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Out of 16,000 children, healthy, husky, Phyllis Imbernane, aged 5, and Bobby Zavatarro, aged 5, were named Child Health Day Queen and King, respectively.

OUR COVER—On the cover of this issue of The Watchman Magazine we present a modern farmerette. The month of August is one of the busiest of the year for the farmers, and more so in this time of national crisis. Many thousands of women have turned their hands to gardening and farming to help solve our country's food problem.

AMERICAN FARMERS—In a statement issued by President Roosevelt on January 12 of this year, he said: "Although 60% of the world's population are farm people, only two per cent are American farmers."

THE FIRST SHOT—It is claimed that the first shot fired in World War II was from the German training ship "Schleswig-Holstein," which was lying off Danzig. The target was a munitions dump at Westerplatte.

NEW AILMENT—A new venereal disease—lymphogranuloma venereum—which has attracted the attention of medical science for the past two years, now is known to have spread throughout the world and threatens to rival with syphilis and gonorrhea in prevalence. "It is so contagious," says Newsweek (March 8, 1943), "that it has been contracted by children sleeping with their parents and has even infected laboratory workers who accidentally breathed in some of the microbes." It is most common in seaports and among prostitutes.

PAPER SHORTAGE—"In 1941 the Norwegian Bible Society circulated 90,000 copies [of the Bible]; in 1942 they were entirely cut off from paper supply. In Germany the normal issues were several hundred thousand copies a year; in 1943 printing of the Bible is reported to have been prohibited. The printing that can be done in Switzerland is restricted to a few tens of thousands of copies."—"Bible Society Record," March, 1943.

NEW INVENTION—The encephalophone is a brain-probing machine based on principles similar to those of a submarine detector. Recently





invented by Drs. R. Furth (mathematical physicist) and E. A. Bevers (physiologist), this device sings in such a manner as to tell the examining physician where the seat of the trouble is.

DEVASTATING—In his new book, "Education for Freedom," President Robert Maynard Hutchins of the University of Chicago declares: "At the root of the present troubles of the world we must find a pervasive materialism, a devastating desire for material goods. . . We know now that mechanical and technical progress is not identical with civilization. We must conclude, in fact, that our faith that technology will take the place of justice has been naive."

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IN A LETTER which appeared some time ago in a Turkish newspaper, and which was broadcast in English over the Turkish radio, the writer objects to the idea that the allied nations are fighting for a universal "Christian brotherhood," or as the archbishop of Canterbury would put it, in defense of a "Christian civilization."

He points out that the Turks are not Christians but Mohammedans, and that a purely Christian social and

economic order could make no appeal to them.

Neither would such an order find favor with Russia, one of the great allies of Britain and America, for that country is definitely and officially anti-Christian. But it by no means follows that Turkey and Russia would be against a scheme based on justice and fair dealing for all. Such a plan would have at least a chance with peoples of almost every nation, whatever their religion.

As the writer of the letter points out, when Sir Samuel Hoare calls for a world revival of "Christian brotherhood," the Turks object, "not because we happen to belong to another religion but because we wanted stress laid on the common bond of humanity instead of an issue being raised

which might create division and dissent."

No one can study the history of the ancient nations, as recorded in Holy Scripture, without being forced to the conclusion that the Creator of all had a deep and tender interest in the welfare of each, though He did for a time show a particular but conditional regard for the Jewish people. And since the character of God never changes, the same must be as true as ever today.

It should be remembered that most, if not all, of the great nations of today can be traced through Holy Scripture to their origin. The beginnings of all of them were made with a knowledge of the will of God for mankind. That knowledge, no doubt distorted and corrupted through the ages, has been handed down from generation to generation until now. Hence we find that principles of ordinary justice are more or less recognized all over the world. Possibly, therefore, all great peoples might be educated along the lines of "a common bond of humanity," by which nations, at least for a time, could be brought together on a co-operative basis for the general good of all.

The same writer says quite reasonably: "We certainly had no intention to commit suicide because of our friendship and sympathy with England, but we were interested in the ethical-side of the struggle of which Great Britain was the standard bearer. We considered its success the sole possibility of maintaining independence and security, without which we could not conceive the possibility of an honest existence."

To suggest, therefore, that after the war a purely Christian civilization should be built up, amounts to nothing less than the formation of a religious tyranny over the non-Christian peoples of the world, which would be, of course, wholly unchristian.

Besides, on what brand of Christianity could such an order be built? Roman Catholic? Anglican? Protestant? Baptist? Presbyterian? or the Plymouth Brethren type? As a matter of fact, if it came to a serious attempt to create a "Christian civilization," the most powerful ecclesiastical organization would dominate. It means that free men and women would be brought again under the galling yoke of

THE PERIL OF A "CHRISTIAN" CIVILIZATION"

The Problem of Political Ecclesiasticism in the Post-War World

By Herman F. De 'Ath

London Correspondent

papal intolerance, since the Roman Church is the most powerful ecclesiastical organization in the world. Being both a temporal and a spiritual power, with its diplomatic representatives in nearly every nation, the Vatican is peculiarly fitted for the coveted role of religious dictator. And there are not wanting signs that she is contemplating such a development.

No, nations cannot conceivably be brought together. except on a basis approved by them all. That basis, as the Turkish writer suggests, must be nothing more than "the common bond of humanity." Although this bond is basically moral, it is outside the pale of organized religion. This is the only practicable plan by which a temporary co-operative world of nations might be secured.

It is not to be expected that Cæsar will learn his place and keep it, if the church attempts to usurp the functions of the state. The main business of the church is to "preach the gospel to every creature," not to build up a new world-wide religio-political, social and economic order. That Christian men, will, in their own separate spheres, encourage and influence nations along the line of "an honest existence," is of course inevitable. But the church as such should confine itself to its own purely spiritual sphere, and not seek to unite with the state to establish a religious control over those who. having high political principles and ideals, do not claim to be Christians.

In their zeal to establish higher standards of national. social, and economic life, let the would be ecclesiastical reformers beware of throwing mankind into the arms of a religious tyranny which denies all freedom of conscience.

Life's Problem Solved

To add to the joy of another, To subtract a thorn from his path, Will multiply blessings around you, And divide your burdens by half.



Our popular newspapers and magazines tell us what is happening, but only the Book of books can tell us what lies ahead for our world.

other passed in history. Historians must be frantically endeavoring to keep abreast of today's events. The air is filled with voices, commotion, and noises. The face of the world is changing. The ends of the earth are being pulled together as though with the drawstrings of a huge pouch.

Voices cry out, "We must be sure this time that when this world war ends there will never be another." We hope that there never will be another, and we do not dare to be pessimistic. But, "history is galloping; night is coming on."

Sir Samuel Hoare has said: "Europe must be a Joseph's coat of many colors." That is a good description of the old world. Will the colors fade? Will they run together and become one huge red blot upon the map of the world?

Sometime ago while I was visiting the island of Jamaica, another minister and I approached a businessman in an endeavor to obtain much needed funds for missionary operations. He was a staunch Britisher with property in the "old country," and he was upset at the turn of events which placed his possessions in jeopardy. Very emphatically he said, "Gentlemen, I am not going to give you anything this year. I scarcely know whether to believe in God any more or not. Look at what is being done to England and to other

sections of the world. Why doesn't God stop this destruction?"

He was full of fear, for it was at the time when the invasion of the British Isles was anticipated by the whole world. I said to him in reply: "I do not believe that England will fall to the invaders. God's word holds out positive hope to the contrary. Prophecy cannot be broken."

For a moment he looked at me, and then he replied, "If the British Isles are not invaded and England stands, come back

istory Is Galloping,

What Do World Happenings Mean?

and I will increase my offering manyfold." England was not invaded. The British Isles still live under the Union Jack. I am not a prophet, but I am a believer in divine prophecy.

Read the words written by a statesman prophet of 2,500 years ago as he summed up his review of world empires, fore-telling the division of the Roman Empire into its ten parts: "And whereas thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men; but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron doth not mingle with clay. And in the days of those kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall the sovereignty thereof be left to another people; but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever." Daniel 2:43, 44, American Revised Version.

It is impossible for any one nation to bring together the European fragments of the old Roman Empire and cause them to adhere. The days of a "one-piece" Europe are gone forever. Europe is still "a Joseph's coat of many colors," and will remain so until the One shall come whose right it is to establish a worldwide kingdom.

