

HWA meets Japanese leader, gives address at Tokyo banquet

The following is a telex from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in Tokyo, Japan, Jan. 10.

TOKYO — We left Tucson Friday noon Jan. 2, arriving Honolulu [Hawaii] Friday evening. I met with and preached to church Sabbath. Left Honolulu Sunday noon. Crossing International Date Line in afternoon it became Monday, arrived just before dark at Tokyo Monday.

Mr. [Stanley R.] Rader accompanied me as usual in early afternoon visit with Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki at his official residence. He is the sixth prime minister I have met in private visit in Japan. I congratulated him warmly on his new "Suzuki Doctrine" announced that morning for Japan aid to, and cooperation with, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) announced in the Japanese press that morning.

I congratulated him on a policy of "give" instead of "get." His office was filled with TV and still cameras and bright lights, and reporters for our interview, which was reported in Wednesday morning Japanese-language newspapers, but not in

English-language papers. We presented him with a gift of Steuben crystal as we had to other prime ministers before him.

Prime Minister Suzuki left Tokyo for Manila [Philippines] Thursday for conferences with President Ferdinand Marcos. I will have conference with President Marcos week of January 11.

On Wednesday the 7th, Mr. Rader and I had tea and an hour's visit with Prince Mikasa the emperor's brother and his wife Princess Mikasa. We have known them for 12 years, and we decided we were all getting old, for we talked over old times of 1968, 1970 and later that we have enjoyed together.

Thursday night was the big banquet in the Imperial Hotel's largest ballroom. Four hundred eighty-two were present — the very top elite of Tokyo, including 22 ambassadors representing other nations and some 20 of my "Japanese sons" who are congressmen in Japanese Diet. I was chief speaker and gave them a strong message of Kingdom of God.

Sabbath afternoon at 2:30, I spoke to an audience of about 100 Plain Truth subscribers — all Japa-

nese and all either students or faculty from universities who understand English. They seemed very interested and the sermon was in power, on approaching world crisis (Great Tribulation) and Christ's coming, Kingdom of God, way of life, spiritual law and peaceful world tomorrow. Will speak here again three weeks from today and expect larger crowd. Leave Sunday for Hong Kong and Manila.



FIRST PLACE — While YOU director Kevin Dean (right) looks on, assistant YOU director Mike Blackwell (left) congratulates John Mabry, winner of the 1980 YOU National Talent Contest Dec. 28 in the Ambassador Auditorium. [Photo by Scott Smith]

Pianist wins YOU talent contest

By Jeff Zhorne
PASADENA — "His mouth dropped to the floor!" exclaimed a contestant describing the reaction of 17-year-old John Mabry of Troy, N.C., winner of the sixth annual Youth Opportunities United (YOU) National Talent Contest. The event took place Dec. 28 in the Ambassador Auditorium.

John received a two-year Ambassador College scholarship for his piano performance of *Rhapsody in G Minor* by Johannes Brahms.

One of 14 regional finalists in the

United States and Canada who qualified to compete in Pasadena, John said he had been aching and running a temperature during the contest. "I had to give it my best, though," he said, "because after competing last year, I knew I wanted to come to AC. I really worked on my piece this past year."

Second place and a one-year scholarship to Ambassador were presented to Terri Conti of Den- ville, N.J., for her accordion rendition of *Concerto in E, Third Movement* by Pietro Deiro.

Ron Plumlee of Topeka, Kan., earned third place and a one-semester scholarship for his saxophone solo of "I'll Always Love You," a self-composed piece for which he wrote saxophone and piano parts.

Two performances took place

Dec. 28. The first at 2:30 p.m. was closed competition before a five-member panel of professional judges. The second was at 7 p.m., with the 14 contestants and a dancing duo of Alicia Marin and Luis Garcia from Guadalajara, Mexico, performing for the public.

Receiving honorable mention were Cheri Burry, performing Brahms' *Rhapsody in G Minor* on piano; Kim Friesen, who played a piano version of *Fantasia Impromptu in C Sharp Minor* by Chopin; and Heidi Schatz for her vocal rendition of "Starting Here, Starting Now" by Richard Maly Jr. and David Shire.

The other regional finalists were Cheryl Andrusko, Phil Bauer, Nadine McCormick, Teresa Pe-

(See CONTEST, page 3)

Plans progress for 1981 SEP

PASADENA — Teenagers in God's Church may apply soon for the 1981 Summer Educational Program (SEP) near Orr, Minn., according to Kevin Dean, director of Youth Opportunities United

(YOU). Mr. Dean said plans for the three summer sessions are well under way. The program is adding an additional session this year to accommodate additional campers. Dates

for the sessions are: June 10 to 29, July 3 to 23 and July 27 to Aug. 16.

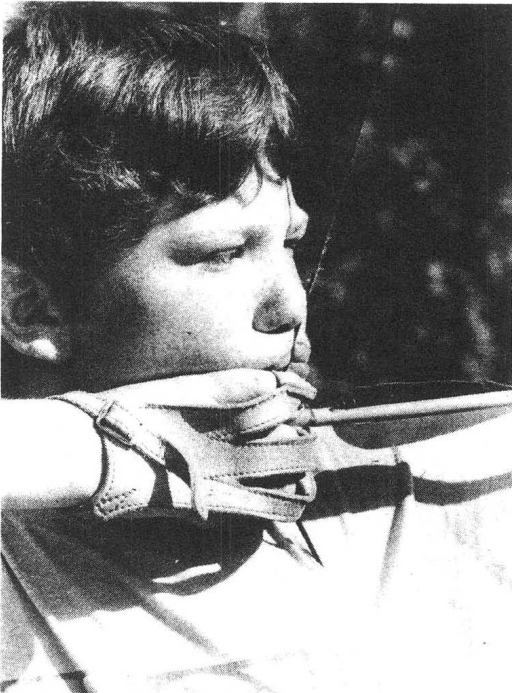
Tuition discounts

Session tuition will be \$175. An additional \$25 is required for YOU shirts and jackets. According to the YOU office, the tuition covers food, lodging and equipment use during the session. Campers are covered by regular YOU insurance while at Orr.

