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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

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THY TESTIMONIES ALSO ARE MY DELIGHT AND MY COUNSELLORS



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The Challenge of V-J Day

THE editor returned to his desk, from a few days' vacation, on August 14, and found on it a cartoon by Charlie Ramsay, who, by the way, is taking a special art course in Chicago at this time. Charlie was in Springfield about a month ago and spoke to us about preparing a special V-Day cartoon representing Uncle Sam with arms upraised in the form of a V, with two texts in his hands encouraging the nation to give God praise for the fact that "He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth."

But during the past few days, when anticipating the presidential announcement of V-J Day, Charlie decided to add a J to his cartoon in the form of a kneeling supplicant. This, we believe, is extremely appropriate, for at this period in the world's history there is a call to all the children of God to pray, to pray as never before for the thrusting forth of laborers to every part of the world's great harvest field. And we need to pray also for the gracious rains of the Spirit to be poured out upon all flesh, for it is only as the Spirit of God is in operation that men are convicted of sin, and see their need of the salvation provided by Calvary's Lamb.

We should like to see in every church where Christ is preached the kind of prayer meeting described by Luke in Acts 13. From such a type of prayer meeting there will come forth the missionaries who will turn the world upside down.

It was our privilege a few days ago to hear Mrs. Cowman of the Oriental Missionary Society tell a remarkable story. She said that a few years ago she was at Winona Lake, Indiana, and it was her purpose to write a new book. She set herself to pray but could get no inspiration. She

said, "Books are born, not made"; and that is the reason why her book *Streams in the Desert* has had such a vast world-wide circulation; it was a book born of the Spirit of God.*

She prayed and prayed. Night and day she prayed. Week after week she prayed. Month after month the Lord kept her praying. Then the Lord spoke to her and said, "I have given you a south land." He showed her that just as Father Caleb gave to his daughter a south

* This remarkable devotional book should be in every home. It can be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo. Price \$1.50 postpaid.

land (Judges 1:15), so her kind heavenly Father was giving her the promise of "a south land."

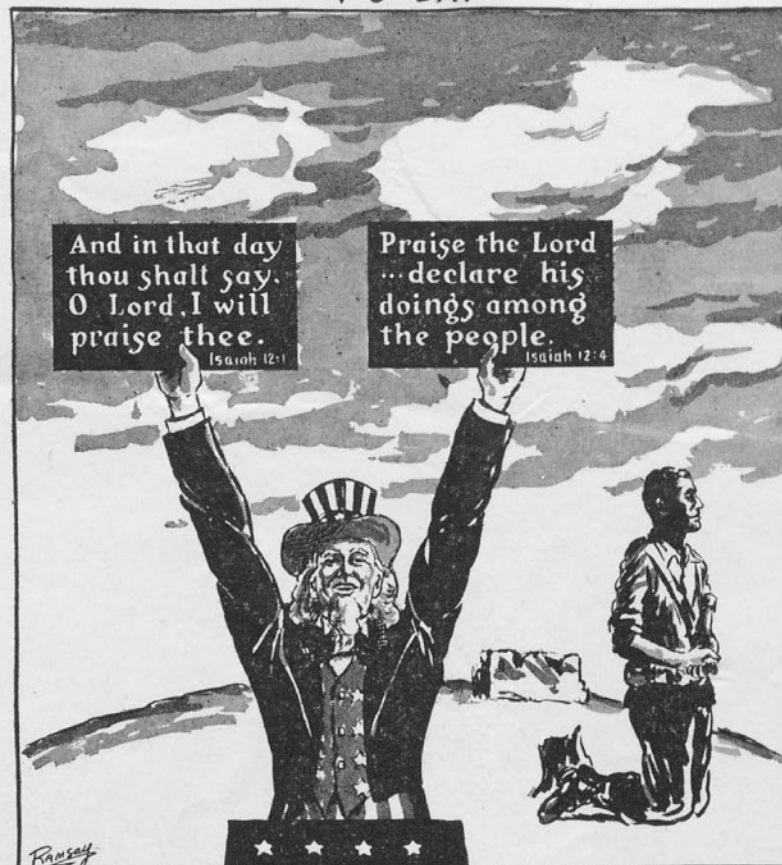
While she was praying, another brother in the same little town was also praying. This was B. H. Pearson, one whom God has greatly blessed in the Latin-American work. The Lord brought these two praying ones together and the result of their united prayer was the giving of "the south land"—the opening up of a new work in Colombia, South America.

Brother Pearson went down to this land, and immediately there flocked to him a number of converts who wanted training so that they could become evangelists and missionaries. The hired house that he secured was soon full and overflowing, and so prayers had to go up to God that He would give enlargement.

Shortly after this, two of the missionaries of the Oriental Missionary Society, who had been interned in China, were released and returned to this country. Mrs. Cowman sent them down to Colombia, instructing them to look for larger premises for the overflowing Bible School. A few weeks later the Lord put a prayer burden on Sister Cowman's heart and kept her praying all through one night. That night He spoke to her and told her to take all the money that was in the *Streams in the Desert* fund (the profits made on the sale of this remarkable book) and send it immediately to Colombia. Sister Cowman, who is now seventy-five years of age, knows the Shepherd's voice, and it is her joy to do His will. So the next morning she inquired and found out that there was \$20,000 in this fund. She im-

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V-J DAY



LEADING up to God's righteousness in His plan of salvation through the gospel is a long history wherein God proved the complete collapse of any effort to attain unto righteousness by human power. The Gentiles, to whom the Law was never given, and the Jews, whose national history was under the Law, both alike had proved their utter failure. The Gentiles failed under the light of knowledge and the law of conscience; the Jews failed under the Law which was given to Moses.

Man began with a knowledge of God, but from this knowledge he rapidly departed. "The invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse." "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth His handiwork." With all the visible expressions of God, "when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four-footed beasts, and to creeping things." This exchange brought the Gentile world into deepest degradation. Idolatry arose, and with it morality sank to disgusting and dismal depths. The history of the Gentiles as pictured by the apostle Paul proves conclusively that only as God is honored and sought can man retain even the semblance of righteousness.

Selecting one man, and through him a nation, God separated from the river of mankind a rivulet of which we speak as the Children of Israel. To this separated portion of the human race God gave the Law of commandments, statutes and judgments, and a ceremonial law regulating worship. For centuries this people were governed under the Law. They had received the Law by the disposition of angels, but had not kept it. Thus both without the Law, and under the Law, fallen man could not attain unto righteousness.

