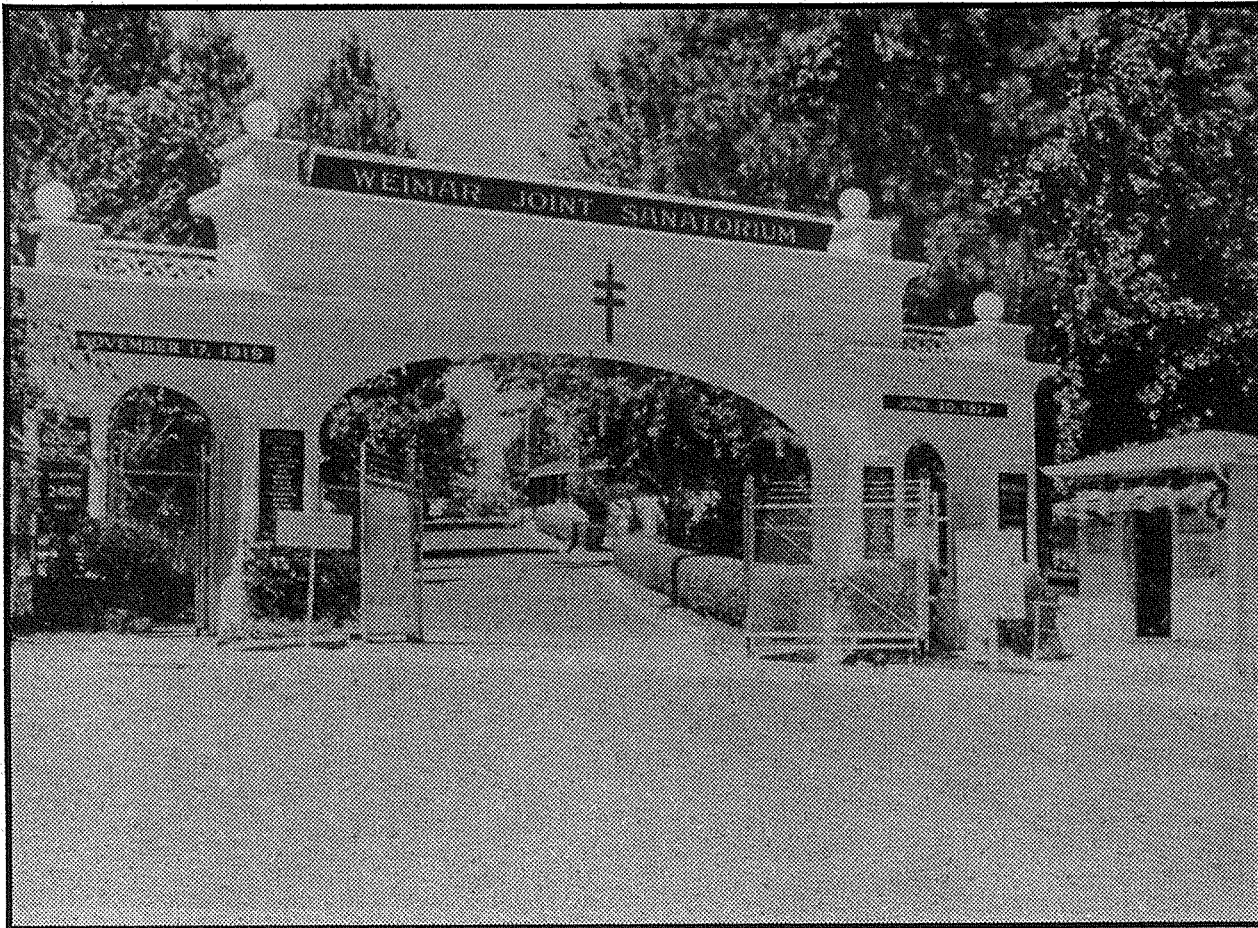


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Welcome to Weimar Institute!



Welcome to Weimar Institute! The sign greets you at the front gate. It tells you two things: This is Weimar Institute, and you are welcome.

Now, through the pages of this special issue, we invite you to come in and see life as it really is here. May you be refreshed and stimulated by what you see. However, before we start our "tour," let us pause and ask the presence of the Almighty God, our Father.

"Father, you know what it is You want our friends to see. It is not the buildings, not the dreams, not us; it is Yourself. In all our doings, our sayings, our very lives, may it be so. May they see You, for You stand before us. Amen."

Weimar Joint Sanatorium was established in 1919 for the care and treatment of tuberculosis. Owned and operated by 15 Northern California Counties, it was one of the largest institutions of its kind in the country.

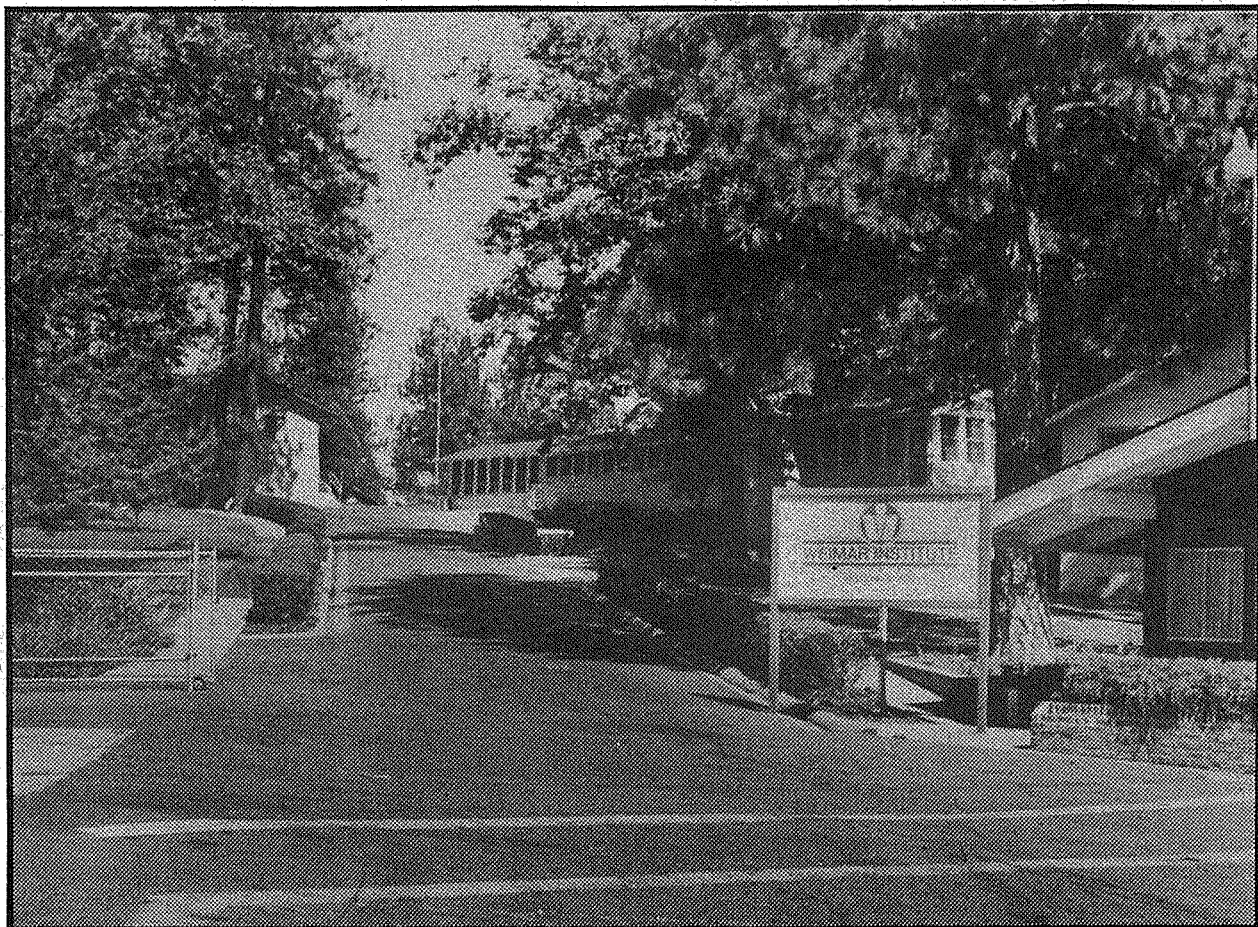
The need for such a sanatorium gradually lessened until at last the complex was closed in late 1972. The hospital changed hands several times during the next five years.

