

## College Enrollment 47% Up

Weimar College marked the opening of its fourth year with the enrollment of 112 students. Though there had been an expected 10% loss, only one student withdrew, and was quickly replaced by an additional student who registered late. This is a sharp increase from last year's opening enrollment of 76, and is in excess of our goal of 100 students for this year.

Of those enrolled, 52 are returning students. The ratio is 66 women to 46 men. The Senior class is the smallest with 6, followed by 13 Juniors, 27 Sophomores and 66 Freshmen. The majority have indicated their interest in one of the Health majors. Education and religion are the next areas of pursuit.

Though most of the stu-dents are from California, 21 other states, from as far east as New York, south as Florida, and west as Hawaii are represented. Thirteen students come from Canada. Several foreign countries are also represented: Mexico, Guatemala, Argentina, Den-mark, Japan, Hong Kong, and Brazil.

Our joy is not in numbers, however. It is in meeting a group of young men and women completely dedicated to the fullest revelation of Jesus in their lives as they prepare for God-directed ministries.

It is gratifying to note that God has not only sent us deeply committed young people, but young people of strong academic quality. Incoming students averaged a G.P.A. of 3.1 - and we expect, with Weimar's adherence to the heaven-directed program of work/study/witness, this evidence of student achievement will increase even more significantly.

With the marked increase in students, there has been a great challenge in the organization of the Community Outreach Ministry and the work education program. But, here again, careful pre-planning has paid handsome returns. This year, every college student will fulfill at least one specific church responsibility in one of the ten churches where our students and staff will become members. The cooperation of the local (Continued on Page 11)

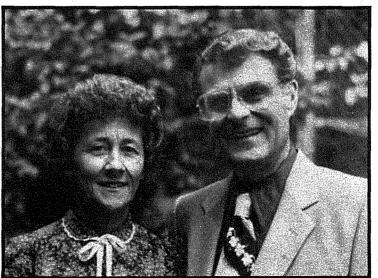


Weimar College students, Fall Quarter 1981.

church pastors has been most gratifying, and the enthusiastic support of the churches has proven a real blessing. More than enough requests for our student teams to present weeks of prayer in schools and academies have been registered. Also, students will be assigned to help these educational facilities with their own student outreach programs, as well as in conducting stop smoking clinics, heart-beat programs, cooking and nutritional schools, Bible studies, colporteur ministries and assisting in evangelistic crusades. Our students will have the maximum opportunity to not only intensify their academic knowledge, but also to experience the implementation of God's principles and purposes in their lives and the lives of those they serve.

The work study program continues to be a wonderful blessing for students and staff alike. Many varied and valu-

# Wallace Named New **Director of Outreach**



**Preston and Virginia Wallace** 

Preston Wallace, former Director of Health Education at Madison Hospital in Tennessee has accepted the post of Outreach Director for weimar Institute.

Wallace comes with a ministerial background, a BA degree in Music and Education and a Master's degree in Public Health. He is very pleased to be involved with students in the Community Outreach ministry. Programs already being planned for this fall include cooking classes to be held in Sacramento and Meadow Vista, a 5-Day Plan in Colfax, and possibly some Heart Beat programs and various other projects requested by some



We are pleased to feature our agriculture department in this month's issue of the BULLETIN. Agriculture is becoming increasingly important on our campus - and we think this is as it should be. Many years ago this church was given counsel that agriculture should be the A, B and C of education. (See 6T-179)

During the early planning for the educational curriculum, it was decided that we needed to have a strong agricultural program as an integral part of that education. It was further decided that agriculture would be evaluated first of all on the basis of its educational value rather than upon its value as a paying industry. This doesn't mean we are uninterested in developing an agricultural production that pays. It only means that we recognize agriculture's primary role as educational, and as such, we must evaluate it on the same basis we do other educational departments.

In addition to our agriculture staff, we are most grateful for the valuable direction being provided by our Agricultural Advisory Committee - a group of individuals who have expertise coupled with the desire to see Weimar's agriculture program become all that God wants it to be. This committee meets several times each year to assist in long-range planning and to help solve immediate problems. Their contribution is deeply appreciated.

Both the Board and the administration of Weimar Institute are committed to developing and maintaining an agricultural program that provides training for our students and supplies nutritionally superior food for our patients, students, and staff.

Sincerely, Your brother in Christ,

Robert filman

Robert L. Fillman

# Weimar Academy **Starts First Year**

Weimar Academy opened nars that will be offered its doors for the first time through the College. They with an enrollment of 45 stu- also offered their services in dents. Of those enrolled 18 are yardwork, cleaning, painting Freshmen, 8 Sophomores, 12 Juniors and 6 Seniors. Nine states are represented. Out of the 45 students, 9 are Weimar staff youth.

Most of the teachers in the academy also have teaching responsibilities in the college. Also, three college students work with the academy as their direct work station.

Outreach is an important part of the curriculum for the Academy students. Already, they have visited the community with little loaves of free bread and an invitation to learn more about healthful living through cooking

schools and/or other semietc.

Several who applied had to be placed on a waiting list, even though we accepted many more than originally planned. Already there are over 15 applications for next year. We even have an application for the 83-84 school year, and a letter on file from the parents of a 5th grader asking that we reserve a place for their son when he is in the ninth grade.

We would encourage anyone who might be inter-Academy to make no delay in requesting an application.

# "Whether We Are Awake or Asleep

By Aileen Ludington, M.D.

Bill Barclay hugged me when he met me walking numbly along on campus after my son's death. His damp eyes twinkled gently as he whispered, "He's only asleep for a moment. When his eyes open again, he will see Jesus.

This kind of reaching out to others was the essence of Bill's life. Though I can't verify it, I suspect he was born with his "motor on high." He rarely slowed down, never really stopped, never knew the meaning of 'quit'' and never ran out of ideas for things to do. Among other things, he colporteured, wrote poetry, taught school, authored books (including a morning watch book of the vear) and served many years as an ordained minister.

Eventually, in 1976, the stress of his non-stop lifestyle took its toll and he underwent open heart surgery. This relieved the pain he had been having — for one month. Repeat angiograms showed vessels too small for further surgery, so he was sent home to "take it easy, and take your medicines.'

Bill had no idea of how to 'take things easy'' so he battled his pain. When Weimar Institute announced the opening of their NEWSTART program on May 8, 1978, Bill and his wife Nora applied for the first class. By that time Bill's chest pain was severe and nearly constant. But, on May 1st Bill told Nora, "I can't go. I just can't make the trip. I can hardly get to the bathroom without a shot of Demerol."

Nora, tears streaming, realized how hopeless the situation seemed, and spent time in her closet that night on her knees. The next morning Bill announced, "Let's go! But we'd better start now. It's going to take us awhile to get there.'

Bill rested, and took his medicines while Nora packed the car. They started driving. They would travel as far as Bill could endure, then stop and rest in a motel. After 3 days they covered the 500 miles and reached the gates of Weimar Institute.



Elder William Lindsay Barclay June 9, 1904-September 15, 1981

thing from this primitive, forlorn little reject out in the boondocks."

But Nora's gentle reasoning prevailed . . . "We've come this far. What do we have to lose ?'

As the doctors and nurses examined Bill, their hearts sank. They realized the desperate seriousness of his condition. Some quick messages went directly upward. "Oh, God, we've come here in faith. We've opened this place for You!...to help people learn to live within Your plans. This man is ready to die, any minute now! Why, Lord? Why did You bring him here?"

