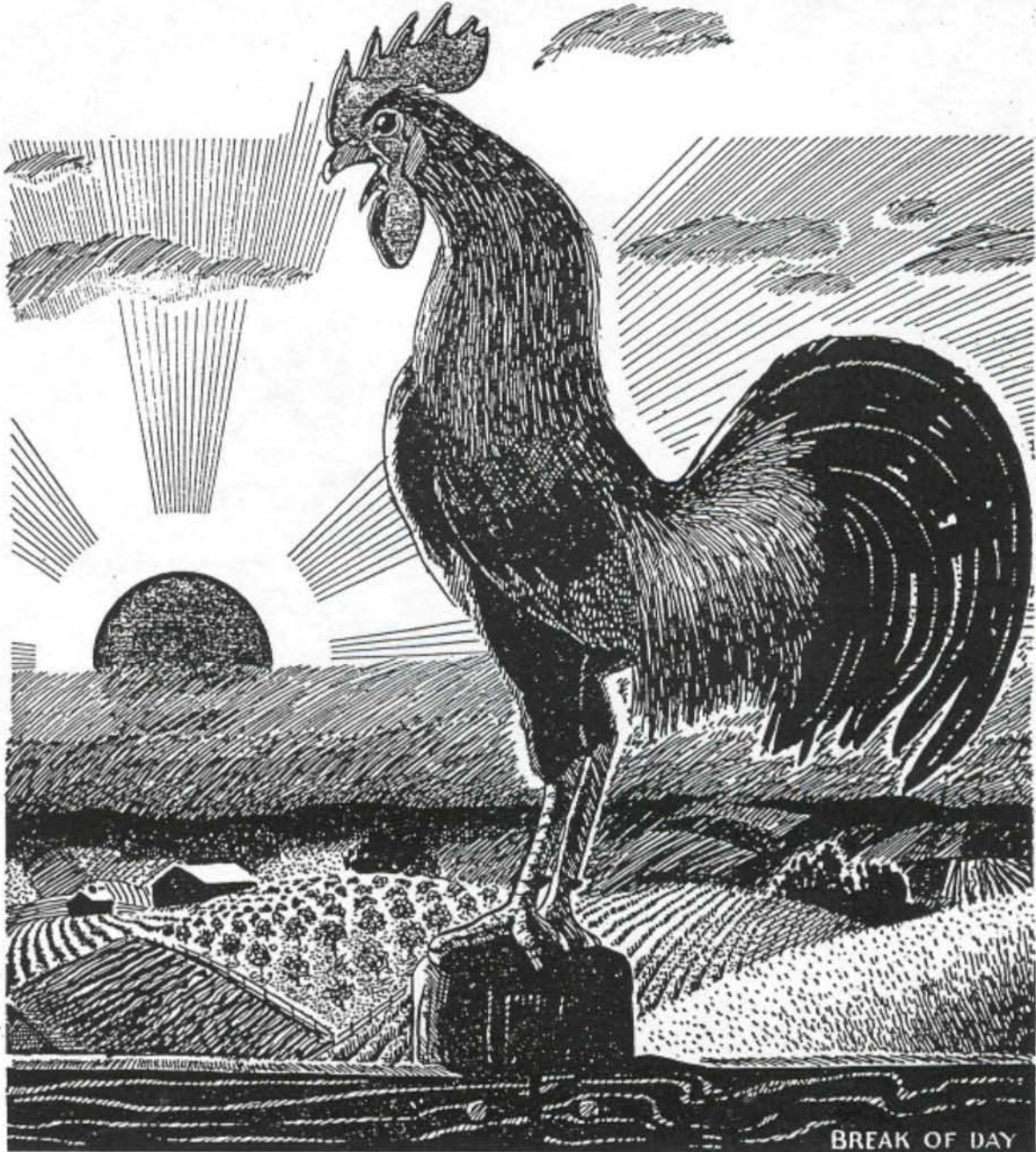


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Appetizers

Wholesale Order



The young man had been looking through a collection of valentine cards. Yet he seemed uncertain as to what he should buy.

"Here's a lovely sentiment," said the clerk, helpfully. "To the only girl I ever loved."

"Splendid," he cried, "I'll take six of those, please."—*Labor*.

Youngster Talked Too Much

The burglar had made a big haul when a voice behind him said, "Hands up!" He turned to find himself facing the owner of the house, who was holding a revolver. Just as the burglar was about to surrender his loot he heard a thin voice pipe up: "Daddy, what are you doing with my water pistol?"—*Tit-Bits*.

S O S

Little Bobby came into the house at noon looking distressed.

"Mummy," he said, "is it true that an apple a day keeps the doctor away?"

"Yes, dear," replied his mother. "Why?"

"Well, I've kept ten doctors away this morning, but I'm afraid one will have to come this afternoon!"—*Labor*.

Same Big Idea

A German and a Swiss fell into conversation.

The German said: "I'm told that Switzerland has an admiral! How can that be when you haven't a navy or a coast or an empire?"

The Swiss replied: "Well, you in Germany have a Minister of Justice, haven't you?"—*The Star*.

Outwitted!

Page: The chariot awaits without, muhlord.

Muhlord: Without what?

Page: Without the door, muhlord—also without horses, without gas and without a steering wheel.

Muhlord: Gadzooks, thou varlet. Get thee hence henceforth! Forthwith!! Without!!! Outside!!!!

Next!

What do you do here for a living in summer?

Floridian (to Northerner): We skin alligators in summer and Northerners in the winter, and we have just about finished with the alligators.

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“And in His name shall the nations hope.”—Matthew 12:21, A. R. V.

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A Mighty Catholic in the “Pit” (In Three Parts—Part 2)

In the issue of this magazine next preceding this number were published the facts relative to the wickedness of a high judicial official who was tried and unanimously convicted of selling his high office for money; also a promise to submit an interview from one against whom that high official and other high Catholics conspired. This writer asked Judge Rutherford certain questions, which questions, and his answers thereto, are set out below and speak for themselves.

THE slimy trail of the Hierarchy is as devious as a twisting serpent. They falsely charge men with crimes which were never committed, and then point to such malicious and unfounded charges as evidence against the ones framed. Read in this and in the succeeding issue of *Consolation* how the agents of Rome railroaded Judge Rutherford and seven other Christians to jail on trumped-up accusations; how they now point to such wicked imprisonment of the righteous which they maneuvered and howl vociferously about their own patriotism. At the same time their presses are UNIVER-SALLY AND CONSPICUOUSLY SILENT about the fine patriotic service rendered by the Departments of Investigation and Justice in convicting MARTIN T. MANTON, and thus RIDDING THE BENCH OF A CRIMINAL the like of which has not been known in the 150 years of America's existence! If you know the Hierarchy you know why their presses are silent about this conviction, and you are right! MARTIN T. MANTON is a high official in the ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH ORGANIZATION.

Learn from this series of articles how the Roman Catholic Hierarchy praises to the heights felons like Manton while condemning the innocent who tell the truth. Learn what “patriotism” means in Cath-

olic usage. Can an anti-Catholic be patriotic? Can a criminal be unpatriotic if he is a distinguished Catholic? Keep this issue and the ones preceding and following of *Consolation* and read this searching exposure of Catholic conspiracy and intrigue in which convict Manton had a prominent part.

INTERVIEW FOR CONSOLATION

QUESTION: May the public have from you a statement of the facts relating to the conspiracy of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy and other religionists to destroy you and the work of Jehovah's witnesses during the World War?

ANSWER: That would require a lengthy statement, but I will give you a brief review of the salient facts. At the outbreak of the World War, in 1914, I was in Europe, and remained there for about two months on a lecture tour throughout Scandinavia and England. The clergy of England were supporting the war, and from their pulpits the following phrase was often used by a preacher, addressed to the young men of the vicinity: “You must go to war; *but* marry and breed before you go!”

When I returned to America I found that most of the clergymen were urging the United States to get into the war. Contrary to their course of action, William Jennings Bryan, who was at that time Secretary of State under President Wilson, was making a tour of the country urging the United States to stay out

of the war. Mr. Bryan resigned as Secretary of State when the United States entered the war.

During the years 1915 and 1916 and subsequently I gave many public addresses throughout the United States and Canada stressing the prophecy uttered by Jesus concerning the end of the world. (Matthew the 24th chapter) I pointed out that the events then coming to pass showed that the end of Satan's uninterrupted rule over the nations of earth came in 1914 and that the war and things accompanying it were strong evidence in fulfillment of the prophecy uttered by Jesus. I cited many scriptures to prove that the world war, as stated by Jesus, was "the beginning of sorrows" upon the nations of earth and that those sorrows would continue until the final end at Armageddon. I stressed the command of the Lord Jesus, that the time had arrived when "this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations".—Matthew 24:14.

A few clergymen in England, early in 1918, had issued a manifesto calling attention to the fact that the World War and accompanying events were in fulfillment of the prophecy of Jesus above quoted, concerning the end of the world. There were no Catholic clergymen and no other religionists in America obeying the commandment of the Lord by calling attention to this important prophecy.

On the contrary, the clergymen of the United States and of Canada were preaching the same old stuff they had been telling the people for years, and adding thereto that now the nations must go to war, to "make the world safe for democracy".

I emphasized this fact: that if clergymen believed the Lord Jesus Christ and did represent Him they should obey His commandment; and obeying it they must be telling the people what the war meant and that this was evidence of the end of Satan's organization and that soon Armageddon would follow; and that they should tell the people that God's kingdom is the only hope of the world and urge them to prepare for the final end.

I further emphasized the fact that if these men could not preach the truth as commanded by the Lord Jesus Christ, then they should cease claiming themselves to be representatives of God and Christ on earth, and take a position squarely on the other side, so that the people would not be deceived by their conduct and by their words.

My lectures along this line greatly angered the clergymen. In Canada and in the United States the clergymen organized a campaign of abuse against me and against our Society. I challenged them to an open discussion of the matter, that the people might hear the facts. Finally the clergymen of southern California signed a paper agreeing to select a man to represent them in a debate with me. The debate was held in Los Angeles upon four successive evenings. That fanned the fires of hatred of the clergymen against me more than ever.

In 1917 the United States went into war. The clergymen were advocating that the United States go to war. Congress passed the conscription act, or what is better known as the Selective Draft Act, which provided that men who because of religious beliefs could not conscientiously engage in war might be exempted.

I was asked by many young men in the country as to what course they should take in this regard. In every instance my advice was to this effect, given to young men who requested it, to wit: 'If you cannot conscientiously engage in war, Section 3 of the Selective Draft Act makes provision for you to file application for exemption. You should register and file your application for exemption, setting forth the reason, and the draft board will pass on your application.' I never did more than to advise them to take advantage of the act of Congress. I always insisted that every citizen should obey the law of the land as long as that law was not in conflict with God's law.

On many of the draft boards a clergyman sat as a member of the board, and the applications of these young men setting forth their claims to believe in God and Christ's kingdom and that they could not conscientiously engage in war greatly angered the clergy, and the fire of hatred continued to increase against our Society.

Then a definite conspiracy came to light; and the purpose of that conspiracy was to devise ways and means to destroy our work of proclaiming the truth of God's Word throughout the land, because the truth exposed the duplicity and hypocrisy of the clergymen and showed that they were not representing God and Christ's kingdom.

In furthering that conspiracy a large number of clergymen held a conference in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1917, and at that conference appointed a committee to visit Washington and insist on a revision of the Selective Draft

Act and the Espionage Law. That committee called on the Department of Justice. At that time John Lord O'Brian, of Buffalo, was a member of the Department of Justice at Washington, and at the instance of the clergymen he was selected to prepare an amendment to the Espionage Law and have it introduced in the Senate. The amendment provided that all offenses committed in violation of the Espionage Law should be tried by a military court and the penalty inflicted should be death. That bill *did not* pass, for reasons hereinafter stated.

General Bell was in command of an army encamped on Long Island, New York. He was a real diplomat, as many will testify who knew the general. He came to visit at my office and spent several hours with me. At that time a number of men connected with the WATCH TOWER BIBLE & TRACT SOCIETY had been called for military service and were then at the camp under the command of General Bell. All of these were conscientious objectors and had asked to be exempted from military service.

On the occasion mentioned General Bell used his most persuasive methods in his effort to induce me to give these young men instructions to take whatever service he might assign them to take, whether across the sea or otherwise. My answer to the general was this, in substance: "Every man must decide for himself what he will do; the responsibility is on him, and him alone; he knows what his conscience dictates to him, and it would be very wrong for me to attempt to induce any young man to violate his conscience; I cannot, therefore, tell these young men what they must do."

The general stated to me that he needed a letter from me, and insisted that I write a letter to those young men that he could take to them and read, telling them what to do. I declined to do this. Then he said: "Well, can't you give me some kind of a letter?" Finally I wrote a letter stating, in substance, this to these young men, to wit: "Each one of you must decide for himself whether he wishes to engage in active military service or not. Do what you consider to be your duty and what is right in the sight of Almighty God."

That letter was not satisfactory to the general, but really piqued him very much. A few days afterwards W. E. Van Amburgh and myself visited General Bell at his camp on Long Island. His aide-de-camp was present in his office, and on that occasion the general, in the presence of his officer, Brother Van

Amburgh and myself, repeated to me the fact of the conference of the many clergymen which was held at Philadelphia and which I have just mentioned.

