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U The longest mass flight in history was accomplished in mid-January when six American navy planes flew from California to Hawaii, 2400 miles in 26 hours.

1 In a list of 100 best books, selected by 35 college professors as a students' guide to good reading, there is only one book on religion. It is the King James version of the Bible.

¶ The British Museum has purchased from Soviet Russia an ancient Greek text of part of the Bible, called the Codex Sinaiticus, paying \$510,∞0 for it, the highest price ever paid for a single book or manuscript.

QProfessor Irving Fisher, of Yale University, says there are only eighteen men in the world who understand the meaning of money. He excludes himself, modestly. With what is happening now, one wonders that he has named so many.

QThe United States government will secure all gold and hold it in the Treasury, taking permanently out of circulation gold coins and gold certificates. The American dollar has been devalued to a maximum of sixty cents and a minimum of fifty cents.

UThe United States government has added the purchase of silver to its gold purchases, as a scheme to raise commodity prices. The price is \$1.29 an ounce, but the seller must give the government an ounce for every ounce sold; thus, in effect, the amount received an ounce is \$0.64½. But this is fifty per cent advance on the market price of \$0.43. It means a yearly gift of five million dollars to silver producers, and benefits materially only eight states in the Union.



UIn mid-January a very destructive earthquake visited northeast India, the city of Calcutta suffering much property damage. But great loss of life in smaller towns is reported up to the number of 15,000, making this one of the most disastrous quakes of modern times. The superstitious natives in some parts are attributing the destruction to the anger of the mountain gods because British airmen last summer flew over Everest, highest peak on earth.

Deresident Roosevelt's budget for this fiscal year (ending June 30) and next calls for the borrowing of sixteen and one-half billion dollars during the next year and a half, which will bring the total public debt to nearly thirty-two billion dollars, the highest by far it has ever reached, even in war time.

The thirteenth Dalai Lama, ruler of Tibet, and spiritual head of Buddhism, died at Lhassa, the capital, late in 1933. The death is especially noteworthy in that it may cause political disturbance between Great Britain, virtual protector of Tibet, and China, which has harbored in exile the rival and possible successor of the Dalai Lama. The lamas have discovered a baby which was born at the same hour the great lama died. In accordance with Buddhist belief, the soul of the one passed at death into the body of the other at birth. The babe will be reared to take the place of the departed ruler.

QCuba has again made quick changes in its presidents. Grau San Martin, in power for four months, resigned; Carlos Hevia, an equally youthful candidate, occupied the chair for a day, and was forced out to give place to Carlos Mendieta, the sixth president to rule Cuba in six months. The latest incumbent is sixty years old, and is said to be a favorite of all parties. So the political turmoil of the past few months seems to have a fair chance of being settled, and especially since the United States has recognized the new administration.

Q "The Winged Horror" is the name of a rifle bullet just invented. It travels twice as fast as an ordinary bullet, penetrates half-inch armor plating, blasting a hole double its size. Its explosive effect when striking human bodies would be horrible. The announcement of its probable use in war has stirred military circles, and scared the world.

Q For years surgeons have been able to transplant skin from one part of the body to another; but they were not able to transplant tissue successfully. Now doctors at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, have discovered a way to graft part of an organ of one person on that of another. It is done by first keeping it in a "culture medium" made from the blood of the one who is to receive the tissue.

In the clean-up of the country under the Nazi program, Germany, it is reported, has banished atheism, all anti-Christian literature, debasing films, communistic schools, immoral advertising, and dives, and has replaced jazz with classical music.

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CI The center of interest in the United States at the present time. The to nation's treasury building, seen through columns at the White House.

Backward to War

PEACE lovers of the world have been sure since the World War that the appalling losses to both victors and vanquished in the awful struggle have impressed for all time on the world's heart the futility of armed conflict. Progress toward universal peace was rapid after the Armistice. We just couldn't *think* of a repetition of 1914-1918. But in late years that peaceprogress has been materially slowed down. Not that the peacemakers have slackened their efforts to insure international amity; but the obstacles have increased in size and number.

Even the most sanguine and optimistic are now admitting that not only has peace sentiment lagged, but it is being crowded out altogether, and warmindedness is again in the ascendency. Ominous are the words of Albert W. Beaven, President of the Federal Council of Churches, in his address on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of that religious federation:

"We live these days, as a nation, facing issues so tremendous as probably to involve more than we can dream. Take, as an illustration, the obvious and terrible danger involved in the present move to increase armaments,

with the almost inevitable war that will be its almost certain outcome. We had been building up the machinery for peace. In looking back at the last great war, we were so impressed with the hellishness of its methods, with its threat to our racial existence, with its utter futility, that almost with unanamity the nations outlawed war as a method of settling international disputes. In the light of that declaration, reducing of armaments was proposed, and we held a conference to forward that end. Now, however, all appears changed; a new race for arms seems in full swing. Spurred on by fear, stimulated by forces seeking profit in armaments even at the expense of human lives, we and other nations take on new burdens to buy instruments to cut one another's throats. In spite of armaments expenditures already back-breaking, we now borrow money to build a new fleet, while others, watching us, rush to do the same thing. We are told that chemical armaments are on the increase, poisongas preparations on an unparalleled scale are being produced, bacteriological armaments are being prepared, air armaments are increasing, and so much is it taken for granted that civilian populations will be threatened, that Denmark has recently announced that gas masks of various sizes are now on sale for the civilian population.

"But if this continues, does anyone doubt what the end will be? We cannot help but know that, if we allow ourselves to be launched on this current of fear and competitive hate, there is but one result. A man of another color said to me recently: 'People of my race once wondered if the white man might not destroy us from the face of the earth; but now we wonder whether, if we wait a while, the white race may not destroy itself and leave the world to us.' That man is not the only one who, looking down the road we are now traveling; can see ahead the battlefield where we of the white race may march to our racial suicide.'

As they see the best-laid peace plans of men failing completely in the onrush of the war spirit, cold fear freezes the hearts of those who have mankind's vital interests at heart. The best way we can see it, the outlook is gloomy. But again we say the uplook is bright. Storms are not so bad, when we know they are coming and are prepared. Why not face Armageddon ahead? It is inevitable. Counting on it without sanctioning it or hastening it, we may escape its ravages and awful destruction. Not for this life, possibly, but Armageddon brings Christ in an overwhelming finale of war, and of sin its cause.

"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a name written, that no man knew, but He himself. And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of His mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it He should smite the nations: and He shall rule them with a rod of îron: and He treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS." Revelation 19: 11-16. "And death and hell were cast

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into the lake of fire. . . . And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: . . . and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." Revelation 20: 14, 15; 21: 1, 4.

A World Askew

A FEW weeks ago one of America's religious leaders uttered this significant statement:

"We need to realize that any system which produces so much food that its people starve and so much clothing that they freeze, any system that can pass a law limiting the number of fish a man can take from a lake but cannot pass a law limiting the number of millions a man can take out of his fellow men, can make one man stop expectorating in a subway for fear others will catch his disease but cannot stop another from selling arms, for profit, to gangsters who will shoot us down on our streets, or to other nations who will mow down our youth on the battlefield of tomorrow, any system that can protect property but seems impotent to protect folks-is a tragic reflection on our sanity and a repudiation of all the principles of religion."

Our observation and reflection lead us to agree. If ever the world was topsyturvy and absolutely inconsistent, it is now. And sane, honest, well-meaning men, including religious leaders, do not know what to do about it. Much credit is due those who are strenuously, and even frantically, trying to right things. But for some reason the world's machinery will not "click."

The following Scripture statements suggest a reason and a remedy: "Your hands are defiled with blood,

"Your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; ... Therefore is judgment far from us; ... we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. ... We look for judgment, but there is none. ... Justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street. ... He that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey." Isaiah 59: 3-15.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon

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thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." Isaiah 60: 1, 2.

"He will destroy . . . the face of the covering cast over all people, and the veil that is spread over all nations. . . . The rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth. . . . And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us." Isaiah 25: 7-9.

"Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation." Hebrews 9:28. "And the nations were angry, and Thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that Thou shouldest give reward to . . . them that fear Thy name, . . . and shouldest destroy them which destory the earth." Revelation 11:18.