This complete failure of man is proof that sin is inherent in man. "There is none righteous, no not one." "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." In the sin of Adam the whole race of mankind has been made sinners. Through the fall human nature has become degraded and human reason perverted. Man is "carnal, sold under sin." He is a slave.

The righteousness of God is found entirely outside of fallen humanity, in another and that other is Christ. "But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets: even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ; whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past." "Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth."

Jesus was unique among men in that He was "holy, harmless undefiled, and separate from sinners" in quality of character. He was Emmanuel, God with us. Being thus entirely without sin in His personal character, God made, or reckoned Him, in His substitutional rela-

The Righteousness God Gives

ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

tionship to sinful man, "to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him."

Since the righteousness of God for sinful man is entirely in Christ, it is entirely of grace, the free gift of God. It is completely independent of works which fallen man is able to perform. When the Galatian Christians sought to be justified by the deeds of the law, Paul warned that those who did so were fallen from grace. Jesus is God's all-sufficient gift, and salvation is now and forever complete in Him. The unsaved is to accept Christ and His sacrifice as the perfect reconciliation of his soul to God. The saved is to continue to receive Christ as his perfect righteousness as he walks by faith.

In Christ we find God's righteous judgment upon sin. The great drops of blood falling down to the ground from the holy face of Jesus in the agony of Gethsemane; the cruel thorns, the nail-pierced hands and feet, the hiding of the Father's face when Jesus hung on Calvary; these speak to us of the "exceeding sinfulness of sin." Sin nailed the sinless One to the accursed tree. There our Savior, having drunk the cup which the Father had given Him to drink, cried "It is finished!" Because this sinless One has borne the sins of many, God can now be just when He justifies those who believe in Jesus, for "the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Here is grace, God's gift entirely apart from human merit. "Being therefore justified by faith we have

peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Man, however, needs righteousness if he is to go his way "and sin no more." This also is provided in God's righteousness. "Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we that are dead to sin live any longer therein?" Not only has Christ atoned for sins committed, He has provided in the power of the Holy Spirit an impartation of holiness which entirely annuls sin to the consecrated soul who walks with faith in Jesus Christ. Those who seek to make the grace of God a covering for an unrighteous life dishonor God. Either sin must be destroyed in us by the grace of God, or it will destroy us, for "the wages of sin is death."

The Holy Spirit has come to impart to us the righteousness of Christ. He who has not yet learned the way of holiness has not yet learned the purpose of the grace of God. "Sin shall not have dominion over you." "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

The righteousness of God pardons all our past sins, restores fellowship with God, and imparts holiness and overcoming power to all who yield and believe in Jesus. May we ever trust alone in the atonement of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit to the end "He may establish our hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints."

Spiritual Warfare

THE PSALMIST prayed, "Shew Thy marvelous lovingkindness, O Thou that savest by Thy right hand them which put their trust in Thee from those that rise up against them. Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of Thy wings." Psalm 17:7,8.

The eye is one of the most important members of the body, and is the most protected part. The eyes have a constant flow of liquid to keep them from dust. The eyelids above are an extra protection. Then the bone above and below is a further protection. And God likens His protection over us to the protection the eye receives. "He that toucheth you toucheth the apple of His eye." Zech. 2:8.

God protects us from both natural and spiritual enemies, and with the certainty of this protection the saints can sally forth to fight the enemy. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds and all that those strongholds contain.

The serpent was condemned to crawl in the dust. Dust is to be the serpent's meat. And the powers of darkness are to be pulled down to the dust of the earth.

We are to triumph over all the powers of darkness through Christ. After Christ had empowered His disciples for ministry, He saw Satan fall as lightning as they went forth with the message of salvation, healing and victory. Satan brought down from the heavenly places to the dust! As David brought down the giant to the dust, and ran to put his foot on his neck, so God has commissioned His saints with power over all the powers of the enemy, to bring every emissary of Satan down to the dust.

Protected by God, with God's guarantee of safety, we may launch forth in active fight against the enemies of God and our own enemies, bringing them down on their knees in subjection to Christ, for every knee shall bow to Him. It is the will of God that all His saints shall be more than conquerors over all the power of the enemy. Count on His answering that prayer, "Shew Thy marvelous lovingkindness, O thou that savest by Thy right hand them which put their trust in Thee from those that rise up against them. Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of Thy wings."

Many First Shall Be Last

RALPH M. RIGGS

THE parable of the householder sending laborers into his vineyard is preceded and followed by the statement, "Many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first." Matthew 19:30; 20:16. It is a fair warning and revelation as to how we will be judged at the last day and what is likely to result at that judgment. Many who came in the vineyard a long time previous and who had remained there all through the heat and the burden of the day will receive no more than some who came in only recently and who had worked very little. How shall we understand and apply this to our own experiences?

One dare not say that this parable teaches that the Lord will be indiscriminate in the giving of rewards. Some natural-minded people might even share the spirit of the all-day-long laborers and murmur against such apparent injustice. But I say that this parable teaches how exquisitely accurate His justice is going to be rather than that it will be arbitrary, unpredictable and apparently unfair.

In the case of those one-hour laborers who received a full day's wage, notice that the reason they had not gone into the vineyard was "because no man hath hired us." It was not possible for them to have gone. They had stood there all the day and would have gone had opportunity afforded them. The Judge of all the earth does right; He judges according to a man's opportunities and what he would have done had opportunity been offered him. He sees and judges the motive. Our opportunities and advantages are limited, He will give us as full a reward as if we had done great and mighty things for Him. In the parable of the talents He rewarded faithfulness rather than accomplishment. This is what we can confidently expect. "The last shall be first."

But what about His statement that "Many that are first shall be last"? For those of us who came in a long time ago and have borne the burden and heat of the day, this might be significant and have some timely warning for us. In the parable the "first" were jealous of their fellow-laborers and actually criticized the Lord of the harvest. A bad spirit indeed! This would surely justify the lord for not giving them a "bonus" for their good work. He did not fail of his contract to them but he could not have been pleased with their spirit. From their conduct he deduced his warning, "Many first shall be last."

A certain servant said, "My lord delayeth his coming," and began to smite his fellow-servants. What happened to that servant? The Lord cut him asunder and appointed him his portion with the hypocrites. To criticize God is one of the very worst sins. "Yea, hath God said?" are the devil's words. Ascending to be like the Most High and to sit in judgment upon Him! "Yea man, who art thou that repliest against

God?" How horrible to be found in such a spirit at the end of the race. No wonder they received no special reward, and no wonder He says, "Many first shall be last."

