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## Shall America Assume War Leadership?

S GUEST EDITOR of the Greenwich (Conn.) Time, Colonel Edward M. House, confidential advisor of President Wilson on European affairs during the World War, recently wrote: "At no time in history is free discussion more needed than today. Mighty changes, political and economic, are taking place over the entire planet. Cannon reverberate that soon may synchronize with the bugles calling the armies of the earth into that place called Armageddon. America is today the dominant part of the whole, and therefore cannot stand by as a mere onlooker. Our present machine age has warped both time and space. The world today is small. . . . The United States will find herself drawn in unpreventably. . . . The powers honestly desirous of peace now realize that matters of protocol and other minor differences must be set aside. They understand more completely the need of a united front, and what is more important, of a high command perhaps similar to that accorded to Marshall Foch at the darkest moment of the World War. If a great war breaks soon, this command might eventually be passed to the United States. . . . Blows similar to those struck British prestige, that awakened and inspired the nation, already are beginning to touch the United States. In this present world uncertainty it is entirely possible that a major unforgivable one may be struck at any moment. In that case, I am sure that overnight, America will take a position commensurate with her dignity as a world power."

Editors who have recognized in Colonel House the elements of real statemanship have not been slow to mark the significance of the statement of this conservative who earned the reputation during the World War of knowing how to keep silent in every language of Europe. If America is to assume war leadership, we must be ready for war. The trends toward pacifism will cease, and the military swagger will be taught our youth in our public and private schools. Our fleet must be greatly strengthened, our standing army, augmented by our national guard and trained reserves, which today total 474,378 men, must be at least quadrupled, and our air strength of 2,200 planes be at least doubled, to compare with that of Russia.

General Malin Craig, Chief of Staff of the United States Army, suggested in 1937 that the number in the regular armies, reserves, and other trained men, who could march on forty-eight-hours notice aggregated for the world 54,412,628. This

did not include the men in the Chinese army, which has shown such surprising strength in resisting the Japanese invasion of that republic. Russia had 19,490,000 men trained for war; Italy, 6,294,295, nearly one fifth of the latter being in active duty. Soviet Russia planned to train one thousand out of every million for air service in 1937, or a total of 150,000 for that arm of its service, while Germany planned on putting 70,000 of her military in the air.

Twelve billion dollars were spent by the nations last year for war preparations, of which we spent one twelfth; but next year, if we are to assume war kadership, we must spend much more. That means that our national budget must be more drastically thrown out of balance, and the nations competing with us become insolvent, with the exceptions of Britain and Russia.



Since the Washington Disarmament Conference in 1922, the navy of the United States has been allowed to lapse until we are little ahead of Japan, while distinctly trailing Great Britain. To replace the ships in process of construction at that time which were destroyed in conformity with the provisions of that treaty, we must rebuild at fabulous prices. To illustrate, the new battleships, "North Carolina" and "Washington," will, when completed, cost between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000 each. We can remember when \$3,000,000 was considered an unconscionable sum for a warship, but that amount would not more than lay down the keel on a modern battleship. As it is said that Japan is building at the rate of four battleships a year, it will be seen that America has a real task in evercoming the incubus of other nations' military programs.

With all these must we recken in any plans to assume war leadership of the world. And this at a time when we have 10,000,000 unemployed, the care of which has cost us \$13,000,000,000 during the past four years. Could they be put into our standing army, that would offer a solution, but a large majority of such are unsuited to military duty. We have, according to J. Edgar Hoover, 4,300,000 criminals en-



\* Col. Edward M. House, World War adviser of the late President Wilson, says that the United States must prepare to assume leadership in the next world war, which may be already in the making.

listed n our underworld army and some three persons out of every four in the United States are threatened by some individual unit of the crime army almost constantly. Could we enlist this 4,300,000 in our regular army and keep them under absolute discipline, it would save us the \$15,000,000,000 a year which we pay for crime; but this is beyond the range of possibilities. Yet in spite of all these handicaps Colonel House suggests that if the world is to be saved, the United States must assume war leadership of the world.

And why does he make this assertion?—Because "cannon reverberate that soon may synchronize with the bugles calling the armies of the earth into the place called Armageddon." Does the Colonel understand what that statement of his means? Is he a Bible student? Does he comprehend that Armageddon is the field on which earthly governments crumble and human ambitions dissipate? Does he know that the infinite finger tracing prophecies two millenniums old points to the early and accurate fulfillment of his forecast, which is (Continued on page 9)

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## The Christ of the Andes

#### By LEONORA LACEY WARRINER

AR up on the boundary line between Chile and the Argentine, on one of the highest accessible ridges of the mighty Andes, stands a majestic statue of the Prince of Peace. Amid the eternal snows, veiled at times by clouds and fanned by the swift rush of eagles' wings, it stands as a lasting monument to a bloodless agreement between the two great republics of South America, after a long and bitter dispute concerning bundary lines that brought the two countries almost to the verge of war.

On one side of the rock that forms its base are the words: "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men," and on the other side is the inscription: "Sooner shall these mountains crumble to dust than the Argentineans and the Chileans break the peace, which at the feet of Christ the Redeemer they have sworn to maintain.'

Comparatively few have had the privilege of seeing the lofty statue called "Christ of the Andes," in the solitary splendor of the snow-clad heights; but beautiful as it and the sentiment for which it stands are, it still remains a figure of stone, unresponsive to adoration and powerless to save those who cry to it for help.

Some day in the not far distance a living Christ will appear. It is written of Him: "Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him." And again: "The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the

Archangel, and with the trump of God." Christ, speaking of this great event, said to His disciples: "For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be"; and describing the attending glory of this great event, He added at another time, "He shall come in His own glory, and in His Father's, and of the holy angels." Daniel in his inspired interpretation of

the metal image that typified the procession of the kingdoms of this world down to the end of time, states: "In the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be de-

stroyed."

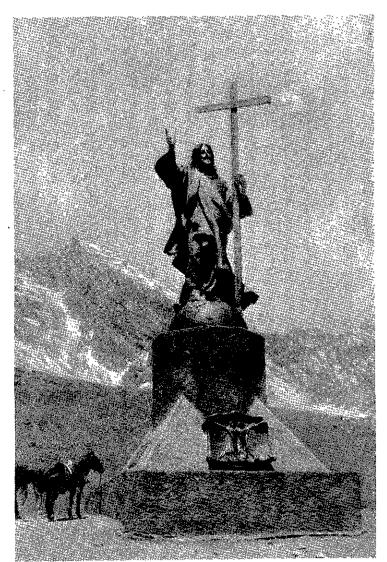


Not long before His crucifixion the disciples questioned Christ as to the time of the end, when His kingdom should be established; and in answer He gave a graphic picture of the events that would occur and the conditions that would exist prior to His second coming. Hear what He said: "There shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory."

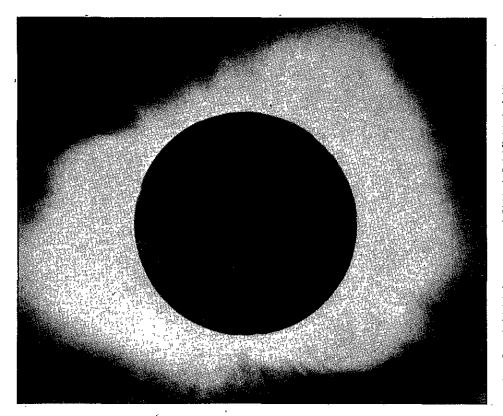
Paul, writing of the last days, says: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God." What an indictment of the people who live in the days when the God of heaven shall set up His kingdom!

Among other signs of the coming King will be "wars and rumors of wars." "Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." How swiftly all these things are being fulfilled before our eyes! Let us take heed to the words of Christ: "When ye shall see all these things, know that it [His coming] is near, even at the doors," and to His added warning, "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."

May we each prepare ourselves for that great event, that we may have the supreme joy and honor of seeing the living Christ, our Redeemer, at His great final appearing, and may be able to say as He comes in the clouds of heaven: "Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us." Isaiah 25:9.



"The Christ of the Andes'



\*A splendid photo of the sun during a complete eclipse, showing the corona of light which emanates therefrom, although the sun itself is completely obscured. It was in the chromosphere and corona of the sun during an eclipse that by means of the spectroscope the gas helium was discovered before it was known to exist in the earth.

Dr. James Stokley, associate director of

the Franklin Institute Museum and one of

the astronomers who witnessed the eclipse,

says: "I heard the whistle blown by the

ship's carpenter as a sign that totality had

begun. Overhead appeared the brilliantly

clear, grayish black disc of the moon, and

around it the sun's corona. At least seven

streamers were apparent, as well as several

smaller ones. The longest extended about

twice the moon's diameter. Four spots of

red solar prominences appeared plainly

UT of the news of the world comes to our attention an incident which merits a place of prime importance. Thirty-six men on a boat in the middle of the Pacific Ocean witnessed a recurrence of what is perhaps heaven's greatest public spectacle, a total eclipse of the sun. After having traveled thousands of miles of vast ocean expanse, the men were rewarded with a seven-minute view of this celestial display. About this expensive effort on the part of men to penetrate the mysteries of the universe, a leading American weekly had this to say: "The sun is a vast laboratory in which new theories of physics originate. The sun is the only star which man can observe at close range. . . . This week's eclipse was one of the most notable in history. Its maximum period of totality was seven minutes and four seconds. It ended the day before it began, owing to its crossing of the arbitrary International Date Line. Starting at sunrise on June 9, just west of the Phoenix Islands in the Pacific, the shadow swept on at 1,060 miles an hour to vanish at sunset on the Peruvian Coast. On Canton Island, one of the Phoenix group, a party of New Zealanders and a group of American astronomers . . . pitched a tentcamp, setting up six spectroscopes and several telescopes to record the eclipse. Equipment weighed eleven tons, including ice-boxes to maintain photographic plates at the proper temperatures, shotguns to discourage the rats which infest the atoll and spider webs for use as eye-piece finders. the latter so delicate that a pound of them would reach around the earth at the equator."

during the eclipse." The magnitude of this universe in which we live is more than vast, immense, or endless. It is absolutely inconceivable. In the year 150 B.C., Hipparchus estimated the numbers of stars at 1022. In 110 A.D., Ptolemy added four and said he thought there were about 1026. Astronomers today tell us that there are about five or six thousand stars visible with the naked eyes. No one knows how many there really are, for each more powerful telescope reveals more stars. Jeremiah said in the thirtythird chapter and twenty-second verse of the Bible book by his name: "The host of heaven cannot be numbered." Scoffers formerly quoted this as an example of Biblical exaggeration, but they do it no

Our sun is a star. That it is the brightest object in the heavens from our viewpoint

longer.