The Gods of Gold

IT WAS said of the ancient King Midas that whenever he touched anything it turned to gold. Too many men today, when touched by gold, turn to anything. In the days of prosperity the world was profligate. Then the gold was taken away from us, and we do not see much of the yellow metal now. But, though invisible, it has not ceased to be a god. It is the man who is without wealth who is carried away by "the deceitfulness of riches," rather than the wealthy. When money is gone, we are apt to think its return will do more for us than money can possibly do.

We need to long for something more than the return of prosperity. We need to seek the causes of adversity and remove them, so that we may deserve prosperity and retain it. And the causes of the depression are not far to seek; as expressed by a famous preacher of our time:

"All too eagerly have we fallen down to worship the gods of gold, to admit that only in profit can we find such forces as will enable us to make our machinery operate. Slowly and in a dazed fashion we have awakened to find that whenwe worship selfishness, the very temples of our selfishness come crashing about our heads. And when we sneer at God and the moral life, and think in the midst of our glee, that we have out-witted the Ten Commandments, we wake to find ourselves robbed by the very men whom we worshiped. Can we not learn that it is not only morally but economically true that righteousness exalteth a nation, and that sin is a reproach to any people? Can we not realize the profound truth beneath the words of the Master, that 'he that saveth his life shall lose it'? For, while selfishness may seem to help some at first, ultimately it wrecks us all."

Selfish greed is the prevailing sin of the age. "The love of money is the root of all evil." I Timothy 6: 10. With gold and silver piling up in national treasuries, it is reported that the authorities are worried about storage space. "Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days," says James 5:3; and this prophet's indictment of the grasping rich, whether individual or government, is bloodcurdling. Our satisfaction is to be poor in this world's goods, but "rich in faith."

Ready for war on the sea. A remarkable photograph of a torpedo being launched from a U. S. warship.



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OW Do the Movies Affect YOUR CHILD?

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HOUGHTFUL fathers and mothers in nearly all lands face with a good deal of concern the question of the influence of movies on their children. Wewholive in the United States of America, where the movingpicture show is almost king supreme in the realm of pleasure and entertainment, have every reason to give some serious thought to the question of whether we can afford to permit the movies to influence our young boy or girl. As parents, we will surely be accountable before God if we fail to throw all the protection possible around these precious boys and girls He has intrusted to us. Many parents have become confused over the fact that so much attention is being called to the educational advantages of carefully selected films. But after all, are there any advantages in the movies of today that are not much more than offset by the contaminating influences of the pictures that are thrown on the screen in nearly all of the moving-picture houses of the entire land?

LEAGUE OF NATIONS INVESTIGATES

The editor of a widely read magazine recently said: "The League of Nations is doing a great work. One of its committees that has made an outstanding contribution is that which considers public welfare. In 1926 it analyzed two hundred and fifty movie films, it found in them ninety-seven murders, fifty-one cases of adultery, nineteen seductions, twenty-two abductions, and forty-five suicides. Among the principal charac-ters were one hundred seventy-six thieves, twenty-five prostitutes, thirtyfive drunkards. In most countries there is little or no prohibition when it comes to attendance by children, and in few cases children have to be accompanied by parents. In four years, 1924 to 1927, the New York censors eliminated 4,825 scenes as tending to incite to crime, and 3,763 as indecent; or obscene or immoral or tending to corrupt morals. In many places outside of New York where there were no censors these scenes

A secret. Parents little realize how much their children know.

were left in. Is it not cheering to know that children are being served such delicious food for their young souls?

"It may be urged that these pictures have no effect on young life. Let us get the testimony of those who know. One hundred and twenty-five teachers in Chicago in public and private schools were questioned and the great majority said that the pictures interfered with school work, retarded mental development, lowered vitality, made children nervous and excitable, weakened initiative. The children get false and dis-torted views of life, they become irresponsible and selfish, become immodest and impure. Ninety-nine of the teachers said that even in Chicago the movies engendered disregard for mar-riage ties. Judge Waters of the Los Angeles juvenile court says, 'It is useless to preach chastity on Sunday, if Cleopatra is being shown on Monday at the neighboring theater.'

"Hear again the children themselves: 'I like the fighting and torturing.' 'I didn't sleep for a week without dreaming of skeletons.' The movies make you want things you haven't got, and you take them.' Things that look bad outside seem all right in the movies.' 'Movies sorter coax a feller. They get money easy. A feller thinks he won't make a mistake if he tries. I thought I could get the money, put it is a bank a long time, and use it later.'

"It is needless to go further. Those who are in this—some of the richest concerns—are in it for money. They have no consciences. They are worse than thieves. They besmirch childhood, they deride holiness, they revel in lust. Anything to make money."

UNDERWORLD SUGGESTIONS

Much more could be quoted from leading writers of many periodicals and magazines, but the above will suffice to indicate how some of these wide-awake editors who still have a high regard for the sanctity of the home and for the welfare of boys and girls view the matter. The influences of the movies are such as should cause real alarm. Fathers and mothers should wake up to the fact that it is almost a hopeless undertaking to instill high ideals in the minds of boys and girls in the home and at the same time let those boys and girls spend many of their leisure hours looking upon pictures that tend to make light of high ideals and to replace high ideals with suggestions from the underworld.

Closely connected with the evils of the movies is the influence of reading bad literature. What our country desires to see today in its growing generation is young men and young women who give evidence of real moral courage—young men and young women who live lives of unselfishness, ever holding before themselves high ideals that will challenge them to think of the beautiful and to cause that which is pure and true and holy to become a part of their characters.

It is very doubtful that any organization could be found that would devote its time and attention to producing and exhibiting pictures that tend to undermine true character in our boys and girls if it were not for the money that is involved. We are living in an age in which the love of money seems to be strong enough to lead men and women to do that which they would never think of doing were there no financial interests connected with the undertaking. We are living in a day in which we

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"OXFORD MOVEMENT"



WEEPING across the United States and Canada, the Oxford Group Movement has made quite an impression upon religious life in the various centers which have been visited. A large number of ministers of the

Protestant denominations are associated with it.

Becoming dissatisfied with the apathy manifested in his church and especially with his own Christian experience, Dr. Frank N. D. Buchman (whence comes the term, "Buchmanism," often used in referring to this movement), an American Lutheran minister, some twenty-five years ago set about to find his lack. Eventually, we are told, he found the deeper spiritual reality he desired, and made it his business to lead others to a like experience, first by individual conversations and then by intimate gatherings now called "house parties."

Dr. Buchman's interest seems to have been chiefly in university students, but as his efforts did not succeed to his desire in America, he visited England and tried Cambridge University. Here again his work seemed unappreciated. Then he visited Oxford, and here achieved success-so much so that his method is now renowned as "The Oxford Group Movement."

Now despite the oft-repeated declaration of its leaders that Buchmanism has no doctrines but is simply "a movement," the only foundation for an appraisal of this-or any other-movement must of necessity deal with its belief and teaching, for it professes to be "A First-Century Fellowship."

Paul, the first-century apostle, exhorts Christians to "preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." He also tells us where the Christian must find this doctrine: in the Holy Scriptures; which, he says, are able to make us wise unto salva-



Divine, New York City.Bishop Manning of the Episcopal Diocese of New York is shown in the inset.

tion, and continues: "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect." 2 Timothy 4:2, 3; 3:15, 16. Therefore, the writer feels justified in measuring the Group Movement with the word of God, which is the only reliable source we have of first-century teaching.