There are three ways in particular in which many first can be last. One is by not making progress in the Christian way. To have turned into that way a long time ago is no proof that one is now far advanced in that way. It is not when you started but how far and fast you have traveled! Many new converts "stick" shortly after their conversion, then they come up against the question of tithing, for instance, and stop, and never take a step of progress after that, because they won't take that step. How tragic. Or perhaps it is the question of tobacco using, or going as a missionary or preacher, or being willing to teach the Sunday school class or stand in a street meeting or give that Spirit-designated gift to God, etc. How easily some people "stall and balk" and go no further with God. Are they not properly classified as among the number who were "first that shall be last"?

And then, plain indolence and neglect may be the trouble. "Too tired to get up in time." "Just children go to Sunday School." "I'll never be missed; I don't amount to much." An opportunity to study God's Word neglected. A chance to testify passed by. A call to the duty of standing loyally by the pastor and church ignored and disobeyed. An appeal for funds to support a worthy spiritual enterprise unresponded to. These neglects are tragic. They are serious to Him who depends so much upon the loyalty and obedience of His children and laborers. They amount to so much in **LOST SOULS** and the delay of His coming, that He cannot wink at it. It must be penalized since He is just. These that were first shall be **LAST**. He has said it.

Finally, it may be a spirit of pride. It's so natural to think that we can now manage all right ourselves and don't need God as we used to. Oh, for a dependence on Christ "even down to old age." Our years should have taught us humility and given us a spirit of tolerance and patience. The longer we live for God the more like God we should become. The more joy, not jealousy, in our brother's (even our younger brother's) good fortune! The more praise, not blame, if our Master is lavish in His grace toward others! How sweet and mellow old age can be, and should be. But there is a treacherous pitfall for older feet too. Proud of our very ancientness in the way, when that ancientness will contribute to our condemnation if we don't watch out; for "unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required; and to whom men have committed much, of him will they ask the more." Our years of experience should weigh us down, for five talents (opportunities) buried in a napkin or used for self-glorification will condemn us far worse than one so buried or misused.

Should these first also be reckoned as last? I fear they will be.

But thank God, friends, the last can be first. May God give us alertness and diligence that, when He comes, none of us may be found wanting.

A QUESTION ANSWERED BY MYER PEARLMAN

Do the following scriptures mean there is no hope for a backslider? "For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to open shame." Heb. 6:4-6.

"For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?" Heb. 10:26-29.

These verses describe, not the sin of backsliding, but the awful sin of apostasy. They are addressed primarily to Jewish Christians, who, discouraged because of trials and persecutions, were tempted to renounce Christianity and return to Judaism. This would have meant that they would be required to confess that Jesus was justly executed as a criminal, that His blood was simply the blood of an ordinary man, and that His miracles were wrought by the power of the enemy. Heb. 10:29. To make such statements after having known the power of God would be equivalent to committing the unpardonable sin.

A CONFESSION

Homiletics may be a school-required subject but heart-devotion is a God-given requirement, for love in the Spirit must surpass all. Certainly, we would prefer to cry with Paul, "Covet earnestly the best gifts," than to urge the student to seek some gaudy degree which may serve to swell the head and impoverish the heart. By all means, let us have education, but let it be education for service and not education for personal glory.

D. L. Moody held no degrees, but he possessed dynamic. Evan Roberts knew nothing of long gowns and flowing robes, but lost souls and broken lives flocked to hear the Gospel as it fell from his anointed lips.

Ezekiel, under the mighty anointing of the Holy Spirit, witnessed a revival in a graveyard. We, with our degrees, have the graveyard without the revival.—Charles G. E. Chilton, in *United Evangelical Action*.

How the Conqueror Surrendered

E. HODGSON

NAMES adopted by primitive people are not accidental, but have a picturesque significance, often denoting obvious traits in the bearer's character, as this story will show.

Kalala-u-Yata was the name given and adopted by a typical lakeside fisherman, meaning "the conqueror, who takes." Obviously he belongs to the passing picturesque generation, for the present one only adopts ridiculous meaningless European names, that are as appropriate as a bull in a china shop. Kalala has certainly lived up to his name and fulfilled his title, for now he is a healthy, wealthy and handsome fisherman, wanting nothing. He started his taking ways when he made his first one-man hand net, and borrowed a relative's canoe to try it out. He soon became expert enough to get fish when others failed, and so was able to accumulate nets for any depth of water, with mesh for every size of fish, so that no state of the lake was out of season for him; also, being able to buy canoes when others had to sell, he was able to loan them out with nets to less fortunate fishermen, and then take the usual return payment of half their catch.

Next, he started to conquer and take the ladies, and had soon paid big dowries and married three ladies of his choice. Then he was able to start a little village of his own, and had something to work for as his children came into the world. The advent of the white man sent the fish prices soaring high, for native boss boys came along and competed for the precious commodity, to smoke, pack and send down to the mine compounds.

Soon Kalala found his fish bringing in ten times the old price—more than enough for his needs. True to his generation, he didn't want much from the white man's store. He appreciated the change from the old native grass cloth to the new soft calico, but even then twelve yards of the blue and white calico would keep him well dressed for a year; this he would wear like a huge skirt, bunched around his waist, and reaching down to his ankles, while a belt of big valuable beads, blue and white, would grace his middle. His torso made beautiful with years of paddling, looking like well-polished ebony, only needed a necklace of very rare white beads, joined below the throat with a white shell, to announce the wearer as an aristocrat of the lakeside, his crowning and distinguishing glory being his plaited long hair, that disdained any covering but a water-lily leaf, and that only when out fishing in the hottest season at mid-day.

Being so well and easily satisfied, he lavished his easily earned money on his three wives and ten children, who dressed to the full extent of the white man's store. All the multi-colored headcloths, frocks, shirts, trousers, hats, and boots, etc., made a sorry contrast to picturesque Kalala with his boats and nets, but they were such a supremely happy family that Kalala's widowed mother and sister came to live with them.

All went well till an epidemic of sickness swept the lakeside, carrying off the grandmother and sister before even the witch-doctor could be called. To him it was obvious that prosperity and luxury had loosened the hold of heathenism in Kalala's family; all the heathen customs were only half observed, so he knew the line to take when he went into seance.

The wily witch-doctor took on the case of the sick wife, but demanded in advance one hundred links of marriage beads, and one link of the most rare beads, both together constituting the main dowry demanded for a woman, leaving only meat and beer to pay. Dressing himself up in his fearful regalia, he consulted the family spirits, telling Kalala that they were displeased and only a rigorous return to every heathen custom and law would save his wife. He must be more rigid about dining in secret, must separate his cooking pots from those of his wives, must even have his own garden. His wives must wear special charms when drawing water, also when cooking his food. Spirit houses must be re-built, decorated, and food and beer placed to appease the offended spirits; also all the family must go into deep mourning, dressing in the scantiest of clothes, and have their bodies smeared with filth.

