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The Queen's Crown Carries Challenge

by Mildred Dunn

MEMPHIS (BP)--Margo Dunaway, Arkansas Junior Miss of 1963, reminded the 13,000 girls attending the last two sections of the Girls' Auxiliary convention here that "a crown is not just a gift, but carries with it a challenge to the wearer to live up to the perfection, honor and royal power which the honor merits."

A high school senior of Conway, Ark., Margo, proud possessor of four crowns, spoke to perhaps the largest group of queens ever to gather in one city.

The more than 600 local queens who participated in the convention program, were joined by thousands of others from all sections of the country. Total attendance of girls at all sections of the convention was 18,476.

Besides Arkansas' Junior Miss, Margo has won the titles of Miss City Beautiful of Conway, her home town; Faultner County rodeo queen, and Girls' Auxiliary queen.

"All of this has brought me many happy moments," declares Margo. "I have enjoyed the TV coverage, the excitement of the judging, the acclaim given me as the winner of the beauty and talent contests. But even though no trumpeter heralded my entrance as I walked down the aisle of First Baptist Church of Conway to receive my Girls' Auxiliary crown, I cherish it most of all.

"It is the crown that I am sure will grow dearer to me as I grow older. Perhaps it does not hold as much glamour, as the world judges crowns, but for inmost satisfaction, for achievement with true meaning, for purpose of life, this crown means most to me."

The Junior Miss crown, which she wore as she spoke, is a beautiful jeweled crown which glittered in the lights of the auditorium. So are the other two crowns of sparkling jewels, but the cardboard crown of green and gold, carrying the GA emblem, is as carefully kept in its tissue wrappings as the more glamorous ones.

Margo has won many other honors which indicates something of her interests and abilities.

At her school, she has been editor of the year book, secretary of the National Honor Society, cheerleader, president of the intramural council, member of the student council, member of the Latin Club, and member of the Future Teachers of America.

She was selected by her teachers as an outstanding student and as honor graduate received a one-year scholarship to Arkansas State Teachers' College, where she expects to attend next year.

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School activities have not taken all of her time, however. She is an active member in her church of the Young Woman's Auxiliary, Training Union, and Sunday school. She will start soon working in the Junior Sunday school department.

She has also saved some time for her hobbies of cooking, sewing, water skiing, and dramatics.

"Time will dim the memories of the exciting experiences that have been mine; age will tarnish the crowns; but the lessons I have learned and God's word that I have hidden in my heart will, I trust, be mine forever," says Margo.

In a word of advice to other "winners of crowns," Margo quoted one of the Scripture passages she learned to earn her Girls' Auxiliary crown, "Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."

"I know when I stand before God's throne, such earthly titles as Junior Miss, Miss City Beautiful, and rodeo queen will mean nothing, but perhaps because of some of the things I have learned through GA's I may hear my Saviour say, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant.'

"After all, the most sought after crown of all will be the royal diadem of God's court."

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(Photo sent Baptist papers)

Congress To Feature Three Major Exhibits (7-3-63)

WASHINGTON, D. C. (BP)--Exhibits of space science, atomic energy and satellite communications will compete for the attention of boys attending the Third National Royal Ambassador Congress here Aug. 13-15.

Edward Hurt, Jr., Congress director, said the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is volunteering its spacemobile for inspection by the boys.

Lloyd H. Aronson of the space agency will discuss space science with the boys the first two days of the Congress.

Aronson, onetime aircraft commander and squadron leader, served 20 years in the Air Force and for several years was assistant professor of air science at Colorado State University.

The atomic energy demonstration, planned for the night of Aug. 14, will be conducted by Clifford K. Beck, deputy director of regulation of the Atomic Energy Commission. He also will speak on "Status and Perspectives of Atomic Energy After 20 Years."

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Beck, who holds master's and doctor's degrees in physics and mathematics, worked on the hush-hush Manhattan Project involving atomic energy development during World War II.

The exhibit on satellite communications will include a one-third scale model of Telstar, the world-circling satellite. Providing information about the satellite and what communications devices American Telephone & Telegraph Co. may develop in the future will be Bruce A. Riechelderfer, a staff engineer. The boys will consider satellite communications the first two days of the Congress.

To get some concept of Telstar, the satellite is 34-1/2 inches in diameter and about the weight of an average man, 170 pounds.

In two data transmissions using experimental equipment, Telstar relayed data across the Atlantic Ocean at the rate of 1,460,000 words per minute--fast enough to send the entire King James Version of the Bible in 45 seconds.

Telstar, which cost the Bell System \$50 million, is the most recent evidence of the communications explosion.

In 1927, when radio-telephone service was first extended to Europe, there were 11,000 calls. In 1962, there were five million overseas calls. By 1980, Bell officials expect 100 million a year.

Other Congress program features will include appearances by 11 SBC home missionaries and seven foreign missionaries, a Christian athlete, an Air Force general, a television figure, and an FBI inspector.

The program personalities are Carl Erskine, Former pitcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers; Maj. Gen. Robert P. Taylor, Chief of Air Force Chaplains; Gregory Walcott, Baptist lay leader and television actor; and Insp. Edward Kemper of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Hurt said the Congress, sponsored by the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission and state Brotherhood Departments, is expected to attract about 6,000 boys 12-17. It's designed to help boys grow spiritually and to broaden their concept of world missions.

Registration information is available from state Brotherhood departments, Hurt said.

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College Builds (7-3-63)

Belmont College (Baptist) has awarded a \$900,000 contract to Rock City Construction Co. of Nashville for the erection of two buildings on the Nashville Campus—a library and a gymnasium, which are to be completed by May 1, 1964. (BP)

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Cox Still Researching

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Norman W. Cox, secretary emeritus of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission, has been serving in Nashville as resource editor for Tennessee Baptist schools and the education committee of the executive board of the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

His work is to create materials, facilities, and methods for the Tennessee Baptist colleges to provide Baptists in the state. (BP)

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Sanderson Resigns Pastorate

(7-3-63)

Leonard B. Sanderson, former director of the division of evangelism of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lake Charles, La., to reenter the field of evangelism. He will make his home in Arlington, Tex. (PP)