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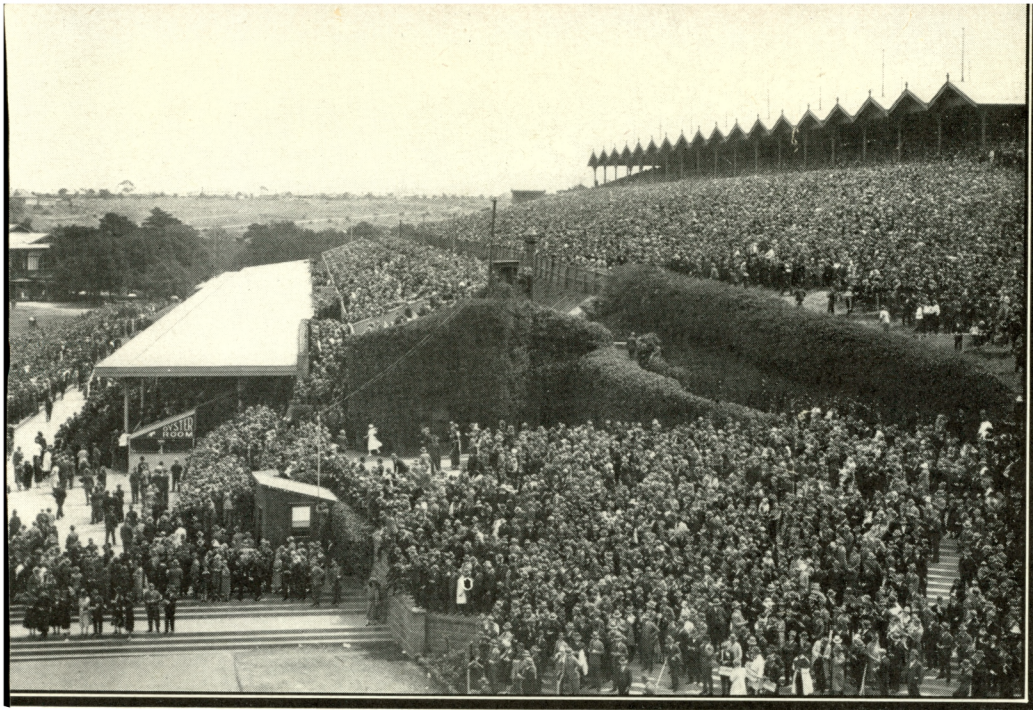
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■ The crowds throng the sports.

Shall We FOLLOW the CROWD?

By
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ALTHOUGH we may not like to admit it, the most independent of us are, in some degree, slaves to fashion. Often we suffer the direst agonies to avoid being thought of as peculiar. Once in a while, of course, someone will go through freakish maneuvers to attract attention to himself, but ordinarily we will face blood and fire to accommodate ourselves to the crowd.

The fashion business is much of a racket, albeit one that is supported willingly by a large section of the public. What with spring styles, summer styles, fall styles, winter styles, sport styles, afternoon styles, formal styles, informal styles, etc., one who wants to be "well-dressed" is put to it to know what to do.

Not so long ago the ladies padded their hair with "rats"; but now their natural quota of hair is considered far too much. Brunettes have found a way of becoming blondes, and blondes can change to brunettes or any intermediate state at will.

Then think of what the men suffer, particularly through the summer. Fashion decrees that a coat be worn on most occasions; and that bold and fearless creature, *homo sapiens*, will swelter under his wool coat and behind his high collar, because—well, because every other man does the same thing. Soft collars are gradually coming into favor, but they have had to fight their way.

Many men in their secret thoughts prefer suspenders to belts, but only a very few will wear them if there is any chance at all of their being seen. In Bible, and more recent, times it was the vogue to wear a beard, and woe betide the man who defaced his in any way. Only an occasional very independent spirit would dare show himself now with a beard. Why not?

Take the matter of automobiles. The yearly-model idea has taken pretty

deep root, and if there has been no particular advance in the mechanics of a car during a given year, the shape has to be changed a little, a new type of radiator cap produced, or some other just as insignificant change made in order to effect a new style.

Then there is the fashion in dogs. One lady in the circle introduces one of those chesty little creations with bow legs and an extremely long barrel. Every other lady of consequence follows suit. Soon the craze dies down, and the faithful turn to animals with longer legs and broader beam.

But slavery to fashion is not limited to dress and pets. Politics is largely a matter of mob psychology. When the crowd is not following some outstanding leader, the politicians are feeling the pulse of the public and acting accordingly. Here is where the slogan counts. There is power in it.

But the fact that anything is in fashion is not proof that it is either good or bad. The crowd is just as often wrong as it is right, perhaps more often. Wartime propaganda is notorious. A peaceful people once played on by skilfully handled propaganda is over night turned into an uncontrollable mob, lusting for blood.

Then there are the fashions in faith and religion. And fads too. A preacher of a certain sect has himself bitten by a rattlesnake, and immediately others start demonstrating their faith by a similar procedure—with newsreel men on hand to insure that the world at large will see and believe.



But there is a more serious aspect to it. In the days of the kings of Israel and Judah, the people swayed back and forth between the poles of religious exaltation and rank heathenism, under one king worshiping the God of their fathers, and under the next taking to the groves and high places. Few could resist the new craze as it swept in.

In this age we have witnessed the rise of dozens of "movements" and cults with thousands of followers. Millions have gone to the seance to talk with the dead in spite of the fact that "the dead know not anything"; thousands believe that "matter, pain, and

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...The MENACING ROAR Of the MASSES....

By Carlyle B. HAYNES

THE world is being rocked today by social discontent and unrest. While this is not a new thing in history it is nevertheless more widespread and pronounced today than ever before.

It has become a seething ferment in the mental blood of the world until men can think and speak of little else. The noise of the agitation and clamor regarding the relationship of wealth and poverty, of rich and poor, of capital and labor, has become an enormous din in the ears of humanity.

More widely over the earth than ever before in history has this ferment of discontent reached. It is filled with greater menace than ever before. It has clothed itself with a new power by the extension of the franchise. The discontented have votes. And they are using them. Discontent with the present economic and governmental order has gone beyond a mere tumult in the streets. It is more than a cry in the market places. It is organized. It is armed with power.

That power is swift and decisive. It can be quickly stirred to action. And it acts with such tremendous force that even the leaders of the masses fear to oppose demands which they know to be impossible and unreasonable.

The centuries-old murmur of the masses against the hard and oppressive conditions of life has now swelled into the crescendo of a harsh, sinister, menacing roar of determined millions of men who propose to take these conditions into their own hands, and ruthlessly smash all opposition. A titanic struggle for mastery is on. All the elemental forces of human nature in the raw are about to be unleashed in the smash-up and remaking of the world.

This widespread social discontent will find no solution save in the return of Jesus Christ. Its very existence in the world is an evidence of the nearness of His coming. For all this turmoil and upheaval in connection with the present economic order has been definitely foreseen and positively predicted as a harbinger of Christ's second coming.

The apostle James, under inspiration, was given a revelation of the tumultuous conditions in the last days. He wrote of them thus:

"Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasures together for the last days. Behold, the hire of the laborers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept

back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth. Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter. Ye have condemned and killed the just; and he doth not resist you." James 5: 1-6.

Here inspiration describes "the last days" as a period when there would be unparalleled heaping together of wealth and treasure. "The last days" were to be marked by such an amassing of wealth on the part of a few as never before had been seen in the history of the race.



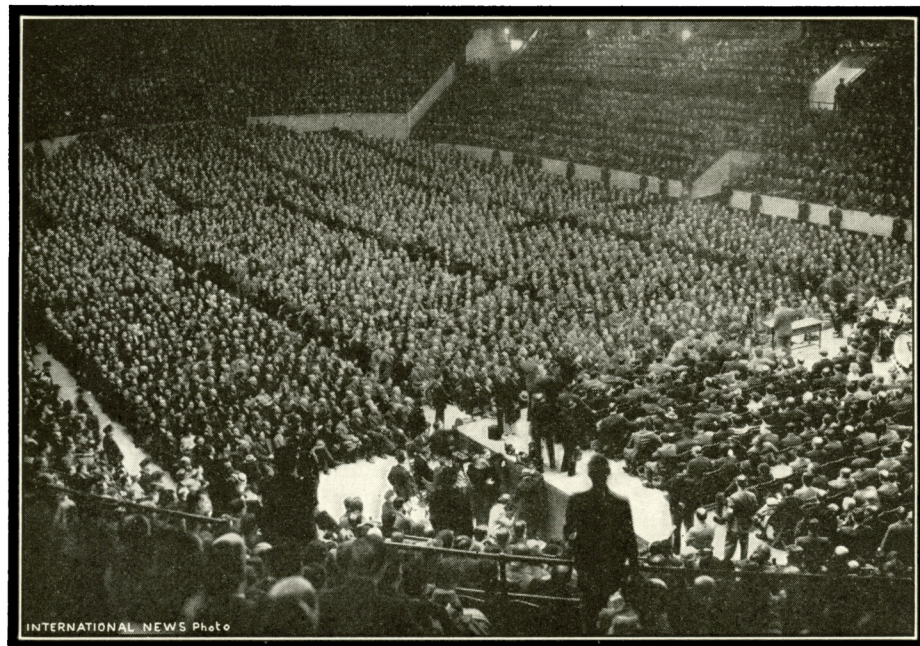
This heaping up of wealth in "the last days" was to result from an unfair and unjust dealing with "the laborers who have reaped down your fields." In other words, those who had produced the wealth of the world were defrauded of their just share of the results of their industry. This is covered in the expression, "Ye have condemned and killed the just."

The prophetic picture accurately describes the present condition of the world. Human history has never witnessed before such vast accumulations of wealth as are known today.

On the other hand, there has been a corresponding increase in poverty. This was altogether to be expected. The wealth of the world cannot be gathered into a few hands without producing want, suffering, and misery among millions.

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■ *Huge auditorium of Madison Square Garden, New York City, jammed by masses of laboring men protesting the government relief scale.*



The GREATEST American CRISIS

that the country has ever seen is now
facing the people of the United States

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By
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JENNINGS

WHEN Father Coughlin goes to Washington in the near future, it will be as America's premier lobbyist. At the present time, this Catholic priest and the 146 clerks working for him are busy opening mail. They work in the basement of his church, and a correspondent who visited him recently told of seeing twenty-five sacks of mail in another room which lay still unopened from the previous week. This army of employees sorts out applications for membership in Coughlin's new National Union for Social Justice. And this will be the pushing force behind the priest's huge lobby movement.

America has never really had a national lobby organized with one central head and with its members in that vast realm known as the "invisible audience." But there soon will be one when this embryo of power nurtured by this Catholic leader is formed. Students of political movements in our country who are acquainted with the power of the American Legion lobby activities will see the stir caused by that body of 1,300,000 war veterans as only a mere ripple in the Congressional puddle compared with the National Union for Social Justice and its proposed force of 5,000,000 members.