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is due only to the fact that it is so close to the world upon which we live. Light travels at the incomprehensible speed of 186,000 miles a second, or seven times around the earth at the equator a second. Hence it takes the light of the sun but eight minutes to reach the earth. Using this same speed of light as the measuring rod, we discover that it takes the light of Sirius eight and one-half years to reach the earth. Thus we say that Sirius is eight and one-half light years away. Astronomers have found that the closest star to the earth, with the exception of the sun, is Alpha Centauri, a star visible only in the southern hemisphere. It takes the light of Alpha Centauri four and one-half years to traverse the distance between it and the earth.

To help us sense some of the significance of such enormous distances let us imagine that we have before us an unabridged edition of Webster's 2,600-page New International Dictionary. If we were to set about the gigantic task of reading it through word by word, we would find that at the end of the reading of the first page the light from Alpha Centauri would have traveled 100,-000,000 miles. Now hold your breath for this next statement: We would have to read the whole of this 2,600-page Dictionary through not once, not twice, but one hundred times, before the light from Alpha Centauri would reach the earth. And it is only four and one-half light years away.



Dozens of centuries ago, before there was any kind of telescope in the western world, before Europeans knew anything about the fact of the sun's being a star, before they knew the difference between a. planet and a star, and before they knew that stars are the centers of planet systems as the sun is the center of our solar system, God put His finger on a star and asked Job the question: "Canst thou guide Arcturus with His sons?" Job 38:31, 32. Remember that then there was no way known to men by which it could be ascertained that every star had a family of planet sons. But the Author of our Bible knew it, and very significantly chose to use for His example the star which has been found by modern science to be one of the fastest moving of all heavenly bodies. Arcturus is the greyhound of the heavens. Whereas it takes the light of our sun eight minutes to reach the earth, and the light of Alpha Centauri four and one-half years, it takes the light of Arcturus forty years to come to us. In other words traveling at the rate of 186,000 miles every second the light that leaves Arcturus this afternoon will reach America during the year 1978. Our reaction to these amazing facts must be very much the same as Job's when God

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#### By DONALD F. HAYNES.

helped him to see his relative importance in the scheme of things by asking him the question, "Canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons?"

In another place in the same book of Job a brief reference is made to these great celestial expanses. Referring to God, it says He "alone spreadeth out the heavens." (Job 9:8.) Who can deny that a master creative hand did spread out these unfathomable distances and place every celestial object in its own place? During all the centuries and millenniums of time, not one has ever gotten out of place. Every orbit has its own precise design. Any chance uncertainty would result in a tremendous universal collision from which it would be impossible for worlds, things, and people to emerge again.

But men do deny it. Men who claim an ordination to the work of the ministry deny it. Theorists, modernists, and atheists alike raise their voices to scoff at the idea of design and creation. And yet while they scoff, while they rant and dance to the music of the monster of doubt, they continue to draw their breath at the hand of Him who doeth all things well. (Psalm 104:29, 30.)

To illustrate, look at your radio set before you. Look inside its structure or visualize in your mind and see the tubes, transformers, condensers, dials, knobs, and various other adjusters all connected by intricate wiring, and try to tell the one sitting next to you that it just happened that way,-that somehow in the natural process of time and course of material things those delicately made instruments just gradually came together and set themselves up in that way. Tell one of your friends that this voice he hears is coming from your loudspeaker because it happens that the sounds are transformed into electrical impulses and projected into space by the unfathomable power of electricity; it happens that your set is tuned to the same wave length; it happens that the electrical impulses are returned to sound waves and transmitted to your ear. Tell him all that. Does he believe you?-Not even for one passing moment. That is a preposterous presumption on the credulity of your friend. It requires thousands of times more faith to believe that kind of fanciful story than it does for him to believe that the radio has come into existence, and that this broadcast is reaching his ears as the result of a carefully planned design. But the argument of the man who disclaims the fact of creation and

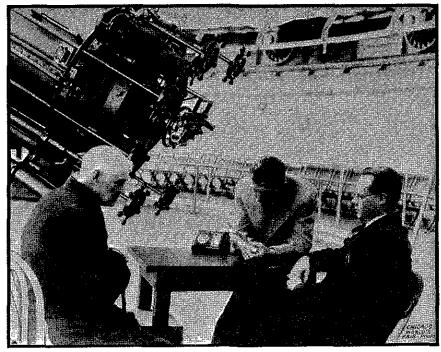
tries to foist upon his fellow human beings the oft exploded hypothesis of evolution is far less credible than this.

Why did the astronomers who witnessed the recent total eclipse of the sun choose from all the millions upon millions of square miles on the surface of the earth that area in mid-Pacific from which to view the eclipse?—Simply because they had computed from the exactly precise orbits of the sun, moon, and the earth that the eclipse would not only touch the earth at a certain time but would touch only a specific path on the earth. They were able to work that out from the celestial pattern which God is making in the heavens every day with the instruments of His neverfailing power.

But let us go back for a moment or two to our fascinating consideration of the things of God as they are revealed in His heavens. We have begun the journey into space and this is all we can do now for we cannot go farther with our finite wisdom. So let us pause here with reverence and wonder. Over all these rushing orbs God presides. This is His kingdom, and we have seen but a small part of it. Throughout all these objects, and among all these intelligences, He is ever present. All of its complicated movements are guided by His unerring wisdom. By His word in the beginning it emerged from nothing. Surely we ean say with David: "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth His handiwork."

The German poet, Richter, has left us this description: "An angel once took a man . . . and lifted him up into space to show him the glory of the universe. . . . The man ceased to be cowardly and was ready to fly with the angel past galaxy after galaxy, and infinity after infinity. And so, man and angel passed on, viewing the universe, until the sun was out of sight, until our solar system appeared but as a speck of light against the black empyrean, and there was only darkness. And they looked onward, and in the infinities of light before, a speck of light appeared and suddenly they were in the midst of rushing worlds. But they passed beyond that system, and beyond system after system, and infinity after infinity, until the human heart sank, and the man cried out: 'End is there none of the universe of God?' The angel strengthened the man with words of counsel and courage, and they flew on again until worlds left behind them were out of sight, and specks of light before them were transformed as they approached them into rushing systems. They moved over architraves of eternities, over pillars of immensities, over architecture of gal-(Continued on page 7)

\* Astronomers at the eyepiece of the Yerkes Observatory telescope. A ray of light from the star Arcturus, conducted through this telescope, after traveling for forty years on its way from that distant star, switched on the lights which opened the Century of Progress Exposition at Chicago five years



LEADING American weekly describes how a woman fires her followers with religious zeal, and they dance as the band plays "Onward, Christian Soldiers." It says: "Her eyes aflame with religious zeal, Alma White, seventy-four, silver-haired founder and leader of the Pillar of Fire Church, last week stood before 1,200 rapt followers in the town auditorium of Zarephath, New Jersey, seat of her sect, paused to raise her hand at a mighty cherus of Amen.

"'Listen!' she thundered. 'Believe in a topless heaven and a bottomless hell—uttermost salvation for the righteous and endless damnation for the wicked.'

"Dozens leaped to their feet, danced up and down the aisles. 'Praise the Lord, praise His holy name,' they shouted. As the baud struck up 'Onward, Christian Soldiers,' he entire assembly joined in this dance-march around and around the barnlike building.

"Men ranged themselves on one side, women on the other; and together they spun around spiritedly, heads held high. Exhausted from fifteen minutes of such ecstasy, they sank into their seats, and the woman preacher continued her sermon."

## Dancing to Sacred

By DALLAS S. YOUNGS

We believe in the principle of religious freedom. We believe that assuredly every individual has the right to believe and conduct himself religiously as he sees fit. We believe, too, that any man who claims to follow Christ ought to believe as Jesus taught, and conduct himself after the divine example. We know of no instance in which Jesus ever danced. Even in His moments of joy and ecstasy we have no record that He ever indulged in physical demonstration. He was a "man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." He often wept.

Neither do we have record that His disciples ever danced—that they ever did a two-step to the music of a sacred hymn. Indeed, the Apostle Paul says very point-

edly in his letter of advice to Timothy: "Bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things."

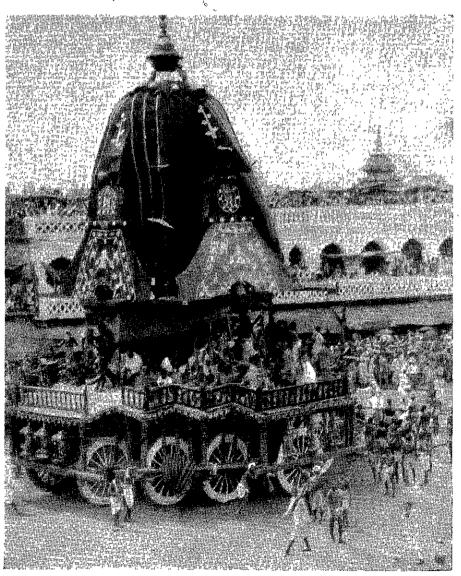
1 Timothy 4:8. Physical exhilaration appears to be of very little religious value in the sight of the inspired apostle.

When the gospel prophet, Isaiah, fore-told the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the last days, he also told the effect that it would have upon the people: "The work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance forever." Isaiah 32: 17. And then again the prophet told how we may be saved: "Thus saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Isaiah 30: 15.

In his instruction to the church at Corinth the Apostle Paul says this: "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints." 1 Corinthians 14:33. The churches of the saints, then, are not places of confusion, but places of peace, quietness, and order. Paul, speaking again in the fortieth verse, says: "Let all things be done decently and in order."

