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Wide World Photo

WORLD-WIDE FAMINE to strike in the 1970's — so declares Dr. Raymond Ewell, famous economist. Read the facts in this issue's lead article.

What our READERS SAY

Not Afraid to Speak Up!

"Heard your program on the radio and was quite interested in it. I like honest people that are not afraid to speak up for what they believe in. Aren't you afraid that you will be hanged like Jesus for telling the truth?"

Woman from Vernon, British Columbia

• *Only if God allows it.*

"Of all the messages being brought about Christ and the Bible, yours seems to hit me the hardest. There have been times when I just quit listening. But I would leave the radio on just a little too long or tune in just a little too soon and, wham! You would come driving home the message. There were times I would turn you off only to turn you back on again. Your message is like a hammer pounding an anvil and now I have become the steel between the hammer and the anvil. I have already started to study with you twice daily, with my Bible open and pencil and paper in hand. I would like to have every booklet you and your father have ever printed, and above all I want your Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course."

Robert L. B., California

An Atheist Speaks

"I am a hardened atheist and a militant Communist; I have always fought religion because it seemed so pointless. I would often talk to my neighbor, sometimes all night, and one day I began to blaspheme God, even asking Him to make me ill if He existed. Then one morning, I was sick! I am now suffering from ills of all sorts and my doctor does not know what is wrong with me. I wish you could straighten out my life for me. This letter comes from an atheist—but one

who is willing to be convinced."

Atheist, St. Gétail Mont-Mesely,
France

Real Poverty!

"I am very much pleasure to inform you this few words. I am a boy of a poor family, my father is dead and my mother too. No body feeds me even. It is hard for me to earn sixpence a day. But I want to succeed, so I beg you to give me a free book to read." Alfred A. M., Ghana, West Africa

"I have been a keen reader of the magazine since December 1963 and every evening in our "study hour" in the class I used to spend 15 to 20 minutes reading it. Now the result of reading this magazine is that it has made me come nearer to Christ than before. I have been telling my fellow students about the second coming of Christ. . . . they have not yet [obtained the money to buy] the stamps to ask for themselves. May you kindly publish this letter."

R.G.L.K., Kalabo, Northern Rhodesia

Never Too Young to Learn!

"I am ten years old and I want to know if I am old enough to have the Correspondence Course. I am in the 4th grade. I want this opportunity very much. I listen to your broadcasting program every chance I get. I wish to be taught more of God's Word."

Lee H., Wisconsin

• *Yes, you're old enough!*

"Please send me *The PLAIN TRUTH*. I am a boy 9 years old. My neighbor lets me read it and I want to read them myself. They make sense."

Bennie B., Kentucky

True Education—and It's Free!

"I live in a rather rural Mexican
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Personal from the Editor

WHAT ABOUT PATRIOTISM? Is it right, or wrong? A young lady has just asked me that question. She had just recently returned from Ambassador College in England, where she had studied for the past two college years.

"I am an American," she said. "I love this country. Is that wrong? Yet while I was in England I felt I ought not express any feeling of love for my own country. I was afraid it might stir up nationalistic prejudice. Of course, I love England, too, after having lived there for two years."

This young lady wanted to know just how God considers patriotism. Some people seem to think that patriotism is a form of idolatry—and therefore a sin. She was a little confused.

"WHY should it be wrong to have a feeling of love for my own country?" she asked.

"It *isn't!*" I replied.

Wrong to love your own country? Of course not! Didn't Jesus teach that we should love even our enemies? LOVE isn't wrong!

But why, then, do some seem to think patriotism is idolatry?

The answer lies in asking another question: Just *what do you mean*—PATRIOTISM? Here was a young lady who had an attitude of LOVE for the United States of America. It is her native land. She *ought* to love it! She said she also loved England. Her kind of patriotism is RIGHT—it is GOOD—it is completely in line with the basic LAW OF GOD!

But there is a different *kind* of patriotism which, indeed, *is* wrong in the sight of God.

Let me explain it so ALL can really UNDERSTAND! How do we *know* what is right, and what is wrong? What is the Biblical definition of sin? It is found in I John 2:4: "Sin is the transgression of the LAW." It is referring, of course, to the Law of God.

This is a spiritual law (Rom. 7:14). That law is fulfilled (performed) by LOVE. That law is summed up by the two Great Commandments—LOVE toward God, and LOVE toward humans: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor *as thyself.*"

The Law does not allow us to love ourselves as much as GOD. It says one must love God with *all* his heart, soul, and might. To fail is SIN. Surely ALL have sinned! But the Law allows us to love our own selves *as much as* human neighbor. And to love your neighbor *as much as yourself* is about as much as you are capable of loving your neighbor—isn't it?

A year or more ago, in this column, I went to some length defining SELF. There is, first, your *individual* self. That includes your own body and mind. You love *yourself* just about as much as you are capable of loving. But then, there is also your *extended* self. This includes your clothes. Then it enlarges a little further, to include your own family, your home, your car, your possessions. You call them *yours*. They become a part of YOU. Then the extended self expands to include those in your club, your church, your group, your lodge, or even your political party. It expands, still further, to include YOUR COUNTRY.

Now self-love is natural. But to love your *enemy* is NOT natural. When Jesus said we should love even our enemies, the reporter, Matthew, who reported His statement (Matthew 5:43-48), wrote originally in the Greek language. And for the word translated "love" in our English language, Matthew wrote the Greek word "agape"—which actually means the *divine* love which we do not have naturally—but which GOD may impart by the gift of His Holy Spirit.

We are not born with this "agape"—this divine love. We are born selfish. Watch a sweet, lovely little baby. It is

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OUR COVER

The tortured faces of India. Already half-starved, the people of India add to their population millions of new mouths each year. No wonder Dr. Raymond Ewell, an authority on chemical economics, warned recently of a world famine to strike in the 1970's. He called it "the greatest catastrophe in history." Starting in Asia, it will rapidly spread around the world.

altogether *selfish*. It loves *itself*, and has a natural feeling of antagonism toward others. Jesus referred to this *natural* love—with which we are born—the "love" of human nature. He said, "Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy" (Mat. 5:43).

But, you see, this natural human nature love looks on those outside its extended self as its enemy.

When we are thinking and speaking of *national* considerations, human nature is patriotic toward one's own country—because it then becomes part of his extended SELF. And so there is a feeling of antagonism against another country, when brought into comparison with his own. Actually, it is a form of HATE.

The world's CIVILIZATION is actually *founded* on that kind of carnal attitude. It is the natural attitude of *competition*.

Take sports, for example. American colleges and universities, most of them, engage in intercollegiate athletics. College "A" has a football team. So college "A" and its team becomes part of the extended SELF of that college's students. But the football team of college "B" is regarded as its ENEMY. The natural attitude is one of wanting to BEAT college "B." It is a *form* (you may call it a mild form) of HATE. It is a feeling of definite antagonism toward the football team of college "B."

A good example of the competitive spirit in this collective SELF may be seen right now, in the political campaigns. Under "works of the flesh" described as the *opposite* of the "fruit of this Spirit," in Galatians 5, we find these (Moffatt translation): "Now the deeds of the flesh [SINS] are quite obvious, such as sexual vice, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, magic, quarrels, dissension, jealousy, temper, *rivalry, factions, party-spirit*, envy, murder, drinking bouts, revelry, and the like; I tell you beforehand as I have told you already, that people who indulge in such practices will never inherit the Realm [Kingdom] of God." (Gal. 5:19-21.)

Among these SINS, imposing the CAPITAL PUNISHMENT of eternal death, are rivalry, factions, party-spirit.

What do we see in national politics?

The Democratic Party is full of PARTY-SPIRIT—and so is the Republican Party. An election is coming up in Britain, and we find that same PARTY-SPIRIT in both the Tories and the Labor Party.

What do we see in the American Presidential campaign? Do we see RIVALRY? Do we see FACTIONS? Do we see a spirit of discrimination against the opposite party, or candidates?

What do we see—or hear—today, in campaign speeches asking for the votes of the people? Do we see real lofty STATESMANSHIP of high caliber, based on wisdom and right judgment? Or do we see mud-slinging attempting to undermine the opponent's reputation, reminiscent of the Keystone movie comedies, where they threw pies in one another's faces? Do we see anything *except* rivalry, factionism, party-spirit? Love for *my* party, and hate for *yours*?

WHY do so many love to see a prize-fight today? Two men square off in the ring. If one can so harm, pummel, beat, and injure his opponent that he knocks him senseless, *he is the winner*—the HERO—*he* gets the plaudits of the people!

The general idea in competition is not alone to GET, to WIN, to ACQUIRE, for the SELF. It is also to hurt, injure, harm, take *from* the other party—whether the other be an individual, a team, a political party, or a nation. It is the spirit of DISCRIMINATION!

Look at competition in business. I knew two retail clothing merchants. Their rival stores were directly across the street from one another. During business hours they would glare at one another with venomous hatred. Outside of business hours they would go to the synagogue arm in arm like loving brothers. The spirit of the synagogue, it seems, was love. But the spirit of business is competition—with its element of hate.

Years ago—before my conversion, I hasten to add—I heard of a bank in the northwestern part of Iowa, who had just built a new bank building. Across the street was a rival bank. They built one just twice as big—as much to make the rival look small, as to make them look big. I took the train to this town, showed the officers of the larger bank a full page advertisement I had

designed for a bank journal. They looked at it, decided it would not profit them, and said "No."

"Well that's too bad," I said, "because this is an *exclusive* proposition. If *you* take it, the bank across the street can't get it."

They quickly changed the "No" to a "YES!" Reason? Not to help themselves—but to spite their competitor! I assure you I would never sell such an ad on that basis today.

This illustrates the principle of patriotism.

The patriotism which loves its own country, and hates, or feels a prejudice against, other countries, is a violation of God's Law—and therefore it is WRONG—it is SIN!

But the young lady who asked me this question did not have *that* kind of "patriotism." She also loved England. Her patriotism was not competitive. It was not founded on hate, but on LOVE.

Now *if*, by the term "Russia" we mean the Russian *people*, I could truthfully say I love Russia! I love the Russian PEOPLE—but I do *not* love their Communist SYSTEM. I HATE communism!

Let's get it straight. GOD loves this WORLD'S PEOPLE so much He *gave* His only begotten Son for them. Christ loved sinners so much that He *died* for them. But God HATES SIN! God's hatred of SIN expresses His LOVE for the sinner—because SIN is the sinner's enemy, seeking to destroy him!

The patriotism that LOVES your own country, but *without discrimination against* OTHER nations, IS A RIGHT PATRIOTISM. Remember, God is NOT a *respector of persons*. GOD DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE. Let not the whites feel or express *discrimination* against blacks—or the blacks against the whites. Let not Americans feel or express *discrimination against* British, nor British against Americans.

Let's divorce HATE from LOVE! That is God's Law. That is the way to peace and happiness. We may hate a wrong THING, but not our neighbor!

But can patriotism ever be idolatry? Yes, it can and often is. Idolatry is having another god before the one true God. And what is your GOD? What-

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WILL YOU STARVE?

The frightening specter of world-wide STARVATION rears its head on the horizon! This article will SHOCK you—but it's time you knew the TRUTH about WHAT IS COMING!

by Garner Ted Armstrong

THE population explosion looms as the most serious threat to human survival ever!

The reason?
STARVATION!

But to *you*, with *your* family, where *you* live—the "population explosion" may seem a little bit vague, academic, unreal. Well—get a grip on yourself, and be ready for a SHOCK!

The Official Report

The World Health Organization (WHO) says the overcrowding of cities, or a population "implosion" brought about by the population explosion, is assuming *catastrophic* proportions—and warned it will get much worse.

The "implosion" is the huge, steady stream of rural dwellers, leaving the land, flooding into the cities of the world, causing unbelievable congestion of people, industries, houses and vehicles—and creating stupefying problems of public health.

The cities of the world "already present health problems of staggering dimensions," WHO said. But this is only a small PART of the truly GIGANTIC problems inherent in the population explosion. *These* dire predictions from the World Health Organization assume *continuing food supply* to these teeming, throbbing, sweltering, smog-choked jungles and jumbles of shacks, concrete, steel, corrugated tin and paper.

But there won't be anywhere near enough food.

The prospect of DROUGHT and immediately resultant FAMINE is a far more FEARSOME problem for the immediate future. And it's SURE! It WILL happen! You'll SEE it develop before your own startled eyes—in *the next single decade!*

It will affect YOUR life, YOUR children and loved ones! It's about time you were warned. But can you heed a warning? Would YOU *take action* in

the face of danger?

In the age of *tension*—the age of the BOMB—a calloused humanity is *accustomed* to alarm. We're INDIFFERENT to disaster; passive in the face of suffering; coldly impervious to the shocking era in which we live.

Police are alarmed. Time after time, law enforcement officials have been aghast at cold, aloof, calloused public indifference to heinous crimes. Citizens stand and watch while a woman is raped. Citizens ignore the screams of a helpless victim of a knife attack, until her attacker reappears THREE TIMES to finally kill her. A group stands on the shore, watching a woman whose car has just plunged into the water, miraculously clamber out of the sinking automobile, to stand on its top as it begins to submerge. "HELP ME!" she screams—"I CAN'T SWIM!" The group watches as the car sinks. It sees the woman struggle momentarily—sees her kick convulsively—sees her disappear beneath the waves. No one lifts a finger to help! THINK of it! Does this ugly, calloused, apathetic *indifference* to human suffering—*indifference* to danger grow like a fertile weed in YOUR mind and heart?

Can YOU still be stirred to ACTION in the face of danger—to COMPASSION and HELP when someone is in need? Do YOU HEED WARNINGS? Can YOU be shocked into a serious *awareness* of REALITY?

Well—BE PREPARED FOR A SHOCK!

This world doesn't *have* many more years to practice its aloof, careless, haughty, "don't care" attitude to the frightening DANGERS of these times! GRINDING, CRASHING, AWESOME, FRIGHTENING PUNISHMENT is just around the corner!

Of far more concern than the stockpiling of nuclear weapons today is the *new* worry of scientists, agriculturalists and economists. They worry about FAMINE!

More Dangerous Than Hydrogen Bomb

Today, scientists are working to unlock the mysteries of human reproduction.

They're engaged in a frantic, last-ditch race against time.

Their adversaries are myriad.

They seek, somehow, to find a solution to the POPULATION explosion.

And unless they come up with the *right answers*, they say, THIS WORLD IS DOOMED!

Today, judging by present trends—and assuming birth rates *do not increase*, scientists predict this earth's population will DOUBLE to 6 BILLION persons by the year 2000.

It will REDOUBLE by 2035, just 35 short years later, they say, to TWELVE BILLION!

But all this is somehow *unreal* to the average American, Briton, Australian. Huge figures, distant dates, alarming words about "some day" fail to penetrate the thick blanket of public indifference shrouding the well-fed Western world. The plight of the "have-not" nations is common knowledge. Haven't the missionaries, CARE, and a worried government made appeals to



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Poverty and near-starvation afflict half the world's population.

help the starving hordes of India for years?

It's difficult for people in Perth, Paris or Portland to become alarmed because Malaysians or Indians starve.

But difficult or not—when a large collection of Nobel prize winners calls upon the United Nations to immediately organize a world-wide birth-control program—the stark DANGER of the imminent future had better be realized!

The scientists said, "Unless a favorable balance of population and resources is achieved with a minimum of delay, *there is in prospect a dark age of human misery, famine, under-education and unrest which could generate growing panic, exploding into wars fought to appropriate the dwindling means of survival!*"

It's time you were *awake* to the stark seriousness of these times—*alert* to their deeper *meaning*—and it's time you *knew* what is ahead!

FAMINE Was Prophesied

One of the *major* prophecies of your Bible is of DROUGHT, FAMINE, STARVATION, DISEASE!

And these striking prophecies of the Bible are *not* vague "generalities," based upon the obvious likelihood of recurring dry cycles—but definite, specific, positive events—naming the nations, telling WHEN and WHY!

Anciently, the Creator pronounced a *perpetual* prophecy upon our peoples. Turn to Deuteronomy, the 28th chapter. Read it all! This means OUR peoples, now! (If you have not yet seen the amazing proofs of the *identity* of our peoples in Bible prophecy, then write for our free booklet, "*The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy*" immediately.)

After promising blessings of *good* weather, *good* crops, *protection* from the ravages of disease and war IF WE WOULD OBEY THE LAWS GOD GAVE FOR OUR GOOD, The Eternal foretold what would happen if we *disobeyed!*

"But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt NOT hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes which I command you this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and

overtake thee:

"CURSED shalt thou be in the city" [and LOOK at the wretched asphalt and concrete jungles of ours—where rape, robbery, murder, race riots, sexual depravity, poverty, venereal disease and pornography run rampant!] "and CURSED shalt thou be in the field."

Today, as never before, that curse is coming true! It is real!

Not only have we broken God's spiritual laws involving every facet of *how to live happily*, but we have broken the many "natural" laws involving the proper USE of our lands!

God said, "CURSED shall be thy basket and thy store. Cursed shall be the fruit of your body [and LOOK at the "thalidomide" babies, the malformed babies, blind, deaf, seriously handicapped babies, at the stillbirths, Mongoloids, Siamese twins, and at the many thousands of infants born each year with serious *congenital* diseases, even such as cancer, heart defects, leukemia, and a host of others!] and the fruit of your land, the increase of your kine [cattle], and the flocks of your sheep."

Today, lustful man dumps millions of pounds of chemical fertilizers, insecticides and fungicides onto his fields in a greedy attempt to wring every last dollar out of his land. Studies have shown residual poisons build up in the land, drain off during the rainy season into the ditches, streams and rivers—where, in many areas, commercial fishing has been totally wiped out! Surely blind, stupid man should have enough sense to be a *little* alarmed? Apparently not. At least, at this writing, IN SPITE OF extensive statistics compiled over a period of years concerning the almost incredible waste of wildlife, fish, and the continued pollution of both land and water—the chemicals are still being dumped on!

First, the farmers fertilize the land artificially. Second, they spray and chemically treat the land to kill "harmful" insects, fungus, and microbes.

Then, as the struggling plants emerge from the soil, they are sprayed again and again against the ravages of persistently spray-proof bugs and insects of all kinds. Finally, barring all

the possible blights, insect attacks, unheard-of weather ravages, and suddenly shifting markets, the farmer sells his product.

Again, it may be sprayed or treated with a preservative before it gets to the shelf where it is purchased by the consumer.

A *single drop* of some of these unbelievably potent sprays, such as Lindane, would KILL a grown man, if falling only on the *back of his hand*—yet these poisons are diluted and sprayed extensively over our fields where rodents, rabbits, ground squirrels, quail, pheasants, and all sorts of wildlife are found lying dead—all this; and still we continue to ignore the great God who *controls the weather*, believing we can fight God, fight nature, fight the weather, fight the land and still succeed!

God said, "The Eternal shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword [according to some ancient versions: drought], and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue you until you perish! And your heaven that is over your head shall be *brass* and the earth that is under thee shall be *iron*."

"The Eternal shall make the rain of your land *powder* and *dust*: from heaven shall it come down upon thee until thou be destroyed!" (Deut 28:22-24.)

Yes, DROUGHT, FAMINE, DISEASE were *prophesied*—and no amount of "reasoning," "kidding ourselves," or simply ignoring the facts will ever *change it!*

Worsening Conditions in the United States

The handwriting is on the wall for the United States and Great Britain—NOW! Not only does the frightening specter of the *starving millions* of the many "have-not" nations rear its ugly head on the horizon, but increasingly, crop damage, drought, flooding, severe temperatures, and shifting markets plague the average stockman and farmer.

How does one KNOW? How could I make such a statement? Where do I

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A WORLD GOVERNMENT to bring peace in our time!

The startling TRUTH of Jesus' Message has been buried long enough! Learn here the REALITY of God's prophecies—and their special meaning for OUR time.

by Roderick C. Meredith

"PEACE and prosperity" is to be the theme of President Johnson's political campaign for re-election. He will claim that the Democrats have kept the United States strong and wealthy.

Surface prosperity certainly is evident in America—and in Western Europe as well.

However, a racial GUERRILLA WAR is brewing in many major U. S. cities. And just plain *crime* and VIOLENCE are growing by leaps and bounds. Included in the recent F. B. I. National Crime Report is the following statistic: "*Half of all murders in 1963 involved husbands and wives killing each other.*"

Imagine!

American homes and marriages are so *wretched* and *miserable* that fully HALF of all murders in our "Christian" land involve a man MURDERING his own wife, or vice versa!

And around the world, the specter of the bloody WARS in Vietnam, Cyprus, the Congo and elsewhere continues each year. Ominously, the so-called "Nuclear Club" is rapidly becoming less exclusive so that within a few years even minor dictators and madmen may possess the power to *annihilate major cities!*

Scientists, statesmen and politicians agree that *world government* and an *international rule of LAW* is the only answer. But the pitiful spectacle presented by the impotent, bungling, bankrupt and divided United Nations is certainly not the answer.