At one time it was sold to a man who passed himself off as a physician. When his check of \$17,000 for the down payment bounced he went to jail.

In 1975, the complex became "Hope Village," a temporary relocation center for Vietnamese refugees who fled during the fall of Saigon.

Then, in May of 1977, the former Weimar Medical Center became Weimar Institute. The old front entrance with its arched passway had been removed sometime previously (rumor has it that it was hit by a truck). The colorful awnings that decked the buildings in times past were tattered or gone. A silent cloak of pine needles covered the grounds as if to shield from further intrusion the once splendid complex.

Only a handful of people came to reclaim the campus. It seemed an impossible task in more ways than one. But they were sustained by an impelling vision, knowing that this place was someday to become a model for many others, knowing that it would take a miracle. A dream had begun to take on reality.



"But in the fulfillment of every dream there are myriads of mundane matters that demand our attention. While some focus on philosophy, others fix the furnace. While some plan the budget, others prepare the buildings. In short, a dream becomes true reality only as it assumes practicality.

"Striving to be practical has been Weimar's challenge right from the start. While making dormitories and housing from hospital wards, while clearing brush and trees to provide gardens and orchards, while repairing water treatment filters and sewage system ponds, while converting storage space into a tasteful chapel, while seeking to do what needed to be done in a way that was economical but not cheap, there has been a constant demand for practical skill blended with philosophical study.

"The practical challenges are with us still. Even though operational needs are provided by income from campus programs, other needs cry out. With a growing student body comes the demand for dormitories; with more students comes the need for more campus industries; with more campus industries comes the need for work supervisors; with more work supervisors comes the need for more staff housing. Thus the cycle of practical demands continues; and with the ever-growing demand, staff and students — Weimar's family — join their work with their prayers as they continue to make their dreams become realities."

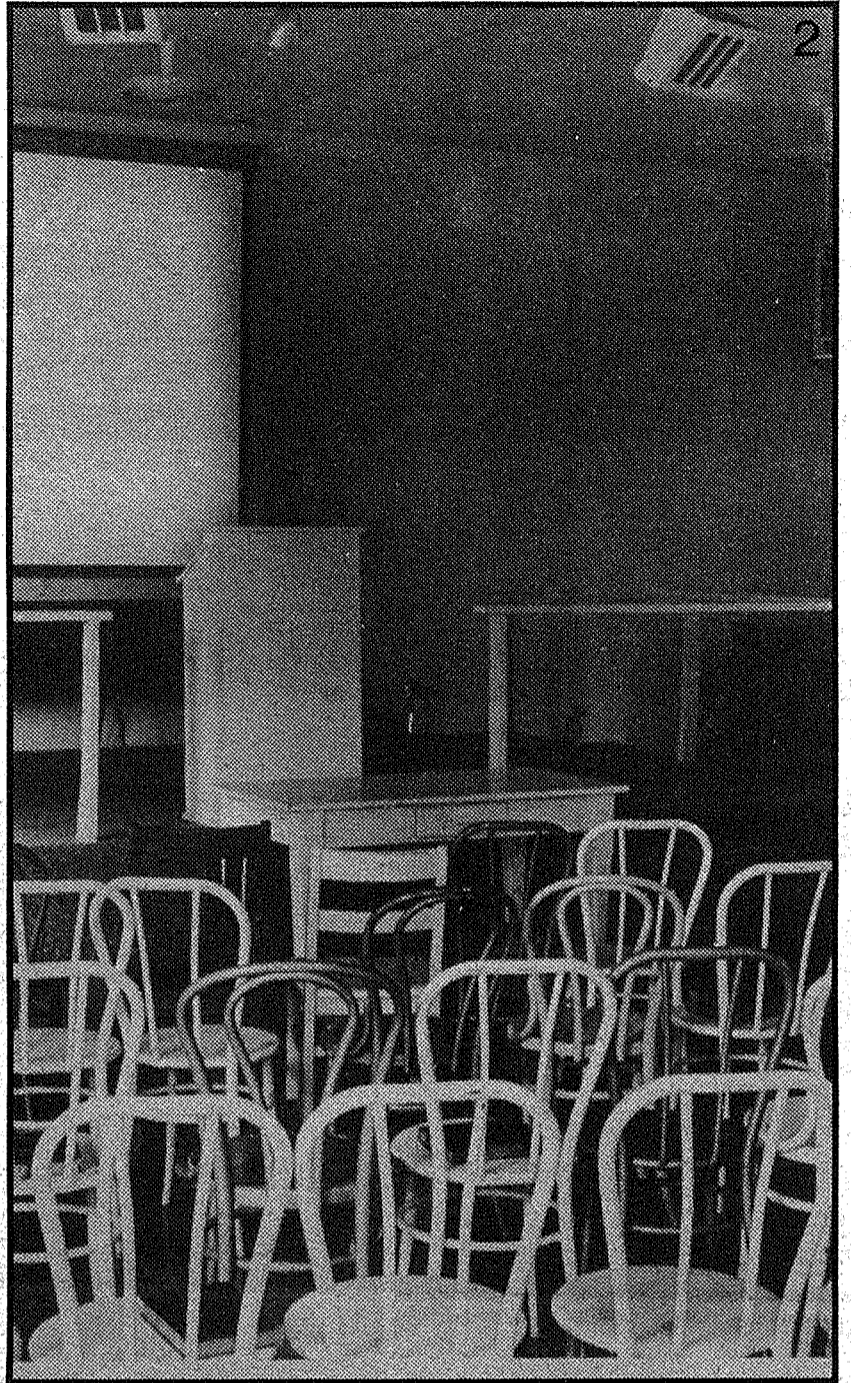
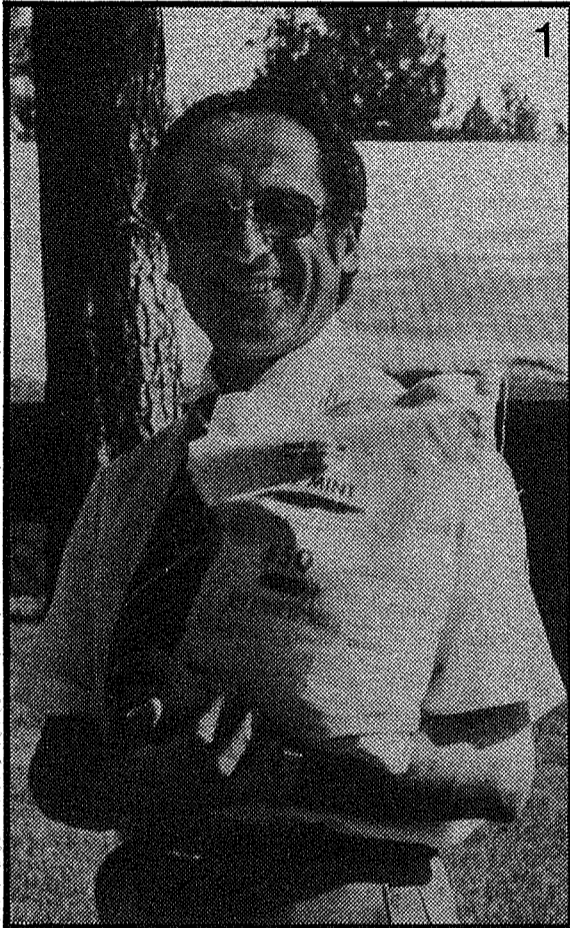
Robert L. Fillman, president