EXAMPLE, NOT REDEEMER

(The Groups accept Jesus Christ as their Ideal and Example, and are also emphatic that sin is sinful, and that there is a need of forsaking it. But let Dr. Buchman himself sum up the basic principles of the Movement. He does so in five "C's": Conviction, Contrition, Confession, Conversion, and Continuance. That surely sounds Christian on the face of it, but as one writer who has been in the Movement says: "Every one of these is possible on a purely moral basis-know you are a sinner, feel sorry for your sins, confess them, turn away from them, and continue in the new way. But if in addition to all this, there is no faith in the blood of Christ and no acceptance of the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal Substitute and Saviour, then the guilt of sin still remains and the soul is un-



saved." The present writer has yet to hear a Group member or the literature sold in connection with the Movement refer to Christ as a Saviour or Redeemer. Ž

"The five rules of Christian living," as taught by the Groups, are condensed by one writer as follows: "1. Surrender in whole-hearted commitment. 2. Listen expectantly that God may speak through the Bible, through circumstances, through your friends, but most of all, through your own consciousness. 3. Check for authenticity; your 'message' must tally with Biblical principles, with the character of Christ, and with the revelations which the Holy Spirit has given to other men. 4. Share your experiences by a transparently honest exposure of your motives and viewpoints. 5. Act, as God leads.'

Surrender to God is of prime importance but is of no value if the merits of the vicarious atonement are not "received." (John 1: 12.) An English minister has said: "Surrender follows the 'receiving' of Christ-it may even be simultaneous, but it is always secondary, not primary."

The Rev. C. M. Chavasse, M. A., Master of St. Peter's Hall, Oxford, a leading Fundamentalist, says: "The root error of the Groups is that they are founded upon no essentially Christian basis. A particular Group may be Christian if it possesses a Christian leader, but the atoning and empowering Person of our Lord does not emerge

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naturally from their teaching. According to their practices, communion between God and man is not mediated through our Lord Jesus Christ alone, and He has been dragged in as a Patron, or as an Example only of what our communion with God might be. The Groups are out to change lives, but not to win men and women to Jesus Christ. Their theology (although they profess to have none) seems to be a leap from surrender to God the Father to communion with God the Holy Spirit."

Dr. Buchman says in the book, "Life Changers": "There is no fact ×. so great in the experience of men as the fact that a soul on the extreme edge of destruction can be redeemed to life merely by turning round-sincerely turning round."-Page 109. But the word of God is clear that redemption is 1 impossible by reformation-"Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? Then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil." Jeremiah 13:23. We are redeemed by "the precious blood of Christ." (I Peter 1:18, 19.) Reformation follows redemption; it is the effect of the gospel.

The Groups put tremendous emphasis upon surrender. "Surrender" appears to mean "conversion" to them. But "conversion" is made to mean by the Groups what William James, late professor of psychology at Harvard University, is quoted as saying:

"The whole trend of his argument went to prove that 'conversion' as we evangelical Christians understand it, is a natural phenomenon, and that what we experience in the way of conviction of sin, conversion, and subsequent spiritual blessing can be equally experienced by Mohammedan dervishes, Hindoo mystics, and anyone outside of Christianity altogether."—"The Group Movement," by J. Gordon Logan.

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The Rev. W. Scott, M. A., Chaplain of St. Peter's Hall, Oxford, in an article, "Why I Left the Oxford Group Movement," says that he was "astonished at the emphasis which they laid upon the psychological acts of sharing and surrender, and the scanty reference, if there was any at all, to the atoning and redeeming work of our blessed Lord 'for us men and for our salvation."" He took this matter up with several of the leaders but received far from satisfactory answers. He continues: "Many of them appeared to have no personal experience of the atoning work of the Saviour, and certainly no understanding of it as a foundation of our faith and hope. They spoke as though salvation depended simply upon the surrender of the will to the ideals of a disciplined religious life." Mr. Scott found that, in a word, their experience was "psychological not evangelical."

"GUIDANCE"

Q "Guidance" is received by "listening." The prayer of the Christian is replaced by "quiet times." Bible study is mentioned by leaders, but the Bible is seldom, if ever, seen in the Groups. The writer is convinced that the Bible plays a very small part in the Group member's life. Some may read it, but there is a difference between simply reading the Bible and studying it. Christ said: "Search the Scriptures." We wonder if any Group does.

The guidance usually comes through circumstance, friends, or one's own consciousness, mainly by the latter way. This is to be "checked" by Biblical principles; the character of Christ, and the counsel of others.

If this Movement were of God, is it not reasonable to believe that the Holy Spirit would lead them into the full light of the truths which He has given us in the Bible? Many who were previously true Christians and who have been enthusiastic Group members have found that the Group methods and guidance have led them into strange paths. A writer in the organ of the Protestant Truth Society (London) says that the Movement is "a broad road without the restraint of creed and dogma, a road without any 'steep ascent,' a crossless road where youth can enjoy its liberty and hilarity to the full."

A SUBTLE COUNTERFEIT

Q The experience of a young man who was "well founded in the knowledge of the fundamental truths of the Christian faith" is quoted in "The Oxford Group Movement" by A. J. Pollock. He found the Group methods "easier" than oldfashioned evangelism and began to ponder his way "with a certain amount" of alarm." He set himself "to study" and was soon back to his former faith. He says, "I cannot doubt but that Satan was the angel of light who robbed me. . . Little by little it has become obvious to me that the Movement is far more subtle than it appears. My own judgment is perfectly clear, and I would earnestly warn every true believer to steer clear of the whole movement, even where it appears quite harmless and good."—Pages 31, 32.

Mr. Chavasse, of Oxford, previously quoted, says that the Group teaching regarding prayer is "fundamentally unsound." He continues: "Their Quiet Time' consists in relaxing and 'filling their minds with God,' who then communicates to them His detailed guidance for the day. No one would deny that God does, at His own time, frequently guide us by 'unreasoned impulse,' but to make this the normal mode of His guidance is not only to de-consecrate all the more rational and difficult means He has provided, but also to give divine authority to what is often 'auto-sug-gestion.' Sometimes what members of the Group 'get' at their 'Quiet Time' is sheer platitude, but it is recounted as inspiration. Sometimes a member receives guidance as to what God intends for another member. In many cases the guidance proves to be a mere waste of time or even worse. And the general effect is to incline those who practice it not to be guided by principles or duty but to lead a hectic or unsettled exist-. ence."

In another of Shoemaker's books, "Children of the Second Birth," he tells of a couple who had "surrendered" and joined the Movement but who yet go to "dinners, dances, theater parties, concerts with the old crowd," their social life being "permeated with the spirit of (Continued on page 18)

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WAS going back-back to the old homestead of my care-free, boyhood days. Mile after mile my car sped along the new highway, passing un-familiar places and scenes. After a few hours' driving, I crossed over

into my old home State. Soon I had reached Benton County, and the view became familiar. "We'll soon be home," I said to my companions as I pointed out many old familiar places. With what joy I watched for and surveyed each familiar scene, till I again placed my feet inside the aged log cabin that must always be home.

We are all going back to the Old Homestead-Eden Restored. We have been traveling down the rugged highway of time, and now we are nearing home. We have reached a time and place in our travels when events of greatest significance show us that we are nearing the end of the road. And at this particular hour, Christ's oft-re-peated words, "Watch and pray," strike us with double intensity.

"Watch"! For what shall we watch? Just this: The conditions on every hand that Christ predicted would immediately precede our home-coming, and also that we do not enter into temptation.

Everywhere there are signs and omens that show us where we are on the great highway of time. Look at the great increase of disease in the human family during late years. Witness the deadly fear that grips men's hearts today as they weigh the probability of another world war. Mark the commercial



And we are almost there

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rivalry and jealousy, brought on by depression-time tariffs, treaties, and trade agreements. Do you notice how the governments of many nations are weakening and being overthrown? Have you considered the unprecedented increase in crime? Did our forefathers ever see such tremendous harvests and such widespread famine conditions existing simultaneously in their day? Does history show us a time when there obtained even a tithe of the unemployment problems all nations are now facing? Have tornadoes ever been so frequent with such great loss of life? Or earthquakes so widespread with terror and destructiveness? And how about the unequaled number of inventions and discoveries that mark our



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age as the most scientific since the beginning of this world?

These are omens, all, of a sooncoming Saviour and of the fact that the Christian is nearing home. And it is of great significance that our Saviour pointed out these very conditions as definite signs of the end of all things earthly, coupling with these signs the admonition: "Watch and pray."

Some people are always setting dates for Christ's second coming. A wave of excitement results, the time comes and goes, and Christ does not appear. This is a great fallacy. How can puny man claim to know the exact day and hour of Christ's coming when God's word clearly states that "of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father"? Mark 13: 32.

