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



PERFECT TRUSTING

I cannot understand
The why and wherefore of a thousand things;
The burdens, the annoyances, the daily stings,
I cannot understand;
But I can trust
And perfect trusting, perfect comfort brings.

I cannot see the end,
The hidden meaning of each trial sent,
The pattern into which each tangled thread is bent,
I cannot see the end;
But I can trust,
And in God's changeless love I am content.

—Author Unknown

● IN THE FOURTH chapter of his Gospel, John tells of a missionary journey which Jesus made to Samaria. The Lord was making disciples in Judea, and the Pharisees received word about it; so the Lord left Judea and departed again into Galilee. But He did not take the easy way, the route that all the Jews took. Instead, it says, "He must needs go through Samaria."

I doubt whether Jesus Himself knew why He went that way; I believe it was simply because He felt the compelling urge of the Spirit, for it was by the Spirit that He lived. But whether He knew why, or not, we know why He went. It was because there was a woman at Samaria who needed God, and whom God was seeking.

He met this woman at Jacob's well, just outside the city, and as He talked to her He revealed the purpose behind God's dealings with men and women. He asked her for a drink; then He offered her a drink of living water. She said, "Sir, give me this water." He answered, "Go, call thy husband, and come hither." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said unto her, "Thou hast well said, I have no husband; for thou hast had five husbands, and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband."

The moment He touched on her own personal sin the woman changed the subject. She started discussing doctrines and denominations! "Our fathers worshiped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship."

Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews."

"But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth."

Now it had been a difficult journey for Christ, from Judea to Samaria. It had meant a climb of about four thousand feet up the mountains, and when He sat on the well He was wearied with His journey. What lay back of that difficult journey? I believe the answer is found in these words that He spoke to the woman of Samaria: "The Father seeketh worshipers." I believe that is what God is seeking first of all. That is what He is seeking from your life and mine. That is what He is seeking in every land. God is seeking worshipers.

Would God want a woman like that? A woman who had married five hus-

bands, and who now was living with a man who was not her husband? Would God, the Holy One, seek someone like that to be His worshiper? That is the astonishing miracle of redemption, that God the Holy One should seek us. The more we come to know ourselves, and the more we realize the difference between our natural life and the holy nature of God, the more we marvel that God should seek our worship. God chose us, primarily, not to be ministers, not to be missionaries, not to be workers, but to be worshipers. "The Father seeketh such to worship Him." Whether we are on the mission field, whether we are in school, whether we are teaching—no matter how busy we may be in God's work, if we do not realize that worship is what God primarily desires, we are missing God's highest and best for our lives.

The whole ritual and ceremony and teaching of the Old Testament emphasizes the place of worship. God chose Abraham, and Abraham exemplifies it in his life; for wherever Abraham went he first of all built an altar unto the Lord. In all the history of Israel, we see that God was teaching a people to worship Him, and worship occupies the prominent place.

I am very much in favor of conventions, camp meetings, conferences, and other means of getting God's people together to wait in the presence of God. God required that His people should appear before Him three times a year in Jerusalem, that they might come together to worship Him. It is when we worship God, when we come into His presence, our beings open up so that God can work His will and purposes in our lives.

One of the things that we missionaries learn in India is how we lack in personal devotion, personal worship, and personal loyalty to our God. We see men and women get up at four or five o'clock in the morning and go to worship their idols, never missing a time. Not all the people are that way, but many are. We see the Mohammedan observing his times

The Father Seeketh Worshipers



of prayer five times daily; even though he is in public, he will spread out his prayer mat and bow in worship. The Indians sometimes say to us, "One of the things we miss in you Westerners is a devotional life. Look at the devotion our people show to their idols; look at the devotion our people show to their prophets. You claim to have the living and the true God, yet we don't see much devotional life or worship in you."