Galloping history should teach Christians that we are driving swiftly toward the end of this world's history. The fires of today are illuminating the shades of night which are slowly but surely settling down upon us. When the shadows are once more lifted, it will be upon a new world, one recreated by the hand of Him who in the beginning said, "Let there be light." Genesis 1:3.

A Christian writer has left these words on record for the candid thinker: "In the history of the nations the student of God's word may behold the literal fulfillment of divine prophecy, Babylon, shattered and broken at the last, passed away because in prosperity its rulers had regarded themselves as independent of God, and had ascribed the glory of their kingdom to human achievement. The Medo-Persian realm was visited by the wrath of Heaven because in it God's law had been trampled underfoot. The fear of the Lord had found no place in the hearts of the vast majority of the people. Wickedness, blasphemy, and corruption prevailed. The kingdoms that followed were even more base and corrupt; and these sank lower and still lower in the scale of moral worth.

"The power exercised by every ruler on the earth is

Heaven-imparted; and upon his use of the power thus bestowed, his success depends. To each the word of the divine Watcher is, 'I girded thee, though thou hast not known Me.' Isaiah 45:5. And to each the words spoken to Nebuchadnezzar of old are the lesson of life: 'Break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by showing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity.' Daniel 4:27.

"To understand these things,-to understand that

light Is Coming On!"

By Wesley Amundsen, Havana Correspondent

'righteousness exalteth a nation' (Proverbs 14: 34); that 'the throne is established by righteousness' (Proverbs 16: 12), and 'upholden by mercy' (Proverbs 20: 28); to recognize the outworking of these principles in the manifestation of His power who 'removeth kings, and setteth up kings' (Daniel 2: 21),—this is to understand the philosophy of history.

"In the word of God only is this clearly set forth. Here it is shown that the strength of nations, as of individuals, is not found in the opportunities or facilities that appear to make them invincible; it is not found in their boasted greatness. It is measured by the fidelity with which they fulfill God's purpose."—E. G. White, "Prophets and Kings," pp. 501, 502.

This statement sets before us clearly the place of earthly rulers upon the world stage. No man can stand up against God's word. We have but to study the experience of Belshazzar. He had inherited the Babylonian throne left by Nebuchadnezzar, "the terrible of the nations." Ezekiel 30: 10, 11. It was a powerful kingdom, for it had conquered the entire world. But in the flush of greatness, and in his failure to remember God, King Belshazzar sat down to make as much of his power as he could. Pride and arrogancy rose to the ascendency. Recklessly he "made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand." Daniel 5:1. It was a time of mirth and wickedness. Gathered at that banquet were the world's greatest and most honored statesmen, scientists, princes, and men of genius and education. Beautiful women mingled with the crowd; wine and other intoxicating drinks flowed freely. Reason became dethroned, and Belshazzar called for the sacred vessels which had been taken from the temple at Jerusalem, and they drank to the glory of the heathen gods.

While this orgy was in process, history recorded another event—the overthrow of the world's mightiest empire. On the wall of the palace, before the eyes of that intoxicated assembly, a hand, bloodless but steady, began to write upon the wall. With terror in their hearts the guests ceased their revelry. What is that handwriting? Whose hand is it? What does it mean? What impending event does it portend?

The hand continued to write, and the words blazed forth from the wall as though penned in letters of fire. The knees of the king "smote one against another." Verse 6. He tried to read the words blazoned upon the wall. He called for the wise men of his kingdom, but they too were unable to inter-

pret the meaning of those words of doom. At last Daniel, the beloved prophet of God, was summoned. Yes, he could interpret those words, for he lived close to the One who had written them. "MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. PERES; Thy kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians." Verses 26-28.

That was history galloping. The indictment of an empire, the sentence passed upon it, and its passing off the stage of action, were all inscribed upon the wall before the greatest men of earth. They were prophetic words and in a few hours that prediction was fulfilled, for the record states simply: "In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain. And Darius the Median took the kingdom." Verses 30, 31.

God still oversees the nations, even in the time of terrors and wars. "Every nation that has come upon the stage of action has been permitted to occupy its place on the earth, that the fact might be determined whether it would fulfill the purposes of the Watcher and the Holy One. Prophecy has traced the rise and progress of the world's great empires, —Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome. With each of these, as with the nations of less power, history has repeated itself. Each has had its period of test; each has failed, its glory faded, its power departed."—E. G. White, "Prophets and Kings," p. 535.

"History is galloping; night is coming on!" Yes, it is galloping to its close. The nations of earth now are all destined to pass away. There will be no world empire. No confederation of nations will be able to bring about permanent peace. "In the days of those kings [the nations of Europe] shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall the sovereignty thereof be left to another people." Daniel 2: 44, A. R. V.

"Night is coming on!" Yes, the darkness of the night of sin has settled heavily upon the earth. Spiritual darkness is blacking out purity, godliness, and righteousness. Men's hearts are becoming more wicked.

In the midst of this thick darkness, in the terrors of war and evil, the voice of God comes to us through His Son. "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Matthew 11: 28, 29.

That is His call to a world distraught and suffering. It is His call to rulers, statesmen, scientists, and men of every walk of life. It is His call to the men of the armed forces, and to all who bear the brunt of this global war. It is His call to the toiling workers in factories and mines, in cities, and on farms. He calls while "history is galloping" and "night is coming on."

Why not stop and listen? Why not kneel and pray? Why not accept His yoke and follow Him? Why not get ready now to participate in His kingdom of glory soon to be set up? Why not now?

"When religion is good, it will take care of itself; when it is not able to take care of itself, and God does not see fit to take care of it, so that it has to appeal to the civil power for support, it is evidence to my mind that its cause is a bad one."—Benjamin Franklin, in a letter to Dr. Price.

SCUTTLING SOCIETY

A Warning Against a Destructive Doctrine

By Ellen Gould White

Author of "The Great Controversy Between Christ and Satan"

O ERROR accepted by the Christian world strikes more boldly against the authority of Heaven, none is more directly opposed to the dictates of reason, none is more pernicious in its results, than the modern doctrine, so rapidly gaining ground, that God's law is no longer binding upon men. Every nation has its laws, which command respect and obedience; no government could exist without them; and can it be conceived that the Creator of the heavens and the earth has no law to govern the beings He has made? Suppose that prominent ministers were publicly to teach that the statutes which govern their land and protect the rights of its citizens were not obligatory,—that they restricted the liberties of the people, and therefore ought not to be obeyed; how long would such men be tolerated in the pulpit? But is it a graver offense to disregard the laws of states and nations than to trample upon those divine precepts which are the foundation of all government?

It would be far more consistent for nations to abolish their statutes, and permit the people to do as they please, than for the Ruler of the universe to annul His law, and leave the world without a standard to condemn the guilty or justify the obedient. Would we know the result of making void the law of God? The experiment has been tried. Terrible were the scenes enacted in France when atheism became the controlling power. It was then demonstrated to the world that to throw off the restraints which God has imposed is to accept the rule of the cruelest of tyrants. When the standard of righteousness is set aside, the way is open for the prince

of evil to establish his power in the

Wherever the divine precepts are rejected, sin ceases to appear sinful, or righteousness desirable. Those who refuse to submit to the government of God

Because they do not like the fourth commandment of the Decalogue, popular clergymen infuse in the minds of the people the notion that Jesus Christ has set men free to disregard the prohibitions set forth in God's holy law. But God's law is as immutable as His character. are wholly unfitted to govern themselves. Through their pernicious teachings, the spirit of insubordination is implanted in the hearts of children and youth, who are naturally impatient of control; and a lawless, licentious state of society results. While scoffing at the credulity of those who obey the requirements of God, the multitudes eagerly accept the delusions of Satan. They give the rein to lust, and practice the sins which have called down judgments upon the heathen.



Already lawlessness, dissipation, and corruption are sweeping in upon us like an overwhelming tide because men are taught to reject moral law.

