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Evangelist Blackwell, Wife Tour Europe

by Wilbur Ball

On Monday, June 1, 1964, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell departed for New York City, where they met Evangelist Albert Portune and Mr. Floyd Lochner and their wives. After visiting with Mr. Raymond Cole and viewing the Worlds Fair, the group boarded one of the world's fastest and most modern ships, the S.S. United States, which transported them to England.

They arrived in St. Albans, the location of the College and Headquarters for the Work of God in the British Isles and

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To honor the 1964 graduates and to wish Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell a fond farewell, a formal prom was held on May 30th. The graduates pose with Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell after presenting them with a card of appreciation. Top row, left to right are: Ken Prickett, Pat Patterson, Robert Roenspies, Bob Kaes, Tom Schlitt, Keith Regnier, Howard Haines, John Kreidich, and Scott Regnier.

Bottom Row: Kathy Karwacki, Teresa Pirog, Patricia Madison, Susan Davis, Mrs. Blackwell, Mr. Blackwell, Linda Skaggs, June Van Nett, Marcia Beyersdorfer, Sharon Sturm, and Eleanor Barrow. Not pictured, John Wilmott.



The massive Gary Memorial Auditorium engulfs the record Sabbath Day Congregation of 2,121 people for the Feast of Pentecost.

Midwest Area Observes Pentecost in Gary

by Jim Howell

Memorial Auditorium in Gary, Indiana, was once again the site God chose for the area observance of the Feast of Pentecost held on three consecutive days, May 16th through May 18th.

On the weekly Sabbath, May 16th, there were 2,121 people in attendance. Mr. Frank McCrady exhorted us to control our tongues. He reminded us that Satan is the accuser. Ask yourself: Why do you say what you do? Do we exaggerate or impute motives? Your religion is vain unless you CONTROL THAT TONGUE (James 1:26). The first full sermon was delivered by visiting pastor, Dr. Charles Dorothy. After relating the news about the colleges and asking our prayers for the success of the new college in Texas, he made us all realize how short 7½ years really are! This means

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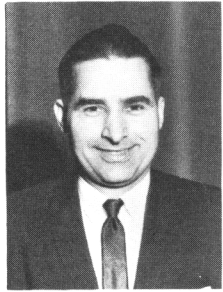
by Ken Ellis

The Chicago-Midwest area was once again blessed to have ordinations during a yearly feast. After the Pentecost afternoon sermonette, the speaker introduced for the main message was Dr. Charles Dorothy, but the man who came to the podium was Mr. Dean Blackwell.

Mr. Blackwell began quoting II Timothy 3 and mentioned that the rank of deaconess (and deacon) was the lowest position for which we are to strive. Then

he called two men and one woman to the stage along with ministers present.

Raised to the rank of deaconess was Mrs. Evelyn Scarbrough, wife of Deacon Gene Scarbrough of the Dan-



ville Church. Mrs. Scarbrough has assisted her husband and the ministers in various capacities for several years. She has helped in the kitchen and has been in charge of other women before and will now be used even more. The Scarbroughs have also been in charge of the News Briefs articles from their area. They care for two daughters and a large farm besides their many Church activities.



Raised to the rank of deacon were Mr. Dick Alexander and Mr. John Wood. Mr. Alexander attends church in LaGrange with his wife, Alma, and daughter, Mary

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2nd Spokesman Club For Indianapolis

In addition to the many other blessings God has opened to the Indianapolis Church, we now have **two** Spokesman Clubs. In keeping with God's plan of unity the clubs are designed as section "A" and section "B".

Both clubs are held concurrently on Sunday, Section "A" starting at 4:00 P.M. with club "B" beginning at 7:00 P.M. Both sections have Mr. John Bald, the local minister, as Co-ordinator.

Officers for club "A" are, President, Mr. Robert Quakenbush; Vice-President, Mr. Don Kayser; Secretary is Mr. Charles Boone; Treasurer, Mr. Russell Hampton with Holies Abrell as Sgt.-at-Arms.

Officers for section "B" are Mr. Gene Carter, President; Mr. Raymond Kiger, Vice-President; Mr. Harry Catobius, Secretary; Mr. James Apostolou, Treasurer and William Whitt as Sgt.-at-Arms.