Genuine Christianity has a refining, ennobling, elevating, and subduing influence upon a man; but a religion that makes a man yell, shriek, and jump about like a wild savage, has something wrong with it. The question may be raised, Are not those who believe thus sincere and earnest? The answer to this question is found in 1 Kings 18: 21-40.

This is the record of the occasion when Elijah, the servant of God, had brought the priests of Baal together before the people on Mt. Carmel that it might be proved conclusively who was the true God. There was a great deal of confusion and emotion on the part of the priests of the false god, Baal. They were evidently sincere and in earnest. They danced, they cried, they shouted, they jumped up and down, they cut themselves with knives,



\* Thousands of Indian pilgrims, devotees of Juggernaut, or Jaganatha, come dancing, screaming, and praying in religious ecstasy to this giant wooden image with red painted body, a face of black, a mouth open with a bloody red tongue, gilt arms, and eyes of precious stones the price of a king's ransom. And yet the very frenzy of the people caused them often to fall beneath the giant wheels of the great god's chariot, forty-five feet high and weighing many tons. Truly theirs was the dance of death.

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they rolled on the ground. They were carnest, but they were wrong; they had a spirit, but it was not the Holy Spirit from heaven. Clearly, then, emotion is not proof of the Spirit's presence.

As we read on in the account of the experience of Elijah with the priests of Baal, what a contrast to the shouting, yelling, and jumping of the Baal priests was the conduct of the prophet of God. When Elijah's turn came in the proceedings of the day, quietly he built up the broken-down altar of Israel. Quietly he put the wood on the altar, and then the bullock. Quietly the altar, the wood, and the bullock were soaked with water, in order that the priests of Baal could not accuse him of trickery. Quietly, when all was in readiness, did this man of God withdraw a little distance and pray; and then came the answer: Fire flashed from God out of heaven and consumed the offering, the wood, and the altar, and licked up the water in the trench. No confusion, no emotion, no shouting, no dancing, no cutting with knives, no jumping marked this godly man's demeanor; but rather quietness, confidence, assurance, peace; and in these was the power of God manifested.

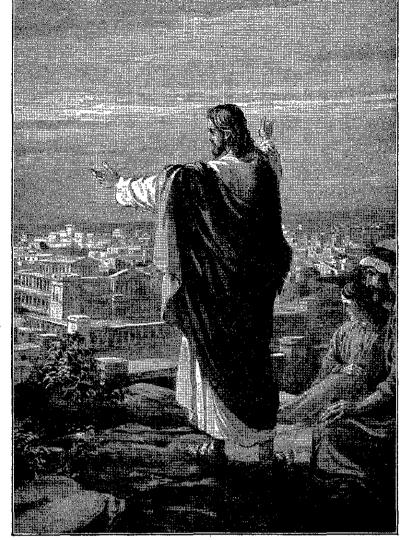
Why was Abel's offering accepted of God, and Cain's rejected? Why does one man's worship and service please God, and another's displease Him? What must a man do that his worship and service may be acceptable in the sight of a Holy God? Let us examine the case of the first brothers. Cain was rejected because he did not obey God's instructions in regard to the character of the sacrifice. Abel was accepted of God because his was the offering of obedience. Regardless of profession, nothing that does not savor of faith and obedience pleases God. There are two great specifications in the plan of salvation for all those who would be saved. One is "faith in Jesus Christ," and the other is "obedience to the commandments of God."



God uses some very strong language in speaking to those who are defective in obedience. In Proverbs 28:9 He says: "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination." Again in 1 John 2:4 it is written: "He that saith I know Him [he that professes to be a Christian], and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him."

The Bible is clear in its teaching that it is the doer of God's word, and not the professed doer that shall be rewarded with eternal life. We quote from Jesus' sermon on the mount: "Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, Lord,

\* Jesus taught with sobriety and conducted Himself with decorum. We know of no instance in which He ever danced. He was "a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief." He often wept, an example of which is recorded when pronouncing the doom of impenitent Jerusalem.



Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name? And in Thy name have cast out devils? And in Thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity." Matthew 7:21-23. In the next verse Jesus likens the man who hears and does His will to the man who builds his house on the rock.

True and acceptable religion with God the Father does not consist of physical and emotional demonstration,—jumping, dancing, rolling, or the jazzing of sacred hymns,—but rather quietness, confidence, peace, and righteousness in the Holy Ghost.

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axies, unspeakable in dimensions and duration, and the human heart sank again and cried out: 'End is there none of the universe of God?' And all the stars echoed the question with amazement: 'End is there none of the universe of God?' And this echo found no answer. They moved on again past immensities of immensities, and eternities of eternities, until in the dizziness of uncounted galaxies the human heart sank for the last time, and called out: 'End is there none of the universe of God?' And all the stars repeated the question.

And the angel answered, 'End there is none of the universe of God. Lo, also, there is no beginning.'"

The universe speaks a language all its own, which we may learn to read and interpret to our doubting soul's desire and satisfaction. More sweet than the music of the spheres is its varied wisdom if it tells us of Might which we cannot hold, of Power which we cannot reach, of Love which we may behold but not all contain, of Wisdom whereof we can scarcely hold the measure, of Majesty, and Grace, and Grandeur, which shall wrap our souls in speechless amazement, and fill our minds with vast consternation of thought, for we shall be as one devoid of wisdom. Yet amid all our confusion and deep amazement we shall discern a wisdom we cannot otherwise perceive, and shall discover a knowledge which shall banish all our thought of doubt and unbelief, and this, my brother man, is our Father's house. Let us be sure we are on the way that leads to it. Let us be sure to make the journey under the guidance of Him who created all these things, and who now upholds them, for "it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9.) "For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known." 1 Corinthians 13: 12.

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¥ The late Frank B. Kellogg, Secretary of State, 1925-1929, who was the father of the treaty known as the Pact of Paris, which outlawed war and was signed by fifteen of the principal nations of the world.

#### The Gambling Mania

A MERICA is afflicted with a mania for gambling such as has not previously existed in this country except in the mining camps of frontier days," asserts our contemporary, The Christian Century. It is justly alarmed at the symptoms and dreads the prognosis. So many millions of dollars are going abroad on sweepstakes that there are those who are loudly demanding that we keep this money at home by pandering to the gambling instinct of an increasing number of Americans. The Chicago City Council passed by a vote of ten to one, and the mayor signed, an ordinance to legalize and license "hand-books." The Chicago town fathers estimate that this will bring a golden stream of money to help supplement their mounting taxes.

Commenting on Chicago's act, Mr. Westbrook Pegler, in the Chicago Daily News said it is to "ease the burden of graft and waste in a city whose people have seen so much corruption that they think the word is a synonym for government. . . . The two million dollars a year, even if it should be collected, will not ease the burden, however, because it will be regarded as easy money, and just that much more to be grafted and wasted." Evidently this commentator does not trust in the hands of a city government large sums which have been obtained by processes which have always been regarded by highly civilized nations as illegal and dishonest. New York City attempted to enact an ordinance which really provided for a lottery, but the courts decided that the absence of the name did not make it legal.

To quote again from The Christian

Century: "Churches are touched with the same infection. A Roman Catholic archbishop finds gambling games for the benefit of the church so prevalent in his diocese that he has to prohibit them. Then there is Father Cox with his 'Miraculous Medal' as a bait for his 'Garden Stakes' (or vice versa), a scheme which The Christian Century [December 1] called a disgrace to the church, but 'not a lottery within the meaning of the law.' The United States attorney according to Time, viewed it less leniently, since he had Father Cox arrested on the charge of using the mails to defraud and of conducting a lottery."

We applaud the courage of the Roman Catholic archbishop, who prohibited gambling in his diocese for the benefit of the church, and share his anxieties for the future of society if the church does not stand as a bulwark against such methods of financial support. To the early Christian church in Corinth the Apostle Paul wrote: "Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." 1 Corinthians 16:1, 2. Their gifts were to be proportionate to their financial ability, but none were to be excused. A church that fails to recognize this method of support has no excuse for an existence. Concerning the tithing system for the support of the clergy, Jesus in rebuking the shortcomings of the Jewish leaders said: "Woe unto you, scribes and

Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." Matthew 23:23. In this our Lord enjoins the recognition of judgment, mercy, and faith, but stresses the obligation to pay a tithe,—ten cents on every dollar,—on even the inconsequentials which we receive. A recognition of this counsel will eliminate church socials, fairs, and lotteries, and cause the church to be regarded as respectable by many worldlings who now look upon it with contempt.

#### Piffling Preaching

UNDER the above caption, Catholic America, in a recent issue printed in its correspondence department the following letter from one of its clergymen: "EDITOR: You write about 'the weariness of our editorial duties.' I offer a humble suggestion. Why don't you lighten this weariness by permitting our Lord and His inspired writers to do some of the work for you? Why not publish editorials by the Master, Jesus Christ our King? The plain, unembellished text of the New Testament is chuckful of pertinent edi-

★Doctor Chengting T. Wang and his three daughters, Yoeh, An-fu, and An-hsiu (left to right) are pictured as they left the Chinese Embassy in Washington. Ambassador Wang is a Christian, and before entering government service was engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in China.



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torial comment on the burning questions of our day and generation, infinitely better than any humanae sapientiae verba. All you'd have to do is to select and copy it. Such editorials would have all the thrill and sensationalism of absolute novelty for the majority of your readers, including a goodly number of us clergymen whose neglect of the sacred pages is the reason for the piffling preaching heard in most churches."

We applaud this letter and also the courage of America in proffering such counsel to the religious editors of the Altogether too much United States. "piffling preaching" is heard these days, and of too many clergymen it would be hard to say as the Apostle Paul said of his son in the faith, Timothy: "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. . . . And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable." 2 Timothy 1: 5; 3: 15, 16.

#### Tithing Acclaimed

The representative leaders of all faiths,—from various sections of the country, meeting in New York, under the auspices of the National Committee for Religion and Welfare Recovery, have announced that a comprehensive survey of the United States discloses that two per cent or less of the total income of Americans is being contributed for religious and philanthropic purposes. This is interesting in view of the fact that even the United States government income tax law allows that fifteen per cent of all net earnings may be given to charity.