By delving into the working machinery of this Union, we can easily understand how the "invisible audience" will be employed to make Congress dance to the very much too "visible" tune of Father Coughlin's music. Let William Hard, well-known political correspondent in the capital, give his description as it appeared in an article copyrighted by the McCall Company:

"This lobby of his will be the most formidable in Washington both for size and for unity. It will be a lobby expressing itself solely through confidence in Father Coughlin. It will hold no conventions. It will have no fights within itself in the wording of platforms. Father Coughlin has already written a platform of sixteen planks, and each member of his lobby engages to stand on all of the sixteen and then leap into action accordingly. That will be pressure politics—lobbying by weight of members."



Further, each member will be represented by a card in the priest's catalogue. These cards will be listed by Congressional Districts, and when the full membership goal is reached, an average of 10,000 followers in each Congressional District is expected to exist.

A politician's paradise, this: Sixteen platforms—everybody supporting them. No quarrelsome conventions—therefore no issues split by debates. Any politician admires the phrase "leap into action"—it means the followers are united. In short, the nub of the movement is: Coughlin speaks, and 5,000,000 people act.

It is highly probable that this full number of members will register, for the present popularity of this churchman is unlimited. He first came into

the public's admiring eye when as a radio speaker he assailed the grafts existing in his locality. Investigations resulted, which proved he had real powder in the gun he pointed at big business and trust evils. Today any radio station featuring this man, now known as the "radio priest," will receive an added influx of mail. Not so long ago a station in Milwaukee announced over the air that Father Coughlin was a local radio possibility. More than 12,000 letters flooded the studio offices expressing enthusiasm. This response from that local vicinity reflects the magnified returns when his appeals enter on ether waves into the homes of a nation.

Let it be understood at this juncture that any discussion entered into during the course of this article will not be because of personal or political reasons or differences. Father Coughlin's work of opposing the grafts that are harbored by the colossus of finance is a good work. It is determined, however, that there is something higher. Just how this Roman churchman will be related to the prominent position his church has in Bible prophecy is the point in question. It is also a question of American principles,—those rights we have so long enjoyed as a people. The present condition of our country, its fast-changing political picture and continued unrest of thought, causes grave concern as to whether or not these principles are at stake. Before pointing out the direct danger that the National Union for Social Justice can be to these American rights, I will refer to the Bible, a different source for information than is ordinarily used in discussions of this sort. Permit me to offer you the eyepiece of this prophetic telescope through which I am sure you will detect proof for the following suggestions. The prophecy is found in Revelation the thirteenth chapter. First, however, there is described a nation rising during medieval times previous to the founding of the American government.



It is generally understood by Bible students that a beast in prophecy denotes a nation or some earthly kingdom. In the forefront of Revelation 13 the "leopard beast" spoken of is papal Rome, and it is identical with a certain "little horn power" described in Daniel 7, which is also ascertained to be the papacy. The descriptions in these two chapters of this government that gripped the

world with its power is paralleled by the actual history of the Roman Empire and its papal Holy See.

It arose as a religio-civil power and ruled the world from 538 A.D. until 1798. The intervening 1260 years are the "forty and two months" prophetic time designated in Revelation 13:5 as the length of Rome's reign. The first date is determined by the decree of Justinian the emperor which made the pope the head over all churches and corrector of heretics. This the pope was until the final terminus of the prophecy, when in 1798, Pope Pius VI was taken prisoner by a French general and much of the papal prestige was destroyed. Thus there was fulfilled the inflicting of the deadly wound on the papacy, as spoken of in the third verse. In this same verse it will be noted that there is a healing of this same wound — hence the year 1929 answers the prophetic description, when a concordat between the Papal See and Italy enabled the pope to resume his status as head of the Vatican State. The hurt was thereby healed, and once again the papacy has a place among the kings of the earth.

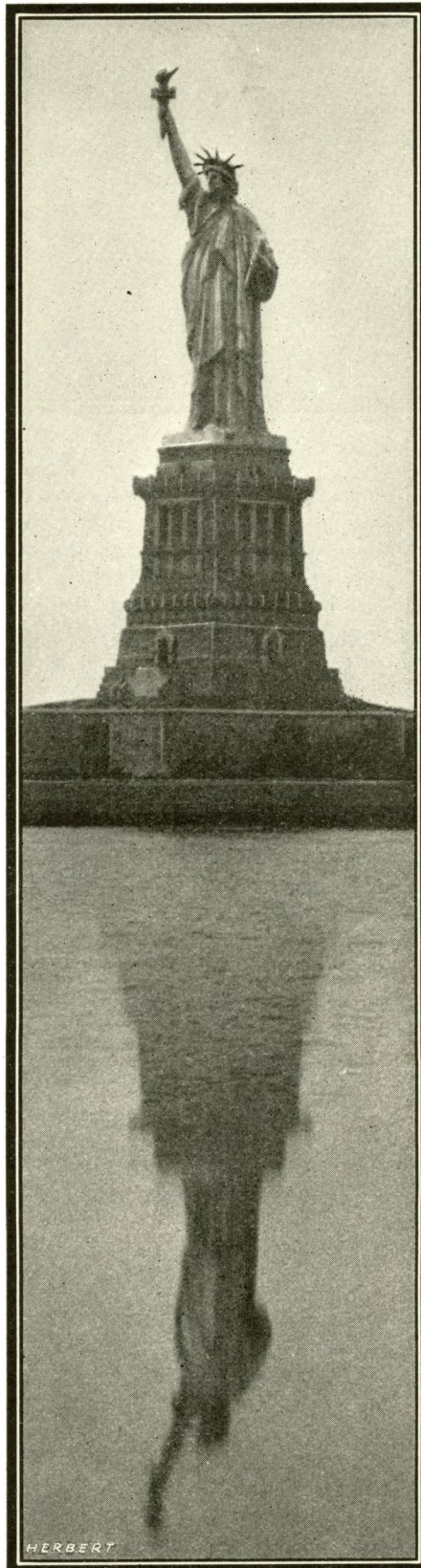


How the above historical summary of a southern European power affects our United States, and how Father Coughlin's movement relates to the question, are seen in the latter part of the prophecy. Verse eleven describes a new power coming out of the "earth" rather than out of the "sea," such as was the manner of the rise of the other powers. "Sea" in prophecy refers to the multitudes of people. (Revelation 17: 15.) The other nations of prophecy arise during war, or international turmoil. This new government came from the "earth," or just the opposite of its predecessors. There is only one interpretation. The United States is this nation, for it grew up gradually by colonization in a land of virgin ruggedness where there had never been vast multitudes or peoples. The new nation is described in Revelation 13: 11 as having "two horns like a lamb." The two horns denote two leading characteristics of the government. A lamblike nation would be like Christ, who is the Lamb in prophecy; and the true meaning of the two horns is seen in the civil and religious freedom given the people by the American Constitution.

Continuing the study of the prophecy, we find a change indicated. The

lamblike beast is to speak as a dragon. This fact is gleaned from the last of the eleventh verse. The dragon power symbolizes a persecuting power such as was Rome when she enacted oppressive laws and domineered over her

■ The statue that stands for religious as well as political liberty.



subjects. The inference in Revelation 12: 13 defines a dragon power to be a persecuting power.

Thus a knowledge of this prophecy will show one that our land is to change from a home of the free into a place of oppression likened to old Rome. The gist of the statements in verses 12, 14, and 15 points out specifically that one certain cause and object of the persecution is used by both the former nation, Rome, and the latter nation, Protestant America. By condensing the meaning of these texts, it can be said that papal Rome originated this certain "mark," and an "image" to papal Rome is destined to use this medieval mark of authority during the twentieth century for a repeated persecution against any that hesitate to accept the mark. But what is the mark that is spoken of with such emphasis and which America is to advance as a law over her people? Does the Catholic Church tell of any certain mark of her authority? She does; and we hereby quote from one of Catholicism's own works:

Question.—Have you any other way of proving that the church has power to institute festivals of precept?

Answer.—Had she not such power, she could not have done that in which all modern religionists agree with her, —she could not have substituted the observance of Sunday the first day of the week, for the observance of Saturday the seventh day, a change for which there is no Scriptural authority."—*A Doctrinal Catechism,* Rev. Stephen Keenan, p. 174.



From this striking statement and also the co-ordinating predictions of Bible prophecy, it is deduced that the counterfeit of the Sabbath of the Lord will be enforced in Protestant America exactly as it was forcibly shackled onto the subjects of early Rome. This will occur when the leaders of our nation turn from the true American standards upon which our government was founded and recognize the dictates of religious elements. Can we see any such action in Washington today?

Any fears that there are such forces —religious and otherwise—preying on our national lawmaking body will be confirmed if we are to accept the warning of Henry L. Pritchett, President Emeritus, Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Teaching. He says: "Today thoughtful men and women

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■ *Shall we eliminate God and make life a game of chance and human skill?*

EITHER God exists, or He does not. There are no other alternatives. Argument for either of these cannot admit demonstration as possible. The believer must concede that "no man hath seen God at any time." (1 John 4: 12.) And no skeptic can search out every nook and corner of the universe and swear thereby that there is no God. Whatever position is taken, whether positive or negative, it must be maintained, if logical and honest, by faith in evidence that appeals to reason, without demonstration.

The existence of the vast and marvelous universe of nature is a demonstrable fact. The palpable fact of the existence of the natural things about us confronts a man with this problem: Either nature had a genesis, or it did not. There are no other alternatives here. One cannot conceive of nothing giving existence to something. And a creation must of necessity have its creator.

Therefore, the atheist, in asserting the negative, must follow his logic to its inevitable conclusion. If it had no genesis, nature has always been, is self-existing, eternal, and that of itself. If nothing supernatural is admitted, then all being, all wisdom, all power, all life, all law, all purpose and design, all order, all providence and government

manifest in the natural order must ultimately pertain to nature *per se*. Hence, the atheist has no alternative but to ascribe to nature itself the attributes which otherwise would properly belong to the Creator. Therefore, the inevitable conclusion of atheism is a deification of nature, which is the very essence of paganism.

It is clear, then, that scientific reasoning based on the presumption that there is no Creator, if generally accepted, is bound to lead to the adoption of a philosophy or religion of a pagan nature. And such philosophy will bear fruit according to its kind in the conduct and morals of men.

Rather than face and admit the stark conclusion of their alternative, many skeptics have preferred to follow the example of the ostrich and bury their heads in the sands of agnosticism ("I-do-not-know-ism") and pretend thereby to ignore the consequences of their choice. But a plunge into the black abyss of ignorance, hopelessness, and despair is not desired by the greater part of men. And when they reject the hope of salvation by divine aid, they will invent for themselves a hope of life beyond by means of their own devising. Pagan religion hangs on the hope of salvation by human works. And the religious history of mankind has ever fluctuated between the doctrine of salvation by faith in God and that of salvation by works.

Naturally, the garb and form of ancient paganism is too crude and monstrous to be accepted by this age

WHY

Is An

ATHEIST

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By
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enlightened by so much knowledge of nature and human experience. But the modern doctrine of evolution comprises virtually every fundamental principle of paganism. It relegates the Creator to the *unknown* and replaces Him by the works of men's hand for salvation as veritably as did the philosophy of the Greeks in the days of Paul. (Acts 17: 18 and onward.)

