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FEAST OF TABERNACLES 1965 -- the most **POWERFUL** and **INSPIRING** Festival ever observed in Australia -- is past! God's people **LOOK FORWARD** with eager anticipation to an even **GREATER** Feast in 1966!

This year, **TWELVE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT** people gathered together on God's property at Blackheath for the Festival, a **STAGGERING INCREASE** of **OVER FIFTY PERCENT** since last year when **eight hundred twelve** persons assembled for the Feast. If God continues to bless His Work here in the "land down under" with the same tremendous rate of growth over the coming year, there could be as many as **EIGHTEEN HUNDRED PEOPLE** at next year's Festival!

The ministerial force was **SIX** strong. Mr. C. Wayne Cole, Evangelist in charge, headed the force which included Mr. W. Winner from Melbourne, Mr. R. Page from Brisbane and Messrs. Simpkins, Huse and Abraham from Syd-

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Mr. Cole Visits Brisbane Church

Members arriving at the usual Wednesday evening Bible Study in Brisbane were pleasantly surprised to find Mr. C. Wayne Cole presiding.

His exhortation was to a greater awareness of the magnitude of the privilege of being called by the Almighty God into His Work.

On the following Sabbath Mr. Cole's sermon drew a comparison with the

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TWO MORE BIBLE STUDIES

Two more milestones in the history of God's Church in Australia were passed on September 23 and October 31, when the **FIRST BIBLE STUDIES** were conducted in Toowoomba, Queensland and Adelaide, South Australia, respectively!

Mr. Roy Page, pastor of the Brisbane Church conducted the Toowoomba study, which was attended by twenty-four people! Subsequent studies have been conducted weekly on Thursday nights. It is hoped that Toowoomba will eventually grow into a secondary Church area for Brisbane, with serv-

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New Responsibilities For Mr. Waterhouse

God's Work which has for years been surging ahead, took another step forward when the news was announced that Mr. Gerald Waterhouse has been appointed assistant to Mr. Ted Armstrong in the Foreign Work. Mr. Waterhouse, who was used of God in raising up of-fices in Sydney, Manila and Johannesburg and who was a key figure in the of-fice at London in the early years of God's Work in England, has had ample experience in the Foreign Work to help prepare him for his present office.

Because of his ever-increasing responsibilities, Mr. Ted Armstrong has been forced to devote less of his time to each one of his many activities, and

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SYDNEY ORDINATIONS!

A growing congregation in an ever expanding Work automatically means an increased burden of physical responsibilities. On October 9, immediately preceding the Feast of Tabernacles, the Sydney Church witnessed the ordination of six faithful members to help carry these responsibilities.

The Sydney Church has now been blessed with a Deaconess and FIVE more Deacons. This makes a total of seven Deacons and ONE Deaconess.

As Mr. C. Wayne Cole announced the impending ordinations during the Sabbath service, he spoke to a congregation eager with anticipation. The authority of Jesus Christ is manifestly evident in the rulership of His Church.

The first to be called on stage to receive the blessing of a higher office of



Tabernacle Garden Inspiring Setting For Wedding

Four o'clock in the afternoon of October 3, 1965, was a highlight in the lives of Mr. Syd Attenborough and Miss Jessie Emmett. At that time they were united as husband and wife by the authority of Jesus Christ! Mr. C. Wayne Cole officiated at the ceremony. About 300 friends and relatives of the happy couple were present to witness this solemn but joyous service.

The wedding took place on the en-



trance steps in front of God's Tabernacle at Blackheath, framed on either

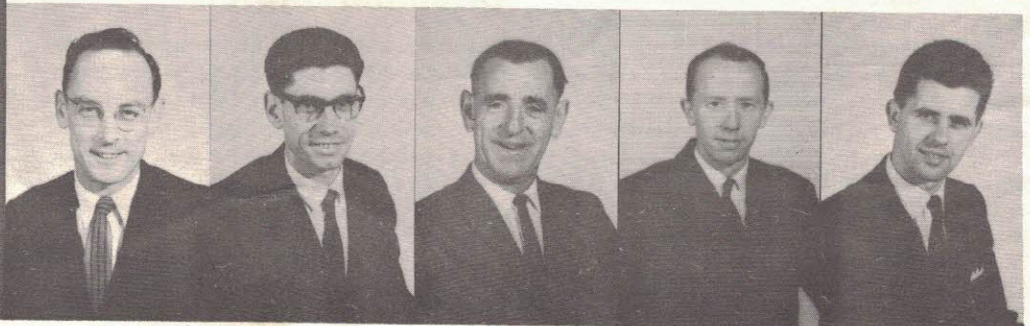
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service was Miss Nancy Bayley. Miss Bayley now has the distinction and great responsibility of being the only Deaconess in the Sydney Church -- and indeed in all of Australia. She has been a faithful member and fine example in God's Church for a number of years.

Those men set aside for the office of Deacon were Messrs. Kraft Klaus, Kevin Lulham, Richard Quinsey, Denis Anderson and Fred Harris.

Mr. Klaus, who was one of the very early members of God's Church in Australia, hails from Kuranda in North Queensland. He moved to Sydney last year and is now employed in God's Work on the staff of Ambascot Press.