It is because of this very lack of knowledge upon our part that we are so frequently admonished to "watch." Note these texts in particular:

"Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matthew 24:42.

TAKE HEED

Q"Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Matthew 24:44.

"Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is." Mark

13: 33. "Watch ye therefore: for ye know not Mark 13: 35.

"And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch." Mark 13: 37.

And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come upon all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.' Luke 21: 34-36.

Immediately following His discourse on the signs of His coming, found in Matthew 24, Christ gave us the wonderful parable of the ten virgins. Here Christ re-emphasized the importance of watching, and the necessity for being ready when the bridegroom appears. All the virgins had lamps. We all have God's word, which is a lamp to our feet to guide us through these dark days. But only half of the virgins had a sufficient supply of oil. So we, having the word, may not all sense our dire need of a large, daily supply of the oil

of the Holy Spirit, as found in the Bible which is Spirit and life. David said: "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee." Psalm 119: 11. And it is this indwelling word, this Spirit, this life, that will transform our natures and prepare our hearts for Christ's kingdom.

Someone has said that "prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse." Notice in the texts quoted how often prayer is coupled with watching. Christ has 5admonished us thus, because He loves us, and knows that this combination will carry us safely to the end of the road. Shall we neglect His counsel to watch? His invitation to pray? If we follow His instructions, if we come to X Him in faith, our Saviour will teach us His way. And Christ's way is a way of right doing, of keeping the commandments; a way of sinlessness, of power, and of service; a way that will lead us to the restored homestead of the father and mother of our race, to the Eden of God.

Movies and Your Child (Continued from page 5)

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the terms of what we can get out of them financially. We think of the rocks of the earth as hiding places of riches, which hiding places should be broken open somehow and despoiled of their mineral wealth. We look on the beautiful forests not to admire their beauty but as so many million feet of timber, or so much pulp wood. We think of the beautiful waterfalls in the terms of so many horsepower of electricity generated. The wide, expanding sea we think of as a place where we spread our nets in order to get earthly gain. It is the love of the dollar that leads us to take those distorted views.

After all, what consolation do we get out of reducing the beautiful forests to a handful of paper money or to a ledger account? One writer has thus put it: "There is no money in sunsets, or in headland shouldering aside the mist." If the question of financial gain could all be brushed aside and the proper evaluation placed upon the real and beautiful things of life, we doubt that so many would be engaged in producing and exhibiting moving-picture films of a questionable character.

Fathers and mothers should recognize that boys and girls become changed by beholding, and they should do everything within their power to make it possible for the youth of today to behold the things that will prove a blessing to them and not a curse.

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How can you be SURE He is man's SAUIOUR?

> Bγ John L. SHULER



Christ as apothecary of the soul, from an old German painting. But the actual appearance of Christ when He was on the earth can only be imagined.

THE strongest proof that Jesus Christ is the true and only Saviour is found I in comparing the Messianic prophecies of the Old Testament with the life record of Jesus of Nazareth as recorded in the New Testament. It requires no supernatural ability to describe, with backward glance, a man whose life has passed into history; but to record, with forward glance, the life course of one who is yet unborn could be done only by inspiration from the great God of heaven, who only knows what is going to happen in advance of its occurrence. One of the supreme wonders of the Bible is found in the marvelous manner in which the Old Testament prophets set forth the complete life story of Jesus centuries before His birth in Bethlehem. This was done that we might have sure and certain evidence on which to base our faith in Jesus Christ.

The prophet Micah who lived about seven centuries before the birth of Jesus, said the Messiah, who was to come and redeem men, would be born in Bethlehem. The prophet Isaiah foretold who the Messiah's mother would be, and the family from which He would spring. The prophet Daniel pointed out over five hundred years beforehand the very year that the Messiah would go forth among men as the anointed of God. The prophet Zechariah foretold five centuries before the birth of Jesus, how the Messiah would be sold into the hands of His enemies for thirty pieces of silver, and what the money would finally be used for. The psalmist foretold a thousand years beforehand how they would drive the nails through His hands and His feet. The prophet Hosea foretold that the Messiah would rise from the dead the third day, and Zechariah pointed out how He would ascend from the earth to be a priest upon the throne of the great Father up in the heaven of heavens.

Now the New Testament records as a matter of fact how all these predictions were fulfilled to the very letter in Jesus of Nazareth, who lived in Palestine nineteen centuries ago. Hence we can be sure that Jesus of Nazareth is the very Christ, the true Messiah and Redeemer of the world. There simply cannot be any mistake about this, because no other person ever lived or ever could live to whom these prophecies could possibly apply except Jesus of Nazareth. They are fulfilled in Jesus Christ alone. This is how a man who has never seen Jesus Christ in person may be absolutely sure that He is the true and only Saviour, and may gladly rest all of his faith in Jesus Christ to save him.

In these Messianic prophecies we have over 300 converging rays which meet in one perfect portrait of a man who did not appear on earth till at least 300 years after the last prophet laid down his pen. Yet in not one feature, however minute, does the portrait fail to predict the person. Dr. A. T. Pierson has truly said: "There would be no honest infidel in the world were the Messianic prophecies studied, nor any doubting disciple if this body of prediction were understood."





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The west gate of the city of Kueihua, Central China, starting place for the expedition.



EIPING to Paris by motor car over a super highway of the future,—this is the dream of Dr. Sven Hedin, famous Swedish Asiatic explorer and leader of the Suiyuan-Sinkiang highway expedition just starting out from Kueihua, capital of the Chinese province of Suiyuan, for the heart of Asia.

Leaning over his maps at his headquarters in Kueihua, Dr. Hedin carefully outlined to the writer the pro-posed route for his present journey through Inner Mongolia and the reaches of the Gobi desert and on toward Chinese Turkestan. "Our first objective is Hami," Dr. Hedin declared, expressing his hope that this place might be reached by Christmas. After reaching Hami the party will do some ex-ploring in the Lower Tarim basin for the old silk road along which ancient camel caravans carried their cargoes of silk to Rome in the days of its power and splendor. From Hami the expedition will make its way to Tihwa and possibly to Chuguchak, Ningyuan, or Kashgar, thence to return by a more southerly route through the province of Kansu, terminating its journey at Sian, capital of Shensi. The journey will require about eight months.

The present expedition is being undertaken in behalf of the Chinese government in an endeavor to survey a great new highway which will link the distant province of Sinkiang with the rest of China, and which, Dr. Hedin points out, will provide the last link of a highway uniting the Pacific Ocean on the east with the Atlantic on the west.

Dr. Hedin envisions the time when it will be possible for one to step into his car at Tientsin, or at some other place on the shores of the Yellow Sea, and traveling westward across the entire expanse of Asia, make one's way into Europe, and thence to Paris and the Atlantic coast. Dr. Hedin's eyes beamed with keen delight as he pointed out the course that such a route would take.

INVITED TO WASHINGTON

(On the eve of Dr. Hedin's departure on his present expedition, he received the following cable: "My best wishes for your important new expedition. No one is better fitted to lead it to success. Many thanks for the very interesting commemorative stamps. Come and tell me about the trip when you get back. (Signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt."

Doctor Hedin expressed to the writer his purpose to accept this kind invitation from President Roosevelt, and his plan to spend a week-end at the White



House upon his return. "I will have a thrilling story to tell the President," Chine Dr. Hedin declared, feeling certain party that this will prove to be a most adventuresome journey.

The expedition is being entered upon at a period fraught with dangerous possibilities for the areas involved. The country to be traversed is disrupted by civil war and overrun by hordes of revolting tribesmen who are scattering

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ınd im- death and desolation in their wake. Starting from its headquarters at tur-Kueihua on November 10, the expedition is entering upon its arduous task at the very beginning of a bleak, Mongolian winter. Asked why this was chosen as the starting time, Dr. Hedin replied that it was impossible to perfect arrangements earlier than this, and he did not wish to delay to another year. Dr. Hedin is well aware of the dangers

Sven Hedin and his expe-

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that lie in his pathway, but goes on buoyant and courageous, and despite his 68 years, with all the vigor of youth.

A small radio set is being carried by the expedition to enable it to keep in contact with the outside world.