It may be true that some men have become unbelievers concerning the existence of the Creator because they could not admit as reasonable certain absurd and cruel doctrines preached in His name. In such a case, it ought to be the doctrine and not the Creator that is to be questioned.



"Disguise it as they may, the real cause of skepticism and doubt, in most cases, is the love of sin," says one writer. The carnal heart, bent on violating the principles of righteousness, will seize every pretext available for justifying itself in following its own lusts. Responsibility to God has ever been the haunting fear of a sinful conscience; and to escape it, the unrepentant will try every means to go out "from the presence of the Lord," as did Cain of old.

Love of sin, or *lust*, has been indicted as the real cause of atheism, paganism, and the deplorable consequences attendant thereon: "Because that which is known of God is manifest in them; for God manifested it unto them. For the invisible things of

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FLASHES

—● A magistrate in a Southern state made an initial purchase of 100 Bibles to be given to persons brought before his court for trial. This is an excellent way to reduce the number who come before him.

—● Since the institution of the American Bible Society in 1816, more than 261,000,000 Scripture volumes have been placed in circulation by it. And infidels said a century ago that soon the Bible would be a forgotten book.

—● We are convinced that Public Enemy No. 1 is the devil; and it is amazing how well he is succeeding in throwing the sleuths of religion off the trail and making them believe they are after a gangster, a munitions maker, a dictator, a narcotic, or a disease.

—● Some pacifists think it is heartening to see the great nations making an effort to establish an equilibrium between the forces of destruction at their command. It would look good to us too, if we did not know what poor jugglers of guns the nations are. Sooner or later the finely balanced armaments fall with a crash on the performers.

—● Report has it that Italy is seeking to get Mohammedan tribes subject to Abyssinia on her side by stirring up religious hatred against the nominally Christian government of Emperor Haile Selassie. More and more we may expect the religious factor to be injected into modern wars. There is no other motive for which men will fight so desperately. Spirit wickedness in high places will characterize the final movements in this world's history.

—● An English Catholic priest specifies the Catholic conditions of a "just war" thus: The aggressor nation must be absolutely certain it is right, must seek advice from impartial judges and representatives of the church, must not be inspired by any criminal desire such as the passion for inflicting harm, thirst for vengeance, or a relentless attitude; a spirit of justice and love must animate all pre-war negotiations; hostilities must be carried on with moderation; and the final peace must be a triumph of right and charity. Is the good father making fun of the militaristic nations? That isn't war; that's just playing soldier. The world wants to know how to cure war,—stern, relentless war.

—● A man in a Southern state had his fifteen-year-old son nail his hands and feet to a crude cross, in order to win the affections of his estranged wife. He was careful not to make the "crucifixion" very painful. If the devil thinks he can make the cross of Christ ridiculous, he will try.

—● Twenty-five years ago the first airplane trip from New York to Philadelphia and return took all day, and it was the longest flight that had been made in America. Recently the regular fourteen-passenger plane on the run made it in 56 minutes and 42 seconds. The one-way flight (77 miles) is so short that the big plane hardly has a chance to reach its best altitude and stride before it has to descend. Faster and faster swings the pendulum of travel ("to and fro," Daniel 12: 4), and nearer and nearer comes the end.

—● It is a strange line of reasoning that is being followed by at least one European nation to the effect that a native of a country, who has sworn allegiance to, and become a citizen of, another country, is still a citizen of his native nation and subject to conscript service in time of war or other emergency. That principle threatens the right of a citizen of any country to become a citizen of the kingdom of God. We can see ahead religious majorities getting control of government to persecute to the death religious minorities.



■ For the first time in United States history the chief executive appeared in person before Congress to read a veto message. He thus turned down the Soldier Bonus Bill.

—● Three boys in New York, from 11 to 13 years old, stole a policeman's pistol, held up a woman, and shot a drunk to death because he refused to give them money. We venture to suggest that the boys be paddled, and that the men responsible for the latest talkie picture shown at the community theater be brought to court.

—● Airmen of authority tell us we can girdle the globe in 21 days. With the obstacle removed by air travel, we vision God's message of a soon coming Saviour being carried with marvelous speed to earth's remotest bounds. That is the one reason why God has stimulated men's minds to improve transportation and communication in these last days.

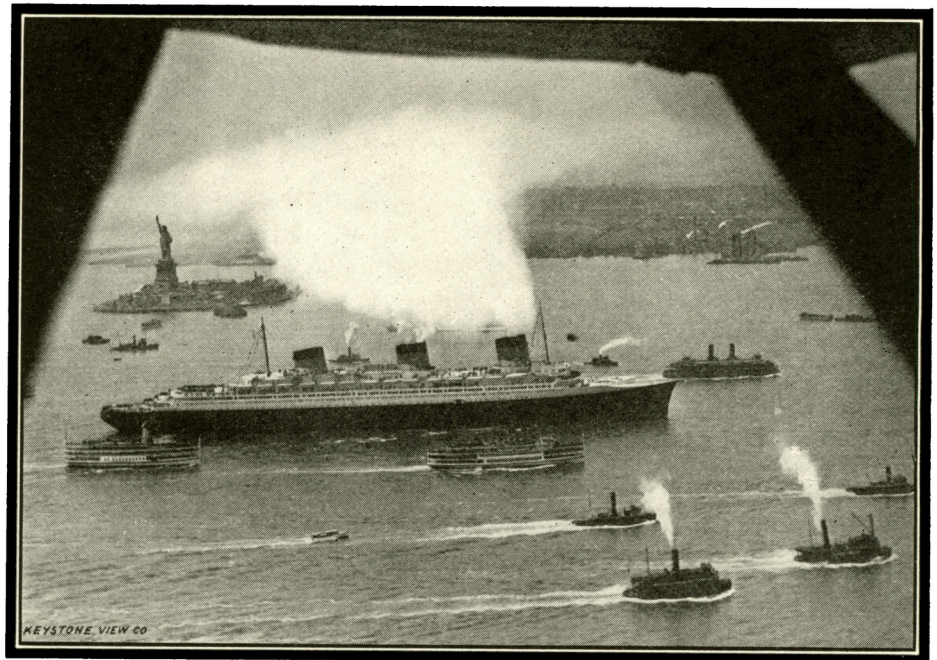
—● Professor W. F. G. Swann, philosopher, tells us that the universe is running down, but that after it runs down to nothing, it will rejuvenate itself and go on to millions of years of life and energy. What stupendous faith is required to believe in the theories of a philosopher or a scientist! It is so much easier to believe in the reasonableness of God's Word as to the future of the universe. Yet these wise (?) men find it impossible to believe in the Bible.

—● The following forecast was written by Roger Bacon, English philosopher, about seven hundred years ago: "Machines for navigating are possible without rowers, so that great ships suited to river or ocean, guided by one man, may be borne with greater speed than if they were full of men. Likewise cars may be made, so that without a draught animal they may be moved with inestimable speed, . . . and flying machines are possible so that a man may sit in the middle turning some device by which artificial wings may beat the air in the manner of a flying bird."

The International Outlook

BEFORE our eyes are being acted some current history dramas that but repeat the past history of nations. Italy and Japan, the one ruled by a dictator, the other by an army group with dictatorial powers, are reaching out aggressively to take advantage of weaker peoples. Both have excellent reasons, in their own estimations, for doing what they are doing. Pushed by increasing populations which demand more elbow room, they must do something to provide work and sustenance for a million fresh youth reaching manhood every year. Too late on the historic scene for discovery and colonization of new lands—since all desirable lands on earth have long since been pre-empted by Great Britain, France, and other nations—these two late comers must needs take from already well-established nations what they would occupy if they would expand. Hence Italy reaches over into Africa, and Japan into China, to acquire empire. Over-industrialized at home, these growing nations must have lucrative foreign markets if they would exist on their present basis. And China and Africa are enormous potential markets. Besides, these dictators must resort to foreign wars to occupy the discontented minds of their tax-burdened peoples. The only way despotic rulers can maintain their seats is periodically to stir up national feeling against a foreign foe.

Italy and Japan have plenty of precedent for their present action in China and East Africa. England, Germany, France, Spain, and even the United States are cited by the Japanese and Italians as having done the same thing in their time. Great Britain exploited India, South Africa, America; Spain exploited South and Central America; France exploited North Africa, Farther India; the United States exploited Mexico and parts of Central America, say the present aggressors. Why should not nations recently come to power do the same as did nations now well established and smug in their colonial wealth? It will not do for the older nations to plead the "white man's burden" excuse of a century ago, and not allow the same excuse for others now. Nor will it do to say that civilization has progressed beyond the spirit of intern



■ The "Normandie," largest and fastest of ships, sails past the Statue of Liberty on her maiden voyage.

tional greed and grab of three generations past. What is wrong now, if wrong at all, was wrong then. So Great Britain, France, Germany, and the United States can bring only with shamefacedness any argument against Japan's dominating China or Italy's "civilizing" Abyssinia.

The Japan-China difficulty has gone far enough to cease to be much of a difficulty. China is supinely giving to Japan practically all the northern part of its territory. We look for these two powers to get together closer still, with Japan as leader of its own and China's millions, and fitting into the prophecies of God's word to the effect that "the kings of the East" will unite and come westward to Armageddon. (Revelation 16:12-16.)

As to Italy and Abyssinia, Mussolini is determined to use his huge, mobilized army to attack the Ethiopians as soon as the rainy season is over in August. The blacks are untried as to modern military power. Fierce in spirit and great fighters, very likely they will not be a match for Italy's military machine. Unless climate and disease and a terrain unfamiliar to Italians, fight on their side, the Abyssinians will be forced to capitulate, and to become an Italian protectorate. Thus will be increased the hatred that already exists between the white and colored races of the earth. It is unfortunate, to say the least; but again this fits with the forecast of John the Revelator, for there can be no question but

racial animosities will be a potent factor in the great get-together-for-battle when East meets West in the near future.

We tremble when we think of the hectic days ahead for this war-crazy world. But the Christian's hope is in this, a warning and a promise right in the midst of the war prediction of the prophecy: "Behold, I come . . . Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments." Revelation 16:15.

Fast Ocean Travel

THE world has been treated to the breath-taking records of the "Normandie," new French ocean liner, on her first round trip between France and the United States. The largest ship afloat (79,280 tons displacement, 1,029 feet long, nine decks), she broke the Atlantic speed record by making the crossing in four days, eleven hours, and forty-two minutes, and also made the longest one-day's run on record.

In 1492 Christopher Columbus crossed in 69 days. The "Savannah," first steamship, made the run from Savannah, Georgia, to Liverpool in 1819, and was proud to take only 26 days. Since then the time has been steadily cut.

Now the Germans, Italians, and English, recent holders of speed rec-

ords at sea, are out to make the "Normandie's" sailing time look slow. It is a fast world we live in. Too fast. Civilization annihilates time and space till it annihilates itself. We admire the speed achievements of men, but there can be no question that what we need most of all is haste to get on God's side before the destruction of our own making swallows us up. Once in a while God strikes a record-breaker with an iceberg and sinks it, just to wake us up to the facts that man is puny after all, and that there is something more vital to be concerned about than floating palaces rushing along at phenomenal speeds.

