not to participate in those activities, but is that enough?

We've often heard adults expressing how difficult it is to be a Christian; how hard to conquer the self. Yet you and I have God's Holy Spirit working within us and the Knowledge of the reward that awaits those who overcome. In many instances, our children know very little about their Church except that there is a very long list of "don'ts"--we don't go to church on Sunday; we don't celebrate birthdays; we don't have a Christmas tree, etc.

If we as adults often find it difficult to resist the lures of the world, how much more difficult it is for our children. Yet, it need not be. Have we made our religion negative to our children? Have we given them a list of don'ts without teaching them the positive side?

Hitler said, "Give me a child

until he's seven, and I'll give you a Nazi for life." How much more important for us to say, "Give me a child in God's Church, and I'll give you a Christian forever."

We have God's assurance that if we "Train up a child in the way he should go, when he is old he shall not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6)

Our children will grow as Christians only if we instruct them. Your child needs to know why he lives as he does. He needs to know why he is different from other children. It may seem enough to tell your child that we don't celebrate Christmas because God doesn't like it, but understand -- he does! Those presents entice him!

How much more meaningful for him to know that these people are wrong. That the world calls this Christ's birthday when we know that Jesus could not have been born then because ... Does your child know why we don't celebrate birthdays? Does he know why we celebrate the Days of Unleavened Bread? When a geography class begins to compare a poverty-stricken country like Pakistan with our United States, does your child know why this country has been blessed? Does he know that we are reaping the benefits of Abraham's obedience?

All children love to be told stories and storytelling and teaching go hand in hand. The young child is learning how God blesses for obedience and punishes for disobedience; how God never lies; how with God nothing is impossible. Check II Timothy 3:16. Your Bible has been given to you for instruction in righteousness. Use the Biblical examples to teach your children. You don't sit down and say, "All right, now we're going to learn lessons in obedience." You tell the story and point out the lessons in each. Make these pages come alive for your children. The stories in your Bible are more exciting than any television serial. Take your child to the Red Sea with Moses and let him stand back and see the glory of God. Make God and His laws real. You're laying the foundation for your child's future His very life is at stake.

God told ancient Israel in Deut. 6:6 -- "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou

sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Remember those words, "... and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children ...". There is no better way to learn than to be required to teach. As you relate the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, your faith will be strengthened; when you realize how long Abraham waited for his promised son, you'll be able to wait more patiently for the answer to your prayers. As we teach our children, principles and examples are reinforced within ourselves.

In Psa. 78:9 we are commanded to teach our children so that they might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation. Our children believe in us and what we say. It is so very much easier to teach the right way from childhood than to have to undo wrong teachings later on. Your child needs the right set of values so that he will have a standard by which to live. These minds which we are shaping are the minds of potential Gods.

Our children may receive rebuttals now but, on the whole, there is no real persecution. But you and I know that it's coming. Will your child's foundation be strong enough that he will continue in God's way, or when the going becomes hard and he chooses to walk the easy way, will you remember Hosea 4:6 -- "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Will your child be destroyed; will he lose his opportunity to be a leader in God's Kingdom because you failed to teach him now?

Mexican Night

NEWARK - March 20th brought another opportunity for a group of the Newark Negro Brethren to meet with their brethren across the Hudson River.

The place - Mc Burney Y.M.C.A., The Gala Affair - Mexican Night. We had a very enlightening and historical trip to old and new Mexico via the movie screen. A feeble try at the famed dance, "The Mexican Hat Dance", was attempted but we did better with the tango. We are determined to get that "Hat Dance" right next time. See you then.

First Akron Deaconess



MRS. ALMA GILLESPIE

AKRON - "All my life I have always wanted to serve and help other people." These are the words of a warm and outgoing woman. This woman with an infectious smile and kind word is Mrs. Alma Gillespie newly-ordained Deaconess of the Akron Church. She was ordained on March 26, while Mr. Raymond Cole, District Superintendent was here on a visit.