It is the purpose of the expedition to survey the possibilities of irrigation and colonization in the present arid and sparsely populated regions of China's great Northwest. Now as never before the leaders of China are looking to this vast and undeveloped region as a land of promise and opportunity. The northeastern provinces being for the present cut off from development by the Chinese government, eyes are now turning to this vast new territory of Sinkiang. As the construction of highways and railroads opened up America's great Northwest and transformed that erstwhile wilderness into a garden blossoming as a rose, so does China look forward to the opening up of these vast northwestern districts by the construction of highways of travel.

SIGNIFICANCE OF EXPLORATION

Isolated though Central Asia may have been in the years gone by, and long cut off though it may have been from an enlightened and awakening world, these lands are not to remain forever in darkness. In the ages of the long ago the great God of heaven de-



Outside the headquarters of Dr. Sven Hedin's expedition across Eurasia.

creed that light should go forth to all the children of men. "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.... Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. . . . They shall show forth the praises of the Lord." Isaiah 60: 1-

3, 5, 6. Long may the world have been in ignorance and darkness, long may the tribes of men have been doomed to isolation, but in the distant councils of heaven it was decreed that the hour would strike when nations could no longer be held in darkness, but when men would burst forth beyond their ancient domains, and making their way to all the corners of earth, carry with them the glad tidings of a new and a better day, and proclaim the joyful news of earth's soon returning King. (Continued on page 17)





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HAT you cannot escape the judgment is clearly taught in the Scriptures. "We shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written, . . . that every one of us shall give account of himself to God." (Romans 14: 10-12.)

This judgment was yet in the future in Paul's day, as is shown by his statement to Felix, when he reasoned of "judgment to come." (Acts 24: 25.) That it occurs at a definite time is proved by Acts 17: 31, where we read: "He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man whom He hath ordained."

This judgment precedes the return of Christ, as shown by the edict of Revelation 22:11, 12. It takes place during the "times of refreshing" which precede the return of Christ in power and great glory to deliver His saints. (1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17.) In it the sins of the righteous, "going before to judgment" (1 Timothy 5:24), will be "blotted out" (Acts 3:19-21). This results in the retention of the names of the righteous in the "book of life." (Revelation 3:5.) When Jesus comes, He will bring reward to those whose names are retained (Daniel 12:1), and destruction to the wicked (2 Thessalonians 1:7-11).

But someone will ask, "By what standard are we judged?" The answer is found in Ecclesiastes 12; 13, 14, which tells us it will be "His commandments," the ten commandments. (James 2:8-12.) The judgment deals not alone with the overt acts of man, as is revealed in James 2: 12, but with the words, as Matthew 12: 36, 37 attests, and even the thoughts and intents of the heart. (Hebrews 4: 12.)

Anciently among God's people a judgment in type, or symbol, called the atonement, was enjoined to be celebrated once a year (Exodus 30: 10), on the tenth day of the seventh month, in the autumn of the Jewish year, according to Leviticus 16: 29. When this service was held the high priest carried the atoning blood of the sac-rifice within the Holy of Holies, or second apartment of the sanctuary, that he might make "an atonement for him-self, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel." (Leviticus 16: 17.) That this work typified the putting away of sin is shown by verse 30: "For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye might be clean from all your sins before the Lord." In type this represented the judgment of the people of God. This service was also called the cleansing of the earthly sanctuary, and is referred to in Hebrews 9: 1-8.

TIME OF THE JUDGMENT

CIn Daniel 8:13, 14 is recorded a prophecy that the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary was to take place after "2300 days." These could not be literal days, nor could the cleansing refer to the earthly sanctuary, since in the days of Daniel the earthly sanctuary By James E. SHULTZ

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> had been destroyed and Israel was in Babylonish captivity. Evident allusion is made to the heavenly sanctuary mentioned in Hebrews 8: 2-5; 9: 23. We therefore read with interest in Daniel 7: 9-13 of the placing of the Father's throne in the Holy of Holies in the heavenly sanctuary, where the work of judging the righteous was begun.

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The Apostle John viewed this same scene in the second apartment of the heavenly sanctuary, as he has recorded in Revelation 11: 19. God, the Father, sits as judge of the righteous, as is shown in Daniel 7: 9. Christ appears as man's advocate. (See Revelation 3: 5; Daniel 7: 13, and 1 John 2: 1.)

Daniel 9:24-27 tells us when to begin reckoning these days and also that which was to be accomplished. Verse 25 indicates that these 2300 prophetic days, literal years (see Numbers 14: 34; Ezekiel 4: 6), were to begin with the decree to restore and build Jerusalem, mentioned in Ezra 6:14. This decree went forth in B.c. 4561/2; therefore the time for the fulfillment of this entire period would bring us to A. D. 1844. At that time the entire world was warned of the opening of the judgment by a message which is found in Revelation 14:6, 7. The words of that message, which began to be announced before 1844, warned every child of God that the judgment would begin in 1844. With the completion of the work of judging, Christ will begin His reign as king (Daniel 7:14; 12: 1), and undertake the deliverance of His people in fulfillment of His promise found in John 14: 1-3.

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~ Just What the Bible Says ~

BE READY--for WHAT?

I. Why are you always urging men to be ready for the return of the Lord, when we don't know when that will happen? Why don't you teach people to be ready for death?

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Ans.—Because the Bible is filled with warnings to prepare for the second coming of Christ, while there are comparatively few warnings to prepare for death. By actual count we have found 63 passages warning about the second advent, or looking for reward then—and there are many other allusions to the advent—and only 14 warning to prepare for death.

2. But doesn't the judgment come at death?

Ans.—The Bible says not. It occurs in connection with the second advent. "As he [Paul] reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled." Acts 24: 25. "God . . . commandeth all men everywhere to repent; because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will iudge the world in righteousness." Acts 17: 30, 31. "... the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom." 2 Timothy 4: 1.

3. But do not the righteous receive their reward at death, and the wicked their punishment?

Ans.-The righteous receive their reward when Jesus comes; and the wicked are destroyed then. "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing." 2 Timothy 4:8. "Behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Revelation 22:12. "You who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance Å. on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power; when He shall come to be glorified in His saints." 2 Thesssalonians 1: 7-10. 4. But why should we prepare for the coming of Christ, when we do not

know when He will come? Ans.—This very lack of knowledge

of the exact time is given by Christ

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as the chief reason why we should be ready at all times. "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matthew 24: 42, 44. "Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching. . . . Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not." Luke 12: 37-40. "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand be-fore the Son of man." Luke 21: 34-36. See also Mark 13: 33-37; 1 Peter 4: 7; 2 Peter 5: 10-13; Revelation 16: 15.

5. But if we prepare for death, will we not also be ready for Christ's coming? Ans.—In one sense, yes; for there is no further probation after death. "The grave cannot praise Thee, death cannot celebrate Thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for Thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise Thee, as I do this day." Isaiah 38: 18, 19.

6. May not preparation for death be sufficient?

Ans .-- No; because preparation for Christ's coming involves loving and joyous anticipation of a glorious event, which is an impossible attitude toward death. Death is the dreaded enemy of the human race, to be destroyed when Jesus comes (1 Corinthians 15: 51-55); the second advent is the consummation of the plan of salvation. "We should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world; looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2: 12, 13. "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God." 2 Peter 3: 11, 12. "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." Luke 21: 28. Isaiah 25: 9.

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

EATING THINGS SACRIFICED TO IDOLS

What is meant by eating "things sacrificed to idols"?

The heathen had, and have, a custom of first offering all their food to their gods before eating it themselves. Of course the gods (idols) could not eat it, and the ceremony served as a sort of idol blessing on the food. It was a perversion of asking God's blessing on food before we partake. To so offer the food, or eat food thus offered to the idol, meant worshiping the idol, and hence God forbids it as heathenish.

BABYLON

What is the meaning of Babylon, spoken of in The Revelation?

The word Babylon is from Babel (Genesis 10: 10; 11: 9) and means "confusion." By comparison and study of all the texts in the Revelation which refer to Babylon, it is evident that this term represents the worldly churches. Babylon is called a woman. (Revelation 17:4.) And a woman in prophecy stands for a church. (Revelation 12:1, 2; Ephesians 5: 25-32; Jeremiah 6: 2.) Babylon is a harlot, hence a corrupt church.