To quote from the survey: "Statistics and charts presented at this conference show that although there was an increase of more than 61 per cent in our national income for 1936 over that of 1932 and a cumulative increase of \$48,718,000,000 since 1932, the American public has actually decreased its gifts since 1932 for support of churches by 30 per cent, general benevolences 29 per cent, Community Chests 24 per cent, and colleges 18 per cent. Simultaneously expenditures for jewelry, army and navy, theaters, cigarettes, automobiles, whisky, radio, and beer have soared to increases varying from 25 per cent to 317 per cent." Americans bought 78,094,812,102 cigarettes in 1937, which is three a day for every man, woman, and child in the country; and spent \$5,000,000,000 on vacations. It is said that lotteries are costing us \$5,000,-000,000 a year, and, because they are

generally considered illegal in the United States, this money goes abroad.

After adopting the watchword: "Every citizen a steward of life and substance for the welfare of mankind," they voted that a concerted effort be made to urge before December 31, 1938, increased gifts "approaching the tithe and the more than \$1,893,133,850 exempted from taxes if given (but not now given) to public welfare."



★Gen. Edouard Duseigneur, former French cabinet officer, who recently retired from the French Aviation Corps, was arrested in connection with the government investigation into the activities of "The Hooded Men," who are charged with conspiring to overthrow the French government and restore the monarchy. For once the plans of a dictator failed.

It is reassuring to find that the religious consciousness of America is turning to a recognition of the claims of the tithing system. Time was when to suggest that a Christian give one-tenth of his increase to charity or the Lord's work was considered "Jewish," although it must be remembered that Christ, in Matthew 23: 23, clearly placed upon the Christian the obligation to pay tithe, to devote one tenth to the service of God. The Apostle Paul comprehended this when he said: "Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? And they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel." 1 Corinthians 9: 13, 14.

Were this custom observed, church

fairs, socials, and the gambling beand party would have no place in the plans of any religious organization. There would be no raffles opened with prayer, and no cheap, simulated vaudeville performances to inveigle unwilling shekels from one-way Christian pockets.

## Shall America Assume War Leadership?

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in harmony with divine predictions? Years ago this prophecy began to be fulfilled "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 unto Thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear Thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth." Revelation 11:18. When were more diabolical plans afoot for destroying the earth than are seen today? Such will suffer the wrath of Him of whom it is written: "Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." Psalm 2:9. That will be realized when the prophecy of Revelation 16: 12-16 is fulfilled, when every malevolent religious influence will combine with every military genius for the settlement by force of arms of a controversy which involves the destiny of the human race. At Armageddon, that ancient field of blood, will the Eastern war lords, flushed with victory, vie with those from the Occident for mastery. There in a last herculean effort will the forces which are shaping in the Far East today meet the multitudes of the West. No longer will Italy and Germany be interested in supporting the claims of any Oriental power, for westward will a mighty army have marched that forebodes evil, and overwhelming destruction for European civilization. They must resolutely acquit themselves like men; and Joel 3: 9-12 tells us that the East and West will meet on the red-stained sands of old Jehoshaphat - Armageddon, sixty-five miles northwest of Jerusalem.—when the prophecy of Revelation 19 will be fulfilled. But to the child of God is the promise made: "And he that overcometh, and keepeth My works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron; and as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of My Father. And I will give him the morning star." Revelation 2: 26-28. That star of hope shall never set for the trusting child of God. Its glorious beams will illumine the sindarkened night, guiding the way "until the day dawn, and the Day-Star arise in your hearts."

EN everywhere are aroused as never before to the need of a better world. The determination to build a world of peace, abundance, and security has never been more persistent. Numerous plans for remodeling the whole framework of human existence are being suggested, and a beginning has already been made.

Following the World War there was great hope of bringing all mankind together in the pursuit of peace. There was great expectancy when the League of Nations was inaugurated. Later, the signing of the "Kellogg Pact" was hailed as "the greatest event since the birth of Christ."

Yes, and how exultant we were when we heard of the sinking of battleships, and the dismantling of fortressess in the name of disarmament! The world was weary of war, and we heard much talk of peace. But peace had to be grounded in a surer foundation than mere sentiment. The economic unbalance in the world was causing great unrest. Thus began the talk of a world economy. Conferences were called to seek some basis of real adjustment.

But the nations, finding themselves unable to bargain together, began drifting farther and farther apart. Soon all peoples began thinking in terms of intense nationalism instead of a hopeful internationalism.

## Building a Better

By FREDERICK LEE

And still men cry peace, peace, but there is no peace. Nations now pile up armaments and wage wars in the name of peace. Germany scraps treaties and defies the world as she again practices the goosestep with a greater determination to find her place in the sun. Russia puts on the greatest demonstration of military might this world has ever seen. France erects the most powerful and complicated barriers ever invented by man. Japan marches into Manchuria and North China in the name of peace. Italy reaches out into Africa and absorbs a great nation. At last England is aroused and enters upon the most astounding armament program in history. The United States feeling the pressure of military might on all sides can no longer remain aloof and determines to hurry to the head of the parade. The war god winks cynically as the world marches to its doom singing the song of peace.

And now, how swiftly fades the hope of that new day when nations shall learn war no more, and every man shall sit under his own vine and fig tree enjoying peace.

And what of security? Is France secure behind her wall of concrete and steel? Do the peoples of Germany, Italy, and Russia feel the security of a planned economy while their souls are regimented to a self-centered purpose? Is Japan to find security for her millions by endeavoring to harness up other multiplied millions to her indomitable will? Do England and America feel secure with their great programs of military preparation? Where is this promise of security? Can there be security for a few without security for all?

And what of "the good life," concerning which we have been hearing so much since the great depression set us thinking? How readily we recall the bold assurances of the "new dealers" as they took hold of the helm of state and talked persistently of a "planned America," and "the more abundant life."

Here is a picture of that better life which has been promised us. "If the hopes of the planners are realized, here are some of its elements: The citizen will have more security in his employment. He will work fewer hours than in the past for a living wage. . . . If he is out of work, . . . he can depend upon government work. . . . He will be entitled to a pension after a certain number of years of faithful service. . . . Living comforts at fair prices. . . will be within his reach. . . . Poverty will be greatly reduced. . . . The social structure will have been made wholly safe against political violence. . . . These are the broad outlines of what a 'planned America' is to be if the President and his aides realize most of their hopes. . . . It will also be a prosperous and peaceful land."—New York "Times," Jan. 7, 1934.

About the same time one of the great

About the same time one of the great industrial leaders of the country was declaring: "The good life lies somewhere along the road of abundance; we shall find it, not by accepting our present situation as final, but going forward with stout hearts and open minds."—Alfred P. Sloan,

\*Among the most important phases of the current feverish preparation for war are the measures being taken for the protection of the civilian population in the event of possible air raids. Here is a new type of bombproof shelter in London. The steel dome of the shelter is covered with earth to a depth of thirty inches. Gas-proof doors keep out noxious fumes. Below is an interior view.

## $\mathbf{W}$ orld . . .

Jr., in "Atlantic Monthly," September, 1934.

Praiseworthy, to be sure, are these lofty schemes of men. Well may we honor the stout-hearted who upon the eve of a great catastrophe determine that life shall be rebuilt upon sounder foundations. But these ambitious plans of men are too self-centered and far too materialistic.

In this planned economy which is to create a new world, God is too far from men's thoughts. In fact in those nations most enthusiastically pursuing a course of reconstruction, God is being completely dethroned, and either a system or a pagan god wholly subject to the whims and fancies of the "planners" is taking His right place. Was not Sodom destroyed because she forgot God, and because of "pride, fullness of bread, and abundance of idleness"? (Ezekiel 16: 49, 50.) There is something superior to pride of race and material abundance, and that is a heart which loves truth and liberty and finds its greatest pleasure in doing the will of God.

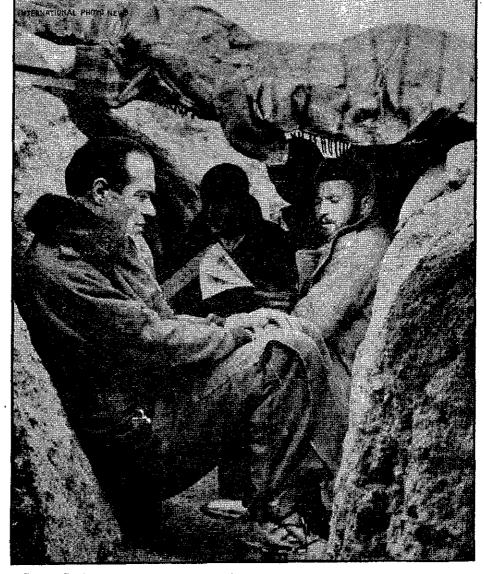


Let us suppose that the schemes of men reached a happy culmination. The framework of our economic life would then be set on a foundation of justice and equality. Every man would be basking in a sense of security, his income being assured both in times of illness and unemployment. Mass production would flood the land with cheap labor-saving devices, and electrical power would be supplied at low rates. Every home would then become well-nigh self-operating. The drudgery of life would be taken from factory and home. Father, mother, and offspring would have much leisure for the enjoyment of life.

There would not be a cloud on the horizon, for nations, too, would find security in solemn trade agreements. And suppose, too, that all peoples, having become so weary and chastened by the spirit and burden of war, would have agreed to be good. All would lay down their arms. The rich nations would share with those nations which had little. Wealth would be shared both by nations and individuals. There would be no want anywhere under the shining sun. Peace would then reign in all the earth,—for the moment.

How long could such a situation last without some changes more fundamental than these? Would we not soon find grasping men again asserting themselves? Would not aggressive peoples begin over-reaching themselves, and again trespass on the rights of others?

Well may we be thinking of social and economic adjustments in order to make life better for the many as well as the few, but that is not the heart of the matter. Our foundations for a new and better life must sink deeper than that. Not without a regeneration of the heart and character



\* Sandro Sandri, Italian newspaper correspondent, fatally wounded in the bombing and sinking of the United States gunboat, Panay, by Japanese aircraft in the Yangtze River. A blackshirt who accompanied Mussolini in his march on Rome fifteen years ago, he nevertheless suffered death at the hands of his country's allies, because the "better world" of which Mr. Lee speaks has not yet been built.

of man and rebirth of the soul can we attain unto the good life for any length of time.