I should like you to read the sixth chapter of Isaiah. "In the year that King Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple." In the year King Uzziah died, Isaiah saw the King of Glory. In the year that the king that ruled your life died, you saw your Lord. I doubt if you could ever see Him until that king dies. It is sweet to rule your own life. Even after you become a Christian, even after you have had the Baptism of the Spirit, and have come to know the Lord in a fellowship, it is very sweet to have your own way. God has given us wills, and He has given these wills of ours authority. We love to decide what we are going to do, to plan our days, and to plan our lives. We have will with power to put into practice the things that we plan to do. Many times they are good things that we plan to do. They are things that are worthy. But they may be merely our plans, and

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not God's. Many and many a Christian, who has been baptized with the Spirit, has never seen the King high and lifted up, who sits waiting to be gracious, waiting patiently to rule the life of the person whom He is seeking.

In the year that King Uzziah dies—in the year that self-will dies—in the year that you really say to God, "You can rule my life; Your will is the law of my life"—in that year you will see the Lord, high and lifted up. You will see this Holy God. You will understand something at least of this Holy Spirit. Many of us have met the Spirit, and have received wonderful blessings from Him, but yet don't know Him. If we knew Him we couldn't bear to grieve Him the way we do. If we knew His reactions to the things we say, the things we think, the self-centered way we live, it would hurt too much to continue in such things. But the Holy Spirit is very, very retiring. He is backward. He doesn't intrude Himself. He doesn't always impress upon us His reactions to the various things in our lives that we consider natural and unimportant.

When Isaiah saw the Lord and heard the angels saying, "Holy, holy, holy," before Him, Isaiah sensed the holiness of God and realized that even though he was a prophet, he was unworthy. He had been blind to the glory of God. Now he confessed that he was a man of unclean lips. It is the curse of a critical spirit, that it absolutely blinds a person to the beauty of the Spirit that blesses. God chose us to be a blessing. He chose Abraham and said, "I am going to bless you, and I am going to make you a blessing." I can almost hear Him saying, "This world is so full of people that are always cursing. This world is so full of people that are expressing the curse, expressing criticism, expressing harshness, expressing judgment, and expressing hardness. Abraham, I am choosing you, and am going to bless you, that you might be a blessing." He has chosen us that we might walk in the steps of our father Abraham, and bless the world.

One of the biggest obstacles in the way of God's doing that is a spirit which always criticizes—and which, of course, curses by its criticism. God wants to impart to us the Holy Spirit, the spirit of blessing. Even though men say unkind things to you, you are to bless them that persecute you. Bless those who don't do things the way you would like to have them done. Bless those who rub you the wrong way. God chose you to bless you; if only you knew how often you rub Him the wrong way you might never get

over it. These spirits of ours are so coarse-grained; but the Spirit of God, who has come to abide in us, gently leads us and opens up to our understanding some of the things that He is trying to do.

What is true of a spirit of criticism is also true of a spirit of murmuring and complaining; it blinds you to the beauty of a spirit that thanks God for everything, abounding in thanksgiving. The spirit of thankfulness, no matter what God sends to you! "Lord, You have a perfect right to humiliate me. Thank You for that humiliation. You know that I need it. You know I don't break easily. Thank You for putting me to shame there where I thought I was going to be successful." We seldom appreciate the beauty of a spirit like that. We would far rather react egotistically, and put up that mechanism which we usually put up—complaining and murmuring and blaming the other fellow. That is only natural—but it is exceedingly distasteful to God, for His Spirit is exactly the opposite. His Spirit is the spirit of thanksgiving, praise, and rejoicing. It is the spirit of patience, love and peace. It is the spirit of resurrection—that can be put in the dust and then rise triumphantly.

As we come into the presence of God and worship Him, God is able to touch our lives with His burning coals, His red-hot fire, and bring into our lives the changes that He wants to bring. He has chosen us and seeks us to worship Him. Worship is appreciation. Worship is response. Worship is having an un-

derstanding through the Spirit of the reality of the Father, of the glory of our Father, of His holiness, His perfection, His beauty; and having an understanding of it, appreciating it, praising Him for it, and rejoicing in His goodness.