THE BIBLE AND THE UNSAVED

Is it best to read from the Bible when working for the unsaved?

The word of God has marvelous convincing and converting power, even when read without comment. But some who do not know God are so prejudiced that they will not listen to His word read. It condemns and so infuriates them. To these the Bible should not be read. The reader should observe the effect on the sinner, and not antagonize him. A more favorable opportunity may come later, in answer to prayer. Meanwhile the best Bible many a sinner has, and one he will always notice with interest, is the daily life of a loved one. Be sure "the gospel according to you" makes good reading for the one you long to save.

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HE terms "narcotic" and "stimulant" are some times used interchangeably since their effect appears to be very similar. There is, however, a vast difference between a stimulant and a narcotic. What the one does, the other appears to do.

A stimulant is a whip. It spurs to greater activity the function of the body cells. Drugs that slow the rapidly fluttering and weak heart, making it contract more vigorously, are known as heart stimulants. Digitalis is the one usually employed for this purpose.

There are drugs which stimulate brain activity. Among these we may mention caffein. The depleted brain cells when tired and exhausted and in need of rest and building up, may be whipped up by the use of caffein. Habitually to make use of such a drug will cause serious injury to these cells. Caffein, however, is a stimulant and not a narcotic.

A narcotic is not a whip. For a very brief period, it is true, it may produce a degree of irritation or what may be termed stimulation. This is very temporary, and is speedily followed by its narcotic or deadening effect. Alcohol is a near relative to chloroform. The effects of chloroform and alcohol are similar. Chloroform is employed in surgery to produce anesthesia. Alcohol may serve the same purpose. The man who is dead drunk is just as fit a subject for the surgeon's knife as is the one who is under the influence of chloroform.Both chloroform and alcohol produce in small doses a partial unconsciousness of one's actual condition, and in larger doses a complete unconsciousness.

The brain cells are the first to be brought under the influence of alcohol.

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The apparent mental brilliancy is due to this narcosis. The glib tongue of the one under the influence of alcohol, and the feeling of special fitness are evidences of partial brain paralysis. The sociability at the beer table finds its explanation here. Alcohol does not stimulate brain activity; it mars brain control. Under its influence words are spoken and deeds are committed that afterwards cause regret. It mars the judgment. For this reason railroads refuse to employ those who use alcohol in any form. From a financial standpoint railroad companies cannot afford to employ as engineers men who feel they must have even one glass of beer daily. There is too much at stake to employ a man who depends upon beer for his feeling of fitness. With this feeling of fitness comes a willingness to dare and do, and yet at this stage of intoxication no user would admit that he was intoxicated. The user of alcohol, whether he takes it in the form of whisky or beer, is intoxicated long before he is willing to admit it or gives any evidence of it. His brain wabbles long before his legs wabble. If an engineer is not safe at the throttle of an engine that runs on two rails, with all the safeties that are provided to safeguard trains, certainly it would be unsafe for him to direct an automobile in congested city traffic.

Intoxication has a finer meaning today than it had a half century ago. Prof. Yandell Henderson, teacher of applied psychology at Yale University,



Railway employees with the lives of hundreds of people in their keeping are bidden on pain of discharge to let liquor absolutely alone.

says: "We used to mean by alcoholic intoxication that a man was drunk when he could not walk straight or could not talk distinctly. Since the introduction of the automobile, however, the definition must be changed to that which appreciably impairs the ability of a man or woman to drive an automobile with safety to himself and the general public."

There are degrees of intoxication. One drink of beer intoxicates. It does not intoxicate to the same extent that three or four glasses will, but that one drink is taken because it intoxicates, and for no other reason. Take alcohol out of that glass of beer and the demand for it is at an end. It is not beer the beerdrinker craves. He craves the alcohol that is served in the beer.

ALWAYS DANGEROUS

(Dr. Haven Emerson, former health commissioner of New York City, now professor at Columbia University, says: Apply the test as you will to the distance, endurance, or speed of marching men, to athletes in competition, to the muscles of eye or hand, to acuteness of vision, to tenacity of memory, to accuracy of response to signals, to the taking of dictation, to the use of judgment or discrimination in psychological procedure, the result is the same-the use of alcohol even in amounts too small to be recognized by the persons concerned, consistently shows poorer performance."

The time was when alcohol was regarded by some as a heart stimulant. There is not a reputable physician today who would admit that alcohol stimulates heart action. Alcohol paralyzes and weakens heart action whether taken in large or in small doses.

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Alcohol has in the past been relied upon by travelers to keep them warm when exposed to cold. This was found to be a mere delusion. It does not warm the body. While it produces a feeling of warmth, we now know that it actually lowers body temperature. The vasoconstrictor nerve centers constrict the capillaries when exposed to cold and prevent the blood being brought too freely to the skin to be chilled. Alcohol paralyzing these centers causes capillary dilatation; it brings a large amount of blood to the surface and increases heat dissipation. Thus it lowers body temperature. Many a man has frozen to death in the past by depending upon alcohol under the supposition that it was really keeping him warm.

In sickness, alcohol produces a *feeling* of well-being. The patient who is

suffering feels more comfortable under its influence. If nervous, he feels less so. It makes the sick man, as it does the one exposed to severe cold, unconscious of his actual condition. Alcohol pulls down nature's signals of danger. It makes the cold man feel warm, the sick man feel well, and the weak man feel strong for the same reason that it makes the poor man feel rich. It is a makebelieve. "Whosoever's deceived thereby is not wise."

Alcohol is an enemy of spirituality and Christian growth. The brain is the only medium through which divine truths can be received. It is the only avenue through which Heaven is able to communicate with man. Alcohol affects first the most delicate and highly developed part of the brain. Even if taken in small amounts, it makes it more difficult to discern between right and wrong. The voice of conscience is dulled. Wine led the sons of Aaron to offer strange fire before the Lord. (Leviticus 10: 1-11.) These men were not dead drunk. They were able to officiate in the sacred office of the priesthood. They, no doubt, used wine in what would be termed moderation, but it-made them unable to discern between the sacred and the common; between clean and unclean. For this reason the priests were commanded for all time, "Do not drink wine nor strong drink" of any kind.

There is possibly today no greater enemy of the gospel of Christ than alcohol. The two are antagonistic. The beer saloon and Christ's church have always been opposites. They cannot dwell side by side. Alcohol has done more to neutralize the influence of the church and the gospel of Christ than has any other one agency. Taken from any and every standpoint, "wine is a mocker" and a deceiver.

> 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.

CORNS AND BUNIONS

I have corns and bunions on my feet. What can I do to get rid of them? M.M.J.

To get rid of the pain from pressure on either a corn or a bunion, take a small piece of felt and cut a hole in it just the size of the affected part, and put it over or around the corn or bunion. Nature can effect a cure, when the pressure has been thus relieved. Wet soda compresses soften the skin, and in time it can be scraped off. One dram of salicylic acid to one ounce of collodion applied twice daily will soon soften the part so that it can be peeled off by soaking. If your bunions are not relieved by the removal of the pressure on them, you may have to resort to an operation.

PROTECTION AGAINST TYPHOID

There is typhoid in our neighborhood. What can I do to protect our family from the disease? M. A. D.

You should boil your drinking water, and pasteurize your milk, at least until the source of the typhoid infection is found. Also be sure that your food does not come from a place where there is any possibility of infection. Have your family vaccinated against typhoid. Vaccination is harmless, has proved to be quite successful, and the period of protection is at least three years.

USE OF LAXATIVES

Of what use are laxatives in constipation and autointoxication? J. A. N.

Laxatives destroy the ability of the intestinal mucous membrane to function with its full force, and so they are of no value in autointoxication, as the intestines can then no longer destroy bacteria. The intestines should be kept active by natural and not artificial means, and then they can properly do their work in all kinds of stress and emergencies.

DIET LIST IN DIABETES

I have the symptoms of diabetes: weakness, loss of flesh, mental depression, dry, red tongue, restlessness, nervousness, and irritability. Please give me a diet for the treatment of my case. Mrs. P.