Godless Schools

HUNDREDS of thousands of students were graduated from high schools, colleges, and universities this spring, an unusually large number, because unemployment drove many a youth to occupy his time in school. How many of this army of intellectuals who went in Christians came out atheists and agnostics, who went in patriots and came out communists? It is a serious question that was raised in many widely separated school communities.

At the instigation of patrons and parents, searching investigations were made in a few universities. The doctors and professors rushed to the defense of their teaching rights, argued against "shackling the human mind," and pleaded for liberality. They made much of the undoubted fact that many subversive religions and political doctrines are simply discussed, not taught, in college classes. "Are we to refuse to mention, define, and point out the merits and demerits of atheism, communism, socialism, and fascism?" say they.

On the face of such questions, a negative answer is forthcoming. "Academic freedom" is very likely a precious liberty, not to be taken away with impunity. But the fact remains that a startling increase of atheistic radicals are being graduated from American schools of higher education. That which the students get from the influence of the schoolroom they are taught, regardless of the professed mental attitude of the teacher.

The truth is, the instructors themselves are increasingly radical and cultist. And they can't if they try—

and many do not—keep from their students that which they themselves thoroughly believe. They win the respect and admiration of those under their tuition, and their example teaches more effectively than their precepts.

Of course hundreds of university teachers are making no bones about openly inculcating Godless doctrines.

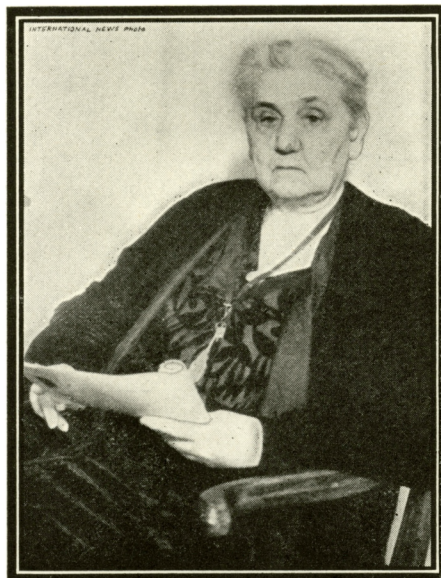
The schools, as well as economic systems and governments, are going through perilous times. And because the schools taught Godlessness two decades ago we are reaping confusion and instability now in every institution that is supposed to hold society together and establish civilization.

A divine Hand will have to reach down and straighten things out for this bewildered generation. It has been appropriately called Babylon (confusion) because it has sought its own way to salvation and has forgotten the way of its Creator and Redeemer.

Save the Soil

EXPERTS in soil erosion say that if the government and people of the United States do not stop the waste of soil during the next twenty years, this country will not be able to raise enough to support its population. Wind and water are literally carrying away our fertile lands.

■ Miss Jane Addams, whose death in Chicago at the age of 75 marked the passing of a world-famous welfare worker. She was the founder of Hull House, long noted for its benefits to the under-privileged.



The American farmer has, as a rule been greedy to make all he could out of his lands, regardless of the heritage he passed on to the next generation by so doing. Many farmers do it through ignorance. The government is making strenuous efforts to wake them up to the danger, and to halt soil loss by huge Federal undertakings.

Canaan, the modern Palestine, went through our present experience. It once "flowed with milk and honey," and even though mountainous, was richly productive. It is said at one period to have supported 12,000,000 people. Now it scarcely supports a million. It is washed out and rock-bare.

When God moved Israel into Canaan He told them to rest every seventh day, let the land lie idle every seventh year and an extra year every fiftieth year, and to take certain precautions about seed sowing. If His people had observed His instructions, the Holy Land would be abundantly productive today. It might pay farm specialists to study God's plan of crop rotation and soil recovery. He placed the first farmer on the land and taught him to till it so it would not be tilled to death.

The Trembling Earth

ANOTHER earthquake, this time where scientists would expect to find one, occurred at Quetta, British Baluchistan (India) early in June. The area affected is 20 by 120 miles, a beautiful valley thickly inhabited. The city of Quetta (45,000), two other towns, and about 100 villages were terribly shaken, with a 40,000 loss of life. The injured and refugees are estimated at 15,000.

So the quake record lengthens. The temblors are so frequent and common that they do not surprise or affect us any more. When earth disturbances come in "divers places," as the Scriptures say they will in our time,—where science says they can't be, as well as where they may be,—we are witnessing phenomena all out of harmony with the optimistic theory that the world is growing better, and man is securing more and more complete control over nature. They presage the near approach of the final upheaval of this earth when Christ returns. There is nothing to fear for those who trust Him, for He brings an end to catastrophe forever.

A WORLD war is being fought among the nations. A very real war, though peaceful! A war for world markets; and Japan is winning! Japan is aiming at world conquest. She carries the sword in one hand, and the sample case in the other; and she seems to be equally adept with either. With the hand that wields the sword she wrests Manchuria, the "treasure chest of the East," from China; and with the hand that carries the sample case she has clutched every market of the world. She has captured much of the world's business. She is buying and selling. Her ships are loaded both ways. Her factories are busy, while Western factories are idle. Her people are all working; while millions of Western citizens are fed at government expense. Her industries have expanded, while many of ours have been forced to close their doors.

Japan has been able to capture the world markets because she has been able to undersell every other nation. In some cases Japan has been able to lay down the finished product in New York or South America cheaper than American manufacturers can employ the labor or buy the raw materials. There are four principal reasons for this: Japan's cheap labor, the devaluation of Japanese money, the rapid modernization of Japanese industry, and government subsidies to export manufacturers.

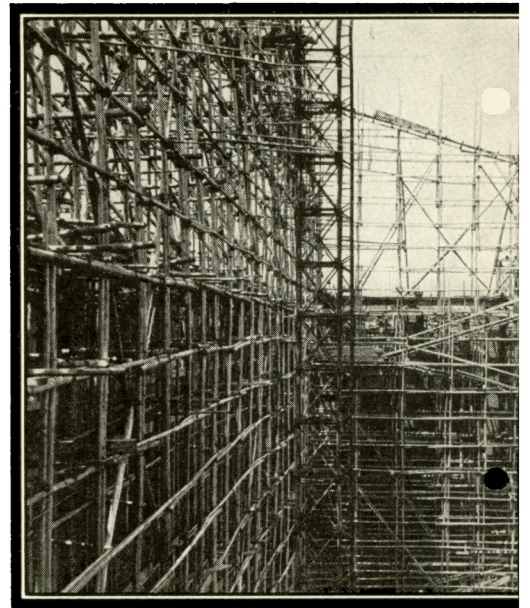
Before the war of 1914, "Made in Germany" goods were found flooding every market, because of their cheap-

ness. Today we see a like condition, with cheap "Made in Japan" goods offered for sale everywhere. The United States shuts the Japanese people out of the country, but admits over 200 Japanese-made commodities, which embarrass American manufacturers by their cheapness and cause them to close their plants because of the impossible competition. Japan delivers cotton handkerchiefs from 25 to 33½ per cent below the American cost of production. This not only affects the handkerchief manufacturer, but also the spinning and weaving mills, the mills where the printing and bleaching is done, and the ribbon and thread manufacturers.



The Japanese are clever imitators. They are able to copy the patterns of other countries so well that it is difficult to tell that the commodity is foreign made. It is true that "Made in Japan" is required by law to be stamped on every article; but that is overcome by stamping it on fragile paper and in such a way that it is easily rubbed off. For years Sweden has supplied the world markets largely with safety matches, but lately Japan has given competition. The clever trick that she used to disguise her product was to name a community in her own country "Sweden," in order that she could stamp her matches "Made in Sweden." Japanese-made matches cost in America 38 cents a gross, tax and duty paid, while competing matches cost 82 cents a gross.

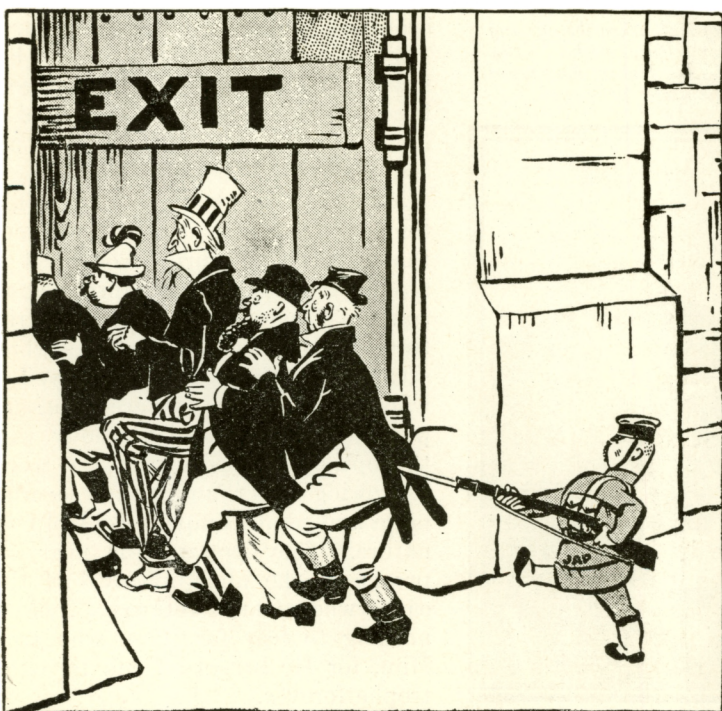
The United States lost to Japan 7 per cent of her textile output. This means 35,000 people and one million spindles idle. The Philippines have turned from the United States cotton goods to the



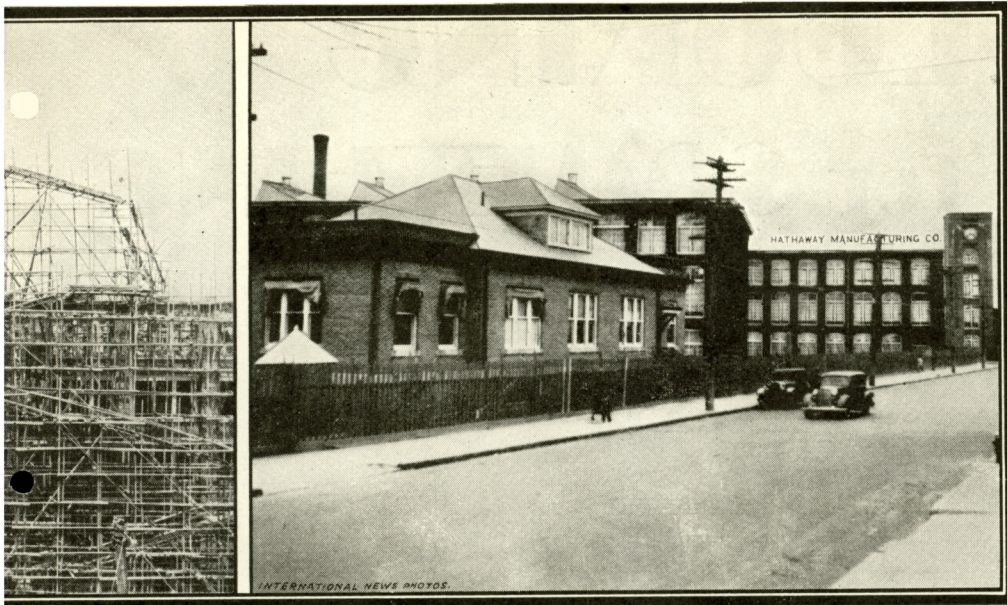
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cheaper Japanese make. The result is that Japanese sales increased 81 per cent. England, which has for a century been the leading textile manufacturer, now ranks second to Japan. The Lancashire Cotton Corporation has scrapped four million spindles in the past two years.