The little things keep us from appreciating the character of God that would turn the other cheek. Yet God desires even unto the uttermost price of anguish to make us into His own image, children who would appreciate a Father such as He is because we have become awake to Him.

There is a verse in Psalm 2 (A.S.V.) that throws a great deal of light on the thought of Christ's perfection. "Ask of me, and I will give thee the nations for thine inheritance." In the Gospels we see Christ asking the Father for the nations; in other words, asking the Father for us. He is asking the Father for Simon. He says, "Father, I want Simon." The Father says to Him, "If You want Simon, do You know what it will cost You? You propose changing Simon into Peter. You propose to make him one with Your own nature. Do you know what it will cost You?" So Christ learned what He had in consecration since the foundation of the world, the cost of redeeming a soul. He learned that it was the breaking of His body, the pouring out of His blood, that would redeem Peter's soul.

Do you know what it cost God to make you His child, partaking of the divine nature, so that you are like your Father which is in heaven? You learn that as you worship Him. As you come into the presence of God and come to know Him, he lets you see His patience, and how His spirit of patience is hurt by your impatience. You never knew it before. It has blinded you to the beauty of patience. When the Spirit of God touches you to see the beauty of patience and the ugliness of an impatient, angry, irritable spirit in the presence of His spirit of patience, then you realize that all through the years He has been broken by your impatience. His blood has been shed. "He will not fail nor be discouraged, till He have set justice in the earth; and the isles shall wait for His law." Isa. 42:4. You are one of the islands that He is determined to set His righteousness and justice in. The only way He can fail is if you give up, renounce Him, and go away. When you enter into a covenant with Him, He will never give up His side of the covenant or turn you away if you will keep the covenant, if you will be faithful.

Here is where you see the match-
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Noontide Prayer

"Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray,
and cry aloud: and He shall hear my voice."
Psalm 55:17.

I met God at the noontide,
When my day with care was stressed,
And the face of my Beloved
Shed its brightness in my breast.

Oh! 'twas sweet to meet my Savior,
And His presence round me there
Seemed more glorious than the radiance
Of a thousand suns most fair.

"Evening, morning, and at noontide,"
Were the Psalmist's words of old,
"I will pray, and He shall hear me . . .
Give me blessings manifold."

Ah, how many a weary noontide
Have I failed to seek, or find
Sweet refreshing that He offers
Free, for body, soul, and mind.

So I think I've learned the secret
That can make life one glad song:
Seek Him morning, noon, and evening
And you'll have Him all day long.

—Clara M. Brooks.

Man's Choice and God's

● THE MOLE is not a far-seeing creature. It has no delight in the things of the heavens. It does not come out to admire the stars, but grovels deep into the earth to seek that which it may devour. Its one concern is its stomach. So it is with the men of earth. They are blind to heavenly glories. They live more or less in the realm of the sensual—what shall we eat? What shall we drink? And how shall we amuse ourselves? But the Lord would not have His children thus. He desires to train His own not merely for the years of time, but for the endless ages of eternity. He has their eternal welfare in view. Thus there may come into the lives of His own many things which their shortsightedness would not desire, but which He in His infinite wisdom sees is best.