We must not repeat the mistake of the builders of the ancient temple who rejected "the chief corner stone." Without the co-operation of the Master Builder and His corner stone of Christian character there can be no sound structure, no matter how much we desire it. Christ alone can bring real peace, security, and the abundance of those things which are necessary to man's happiness. He it was who said: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10: 10.

Men may use this text of the Master in order to carry hope for some human scheme, but without the Master's touch the more abundant life will never be realized.

The psalmist declared: "The meek shall eat and be satisfied." Psalm 22: 26. Only as the soul of man is regenerated through the power of a living Christ will meekness

become an inherent part of human character. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Corinthians 5: 17.

According to divine revelation only Christ can lay the foundation of a new and better life. History and logic alike witness to man's helplessness. Then why do men not seek this Christ who holds the keys of both life and death, and who has promised, "Behold, I make all things new"?

Pride is the greatest stumblingblock to the attainment of all our best desires. Upon this rock every great civilization has been wrecked. This too will spell our doom. Personal pride, national pride, racial pride—never before has the world seen so much of it. Men no longer bow in humble submission to the principle of right, for the stubborn heart continues to shout down all other meeker voices by the subtle assumption that "might makes right."

Surely we have come to a desperate impasse. Only the power of an Almighty God can break through the barriers to a better world. And He has promised to do it. Listen to His word: "Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. Be ye glad and rejoice forever

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## ... A Sabbath with a Tainted

OT long ago an eminent Philadelphia clergyman stated that he revered Sunday as a rest day because of its "beautiful background in history." Great is our astonishment that one who stands forth as a Bible fundamentalist should speak words like these. Instead of establishing his belief and practice upon "the impregnable rock of Holy Scripture," he idolizes a historic apparition, repudiates the blood-bought Protestantism of the Reformation, and compromises with tradition.

"There is no sure doctrine," declares the famous Protest of Spires, "but such as is conformable to the word of God. . . . We are resolved, with the grace of God, to maintain the pure and exclusive preaching of His only word such as is contained in the Biblical books of the Old and New Testament, without adding anything thereto that may be contrary to it. This word is the only truth; it is the sure rule of all doctrine and of all life, and can never fail or deceive us."

In sharp contrast to this, observe the statements of three eminent Roman Catholic authorities:

"The Tridentine Fathers knew well that there are certain articles of faith which rest on tradition alone; they sanctioned tradition as a rule and foundation of faith wholly distinct from Scripture."

—Letters to M. Gordon, by Perrone.

#### By ROY FRANKLIN COTTRELL

"Like two sacred rivers flowing from Paradise, the Bible and divine tradition contain the word of God, the precious gems of revealed truths. Though these two divine streams are in themselves, on account of their divine origin, of equal sacredness, and are both full of revealed truths, still, of the two, tradition is to us more clear and safe."—"Catholic Belief," p. 45.

"Tradition, not Scripture, is the rock on which the church of Jesus Christ is built."—"Catholic Doctrine," p. 157.

The term "tradition" as here employed refers to that which has come down to us through the so-called "Apostolic Fathers" of the early centuries of our era. According to the celebrated historian Neander, the writings of these men were so "counterfeited" and "adulterated" that no confidence can be placed in them. (See Rose's translation of Neander, p. 407.) Likewise says Archdeacon Farrar:

"There are but few of them whose pages are not rife with errors,—errors of method, errors of fact, errors of history, or grammar, and even of doctrine. . . . This is the

language of simple truth, not of slighting disparagement."—"History of Interpretation." pages 162, 163.

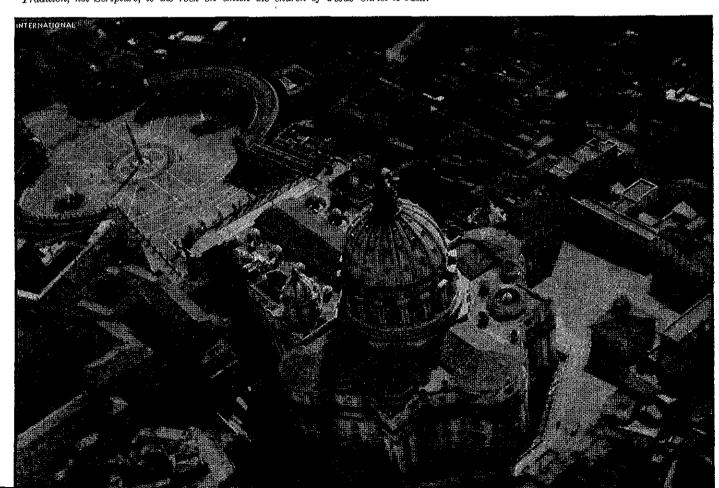
tion," pages 162, 163.

"Yes, my brother," declared Dr. Wayland to a young minister sorely pressed for Scriptural proof, "the Fathers are your stronghold. They are heaven's best gift to the man who has a cause that cannot be sustained in any other way." Dr. Adam Clarke also remarks that the Fathers "blow hot and cold," and asserts that there is not "a heresy that has disgraced the Roman Church, that may not challnege them as its abettors."—Notes on Proverbs 8.

All along the centuries many Christians have had a subsconscious impression that the New Testament somehow places its signet of approval upon Sunday observance. However, in this popular notion there is not an iota of truth.

Said Cardinal Gibbons: "You may read the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, and you will not find a single line authorizing the sanctification of Sunday." On numerous occasions during a period of many years, President Enright of Redemptorist College,

\* The shrine of all Catholics, St. Peter's Cathedral at Rome, as seen from the air. Concerning that faith "Catholic Doctrine," page 157, says: "Tradition, not Scripture, is the rock on which the church of Jesus Christ is built."



## Ancestry

Kansas City, Missouri, issued the challenge: "The Bible commands you to keep the Sabbath day. Sunday is not the Sabbath day; no man dare assert that it is; for the Bible says as plainly as words can make it that 'the seventh day is the Sabbath,' i.e., Saturday; for we know Sunday to be the first day of the week. Besides, the Jews have been keeping the Sabbath unto the present day. I am not a rich man, but I will give \$1,000 to any man who will prove by the Bible alone that Sunday is the day we are bound to keep." No one ever came to claim the money.

Since no word can be found in the New Testament sanctioning first-day observance, how, we inquire, did Sunday keeping originate, and why has it become the rest day of millions of professed Christians? In reply, let four groups of witnesses testify: Bible prophecy, authentic history, Protestant scholars, and Roman Catholics.

A careful study of the four great monarchies of the prophecy in Daniel seven convinces the earnest Bible student that the following language designates the Papacy: "He shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High; and he shall think to change the times and the law." Daniel 7: 25, A. R. V.

Human times and laws have ever been subject to change and revision; but here is a power that would attempt to change the times and the law of the Most High. The Apostle Paul, writing by divine inspiration, predicted the same anti-Christian movement, and sounded the warning:

"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. . . . For the mystery of iniquity doth already work."

2 Thessalonians 2: 3, 4, 7.

In fulfillment of this startling forecast, consider the apostasy that ravished the church from the second to the sixth centuries of our era. Idolatry and image worship were introduced, the doctrine of purgatory was invented to terrify the credulous, infant baptism and sprinkling took the place of Christian baptism, a man seated upon his ecclesiastical throne by the Tiber exalted himself to the place of God, while the first day of the week was borrowed from paganism and established as the counterfeit successor to the Sabbath of the Lord.

Let history now testify concerning Sunday, which the *North British Review* once termed the "wild solar holiday of all pagan times":

Neander, distinguished church historian.—
"The festival of Sunday, like all other

¥ Geoffrey Dennis, author of "Coronation Commentary," which contained derogatory statements concerning the Duke of Windsor, shown leaving court after the Lord Chief Justice had scathingly denounced him for making statements which he could not prove against the character of another. With what trepidation must we view such as would misinterpret God by the attempted change of His law which is a transcript of His character. It is only upon suchan attempted change that a sabbath with a tainted ancestry rests.



festivals, was always only a human ordinance, and it was far from the intentions of the apostles to establish a divine command in this respect, and far from the early apostolic church to transfer the laws of the Sabbath to Sunday. Perhaps at the end of the second century a false application of this kind had begun to take place; for men appear by that time to have considered laboring on Sunday as a sin."—Rose's Translation, p. 186.

Chambers's Encyclopedia.—"By none of the Fathers before the fourth century is it [Sunday] identified with the Sabbath, nor is the duty of observing it grounded by them, either on the fourth commandment, or on the precept of Christ or His apostles." Article, Sabbath.

Sir Wm. Domville.—"Centuries of the Christian era passed away before Sunday was observed by the Christian church as a Sabbath. History does not furnish us with a single proof or indication that it was at any time so observed previous to the Sabbatical edict of Constantine in A.D. 321."
—Examination of Six Texts, p. 291. Constantine's remarkable law begins with these words: "Let all judges, inhabitants of the cities, and artifieers, rest on the venerable day of the sun, etc."

Our next witnesses are from eminent Protestant sources:

Lutheran.—"The observance of the Lord's day [Sunday] is founded not on any commandment of God, but on the authority of the church."—Augsberg Confession, quoted in Cox's "Sabbath Laws," p. 287.

Episcopal.—"We have made the change,

from the seventh day to the first day, from Saturday to Sunday, on the authority of the one holy catholic and apostolic church of Christ."—"Why We Keep Sunday," by Bishop Seymour.

Methodist.—"It is true there is no positive command for infant baptism,... nor is there any for keeping holy the first day of the week."—Theological Compendium, p. 103.

Baptist.—"There was and is a commandment to 'keep holy the Sabbath day,' but that Sabbath day was not Sunday. . . . There is no Scriptural evidence of the change of the Sabbath institution from the seventh to the first day of the week."—Edward T. Hiscox, author of "Baptist Manual." -

Presbyterian.—"The Christian Sabbath [Sunday] is not in the Scripture, and was not by the primitive church, called the Sabbath."—"Dwight's Theology," Vol. 4, p. 401.

Congregational.—"There is no command in the Bible requiring us to observe the first day of the week as the Christian Sabbath."—"Mode and Subjects of Baptism," by Fowler.