Mr. Lulham is a foundation member



Two Tours New South Wales

In view of the fact many of our brethren in New South Wales are scattered throughout the state and able to have fellowship only at the Feast of Tabernacles, two visiting tours were recently conducted covering the state from Lismore in the North to Bega in the South, and West as far as Narrabri and Lake Cargelligo. In addition to visiting members, many initial contacts were made with those requesting baptism or a personal visit.

Mr. Clarence Huse and Mr. Edward Tupper began the northern leg of the tour on Sunday, July 18. Their departure coincided with one of the most freakish weather disturbances ever recorded along the eastern coast. Frosts, snow and icy conditions were reported from as far north as the Tropic of Capricorn. At the same time drought continued to denude pastures and kill stock while coastal towns fought flood waters.

In general, those whom God is calling throughout the state are well scattered. Grafton, however, was an exhilarating exception. In the local area encircling

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Why call it the beat generation? It's obvious nobody ever laid a hand on it.

--Diners Club Magazine

of God's Church in Australia and is employed in the Photographic Department of Ambascot Press. Mr. Lulham has also been used in giving sermonettes to the Sydney and Newcastle Churches and is currently President of Section B of the Sydney Spokesman Club.

Messrs. Quinsey, Anderson and Harris are all from the Sydney area and have shown dedication and growth in God's Church. All have held, or do currently hold, offices in Sydney Spokesman Clubs where they have contributed diligently to the over-all growth and success of this vital part of God's Work.

To our new Deaconess and Deacons we say a hearty CONGRATULATIONS and wish you an eternity of happy service!

Mr. and Mrs. AMES TO HEADQUARTERS

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ames have returned to God's Headquarters at Pasadena, after a job well done managing God's Office at Manila, the Philippines. Mr. Ames is scheduled to complete his fourth year at Ambassador College before a new assignment is given him. It is understood that Mrs. Ames will also

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ices being conducted every Sabbath.

The groundwork for the Adelaide study was laid by Mr. William Winner during the baptismal tour to South Australia last year. It then became evident that a Bible Study would soon have to be established in Adelaide because of the large number of people God called in the area.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne Cole flew especially from Sydney to be with Mr. Winner for the first meeting. Mr. Winner will direct each subsequent meeting, flying over regularly every other Sunday to conduct the study.

Remember to PRAY for your brethren in Queensland, South Australia and AROUND THE WORLD! Ask God to help those who now have the PRICELESS PRIVILEGE of having a Bible study to attend -- either weekly or fortnightly -- to APPRECIATE the opportunity being given them. And ask God to IMPRESS UPON THEIR MINDS their NEED for these studies, and the NEED for them -- PERSONALLY -- to ATTEND REGULARLY! It is so easy for human beings to REASON themselves out of obeying God! Remember too, to ask God to grant His ministers protection travelling to and from the studies, as well as protection for the brethren.

Also, don't neglect the THOUSANDS around the world who do not yet have the blessing of having either Sabbath services or Bible studies to attend. Here in Australia, a Church could be established in Perth immediately if a minister could be spared to send to the area. Also, a minister could be sent to New Zealand to fill the need there if God's Work had the available manpower! And this is only a SMALL PORTION of this great, WORLD-WIDE Work of God!! The same story could be repeated in many areas of the world, and especially in Israel!

So again, PRAY -- as Christ commanded -- that God Almighty, the "Lord of the Harvest," WILL provide more labourers for His harvest that this need may be filled (Matt. 9:37-38).

More Students To God's College

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to travel by ship with a group of students headed for their first year at Ambassador College in Bricket Wood? Yes, that time of year has come and gone! On August 11, the "Fairstar" eased away from the wharf, on time, ablaze with lights and headed out into the darkened waters of Sydney Harbour. Aboard were eight new students, two from Melbourne and six from Sydney. The total had swelled to thirteen by the time the ship departed Brisbane on August 13.

From a letter written on the high seas, here is a first-person account of what it is like, rather sketchily of course, to take part in one of these relatively rare occasions. The letter is dated Thursday, August 19, 1 p.m.:

"Greetings from 50 miles from the Celebes Islands!

"The trip has been most enjoyable so far with excellent weather and smooth seas. Several of the students have colds (i. e. Lyn Rose, Rex Lehman and myself) -- mainly caused by the starchy foods and the temperature extremes between the air-conditioned cabins and the hot, sticky and humid decks. Fruit is like gold. We have 1 piece every 2

days, plus a fruit drink for breakfast and $\frac{1}{2}$ a grapefruit. . . .