Kalala had every requirement attended to, making himself and family hideous in filth and rags, but alas the wife got worse; and just as she was about to die, the witch-doctor, under the pretext of going for extra help, ran away, but did not forget to take with him all his goods, including Kalala's ransom price for a life. When Kalala saw his wife die despite all his efforts, and realized that the witch-doctor was a thief, at first he was furious, and in his rage he wanted to harpoon the witch-doctor as he would a crocodile; then, quieting down, he realized that for the first time he had not lived up to his name and title, and that instead of conquering and taking, he had been taken in, just when he was the most wounded. Shutting himself away in his hut, he gave way to grief and despair.

Just at that time, in a near-by village, the young native evangelist was at prayer, when he felt mightily impressed by God to go and visit the bereaved Kalala. Very shyly he approached the respected man, humbly and respectfully asking if he could tell him the Words of God. Kalala responded with an eager, "Yes, as hard and as long as you like, when I have gathered my wives and children to listen with me."

The young evangelist started nervously enough, but soon lost his fear as Kalala constantly nodded approval as he told them the way of God's salvation.

A few questions were asked and answered, then Kalala started taking again: first he took God at His word, and cried to Him for pardon and mercy; and then with joy he took God's gift of eternal life, so sure of himself that he urged his two wives and nine children to be-

lieve there and then, which they did, believing that what was good for the old conqueror was good enough for them. As urgent as the eunuch was with Philip, so Kalala ran off to the lake, not to be baptized, but to wash and break his heathen vows.

The whole family washed clean and dressed fully, and then Kalala brought everything heathen out to be burned, broke down the spirit houses; then, in his joy and excitement, he broke down all his houses, packed up and went to rebuild alongside the man who had brought him God's life and victory.

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mediately sent the whole of it to Colombia. It arrived at a most opportune moment, for the two missionaries had discovered a wonderful building at an ideal site, which could be obtained for \$20,000 cash if the money could be provided immediately. The building was purchased, and Mother Cowman had the joy of flying down to Colombia and dedicating it to the Lord.

Mrs. Cowman also related how she was invited to a missionary convention in Mexico City. At this convention she told how God gave to her husband the vision of giving to every home in Japan a Gospel portion, and how He enabled the vision to be fulfilled. The convention was over and she was packing her suitcase in preparation for leaving, when the phone in her room rang. She was asked to go to a certain church. There she met a godly missionary, F. J. Huegel, and a Salvation Army officer, who told her they had been burdened all night long about accomplishing in Mexico the same house-to-house distribution of God's Word that had been undertaken in Japan.

Mrs. Cowman told them how it took one hundred workers five years to accomplish the task in Japan and that it had cost Brother Cowman his life. The Salvation Army brother said, "I am willing to give five years, and if needs be to lay down my own life for this task."

They together went to the agent of the American Bible Society. As they told him of their vision they found that he had been burdened on the same line. So the first 100,000 Bible portions were ordered. In due time the bill for these came to Mrs. Cowman. It amounted to \$978.05. She said, "I admit I was rather exasperated about that odd five cents on the American Bible Society's bill and thought they might well have left that off!"

The day after the arrival of this bill was a Sunday, and on that day Mrs. Cowman was handed \$20.00. The next morning she said to her treasurer, "Please let me have exactly what you have in our funds. I want to pay a bill we have received." The treasurer made a calculation and said, "We have a total of \$958.05." I have another \$20.00 to add to that," said Mrs. Cowman, "so you can send a check to the American Bible Society today for this \$978.05."

Down in Mexico our own Assemblies of God workers are having part of this task of giving to every home in Mexico a Gospel portion. Millions more of them are required.

But, Hallelujah, God has given this "south land" and it is the duty of God's true church "to go in to possess the land, which the Lord giveth you." Judges 1:11. Before us lies the

task, not only of evangelizing the Latin-American lands that are south of us, but the vast task of world evangelization. As we definitely give ourselves to prayer and the ministry of the Word as the Apostles did in the first century, God will multiply this story of Mrs. Cowman's a thousand times. There is nothing too hard for Him, and remember this, there is no such thing as unanswered importunate prayer.

We believe a great door and effectual is opening before us, but there are many adversaries. This is a call to watch and to pray. Our Captain gives us a precious word of encouragement in Hebrews 13:21: "The God of peace . . . make you perfect in every good work to do His will." And again in 2 Cor. 13:11: "Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you."—S. H. F.

A WORKING ARMY CHAPLAIN

Chaplain J. Edwin Orr, writes from the Dutch East Indies:

"As chaplain-at-large I preached to many groups, but none was more touching than a colored construction group right on the perimeter, working hard all day and having snipers, bombs, dynamite, and hand grenades interrupting their rest. Their sergeant prayed: 'Lawd, You knows we is tiah'd, out heah in dis foh'en lan'; but we loves You. So bress de suh'vice, bress de chaplain, an' bress you' chil-lun'. There they were singing, 'Have a little talk with Jesus . . . Tell Him all about your troubles. He will hear your cry, He will answer by and by.'

"Another night I preached the gospel to a packed chapel of American airmen. The first to stand was an avowed agnostic (the major commanding the fighter squadron) and others followed.

"The next night the meeting was interrupted by our worst air raid, men near us being killed; but the congregation remained in improvised places of shelter, singing hymns, while it rained metal.

"A strict blackout canceled the chapel service next night; but I found a big crowd sitting on jeeps and on the ground in the moonlight, singing and waiting to hear the rest of the interrupted message. A revival of religion was in progress, not due merely to physical fear, for in that case the men would have stayed away in safety."

THANKS TO A BLOOD DONOR

Late last year a resident of Alhambra, California, gave a pint of blood to the Red Cross blood bank. Recently she had a telephone call from the young soldier whose life had been spared through her blood. Back from the Pacific, he was able to meet this blood donor personally to express to her his deep appreciation for the gift which saved his life. Some day it will be the priceless privilege of every child of God to look upon the face of the greatest Blood Donor of all time, the Lord Jesus Christ, and to express to Him our thanks for the gift which washed away our sin and gave us everlasting life. Rev. 5:12-14.