The following nuts may find place in your diet list: Butternuts, brazilnuts, black walnuts, hickory nuts, pecans, filberts, almonds, walnuts, beechnuts, coconuts. You should make your diet chiefly of fresh vegetables, and the best are as follows: Lettuce, spinach, saurkraut, string beans, celery, asparagus, cucumbers, Brussels sprouts, endive, dandelion greens, Swiss chard, kale, turnip tops, cauliflower, tomatoes, eggplant, beet greens, water cress, cabbage, radishes, kohl-rabi, broccoli. The following fruits may be used: Ripe olives, grapefruit, lemons, oranges, strawberries, blackberries, gooseberries, blueberries, huckleberries, peaches, pineapple, plums, currants. The following foods may be used under the supervision of a physician: Potatoes, dry beans, shell beans, green corn, oatmeal, eggs, milk, buttermilk, and rice.

EXCESSIVE PERSPIRATION

My feet perspire excessively. My twoyéar-old son's do also. What can we do to lessen the amount of the perspiration, and thus help to keep our feet warm? J. A. S.

People who are very nervous are quite often subject to excessive perspiration of both hands and feet. A good many times this condition is associated with autointoxication, due to constipation. Measures that will quiet the nervousness and relieve the constipation often give relief from this condition. A remedy for the excessive sweating of the feet that has proved quite successful is as follows: Apply to the feet every second or third day a 25% solution of aluminum chloride in distilled water, and allow to dry. Three treatments is often enough, but if the condition is persistent, repeat the treatment. If this treatment causes itching, apply cold cream, or a calamine lotion. Pure glycerin rubbed on the feet will many times also stop the offensive sweating.

HOME and CHILDREN



ESTLESS, uncertain, and fearful were homes and nations on that August day in 1914; and for four awful years that followed. During it all they looked forward to a day of victory-a great day of glory sometime. Over and over again as soldier

boys marched through the streets of London to the battle front of the great World War, they sang:

"Keep the home fires burning While your heart is yearning; Though your lads are far away, They dream of home. There's a silver lining Through the dark clouds shining, Turn the dark cloud inside out, Till the boys come home."

It was not so much their nation's hope of victory that sustained the boys and gave them courage and endurance as the knowledge that a mother, a wife, a sweetheart was keeping the home fires brightly burning,

Anxious, restless, and uncertain are the present days in many homes and nations. Dangers temporal and moral threaten the home as never before. Communistic Russia recommends to the world her system of turning the children over to the State and having nationalized nurseries; and some seeming intellectuals in our own country are poking fun at the true home and fireside.

In spite of this, from many other sources comes the cry: "Give, O give us, homes and mothers." Juvenile courts are appealing to community organizations to help them do what many homes are neglecting to do. They ask for workers to disseminate among parents and prospective parents information regarding influences in the home that make for happiness and build character, and warnings against influences that encourage delinquency and crime.

LOVE NEED NOT DIE

(Many ask, "Why so many derelict homes?" Many answers are given. "It is the fault of the women. It is the fault of the men. It is the fault of education. It is the fault of the times." But the happy fact has been proved that there have been happy homes; and the factors that made them happy still exist and

will make homes happy today. In Long Beach, California, there are 340 couples who belong to the Iowa Golden Wedding Club, organized in



Home and harmony. They spell joy.

Keep the Home Fires BURNING

By Ruth Haskell Hayton

1928. They recently gave to the press some of the simple philosophy of their lives that has kept their home fires burning some fifty, some sixty, and some for seventy-five years. There is a quaint, sweet pathos in these stories of early married life, lived amid self-denial and hardship. One observes in talking with these successfully married folks that they are polite to each other and that little courtesies seem to come naturally.

Each of these couples seems to feel that there is not enough sentiment and that romance and true love between husband and wife are dying out among the young couples today. Says a wife of fifty-seven years, "We still watch the moon together, holding hands. We are just as romantic as ever we were. Why, nothing can separate a couple that has deep love and romance through all their lives together." Another: "Any good home should rear good children. My husband and I have been just ordinary hard-working people; but we have high ideals for our home and children. We'd marry each other again, if we had it to do over."

The habit of celebrating, in a simple homey way, wedding anniversaries and birthdays is most effectual in helping to maintain the romance of youth. There are many wives who suffer unconscious and unintentional hurts from their husbands because they forget or lightly pass by their anniversaries. It isn't that wives want presents-far from it. It is the happiness of being remembered by the one who studied her pleasure so thoughtfully when wooing her.

One loving but forgetful husband received a sharp reminder one day from his son who was away from home. A telegram came at dinner time, and when opened it read: "Hearty congratula-tions, dear folks." He read the message in a mystified way, handed it to his wife, and said: "That gets me. What does the boy mean?" His wife knew well. After having a little session with her handkerchief, she looked sweetly at her husband and, with a smile, said, "Why, dear, this is our wedding day."

Another couple who have reared four children and have been married thirtyfive years, in all this time have not on their anniversary missed dressing themselves in their wedding clothes, reading their wedding ceremony, and re-reading and re-telling messages and sentiments of their wedding and honeymoon days.

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A hard-working carpenter with rough hands and clothes, but a warm, loving heart, gave his wife a more than usual loving kiss as he bade her good-bye on an anniversary morning and went his way to work. Passing a flower stand, he saw fresh sweet violets he knew she so much loved. He fingered hesitatingly the few coins he had in his pocket, but sentiment and love decided in favor of the violets. Returning home, with a lover's pleasure he placed them $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{A}}$ in her hands and hurried off to work.

The next morning the Portland paper announced the death of a day laborer who had fallen from the scaffolding of the building on which he worked. Never again did Emanuel Wharram carry violets to his wife; but all her life was sweetened by the memory of her husband's thoughtfulness. Who dare say that even today there is not time and a little money for tenderness to the wife?

Then there are the birthdays in the home. It is mother who must carry the golden key of sympathy that will unlock the heart of husband and father when he seems silent and gloomy and withdrawn into himself. It is mother who should teach the children not to think of their father simply as the man who pays the bills and furnishes them with spending money. It is she who must teach them to show him they love him for his constant effort, even if he has failed to accomplish all he hoped. On his birthday they can plan a song for him or a speech of loyalty from his son. More than one father has sent himself to a premature grave because no matter how hard he tried he could never meet the demands of his family.

Again it is mother's joy and duty to watch the everchanging needs of her growing boys and girls, and make the home fires burn brightly on their birthdays, not with expensive presents, but with little needed articles wrapped, ribboned, and laid at their plates on every birthday, so long as they remain under the home roof.

The after-glow of such home fires will never fade away.

QUARRELSOME CHILDREN

What would you do with children who quarrel from morning to night—and they do not get it from father and mother, either?

No; they get only their sweet qualities from father and mother! Quarreling has as a basis nervous irritability and exaggerated ego. Is it not just possible that parents may have bequeathed these states to their children, and that there is still an environment of nervous tension in the home, which affects the children for ill? Parents may have happily overcome or avoided the temptation to bicker and dispute, but still be abrupt and dictatorial and egoistic.

The remedy is, first, the establishment of a restful home atmosphere, and, second, the cultivation of nonselfish interests. The physical conditions of both parents and children should be carefully examined and such health measures taken as are necessary, in diet, in exercise, recreation, and rest, in tonic treatment, to improve the nervous state. Both parents and children need to cultivate repose, meditation, reflection, quiet love, through nature study, well selected story-telling and reading, Bible teaching, purposeful and interesting occupation, and due athletic exercise. To take

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the mind off oneself and to increase the spirit of loving service is the true aim. Separation of the quarreling children may be necessary at times, but this is only a temporary expedient. For radical and permanent change there must be a culture of mind and heart through such measures as above suggested.

SABBATH WORK

Should not a wife do necessary cleaning and cook meals on the Sabbath, even if she believes in resting on Sabbath, when her husband does not keep any day?

God does not expect the impossible; but He does expect the possible. In such a case as this it is possible for a

Across Eurasia

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"But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.' Daniel 12: 4. "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations: and then shall the end come." Matthew 24: 14.