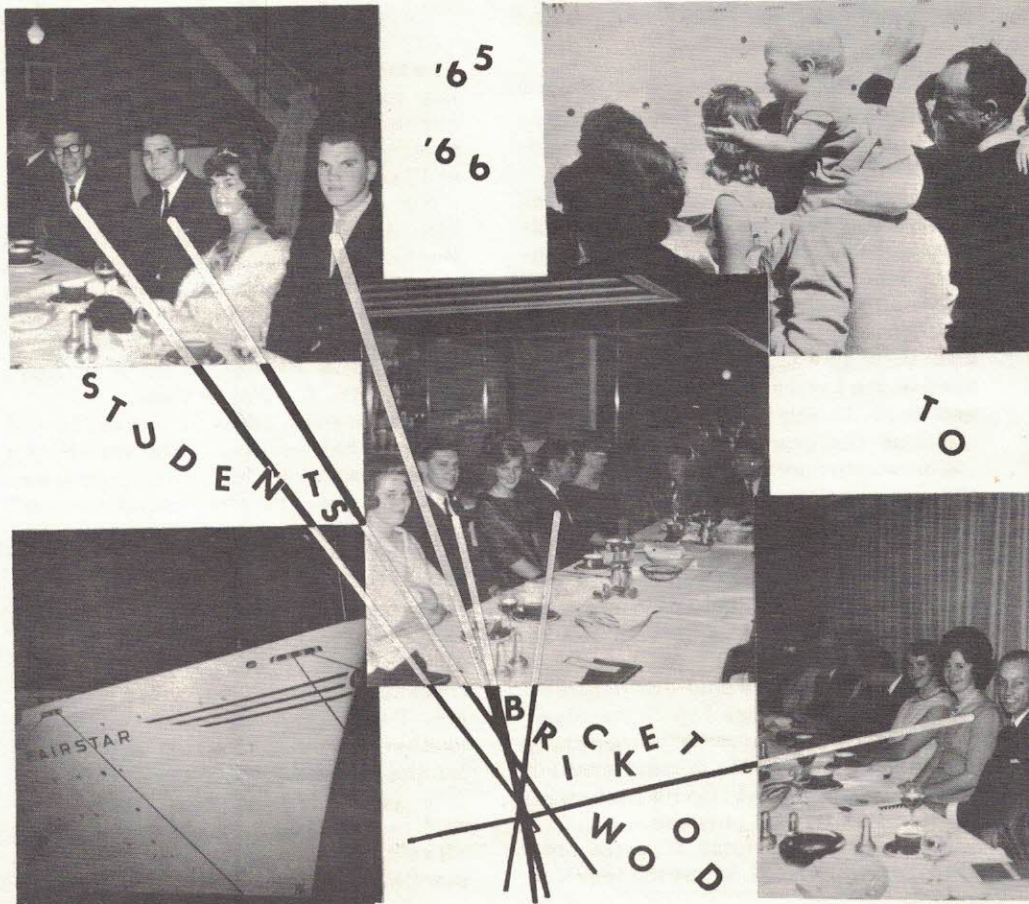
"On the first Sabbath out of Brisbane there was a fire drill scheduled for 4:30 p.m., but owing to unusually strong tides at Brisbane we were delayed 2 hours, and as a result the Captain postponed the drill to Sunday to allow us to view the islands of the Whitsunday Passage.

"...we are scheduled to arrive (in Singapore) Saturday evening and leave Sunday evening. This will give us all day Sunday to accept Mr. Lim's invitation of a brief tour of the city.

"We were able to rearrange our berths so as to come together in a closer group. The position at the moment is that Lyn Rose, Barbara Lumsden and Gwen Rutherford are together in a cabin to themselves. David Walton, Terry Browning, Bob McGuinness and Bruce Tyler are together in a four berth cabin. John Larkin, Rex Lehman and myself (David Sandland) are in a four berth cabin shared with a very friendly outsider. Then Danny and Penelope Banham are in separate cabins with very agreeable company."

Not mentioned by name in this letter,

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Baby Daughter Dies

On October 16 Felicity Ann Banham, 8-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rod Banham, of Sydney died.

Felicity, who moved to Sydney from Tasmania with her parents a few months ago, had been ill for some time before her untimely death. Her funeral took place on Tuesday, October 19.

On behalf of all God's people in South-east Asia the Church of God News extends deep and sincere sympathy to the bereaved parents and family, looking forward to the resurrection "when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live" (John 5:25).

We can all rejoice in the sure knowledge that God does have a plan and purpose, and that our faith is not in vain (I Cor. 15:13-14). As Christ rose from the dead (v. 20), so too will all people be made alive, "...every man in his own order" (v. 23).

Little Felicity will be one of those raised by Christ in the time known as the Great White Throne Judgment period (Rev. 20:11-12), when the whole world will live in peace, when there will be no more sickness, when "...the Lord Eternal will wipe away tears from off all faces" (Isa. 25:8).

You can mould a mannerism, but you must CHISEL a character!

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this town on the Clarence River, there are over FORTY members, prospective members and their children.

The second leg of the tour contrasted in many ways earlier conditions. Messrs. Huse and Tupper left Sydney Sunday, September 5, to follow a circuit west to Lake Cargelligo; south through Griffith, Leeton and Albury; north and east through Wagga Wagga, Tumut and across the Snowy Mountains to Cooma and Bega; finally back to Sydney along the coastal highway and Goulburn.

Whereas the northern portion of N. S. W. suffered from drought, the southern half including all of the Riverina has been blessed with rain. The country is lush, green and productive. As one farmer put it, "No real hard years have been experienced in the Riverina for at least eighteen years!"

Although there was only one baptism, the visiting tours were highly successful in that a foundation was laid for many new people. Personal contact enabled them to understand God's plan with greater reality and purpose.

Incidentally, the total distance covered throughout N. S. W. by the tour was

in the vicinity of 3700 miles. Over sixty-five contacts were made!