Through years of war, we have sown the seed for

Harvest Time

A BAPTISMAL SERVICE ON THE ISLAND OF OKINAWA IN YONABARU BAY

Below are pictured sixteen of the eighteen men who gave their hearts to Christ in one week, under the ministry of one of our own Assemblies of God chaplains, Brother Cyril Homer. (Insert). A young man from one of our Assemblies of God churches, being baptized by Chaplain Homer. This young man had not been saved before entering the army but he found Christ in the South Pacific.

During the war years, our Assemblies of God pastors, chaplains and servicemen's workers have ministered to the armed forces through the country, spreading the full gospel message under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. The Servicemen's Department, for the past twenty months, has ministered to hundreds of



thousands of men. A great many have been converted and the seed has been sown in the hearts of untold thousands. Those who have already been won to Christ are only a small part of the tremendous harvest we can reap.

Your Servicemen's Department has been ministering in behalf of every local Assembly of God, offering encouragement to the men from our churches, corresponding with them regularly, providing Bible Study, Courses and every spiritual aid. The unsaved have been evangelized through REVEILLE, correspondence, the Victory Service Centers, and camp evangelism. It has been a great task and a glorious one, as God has given a fruitful harvest.

Our chaplains have been realizing marvelous services and spiritual encouragement. God has been blessing their ministry. Chaplain Cyril Homer reports from Okinawa that unusually large crowds of men have been attending their services every night. He writes, "I had a grand service this morning. Even though it rained up until starting time, there were around three hundred out. It was the most inspiring service yet. I had more liberty in preaching than I have enjoyed since coming into the army. Last night we had six decisions. This week eighteen have given their hearts to the Lord. We shall have a baptismal service tomorrow at Yonabaru Bay." Other chaplains are having similar experiences as the outpouring of the

Spirit of God is directing them in their conquest of souls.

Our task is not complete—a great responsibility remains. Those who have found Christ and have been encouraged in the Christian life are now confronted with an even greater danger—the riotous aftermath of victory, that will involve unending celebrations and spiritual let-down in the attitudes of some. This is the thing from which we must preserve our men.

Further, those who have been encouraged in Christ will be facing the problems of readjustment to civilian life. In these problems again they are going to look for guidance to us who have helped them in the past.

As these men are transferred, reassigned and returned home, it is our purpose to continue to correspond with them and to assist them in getting into action with their local churches and Christ's Ambassadors groups. Some will be going to Bible School to prepare for full time ministry. A few are already making arrangements to remain in foreign lands as missionaries. The task ahead of us will require the prayers and backing of every congregation and local C. A. group.

The next twelve months will spell the eternal destiny of the lives of many of our men. We are counting on the prayerful assistance and offerings of those who will stand back of us for a final great harvest of souls among our loved ones in service.

REVEILLE
SERVICEMEN'S DEPARTMENT GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE
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We Visit the Dominican Republic

BROTHER Mock and I are going to visit some of the native churches in the Eastern part of the island," writes Paul Pugh of the Dominican Republic. "Would you like to come with us? Good! I thought you would. San Geronimo will be our first stop. Look! there is the church; it is made of split bamboo poles and has a thatch roof. It is about thirteen by sixteen feet in size. How I enjoy these services! The church will be full. There will probably be over one hundred people inside and as many more will be standing on the outside looking through the windows, doors, and cracks. Oh, how they love the Lord!

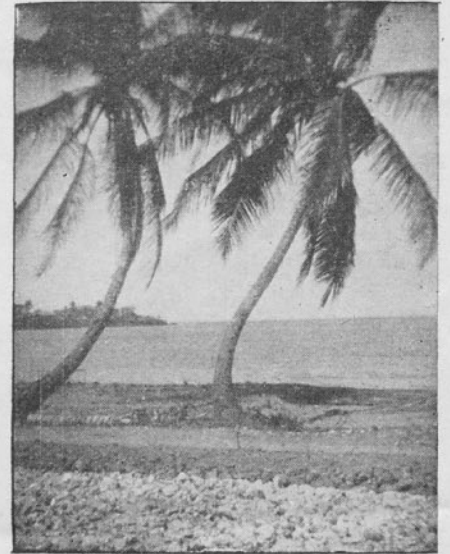
"We shall be very tired by the time we are back home. We may even be sick from the change in food, but there is a peace and joy in knowing that we are where God would have us to be.

"At San Pedro de Marcoris about one fourth of the people speak English. They are colored folks from the English islands. San Pedro is located by the ocean where one of the large rivers enters into the warm sea water. An out-station of the church is across the bay. The pastor goes in one boat, and another carries paying passengers. The owner leaves his boat and attends church; then carries the Christians back again. Many ask the question 'Do missions pay?' If they, too, were present at this service, they would never ask that question again. These people have been in darkness for years and years, but now they have light. Hallelujah! Their faces shine with the glory of God.

"From San Pedro we go north, up into the tropical forest lands. This is beautiful country, but we shall have to park the car. This is really steep climbing. Each little patch of ground that is level enough has a house and garden on it. Our church is the only one in this neighborhood, and nearly all of these little houses have someone in the family who is a Christian. Listen, and you can hear the people ahead of us singing and praising the Lord as they climb. No danger of getting lost here. One surely couldn't walk anywhere else but on the trail—tropical forest is right! What a confusion of sounds—wild parrots screaming as they fly overhead; leaves and nuts constantly dropping; men beating out rice for supper, making a peculiar rhythm; and from the distance the joyful, happy singing of more people coming up the different trails. The church is a large room built to the side of one of the Christian homes.

"Again there is a room full of people waiting for the Word of God. How much one needs the prayers of Christians at home. We love these, our brothers and sisters in Christ, and want to give them the bread of life. They have given us their best. Someone even put a big "batata" (potato) in to roast for us during the services. It tastes good, and as we break it we think of Christ who was broken for us. This has been a meeting we shall never forget—the hunger of the people, the Word taught, and the singing. Now we begin the downward trail—this time with lighted bamboo torches. One bamboo stick doesn't give much light, but if everyone carries a torch the way is brighter. Neither can our work alone or our prayers alone bring light to darkened hearts, but many prayers will speed the light.

"It is a real joy to work among these to whom God has called us, and we are looking forward to the time when we have learned to speak their language easily."



News Flashes

Friends of John H. Burgess will be interested to learn that he is back in Travancore again. His new address is: Mavelikara, Travancore, South India.

A cable received by the Missions Department from George W. Flattery and family reads as follows: "Arrived Lisbon August 9 by PAA. Must wait two weeks before proceeding Dakar. All well." We are grateful to God for the safe completion of this part of the journey, but we would urge all our friends to continue in prayer for our brother and his family.