With this added opportunity to develop the whole personality and a true Christian character, we hope to remain in the spirit of thankfulness and strive to become profitable servants.

Saturday Spokesmen Hold Lamb Barbeque

by Harold Stocker

On Sunday morning, May 30th, Mr. Frank Prickett's farm was the site of a combined Saturday-Evening-Spokesman-Club meeting and lamb barbecue.

At 11:00 A.M. the Club meeting was held under blue sky, white clouds, a backdrop of rich green leaves and with over 80 people present. As various topics were discussed and speeches were given, gentle breezes rustled the leaves and a rooster's crowing was conspicuously out of time with the Club timer.

Besides the many widows in attendance, the Club was host to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Zacharias of Stillwater, Minnesota (formerly of Chicago), and special guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cormany, Sr., who were celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary!

The fresh, clean air and the smell of green fields under warm skies was an answer to prayer for good weather. Other odors from the Prickett kitchen set the tastebuds watering for the savory food that followed. Chairs were pulled up into small groups for closer fellowship and discussion.

Later the children explored the many small attractions on the farm, fed the chickens, and chased the ponies. The young adults adjourned to a rugged uphill terrain which became the setting for a fast-paced softball game. The final score was decided by one run in the final inning.

If this day was a sample of future picnics to be held this summer, the Church of God in the Chicago-LaGrange area is in for many enjoyable hours.

Scenes from the Social Held During Pentecost



Rip roaring and fun-packed, the Saturday night Spokesman Club came to order on a Sunday morning, being host to widows and special guests at Mr. Prickett's farm. Vice-president Glen Ackerson presides, as a serious mood prevails. Club Director, Mr. Ray Roenspies, and President Joseph Schlitt look on.

Colored News Briefs

Some good news from California—Mr. Elbert Atlas has been ordained a Local Elder by Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong. Mr. Atlas, recently married, has been studying at Ambassador College for

the past semester.

Your fervent prayers will be appreciated for the ministers who are going out on baptizing tours this summer. Remember especially Mr. Frank McCrady and Mr. and Mrs. Bass who will be touring the racially tense southern states.

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about 66,000 hours or 396 Sabbaths or if we pray and study one hour each day, ONLY 117 DAYS OF SOLID GROWTH! We MUST make it in that time or NOT AT ALL.

After lunch, Mr. Jim Redus pointed out the danger of the word "ASSUME." Saul ASSUMED it was right to make an offering (I Sam. 13:9) Peter THOUGHT it was right to fight back (John 18:10). We need to recall the words of I Cor. 10:12—let him who THINKS he stands take heed lest he fall.

Evangelist, Mr. Dean Blackwell, then showed us that man can destroy himself in a number of ways. Why will this nation be punished? The plain, simple answer is found in Ezekiel 5:7-8. Only A FEW will escape the great tribulation that is coming. Americans and Britons will be sold as slaves (Joel 3:3). Certainly man WOULD destroy himself unless God intervened. Does this seem REAL TO YOU? God is sending NOW earthquakes and tornados as a warning. What do we find in our nation today? We see drought, floods, dust storms, and destructive insects. People are moving into the cities. Sickness and disease are on the increase. We see young men dying-in-warfare, wife-swapping, shoplifting, air pollutions, obscene movies, embezzlement, and income tax evasion. Some cities will get the treatment of Sodom and Gomorrah (Amos 4:11)! As a nation, WE ARE BLIND TO OUR PROBLEMS (Amos 6:3). What can YOU do? Read Amos 5:6 and apply it. Every man is rewarded according to his WORKS.

On Sunday morning, Mr. Carn Catherwood opened with the startling question: Where do YOU expect to be in 1976? CHANGE. You must change your ATTITUDE, your SET OF VALUES, your HABITS, your ASSOCIATIONS, your APPEARANCE, and your PERSONALITY before God can give you the seventh change—INTO A SPIRIT BEING. In the main sermon, delivered by Mr. Allan Manteufel, the point was made that WE have the answers to the world's problems—but President Johnson does not know the answers. The world LOOKS nice—but is NOT! Do not be deceived as this world is. Mr. Manteufel covered the beginning of the false way, starting with Cush, Nimrod, and Semiramis. Probably Abraham learned about God from Shem, whose life overlaps Abraham's. Shem was one of the survivors of The Flood! But where do

the ideas of purgatory, immortal soul, the cross, celibacy, and the rosary come from? These things HAVE NO SCRIPTURAL BASIS! This world loves myths, legends, and fables—see II Tim. 4:4.