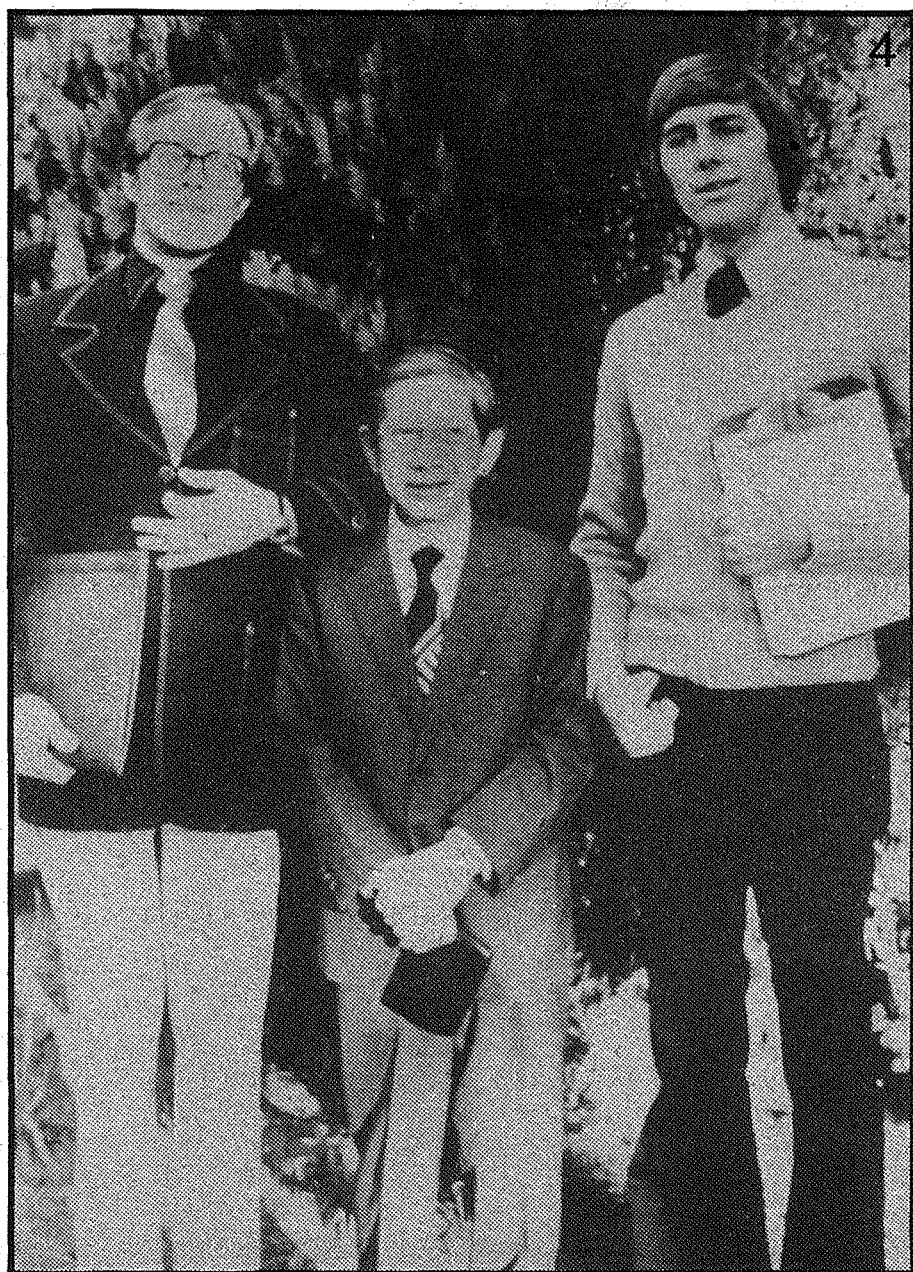
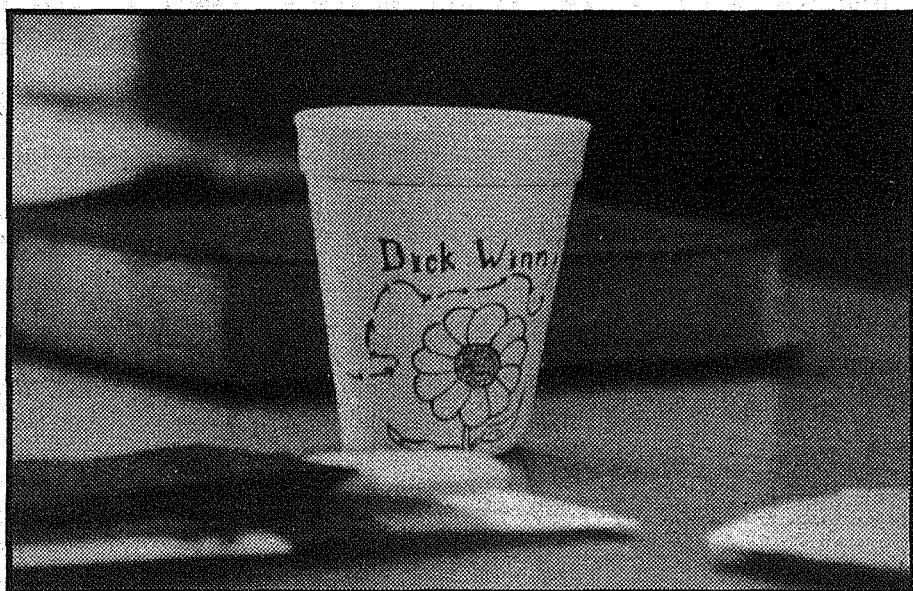
Thus, life for those of us living here is an inseparable mixture of prayer, praise and practicality. We feel our humanness — so very much at times! Sometimes others, looking in, think we are somehow "special." The truth is that it is God who is special. Everything we believe, all the principles we embrace can be transported anywhere, and encompass everyone.

1. "This bag represents what one family wanted to contribute to our Chapel fund. What about you?" — Salim Hasbani, Controller.