For a week, despite good food, fresh air, sunshine, and every loving treatment and ministry that could be given, Bill's condition remained precarious. By Friday night the end seemed near. Breathing oxygen, Bill was resting lightly with the help of Demerol and Valium. Nora and the workers knelt around his bed, acknowledging their total helplessness in the face of such advanced disease. They placed Bill in God's hands and prayed that His will would be done.

Bill awoke early the next morning and walked over to

"....This man is ready to die any minute now! Why, Lord? Why did You bring him to Weimar?"

At that moment. Bill's the window. He watched the courage nosedived. Gazing at sun rise. No pain. He dressed a series of older buildings that had obviously been neglected for years, he ex-claimed, "If the finest scientific minds in one of our country's best University Hospital Medical Schools ested in coming to Weimar agree that no more can be done for me, we must be out As he carefully followed the of our minds to expect any-

and went outside and sat in the sunshine. Still no pain! There was great rejoicing and thanksgiving that day to the wonderful heavenly Healer for the miracle that had been wrought. Bill continued to improve.

strict health regime, based on

God's natural remedies, he gained strength. Each day he could breathe a little easier. and walk a little farther. At the close of the 26 days he returned home happy, painfree, walking 2 miles a day, and totally rededicated to his heavenly Father.

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The next three years were filled to the brim. Bill walked 5 to 7 miles a day and carefully regulated his diet. His cheeks grew ruddy, his form erect and his footsteps firm. He began to preach again, soon filling some pulpit nearly every Sabbath. He out prayer meeting led nights too, criss crossing over southern California and parts of several states. He filled in for vacationing pastors, and spent long hours on the telephone, sharing his new knowledge of health, his new way of life and God's great love and care for him.

After several months, his nitroglycerine tablets disintegrated from neglect. His constant, cheerful optimism, and his ready wit and sense of humor made him many new friends. He was a welcomed and loved addition to any group. Time flew by.

In late 1979 Bill had an accident with his car. Though he was not seriously injured, the ensuing legal battles and settlement hassles began to take a toll on his strength. Lifelong habits of operating with "wide open throttles" proved. hard to break. In November of 1980, after an especially happy and full but strenuous weekend of meetings and speaking engagements, his chest pain returned. From then on, he felt himself slipping downhill. Despite several hospitalizations, and the insertion of a pace-maker, the pain would not be relieved.

One day Nora said, "Bill, let's go back to Weimar." Friends and loved ones agreed. God worked one miracle there, might there be another?

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# **Spokane Team Returns To Weimar**

Early in October, Weimar College graduate Hal Mayer along with students Betsy Stimple, Atom Biggs and Jennifer Matlack shared their experiences of their summer homes each evening. spent in Spokane, Wash- The daily program in-ington. They conducted a cluded: a cooking class, in health reconditioning pro- which the patients themgram in that city under the direction of Dr. Warren Peters.

"God blessed us more than we ever expected," remarked Peters.

"It was an experience of faith from start to finish," recalls Hal Mayer, team coordinator and administrator. "We had nothing when we went up to Spokane, but the Lord met

every need, and then some." The team left Weimar in mid June with only their personal belongings and a firm assurance that God would supply every need. These needs included: all kitchen and 'hydro therapy equipment, trail development, and, of course, patients! They were secure however, that God had planned this summer's experience, for He met some of their needs before they even left Weimar. Certain supportive local churches in Spokane opened their homes to the women, and the men were to live in a temporarily vacant mobile home.

Several individuals volun- By Deena Haynes teered to do medical lectures. These included, Don Hall Dsc. H., Ben Shiles MPH, Dr. Ray Andreassen D.O. as well as Dr. Peters.

Pastor Henning Guld-hammer, from a local church, had volunteered to Chaplain the program. Other volunteers joined the team once the programs began. These included a dentist lecturer, several kitchen helpers, four physical therapists, and a hydrotherapy assistant.

"It was very rewarding to go to my home town and work with the people that are close to my heart," commented Jennifer, "Many interested people in the community and church came to learn and to help."

When the team arrived in Spokane, they had one week to set up living facilities, prepare the school building for the program, blaze several miles of trails, and organize the first session. In addition to all this, there was only one patient signed up for the program. The team spent many hours doing public relations while praying that God would bless.

The first two sessions opened with only two patients. The second expanded to five after the first week. And the third session included seven patients and one ob-serving spouse. The total participants were 15, the exact number needed to make the program financially feasible. This covered all clinic expenses and provided four onequarter scholarships, the amount comparable to the summer scholarship program at Weimar.

The sessions were designed to be a drive-in program, where patients would spend seven hours each day at the clinic, then return to their

selves prepared the food; medical lectures, "Chap-lain's chat," and individualized schedules of exercise, hydrotherapy, sunbathing and garden therapy.

The response was dra-matic. Many physiological and spiritual changes were made in the lives of the participants. "It was exciting!" choruses the team. The participants saw drops in blood triglycerides and cholesterol, they experienced weight loss, decreased blood pressure, increased exercise tolerance and improved musculoskeletal conditions. Some quit smoking.

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Student, Weimar College

tures!

What was Rocky Sarli

Rocky was ready to take a break after his sophomore

doing in Surabaya, Indonesia

last year? Giving health lec-

year at Weimar College and

was thinking abort working

for awhile. But when he was

confronted with the possi-

bility of going somewhere as

a student missionary he de-

cided that that option would

Rocky flew to Surabaya, a

city of approximately 5 mil-

lion people, on the island of

Java, in June, 1980. Rocky

was one of four student mis-

sionaries located there. Their

supervisor lived about 400

miles away, so they were left

in charge of the Adventist En-

glish Christian School there. Besides bearing the responsi-

bilities that came along with running the school, they taught English and Bible

classes, and were involved

with three of the local Sev-

enth-day Adventist churches

in various ways. Their school

was self-supporting in the

sense that the tuition they re-

went to pay all their ex-

penses. So they received ex-

perience in management as

dent missionaries worked es-

pecially with the Seventh-day

Adventist church closest to

the school. They conducted a

Friday evening vespers called "Evensong", gave ser-

mons, assisted in Sabbath

School, helped with an evan-

gelistic series and gave

health lectures.

Rocky and the other stu-

well.

be more constructive.

**SM Returns** 

friends that he would send next summer. Another, who invited the team to speak to his church group, stated that he and his wife would go through the program again next summer, and bring some of their friends as well.

"It was an experience that cannot be measured by any human standards," says Atom.

"I know it has potential for future teams, not only in Spokane but in other cities around the nation," added Betsy.

This fall, Hal, who graduated from Weimar College last summer, will be helping to develop fulltime live-in and drive-in programs for 7 cities in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Jennifer and Betsy are seniors at Weimar College. And Atom will graduate in '83. All of them believe God has specifically directed them in this pioneer mission, One enthusiastic gentleman and are thankful for the re-



The Spokane team: Atom Biggs, Betsy Stimpel, Hal Mayer and Jennifer Matlack.