Those who teach the people to regard lightly the commandments of God, sow disobedience, to reap disobedience. Let the restraint imposed by the divine law be wholly cast aside, and human laws would soon be disregarded. Because God forbids dishonest practices, coveting, lying, and defrauding, men are ready to trample upon His statutes as a hindrance to their worldly prosperity; but the results of banishing these precepts would be such as they do not anticipate. If the law were not binding, why should any fear to transgress? Property would no longer be safe. Men would obtain their neighbors' possessions by violence; and the strongest would become richest. Life itself would not be respected. The marriage vow would no longer stand as a sacred bulwark to protect the family. He who had the power, would, if he desired, take his neighbor's wife by violence. The fifth commandment would be set aside with the fourth. Children would not shrink from taking the life of their parents, if by so doing they could obtain the desire of their corrupt hearts. The civilized world would become a horde of robbers and assassins; and peace, rest, and happiness would be banished from the earth.

Already the doctrine that men are released from obedience to God's requirements has weakened the force of moral obligation, and opened the flood-gates of iniquity upon the



world. Lawlessness, dissipation, and corruption are sweeping in upon us like an overwhelming tide. In the family, Satan is at work. His banner waves, even in professedly Christian households. There is envy, evil surmising, hypocrisy, estrangement, emulation, strife, betrayal of sacred trusts, indulgence of lust. The whole system of religious principles and doctrines, which should form the foundation and framework of social life, seems to be a tottering mass, ready to fall to ruin. The vilest of criminals, when thrown into prison for their offenses, are often made the recipients of gifts and attentions, as if they had attained an enviable distinction. Great publicity is given to their character and crimes. The press publishes the revolting details of vice, thus initiating others into the practice of fraud, robbery, and murder; and Satan exults in the success of his hellish schemes. The infatuation of vice, the wanton taking of life, the terrible increase of intemperance and iniquity of every order and

degree, should arouse all who fear Go, be done to stay the tide of evil.

It is not enough to discern the wisdom and God's law, to see that it is founded upon the eternal principle of love. Paul the apostle saw all this when he exclaimed, "I consent unto the law that it is good." Romans 7: 16. But he added, in the bitterness of his soul-anguish and despair, "I am carnal, sold under sin." Verse 14. He longed for the purity, the righteousness, to which in himself he was powerless to attain, and cried out, "O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from this body of death?" Verse 24, margin. Such is the cry that has gone up from burdened hearts in all lands and in all ages. To all, there is but one answer, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." John 1: 29.—Mrs. E. G. White, in "Steps to Christ," p. 19.

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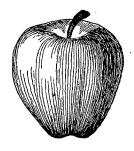
IN FAMILIAR conversation and popular literature reference is often made to "Eve and the apple." It is commonly supposed that the forbidden fruit of which our first parents partook in Eden was from an apple tree. Nevertheless, nobody seems to think that the tabooed tree of Paradise was the original stock from which sprang the family of pomaceæ which supplies us with the Delicious, the Jonathan, the Winesap, and the other varieties of apples which adorn our fruit markets today.

We do not know who it was that first declared that the forbidden tree of Eden was an apple tree. The notion is hoary with age, and became popular long before our day.

In this connection, we recall that there is a part of our anatomy that is termed "Adam's apple." It is the projection formed by the thyroid cartilage in the front of the neck. "Webster's New International Dictionary" (2nd edition) says it is "explained by legend that the forbidden fruit stuck in Adam's throat."—Page 29, col. 1.

This silly legend belongs to the garbage can of superstitions and foolish beliefs which have no foundation whatever in the Sacred Scriptures and the true Christian teachings.

In the Holy Scriptures the forbidden tree is spoken of as "the tree of knowledge of good and evil." Genesis 2:9, 17. It was located "in the midst of the garden." Genesis 3:3. It bore fruit that was savory, and in appearance it was "pleasant to the eyes." Verse 6. That is about all that we know about the physical features of this tree. We have no reason to suppose that the fruit of the forbidden tree was poisonous. Adam lived 930 years after he ate of that fruit. (Genesis 5:5.) It would be vanity to speculate about the physical properties and nature of it.



There is not the slightest reason for supposing that it was an apple tree. When man's access to the Edenic Paradise was cut off by the angels of God (Genesis 3: 22-24), he probably never ate again of the fruit of that species of tree. There is no evidence in the word of God to show that the for bidden tree was propagated throughout the world before Paradise disappeared from the earth. But ever since that time men have cultivated apple trees and used the fruit of them for food. Undoubtedly

the apple tree was one of the kinds of trees which the Creator originally gave to provide us with food to eat. (Genesis 1:29.)

The forbidden tree was to serve as a test of man's loyalty to God. The Creator had given to Adam dominion over the whole earth (Genesis 1: 26, 28; Psalm 8: 6-8), and this lordship was to remain his as long as he himself acknowledged the claims of his Maker. This dominion over the earth was not absolute. One tree was reserved as a reminder to man that he was subject to the authority, the laws, and the sovereignty of the Creator of the earth. By obedience to the Lord's command regarding this tree, he showed his love, reverence, respect, and submission to the Owner of the universe. When Adam and Eve partook of the forbidden fruit, their act was manifest rebellion against God and open disregard of His law, His authority, and His sovereignty.

No; there is not in the Good Book the slightest indication that the forbidden fruit was of an apple tree.

Unselfishness underlies all true development. Through unselfish service we receive the highest culture of every faculty.—Mrs. E. G. White, in "Education," p. 16.

DABBLING IN SPIRITISM

A SIGNIFICANT report from Lisbon, Portugal, comes to us through Religious News Service, concerning the interest of European Roman Catholics in the study of spiritism. It says:

"A chair of spiritualism for the study of psychic phenomena will shortly be established at the Catholic Institute, Paris, France, it is reported here. The Institute, founded by the bishops of 33 dioceses, continues to function despite the German occupation. Enrollment at present numbers 3,200 students, of whom 60 are preparing for the priest-hood."

This is a very significant sign of the times to those who are diligent students of the sacred prophecies of the Holy Scriptures. Reports from everywhere indicate that interest in spiritism is growing, because so many millions have lost their loved ones in this horrible war. In this issue of THE WATCHMAN MAGAzine appears a special feature article entitled "\$10,-000 for a Ghost," which sets forth the facts con-

cerning spiritism. Is it a thing of the devil? Can we really communicate with the dead? Are the spirits demons? Are they souls of men and women whose corpses have been interred in our cemeteries? The article on pages 10 and 11 of this magazine gives the answer to these intriguing questions?

A NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY

ON MAY 15, 1943, air mail service celebrated its twenty-fifth birthday. Thus it was that on the morning of May 15, 1918, mail first took wings—while the United States and Great Britain were desperately struggling with Germany in World War No. 1!

Does it not seem strange that in this age of unparalleled progress in science and invention, the twenty-fifth anniversary of this excellent and speedy means of communication should find the American and British peoples fighting Germany in a global conflict—World

THE NEWS

By the Editor



Conference, recently held at Hot Springs, Virginia. They are: Murray D. Lincoln, Josephine Schain, Marvin Jones, Paul H. Appleby, W. L. Clayton, and Thomas Parran, M. D. Below is shown a recent picture of Vasilios Kalamdouyias, the 14-year-old nephew of Stamates Moraetes, the first Greek war hero to reach the United States. This photo was recently smuggled out of Greece and sent to Mr. Moraetes in New York City. The dark, sunken eyes stare from the head that appears too large for his emaciated body. This lad paused in his search for food-bits of food which he picks up from the streets and deposits in the tiny can he holds-long enough for the photographer to make a record of typical Greek youth today. Millions of people in Europe and Asia are starving. The food problem of the world is becoming every day a major one.

War No. 2? Is it not a sad fact that while science has been such a boon and a blessing to humanity in the marvelous development of the air mail service, it has been equally a scourge and a curse to mankind in the devising of implements of war.

So we have with us still the age-old

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paradox of man's ingenuity working with one hand to build up, while with the other it tears down. Thus the modern Israel of humanity wanders in the wilderness of its own sin and folly while only a short distance away lies the promised land of peace and plenty that would be theirs were they disposed to obey the law of God.

Yes, it was on the morning of May 15, 1918, that Lieutenant Torrey H. Webb, of the United States Army Signal Corps, took off in his plane from Belmont Park, New York City, for Washington, D. C., at the same time that Lieutenant George L. Boyle took to the air from Potomac Park, Washington, D. C., for New York—both carrying mail.