He then told me more about that conference than I had learned before. He told me that the clergymen had selected John Lord O'Brian to present the matter to the Senate; that this resulted in the introduction of a bill to have all cases against the Espionage Law tried before a court martial, a military court, and the punishment death. The bill, when it came to the attention of President Wilson, was stopped, because Wilson would not permit it to be passed.

The general at that time showed considerable heat. Before him on his desk lay a package of papers, and with his index finger he tapped these and, directing his speech to me, with real feeling said: "That bill did not pass, because Wilson prevented it; but we know how to get you, and *we are going to do it!*" To that statement I replied: "General, you will know where to find me."

At this time I call attention to the fact that Pastor Russell in his lifetime had written much about Revelation and Ezekiel's prophecy. After his death, George Fisher and C. J. Woodworth were selected to compile those writings and put them in the form of a book, which was called "The Seventh Volume". They did this work; I did not write anything whatsoever in that book, and the only thing I had to do with it was that I signed a contract on behalf of the Society to have it published. That book, also called "The Finished Mystery", was issued on the 17th of July, 1917, and had a very wide circulation in different parts of the country. In February, 1918, that book was banned in Canada, and this action was taken by the Canadian government at the instance of the clergymen, as the press reports at that time showed.

On February 12, 1918, the public press contained the following dispatch from Ottawa, Canada: "The Secretary of State, under the press censorship regulations, has issued warrants forbidding the possession in Canada of a number of publications, amongst which is the book published by the International Bible Students Association, entitled 'Studies in the Scriptures—The Finished Mystery', generally known as the posthumous publication of Pastor Russell."

The very next day after that order forbidding the circulation of *The Finished Mystery*

was issued, the books of account of the WATCH TOWER BIBLE & TRACT SOCIETY, at 17 Hicks St., Brooklyn, were seized by the department of secret service at Washington and carried away for examination. The circumstances show that action was being taken by the Canadian and the United States government at the same time and the clergymen were backing it up, really urging it to be done. The secular press throughout the country called especial attention to what had been done in Canada and in America.

Winnipeg papers had previously announced that certain clergymen had denounced these publications from their pulpits and stated that the attention of the Attorney General had been called to the matter. Later, the *Winnipeg Tribune*, after mentioning the order issued by the public censor, said, "The banned publications are alleged to contain seditious and anti-war statements. Excerpts from one of the recent issues of the 'Bible Students Monthly' were denounced from the pulpit a few weeks ago by Rev. Charles G. Patterson, Pastor of St. Stephen's Church. Afterward Attorney General Johnson sent to Rev. Patterson for a copy of the publication. The censor's order is believed to be the direct result."

As further evidence of the nature of this conspiracy, and who the backers of it were, note the following press dispatch of March 5, 1919, which reviewed the case long after and was widely published throughout the nation: "Unduly harsh sentences imposed on a number of persons convicted during the war emergency for violating the espionage act. . . . Acted on today, officials of the department of justice said prisoners had been victims of war-time passion or prejudice. . . ."

"ASK CLEMENCY FOR EIGHT

"Thousands of letters have been received by the department of justice, asking executive clemency for J. F. Rutherford, head of the International Bible Students Association, and seven associates now serving sentences in the Atlanta federal prison on charges of disloyalty growing out of publication of the 'Finished Mystery', a Bible handbook. These cases were appealed by the convicted men from the federal district court in Brooklyn, and are pending in the appellate court. Officials indicated that no action would be taken in their cases until the appellate court had rendered a decision."

Before the imprisonment of myself and the

others, in a public address at Atlanta, Ga., which is quoted by the *Atlanta Constitution* of Monday, April 8, 1918, I pointed out the cause of this determined effort to get us out of the way, and said: "Unable to answer the convincing argument that the world has ended and that millions now on earth will never die, and that wonderful blessings will follow to the people after the war, and moved by the spirit of jealousy, the clergy have instituted a systematic persecution of us. We have been charged with circulating 'Hun propaganda' and being disloyal to the government of the United States. Such charges are base and foul, without a semblance of truth. . . . We are not against the war. I have never uttered a sentence to the discredit of the government. I have always held that the government has the authority to declare war and to draft its citizens, and I have only gone to the extent of giving legal advice as to the right of Christians or conscientious objectors to claim exemption or classification under Section 3 of the Selective Draft Act."

Returning now to the seizure of the publications. Some time was spent in examining all the books and papers seized, and nothing detrimental was found. Everything we had done here was open and aboveboard. However, some things were seized upon as an excuse to charge us with wrongdoing. Within a short time thereafter a member of the secret service department known as the Intelligence Bureau, a man named Converse, began a systematic visit to my office. He would call and ask a few questions, then retire, and return the next day and do the same thing. Converse time and again intimated that the government was after me. I was certain that there was a real motive back of these daily visits and that it was to entrap me if possible.

To flee the country when likely to be charged with a crime is always evidence of guilt that may be offered to prove guilt. I am certain that the secret service bureau was endeavoring to frighten me in order to induce me to flee, thus to secure evidence to put before a jury and to secure, if possible, my conviction.

Converse continued to hammer away with this undeniable purpose. On the last occasion of his visit he asked me this question: "The government wants to know where you are going to be the next two weeks." I replied: "If I were to come into your office and put that question to you, you would tell me to go somewhere, wouldn't you?" He responded with

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feeling: "Then you want me to tell the government to go to hell." I answered: "I did not say that, but if you wish to construe my language that way, why, take it that way."

Then he put this question to me: "The government wants to know what is your itinerary for the next two weeks." I replied: "My itinerary is published in *The Watch Tower*." He requested a copy, and I said: "No, I can't give you a copy; you can have one for five cents if you go down to 17 Hicks St. and buy it."

Further addressing Mr. Converse, I added: "Converse, I am getting tired of your visits here. There is no reason for you to come. I have answered all your questions. Now you leave this office, and don't you ever show your face in here again unless you come with a warrant for my arrest. And if you do come without that I'll throw you out on your face. GET OUT." He left.

A few days thereafter, agreeable to my itinerary, I was in Washington, D.C., to deliver a lecture on the subject, "THE WORLD HAS ENDED." So far as our office had been informed, no one knew at what hotel I was going to stop. I went to the Raleigh hotel. Evidently I was being shadowed, because I had not been in my room five minutes when my telephone rang and a gentleman announced that he wished to see me. On inquiry as to who he was he said: "I am Judge Harris of Oklahoma." I said: "All right, come up, Judge."

He came to my room, and after a brief conversation he gave me some information which apparently he had from some other source. I had never seen him before, and knew of no reason why he should have any interest in me.

He said to me this: "You are going to be arrested in a few days, and I just want to give you a tip." I construed that as another effort to frighten me and get me to flee. I went to the opera house and delivered the speech that I had been advertised to deliver and took the next train for New York.

In a few days thereafter the United States marshal appeared at my office with a warrant for my arrest and also that of seven or eight others named in the warrant as to be arrested, charged with a violation of the Espionage Law. The indictment was based chiefly upon a publication of one paragraph of *The Finished Mystery*, not one letter of which I ever wrote or had anything to do with. That paragraph is, to wit: "Nowhere in the New Testament is Patriotism (a narrow-minded hatred of other peoples) encouraged. Everywhere and

always murder in its every form is forbidden; and yet, under the guise of Patriotism the civil governments of earth demand of peace-loving men the sacrifice of themselves and their loved ones and the butchery of their fellows, and hail it as a duty demanded by the laws of heaven."

We appeared in court, entered our plea of "not guilty", and our counsel filed a motion in the case covering some legal points. The attorneys of the case went into chambers with Judge Howe, who had been selected to try the case, and on that occasion Howe briefly announced: "I propose to give these men all that is coming to them."

The United States assistant district attorney Butler, a dyed-in-the-wool Catholic, was assigned to prosecute us. Assisting him was Judge Oeland, hired as special counsel, and no doubt hired by the conspirators, even though the government paid the bill. The trial began, and lasted over a period of days, and during that time I frequently saw in company with Judge Oeland and the assistant district attorney Catholic priests conferring with them and advising them what to do. How they knew about what should be done was strange to me; for they were not acquainted with any of us. That is to say, it might seem strange; but I knew the purpose was to carry out their conspiracy to destroy us if possible.

Our trial progressed and divers and numerous prejudicial errors were committed. I recall one thing in particular. A note written by Jack London concerning war had been published some time before the United States got into war, and with that publication I had not the slightest bit to do; yet that was admitted in evidence as my sentiments and the sentiments of my fellow defendants. Time and again the trial judge showed his heat and conviction of our "guilt", and thus influenced the jury; and this is further shown by the final instructions of the court.

The case was tried during great excitement; the German army was advancing on Paris, and the papers carried full accounts thereof; bands were in the streets, marching about the courthouse where we were being tried; and great crowds were in the streets. Under this setting and in the excitement it was easy to prejudice the people in general against us. Notwithstanding all this, however, the jury hesitated a long while before rendering a verdict. Finally Judge Howe sent word in to them that they must bring in a verdict of

"Guilty", as one of the jurors afterwards stated to us. They did bring in a verdict of "Guilty", and a sentence of 80 years was imposed upon us. We were denied bail, and immediately put in prison.

We were incarcerated in the Raymond Street jail, Brooklyn, where we remained for seven days, and then removed to Long-Island City, where we were kept in jail until we were taken to the Federal Penitentiary.

In the meantime our attorneys made application before the United States Court of Appeals for bail. Martin T. Manton, the chief justice, assigned the hearing of this bail application to himself, although the application had been made to Judge Ward. Upon hearing the application Manton denied bail without assigning any reason whatsoever.

When we reached the Atlanta penitentiary it was quite evident that the officers had been advised as to what kind of men we were, because they seemed to know all about us. We were warned that we were not to do any preaching while in the prison. A short time after this, however, a Sunday school was organized at the instance of the deputy warden, and each one of the prisoners was free to attend or not, as he liked.

Our little party of eight attended and started a class of our own, and within a short time almost all the Sunday school attendants joined our class, to the number of about one hundred in all, and they heard the truth while we were in the prison.

Referring now to our conviction: You will note the press reports that the clergy felicitated one another and patted one another on the back, and said to one another, after the verdict of "guilty" was brought in and the sentence imposed: "Now we are through with that pestiferous crowd of Russellites." They soon had to change their tune. After the case had been heard on appeal, and reversed, I went to every city in the United States of any consequence and put an advertisement in the leading papers covering an entire page to this effect: "SENTENCED TO 80 YEARS IN PRISON AT THE INSTANCE OF THE CLERGY. COME AND HEAR THE REASON WHY." And my lectures over a period of two years thereafter burned them up; and their anger has increased ever since.

Manton, acting with the other Catholic conspirators, did his best to keep us in prison, as the court record will show.

There are many other interesting points that I might call attention to, but these are the principal ones, and you can get other facts from the court record and other parties.

Note the following from the files of the Clerk of Court dated July 12, 1918:

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS
Second Circuit

Joseph F. Rutherford, et al. [and others]

v.

United States,

Defendant in Error

A motion having been made before the undersigned as a judge of this court for an order admitting the defendants to bail pending the writ of error herein;

Upon consideration thereof it is

ORDERED that said motion be and hereby is denied.

[signed] MANTON, C. J.

Thereafter application was made by attorneys for defendants to the United States Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis. Upon his order another application was made to the Circuit Court of Appeals of New York. After nine months from the time of incarceration in prison the defendants were admitted to bail, ten thousand dollars each. This order was made March 21, 1919. On March 29, 1919, the defendants were released from prison. A short time thereafter the case was heard on appeal, and the judgment was reversed, defendants discharged, and in due time the case was dismissed entirely by the United States District Attorney upon order of the Attorney General, and all the defendants were therefore automatically fully restored to citizenship and were never at any time convicts within the meaning of the law.

Although the Court Records show these facts, the Catholic press for more than twenty years has maliciously, deliberately, dubbed Judge Rutherford as an ex-convict, knowing at the time that they are lying. At the same time they have carried on a campaign of vilification against him and have failed to answer anything charged against them with reference to their religious racket. Contrast that with the fact that the highest man on the United States Court of Appeals is convicted of a most malicious and wicked crime and the same Catholic press

is ABSOLUTELY SILENT about it even to this day.

In view of this malicious effort on the part of the clergy to convict and incarcerate in prison and destroy men of entire innocence, and because those men were preaching the gospel of God's kingdom, the truth, which exposes the duplicity of the clergymen, the readers will

be keenly interested in the appeal of this case, the hearing of it, and the opinion rendered by the Court, and particularly in the fact that a majority of the judges found that the defendants were not guilty as convicted and Manton still insisted that they should be kept in prison. This will appear in the next issue.—
Elton Groves.

Railroads and Steamships

Want a Job on the Railroad?



There was a time when any young man could get a job on a railroad and confidently look forward to promotion. That time is past. Today the railroads are employing fewer men than they did twenty years ago, and soon they will be employing fewer still. Moreover, the fast trains have been speeded up until there are fewer Pullman jobs. Buses and airplanes have cut the heart out of the railroad business.