A \$50 discount will be subtracted for each second child attending. If four children attend from one family, the second and fourth children would pay only \$125, while the first and third would pay \$175.

Financial aid

Several plans are available for tuition aid, said the YOU director. A select number of campers will be (See SEP, page 3)



YOUNG ARCHER — A camper takes aim with bow and arrow during the second session of the Summer Educational Program (SEP) near Orr, Minn., last summer. [Photo by Nathan Faulkner]

Six AC students return from Thailand project

By John Curry
PASADENA — Six Ambassador College students who spent the past five months in Chiang Khong, Thailand, teaching the English language and Western culture to refugees, returned here Dec. 25. They were involved in the Ambassador College Educational Project in Thailand (ACEPT).

A group of students were on hand at Los Angeles International Airport to greet the arriving students,

and an even larger gathering welcomed them at the student center on the Ambassador College campus.

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong approved the continuation of the project Nov. 28 [WN, Dec. 22]. A second contingent of eight students departed Dec. 29 for Thailand accompanied by evangelist Herman L. Hoeh and John Halford, a minister here. Both men have been closely involved in the ACEPT program. (See THAILAND, page 3)

Brethren serve in Rose Parade

PASADENA — What do approximately 1,000 Pasadena brethren have in common? They all volunteered from 12 to 36 hours of their time to help in the 1981 Tournament of Roses Dec. 31, 1980, through Jan. 2, 1981, according to Robin Webber, an assistant pastor of the Auditorium P.M. congregation here.

Hundreds of hours of planning and organizing the support services for the parade climaxed Dec. 31, when more than one million people lined the parade route.

"To my knowledge, we are the largest property owner on the route," stated Doug Horchak, an employee in the Work's Facilities

Management Department, who helped plan the project. With more than 7,000 seats for the parade on college property, the college serves as a focal point during the activities, he said.

With the small army of volunteers, the Worldwide Church of God is the "oil that makes the parade flow," reported Mr. Webber. He remarked that Church brethren staff most of the support services along the entire parade route.

"The Los Angeles [Calif.] Times calls this the 'biggest party on earth,'" he said. "We provide ushers, security personnel, attendants for parking lots, people for conces-

sion stands and many others."

"We have a very good liaison with both the Tournament of Roses and Sharp & Warner [the company that markets Rose Parade services]," (See PARADE, page 3)

MR. RADER SPEAKS IN TORONTO

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's personal assistant Stanley R. Rader spoke to the combined Toronto, Ont., churches Dec. 6. His comments concerning recent activities in God's Church begin on page 5.

A Voice Cries Out: A Staggering Turn in World Events

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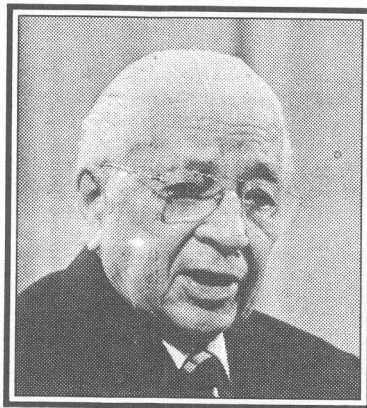
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They are all the product of modern education. They have been falsely educated in a system where the most important dimension in knowledge is unknown and untaught. They have been deceived into closing their minds to the basic **CAUSES** of present events and trends.

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In this folly of educated ignorance it has become fashionable and intellectually titillating to ignore the basic **Mind and Power** over all—the **PURPOSE** being worked out here below, and the master plan for its working out—the invisible but **Supreme Power** now soon to intervene and **END** the impending world chaos. It will be done *to us*, before mankind blasts itself out of existence!

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Through inspired prophets, this same **Eternal** foretold, beginning 2,500 years ago, the world events of the future—zeroing in particularly on our time **NOW!** All events prophesied to occur up to now have happened!—without a miss! The rest—the climactic crisis of our **END** time—is certain—and **SOON!**

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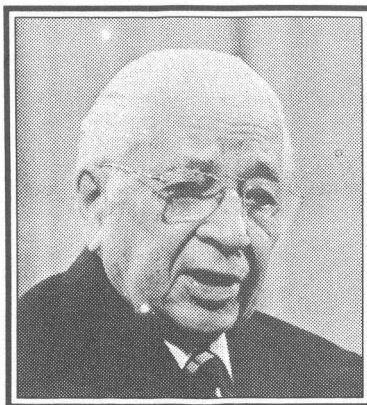
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Unreal though it may seem to those steeped in today's educational deceptions, some 2,500 years ago the Supreme Power of the universe inspired a man named Isaiah to quote Him, saying, "I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning . . . saying, 'My counsel shall stand.'"

The great world powers are formulating their plans and policies. But the next few years will see astounding events explode in a manner very different than they plan.

Why? Because there does exist the great God who says: "The Eternal

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swamped the Work's Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines, according to Church treasurer Stanley R. Rader. Mr. Rader said the ads were "a new door opened for God's Work."