There is *no world government* now in sight and, seemingly, NO PEACE

ahead for this chaotic generation in which we live.

The Chaos of Cults

In addition to the chaos and confusion among the nations, there is great *religious confusion* in the western world today. In the United States alone, there are over *four hundred* religious bodies and sects all calling themselves "Christian."

They all claim to believe in the same Christ. Yet they all DIFFER on the *message* He preached, and on the *doctrines* and *practices* that ought to be in His Church.

In order to get around this problem, some denominations are now becoming "broadminded" in the varying kinds of doctrines and ideas they will permit their members to hold. A recent news item shows that in the case of one denomination making up such a "broadminded" statement of belief, "the effect was to arrive at a statement that would include the essentials, but be *broad* enough for persons of varying points of view."

In this modern day, *is it important which MESSAGE we believe?*

Today many modern ministers say, "Just believe on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and you shall be saved." What you believe *about* Christ and His message is not so important—they will often say—as it is to believe on and love *Him* and His person.

What about this? Is it important to believe the VERY message that Jesus Christ preached? Or didn't He preach any certain message? Or was His mes-

sage broad enough so that we can get over four hundred denominational ideas and traditions out of that message?

An Inspired WARNING

The *inspired answer* to that question is found in the first chapter of Paul's epistle to the Christians in Galatia. The apostle of Christ was ALARMED that these people were already turning aside—NOT from Christ's person, but *from His message!*

"I marvel that you are so soon removed from Him that called you into the grace of Christ unto *another gospel*: which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would PERVERT the gospel of Christ" (Galatians 1:6-7).

Notice that Paul is alarmed because people were *perverting* the truth about Christ's MESSAGE—not about His person. He continued: "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach *any other gospel* unto you than that which we have preached unto you, *let him be ACCURSED.*" Then Paul repeated this denunciation—made this a *double curse*.

"As we said before, so say I now again, If *any* man preach *any other gospel* to you than that you have received, let him be ACCURSED" (vss. 8-9).

In the Apostle Paul's mind, there was only ONE true gospel—any other gospel was a *counterfeit* that demanded a CURSE by apostolic authority!

What was this true gospel that Paul was trying to keep in its pure state? What was the TRUTH that God sent to this world by Jesus Christ His Son?

Christ Was A MESSENGER

Christ came with a *message* from God the Father which would solve the problems of this last generation on earth today!

Note the prophecy in Malachi regarding His first coming. "Behold, I will send my *messenger*, and he shall prepare the way before Me: and the Lord, Whom you seek, shall suddenly come to His temple, even the *Messenger of the Covenant*, Whom ye delight in: behold, He shall come, saith the LORD of hosts" (Mal. 3:1).

Actually, here is Christ—as the Logos or Spokesman of the Old Testament speaking—and saying that He would send a messenger before His face who would prepare the way for Him, Christ, who was to be the *Messenger of the Covenant*.

In Acts 10 we find a description of that *message* as it was first preached to the Gentile Christians. The first part of the chapter shows how Cornelius was chosen as the first Gentile to receive the true gospel of Christ, and how Peter was sent to his house to bring the truth of God. In verse 34 we read, "Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him" (Acts 10:34-35). Here Peter acknowledges that now God is calling all the Gentiles to the *same truth* that had recently been opened to the Jews since the day of Pentecost.

He continues: "The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (He is Lord of all:) that word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached" (vss. 36-37). Directly inspired of God to reach this first Gentile Christian, Peter immediately refers to the TRUTH as that word which God sent by Christ, to Israel, beginning from Galilee, after John's preaching.

Peter referred to this as the message for both Israel and the Gentiles. So this was God's MESSAGE for all mankind!

The MESSAGE Jesus Brought

Now let's find where that message

really began, and what Jesus actually taught! Turning to the first chapter of Mark we find the *conditions* that Peter gave for the beginning of this true message.

"Now after that John was put in prison"—this was to be the time—"Jesus"—here is the *Messenger*—"came into Galilee"—here is the *place*—"preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the *Kingdom of God* is at hand: Repent ye and believe the gospel" (Mk. 1:14-15).

Here we find the true Messenger, the time and the place. And here we find the true MESSAGE of God! It is the Good News or Gospel of the *Kingdom of God*. Moffatt translates it "Reign" of God. It is the happy message of God's Kingdom—His RULE—His GOVERNMENT which will finally bring peace over this earth!

Notice that this true gospel is not man's gospel about the *person* of Christ. It is *Christ's* message. It is the message He brought from God the Father of the coming *government* of God, or *Kingdom of God* on this earth.

And it is VITAL that you *believe* and *obey* this message! For Jesus said: "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath One that judgeth him: the Word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (John 12:48). So Jesus said you will be judged by *His Word*—His *message*!

Jesus Christ ALWAYS taught about the *Kingdom of God*. Luke records: "And it came to pass afterwards that He went throughout every city and village, preaching and showing the glad tidings of the *Kingdom of God*: and the twelve were with Him" (Lk. 8:1).

Even Jesus' parables were all concerned with the Kingdom of God. "And His disciples asked Him, saying, What might this parable be? And He said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the *Kingdom of God*, but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand" (Lk. 8:9-10).

Since Jesus Christ and all of the apostles and prophets spoke continually

about the Kingdom of God, we need to understand *what a kingdom is*.

What Is A Kingdom?

There are *four things* which characterize every kingdom. First, there is a king or ruling agent. Secondly, there is a territory over which the kingdom holds dominion. Thirdly, there are subjects or citizens in every real kingdom. And, fourthly, every kingdom must have *laws* and a *form of government*.

Now let's understand how *God's Kingdom* is so organized. Isaiah reveals who will be the king or ruling agent in the coming *world government*.

"And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of His roots: And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him . . . He shall not judge after the sight of His eyes . . . But with righteousness shall He judge the poor . . . and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked" (Isa 11:1-4). Here is the well-known prophecy that *Christ*—coming from Jesse through David—will be the king over all the earth after His second coming.

Before Jesus' human birth, an angel gave this prophecy concerning His future rule: "He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of His kingdom there shall be no end" (Luke 1:32-33). Christ is going to literally reign on the *throne of David*. That throne is on this earth today!

And He shall reign over the house of Jacob, or *Israel*. These are human beings here on this earth! If you do not understand the national identity of modern Israel, then write *immediately* for Mr. Armstrong's fascinating free booklet "*The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*."

Yes, *world government* is soon to come with Jesus Christ as Divine RULER!

One of the most tremendous events in all history is described by the Apostle John in Revelation 11:15: "And

the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of *this world* are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever."

Christ will show us how to have peace *on this earth!* This is the **ONLY** way we will ever have peace!

God's Government On This Earth

Having *proved* that Christ is King of God's soon-coming Kingdom, let us now see *where* that Kingdom will be located. Did you notice in the Scripture we just cited that "the kingdoms of *this world*" are to be ruled by Christ?

This is substantiated in Daniel 2:44. This is the conclusion of Daniel's prophecy about the four great world-ruling kingdoms which were to hold sway over the western world. As nearly all Bible scholars recognize, the fourth great kingdom is the Roman Empire which—with its various revivals—will hold sway to the end of this age. "And in the days of *these kings* shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall **NEVER** be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever." This clearly indicates that God's Kingdom will be *on this earth*—Christ the "Stone" having crushed the other kingdoms and set up God's government to bring peace.

In the description of that Kingdom given in Isaiah 11, we also find that it will be *on this earth*. "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain (*kingdom*): for the *earth* shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea" (vs. 9).

You have probably noticed by this time that the *subjects* or citizens of God's Kingdom will be physical human beings still left alive on this earth! Isaiah 11:10 describes Christ as the "Root of Jesse" and says, "to it shall the *Gentiles* seek." So here we find even the Gentile nations are being ruled over by Christ on this earth. Now continuing in verse 11: "And it shall come to pass in that day, that the

Lord shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt . . . and shall assemble the outcasts of *Israel*, and gather together the dispersed of *Judah* from the four corners of the earth."

This will be the time of the glorious regathering of the Israelitish people—including many of our deceived friends and relatives—who will be brought back from captivity at the second coming of Christ. They will then learn to *understand* and *appreciate* God's *rule*, His *laws*, His *government* and His *Way of life!* And what a wonderful world that will be!

The Laws of God's Kingdom

God *alone* knows the *way to peace* and *happiness!* He reveals this *way* from the beginning of Genesis to the end of Revelation. It does not always agree with the way that "seems right" to a man, but it *is* the way to real peace on this earth.

Throughout the prophecies God shows that His Kingdom will be ruled *according to this way*. That way is based on His *law*. Notice Isaiah's inspired description of God's Kingdom and the way it will be administered on this earth: "And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of *His ways*, and we will walk in *His paths*: for out of Zion shall go forth the **LAW**, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem" (Isa. 2:3).

Yes, God's rule is *according to His LAW!* The spiritual principles of God's Ten Commandments are the *way* to peace and happiness and everything this world really wants. But men are running away from that way as fast as they can!

When Christ first comes, He will have to **PUNISH** the nations of the world to teach them to *appreciate* that *way* and His *law!* "And He shall judge among the nations and shall *rebuke* many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: and nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more" (vs. 4). As King of kings,

Christ will have to **REBUKE** the nations and literally *teach* them the way to peace and the laws of God which will bring peace.

The prophet Micah reveals this same thing that is to take place in God's Kingdom: "For the **LAW** shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem" (Micah 4:2).

Many people today are under the *false* impression that the New Covenant does away with God's law! However, in describing these very events which are to take place when Christ returns and sets up God's Kingdom, the prophecies reveal that God's law is the very **BASIS** of the New Covenant, and of the agreement which is made between Christ and physical Israel and with individual Christians of all nations as they are converted.

"After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my **LAW** in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people" (Jer. 31:33).

Man cannot have peace until **HUMAN NATURE** is *changed!* God's law reveals the very *nature* and *character* of God. After Christ returns to convert all nations, He will write God's *law* in the very *minds* and *hearts* of people. Thus, it will become *part of their very nature!*

Then they will **KNOW** the *way to peace!*—and **JOY!**—and **HAPPINESS!**

Jesus Christ Himself revealed that God's law is the very **BASIS** of His Kingdom.

He said: "The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the Kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it. And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the **LAW** to fail" (Luke 16:16-17). Here we find Jesus' clear statement that the law of God is an integral part of the message of the *Kingdom of God!*

But was Jesus speaking of the law of the Ten Commandments? Yes, He was! For He continued in the very next breath: "Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery" (vs. 18). Here He showed that the law of which He was speaking included the *command* against divorce

and remarriage based on the Ten Commandments of God.

That law is BINDING on us today! If we plan to be in God's Kingdom—a part of His government forever—we had better learn to keep and OBEY God's law here and now in this life!

How to Qualify for God's Kingdom

To help us understand this principle of OBEDIENCE, let us turn to the very beginning of Jesus Christ's ministry and what He actually taught when He was here on this earth. When He was tempted by the Devil, He stated one of the most basic truths of all the ages: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by EVERY WORD that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4).

Remember that the only written word of God at the time that Jesus said this was the OLD Testament! This is the Word that contains the law of God—the law which so many ministers seem to HATE today! Yet, Jesus said that we are to LIVE by this inspired Word!

After His temptation by Satan, Jesus began to preach the message of God's Government. "From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand" (vs. 17). Again notice that it was *always* the message of God's Kingdom—or *government*—which Christ preached. He showed that men must REPENT of their ways and submit to that government.

The following three chapters in Matthew contain what is popularly called "The Sermon on the Mount." Few seem to realize it, but this *entire sermon* is filled with Jesus' exhortation to OBEY *God's law!*

Notice Matthew 5:17-19: "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill"—that is to *do* or *PERFORM*, *setting us an example*. "For verily I say unto you," Jesus continued, "till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled"—or be *in effect*, as the original Greek indicates.

Then Jesus concludes: "Whosoever

therefore SHALL"—notice this is *future tense*—"break one of these *least commandments*"—no matter which men might call the least—"and shall teach men so, he shall be called the *least* in the Kingdom of heaven: but whosoever *shall* DO and TEACH them, the same shall be called *great* in the Kingdom of heaven."

Jesus said that as long as heaven and earth stand, God's law will NEVER be done away! And those who are to be *rewarded* in God's Kingdom shall both *do* and *teach* even the "least" of God's laws and commandments!

WHY HAVEN'T YOU HEARD THIS KIND OF PREACHING?

A young man came to Christ asking: "Good Master, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?" Here was Jesus' golden opportunity to tell him—as modern ministers would put it—that there is NOTHING he had to do.

"Just *believe*," they say, "and you will be saved." "Give your hand to your preacher and your heart to the Lord" seems to be the modern method of salvation.

But what did *Jesus* say on this occasion? He said, "If you will enter into life, *keep the commandments*." And when the young man asked *which commandments*, Jesus began to state some of the *Ten Commandments* (Matt. 19:16-19). Here is the *WAY* to eternal life as taught by Jesus Christ the Son of God! Will we believe HIM?

Is This the ONLY True Gospel?

Is this message of *obedience* to God's laws and preparation for His coming Kingdom—or world-ruling government—the *ONLY* way of salvation? Wasn't some of this message *just* for the Jews of Jesus' day? Was there some *OTHER* gospel introduced for Gentile Christians?

Here is what Jesus Christ *commanded* after His resurrection from the dead! "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe *ALL* things *whatsoever* I have *commanded* you: and lo, I am with you al-

ways, even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28:19-20). Here Christ commanded His apostles to go to all the world and preach *exactly* the *SAME* message of obedience to God's Kingdom and laws that He had taught them!

We must REPENT of our ways and sins, *accept* Christ as Saviour and RULER, and begin to let Him—through His Spirit—live a life of obedience in us to prepare us for *eternal life* in God's Kingdom and to be BORN as a member of His very family! This is the *VERY* gospel you must *believe* and *obey* in order to be saved!

Jesus told His apostles: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that *believeth* and is *baptized* shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:15-16).

You must BELIEVE the joyous message of God's soon-coming government to bring peace through His *ways*, and His *LAW*! And you should *prepare* for your part in that Kingdom *here and now*.

What should you do, then?

Showing the way to begin this life of obedience and surrender to God, Peter said: "*Repent*, and *be baptized* every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).

You must repent of SIN. And God tells you in I John 3:4: "Sin *is* the transgression of the law." The *Bible* says that sin is *breaking God's law!*

You must REPENT of this—and of your entire attitude of disobedience and hostility toward God's rule and authority over your life. You should become humble, as a little child, and let God guide you and teach you day-by-day through His Word. You should be *baptized*—as an outward symbol of your willingness to *bury* your old self under the water, and to give your life literally to God to use as *He* sees fit.

Then God PROMISES to give you of His precious Holy Spirit. This is His *very nature*, His *life*, and His *character* which He places in His begotten sons.

Notice that even the Holy Spirit is
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Bolshaya Sadovaya Street, Moscow, Russia

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INSIDE RUSSIA TODAY

Here, written from behind the Iron Curtain, is the second installment of an on-the-spot report on Soviet Communism! This summer we sent Mr. Eugene Walter to the Soviet Union for a first-hand report. Here revealed is the shocking story of mismanagement in agriculture and industry—and the truth about Communist education and the Soviet police state!

by Eugene Walter

Leningrad, U.S.S.R.

IN ONE of my first few days in Russia, a young Communist told me about the wonderful *idea* that Communism is. How marvelous to think of a society where there would be peace and plenty for all! The *idea* is TERRIFIC! There is just one problem with it, however, he informed me.

"What's that?" I asked.

"Making it work," he answered.

Thinking he was being sarcastic, I laughed. But to my embarrassment, he was DEAD SERIOUS!

Make Communism Work?

Again and again I was soberly told this same thing: "The *idea* behind Communism is *great*. The problem is

finding a way to make it work."

Once a person really becomes sold on this *idea* and wants to have an active part in bringing this Communist Utopia about, it enables him to overlook a lot of flaws in the system.

One evening in Rostov, a well-dressed middle-aged man heard me speak English and asked to talk to me. I invited him up to my room, and after he asked that I *lock the door*, we sat down and had a pleasant discussion. He was an educated man, spoke flawless English, was an engineer, and had been a Party member for twenty years. He also was an unusually sincere and open-minded man.

He, too, told me that he agreed 100

per cent with the *idea* of Communism, but that the *problem* was to get it to work successfully. He acknowledged that at the present the U.S. has a higher standard of living than the U.S.S.R., but said he firmly believed that in the long run, the U.S. would do better with Communism, too.

He readily acknowledged that there are many large, gaping flaws in the present administration of Communism, but felt that these were inevitable in trying to perfect the system. He said that as long as the leaders were sincerely trying to convert the *idea* of Communism into a *reality*, he owed them his support.

This man even went so far as to ad-

mit that *he himself* was influenced by the Party propaganda! "But then," he added, "remember that you and your people are also influenced by the propaganda of *your* government."

"I believe that the basic idea behind Communism—equal distribution of the nation's wealth—is wonderful," he continued. "Whether or not this system is right, and whether or not we as a nation can successfully bring it about, only time can tell. It may be that we are wrong—that we will fail. It may be that one of the many religions that you have in your nation will be right and will have a better answer than we."

And then, looking me in the eye, he soberly concluded, "Who knows? Maybe the God that YOU believe in is right? Maybe everything will work out according to the way of YOUR religion."

Little did he realize the *truth* of what he was saying!

Life on the Farm

The problem down on the farm is one of the most tender of all the Soviet Union's sore spots. I want to tell you about it.

Today's problem has its roots in the days of Stalin who cared little for agriculture. Stalin collectivized the Soviet farms by stripping the kulaks—the wealthier peasants and the best farmers—of all their resources. Many resisted so forcibly that they slaughtered their livestock and burned their crops rather than surrender them to the State.

This action, coupled with the terrible drought of 1930, brought unbelievable misery and suffering. Almost *half* the nation's cattle—more than *thirty million head*—were destroyed! *Two thirds* of the nation's 150 million sheep and goats were lost, together with *half* of its sixty million pigs and horses! More than a decade later the Soviet Union *still* hadn't recovered from this loss. In 1940 there was less livestock of all types than before collectivization began in 1928!

World War II caused yet a further livestock decline. At the time of Stalin's death in 1953, there were three and one-half million *fewer* cattle than even in 1940!

Since 1953, *over-all* farm production has gone up *some* sixty per cent. But

remember that 1953 was at an extremely low level, and that most of this production increase was achieved by 1958 when Russia harvested the first—and probably the *last*—big bumper crop from the millions of acres of virgin land which Khrushchev ordered plowed up in Kazakhstan several years before. These new virgin lands added thirty per cent to the total number of acres under cultivation.

Since 1958, however, farm production has barely kept up with the population increase. These same virgin lands—true to the unheeded advice given Khrushchev by his colleagues—are fast losing their productivity and becoming a dust bowl.

With upset weather conditions a constant plague, and with no remaining new lands to plow up, Mr. Khrushchev is in trouble.

The False Messiah of Agriculture

In spite of all the dark spots, Russia's Communist bosses are optimistic about the future of Soviet agriculture. They have found a saviour, they think, to help them out of all their difficulties. That saviour is *chemical agriculture*.

In a dire effort to combat the deepening agricultural crisis, millions of rubles are being diverted from other projects and pumped into research and the production of chemical fertilizers. Little do they realize the problem they are creating! (Write for our article on "The Truth about Chemical Farming.")

But in their mad effort to show that they are *entirely* self-sufficient, the Russians have gone even one step further than just mere chemical fertilizing. In a State farm I visited near Kiev, tomatoes and cucumbers were being grown in a "soil" made of chipped granite and fed by a carefully formulated chemical solution—all in a hot-house!

You can imagine what the produce tasted like! If the tastelessness was an indication of the food value, there was little point in eating these vegetables. Yet this method of food production—called "hydroponics"—is being widely hailed as the solution to the food problem. No stone is being left unturned

in finding more chemical solutions which will make it possible to grow other food plants by this method.

The farm I visited contained *fifteen acres* of hydroponic hothouses, and these and other local hydroponic hot-house farms supplied the *entire city of Kiev* with tomatoes and cucumbers during the winter months. Similar farms are in a number of other northern cities and many more are being planned.

However, even this method is not foolproof. When I questioned the farm manager about why their production schedule showed they hadn't come *anywhere near* their quota for the past three months, he said it was because of the cloudy weather. Hydroponic or not, the plants *still* must have *sunshine!* This the Russian chemists were unable to supply.

How simple it would be to turn to God, to obey His Laws, and to be *blessed* with abundant rain in the proper season and bounteous harvests providing sufficient food for all. But the U.S.S.R., as have *all* nations, has *turned her back* on God, and is stubbornly trying to show she doesn't need God—attempting every fantastic, far-fetched scheme imaginable. She is only bringing untold miseries and curses on herself. But this isn't all!