Acoustics Save the Normandie

◆ The claim is made that an expert on acoustics saved the \$50,000,000 steamer Normandie from the junk heap. The vessel vibrated so that it made the passengers sick and the boat became unpopular. The expert, S. K. Wolf, made five trips across, testing every part of the ship, and finally found that by increasing the blades from four to five in the ship's propellers 80 percent of the vibration was stopped.

Ten Fruitless Trips Around the World

◆ In the autumn of 1938 the Finnish owner of ten sailing vessels sent them all the way to Australia to get cargoes of wheat for the European market, only to find the market so shrunk that it was expected the vessels would either have to return to Europe empty or lie over for a full year to obtain a cargo.

Queen Mary Is Queen Indeed

◆ The Queen Mary is queen indeed of the Atlantic, having covered the 2,938 miles from Ambrose to Bishops Light in 3 days 20 hours 42 minutes, and now holding the record in both directions. Westward record, 66 minutes longer.

Close Spacing of Fast Trains

◆ A television device now makes possible the close spacing of swift trains. The transmitter broadcasts an electrical wave down one rail of the track. If there is a train ahead, the wave travels up one of its wheels on the same rail of the track, then through the axle, and finally returns through the other rail to the transmitting train where a pencil beam of electrons moving across a scale makes visible figures corresponding to the distance and speed of the train ahead.

Steam-Electric Locomotive

◆ Two years were spent by the General Electric Company and the Union Pacific Railroad Company in designing and building a steam-electric engine which will be expected to haul a 12-car Pullman train between Chicago and the Pacific Coast without asking for a pusher anywhere. The grades are up to 2.2 percent, and the temperatures vary from 40 degrees below zero to 115 degrees above, on the U. P. lines.

Fast Time in the West

◆ The Santa Fe makes the 789.3 miles between Chicago and Dodge City, Kansas, in 725 minutes, which figures out at 65.3 miles per hour. The Union Pacific makes the 893 miles from Chicago to Sidney, Nebraska, in 745 minutes, or 71.92 miles per hour.

Fins of the New Mauretania

◆ The new Mauretania, built for comfort and economy, not for speed, carries two long anti-rolling fins stretching almost from bow to stern.

Rocky Mountain States

False Patriotism



Arizona wishes to teach its children to be patriotic. Therefore allegedly patriotic groups in the state arrange for the passage of a law which denies any education to any child who refuses to salute the American flag. Recently four Arizona children whose parents belong to a religious sect which bans such salutes were expelled from an Arizona school on the basis of this law.

We submit that this is not patriotic and is certainly not education for patriotism.

No evidence has appeared that these children are not patriotic. There is, however, ample evidence that these children and all Arizona children are being carefully trained in a false idea of what constitutes patriotism. It would appear that Arizona children are being taught that forms and gestures constitute patriotism.

It appears that these children who have been thrown out of school have been told in actions which speak far louder than words that patriotism is a vicious, coercive and anti-religious doctrine which denies them their democratic rights to individual freedom.

It is not by making people outcasts that we can create patriots. If this country is not big enough and strong enough and fine enough to inspire that love which comes from the heart, if the only patriotism on which this nation can depend is the lip service which is forced from unwilling citizens by fear of punishment, then there is no patriotism and can be no patriotism in America. Let us root out the idea that the country should adopt the practice of tyrants and dictators who demand the form at the point of a bayonet and who forget the substance which we in America have always cherished and should continue to cherish.—*The Arizona Daily Star.*

Denver Has Plenty of Water

◆ After a fifty-year fight Denver at last has plenty of water. The needed additional supply is brought through the Rocky Mountains 6.3 miles in a tunnel under James Peak, and thence down South Boulder Canyon. The project cost approximately \$11,000,000. The Government assisted. The use of public funds for such things is proper and beneficial all round.

More About Cotton Picking

◆ I have been in the cotton belt the most of my life (am now past 70) and have seen the time I could pick 500 pounds per day. It is a very poor picker that cannot get as much as 150 pounds, and there are many that can pick 400 pounds to 600 pounds per day. The price for picking here this year has been 75c per 100 pounds; so you see the wages are not so bad.

Sometimes the hands swell for the first three or four days and then quit. If the fingers crack we protect them with adhesive tape and they soon get well. As to the back, of course it aches. So do one's legs, when not used to it; the same with any other part of the body at first.

You have this advantage in picking cotton which you do not have at some other jobs: you can get on your knees and rest your back and pick just as much and sometimes more that way. Men, women and children all pick during the season and make good money doing so.—A. H. Austin, Arizona.

Lake Mead

◆ Lake Mead, created by Boulder Dam, is the greatest man-made lake on earth. It contains sufficient water to provide 5,000 gallons for every man, woman and child on the globe. It would cover the whole state of New York to the depth of a foot. The dam itself is 660 feet thick at the base, and 45 feet thick at the top. It is in a gorge so narrow that its crest is only 1,282 feet long. It is the largest structure on earth. When you visit the dam you are first taken down 44 stories in an elevator. Then you walk through the dam itself and come out at the top of the powerhouses, which are themselves 20 stories high. The dam itself is 727 feet high. It was completed in eleven days less than five years.

Mr. Hayes and the D.A.R.

◆ Frank J. Hayes, lieutenant governor of Colorado, described the Daughters of the American Revolution as "old battle-axes, barnacles and scarecrows", "spoiled daughters of fortune" who had forgotten that they were just four generations removed from poor, hardworking farmers, small tradesmen and workers; and then the D.A.R. got good and mad at him. You bad Frank Hayes.

Public Utilities

City of Holland, Michigan



Public Ownership of Public Utilities mentions that Holland, Michigan, has water and electric public utilities worth \$2,087,713, all paid for and free of debt, contributes to the city an average of \$70,709 per year, sets aside \$61,525 a year for depreciation, contributed \$183,970 towards the construction of the Holland Hospital, and reduced rates for domestic or residential lighting from 8½ cents per kilowatt-hour to 4½ cents. In twenty years in the electric plant the amount of coal necessary to produce a kilowatt-hour of electricity was reduced from 6.51 pounds to 1.94 pounds, and the people of Holland, not some group of New York bankers, received the benefit of the economies effected.

Electricity in Tacoma

◆ Tacoma, Washington, is proud of the fact that in that fair city an electric light can be burned for nearly seventeen hours at a cost of one cent; an electric clock can run for a month at a cost of 1½ cents; a radio will entertain the average family for about 8 cents a month. An electric iron will use up 4 cents' worth of electricity. The home refrigerator will run a month for 20 to 40 cents. An electric dishwasher will cost only 3 cents a month. The *Tacoma Sunday Ledger* wants easterners to read these facts and perspire. They do.

The World's Greatest Transmission Line

◆ The world's greatest electric light and power transmission line stretches from Boulder Dam to Los Angeles, 266 miles. This life line, carrying 287,500 volts, is draped over a series of 2,700 steel towers, each one of which is visited by a watchman every day in the year. Thirty-four patrolmen are needed to make the inspections; their trips are made by automobile, along a road specially built for the purpose.

Public Power in Tennessee

◆ The first state in the United States to have public ownership of power is Tennessee. This should make it speedily one of the busiest, most prosperous parts of the country; for it is hard to exaggerate the importance of cheap power, and there is no reason why it should not be cheap everywhere.

AUGUST 23, 1939

The Patriotic A. T. & T.

◆ Labor says that the patriotic American Telephone and Telegraph Company maintains an anti-union policy, fighting all progressive legislation, state or national; put 200,000 workers on the street during the depression, but kept on paying its president \$200,000 a year, with many other huge salaries; at the same time paid 9 percent dividends and piled up a reserve fund of \$800,000,000; protects underworld racketeers in the dissemination of racing and gambling information; has exorbitant rates and a lobby and propaganda organization reaching out through banks, newspapers, corporations, schools, colleges and chambers of commerce. And all of this was admitted on the witness stand by A. T. & T. men themselves.

Phone Reconstruction in New England

◆ Almost before the hurricane had passed, experienced long-distance operators had left by airplane from Buffalo, Cleveland, Philadelphia and Washington for Boston, Hartford and Providence. About the same time 596 fully equipped trucks, with their complements of four linemen apiece, were loaded on flat cars and rushed into New England from all states east of the Rocky mountains. At Chicopee Falls the main cable across the stream was broken. A new one was shot across by the Coast Guardsmen.

1c per Kilowatt-Hour in Ottawa

◆ The average rate paid for electric current in Ottawa, the capital of Canada, is less than 1c per kilowatt-hour, and the cheapest in the world. Despite this low rate, the city's hydro-electric commission made a profit of \$11,396 in the year 1938, and turned it over to the city to help pay the general running expenses of the municipality. What rate do you pay in your city? 5c? 10c?

No December Lighting Bills

◆ There were no December lighting bills sent out by the municipally owned electric lighting plants at Martin's Ferry, Ohio; Bloomfield, Iowa; Vinton, Iowa; Denison, Iowa; Cedar Falls, Iowa; Taunton, Illinois; Metropolis, Illinois; Tecumseh, Nebraska; Sandusky, Ohio; Painesville, Ohio; and Pitsburgh, Pennsylvania.



Nine Witnesses in One Family

◆ On this page see Fred Bleich and family and the Kingdom School at Lutz, Fla. Of the twelve children of the family (ranging in age from 2 to 20 years) the five youngest are the only ones not in Kingdom service. See the eight phonographs. The nine who are publishers average better than 38 hours each, monthly.

At Eventide— The Last House

◆ There are many experiences in the daily life of a publisher of Jehovah's kingdom. Going about from house to house, a true follower of Christ Jesus meets with anger and smiles, hatred and love, interest and indifference, but when the day is over he will find that day spent in the service of the Most High replete with joy, the kind of joy only the Lord's own can and do have. One such experience was my privilege to have, one that brought tears to my eyes, and I am sure that all who love Jehovah will likewise share with me in praising the name of the One who knows how to make His own happy.

After working my territory for fully five hours on a hot and sultry day with no response but opposition and indifference, I finally approached the last house in the block, preparatory to moving on to another "milder" zone. A young girl answered the bell and, after reading the testimony card, firmly refused to call her mother to the door. After a minute of friendly coaxing which got us nowhere, her mother, noting her delay at the door, presented herself and demanded an explanation of my mission there. Immediately I presented the phonograph, offering to play a disc in explanation. The offer was accepted and I was invited in.

After playing the two discs "Jehovah" and "Riches", I presented the literature, but seemingly did not stir up enough interest in her; so I left a booklet free and prepared to depart. At this point the lady said to me: "I have a sick father here in the house who is bedridden at this time. He is more interested than I in these matters. Being that he has been so despondent today, would you be so kind as to play a disc for him in his presence?" I replied that it would be a real pleasure to do so. I accompanied her to her father's bedroom, which was purposely dimly lighted. After the preliminaries, salutations, etc., I received a half-hearted consent to play one disc. I selected "Jehovah", playing that through without any comment from the old gentleman, and

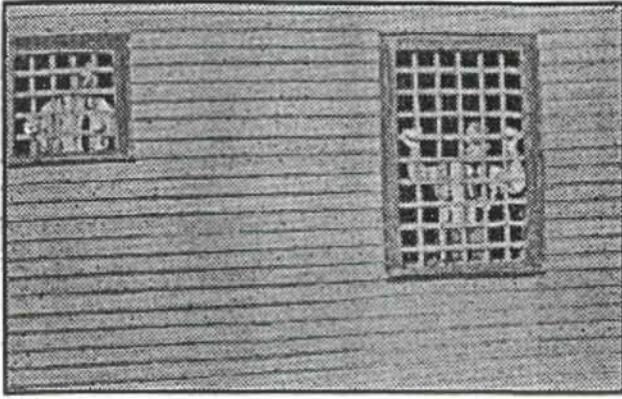
quickly putting on the disc "Riches" and continuing. Everything went on quietly until the part was reached announcing the book *Riches*. As if shocked by an electric current, the old man sat upright in bed and barely whispered: "Is it true? Can it be true? *Riches!* Has Jehovah answered me?" Settling back on his pillow he searched me with



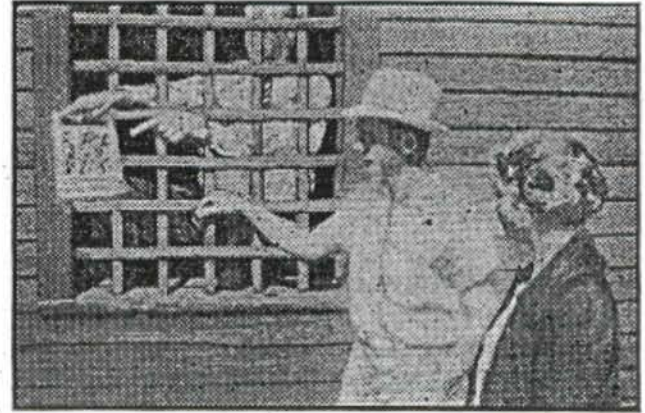
Nine witnesses in one family

eager eyes until the disc was finished. Immediately it was over he began to question me with a quivering voice. "Tell me, who are you? Did Jehovah send you? He must have, as only today, yes, this morning, I prayed that He might send me that book. Have you it with you? Tell me, man. Speak!" Something choking-like was in my throat, and tears welling rapidly in my eyes. I managed somehow to speak, asking him to explain as to his knowledge of the existence of the book *Riches*. His reply was that fully a year had passed since he was presented with a radio folder describing the book. That was in Paraná, a state adjacent to São Paulo. He was unable at the time to contribute for a copy, and later lost the folder, and consequently the branch office address. From that time on he was constantly on the lookout for one of Jehovah's witnesses and praying to Jehovah daily that he might procure a copy. That very morning he had stated to his daughter: "If only I had that book

CONSOLATION



Carencro, La., priest and officials greet and jail Jehovah's Kingdom publishers.