Mr. Alan R. Hawley, the speaker at Belmont Park when the first mail plane was about to leave, made an astonishing prediction and told his hearers that this occasion was the "forerunner of a network of airlines that will cover the entire world and will be a dominant factor in the reconstruction that will follow the war." Last year the airlines of the United States alone carried a total of 463,000,000 separate pieces of mail.

About 2,500 years before Mr. Hawley spoke, an ancient seer inspired by the Spirit of God, was told to pen a remarkable forecast concerning "the time of the end," saying that "many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." Daniel 12: 4.

127 YEARS OF REMARKABLE LABOR

THE American Bible Society held its 127th annual meeting on May 13, 1943, and reported that in its long period of labor it had published and distributed over a third of a billion copies of the Holy Scriptures in more than 200 languages and in over 50 countries.

The report states that "the Society's presses were going constantly during 1942, turning out Testaments for the Army and Navy, similar to those being supplied by the Bible Society for the lifeboats and rafts of the Merchant

Marine, at the rate of 11,000 a day, with many requests from chaplains still unfilled."

As a result of its work for the Merchant Marine, "there is now included in the equipment of every one of the 20,000 lifeboats and rafts, on the hundreds of vessels operated under the War Shipping Administration, a copy of the New Testament, including also the Ten Commandments, some of the great Psalms, some old hymns and some prayers. This little book is enclosed in a stout waterproof envelope made of oiled paper and lined with lead foil and sealed with a hot iron."

In the United States alone the American, Bible Society manufactured more

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JEAN CROSSE HANSEN

Let warring nations find Thy peace, From all enslavement quick release; From peril, pestilence, and sword, From hate and fear, O save us, Lord:

than 8,200,000 volumes, which is the largest number ever produced in the Society's long history. Thus the word of God "liveth and abideth for ever." 1 Peter 1: 23.

WILLKIE AND MISSIONARIES

THE SPEECH of Wendell L. Willkie before the mass meeting of the 155th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. A., in Detroit, in June constitutes an excellent word in behalf of Christian missions. Mr. Willkie has traveled far and wide over the globe in the past two years, and has had ample opportunity to observe the results of the labors of Christian missionaries sent out from this country to work in behalf of the peoples of other lands.

In his 28-minute speech Mr. Willkie declared that on his recent trip around the world he saw at first hand a multitude of concrete instances which "convinced me of the value of foreign missions both to the lands they serve

and to the cause of good will for America."

He especially mentioned the colleges, schools, hospitals, and churches, and the good work they are doing. As reported by Religious News Service, Mr. Willkie said: "I asked people in every land whether they were not resentful that these foreigners should invade their country. The answer was universal enthusiasm for what American missionaries have done and for the lives they lead.

"The missionaries are not resented, but respected and admired. That is because they have contributed so much more than mere preachment. As individuals they have exercised qualities of leadership in tiny villages and remote spots throughout the world. Their kindliness is proverbial. They have brought with them a high standard of health, of cleanliness, and medical care. They brought also a standard of character that has helped to awaken in ageold, habit ridden communities a new sense of self-respect and well being.

"Furthermore, the missionaries have everywhere stimulated a desire for education—not mere dusty scholarship, but reading and writing, the arts and sciences, living knowledge that binds men together."

He mentioned particularly what Christian missionaries from this country have done for China and Turkey.

This reminds us of the speech made by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek earlier in the year, when he highly extolled the labor of Christian missionaries in that country, and assured the people of the United States that his land would ever welcome the missionaries of Christ to labor there in behalf of his people.

A recent issue of Life (June 7, 1943, pages 46-50) tells the part that a Seventh-day Adventist missionary from Minnesota-Mrs. Herbert Hansonis doing in behalf of the royal family of Ethiopia. Negus Haile Selassie and his Negusta (Empress) have made her their housekeeper, lady in waiting, and adviser on many things American. She spends about half a day in her duties in the royal palace, and the rest of her time is devoted to her own home and the missionary work she and her husband are doing for the Ethiopian children in the mission school in the outskirts of Addis Ababa.

IN ITS issue of April, 1941, the Scientific American announced the inauguration of a new investigation of spiritistic phenomena. At that time that magazine added \$5,000 to the standing award of \$10,000 which was instituted some years ago by the Universal Council for Psychic Research, hoping that the total of \$15,000 would be an incentive for mediums and others claiming psychic powers to co-operate. Mr. Joseph Dunninger, chairman of the Universal Council for Psychic Research, was designated as head of the investigating committee approved by the Scientific American. It was stipulated that the combined award would be available for two years from March 15, 1941, to any medium or other person who could produce any effect in spiritism or any supernatural manifestation which Mr.

Dunninger could not duplicate or explain through natural or scientific means.

In its issue of April, 1943, the Scientific American announced that its two-year investigation was closed, and that they "have been unable to establish any clear-cut, solid, basic authority for the supposed existence of what are commonly known as psychic phenomena." The magazine states that although it has withdrawn its \$5,000 award, "the \$10,000 offer of the Universal Council for Psychic Research still stands."

This announcement by the Scientific American ought not to lead anybody to suppose the results of the investigation it undertook conclusively prove that no such thing as genuine psychic phenomena exists. The Sacred Scriptures clearly predict that in the last days there will be such an extraordinary manifestation of psychic phenomena that it will be the wonder of the world at large. Jesus Himself predicted it and emphatically declared that last-day spiritistic marvels would be exceptionally delusive. "For there shall arise false christs, and false prophets,

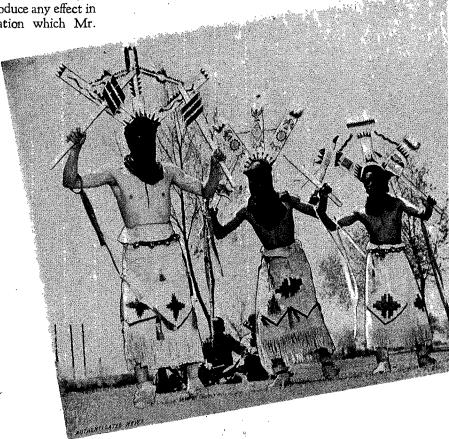
and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before." Matthew 24: 24, 25. He especially warned against belief in popular seances—spiritistic phenomena "in the secret chambers"—where secret communications with Christ are said to be had. "Believe it not," He declared. Verse 26.

The seer of Patmos, writing about last day happenings, spoke of a spiritistic power that "doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do." Revelation 13: 13, 14. Besides, he tears off the mask of this spiritistic power, and reveals its true nature, saying: "They are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth, and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty." Revelation 16: 14.

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The Truth About Spooks, in a Nutshell

By Robert Leo Odom



The belief in ghosts is an ancient one. Above is shown the graduating class of the Albuquerque Indian Service School in New Mexico, practicing the Apache Devil Dance, in accordance with tribal traditions.

Yes, devils work miracles too. For this reason one must be exceedingly careful not to believe everything his eyes behold in the way of religious wonders that claim to be of God. The apostle Paul speaks of "the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved." 2 Thessalonians 2: 9, 10.

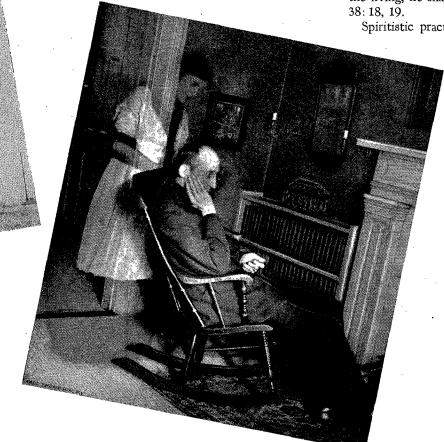
They will be "lying wonders," claiming to be of God when they are in fact of the devil. "And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." 2 Corinthians 11:14, 15. Spiritism is a diabolical phenomenon.

A GHOST!

Hence, the apostolic admonition should be heeded by every sincere seeker for the truth: "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world." 1 John 4:1. "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils." 1 Timothy 4:1.

The fundamental teaching of spiritism, also called "Spiritualism," is one of those "doctrines of devils" to which Paul alludes. It affirms that men do not really die but continue to live. They allege that death is merely a transition from this

This picture is said to represent the apparition of the man's wife in spirit form. The accompanying article tells the truth about ghosts.



world into another realm as immortal spirits. Spiritualism is founded on the primeval lie by which the devil seduced our first parents in Eden. God had said of the forbidden tree: "In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." Genesis 2: 17. Satan insinuated that God had lied and that His word was false. The adversary said: "Ye shall not surely die." Genesis 3: 4. Thus he taught a doctrine diametrically opposed to the word of the Lord.