MISSIONARY INFANT-RY

Name: Phillip Johnson
Date of Birth: March 28, 1945
Weight: 10 lbs. 8 oz.
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Johnson, of Caixa Postal 19, Varginha Minas, Brazil.
Congratulations!

OUTPOURING ON SCHOOL CHILDREN IN NIGERIA

Gladys Goudie

JUNE 25th was a memorable day for the children of our Ntalakwu School! The day began as usual with the pupils lining up for inspection for cleanliness and neatness before marching into the school building for classes. The session was begun with a period of worship. Then they dispersed to their individual classes, where the attendance was taken and the day begun with a time set apart for religious instruction.

This day, however, David Eke, the instructor in charge of the Infant Department heard one of the classes singing. Since it was not the time for music, he went to investigate. To his surprise and joy he found the children worshipping the Lord. Some had already come through to the Baptism in the Spirit.

Immediately he called the school to assemble in the church for general prayer. Then followed a most blessed time in the presence of the Lord, as the 280 children, together with their teachers, continued in prayer and praise for over two hours. During that time 37 entered into the joy of their Pentecostal experience, speaking with new tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

Send all contributions to Noel Perkin, 336 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

GOD ANSWERS PRAYER

SEVERAL years ago a woman in India, a missionary, took into her heart five little orphan girls. They were very naughty; she prayed for them; she taught them and labored with them, but it seemed all to no avail, and finally one day in her desperation she wrote to America to a blacksmith, and said: "I wish you would pray for my five little girls that I have taken. Whatever I do makes no impression upon them; they remain as naughty as ever."

What do you think that blacksmith did? Do you think he said, "Bless Jennie over there and bless the five little orphan girls and bring them to Christ," and then forgot all about it? No, that is not what he did. When his day's work was finished and everything ready to close up, he took that letter and went back into his shop and he spent the night wrestling in prayer for the salvation of those five Indian girls. In the morning he wrote a letter to his old friend, "Do not be discouraged, God has answered prayer for those five little girls, and they will be converted."

Something happened the very next morning after he had prayed. The spirit of conviction came upon those children over in India and they came to Mrs. Fuller and said, "We have been very naughty children, we have not listened to what you have told us to do; we have told lies and disobeyed you; we have stolen, and we have done a great many wicked things. We want to be the Lord Jesus Christ's little children; won't you pray for us?"

They turned to Jesus, and I had one of those girls as a Christian worker. I think four out of five became Christian workers; they were all converted. When Mrs. Fuller got the letter a month later and counted back, she found the little girls turned to the Lord the day after the blacksmith had spent the night in prayer. Now how did that blacksmith work over there in India? How did he win souls for Christ? By way of the Throne, and we may all work in India, in Africa, in China and Korea; in the South American countries and the Roman Catholic countries, and for the people of so-called Christian lands, by way of the Throne.

"Unto the uttermost parts of the earth!" It is my privilege; it is your privilege; whether you go or whether you stay, you can labor for those teeming millions in darkness and degradation.

CHAPLAIN'S PLEA TO PARENTS

As mothers and fathers of servicemen from whom you are separated, for whom you pray by day and by night, news from whom you anxiously and fearfully await with your heart in your throat, you are learning from the Heavenly Father the meaning of parenthood.

Some of your sons will return crippled in body and perverted in mind, weakened in will, and worst of all, diseased in spirit. Some of you will have only memories. For four busy and heart-breaking years as a chaplain I have tried to be pastor, parent, and brother to American servicemen. With my own eyes I have seen hundreds become children of God and begin living for Christ in most difficult surroundings. I have seen the glorious results of Christian training as hundreds of men and officers, by the grace of God, demonstrated the Spirit of Christ in the camps. These things keep me alive and encouraged in service for my Lord.

On the other hand, I have seen hundreds of men disintegrate in body, mind, and soul on the very brink of hell. We stand helplessly by and watch with horror and amazement as men and officers sell themselves to hell and drag their companions with them. I know and you know the cause of their moral failure. As parents, many are guilty before God and man.

There are no more tears left in my heart to shed for these men. There is only a dead ache which grows steadily more intense as the days and men pass in review. The faces of men without spiritual hope, as they tramp on and on and out to eternity, make me speechless with amazement. Your agony and mine will be useless unless we "Seek of Him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance." Ezra 8:21.

My dear friends, place no value on anything you have or on anything anybody else has unless it directly or indirectly contributes to the Christian training of your children and those of your neighbors.

Regardless of what it may bring you—ridicule, social ostracism, persecution, or death, build and maintain a family altar NOW. You have no right to sleep or eat with children in your home untaught in the ways of Christ, until you obey the command of God to teach them His Word. More than we need food, clothes, money or shelter; more than armament, even more than peace, we need Christian homes!—JAMES A. BRYANT, Chaplain (Lt. Col.), U. S. Army.

Coming Meetings

PITTSBURGH, PA.—609 Union Ave., Sept. 2-16, or longer; R. S. Peterson, Oshkosh, Wis., Evangelist.—Harold C. McKinney, Pastor.

NEWCASTLE, IND.—Eighteenth Street Assembly of God; Sept. 2, for 2 weeks or longer; Dale C. Zink, Muncie, Ind., Evangelist.—John E. Rogers, Pastor.

HEREFORD, TEXAS—Aug. 26—; Evangelist and Mrs. W. J. Piersol, Lake Charles, La.—S. E. Eldridge, Pastor.

AMARILLO, TEXAS—600 Houston St., Sept. 1—; William A. Ward, Washington, D. C., Evangelist.—F. L. Garver, Pastor.

DRAIN, ORE.—Aug. 12—; Evangelist Ella Olson and daughters, Esther and Mary Olson. N. L. Ballew is pastor.—By Evangelists.

DENVER, COLO.—E. 4th Ave. and Grant St., meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. Gene Martin, Creston, Iowa.—Verne J. Crews, Pastor.

MINOT, N. DAK.—Aug. 21-Sept. 9; Carl and Edna Goodwin, Los Angeles, Calif., Evangelists. Clarence Larson is pastor.—By Evangelists.

CHAMBERSBURG, PA.—Bethel Pentecostal Church, Aug. 21—; Evangelist and Mrs. E. V. Berquist, Youngstown, Ohio.—James W. Van Meter, Pastor.

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA.—Elk and Lever Sts.; Sept. 10, for 2 weeks or longer; Mrs. A. Kerr of Turtle Creek, Evangelist.—Arthur E. Moore, Pastor, Knox Dale, Pa.