Carencro religionists do it again, and the decent people of town try to find out why.

Riches, I would be satisfied." Well, he has it. He's happy, I'm happy, and all who love Jehovah, His King and His Kingdom that read this will be happy, too.—A. P. Andrade, Brazil.

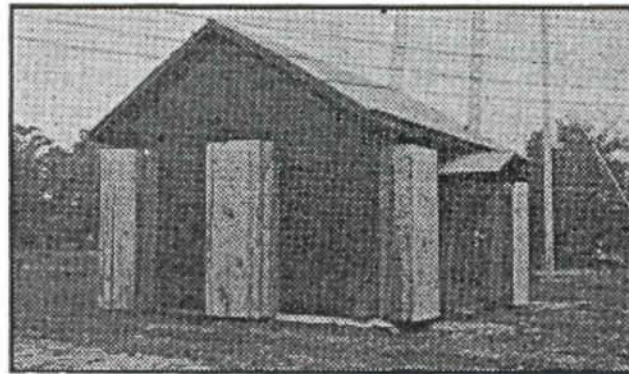
The Jackass of Carencro



Most readers of *Consolation* are also readers of *The Watchtower*, quite probably, and such will have seen the story "Phonograph Plays in Youngsville (La.) Court" which appears on the last page of the issue of August 15, 1939. That story concludes as follows:

In just one little town, Carencro, we were put in jail three times. They took everything away from us, even our Bible. And then the priest had all our windows boarded up so that we could not witness to the people through the bars.

America still has laws, lawyers and judges, and so it took but a little while for Attorney Herman L. Midlo to get the prisoners out on a writ of habeas corpus, and to exhibit the priest to his community as the perfect jackass which his collar proclaims him to be. In some other places the jackass fraternity is awakening, or at least stirring slightly in its sleep. Thus, in its issue of June 25, 1939, *Our Sunday Visitor*, organ of the Roman Catholic bishop, J. Noll, admitted on its front page the self-evident truth that—



Carencro priest orders police to shut off light and air, true Inquisition style, as shown, but habeas corpus proceedings make his jackass collar set him off perfectly.

Rutherford should be refuted. We'd be much wiser to devote our time to answering the arguments. Deprive your enemies of free speech, and your enemies will some day deprive you of your rights. Certainly Rutherford is making capital of Catholic attempts to have him silenced. Fortunately we seem to have given up our misguided efforts along those lines, but there is still a bitter aftertaste from the previous mistakes. We can prove our claims as supporters of liberty only by helping protect the liberty even of those with whom we disagree.

Bishop Noll should bestow his labors on the priestly jackass of Carencro, and do it right away, before the story gets out of how he fell down on his Inquisition job. But maybe the bishop is depressed by the fact that the word Carencro means a place where buzzards assemble, and he may sometime have seen and smelled buzzards feeding on the body of a dead jackass. A sniff of the original Carencro diet is very thought-provoking.

The Birth of a Company

◆ Three months ago our group of five publishers arrived in Douglas, Arizona, to bring the Kingdom message to the people of this town of 10,000 population. There was no goodwill interest on the file, and no company organization. We parked our trailers at the edge

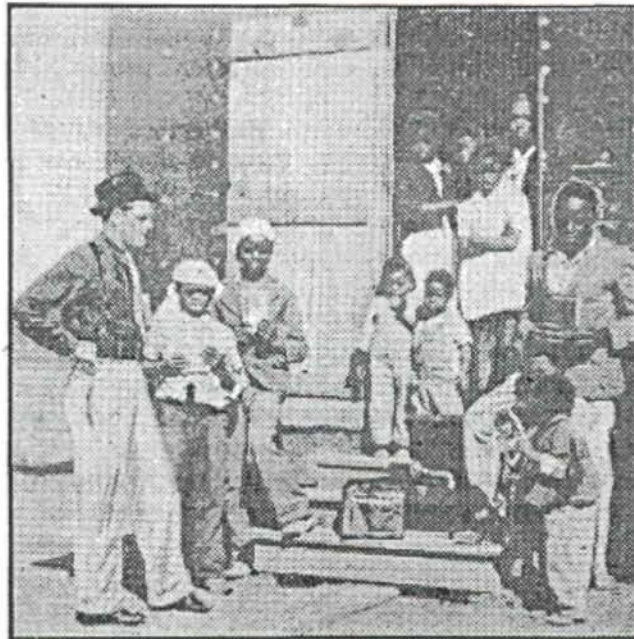
of town and began witnessing. We wrote down the street and number of houses where no one was at home, and later called again to insure a thorough witness. Witnessing first in the residence district, we were soon spending our evenings making back-calls on people of good will. New subscriptions were obtained, and we found people who were hungry for the truth. Next the business district received the witness, literature was placed, and new subscriptions obtained here. The virgin territory was all gone, all having been visited at least once.

At this point opposition showed up. "I cannot take any of those books," replied one woman, "because I have taken an oath giving my word of honor—and I never break my word—that I would not read any of those books. Our priest asked us to take this oath and I have done so. I wish you good luck, though." M. F. McCue, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce (guess his church), sent statements to the *Douglas Daily Dispatch* and a number of "news" items were printed. (Clippings enclosed) Branded as "Public Nuisance No. 1 in this city" we were falsely accused of being "specially obnoxious, almost forcing their way into the homes and remaining for hours". Other false statements were made and we were charged with being "pests" and "religious fanatics". As a sample of how "true" these "news" items were, note this: It was not until we were through witnessing in the town that the items were published, and it was stated that then "the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce is receiving dozens of phone calls daily". Copper cards were then printed, and issued to householders, warning peddlers not to knock unless they had a permit in writing from the Chamber of Commerce.

One man, a Baptist, heard the speeches "Warning" and "Face the Facts" in his home, was well pleased with them, and said, "What

have you done to get this before the public? It is truth! Next time you come back I will have all my friends from the Baptist church here, the preacher, and the elders, and the deacons." When we came back, his friends were not there; and he was a different man. Confronted with choosing between the truth and his friends, this man chose his "friends". "Protestant" clergy chimed in with the opposition and became opposers. "When thou sawest a thjef, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers. Thou

givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit." (Psalm 50:18,19) As a result, some of the common people were led to believe that Jehovah's witnesses were undesirable and had left town—destination unknown. Some said, "I hear that they have been kicked out of town." Apparently the opposition had succeeded in driving out Jehovah's witnesses, and the opponents were jubilant. Perhaps it added to their joys to know that Arizona has a swastika-sign on all state highway



Twelve listeners to the Kingdom message in Dixie

markers, and this year is celebrating the 400th anniversary of the arrival of Fray Marcos de Niza, a Catholic priest who it is claimed was the first white man to tread Arizona's soil; who in 1539 came to Arizona, "for the glory of God and the King of Spain."

However much to the dislike of opponents, the story does not end here. A key meeting was held under the direction of the zone servant. Counter-activities were planned. Some of the people of good will of the town who did not approve such highhanded actions wrote letters to the local paper, and they were published. "Fascism or Freedom" was the subject of a public meeting held in the Odd Fellows hall in Douglas. On Saturday evening the day before the meeting an information march was held. The chief of police said that he is for freedom and is opposed to Fascism, and he

Peddler Nuisance Is Not Abated; Problem Studied

M. F. McCue, secretary of the chamber of commerce, reports the need for drastic action of some sort to halt the aggravation of peddlers disturbing the tranquility of both the residence district and the business district. He states he is receiving dozens of phone calls daily from residents complaining about the peddlers that come to their doors.

The chamber is having copper cards printed to be distributed to the householders to be placed at the doors warning peddlers not to knock unless they have been approved by the chamber of commerce. Douglas has a city ordinance aimed at abating this nuisance in that it provides a peddler must secure a license from the police if he sells and delivers merchandise. Those simply taking orders for merchandise to be delivered later escape this license fee which is high enough to discourage the average peddler.

A new outcropping of this nuisance has been the cause of bitter complaint recently. Both from the residence district and from business houses have come complaints that representatives of what is described as a "new religion" have been calling and have been especially obnoxious, almost forcing their way into homes and remaining for hours.

Chief of Police Percy Bowden is making every effort to co-operate with the chamber of commerce and it is pointed out any resident has the full backing of the law in refusing to permit anyone to enter the home. The warning cards will be distributed very shortly after which, it is indicated any additional measures that may be necessary will be undertaken.

Douglas, Ariz., Dispatch, Jan. 5, 1939.

Sanitarian Acts To Remove Group After Complaint

Secretary M. F. McCue of the chamber of commerce was jubilant yesterday over the success of at least a part of the drive to rid the city of house-to-house canvassers, branded as public nuisance No. 1 in this city.

Last week McCue conferred with City Sanitarian T. K. Ryan about the possible health menace of one group, said to be religious fanatics, who have been complained against by dozens of residents. This group has been living in house trailers in the Fifteenth street park camp ground. At least one of their number was suffering from active tuberculosis.

The city sanitarian made an investigation with the result the party has departed for an unknown destination. McCue said yesterday he would carry forward the drive for some legal method of discouraging peddlers and collectors until something definite has been accomplished to abate the nuisance further.

Douglas, Ariz., Dispatch, Jan. 7, 1939.

AUGUST 23, 1939

Peddler Nuisance Grows Serious As Action Demanded

M. F. McCue of the chamber of commerce said yesterday some drastic steps must be taken to rid Douglas of the nuisance created by peddlers and religious fanatics who are driving residents almost frantic by calling at their homes and insisting on entering and being heard.

McCue said the volume of calls of complaint to the chamber of commerce was increasing so rapidly and were so bitter he had been forced to appeal not only to Chief of Police Percy Bowden, but to City Sanitarian Theodore Ryan for aid. The chamber secretary said he had information at least one group of the "pests" might very reasonably be termed health menaces due to their living conditions and the physical condition of some of the group. He laid this section of the case before Sanitarian Ryan in the hope he could act.

There are a good many legal angles to the situation. A peddler must have a license from the city if he sells and delivers at the same time. Chief of Police Bowden asks the co-operation of the residents and promises if some of those who have been harassed by the peddlers will just buy something from one of them and then appear and testify against the seller, that particular nuisance can be eliminated quickly.

Regarding the religious cultists, objects of some of the most bitter complaints, the officers take the stand the constitution guarantees freedom of religion and they can do nothing. It is pointed out, however, that the constitution guarantees the sanctity of the home and the right of the resident to bar his doors to anyone he does not care to entertain. Prosecution for trespass might be resorted to in cases where the door-to-door canvassers are as persistent and rude as they have been declared to be in some of the complaints coming to the chamber of commerce.

Douglas, Ariz., Dispatch, Jan. 10, 1939

Warning Notices To Halt Nuisance Are Being Issued

Copper colored notices to be tacked on entrances both to residences and business establishments to warn away the peddlers and magazine subscription solicitors, were being issued to all who called for them at the chamber of commerce yesterday. The signs were devised in an effort to reduce the public nuisance of traveling salesmen of every variety. Complaints against these door-to-door peddlers have grown extremely bitter in recent weeks.

The wording on the signs is: "All requests for donations, advertising, subscriptions, orders for merchandise, must be referred to and approved in writing by the Douglas Chamber of Commerce and Mines before any consideration will be given. Please save your time and ours by co-operating."

The thought behind this little card is that if the householder or the merchant will tack it up at the door the peddler can have no legitimate excuse for attempting to sell unless he has a letter from

the Douglas Chamber of Commerce approving his proposition. Such letters, according to the present temper of the chamber and the community will be as "scarce as hen's teeth."

Douglas, Ariz., Dispatch, Jan. 13, 1939

Letters To The Editor

General Delivery,
 Douglas, Ariz.,
 Jan. 18, 1939.

The Douglas Daily Dispatch,
 Douglas, Ariz.

Dear Editor:

In your issues of January 8, and 10, you published articles describing a group camped at the 15th street park "members of a fanatical religious group some of which have active tuberculosis, and who force their way into the homes and remain for hours." The above statements are untrue. They convey a false impression to the people of Douglas. So in the interests of truth you will kindly publish this letter.

I am a retired businessman and for the past few years have spent all my time and much of my money in preaching the gospel of God's kingdom as commanded by the Lord. I am deeply concerned about the welfare of my fellowmen and I came here to spend a vacation and to tell the good people here about God's kingdom.

I resent the statement that I forced my way into anyone's home, because a real Christian would not do so. That statement is quite untrue. Jesus says in Matt. 24:14: "This gospel of the kingdom must be preached in all the world as a witness unto all the nations and then shall the end come." In Isaiah 61:1, and 2, the commandment is "Fresh good tidings unto the meek." In Isaiah 43:10-12 the statement is "Ye are my witnesses that I am God." The apostle Paul went "from house to house" as is stated in Acts 20:20.