Who then changed the Sabbath? Let us call the Papacy to the confessional. Church of Rome, did you substitute Sunday for the Bible Sabbath?

Catholic Mirror.—"The Catholic Church for over one thousand years before the existence of a Protestant, by virtue of her divine mission, changed the day from Saturday to Sunday." "The Christian Sabbath [Sunday] is therefore to this day,

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## Conquering Disease by Diet

#### By HANS S. ANDERSON

HE words spoken by the ancient prophet,—"The blood is the life,"—contain a great truth to which modern science gives full accord. The blood vessels are the channels by which life is conveyed to every cell and tissue of the body. When the arteries become old,—thickened, obstructed, shriveled, hardened,—the body cells gradually weaken and finally perish for lack of nourishment. This is one of the chief features of the old-age process.

The same is true of the various organs of the body; namely, the liver, kidneys, and heart, as well as the blood vessels. For instance, when the kidneys fail to eliminate waste poisons from the body, the whole system collapses, for the reason that these poisons are dangerous to life, and accumulate very rapidly when the kidneys cease to act. It is much the same when the heart begins to fail, for with this condition, every other organ suffers, and life is shortened just in proportion to the rapidity of the increase of the heart inefficiency.

The newer light on nutrition puts great emphasis on the fact that if we would maintain a high degree of immunity to disease, the body must be properly nourished. The resistance of our physical organism to disease does not lie in the plumpness of body, which is very often mistaken for health, but it depends on the sanitary condition of the body fluids. Through the blood stream the food we eat is carried in solution to all parts of the body, and when this food contains sufficient amounts of organic acids, food minerals, and vitamins, then the blood

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becomes strongly alkaline, with the result that accumulated wastes and unfriendly germs are destroyed or neutralized, leaving the tissues strong and full of life.

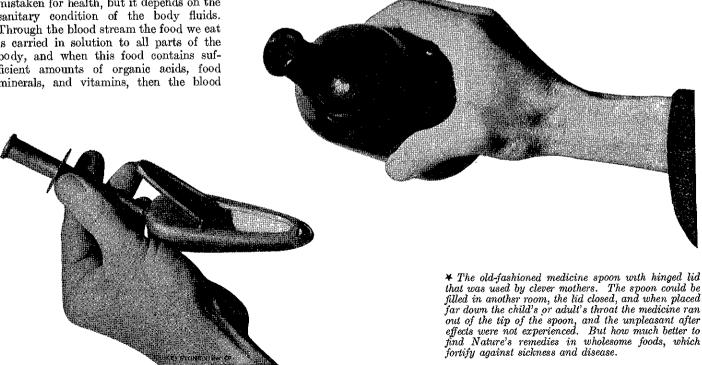
The modern constipation pest is the most common, and possibly the most unconquered and fundamentally most crippling, of human maladies. On the other hand, a great secret of health is internal cleanliness by keeping the food route free from stagnation.

Among common causes is a lack of normal bulkage in the daily intake of food, an almost universal fault among civilized peoples. The human alimentary canal is so constructed that considerable bulk is required to stimulate the muscular walls of the intestines to normal activity. Excessive concentration of foodstuffs not only interferes with normal bowel action, but is likely to lead to overeating because bulk is one of the properties of foods that gives rise to the feelings of satiety, or satisfaction, after eating. Fresh fruits and fresh vegetables and the indigestible residue derived from the use of whole-meal cereals and breads are the chief sources of bulk.

Bread, usually of the white variety, and flesh meats are depended upon as staples in probably a majority of American homes, and this is a widespread error, for such a diet is deficient in some of the most important elements required for complete nutrition, particularly the essential lime salts and vitamins, which lack serves to weaken the resistance of the body, and at the same time encourages the accumulation of poisonous acids in the tissue fluids. Because of the general lack of roughage in the diet of the average individual, the use of bran at the table and in breads and cereals is quite an important addition to the American bill of fare. One of the first steps in the struggle against constipation is to have the meals regular so as to make the bowels regular. Use no white-flour bread, and avoid condiments and flesh foods and other constipating foods. Eat whole-grain breads and whole-grain cereals. Add an equal measure of raw bran to all breakfast cereals before cooking them. Eat liberally of cooked greens and an abundance of fresh vegetables both raw and cooked, also dates, figs, prunes, and other laxative foods.

It is a mistake to depend too largely upon breads and breakfast foods, because they generally lack vitamins and blood-building mineral salts. Potatoes should be more generally used than at present, as they constitute a wholesome substitute for bread, but they should be cooked in the skins. When well cooked and unpared, potatoes are the most quickly digested of all farinaceous foods. Remember that the preponderance of waste acids found in the flesh foods commonly consumed at our tables is four times as great as that found in cereals; for this reason injury from a heavy meat diet is proportionately greater.

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Farinaceous foods should be classed among the staples of the bill of fare,foods that are relied upon to sustain the body, and which provide fuel for the "human engine." Most carbohydrates should be taken in the form of wholegrain preparations and mealy potatoes. Cane sugar should give place to brown sugar or raw sugar, or honey, or other natural sweets, because white sugar is a dead food, irritating, and somewhat toxic in character. White sugar, moreover, breaks down the structure of the teeth because of its unbalanced nature. It extracts the essential calcium from the blood and from the tissue fluids, and the basic minerals from the bones. For this reason, white sugar and white-flour breads when fed experimentally to birds and domestic animals will kill more quickly than total starvation does.



When men were leading a physically active life and eating natural foods which retained their cellulose bulk, food salts, and life-imparting vitamins, they had no trouble with constipation. Therefore we should remember that when constipation is once completely banished from the body, it makes the remedy for any other disease comparatively easy to effect. On the other hand, it is well to remember that so long as one is constipated there can be little hope

for a cure of any disease in the body, or to enjoy good health and vigor. It stands to reason that elimination of body waste must receive first, last, and continuous attention in any effort to overcome disease.

The greater proportion of our everyday foods are demineralized and devitalized to make them soft and smooth, but they arc thereby robbed of their essential mineral salts, vitamins, and essential roughage for stimulating normal action of the intestines, and become fermentative, causing gas, and thereby destroying the normal peristaltic action of the intestinal tract. Constipation is, therefore, primarily a lack of muscular activity; for it is the peristaltic action of the muscles of the intestinal walls that carries the food residue along out of the body on schedule time. A chief factor in the cause of constipation is that the vital energy is low; therefore the whole nervous system must be rejuvenated before satisfactory results can be accomplished.

The change of the intestinal flora can be accomplished by the disuse of flesh foods; the restricted use of eggs, and the free use of live foods with normal bulkage, in addition to such laxative foods as cooked bran, psylla seed, and agar. A sufficient amount of fruits and fresh vegetables raw and cooked, and bran, and psylla seed, and paraffin oil should be taken to secure free and normal bowel movement. If necessary, until the bowel regains normal func-

tion, at the begining a warm enema may be taken at bedtime to empty the colon completely. A strictly antitoxic and laxative diet must be followed until normal function is established; then it may be cut down somewhat; but when the normal amount of bulkage is once established, it should be carefully adhered to, always remembering that for normal bowel movement, the intestinal tract must be supplied with bulkage, and plenty of it.

It is sometimes well to follow a diet largely of fruit. Fruits stimulate the action of the bowels, and at the same time introduce so small an amount of protein material that the putrefactive organisms are starved out, while the growth of the protective organisms is encouraged by the sugars present. The fruit regimen alone will, in time, change the flora, especially when combined with soy-bean milk and a little cottage cheese daily. Finally, there should be no putrefaction in the alimentary canal. The disinfecting properties of the gastric juice are sufficiently active to destroy ordinary germs with which food may be contaminated by contact with air. Fruits, whole-grain cereals, fresh vegetables, and nuts are not likely to introduce into the stomach and intestines in any quantity bacteria which the gastric juice is not able to destroy.

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#### THE DOCTOR REPLIES TO HEALTH QUERIES . . .

• Medical and hygienic information of value to the general reader is given here by Owen S. Parrett, M. D. Inquirers may address the doctor in care of this magazine.

#### Infection from Public Pools

Does bathing in public pools predispose a child to infection from infantile paralysis? O.A.L.

A child with a runny nose is not very liable to take infantile paralysis. The mucous exudate tends to protect the surface of mucous membrane from the entrance of the infecting virus causing the disease. Diving tends to wash the mucous surfaces clean, and this, plus the irritation of chlorine in the water, lowers the resistance of the protecting mucosa, allowing the infection to enter and travel over the nerves to the brain and cord.

#### Ultra-Violet Radiation

Do you recommend ultra-violet radiation in winter time? O. A. K.

Nature is so nicely adjusted that the nearer we come to living simple, natural lives the better it is for our health. Air, sunshine, and water are vital needs of the human body. Millions of tiny nerve endings in the skin are adjusted to receive the different rays found in sunshine with benefit.

The sun gives mostly three common rays
-heat, light, and ultra-violet or active

rays. All these rays are beneficial. Professor Sheard of the Mayo Clinic has shown that chickens receiving either light rays alone or ultra-violet alone suffer physically, but when both the light or color rays and ultra-violet rays are given, they show normal development and health. closer a therapeutic lamp imitates the sunshine, the better the result. Since winter sunshine is weak in power and we are kept indoors more, the use of lamps giving light or ultra-violet rays is of much benefit in winter in keeping vital resistance high and avoiding sickness, which is more common toward the end of the winter months, when the endrocrin glands are the least active and smallest in size.

#### Circulation Block

What causes the disease where the blood vessels of the lower extremities become blocked, and what is the treatment? F. E. M.

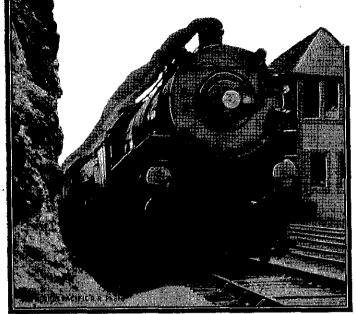
There are three common causes of blocking of the circulation of the lower extremities. First, heart disease with embolism or floating clots which lodge in the vessels. This occurs more often in early middle life. Second, arterioselerosis with blocking of the circulation found in elderly people and re-

sulting in gangrene of the toes or feet. The third variety is found in tobacco users, and is known as *Thromboangiitis obliterans*, which means inflammation of the blood vessels with clot formation and stopping of the circulation. This disease is common about middle life. Ninety-eight per cent of the cases are males, and practically always the sufferer is a heavy user of tobacco.