This is the hour upon which our world has entered today. Already the message of our Lord's early return has gone far and wide to the children of men. Only a few more doors remain to be opened, only a few more peoples remain to hear the glad story of the imminent and glorious return of Him who shall soon sit upon His throne and reign forever as Lord of lords and King of kings. Already we see the last few doors swinging open upon their hinges; already we see the last highways being prepared for the entrance of the messengers of the King. We may well lift up our heads and rejoice, knowing of a surety that the hour of our redemption is rapidly drawing nigh.

wife to do all but a very little cleaning and cooking for the Sabbath on the day before, "the preparation day." General house cleaning can be done any day, and its effects will last over at least two or three days. A little cleaning and tidying up must be done every day, but very little will suffice if care is taken. Major cooking can be done one day for the next, and the food warmed over without detracting from its tastiness. God's instruction is: "Tomorrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath unto the Lord: bake that which ye will bake today, and seeth that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning." Exodus 16: 23.

RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF HOME

Can a home be made a success after it has once gone on the rocks? Can faith and love return?

Yes, by operation of the Spirit of God upon the hearts and minds of the parties. There must be whole-hearted, sincere forgiveness each of the other, and the faults of both husband and wife which were the cause of estrangement. must be overcome by each. A new vision of unselfish love and service must be gotten. When the man and the woman are changed, the home will be different.



New Discoveries Show Electricity Governs Our Lives

By Edwin Teale

Popular Science Monthly, February, 1934 **EXPLORERS**, working in one of the strangest realms of science, are unearthing curious, dramatic facts.

The way autos run, the way seeds sprout, the way eggs hatch, the way radios function, and even the way we feel when we get up in the morning, the latest tests have shown, are affected by flowing, invisible charges of electric power. Recently, experiments in the laboratories of many lands have added to our knowledge of the magical work of electricity in the air.

In Italy, one scientist has sent electric waves racing through the atmosphere to alter the heredity of plants. In Holland, another has used them to kill bacteria and preserve foods. In Germany, a third has obtained astonishing results by administering electrified air to hospital patients. In the United States, two of the country's foremost surgeons have just announced a discovery that minute electrical charges are vital to our brains and bodies.

From their study of electrical winds and magnetic storms, solar smoke and electrified dust, the workers hope to find the answers to age-old puzzles of nature. Many scientists believe that the keys to the most baffling enigmas of earth, the mysteries of life, heredity, and death, lie locked in infinitesimal particles charged with electricity. No other field of modern research is so packed with mystery and promise.... On all sides of us-floating in the air, streaming from the sun, coursing through our bodies, hidden in the things we eat-are minute charges of electricity. Only in recent years have we known much about these invisible ions. It is thought they usually start out as atoms from which an electron is removed. On sunny days, it is known, there are more ions in the air than on cloudy days; on warm days more than on cold days; on clear days more than when smoke pollutes the sky. . . .

The latest tests have shown that the state of our health and spirits is closely linked to electricity in the air. Some mornings, for example, we get up feeling exhilarated; other mornings we get up feeling depressed. The difference, say experts, in atmospheric electricity is largely a difference of ions in the air. . .

The further science plumbs this mystery, the closer is the link it finds between life and electricity. The famous Cleveland (Ohio) surgeon, Dr. George W. Crile, sums up his discoveries in the words: "Electricity keeps the flame of life burning in the cell." Dr. Charles H. Mayo, one of the noted surgical brothers of Rochester, Minnesota, adds that minute electrical

STATEMENTS

Published over forty years ago by Mrs. Ellen G. White, just now being substantiated by the latest discoveries of science, as announced in the accompaning article.

"Whatever disturbs the circulation of the *electric currents* in the nervous system, lessens the strength of the vital powers."

"The *electric power* of the brain, promoted by mental activity, vitalizes the whole system, and is thus an invaluable aid in resisting disease."

"The showers of rain must refresh the thirsty fields; the sun must impart warmth; *electricity* must be conveyed to the buried seed."

charges are vital to the functioning of the brain. Dr. J. N. Washburne, of Syracuse University, N. Y., recently told a meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science that recent researches have led him to believe that learning is a process of arranging into different patterns the ions that are found in the nerve fibers of the brain. . . .

Plants, as well as animals, other tests have shown, respond to electricity acting in the air. When the Italian scientist, Dr. M. Mexadroli, carried on his experiments with high-frequency electric waves at Bologna, he found that onions subjected to the wave for thirty minutes a day matured fully ten days ahead of normal. Seeds, bombarded by the electric waves, often showed altered characteristics of heredity when they sprouted. In other tests this scientist found that he could speed up the activity of silkworms by placing them in the path of two-meter radio waves. In its various forms, electricity, drifting or working in the air around us, is rapidly assuming a more important place in science's picture of nature. Spectacular advances have been made recently in this study. It still remains, however, a realm of infinite possibilities and many mysteries.

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deeper understanding."—Page 50. If they were converted, worldly amusements would hold no attraction for them; and if Biblical principles were their guide, they would know that "if any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." (I John 2: 15.) James declares that "whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." (James 4: 4.)

The Bible and the Bible only is the Christian's standard—any other "guidance" might easily be of the evil one.

A prominent part of the Group "house parties" is given to "sharing one's sins with the other members. This is where "the fun begins" of converting others. This is another term of the Group's peculiar phraseology. It certainly is a great joy to save souls; but it is too sacred a matter, and it cost the Son of God too great a price, to be termed "fun." "Sharing" certainly adds spice to the "hilarity" of the "house parties." Although "sharing" has never been practiced in Protestant churches, Group leaders refer questioners to James 5: 16, "Confess your faults [or offenses, as one translation has it] one to another." But there is a vast difference between asking forgiveness of the one we have wronged and publicly broadcasting our secret sins. Jesus tells us to do the former (Matthew 5: 23, 24); but, "If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous" (1 John 2:1).

One of the eight young men who tell of their "conversions" in the late Harold Begbie's Group book, "Life Changers," says: "I don't think it is too much to say that until a man confesses his sins to another man he can never really be spiritually vital."—Page 104. But not once in the Scriptures are we asked to tell our sins to a fellow sinner. We are told: "If we confess our sins [to God], He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9.

One hears much in the Groups of being delivered from the power of sin but never of being forgiven the guilt of sin. We may live a pure life from this moment on, but if our past sins are not washed away in the precious blood of the Lamb of God, we will stand speechless and condemned when the Lord shall say, "Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment?" Matthew 22: 11, 12. Various scriptures show that the wedding garment is the robe of Christ's righteousness.

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Dr. Buchman says to "look after the Practice, and the Theory will look after itself"; but it is impossible for the Christian to live the Christ life and disregard the teachings of Christ and His word. The Christian is the one who lives out the teachings-or doctrinesof the Bible. He who suggests "putting the cart before the horse"—as does the Group movement-is not of God. Paul gives sound advice concerning this point: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Timothy 4: 16.

Modernism is doing its deadly work. The time has come when millions of professing Christians "will not endure sound doctrine." The Oxford Group Movement offers a road to salvation that is very wide. It allows the Anglo-Catholic member to still offer his "sacrifice of the mass" and hear confession; the evolutionist to continue his teachings that man has descended from animals, that the Bible is full of myths and "fairy stories," and that adherents of other religions will be saved.

But God has not been asleep! The God who does not change His plans for the convenience of any man or movement revealed to John a movement which, shortly before the Lord's second coming, was to preach the "everlast-ing gospel" to "every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." In this vision, recorded in Revelation 14: 6-14, John heard three special messages which would be God's answer to the prevalent apostasy of Modernism.

The signs of the times have convinced Bible students that the end of all things is at hand. Prophecies concerning the last days are rapidly becoming fulfilled history. The Lord himself will soon appear in the heavens. Has this threefold message failed to arrive as God prophesied? No, for it is here. Spreading into every tongue and tribe, the message wings its way. Seventh-Day Adventists are the only people on earth who profess to preach these three messages. Do you believe God's word? Do you believe the Lord's return is near? If you do, you will believe this message is now being preached to the world. Will you not study the claim of Seventh-Day Adventists and "show thyself approved unto God"? 2 Timothy 2: 15.



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