I have not got tuberculosis and neither has any of our group. I wonder where you got your authority to say we had. I think the climate here is fine. This is the second winter I have spent in this vicinity, and I expect to come back many times more. The message which Jehovah's witnesses are bringing to the people is not the product of any man, but is the message of the Almighty God as stated in His word, the Bible. The secretary of the chamber of commerce in his efforts to make this town look like a London fog would do well to take note that he is not fighting against man, but against God as stated in 2 Chron. 20:15, "The battle is God's."

Yours truly,
 OTTO KJORLEIN;

Douglas, Ariz.,
 Jan. 1, 1939.

To The Editor of The Douglas

Dispatch.
 Dear Sir: I've been reading the articles in The Dispatch about some people of a religious cult that are bothering the people.

Some good Christian people called at my home but they were very polite and I invited them in. My wife went around with them as interpreter, and she says they were very polite everywhere they went.

They would knock on a door, and if they were asked in, very good. If they were not asked in, they went on to the next door.

Such people are always welcome at my home.

Yours respectfully,

F. A. BALLINGER.

Douglas, Ariz., Dispatch, Jan. 19, 1939

offered his co-operation. A police escort accompanied the march down the main streets of the town. Following the police car, a sound-car gave announcements; next followed 11 marchers carrying "Fascism or Freedom" signs, and concluding the march were four cars also with signs. The newspaper carried a display ad, and the local radio station carried two 100-word announcements telling of this timely subject. Then on Sunday morning 22 publishers arrived and began calling from house to house, personally inviting the people to hear. The sound-car combed the town, inviting the people to attend. The public meeting was conducted as scheduled. Those attending were given free copies of *Face the Facts*; and this final big witness completely cowed the enemy and they were silent!

Now an active company of Jehovah's witnesses is organized and set up in Douglas, is working under Jehovah's Theocratic Government, is under the care of the zone servant; and now, instead of there being no interest and no company, those who were once hungry and starving for the truth are becoming the Lord's "other sheep" and are feeding at Jehovah's table. —Otto Kjorlein, pioneer.

Their Only Argument

◆ "You folks think you are going to hear Judge Ruth-erford deliver a lecture next Sunday, but you won't, for he will be beaten to a pulp," so said a tool of the pope to a witness the week of the Seattle Convention.

Common-sense Teacher

◆ Our two little boys, 7 and 9 years, in the second grade, have never saluted the flag. Nothing was said about it for a long time. Then came the day (patriotic week, I think) when their teacher called the principal of their school in to see about it. He questioned them as to why they refused to salute.

Glenn Paul, who is 7, answered like this: "Saluting the flag is loving the flag more than Jehovah, and if we love anything more than Jehovah we can not live in the Kingdom, and we want to live in the Kingdom." Floyd, who is 9, added: "And if you don't believe that is true, we can bring you a book to prove it to you."

The teacher asked for the book, took *Loyalty*, contributed the penny, and the next day said to Floyd, "Well, Floyd, you were right after all." They still have the flag salute, but our little boys stand and say the pledge, but are not required to salute. On one occasion there was a school play in which there was a flag drill. Glenn Paul did not wish to be in the flag drill, and the teacher said she would find some other place for him. I thought this was very considerate of her.—Mrs. M. Ethleen Masters, Nebraska.

At Napoleonville, Louisiana

◆ At Napoleonville, Louisiana, in the trial of two of Jehovah's witnesses, a gentleman testified that he had learned more about God and His kingdom in six weeks from the WATCHTOWER publications than he had learned in 48 years with the Catholic church. This man is now taking the phonograph around, playing it for his friends, and telling them that if they want everlasting life they should abandon religion and learn the Bible. At the same little village the teachers told the children to inform their parents that if any persons had any WATCHTOWER literature they should report to the Napoleonville courthouse. They had no more right or reason to do this than to require them to bring in all their underwear and socks.

Restrictions of Conscience

◆ The restriction of conscience apparent in the adverse decisions of the Supreme Court in the Macintosh and Schwimmer cases should cause real alarm to thoughtful citizens in this country. If the state can conscript the conscience of its people it has progressed far in the direction of totalitarianism. Jehovah's

witnesses have the truth on their side when they see in flag salutes, oaths of loyalty, and military service even for the objectors a dangerous idolatry which threatens the true worship of God. We should labor to maintain a constant vigilance for a free church. It is our legacy as Americans and our only hope of a victory for democracy and religious freedom.—Reverend Stephen Fritchman, Bangor, Maine, in an address at Orono University.

Paley's Sickening Hypocrisy

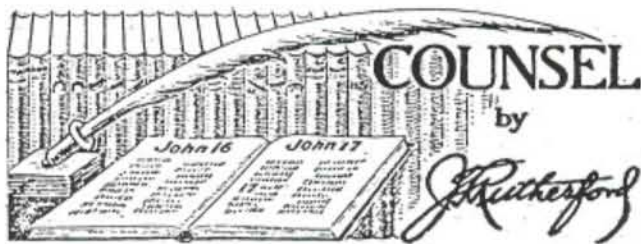
◆ William S. Paley, president of the Columbia Broadcasting System, is out with a statement urging that every person should "have the right to use the microphone within the limits of decency and the laws of libel", and yet flatly refused to sell time to Jehovah's witnesses to broadcast the good news of God's kingdom as the hope of the world. Indeed all who fawn before the Roman Catholic Hierarchy are quick to ape its sickening hypocrisy, which in the same breath proclaims that it is the great spokesman for human liberty and demands the right to murder "heretics", that is, persons disagreeing with its teachings.

Knockers and Boosters

◆ I am a pioneer and on the roof of my car have a large sign mounted which reads: "Religion is a snare and a racket; Serve God and Christ the King. Jehovah's witnesses." One day while witnessing in the city I had the car parked outside a school and the children were just coming out when three boys, 12 to 13 years of age, stopped to read. The first said, "That guy in that car is nuts." The second said, "I think it takes guts to sit in it"; and the third said, "Well, he has more nerve than I have." Every knock is a boost.—J. James, Canada.

Jehovah's witnesses Amused

◆ Jehovah's witnesses are amused when they read that 5,200,000 copies of *Mein Kampf* were sold, and brought \$3,536,000 in royalties to Hitler. The same papers that mention this huge output of books somehow never find room for a line that more than fifty times as many of Judge Rutherford's books have been placed in the hands of the people, that they are a million times better books, and that the people get them at much less per volume than 10 percent of the charge made for *Mein Kampf*.



Peace

THE RANK AND FILE of the conservative people of all nations desire peace. Relying upon worldly religious leaders such people are often victims of deception. If they have confidence in their religious leaders, they are almost certain to be deceived at the present time by such professed supporters of peace but who, in fact, are against peace. A hypocrite is a deceiver. Hypocrisy is the practice of that which results in deceiving others. The following definitions are taken from the standard lexicographers:

HYPOCRITE: One who plays a part for the purpose of winning approbation or favor, or feigns to be other and better than he is; a false pretender.

HYPOCRISY: Act or practice of feigning to be what one is not; false form or appearance of virtue or religion.

The newspapers published by the Roman Catholic Hierarchy reporting the death of the late pope Pius emphasize the statement that the last word uttered by him upon his deathbed was, "Peace." When the present pope, Pacelli, was elected, the same papers published the statement that his first word as pope was, "Peace." It is exceedingly doubtful whether there is any truth in the published statements. Doubtless the pope on his deathbed said nothing about peace and the same is true with reference to the incoming pope; but such publication was for the purpose of deceiving the people. The acts of the late pope and the acts of the present pope directly and emphatically contradict advocacy or desire for peace. The undisputed facts are these: The cruel war prosecuted by Franco, the Catholic, against Spain, in which many harmless persons were murdered, was fully approved by the pope. The pope not only advocated and supported such war, but he pronounced his blessings upon it. When Franco entered Barcelona his first act was to perform mass at the instance of the pope. The real purpose of that war was to put Spain under the control of the Fascist-

Catholic combine. The further fact that Fascist Italy prosecuted a war of conquest against Abyssinia, in which many harmless persons were killed, and that the pope endorsed that war and placed his blessing upon it, directly contradicts his "desire" for peace. The totalitarian government that rules Germany and has recently grabbed Austria, and wrecked Czechoslovakia, and other European countries, and threatens to plunge all Europe into war, has had the full endorsement of both the late and the present pope. The present pope is a shrewd politician, who is playing the game of politics that will lead the nations into war. Inconsistency, hypocrisy, is stamped indelibly upon the acts of the late pope, as well as those of the present pope. Their supposed advocacy of peace has deceived and is deceiving many glib or credulous persons who really desire peace.

The present-day situation is exactly a fulfillment of prophecy recorded centuries ago in the Scriptures. Jerusalem was typical of "Christendom". Jerusalem had forgotten her obligation to God. In "Christendom", where the Papacy, political-religious combine takes the lead, these claim to serve God, but serve the Devil. The words of Jehovah's prophet Jeremiah apply primarily to Jerusalem, but apply with greater force today to the religious leaders, and particularly to the Papacy, to wit: "For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely. They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace."—Jeremiah 6:13, 14.

The Papacy covets that which does not belong to her, namely, to rule the earth. The Papacy tries to deceive the people in order to gain complete control of them, and to allay the fears of the people the Papacy pretends to be for peace and cries out, "Peace, peace"; "when there is no peace."

There will be no peace on earth until after Armageddon, which is the battle of the great day of God Almighty, and in which Satan's organization, including the religious institutions, shall be completely destroyed. Then the Prince of Peace, Christ Jesus, will rule the world in peace and righteousness. Those who trust in the Lord and obey Him will be the only ones who will find the place of safety from that terrible disaster and who will thereafter dwell in peace.

Russia

Ready for War



Ten years ago or more the Soviet Union signed a convention abolishing the use of poison gas and bacteriological warfare. To that we still adhere, but—but if our enemies use such methods against us, I tell you what, we are prepared—and fully prepared—to use them also and to use them against aggressors on their own soil.

We are not blind to the lessons of the wars in Spain and China. We do not want war. We hate war. But if they force war upon us we shall not hesitate to fight them with every weapon at our command and fight them tenfold on their own ground.

The navy does not rank with the highest, but it is already adequate to defend Soviet shores. Our tanks are good enough.

Our aviation is as good as any—if not better. Our artillery has shown in practice what it can do in war. Our infantry is not only well trained, equipped and disciplined, but every man in the ranks knows what he is fighting for and why.

The U.S.S.R. wants peace, not war. It has no aggressive designs or intentions, but let its enemies realize that that is not a sign of weakness. If they attack, the U.S.S.R. will not only defend itself, but will strike back with all its force.—Russian War Commissar Voroshiloff, in an address to military officers in Moscow.

Child Brides of Czarist Russia

◆ Czarist Russia was not such a paradise for women as some imagine. What do you think of a child of eleven being sold to a man of 65 who already had three wives? Or a child of 9 being sold to a man of 55 for two horses, a cow and 500 rubles of silver? Or women of 14 or 15 years of age who were sent to a stable or to the woods to give birth to their babies alone? It is one of the prides of Soviet Russia that many of these former child brides of Czarist days are now serving as lawyers, engineers, teachers, aviators, and editors.

The Drink of the Proletariat

◆ More than 5,000,000 bottles of champagne were produced in Soviet Russia in 1937. It has been decided to build two more factories, one in Tiflis and the other in Moscow.—J. W. Williams, Lithuania.

Learns to Read

◆ Before the Russian revolution 70 percent of the Russian people could neither read nor write and there were large areas in what is now the Soviet Republic where fully 95 percent were illiterate. The change that has taken place in twenty years is most remarkable; for it is claimed that there are now only 7 percent of illiterates in the whole of the territory occupied by the Soviet; there are great numbers of public libraries, and they are well patronized; and though the literature available is, for the most part, propaganda material of the Soviet, yet, as education increases, the demands of the people for other mental food are bound to increase and be gratified.

Did Not Want to Be Murdered

◆ Because he did not wish to be murdered by the insane dictator of Russia, Alexander Barmine, nineteen years in the service of the Soviet Government, fled from his post as Russian minister to Greece. He fully expects to share the same fate as was meted out to the ambassadors to Germany, Poland, Turkey, Latvia, Lithuania, and to hundreds of other enthusiastic socialists who have been executed at the behest of the red murderer Stalin.

Those Orgies with the Nuns

◆ Dispatches from Warsaw say that the 65-year-old head of the Old Orthodox Church, Sergei Krutitsky, when arrested, was surrounded by naked nuns. Thirty-two of the nuns were arrested, along with three priests that had assisted the Very Most Altogether Reverend Krutitsky in his religious exercises.

Phosphates from Kirovsk

◆ Kirovsk, Russia, north of the Arctic Circle, has become an important source of phosphate rock, used in the manufacture of fertilizers. In eight years the population grew from 200 to 35,000, and in 1936 some 2,000,000 tons of the apatite or phosphate ore was mined.

Rare Find for Numismatists

◆ A rare find was that at Lake Ladoga, near Leningrad, Russia. A treasure of 11,000 coins, Saxon, Danish, Czech and Italian, some of them bearing dates of the 11th century, was brought to light. The coins were found in a copper kettle.