It is God that gives the INCREASE but He expects His servants to sow and water. You have YOUR part to play in PRAYING FERVENTLY for those whom God is calling. Pray they will go to God for the faith and will to APPLY the knowledge revealed to them. Pray also that God will give growth to His Work and increase the number of labourers to feed those being called in these isolated areas.

Club Officers Changed

The Officers of all three Sydney Spokesman Clubs were changed in July. Section C was changed on July 12; Sections A and B were changed on July 17.

The previous officers had held office for eight months prior to the reallocations.

The Directors explained that to be qualified for an office a man must grow in leadership, zeal, enthusiasm and willingness to serve. The change gave all members the chance to reflect upon

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Couple Wed In Tabernacle

Immediately following the Last Great Day many of God's people had the opportunity to witness a very simple, yet moving ceremony in God's Tabernacle at Blackheath.

The occasion was the WEDDING of Mr. James Potter and Miss Juanita Bordas. Both Mr. Potter and Miss Bordas had travelled from Western Australia to keep God's Feast of Tabernacles, and to have God unite them through His Evangelist here in Australia, Mr. C. Wayne Cole.

Miss Bordas chose a formal bridal outfit for her wedding. The full-length bridal gown of de-lusted Organza was made in the graceful "princess-line" style. An array of dainty flowers caught the shoulder-length veil completing the lovely bride's attire.

The theme colours of softly hued blue and apricot worn by Bridesmaid, Miss Marlene Salmon, made a delightful contrast for the traditional white wedding. Mr. Potter had the services of his brother, Mr. John Potter, as Best Man for the happy occasion.

To you, Mr. and Mrs. Potter, we wish the fullness and richness of God's blessings as you serve together in Jesus Christ.



Leroy Coles Return After Visit Home

Beginning early September the Sydney congregation was missing three very familiar faces. On September 2 Mr. Leroy Cole -- Supervisor of the Sydney Office Mail Receiving Department -- left with his wife and daughter, Julie, for a one-month vacation in the United States.

After three years service in the Australian office, Mr. Cole and his family spent their first week-end back in the States at Headquarters in Pasadena. They were then able to spend a little over a week visiting with Mrs. Cole's relatives in Montana, before going on to Mr. Cole's home-town for a week in the State of Oregon.

Incidentally, Julie, who is two-and-a-half years old, was seeing her grandparents, relatives and "native" land for the first time.

The trip was capped off with a visit to the rapidly-growing Canadian office before leaving Vancouver for a short stopover in Honolulu. Mr. Cole and his family spent the Feast of Trumpets in Hawaii, then flew on to New Zealand for four days, arriving back in Sydney on October 4.

The most noticeable feature of the trip was the growth and stability of God's WORLD-WIDE Work. Especially was this growth noticeable in Canada.

The PLAIN TRUTH For The Blind !

"Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped" (Isa. 35:5). No! This scripture has not been literally ful-



THE FESTIVAL FOR



Letters of Appreciation

Though the Feast is past, appreciation by those privileged to attend continues. We would like to share with you some of the happy comments received here in God's Office, from a number of you brethren.

"Dear Mr. Cole,

"Thank you all very much for a wonderful experience that the Feast of Tabernacles 1965 really was, including the rejuvenating rainy day... hearts warmed to hear you say you too like just walking in the rain. It's certainly a joy to me to feel the earth's appreciation, and see the plant life freshen and smell clean air.

"May I write my fullest appreciation of all the work that was apparent, and of all (the most usually) that could not be seen? Words seem so inadequate, however one must use them to convey to you all a 'thank you very much' from all the Lehmans of the Melbourne Church."



"Just a few lines to express our appreciation for the very enjoyable time we had at the 1965 Feast of Tabernacles.

"Quite frankly before we went there we thought, 'However are we going to put in eight days there, ' but we enjoyed ourselves tremendously, and we came away with a much clearer picture of God's word and His great plan; after being privileged to hear the inspired sermons of all the different preachers.

"Also we came home to a property blessed with abundant rain, over three inches in fact, which came just in time to save our crops. . . .

"The wisdom of God in calling His people together at these times to broaden their knowledge of His word is now clear to us."



"Thanking you for your prayer and

also for the happiness of and the things I learned at the Feast."



"I write once again on behalf of the family. We all send greetings to you and your family.

"We are assured that each Feast becomes better than the last, and we have an excellent yardstick to measure by.

"One of the things that impressed me most was the devotion to duty, evident from the ministers down, and epitomized in the men on traffic duty, who, though ill equipped for rain and cold, carried out their duties with zeal and cheerfulness. What an example they were!

"While we were away God blessed us with just on 2" of beautiful rain, and a lovely sight greeted us upon arrival. The men inspected the crops, and though cautious in their estimate, I note that we are preparing for harvest. . . .

"God also watched over the cattle in our absence. There were several new calves, with nary a bit of trouble, and, bull calves to boot!

"The rain was perfect for fallowing, the ground just taken up sufficiently when we got back, so within hours of our arrival the tractor was cutting a merry swathe."