2. That first summer the Chapel seemed almost uninviting — with its stark walls and clinically white bedside chairs.

3. By Weimar's fourth anniversary it had been transformed into a place of warmth, worship and "family pleasure".

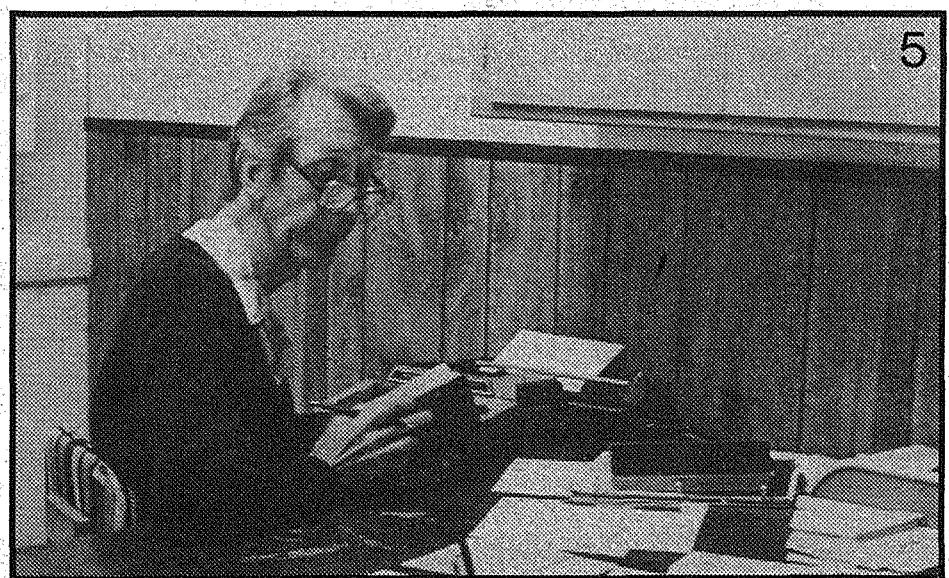


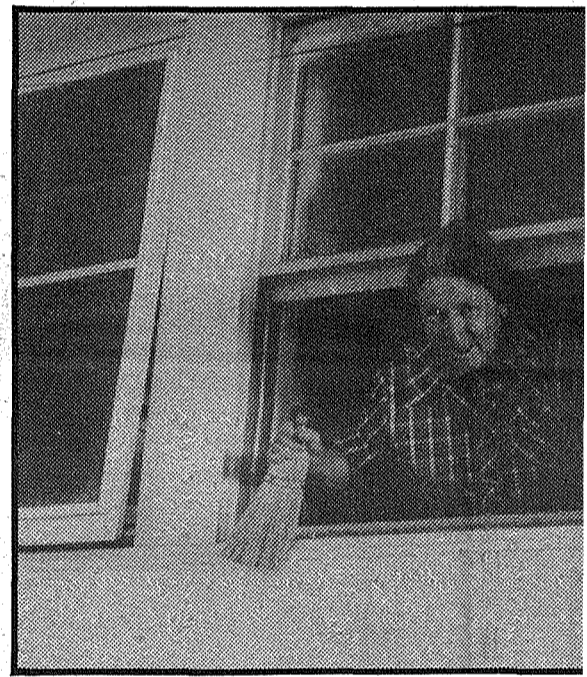
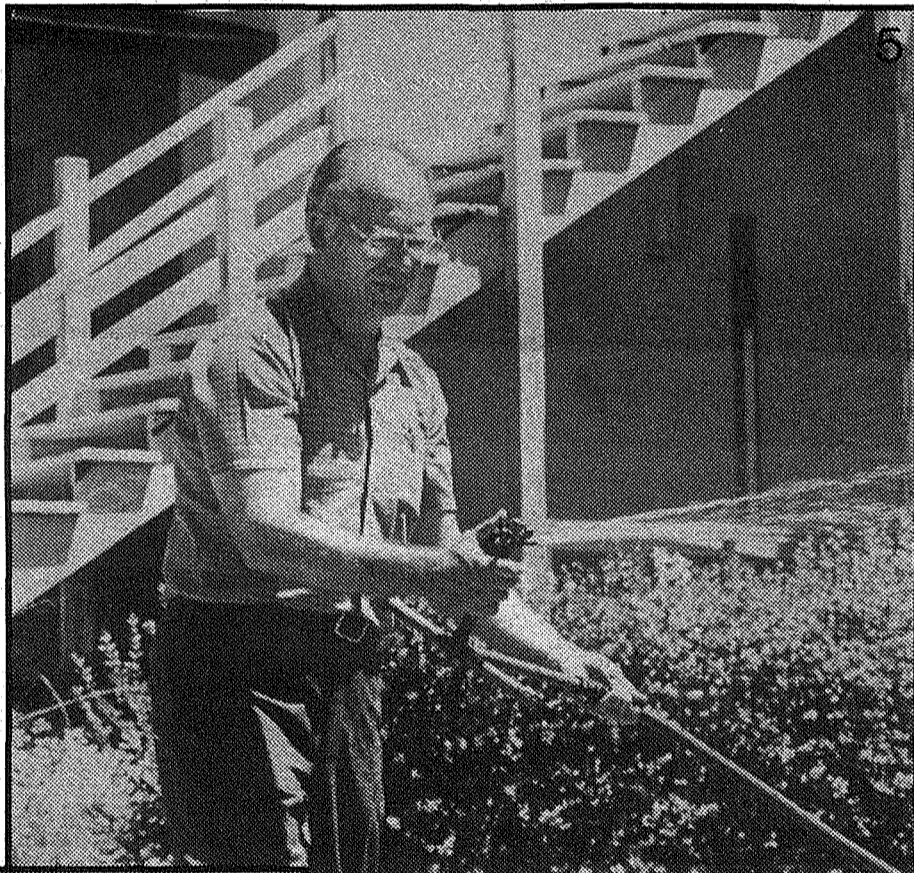
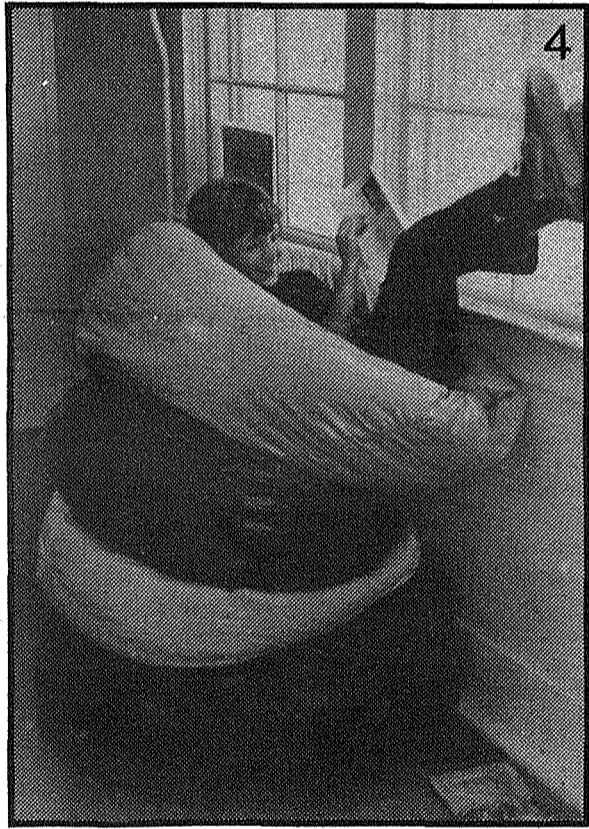
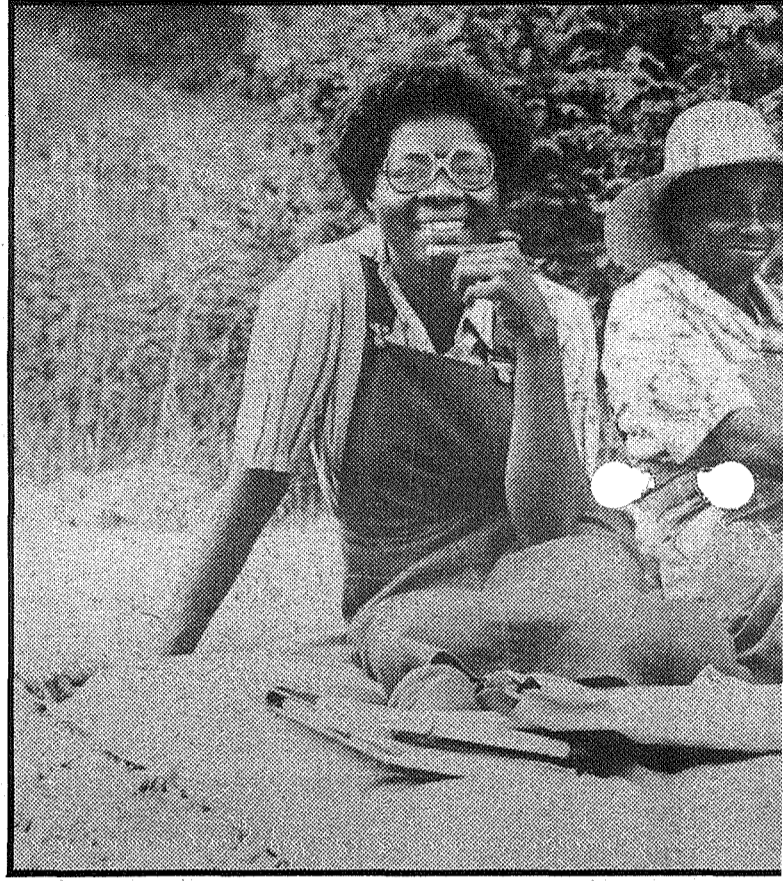
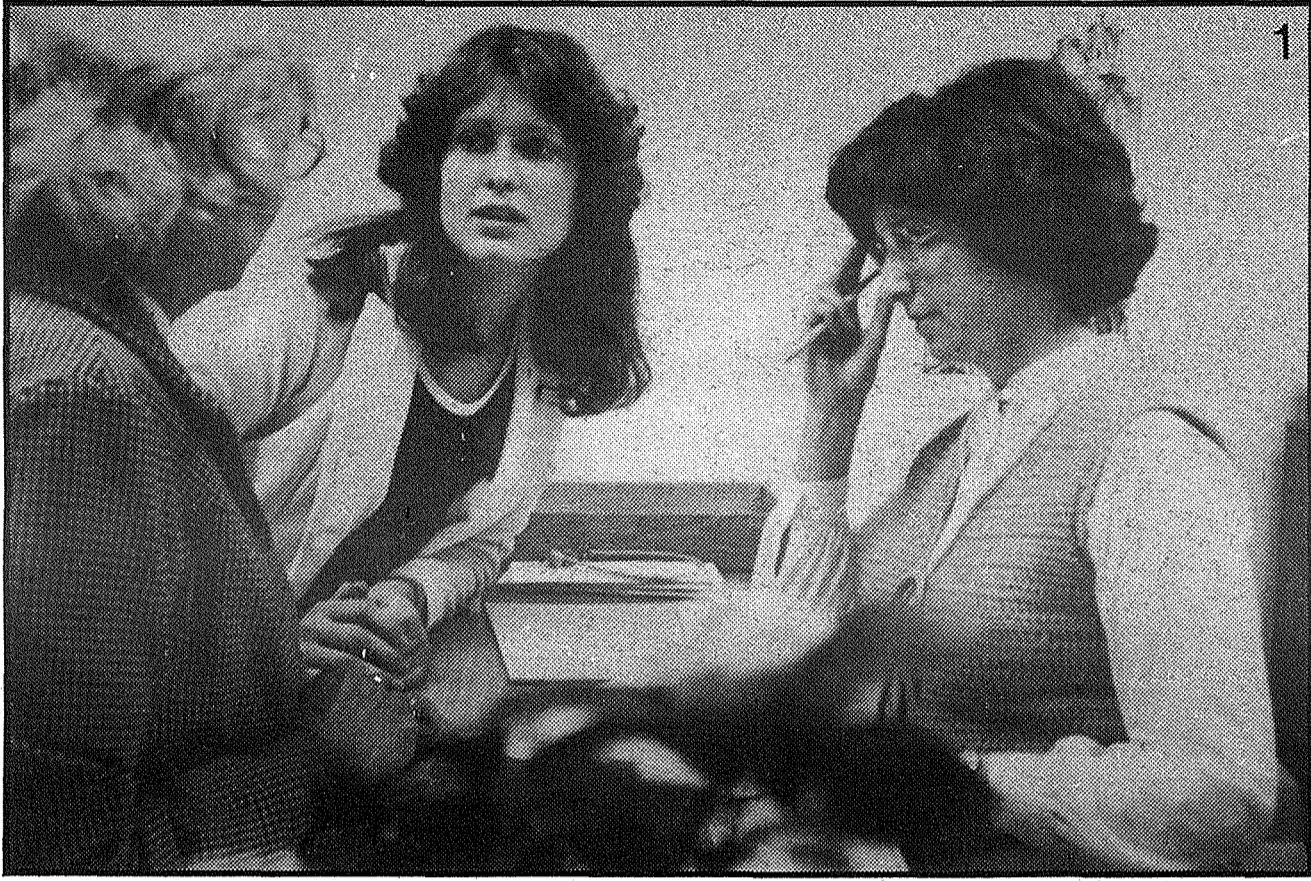


- 1. Pioneers of a new adventure: Weimar College's first student body. Two of the young men will later become our first graduates.
- 2. Creativity and design — in even the most commonplace things. It's a way of life.
- 3. Chores, part of the every-day tasks, are shared by everyone, and usually accompanied by smiles, such as displayed by Steve Reichert.
- 4. Bob Fillman and Richard Fredericks tower over the late Eric Hon. God's blessings come in all-sized packages.
- 5. Acting his "professorial role", Francis Cossentine reveals the humor that wins his students.