It is still a personal question for each individual to decide

whether he will believe the word of God or confide in the lying assertion of the devil's spiritism.

John has told us to "try the spirits whether they be of God." 1 John 4:1. How may we do that? Here is God's suggestion: "And when they shall say unto you, seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8: 19, 20.

What does God say about this? He says that "the dead know not anything, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion forever in anything that is done under the sun." Ecclesiastes 9:5, 6. "The dead praise not the Lord, neither any that go down into silence." Psalm 115:17. King Hezekiah said, as he prayed to the Lord: "The grave cannot praise Thee, death cannot celebrate Thee; they that go down into the pit cannot hope for Thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise Thee, as I do this day." Isaiah 38:18, 19.

Spiritistic practices were strictly forbidden by God in

olden times. He decreed: "There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord." Deuteronomy 18: 10-12. God is "the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." Hebrews 13:8. He says: "I am the Lord, I change not." Malachi 3:6. He does not brand a practice sinful today, and call it righteous tomorrow.

Note that God esteems as an abomination both "a consulter with familiar spirits" and "a necromancer." What is necromancy? It is "the art of, or a device for, revealing the future by pretended communication with spirits of the dead," according to "Webster's New International Dictionary" (second edition), p. 1635, col. 3.

Saul, king of Israel, went to a spiritist medium one night, expressly disobeying the command of the Lord, to ask her to put him in communication

with the prophet Samuel, who had died and been buried in Ramah some time before. (1 Samuel 28: 3-8.) A ghost appeared which pretended to be that of the dead seer. (Verses 9-25.) That visit to the witch of Endor resulted in the ruin of King Saul, for God forsook him and permitted his enemies to destroy him not long thereafter. "So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the Lord, even

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World and a personal Saviour. To others He is only a good man, who lived an exemplary life, and whose teachings were at the time revolutionary. But just who Christ is to every man is an important matter. It is, in fact, vital.

If it is believed that Christ was only a good man, as thousands of other good men who have lived, who went about helping the sick and doing good, and whose code of ethics and morals was superior to any other the world has ever known, then Christ does not become to that person a Saviour. It is generally believed that George Washington was a good man, and that his life and his work have profoundly affected the lives of millions of people for good, but no one believes in him to save his soul for eternity. It is necessary not only to believe about Christ, but to believe in Him. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His onlybegotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3: 16.

Jesus Christ was either more than a mere man; He was even the Son of God as He claimed to be, or He was the greatest fraud the world has ever known, and He propagated the most widespread and lasting deceptions the world has ever experienced. What evidence may be given to show that Jesus was more than human? It is our purpose in the following paragraphs to submit this evidence.

Practically every detail of Christ's birth, life, and death was foretold by the prophets centuries before He was born. David, inspired of God, wrote in his Psalms: "I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee." Psalm 2: 7. Matthew, speaking on this point, says: "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with Us." Matthew 1: 21-23.

God is the family name of the Deity. This family is composed of three members, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. They are God the Father, God the Son (Jesus Christ), and God the Holy Ghost. While we have here three distinct and separate members of the Divine Family, yet they are all one in purpose and all bear the name GOD. Therefore, Isaiah prophesied that when Jesus should be born, His name should be called Emmanuel; and this, when interpreted, is, "God with us." He was God the Son in the likeness of human form.

At the time of Jesus' baptism, the Father declared that He was His Son. "And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: and lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3: 16, 17. By conferring upon Him the Spirit with power, and by public declaration did the Father acknowledge Jesus Christ as His Son. Later on in Christ's

Jesus of Nazareth presented Himself before the world as the Saviour of men. He made promises that only a divine being can fulfill. Every soul must settle for himself whether of not Jesus was indeed the Son of God. The accompanying article is designed to help you make that decision.

ministry, at the time of the transfiguration, the Father declared from heaven that Jesus is His Son.

We call to witness one of the twelve disciples, Simon Peter: "When Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some say that Thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and

WHO IS CHRIST?

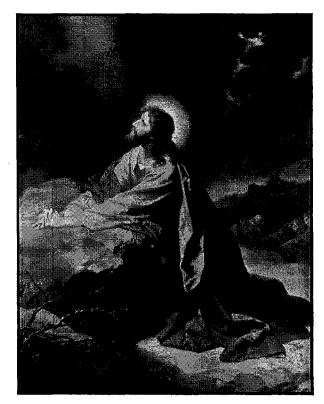
Is He God? Man? or Both Divine and Human?

By Dallas Youngs

blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but My Father which is in heaven." Matthew 16: 13-17.

In response to the direct question as to whom he believed Jesus to be, Peter replied, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." But no man had conveyed this truth to Peter. It was of divine origin. God the Father had spoken through the apostle, declaring the sonship of Jesus.

We now call the devils to testify as to whom Jesus is:



"And when He was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with Thee, Jesus, Thou Son of God? Art Thou come hither to torment us before the time?" Matthew 8: 28, 29.

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The devils possessing these two unfortunate men recognized Jesus to be the Son of God. We would expect them to know Him, for before they were cast out of heaven He had been their Commander. And it was Michael (or Christ) who had cast out of heaven these same fallen angels when they had joined Satan in his rebellion against the government of God. "And there was war in heaven: Michael and His angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." Revelation 12: 7-9.

We shall ask Jesus Himself to bear witness: "And the high priest answered and said unto Him, I adjure Thee by the living God, that Thou tell us whether Thou be the Christ, the Son of God. Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy." Matthew 26: 63-65.

Jesus was condemned to death by the Jews because He claimed to be the Son of God. At numerous times they would have accepted Him as their temporal ruler, and would have set Him upon a throne as King of the Jews, but when He claimed to be the Son of God, equal with God, they accused Him of blasphemy and declared Him worthy of death. And they crucified Him—God's only begotten Son.

The testimony of Mark is, "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." Mark 1:1. The angel told Mary that she would give birth to the Son of God: "And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." Luke 1:35.

Jesus existed with the Father from the beginning, "But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman." Galatians 4: 4. Jesus laid aside His heavenly glory, and took upon Himself our human form. God was His Father, and Mary His mother. He is now both divine and human. This is a mystery. Jesus refers to Himself as often as "the Son of man" as He does "the Son of God."

Nathanael adds his testimony to that of the others: "Nathanael answered and saith unto Him, Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel." John 1:49. The Samaritans, when they had seen and heard Jesus, believed Him to be the Saviour: "And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard Him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world." John 4:42.

Martha, whose brother Lazarus Jesus raised from the dead, believed Jesus to be divine: "She saith unto Him, Yea, (Continued on page 15)

A CHARIOT RIDE

By George B. Starr

IT IS recorded in 2 Kings 2:11 that "there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, . . . and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven." This was an angelic conveyance, for "the chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels." Psalm 68:17.

Elijah was a type of those who shall be translated to heaven when Jesus comes. The righteous living at the time of His second advent will be taken up bodily to heaven without seeing death. "The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thessalonians 4: 17.

A well-known writer on religious subjects makes the following observation: "Elijah was a type of the saints who will be living on the earth at the time of the second advent of Christ, and who will be 'changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump,' without tasting of death."—E. G. White, "Prophets and Kings," page 227.

The angels of God will gather the righteous together when the Lord appears to redeem His people, for "He shall send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other." Matthew 24:31. He is coming again, "and all the holy angels with Him." Matthew 25:31. It will be "an innumerable company of angels." Hebrews 12:22. John saw in vision the angelic host and wrote that "the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands." Revelation 5:11.

At Christ's second appearing, His people will be "caught up" by the angels "to meet the Lord in the air," for "then shall He send His angels, and shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven." Mark 13: 27.

These living chariots will accompany Jesus on His return to this earth, for the very purpose of safely transporting all His believing children to heaven and the city of God. Those angelic beings will transport us with greater safety than do modern airplanes. They will not become grounded on the way. The pilots are veterans in long-distance flying. Inspired by love and joy, they will bear the redeemed saints to a better land.