# WEIMAR INSTITU

Weimar Institute is a multi-phased ministry whose keynote is SERVICE. Working in harmony with the basic tenets of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the Institute is comprised of physicians, educators and other **From Indonesia** laymen. Our primary goal is to uplift God's character as the One who restores His image in His people on earth. Weimar Institute ministers to the physical, the mental and the spiritual aspects of humanity. Relying solely upon the free gift of the righteousness of God revealed in the Person of Jesus Christ, the Institute openly confesses that no function of its ministry can detract from the reality of that One Source of salvation. Rather, we desire that His righteousness shall become more believable to others because of this service to which we ourselves have

#### been called. (2 Tim. 1:9, Eph. 2:9-10) ADMINISTRATION Robert L. Fillman .....President Dick Winn .....Secretary **NEWSTART HEALTH CENTER** Henri Wiebe M.D. .....Acting Medical Director WEIMAR COLLEGE Colin Standish, PhD.....Dean of the College Dale Martin ......Director of Labor Preston Wallace ......Director of Community Services RETREAT MINISTRY Dick Winn ..... .....Chaplain/Director **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** Jim Alexander, M.D. Alan R. Magie, PhD. Juanita Swan, MS Ken Baker, JD Charles Tam, M.D. Raymond Moore, PhD. Larry Baumbach, JD Gordon Wheeler, M.D. Jeri Orr Sherman DeVine, M.D. Marilyn Wilcox James Richmond, M.D. Thomas S. Geraty, PhD. Floyd Rittenhouse, PhD. Clyde Willard Merritt Horning, M.D. Erhardt Zinke, M.D. Charles L. Starnes **Ralph Sturgill**

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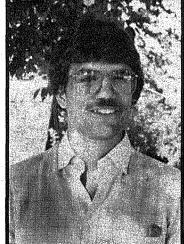
#### VISITORS

Due to the rapid growth of the "Weimar family" we have extremely limited guest facilities. PLEASE, if you plan to visit Weimar overnight, make advance reservations. Otherwise, we cannot guarantee accommodations. Thank you for this consideration.

We do not conduct Sabbath services at Weimar Institute. If you plan to join us for Sabbath meals, please make prior arrangements for meal tickets.

A casual walk through the campus? Most anytime you want. A meeting with the President or other staff members — please write or phone ahead to confirm an appointment.

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**Rocky Sarli** 

immediately realize Rocky's interest in the health field. One Sabbath, however, they asked him if he would give a health lecture in their afternoon vespers. Rocky felt it was a divine appointment.

'I made the mistake of outlining NEWSTART and spoke on the eight natural remedies. After each one I would say, 'Well, I can't go into detail here for lack of time.' So I ceived from the 400 students just gave a short capsule on each one. After the meeting the members came again to me and said, 'We're going to have an evangelistic series and we want you to do health talks.' So that meant 14 more nights of health lectures.'

> This experience really helped Rocky decide that he definitely wants to go into health work. "At the end of all the meetings I said, 'Praise the Lord! This is what I want to do!' "

# **Agriculture: The ABC of Education**

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## iod's Methods Are leeting the Challenge

#### Colin Standish an of Weimar College

Then the 457 acres of mar Institute were origiy purchased, there could e been none who failed to ognize that ample land available for the estabment of a strong agriculal program. Yet initial s quickly clarified why orchards and farms were e found on the immediate ation. It is assumed that dreds, perhaps thousands ears ago, erosion took the t of the top soil from the thills and deposited it in lush Sacramento Valley, ving land which consisted narily of rock and heavy

uch was the challenge ed by Dr. Fred Riley when arrived. He took up the llenge of forging out of nzanita groves and pine es the initial orchard and mlands for the Institute. h a will, he and many ers considered the difficuls, then wholeheartedly set out following the instruc-1 of the Lord.

trong in the minds of these neer agriculturalists was fact that the property on ich Avondale College now nds was also counted to be nost worthless agricultuly. Yet today it is consided among the most ductive property in the ole region.

here is little doubt that in d's providence, Dr. Riley s sent to Weimar, for his torate is in the area of soil mistry, and his expertise orely needed.

n the spring of 1978, the st lands were cleared and first orchard planted ---ples, peaches, pears, ms, nectarines, and chers. The next spring, another tion of orchard was preed. In addition to some of fruit variety in the first hard, apricots, kiwi fruit 1 some nut trees were nted. Already, the two orards are beginning to proce a fine bounty of fruit. rd work and careful planig are proving that, with blessing of God, even in nparatively unproductive eas, good production can be hieved.

Not only has an orchard en established, but signifint areas for vegetable ops have been developed. the whole, the most proctive area has been a flat ni-valley of perhaps eight ten acres below the main stitute buildings. This year harvest of corn, melons, ans, cabbages, tomatoes, sumbers, etc., has given dence of the blessing of d in our agricultural enavors.

Also, for two and one-half years, we have successfully maintained a greenhouse, specializing in the production of tomatoes and cucumbers. This year, thanks to a most generous donation from Fred Baybarz, we will be erecting two more greenhouses which will increase our hot house production approximately six-fold.

Since he arrived at Weimar Institute to manage the Agricultural program, Mel Horning has utilized his expertise of many years of successful large scale farming. This has allowed Dr. Riley to concentrate more fully upon his chairmanship of the Agricultural Science program of the college, and also to establish the quality of food produced on the farm.

Acknowledgement must be made of the fine contributions made by the Lassen Foundation. These have provided for enrichment of the soil at Weimar, and also for the equipping of the food quality laboratory. Presently, the lab not only monitors the food quality of farm produce, but also gives results from plant and soil analyses testing. It is the purpose of Weimar Institute to produce food of a significantly higher quality than that normally to be found in the regular supermarkets. Already tests are confirming that this is being achieved.

On reflection, the opportunity that the Agriculture Science majors have at Weimar is a very special one. In a world that faces chronic food

shortages, and with many countries with agricultural lands that are producing minimally, what an opportunity is afforded our young people! They will have experienced how less than first-class agricultural land can be so improved as to produce crops with a high yield and of the highest food quality. It is to be expected that many of our graduates will not only find their way into programs in the United States, but will make significant contributions to the needs of humanity in underproductive parts of the world!

Weimar College takes seriously the counsel that agriculture should be the ABC of education. Every student, in

By Mel Horning

Manager

health.

**Agriculture Production** 

Agriculture is one of the

primary aspects of Weimar

Institute. This is because food

quality is a most important

consideration to optimum

God has given us much in-

formation along these lines.

As we approach the end of

time the scarcity of food and

rise of disease will increas-

ingly confront mankind. Sev-

enth-day Adventists have

long been counselled by God

to seek retreats in the country

where they can grow their

own food in order to secure

health for themselves, as well

his core curriculum, takes a course in vegetable gardening, in which theory and practice are balanced together. Also, every student is required to spend at least a portion of his four-year stay at Weimar in the agricultural program as part of his workeducation experience, engaging in practical work with his teachers.

The agricultural development of Weimar is still in its early stages. The plans are broad and expansive. For those of us who have been here from the beginning of the agricultural program, it is exciting to see what God has already achieved. But we look forward to future developments. We greatly need to expand our irrigation system, so that throughout the dry summer months, adequate moisture will be available for all our crops. There is a plan to enlarge the orchard. It is hoped that, in the foreseeable future, there will be a food processing industry which will allow for canning, drying and freezing much of the excess produce or the farm.

The agricultural program has already been blessed by liberal donations from many sources. But if the agricultural goals of the future are to be achieved, there needs to be further generous donations to the program in both equipment and finance. We invite your help.

vegetables constitute the diet chosen for us by our Creator. These foods, prepared in as simple and natural manner as possible, are the most healthful and nourishing. They impart a strength, a power of endurance, and vigor or intellect, that are not afforded by a more complex and stimulating diet...The Lord intends to bring His people back to live upon simple fruits, vegetables and grains..." (CDF 81)

"In grains, fruits, vegetables and nuts are to be found all the food elements that we need." (CDF 310)

We recognize the value of Agricultural education and the dependence of food quality upon soil fertility. It is a fact that the increasing degeneracy in animals and humans is related to the decreasing fertility of the soil. Therefore it is the purpose of Weimar's Agricultural Department to:

A. give all the students an opportunity to work in agriculture

B. provide a laboratory experience for students undertaking an Agricultural Science major

C. develop quality agricultural programs that meet the needs of the Institute and to provide marketable produce for the general public

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## Weimar College Faculty Needs

Agricultural Science teacher for the college: skilled in practical agriculture, and competent to teach areas of theory. Such should preferably have at least a Masters Degree in Agriculture or in a related field.