The Problem of the Peasant

Perhaps as big a problem as any in Soviet agriculture is the average Russian peasant!

Few observers are really acquainted with this aspect of Russia's farm problem. Let me again quote from Edward Crankshaw's vivid description in his *Khrushchev's Russia*: "The peasants still form a vast, dark mass, distorting the whole economy . . . living out their lives in overcrowded squalor and, in their hordes, almost obliterating from sight the grandiose material achievements scattered so thinly over the vast land" (p. 32).

In describing the superstitions of some of these peasants, Mr. Crankshaw explains how, even today, some peasants believe there is a magical, life-prolonging influence in the last drops of a milking. So they milk their cows *five or six times* DAILY in order to get as many of these "last drops" as pos-

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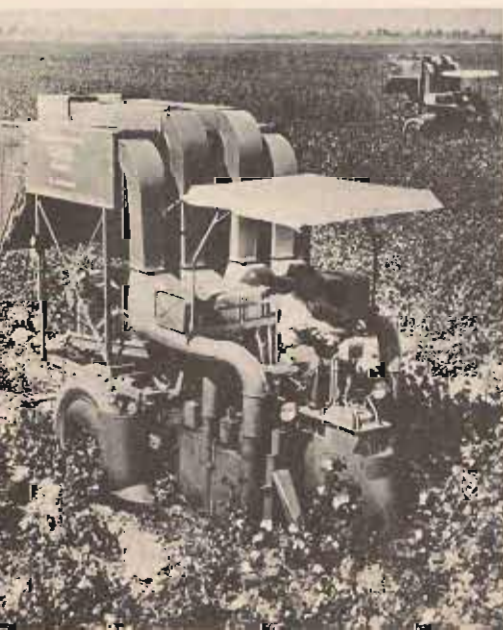


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Piling grain straw on the Malenkoy Collective Farm near Novosibirsk, Siberia. Soviet agriculture is backward—often 30 years behind the West.

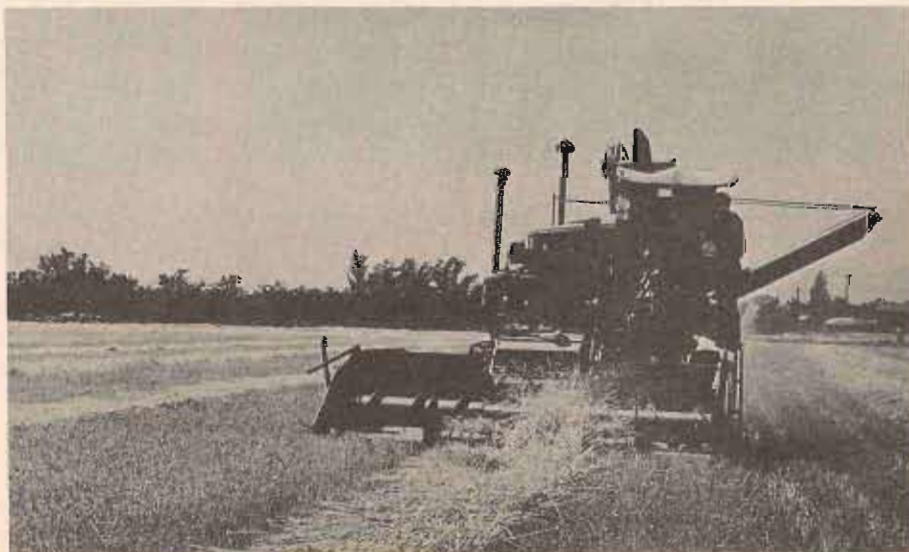
Old-fashioned mechanical cotton picker in use on Soviet Collective Farm in Uzbekistan.

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Soviet combine threshing mown winter wheat. U.S. combines cut and thresh in single operation.

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Collective farmers from Southeast Russia. Soviet peasants are superstitious, lack incentive, are the biggest trouble spot in Soviet planning.



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Travel is one of few diversions enjoyed by Soviet peoples under Communism.



Wide World Photo

Soviet Collective Farm in Moldavia. Ducks are fed by hand as in centuries past.

sible! Holidays are another problem.

In an official pamphlet published in Moscow called *Overcoming Religious Survivals in the U.S.S.R.*, I found this candid confession: "And what a tremendous material loss is caused by these religious holidays, of which there are hundreds in the year. There are the 'big' holidays, like Christmas and Eas-

ter, and there are the holidays of the local patron saints.

"All too often, no sooner have they [the villagers] finished celebrating a 'big' holiday than along comes a 'Ye-gor's Day,' which has to be celebrated, too, and then the day of some other saint... the celebrations are dragged out over a fortnight at a time inter-

fering with the fulfillment of the work plan and undermining labour discipline.

"... The Kolkhozniks [peasants] ... 'bless' cows, pigs, and sheep. The next day they get drunk. The best time for sowing is missed."

Is it any wonder Russian agriculture is failing?

"Over recent years," reports Mr. Crankshaw, "the Soviet Press has carried hundreds of accounts of what goes on when the peasants, released from the subsistence existence of the Stalin era, kick over the traces and use their traditional feast days in the traditional way as an excuse for prolonged drinking bouts—cattle go hungry and unmilked, hens go off lay, the harvest blackens in the fields, and the grain is spilled, as one and all, from farm manager and Party members downwards, join in the orgies which give some sort of colour to their lives" (p. 132).

This is the story of the Russian peasant. But for all his shortcomings he still is most important to Soviet agriculture. While he probably *hates* his forced work on the collective and state farms, and is a constant headache to the government, he *loves* his little private plot—no larger than three acres—which he is allowed to have for himself. Each peasant is a little capitalist on his private plot.

How *much* he loves it and *why* the government is almost *forced* to let him have it is shown by these facts: "Though their tilled area amounted to only 3.2 per cent of the total in 1961, the small plots produced eighty-one per cent of the nation's eggs, sixty per cent of the potatoes and forty per cent of the meat" (*Life*, Sept. 11, 1963, p. 58).

Such statistics must leave the Communist planners absolutely *frustrated!*

The Party, the People, and the Government

If, because of the cold war, the American visitor expects to find the individual Russian citizens hostile to him, he will be quite mistaken. To his surprise he will find only very *friendly* people, *intensely curious* about him and his country. However, *only very few*—despite all the talk about it—will be able to speak English.

He will find people who want desperately to be admired and accepted by the rest of the world—constantly fishing for compliments, almost in a child-like way—just *yearning* for you to say something good about their country and its achievements. Their personal and national pride, however, will *not*

permit them to give *you* a compliment or to acknowledge—no matter how *obvious*—that *your* country has achieved greater success in some field than theirs.

These individuals—220 million of them—are the Russian people. Of this number only some ten million are members of the Communist Party.

The Communist Party dominates the country's political life from top to bottom—but it is *NOT* trying to gain a *large membership*. Instead, the Party is purposely trying to *limit* the number of members by setting very high qualifications for membership.

The candidate for membership must be at least twenty-eight years old, have an outstanding record of leadership and dedication during his earlier years in the Young Communist League, be recommended by at least three members in good standing, and most important of all, be willing to spend considerable time in meetings and other time-consuming activities.

Many who by this time have families and jobs with both husband and wife working, simply do not desire to expend the time and effort necessary to be a Party member. This includes many who hold high and responsible positions in industry, education and government. Thus the Party membership is carefully screened and only those who have proved themselves to be dedicated are admitted.

Even so, there is a large variation in the quality of the members. Most are members because they sincerely believe that Communism is the answer to having peace and plenty for all, and they wish to be a part in bringing this utopia about. They are all for the *idea* of universal prosperity. However, not more than a *handful* are Party zealots in the traditional sense, and *very few* would be willing to give their lives just for the principles and ideals of the Party.

For the aggressive, however, Party membership is the first step to any real individual power later on. How fast and far an individual member moves up the pyramid of power is largely determined by his ability, hard work, popularity with Party members and superiors, and by his skillful maneuver-

ing. Most never get off the first level. Some, however, who discover quickly how to *use* the system, move up rapidly from the local to the regional and finally—on the national level—to the Central Committee.

From this Central Committee are selected the dozen or so who compose the Presidium—the real power center of the Soviet Union. And at the top of the pyramid, ruling over the Presidium, is the top man in the Party, the First Secretary—today Nikita Khrushchev. The Presidium, and especially its First Secretary, makes policy for both the Party and the Government which, strictly speaking, are two separate organizations.

Although similar in structure, the government is merely the puppet of the Party, has no real power, and its function is simply to carry out the policies the Party dictates.

Some government offices are "elected" by the 140 million voters, but this election is a farce. There is often only one candidate on the ballot—the one the Party wants—and the voter votes "yes" or "no." "No" votes are very rare. If there is more than one name on the ballot, the Party lets it be known who the preferred candidate is, and he is inevitably elected. Thus no position in the government, including the Presidency of the U.S.S.R., is really powerful, and the government is merely a pawn used to administer Party-proposed measures. Both it and the people are run by the Communist Party.

But just because only one out of twenty-two are Communist Party members, does this mean that the Russian people do not support the Party—that the Communist regime is about to topple?

NOT AT ALL!

In three weeks of travel, interviewing and visiting with Russians from all walks of life, I found but one group which was not completely behind the Party—a group of Russian-style delinquents in Moscow, rebellious trouble-makers who would be a detriment to any society.

All other groups SUPPORT the principles of the Party. Individuals, of course, might not.

Yet *most* of those with whom I spoke

were NOT Party members!

Did they give carefully worded answers? Did one get the feeling they were telling what they knew or felt they *should* tell instead of the way they REALLY felt way down deep in their hearts and minds?

NO!

In fact, the deep personal conviction and the emotional feeling they expressed was one of the outstanding impressions I received on the entire tour.

To the American visitor, eating his heavy, uninteresting meals, watching the Russian women do heavy physical labor and seeing the outrageously high prices in the shops, this seems incredible.

WHY support a system like this? Surely ANYONE could see that this is NOT the way to live—that Communism is riddled with weaknesses.

But while this is certainly true, Communism also has its pillars of strength. In searching to understand WHY Communism has such strong backing from the Russian peoples, I found there are at least seven basic reasons.

1) The Influence of Communistic Education

Often we fail to really grasp the POWER there is in the control of a nation's minds. Too often we fail to realize that each individual one of us is the product of our environment—that we were born knowing nothing and that the knowledge and convictions we have today have all been acquired since birth. That further, most of this knowledge has been funnelled unquestioningly into our heads.

In the Western world, we are taught to accept a more or less democratic system as the standard. In Russia, however, the people are taught to accept Communism as the standard and the ideal. This teaching has been going on since the Revolution of 1917 which established Communism in Russia. The fact that most Russians living today have been born SINCE the Revolution means that MOST RUSSIANS have had Communism drummed into their heads from earliest childhood and know nothing but the Communist system.

A popular church in the Western world claims that if it can educate a child in its religion for the first six or

seven years of his life, he will remain faithful to it as long as he lives. In Russia, a whole generation has been educated to the Communist "religion." It may be a system based on lies and deceit, but as Hitler said, "Tell a big enough lie often enough, and soon everyone will believe it." This is exactly what has happened in Russia.

Unless through unusual circumstances they have been abroad, most Russians cannot even faintly begin to conceive of what life is like in a non-Communist country. They simply have no basis whatever for comparison, and sincerely feel that THEIR way of doing things is right. This control of the nation's education—which is really the control of the nation's minds—is a primary stronghold of the Communist system.

One of the most important reasons that the Russians support Communism is that they have been EDUCATED to support it.

2) Life Appears to be Getting Better

The second reason the Russian people stand behind Communism is that it is slowly bringing them a "better life" in the way of material goods. While by Western standards these improvements are painfully slow in coming, it must be remembered that most Russians have never been outside the Soviet Union. There is no comparison they can make except with themselves.

A Russian family might look at it this way: "Ten years ago we had virtually nothing except the clothes on our backs and a miserable apartment shared with another family. Five years ago we were able to purchase a radio, some extra clothes and a few knick-knacks for our room. Two years ago we were privileged to move into a new apartment at which time we bought new furniture and a television set. With the shops containing more consumer goods than ever before, who knows what the future may bring? More electrical appliances? nicer clothes?—and in the distant future, perhaps even a car?"

This line of reasoning is exactly the way the government WANTS the people to think. By bolding out the promise of a better life, like the proverbial

bunch of hay tied on a stick and held just in front of the horse's mouth, so the Communist Party teases the Russian people along by giving them just enough goods to make them think that "the better life" is just around the corner.

With the goods and services they have waited a lifetime to receive just in sight, the people aren't about to rebel at this point and foolishly risk losing it all. Even if some of these things don't materialize as expected, most Russians are enjoying their limited life too much as it now is to want to rock the boat.

When improvements do come, the Party, of course, takes all the credit for having brought them about. The truth is that the improvements came in spite of the Party rather than because of it. But, nevertheless, the fact remains that some improvements have come. As long as they continue to keep coming—and as long as the Party continues to delude the people that Communism is bringing these improvements about—the people will continue to give the government their support.

3) The Nature of the Russian People

The nature of the Russian people is another major reason why Communism gained such a strong foothold there. The Russian people are very friendly and have many admirable national characteristics. But as all peoples, they also have their characteristic national weaknesses. Unfortunately, these weaknesses have fitted the Communistic system almost perfectly.

One of the greatest of these weaknesses is that the Russian people are very prone to use falsehoods and deceit. Yet ironically, they themselves are almost childlike in their gullibility when it comes to being deceived. Only a Russian can look you squarely in the eye and tell you something that he knows is a lie, that you know is a lie, and that he knows that YOU know is a lie, and STILL expect you to believe it! I encountered many examples of this.

Once, while travelling in the Georgian Republic, our guide told us that the Georgians live to the oldest age of any



Wide World Photo

Scene in Russian Divorce Court. Russian family life is unstable. Soviet divorce courts are filled with problems, but function far more simply than in America. Courts attempt to effect reconciliation, but percentage is low. This couple decided on reconciliation.

people on earth. Most, she said, live to at least 150 years! And she really EXPECTED us to believe it!

As this illustrates, sometimes the falsehoods they try to palm off are so clumsy and obvious that it's almost funny. Perhaps it is because they themselves fall victim to deception so easily that they expect you to. With the average person so gullible it is not difficult to see how and why such an openly fraudulent and diabolical system as Communism met its first real success in Russia.

This susceptibility to deception as a characteristic of the Russian people is not just my personal opinion. Many reputable and well-known reporters, such as John Gunther for example, report this same characteristic. But even more authoritatively, the *Bible* bears out this same fact.

Prophetically speaking, Meshech, Tubal, Gog and Magog refer to Russia and the Mongolian peoples. In Revelation 20:8-10 God uses Gog and Magog as a symbolic type of those who easily and willingly give themselves over to deception.

But this isn't the only characteristic the Russian people have which is an asset to Communism.

This quote from *Khrushchev's Russia* (pp. 70, 71) points out another surprise: "Most Russians, in spite of the hot denials of refugees and 'defectors,' have a deep hankering after a stern, remote father-figure, standing

high above the hurly-burly of ordinary life. If he is terrible and cruel they will still respect him even as they hate him, as witness the ambivalence of their feelings about Stalin: Stalin may have been the most terrible man-eater in the world; but at least he was *our* man-eater! . . . The recital of Stalin's crimes [by Khrushchev] against his one-time colleagues and subordinates they [the Russian people] took more or less in their stride: of course we all knew that terrible things were going on; but nevertheless, he was a great and strong man, and we need a great man! If I have been told that once by a young *komsomol* [member of the Young Communist League] I have been told it twenty times."

Astounding? Yes!—but also TRUE!

Yet another national characteristic that has helped Communism is that the Russians are a fiercely proud people—proud especially of their ability to deny themselves and to suffer privation and hardship. WHAT could be more *perfect* for Communism?!

Few peoples would have endured what the Russians did under Stalin in the 30's. Yet the Russians not only endured it, but almost give the impression now that they *liked* enduring it!

It has been said that every people has the form of government they deserve. The fact that Communism *so well fits the Russian nature* is certainly a big reason why the Russian people generally support it.

4) People Don't Want to Change

While the desire to maintain the status quo is not a peculiarly *Russian* characteristic, it *is* an important reason why the Russians support Communism. As long as people who have never had much, have a roof over their heads, food in their stomachs, a steady job, and a few conveniences, most will be content. Today the Russians have these things.

People always want to have *more*, it is true. But when the price to get more involves a shake-up of their entire way of life—of getting out of their individual "rut"—most are simply not willing to pay the price.

In Russia today, as already explained, most people ARE getting more. Further, they have become used to doing things the Communist way. They feel at home in it, and they are now in a position where they can see themselves advancing to higher positions in the future *by means of* the Communist system.

A radical change in the present Communist order would upset all this and leave the people frightened and insecure. Even though a drastic change to some other form of government might bring them *more* and do it *more quickly*, most would oppose such a change. It would be too risky and the strangeness of the new system—the FEAR OF THE UNKNOWN—would be too great. "Life is not too bad under Communism. Let's not risk our chances for a better life in the future by trying some new-fangled system now," most would reason.

This desire to maintain the status quo extends to both extremes of Soviet society—from the common working man to the high government official who would have more to lose by a change. No matter what their position, most would oppose sweeping changes in their personal, individual lives. In Russia, this means that most people don't want a change in the present, established Communist form of government.

5) Fear to Rebel

Although there are a number of *voluntary* reasons why the Russians support Communism, we must never

forget that the fear *not* to support it is still VERY REAL. The Communists are in power and everyone knows that they intend to *stay that way*.

The overt terror of the days of Stalin is gone. In those days everyone lived in a state of fear bordering on hysteria. And small wonder. Secret Service men would walk through the streets knocking on doors and picking up people AT RANDOM in order to fill the quota for the slave labor camps.

Those with ability had special reason to fear. Stalin regarded anyone with intelligence or ability as a threat to his position and had him killed. Hundreds of thousands of Russia's most able men were killed in the flower of their lives. Consequently, the nation lost a whole generation of leaders, and the positions they should have filled were taken instead by third and fourth raters—often *literally* morons and idiots—who knew just enough to repeat the trite phrases and to bow and scrape at the right time to save their lives.

Today there are no such purges, and development of ability and the intellect is encouraged. But the memory still lingers, and the public has a healthy respect for their Communist masters whom they know to be perfectly capable of launching a new offensive against any disloyal element if provoked to do so. Let me cite an example to show how much a general air of suspicion and mistrust still prevails.

One evening two members of my group desired to attend a public meeting. So, accompanied by an Intourist guide, they hopped into a taxi and went to the address they had been given. Unfortunately, the address was that of the caretaker of the building where the meeting was to be held, rather than that of the building itself. Not knowing this, however, they went to this address and knocked on the door. The caretaker answered, and after explaining the situation to them, invited them to come in for a visit. They accepted the invitation and were engaged in pleasant conversation when suddenly there came an ominous knock on the door—and there stood the police! Intourist guide and all, they were hauled off to the nearest police station. Several hours later, after the authorities had

been satisfied that everything was on the up and up, they were released without any real problem.

Only the taxi driver saw them go to this address and he felt it suspicious enough to warrant reporting!

This incident illustrates the extent to which mistrust is still present. Every person is a committee of one to spy on everyone else—a self-appointed police agent who feels it his obligation to report the slightest thing that looks suspicious to him.

This fear of immediate and severe reprisal for anything that could even vaguely be construed as being suspicious or anti-Communist, is a *most important reason* why the Russian people support Communism: They are AFRAID *not* to support it.

6) Belief that Communism Is Their Only Hope for Peace

When we hear Khrushchev rant and rave about the aggression of the United States as opposed to his own pure and lily-white intentions, we are inclined to be amused by the sheer ridiculousness of his claims.

But the Russian people aren't amused!

THEY BELIEVE IT!

The fear of foreign encroachment is continually played up by the Soviet leaders as a reason why the Russian people must rally around Communism. Getting the people to believe that the Western "Imperialists" are an ever-present threat to world peace and security, and that the Communists, on the other hand, are striving only for peace, is one of the POWERHOUSES of the Regime—and *especially of Khrushchev personally*.

One question I could always depend on to produce a lively response was "Do you feel that the United States is aggressive in its foreign policy?" This question would drop like a bombshell!

Of course the United States is aggressive, I would be told. Witness Berlin, Cuba, and Laos, for example!

But what was continually cited as the *greatest* example of U. S. aggression?

"YOU HAVE RE-ARMED GERMANY!"

The Russian people have a real FEAR of Germany. In each city I visited

which the Germans had entered during World War II, the history of the Nazi atrocities was feelingly related to me.

As part of their program to get the Russian people to believe they must rally together around Communism or else hang separately, the Communists want to keep the flame of this fear of Germany alive. But one can read between the lines that all is not just propaganda. One senses that this fear is very REAL—that *Khrushchev himself* is VERY CONCERNED about what is going on in Germany. The average Russian KNOWS that there are an increasing number of former Nazis in high positions in Germany today. Far more than the average American, Khrushchev has a realistic appraisal of what this means and what it can lead to.