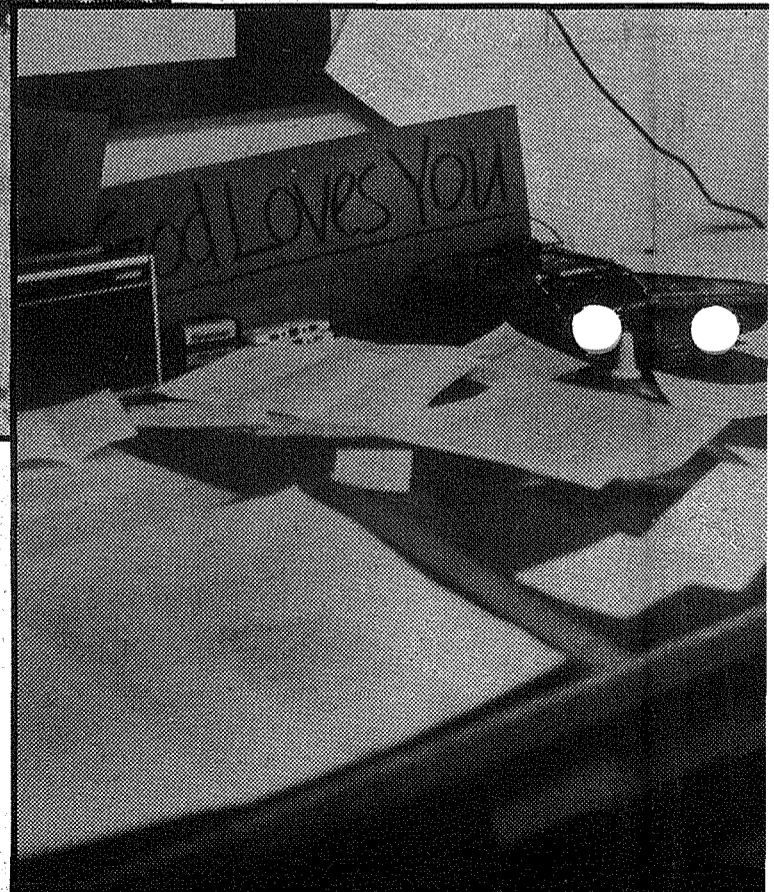
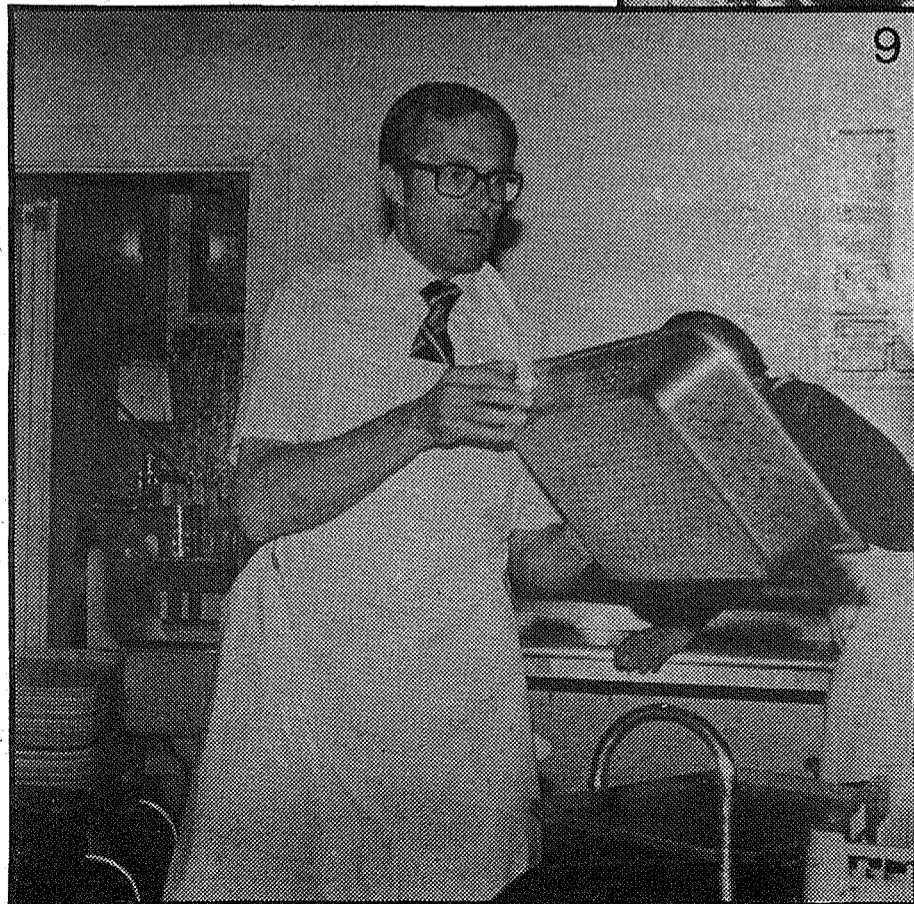
"...To restore in man the image of his Maker, to bring him back to the perfection in which he was created, to promote the development of body, mind, and soul, that the divine purpose of his creation might be realized — this was to be the work of redemption. This is the object of education, the great object of life."

Education p. 15,16

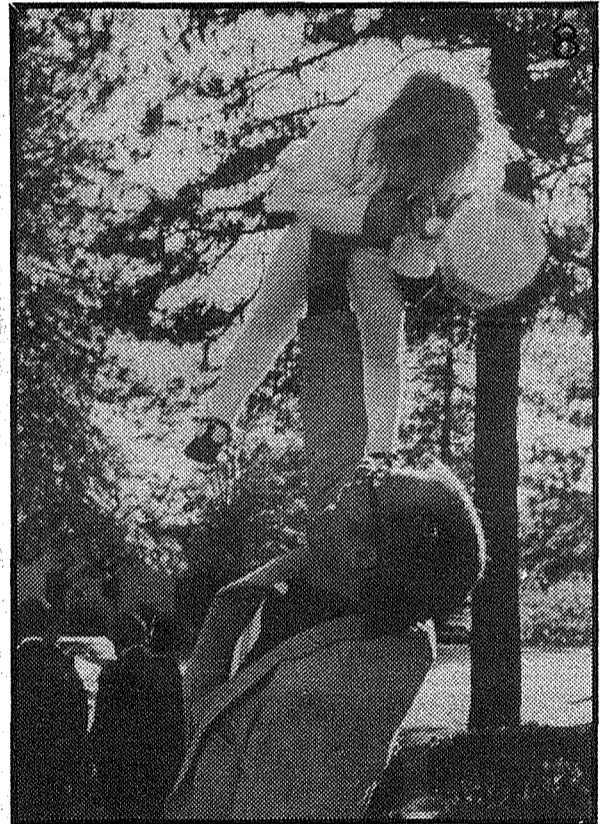
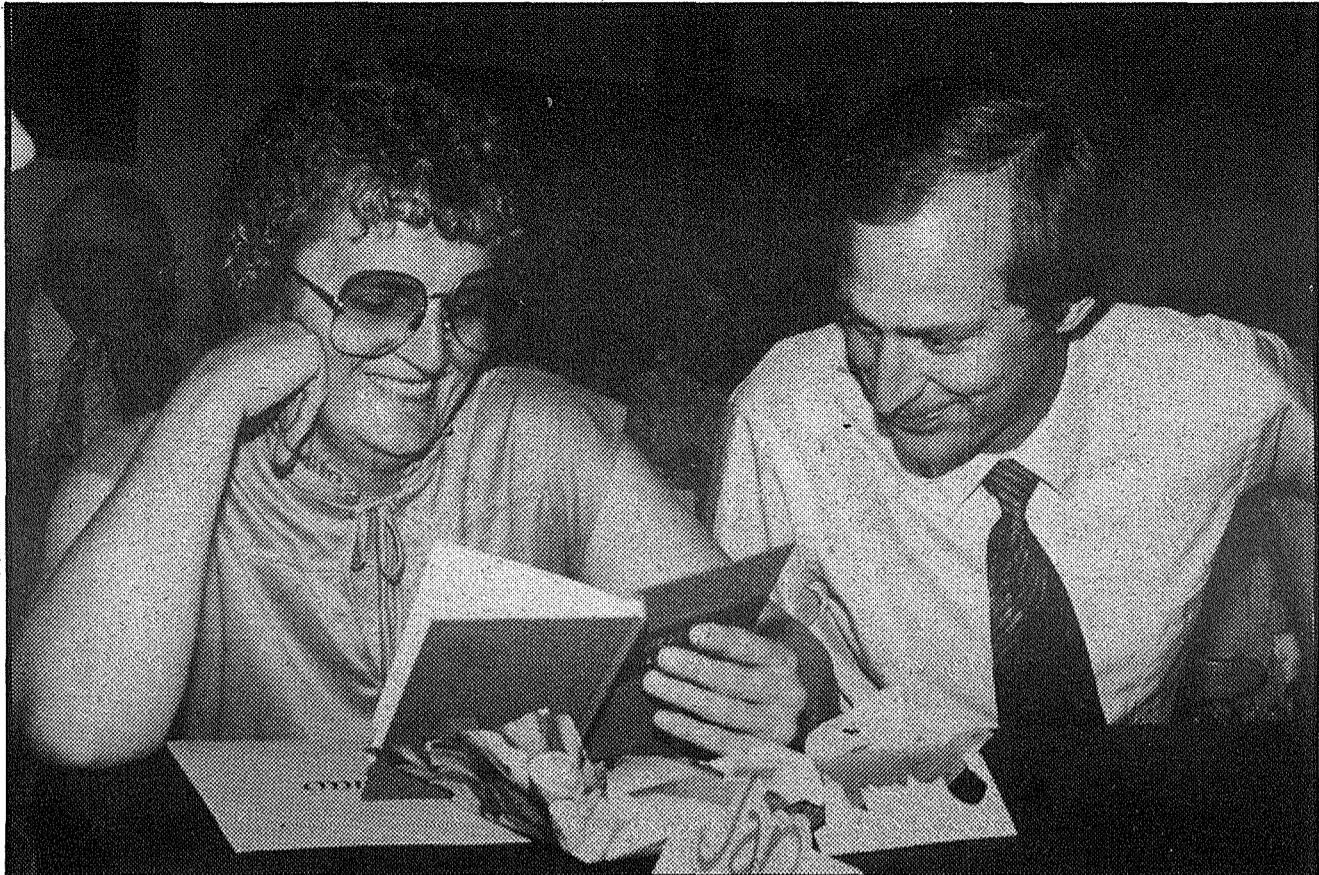