Chemistry teacher for the College: capable of teaching general, organic and biochemistry. Should preferably have at least a Masters qualification. All applications should be made to:

Dr. Colin Standish, Dean Weimar College Box A, Weimar, CA 95736

One of the first tasks during the early days of Weimar's existence was clearing the land for orchard and garden use.

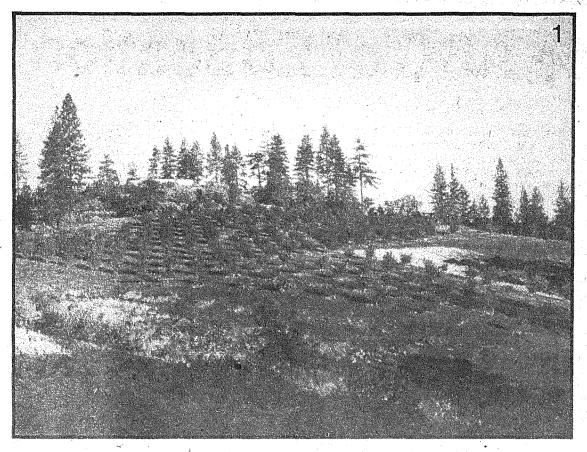


as to help meet the needs of less-fortunate individuals.

Exhortations have been given us to teach others ..."how to cultivate various crops, how to plant and care for orchards." (MH193) "Let the proper methods be taught to all who are willing to learn...Let the harvest be eloquent in favor of right methods. Demonstrate what can be done with the land when properly worked." (Ibid.)

Also, "The tilling of the soil, the employment that God appointed to man in Eden, open a field in which there is opportunity for multitudes to gain subsistance." (MH 189)

'Grains, fruits, nuts and



1. A view of some of our garden area and our 3 yr. old orchard.

2. These peaches are almost ready to pick!

3. Several varieties of peaches — ready to go to the cafeteria and to the WEIMART (the Institute's general store). A total of over 625 boxes of peaches and nectarines were picked this year.

4 and 5. Corn husking time! Over 600 dozen ears were picked from the five plantings. The last planting was just being picked in the last week of October.

6. Over 1,200 lbs. of several varieties of cucumbers were produced over the summer.

7. Tomatoes for the cafeteria and Institute store. Over 6,000 lbs. were picked.

8. In the foreground is the tomato patch, then mixed vegetables. Harvest: 700 lbs. of pepper, 500 lbs. of cabbage, 2,-000 lbs. of summer squash and 800 lbs. of beets.

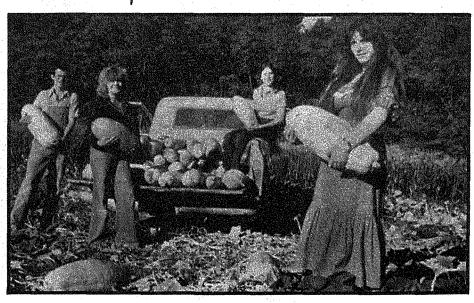
9. Over 3,000 lbs. of winter squash was picked and stored for winter use.

















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D. produce foods rich in nuritional value which contain minimal or no bacterial, fungicidal or toxic residues

E. correlate nutritional ood quality with various methods of soil cultivation thus emphasizing natural methods to achieve max-

mum plant development. We are told, "He who has given us His word — the leaves of the tree of life...will not withhold from us a knowledge of how to provide food for His needy children." (MH 199)

What is being done or accomplished in these areas?

The college has established a strong work/study program involving students and teachers. In our Agricultural Department we have a group of students working with a college teacher in the morning and a similar group in the afternoon.

The development of a high quality agriculture program is certainly in progress. The Lassen Foundation has been a tremendous help in this area helping to establish a Food Quality Committee that meets regularly at Weimar. This committee is comprised of Institute personnel, Lassen Foundation members and other highly qualified businessmen and agricultural experts.

We are also making good progress in the areas of supplying and correlating all the elements necessary in food for good human nutrition. We have begun a soil building

tion has helped greatly in this area, supplying a carload of colloidal rock phosphate and over 100 tons of lime.

Furthermore, the founda-tion has donated money and some initial equipment so that Weimar could set up a laboratory for soil analysis to analyze the nutritional value of our vegetables and fruits. The results are then compared with the nutritional value of fruits and vegetables in regular supermarkets.

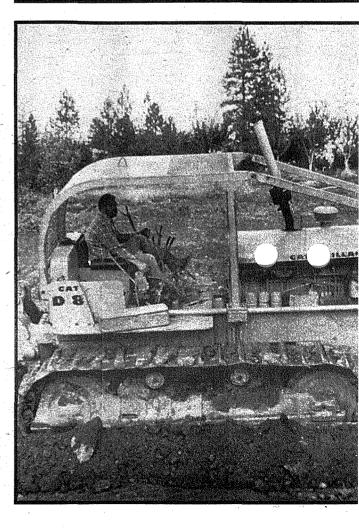
In Dr. Fred Riley's article, "Is Food Quality Important?" (page 8 of this BUL-LETIN), he details more fully the laboratory research being done with the limited equipment that is presently on hand. We realize we are just getting started in our soil building program. As we build the soil containing all the essential elements, there will be corresponding results shown in laboratory testing of food quality. Watch for updates on our progress in future issues of this paper.

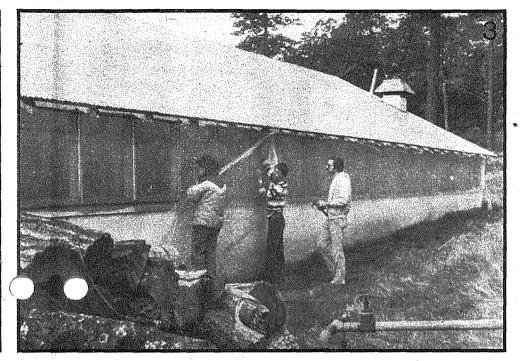
Let us take a quick look at what has been done since the agricultural program has started. The accompanying photographs give evidence that God's methods work, from the time when the ground was initially cleared, through the planting of the orchards and gardens, to the harvesting of crops. We thank Him daily for His continued blessings.

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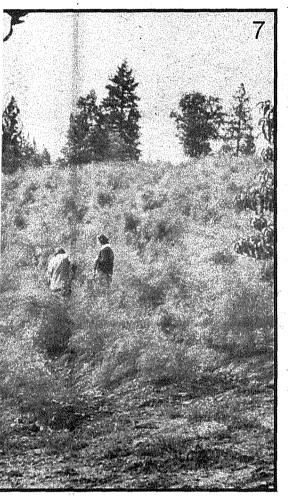


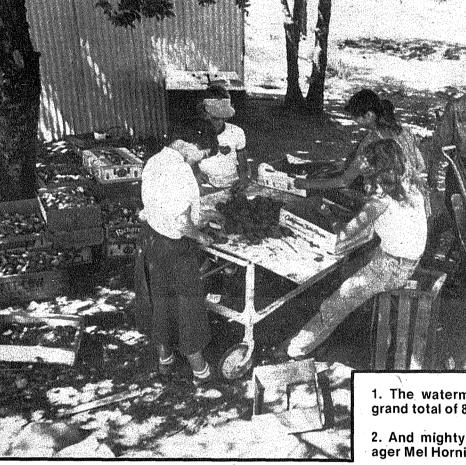




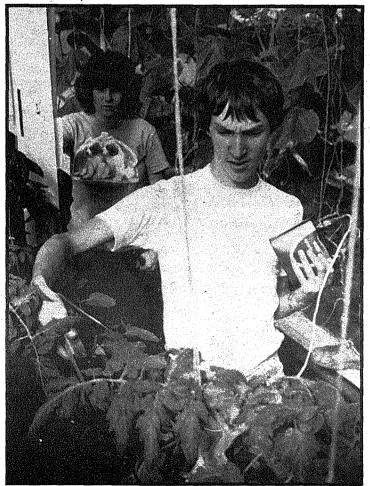


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1. The watermelon patch, 4 rows 120' long yielded a grand total of 8,000 lbs. of watermelon this year.