By playing up these threats to their security—some real and some imagined—the Communists have hit upon one of their strongest points. Support Communism and you join the struggle for world peace, the people are told. Oppose it, and you bring about your own destruction.

Never has a warlike nation been so "peace conscious." Everywhere are posters and signs with the one word "peace" written on it in seven or eight languages. Every visit to a factory, a school, a museum or anything else con-



Wide World Photo

Soviet people have few consumer goods to buy. In this toy shop a woman in Kiev finds that a teddy bear, 9 inches high, costs \$18.50 (£7/14).

cluded with an earnest appeal for peace.

"Premier Khrushchev has done more to bring about world peace than any man who has ever lived."

What a thorough job of brainwashing!

How do you square this with Khrushchev's statement that he will "bury us," I would ask?

Well, first of all, very few Russians had ever heard that Khrushchev made this statement, just as few have heard of his "shoe thumping" display at the U.N. or similar incidents. When I did finally persuade one Russian that it was, indeed, a historical fact that Mr. Khrushchev had made this statement, she shot back this answer:

"You didn't really take that *literally*, did you? Premier Khrushchev would *never* do such a thing except as a last resort. He was just speaking of the fact that Communism with its dynamic growth is going to bury the decaying democratic system *economically* and *ideologically* by the sheer weight of the inherent superiority of the system. That's all Comrade Khrushchev meant!—and don't you agree that it is inevitable that this will happen?"

The poor deceived fellow—he ought to know better!

Far from "inevitable success," Communism is torn by division. Red China is challenging Khrushchev's authority.

In Leningrad I had the privilege of visiting with a Swiss diplomat who just came from Red China all the way across Mongolia and Siberia to Leningrad by train. He spent three weeks in Red China, and for reasons unknown even to himself, he was treated royally, being taken to all the major cities and being shown places that have been closed to foreigners—especially Westerners—for years.

He reported that Chinese hatred for the Russians is very open. He said that if there was one word which describes China, it is "sad." The Chinese Communists are very strict and serious, and they are openly scornful of the "liberal" policies of the Russian Communists.

Incidentally, this diplomat also reported that—at least for the immediate present—the famine in Red China has eased and there is no widespread hunger. The Chinese say that this is be-

cause they are now keeping all their rice for themselves instead of sending it to Russia as they did in the past.

Also, the Swiss diplomat mentioned that there were a number of very nice new hotels in the big Chinese cities, and that they were very crowded with Africans. The Red Chinese are very busily trying to woo the young African nations to *their* brand of Communism.

7) National Sense of Purpose

The last, but not the least, of the basic reasons why the Russian people support Communism, is that Communism has given the Soviet peoples a national sense of purpose. It has made the *individual citizen* feel that *he, personally*, can have a part in *changing this world* and making it a better place in which to live. It has given the Soviet Union a *national goal*.

The government is continually making...
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Lysenko, Russian scientific writer whose texts were used in Soviet agricultural colleges. He taught evolutionary bunk that acquired characteristics are inherited. His plans to develop evolutionary strains failed, left Soviet agriculture lagging.



Wide World Photo

Russians fear, yet respect their leaders. Here Premier Khrushchev talks to vain, bemedaled leaders of Soviet armed forces during ceremony at the Kremlin in Moscow marking his 70th birthday. From left are Marshals Malinovsky, Moskalenko, Biryuzov, Yeryemenko, Voroshilov, Timoshenko and Sokolovsky.

Soviet Red Army overawes population with parades of Communist military might.

Wide World Photo



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 KRVN—Lexington, Nebr.—1010 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
 WNAX—Yankton, S. Dak.—570 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily.
 WEAW—Chicago—1330 on dial, 105.1 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun. (also 8:00 p.m. Sun., FM) 8:00 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 7:30 a.m. Sat. AM and 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat. FM.
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- WIBC—Indianapolis—1070 on dial, 10:30 p.m. Sun.
- *KBHS—Hot Springs, Ark.—590 on dial, 12:00 noon daily.
- *WSHO—New Orleans—1230 on dial, 12:00 noon daily.
- *KFVS—Cape Girardeau, Mo.—960 on dial, 9:15 a.m. Sun., 6:15 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
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- KWAM—Memphis—990 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 11:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
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- WAKE—Atlanta—1340 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun.
- WBRC—Birmingham, Ala.—960 on dial, 106.9 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.
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- KLZ—Denver—560 on dial, 106.7 FM, 8:00 p.m. daily.
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- KBLE—Seattle—1050 on dial, 12 noon daily.
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- KWJJ—Portland—1080 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
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- KUMA—Pendleton, Oregon—1290 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.
- KYJC—Medford, Ore.—1230 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KAGO—Klamath Falls, Oregon—1150 on dial, 8:00 p.m. daily.
- *KSAY—San Francisco—1010 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KFRS—San Francisco—610 on dial, 106.1 FM, 8:30 a.m. Sun.
- KFAX—San Francisco—1100 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 10:45 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.; 4:15 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KGMS—Sacramento—1380 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun.
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INSIDE RUSSIA TODAY

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ing the people *aware* of this goal and exhorting them to work harder and to produce more to hasten the bringing about of a "Communist paradise." *Everyone* is production conscious.

There are no private advertising billboards or signs in Russia. But *every-*

where—in the subways, the theatres, the shops, and the streets—are the government posters. These posters may contain such diverse items as a picture of Lenin making some profound statement extolling the virtues of Communism, a chart of what the standard

of living will be like by 1980, a beaming young couple beside a graph showing the number of new apartments which will be available by the end of the next five-year plan, or a score of similar proclamations. But always the theme is the same: work harder and produce more for "the glorious cause of Communism."

In order to stimulate increased production, the Russians have concocted some rather unusual incentives. In the large plants and in the town squares—looking like a rogues' gallery to the uninitiated foreigner—are long rows of pictures. What have the individuals whose pictures appear done to merit this honor? They are the local "glorious heroes of Soviet Labor"—workers who have exceeded their production schedule!

It is paradoxical, however, and one of the many contradictions, that with all this production consciousness, there are so many people working at jobs which appear to have been created just to provide employment.

What WILL the Outcome Be?

We have just seen seven basic reasons why the Russian people are in back of their government. But is this confidence well-placed? Is the support of this form of government going to bring the Russian people what they *really want* from life? Will Communism be able to produce the food and goods it promises its people?

Will the plans of the Communist leaders to bring about a world-wide Communist Utopia *without a major war* come to fruition? Or will the Communists launch an all-out, full-scale military attack on the U.S. and Western Europe?

You need to know!

Write today for the article "Will Russia Attack the United States?" and the booklet, *1975 in Prophecy*. Both are absolutely free. They will make the future of Communist Russia—and of the U.S. and Western Europe—plain to you, exactly as revealed by God Almighty in the Bible. Also request our related article on "The Coming Utopia." It, too, is free.

This information is *vital!*—you can't afford to be without it!

"AMERICA ... STOP and THINK!"

Are YOU the unwitting VICTIM of "controlled" politics? Here is an eyewitness, behind-the-scenes report of the Republican National Convention—a startling personal account of the Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City, by the Professor of International Relations at Ambassador College. Read this revealing analysis of convention politics!

by Dr. Charles V. Dorothy

"**W**E HATE Barry! We HATE Barry!" jeered the rebels in San Francisco.

"We want freedom . . . RIGHT NOW!" chanted the circling beatnik demonstrators.

"Unseat LILY WHITE delegations," taunted the civil rights placards.

"Je-sus saves," wailed the do-good religionists. . . .

Competitive confusion ringed Cow Palace grounds amid the unending stream of cars, pedestrians and waving arms of special police trying to maintain sanity. The occasion: The Republican National Convention of 1964 in Daly City (part of greater San Francisco), July 13 through 16.

SLOGANS Not the Answer!

While slogans vied for delegates' and spectators' attention outside, snappy and patriotic catch-phrases echoed from partially filled bleachers inside the gigantic Cow Palace dome. Not to be outdone, Democrats in Atlantic City a month later filled Convention Hall and the news media with glamorous platitudes and party mottos.

But are slogans and catch-phrases the answer to America's problems??

Will lofty platitudes, clever limericks, or even patriotic political platitudes solve the skyrocketing crime wave, obliterate our sickening poverty, end race hatred (and the Harlem, Rochester and Jersey City riots which came between Conventions), and, perhaps most important, remove the shadow of the bomb???

Obviously, NO!!

The answer of course, as Convention speakers of both parties seem to recognize, is not words, but *action*. Then what *kind* of action—what solution??

Best Platform Ignored

The right solution has already been made known—all mapped out clearly. But conventionists and politicians have COMPLETELY IGNORED THE SOLUTION! And not only Americans are at fault. It seems *political leaders the world over COULDN'T CARE LESS!* The solution is the Gospel—the good news—of the Kingdom, or government, of God!

God the Creator says, speaking for all humanity: "*All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to HIS OWN WAY*" (Isa. 53:6).

"Where no *vision* is, the people perish!" (Prov. 29:18.)

That scripture gives you an inkling of how God looks upon our national political picture. We have *rejected God's "platform"*! We will not get away with it, either! This article reveals *what* that platform is!

But first, a brief picture of the Conventions, and an *important reminder of our policy*.

We of *The PLAIN TRUTH* staff have no party affiliation, therefore no political bias! We are intensely interested in freedom and in the future of the English-speaking world!

So then, our desire is to help you see politics in its true perspective—to help you "*stop and think!*"

The Greatest Show on Earth

American political conventions have long been criticized or ridiculed, fre-



Wide World Photo

Politics has become a synonym for confusion! Both recent conventions demonstrate how easily human beings are swayed by political slogans and emotionalism.

quently being dubbed "*the greatest show on earth.*" Our purpose here, of course, is not to cynically poke fun. But actually, you need to see a party convention to believe it! Such "goings-on" are almost incredible!

Unfortunately, a convention does resemble a circus show, due to the cavorting shenanigans of delegates and spectators alike. Here is what I saw at the Cow Palace that perhaps your television set did not show.

Loud, blaring speakers, bandwagons of pep-club girls singing and shrieking, pesky souvenir hunters and small armies of police—all surround the convention hall. Snakelike lines of people jam doorways—some trying to enter the Cow Palace, others demonstrating. Bright buttons and varicolored flags cover vendors' stands like barnacles. All this coupled with the thrill-seeking looks on people's faces makes you think, "This is *entertainment*, NOT serious *business!*"

Once through the first gate, you run a gauntlet of tracts and handbills. You thread your way past the pickets protesting their lack of civil rights. Dignitaries jostle their way through the shoving mob, accompanied by spectator blasts on trumpets and foghorns.

Inside the Palace proper you wonder, "How many *really do care?*" Milling crowds in the corridors patronize concession stands during the official proceedings. Empty seats stare at speakers throughout the better part of the proceedings, and audience attention falls far short of sports-fan concentration, or the rapt stares that old Sunday TV reruns command. Possibly one news reporter was correct when he commented that many delegates preferred being "under ice" rather than under scrutiny in the Cow Palace after Sunday night's drinking "bash."

Did you see those empty bleachers behind the speakers, while the camera angle was right? Be sure to watch what goes on in the *background* of those TV shots, as well as the central figure—what's *out back* may be as educational as what's *up front!*

If you watched the televised portions of the Convention break-ups in the wee morning hours, you probably saw the race and civil rights demonstrators

blocking certain exits. You may not have been able to see that most all were young, that many were out-and-out beatnik types—unwanted by the men they were supporting!

"Where," I asked myself as I stood within 40 feet of the speaking Senators, "where is the burning patriotism in these petty and heated party-faction squabbles?" And perhaps more important, where is the heart-thrilling awe and the *reverent silence* during the singing and playing of the "Star-Spangled Banner," and the opening and closing prayers? Cameras showed *only part* of the DISRESPECTFUL CON-



Wide World Photo

Politicians in Atlantic City worry about wording of party platform—how to please everyone, offend no one! They didn't succeed!

FUSION which reigned directly behind the speaker's stand, in the aisles and concourses, and on the delegate floor.

What about Democrats in Atlantic City Convention Hall? Under that mammoth pavilion (where prior to the Convention I was privileged to stand under the world's largest proscenium on the 210-foot stage, gazing at the world's largest organ) CONFUSION reigned supreme!! A well-known NBC news commentator said on live radio, "Well, let's see if I can make *sense* out of all this *confusion!!!* Even Will Rogers used to say, 'I belong to no organized political party—I'm a Democrat.'"

Newspaper headlines blared "FLOOR FIGHT MAY HIT CONVENTION"—and it did! "COMPOUND CONFUSION HIGHLIGHTS CONVENTION MEET," and "POLICE QUIET BOARDWALK FRACAS." Did you notice that no afternoon sessions

were scheduled? You may not have noticed—unless you were in Atlantic City—that the afternoon *racetrack* did a "land-office" business!

By the time President Johnson began to cut his 350-pound United States model birthday cake (which took 15 days to bake), you could not help but notice THREE TONS OF FIREWORKS had been exploded as part of convention frolic!!

Remember now, we of *The PLAIN TRUTH* are not "knocking" either party—we are NON-PARTISAN!

But will you *stop* and THINK of what God thinks of all this?

The Show is RIGGED!

Can't you realize that the *apparent* order portrayed by T.V. during the Atlantic City meeting was *staged??* There were hundreds of delegates behind barricades who could *not see* the state delegations nor the speaker!! Confusion, chatter, hustle and bustle, DISRESPECT!

Listen to the judgment of an astute political observer! "The Democratic convention this week unfortunately *presents the IMAGE* of an organized show, [but it is] lacking in dignity, lacking in respect for the delegates, and lacking in regard for the electorate itself. *For the objective seems to be TO FIND THE BEST WAY TO FOOL THE PEOPLE* . . . The whole game is to reach the television audiences across the country and TO GIVE THE *ILLUSORY IDEA* [a lie] that this is a well-ordered meeting of highly intellectual persons engaged in the solemn task of nominating a President and Vice-President of the United States" (by David Lawrence in Atlantic City, quoted in the *Longview [Texas] Morning Journal*, emphasis ours).

As Mr. Lawrence says, and as all political teachers and analysts know, the nominating of candidates for the U. S. Presidency in both San Francisco and Atlantic City was *controlled* by a small clique of party leaders. The party platform is *written in advance*. Then it is "jammed through with a voice vote and without a single convention roll call. There is no dissent" (Mr. Lawrence). If there was the "stench of Fascism" at Daly City as Democrats charged, then

it is *just as fair* to report the "stench of Socialism" in Atlantic City as leading Republicans insinuate. Mr. Lawrence continues: "Even the selection of a vice-presidential nominee is dictated *very much as Mr. Khrushchev would pick his second in command*" (David Lawrence, *Longview Morning Journal*).

Don't you, Mr. John Q. Public, see that you really have *no choice* about who will be the two opposing candidates? The parties' choices are already made! When election comes you can choose *between only two men*, AND NO MORE! If you wanted someone else—say Mahatma Gandhi, just to make the point clear—you couldn't even get him *on the ballot*! What is more, not even the delegates choose or nominate whom *they please*. Rather, they are pledged to a certain office-seeker BEFORE THEY ATTEND THE CONVENTION.

All the while it is only a powerful few—the "bosses" of power politics—who *really decide* for you!

Convention Results

All this does not mean that *nothing* was accomplished. Far from it! Six million dollars were spent directly or indirectly as a result of the San Francisco Convention! But more important, a *startling change* has occurred in American politics. Ultra-conservative Barry Goldwater now represents the "mainstream" of Republicanism, along with his hopeful running mate, Congressman William Miller. Meanwhile, the Scranton-Rockefeller-Romney-Lodge element of "moderates" are hastily re-vamping their ideas, platforms, their constituencies, and, in some cases, possibly even changing parties.

That is not all.

President Johnson now emerges as the true leader of the Democrats, and no longer depends solely on the convenient "Kennedy-image." The Democrats have been forced to undergo an unprecedented switch: they now represent the party of "normalcy," of "moderation" and of *resistance to change*.

The result is a paradox. The Republican candidate pushes for CHANGE (the old Democratic hue and cry, if you remember) and the leading Democrat campaigns for the "established order"



Wide World Photo

Four leaders in the Democratic Party get together in Atlantic City's Convention Hall. Most people are unaware that it is not the majority of the public, but a few dominant leaders in politics who determine the direction of political trends.

and the status quo (the former Republican line)!

Senator Goldwater faces an uphill fight. But his strategy reaches far beyond 1964. He has 1968 to look forward to as well.

Gigantic Problems

Senator Goldwater deserves credit, no matter how the election goes, for openly and publicly calling America's attention (in his nomination-acceptance speech) to our most pressing problems—vice, crime, graft, and international ill will.

In his dramatic acceptance speech—July 16, 1964 at San Francisco—Senator Goldwater laid bare America's pressing problems:

"Tonight there is violence in the streets, corruption in our *highest offices*, aimlessness amongst our youth, anxiety among our elders.

"And, where examples of morality should be set, THE OPPOSITE is seen. Small men, seeking great wealth or power, have too often and too long turned even the highest levels of public service into mere *personal opportunity*.

"The growing menace in our country

tonight to personal safety, to life, to limb and property, in homes, in churches, on the playgrounds, in places of business, particularly in our great cities, is the mounting concern, or should be, of every thoughtful citizen in the United States."

Then he summarized—pinpointed the "end of these things"—just where such criminality is leading: "History shows us, it demonstrates that nothing—nothing—prepares the way for tyranny more than the failure of public officials to keep the streets safe from bullies and marauders" (*U.S. News and World Report*, July 27, 1964, p. 93).

Perhaps the Senator heard of, as I did, the civil rights demonstration (played down or ignored by the press) in dignified San Francisco? Perhaps our political leaders are aware of the squalor and filth of our tenement districts? Perhaps they are appalled by the co-educational pajama parties, and the "yard parties" (boy and girl have only one yard of cloth to dress in) coming into vogue at leading universities? Perhaps they are sickened, as we are, that tiny nations like Cuba and Panama



Wide World Photo

Governor Wallace of Alabama tells Democratic platform committee they should write a party plank calling for outright repeal of civil rights law. Race question is major issue in U.S. politics, with no party having a solution to the problem.

and North Viet Nam can get the best of us in international disputes?

Perhaps so.

But that is *not enough!*

Solution Lost and Found!

Over two thousand years ago, God said to Israel, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: *because you have rejected knowledge, I will also REJECT YOU...*" (If you have not proved that the United States and Great Britain are God's ancient and modern people Israel, you can do so beyond any shadow of doubt! Write immediately for the free booklet, *The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy.*)

Continuing: "Seeing *you have forgotten THE LAW OF YOUR GOD, I will also forget your children!*" (Hosea 4:6.)

Whether or not you think we are Israel does not alter one great fact history has attempted to teach: that ALL FORMS OF GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN TRIED AND FOUND WANTING! By God Almighty's express will, humans have been allowed *free rein* in matters political. National and international leaders all blame their opponents for the result: *vice, corruption, graft, lewdness, wars and rumors of wars, sickness, misery and DEATH.*

When will we learn it is not the "opponents" who are wrong—it is

OUR WHOLE WORLD! IT IS MAN'S WAY! "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked" (Jer. 17:9).

No, slogans and platitudes are NOT the answer America needs!

No, opening and closing prayers, Bible quotations, these were *not enough* to keep conventioners on the track!

No, the various political platforms are not the answer, because all history proves *we cannot carry them out!*

The Right "PLATFORM"

"*Cursed be the man that trusts in man, and makes flesh his arm, and whose heart departs from the Lord*" (Jer. 17:5). God's Word—the Bible—is the *true* "platform"!!

STOP AND THINK!!!

Senator Goldwater himself said, "Our people have followed *false prophets!*"

God says: "The prophets, [ministers, preachers] *PROPHESY FALSELY, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?*" (Jer. 5:31.)

Our politics ARE *more* "controlled" by the *few than we like to admit!* Are you one of the *opposite few* who can *learn the lesson now?*

No *human* party candidate, NO noisy nominating convention, NO *human* po-

litical platform can bring about the *only thing* that will save us from coming prophesied captivity—a *heart-rending* NATIONAL REPENTANCE!! God says that the only way to avoid national captivity and tribulation is to "turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil" (Joel 2:12, 13). (Send for our free booklet, *1975 In Prophecy*, so you can understand the disaster that confronts our peoples in the immediate future if we do not repent.)

We justly and richly deserve punishment for thumbing our noses at God! Bigger troubles and trials are ahead! Listen to this stern rebuke from our very Creator: "Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring *evil* [prophesied captivity] upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because *they have not hearkened unto my words, nor TO MY LAW, but REJECTED IT!*" (Jer. 6:19.)