"We were blessed with a good fall of rain while we were away at the Feast, although not quite as much as at Katoomba. But we did receive about an inch and a half. This, coupled with an inch on the night before we left for the Feast and a further two inches since returning home has made the position altogether different. The property is now carrying a fair coating of green grass and the work and expense of hand feeding is no longer necessary, and the stock which were becoming poor and weak are now in good condition.

"It seems even more of a blessing

when one considers that we are in a comparatively small area served by these rains in this area of the State, as one only has to go a few miles from here to be in the drought area again.

"It also seems that this blessing was poured out after we had decided that we would go to the Feast regardless of consequences. At the time it seemed a near impossibility to leave home for the best part of a fortnight, and I had many uneasy moments wondering what to do about the position. It is just one more example of how God can take care of any situation if we step out in faith and obey His instructions."



"Thank you, Sir, for the inspiring sermon at Petersham 'What can we learn in attending the Feast of Tabernacles?' I applied those points -- throughout the Festival and through the remainder of the annual vacation. It was planned. Things were done for a purpose. And, it worked!!

"As a result I was abundantly blessed and very happy. Never do I want to go on another vacation without forethought, a definite purpose, and planning. I know now I would hate that -- because there is so much more to be gained the right way.

"This was the most meaningful, encouraging, and inspiring Feast I have yet attended! Thank you."



"I was so happy to arrive at Blackheath safely, with the help of Miss Christine Palmer who drove my little car up for me and it was wonderful to see God's Tabernacle which he had caused to be built in Australia, also the great number of people who attended with but one thought, to keep God's Holy Days. I felt it a great privilege to be one of them."

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Mr. Ian Willis of Melbourne made up the total number of students on the "Fairstar."

At about the same time, two more students departed by ship, the "Orca-des," from Melbourne headed for Ambassador. They were Miss Marilyn Sykes of Warrnambool and Mr. Peter Alter of Morwell.

A couple of weeks or so after the departure of the "Fairstar," two more students departed for Bricket Wood, both in this case, although separately, traveling by plane.

Mr. Brian Eveille's flight took him from his home in Sydney through the Orient and across to Europe. Mr. R. Norling's flight took him from the Newcastle Church through the United States, for some interesting adventures at the College in Pasadena, to England. Mrs. Norling and the three children departed Sydney late in October aboard the "Oriana" bound for England and reunion with her husband.

It is laughingly said that there will soon be a "Little Australia" at Bricket Wood. But with the addition of 17 more students for the 1965-66 season to the many Australian students already there, it is evident God has a purpose for calling so many "Aussies" to be students at His College.

Will you remember to pray that these 17 will apply themselves -- not to become a better member of the society of "Little Australia" but, in transcending all earthly, national bonds, to become trained and dedicated Ambassadors for the Kingdom of God? Ask this for ALL the students in all three of God's Colleges!

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From the first introductory service on Sunday, October 10, through to the final service on the Last Great Day, the ABSOLUTE FACT of the REALITY of GOD'S EXISTENCE was thundered home with POWER and AUTHORITY by God's servants. Meticulously, fact after fact, point after point, absolute after absolute, PROVING and UPHOLDING the righteousness of GOD'S STANDARD, and the NEED for God's people to hew carefully to it, was expounded with POWER and CONVICTION by God's ministry.

Many remarked in particular on the high degree of inspiration God gave Mr. Cole as he expounded the REASON and PURPOSE for which God's people assemble together each Festival. Mr. Cole showed with undeniable

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South Sea Island Theme For Dance

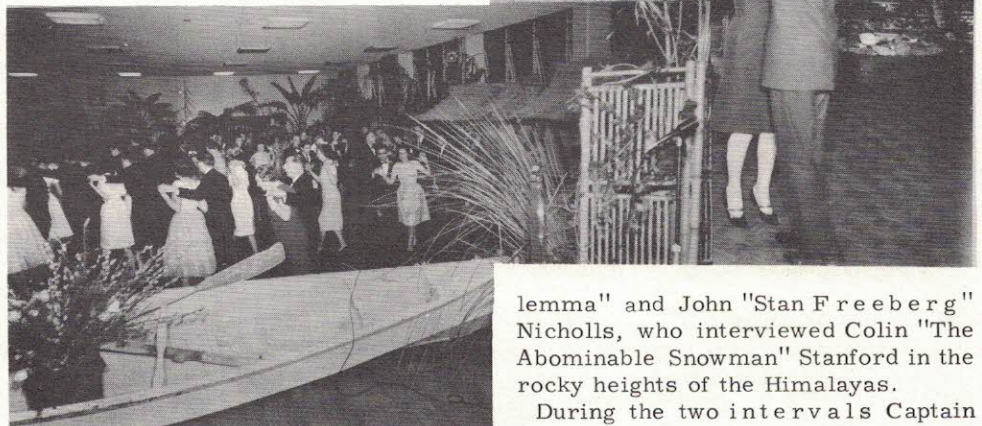
Tuesday, September 7, found many members of the Sydney congregation on an exotic "South Sea Island" as guests at the combined Sydney Spokesman Clubs dance. The lower town hall at Lane Cove was transformed into a virtual "tropical paradise" by the many volunteers, some of whom had laboured for weeks to make the occasion the tremendous success it was.