2. And mighty tasty ones, too! Here, production manager Mel Horning holds a 45 lb. melon.

3. The greenhouse receives its winter cover by college students.

4. Greenhouse cucumbers need to be trained up a piece of twine and pruned. These and the tomatoes shown in the following picture will be enjoyed by the Weimar cafeteria by the time of this publication.

5. Tomatoes also need pruning, and are hand pollinated.

6. Over 3,000 new strawberry plants were set out this fall.

7. NEWSTART guests participate in garden therapy in the asparagus field planted last spring.

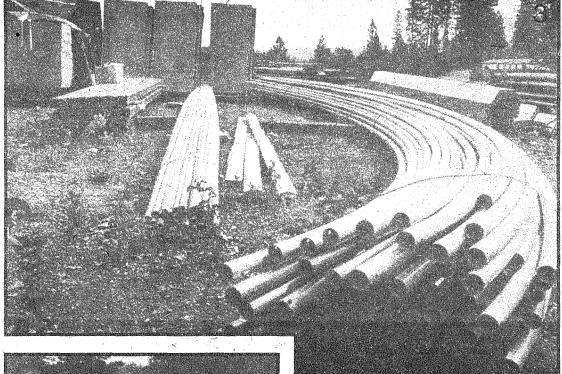
8. Students cut seed potatoes for last spring's planting. The resulting crop yielded over 6,000 lbs. of potatoes. And we still have left-over winter ones to dig.

9. Much of our meadow garden area is cut up by open draining ditches. And there are still more areas that need to be drained. In order to put this land to its best use approximately 3,000 ft. of drain lines should be installed.

10. Mike Wesner levels a south slope for a future greenhouse.

God also greatly blessed us this year with a harvest of some 400 crates of strawberries, boysenberries and raspberries. (Sorry, no pictures available.)







1. Tractor, spreader and colloidal phosphate were all gifts from several people.

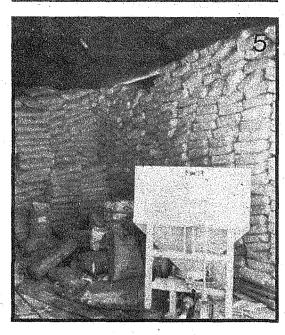
2. Dr. Fred Riley works on a limited basis in the food quality laboratory. As soon as the necessary equipment is obtained, more extensive testing will be accomplished.

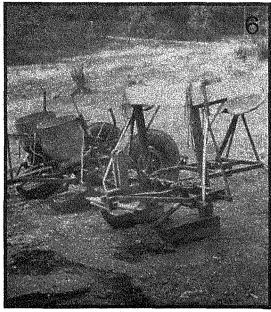
3. Materials for a new 84' X 100' greenhouse have been donated by Fred Baybarz from Lodi, CA. But just think! This is only half of the gift. When this greenhouse is finished and functioning he is planning to give us another one!

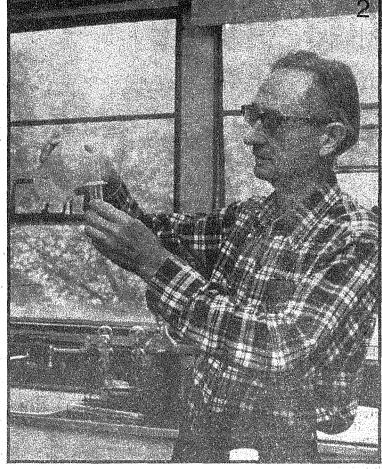
4. and 5. Lime (50 tons of it!) and colloidal phosphate (another 50 tons!) and a spreader were gifts from the Lassen Foundation.

6. Originally a four row corn planter, this gift from Don Martella was converted into a two row corn planter and a two row potato planter. Both were greatly needed.

May we express our hearty "THANKS" to each one of you who have made gifts toward the development of our agriculture program. They have made possible the crops you see in this issue of the BULLETIN. We invite all our readers to help in our expressed needs (see page 9) as we continue to increase our production.







## Is Food Quality Important?

#### By Dr. Fred Riley, Chairman Weimar College Agriculture Science Department

Why is it that farmers and their families at least appear healthier than their city bred cousins? My grandfather was what we might call a farmer-gardener. He owned about seven acres of land and raised enough food on it to feed his family and provide a fair source of income.

When Grandad was in his seventies, he was walking to prayer meeting one night and a car hit him and killed him instantly. The coroner said his body was one of the healthiest for his age that he had ever seen. Was it due to an inherited factor, or was it what Grandmother fed him that gave him such a healthy body?

Can it be that the food we eat is an important factor in our longevity? If we turn our attention to health centers, such as Weimar Institute, does the diet prescribed here make the difference between health and semi-health? If you interview a cross section of our health guests, their answer would be a positive, "yes!"

Can we make our natural foods even more nutritious? This is a project Weimar Institute is attempting — to improve even our natural foods. We select varieties of food and species that contain the best and most abundant nutrients, then examine how these varieties are affected quality-wise by the method by which they produced and marketed. We have not yet come up with complete answers, but even partial answers are proving important.

Below are the results of some of our analyses in working with vitamin C: Source: Supermarket Weimar Institute Farm

Tomato	10.3 mg	(winter analyses) 15.0 mg
	22.1 mg	(summer analyses) 35.0 mg
Potato	40.4 mg	61.2 mg
Sweet Pepper	41.0 mg	41.6 mg
Watermelon	4.7	6.9 mg

Note: the above figures are based on a 150 gram sample.

One factor to consider in the above results is the almost immediate use of the fruit or vegetable after picking.

A food chemist will tell you it is almost impossible to extract the last milligram of vitamin C from a food sample for analysis. However, our figures are simply comparative as all samples were treated by the same method with the same quality extract. The standard vitamin C analysis method using metaphosphate extracting solution was used.

Vitamin C is only the beginning. What about Vitamins B, D, A, and E? How important are the minor elements? In order for us to do further analyses in these areas we need up-to-date analyzers such as high pressure liquid chromotography and atomic absorption equipment. If you can help us with these, don't hesitate. We have the lab space and the technician — all we need is equipment. At present we can do soil and plant analyses for N, P, K, Ca. Mg., E.C., and pH, also vitamin C, sugar and protein content foods.

We believe food quality is important. We need to ask ourselves, how important? Then we have a basis for our research program. Can you think of a better one?

# Why Build Your Soil?

### By Mel Horning

Why build up your soil? Is it really necessary? Some an-swer, "My garden is already producing a good yield of fruits and vegetables." Others add, "A carrot is a carrot!"

But is this true? Is a potato a potato? Is hay all the same?

ist summer I talked with a ...ay trucker up the Feather River canyon. He had a big load of alfalfa hay and was heading down the canyon.

"Aren't you headed the wrong direction?" I inquired. "Why are you hauling hay from the mountains down to the valley?"