How true! The Conventions *referred to God* but like all others, REJECTED His *express written will!* This is the solution our great leaders have overlooked: *turning to God* NATIONALLY! *The Bible* is MISSING in political life!

Here is the CRUCIAL ISSUE facing us. WILL WE REPENT, WILL WE ACCEPT GOD'S LAW?

God's "platform," if you please, is the TEN COMMANDMENTS! God's plan is founded on *His Law, His written Word!*

His Word continues to say, "BLESSED IS THE MAN THAT TRUSTS IN THE LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreads out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green [meaning PEACE, PROSPERITY, and PLENTY]!" (Jer. 17:7, 8.)

There is the solution OVERLOOKED by the conventionists, IGNORED by the delegates, and SPURNED by the populace! *There* is the platform of Jesus Christ—soon to crush rebellious human governments and usher in PEACE under the GOVERNMENT (*Kingdom*) of GOD!

How Would Jesus Vote for PRESIDENT?

Christ's Message was concerned with the government of nations. Christians are those who follow Christ. Here's what He would do.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

THE PRESIDENTIAL campaign is on full blast. The issue of survival of the nation will fall squarely on the shoulders of the next President.

World war threatens to explode in Cyprus and Southeast Asia. Frightful atomic war! War that means annihilation of civilization. America this minute is in grave danger. The issue is a matter of government!

Christ Was Interested in GOVERNMENT

Few realize it, because they do not hear it today, but the GOSPEL OF CHRIST—the Gospel Jesus brought from God and preached—was a message about *government!*

Yes, Jesus was interested in government. His Message was about a government to RULE THE WORLD, and bring us WORLD PEACE!

In this momentous presidential year, what would Jesus Christ do about this election if He were here as a native-born American?

Would He vote for Goldwater? Would He use His influence to keep the Johnson administration at the helm in this world crisis?

Many of you undoubtedly have read the famous book, *In His Steps*, by Dr. Charles M. Sheldon. It has been one of the all-time best-sellers. It is the story of an entire congregation which set out to do, in all circumstances daily, just as Jesus would do—to "follow His steps," as we are admonished by Peter. My only criticism of the book is that its characters, like most people who think they follow Jesus, acted as they *supposed* Jesus would act instead of studying the Bible to find out how He did act.

The Apostle Paul said: "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live;

yet not I, but *Christ liveth in me!*" (Gal. 2:20). He admonished, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5). *A person is not really a Christian unless he follows Christ—acts as Christ would act—unless Christ is living His life in him.*

What would Jesus do in this crucial election?

To understand what Jesus would do we must take a quick flash-back of the governments of this world from its foundation until now. This is necessary for a true perspective. We are prone to view politics, government, and world events from the standpoint of this present world.

How It All Started

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth (Gen. 1:1). In rulership over this earth God sent a cherub who sealed up the sum total of perfection, wisdom, and beauty. His throne was in Eden. He was ruler over a peaceful world populated by beings superior to humans—spirit beings called angels (Ezek. 28:12-15).

But as this brilliant shining "Star of the Dawn"—Lucifer—contemplated his glory, pride lifted him up, ambition seized him, and suddenly he became dissatisfied with a rulership limited to one single planet. He became jealous of



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Jesus' message was about government! But today's religious and political figures know almost nothing of the kind of government Jesus represented! In this photo Evangelist Billy Graham and President Johnson share a joke about today's world.



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Smiling Senator Hubert Humphrey, hand-picked by President Johnson to be the Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate in the crucial 1964 election.



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The conservative Republican team. Left, Representative William E. Miller of New York, a Roman Catholic, is Vice-Presidential candidate. Right, Senator Goldwater, a grandson of Jewish immigrant from Russia.

God, set his heart to rival the Eternal Creator Himself, and left this planet in a war of conquest, in which a third of his angels followed him, attempting to conquer and rule the universe (Isa. 14: 12-15; Rev. 12:4).

But he was cast back down to earth in defeat, disqualified even as earth ruler, *tho not to be dethroned until a successor is both qualified and inaugurated into office.*

Just as the sins of the antediluvian world brought physical destruction to the earth by a flood; just as the fornication of Sodom and Gomorrah brought physical destruction and chaos to those cities by fire; just as the sins of the present evil world have doomed it to physical destruction once again by fire, so the sins of the angels caused the face of the earth to suffer great violence, and it *became* chaotic, in confusion, waste and empty (Gen. 1:2).

First Chance at World Rule

Then in six days God Almighty brought order out of chaos, created the present vegetable and animal life, and created upon earth a new race, the race of human mortals. Adam was given rule over the lower species—animals. Lucifer, a cherub, had been given rule over angels. But, while man was made a

little lower in status than angels, he was made in the image of God with possibilities, thru conversion, of being born of God, and *changed* into immortal spirit beings, higher in order than angels.

In the Garden of Eden was the Tree of Life—symbolic of the Holy Spirit of God Himself, by which Adam could have been raised to this higher immortal and divine level.

First, Adam was given opportunity to qualify as WORLD RULER. He could have become successor to the former Lucifer, now re-named Satan (meaning Adversary, Rival, Aggressor). Adam was put to the test to determine whether he would obey God and prove able to RULE with God's Laws.

In the fateful test with Satan, Adam disobeyed God, accepted the rule of Satan over him—yielded to human pride, lust and greed. Thus he placed himself and his children under the rule of Satan. He failed to overthrow Satan. He failed to prove he could obey God and carry out God's government over those God should have placed under him.

Had Adam obeyed God and proved able to defeat Satan in this test, he could have partaken of the "Tree of LIFE"—he would have been begotten

of GOD, later BORN of God, *changed* from mortal human to immortal and divine God, of the very family—the KINGDOM—of GOD! All earth's mortals, as his children, would have been under his rule. He would have become world ruler forever!

But Adam placed himself and his children UNDER THE RULE OF SATAN.

Adam was driven from the Garden of Eden *lest* he take of the tree of life, and gain immortality (Gen. 3:22). Thus he never received immortality, which is the *gift* of God by and thru His Holy Spirit.

Satan thus retained his rulership, thru invisible sway of influence, temptation, and deception, over the world.

How Our Present System Started

Just how Satan manipulated human mortals in the ways of government on earth during the first 1600 or 1700 years, there is no historic record. We know merely that with very few exceptions, humans under Satan's invisible sway followed the course of human passions, the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and God destroyed all but eight souls by the Flood.

Noah and his descendents should have learned their lesson, but they didn't. Satan found in one of the great-

grandsons of Noah, Nimrod, the grandson of Ham, a very able and powerful man who could be "used" politically. Thru Satan's influence, instilling great ambition thru greed and pride, this Nimrod organized the people into a system of human government, by which man ruled over man contrary to the principles established by God. Such government never could be good or bring blessings to humanity, but the Eternal purposed to permit man to learn that lesson by hard experience. We are learning it still, and haven't learned it yet.

Now notice how the present world's society became organized.

Nimrod organized the present world's first government—the city of BABYLON. Later he organized Nineveh and other cities. He instituted the system of regimentation, whereby one or a few at the top, by directing their efforts, profit from the sweat and labor of others.

Thus the BABYLONISH system of government was started. Soon there were many cities, each ruled by a king. Then an ambitious king, swayed by Satan's philosophy, seeking more worlds to conquer, organized a portion of his manpower into a fighting force and by aggression ruled over adjoining cities. Thus nations were born, and then Empires.

This BABYLONISH principle of government, intertwined with economic

manipulation, has ruled the world ever since. It has ruled under various forms—whether called oligarchy, monarchy, dictatorship, autocracy, democracy, communism or Naziism—but it's the same old BABYLONISH PRINCIPLE under slightly different modes of administration.

And this is the origin of what we call CIVILIZATION. Its forms of administration have undergone change in the constant struggle and turmoil—in the rise and fall of empires, of cultures, of rival modes of political, economic, religious, or social administration. But its basic principle has remained the same—the principle of competition and strife based upon greed and vanity.

Regardless of the form in which it appears here or there, it is a system based upon exploitation of the people, aggression, regimentation, delusion and deception. And the entire system is founded on the idea of huddling people together in crowded cities.

Since it is the system of strife and competition, each of the four phases of this civilization—political, economic, religious, and social—has striven constantly to dominate and rule. In ancient Rome the politicians ruled over the Church, Business, and Society. Then after 554 A.D., the Church ruled over the State, Business, and Society. In America, where we are supposed to rule ourselves, it has been a constant struggle for dominance between Big Busi-

ness and the politicians. In Russia today a small group of godless atheistic Marxists have set up a political Dictatorship manipulated by stirring up class hatreds, inducing the laboring class to feel down-trodden enough to put in the saddle this Dictatorship pretending to rule for the benefit of this one class.

But regardless of the particular form of administration, this CIVILIZATION which holds the entire world in its organized grip today is the same old BABYLONISH SYSTEM started at the original BABYLON by Nimrod!

"Babylon" means CONFUSION. Competition and strife have produced confusion in the world. *And God is not the author of confusion* (I Cor. 14:33).

Should Christians Strive to Make This a BETTER WORLD?

Now we come to the reason for needing a true perspective.

Most churchmen today, viewing everything from the perspective of THIS WORLD TODAY, blindly assume this is God's world. They see certain forces of evil in it, and these they feel they must oppose. They see the Christian duty to be that of working to make this a better world.

That concept is a wrong viewpoint altogether.

This is *not* a world of God's making. *This is SATAN'S world!* Satan is the invisible god of this world. He is the author of its organization, its basic philosophies, its systems of government, business, society—*yes, AND RELIGIONS!*

This thing we boast of as CIVILIZATION is, in actual fact, Satan's handiwork, not God's! Strange as it may seem, that is true!

All nations—not just the heathen powers, but all nations, *including ours*, are DECEIVED, swayed, led, by Satan (Rev. 12:9; 18:3; 20:2-3). The Bible speaks of this world as "this present EVIL WORLD" (Gal. 1:4).

Why Christ Came!

Into such a world, in His own due time, God sent forth His own Son, born of the human virgin Mary.

WHY did Jesus come? To get into politics, to strive against the forces of evil in this world, to make this a



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Representative Adam Clayton Powell of New York speaks at NAACP rally in Atlantic City, where Democratic Convention was held. Purpose was to exert political pressure on Party decisions.

better world for humanity to live in?

WHAT was His Message? Certainly NOT a Gospel merely about Himself—a Gospel of merely accepting Him, and then, as part of this world, helping to make it better!

When Jesus reached the approximate age of thirty He was baptized, and anointed with the Holy Spirit as the Christ. But before He preached a word—before He could even enter upon His ministry, He, like the first Adam, had to meet Satan in the greatest contest in all eternity!

It was a contest for the rulership of all the earth. Jesus Christ met and conquered Satan by the Word of God. Satan, like his ministers today, quoted Scripture, but he twisted and perverted its meaning. Christ quoted Scripture, accepted it to mean what it says, overcame Satan by *obeying* it! Jesus withstood Satan's temptations, rejected his deceptions, refused to obey him, conquered him by *obeying* GOD! Then He *commanded* Satan, "Get thee hence!"—and the devil obeyed and slunk away!

Then and there Jesus Christ *qualified* to succeed Satan as RULER OVER ALL THE EARTH! But the time had not yet come for Him to be inaugurated into office. First, He had to return to the throne of God and receive God's official authorization.

God had allotted ONE MILLENNIAL WEEK—that is, a period of seven thousand-year "days"—for the accomplishment of His divine PURPOSE in humanity on this earth. That divine Purpose is the creation of righteous spiritual Sons of God. God allotted the first *six* of these thousand-year periods for Satan's labor of deceiving the human race—six thousand years in which mankind is permitted, if he chooses, to suffer from the "labor" of sin. When the first Adam failed to depose Satan, God extended the duration of Satan's dominion over the earth for six thousand years. This was necessary for the accomplishment of God's great Purpose.

Then, as "in six days God made the heaven and the earth, and the seventh day He rested and was refreshed," even so in the seventh millennium humanity is to "rest" from sin, those



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Founder of the ultra-conservative John Birch Society, Robert Welch, has been called "intemperate and unwise" by Goldwater, GOP Presidential nominee.

converted are to enter into God's spiritual rest;—and in this coming millennium Satan shall not do *any work*—that is, his work of deceiving the world!

Then Jesus will return to earth, this time in all His power and Glory as KING of kings, and LORD of lords.

But, in God's great Plan, He has purposed that Christ shall rule by and thru many saints then made immortal. They shall form the world-ruling kingdom—the KINGDOM OF GOD—which Kingdom shall rule over all the mortal nations on earth. Time had to be allowed for their conversion.

Jesus Preached GOVERNMENT

So, after meeting and conquering Satan, Jesus devoted three and a half years to teaching His Gospel to His Disciples.

His Gospel—the only true Gospel of Jesus Christ—is not what most people think today. Few have heard it, today!

It was, and is, a Gospel of good government! The word "gospel" means "good news." And what Jesus preached—the Message He brought to mankind from God—was the good news of the coming GOVERNMENT OF GOD—the coming world-ruling government *which shall overthrow, blast out of existence, and rule in place of every present government on earth!*

Yes, Jesus Christ said to Pilate that He was born to be a King! He, Himself, is coming again as WORLD KING!

And His Gospel was merely, as one might say, His *political platform* for His Kingdom. He revealed the way to enter it as one of its immortal citizens—the way of salvation. He revealed its laws.

What Jesus taught was that this present world, with its governments, its religions, its economics, its society, is *an evil world*—it is Satan's world—it is a world *in competition against*, and AT WAR AGAINST, HIS COMING KINGDOM—THE WORLD TOMORROW!

Did Jesus Come to Make This a BETTER WORLD?

No, *Jesus did not enter into THIS WORLD'S politics!* He called His Disciples *out* of this present evil world—out of all its customs and philosophies and ways—to a life of SEPARATION from the world.

Jesus said to His disciples, "Follow Me!" And one cannot follow Him and also follow this present world! He did not mean for Christians to go out of the world, physically. He knew they must live in it, but He taught that they should not be *of* it. In his final prayer for His disciples, Jesus said to His Father, "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not *of* the world, even as I am not of the world" (John 17: 15-16).

To His called ministers Jesus commanded: "Go ye *into*"—not away from—"all the world, and *preach the Gospel.*" He did not say go into the world and become part of it, striving to make it a better world. He said go into it and "preach the Gospel." And His Gospel is the Good News of a *different* world altogether—of a coming world to be ruled over entirely not by these present various world governments then reformed, but by HIS KINGDOM which shall blast forever out of existence every government that operates today!

"AMBASSADORS for Christ"

Thus Jesus' disciples live *in* this present evil world as though they were

foreigners, here merely as the guests of the nation where they reside, as AMBASSADORS for Christ and His coming Kingdom, here as representatives of His coming Kingdom, *not* of any of this world's governments.

As the Word of God reveals in II Cor. 5:17-20, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away. . . . Now then we are *ambassadors for Christ.*"

The United States sends an ambassador to the Kremlin. He resides for the time in Moscow, Russia. The Christian in the United States is in the same relative position as the American ambassador in Russia. He is not a Communist. He does not regard the Soviet as his government, and he knows well it is a government mortally opposed to his government. He does not serve the Soviet government, nor enter into its politics, nor devote his time in Moscow to trying to eradicate the evils he sees in their system, or to making their state a better state, or to entering into their politics, or voting, or entering their army or fighting for their cause.

Yet, he subjects himself to all their rules and regulations that in any way concern him or his life while there. If they drive automobiles on the left side of the street, he conforms to their regulations. He does not oppose them, he is SUBJECT to them while there, endeavoring to cause them to like him so as to better represent the interests of

his government, the United States.

Jesus taught His disciples to render unto Caesar the things that *are* Caesar's. Specifically he was referring to payment of taxes. If the government levies taxes, pay them. The Bible teaching for the Christian is to be SUBJECT to the powers that be in this world, but, on the other hand, Christians shall *obey God* rather than man.

The true Christian will so conduct himself as to be highly regarded by the powers of government where he lives. He will be regarded by them as a good citizen. He will appreciate the privileges, advantages, and opportunities extended. He will regard himself as the *paying guest* of the country where he resides, and he will act with due courtesy, submission to its rules and regulations insofar as they do not conflict with the commands of God, and submission to their *penalty* where they do.

But the true Christian is one who *follows Christ*, and Christ did not vote! Jesus did not try to reform Caesar. He did not try to make this a better world. Rather, He preached the doctrine of a radically different world to come—and He called His followers out of all participation in this present evil world, and to allegiance to HIS KINGDOM which is to come.

Citizenship in Heaven

But *His World* is the World *Tomorrow!* His Kingdom, He told Pilate, is

not of this world—that is, of this AGE, this present time. This is Satan's world and Christ did not come to reform Satan, or improve Satan's handiwork, but to save His followers *from* Satan and his system.

Since God's Kingdom is not literally set up as yet, the true Christian's citizenship is now reserved in heaven (I Peter 1:4, Eph. 2:19).

Christians are called to be separate from the world (II Cor. 6:17), and all its affiliations, whether social, political, economic or religious. They are not to live by the philosophies, customs and ways of this world, but by EVERY WORD OF GOD (Luke 4:4). Jesus taught us *not* to live by traditions of the present civilization, but by God's laws (Mark 7:7-9), and He taught here that those who disobey this teaching *WORSHIP HIM IN VAIN*. Yes, thousands call themselves Christians, think they are converted, believe in Christ, worship Him, but *worship Him in vain*, following the course of this world and its customs and ways, instead of the commandments of God! (Mark 7:7-9.)

Jesus said for the Christian to seek *first the KINGDOM OF GOD* (Matt. 6:33), and He also said we cannot give allegiance to and serve *two* kingdoms (verse 24).

How and When Christians Are to Help Run Government

In the prophecy of Daniel 7, and especially in verses 17-18, and 21-22, and 27, we find revealed how and when Christians are to take part in the running of the government.

In this prophecy Daniel is shown the empires of this world from his day until the Kingdom of God. First was the Chaldean Empire, to be followed by the Persian, the Grecian, the Roman. There is now to be one more resurrection of the Roman Empire—a United States of Europe now presently forming.

But finally, at Christ's *second* coming, "the saints of the Most High shall take the Kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever."

These present governments are to run their course "UNTIL the . . . *time came* that the saints possessed the king-



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Struggle in U.S. politics involves RACE. Here, demonstrators support "Freedom Democratic Party," mostly Negro, against all-white Democratic delegation from Mississippi.

dom." That time has not yet come. Until then Christians are to obey God and be subject to the powers that be.

When Jesus comes again, it is proclaimed: "The kingdoms of this world *are become* the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and HE shall reign for ever and ever" (Rev. 11:15). Then it is, as Jesus has said, "He that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, *to him will I give power over the nations: and he shall rule them*" (Rev. 2:26-27). The smashing of the present governments of the world is pictured in Daniel 2:34-35, 44.

Then Satan shall be shorn of power to rule the world (Rev. 20:1-4). His qualified successor, Christ, shall then be inaugurated into office. Then begins the Sabbath Millennium of Christ's reign—when He shall set His hand again to *save* Israel and the world.

WHY the World's Greatest Church "Is Fallen"

In the prophecy of Revelation 17 is pictured the greatest church in this world—a *professing* Christian church, ruling over many nations, but she is called in Bible language "the great whore"—a most ugly name!

But you will notice, verse 5, she is shown to be a MOTHER church. She has many daughters, who, even tho they have come out of her in "protest" naming themselves from the word "protest," nevertheless are labeled by God's prophecy as "harlots."

And what caused the terrible sins of these great, popular churches—who have DECEIVED ALL OCCIDENTAL NATIONS? (Verse 2 and 18:3.) What was her fornication?

Notice it—verse 2: "With whom *the kings of the earth* have committed fornication." The "Beast" on which she sits represents the GOVERNMENTS OF THIS WORLD.

The true CHURCH is the affianced Bride of CHRIST. She is to be married to Christ in a Spiritual Marriage AT HIS SECOND COMING! (Rev. 19:7.) Then the true "CHURCH of God" will become the "KINGDOM of God," to rule the earth. But Jesus said, "My Kingdom is *not of this world.*" He taught His disciples to keep themselves unspotted from the world—to separate



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American Nazi Party demonstrators were arrested by police outside Democratic Convention.

from it.

But this great counterfeit Church, instead of becoming "engaged" to the true Christ, and keeping herself true to Him as coming world ruler, formed an illicit union with the *governments of this world*—entered into this world's politics—sought to DOMINATE this world's governments, took an active part in its affairs! Thus she committed spiritual "fornication"—illicit union prior to marriage.

The Roman church united Church and State, actually ruled over the state, which is Satan's kingdom, for more than a thousand years! The popular churches of Christendom nearly all take active, vigorous part in this world's affairs and its politics. Most churches will now be instructing their members HOW TO VOTE in this presidential election. They are part and parcel of THIS WORLD, and they serve only THE GOD OF THIS WORLD, Satan the devil. *They are deceived!* They do not even know they are doing wrong—they ARE DECEIVED!