Now that women are smoking, we may expect this disease to become equally common in women. It is usually very painful and unless relieved may require amputation of the leg. The use of tobacco should be immediately stopped, and the legs should be given contrast bathing in very hot and very cold water, having the legs in the hot water forty-five seconds and in the cold water fifteen seconds and repeat fifteen or twenty times.

A machine called the pavex, consisting of a hollow boot with alternate suction and pressure has been devised for treating this disease, but probably is not more effective than the contrast bathing. This disease is becoming more common, along with many other diseases in which tobacco plays a large part, including heart disease, and against which we can hope to make little headway until we can avoid the eighteen virulent poisons found in tobacco smoke.

## Are You Intellectually Honest



#### By MARGARET LOCKE

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form of the colored porter disappeared down the aisle, Jack Nicholson prepared to leave the train. Amid the usual bustle of adjusting hats and coats and gathering up bags and packages, a friendly hand was laid upon Nicholson's shoulder.

"Jack."

"Well, I have to admit you've got me."
"Don't you remember your old classmate, Fred Harkins?"

"Fred—to be sure—glad to see you. Let's see—how many years ago? Oh, twenty anyway," and the two men engaged in a brisk conversation as the train glided slowly into the station.

"Where are you stopping?" inquired Mr.

"At the Grant," replied his friend.

"Good, that's where I put up. Fine! Now we can have a good visit."

Seated comfortably in the lobby that evening, the two men recalled old times together.

"Well, well," exclaimed Mr. Harkins, "here we've visited a full half hour, and I haven't asked you what your business is, Jack"

"Fred," replied Mr. Nicholson, "I'm going to give you an answer somewhat like the one William Carey gave when he was asked the same question. My business is serving the Lord Jesus Christ, but I sell furniture to make a living."

A puzzled expression passed over the face of his friend. "So—so—you mean—?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Nicholson. "I'm a Christian. I know that may sound strange to you, Fred, for I was one of the wildest lads in Bolton College."

"Well,—er—yes, I am sort of surprised," replied Mr. Harkins.

"These ten years of Christian experience

have been the happiest in all my life," continued Mr. Nicholson. "I tell you, Fred, there's nothing like it."

"Well, Jack, I'll have to admit I know nothing about it, though I've many, many times wished I did. But this thing of Christ's dying for men—well, I can't fathom it. It's all a mystery to me,—all confusion. How did you get hold of it anyway, Jack?"

"Through an old classmate—you knew Albert Kensington?"

"Albert Kensington! He religious?"

"Yes, and as fine a fellow as you'd wish to meet, and a staunch Christian. He helped me into the light. Built up my faith in the Bible as a divinely inspired Book. It's a wonderful book to study, Fred."

"Yes. I can imagine it's very interesting and fascinating if one can understand it. But you know—this puzzles me, Jack—some say Christ lived before He was born here upon earth, and others say His first existence was in the manger of Bethlehem. I'd like to know what you think about it, and why Christ had to die for sinners."

"Well, first of all," began Mr. Nicholson, "there is a Supreme Ruler, or Governor, Fred. There can be no government without law. The laws of a monarchy express the character of the monarch. God being perfect, His law expressing His character must be perfect. Any violation of that perfect law calls for the death of the transgressor. Heaven and other inhabited spheres are real places, the inhabitants are real intelligences—as real as you and I. They have real pursuits and happiness, and there is peace and harmony. This harmony cannot be marred by the existence of sin and sinners.

"The Bible says, 'God is love.' That means, of course, that love is one of the

strongest attributes of His character. God's love for His Son was so great that He bestowed upon Him all power and wisdom. We read that God possessed His Son 'in the beginning of His way, before His works of old.' [Proverbs 8: 22.] Speaking of Himself through His inspired servant Solomon, Christ continues: I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was,' and in the 30th verse: 'I was by Him, as one brought up with Him: and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him.' We all know the much quoted and loved verse. John 3: 16: 'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' He 'so loved that He gave.' One must first possess in order to give. Ephesians 3:9 says: God 'created all things by Jesus Christ.' Colossians 1:15 says the Son is the image of His Father, and verse 16 says: 'By Him [Christ] were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible: . . . all things were created by Him, and for Him.'



"Christ, having been endowed with creative power, brought into existence the angels of heaven. The brightest and fairest of these wonderful beings was named Lucifer. Perfect in beauty and of superior intelligence, he became uplifted through pride and caused discord and rebellion in the hearts of many of his angel companions. This we read in Ezekiel 28:17. Lucifer's name was changed to Satan, the devil. He is also called the dragon. Christ is sometimes called Michael. In Revelation 12:7-10 we read about the war that was in heaven between Christ and the good angels and the devil and the angels he enticed to follow him; and we find that they were cast out to this earth. Those wicked transgressors of God's law could have been obliterated from the universe right there at the time of that war, but remember, Fred, Lucifer had been a leader, a being of brilliant mind. His companions had loved him. Sin, rebellion had never been known. It was a strange thing to all the inhabitants of heaven and other worlds. Satan called God's law unjust and declared that he could give a better government to all his followers. Would the intelligences of the universe have been satisfied had the rebels been wiped out of existence right then?-No. God who reads the future knew that the thing could never be settled that way. Since Satan had promised a better government, he must be allowed to demonstrate to the watching universe his inability to do so.

"This planet was new-born. God had said to His Son: 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.' Adam opened his eyes for the first time to look into the eyes of his loving Creator. Then Eve was created as a companion for Adam. Satan and his followers came to this newly created sphere to get control, if possible, and set up Satan's form of government. Our first parents fell under his temptations. Adam thereby sold his dominion to Satan, who for six thousand years has been demonstrating the evil of his nature and intentions.

"When Adam transgressed, the sentence of death was pronounced upon him. But let us go back a little, Fred. When God planned the creation of man, He purposed to create beings who would be free moral agents, so there was a possibility of sin entering the human heart, and marring the plan. Christ proposed that should man sin, He would pay the debt—would become as man, would live a sinless life,—would die in the sinner's place. So all who believe in Him and accept Him as their substitute will not have to die the eternal death, but live the life everlasting.

"Through this plan Christ was 'the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.' That is a wondrous love Christ has for the creatures of His hand. Rather than letting them perish, He offered His life as a ransom for the race.

"The great controversy between good and evil of six thousand years duration is nearly finished. It grows fiercer and stronger at the end. But soon right will triumph and sin be forever blotted out. Then the whole universe will see that God is right. They will see His justice and love and adore Him, and peace and harmony will be forever restored. The righteous—those who have been victorious over sin—will live supremely happy lives throughout eternity. Have I made it plain, Fred?" inquired Mr. Nicholson.

"Well, you have certainly given me something new to think about. And the surprising thing about it is that it looks reasonable. You know, I have heard so many people find fault with God and with the Bible that I had nearly concluded that all these people could not be wrong—that the Bible and Christianity and Christianity's God were all the unreasonable creations of unreasonable minds. Now I must think again, if I can continue to call myself intellectually honest." And his friend Nicholson could see that he meant every word he said.

#### Conquering Disease by Diet

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enervation, and a cure must include vitalizing of the whole body and a return to a

## SOCIAL QUESTIONS ANSWERED

By Arthur W. Spalding -

#### **Cure for Tantrums**

What is the cure for tantrums in a child? We have a little son, three years old, whom we fear to cross, lest he fall into a tantrum. If I try to stop him, he grows worse, screaming and kicking. His father tried spanking him, and once or twice he spanked so long and hard that I grew hysterical too, and Bobbie became like a little demon. And he was sick for days afterward. But it didn't cure him, and he doesn't care for his father. But he ought not to grow up like that, ought he? A Mother.

No, Mother, he ought not. You have here a first-class set of conditions for making an antisocial member of the human family out of your little Bobbie. It's not easy to diagnose nor to prescribe on such a meager written description. But one or two things are evident. Bobbie inherits from his mother a somewhat unstable emotional nature, and from his father a very stubborn will. The one might be improved and the other turned to good account, if the right treatment can be given.

First, minimize conflict. Don't give him too much supervision. It is possible that you are oversolicitous about his welfare and his deeds. He needs a good letting alone. Don't make an issue of small matters; provide natural safeguards, then give him his head. A little dirt will come off in the bath, and slight bumps, if ignored, will teach him something of what he has to meet in life. Certainly don't fuss over him, nor with him.

Second, have him checked over by a

physician, a competent child specialist. Probably his diet needs adjustment, probably he needs more fresh air and outdoor exercise. Probably he is not getting enough rest and sound sleep. Physical conditions vitally affect mental.

Third, teach him things to do. Here is probably the rub. If you are not a teacher, you will have to learn how to teach; you need a course in child culture. Fitting methods to his temperament, he can be led to become so active in construction sandpile, water, plastic clay, constructive toys but not too many-that his attention will be taken more largely outside himself. Particularly does gardening offer possibilities, if no more than a window-box or a cotton roll afloat on a glass of water, if you learn how. Observation of nature—birds. flowers, rocks, stars, snow, sun and shadows -open a marvelous world that may be soothing and healing to an irritated ego. Don't crowd, but keep up with interest and development.

Fourth, discipline will be best if it is natural rather than artificial, and on necessary occasion deprivative rather than punitive. Blows or scoldings are only drumsticks on a tympanum. Isolation, firm but kind, may be indicated when passion gets the better of him. But discipline will be successful only if well considered and then unyielding. One surrender on the part of parents loses them a year of success. This, too, is difficult for parents of your temperaments, and you probably need other treatment to improve your health and your self-control. But it's the way.

more vital way of eating and living. One part of a tired body will never get better until the whole body is rebuilt to a more vital condition, and kept there by the use of live, whole foods in compatible relation. Bulkage, moreover, is almost as essential in foodstuffs as are those elements that can be digested and assimilated. Vegetables and fruits have a heavy structure of cellulose which is wholly indigestible fiber, the bulk of natural food, and it is of great value to eat these vegetable foods for the reason that they give us the chemical ingredients of which the body stands in constant need. A few recipes of value in the treatment of constipation follow.