In the afternoon, Mr. George Meeker discussed dedication. Many in our society are really dedicated, although toward the WRONG goal. Do we have the dedication of Stephen or Apollos? Does our zeal provoke anyone? We need to labor for everlasting life, which is permanent (John 6:27). Then, again, we heard from Dr. Dorothy. God CONDEMNS OUR FEAST DAYS! God's law is still binding on us all today. Using a certain order of the names of the planets, he revealed to us how the order of names of the days of the week came about. This piece of knowledge intrigued the listeners.

Then came the DAY of PENTECOST! Mr. John Bald asked if we are making ourselves ready for the marriage of Jesus Christ to His church. Time is dwindling! After Mr. McCrady urged us to give according as we are able in the Holy Day offering, Mr. Blackwell listed the places where Pentecost is mentioned in the Bible. Christ began His ministry on the day of Pentecost. This was the day the Holy Spirit came down. This

day is a HOLY CONVOCATION. However, the churches of this world observe "Whitsunday" and "Ascension Day"—so they are not here with us.

Mr. Jack Pyle informed us that it will be hardest for US to make the Kingdom but the rewards are greatest. Those converted in the 1,000-year and 100-year periods will have lower positions. Present sufferings are nothing compared to the glory we shall have (Rom. 8:18). The qualifications of a deacon and deaconess were briefly enumerated by Mr. Blackwell before the ordination ceremony. All should have these points on a card. The final sermon of the festival was given by Dr. Dorothy. How can we grow 3000%? This is the same as 30 times over! Nothing less IS EVEN MENTIONED concerning spiritual growth. To grow 100% or one-fold, we must hear and believe the gospel, repent and be baptized, and be obedient to authority. For further growth, we need to pray, study, fast, and tithe faithfully. Then each of us needs a responsibility. Don't try to preach to others—LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BY YOUR WORKS! We mean well and we need to do well. Increase your courage—God wants YOU to be on top.



Mr. Frank McCrady MC's Social.



Yes, my name is Johnson, but I'm not from Texas.



Der Schule Meister—Mr. Peter Ochs leads a German Song.



The Three Exterminators (Beatle-Killers), Messrs Davison, Witt, Skaggs.



Do you recognize these couples? Honored by a special dance at the social, are the two longest married couples attending.

HAWAIIAN LUAU

by Maceo Hampton

Sunday, May 31, 1964, as the sun began to set on a small suburb of Cincinnati, Ohio, called Hartwell, a group of Colored brethren led by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jackson began to enjoy a most unique and fascinating social at the Valleydale Civic Club.

This affair for the Colored brethren was the result of special planning by Mr. Carn Catherwood (Minister of the Cincinnati and Lexington, Ky. churches) and the Cincinnati Sunday night Spokesman Club.

The setting for the evening's festivities was a Hawaiian Luau. The decor produced the effect of a visit to a balmy south sea island. Upon entering the room each guest had placed about his or her neck a brightly colored lei, and/or a carnation in her hair. To the left was a blanket of grass; on it a three tiered fountain of bubbling water, made colorful by a multicolored disc over a flood light. Scattered on the grass were sea shells, flowers and a tree stump. To the right was a sea net on the wall with sea horses running thru it. Hanging from the ceiling were strings of lei. All the guests were seated at a number of tables arranged in horseshoe fashion with Mr. and Mrs. Jackson seated in the center of the main table.

This sumptuous candle-lit feast had on the menu such delicious edibles as charcoal broiled steaks, baked potatoes with shredded cheese topping, corn and a gelatin salad with nuts and pineapple filling. For dessert, home-made ice cream sprinkled with shredded coconut and topped with wild honey, and to top it all off. Champagne. (Ah!) Those who made all the preparations and served the guests were the Cincinnati Sunday night's Spokesman Club members and their wives directed by Mr. and Mrs. Catherwood. The wives of the Spokesman wore ruffled blouses with pastel skirts and the men wore dark trousers with cummerbund to match the ladies skirts.