This entire system—religion taking part in politics—is labeled "BABYLON" (Rev. 17:5).

"But," some who follow 'Anglo-Israel' teaching will object, "we Americans are ISRAEL. Since we are nationally the race of ISRAEL, ought we not to take active part in our nation's affairs?"

We are ISRAEL, yes—but Israel to-

day is not living under God's divine form of government, which is THEOCRACY, but under a *form* of the BABYLONISH SYSTEM.

The governments which have constituted the various stages of the Roman Empire which *is* "Babylon" have called their particular form of this system "Fascism." We call ours the "republican" form, or, erroneously, "Democracy." But it is a MAN-MADE form of administration of the BABYLONISH SYSTEM.

ISRAEL—the United States, Britain, the "Democracies" of northwestern Europe—modern Israel is IN BABYLON TODAY, just as prophecy states (Jer. 50:1, 4-6, 8; Isa. 48:1, 12-20, etc.). It is because of this—*because our sins are increasing*—because we have made alliances with heathen powers instead of relying upon our God—that the Eternal warns us our nations are soon to be invaded and conquered, in order to bring our people back to God (Isa. 47:1-6; Jer. 30:7-16, 24; Micah 5:8-11; Ezek. 3:1, 4-7, 17; 5:12-14; 6:11-14).

Yes, ISRAEL IS IN A "BABYLONISH" system today, and GOD CALLS US OUT! (Rev. 18:4, Jer. 50:8; 51:6-9.)

Jesus Would Not Take Part

What, then, would Jesus do in this time of presidential election? He would WARN our people Israel: "COME OUT of her (Babylon), my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and *that ye receive not of her plagues!*" The plagues of God are soon to fall upon BABYLON and all who choose to remain a part of "Babylon." JESUS CALLS YOU OUT!

What would Jesus do? HE WOULD BE TOO BUSY PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS OF HIS OWN COMING WORLD-RULING KINGDOM, and the way of salvation, to take any part whatsoever in the politics of this present evil world, or in any man-made form of government that is DOOMED very soon to be destroyed and replaced by the Theocratic government of THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

Our mission is, as Ambassadors of Christ—as advance emissaries of His KINGDOM—to WARN Israel of her plight and present danger, to proclaim to all nations the Good News of THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

GERMAN NAZIS Renew Old Demands!

Khrushchev is afraid! West German leaders are whipping up demands for lost territories behind Iron Curtain. Read this first-hand report from our Plain Truth office in West Germany.

by Gunar Freibergs

Düsseldorf, West Germany

WEST GERMANY today is focusing her attention on the political speeches of *ambitious men*. The spark that ignited *World War II* is once again in the making!

Only 26 years ago Hitler demanded and obtained the much-disputed *Sudetenland*—a move that eventually led to *world war*! Today, after a short 19 years of uneasy peace, Germany is once again resounding with "Sudetenland for the Germans!"—a call which has already found supporters by the thousands!

Many Germans strongly resent the way their country was arbitrarily partitioned after the war. They are tired of prolonged American inaction over the split between East and West. They are demanding *ACTION* to achieve the *reunification* of East and West Germany, as well as the *return of the territories ceded to Poland, Russia, and Czechoslovakia at the end of the war!*

German Refugees

Spearheading the growing discontent over the "raw deal" which Germany received at the hands of the Allies are 9 million refugees from East Prussia, Pomerania, Silesia and other regions that were all once part of pre-war Germany. In 1945, as the Iron Curtain descended over the Eastern zone, German nationals by the millions either fled or were driven out of their homes in the East by irate Czechs and Poles. Although most have found a new and prosperous life in West Germany, these refugees—or "*expelled ones*," as they are here called—are longing for the day when they can return to their old homes.

Strongly patriotic and ever desirous of *keeping the memories of their*



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Over 100,000 people attended the Upper Silesian Refugee rally. The State of Nordrhein-Westfalen was made patron of the Upper Silesian refugees. Picture shows Düsseldorf exhibition building with bonner reading: "Self-determination also for us Upper Silesians."

former homelands alive, East German refugees have united into a number of neo-national associations that are now beginning to exert *strong political pressures*.

One such refugee organization is the powerful *Sudeten-German Union*. Claiming to represent the wishes of over *two million refugees*, this organization is creating newspaper headlines by demanding the return of the historically disputed *Sudetenland!*

Hitler's Munich Agreement

Ownership of the Sudetenland, you will remember, was one of the key issues that led to World War II. At that time the pre-war world listened with sympathy to Hitler's pleas of "Sudetenland for the Germans!" Without consulting *Czechoslovakia*—then

owner of Sudetenland—England and France gullibly signed the now infamous *Munich Agreement*, handing the hotly disputed territory on *Czechoslovakia's* northwestern rim over to Germany. The agreement was designed to bring "peace in our time"—in the words of former British Prime Minister Chamberlain. But, as it soon turned out, this was just Hitler's first small nibble in a ravenous attempt to devour the world.

After the war Sudetenland was returned to *Czechoslovakia*. Not desiring to see history repeat itself, the Czechs expelled the Germans from the regained territory. This, it was thought, would prevent Germany's filing any claims for the *Czech land* in the future. But it did not solve the problem, for today, only 19 years later, militant

Eye-witness Report—

THERE is another side to the story of German unity. While there is most definitely a somber and solemn drive for reunification, there is also the ignorant and "I-couldn't-care-less" attitude strongly prevalent among the middle and lower classes.

On the 19th of July the *Bund der Oberschlesier* held a mass rally at the Düsseldorf exhibition grounds. Their leader, Dr. Otto Ulitz (a highly decorated former Nazi) was to speak that morning.

When I arrived at the exhibition grounds the Oberschlesier meeting was in full swing. And I mean it was really "swinging" in the full colloquial meaning of that word! I entered one hall and was greeted by absolute pandemonium! The hall was jam-packed with people—refugees from Upper Silesia—stuffing themselves up to their ears with Bockwurst and beer. Vendors were going around, selling anything from ice cream to peanuts to home-made beer. Children were screaming, teenagers jesting, older people talking over old times with long-lost friends. Those people's minds were on anything but German unity! Where in the midst of all this din, I wondered, was Dr. Ulitz? I wanted to hear him speak.

As my ears became accustomed to the noise of the crowd I could finally detect that someone was competing with them over the loudspeaker! Someone was giving a speech. But where? I pushed my way past perspiring human bodies into the adjoining hall—only to find more Bockwurst and beer. I rushed upstairs, and through several other halls jammed to capacity with eating, drinking, talking and perspiring humanity with the loudspeaker still delivering the words of the speaker. Finally, after squeezing my way through several halls and up and down several stairways, I finally found it: the hall where the meeting was taking place.

But even there the situation was hardly more serious. Out of the 100,000 people that were said to be taking part in that rally about 1000 to 1500 were actually a listening audience! And even here beer and sausage stands were doing

a rip-roaring trade on the sidelines while the speaker, with a lot of poise, zeal, seriousness, zest and dignity delivered his message.

The loudspeaker system was bad—bad acoustics—and so I could not make out exactly what was being said, even though I was right up front within 30 feet of the speaker. I seriously doubt whether 100 people in that meeting really grasped what was being said. But they sure did enjoy themselves, and their bellies were full.

A similar incident, on a smaller scale, took place on the 17th of July during the silent march through Düsseldorf. All that day the radio had been urging Germans to "abstain from their own pleasure" on that day. Yet that evening, as I was following the silent torch-march we passed several beer halls that were going full blast—hotter than Las Vegas at midnight. The silent marchers looked obviously displeased, but did nothing.

And it is interesting to note the people that took part in this march. For although it was supposed to be a public demonstration, it was anything but that. It was a *government* demonstration. For the majority of the persons taking part were in one type of government organization or another, and were representing themselves as such. There was a large Army contingent, also the POLICE. The rest was made up of Red Cross, Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, University and high school students, grade school, and right up front the "city dads." About fifty per cent or less were private citizens who were there taking part as a result of their own sentiments, rather than because they belonged to one organization or another that made their presence mandatory.

This, of course, in no way negates the drive towards a united Germany, but it certainly is illustrative of the fact that the common people seemingly couldn't care less. German unity is being dictated from the *top*. The masses have to go along with it in order to remain good Germans. And they do.

—Gunar Freibergs



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The spokesman for the Upper Silesian refugees, Dr. Otto Ulitz, decorated by Hitler with a golden honor-cross for his "exemplary activity in the National Socialist field as Führer of the German population of Poland" gave an address in which he strongly condemned Polish occupation of the once-German Silesia. After Dr. Ulitz's speech an enthusiastic American government official was overheard in commenting: "I know you people will get your country back again. It's the *spirit* you people have that'll get it back for you, and I'll certainly do everything within my power to see that you get it." Our picture shows Dr. Otto Ulitz delivering the main address.

voices in West Germany are again calling for re-possession of the Sudetenland!

Call for Return of Sudetenland

Last May 16th, *history was repeating itself* as a crowd of 300,000 Sudeten-German refugees streamed into Nürnberg, once a center of Nazi rallies, for their annual three-day get-together, the *Sudetendeutscher Tag*. Highlight of the gathering was a one-and-a-half-hour speech by the controversial spokesman of the Sudeten Germans, Dr. Hans-Christoph Seebohm. Framed by drummer-boys in grey shirts and black

scarves with leather knots, encircled by flag-waving girls in national costumes, and backed by a mammoth sign reading "RECONCILIATION YES, RESIGNATION NO," Dr. Seebohm vigorously urged the "return of the robbed Su-

deten-German homeland to the Sudeten-German people!"

In making this traditional claim, Dr. Seebohm was careful to point out that the Sudeten-German Union was a *po-*
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The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER SEVENTY-TWO

THE POWER OF A WOMAN!

SAMSON fell in love with a beautiful Philistine woman named Delilah. (Judges 16:4.) The five representatives of the five rulers of Philistia had come to offer a reward to Delilah if she would discover for them the secret of Samson's strength. When Delilah asked them why they presumed that she could be paid to betray Samson, they felt that she was about to refuse.

Delilah Makes a Deal

"You should do this for the good of our great nation and all your Philistine friends," they anxiously told her. "You would be aiding in keeping down trouble and bloodshed!"

Delilah eyed them quizzically for a few moments.

"I suppose you are right," she finally said, casually running one hand over her hair to push it into place. "If I find out what you want to know, how much are you willing to give me?"

"We'll give you a total of 5,500 pieces of silver, and no more," the relieved spokesman for the agents replied. "This money will be delivered to you just as soon as Samson is in our hands!" (Judges 16:5.)

"Be prepared to pay me very soon," Delilah quipped as she smiled at the five men. Although Samson didn't realize it, the woman he loved was proving to be a greedy opportunist who would do anything for enough money.

That same night she began to question Samson about the source of his strength.

"One reason why I admire and respect you so much," she fondly whispered to

him in a time of intimacy, "is that your enemies have never been able to overcome you because of your great physical power. I know that you must have some secret source of such unusual power. It would please me if you would tell me that secret."

"I can think of no worthwhile reason why you should know such a thing," Samson replied. "You are a bit too curious to be pleased."

"I suppose so," Delilah tactfully sighed. "I merely hoped that you would share with me the knowledge of what great thing it would take to overcome such a strong man as you."

Samson fondly surveyed Delilah. He had such an ardent affection for her that he didn't wish to refuse her some kind of answer. Yet, he did not completely trust her with the secret of his great strength. And Samson did not want to risk unnecessary danger. So he decided to use his sharp wit again so that, if Delilah talked too much to the wrong people, he might have another good laugh on the Philistines.

"If my enemies were to carefully bind me with seven strong, green strips of bark twisted together," Samson said, "then my special strength would fail me, and I would be no stronger than any other man of my physical development." (Judges 16:7.)

"Samson, why do you tell me such a tale?" Delilah gently scolded him, thereby trying to cause him to think that she didn't believe him.

"Why don't you try binding me with such a cord and see what happens?" Samson asked.

"I think I shall do just that, my darling," Delilah replied.

Hours later, Delilah contacted the representatives of the rulers of Philistia to tell them what Samson had told her.

"It could be that Samson made up a story to test your loyalty," one of the men observed.

"I realize that," Delilah answered, "but you'll agree that we'll have to take a chance. Furnish me with the seven strong, green strips of bark braided together, and I'll manage somehow to tie Samson up with them, and I'll have men hiding in another part of my home to leap on him if he cannot break the cord!"

"Excellent!" exclaimed the spokesman for the five agents. "We'll send you the cord right away! The rest is up to you!"

Another Laugh for Samson

Later, when everything was in readiness, Delilah produced the cord and playfully wound it about Samson.

"I took you at your word," she told him smilingly, carefully knotting the cord

at his wrists behind his back. "Now, if you are as helpless as you said you would be, what if I should call for your enemies to come and take you?"

"This little game of ours wouldn't be very interesting if you already knew what would happen," Samson teased. "If you have some way to get in touch with my enemies this very minute, I'll face them!"

Samson was quite unaware that a number of picked Philistine soldiers were hiding only a few yards away, ready to pounce on him at the expected moment of his helplessness. He was quite surprised when Delilah began shouting.

"Samson is bound!" she called out excitedly. "Come after him, you men!"

The hidden men, peeking through small slits in a curtain, failed to move or make any noise. They first wanted to see what the Danite would do. They had been told



Several Philistine warriors hid in another part of Delilah's tent, to be ready to leap on Samson if he should lose his superhuman strength.

that he probably would struggle quite fiercely with his bonds if they proved to be too much for him, and the soldiers were taking no chances.

Suddenly Samson broke the cord as though it were made of cobwebs, causing the Philistines to fall back and quietly flee through a rear entrance. Delilah was relieved that the soldiers hadn't rushed into the room. She quickly regained her composure

and concealed her disappointment by smiling and applauding. (Judges 16:8-9.)

A few nights later, when she felt that enough time had passed so that Samson wouldn't guess how anxious she was to betray him, she again brought up the subject of his strength.

"Why did you jest with me about the wonderful source of your great power?" she asked in a hurt tone. "I don't think it was fair of you to tell me something that wasn't true."

"I didn't think you had a good reason to be serious," Samson explained, "so I put you off with a light answer."

"But I was serious!" Delilah insisted. "Why shouldn't you tell me what a wondrous thing it would take to overcome such a man as you?"

Again, because of his deep feeling for Delilah, Samson felt that he should give an answer, but he was too wary to tell her all she wanted to know.

Samson Still Cautious

"All right, Delilah," he sighed. "Here's what could prove my undoing. If I were bound tightly with strong, new ropes that have never before been used for any other purpose, then would I be only as strong as any other man of my size and development."

Delilah realized that this wasn't necessarily so, but there was nothing to do but obtain the new rope and again hide the Philistines in her house while she once more went through the rather childish procedure of playfully binding Samson.

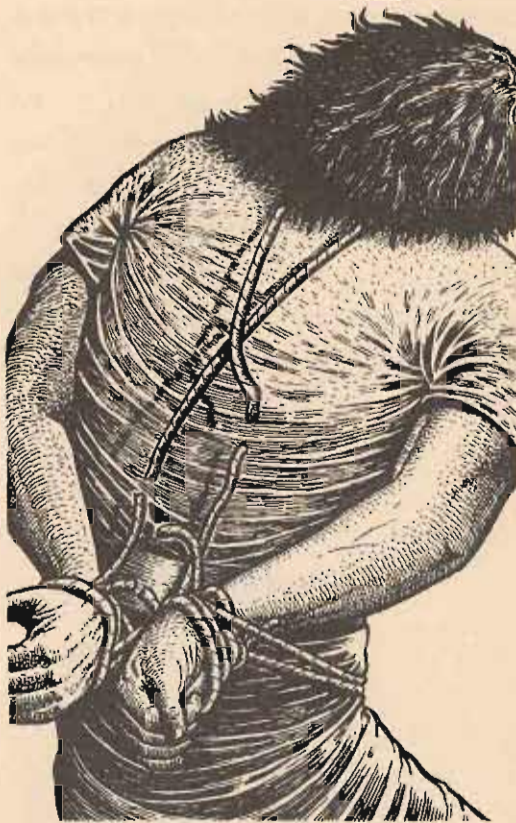
"I can't imagine why tying me up seems so fascinating to you," Samson commented, "but if it makes you happy, I don't mind."

By this time Delilah had bound Samson very thoroughly with the heavy, strong, new rope. She believed now that he would have great difficulty in getting free, what with the manner in which she had wound the rope around and around his arms, wrists, waist and neck. After tying a last knot, she abruptly backed away.

"Samson is bound!" she shouted. "Come out and seize him before he can loose himself!"

Again the peeking Philistines held back until they could be doubly sure that it was safe to expose themselves. When they saw Samson flex his muscles and break the ropes as though they were fine threads, they once more fled for their lives. (Judges 16:10-12.)

Delilah could well be thankful for the second time that the Philistines left instead of exposing themselves. She repeated her performance of the time before, to try to cause Samson to believe that it was all a little game, however silly, to show him



The tough, new ropes with which Delilah had carefully bound him were only as weak threads to Samson!

Delilah purposely took so much time that Samson fell asleep. When she had his hair woven with the web and securely fastened to the pin of her loom, she cried out to the hiding men to leap out and seize Samson. Awakened, he sat up suddenly, jerking the pin and the web loose from the loom by the strength of his hair and muscles. As before, when the Philistines saw that he was free, they fled. (Judges 16:13-14.)

"How can you say that you love me after mocking me three times about your great strength?" Delilah asked in a slightly displeased tone.

"I can love you without having to answer all your questions," Samson replied with some irritation. "If you really care for me, you won't bother me any more with this subject!"

The Temptress Finally Wins

Nevertheless, from then on, Delilah kept badgering him with questions. Every day and every night she would ply him with questions about the source of his strength.

how much she admired his unusual physical power.

For the third time, several nights later, Delilah launched into another attempt to uncover Samson's secret.

"You have mocked me twice in this matter," she told Samson in a wounded voice. "Don't you love me enough to share your greatest secret with me?"

"Of course I do," Samson answered. "Now listen to this. As you know, I often divide my hair into seven different tresses. I'll lie here on the floor in front of your loom. If you can weave my seven locks with the web of your loom, the main source of my strength will depart from me."

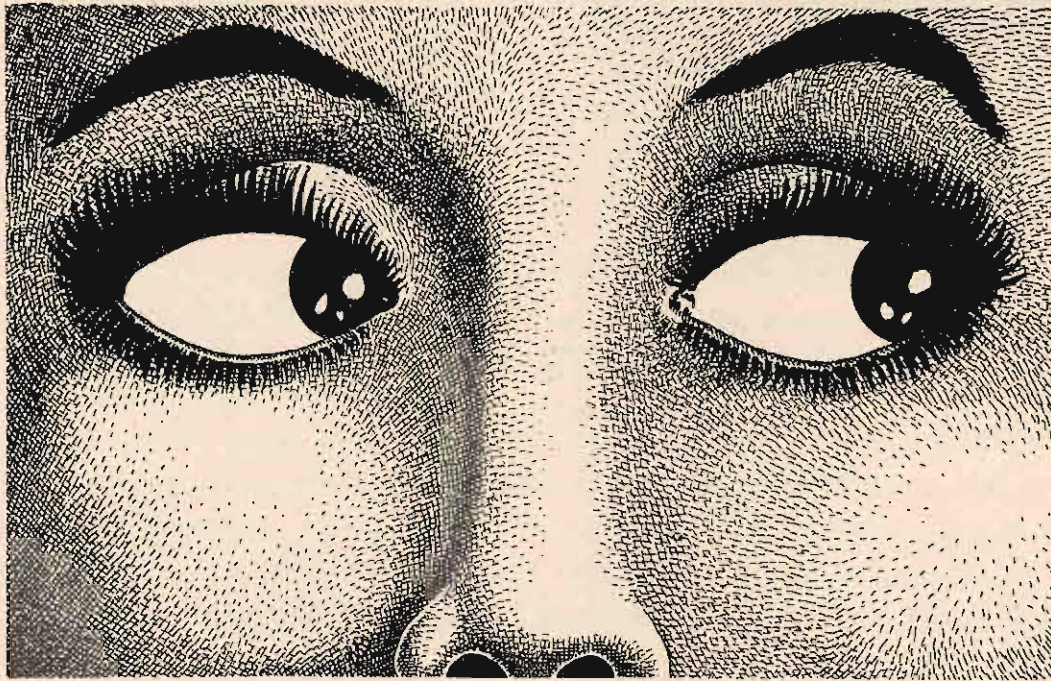
For the third time Delilah half-heartedly arranged for Philistines to be hidden in the next room while Samson submitted to having his seven plaits of hair being put through Delilah's loom.

He began to feel that the risk he would run by exposing his secret wasn't worth what he suffered by her nagging. In fact, he felt that he would rather risk death than continue to put up with such nagging.