While talking with Mrs. Gillespie this reporter learned what a truly warm person she is. A widow, she was born April 1, 1908 in Doylestown, Ohio. She has one brother. As I talked with her, she gave a little laugh as she told how God called her. She had been fasting and praying that a friend of hers would be delivered from "this so-called false" doctrine -- the same doctrine to which God was calling her! She began to attend church in Akron in September of 1960 and was baptized in March, 1961; in February, 1963 she was placed in charge of the Used Clothing Department and remained in this position until June of 1964 when she assumed her new duties as Mr. Hoops' secretary.

"The Church is my whole life," is her comment as she tells of working over a full year in the work of God.

At a special Friday night Sabbath service, Mrs. Gillespie was called

forward. Mr. Raymond Cole, Mr. James Friddle, Mr. Robert Hoops, Mr. Harold Jackson and Mr. Don Waterhouse laid hands on her, ordaining her to the highest office a woman can receive in God's Church.

All of her life, before entering God's Church, she had wanted to be a minister's wife or a missionary in order to serve others. God, however, had other plans for her. With this thought, we wish to say CONGRATULATIONS, Mrs. Gillespie.

Bible Study

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turned through the large crowd, until we reached the stairway at the south end of the building which leads to the room we had engaged for the meeting.

Mr. Friddle opened the meeting and asked God's direction and presence over it. Then he began to expound many scriptures, showing them the love, law and authority in God's Church, explaining many points including I Tim. 2:11-12, the Apostle Paul's teaching concerning women's position in the Church. As Mr. Friddle expounded upon the rule within the church, Mr. Bente and his assistant, Mr. Royer of the Akron Church, gathered the all-important questions of God's people. This was their first opportunity to see and hear the Bible answers to their problems.

There were many real problems to be discussed and it was with a heavy heart that Mr. Friddle, after counseling with many following the Study, literally tore himself from this fine group for the return trip to Pittsburgh.

There will be other Bible studies, more questions to be answered, more problems needing counseling. Pray for the future growth in the capitol city -- Charleston, West Virginia. The second and fourth Sundays of each month have been designated as Bible Study days, at two-thirty in the afternoon at the Charleston Civic Center.

Here & There

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PITTSBURGH - Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holladay are happy to announce the birth of their first child, Arthur Roy Holladay. He was 21 inches tall and weighed 7 1/2 lbs. Arthur Roy arrived at 10:20 p.m. on March 24. Mr. Roy Holladay is a Preaching Elder in Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH - Mr. and Mrs. John Boyer are happy to announce the arrival of a daughter. She weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz., was 23 inches tall and was born April 9th.

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RICHMOND - Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cloninger of Richmond provided the location, Mr. Richard Plache and his traveling crypt the means, and Almighty God the way, as the Richmond Church of God increased in size by four on April 3rd

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GREENSBORO - Just in time to take part in the observance of Passover, 24 were added to the Greensboro Church as they were buried, cleansed and raised into newness of life.

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PHILADELPHIA - Saturday evening, April 3, was the joyous occasion when four new brethren were added to the body of Christ through baptism

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PHILADELPHIA - The Philip Salatos are the pleased parents of Mark James, born March 13th, weighing 8 lbs. Our prayers will be appreciated for a defective condition of palate, gum and lip.

New Spokesman Club

HARRISBURG - Sunday evening, March 21st was a time of mixed emotions for the members of the Harrisburg Spokesman Club. This was the first session as a complement of 30 members assembled in the beautiful John Boyd Room of the YWCA.

Mr. Guy Engelbart opened the meeting with a few remarks relating to the goals and purposes of the Spokesman Club and what is required to be and remain a successful spokesman.

Overall, an atmosphere of joy prevailed but there was nervousness among some of the new members and a tinge of sadness among the old members at having said farewell to the Philadelphia Clubs.

Playhouse

DO YOU KNOW?

Hummingbirds are the smallest birds in the world. They build nests so small they are hard to find. They lay eggs that are smaller than a pearl. Their plumage are of many colors. The Hummingbirds living in the eastern United States have bright-green backs and bright-red throats.

Hummers, as they are sometimes called, get their name from the sound made by their wings when they fly. The rapid beating of their wings makes it possible for them to "stand still" in mid-air.