Western industry is powerless against Japanese low-cost production. The Japanese spindle operator receives from \$1.21 to \$1.65 a week of 60 to 72 hours, as against the Western operator who receives from \$16 to \$24 a week of about half as many hours. It is our \$2.50 a day against Japan's 20 cents. The Japanese industrial worker is content to work long hours and at small pay. This, with devaluation of the currency makes it possible for Japan to deliver a bicycle 1,000 miles from its origin for \$2.50, and a pair of socks for 1¾ cents. The Inter-Allied Conference that met to discuss strategy and defense had this to say: "In the face of double-shift working," says the Polish delegate, 'low labor costs, and inflation, European industry is powerless.' Spain had her say about undercutting in her Moorish market. Sweden



■ One cartoonist's idea of the Japanese version of the "open door" in China.



Japanese build factories — while American factories lie idle.

OLD WAR

■ ■ ■ While it is a trade war, it is being fought with all the spirit and power of the Armageddon that is sure to follow it.

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had staggering figures on matches. France asked what would happen when Japan doubled her present need of spindles? And the President put a naive question to Japan's own delegate. 'Why does not Japan market her textiles at higher prices and make more profit?' Up rose Genaro Okada to reply: 'Their mills were doing very well with dividends of 18 and 20 per cent. It was not their policy to charge more for exported wares than was current in the home markets. Japan meant no harm to any one. She had her own way of business as others had.'

Mr. Okada said again, 'It is of vital concern to a depressed world that all peoples shall be able to buy goods of quality and common use at much lower cost than European and American industries can make them.'—*"Magazine Digest," March, 1935, pp. 9, 10.*

Manufacturers in the West accuse Japan of "dumping" and "conscript labor"; of "starvation wages paid to docile slaves." But these accusations cannot be sustained. The fact is that the Japanese worker is willing to work longer and for less.

Today, Japan is building an empire that she believes is destined to rule the world and bring peace. In 1858, four years after Japan entered into relations with the West, Lord Hotta said: "Rivalries will never cease among the world states till some one of extraordinary power shall assume hegemony. Our object should always be the laying of a foundation for a hegemony over all nations. For this purpose useful alliances and treaties should be made, our shipping and trade developed. Where foreigners excel us, we should remedy our defects. National resources should be developed in military preparation. This policy is but the enforcement of the authority deputed to us by the Spirit of Heaven. The nations of the world will then look up to our Emperor as the Great Ruler

of all."—*"Reader's Digest" for March, 1935, p. 114.*

The Empire of Japan has adhered closely to the counsel of Lord Hotta given at the time of her awakening from centuries of industrial and military slumber; but the God of heaven 2,600 years before this foresaw that Japan would be awakened, and by the prophet Joel He called upon them to awaken: "Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: . . . let the weak say, I am strong. Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about. . . . Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat." Joel 3: 9-12.

First the heathen are "wakened," and then they "come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat" (the plain of Megiddo, sixty miles north of Jerusalem, where the battle of Armageddon is to be fought). That the heathen nations of the East are "awake" is not a controverted subject. That they will come West to the plain of Megiddo is a matter of divine prophecy, as certain to be fulfilled as was their awakening. God says that the time of the "coming up" is the "day of the Lord," it is the day of judgment in the "valley of decision." It is the time when the "harvest is ripe" and the "sickle is put in." (Joel 3: 13, 14.) Jesus says that "the harvest is the end of the world." Matthew 13: 39.



That this time is near at hand is shown by the feverish war preparations of the nations, both East and West. The colored nations of the East will be consolidated and led west by Japan; the white nations of the West will be consolidated by an outstanding international figure of the time, and directed eastward. They meet in final conflict at the ancient battlefield of the nations, Megiddo. Here the great struggle for the religious and racial supremacy of the world takes place. While this battle is in progress, the second coming of Christ takes place, and brings the end of the world. The wicked are destroyed by the brightness of Christ's coming, and the righteous are received by the Lord and are forevermore to remain with Him. (Revelation 16: 13-19; 19: 11-21; 2 Thessalonians 1: 7-10; 2: 8; 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18.) Let us read the "handwriting on the wall," and be prepared to meet Jesus at His coming.

FACES! Haunting, despairing faces! Have you ever encountered them along the marts of business? Have you noticed the haggard, drawn lines, the dull shadows, etched upon the countenances of many who hurry by you on the crowded thoroughfares?

The masses of humanity rush hither and yon in their quest. Dr. C. J. Jung, distinguished psychiatrist, makes this significant statement in his recent book, "Modern Man in Search of a Soul": "During the past thirty years, people from all countries of the earth have consulted me. I have treated many hundreds of patients. . . . Among all my patients aged over thirty-five there has not been one whose problem in the last resort was not that of finding a religious outlook on life."

Lonely souls in search of God! Men and women by the thousands and millions are seeking a religious basis for their lives, and they know it not. Their lives have been like apples of gold with wealth and temporal gain, until suddenly they crumbled to ashes. It has been so during the depression years. When we built our heaven of wood and stone, when we felt secure with money in the banks, our need of God was seemingly insignificant. Like Nebuchadnezzar, we shouted: "Is this not great Babylon which I have built," and we felt ourselves kings for a day.

But stripped of the gilt and the adorning, without the sham of the twentieth century for man to hide

LOOKING for SOMETHING

Millions are doing it; many do not know exactly what they are seeking. But they want it more than life itself.

What Is It?

behind, he finds himself but a husk—without hope and without God. And he turns, in a lonely, heart-rending appeal toward—what? "I was so busy with my round of social engagements and pleasures that I never once stopped to think of God, or that He might have a claim on my life," confessed one young woman after the depression had wiped out her superficial living and faced her with the realities of life.

Or again, a well-known banker said, "My whole thought had been money—loans, deeds, bonds, and investments—until one morning things folded up, and the idol of my life closed its doors. For once, I actually began to think."

The search for God remains the same in the epoch of the automobile, skyscraper, and scientific and educational research, as it was when Job

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By
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uttered the universal cry of the heart: "Oh that I knew where I might find Him! That I might come even to His seat!" Job 23: 3. The machine age has filled life with complexities, but it has not changed the need of the human heart.

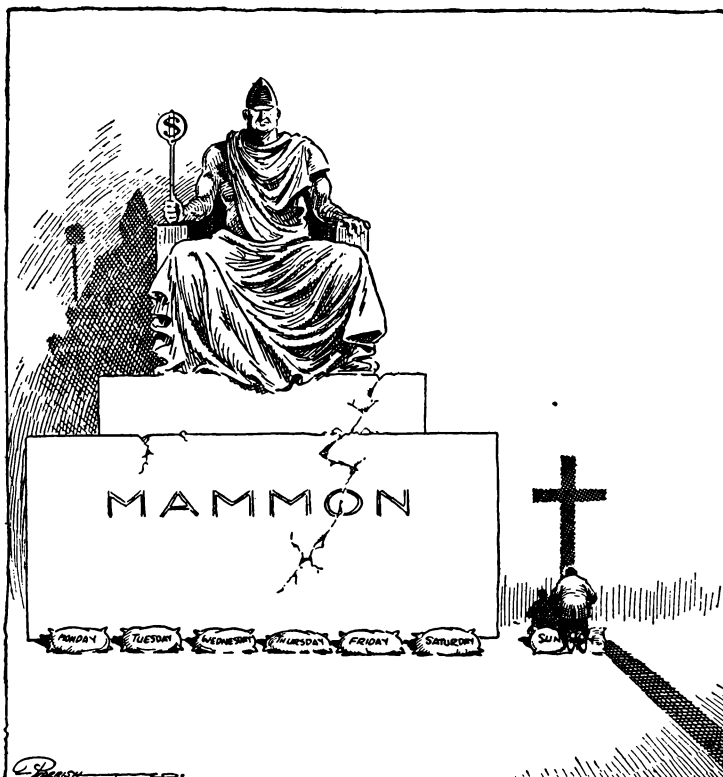


"The search for God has always been one of man's chief concerns," writes Bernard Iddings Bell in the *Atlantic Monthly*. "The race has known that there were some things which it could find out only by scientific observation, others discoverable only by creative activity, and still others—and these the deepest and most subtle—to be mastered only by that seeking of ultimate Reality in personal terms which is religion."

The problem of today is a spiritual problem in the heart of man. It is the longing for God which must be satisfied if humanity is to attain toward happiness. The eye may look out into space which becomes almost infinite with the discoveries of modern astronomy. Man may break the atom into its smallest components. He may take lightnings and send them forth to do his biddings. But power cannot satisfy the soul. There must come the still, small voice.

It is this sincere search of man that Jesus Christ came to fulfill. The end of a quest had been reached when John the disciple wrote: "That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of Life, . . . that which we have seen and heard declare we unto you." 1 John 1: 1, 3.

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■ A cartoon which appeared in the *Nashville Tennessean*, depicting the world's way of worshipping mammon on six days of the week, and God on one. Thus humanity looks in vain for happiness.

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The Most Important Truth

1. What is the most important truth ever revealed to the human race?

"Ye are not your own . . . for ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." 1 Corinthians 6: 19, 20.

2. Why is this the most important truth?

Ans.—It precedes and underlies all other truths. God is our Creator, therefore our Owner. Because He owns us, He bought us back when we traitorously sold ourselves to the devil (not a legal sale, for we could not sell what we did not own). This fact of ownership is at the root of the whole relationship between God and all created beings—He loves His own.

3. What more than the human race is included in God's ownership?

"The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." "Every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are Mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is Mine, and the fullness thereof." "The heavens are Thine." Psalms 24: 1; 50: 10-12; 89: 11. "The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, saith the Lord of hosts." Haggai 2: 8.

4. What did God require of Adam and Eve as an acknowledgment that the earth was His?

Ans.—Giving back to Him a product of the earth. "Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it." Genesis 2: 16, 17.

5. What was the result of their refusing to recognize God's ownership, thus robbing Him?

"In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." "Cursed is the ground for thy sake; . . . in the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground." Genesis 2: 17; 3: 17, 18.

6. How has God ordained that His ownership of the earth and its wealth should be acknowledged?

"Melchizedek king of Salem . . . was the priest of the most high God. And he blessed him [Abraham], and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth. . . . And he [Abraham] gave him tithes of all." Genesis 14: 18-20.