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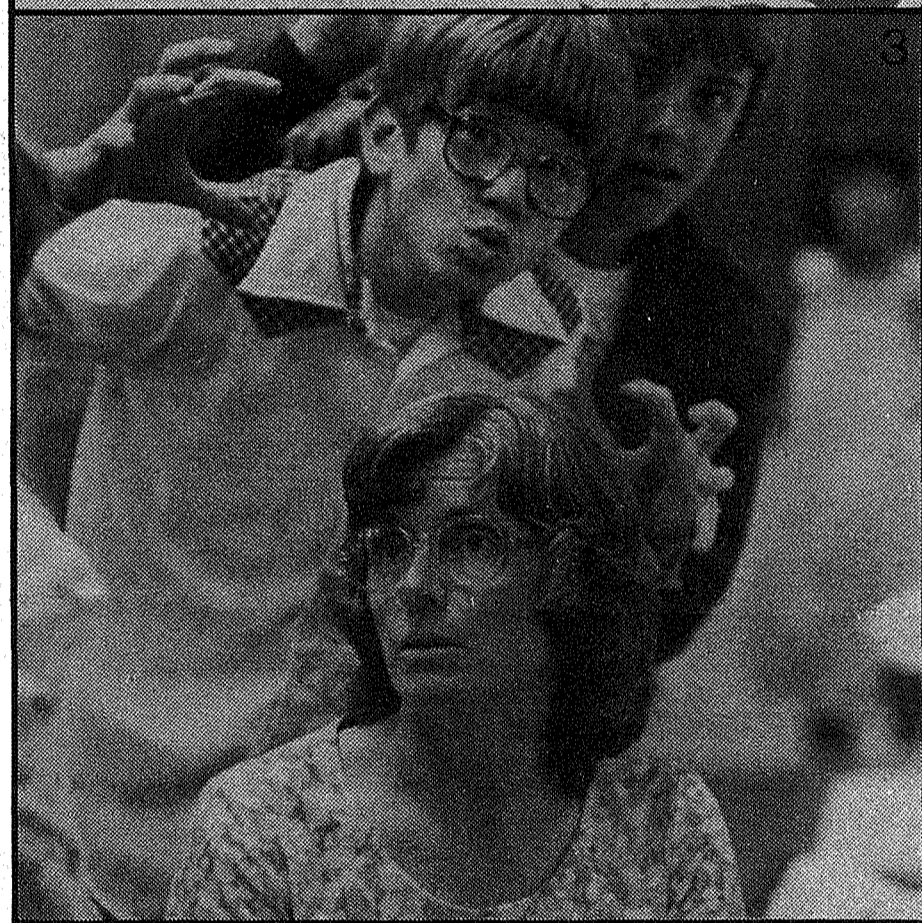
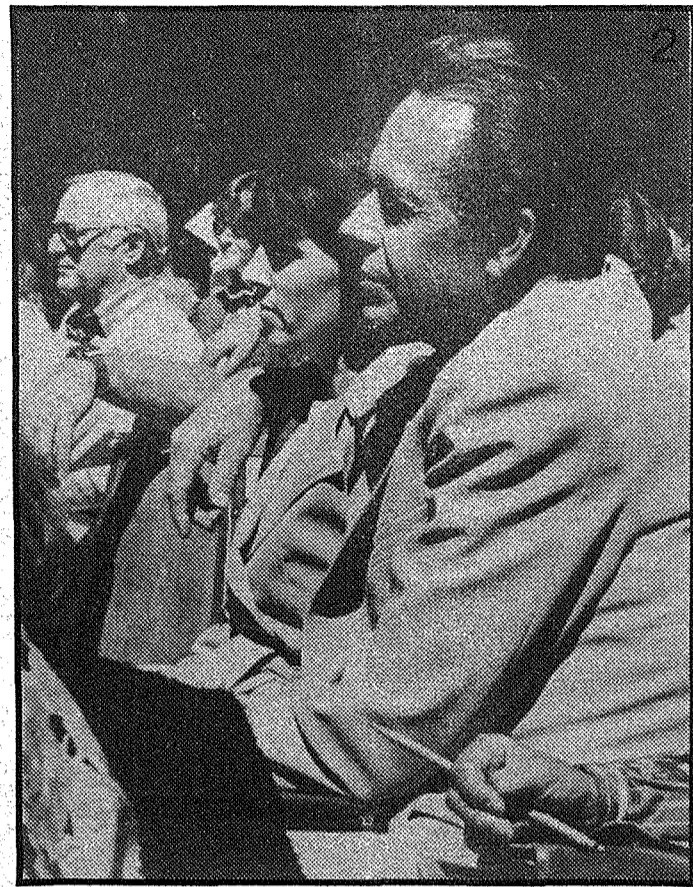
- 1. Intense caring
- 2. Casual companionships
- 3. Giving the best gifts
- 4. Individuality
- 5. Contentment
- 6. Eyes that laugh



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- 7. A chaplain wearing a common hat
- 8. Gentle relationships
- 9. Equality (Pots & pans for the president)
- 10. Busy involvement
- 11. Satisfying work



1. "Up-in-the-air" — together!
Cooperating is the most fun.