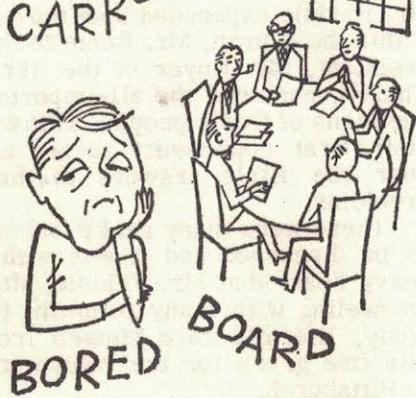
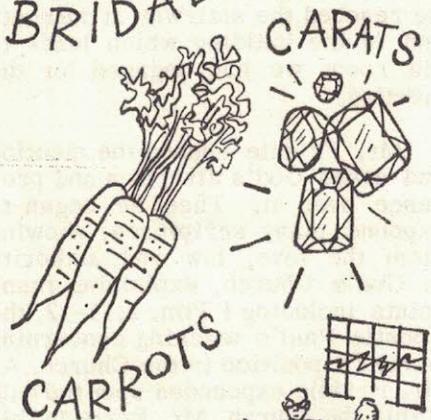
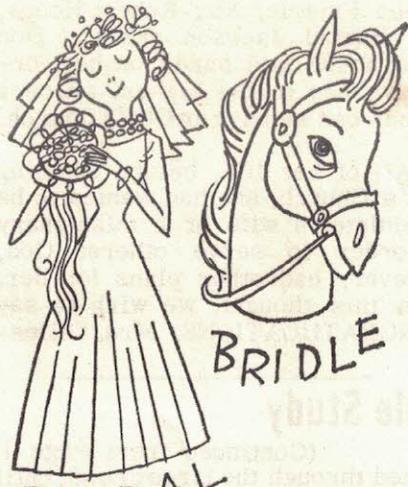
You should be able to see many Hummingbirds this spring and summer for they will be feeding on nectar and small insects from your flowers. To get food they stick their long needlelike bill and very long tongues down into the flowers.

A Hummingbird is the only bird that can fly backwards. You can see this when he pulls his bill out of the flower from which he has been feeding.

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Here are some words which sound alike but are not. We call them homonyms.

HAPPY HOMONYMS



A Busy Day in Pittsburgh

The Pittsburgh Church now holds Bible Study on Friday night instead of Sunday, but Sunday is still jam-packed with activities--especially educational ones.

Preceding each Spokesman Club, the morning and the evening, a fifty minute etymology class is held. Also, following chorale practice in the afternoon a class in Braille is taught by Mr. Eugene Lovejoy.

The most combustible wood is a chip on the shoulder.

Philadelphia Formal



"BARBERSHOP QUARTET" AT PHILA. FORMAL

PHILADELPHIA - Spring arrived in the Philadelphia area with a burst of glory -- the lovely ladies of the Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Baltimore churches arrayed in brilliant colors as they turned out for the first annual Philadelphia Formal Dinner Dance, April 4, 1965. Of course, their escorts were also attired resplendently, although less colorfully. A total of forty-nine were present, including past and present shepherds -- Mssrs. Engelbart and Sharp.

After polishing off (or at least attempting to) a seven-course dinner the group enjoyed an entertaining floor show introduced by that sparkling Master of Ceremonies, Donald "the Lion" Traynor. The talent included the warm baritone of Phil Salato, the cool tenor sax of Frank Hefflefinger, a Pennsylvania Dutch treat in the person of LeRoy (Jake) Hoppes, the dazzling piano stylings of David Rago, and a flashy barber shop quartet composed of Frank Hefflemocker, the Fensterfinger boys and Vernon Tabernacle.

There followed a fine evening of waltzes, tangoes, polkas, fox-trots, chit-chat, and what-not to a tuneful live orchestra. We are all grateful for the spice these events add to our lives.

Fred: I saw a doctor today about my lapses of memory.
 Ted: What did he do?
 Fred: He insisted that I pay my bill in advance.