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WEEKLY SUMMARY

Our percentages of increase are looking better, especially in money, as we begin 1968. As of Thursday we had a 62% increase in money from mail receipts only and a 22% increase in letters. We ended 1967 with increases of 23.28% in income from mail receipts, 16.12% in letters, and 23.03% in White Mail. We are receiving outstanding responses to the 'Personal From the Editor' in the December PLAIN TRUTH about food and health, and Mr. Ted Armstrong's recent series of programs on air, water, and food pollution. We are receiving many questions and hundreds of requests for literature along this line.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I just finished reading the 'Personal From the Editor' in the December issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. My eyes have been opened to why my children and I were not healed when I requested your prayers for God's healing. I realize now that I must completely change my way of cooking and our eating habits. I know I cannot expect God to heal us of our ailments when we continue to abuse our bodies with the wrong foods and methods of preparing them." Woman, St. Clair, Missouri.

"I enjoyed your editorial on food and health very much (in the recent PLAIN TRUTH for December, 1967). Can you recommend books or articles, or do you have articles on nutrition to aid a housewife in food preparation? I have checked the local library and find only the usual material on vitamins and calories--nothing about basic food preparation, fasting, and the alkaline-acid balance of foods. It is hard for me to tell you how valuable your editorial was. The only problem is that it was not nearly long enough. Could you run a series on nutrition in The PLAIN TRUTH?" Woman, Elko, Nevada.

"I have been receiving your magazine regularly for approximately two or three years now, and I find it very enjoyable and very enlightening. Thank you very much! I hope you will keep me on your mailing list indefinitely. Being in the medical field, I especially enjoyed your article in the December, 1967 issue in the 'Personal From the Editor' column. I also enjoyed the article by Roderick C. Meredith, 'What's Keeping YOU from Real SUCCESS?', and I would like to request the free article mentioned therein entitled 'The Seven Laws of Radiant Health.'" Woman, Fort Worth, Texas.

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"Your 'Personal From The Editor' in the December issue of The PLAIN TRUTH was worth \$100.00 to me. Find enclosed my tithing check for the same amount to be used where most needed." Woman, Paris, Texas.

"Thank you for The PLAIN TRUTH each month. It's an almost 'unbelievable' magazine. I had no intention of writing this letter or sending you any money, but something just made me sit down, write and send you a check for \$10.00. I had \$5.00 in my billfold, but I laid it down and picked up the checkbook instead. Thank God for people like you." Woman, Taft, California.

"Since you so generously began sending me The PLAIN TRUTH, I have for the first time in my 56 years, taken a real interest in religion. I read each issue, and have read all that you sent in the way of booklets which accompany me on long trips at sea (now to Vietnam, as a rule). I have passed them on to others who saw them and asked for them. One result in my case is that I have cut down on swearing, particularly in taking the name of God in vain. It is such a habit that I didn't even realize what I was saying. Nowadays, I think first, and the swearing is slowly fading away." Man, Long Beach, California.

"I do have one problem. It seems that every time I read one of your articles, you suggest that I 'write for the related article which is...' and then you list another pamphlet that you have written. When I get that article, it suggests that I send for another! If you don't cut that out, I'm going to go broke on five cent stamps!! Please send me...." (A long list of requests followed.) Man, Pennsylvania.

"As a group of people gather to talk (as they do in these recreation areas), sometimes I bring up the subject of The PLAIN TRUTH. The different reactions are most interesting. Once a preacher was in the group; and he said, 'Oh! Please excuse me, and I will go gag a bit at the mention of this Armstrong's name.' I said, 'Why?' He said, 'Because he teaches lies!' I told him I had been reading their literature for some two years, and I have no fault to find. I asked him to please tell me where I'm going wrong? Well, he fussed, he railed on personalities, etc.; but was unable to point to any error. To me, that was the best testimonial in your favor that he could have given. Some people (mostly preachers) can't stand the truth." Man, New Mexico.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"If it is possible, I wonder if sometimes Herbert W. Armstrong might make the broadcast as we love to hear him speak. We greatly enjoy the broadcast, even more so, since we have seen Garner Ted Armstrong in Pennsylvania at the Feast of Tabernacles." Woman, Wisconsin.

"Your program heard on WGUN (Atlanta) last Friday amazed me. You showed how dumb it is to encourage people to move into cities. You mentioned the city Charlotte, North Carolina, as bragging about how they were growing; and their inviting others to flock to Charlotte. I got to thinking. You are the only person I have ever heard who teaches that

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January ended with a 36% increase in money from mail receipts only. We received a large number of loans during the month which helped with the overall increase. The letter increase for January was very poor with only 3%. There has been a heavy demand for articles on marriage as a result of recent broadcasts on that subject.

LONDON: One substantial offering for the week ending January 25 has helped lift the income from last week's 44% increase to a figure 52.5% above that for January a year ago. The mail response has fallen somewhat and is only a tenth of one percent above January last year.

SYDNEY: Through January 25 the percentages of increase are very low with 21.1% increase in mail and only 4.4% increase in money. These low percentages are mainly due to the two week, nation-wide postal strike.

MANILA: After a low count in both money and letter receipts during the past few weeks, we finally recouped this week! Money received this week leaped to an overwhelming increase of 232% over last week, and 98.4% over last year!

JOHANNESBURG: The week ending January 25 compares very well with the corresponding period last year. The total mail shows a 37% increase for the week; for the month so far we have a 91% increase. The White Mail for the week took a 100% leap over last year with 210 new requests for The PLAIN TRUTH. Money for the month shows a 50% increase.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"The recently begun series on marriage and the home on The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast is really urgently needed. I hear it on WPEN locally. You made mention of the deplorable deterioration of the Negro home in particular and the rising swill of immorality throughout the nation as a whole. Being a Black man myself and having worked for more than five years with the local Welfare Department with the tragic products of so many wrecked homes, I am grateful to our Creator for raising up His Work and placing in it men with courage to tell the truth about this heartbreaking situation! So often while the parents of these youngsters 'mate' like cats and dogs one day and fight like cats and dogs the next trampling underfoot all the Commandments of God, the children are left to fend for themselves. In most cases they become the rebellious, deceived products of the street, and never develop their God-given talents." Mr. Stanley Daniels, 3315 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"We certainly are enjoying the programs on husband-wife relationships and marriage. My neighbor was over the other night, and heard the program on 'children being their oppressors and women ruling over them' when Mr. Ted Armstrong described disobedient children as only he can do it. She said, 'Boy, he sure hit the nail on the head there!' But, she didn't have anything to say when he spoke about wives who think their husbands are bumbling dolts, and fathers being the head of the home." James Browning, 2643 Bartlett Road, Pleasant Lake, Michigan.