The walls were decorated by palm and banana trees (including a real bunch of bananas and a white-faced monkey), fresh shrubs, flowers, orchids and travel posters. On one side of the hall stood a volcano which emitted ominous rumblings from time to time, while the opposite side was graced by a fountain and a cascading stream, complete with tropical fish.

The evening was well-balanced between dancing to a four-piece orchestra playing Old Time dance music, and

watching the various acts.

The Master-of-Ceremonies, Mr. Denis Anderson, got the evening off to a good start and shortly afterwards, Colin Stanford's fierce-looking hula-skirted skiffle group led the audience in community singing. After a further interval of dancing, Mrs. Alan Emerson demonstrated her talents in performing a Maori Poi dance and soon afterwards, Mrs. Alan Gubb sang the beautiful Bali Hai. Further entertainment was provided by Messrs. Anderson and Lightbody in "Superman's Di-



lemma" and John "Stan Freeberg" Nicholls, who interviewed Colin "The Abominable Snowman" Stanford in the rocky heights of the Himalayas.

During the two intervals Captain

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BITS 'n PIECES

Mr. and Mrs. John Orford of East Burwood, Victoria are pleased to announce the birth of their third child. Dennis John was born at home on June 15. The baby weighed 9 lbs., 1 oz. The Orfords wish to thank all those who assisted them. The birth was completely natural and all are well. Best wishes to this five-fold family!

● Mr. Kenneth Slade of McLeod, Victoria is very elated to announce his marriage to Miss Joy Mitchell, formerly of Blackburn, Victoria. The wedding took place on September 12, 1965. Not having complete details at hand, we wish now merely to convey the good wishes of everyone for an increasingly abundant and happy life together.

● Mr. and Mrs. Brian Liu are now the parents of a second child. Deborah Bernice was born to them on September 13th at 1:15 a.m. The baby's weight at birth was 6 lbs., 6 ozs. The Lius other child is a boy. Best wishes to a very happy mother and father.

● Mrs. N. Jepp of the Sydney Church since the Feast is living with Mr. and Mrs. R. Payne of Toowoomba, Qld. Mrs. Jepp has been suffering from a worsening arthritic condition which has more recently greatly confined her to a wheelchair. It is hoped the Queensland sunshine will help to ease her condition. Don't forget to put her on your prayer list. Any who wish to write her should feel free to do so.

● Because of the number of persons returning to Sydney from Blackheath after the Feast, the station master had two additional coaches added to the regular evening train. And if that was not sufficient, an additional train was to be stopped.

● A number of persons have recently shifted from Western Australia to the East Coast. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lubbock and family, formerly of Kalgoorlie, are now living in Annadale, N. S. W. Mr. Ron Spencer, also formerly of Kalgoorlie, is now living in the Sydney area. And Mr. Frank Clarke with his wife, two daughters and son are in process of moving from Applecross, near Perth, to Sydney.

● In July Mr. and Mrs. Russell Couston of Brisbane and their family of four moved into a three-bedroom house in Murrarie. The house is complete to a TV set. The best part, no increase in rent!

● Got ant trouble? Here's a new method of exterminating them! The youngest son of one of the members was in the bathroom when he suddenly screamed at the top of his lungs. His mother rushed in to find him on top of the toilet screaming. When she asked him what was the trouble, he said there was a tiny ant on the floor, and he could not get off the toilet to step on it so he figured he could kill it by breaking its eardrums!

● Want improved reception on your transistor? Try locating it near any small diameter, vertical, metal pipe. In fact, experiment with locations. Try along the walls, near a light switch, near the telephone or a metal window frame; try turning the transistor. Again, experiment; improved listening may be your reward.

● After only six months stay in their home at Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Page and daughter have had to shift once again because of the unexpected return of the landlord. They now reside in Aspley. The Pages have found their new home much more useful to them than the Stafford residence.

● August 1 saw the arrival of the third child of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hayward of Boonah, Qld. Stephen William weighed over 6 lbs. upon his birth which occurred at 5:20 p.m. Congratulations!

● Miss Judy Payne of Toowoomba is once again working as a typist in the Sydney Office. For health reasons she had returned to Queensland where she lived with her parents for about 10 months. Soon after her return to Sydney she received the opportunity to occupy the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cole during their holiday in the U.S. Since the Feast she is occupying the flat of Mrs. Jepp (see above) until her return.

● Post Feast Mishaps: The C. Wayne Coles found their freezer defrosted and a quantity of food spoiled. The Leroy Coles found their pet dog, Skeeter, dead from tick bites. Mr. Bill Myers found a huge puddle of rain water standing in the middle of his flat.

● In August the Brisbane Spokesman Club toured the Brisbane Airport. TAA's Assistant Airport Manager showed to them and explained: passenger and freight loading, flight scheduling, the emergency firefighting installation, a "Viscount" aircraft including the pilot's controls and the kitchen, where, as the tour ended, they were served coffee and biscuits.

Success is relative. The more success the more relatives.

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proof that the present position of mankind is one of TOTAL HELPLESSNESS and HOPELESSNESS. He contrasted the woeful conditions of this present EVIL world (Gal. 1:4) with the GLORIOUS HAPPINESS, the RADIANT JOY, the FULL PROSPERITY and the truly ABUNDANT LIFE to be enjoyed by all in the wonderful WORLD TOMORROW! God's people in reality are RECAPITULATING TRUE VALUES!