God's Training School

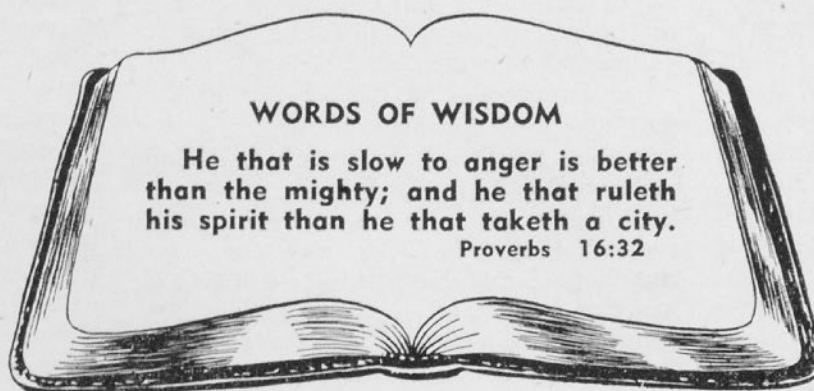
Man seeks to abound. He seeks comfort. He seeks ease. His purpose is to have enough so that he may retire and live more or less in idleness, having sufficient to eat all he wants, to drink all he wants, to have a nice home, and every luxury around him. And that is the end of his vision. But God has a higher end in view. His children are the children of the day, and the day of the Lord is a wonderful day. What is the purpose of God concerning His sons? When that day comes, in which the Lord returns, they shall be like Him; they shall be like the Lamb.

David was one after God's own heart. He was chosen, he was anointed, and he was trained of God. He was not sent to the highest colleges in the land just to study, to pack his brains with information which man considers very important in these days. No, his training consisted of being hunted as a partridge on the mountain. In his training there came the necessity of seeking God continually for guidance that his soul might escape from the snare the enemy had prepared for him. And thus he got to know his God; thus he proved his God; and he had joy in God, who delivered him from

all fear. He got to know his God very intimately, and he said to his men, "O taste and see that the Lord is good."

The Right Attitude of Heart

In due time God raised David to the throne, but He was not yet through with his training. For a while David abounded, and then God caused him to be abased. See him in those days of Absalom's rebellion, walking up the Mount of Olives, weeping as he went. What was his desire? He was willing, if God so required, to go back to the throne he had occupied. But the attitude of his heart was expressed toward his God when he said, "But if He thus say, I have no delight in thee; behold, here am I, let Him do to me as seemeth good unto Him." In the place of abasement



he wanted but one thing—that God should choose for him. He did not clamor for the death of his son. He did not ask for the destruction of his enemies. In his humility he knew not what was best, and he left the choice with God, saying, "Let Him do to me as seemeth good unto Him." The will of God was sweet to him, even if it meant destruction that night. God could be trusted though the abasement should go deeper. And though it should mean death, David was willing. He could leave all in the hands of the Lord who loved him. God would work things out right in eternity, and the gracious promises He had made would not fail. But in due time God overthrew those who would overthrow David, and he who was abased was once more exalted.

A God-Controlled Life

Look at the great apostle Paul. He went bound in spirit to Jerusalem, and everywhere the word came through the Spirit that bonds and afflictions awaited him. Agabus showed him that he would be bound; but none of these things moved him. People tried to persuade him not to go, but he would not listen to their counsel, and so they said, "The will of the Lord be done." It is well to be ever in the place where you say, "The will of the Lord be done." Paul moved on, even though afflictions and bonds did await him. But there in his prison in Jerusalem Christ appeared to him, and He never left him. Testings and trials, that went deep into his soul, came to him—testings of patience, the trial on the boat, the shipwreck, and long days of imprisonment in the dungeon. "Ah," says someone, "Paul made a great mistake." Man is shortsighted. God was controlling that life which was wholly yielded to Him. God had a vessel that He was shaping for eternity. And know this—the deeper the abasement that comes in the will of God, the greater and more wonderful the exaltation which will surely come later.

Abasement and Exaltation

When man is tested and tried and sees abasement ahead, he contrives by every carnal contrivance, often by lying, often by misrepresentation, often by deceit, to avoid that which would be a humiliation. And he may avoid the abasement, but he does so to his eternal loss. But if he takes the attitude of David in that abasement, God will see him through. When all the nation was against him, when his own son Absalom and his counselor Ahithophel had taken up the sword against him, David said, "But if He thus say, I have no delight in thee; behold, here am I, let Him do to me as seemeth good unto Him," leaving the whole matter in the hands of God.