MANSFIELD, OHIO—Annual State C. A. Convention, United Brethren Church, Park Ave., one block east of square, Sept. 3. Kenneth Short, speaker. Services 10:00, 1:30 and 7:00. Election of officers at 1:30 p. m.—W. C. Stepp, Secretary.

CONNECTICUT YOUTH RALLY

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—Youth Rally, Gospel Tabernacle, Orange and Edward Sts., September 3. C. A. Rally, 3 p. m.; Evangelistic Mass Rally, 7 p. m. William Kautz, host pastor.—Mrs. C. Jensen, Church Secretary.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Meeting now in progress; Zelma Argue, Evangelist. Moved out of build-

ing into big tent, York Junction, W Car to Library. Real Holy Ghost outpouring, miracles of healing. Services nightly, 7:45, Sunday 2:30 p. m.—E. Jeannette Jones, Pastor, Trinity Gospel Tabernacle.

ADA, MINN.—Tent Meetings, Aug. 19—Sept. 16; new field. Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Urdahl (formerly Blanche Brittain), Evangelists.

HASTING, NEBR.—Opening service, new church, 400 S. Burlington Ave., Sept. 2; morning message by John R. Waldron, pastor; evening message by guest speaker. Fellowship service, Sept. 3; church dedication, 2:30 p. m., District Superintendent M. F. Brandt, speaker; evening service, A. M. Alber, speaker. Neighboring churches cordially invited to attend all services.—John R. Waldron, Pastor.

INDIANA C. A. CONVENTION

21st Annual Indiana C. A. Convention, Full Gospel Tabernacle, 8th and Connecticut Sts., Gary, Ind., Sept. 3. Meetings: 10:00 a. m., election of officers and business meeting; 2:30 p. m., missionary service, H. B. Garlock, speaker; 7:30 p. m., evening service, G. F. Lewis, speaker.—Joseph Dunets, C. A. President.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Labor Day Rally, C. A.'s of Western Pennsylvania, Evangelistic Temple, Union Ave., below E. Ohio St., N. S., Sept. 3. Speakers: A. D. Skymmer and J. E. Jenkins. Services 10:30, 2:30 and 7:00. A. D. Skymmer, C. A. President of Eastern District, will be assisted by Sectional Leaders: G. Gould, G. Hatchner, and Misses Marie Griffith and Arlene McQuillan.—H. C. McKinney, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Missionary Rally, Ebenezer Pentecostal Church, 1665 N. Mozart St., Sept. 2-3, Everett Phillips, Assistant District Superintendent, in charge. Alfred Cawston, special speaker. Services: Sunday, morning and evening; Labor Day, 2:00 and 7:45 p. m. Other missionaries will participate. Fine musical program each service. Lunch served by ladies of the church.—James Clark, Pastor.

FELLOWSHIP AND PRAYER CONFERENCE

DANBURY, CONN.—Connecticut Valley Fellowship Meeting, Sept. 10, 2:30 and 7:30 p. m., J. Robert Ashcroft, Sectional Leader. Philip Brauchler, Passaic, N. J., night speaker and also speaker during Prayer Conference, Sept. 11-13. Services 10:30, 2:30 and 7:30, daily. For reservations for Prayer conference write Pastor G. Bergren, 149 Deer Hill Ave., Danbury, Conn.—M. Q. Spencer, Prayer Conference Leader.

TRI-SECTION INTER-NATIONS RALLY

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Tri-Section Inter-Nations Assemblies of God Rally for Greater New York, Manhattan Center, 34th St. and 8th Ave. (near Glad Tidings Tabernacle and adjacent to Hotel New Yorker), September 3. Services: 10:30 a. m., D. H. McDowell, Assistant Superintendent New York-New Jersey District, speaker. Special meeting to honor our servicemen, 2:30 p. m., conducted by C. A.'s; Wesley R. Steelberg, Superintendent New York-New Jersey District, speaker. Mass gathering, 7:30 p. m., General Superintendent Ernest S. Williams, speaker. Music under direction of Christian Music Association of Greater New York and Vicinity, including many foreign-language choir groups in colorful costumes. Rally sponsored by North Jersey, South Jersey, Hudson Valley, Polish, Ukrainian, Russian, Spanish, with Italian and German groups participating.

For further information write Warren B. Straton, 79 Himrod St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

NORTHWEST BIBLE INSTITUTE

October 1, the Northwest Bible Institute of Seattle, Wash., will open its twelfth year. This school offers a fine course to those who desire training for the ministry at home or abroad. Both the local ministry and the missionary courses are advanced and practical. For those not preparing for the ministry in full time service, the school offers a splendid course designed to prepare the student for practical Christian living and service.

Seattle presents exceptional opportunities for part time employment to help pay expenses of students in need of such assistance.

Northwest Bible Institute has been approved by the Veterans Administration, thus opening the way for returning servicemen to enroll under the GI Bill of Rights.

A highly qualified faculty is maintained by the school and every reasonable provision is made to keep a high standard both spiritually and scholastically. Catalog and other information furnished upon request. Write Northwest Bible Institute, Seattle 5, Wash.—Henry H. Ness, Principal.

CAMP MEETINGS

MADERA, CALIF.—Central California Camp Meeting, Aug. 26-Sept. 9. H. J. Ketner, morning Bible teacher; Thomas B. Don Carlos, evening speaker. For information and reservations write T. E. Woods, 700 Sierra St., Madera, Calif.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

NEW ADDRESS—C/o H. B. Leshner, Cavalier, N. Dak. "We have resigned as pastors of the Fleece Gospel Tabernacle, near Bowesmont, and are now in evangelistic work."—Mr. and Mrs. G. Oliver Hall.

FOR SALE—Westinghouse Direct Current Generator, 6 KW., 125 Volt, 48 AMPS., 1675 RPM; A-1 condition.—W. E. Gilmore, Box 287-W, West Tulsa, Okla.

OPEN FOR CALLS

Evangelistic

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Webb, Box 1216, Ponca City, Okla.—"We have resigned the pastorate here and are open for evangelistic calls."

The PASSING and the PERMANENT

CLOTHES FOR EUROPE

The War Relief Commission of the NAE reports its largest shipment of clothes ready to load for France. Shipments for Belgium and Norway arrived the week of July 26.

POSTWAR MORAL LETDOWN

United States News predicts for the postwar period, "War will fade from public thinking very rapidly. The discipline of a war period is likely to turn to self-indulgence in peace"—"lovers of pleasure." 2 Timothy 3:4.