Those who believe the word of God should prepare for this ride in a celestial chariot. Such a preparation is an exhibition of genuine faith. I have requested passage in one. I have sent in my request in the name of the Lord Jesus, in the firm hope that a place will be reserved for me. Till then, let us keep our eyes looking heavenward until Jesus comes.

Doing is the greatest thing. For if resolutely people do what is right, in time they will come to like doing it.—Ruskin.

SOMETHING NEW for DINNER

A Meat Substitute That Is Tasty and Wholesome

By Anna Mc Gavran

ID YOU have soybeans for dinner today? They're those little Chinese vegetables that look like lima beans and taste like nuts, you know. Something new, and very nutritious, they say.

Soy beans are newcomers on our menus, but can be bought ready-prepared as a beverage, cereal, baked goods, meat substitute, or as toasted or raw butter. They are especially recommended baked in a casserole and served with tomato sauce.

The little brown beans from the Orient have an interesting story. They are very, very old—they were hoary with age when the pyramids were being built. They had been the principal food of the poorer classes of China for twelve centuries before the great king, Solomon built his temple. In fact, Oriental literature has no record of the origin of the soybean. In a book written by Emperor Sening long before the birth of Christ, we find the soybean listed among other plants of China.

The Chinese had an excellent use for the beans—they ate them. They were the staff of life for them. The soybean has been called the Cow of China because it furnished a complete diet, a diet lacking in neither proteins nor vitamins. The bean was not used as a cooked or raw vegetable, however, but for making cheese, bread, and meat substitutes. From the standpoint of uses and values it has been for centuries the most important legume in China.

People living outside of the Oriental countries did not show much interest in the soybean for centuries. But all that has changed now, as you will see from the following:

In 1712, a German botanist, Engelbert Kaempfer, introduced this bean into Europe, but nobody was interested in it. The first botanist to make a really scientific study of the leguminous plant was Linnæus. By the turn of the 19th century it had been carried to many countries in different parts of the world—Italy, France, Southern Russia, Hawaii, Egypt, South Africa, and a few countries in South America.

The United States saw its first soybeans in 1804, and then it happened by accident. A Yankee clipper ship was ready to start for home, and the captain found that he didn't have enough food for the return trip. So he ordered several bags of these magical beans put on board his ship. Once home again, he didn't do anything to promote the cultivation of these beans and they remained just another botanical curiosity.

Shortly before 1900 the Department of Agriculture began to study the soybean, and one member of the department, William J. Morse, spent thirty-four years in bringing this little bean into prominence in this country.

Its rise to popularity has been spectacular. In 1929 we grew nine million bushels in this country; in 1939—ten years later—the total crop reached the height of ninety-one million

bushels. It's now our fourth ranking cash grain crop, and we grow as much as Manchuria does. It is really a miracle bean—it does all the things that are claimed for it. The plant itself makes excellent fodder for animals, it is a won-

derful soil-enriching crop, and it brings nitrogen to the soil. Forty per cent of it is protein, highly digestible, and another twenty per cent is fat. Most of the vitamins are found in it, and it contains a fine balance of the minerals necessary for human nutrition.

So we welcome the soybean to a place on our menus!

It is a simple matter to prepare green soybeans, and they make a most palatable and nutritious dish. They should be boiled rapidly for several minutes, then steamed or boiled in slightly salted water until done—it takes about as long as for fresh green peas. When tender, add a little melted butter. You will have a delicious dish of beans with a nutty flavor.

A scalloped dish may be prepared by mixing tomato or white sauce with the cooked beans, covering the top with buttered bread crumbs, and baking in a moderate oven until the beans are heated through and the crumbs are brown. Cold cooked green beans may be used in making a jello vegetable salad. For something different, cook the green soybeans in the pods and eat them with the fingers, after dipping them in melted butter.

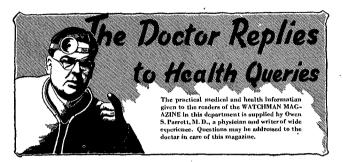
If dry soybeans are used, they should be soaked overnight, and it takes a longer time to cook them. A pressure cooker gives the best and quickest results, although a kettle may be used if enough time is allowed, about two hours. But with a pressure cooker at 15 pounds pressure, the cooking time is only from fifteen to thirty minutes, depending on the variety of bean being used. A zestful sandwich filling may be made by pressing the cooked soybeans through a coarse sieve or grinding them in a food grinder, then mixing with chopped onion and salad dressing or milk to make it easy to spread.



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Are the family fond of salted nuts? Try this scheme and see if they can guess what it is—wash and soak dry soybeans overnight, then drain, and spread them out at room temperature until the surface is dry. Fry a few at a time in deep fat, at 350 F. for eight to ten minutes. Drain on absorbent paper and sprinkle with salt while still warm.

From testing it has been found that some varieties of soybeans are better for human consumption than others. Some of the desirable varieties are: Agate, Hahto, Easycook, Rokusun, Funk Delicious, Kura, Aoda, Bansei, Shiro, Hokkaido, and Chusei.



Is the injection treatment of varicose veins satisfactory?

Yes, the injection treatment of varicose veins is very satisfactory. In fact it is usually the best treatment and has the added advantage of enabling the patient to keep at work without loss of time. Many solutions have been used but sodium morrhuate has proved to be very satisfactory, while some other solutions are less sure of a good result.

What is the best treatment for hemorrhoids?

No one treatment is best for every type of case. External hemorrhoids that protrude badly are usually best treated surgically by their removal; or if one or two small ones are present, enclosing blue blood clots, they may be lanced under a local anesthetic and their blood clots shelled out. For internal, or bleeding, hemorrhoids injection with a solution of quinine urea hydrochloride repeated at weekly intervals will usually give very satisfactory results. Certainly one should not put up with this troublesome condition when the results of both medical and surgical treatment applicable to every case will prove so permanently satisfactory.

Has breast feeding any great advantage over the feeding of artificial formulas to an infant?

There is no feeding method that is better for a baby than the maternal breast, provided the mother is in good health and is not drinking alcoholic beverages or smoking tobacco, and provided that she is also feeding herself on an adequate diet high in minerals and vitamins. The breast milk is no better than the diet of the mother. Perhaps we often feed our cows better than ourselves, in which case the cow's milk might be the better baby food, and cows seem to know better than to drink or smoke. Mother's milk contains seven per cent of milk sugar, which is a natural antagonist of intestinal putrefaction, which explains why breast-fed babies are less prone to suffer from summer complaint, or diarrhea. Cow's milk has four times as much calcium in it as mother's milk, for the little calf grows four times as fast as a human baby, the latter doubling its weight in six months against six weeks

for the little calf. Thus nature provides for the fourfold rapid growth of the bones of the calf, illustrating how nature supplies food adapted to the needs of each baby animal.

Can anything be done to prevent broken veins occurring in the thighs and legs?

There is evidence to show that lack of vitamin C in the diet tends to increase the fragility of the capillaries and probably the lining of the blood vessels of larger caliber. Thus both varicose veins and broken veins might be inhibited in a measure by the free use of fruits and juices, raw cabbage, and even potatoes which have a fairly good supply of vitamin C. Vigorous exercise such as walking makes for improved circulation, whereas standing a great deal tends to retard the circulation. A standing policeman often suffers from varicose veins and circulatory disturbances in the legs, but the walking postman seldom does. Both heart and other circulatory troubles are less apt to occur in those who while advancing in years practice walking a great deal. Our autos are too convenient for our health.

Who Is Christ?

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Lord: I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world." John 11:27. The Ethiopian eunuch, before his baptism, declared his belief, saying, "I believe that Jesus Christ IS the Son of God." Acts 8:37.

The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews adds his testimony to that of the others, "For unto which of the angels said He at any time, Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee? And again, I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son?" Hebrews 1:5.

We see from John's first epistle that one's relationship to God and God's relationship to him is profoundly affected by his personal belief as to the nature of God's Son, Jesus Christ. "Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God." 1 John 4:15.

Why is recognition of the divinity of Christ such a vital matter to the salvation of the sinner? It is because sinful humanity (all have sinned, Romans 3: 23) cannot save man. If such were the case, then every man might become his own saviour. But God says of His Son: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4: 12. The law of God had been broken, which is a transcript of His character and as great as God Himself, and therefore only one equal with God could redeem man from the condemnation of the law which he had transgressed. There was only one in all the universe that could do this, and that one was Jesus Christ, for He only was equal with God.