Joseph was slandered. We know not what defense he made, but any defense he made was useless. The will of God was that he should be abased, and that his soul should be tried in iron. Not only was there iron on his body; there came iron into his soul, too, and God made him an iron pillar. And after the abasement came the exaltation.

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Crucified With Christ

Do you seek to shun abasement? Do you seek to shun humiliation? Do it no longer. Do you not know that he who suffers with his Lord shall reign with Him? Was it not the prayer of the apostle Paul that he might know Him, the Lamb who had suffered, the just for the unjust? Was it not his prayer that he should know the fellowship of His suffering? Yes, and God answered his prayer. Was it not his heart's desire that he might be conformed unto His death? He longed to be in every way like his Lord, and God answered his petition. The man who is a crucified man, who enters into deep fellowship with Him who suffered at Calvary, will partake of the consolations of the Lamb, and he will partake of the reward that awaited Him who willingly, *willingly*, WILLINGLY suffered. Ah, man seeks an easy way without suffering, but it is in the depth

of suffering that there is revealed the heart of God.

Eternal Reward

What is the purpose of God in letting men suffer? If we have the eternal outlook we shall see that it is abundantly worthwhile, for in those hours of suffering God is shaping a vessel meet for His service in an endless eternity. Do you think that David will be abased throughout eternity? No, the Book shows that he shall be the shepherd of his people. Ezekiel 34:23. Do you think that Paul will be abased throughout eternity? No, God will have a throne for him. And although you are abased in time, you may be exalted throughout all eternity to a place of honor, to a place of blessing, to a place of eternal joy. And in the measure that you have drunk the cup of sorrow, for Christ's sake, you shall drink the cup of eternal joy.—S.H.F.

Some say, "Is it not better to leave it to the will of God?" and quote Christians who would have forced the hand of God by praying without adding, "Thy will be done." These say, "How do we know whether sickness would not be better for us than health?" This is no case for forcing the hand of God, since His Word tells us it is His will to heal us. "The prayer of faith shall save the sick." God wills that the health of the soul should have a blessed reflex influence on the health of the body; that the presence of Jesus in the soul should have its confirmation in the good condition of the body. 3 John 2; 1 Thess. 5:23-24. And when you know that such is His will, you cannot, when speaking in such a way, say truthfully that you are in all things leaving it to Him. It is not leaving it to Him when you make use of all possible remedies to get healing instead of laying hold of His promise. Your submission is nothing else than spiritual sloth in view of that which God commands you to do.

As to knowing whether sickness is not better than health, we do not hesitate to reply that the return to health which is the fruit of the giving up of sin, of the consecration to God, and of ultimate communion with God, is infinitely better than sickness. "This is the will of God, even your sanctification" (1 Thess. 4:3), and by healing God confirms the reality of this. When Jesus comes to take possession of our body, and cures it miraculously, when health must be maintained from day to day by an uninterrupted communion with Him, the experience we thus make of the Savior's power and love is a result very superior to any sickness has to offer. Sickness may teach us submission; but healing, direct from God, makes us better acquainted with our Lord, and teaches us to confide in Him better, and to serve Him better.

Christians who are sick, if you will really seek to know the will of God in this thing, do not be influenced by the opinion of others, nor by your own former prejudices; but study "His Word." Psalm 107:10, R.V. Examine whether it does not tell you that divine healing is a part of the redemption of Jesus (Job 32:24, margin; 1 John 3:8), and that God wills that every believer should have the right to claim it. See whether it does not promise that the prayer of every child of God for this thing shall be heard, and whether health restored by the power of the Holy Spirit does not manifest the glory of God in the eyes of the Church and of the world. Luke 4:26; 13:13; 17:15; Acts 3:8-10. Inquire of it; it will answer you that, according to the will of God, sickness is a discipline occasioned by sin or shortcoming; and healing, granted to the prayer of faith, bears witness to His grace which pardons, sanctifies, and takes away sin.

God's Will to Heal

Andrew Murray

Thy will be done. Matt. 6:10.

If the Lord will. James 4:15.