"It would seem that way," he replied. "But I've been hauling hay from Susanville to a large dairy farm out of Stockton for the last several years. It keeps me busy all the time. They want my hay because they claim they get up to a gallon of milk a day more per cow by feeding it to them.'

This man's hay had so much more food value that the dairy in Stockton thought it worth the extra expense to have it hauled some 250 miles to them.

The point is this: the more nutrient values in the soil, the more nutrient value in the crop of food. And often it is necessary to build the soil up in order to have that nutrient value. In just two years of soil improvement I have seen a potato have 200% more vi-

potato from the local supermarket.

Dr. Jonathan Forman, Editor of Ohio State Medical Journal says, "Once Americans begin eating food grown on soil containing all the necessary elements, disease will practically vanish, the normal life-span will be about 120 years, and our national disposition will improve. We will have no cause to fear old age."1

A study done by Dr. M.C. Michael Hambridge of the University of Colorado Medical Center found that a group of school children, who showed no outward signs of ill health or malnutrition, yet suffered poor appetites, slow growth rates and had a poor sense of taste and smell, were actually suffering from zinc deficiencies.2

noted in her work in the trace element field, "...more trace elements are essential to the diet than previously thought."3 The essential elements she names are iron, iodine, copper, manganese, zinc, cobalt, molybdenum, selenium, chromium, tin and vanadium. Others can be added.

People often suffer from dangerous deficiencies which can not be remedied until the depleated soils from which our foods come are brought into proper mineral balance. This is the opinion of Charles Northen, MD, who is a pi-

tamin C than a comparative oneer in research in trace elements and their effect on the body. He states, "It is not commonly realized that vitamins control the body's appropriation of minerals, and in the absence of minerals they can have no function. Lacking vitamins, the system can make some use of the minerals, but lacking minerals, vitamins are useless."4

So perhaps a carrot is a carrot in looks, but not in its amount of nutritional value. As for me, give me carrots from soil that is being built up. It is exciting as we think about what the difference can be and what can be done in this area of soil preparation. Tremendous results can be achieved in food quality and productions, not to mention the fact of less insect problems.

As we continue improving Dr. Joan Lynn Arehart our soil here at Weimar and as we obtain the necessary laboratory equipment, our goal is to regularly check our food quality with that from local supermarkets. With God's blessing added, it is indeed exciting to be involved in a project of this nature.

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## Weimar Tape Club

Now you can enjoy listening to what is hapbening at Weimar Institute. Last month we told you about the new tape club. Members receive: \*a tape every month, \* 3 bonus tapes with a year's membership, \* Sound Waves, our monthly information brochure, and \* special prices on selected tapes. The yearly fee is \$42. For more information, drop us a line.

A number of excellent programs have been presented here during the past few years. These are listed in our new catalog. Write for your copy. You may be particularly interested in the set of tapes listed below since this issue of the BULLETIN features agriculture.

AGRICULTURE FOOD QUALITY SEMINAR. Tapes available from the March 1981 meetings at Weimar Institute. The price, including shipping, is \$3.00 each or the set of 5 for \$13.50. California residents, please add 6% tax.

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## **SM Returns**

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One of Rocky's favorite memories of his time in Surabaya is when he found their servant boy typing from an old Sabbath School quarterly he had found in the garbage can. He was copying it to give to his friends. "We had been focusing our attention on the evangelistic meetings and the city," recalls Rocky, "while the person we worked with and saw every day was interested in knowing more about God and we didn't even know it. It took a garbage can to iake care of what we couldn't do!" They all chipped in and bought their servant boy a translated version of the Desire of Ages.

After returning to America last summer Rocky colporteured in Reno, Nevada. He has since returned to Weimar College this fall as a junior majoring in Health Science. Rocky looks back on his time in Indonesia as a year filled with valuable experience: "I would really encourage other students to find a remote place and go there as a student missionary."

## **NEEDS \* NEEDS \* NEEDS**

1.	Irrigation System
	Pumps — 1 — 5 hp and 1 — 10 hp
	Main water lines
	800 ft. 6 inch P.V.C.
*.s	900 ft. 4 inch P.V.C.
	300 ft. 3 inch P.V.C.
	300 ft. 11/4 inch P.V.C.
	20 — 3 inch gate valves
	2000 ft. aluminum sprinkler line with rain
	birds and fittings
	3000 ft. 4 inch underground drain line
2.	Miscellaneous
	1 — 6 or 7 ft. Flail mower with 3 point hitch
	1 — old type manure spreader

200-500 bails of straw and old hay 203 ft. deep sub soiler (gift or loan) 100-500 tons of manure (chicken, turkey, cattle)

Laboratory equipment for soil, plant and food analysis.

1. Atomic absorption analyzer with element lamps. Needed for analysis of potassium, sodium, and all positive minor elements.

2. High pressure liquid chromotography analyzer. Needed for analysis of various vitamins and other food nutrients.

3. Bomb calorimeter) for calorie determination of foods.

- 4. Vacuum oven for food analysis.
- 5. High temperature oven for plant analysis.
- 6. Electronic balance.
- 7. Microscope
- 8. Steam generator
- 9. Mechanical stirer

10. Misc. glassware and minor equipment.

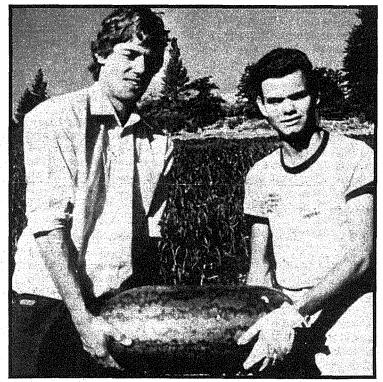
# Vital Role

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We also wish to extend a special thank-you to all of you who have sent your gifts in support of the Agricultural Department. There have been many of them, from small gifts to large ones. Without each one of these the not be where it is today.

Weimar Institute is panding, and so is our Agriour needs are growing even cultural program.

faster. We have more than reached the limit of the crops we can irrigate with our present water system. There are some very urgent needs, and there are some less urgent ones. Therefore, we are listing them in more detail (see box above). We would greatly appreciate any help agricultural program would you can give. As the Lord guides you, please mark which area you would like growing, the College is ex- your gift to benefit. And please pray with us for the culture program. However continued success of our agri-



Lars Sorensen and Wesley Taylor harvesting watermelon.

# Awake or Asleep

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So Bill and Nora joined the September 1981 NEWSTART Class. Since they had been following the program nearly 100% of the time for the past 3 years, the staff were somewhat at a loss to know what more to do for Bill. But the total freedom from stress he experienced, the warm friendships renewed, the leisurely sun baths, the fresh air, and the many prayers again blessed Bill. His pain lessened. He talked, joked, laughed, ate his saltless food and gradually began walking again. He quickly befriended the other patients, students and staff, listening to their problems, sharing their pain, encouraging the disheartened as well as partaking of their joys and triumphs.

The day of my son's funeral, Bill just couldn't bring himself to attend. He sent Nora "to represent us." But knowing Bill, I feel sure that he was out somewhere in nature praying for me and my family.

Soon after arising the following morning (September 8), Bill experienced a serious stroke. He gradually lapsed into a coma and died 7 days awake or asleep, we may live



Bill and Nora Barclay, "together with Him."

Auburn.

I called Nora today at her home in Hemet, California. "I'm so glad we went back to so happy there. God had given him those three extra years, and they were very, very special to him. He lived out, to the utmost of his ability, his love and appreciation for the One who 'died for us so that, whether we are

later at a nearby hospital in together with Him.'\* I realize now that it doesn't matter, when Jesus comes, whether we are awake or asleep. It's the 'living together with Him' Weimar," she said. "Bill was that matters, throughout eternity. That's God's promise to Bill and me.'