"Would you please send me the literature you have on, 'How to Have a Happy Marriage?' I was listening to your program tonight while writing a letter to my fiance back in Tennessee. I am an Army private first class stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington. Sir, I am planning on being married next month; and I would like to know what the Bible and you have to say about marriage, and how to make it work. Please do send me the literature. I really want to make my marriage a happy one." Mr. Al Davis, 18th Engineer Co. (PB), Fort Lewis, Washington.

"I have heard so many wonderful things on your program. You are the only person I know who tells life the way it really is. You do not withhold the ugly facts about human nature. I listen to your program now everyday, or at least as often as I can on KFOX in San Francisco. Before, I could never understand why the world was in such a mess; but I am finally beginning to realize what is happening, and that there is still hope because of God." Mr. L.N. Smith, Box 206, Rio Linda, Calif.

"Today, while motoring up to Edmonton, Alberta, to attend our son's wedding, I happened to tune in to The WORLD TOMORROW. I was completely spellbound with your commentary on today's colleges and our youth. Please send me 'The Seven Rules to Success.' Thank you for the tremendous impact of many facts I have now, but am unable to put into words." Mrs. Richard F. Foell, 3857 Unity Ave., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"The T.V. program on Channel 11 in San Jose is very well done, and most instructive. Mr. Armstrong is a surprise. We had always pictured him as 'the distainful man with a scowl.' However, we felt that his message was right... and so supported the Work. Now we get a different picture. On television it is easy to distinguish between anger and concern; and that makes a difference, I can see, in family receptivity." Mr. Vern Lindvig, 1647 Ben Roe Drive, Los Altos, California.

CO-WORKER LETTER COMMENTS

"It was so wonderful to learn in your December Co-worker Letter that you are to soon continue your broadcasts as you used to give. I remember when I first started listening to the broadcast, and I took notes on every one of them. I am really looking forward to hearing you again, and will certainly remember you in my prayers. I also enjoy Garner Ted's programs for he has grown so much more powerful in the past several months. I love the way he gets across these basic Bible truths without getting too spiritual. For this is what the world needs so badly to hear, and I am sure that there are many people who would listen to this type of broadcast that would not listen to the other. My prayers are with him, too." Mrs. Lena Carr, 204 McKinley Rd., Ottawa, Illinois.

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March 1, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

February ended with a 23% increase in money for mail receipts only. A few good loans came in during the month to give a boost to the overall increase. The letter increase was 10%, which is somewhat better than the 3% increase we received in January. White Mail continued above 12,000 for the third week in a row.

LONDON: February continues quite well as regards money--this being now 36% above February last year. The letter count has, however, fallen back to a 3% decrease as of the 23rd.

SYDNEY: Thus far the month of February has been a good month with 103.8% increase in letters and 90.5% increase in money. This gives us for the year 65.2% and 50.3% increase in letters and money respectively over the same period last year. The last two ads in the Women's Weekly have done very well. Number 9 ad on health has brought in a total of 1,887 responses while number 10 on marriage, in less than one week, has brought in a total of 670 responses. Almost all of these responses are new and will be added to The PLAIN TRUTH list.

MANILA: Compared to last year at the same time this week's letters increased by 92.5%. We received 5,621 letters this week, bringing February's total to 22,191--our highest monthly record ever! We topped our mark for money last year over the same period by 73.3%.

COMMENTS ABOUT MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND SEX

"I wish to thank Mr. Garner Ted for the wonderful and interesting series on 'How to Select a Mate.' Had I heard or had I only known about these principles, I either would still be married or never would have married who and when I did. Though it's too late for me, thanks be to God I can at least inform my daughter on these principles about dating and how to select a mate." Mr. J. T., Gary, Indiana.

"Ted has hit the nail square on the head and driven it clear through to the heart and core of all the marriage and divorce trouble. The home is the beginning of it all. I've been here eighty-seven years and can see beyond an inch from my nose." Mrs. M. L., San Antonio, Texas.

"I listen to your program nightly, and have found much comfort in your words. You have helped me to hold together a marriage that was about to end in divorce. There are six children's lives involved here, but it all seemed so useless until you made me realize what a divorce

would do to them. Please send me your book on child rearing. This seems to be a big part of our trouble, because we don't agree on how to discipline the children." Mrs. Wesley W., Wichita, Kansas.

"I'm fourteen years old, and I have heard your broadcast twice over WOR, New York. Your January 17, 1968 broadcast is what I'm writing about. What you said that night is just like what's happening in my life. My father says one thing, and does another. In school, the things that some of the kids do are shocking. Already two girls in my sophomore class are pregnant. Sex and liquor are all most of them think about. I know that homosexuality and fornication are immoral. Could you tell me what else is immoral? Please send my any information or something about it." Bruce D., Bloomfield, New Jersey.

"There is as many ways to fall in love as there is to fall in a creek, and who are you or I to point out the way to fall in love or to get married. We will wait a short time longer, and if the program does not change we are going to withdraw our support." Mr. H. H., Bovey, Minn.

"I hear you nearly every morning at 6:30. I have a lovely daughter nearly fifteen, and when your program starts, she will be up an half an hour early to hear you speak on 'How to Choose a Marriage Partner.' Now I realize fifteen is pretty young for this, but I don't believe I should wait until she is eighteen or so. My daughter cannot date until she is sixteen, and then only with other couples. This will be kids she has been with in school and church, and should therefore be with those she knows she will be safe with. I believe that many of the traits of a future husband should be present in the young men she will date. These are things I want her to be aware of. So please send your book on 'The Seven Steps on How to Choose a Marriage Partner.'" Genevieve D., Salt Lake City, Utah.

"I would like to request a copy of your booklet, 'The Plain Truth About Child Rearing.' This might seem a strange request from a sixteen year old, but the girl I've been going steady with is possibly pregnant, and it would seem wise now to be thinking ahead. Even though she is an atheist - as a matter of fact, a Communist as well - I believe it is my sacred duty to see that any offspring I procreate are raised in the proper Christian manner, and carefully trained to avoid the mistakes I so foolishly made before discovering the Almighty power of Christ." A. F., Columbia University, New York, New York.

"I would also like to know (please don't laugh) if husbands should make a practice of spanking their wives. Please may I have a serious answer, as all the local boys here tease about it. I realize wives should submit to it if the husband decides to do it, but should that be a part of a husband's duty to discipline his wife as if she were a baby? After all, she is an adult too, and is that a part of respecting and honoring a wife to turn her upside down? Thank you very much for your patience with all such ignorant and picky questions." Linda W., Missouri.

"I am fourteen years old, and have been married eleven months. I want my marriage to be a good and happy one. I ask the Good Lord to give us a child every day and night. I am hoping and praying that He will answer my prayers." Mrs. Steve L., Clarkson, Kentucky.