7. If we refuse to acknowledge God's

ownership by paying tithe, what do we do?

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me . . . in tithes and offerings." Malachi 3: 8.

8. With what result?

"Ye are cursed with a curse." Verse 9.

9. How has God ordained that we recognize His ownership of our lives?

"And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made." Genesis 2: 3. Also Exodus 20: 8-11.

Note—The Sabbath, being a portion of time, is a portion of our lives. By using it for the purpose for which God set it apart ("sanctified it"), we acknowledge His ownership of all our time.

10. What follows robbing God of the Sabbath and thus of our lives?

"Verily My Sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations; . . . every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: . . . that soul shall be cut off from among his people." Exodus 31: 13, 14.

Note.—This last expression is the Old Testament equivalent of the New Testament expression, "accursed from Christ."

11. Is not keeping the first day of the week as much an acknowledgment of God's ownership of our lives as is keeping the seventh day?

Ans.—No; for the seventh day is the only day the Owner himself has ordered kept as a mark ("sign," Exodus 31: 13) of His rulership. Sunday is a man-made rest day, kept for another reason—in memory of the resurrection. This very purpose is a defiance of God's authority, for He ordained baptism to commemorate the death, the burial, and the resurrection of Jesus. (Romans 6: 3-11.)

Scripture Problems Solved . . .

This is a service department where questions on religion, ethics, and Bible interpretation will be answered. Send questions to the editor.

Forgiveness of Sins

When a sinner repents and confesses his sins, does God forgive them forever? If later he falls into sin of a different nature and does not repent and confess it and is lost, will he have to suffer for the sins he confessed as well as for those unconfessed?

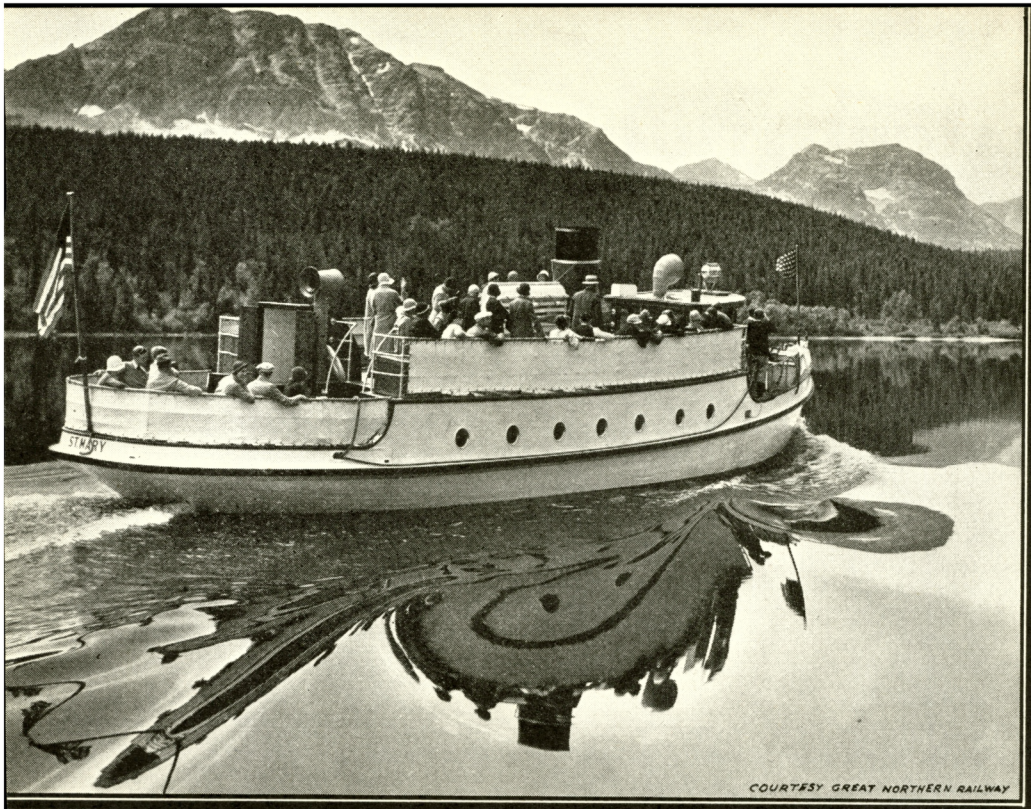
If a sinner is lost, he must suffer for all the sins he ever committed, confessed or unconfessed. Read Ezekiel 18: 21, 22, 24. All God's efforts to save men are based on man's final salvation. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." Matthew 10: 22. God's fiat is that either we are finally saved from all sins we commit, or we are saved from no sins we commit. "The wages of sin is death." Romans 6: 23. Only one sin kills us; and that death is eternal death. When a man sins again after confessing and being forgiven, and refuses to confess again, he virtually repudiates his first confession. Read Hebrews 6: 4-8; 10: 29. There is justice in this. The sinner is rewarded in this life by the joy that comes with forgiveness; but if he is finally lost, the sin of rejecting the Spirit of God (the unpardonable sin) after having once tasted of His presence in the soul is so

much greater in God's sight than the first sin that he should in justice suffer for all the wrongs he ever did. It is awful to be lost; it is blissful to be saved. The contrast must be made complete in order to impress us with the foolishness of choosing death and the wisdom of choosing life. And it is only a matter of choice—and faith.

Abraham a Jew

Was Abraham a Jew or a Gentile?

The terms Jew and Gentile were not known in Abraham's time. He was known as a Hebrew (Genesis 14: 13), as were also his descendants (Genesis 39: 14). The word Jew comes from Judah, one of the tribes of Israel. Gentile was of later origin. However, if our questioner refers to the spiritual meaning of Jew, as applied by Paul in Romans 2: 28, 29, then Abraham was a Jew, who was "circumcised" in spirit and heart. (Philippians 3: 3; Colossians 2: 11.) Abraham was a "Jew inwardly," because he had a part in the new covenant. If we are Christ's, then we too are "Abraham's seed," and are Jews inwardly. (Galatians 3: 29.) Gentiles and Jews in the flesh become spiritual Israel when they accept Christ.



■ *Letting joy be unconfined on a lake in Glacier National Park.*

Because of limited means, lack of time, and social and business obligations, it is quite impossible always to do as we would like; but we can always approach the ideal, and from year to year work closer to it. Even when a whole family, of widely varied ages and tastes, must go together, means can be found or invented to satisfy diversity of likes.

There is a prevailing idea, perhaps because of luring advertisements, that vacations, in order to be vacations, must all come within a limited scope — seashore, mountains, streams, farms, resorts, razzle-dazzle amusement parks, foreign countries. The range is much wider than this, however, and may include quiet reading, visiting relatives and friends, helping someone in great need, pottering with flowers,

A VACATION is a vacant space between work. It is time spent anti-routine—a change from the everyday to the once-in-a-while.

It doesn't make so much difference how a vacation is spent, just so it is different. The nearer one can come to making one's mind and body vacant of what they do and hold during the remainder of the year, the better.

Civilization is self-made, and therefore artificial and deadening. It is a sample of what heady man would do at creating a world if not interfered with by natural phenomena. We feel a certain kind of joy in advancing the interests of government, industry, and society by toil and fret—the joy of accomplishment—but withal it becomes a grind after a while.

But we would not get entirely out of “progress,” and could not if we would. The task we drive is our bent, or ought to be, and we would be lonesome if long without it. We are in the treadmill to stay, and would attempt no ignoble way out of it. But at longer or shorter intervals there is granted us a change in the form of holidays or vacations. Foolish is the person, young or old, who does not avail himself of them, or who, not being given them, does not take them anyway.

Vacations, to be most beneficial, should be regular, even if they are thought of as irregularities and their very urge is to get away from the regular. What we do most, makes us.

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Where the Joy Begins

Some observations on vacations

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By
the Editor

And we live by quite regular periods,—days, weeks, months, years, ages. Vacations, too, are best fitted into period formulas, yet are to be made quite informal. Thus they may be looked forward to definitely, and anticipated with pleasure. In fact, the anticipation and aftermath of any wholesome let-down are half the enjoyment of it. Whether he takes one week out of the year (and he should take no less) or several weeks, the vacationist should make the lax period one to dream about; but its certainty should be no dream.

Above every other consideration he should do what he *likes* to do. He may like his daily task of most of the year the very best of anything he could do; but, seeking a change, he does well to do the thing he likes next best, perhaps the indulgence of a hobby. Whether it is scaling mountains or scaling fish, breasting surf or pounding turf, writing new rhymes or seeking new climes, he should do what he likes, if he would be vacant of routine.

in short doing the one hundred and one diversions we have longed to do but never have gotten into because of duty pressure.

Every person to his pet likes for vacation. But make it different, even at the expense of some inconvenience. There is no real vacation for a man who sits behind a desk the year round to sit behind an auto wheel for a week round. There is no real holiday for a woman who does housework and trains children all the time to go on a trip that requires her to cook and wash and keep Johnny in tow the whole time. This editor would far rather build a rock wall than to sit watching a fishing cork. Why then be bored with fishing, just because vacation spells fish to the President of the United States?

Age and physical ability have much to do with what we should do on

vacations. Five, fifteen, and fifty-five react to far different stimuli. Many a man chooses a killing mode of recreation because it used to thrill him through and through when he was younger. When he "stops growing at both ends and starts growing in the middle" he had better temper his exercise and "be his age." And this does not mean for him to succumb to the lethargies of age too soon. We are persuaded from observation, however, that the middle-aged and old usually take more exercise than they need, rather than less.

The highest ideal for a vacation is re-creation. True recreation should make us feel when it is over that we are starting to live again. It rests and refreshes; then stimulates. Purer blood surges through the arteries. Fuller life electrifies the nerves. Loftier ambitions stir the soul. We are born again.

The causes that produce such an ideal result, or approach it, must be in keeping with the object sought. Therefore the good change is toward what we sometimes call primitive things, the simple life. The closer we nestle in the bosom of Mother Nature the more

restful and energizing the vacation. For God, who is the great Giver of rest to the heavy laden, and the Giver of more abundant life to those whose strength is sapped, grants His gifts through nature and natural methods. Nature is not God, nor can it rest the soul and calm the spirit. But it is its Creator's means of bringing us into intimate touch with Him, who will satisfy that eager longing which we all feel for something better.

Out where the glaring streets are ended,
Out where the earth and skies are blended,

Out where the shattered air is mended,
That's where the joy begins.

Out where the trees and grass are greener,

Out where the earth is a little cleaner,
Out where your zest is a little keener,
That's where the joy begins.

Out where the songs of birds are clearer,
Out where the clouds are brighter,
nearer,

Out where your friends are a little dearer,
That's where the joy begins.

Out where the waves are salt spray flinging,
Out where the scents are soft and clinging,
Out where the heart is tuned to singing,
That's where the joy begins.

Shall We Follow the Crowd?

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death are illusions"; false prophets and false Christs have arisen every few years and gained the ears of the credulous. Even as a fashion in dress sweeps the country, so a mode of thinking and acting in religion enslaves the unwary, those who are "blown about with every wind of doctrine."