The recorded music for the first part of the evening was typical Hawaiian. In the remaining portion of this evening of evenings the music was live, supplied by the Hampton family.

We of the Chicago Church who were privileged to attend this momentous occasion wish to express a very warm and grateful "THANK YOU" to Mr. and Mrs. Catherwood and to the members of the Cincinnati Sunday night Spokesman Club.

Lima, Peru. Reports have come in that police were needed to quell violence over a soccer incident. Fans protesting the officials' decision rioted and police used tear gas to halt the crowd. When thousands of spectators rushed to the doors, men, women and children were trampled underfoot. Estimates of the dead and injured well exceed 300.

It Could Only Happen There!



"For men shall be lovers of their own selves"—"without natural affection." II Timothy 3:2-3.

Warm-up Over, Season Begins

by Dave Shell

Sports Flash! First league softball game played was a win for Chicago over LaGrange 3 to 1!

In the past few weeks, a lot of action has been seen as the Old Softball has been pounded out of shape at Gage Park. With Chicago and LaGrange playing their practice games, Chicago was in the driver's seat up until the last real practice session.

The day before the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell, Mr. Blackwell decided to round up all the LaGrangers and give Chicago a taste of defeat. LaGrange won three games that afternoon. Mr. Blackwell stuck a shut-out in his hip pocket as Chicago went down 6 to 0.

On June 7th, Chicago and LaGrange together visited the Chicago Colored team at 82nd and Princeton. The combination was too much for the Colored team as they lost two games that day—11 to 3 and 13 to 2..

Comparison

by Waueda Fowler

When Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Armstrong stopped over in Chicago on April 20th, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell were on hand to greet them, amid much handshaking and joy. Three days later, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell were at Meigs Field when President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson arrived in Chicago for an official visit. Twice during his trip to his hotel, Mr. Johnson stopped to shake hands with small groups of people, and both times Mrs. Blackwell was able to shake hands with the president. (Although he was right beside her both times, Mr. Blackwell did not get to shake hands with Mr. Johnson).

Mrs. Blackwell commented that the expressions on the faces of Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Johnson were of different types. Mr. Armstrong's was one of joy and peace, while Mr. Johnson's was one of fear or anxiety.

HOME RUNS HIT LA GRANGE—CHICAGO TEAMS

La Grange	6
Chicago	7
Shell	4
Bull	2
Kreidich	1
Bremer	1
Skaggs	1
Gregor	1
Coco	1
Pyle	1
Shabi	1

PITCHER'S RECORD TO DATE

PITCHER—TEAM	E.R.	H.	S.O.	W	L	AVE
Blackwell—LaGrange	0	5	5	1	0	0.00
Filippello—LaGrange	2	7	3	1	0	2.00
Shell—Chicago	19	38	31	3	2	3.80
Gibbs—LaGrange	6	14	17	0	1	4.65
Skaggs—LaGrange	17	36	12	1	3	4.96
Tkach—Chicago	2	3	0	0	0	7.00

Tour Europe

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Europe, on June 10. This trip will afford them an opportunity to survey the Work in many nations.

Before leaving, Mr. Blackwell remarked, "I would rather stay right here in Chicago! It is such a joy to see the work grow and to work with the people in the Midwest area."

It's a great blessing for this group of ministers and a blessing for the Church because of the wonderful growth and experience these men will receive. The tour will take them through Germany, Switzerland, Italy (Rome), France, and possibly other countries of Europe as well. We will all be looking forward to their return on or about July 17th. Mr. Blackwell planned to take many 35 mm slides to be shown at Bible Studies along with the latest reports from those areas. In this way he will be able to share his experiences with us. The next best thing to being there, will be to see those slides.

Here are excerpts from a letter just received from the Blackwells.

Sabbath morning
June 13, 1964

Hello all,

We had a pretty good crossing over on the S.S. United States but two days were pretty rough, Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Lochner spent three days in bed. We almost all joined her a couple of times. The ship rocked side to side very slowly and so far over that our lovely roses from the Spokesman Clubs had to be put in drawers, and ropes were put up in the halls so people could walk without falling. We couldn't stay in our stateroom and read (it made us sick) so we walked and walked, all over the ship. Then we ate and walked more. It's all that kept us going. We finally made it and were we happy!