GERMAN BIBLE PLATES SAFE

Good news comes from the German Bible Society to the effect that, although war destroyed their three large buildings, the printing plates for their principal editions of the Bible in German and Greek were safely stored in deep cellars and have been recovered intact.

OUTLAW RENO DIVORCES

According to the Gallup Poll "if the question (legality of the Reno divorce) were put to a vote in the other 47 states at this time, a majority would have the courts in their own states refuse to recognize divorces which were granted in Reno courts."

WOMEN ADDICTS

In 1931 there was one female addict to alcohol to every five male addicts, in Chicago. In 1945 there is one female addict to every two male addicts, so far have women slipped, according to a chart by Dr. David B. Rodman in the *Journal* of the American Medical Association.

THIRD HORSEMAN OF APOCALYPSE

According to Nat Barrows, Foreign Correspondent, starvation is a real peril in Europe. Writing from London, he says, "the UNRRA delegates meeting here solemnly point out, unprecedented starvation seems inevitable for the people left in the wake of the Nazi lust for conquest." Rev. 6:5, 6.

HIS FATHER'S HANDIWORK

A visitor to the great observatory on Mount Wilson, California, asked Dr. Ellerman if there was not a danger that major collisions might occur due to the badly overcrowded sections of some parts of the universe. The great astronomer replied: "Let me give you this analogy. If you were to take four live shrimps and plant them in the Atlantic Ocean and put one at Greenland, one at Newfoundland, one at Bermuda, and one below South America, there would be just as much danger of their colliding as there is of a collision of the heavenly bodies."

The visitor then asked if exploring the uncharted spaces did not give him a feeling of loneliness and insignificance. Dr. Ellerman replied reverently: "No, wherever I turn this telescope, I can trace my heavenly Father's handiwork."

SUNDAY SCHOOL DECLINE

Writing in the *United Evangelical Action*, Dr. H. H. Savage of Pontiac, Mich. says, "The average attendance of American Sunday schools has dropped at least twenty per cent during the last ten years, according to the latest figures. This drop is even greater than has been noted, because there has been a substantial increase of population during the same time."

NO LASTING PEACE IN SIGHT

Says David Lawrence, noted columnist: "No nation can win an absolute victory and be sure of peace thereafter. Some day the world will discover that peace without punishments that stir up a new spirit of revenge among the conquered peoples is the only way to bring reconciliation and an enduring friendship. Woodrow Wilson once called for 'peace without victory,' only to be scorned and shouted down. Evidently the wisdom contained in the philosophy of Jesus has been discarded today for the material concepts of an embittered age."

TEACHING OF RELIGION ATTACKED

According to United Press, "Members of the Campaign, Ill., schoolboard stood pat on their refusal to comply with a demand by Mrs. Vashti McCollum to halt classes in religion in the public schools of the city. The board's answer denied that conduct of voluntary classes in religion in public schools violates any state or federal laws or the U. S. Constitution.

In her suit filed last June, Mrs. McCollum charged that religion was "a racket based on fear and prejudice and a disease of the mind contracted in childhood."

"IN GOD WE TRUST"

It is 84 years ago that the above inscription was first put on U. S. coins. It was during the crisis of the Civil War, in 1861, that the Secretary of the Treasury wrote to the director of the mint at Philadelphia, "No nation can be strong except in the strength of God, or safe except in His defense." He recommended that the trust of the people in God be declared on their coins. Accordingly the motto was prepared. At first it read, "God, Our Trust." Later it was changed to, "In God We Trust." We fear it was a truer expression of our attitude toward God in 1861 than it is today.

OPPORTUNITIES IN ARGENTINA

"Argentina is the ripest field for Jewish evangelism since the days of the apostles," declares a writer in the *Hebrew Christian Quarterly*. In Buenos Aires, which follows New York and Chicago in size, there are 250,000 Jews who have come from all parts of the world. In some cities the Jewish population runs from 40 to 100 per cent. Everywhere they are glad to listen, to receive tracts, Gospels and Bibles. Opportunities for evangelizing the Jews in this and the neighboring countries of Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia and Chile, are said to be "the most limitless ever known."

THE TRUTH ABOUT LIQUOR

The Anti-Saloon League of America is launching a nation-wide advertising campaign to tell the people the truth about liquor. By placing ads in 9,000 home-town papers, they expect to reach 64,000,000 readers with ads and news items to effectively counteract the liquor ads.

GOOD JAPANESE

A missionary back from the Philippines, after 38 months' internment at the hands of the Japanese, declared that "there are good Japs and bad Japs." He said: "In our internment camp there was a Christian Japanese guard who dared attend our Christian church services, and there were other Japanese who were not Christians but who acted like Christians. One of them in particular felt that we weren't getting enough to eat and he was able to procure food for us—food that we needed badly; but his actions were finally discovered by his superiors and he was promptly executed."

SCOFFERS IN RUSSIA

Continuing its campaign to teach "natural science," the *Moscow Bolshevik* publishes an article by Vladimir Sergeyev saying: "There never was a beginning, and never will be an end, of the world. Science establishes that everything in the world is in a state of constant, never-ceasing change and development. In the process of this development—naturally without the participation of any higher forces,—all was created that surrounds us. Superstitious people are afraid of some terrible danger which might somehow destroy our earth, its life, and even the whole world, but all these fears are groundless."

The inspired apostle wrote, "There shall come in the last days scoffers, saying, Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." 2 Peter 3:4. So this Russian scoffer is proving the truth of Bible prophecy, even in his denial of it.

THE POLISH PROBLEM

Says Ernest Gordon, writing in *Sunday School Times*: "Although the Polish deadlock is discussed from many angles by the daily press, the religious aspect is never considered. Yet it is almost primary. When Russian Poland was merged in the new Polish state after the last war, solemn pledges were made by Paderewski and other leaders that the Russian Orthodox Christians should be undisturbed in their religious life. This pledge was not kept. The Orthodox churches and monasteries were confiscated; priests tortured and massacred. The indigenous Ukrainian culture was rooted out, schools closed, books destroyed. Nearly 3,000 Ukrainian schools were turned over to Roman Catholic teaching. Whole villages were depopulated by massacre, some 600 in all. I vividly recall the reports of these atrocities at that time, which came out weekly in the *Manchester Guardian*.

"These things the Ukrainians of Poland and their Russian cousins have not forgotten. Nor does Russia want a strong Catholic 'Spain of the East' alongside her borders. The Papacy does, and is intriguing for it. The question is whether she has the support of our clericalized State Department, as in Italy and France and Spain."