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April has started with a bang compared to March. We set an all time record in money for a single day on Wednesday, and it appears the all time weekly record will be broken also if the income continues to hold up through Friday. As of Thursday, we have a 73% increase in money for the first four days of April compared to the same period of last April. By contrast, the letter increase is nil. In fact, we still have a deficit figure through Thursday, but expect to show a slight increase after Friday's mail is in.

BRICKET WOOD: The decline in the income has stopped and is showing the same percentage increase as last week--i.e. 18% above that for last year. The mail figures have recovered from the 11% decrease reported last week to a figure about the same as March a year ago, showing neither increase or decrease.

VANCOUVER: Even though the percentage for mail is quite low: 10% for income and 17% for letters, the first quarter of 1968 is higher than expected. The request for new subscriptions is the highest for any quarter on record.

SYDNEY: The first three weeks of March show a 66.7% increase in mail and 36.9% increase in money.

JOHANNESBURG: Through March 21 we have a 38.3% increase in letters and a strong increase in money.

SPANISH: Increase this week over last year--mail 125%, money 55%.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"The members of U.A.W., Local 813, enjoy my subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH so much that even the bosses don't object to reading on the job. Since I started taking this magazine to work, nine men now get their own copy and have the same problem as I do. They lose it an hour after they get to work. The interesting part is to see a man lay down a nudist-colony magazine to grab The PLAIN TRUTH. Also, all magazines in the locker rooms are thrown away when the janitor cleans up, but The PLAIN TRUTH gets carefully laid on a bench. After three shifts have read it, folded it, greased it, painted it, and the ink is worn beyond recognition, you can still hear somebody say, 'next.' I thought you'd be interested to know this." Maurice K., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"As a student at Pennsylvania State for three years, I'd like to tell you how much I appreciate The PLAIN TRUTH series on evolution. I have used many of these facts in discussions with my instructors, and have found that the only reason they accept evolution is because they

haven't thought about it. They were teaching what they didn't know. I had a greater depth of comprehension of evolution from your articles than even they had. My geology instructor was exceedingly interested because of what I knew. Yet, I'm majoring in education, not geology. The public should surely appreciate your fine work - it's better than college material." Gary S., University Park, Pennsylvania.

"I have just picked up a copy of your fantastic magazine, and I feel that I have finally found the truth! All my life I've been searching for something I haven't been able to find, and now I know that it is God's truth, the Word of the one true and living Faith. Please send me, as quickly as possible, a subscription to this revealing document - this rare gem in the crown of understanding. I can hardly wait until I get my hands on another copy so that I too can be saved and salvaged from this wicked, wicked world." Michael L., Department of Anthropology, University of Nevada.

"I wanted to congratulate and thank Mr. Rod Beemer and Mr. Richard Gipe for writing the article, 'Young Men and Women' in the March issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. It certainly is the most straight-from-the-shoulder literature I have ever read. How can any teenager read it and not start thinking a little about his life? I could hardly believe so much was said on only four pages! Surely the authors must still be teenagers to have written such an understanding article about them - and even in the same language. I live on a farm too, and I'm a horse and gun enthusiast. But what the article stated about dreams and challenges and the future, these were things that went right to my heart. I wanted to say, 'At last someone understands us!' But I didn't really have to, because I know who understands us teenagers. I thank Him for helping me to understand what my future can be like if I put articles like this one to use." Leroy P., North Loup, Nebraska.

"The people who I meet in our local public library are very much interested in your articles. I am a reader of your monthly magazine. We have decided to see a stock of such a magazine on our library stand. Would you be so kind as to send us your PLAIN TRUTH?" Library Attendant, Georgetown Public Library, St. Vincent, West Indies.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I enjoy very much the radio program over our station KMAK, Fresno. Mr. Armstrong seems to be the only person on radio that makes any sense. Having been a police officer for twenty-two years, eleven years as a detective, I have seen it all - especially the Supreme Court ruling by the 'Earl of Warren.' Please send me The PLAIN TRUTH magazine and something on the recent broadcast regarding our schools." Detective William A., Fresno, California.

"On one of your programs a short time ago, I heard Garner Ted speak of a case of two men sitting down with a bottle of booze and arguing about the Holy Bible until one of them ups and kills the other. Now I said to myself, 'I know this is a true story, but surely so rare that it will not happen again soon.' So reading our local newspaper this Sunday morning, behold! There it was! The same thing - one person shooting another in an argument concerning the Bible, and right here in my own neighborhood!" Norman M., Roebuck, South Carolina.

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May 3, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

April ended with only 14% increase in money over April '67 and 6% increase in letters. White Mail for the month showed $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ decrease compared to April of last year. The mail for this week has been fairly strong for this time of the month--should total about 30,000 letters. The White Mail count should top 10,000 this week for the first time since March 29. We hope this trend will continue through May since April's White Mail count was so disappointing. There has been a good response to the April PLAIN TRUTH. People have especially been interested in the articles "Who Killed Jesus Christ?" "The Bible Answers Short Questions From Our Readers" and "Worst Money Crisis in Three Decades."

SYDNEY: For the month of April, so far we have had an increase in money of 20% and 27.8% for mail. The Holy Day offerings boosted the money from a very low figure, and the mail for this week has been quite low also.

MANILA: The Mail count increased by 51.4% over that of last week and 164% over last year's at the same period. Money receipts increased only by 1.2% over last week's and 19.9% over last year's. Our April ad on "I'm ready to quit--but what went wrong with our marriage?" already brought in 1,109 responses. We now have 23,767 requests for Mr. Armstrong's Autobiography.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I was just recently given a copy of the April issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. First, let me say that I was greatly impressed with the magazine and the articles contained therein. I found them to be very timely and interesting. Being very much concerned with education and our school system in general, I found your article by Vern L. Farrow, 'America's Schools - A Vacuum in Values,' one of the best I have come across on this subject. It expresses my sentiments exactly. I am the secretary for an organization of school boards in Nebraska, and felt I would like to put this material into the hands of our members. I would therefore request permission to reproduce the article for distribution to them with the proper credit, of course, to the author and your publication." S. H. B., Jr., Nebraska School Improvement Assn.

"Many magazines and publications come to our house each month, but The PLAIN TRUTH is the most worthwhile magazine of the lot. My husband and I read it from beginning to end." Mrs. Harold C., Jerome, Idaho.

"Yesterday was our twenty-eighth wedding anniversary. We may not have been together had it not been for your PLAIN TRUTH. When I began to change my own ways, it was amazing how much my husband changed too. Being understanding of other people's weaknesses really helps them to overcome them. We are happier now than we have ever been. Again thanks. And thank God too for changing me from a sad, complaining woman into another person entirely." Mrs. Edith M. W., Man, West Virginia.