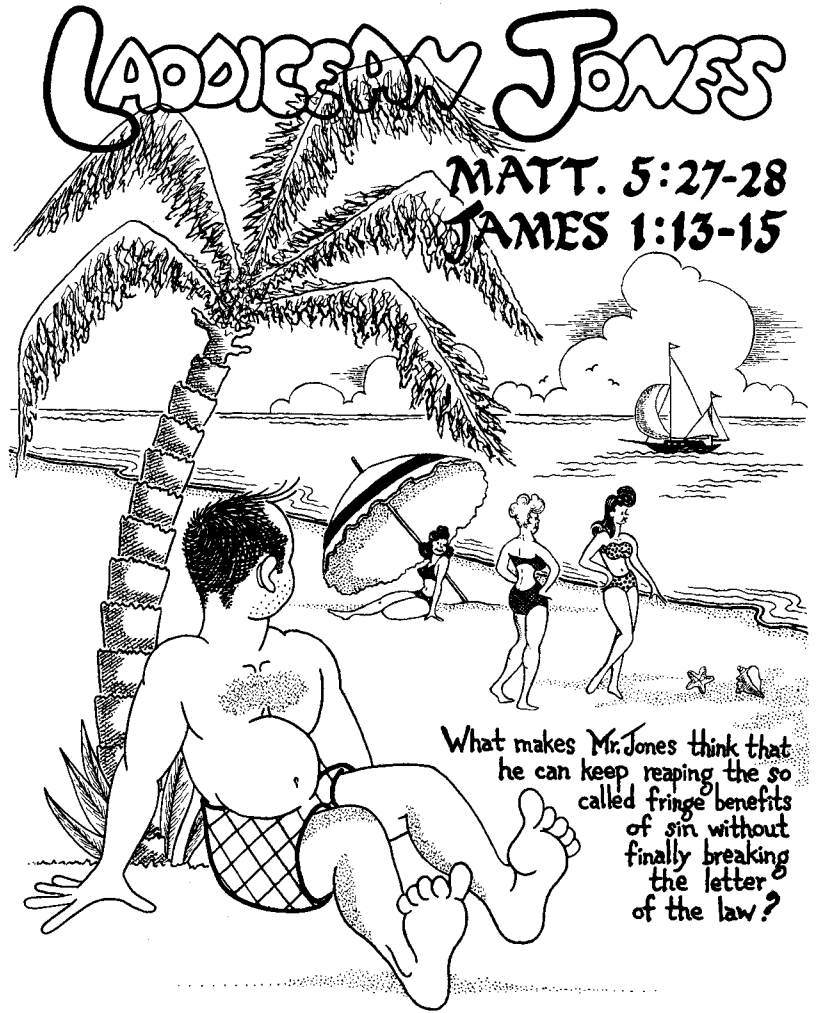
Wednesday afternoon and evening we saw the college, also Thursday. Beautiful! Friday we drove over English countryside up here to Birmingham for Bible Study last night. Today we have services at 1:30. It is just beautiful here, green rolling hills with hedges instead of fences dividing fields.

Will try to keep in touch.

Much love, The Blackwells



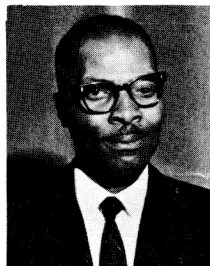
Evangelist Dean Blackwell and his wife congratulate Dr. Dorothy for helping the Chicago-LaGrange Band by playing a few numbers during the social held at the Hammond Civic Auditorium.



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Ann. He has served as LaGrange Librarian, member of the visiting team, Spokesman Club President, and has helped with the counseling. He worked for the business office at Jekyll Island and is a reporter on this paper, as readers probably have noticed.



Mr. John Wood will be of great assistance to Mr. Jackson and Mr. Crim at the Chicago Colored Church. Mr. and Mrs. Wood and their children have attended in Chicago for three years. Mr. Wood has provided transportation, helped the widows, and assisted in many other functions. He has also been very active in working with young people.

We do surely rejoice in the addition of these members to the efficient and ever growing team of God's servants in this area.

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