There is a supreme test and guide. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalm 119: 105. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8: 20. Every man must study to know what he should do, save himself from the whims and fancies of the fickle crowd, and ally himself to those who can give a reason for the hope that is in them.

The Doctor Replies to Health Queries

Medical and hygienic information of interest to the general reader is given here by a practicing physician. Inquirers may address the editor.

Swollen Gland

What is the cause of a swollen submaxillary gland? G. A. M.

An enlarged gland is due to an increased activity or work put on the gland, and this is from some infection. The submaxillary gland would be enlarged from some mouth infection, which should be sought for. As in any infection, see that you have good elimination, and drink quantities of water. Hot applications, either fomentations or from a heat lamp, will help the local swelling to go away.

Diet in Catarrh

Will you please send me a list of foods that one with catarrh should use? Will the leaving out of starchy foods cure my catarrh? I am under weight, and would like to gain also. What foods would you suggest for me? C. E. C.

A person suffering from catarrh should change from a heavy protein diet to a low protein one, and the diet should consist mainly of fruits and vegetables, with the natural cereals

instead of the highly refined foods. You should not leave out the starches, for you will need them to help in your gaining weight, and the leaving off of them will not cure your catarrh. We cannot say that any line of diet will cure catarrh, but the one suggested will be the most favorable to helping your catarrh. In any nasal or bronchial infection it is well to drink a very large quantity of water, and very hot water is good for the throat.

Gas and Sleeplessness

I would appreciate any advice you would give me on my trouble, as I have gas on my stomach so much that I cannot sleep. It makes the left side of my chest hurt so I am in such pain I can hardly breathe most of the time. Please tell me something that will relieve this condition. R. P.

Gas in your stomach is due to a slow digestion, or rather a slow emptying of the stomach, and you should adopt means to relieve this condition. One thing you can do is to thoroughly masticate your food. By the way, you

should not eat when worried, hurried, or overtired, as these conditions tend to retard digestion in the stomach. Then you should not drink at your meals, nor for an hour or two after meals. When you do not drink at your meals, you will find that you begin to eat more slowly, and more thoroughly masticate your food, which gives the starch digestion a chance to begin in the mouth. Then it will continue in the stomach. Unless the starch digestion is begun in the mouth, it cannot begin until it is past the stomach; for there is no digestive fluid in the stomach for starches, while there is in the mouth. It is a good thing to rest directly after a meal; and lying down with a hot water bottle over the region of the stomach will aid digestion. To avoid gas at night, do not eat an evening meal, but eat your two meals earlier in the day, and drink plenty of water at night to wash out the stomach before you retire. Be sure that you have two or more good bowel movements daily, and I hope you will be free of this gas.

HOME...

A Thrilling Place

WHILE I very well know that American people have the reputation of being, and are, a restless people, always on the go, and never arriving, I did not know that this restlessness had anything to do with the sale of electric clocks. But so it seems.

It was a salesman who enlightened me. He told me the popularity of the electric clock spread because people did not stay at home long enough to wind up the old-fashioned spring clock, and it was a great inconvenience to arrive home for a few hours' stay, and find all the clocks stopped. But now because, from lack of money, people are staying at home more, fewer clocks are being sold; hence he was wishing and hoping and looking for something, *anything*, to happen just so the wheels of business would be humming, and people going again.

That was the salesman's viewpoint of the matter. He had not discovered the fact that if, by staying at home, people learned the lesson of appreciating the less poetic things about home life, like winding the clock and putting the cat out, the depression would have one more silver lining hidden away in its clouds.

Just a few days since, a woman said to me, "I was out every afternoon and evening of last week, and I have card games and parties on for every afternoon but one of this week."



"But what," I asked, "do your husband and son do on the evenings you are away?"

"Oh!" she replied, "Bill can't say anything, for he is out nearly every night. Lots of times he does not get in till midnight or after, so why should I stay at home all by my lonesome? And as for James, he has his studying to do; after that is done, he goes to bed or to a show."

Picture them, if you can, a wife and a husband, a mother and a father, always on the go, while their child is left to come up, or grow up, even as Topsy was. Now multiply this picture

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by a hundred, a thousand, and more, and you may get some inkling as to why our youth face life without the necessary discipline, without the necessary character which will enable them to faithfully take up the responsibilities that are thrust upon them; you may get a faint glimmering of why so many youthful criminals.

But there is a remedy; it is found in the home. Oh, why cannot parents see that they need to learn that there is a thrill in spending an evening at home, reading a book,—a thrill greater than that gained by spending the evening playing bridge, and winding up at the theater to watch a hair-raising, blood-and-thunder picture.

These restless, always-on-the-go parents need to learn that conversation with the immediate relatives of their family is not half so boring as the comic strips in the newspapers try to

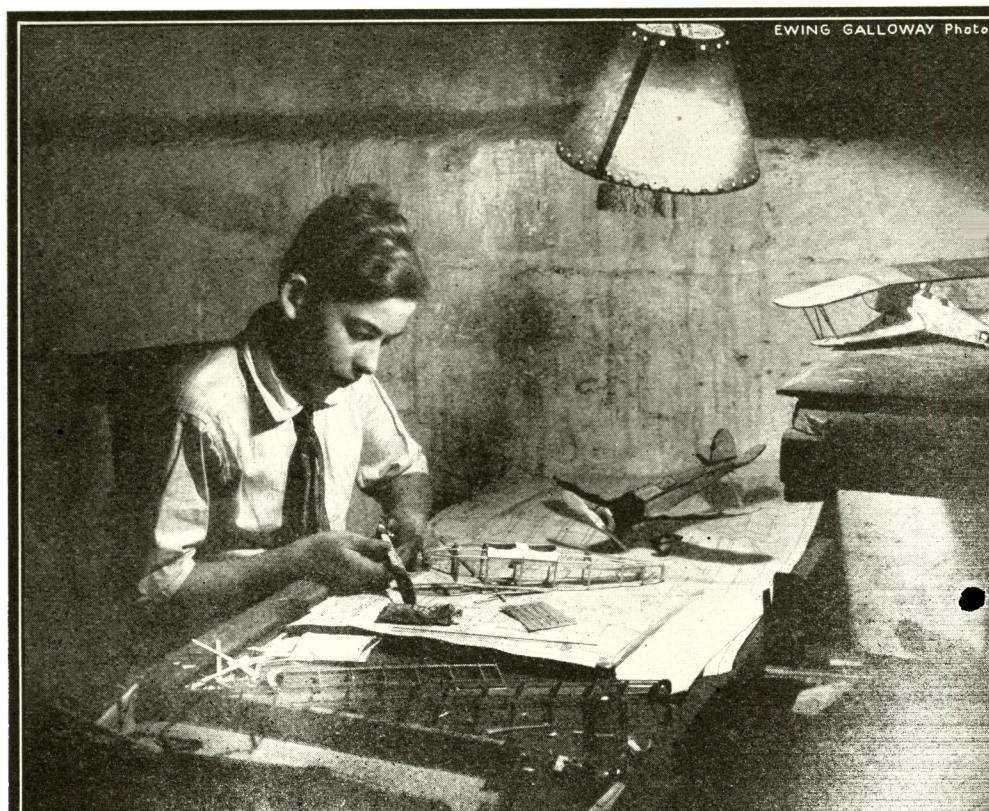
make out. They need to learn how to become acquainted with their adolescent children, and home is the place, the great place, to learn the things that really count in this life.

I think it was N. G. Osborn who said, "Those who carry away from a well-ordered home a serenity of spirit, an optimistic outlook, a mind well trained by thoughtful reading and serious conversation, will get further in the world and be happier than those who run the streets seeking a new thrill."

And a home is a thrilling place, or *will* be, if parents will stay at home, not because of lack of money to keep them on the go, but because they enjoy the staying. Then, and not till then, will they be able to teach their children that the things that are free, like quiet evenings in the companionship of the family, doing things together, enjoying the books, the games, the sunsets, and the song of the birds,—that these are the things that will prove to be of more value to them than anything money can buy.

Yes, it is inconvenient to come home and find all the clocks stopped; but it is a calamity to come home and find that the family life has stopped; and although the electric clock is considered a great convenience, let parents not forget that many a youth has learned a lesson in responsibility by having the job of winding the old-fashioned spring clock and putting the cat out.

■ *Only the home-loving boy knows the supreme satisfaction of home occupations and amusements.*



The Menacing Roar

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As a consequence, laboring men in order to obtain rights which are not voluntarily granted them and to secure an adequate return for their labor, have been organizing to protect themselves. They have formed labor unions; and strikes, boycotts, and lockouts have resulted.

Labor is organized. Capital is organized. They are engaged today in a titanic struggle for the supremacy. There never has been a time when labor was so powerful as now. There never has been a time when organized capital has been so gigantic, and each grows stronger daily.

What this all means, its significant and essential meaning is pointed out in the words of the inspired Scripture in the same chapter where the prophecy is given. Counseling the faithful people of God who are caught in this turmoil and upheaval of elemental passions, James writes: "Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

Greatest American Crisis

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are troubled over the tremendous growth of the mass lobby and the part it plays in the enactment of legislation. . . . Members of the Congress have been subjected to a pressure more ruthless than any other legislative body has had to meet."

From a small book which came into my hands recently I will quote a description of one specific lobby that has exerted a pressure on Congress for seventy-two years, to force religious elements into the Constitution:

"In 1863, there was formed an organization having for its object the securing of such an amendment to the American Constitution as should 'place all the Christian laws, institutions, and usages of our government on an undeniably legal basis in the fundamental law of the land.' This organization is known as the National Reform Association, and for years it has maintained an active lobby in the national capital in furtherance of its aims. And this so-called spirit of reform is actuating many church bodies and organizations, the representatives of which are endeavoring to secure the recognition of God in the Constitution, the enactment of laws prohibiting labor on Sunday, the first day of the week, and other so-called Christian citizenship objectives."

As a massive statue crumbles before the defacing elements, so our cherished Americanism will crumble under the pressure exerted by these lobby movements. Among these, the Union sponsored by Father Coughlin is soon to be foremost.

It is not the purpose of this article to leave the impression that Father Coughlin answers some specific figure or number in prophecy. But, due to the fact that he wears the flowing robes of a papal churchman and that he is soon to influence the national law-making body of our Protestant nation; in addition, with the importance Bible prophecy attaches to papal Sunday—due to these things, a wave of expectancy wells up that this Catholic priest will help prod our lamblike nation into its dragonlike fury. In this connection, I again quote William

Hard, political correspondent: "It follows—in my opinion—that Father Coughlin ought to be able to hit Congress with the biggest propagandist blows in our whole national history."

To the student of the word of God, these fulfillments of prophecy are spiritual foods that will give strength to a firm belief in God. It is when these trying times engulf the world that the Christian will know that the coming of the Lord is soon at hand. From heaven is the only hope available.

"Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." James 5:7, 8.

A Home Maker ANSWERS PARENTS' QUESTIONS

Perplexing questions on married life, home management, and child training will be answered here by a specialist on the home and its ideals. Queries may be sent to the editor.