GENERAL COMMENTS

"Mr. Armstrong, I know you receive so many beautifully written letters expressing gratitude for receiving the results of your hard work, but I want you to know that you have really made me aware of my great sins. You have shown me how to overcome and to 'talk' with God. I've been to lots of 'churches,' and heard lots of sermons - but never before have I heard 'how' to reach that Kingdom. I, too, thought I was 'saved.' How frightened I was when your Work proved to me I wasn't. How grateful I am to God for putting you in my path!" Mrs. F. B., California.

"Not too long ago I wrote asking you whether I should go to school on Saturday to make up for the days we lost during bad weather. You quoted certain scriptures wherein I found the answer to be 'no!' You advised me to talk to my teachers about the matter, and I followed your advice to the letter - talking with them. They understood, and one even talked to the principal for me! I received an excused absence. Your advice was very wise!" Miss Joyce J., Alexander, North Carolina.

"The Passover and the Feast were great. It was my first experience. Everybody there was very nice, and they tried their best to make a conversation with me. I am deaf. I have met many people who were usually impatient with me, because they didn't like to write for me too much. The people at the Church seemed to be happy to write for me - so that I could understand. I could tell that they were sincere when they wanted to inform me. Oh yes, I went out of my way to meet them, too. Usually, I withdraw from a crowd knowing that they don't want to bother writing notes. Now I know better not to withdraw from God's people, because they really want to help everybody who needs help. I am sure that God wants them to be that way." Mrs. R. S., California.

"About eighteen years ago my mother and I visited your college off of Orange Grove when you were just starting. Mother decided since you were not an accredited college, it would be best to look elsewhere. Now you know how close I came to finding the truth, and how much I have missed all these years!" Mrs. Nancy M. W., Goleta, California.

"About six months ago, I wrote to you asking for prayers. I had arthritis so badly in my right hip that I was almost unable to walk. Two doctors told me I would never walk without a cane unless I had an operation on that hip. This is not very nice to tell you, but Dr. B. (after I told him God could heal me if He so wanted to) said God himself couldn't heal that hip. But God did! I can walk very well, and without pain as long as I don't do too much on it. But I'll be seventy on my next birthday, so I am not a spring-chicken anymore. This is the second time I have written, and each time I have been helped by Him who alone is Master of all. I thank my Maker." Mrs. Lee T., Wyoming.

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June 7, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Until Thursday we have shown a decrease for June in both letters and money. However, the letter count picked up to more than 6,000 letters for today. When the money count is finished it should give us a slight increase in both money and letters through June 6. The White Mail is rather low for the week and it appears now that the count will be barely more than 7,000 for the week. We hope to see this count improve next week. The Semi-annual Letter has been mailed to all the Members and Co-workers already and we are starting to mail it to the Regulars as the week ends. Response should start coming back in the early part of next week.

LONDON: This week the money increase is 6.6% above that for May last year. The mail figures are -28% below May of a year ago. We are continuing to receive a number of favourable comments on Mr. Royer's article in the April magazine, "Who Killed Jesus Christ?"

JOHANNESBURG: For the week ending May 23 we had a total of 1,269 letters. This is 57.2% above the corresponding week one year ago. We also had a 297.5% increase in ad responses. "Personality" by itself shows a 22.5% increase. Money for the month so far is 13.7%.

SYDNEY: For the month of May our increase is low at 5.8% in money and 5.4% in mail. However, the year so far is bringing us a good increase especially in the mail. We have 33% increase for money and 54.2% for mail.

GENERAL EXCERPTS

"I want to thank you again for The PLAIN TRUTH. I am a college sophomore. I thought your articles on the Soviet Union were just great. I used some of the material for a speech in my speech class, and many students were surprised about crime and family life in the USSR compared to that in the United States." Bradley J., Hanford, California.

"Please restart my subscription with your May issue. I stopped reading your magazine three years ago upon entering psychotherapy. I felt the conflict was going to be too great to bear. It was! My psychiatrist walked off the job. They found him six weeks later on skid row. I'm not crazy, but the pagan world is. Keep printing God's truth. It's the only therapy that works." T. E. M., San Francisco, California.

"We enjoy The PLAIN TRUTH very much. We keep it on the table in our office so the patients can have access to it, and they enjoy it. In fact, it is very well read by them. Please keep sending it to us. Thanks!" Dr. and Mrs. G. A. R., Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"My brother is a clever fellow. He subscribed to your magazine in my name, and to my magazine in your name. I was under the illusion that you subscribed until I put two and two together, and I guess your staff has been under the same illusion. I have been enjoying your magazine very much, and I am glad my brother played this particular little trick. I am especially enjoying the May issue now - I think it is the best yet." Michael S., Editor - AQUARIAN AGE, Palos Verdes, Calif.

"On hearing your recent program on what a sick world and sick society we have, I couldn't agree more! I am speaking from personal knowledge. My father died of cancer, my mother of multiple sclerosis, and my grandmother of heart disease. My eldest son is mentally retarded. One of my brothers is sterile. His wife has ulcers and is sterile also. One sister has arthritis, and another brother is a homosexual. My father-in-law is a diabetic. I could go on, but it seems our family is cursed with every known disease...." Mrs. Glen M., Medford, Oregon.

"You are in complete error when you say the riots were not caused by color and race. Of course they were! Where have you been? Didn't you read the newspapers? It is obvious to the most simple-minded person that color and race were the cause. It was an obvious RACE to get a COLOR television set before they were all taken! Make no mistake - it was color and race all right!" Brian G., Bayswater, Victoria, Australia.

"I hear your program every night during work. I am a cook in a restaurant just filled with homosexuals, queers, lesbians, and wild characters. They are forced to listen to your program, and are searching for the truth. I pray that God may use your program effectively to reach them." Bill S., Providence, Rhode Island.

"I served for nearly thirty-two years as a police officer. I have served in every position from the bottom to the top, and the last eighteen years as Chief of Police. I hope there will be a much needed change in law enforcement in the near future, because law enforcement officers have been fighting a losing battle for many years. If there were more people in the world fighting on the side of law enforcement as you have been, a change could be expected some time in the near future." W. E. T., Petersburg, Virginia.

"At the present time, I am a junior attending a Christian college. After much studying, I realize it is not a Christian college at all. I am looking for the church that is taught in the Holy Scriptures, and if you can help me in this matter it will be most appreciated." Roy E. S., Newellton, Louisiana.

"Even at a supposedly 'Christian college' such as mine is supposed to be (Wagner College in New York), I notice with regret that our religion professors pass over the Bible as myth or fiction. So, it is refreshing to read and listen to your proof of the Bible as God's Word and the prophecy contained in it." Robert V., Southington, Connecticut.

"I must say I have finally really learned my lesson. Never again will I try to 'cheat on God.' Many months ago I tried to get by without sending in my tithes and offerings, and I am still paying for it. It will probably be some months before I am completely straightened out and out of debt. Never again! From now on, the first check I write will be for my tithe - or should I say God's tithe." Debra B., Minnesota.