The Press

The Case of Daisy Waller



A graphic illustration of how news of sensational cures by chiropractic is withheld from the public is the story of little Daisy Waller. All over the land, in 1937, newspapers carried the story of this eight-year-old Atlanta, Ga., girl, over whose beautiful face a mask of stone was slowly forming and whose body was gradually turning to rock. The newspapers kept the public in touch with this petrifying child, then suddenly she was no longer news. Why? Because she had been cured by a chiropractor! Since the medicos couldn't afford to have the newspapers print the truth that this medically doomed girl was cured by chiropractic, silence was the policy adopted by the Medical Trust. But:

The stone mask that four years ago crept over the lovely features of little Daisy Waller, eight, victim of the rare malady, scleroderma, slowly but surely turning her to stone, today is gone. The lethargy has lifted—leaving no trace.

The child who once was doomed to death because the tissues of her body were petrifying, now is playing in her front yard on South Candler Road, apparently the picture of health. She said yesterday: "I feel good now, just as though I had never been sick. I can play baseball all day long if I want to and ride my bicycle and I can eat anything I want."

"My teacher sent me home," she had told her mother, who immediately put the child to bed. For weeks the malady progressed with alarming speed. She was gradually losing use of her limbs and a strange hardening process of the tissues became apparent to the touch. The muscles began to lose their resiliency.

After a number of consultations the child's condition was said to be hopeless. Her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Waller, and her six sisters and two brothers watched her condition with a feeling of despair.

Then the family lawyer recommended an Atlanta chiropractor with the hope that the child could be brought to recovery. Eight weeks after the beginning of the disease Daisy was X-rayed and treatment began. Following the adjustment made three days following the X-ray the child began to respond, and in three weeks a marked change was noted.

Her condition resulted from a misplacement of the Atlas vertebra, or the top vertebra, which caused a deposit of mineral salts in the body due to the fact that nature was unable to control the manufacture and elimination of the lime and phosphate salts, it was explained.

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When the Atlas vertebra was replaced correctly nature began its normal course of healing and the child who was to become a statue grew into a 12-year-old girl with roses in her cheeks.—*The Health Clarion*.

British and American Press

◆ Compared with the scanty, intermittent, and haphazard snippets which in the popular press of this country do service for American news (you will understand that this has no reference to the *Manchester Guardian*), the detailed, regular, and impartial reporting of the American foreign correspondent usually provokes the English visitor to surprised admiration. Furthermore, the proof of this may be found in the wide-spread awareness which the American public displays of the movement of events here and on the Continent. There is everywhere among intelligent Americans the greatest interest in and acquaintance with European affairs. That the conclusions the American draws from his observation of the European gangrene may differ from our own is not a sufficient reason for concluding them to be erroneous.—H. G. Nicholas (Englishman, but for two years resident in the United States), in a letter to the *Manchester Guardian*.

Colliers' New Plan

◆ The new plan of publication of *Colliers' Weekly* takes advantage of air-mail service to get out 21 foreign editions simultaneously with the American one. Page proofs are mailed from the central plant in Springfield, Ohio, to every important foreign capital. There the pages are photographed, transferred in negative to zinc plates so sensitized that only printed parts of the original will take ink on the reproduction, and put on offset presses. Newspapermen in each of these cities write the editorials for local readers. 150,000 foreign copies are printed in this manner.

The End of Scribner's

◆ *Scribner's Magazine* lasted 52 years, and passed out recently, after a brilliant businessman prophesied that he would raise the circulation to 350,000. First he fired all the old editors that knew anything about their work. He put on specialists that knew everything about everything, except running a magazine. Finally, after running out of cash and out of ideas, the whole enterprise went kerplunk.



The Catholic International

◆ The Vatican knows everything about the nations of the world and *they* know nothing about it: therein lies its power. A tide of varied documents flows into Rome every day from all points of the globe in which Catholics live. These are read carefully, then catalogued in the secret archives which form an incomparable documentary source, but which are closed to the laymen.

It was Gregory the Seventh who appointed the first ecclesiastical legates to sovereigns. The novelty was not to the taste of them all, and William the Conqueror is reported to have informed the pope: "I am a dutiful son of the Church, but if your legate sets foot in my Duchy of Normandy, I warn you that he will find himself strung up to the highest oak in my forests."

Thereupon the Papacy abandoned this system, entrusting its intelligence service to monks established in the country, hidden in monasteries, or to wandering friars, who traveled about all the time. Later, the Jesuits took charge of espionage. And eventually the 17th century saw brilliantly clever ambassadors appointed. They were usually laymen of parts who had been raised to the nobility for this very purpose. The last step was taken, though, when the Papacy created a corps of ecclesiastical diplomats who are educated in the Academy of Ecclesiastical Nobles. This system is in force today.

The majority of countries at the present time maintain relations with the Vatican. Examples of the rôles, diverging from limited positions to those of privilege, played by the Roman Catholic Church in many countries are to be found in United States, Belgium, Italy, Germany and the Far East.

In the United States the expansion of Romanism was hindered by the division of the Catholic faithful into German, Irish, French and Italian sections, and by the ferociously individualistic "American spirit" which was hostile to all foreign supervision. The Vatican really failed to understand the American mentality and made many mistakes. Neverthe-

less, sincere Americans seem to be unaware of the underground work carried on by the Vatican in the United States and regard tales of such as harmless, European figments. This indifference will some time prove their undoing.

As recently as 1936, the Vatican, in the person of Cardinal Pacelli, secretary of state, made a trip to prospect this most promising client: a rough estimate of the money available from American Catholics being six billion francs. He was feted by the president, met all the important clergy, bankers and business men. It was even said that Mussolini had advised the cardinal to do some tempting favors for Fascist financiers in the United States. While at the present time diplomatic relations between the U. S. and the Vatican do not exist, be sure they will come in time. . . .

In Germany at the time of the advent of Hitler, about one-third of the population were Catholic adherents. Since then, with the watertight treaty negotiated by Von Papen, a Jesuit agent, with the Vatican, a minor war has broken out between the Nazis and the Church: over the young people and their education. Catholic periodicals and organizations were suppressed, to which the Vatican replied but feebly, leaving its clergy and faithful in the lurch.

Similarly, the Jesuits got control in mutilated Austria after the war. Socialist Austria was abandoned by her war-time allies but was given a loan, the control of which was in the hands of Mgr. Seipel, former treasurer of the Company of Jesus [Society of Jesuits]. The sole program was to defeat socialism and prepare a diplomatic combination in favor of the return of the Hapsburgs, also agents of the Vatican. Dollfuss has been seen to wipe out the Austrian workers. (He was a pupil of the Jesuits.) Since then [written prior to March, 1938—*Ed.*], Schuschnigg is preparing the ground by organizing the Christian state on a corporative basis, a method planned by the Company of Jesus. He is suppressing universal suffrage, organizing legitimatist manifestations with the aid of the army, paramilitary formations and the clergy.

History and contemporary events have shown the Church's actions to be governed by circumstances. In the event of war, she will flatter the victor and sympathize with the vanquished. And if there are undeveloped countries (such as China, Japan and Asia generally) she is omnipresent, supporting the

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nationals or the foreign oppressors after an examination of their respective merits.

For instance, with the downfall of the Russian tsars, the Vatican was gleefully envisaging itself as assuming the mantle of the departed masters. So it showered the Soviet Republic with attentions. But the latter were suspicious. Catholic missionaries of charity were sent into Russia, but accomplished nothing. The present pope was actually nunzio at Warsaw, Poland, at the time of the Russian advance on that city; he represented the diplomatic corps and concluded an agreement with the Soviet authorities should the Poles be defeated. The opportunity, however, to carry out the scheme did not materialize.

While the Holy See is always observed to tie up with other confessions in time of war, revolution and internal distresses, Big Business is really the very marrow of Catholicism, and this is the case despite the disparity between this fact and the early teachings of the Church Fathers. . . . "All those who were possessed of lands or houses sold them, brought the prices thereof and placed them at the feet of the apostles; and they were distributed to each according to his need," says the Acts of the Apostles, 4:35, which Saint Ambrose in *De Officiis*: 1 seconds thus: "Nature has engendered common rights; it is their usurpation which makes for the law of privilege."

But in feudal times such subversive doctrines were stopped. Saint Augustine was the first to realize that the Christian doctrine would never be acceptable in its pure state to men of position, and began to speak of "Human right" and "Divine Right." Thus the Christian doctrine was modified to keep it from disappearing.

No one knows the actual riches of the

Church. In this respect the statement of Count Alexander Fejtich, who attempted to bring about agrarian reform in Hungary and tried to help the peasantry by breaking up church holdings in that country, is significant. He has stated that the Catholic Clergy of Hungary possessed 1,325,000 acres of church reserves and that "one-third of the national riches in

Spain is represented in property and goods possessed by Roman Catholic congregations. . . . The Chemins de Fer du Nord, the Transatlantic Company, the orange groves of Andalusia, the mines of the Basque province and the Riff, several factories in Barcelona, are under the control of religious powers. . . ." In addition, in many countries Catholic organizations have grouped numbers of peasants into buying and selling co-operatives, aided by auxiliary banks which are naturally controlled by the big Catholic banks.

After the advent of Fascism, the Banco di Roma, the bank of the Catholic nobility, of the Vatican and religious orders, almost went bankrupt. An appeal was made and Mussolini softened to the tune of 700,000,000 lira, which saved the bank. The Lateran Treaty was in process of preparation.

The failure of economic sanctions during the Abyssinian war and the favorable attitude of the Vatican is easily explained. When the sanctionist countries suppressed the transfer of funds and "Peter's Pence" which were represented in foreign and Italian banks, money could not reach Rome. So the "frozen assets" of the Vatican were transferred ingeniously to the credit of the Italian state which thus effected purchases abroad, while the Italian treasury credited the Vatican with an equivalent sum in lira at Rome.

In the matter of social welfare, the Church took a stand only after a century of hesita-



No, no, Eugene; that's not the kind of fan-dance America loves

tion, when the class struggle was making the outlook dangerous to the bourgeois order. Actually it has always been the custom of the church to intervene only in time to steal to the side of the victor. She never compromises herself: Therefore, in issuing the *Quadragesimo Anno* Encyclical on social conditions, the Vatican simply slipped its calling card under the door of the oppressed but abstained from giving them the means to free themselves.

Despite one of the tenets of the church, "All men are brothers," diplomatic history of the Vatican shows that the Holy See has unceasingly fomented wars or taken part in them as a sovereign power. But these acts had, of course, to be justified in the eyes of "Christendom". Thus, in a pastoral letter from Cardinal Goma, primate of Spain, as recently as February 10, 1937, the Church explains: "Every creature has the right to wage war against another when the latter is warring against God. War is the daughter of the abuse man has made of liberty: she is the daughter of sin. We must accept if God test a nation in war as a punishment for its prevarications and as a stimulant in case of decadence of the moral order. . . ."

This is very suggestive in view of the fact that the attitude of the Vatican has been violently criticized during the war in all countries and especially by the Entente nations.

In the first place, when war broke out, the world waited in vain for a protest from the Vatican concerning the invasion of Belgium (a staunch Catholic country).

The pope . . . was caught between two fires: his diplomatic corps were pro-German and at the same time he needed to defend his political interests and see to the expansion of the Church. Only the victory of the Central Powers would favor his plans.

So the most impartial of the prelates could do no more than weigh the respective chances of both sides to see which would win out. The balance not having been weighed in favor of the Allies till August, 1918, it was then understood why the Vatican had waited throughout the war before taking a clear stand. But it was too late to save face and pretend to a role of arbitration . . . the Allies had saved themselves. As a result the Holy See was put out of the peace negotiations, the League of Nations, and excluded from all diplomatic activity, which injured it throughout the world. It was a humiliating defeat.—By Raymond

A. Dior. Condensed from *Crapouillot*, Paris, by *Magazine Digest*, Pickering, Ont.

Division of School Money in Ottawa

◆ Ottawa has a 50 percent Roman Catholic population, and 56 percent of the school enrollment is in the Separate Schools. (P.S. 10,861, S.S. 11,459)

In 1935 the Public Schools received in Government grants \$8,264.55, and the Roman Catholic schools \$17,341.29, or more than twice as much.

In 1936 the Public Schools received \$8,611.20 and the Roman Catholic schools \$18,530.55.

The above figures are from the Government Public Accounts.

This year (1938) the Government announced a new schedule of grants, and a press report from Ottawa estimates that the Public Schools in that city will receive an additional \$2,500, and the Roman Catholic schools an additional \$19,250; which means that with 56 percent of the school enrollment, the Roman Catholic Separate Schools in Ottawa will receive \$37,780 as against \$11,111 for the Public Schools.—*Protestant Action*, Toronto.

Fighting for the Pope

◆ Italy's only excuse for being in the war in Spain is that she was fighting for the Hierarchy's "right" to get back on the necks of the Spanish people, but in that conflict the Italian government (which never declared war on the Spanish Republic) now boasts that it shot down 943 planes of this nation with which it was theoretically at peace, and sank 162 merchantmen and 5 war vessels. This morning's paper says Mussolini is near death. He could not do a better thing for his suffering fellow men than to go ahead and croak. And can you name a reason why the Creator or others would ever wish to see him again?