The next verse says, "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up"\*"'That's what we can do," Nora finished, "...what I am going to do now." \*1 Thess. 5:10,11 NIV

## How Long Is Your Life Span?

### By Henri Wiebe, M.D.

Looking at the causes of death, one might identify three interlocking, contributing factors.

Firstly, there is the fact that even in the absence of know illness, human cells simply grow old and die. One can invoke several theoretical explanations for this finite life span of the cell. 1

How long is this natural life span of each cell? Using various ways of calculating, the mean age at death under ideal conditions is not far from 85 years. 1

Secondly, looking at death from the Christian perspective, God has His own special plan for each life. This may mean death at another time than at the end of the life span of the cells. "Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow," the Bible states in James 4:14, and continues: What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that?"

Thirdly, there are the many personal choices that determine whether God's plan for living out the natural life span of the cells comes true.

Let us review a few of these choices:

\*DRUG ABUSE - Alcohol, nicotine, caffeine. A 25-yearold man who smokes two packs of cigarettes per day may be expected to die 8.6 years earlier than a comparable individual who does not smoke. 2 This is only one example.

SEAT BELTS - One fifth of the children who die in this country die as the result of automobile accidents. Ninety per cent of these fatalities could be prevented by using adequate safety restraints. 3

\*EXERCISE - "Premature organ dysfunction, whether of muscle, heart, lung, or joint, is beginning to be conceived as stemming from disuse of the faculty, not overuse," says Dr. Fries. "At the Stanford Arthritis Clinic I tell patients to exercise and to 'use it or lose it'; 'Run, not rest' is the new advice of the cardiologist. The body, to an increasing degree, is now felt to rust out rather than to wear out, '' 1 he concludes.

\*DIET AND WEIGHT -Enough is being said by all public information channels about the benefits of garden fresh foods and lifelong ideal weight. Whether the three major killers-heart disease, cancer, and stroke-shorten the natural life span of our cells will depend largely on whether we provide the right fuel.

With the current health information explosion, growing old gracefully is no longer a gamble. In fact it could be the healthiest pastime yet.

Ours could be the experience of Moses. "... the Lord told Moses . . . go up to Mount Nebo . . . There on the mountain that you have climbed, you will die . . . " 4 "Moses was 120 years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone.'

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- \*What is the truth about body protein needs?
- \*Do I need vitamin and other supplements? \*Are clean meats safe today?

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## **OUTREACH**

(Continued from Page 1) local churches. If this is any indication of what the rest of the school year will be like, it looks exciting.

Wallace's wife, Virginia, who has worked with her husband in the past, will be assisting him in the cooking hool — one of her special-

The Wallaces had watched Weimar grow with a secret longing that someday they might be connected with the Institute in some way. And now it is with eagerness that they anticipate a rewarding and challenging year.

'I'm sure we will find it especially thrilling to work with

True religion is a religion that keeps constantly in view the honor and glory of God.

> This Day With God, p. 116

such enthusiastic students as we have here at Weimar College," remarks Wallace.

The Wallaces have four children: two are married and living in Tennessee, and two have come to California with them. Their son David is working in Central California and their daughter Shirley attends Weimar Academy.

## ENROLLMENT

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able skills are being learned. The longer Weimar College exists, the greater are the evidences that God's way not only blesses the spiritual, but also the physical, intellectual, social and emotional resources of the students. We want, with God's gracious guidance, to make 1981-82 an even more fulfilling year than last year. Will you become our prayer partner to achieve this end?

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# **New Testament Stories Relived** tention to details. But we find place. This self-evident shift to the others. (All of us can

## **Love Enough To Resurrect Dead** Saint's!\*

## By Veronica Morrish

Death! No one likes the word, or even the utterance of it. For some of us it conjures account of Lazarus in John 11 up too many sad memories, and for others of us it brings us face to face with a stark Jesus loved Martha, and her reality that we would much sister, and Lazarus." But as I rather not have to deal with right now.

gospel story and the teach- new meaning. I perceived afings of Jesus, we realize that resh that in one lone home in death is an integral part of Bethany Jesus replayed in the great controversy. In poignant live-detail the death fact, the whole story of re- and resurrection theme. He demption is drenched with demonstrated beyond all the idea of death and life, doubt that He (God Incarburial and resurrection. The nate) loves us so much that message rings clear: Death is He is willing and fully caa prerequisite to new life.

been an observable frame- have succumbed. The verse is work throughout human his- packed with more-than-surtory. The familiar theme face meaning. Let's see if we recurs at various times in can catch some of the impact soul to a new life in Him. both the Old and New Testa- of it. ments: "...everything shall 'And Jesus loved die..." (Gen. 6:17) "If a man Martha..." Martha, the ments: "...everything shall die shall he live again?" (Job woman of domesticated re-14:14), "...a time to be born nown. Martha, the proper, the and a time to die" (Eccl. 3:2), complacently active, orderly, "Except a corn of wheat fall hospitable person. We meet into the ground and die it abi- her the first time in Luke 10. deth alone" (John 12:24), Martha is busy; her home is "...I am the resurrection and blessed with an honored the life...he that abideth in me Guest and, true to her inbred shall never die." 11:25,26)

death and resurrection. His physically. whole life was spent por-

move in making new creations out of dead men. All because of His great love.

In reading the resurrection recently, I almost tripped over verse 5. It says: " 'And pondered the verse again the mind-boggling story jumped And yet, as we review the out of its sacred corner with demonstrated beyond all pable of reviving us from Ever since Eden there has whatever level of death we

(John Palestinian courtesy, she insists that He be well received, Jesus believed in the idea of entertained, fed and cared for

She is to be commended for traying in vivid ways how her qualities of industry, God the Infinite is on the kindness and meticulous at-

in Jesus' response to Martha's complaint: "Dost Thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone?" that Martha was missing something: everything! She was missing the main point of Jesus' visit — that of giving special communicative attention to this Persona Grata who had entered her home with the intent of changing her life. Little did Martha realize that Immanuel was there to make her home a sanctuary. Many of us, like Martha, are so busy doing good that we fail to perceive that the Lord of good is in our very midst, waiting to commune with us personally. How can we ignore Him? He will not be ignored — He wasn't in the Bethany home.

The impact of subsequent visits and the flavor of Jesus' unique blend of restorative power and demonstrable love touched Martha's life as nothing else could. So much so that when he observed her later, even under the tragic circumstances in John 11, we have no question in our minds that the Lord of the resur- shone in her face. And in her of history. It is being enacted rection had raised her dead

Notice her quick, unobsessed response to His call, in spite of her mourning. Listen Jesus tenderly confirms her over death at the second to her declaration of faith: "If new life in these words: coming. Meanwhile, God is Thou hadst been here my brother would not have died." Watch her displayed understanding and belief in His teachings as He talked with her about the resurrection. Note her prompt obedience in leading Him to the tomb. Observe her surprised protest, but very quickly make note of know very much about him resurrection happen. her brother's decomposing body. These responses tell us something of the miraculous He is Bethany's nobody - 14:3-9; Matt. 26:6-13; Luke

in Martha's range of prioria spiritual death and resurrection.