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July 5, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Semi-annual returns are averaging fewer than 2,000 letters a day this week. Since we were receiving heavy returns from the Semi-annual at this season last year, we are showing a deficit in letters. Last July was our largest month on record for letters received with 249,734 letters. That means we will probably run a deficit in letters through the rest of the month. The money count is doing considerably better this week due to a good response to the latest Co-Worker Letter. The percentage of increase through Thursday, July 4, is 20.9. The nationwide TV GUIDE ad has brought in almost 10,000 responses through the same date. By far, the heaviest response is coming from Tucson, Arizona. The circulation is not very large in that area, but the percentage of response is more than twice as high as most other areas.

FOREIGN WORK: Mail returns are coming in well from most of the foreign offices, but the percentages are low, due to an excellent Semi-annual return last summer. The increase in money for the first 28 days of June is only 7.4%, while the mail count is up 11.0%. However, the mail count for the seven offices outside England is an excellent 43%, showing how important England's contribution is to the Foreign Work. Canada had the best returns in June, with a 22% money increase and an excellent 109% mail growth.

GENERAL EXCERPTS

"I am very dissatisfied with the quality of education that I'm receiving from the three universities I've attended. Grades were no problem as I have made very good ones. But I just can't correlate them with a good education. Something just seems to be lacking. I'm sick and tired of the double-talk and unsubstantial assumptions of my professors." Ken. S., Dixon, Illinois.

"My deepest regret is that I found you so late in my life. I would like to enroll in your Bible Course of study. Having been a Catholic all my life and never having been taught to read the Bible, I am so sorry for how little I know about God." Viola E., Seattle, Wash.

"Your assessment of French problems in the last issue of The PLAIN TRUTH was accurate and unfortunately true! I am an expert on France, and an ardent (the world's most) Gallophile, so I wish they weren't accurate. But they are! The housing problem is called a 'crise du logement.' One-half million new dwelling-units are needed

each year, but only 350,000 are being built. The minimum wage in France is 45¢ per hour, or \$20.00 a week for a forty-six hour week. Steak is \$1.75 per pound, butter \$1.00 per pound, and milk is 30¢ a quart! Only 25% of French homes have indoor toilets! Today, I heard on the radio that the French government will ask 'Commun Marche' partners for help to solve problems, economic and commercial, arising from the late chaos. Also, a new Berlin Crisis seems to be in the making!" W. M., Michigan.

"When I sent for your booklet about 'Child Rearing,' I never expected to start receiving The PLAIN TRUTH. I've enjoyed it very much. The booklet about children really set me straight about how to raise my little 2½ year-old boy. I wasn't showing him enough affection or teaching him to obey me.... Just last night he almost got run over by a car. Thank God you sent me the book, or he would have been killed. I called to him and he turned just in time for me to grab him out of the path of the car." Mrs. Ronald L., Vancouver, Washington.

"We enjoy your literature, and as a former printer, I think your PLAIN TRUTH is the finest product of printing quality we get today, including LIFE and LOOK magazines. Thank you for them." J. D., Colo.

"You probably won't remember, but you spent an afternoon discussing the Bible in my living room about thirty years ago when Ted was a little boy. I remember him leaning against your knee hour after hour as we sat there talking. I am now ninety-one years old, and can no longer read. But I enjoy having my daughters read The PLAIN TRUTH to me." Mrs. Eleanor S., Seattle, Washington.

"It may interest you to know that my Sociology instructor was a faithful reader of your magazine. He encourages all his classes to read your magazine. He has even made bulletin boards using some of your articles. Shirley N., Fountain, North Carolina.

"It's just past 8:00 P.M. here in Alaska, and I have just heard your message given after the shooting of Senator Robert Kennedy. It was a fearless, brave and challenging presentation, and no one of all the many speakers I have heard since the shooting even began to see the reason for this and all the other brutal happenings of the past few years here in America. I know that all your friendly listeners were inspired at your ability to get to the crux of the matter so clearly, but I would imagine that you also made a few new enemies over it. Thank you for making me realize more sharply that more than ever we need to be praying for your continued safety and protection from those who would cut off this direct Work from God. We appreciate you, Mr. Armstrong, and we feel that we need you and The WORLD TOMORROW to keep us sharp and mindful always of the 'enemy within', our own self. The time between Bible Studies in Anchorage is sometimes long, but every night at 7:30 P.M., there you are." Mrs. John L., Sterling, Alaska.

"As a Juvenile Court officer of the Seattle-King County Superior Court, Juvenile Department, your articles on marriage, the family, drugs, sex, hippies, etc., are most appreciated by me as I deal daily with teen-agers and parents over these very above named subjects, or problems pertaining thereunto. Your publications offered, 'Why Marriage-Soon Obsolete?' and booklet on 'Hippies, Hypocrisy, and Happiness' will be appreciatively received. And by God's grace and help, they will be studied and the content's truths put to use in my work." Q. P., Wash.

Weekly Comments

WORLDWIDE

August 2, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

July ended with only a 3.5% increase in money from mail receipts only. We had a 42% decrease in letters which was more or less expected since we were up against the Semi-annual returns for last July. One very discouraging note is that we showed a 14.9% decrease in White Mail for July. Our White Mail has improved somewhat this week. Quite a number of people are mentioning how they enjoyed the "on the spot" broadcasts from Munich. Items most heavily requested are The PLAIN TRUTH, "Wonderful World Tomorrow" and "U.S. in Prophecy."

FOREIGN WORK: The increase in letters for the first three weeks of July is an exact 30%. This includes the best increase in England since last August--22%. More than half of England's mail in July was in response to the five ads: The LONDON TIMES (two ads) with 6,238 responses; DRIVE magazine with 5,001; The SUNDAY EXPRESS with 3,918; READER'S DIGEST with 1,095, for a total of 16,252. Responses are continuing to come in at about 500 per day for the first two days of August. The German office has received 681 READER'S DIGEST responses, an average of 140 per day, or TRIPLE their normal daily letter count! Money increase continues to be poor, averaging +1% for the four offices reporting.

GENERAL EXCERPTS

"Since I am a teen-ager, may I say your magazines have helped very much. I would have liked to have been a hippie until a few weeks back, when I received your magazine on 'Hippies, Hypocrisy, and Happiness.' Now that I really understand about the hippies' problems, and how they really are, I am very grateful." Dian W., Houston, Texas.

"I think it's just great that someone is trying to wake up these poor mixed up kids. I, myself, am sixteen years old, and it makes me ashamed that I am included in this generation of pot-smoking, bead-wearing, unclean, unshaven, dull-witted, unpatriotic, senseless children. Yes, to me anyone that would burn draft cards and riot is a child and should be turned over someone's knee. I can see me let my hair string down in my eyes and go without taking a bath for a month. My dad would hide me in the darkest corner of our house. And if someone would ask where I was, he'd say, I don't have a daughter by that name, which he wouldn't, because he would disown me. I can't say I'd blame him." Helen B., Dante, Virginia.