"Despite Vatican Denials"



The United Press says that "despite Vatican denials" that the pope had called or thought of calling a five-power conference to try to establish European peace, yet "the idea of such a conference was originally advanced", which is a nice way of saying that the pope lied. The same story suggests that the pope made a big mistake in not inviting Russia to the conference. This might be true, for both England and France feel the need of Russian support.

How They Can Lie!



Anybody who has \$5 to spare can purchase a copy of the *Official Catholic Directory* showing the full names and addresses of the 30,000 Catholic priests in the United States. That is all there are, and they never all leave town at once. Somebody has to stay behind to rake in the shekels. In face of these facts, just what would you think of the value of the Associated Press dispatch from Quebec that, on June 26, "one hundred thousand priests participated in the final procession," etc. Probably there were more than one thousand priests, but the Catholic reporter on the job thought he would make it look as big as possible. And he did, and jackassed his job. The *Toronto Star* reported 4,000 clergymen in the procession. The story in the *Star* said that "newspapermen knelt and prayed with the crowd".

Always Eager to Lie

◆ Always eager to lie, even when it would be better every way to tell the truth, the *Osservatore Romano*, official organ of the pope, published on April 8 the statement, "It is not the intention of the Italian government to make an attack on the independence and integrity of Albania"; but Mussolini had seized the country, and its king was in flight before the *Osservatore Romano* could get its papers off the press.

Jesuit Oratory

◆ At the Spanish Casino, Mexico City, "Reverend Father" Julio Vertiz, noted Jesuit orator, made the open attack on democracy which is at the heart of every Jesuit. He stated to his Spanish audience that Uncle Sam would boil when he found all the Latin-American countries uniting in support of Franco. News of the address leaked out and a crowd in the streets broke the windows of the Casino as high as the third story. Mexicans had plenty of Fascism in the past, and are sick of it.

How They Love It!

◆ *The Catholic Times* contains a picture of Monsignor Orsenigo, Papal nuncio, leaving the chancellery, after conveying his greetings to der Führer on the latter's birthday. It gave another chance for more publicity; and how they love it!

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"With the Greatest Respect"

◆ When a couple of cronies have robbed a henroost together, and divided the spoils fairly, it is but natural that when they have another similar job in view they should approach one another with feelings of mutual regard. The pope invited the prime ministers and foreign ministers of Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Poland to meet together at the Vatican to discuss the carving up of Poland, the understanding being that at the last minute he would come into the picture as the great and wise statesman of the latest Munich fiasco. This would not be so hard, because Poland is already completely under his thumb, and it would be a very easy matter for him to make a deal on the side with der Führer and give him what he wants. In view of this setup, is it any wonder that the dispatches telling about this offer set forth the interesting observation that—

Chancellor Adolf Hitler received the Papal nuncio, who brought him this proposal, with the greatest respect.

Roman Catholic Sympathy with Hitler

◆ Roman Catholic sympathy with Hitler is seen in the dispatches from Dublin that not only would De Valera and the Roman Catholic Hierarchy not do anything to prevent Hitler from overrunning the British Isles, but they would and did use all their influence to prevent conscription even in Protestant Ulster. In another World War the Roman Catholic Hierarchy would stand just where it stood before, that is, against the democracies and for their opposites, the autarchies.

Pickings for Mussolini

◆ The war business is a lot better than blacksmithing. Mussolini has a large interest in the Montecatini Chemical Trust, which supplied most of the explosives for the war in Spain. In four years the concern made a profit of \$380,000,000, and Mussolini is now a millionaire, like his friend and enemy Hitler.

Franco Not Now So Busy

◆ Franco the Butcher, not being as busy now in decapitating and poisoning women and babies as he was a few months back, could and did take time off to cable the pope his "immense gratitude" for the pope's "apostolic blessing, which has been received with religious fervor". No doubt. No doubt.

Bar Association for Free Speech



The American Bar Association came out in defense of the right of free speech. It is time it did. The Association said:

No truth has been more strongly enforced by the history of recent years than that the suppression of discussion leads directly to tyranny and the loss of all other civil rights.

The fixed policy of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy is that it can and should break up any meeting of which it disapproves by threats of starting a riot. This has been done time and again by the Hierarchy as respects Jehovah's witnesses. The Bar Association does not mention the Hierarchy, but does say:

A small number of lawless men by passing the word around that they intend to start a riot could prevent any kind of meeting.

On any such theory, a gathering which expressed the sentiment of law-abiding citizens would be forbidden merely because a small gang of hoodlums threatened to break up the meeting.

The only proper remedy for such situations, small or serious, is the police protection to which citizens are entitled in public places, whether they are there singly or in groups. It is the duty of the officials to prevent or suppress the threatened disorder with a firm hand instead of timidly yielding to threats.

The outdoor meeting is especially well adapted to the promotion of unpopular causes, since such causes are likely to command little financial support and therefore must often be promoted by persons who do not have the financial means to "hire a hall" or purchase time on the radio.—*The American Guardian*, December 30, 1938.

Nice Time in China

◆ The Long Beach (California) *Press-Telegram* carried a picture of "Right Reverend" James E. Walsh, and under it a nice long story entitled "China War Bombing Tales Flayed; Missionary Declares Stories About Orient Conflict Exaggerated". Explaining the benefits accruing from the spread of the totalitarian scheme over Asia, Walsh reportedly said:

The greatest benefits of the war are apparent in the unification of China and the resulting speeding up of a modernization and development program which otherwise might have taken many years.

Gannon the Foolish

◆ Gannon the Foolish is reported to have stood up before the California State Assembly and to have earned his title by the following:

In these days of dictators we should use the iron fist to teach patriotism. Children should be taught to respect the flag, with whippings if necessary.

How to Shear the Sheep

◆ Start a paper like *Our Sunday Visitor*. Get up a Contest of 50 questions, two in each issue of your paper. Get your subscribers to answer these questions, issue by issue as they appear. Make them send you a dime each time. By that means you can get \$2.50 apiece from the poor, deluded, blinded sheep, and at the same time steep them a little more fully in the absolute foolishness styled "Catholic Truth". The contestants stand a chance for an automobile or cash awards of varying amounts, for which, as is readily apparent, they put up all the cash. In other words, it is simply another way of running a lottery, of which the methods now are legion.

Slick Work in Promoting Ignorance

◆ The London *Catholic Herald* contains a reproduction of a slick piece of work for keeping the Eskimos in ignorance. It is an altar-piece for use in a church at Aklavik, on the Arctic ocean, and the scenes are supposed to be those at the birth of the Savior. Mary is dressed in furs, and so is Jesus. The Magi come with reindeers and Arctic dogs, and their gifts are of walrus tusks, etc. Everything possible is done to keep the poor natives in ignorance, so that they will pay well to keep the racket in operation.

Too Humane for the Racket

◆ The Roman Catholic racket is after the hard cash, first, last and all the time; and therefore the parish priest of Fontenelle, Gaspé province, Quebec, was fired because he refused to collect a 10-cent tax levied on the congregation when 75 percent of them were out of work. In this instance the congregation went out with the priest and they all flocked into the Presbyterian church of Canada.

Praising the Baby-Killer

◆ Praising the baby-killer, Pope Pius XII designated Franco the Butcher the "illustrious chief" of Spain, stated that he had given "unequivocal proofs" of his "supreme religious" interest and extended his "paternal congratulations" to those who by their hypocrisy and treachery overthrew the Spanish Republic. Franco is greatly admired by Coughlin the chameleon, who, spilling the Hierarchy beans as usual, says he would like to do or have done in America what Franco did in Spain.

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"Reverend" Scholl's Benediction

◆ They had just completed a new armory in Seattle. General O'Ryan had spoken, and the 3,000 present were all looking forward to a hypocritical benediction when "Reverend" Louis E. Scholl, Congregational, jumped to the microphone and surprised everybody by saying:

We thank Thee for the wisdom of the speaker (General O'Ryan) who said war is the most relentless and insidious enemy of mankind. Therefore we thank Thee that Christian ministers and workers of this city have invited the people to come from their worship to give their blessings to the doctrine of war and violence as represented by this armory. Lord, we thank Thee for the battleships and bombs, the airplanes and the poison gas. We thank Thee that Thou didst say: 'Suffer little children to come unto me that I might drop bombs upon them and blow them into kingdom come.' We thank Thee that Thou didst die upon the cross, not with a crown of thorns on Thy head; but with a gas mask on Thy face and a soldier's boots on Thy feet!

Mr. Scholl was not on the program, but was the biggest hit of the occasion.

Relative Strength of Seven Dangers

◆ In the following table each "n" represents 1,000 airplanes, each "v" represents a quarter of a million tons of naval strength, and each "o" represents a half million trained soldiers:

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Germany	nnnnnnn	vv	oooooooo
Britain	nnnnn	vvvvvvv	oo
Italy	nnnnn	vvv	oooooooooooooooo
U. S.	nnnn	vvvvv	o
France	nnn	vvv	oooooooooooooooo
Japan	nnn	vvv	

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War Supplies to Far East

◆ United States' manufacturers of airplanes and other war munitions last year shipped \$12,559,741 of war supplies to China and \$7,664,413 to Japan. Most of the goods for China went in through the British port of Hong Kong.

When Mobilization Day Comes



Doesn't make sense, somehow

◆ Every person from the age of sixteen upward will be at the command of the government; the price of every article and commodity will be fixed by the government; factories will produce only what the government orders; labor will be deprived of the right to strike; food, and all other necessities of life, will be rationed; incomes may be taxed up to 93 percent, and profits, up to 100 percent; all wages will be fixed by presidential proclamation; all business will be licensed; orthodox laws of economics will be outlawed, civic rights violated, the press, radio and movies cen-

sored, and personal liberty destroyed.—*American Mercury*.

[Americans may see from this by how small a thread their liberties remain suspended—*Ed.*]

Retrogression of a Quarter Century

◆ The world has spent £2,400,000,000 on armaments this year (1937), and has trebled the expenditure of the pre-war period. The increase over last year does not include money spent on works of a semi-military character. Europe's share of the money is 63.4 percent, or £1,520,000,000. The permanent armed forces of the world are now 8,500,000, compared with 6,000,000 in 1913, the year before the Great War began.—*Melbourne Argus*.

Protestantism

Arrived at Destination All O.K.

◆ "Reverend" Dr. Robert W. Searle, executive secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches, indicates that his early education in churchianity was not altogether wasted, when he said, recently:



The Christian message is the only way of escape, not from the hell-fires of another world, but from the bestial hell that is this world. For 2,000 years we have had Christianity. [That is what he thinks.] We have planted churches among all people, given the message of the gospel [?] to countless millions, yet we have gone around the corner, not to the promised land, but to hell. It is difficult to imagine a more appalling world than we have today. Each day brings us news of new forms of horror. Men whose souls are possessed of the demons of hate rule millions and poison the minds of the young. We are amazed that each day brings forth more terrible horrors than the day before. All human idols are down.

Don't be too hasty, "Reverend." You "ain't seen nothin' yet". What you mistake for hell is only the lobby where you take off your wraps. The real show is yet to come.

Honest Students in Georgia

◆ The manufacture of hypocrites occasionally runs into a snag, because the young are not naturally dishonest. They have to learn it from the previous generation. At Mercer University, a Baptist college in Macon, Georgia, thirteen students of theology sent out letters to 1,000 Baptist ministers charging that their professors, five of them, teach that the Bible is not inspired, that Adam and Eve were myths, that the Bible is contradictory, "that it was not necessary for Christ to die," and that "it is unnecessary to believe in Jesus Christ to be saved". Without a doubt these courageous young men have told the truth. The only thing for them to do is to quit the religious business altogether. They cannot bring soundness to something that is rotten to the core. Let them turn to Jehovah and His Word, serve God and Christ, and let the theological professors go where they will go anyway, and where they already are, into the hands of the Devil, whom they serve.

The Religious Racket

◆ Christ didn't need dim lights and hoecuspocus conditions in order to do his preaching.

He taught on the sunny hillsides of Galilee. His contributions went for the relief of suffering and hunger.

He didn't urge the building of bigger tabernacles with more costly adornments. He urged repentance and changed lives as well as changed living conditions.

The church is not supposed to be a fancy club or art institute, nor a dimly lit chamber of fear and goose pimples. Clergymen who must rely on such artificial devices to influence an audience are simply poor public speakers.

Christ could preach effectively in the sunlight and win converts when Christianity meant death by martyrdom. Modern preachers should guard against leaning on the crutches of dim lights and religious bric-a-brac.—Dr. George W. Crane, of Northwestern University.

Waiting for Armageddon

◆ Waiting for Armageddon, and not realizing that it will treat him worse than he treated Judge Rutherford's books, the "Reverend" R. R. Ohaver, pastor of the Hillside Christian Church, Indianapolis, Indiana, wrote to one of Jehovah's people who had withdrawn from his cage:

I must state here that I am perfectly aware of your position and I fully appreciate your attitude toward "the denominations". I have made a study of your movement from its very beginning; I have followed it through the various guises; and noted with intense interest the various names which it has borne. Indeed, I have read many of your books, and have literally burned libraries of your volumes.

Not that it will be of the least interest or profit for this gent, but for the sake of others, the information is conveyed that the heavenly Father, Jehovah God, the great Creator, saw fit in His Word to designate Christ Jesus by over one hundred various titles or other means of identification.