IN SICKNESS, when doctors and medicines fail, recourse is generally had to the words here quoted, and they easily become a stumbling block in the way of divine healing. "How may I know," is asked, "whether it is not God's will that I should remain ill? And as long as this is an open question, how can I believe for healing? How can I pray for it with faith?"

Here truth and error seem to touch. It is simply impossible to pray with faith when we are not sure that we are asking according to the will of God. "I can," one says, "pray fervently in asking God to do the best for me, believing that He will cure me if it is possible." As long as one prays thus, one is praying with submission, but this is not the prayer of faith. That is possible only when we are certain that we are asking according to the will of God. The question then resolves itself into making sure of what is the will of God. 1 John 5:14-15. It is a great mistake to think the child of God cannot know His will about healing.

To know His divine will, we must be guided by the Word of God. HIS WORD PROMISES HEALING. The promise of James 5:14-15 is so absolute, it is impossible to deny it. Other passages tell us Jesus Christ obtained for us the healing of our diseases, because He bore

our sickness. Matt. 8:16-17; Isa. 53:3, 4, 5, 10, R.V., margin; 1 Peter 2:24. According to these words, we have a right to healing. It is a part of the salvation we have in Christ, and we may expect it with certainty.

Scripture tells us that sickness, is in God's hands, the means of chastening His children for their sins. 1 Cor. 11:27-30; 1 Cor. 5:5; John 5:14. But this discipline ceases to be exercised as soon as His suffering child acknowledges and turns from the sin. Deut. 7:15; Psalm 103:2-3; Jas. 5:16. Is it not as much as to say clearly that God desires to make use of sickness to bring back His children when they are straying?

Sick Christian, open your Bible, study it and see that sickness is a warning to renounce sin, but that whoever acknowledges and forsakes his sins finds in Jesus pardon and healing. Such is God's promise.

**A REAL CURE FOR
SICKNESS**

*Is any among you afflicted?
Let him PRAY.*

ISRAEL today

Israel, busy with peace negotiations, has a housing problem, too. More than 55,000 immigrants landed at Haifa in December and January. Total for the year is expected to exceed 200,000. To provide homes, 51 new settlements will be built in the next six months.

Thousands to re-settle in west Galilee.

Mediterranean Sea

New colonies on "Courage Road," life-line from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv, serve security purpose, ending isolation of Holy City.

Between Beersheba and Bir Asluj, in Negev, 27 colonies have been built

Potash industry at southern tip of the Dead Sea will be expanded.

Negev area, more than 3,800 square miles, seen as solution to Israel's re-settlement problem. Signs of mineral wealth noted, but potential is unknown. Israel has no coal, iron, or other important mineral deposits. Water is piped from reservoirs. Long-range irrigation and hydro-electric projects could open large tracts.

Israel's "Window to the Orient."

ISRAELI TERRITORY

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● THE EYES OF THE WORLD today are on Palestine. Bible believers know it as the scene of the coming great battle of Armageddon when the armies of the world will clash for the last great battle. But today even non-Christian military leaders and statesmen are eyeing it as the powder keg of the world.

The Holy Land is the prize country of the whole world. Considering its agricultural possibilities, its Dead Sea mineral salt deposits, its seemingly exhaustless lakes of valuable oil, it undoubtedly contains greater wealth per square foot than any country still waiting to be developed. The cupidity of the nations has been roused by these piled-up treasures. They are vying with each other in a cold war to control this vast storehouse of good things. It may be that before the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, it will be inundated with the life-blood of untold multitudes.

In the Bible, Palestine is the exact geographic center of the world. The Lord has definitely declared that He has set the nations of the earth in their proper places in relationship to the Hebrew nation. Moreover, Palestine and the Sinaitic peninsula are the land-bridge uniting Asia, Europe, Africa. The Suez Canal, more or less the life-line of the mighty British Empire, is there. The power which controls Palestine and the Sinaitic peninsula has a stranglehold on the rest of the world. The Great Powers know this only too well, and are juggling for position there.