"The booklet about 'Hippies' certainly is informative. I thought we lived too far away from town to ever be bothered by the hippies. Not so! A group moved in about twelve miles from us. The police had to be called in, as one was walking down the highway completely nude with a flower in his hand." Joe C., Tiller, Oregon.

"I just finished reading the article, 'America's Schools--Real Progress?' in this month's PLAIN TRUTH. It is a thorough accounting of what goes on in the schools. I am an educator who has been specializing in remedial reading for the last two years. I have just finished doing some graduate work in education. I thought you'd be interested in what one educator considered creative.' This was from a school librarian. She worked with a group of sixth grade children who composed a book entitled 'Fun with Murder and Suicide.' Oh yes, that was the title! The children were led into creative (?) writing and poetry around this theme which they, incidentally, chose themselves. The book was filled with bloody scenes, monsters, gore, etc." Marjorie G., Pa.

"As a teacher, I am well aware our educational systems are repeatedly producing a high percentage of 'defective citizens' while making no attempt to correct its errors. Such 'products' cannot constructively contribute to your great machine--the American society. Recent events prove this is so. Your recent articles on education ought to be required reading for every school administrator. Educators and laymen alike interpret 'freedom of religion' as meaning 'freedom from religion.' There is a vast difference! Our nation was founded by men seeking religious freedom--freedom of religion. They said, 'In God we trust' and 'all men are created (not evolved) equal.' You could well produce an article regarding the religious ideals of these men--atheists none! Students today are taught that 'life is an accident,' yet they are told to find a purpose in life. Does this make sense?" J. V., N. Y.

"I found the article on 'Pollution' by Mr. Gene H. Hogberg and Eugene M. Walter in the June issue very interesting and informative. After reading that article, I have reason to be even more thankful that I can live in a semi-rural community where we have fairly clean water to drink and reasonably pure air to breathe. But even around here, there is need for improvement. I thank God that there will be a better world to come." Kenneth F., Manheim, Pennsylvania.

"Thank you so much. Your message is the greatest thing on earth. About a month ago, I wrote saying I objected to your style of speech. I must repent. I resented it, as no one wants to believe he's the kind of person you describe--the kind all unconverted men are. Please forgive me, and pray for me." Martha H., Lovington, New Mexico.

"I am a newspaper boy, and this is my very first tithe. I enjoy your programs and broadcasts. I read The PLAIN TRUTH and work on the Bible Course. I feel I should give my share toward God's Work. One day I will come to your college if I can. I am thirteen years old, and attend High School in Santa Monica." Ralph L. A., California.

"I quit paying tithes about four months ago. I am sorry for it. I sure have had nothing but trouble and sickness in my family ever since. Believe me, from now on if I only make \$10.00 per month, \$1.00 goes to

Weekly Comments

WORLDWIDE

September 5, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Since the Mail Department is moving to its new quarters in the Press Complex Thursday and Friday of this week, our weekly comments are being prepared one day early. The mail picture looks rather bleak following the Labor Day weekend but we hope to see it pick up considerably through Thursday and Friday. Through Wednesday noon we show a 42% decrease in both money and letters. Responses to the first ad in LIFE have reached 2,924 today. This is not a very good response but we expect it to climb in the next few days. So far we have received two responses to the second LIFE ad.

GENERAL EXCERPTS:

"I feel better today since receiving your last letter of August 30th. If it is the many that make up the 'most,' I understand better. I always feel so helpless when I can only send a 'little.' But I have explained the situation to you before. Thank you for The PLAIN TRUTH for August. I have always written before after receiving it, but did not this time, so, I acknowledge it now--also the brochure. A tremendous undertaking--but if you say it helps, I believe you. You would know. God bless and keep you." Isabel S., Alhambra, California.

"I'd like to thank you for making me a social outcast at the Bible School I had attended and the church I faithfully supported. Thanks for spoiling all my pagan holidays and for breaking up my girl friend and I, for condemning the music I loved and the T.V. programs I watched, for showing me that in order to be king, I must first be an overcomer and develop spiritually, emotionally, mentally and physically. So you see, Mr. Armstrong, Christ working through you has completely altered my life. And now instead of heading down the road to the Gehenna garbage dump, I'm heading down the road that leads to eternal life." Allan H., Canada.

"I heard you on the radio the other night, and I thought what you said was wonderful. I would like to get your magazine each month, so could you make me a subscriber and send me an invoice? I heard you say it was free, but of course this is just the usual sales gimmick. You see, I've been fooled before. A salesman came to the door and said he was going to give us an encyclopedia free and before we knew what we were doing we had paid about \$450 for it. But I don't mind paying for your

magazine as it sounds well worth it. I suppose you meant that you send a free copy to people to see if they would like to subscribe. You also advertised some free literature but I forgot what it was. Could you send that too, with an invoice?" Ethel H., Sydney, Australia.

"I passed your magazine around to some of my teachers and classmates. You'll be getting more requests soon. Although I don't entirely agree with some of your ideas, I wouldn't be without your magazine for anything. You are certainly right about the conditions existing in the world. Our young teenagers are so confused that it is a wonder they are as good as they are at present. Even teachers have had to change many theories in the past few years." J. M., Nova Scotia, Canada.

"I see Mr. Armstrong has not lost his flair for advertising--I wish to compliment you on your Reader's Digest ad. Years ago I first got in touch with you from a Digest ad, 'How to End Your Financial Worries' and have not had a financial worry since. Please send me 'Hippies.'" John F., Evandale, Tasmania.

"I am 15 years of age and I was able to attend S.E.P. at Camp Orr, Minn. I enjoyed it very much, and now I would like to be able to receive your PLAIN TRUTH. I would like to be put on your mailing list. I would also like to receive the following articles...." Helen S., Canada

"I look forward eagerly for each new lesson. I watch the mailbox. I am a minister but your Bible Course makes the Bible like a new book." Ken B., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"If you ever publish a book including all of your material on evolution, I'd like to be placed at the top of your mailing list for it. I'd gladly pay for it. I am sure it would become a best seller. In passing, maybe you should publish these writings in book form and sell it--in a hard cover edition--for \$10. This is the only way to gain respect in the 'intellectual' world of today, since everything free is considered cheap." R. B., Warren, Ohio.

"We have been so blessed in many ways this year. In the spring the school sent word that our daughter's eyes were in very poor condition. several years ago Mr. Battles had anointed her left eye. But they said both eyes were failing. We took her to have her eyes examined and the optometrist told us to take her to a specialist as she was blind in her left eye. We had Mr. Martin anoint her before we took her to the specialist, and to our thrill, he said, 'Her eyes are weak but at this time she does not need glasses.' She makes good grades in school and unless her grades fall down we are not to be overly concerned over her eyes. We know God truly does perform miracles today." Mr. and Mrs. Clarence M., Dallas.