And so Jesus came to this earth and was born of a woman, and He lived, died, was buried, rose again the third day, and ascended to heaven, in all this following a divinely prearranged plan. All this was done that the sinner might have the hope of eternal life by accepting Jesus Christ as his Saviour. There is no other plan—no other provision—for man's salvation. We beseech, therefore, dear reader, that you give Christ His rightful and proper place in your life.

HINESE proverbs are numbered by the thousands, and from their treasury of wisdom we may appropriate many real gems, while a few apt sayings become a part of our life, once we have heard them. Over and over again, when some difficult problem arises, or when pain attacks the body, or sorrow the soul, the words of an ancient Oriental philosopher come to us:

"This, too, shall pass!" There is a beyond to the heartache and toil and pain, a time and a place when there shall be no more the din of battle and the sound of a mother weeping for her children "because they are not." There is to be a cessation of strife, an end to evil, and a glad tomorrow when only that which is good, and pure, and happy and pleasing shall remain.

"This, too, shall pass!" These words are comforting. Yet there is a message which comes even closer to us in times of trouble! Men and women need a present help, a power that acts now, a living, vital, potent force that transcends the difficulties and perplexities of this present



"THIS, TOO, SHALL PASS!"

Cheer and Comfort for the Sorrowing and Perplexed

Nothing is more comforting to a sorrowing heart than the precious promises of God as found in the Holy Scriptures. They lift one above the trials and ills of the present life, and give grace and courage to fight manfully the battle of life.

By May Cole Kuhn

life, and puts strength and courage into the human heart. It is not enough to know that misfortune shall pass. Human beings need an active, understanding Presence to guide and aid them through the waters of affliction. God Himself is that Presence, that great, loving, omnipotent Personal Being, who comes to us and watches over us in hours of darkness and distress, and who will not forsake those who trust Him.

His great heart of love yearns over the human family, and the Father Himself walks with each one of His troubled children. He promises:

"When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. Since thou wast precious in My sight, thou hast been honorable, and I have loved thee: therefore, will I give men for thee, and people for thy life."

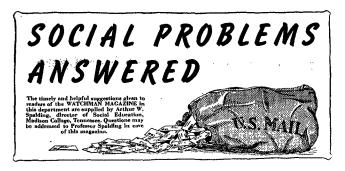
We have heard it all so often that it seems like a beautiful tale—the story of a star over a stable in Bethlehem, where a little child lay in a manger; the narrative of the wise men who came to worship the child. Our hearts have thrilled as in imagination we walked the hills again with those shepherds who heard the angel choir of heaven burst into song. We know the story of His life of ministry, His sacrifice, His

death, and His resurrection. A beautiful, wonderful history it is, and we love the rehearsal of it all. It has been precious melody to our ears; but we never knew the height and depth, the richness and reality, of fellowship with the Christ who made that story, until we fell into some perplexity, trouble, illness, pain, or sorrow from which no human hand could extricate us. Then the Son of God came and walked with us through the shadows and we learned to know Him as a mighty Friend, a precious Saviour. He took our hand in His and went with us into the dark valley and brought us again into the light.

Trouble, sorrow, pain—these too shall pass; but as we experience the bitterness, the defeat, and the disappointments that come, Christ stands by and gently, lovingly taking us in His arms He carries us close to His heart until the trial is past. He cares for His own while these hard experiences are going on. With His help,

"The night shall be filled with music
And the cares, that infest the day,
Shall fold their tents, like the Arabs,
And as silently steal away."

Enthusiasm for what is good and great is the noblest condition the heart can know—a disposition in which it would be well if it could continually abide.



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In a crowded car, would it be all right for a girl to sit on a boy's lap, if it were necessary?

Yes. But it is never necessary.

What is your opinion of a girl's marrying a man of foreign birth, yet of a respectable family?

Why, Isabel, you surprise me! Is it possible for a man to be "a furriner" and yet respectable? I thought all respectable persons lived in Podunk and went to Sleepy Hollow Sunday school. And just what is a foreigner? With some friends at Niagara Falls, I once crossed the international bridge into Canada. A kind policeman volunteered to expound to us the beauties of the Canadian Falls. "Observe," he said, "that the water just below the lip of the precipice is greener than that above. Do you know why?" We tried to see that it was so, but confessed that we did not know the reason. "Because," he explained sweetly, "it's just come over." Perhaps that's what it takes to be a foreigner.

To Squanto, William Bradford and Miles Standish and Priscilla Mullen et al., were foreigners, and pretty ignorant ones; they didn't know succotash. On the ground of priority, I might snub all the Mayflower aristocracy; because my ancestors arrived at Jamestown one year and seven months before Plymouth Rock felt the pressure of an English foot. Up in our Southern mountains, orthodox natives regard all born outside their lovely highlands as "outlanders" and "furriners." Walk two miles, or 20, and you are in a foreign land.

Just what, Isabel, do you think makes us count "foreigner" synonymous with "inferior"? Insularity, my dear; and if you don't know what that means, I will tell you. It means being wrapped up like a mummy. Because a lady wears a jewel in her nose instead of in her ear, because a gentleman says "sibboleth" when you call for "shibboleth," because a child knows no better than to start singing "God Save the King" when the band strikes up "America," they are foreigners. Well, did you ever think what we are to them for doing the opposite things?

But as for marrying the man, Isabel, unless and until you take off your wooden shoes and gather to yourself wings, I advise you to pass him up in favor of the boy next door.

At what time of day do we begin to say, "Good evening"?

Down here in the South, at 12:01 p. m. It's a very logical custom, too, and a mellifluous phrase. If we can say, "Good morning" from rising time to noon, surely we can say, "Good evening" from the time the sun leaves the meridian until we go to bed. That awkward "Good afternoon" has the stiff

articulation of a walking stick; and the ill-mannered "Hello" which the young generation hurl like hand grenades at foe and friend alike, is enough to blast any society. "Good evening" is gracious, euphonious, and correct. When God made the world, "The evening and the morning were the first day." Just two halves, with no interposition of a "Good afternoon;" and, since rudeness had not been introduced with sin, there was no "Hello."

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against the word of the Lord, which he kept not, and also for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to enquire of it." 1 Chronicles 10: 13.

When a man dies, "in that very day his thoughts perish." Psalm 146: 4. A dead man does not come back to visit his friends and relatives." "As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more. He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more." Job 7: 9, 10.

"As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and dryeth up: so man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep." Job 14: 11, 12. "If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come. Thou shalt call, and I will answer Thee: Thou wilt have a desire to the work of Thine hands." Verses 14. 15.

Job knew that his only hope of living again depended on the return of Jesus and the resurrection of the dead. "For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another." Job 19: 25-27.

The Lord will come the second time and then will raise the dead from their graves. Until His return the dead remain in the unconscious sleep of death. Christ Himself compares death to a sleep. (John 11:11-14, 17, 39, 41-44; Luke 8:52, 53.) When Christ shall come back, then the dead shall be raised. (1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17.) He says: "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation." John 5:28, 29.

"The class of worshipers who follow the example of Cain includes by far the greater portion of the world; for nearly every false religion is based on the same principle,—that man can depend upon his own efforts for salvation. It is claimed by some that the human race is in need, not of redemption, but of development,—that it can refine, elevate, and regenerate itself. As Cain thought to secure the divine favor by an offering that lacked the blood of a sacrifice, so do these expect to exalt humanity to the divine standard, independent of the atonement. The history of Cain shows what must be the result. It shows what man will become apart from Christ."—Ellen Gould White, "Patriarchs and Prophets," page 73.

ECENTLY I spent golden days with one who has been a friend for many years. One morning as I picked up the receiver to answer a phone call, I noticed a framed motto above the little table. "The meeting place of friends is in the heart. Duty so soon tires. Love goes all the way," it read. How like Elizabeth to have it, and I have pondered over it ever since.

Just what is it in the heart that makes it the "meeting place of friends"? The answer is found in the significant words of the apostle Paul, who said: "None of us liveth to himself." Romans 14: 7.

We do not truly live when we live alone. We are a part of humanity all about us, and to grow rich in those heart qualities of courtesy, of consideration for others, of appreciation of their values, we must mingle with our kind. Character, compounded of love and large-hearted interest in those about us, will draw people as the sun turns the flower faces to itself.