The PERMANENCY OF WAR as a basic condition of man's society was also clearly shown. Other sermons showed that GOD'S WORK IS EXPANDING! A GREAT EXPLOSION, not of population or atomic weapons but of GOD'S TRUTH is now taking place and we are all involved as participants in this GREAT FAMILY EFFORT -- the FAMILY OF GOD -- in taking God's Truth to all the world as a WITNESS to all nations!

Then towards the end of the Feast we were reminded that God's people will soon be CAST OUT of the nations to become the OUTCASTS OF ISRAEL! Soon then will follow the GLORIOUS MILLENNIUM, after which will dawn the LAST GREAT DAY when BILLIONS of people who have never heard God's Truth will be resurrected to receive their FIRST and ONLY chance to receive salvation.

In summary, the Festival opened with the CHALLENGING PROOF of the REALITY of GOD THE CREATOR! It continued by showing the HOPELESSNESS of MAN WITHOUT GOD! It demonstrated the ANSWER to man's dilemma -- God, His Law, His Love, His Government. It concluded on the HIGH NOTE of Revelation 21:1-11 looking forward to the glorious NEW HEAVENS and NEW EARTH in which will dwell RIGHTEOUSNESS -- the wonderful WORLD TOMORROW!

As the Feast of Tabernacles pictures the coming millennium when the whole earth will rest in peace, and when men will be taught to live happy, BALANCED



lives, it was only fitting that the Festival should include a proper balance of light entertainment, dancing, sport and similar social functions.

This year the dance was held on Monday night following the first Holy Day, in the Blackheath Community Centre Hall. The Brisbane Church had the responsibility of organizing and presenting the dance this year on behalf of the entire Church. A three-piece band provided the music for dancing, which was interspersed with items of entertainment.

On Tuesday afternoon the Australian Spokesman Clubs held the last combined meeting to be conducted at the Feast. Six clubs were present for this final meeting -- the three Sydney Clubs together with the two from Melbourne and the one Brisbane Club. The Brisbane Club -- host for this meeting -- was in attendance for the first time, having only been formed since last year's Feast. Mr. Cole -- overall Director of the Clubs in Australia -- evaluated the meeting which he said was very successful.

Other highlights of the Festival were the Fun Show and the film night.

Melbourne Church prepared and organized this year's Fun Show, with



items being contributed by the three major Church areas, Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. The show's compere -- "southern gentleman" Mr. Eric Bonell -- kept the varied programme moving along, expertly blending the songs, skits and variety acts into a most enjoyable FUN-packed two hours. The Fun Show -- which was held on Thursday afternoon -- ended on a forward-looking note as the "1966 Fun Show Special" steamed out from the '65 platform."

The much-appreciated film night was held on Saturday night following the weekly Sabbath, the main attraction being the full-length movie, "Flipper," supported by a newsreel and other featurettes.

Two other events of great importance not yet mentioned are the baptismal service and the blessing of the children.

A total of SEVENTY-ONE repentant

persons were added to the Body of Christ by God, following water baptism this year, representing an increase of FIFTY-PERCENT over the forty-eight who were baptized last year! Once again the swimming-pool at Parklands Hotel was used for the baptismal service.

And, NINETY young children and babies had hands laid on them by God's ministers on the Last Great Day, after the example set by Christ (Matt. 19:13-15; Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:15). This service, during which the ministers ask God to BLESS the children, giving them His protection and helping them as they grow to maturity, is only one of the many inspiring services held during the Festival each year.

Also, God granted us another blessing! An EXTRA BROADCAST of The WORLD TOMORROW was made at 5:00 P. M. each day, Monday to Friday over the local radio station 2KA, Katoomba! This broadcast was aired FREE-OF-CHARGE by the station, as a gesture of goodwill towards God's Work and people.

The weather throughout the Feast was variable, being fine and warm for the first-half. However for the last few days we experienced typical mountain weather with early morning and night mist, light intermittent rain and some wind. However most of the brethren appreciated the change from the warmer days, and it turned out to be a blessing because flies -- including the blow-fly -- were starting to multiply because of the heat.

In every respect this Festival was indeed the GREATEST and MOST INSPIRING ever experienced by God's Church in Australia. And yet many of you brethren have not availed yourselves of the PRIVILEGE of attending this most



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Kidd's pirate crew were let loose on the appreciative guests with trays of assorted light refreshments, which were quickly devoured. As a special treat flowers were presented to the ladies upon entering the hall through a door over which a grass hut was superimposed. The orchestra said that the audience was the best they had ever played for.

As the time inevitably came to say "Aloha," the guests expressed their thanks to all who had helped make the evening such a memorable one. It is hoped that it will not be long before another function of this nature is conducted.

It has been reported that it will take about \$3 billion to place a man on the moon. This, however, includes meals.

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JOYOUS "HOLY CONVOCATION" -- or COMMANDED ASSEMBLY (Lev. 23: 34-36). Realize brethren that YOU DESPERATELY NEED to convoke together with other of God's people at this Annual Feast! God Almighty KNOWS that you need this yearly "refresher" to STRENGTHEN you for the trials you must face in this life, and especially for the ARDUOUS YEARS just ahead of us!