"Just a note to tell you how very grateful we are to have been able to hear Mr. Ted Armstrong as he was broadcasting from on-the-spot in Germany and Jerusalem. It is truly inspiring to hear him as he describes things he is seeing and hearing in potentially dangerous places on this earth." Mr. Kenneth E. K., Vallejo, California.

"The 'Whale of a Tale' was simply a masterpiece of beauty, color. and education. From cover to cover it is nothing less than grand. My eight-year-old couldn't wait to read it. What a marvelous way to prove our Creator God exists!" Mrs. N. M. P., Maryville, Missouri.

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WORLDWIDE

October 1, 1968

PLEASE NOTE

No copies of the Weekly Comments will be sent during the next two weeks.

COMMENTS ON THE CO-WORKER LETTER AND ADS

"Until today, when I received your monthly letter, I had not understood how the pittance that I send the Work could possibly make any difference. In fact, I considered it somewhat of a liability because you always send a receipt which must cost something. I didn't realize there were so many of us who only sent 'widow's mites.' Believe me, when I possibly can, I will send more. This Work is the most important thing on earth today." Mrs. Ronald S., Davisville, West Virginia.

"Your advertising in LIFE is outstanding. I don't ordinarily look at the ads in magazines, but that one hit me as soon as I turned the page." Mrs. D. P. S., Salem, Oregon.

COMMENTS ON THE BROADCAST

"We heard Mr. Ted Armstrong's interview with Police Chief Reddin last night and we were quite impressed, (KPHO Phoenix). That should open a lot of eyes. It certainly affirmed what The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast has been saying for years." Mr. and Mrs. Dennis D. S., Phoenix, Arizona.

"I just listened with much interest to the interview with Los Angeles Police Chief Thomas Reddin. I feel he explained the police position very well. I am a patrolman in a wealthy suburban community. Please continue with your excellent programs and literature." Randall C., Chaska, Minnesota.

"I found the interview with Police Chief Reddin on The WORLD TOMORROW last night, to be extremely interesting and informative. I only wish that everyone who heard it will take it to heart and do their utmost to give our law officers their absolute cooperation and support. The problems of law enforcement these days are staggering and the police, instead of getting our full support and help, probably suffer more abuse and criticism than any minority group in the world. It was like a breath of fresh air last night to hear an interview with the accent on understanding of, and concern for, the problems and dangers our policemen

face when they undertake to protect our lives and property. I am very fortunate in that I live in a small town and so escape most of this avalanche of lawlessness sweeping the nation. But even here we've seen the incidence of crimes of all kinds go up sharply over what it was only ten or so years ago when I was a boy in school." Jerry A., Atascadero, California.

GENERAL EXCERPTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

"I must comment on the August issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. It was truly the most beautiful and the most professional-looking magazine I have ever seen. The portrait of De Gaulle by Eleanor Barrow was excellent and I am happy to see that you encourage and train artists at Ambassador College. The art work done in cartoons for the evolution articles is also excellent! I was an art major in college, so the layout of your fine magazine does not go unnoticed. Again, thank you for the quality of this whole work as inspired by God." Mrs. James C., Alliance, Ohio.

"We are experiencing one of the worst droughts that I have ever seen in my lifetime and I am 53 years old. The main cause was the high heat around 100 degrees for about three weeks in a row. Farmers are selling a lot of cows as the grass is about all gone. The peculiar part is that it has only been three weeks since we had good rains. Springs have dried up, branches stopped running, and some rivers very low. I asked some friends what would happen if a prolonged drought should come-- which I am sure it will in the near future." Clarence H., Mebane, N. C.

"We are already receivers of your wonderful magazine, The PLAIN TRUTH, and have found the articles on evolution with their magnificent photography and cartoon humor fascinating and very informative (in fact this is the page I look for FIRST!), so I was glad to hear we are to have more frequent articles in future magazines. God bless your work to many other parents and teachers and thank you for these broadcasts and articles so freely available." Mrs. F. W. B., Woolsthorpe, Victoria, Australia.

"Although I have listened regularly since your father started to broadcast, this is the first time I have written, although often have intended to do so. In these days of change in the Church, no less than any other sphere, it is good to hear some of the unchangeable realities of Scripture." Mrs. A. C., Belfield, New South Wales, Australia.

"The broadcast this 6:00 a.m. on CKFH in which Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong interviewed a police chief was real fine in my opinion. I think these interview type broadcasts every so often are tremendous. Especially when you get a man as well-spoken as he was. You would almost think he had Ambassador College training. My brother was commenting this morning as we drove to work how much of an eye-opener it is to hear someone who is not of God's Church speak out and back up everything that this Work has been trying to tell the world about crime in the 'good old U.S.A.'" Mr. Gerald W., Downsview, Ontario, Canada.

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WORLDWIDE

November 1, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Response from the telecast on pollution and requests for the booklet have been excellent from the stations on the west coast this week. The most heavily requested booklet from the broadcast this week has been 'The Wonderful World Tomorrow' with requests running as high as 50% in one day's white mail. In the past several months we have noticed a marked increase in requests from educational institutions, teachers, and ministers for multiple copies of various pieces of our literature such as 'Hippies' and 'Happy Marriage.' The overall mail count has been just fair for the final week in the month and it appears we will probably finish October with a 14% increase in money from mail receipts only and about 22% increase in letters.

FOREIGN WORK: October is turning out to be even better than September. September had a record of 92,450 letters and 120% increase. Through October 25, the mail is 204% over last October, and may well become the Foreign Work's first 100,000-letter month. Bricket Wood is up 280%, Sydney is up 134%, and most of the smaller offices are over 100%. Money is only up 14% so far, but should reach about 30% when all offices report. Total British ad response through Thursday is 51,158, this week's total being 1,840.

GENERAL EXCERPTS:

"I have been a PLAIN TRUTH subscriber for some time now, and have seen the magazine develop into an enlarged, colorful piece of literature which gives a more straightforward analysis of current news than any other of the news magazines to which I subscribe--TIME, U. S. NEWS, etc. Nevertheless, I was surprised to find Ambassador College Press literature advertised in LIFE Magazine, and T. V. Guide in the two latest issues, even though I have realized that 'The Work' has been expanding at a tremendous rate in publications, radio and television broadcasts. Indeed, you are making the truth known to all peoples of all nations!" William R. N., Palo Alto, California.

"The PLAIN TRUTH is getting around. My sister works in the Children's Theatre at Harold's Club in Reno. A couple of weeks ago one of the dealers gave her the latest copy and told her 'you ought to read it!' She didn't tell him that she's been getting it for several years. Mr. and Mrs. L. E. P., Davis, California."