2. Strong homes provide the backbone.

3. Never take anything for granted! Trust develops good relationships and happy times.

4. The College Registrar tends her personal garden

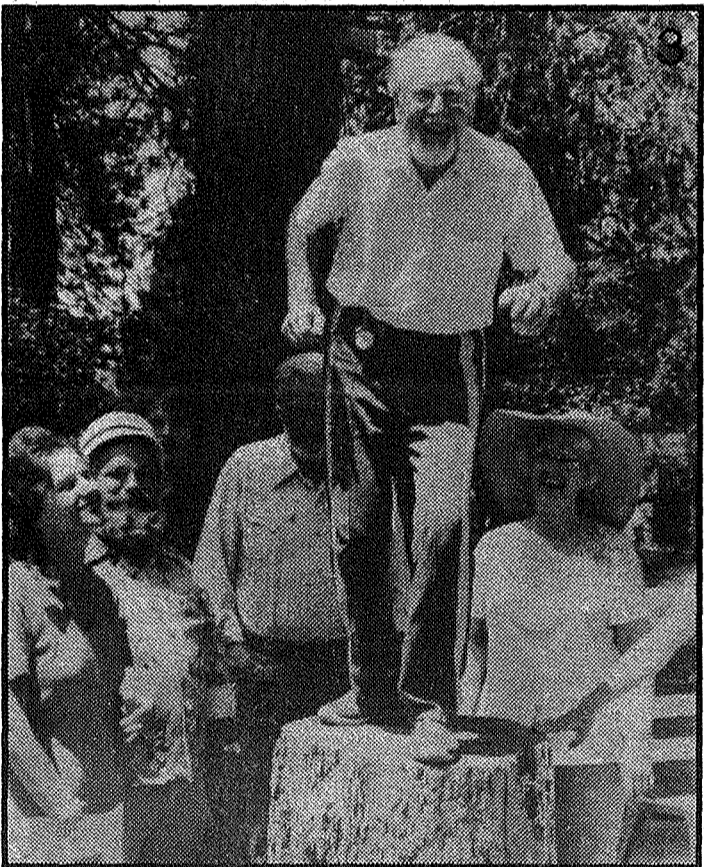
5. Creativity is best when shared.

6. The satisfaction of work well done — tasted by even the elementary students.

"As the Holy Spirit moves upon the hearts of the children, co-operate with His work. Teach them that the Saviour is calling them, that nothing can afford Him greater joy than for them to give themselves to Him in the bloom and freshness of their years."

*The Ministry of Healing
p. 44*





Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Savior mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed his sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then he bade them, 'Follow Me.' The Ministry of Healing p. 143

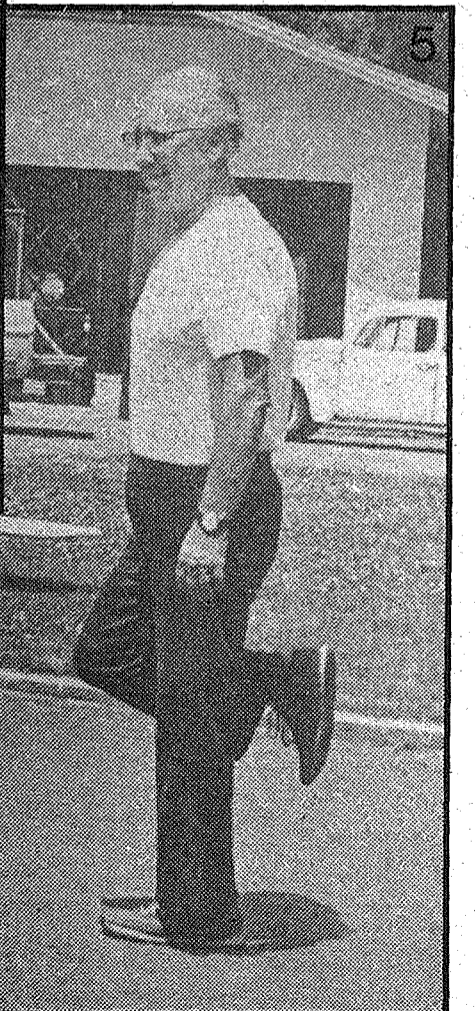
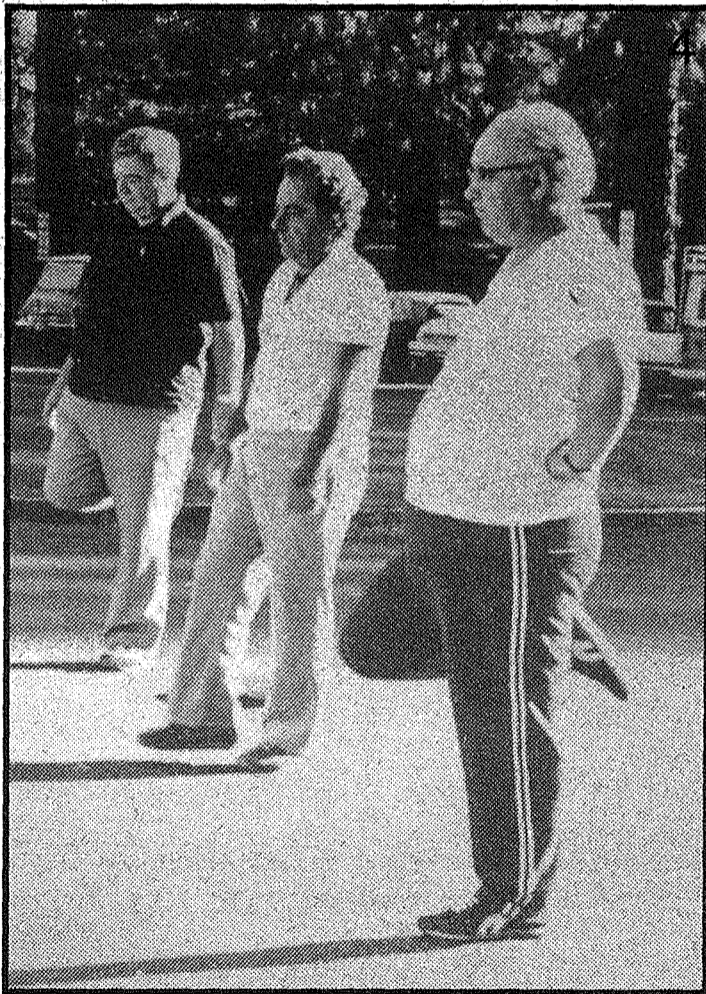
1. NEWSTART Staff physicians set the pattern for health guests in finding the reward of physical work.

2. Creativity, quality — things of lasting beauty portray God's beautiful way of living. Helmut Nuesse creates a carved statement of one of the 8 natural remedies.

3. Bill Dawson, who conceived the NEWSTART acronym, was one of the first guests to go through Weimar's health program.

4 and 5. NEWSTART Guest Francis Miller knows that his new lifestyle has had visible and lasting results.

6. The Dean of Women finds another avenue of involvement in the cafeteria.



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Through Him let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His name. Hebrews 13:15 R.S.V.