"And her sister..." Mary. Yes, Mary of Magdala. We've all heard about her! One characterized by such de-scriptions as: "...a woman in the city which was a sinner" (Luke 7:37); "Mary called Magdalene out of whom went seven devils..." (Luke 8:2)

Put the threads of the resurrection drama together. Jesus cast seven devils out of Mary. He shielded her from the battering tongues of religious zealots; He taught her at His feet. He relieved her of the haunting reality of fear of being trapped by her own self-will or lack of it. If there was ever such a thing as "the pits" in Palestinian society, Mary had sunken that low.

But she was never so far down that divine compassion, unconditional love and susher. Her demeanor, that once showed the brokenness of (John 11:25) years, was replaced by a radiance of fulfilled love that be traced along the corridors crowning act of gratitude in in human lives today; lives anointing the Savior at Simon all around us which are open the Pharisees' house, a lovely to God's innovations. It will benediction is given to her as climax with ultimate victory "Your faith has saved you, go intent on chiselling the mesin peace." (Luke 7:50) sage indelibly upon our minds Transformation. Restoration. that He loves enough to resur-Resurrection! Whatever you rect anyone. How can we may choose to label it, it stubbornly persist in allowing elicits the same grateful re- our negative, dead wills to sponse: "Halleluiah, What a stand in His way? Let us avail Savior!"

except that he was the brother of Mary and Martha. \*Based on John 11:1-45; Mark heart change that had taken designated only as he relates 7:37-50.

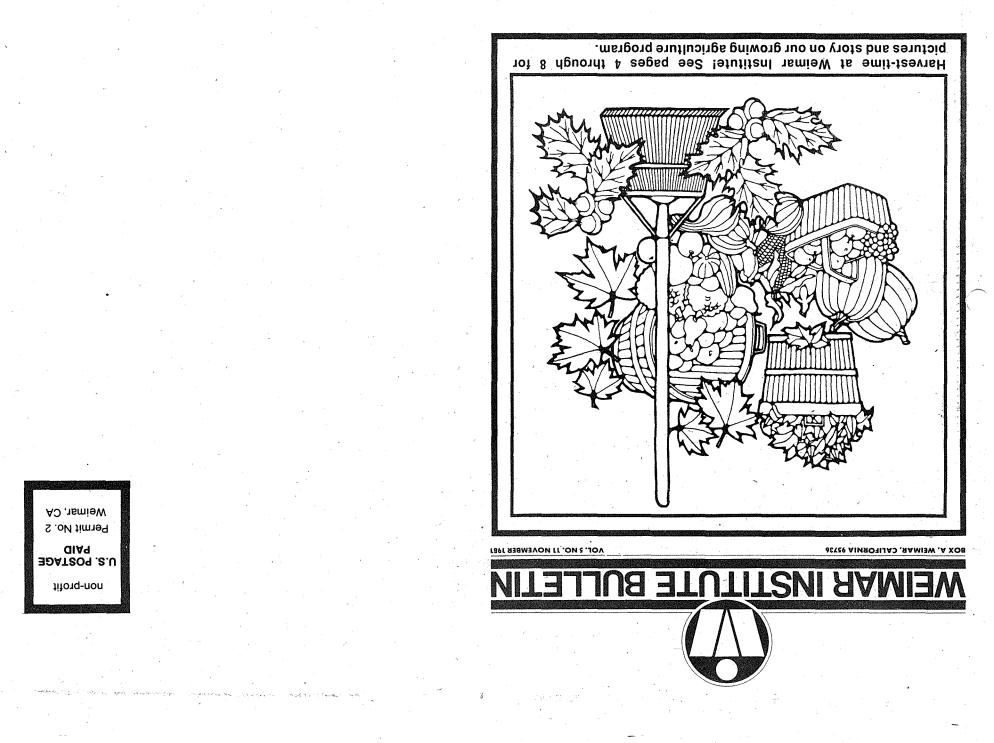
identify with Lazarus at some ties bespeaks nothing short of time in our lives when deep down in our souls we feel the juggled feelings of nonentity.) But remember that it is for such as Lazarus that Jesus performed his most earth-shaking miracle. Physical death is not a barrier to the Life-Giver. Fleshly decomposition cannot block His way to restoration. Time (or the lack of it), circumstances, or places, are but weak fortifications against God, the Divine Warrior, who rides forth to conquer.

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Many of the same people who had seen the tangible change in the lives of Martha and Mary would stand by the tomb and hear Jesus' victory shout: "Lazarus, come forth!" (John 11:43) And he which was dead came forth in the vigor of life.

Three different people. Three divergent situations. But they all attest to the truth taining power could not reach of Jesus' claim: "I am the Resurrection and the life.'

The resurrection story can ourselves of the option to roll "...and Lazarus." We don't away the stone and let the



#### FROM OUR CHAPLAIN judgment focuses on motives. do when I am all alone, then **The Right Thing for** Heaven will be populated External behavior can be so perhaps my goodness is only with people who do the right deceptive. I confess how thing, for all the right reacircumstantial, external, not readily I can be self-deceived a genuine part of me. The Wrong Reason

## by Dick Winn

In his epic poem about the great British cleric, Sr. Thomas More, T. S. Eliot has his hero turn to his murderous opponents with the charge, "The last thing is the greatest treason, to do the right thing for the wrong reason.'

Sir Thomas was not the first to slice a discerning blade between motives and behavior. When Jesus saw crowds of people following Him, (a behavior we might tan's essential reply was, "No term as very good), yet knew their motives to be corruptly self-serving, He confronted them, and peeled off the majority.1 The greatest Leader of history would have preferred no followers at all, than to have them for the wrong reasons.

engaged in that wonderfully commendable activity of studying their Bibles, He rebuked them soundly.2 Why?

Motive again. They wanted to impress God with the fact that they had read it cover to cover. But Jesus wanted them to find the great Subject within those covers — to find a personal acquaintance with the God who doesn't need to be impressed by human performance.

Even Satan tries to score points for his side through the same argument. When God challenged Satan to consider His servant Job, to take note of his excellent behavior, Saargument about Job's behavior; clearly a nice fellow. But his motives – that's the problem. Selfish through and through. Who wouldn't act nice in order to get the rewards he's been handed!''3

What a crucial issue! Is true unselfishness of motive And when Jesus saw people even possible among humans? Satan says, No. God says, Yes! Job showed God to be right.

No wonder the final

by my own "good" acts. De-ceived into thinking that they must surely spring from a very "good" heart!

Then along comes that Word of God, with its wellearned reputation for being "living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword... discerning the thoughts and intentions of the hearts."4 And I discover that there would be several reasons why I avoid doing bad things: (a) there is no opportunity at the moment; (b) some religious authority figures are watching; (c) the risk of being caught is too high; or (d) I have this vague sense of guilt that makes me shy away from wrong.

There is only one reason for living the Christ-life. His will is written deep in our minds, and it's the very thing we would most want to do.

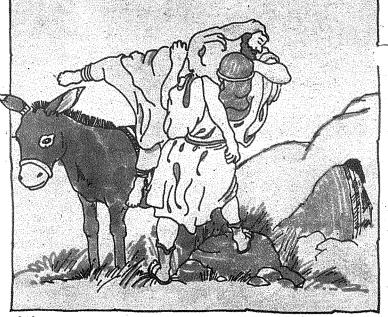
There is only one reason for faith in Jesus: Jesus Himself. Being captivated by His character. Adoring Him for who He is, regardless of what's in it for me.

If I act differently when my pastor is standing by, than I

Jesus' answer to the "right act – wrong motive" syn-drome is very basic: "I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." 5

sons. And isn't that a pretty good reason for learning to think that way even now?

John 6 John 5:39, 40 2 3 Job 1:8-11 Hebrews 4:12 Hebrews 8:10



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A future citizen of heaven does the right thing for the right reasons.