"All right! *All right!*" Samson finally exclaimed in desperation, clamping his fists against the sides of his head. "I'll tell you anything you want to know! After that I never want to hear any more from you about why I am as I am!"

Assuming an expression of compassion, though she was really quite elated, Delilah rushed to Samson and threw her arms about him. It appeared that this unprincipled temptress whom Samson unwisely loved was about to succeed where a whole army had failed.

"I'm sorry, my darling!" she murmured. "I guess I didn't realize that I was being



Delilah subtly begged Samson to tell her the secret of his strength.

so troublesome. If it will help you to get anything off your mind, sit down and tell me all about it!"

"You Philistines probably don't know much about such things," Samson began, "but at the moment I was born I became a nazirite, which meant that I was dedicated to service for the God of Israel for my entire life. [Judges 13:1-25.] There are several special things that a nazirite must do. One of those things is to let his hair

and beard grow without any cutting or trimming. [Numbers 6:1-21.] If my hair and beard were to be cut off, my nazarite vow would be broken and God probably would not give me the special protection He has given me all my life. Neither would He give me the special strength I have at times when I am to perform unusual feats!" (Judges 16:15-17.)

Delilah was certain that at last Samson had told her the truth. Later, she contacted the agents of the rulers of Philistia to tell them that Samson was about to become their prisoner. She arranged for the usual men to go into hiding in her house that night.

When Samson returned from business elsewhere, Delilah met him with unusual warmth. Because it was quite late, she sat on the floor and suggested that Samson lie with his head in her lap. She sang to him softly, gently running her fingers through his great mass of hair. Soon he was asleep, but she didn't try to rush matters.

She waited until his heavy breathing indicated that he wouldn't be easily awakened.

It was then that she silently signaled to one of the men in concealment, who hesitantly appeared and fearfully moved toward the sleeping Danite. This man was a barber whom Delilah had hired to join the Philistine soldiers.

Samson's Nazarite Vow Broken

It took time for this timorous fellow to get up courage to apply his razor to Samson's flowing locks, but once he got off to a start, it didn't take him long to deftly crop the sleeping man's hair and beard off short. When his task was done, he lost no time in leaving.

During this most unusual haircut, Samson had at times moved restlessly. Delilah continued singing to him softly, hoping that he wouldn't spoil everything by awakening.

But as soon as he was shorn, Delilah didn't care how soon he awoke. She signaled to the Philistines to come out of hiding, but they didn't dare until they could believe that he was too weak to overcome them.

"Wake up to face your enemies!" Delilah scoffingly muttered to Samson.

Samson moved, but didn't awaken. Delilah pushed his head off her lap and prodded him with her foot. (Judges 16:18-19.)

"Get up, Israelite!" she smirked. "You have company!"

Only half awake, Samson slowly got to his knees, at the same time sleepily rubbing his head.

When he felt the absence of hair, his eyes popped open and he lurched to his

feet. Because he reeled slightly due to coming out of deep slumber so suddenly, the hiding Philistines believed that he had suddenly become very weak. At last, after running from Samson several times, they had the courage to charge out and swarm over him.

Samson at first tried to beat them off as they came on, but suddenly realized he no longer had his great strength. He began wondering how he had lost his hair and if God had completely deserted him because of his breaking his nazarite vow. The answer was plain when it became apparent that he was powerless against the group of brawny Philistine soldiers. Samson's love for a pretty pagan had been his undoing, just as God had warned the Israelites. (Exodus 23:31-33; Joshua 23:12-13.)

The Philistines hauled Samson to the floor, then pinned him down and bound him. By this time Delilah had disappeared. She had slipped out to collect the 5,500 pieces of silver from the agents who were close at hand.

From then on, for the next hour or so, Philistines closed in from all directions. Samson was dragged outside and confronted by a growing number of enemy officers who were most jubilant about the great victory over one man—a victory it had taken them more than two decades to accomplish because God had planned it that way.

Amidst the shouts and cheers of the Philistines, Samson realized that he had been betrayed by a woman he should have shunned, and that God was punishing him. Bitter indeed was the distress of this mighty man who had just been outwitted and overpowered by a woman of very low character.

To add to his misery and apprehension, the bound Samson suddenly was aware that someone was shoving two red-hot pieces of metal directly toward his eyes! (Judges 16:20-21.)

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Personal from the Editor

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ever you look to as your supreme authority—whatever you serve and obey as supreme—whatever you worship with devotion—is your GOD.

There is a Biblical explanation of turning patriotism into idolatry. In the Book of Revelation, the Roman Empire is symbolically pictured as a "Beast." God pictures Empires here, and in Daniel's prophecy, by the wild animals whose natures are those of these kingdoms. Speaking of the Roman Empire—and, in the dual sense, of the resurrected Empire just now beginning to emerge out of the Common Market in Europe—we read: "And they worshipped the dragon [Satan] which gave power unto the Beast: and they worshipped the Beast, saying, Who is like unto the Beast? who is able to make war with him?" (Rev. 13:4.)

Their patriotism became WORSHIP. They WORSHIPPED this Beast. HOW? By saying, "Who is like unto the Beast? who is able to make war with him?" By extolling their country, competitively with other countries, as so great none other would dare stand up in war against it.

Have you ever heard anyone brag of *your* country: "Why, we could lick any other country with one hand tied behind our backs!" That is WORSHIP! That becomes IDOLATRY! It extolls *your* country in a manner derogatory of others. It expresses hate toward others as well as love for yours.

It is NOT wrong to LOVE your own country—or even your own SELF! But God's LAW says it *is* wrong to love your SELF *more than* your neighbor. It says you shall love your neighbor AS yourself.

It is NOT idolatry to be patriotic—to LOVE your country—as long as you *do not discriminate* against others.

The United States is *my* native land. I LOVE this country! But I love Jesus Christ as my Saviour *more!* I love Almighty God the Father *more!* And I love also the PEOPLE of other countries.

God Himself is PERFECT, and He

commands us to be perfect, even as He is perfect. God is no respecter of persons! HE DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE! We must learn to be LIKE HIM!

Did you notice that dissension, jealousy, rivalry, factions, and party-spirit, are attitudes that are sure to keep you OUT of God's Kingdom—if you harbor them? Are you SURE you have rooted out all this partisan feeling—this spirit of rivalry—of favoring one *at the expense of the other—from your mind?*

If you haven't, you'd better go to work on it—*FAST!* There isn't much time left. And unless you do get all such attitudes rooted out of your active nature BEFORE the end, you'll be doomed to the lake of fire! Better not take it lightly. The stakes are ETERNAL LIFE!

WILL YOU STARVE?

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get my FACTS?

First—from the same source as anyone: newscasts and newspapers. Secondly, from the world's finest and most up-to-date news magazines. But MOST important, from sources that are in many ways *even superior* to THESE!

Here at Ambassador College, in Pasadena, California, we have our own *wire service*, ticking away 24 hours a day and night! At our Ambassador College News Bureau several full-time men are carefully sifting through the most respected news sources from around the world! They receive *inside* information in the form of private business letters which go only to huge corporations; economists' reports; printed reports from government agencies; newspapers and periodicals from other nations (and our multi-lingual department translates them all). Each week, the head of that department, Mr. Gene Hogberg, whose articles have appeared in *The PLAIN TRUTH*, distributes a weekly *news report*. These weekly reports represent only the *most vitally important* points of news which relate directly to the PROPHECIES of the Bible, and the most significant events occurring in our time. In addition to these *weekly* reports, certain SPECIAL reports are com-

plied from time to time.

As the months and years go by, all of the hundreds of thousands of clippings, papers, letters, articles, or photostats of microfilms of them, are carefully stored and filed.

At these extensive "central files" of information, it is possible for our News Bureau staff to gather the most pertinent information on a subject such as drought and weather conditions for the past *decades!*

But what I want you readers to understand is that *all this* is STILL only a PART of the news data at our fingertips!

Hundreds of thousands of letters per year come flooding into our Headquarters office at Pasadena, through Box 111. And multiple THOUSANDS of these come from farmers in every state of the union, every territory, and every part of this vast, sprawling, broad earth!

Farmers are concerned about their farms. They talk about the weather. They talk about their crops. When they hear me make certain statements on the radio concerning weather, or mention the prophecies to which I refer in this article, MANY will write in their own PERSONAL EXPERIENCES!

We receive literally HUNDREDS of letters *every single week* from Maine to Florida, and from Washington to Southern California, telling us of the *local* conditions in their areas.

It would take you literally MONTHS to read them all! But if you COULD, as our staff does, and has—your hair would stand on end—your breath would come short—your face would take on a grayish pallor—your flesh would stand up in goose bumps—and you would begin to KNOW, *as you have never known before*, the really SERIOUS conditions of our lands—*just as they really are!*

When I began this article, I asked Mr. Hogberg for a file on the most current conditions. Here are just a few of the facts he gave me.

Current Conditions

The United States Government has designated as disaster areas 306 counties in fourteen states! Continued drought in key growing areas has meant

fall harvests will be seriously below normal—in some places nonexistent. Corn plants wither and are earless in northeastern Iowa. Yellowed soybean plants in southern Illinois bear less than half the normal number of pods and these contain only buckshot-sized beans. Cotton is deteriorating in Texas and Oklahoma.

At Alma Center, Wisconsin, thousands gathered for a gala strawberry festival—only to find a wasteland instead. The community suffered a vicious hailstorm of up to *fifteen inches* which obliterated *all* crops. Hailstones the size of golf balls turned strawberries, hay, grain, corn, tomatoes, sweet corn into a slushy quagmire. Damage was 100 per cent to crops in the area, and windows were shattered in nearly every home in town. A deputy sheriff said, "A lot of the roofs look as if they'd been chewed off—the hail perforated them like sieves."

And in New York, the U. S. Weather Bureau reports the worst drought since 1826—and this at *the same time* as unusually *cold* and *wet* weather in other parts of the nation!

And this violently *different* weather *side by side*, was definitely *PROPHESIED*.

Notice what God inspired Amos to say about it. "And also I have withholden the rain from you, when there were yet three months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it *not* to rain upon another city: *one piece was rained upon*, and the piece whereupon it rained *not withered*" (Amos 4:7).

God said, "So two or three cities wandered unto *one city, to drink water*; but they *were not satisfied* . . ." WATER RATIONING!

In town after town, during the summer of 1964, wells simply dried up. Water rationing was in effect in *many* communities.

Think about it. What *WOULD* your life be like, if your *water supply* were suddenly *CUT OFF*? If you housewives walked to your sinks and suddenly found *no water*—what would you do?

Probably, you would first try all the other faucets in the house. Then, you might try flushing the toilets to see if they "worked." (C.D. officials and conservationists say the average per-

son would panic in this way, and, in so doing, would completely drain the home of the one or two small "reservoirs" of water left in it!)

Then, you would probably reason that the water was only cut off at *YOUR* house. You would go next door—or call the neighbors—to find out what had happened. At their home, the story would be the same. Then you might try to call the police. But the police department would have no water, either! Then you may turn on the radio—to hear that *ALL* water has been shut off as an emergency measure because the city's reservoirs and water supplies are down to almost *NOTHING*, and only the hospitals and fire departments can have any water.

What do you do? It's a good question. It will happen to you, where you live!

You should think about it now.

Can We Feed the World?

Too many a citizen in the United States has the fanciful notion that we are so rich, so blessed, given so much abundance—that we can right every wrong; solve every problem; feed every starving person; lead the world onward and upward into a glittering Utopian era of American-made prosperity!

If so—they're due for a surprise!

If the existing food supplies (and this means not just reserves, but continuing capacity to produce food based upon present production reports and projected increases!) were equally distributed among the nations on this earth *at this present time*—then every human being on the face of this earth would be living at a bare subsistence level, with just *BARELY* enough to stay alive!

You would be fortunate to eat a small piece of meat once every week or ten days. You would be fortunate to *EVER* see an egg! You would be fortunate, indeed, to ever lay hands on *any* vegetable, fruit, or delicacy, which came from *SOME OTHER COUNTRY*—since all international commerce would break down, and people would find themselves living on a diet dictated by what is produced in their own local areas!

We assume our *CARE* packages, government surpluses, or Christmas dinners for Korean orphans will feed the hungry. But a full belly this noon means an empty one tonight—an even emptier one tomorrow morning—and a really gnawing hunger by the next night. In three days? That *hungry* and empty belly has influenced a mind to the extent that it will do almost *ANYTHING* to get food!

Wake up, America and Britain! Wake up and FACE THE FACTS!

People have literally *EATEN* each other, they have cut off and eaten portions of *THEMSELVES* in a deprived moment of crazed starvation! And your Bible predicts *STARVATION IS AHEAD!*

One reporter said, "We are living in a small anteroom in time where the threat of war is a daily tension. It is with us all the time. So much so that we are becoming numbed to fright. It will not go away and so, like children at a horror movie, we sit wide-eyed, just watching. . . ."

"If there are no accidental wars, then my guess would be that one will be started *by design* no later than 1970. *IT WILL BE A FOOD WAR.* The populations of the nations are increasing so swiftly that some of the big ones will begin to feel the pinch of starvation within ten years. When that happens, either the people revolt or the government goes to war. . . ."

"If you locked ten men in a room, and there was no way out, and enough food was sent in for six, do you think that you would have trouble? No matter how peaceable the ten would be, the craving for sustenance would overcome the men and they would have to fight to the death."

Dr. Georg Borgstrom of Michigan State University's Department of Food Science said, "*The 'food gap' is a bigger threat to civilization and peace than H-bombs, germ warfare, and intercontinental missiles.*"

He said, "If all the food of the world—including surplus stores—were distributed equally and each human received identical quantities, *we would all be malnourished.* If the entire world were fed on the U. S. level, all available food would be only enough to

feed *less than half* the human race! The world as a global household knows of no surpluses—merely enormous deficits.

"Yet every month we are adding to the world the population of a Los Angeles (four and a half million) and every third year more than an entire United States (nearly 200 million)."

Think of it! The world's population explodes upwards at a gigantic **SIXTY-THREE MILLION PER YEAR!**

Dr. Borgstrom has pinpointed one of the most brain-chilling and frightening facts of today! He worries about a "hunger curtain" dividing the world. The exclusive food club, he said, consists of Americans, New Zealanders, some 200 million well-fed Europeans, and some 15 million persons in Oceania. On the wrong side of the hunger curtain are **TWO BILLION HUMANS** with 600 millions perched on the fence. And, further, partly from hunger, *half of the one billion children alive at this moment throughout this earth will never reach adulthood!*

Dr. Borgstrom is an expert. Dr. Borgstrom deals with the "food gap" every day of his life. But Dr. Borgstrom says he sees **NO HOPES** of conquering hunger unless world population is controlled, and even that "will be a close thing."

He said, "*Mankind is facing the alternatives of extinction or survival!*"

Man's March to Oblivion

Mankind is gaining 120 thousand mouths to feed each day and losing 20 million acres of food-producing land each year!

Raymond Bouillenne, Professor of Botany at the University of Liège, Belgium, in a paper published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science, said, "Man, the **GREAT DESTROYER**, having wiped out hundreds of animal and plant species, is well embarked on a course which threatens his own kind with extinction!" "Man," according to Bouillenne, "seems reluctant to accept his place in nature." He does great things. He tunnels through mountains, diverts rivers, builds dams, throws bridges over mighty waterways, masters the air, leaps into space, releases the atoms' forces, levels forests.

"But much of mankind," he went on, "apparently has not tumbled to the elementary fact that *Homo sapiens* and all other animal species are absolutely dependant upon vegetation. The green plants are the only basic producers of food."

As the Belgian scientist noted, "All flesh is grass."

Yet man, in order to gain a strictly temporary increase in food production, has for **CENTURIES** been **DESTROYING IRRETRIEVABLY** the food-producing power of the land!

Bouillenne said, "Before man tries to explore the moon, he must continue to eat on earth!"

The United States Department of Agriculture says, "Hunger is to emerge as the number one problem for the world in the years immediately ahead."

In the foreseeable future, according to their report, famine looms as a prospect that can become more serious than the threat of nuclear war! In this particular report to which I refer, the Agriculture Department had set down, *for the very first time*, facts of **POPULATION GROWTH** alongside the prospects for increasing the world's supply of food. The findings of the study were described as "startling" by experts who *make it their business* to chart population growth. As only one shocking and salient point of the report, the U. S. Department of Agriculture cited the case of India. India today has close to 450 million people. In another 15 short years, that population will increase by the staggering number of 187 million! Thus, a country in which the average diet *is now deficient* has only a **FEW YEARS** to find a way to feed an added population *equal to that of the entire United States!*

The population of Communist China is estimated to be increasing at the rate of 2 per cent or more per year. At this rate, Red China is adding 12 to 15 million people annually! That number is approximately equivalent to the total of Australia's population—yearly!

All this, at the very same time when the world's leaders, and notably among them Mao Tse-tung and Khrushchev, are saying that some way **MUST BE FOUND** to upgrade diets in the "have-not" nations, if hungry people are to

be kept from exploding into *open revolt!*

The prophecies of your Bible plainly **WARN** you of approaching **DROUGHT, FAMINE and DISEASE!** And the *facts* of these modern times *plainly* reveal these prophecies are about to be fulfilled before your startled eyes! So *remember*—one may scoff, doubt, or "kid" himself all he chooses—but **THESE FACTS ARE REAL—THE PROPHECIES OF YOUR BIBLE ARE REAL!**

Here's What's Coming!

Jesus Christ said one of the **MAJOR** events signalling the end of man's self-willed governments on this earth would be the torturous changes in the *weather*, and the disasters they would bring!

His disciples asked, "Tell us, when shall these things be, and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?" (Matt. 24:3).

Jesus answered, "...ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars... nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and *there shall be FAMINES, and PESTILENCES, and EARTHQUAKES* in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows [TRIBULATION, reads the margin]" (Matt. 24: 6-8).

He said the main events leading to His return to **RULE** this earth would be terribly destructive **FAMINES and DISEASE epidemics!**

God says we are guilty of depending on foreign allies; on our own human leaders; on military might, to deliver us from international troubles. He calls



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Poor children in India eat little more than rice.

such dependence on others *spiritual adultery!* "...Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed..." (Jer. 3:3).

"But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone. Neither say they in their heart, 'Let us now fear the Eternal our God, *that giveth rain*, both the former and the latter, in his season: He reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.'

"Your INIQUITIES [our national and personal crimes and sins!] have turned away these things, and your sins have withholden good things from you..." (Jer. 5:23-25).

God is ANGRY! God is going to PUNISH the false prophets and their followers alike! "Then said the Eternal unto me, 'Pray NOT for this people for their good. When they fast, I will not hear their cry;...but I will consume them by the sword [symbol of WARFARE], and by the FAMINE, and by the pestilence [disease]" (Jer. 14:11-12).

God says, through the striking prophecies of Lamentations, that "they that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills" (Lam. 4:5).

In describing the *terrifying* results of prolonged drought and famine, God says, "Their visage is blacker than a coal; they are not known in the streets: their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick.

"They that be slain with the sword are better than they that be slain with hunger; for these pine away, stricken through for want of the fruits of the field.

"The hands of the pitiful women have sodden [BOILED! margin] their own children: THEY [the children] were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people." (Lam. 4:8-10.)

The people—YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES—AND YOU, unless you heed and REPENT before it's everlastingly too late—are pictured as crying out as if with one voice when they say, "Remember, O Eternal, what is

come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach!"

"Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens. We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers are as widows. . . . Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible FAMINE!" (Lam., chapter 5.)

Yes—IT'S REALLY COMING!

Jesus Christ said conditions would grow SO alarming that unless God INTERVENES to SAVE mankind from literally ANNIHILATING HIMSELF—all civilization would be DOOMED to extinction!

YOU are living in these prophesied times! YOU are living in the death throes of an age! YOU are living at the time spoken of by Jesus Christ in the

24th chapter of Matthew, "For then shall be *great tribulation*, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor *ever shall be*.

"And except those days should be SHORTENED—there should be *no flesh saved*: but for the ELECT's sake, *those days shall be shortened!*

There it is!

That is YOUR PROTECTION—if you're willing to avail yourself of it! Jesus Christ promises PROTECTION to HIS OWN ELECT—those who are busily engaged in doing HIS OWN END-TIME WORK on this earth; that of WARNING the world of what will *surely* come!

Make no mistake! What you have read is REAL. What you do about it is entirely up to you.

THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Questions

FROM OUR READERS

HERE are the *Bible* answers to questions which can be answered briefly in a short space. *Send in your questions*. While we cannot promise that all questions will find space for answer in this department, we shall try to answer all that are vital and in the general interest of our readers.

"Why are so many people sick today despite medical knowledge? Are we indeed suffering the diseases of Egypt (Deut. 28:60) that God promised would come upon those who disobeyed His laws?"