Cosmetics

What would you say about the wearing of rings, plucking the eyebrows, the use of lipstick, penciling the eyebrows, etc., by the young people in our schools?

The ideas of dress and adornment in any young person depend upon the social education he or she has received. And that education, while affected greatly by the styles and fashions of society, is primarily and most effectively determined by the influence of the home. Can parents who let their children (and let themselves) habitually peruse the "funny pages" of the newspaper, and especially the colored comic Sunday supplements, be surprised if in adolescence their girls unconsciously make the crude, blobby caricatures their standard of color and style, and their boys copy the wisecracking smartness of their bleary heroes? And what are these children getting out of your radios night after night? And what are they reading? And what is their conversation?

Beauty lies all around childhood, at least in the country, if parents will

awake to the vision and prepare themselves to make it manifest to their children. To teach the child to remark and to love the sun paintings of evening and morning, the delicate color, texture, and adaptation of flower and tree and living creature; to teach them to enjoy the simplicity and the sincerity of natural and normal labors and pleasures, looking without much more than within themselves; to teach them the sweetness and power of story and proverb, psalm and song and picture; to teach them the joy of unselfish ministry to others' needs of comfort and happiness,—all this is to establish in them standards of life that make them proof against the cheap daubing and the hanging of ornaments which produce only doll-baby faces and mincing forms. Cosmetics can never shape the noble sweetness and beauty that come from the molding artist hands of character, nor can gorgeous vestments provide the grace and graciousness that come from unselfish love. But you parents who only neglect and blame the untutored child life, take note: you cannot grow a gourd and then slap it into being an oak tree; you cannot grow a manikin and then at adolescence criticize it into being a man or woman. You may not believe it, but I am telling you: the unlovely exhibition of youthful, self-conscious, futile striving after beauty is a piteous tribute to your ignorant, self-satisfied, lazy neglect of the social education of your boys and girls. I am sorry for them; and if I can, I will give them one and all a better vision; but I don't condemn them.

Why Is an Atheist?

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Him since the creation of the world are clearly seen, being perceived through the things that are made, even His everlasting power and divinity; that they may be without excuse: because that, knowing God, they glorified Him not as God, neither gave

BOOK REVIEW

"Words to Writers"

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THIS neatly bound brochure contains useful suggestions for would-be writers, beginning-to-be writers, and arrived writers. The technicalities of the art of writing are presented in such a simple and enticing manner as to inspire confidence and create desire to enter this fertile field of contact with the human mind.

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thanks; but became vain in their reasonings, and their senseless heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the incorruptible God for the likeness of an image of corruptible man, and of birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things.

"Whereas God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts unto uncleanness, that their bodies should be dishonored among themselves: for that they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

"For this cause God gave them up into vile passions: for their women changed the natural use into that which is against nature: and likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another, men with men working unseemliness, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was due.



"And even as *they refused to have God in their knowledge*, God gave them up unto a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not fitting; being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenant-breakers, without natural affection, unmerciful: who, knowing the ordinance of God, that they that practice such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but also consent with them that practice them." Romans 1: 19-32, A.R.V., margin.

A study of the increasing tide of crime and immorality in lands where Protestant faith was once loyal to God and His word will show that it has been proportionate and parallel to their abandonment of Christianity for the pagan philosophy of evolution and human salvation. Every sin mentioned by the apostle is flourishing today in so-called Christian lands on an unprecedented scale, and constitutes perhaps the greatest problem in the social order of the nations.

Before the Flood atheism was rampant (Jude 14, 15), and "the earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence" (Genesis 6: 11). The Saviour declared that similar conditions would prevail in the last days. (Matthew 24: 37-39.) And

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the current rejection of the Creator for evolution seems to have been indicated by the words of Peter:

"Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, *walking after their own lusts*, and saying, Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this *they willingly are ignorant* of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished." 2 Peter 3: 4-7.

There is no middle ground in this conflict. God either exists, or He does not. "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." And, "He that is not with Me is against Me." Anything else is hypocrisy. The time has come when the message of Elijah must be repeated: "How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow Him: but if Baal, then follow him." 1 Kings 18: 21. Here is clearly drawn the issue between atheism and the worship of the Creator. "As for me and my house, we will serve Jehovah."

Looking for Something

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Here is the reality of a religious experience. This man and his fellow apostles had known the Man of Galilee. His life had permeated them; for they had heard and felt and seen Him, and the contact had worked a transformation in their lives. Peter had given up the robust life of fisherman to follow the object of the quest of his soul, Jesus Christ. Matthew had left the



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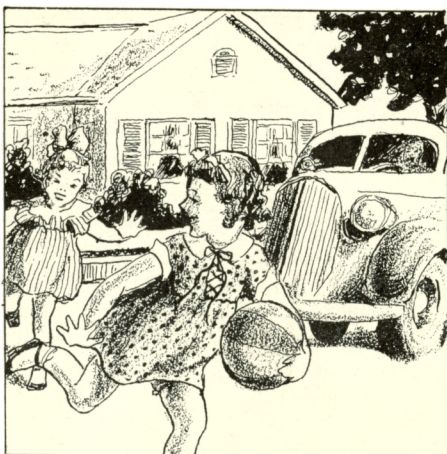
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■ *As I neared my home, my own little girl and Joyce, the little daughter of my neighbor and best friend, Mary Henderson, ran into the street, in front of my car. In an entirely normal condition, I could have avoided hitting them; but the liquor had destroyed that perfection of control.*



■ *Mary's little girl was killed instantly, and I narrowly missed hitting my own child. In my own conscience I am a murderer. Is it strange that I can see nothing amusing in the antics of intoxicated people, or that I refuse to touch the source of such evil any more?*



■ *I cannot sleep for living again that horrible moment, seeing every day the unconsolable grief of Joyce's parents, remembering that it was I who ended that beautiful, active little life. Years of such mental torture are too great a price to pay for the temporary exhilaration of a little liquor.*

tax-gatherer's table when he came in contact with the Messiah. The same experience is needed now if men will have the longing of life fulfilled.

The poignant strength of the abiding presence of Jesus is found demonstrated in the life of Saul of Tarsus who because Paul the apostle. Zealous in his abuse of the new sect of followers of a man from Nazareth, Saul had hurried forth on his mission of persecution. He thought he was a religious man, and no doubt he was, in the sense that he was carrying out the beliefs and convictions of his heart; but he had not found the end of his quest.

And so it was on the highway to Damascus that the desire of his heart

met its fulfillment in a manner which he least expected. He was knocked to the ground by a blaze of glorious light, and his eyes were blinded to the material world about him. But his quest was finished. He had found the Desire of the ages.



So it may be with us. Our cherished dreams, our most vigorous ambitions may be blasted. We may be stricken down upon our Damascus journey, but it may bring us to God. It may be necessary for the material world to be blotted from our sight for a time in order for us to see heaven. The prodigal son did not find his goal in prosperity

and riotous living. He came to himself when the depression had put him in a pen with hogs.

The glory of worldly ambition vanished in Paul when he met the Christ, for he later says he saw "the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." (2 Corinthians 4:6.) This is the vitalizing experience, not a theory or a creed. It is similar to the pean of faith expressed by others who have found the quest of life: "I know that my Redeemer lives." "I know in whom I have believed." When men find God, they have fulfilled the greatest longing in the human heart.



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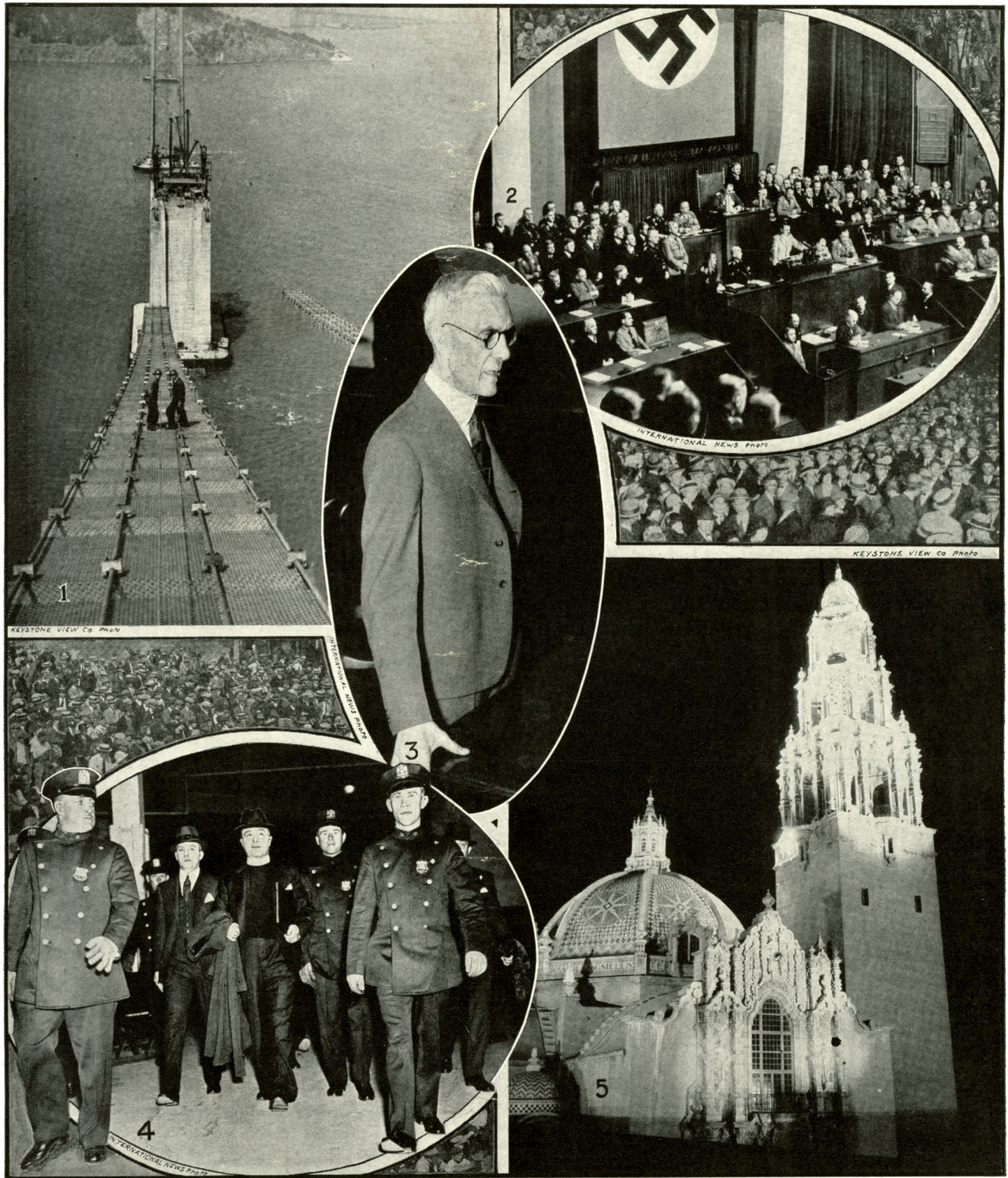
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