Brethren, Christ has promised NOT TO FORSAKE US, even in the face of the BITTEREST TRIALS! He WILL remain YOUR STAUNCH FRIEND AND ALLY! So DON'T YOU FORSAKE HIM!! Make plans NOW to FOLLOW CHRIST'S EXAMPLE (John 7:2, 10, 14, 37), and to ASSEMBLE TOGETHER at the Festival of Tabernacles NEXT YEAR, for what WILL be the GREATEST FEAST EVER!! -- to the year 1966!

Ladies Guests of Brisbane Spokesmen

The Brisbane Spokesman Club held a Ladies Night at the Colony Club on July 26.

The ladies took part by adding their comments during the Table Topics section of the evening.

Award time presented some interesting and unusual circumstances. Mr. John Larkin and Mr. David Walton both received the "Most Effective Speaker" cup. And Mr. Walton also gained the "Most improved Speaker" award! These two men are now students at Bricket Wood in England! All five speakers for the evening surpassed all their previous efforts.

The Club expresses its appreciation for having had the now students as members, and no doubt these men are equally thankful for the Club. The Club also expresses its thanks to Mr. Frank Dawes, the immediate past President of the Club for his example to future presidents.

Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well.

--Lord Chesterfield (1746)

BLIND — Continued from Page 4 filled as yet. But for many of the physically blind the opportunity has come for them to receive the gift of SPIRITUAL vision.

During the Feast of Tabernacles Mr. Cole displayed the very FIRST tape recording of The PLAIN TRUTH magazine received here in Australia.

Yes, brethren, The PLAIN TRUTH is now available to those blind people in this country who are hungering after the Truth of God. This service has been available in the United States for some time and is now FREELY offered to listeners here in Australia.

Naturally, this service will of necessity be restricted to those without sight or with seriously impaired vision.

Although final distribution arrangements have not yet been worked out, if any reader has a blind relative or friend genuinely interested in the search of God's Truth, the request should be made known to our North Sydney office through the normal mailing address.

I spotted a thief stealing my car the other day. I didn't get a look at him, but, fortunately, I did have the presence of mind to jot down the license number.

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WEDDING — Continued from Page 2 side by the beautiful terraced rockery, garden and lawn. The weather for the occasion was excellent.

About twenty minutes before the ceremony began, Mrs. Edward Lightbody commenced playing several selections of the couple's choice on the piano as background music. As the scheduled time for the ceremony approached, a hush came over the crowd when Mrs. Allan Gubb rose to sing a selected number of songs including "Because" and "The Wedding Prayer."

The Bride, who was given away by Mr. Trevor M. Higgins, wore a long white gown of softly gathered nylon chiffon enhanced by delicate silver beading on the bodice. Her veil, caught by a Mother of Pearl coronet, flowed gracefully into a full-length train. She carried a bouquet of white roses with blue forget-me-nots. The Bridesmaid, Miss Alwyne Smith, wore a light-blue terylene street-length dress. She carried a bouquet of pink carnations with blue forget-me-nots. Mrs. H. Attenborough, the Groom's mother, wore a beige linen suit with aqua accessories. The Groom chose his brother, Mr. David Attenborough, as Best Man.

A reception was held after the wedding at the Blackheath Community Centre where the beaming couple received



the heart-felt congratulations from their many friends. After the reception the extremely happy newly-weds left for Queensland on their honeymoon.

Congratulations again, Mr. and Mrs. Syd Attenborough! We are sure that God will continue to bless you as you serve Him together.

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take some classes.

Mr. Arthur Docken, a graduate of Ambassador College and an ordained Local Elder, has been given the responsibility of managing the Philippine Office and handling the ever-increasing growth that God is giving His Work in that part of the world.

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the need for someone to fill the office that Mr. Waterhouse now occupies has been pressing for some time.

Plans call for Mr. Waterhouse to pay periodical visits to all the overseas offices to keep in touch with the growth and problems in each area.

CONGRATULATIONS, Mr. Waterhouse, on your appointment and may we see you soon in the "land down under"!

Irate taxi driver to passenger: "There will be no charge, lady. You did most of the driving."

OFFICERS — Continued from Page 4 his own part in the Clubs since the last change-of-officers.

The new Officers serving in sections A, B and C, respectively are: Presidents: D. Turnbull, K. Lulham, G. Karlov; Vice-Presidents: E. Lightbody, R. Bateup, F. Harris; Secretaries: W. Monger, H. Porter, S. Attenborough; Treasurers: S. Leaver, G. Davies, J. Churchland; Sergeants-at-arm: G. Pfeiffer, N. Hinricks, J. Campling.

VISIT — Continued from Page 1 "tortoise and the hare," showing that to reach the goal one's efforts must be unceasing, never stopping, never slackening.

After the Sabbath Mr. Cole attended a dance and social held in the Grange Progress Association Hall.

On Sunday Mr. Cole enjoyed a morning of sports.

Mr. Cole also attended the Spokesman Club on Monday evening. There he admonished and greatly encouraged the members to strive to make the Club what it really ought to be.

This was an eventful few days in which all who participated were benefited. The people of the Brisbane Church would like to express their thanks and gratitude by saying: Mr. Cole, PLEASE COME MORE OFTEN.