B.E., Norwood Park, Illinois

Scientists have recently been shocked to discover *proof* that the very same diseases which plagued ancient Egypt are *still widespread* today! Many people, even doctors, have assumed today's diseases developed *only in our modern world!*

Think this over: People today are still disobeying God's law just as they did in ancient Egypt. As a result they are suffering the *inevitable* physical punishment for physical sins—painful illnesses, mental agony, even death.

Notice God's warning in Deut. 28:

58-62. "If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD; then the Lord will make thy plagues... of long continuance, and sore sicknesses... Moreover he will bring upon thee all the DISEASES OF EGYPT, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee. Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will the Lord bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed. And *ye shall be left few in number*, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; *because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the Lord thy God!*"

God means what He says! Because
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What our READERS SAY

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community. I'm one of the few 15-year-olds here and as there is no high school, anything we get in the line of education is on a learn-by-yourself basis. I've found, since subscribing to your magazine, I get history, geology, geography, science, current events and spiritual enlightenment as well."

K. J., Galeana, Chihuahua, Mexico

Right on the Job!

"One day this month I was cooking my husband's lunch when I happened to look out my front window. The postman was sitting out there in his truck (I don't know how long he had been sitting there). I wondered why he was staying there so long so I kept peeking out the window and what do you think he was doing? Sitting there reading my PLAIN TRUTH!"

Mrs. F. P., North Carolina

A Message of Hope

"Many thanks for the grim and timely warning regarding interracial problems. . . . But all the same you are not always a prophet of woe. You also give us a wonderful message of hope for the future. May the Lord continue to inspire you."

J. K., Kentucky

"I am writing to tell you how much I enjoy reading *The PLAIN TRUTH*. I have been receiving it now since May. I continually read the different articles over and over again, and I still find them enlightening. I have always prayed for wisdom and understanding, and *The PLAIN TRUTH* is plainly the answer. I particularly like "Personal from the Editor" articles. Would you please send me *1975 in Prophecy* and *The Plain Truth About Christmas? . . .*"

Miss N. B., Liverpool, England

It Pays to Tithe

"Last week I sent in a contribution. I needed the money but after reading Malachi 3:10 I thought I would 'prove' God. The same day as I posted the letter I received a cheque, part of which

was for my own use, totally unexpected. So sir, here now is my, or rather God's, tenth of that money."

Woman from Mt. Isa, Queensland.

"For a long time I have been listening to your fine talks on Radio Luxembourg and Europe Number 1, and I have decided to write to you and ask you if you would be kind enough to send me some of your booklets. Since I am 70 years old, an invalid, and without income, I am not able to buy educational books; and anyway these would not help me much since I am not able to write or express myself too well. My 71 year-old wife and I live in a little country cottage, 500 yards from the nearest neighbor."

Gentleman from Savigre, France

Child Rearing

"Thank you for the booklet on child rearing. They are simple principles that WORK. We have been using this method about a week and now we hardly know our children."

R. T. H., Georgia

"For many years ago, I am sure that I was named a Christian. . . . When I grew up, many preachers preached about God's Word also reading the Bible and yet my heart still blind. Since I read your PLAIN TRUTH now my heart little open, and my mind very happy indeed. When I received all your explanations I believed myself that you are the one of God's servants true."

Native from Honiara, Guadalcanal,
British Solomon Islands.

"Last week on our way home from Dallas, Texas, my husband and I stopped at a roadside park. We found part of *The PLAIN TRUTH*, and looked all over the park for the other part, but couldn't find it. We so enjoyed reading the part we had. We would like to have the magazine sent to us."

Martha M., Oklahoma

• Glad you found the part with the address.

We Don't Compromise!

"I want to compliment you on the quality and straight-forwardness shown in *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine. I can read through nearly any other magazine and find statements which contradict God's word, but not so with your publication. A heart-felt thanks for printing one magazine which contains the truth."

William S. L., Ohio

TV Can Be Boring!

"One night, bored with the unceasing television violence and tooth-paste smiles, depressed by newspaper headlines, and troubled with family problems, the radio was all that remained. Our set was tuned to *The WORLD TOMORROW*. For some reason, the ideas presented on the program intrigued me. Listening became a daily habit. At first, it was difficult to accept the things you said. . . . Then you said that we weren't to believe you unless we looked it up in the Bible. After reading many of the scriptures with you and learning that what you said was true, it became increasingly important to have more detailed information. Cost bothered me a little, but the next week seven booklets were ordered. They came with no request for money! For the record, here is another teenager who listens regularly; I am seventeen."

Miss Julia M., Arkansas

• And a very wise 17, at that.

Breaking the Tobacco Habit

"In the July PLAIN TRUTH is an article which I believe has helped to save my life. The article was 'Smoking is a Sin'. I knew smoking was harmful to me, but I couldn't stop it. I guess I have tried over 500 times to quit, but always on my own. I couldn't do without even one day. After reading your article I asked Christ to give me the strength to stop for 3 days, knowing if I could stop for this long I could stop for good. This is the end of the sixth day and He hasn't dropped me yet. After reading your article and asking Christ for deliverance, the craving for tobacco has not been bad at all."

Robert F., North Carolina

A WORLD GOVERNMENT

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received through obedience, because Peter describes "the Holy Spirit, whom God hath given to them that OBEY Him" (Acts 5:32).

After *repentance* and *baptism*, a true Christian can begin a life of overcoming and *obedience* to God's law and His Kingdom here and now. This is done through the Holy Spirit and its *power* within him. This was the message ALL of God's servants preached throughout the early inspired New Testament Church!

The Gospel Never Changes

When Philip went down to the Gentile city of Samaria, notice what he preached. "But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the *Kingdom of God*, and the *name of Jesus Christ*, they were baptized both men and women" (Acts 8:12).

The Apostle Paul preached this gospel to the Gentile Christians at Ephesus. He told them on his last visit: "And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the *Kingdom of God*, shall see my face no more" (Acts 20:25).

At the very *end* of his ministry—after he had turned away from the Jews—Paul continued to preach *this same message!* "And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him, preaching the *Kingdom of God*, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him" (Acts 28:30-31).

The *message* of the soon-coming Kingdom of God was the *ONLY* message of Jesus Christ! It was the *only* message His inspired Church and apostles taught the world! It has been the *message* of God's true Church through the ages!

The GOAL of the Christian Life

The reason the Christian religion seems so *empty* and *dead* to most people today is that they are in ignorance

of the *real goal* of the true Christian life.

We are NOT put on this earth by God Almighty just to attend Church once a week, or to enter into "Christian" charities, or to hear sweet stories about the "little Lord Jesus," or to make *this* human society a better world through confusing—often contradicting—human efforts.

We are put here to prepare to *RULE FOREVER*, in the Kingdom or government of God! That is why—through God's Spirit—we must acquire God's *character*, and learn to live by His *LAWs* which *alone* will finally bring this world *peace* and *happiness!* These *spiritual laws* show the *WAY* to peace and happiness and right government throughout all eternity.

True Christians, then, have a *JOB* to do! They must demonstrate in this life—through God's help and His Spirit—that they will *keep God's laws* and develop His character so that they may be qualified to *RULE* others later, and teach them the same happy way of life. Notice the reward for those who overcome their own human nature and qualify: "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; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers; even as I received of my Father" (Rev. 2: 26-27).

Jesus repeats this same promise—speaks of this *same reward*—again and again. "To him that *overcometh* will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame and am set down with my Father in His throne" (Rev. 3:21).

In Revelation 5:10, John was inspired to show that the saints shall become "*kings and priests*; and we shall *reign* on the earth."

True Christians—those who *overcome* themselves and develop God's *character* through living by His laws—will be given *authority* as kings and priests in God's Kingdom to be set up on this earth after Jesus returns. What

a *tremendous* GOAL we can have in this life!

"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be *priests* of God and of Christ and shall *REIGN* with Him a thousand years" (Rev. 20:6). Under Christ as King of kings, the overcoming saints will help *RULE* this earth and bring it peace and joy at last!

That is *WHY* we must learn to *obey* God and His laws now! That is the *real PURPOSE* of the true Christian life.

There is only *ONE* true gospel—one truly "good news"—and *this* is that *VERY* gospel which Jesus preached!

Jesus Christ said His *true Church* would be preaching that very gospel as a last "witness" to all nations in our very day just before He returns again! "And this *gospel of the Kingdom* shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations; and *then shall the end come*" (Matt. 24:14).

You are receiving that gospel this very instant! Through the "WORLD TOMORROW" broadcast and *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine, this message of Christ is being taken to all nations as a last "witness" to the world. May God help you to *understand* and *HEED!*

HOW YOUR PLAIN TRUTH SUBSCRIPTION HAS BEEN PAID

So many ask: "HOW does it happen that I find my subscription price for *The PLAIN TRUTH* has already *been paid*? How can you publish such a high class magazine without advertising revenue?"

The answer is as simple as it is astonishing! It is a paradox. Christ's Gospel cannot be sold like merchandise. You cannot buy salvation. Yet it does cost money to publish Christ's TRUTH and mail it to all continents on earth. It does have to be *paid for!* This is Christ's work. We solve this problem Christ's WAY!

Jesus said, "This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (and published—Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations" (Mat. 24:14) *at this time*, just before the end of this age. A *PRICE* must be paid for the magazine, the broadcast, the Correspondence Course, or other literature. But *HOW?* Christ forbids us to *sell* it to those who receive it: "Freely ye have received," said Jesus to His disciples whom He was sending to proclaim His Gospel, "freely GIVE!" "It is *more blessed*," He said, "to GIVE than to receive."

God's WAY is the way of LOVE—and that is the way of *giving*. God expects every child of His to *give free-will* offerings and to tithe, as His means of paying the costs of carrying His Gospel to others. We, therefore, simply trust our Lord Jesus Christ to lay it on the minds and hearts of His followers to give generously, thus paying the cost of putting the precious Gospel TRUTH in the hands of others. Yet it must go *only* to those who *ask for it for themselves!* Each must, for himself, *subscribe*—and his subscription has thus already *been paid*.

Thus the living dynamic Christ Himself enables us to broadcast, world-wide, without ever asking for contributions over the air; to enroll many thousands in the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course with full tuition cost *already paid*; to send your PLAIN TRUTH on an *already paid* basis. God's way is GOOD!

GERMAN NAZIS Renew Old Demands!

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litical organization bearing strong political opinions toward both East and West. "The *Sudetendeutscher Tag*," thundered Dr. Seehoim, "is more than just a demonstration by refugees or a reunion of the homeless. As in the previous years it is a *political* and a *national* demonstration. It is an annually recurring proclamation by a whole nation before the entire humanity. . . ."

"We especially guard ourselves, therefore, against the accusations of *our enemies* in the East and West and among our own people, who besmear our *friendly patriotism* and our fight. . . . They are endeavoring to *impute to us the guilt of a historical evolution of our century in which we ourselves have been nothing more than the object of big-power politics*. . . . The *Sudetendeutscher Tag*, as the first great event of this year, will prove how *powerful and determined* the Sudeten-Germans are, and how they, by themselves, can cause the world to be aware of their problems. . . ." [emphasis ours.]

Dr. Seehoim went on to call for justice with the words: "What, in our case, is justice? It means, in concrete terms, the RETURN OF THE ROBBED SUDETEN-GERMAN HOMELAND TO THE SUDETEN-GERMAN PEOPLE. In order to obtain such an amendment of the present status quo, WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF THE ENTIRE GERMAN NATION, in whose own interests such a reform must lie. . . ." (*Zeitung*, Stuttgart, May 28, 1964, emphasis and translation ours). He went on to defend vigorously the notorious *Munich Agreement* as *just* and *right* for the German people.

Claim of "Divine Mission"

Dr. Seehoim has managed to play politics well. He has held his seat as West Germany's transport minister for fifteen turbulent years, during which time he has burst forth with annual speeches hardly less embarrassing for the Bonn government than the last one. In Stuttgart, 1962, for example, he urged the return of the Sudetenland with the revealing words: "Not for the sake of owning it do we want our old

homeland again, but *to fulfill a mission that God entrusted to Adam in paradise!*" (*Der Spiegel*, Hamburg, May 27, 1964.)

In making such claims Dr. Seehoim has left himself wide open to being labeled a radical and a Nazi. Yet that does not seem to faze him, for it is not a secret in West Germany that the politically powerful refugee organizations are riddled with "former" Nazis!

Dr. Seehoim *most emphatically* supports the observation that many refugees not only were, but still are, Nazis. As early as 1951, while addressing a gathering of ex-patriots in the West German city of Kassel, Dr. Seehoim candidly admitted: "We bow ourselves in reverence before every—and I emphasize every—symbol of our people, under which Germans have offered their lives for the Vaterland" (*Der Spiegel*, May 27, 1964).

What were the symbols under which Germans—German soldiers—"offered their lives for the Vaterland"? Tens of thousands died for the Kaiser in World War I, but more recently millions perished in the bloody attempt to hoist the SWASTIKA over Europe and the world. Dr. Seehoim said, in effect: We bow ourselves before the *swastika*. He may just as well have come right out and admitted "*We Nazis are Nazis still!*"

But let us look further at documented proof of Nazis in the refugee ranks.

The Nazis Among Refugees

The startling revelation of Naziism in the ranks of Germany's refugees was published in an article entitled "Are Refugees Nazis?" which appeared in the May, 1964 issue of *Konkret*, a Hamburg monthly. Here reporter Manfred Bissinger lists a number of high refugee-organization functionaries. It reads like a roll-call at one of Hitler's SS briefings!

Writes Bissinger: "Many [Nazis] have found a vast field of operations in the refugee organizations. So, for example:

—former *SS-Oberführer* and President

of the State Supreme Court, Dr. Herbert David today occupies an elevated position among the Sudeten-Germans;

—Henlein's former colleague, Rudolf Staffen, today public relations consultant with the Federal Directorate or the Sudeten-Germans;

—former *SA-Brigadeführer* and holder of a [Nazi] Party gold medal, Dr. Fritz Köllner, today member of the board of directors of the *Witiko-bund* (a refugee organization);

—[Dr.] Otto Ulitz, decorated by Hitler with a gold honor-cross for his exemplary activity in the National Socialist field as *Führer* of the German population of Poland, today spokesman for the Upper Silesian [refugees], decorated with the Federal German Service-Cross for service for Germans abroad;

—former *SS-Hauptsturmführer* in the Security Service, Dr. Walter Hergl, today member of the board of directors of the *Witikobund*;

—former *Obergebietsführer* of the *Hitler Jugend* [Hitler Youth Corps], Dr. Ernst Schlunder, today likewise a director for the *Witikobund* . . . etc. etc.

"Not to mention the ex-ministers Theodor Oberlander and Hans Kruger. The district judge from Konitz was for years uncontested President of the *Refugees' Federation*—which with its 2.4 million members is the *second largest organization in West Germany*. It prides itself on being the *official spokesman for all German refugees, ESPECIALLY IN POLITICAL MATTERS*. . . ."

Add to the list former Nazi *Burgermeister* of Salzbrunn, Erich Schellhaus, now spokesman for the Silesian-German refugees, and one should at least begin to get a pretty good idea as to who is behind the latest calls of "Sudetenland for the Germans"!

These men, now in positions of leadership in the radical and powerful refugee organizations, are former *Nazis!* They cheered Hitler's rise to power, applauded his speeches demanding the seizure of the Sudetenland and were part of the "master-race" colossus that sprawled over Europe from the Pyrenees to the Volga and from Lybia to

Lapland! They supported Hitler's *drum-beating, flag-swinging, goose-stepping* Nazi rallies in Nürnberg and other cities just as faithfully as they attend the drum-beating and flag-waving refugee rallies, like the one in Nürnberg, today. Undaunted by the collapse of the *Third Reich*, they still harbor the belief of having been called for a divine mission "which God entrusted to Adam in Paradise"!

Refugees Politically Powerful

Western observers have been surprised that after his latest Nazi outbursts Dr. Seebohm still retains his post as minister of transport with the Bonn government. In fact, *one whole week* passed before Chancellor Ludwig Erhard summoned him for a one-hour conference, from which Dr. Seebohm departed unperturbed.

The secret to Dr. Seebohm's outer calm lies in the *power* he wields in West Germany's politics. As leader of the Sudeten-German refugees, he has control over some 700,000 votes. News analysts have hinted that the present government needs him as a *magnet for the votes of nationalists and dissatisfied refugees*. With elections coming up next year Chancellor Erhard cannot afford to dismiss this radical but influential man from his following.

Other German political leaders are equally anxious to curry the favor of the refugees. Speaking at a reunion of Pomeranian refugees earlier last May, Vice-Chancellor Erich Mende defended their demonstrations as "'maintenance of a natural right' and demonstration of the German people's will for reunification" (DPA release, May 10, 1964).

This "please-the-refugees" attitude has resulted in the intensification of claims for the return of the former German territories now held by Poland. And Germans are becoming daring enough not to merely reject American participation in matters dealing with reunification, but even to propose reunion *in spite of* what America wants! As Dr. Seebohm said, their aim is "to continue on the already plotted political course of the Sudeten-German organization, and we dare not allow ourselves to be moved from it either by Moscow, Warsaw, Prague, or even

WASHINGTON . . . !" (*Zeitung*, May 28, 1964.)

America Blissfully Ignorant

But how is Washington reacting to all of this? Is America willing to let the Germans "call the shots"? Are the men in Washington willing to turn a deaf ear to an outspoken *Nazi making Hitler-like claims* before an audience of former *high-ranking Nazis*? What has Washington done about Dr. Seebohm's defense of Hitler's Munich Agreement and his radical demand for return of the Sudetenland to Germany?

The answer was contained in an article appearing in *Der Spiegel* over a week after Dr. Seebohm had delivered his controversial speech: "There used to be a time when Seebohm's Sunday speeches drew protests from befriended Western powers. Seebohm's latest speech caused no such reaction. At any rate, by the end of last week *no protest had been filed*!"

Yes, America is asleep at the switch. And the average American is oblivious to the developments behind the scenes in modern Germany. America has poured millions of tax dollars into the German economy. She has pledged to defend Germany against Communist aggression and placed herself squarely behind the Germans in their demands for a UNITED GERMANY. America is doing everything possible to woo the bitter enemy of twenty years ago into being her strongest ally.

The voices now being raised within Germany itself are actually only the beginning of a power which will once again dominate not only the German homeland, but great areas of our Western world!

Germany—a UNITED GERMANY with her former territories restored—is ready to emerge as the *strongest nation on earth* at the head of a revitalized and resurgent Europe! This power colossus is then going to deal a death-blow to the United States and Great Britain, and rule this world.

Today's Nazi-backed German refugee claims are indeed like a playback of the beginning contentions of World War II. These events are well worth watching, and watching carefully! Be sure

not to miss a single issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine, and watch for further articles on the *real meaning* of world news before today's headlines become the *stark realities of tomorrow!*

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people will not obey God, He will deal with them as He dealt with ancient Egypt!

In *Anthropology Today*, edited by Sol Tax, author Edwin H. Ackerknecht discusses the numerous and varied diseases of Egypt. They are ALL COMMON TODAY! The Egyptians suffered from malformations such as dwarfism, and birth defects such as clubfoot. Their Pharaohs were smitten with poliomyelitis. Many were hunchbacks, their backs bent in the grip of spinal tuberculosis.

The Egyptians suffered from arthritis, tumors, some undoubtedly cancerous, and heart disease—arteriosclerosis. Many died of pneumonia. They had pleurisy, kidney abscesses and kidney stones. They had cirrhosis of the liver, chronic appendicitis, gall stones and malaria!

All of these diseases are *common today!* People afflicted by them crowd our hospitals and clinics. What most people don't realize is that IT'S NOT NATURAL TO BE SICK! SICKNESS IS THE RESULT OF SIN! (If you have not already received our *free* article, "The Seven Laws of Radiant Health," write for it immediately!)

God promises: "If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt *do that which is right in his sight*, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, *which I have brought upon the Egyptians*: for I am the Lord that *beaeth thee*" (Ex. 15:26).

But God's promises are *CONDITIONAL*—they depend on YOUR OBEDIENCE TO HIS LAWS! (Write for our free booklet "Does God Heal Today?") God deals faithfully with those that obey him. His promises are equally sure today as they were in the days of Moses. *God doesn't change!* (Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8.)

1938--GERMANY GETS SUDETENLAND

World War II Starts Within One Year



Wide World Photo

Historic handshake. Allies hand over Sudetenland to Germany. Chamberlain (left) claimed "peace in our time" had been won. Next year Germany attacked Poland. World War II had begun.

NOW AGAIN! Germans Demand "Sudetenland Is Ours!"



DPA Photo

German youths, journeying to Nürnberg, believe Sudetenland will again be part of Germany.



DPA Photos

Right, below, annual Sudetendeutscher Tag rally at Nürnberg. Dr. Hans Seebohm (seated at extreme right in upper picture) is Sudeten German spokesman. He demands Sudetenland be returned to Germany—and seeks support of the entire German nation!



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