"I am a beginning freshman at the University of Missouri....The other night the lights in the dorm where I reside were knocked out by a storm. It was shocking the way all the students went wild and ran like maniacs all over the dorm in the dark. Some were planning a panty-raid on the girls' dorm. A few days later I received the September PLAIN TRUTH and saw the article, 'College is a RIOT'--how true!" Richard M. K., Columbia, Missouri.

"I want to tell you, first of all, how much I enjoyed Volume One of your Autobiography. My father has a copy which I borrowed with the intention of leafing through it (I am not much of a book reader.) As it turned out, I carried the book around with me all week until I finished it. I haven't read a book that way for two years, at least. It was inspiring and interesting, and I think it will surely be an example for many who read it." Miss Janet L. B., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"I wish to thank you for the booklets that I received recently entitled 'Why Marriage?' and 'Your Marriage Can Be Happy.' Although my own marriage has been extremely happy, I have been greatly inspired by these booklets to give to my marriage a more conscious effort to fulfill the true God-given meaning of the marriage institution. As a result of a more complete understanding of God's laws of marriage, my wife and I have decided that she will give up her job, and take her rightful place in our home. I cannot express my gratitude enough for your having opened my eyes to this truth." Milton S., Bossier City, La.

"We just received the latest issue of LIFE and were really thrilled to see another ad so boldly standing out. They're very eye-catching and the layout is superb! You can tell expert hands handled it from A to Z. It doesn't appear as an ad but rather an eye-appealing article on a controversial subject. We look forward to seeing more! The response must be tremendous!" Milan P. C., North Canton, Ohio.

"Please accept this tithe to further God's Work. I enjoyed your explanation of the amounts given by each group (small amounts, medium, and large amounts). It made so much sense and makes the person in the small amount group feel necessary to the work." Mrs. Joseph D. E., Stow, Ohio.

"I have just read your letters of September 1968 for the third time. I am one of the ones 'who can give but little.' But I haven't, because it was just a little and I didn't think my dollar counted that much. I try to wait until I have a lot to send in, then the dollar I had is gone. Thank you for the letters. Now when I get a dollar or two I'll send it right in and not wait until it's gone for something else." Mrs. Pauline S., Houston, Texas.

"I want to say thank you very much for the article in The GOOD NEWS about the Photo Research Laboratory. I had wondered how you got such full-life pictures and so close up. I'm sure most of us have taken them for granted! So now we can appreciate them so much more. I'm sure you will be successful in all your future productions as God directs you. All the articles were so full of meaning and purpose." Mrs. Enick L. B., Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

Weekly Comments

WORLDWIDE

December 6, 1968

WEEKLY SUMMARY:

We are receiving an enthusiastic response to the Semi-annual Letters. The response began Wednesday, November 27. The number of responses doubled each day until Tuesday of this week when it multiplied with a count of 10,608. Thursday was even higher with a count of 12,577. The total mail count for those days was 14,418 and 15,339 respectively. A new financial record for a weekday was set Wednesday. As this summary is being written Thursday, it appears there is a possibility the money count may be about as high today but we do not have enough of the mail processed to tell. We are having to work well into the evenings just to pull the money.

FOREIGN WORK: The month of November closed very favorably, with a 115% increase in letters and a 12.3% increase in money. This November's income is compared to an excellent November last year and appears to be another record month in both money and mail. Foreign ad responses now total more than 120,000 including 2,000 from Malta last month. The year-to-date increase for the Foreign Work is now 42.5% in letters and 14.8% in money, after a poor first seven months.

EXCERPTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH:

★ "I worked on a newspaper for seventeen years, then served in two world wars, retiring in 1949. I can say that during that time, in other parts of this world, I have yet to find a magazine, so skillfully edited, so interesting, and beautifully illustrated as The PLAIN TRUTH. Thanks so much, for being privileged to receive this great truthful magazine without cost." Lt. Col. John C. H. (Ret.), Charlottesville, Virginia.

"Since I am of the Catholic faith, I had to prove to myself that the Word of God was as you had written. Therefore, I have studied the Bible along with your magazine for six months. I was so happy to prove you are truly preaching God's words and laws. If only the churches of this world could do the same! What I have learned so far has thrilled me beyond words." Mrs. Agnes Y., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"I received The PLAIN TRUTH a couple hours ago and, as far as I can see, it is one of the most forceful, illuminating, and challenging journals in print today. Fancy all that up-to-the-moment information

about world events, 'first-class' literature, notes on biology and evolution, let alone clarification of momentous events in Bible history is given free of charge! It is fantastic!" W. M. A., St. Vincent, W. I.

"The lunch and tour of Ambassador College for the Pasadena Junior Chamber of Commerce was most enjoyable. The atmosphere of your campus intrigued me to the extent that I read your magazine, The PLAIN TRUTH from cover to cover. I would like to know more about the way you believe." G. R. M., Pasadena, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST:

"In listening to your program the last few evenings, you have given me courage and hope in what seems the most troubled time in my life. I am requesting the two booklets you spoke of concerning marriage. I'm hoping that through them and the help of God, we can save our marriage." Mrs. Wayne R., Gardena, California.

"The interview with Herr Strauss was conducted in a sincere and forthright manner. There were no trick questions or insinuations. Mr. Armstrong did not try to read some hidden meaning from the answers. He gave background information which helped clarify the answers, and the portent for the future. How different this is from other news reporters. They try to wrest and twist everything a public figure may say. If they can find even one word that is suspect, they will begin to question the meaning. Note how often a public figure must try to explain and clarify what he has said to the press....Mr. Armstrong is the right kind of a news reporter. He gives the news the way it is and the meaning behind it. I am looking forward to more exclusive news stories in coming issues of The PLAIN TRUTH." Earl G. P., Wichita, Kansas.

"On my way to church this morning, I fortunately heard the last portion of your radio program. As an educator but more specifically, a Physical Educator, I immediately jumped to conclusions and took issue with some of your remarks. After listening for a few minutes, I realized that you were not one of the stereotyped censures of my profession but rather a man who saw both the values and weaknesses of my field. In these troubled days it is seldom the case when others outside the field write or speak in favor of physical education. It is surprising that during the past week both you and Dr. Alvarez, Berkeley's Nobel Prize winner, have spoken favorable things about the field of physical education. On behalf of my profession, I thank you for your support and justifiable criticism." Richard M. M., College Park, Maryland.

"Hurrah, hurrah! You took a stand against the hypocrites, the preachers, and doctors. When are you getting to the judges and lawyers?" Mrs. Delmar A., Kingston Springs, Tennessee.

"Are you a prophet? If you aren't, you certainly act like one. On your series on pollution, I get the impression that within a few years everybody will be dropping dead because of the process of respiration. If one is to believe everything that you said on your program, 'WORLD TOMORROW,' one can easily come to the conclusion that the world will end in a few years. I found out that you tend to exaggerate quite often.... I am not for pollution, but this problem isn't as bad as you suggested.