1. Bran Crispies.—Dissolve one third cup of sorghum or brown sugar and one level teaspoon of salt in one half pint of boiling water, and pour this over one quart of raw bran in a large bowl. Mix thoroughly, and see that ingredients are well blended by

rubbing between the finger tips. Then place in a shallow baking pan, only about one half inch deep and bake in a medium slow oven, stirring it often, so that it will dry out gradually, and with only a slight tinge of brown color. As the fire goes down, it may be allowed to remain in the oven for an hour longer to get thoroughly crisp. Then remove and place in a carton to be used as needed. Serve with breakfast and supper meals, with cream or with fruit, or with both.

2. Psyllium Seed.—Place two heaping teaspoons psyllium seed in a glass, with one slightly rounded teaspoon of strained honey or brown sugar. Pour over this half a glass of boiling water and stir briskly for a moment. Let stand for twenty minutes or longer, stirring occasionally, then serve plain or with cream, preferably at breakfast or supper or at both meals.

3. Laxative Prunes.—Wash half a pound of dried prunes in several waters, then drain

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4. Agar-agar (gelatin).—This is a form of cellulose that is soluble in boiling water, and it manifests such an avidity for water that when present in the bowel, the contents cannot become dry, and it is nonirritating. Sprinkle a level teaspoon of powdered agar over stewed fruit, or dissolve it in fruit juice, or in soup, or add it to any cereal served with cream; or use for making gelatin dessert in the usual way, slightly sweetened.

5. Raw Vsgetables.—Lettuce, grated raw carrot or turnip, celery, cabbage, cucumbers, radishes, spinach, and the like, remain but a very short time in the stomach and pass through the system largely as bulk and thus they carry bulk and moisture to the large bowel. This class of food will furnish the essential bulkage and laxative properties for the noon meal. When there is gastritis, or inflammation in the intestinal tract, begin with the more bland, non-irritating laxative foods, and arrange the diet to lead gradually up to a normal

The world is slow to learn the unquestionable fact that disease is largely the end product of violated law, and that the only way to retrieve the lost possession is over the road marked out by divine fiat, -accepting the prescribed formulas found in nature's own foods, which work in harmony with the laws that govern the living machine.



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#### A Tainted Ancestry

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the acknowledged offspring of the Catholic Church."—Editorial, September 23, 1893.

Eusebius, bishop and biographer of Constantine, A. D. 330.—"All things, whatsoever, that it was duty to do on the Sabbath, these we have transferred to the Lord's day [Sunday]."—Cox's "Sabbath Laws," Vol. 1, p. 361.

Doctrinal Catechism. - "Ques. - Have you any other way of proving that the church has power to institute festivals of

"Ans.--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, a change for which there is no Scriptural authority." -Page 174.

A volume more of similar evidence could be presented, but this will suffice. Bible prophecy, history, and Protestant and Catholic testimony are all in complete accord. Under the leadership of Roman bishops and so-called Christian emperors, the change from Saturday to Sunday was gradually effected.

Throughout the Roman Empire Jews were held in contempt; hence the Christians sought to be clearly distinguished from the Jews, and to appear as little like them as possible. Also in their endeavor to conciliate their heathen neighbors and win them to Christianity, it was easy to compromise. Hence, little by little the seventhday Sabbath was displaced by the more popular pagan Sunday.

This brings us to the tainted ancestry of first-day observance which originated in a remote antiquity thousands of years before the advent of Christ. Sunday, according to Webster, is "so called because this day was anciently devoted to the sun, or to its worship." "That very day," declares the North British Review, "was the Sunday of their heathen neighbors

and respective countrymen; and patriotism gladly united with expediency in making it at once their Lord's day and their Sabbath."—Vol. 18, p. 409.

These are the indisputable facts concerning the origin of Sunday observance. And to those who revere the Bible as the word of God they constitute, not "a beautiful background," but a sad and sorry picture in compromise and apostasy. Truly this is not a mere question of days, but a vital issue involving obedience to God and confidence in His inspired Book.

Ancient Jerusalem was destroyed because its people profaned the Sabbath of the Lord. (Jeremiah 17: 20, 27; 2 Chronicles 36: 14-21.) Likewise it is written: "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination." Proverbs 28: 9. But to those who honor God's commands and reverence His Sab-

bath, the promise reads: "Even unto them will I give in Mine house and within My walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off." Isaiah 56:5.

#### A Better World

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in that which I create." Isaiah 65: 17, 18. Should not every sincere soul pray daily, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven"? And shall we not all surrender our lives to the Master Builder that He may create within us structures that will endure the test of these uncertain times, and insure us places in that soon-coming kingdom where all the pure and holy desires of the human heart will come to glad fruition?

#### SCRIPTURE PROBLEMS SOLVED .

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

Send questions to the editor.

#### Seven Churches: Place of the Dead

1. What is the denomination of the Seven Churches "which are in Asia"? 2. Do people go to heaven when they die, or do they await the coming of the Lord? 3. Is there a waiting place for the souls of the dead? One great Protestant denomination teaches that they go to paradise. H. H.

1. The seven churches to which you allude are mentioned in the first three chapters of Revelation. They prophetically cover the history of the Christian church from the days of Christ to the close of time. Each church mentioned represents a distinct phase of the church upon earth, which has remained true to God through the centuries. Since God mentions no specific denominational name, we do not. For a better understanding of this question I would advise you to read, "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation," by Uriah Smith. You can obtain it either at your city library or from the Southern Publishing Association, Nashville, Tennessee.

2. People do not go to heaven when they die. Said the patriarch Job: "If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come." Job 14:14. Job 17:13 says: "If I wait, the grave is mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness." Concerning David, who is taken as an example of Christ, Acts 2: 29 says: "He is both dead and buried, and his sepulcher is with us unto this day." Acts 13: 36 asserts: "For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption." Acts 2:34 answers the question definitely: "David is not ascended into the heavens." Concerning David's personal hope in this matter you may read Psalm 17: 15: "I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness." From these texts you will see that the dead await a future time of reward. The New Testament tells us as much. Hebrews 11: 39, 40 says: "And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect." They are waiting "that they might obtain a better resurrection" (Hebrews 11: 35), which is the literal raising of their mortal bodies (Isaiah 26: 19).

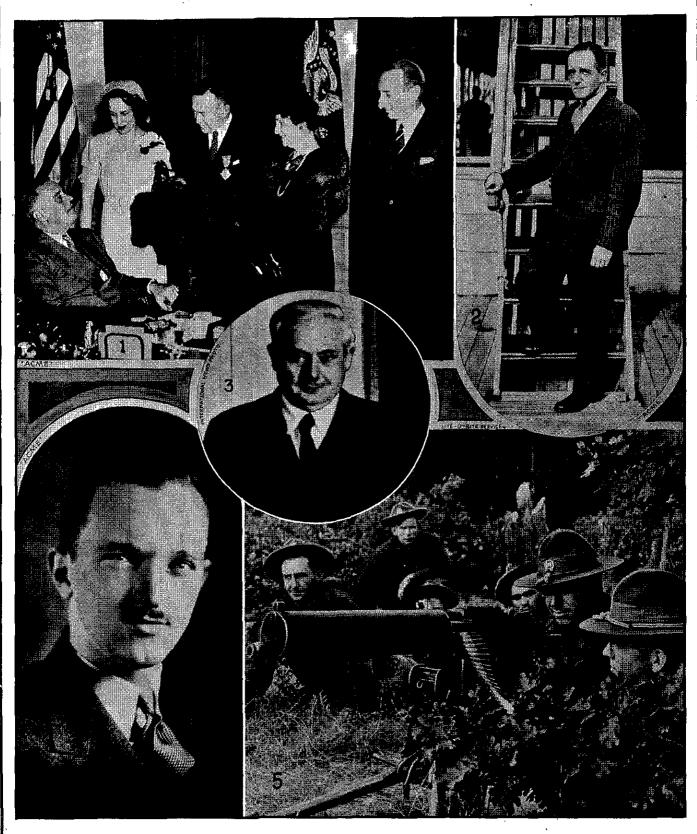
One of the Apostle Paul's desires was to "know Him, and the power of His resurrection." (Philippians 3: 10.) 1 Thessalonians 4: 14-18 tells us that the resurrection will take place at the second coming of Christ, while 1 Corinthians 15: 51-57 shows us the manner of the resurrection and the change of our mortal bodies.

3. Your last question is answered by Job 17:13, which we have already quoted: "If I wait, the grave is mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness." This place cannot be paradise, for paradise is the habitation of God. (Revelation 2:7.) Paul mentions it as the "third heaven." (2 Corinthians 12: 1-4.) Even Christ did not go to paradise when He died on the cross, for on the morning of His resurrection, when speaking to Mary, He assured her that He had not yet ascended to His Father, to God. (John 20: 17.) Surely no dead sinner would be permitted to go where Christ did not go at death, and the saint would not desire to. The period of death to the saint of God and to the sinner is but a moment of dreamless sleep. (Acts 7:60.)





### · NEWS · PICTURES ·



1. Left to right: President Roosevelt; Mrs. and Mr. Lincoln Ellsworth; Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross, director of the mint where the medal was made; and Bernon Prentice, brother-in-law of Ellsworth, are pictured in the White Houses, where President Roosevelt presented to Ellsworth the gold medal awarded by Cangress far his Antarctic flights in November and December, 1935, on which he established claim to 350,000 square miles of territary for the United States. 2. Admiral Holt, commanding the British Yangtze River fleet, who was wounded in a Japanese air

attack at Wuhu. His gunboat, "Bee," rescued the survivors of the four bombed American ships, taking six Japanese officers with them as a guaranty of good faith. 3. Avel Yenukidze, co-founder of the Bolshevik movement, recently executed in Stalin's political purge. He had been instrumental in Stalin's rise to power. 4. Hardey W. Barclay, editor of a New York trade magazine, who refused to testify before the N. L. R. B., elaiming the freedom of the press. 5. American war maneuvers, ahowing a machine gun crew.