An author of many books who was sought constantly by friends and strangers alike, expressed the thought in these words: "The value of courtesy is too little appreciated. Many of life's sweetest and most helpful experiences are, often for mere want of thought, sacrificed by the uncourteous."

Appreciation that comes from the heart is a magnet that draws and holds. Appreciation of another's viewpoint, of his worth and attainments, when given sincerely, sings in the memory long after the giver has forgotten it.

It is easy to say pleasant things about others, if it is the outpouring of a heart generous and forgiving. Any one can

find defects and flaws. Only a large-souled character is forgiving, for it is the expression in everyday life of understanding love and goodwill. "Be ye kind, . . . tender hearted, forgiving one another," is a rule penned in the Good Book. Ephesians 4: 32.

There is that in each of us which responds to kindness, and to an unselfish, sunny nature. "The secret of being loved is in being lovely, and the secret of being lovely is in being unselfish."

The great philanthropist, George W. Childs, once said, "Think of others before thinking of yourself, and you will have friends enough, and of the best. What is the happiness of our life made up of? Little courtesies; little kindnesses; pleasant words; genial smiles; a friendly letter; good

Life is given us that we may share it with others. Once shared it is twice

THE MEETING PLACE OF FRIENDS

By Inez Brasier

wishes and good deeds. If we make the apparently trifling events of life beautiful and good, then our whole existence will be full of harmony and sweetness." The most beautiful music of the world is kind words.

I read not long ago of one of the finest tributes ever paid to another. When friends dropped in to see her, as they so often did, "it was like talking to themselves when they unburdened to her everything that was on their minds." They were their best selves then, "striving to be as great as their reflections" of them in her heart. The meeting place of friends is in the heart!

Rules for Happiness

- 1. Commit to memory a beautiful thought every day.
- 2. Look at something beautiful every day.
- 3. Do something for some one every day.

 (Don't skip a day.) —Alice Freeman Palmer.





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Please explain 1 Peter 4: 6. J. E. J.

The text does not say that the gospel was preached to men who were dead at the time of the preaching, but that it was preached "to them that are dead." For example, the gospel was preached to my dead grandfather, but it was done while he was yet alive and before he died. Thus the gospel message was preached to the antediluvians (2 Peter 2:5), to Abraham (Galatians 3:8), to the early Israelites (Hebrews 4:2), and to very many other people who are now dead.

It is absurd to suppose that God has the gospel message preached to people after they die and while they are dead. The Lord plainly declares that "the dead know not anything" (Ecclesiastes 9: 5, 6, 10), and that when a person dies, "in that very day his thoughts perish" (Psalm 146: 3, 4). "The dead praise not the Lord, neither any that go down into silence." Psalm 115: 17. Thus Hezekiah declared: "For the grave cannot praise Thee, death cannot celebrate Thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for Thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise Thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known Thy truth." Isaiah 38: 18, 19.

If the Flood destroyed all the living substance on the earth, how could the dove, when sent out from the ark by Noah, bring back a green olive leaf? K. W.

In Genesis 7: 23 it is said that men, beasts, reptiles, and fowls were destroyed from the earth, and that only Noah, his family, and the creatures preserved with him in the ark, were spared. The Sacred Record does not affirm that all vegetation was completely destroyed.

God planned that the vegetation of the earth would be restored, in order that man, beast, and fowl, might live upon it after the Flood. Noah was instructed to take into the ark quantities of all kinds of food for himself, his family, and the creatures that were with him in the ark. Included in this foodstuff there must have been a considerable amount of seeds and roots, some of which might serve for planting after the Flood. (See Genesis 6: 21.)

In the case of the green olive leaf mentioned in Genesis 8:11, this would indicate that God had preserved some of the earth's vegetable life by a miracle of His providence. One writer comments thus: "God by His miraculous power preserved a few of the different kinds of trees and shrubs alive for future generations. Soon after the Flood, trees and plants seemed to spring out of the very rocks. In God's providence

seeds were scattered and driven into the crevices of the rocks, and there securely hid for the future use of man."
—E. G. White, "The Spirit of Prophecy," Vol. 1, pp. 79, 80 (Battle Creek, Mich., 1870). In the case of some plants, buried stocks of them could have sprouted and grown up after the waters had subsided.

In Genesis 9: 20 we read that "Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard." With what did he begin farming? Either he must have preserved seeds or plants for this purpose, or God must have preserved them by His providence.

It was on the 17th day of the seventh month that the ark rested upon the mountains of Ararat. (Genesis 8: 4.) On the first day of the 10th month the tops of the mountains were seen. (Verse 5.) Forty days later the waters were dried up. (Verses 6, 7.) It was many days after that when the dove was sent out and returned with the olive leaf. (Verses 8-11.) Thus there was ample time for vegetation to sprout and bud.

Do Seventh-day Adventists have a commentary on the book of Ezekiel? J. L.

No. Seventh-day Adventists have not as yet published a commentary on the book of Ezekiel. Commentaries on it have been published by writers of other denominations. There are portions of Ezekiel's prophecies that no commentary gives light upon. Parts of the book of Ezekiel are difficult to understand. Other portions are clear and easily understood. It is generally believed that the prophecies beginning with the 40th chapter of Ezekiel are a prediction of what would have been the experience of the people of Israel after the close of the Babylonian Captivity if they had returned to Palestine and fully obeyed the Lord.

One reason why the closing chapters of Ezekiel cannot have a literal fulfillment in the world to come, is seen in what they say about the offering of sacrifices in connection with the temple described there. There will be no sacrifices offered in the world to come, because Christ's death brought an end to the offering of sacrifices, for they prefigured His death as the Lamb of God. (Acts 6: 14, margin.)

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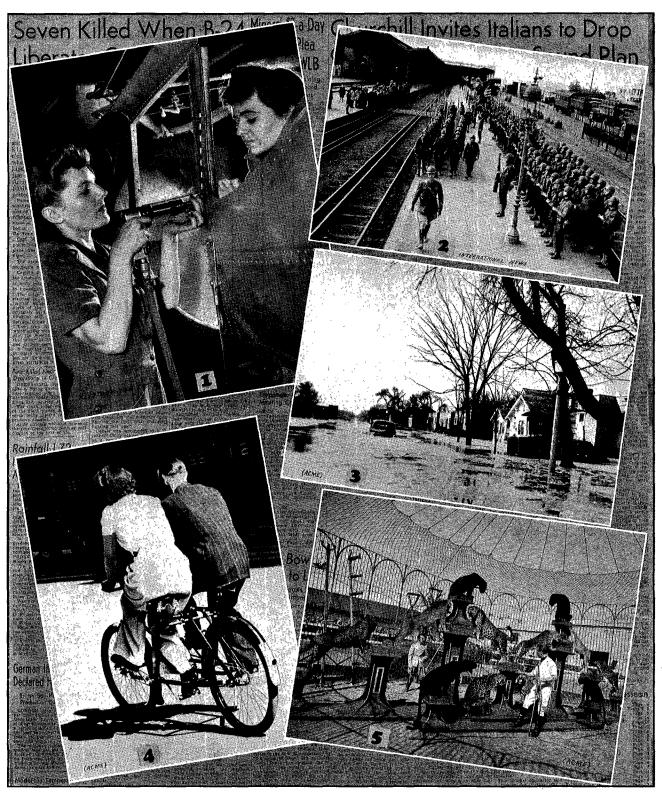
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THE NEWS IN PICTURES



l—Millions of women today occupy important posts in the industrial and manufacturing plants of the country, doing work here-tofore regarded as exclusively of the type for men. These women are huilding planes for the nation's fighting forces. 2—With colors flying, American troops stand at "Present Arms" in salute as vanguard of the French troops marches past a railroad station in North Africa. 3—Recent floods have caused many deaths, and much property damage. This scene shows Mandan, North Dakota,

flooded by the swollen river. 4—This new type of tandem hicycle was invented by Mr. Liljefors, of Gothehurg, Sweden, who is shown with his wife during the trial run in the streets of New York City. This is one way of solving the transportation problem. 5—Frank Court's mixed group of wild animals, trained for exhibition in the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey's circus, has entertained millions of Americans this summer, causing them to forget for a while the serious husiness of war.