Talk About Hard Luck

◆ Talk about hard luck! In 1925 the Christian church at Griffin, Iowa, was destroyed by a tornado. At a cost of \$4,000 the congregation built another and planned a celebration in February, 1939, to mark the burning of the last note. Just as the note was about to be burned the building took fire from an overheated flue and burned to the ground. Maybe somebody in the community will get the truth, now that the religious business is so poor.

South America

Happy Indians near George VI Falls



In an exploration trip in British Guiana Dr. Paul A. Zahl and party discovered a fall some 1,500 feet high in the Uitshi river. This they named the George VI falls. But they discovered something else of interest. About three miles away they came on an Indian village that had never before been visited by white men. The human relations of these happy Indians were described as practically perfect. There was not a sign of anger, only laughter and general happiness, a condition as different from that of Indians who have been brought into contact with so-called "missions" as it is possible to imagine.

Private Prisons in South America

◆ The *London News Chronicle* claims that some South American farmers (country not stated) have as many as a thousand peons on their vast estates. These peons are virtual slaves of the landowner or moneylender, they have no recourse to the authorities, and if they try to escape they are usually arrested and sent back by the police to be locked up in private prisons on the farms. It would be interesting to know what happens in those private prisons. Anybody who looks eagerly forward to a "hell" for some of his fellow men deserves at least a few days as a guest in one of these institutions.

Nazi Penetration

◆ The Nazis have made far greater inroads in South America than anyone up here suspects. Italian army officers have organized the police in Bolivia and Peru. The Brazilian army chief was invited to command the entire Nazi army maneuvers in Germany. Italian munitions have been practically given to Ecuador, Nicaragua and Paraguay. Students from every country get free tuition in Germany.—Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen, in *Philadelphia Record*.

Free Land in Bolivia

◆ The offer of free land in Bolivia attracted many Americans, but some can still remember the rush of Americans to the same land in 1920 and that most of those who went were glad to come back. The lands offered are remote from the frontiers.

Bolivia Tied Up to Germany

◆ The Fascist state of Bolivia is now well tied up to Germany; its Congress was dissolved, its constitution was suspended, and the former leaders of the Opposition were confined in a concentration camp on an island in Lake Titicaca. Four million marks' worth of minerals, hides and petroleum were bartered for German manufactured goods, and Germany will figure on building pipe lines to bring Bolivian oil to the seacoast. Germany needs the oil for the planes. The American Department of State always seems well pleased when another state goes Fascist.

Totalitarian Rule in Bolivia

◆ All totalitarians, Fascists, Nazis and ecclesiastics will be glad to know that Bolivia has gone totalitarian, with the resultant concomitants of abolition of courts and existing legal codes. This destruction of democracy in Bolivia follows the usual pattern, showing that the conspiracy is world-wide.

Depths of Devilish Meanness

◆ To entrap little girls deprived of their parents into lives as white slaves, cases arose in the earthquake disaster in Chile where agents of white slave rings actually posed as married couples desiring to adopt children, so that they could gain possession of the bodies of these poor little things just orphaned. Does anybody believe that such persons, when they die, are worthy of any favors at the hands of the Creator?

Chile's Great Task

◆ Chile's great task of building barracks for the 700,000 persons made homeless by the earthquake in January, 1939, was far progressed three months later. It was not believed that permanent structures to replace those ruined could be completed in less than ten years. But the people must live in the meantime, and winter begins about the middle of June; so barracks seemed the only way out.

Two Earthquakes a Day

◆ Chile, stretching for more than 4,000 miles along the western slope of the Andes mountains, is subject to about two earthquakes per day. One of the recent ones stretched for a distance of sixteen hundred miles, injuring and destroying many important centers.



British Comment

By J. Hemery (London)

Big Business

● Recently the Government of Britain, through its appointed minister, advised the people to get a moderate store of such foods as can safely be kept for a few weeks, in readiness for the emergency of an outbreak of war. Of course, when war comes, as is generally believed it will come, it will be suddenly, and every service in the country will be dislocated for a time. Then the Government would put all food supplies under control and food-hoarding would be made an offense, as in the Great War. Some provision for food in wartime has been made by the authorities: it is said that large supplies of cereals have been acquired, particularly wheat; but purchased in such a way as not to disturb the usual channels of trade. But the chance of making money is not being missed by Big Business. A Labor representative raised a case in Parliament, calling attention to the action of a combination of London firms. Backed by their money resources these men entered into an agreement with merchants in Japan for the purchase of huge surplus supplies of tinned salmon, the price involving millions of pounds sterling. Perhaps the salmon taken from the waters of Japan are as wholesome and worth as much as food as Canadian salmon, which so largely add to the food of Britain. And it may be that Canada is unable to supply the amount which these merchants were contracting for. The point of the Labor member's question is the readiness of these men to trade with a nation which in its political actions is acting as an enemy of the country, and that the food of British people should be stored from enemy sources. Also, it was pointed out that the Government does little or nothing to put the fishing industry of Britain into such order and on such a basis as would prevent the great waste of the herring season. Millions of herrings are thrown back into the sea because there is no profitable market, and the once lively fishing industry, which provided the country for both trade and in war with a hardy race of men for its navy, and gave employment to a very considerable number of men and women, is

fast becoming one of the failing industries. It does seem that those who complain of the Government's failure to make a real endeavor to adjust the situation and restore the industry have good cause for what they say. The war and the political game since 1918 have destroyed Britain's foreign market for herring. Before the war came in 1914, millions of barrels of the herring were shipped, uncured, to Germany and to Russia; now neither of those countries is purchasing from Britain.

The newspapers tell of sales of ore to Germany by France: ore that goes immediately to the production of war armaments; and of heavy shipments of wheat to Germany by Canada, stores for Germany in time of the war they say they know must come, 'because their enemies are bent upon attacking them.' Big Business is very patriotic when talking patriotism pays, but "Business first" is its motto.

Isolation

● The apostle Paul said: "God that made the world, and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, . . . hath made of one blood all nations of men, for to dwell on all the face of the earth; and hath determined . . . the bounds of their habitation." (Acts 17: 24-26) It is common knowledge that men give little heed to the Creator and to His goodness, also stated by Paul: "Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness." (Acts 14: 17) The great among men give no heed, and therefore no thanks, to the Giver of all good; and the learned according to the wisdom of this world (which includes the college-trained clergy class) deny in words or effect these words of Paul and which are, of course, taken from God's own statement of His work. (See Genesis chapters 1-3.) Politicians in the nations want isolation. Some politicians or would-be politicians in Britain want to have the varied nations inside the "British Empire" welded into an isolation group. Hitler has gone one better; he is determined to isolate his German subjects into a nation of one blood, and set them on the pinnacle of the nations. Even if a disruptive war should not break out, the idea could not succeed, since God did not will it from the first. The nations are finding out by sheer necessity that they cannot be isolationists: nations nor men can live apart. The great idea of each nation's being self-sustain-

CONSOLATION

ing and independent of other nations has brought about the barriers of trade protection and the curse of passports, to the hurt of each of them. One newspaper proprietor with a big chance of thrusting his isolationist views on millions of readers and who made himself a crusader for the cause has had to admit France into his limited British Empire scheme; for in the face of European dangers Britain cannot continue without association with France, as France cannot apart from Britain. Also facts show that the nations which agree with Britain in calling the king of England their king love themselves better than they love the "mother" country. They are as children grown up each with his family responsibility and only a family relationship to the parent. It is not love, but money, and also fear, that binds the "empire" into unity.

Incidentally a letter in the press from the president of the Bureau of Imports, Auckland, N.Z., points out that the Labor government of New Zealand is damaging importers' interests by prohibiting bringing into New Zealand "a host of goods" from Britain. It is the settled policy of the Labor government of New Zealand to limit the amount of British imports, which seems a rather one-sided matter when it is on record that Britain purchases 85 percent of the product of New Zealand, buying annually to almost £50,000,000, and being able to export only a little more than half that value of goods.

Both of the two warlike dictators Hitler and Mussolini are aggressive isolationists, even though at present neither can do without the other. Germany cries out to the world that its people need living room, but it imports scores of thousands of Italians to enable it to carry on with its needs. These two men are both obsessed with a revival of the old Roman empire, each for himself. Hitler has got some of its relics from Austria, and Mussolini is on the spot in Rome with a grip on Mediterranean lands. It is the idea of power and authority and military strength that possesses them. But there is a great difference between the liberty of Rome in its days of world dominion and that which these grasping for power give to their subjects. The bounds of the Roman empire stretched from these western islands of Britain to Babylonia in the far east, and no passport was needed inside that wide stretch of lands. Rome's rule was military, but was benevolent towards the various peoples in its empire. It is true that

the emperor Hadrian built a wall across the north of England to keep the Scots out, but, though it still exists, it has never been much of a barrier: the Scots still come south and are ever welcome; nor did it keep Edward the Second from raiding Scotland, and ultimately getting a severe thrashing at Bannockburn. Nothing but the absolute breaking down of the nations and the destruction of all their policies, imperial or isolationist, will free those who are ready to give God the honor due to His name, and this He purposes to bring about in the destruction of Armageddon, when every evil thing will be destroyed, and those who seek Him will serve Him as He first purposed.

One of the domestic problems of England arises from the fact that there is a very considerable movement of industrial activity from the north of England to the London area. It is said that while employment in the north has increased of late by only 4 percent, in the London area it has increased by 40 percent. The heavy industries connected with cotton and wool cannot be transferred, of course, and the coal and iron are located in the north and the midlands and their connected industries must locate where they are. Lancashire has suffered greatly through the loss of its overseas trade: the foreign cotton markets are practically closed to its products. Changed conditions obtain. Japan is a strenuous competitor, and owing to the very low wages paid to the workers it can and does place its goods in the Far East at prices which are impossible to Lancashire. India also is producing for itself. Lancashire employs at present 500,000 fewer persons in the cotton industry than before the war. The present war preparation is giving some stimulus to the iron and connected works, but comparatively little, as the above-mentioned percentage shows. Lancashire once assumed that the demand for its goods would always expand, and its money men were as free to make machinery for the spinning and weaving of cotton and sell to India and Japan as others were to sell their manufactures. Now Lancashire is isolated. The past generation lived for their day, and the present suffers accordingly.

Hesitating Parsons

● The Church of England is not a close corporation like that of the Roman Catholic church as seen in its hierarchy, and there is a liberty of speech which Rome would never allow to anyone who has taken its orders.

Ohio and Kentucky

Opulent Martin's Ferry

◆ Most Ohio towns are hard up; but not Martin's Ferry. That burg of 15,000 people has enough money in the treasury to make a gift of \$33.60 to every citizen in town. The city has operated its own municipal light plant for 43 years and has accumulated a nice cash balance of \$500,978 in its treasury. Once a year it gives a month's power free to its customers. Rates are low, ranging from 4 cents for the first 40 kilowatt-hours down to 2½ cents for all over 100 kilowatt-hours. Moreover, there is a 10-percent cash discount for the prompt payment of bills.

Multiple Myeloma

◆ A man in Akron, Ohio, is dying from multiple myeloma, a disease in which the bones decay and disappear. His physicians state that he has but three years to live. Medical history records but 483 cases of the malady.

100,000 Miles of Caverns in Kentucky

◆ Though Mammoth Cave of Kentucky is the largest of the lot, there are over 100,000

miles of caverns beneath the carboniferous limestone of Kentucky, so the Department of the Interior reports.

Cheerful News from Harlan County

◆ There is cheerful news from Harlan county, Kentucky. The ex-deputy sheriffs have greatly improved the moral tone of the community by shooting each other. To save his hide one of the gunmen would squeal to the Department of Justice prosecutors. Then two would get together and shoot a third one to keep him from squealing. Then one survivor would shoot the other survivor to keep him from telling. And so the good work goes on, to the general benefit of all decent men.

Raw Deal for Negroes

◆ In Cincinnati the suicide rate of Negroes is three times that of whites, and more than twice as many go insane as among an equal number of whites. Negroes receive the poorest pay of any class; they are the first to be laid off and the last to receive financial aid from the politicians.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK GARDEN ASSEMBLY

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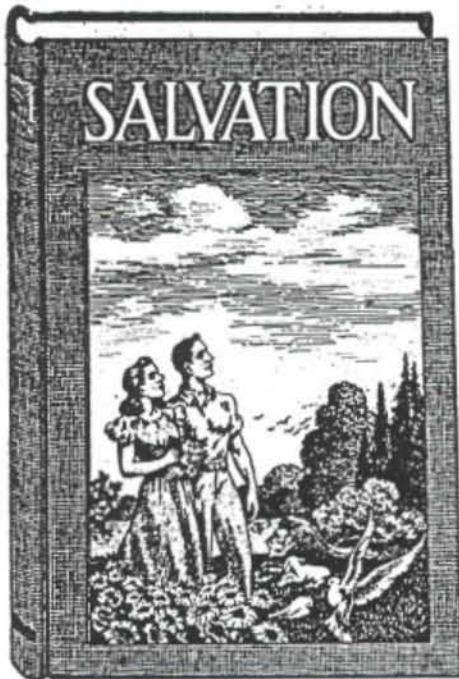
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