Palestine is the historical center of the world. Many of the decisive battles of the ancients were fought on its soil. One after another the great conquerors of antiquity marched across its blood-drenched areas. The chariots of Egypt, the spear-armed Assyrians, the leather-armoured Persians, the phalanx of Alexander, the eagle-led legions of Rome vied with each other for possession of that tiny strip of land. Napoleon dreamed of it. Kaiser Wilhelm entered the Holy City. Foxy Rommel had designs upon it. Yet, through it all, Jehovah is working out His age-long purpose. The thirsty land will continue to soak up the blood, the sweat, the tears of multitudes until He comes, whose right it is to sit upon the throne of His father David. There will be no peace in the City of Peace until the coming of the Prince of Peace.

In the hearts and minds of untold millions, Palestine is the center of the earth religiously. It is sacred to the devotees of the three mighty religions—Judaism, Christianity, Mohammedanism. It was there that the Temple of Solomon reared its glorious height to the praise of God. There the Lord Jesus Christ, lived, walked, talked, preached His mighty sermons, per-

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formed His magnificent miracles. It was from there that Mohammed supposedly sped up to heaven. There is no spot on earth that means so much to so many as does Jerusalem.

Palestine has been the cause of grim headaches to many nations and empires. Egypt was stopped by it again and again. The Assyrian war lords buried their dead there by the thousands and tens of thousands. Rome's mighty legions paid for every inch of the way with blood. The Jews, so it seems to me, have paid for that land in coin infinitely more valuable than silver or gold. The British Empire counted it as a biting thorn in its flesh during the time of the League of Nations' directed mandate. And the end is not yet. Even the United States is now embroiled and involved in it.

There are three great elements involved in Palestine. They are clear, scriptural, geographic, historical, prophetic. It behooves all of us to know them, to study them.

There is first the promise of Palestine.

The Bible and only the Bible can be our authority for this. The King of Kings unmistakably promised Canaan to the Children of Israel. The promise was made to Abraham and to his seed. It was repeated to Isaac. It was reiterated to Jacob. Moses heard it from the lips of God, and repeated it to the Jews, and to the world besides. David sang its strain. The prophets referred to it again and again in their volcanic denunciations, warnings, appeals. It is repeated in the Holy Book too often for any to have doubts about God's design in the matter.

In a manner of speaking, the Bible stands or falls on the executions of this Word of God so often declared. If, by some mischance you are one who does not believe that God will literally restore Israel to the Land according to His clear promise, then you cannot be sure of your own salvation, for it, too, depends absolutely upon God's Word. The virgin birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, the wondrous efficacy of His atoning death, the miracles of His resurrection and ascension, the hope of His glorious Second Coming, all are involved in this assertion. The Bible contains the Palestinian Promise, just as it asserts these other facts. The Bible is either the inerrant Word of God, or it is not fully dependable.

However, the fact still remains that

We are indebted to the St. Louis Star-Times for this up-to-date map. The white portion is the area assigned to the Arabs in the Partition Plan and still held by them.

Over Palestine

Hyman Appelman

the Israelitish nation never fully possessed Canaan. Sin crept in and the Lord of Hosts no longer marched with the armies of Zion. Foes beset the rulers and people of Israel, on every hand. Failing to repent of their sins, they rebelled against the King of Heaven, rejected His oft-repeated admonitions, were finally driven out of the little part of the Land which they did conquer, and were dispersed to the ends of the earth.

The promise of Palestine has never been repealed. In God there is neither variability nor shadow as though of turning. Jehovah does not change His mind. In His own good time that which He has foretold will come to pass. Not all the powers in heaven, on earth, or in hell can deviate Him from His eternal plan. The Jews will yet swarm the highways and byways of the Promised Land. They will yet sing the praise of their God in the streets of Jerusalem.

Next come the possibilities in Palestine.

Until a very few years ago, it was largely a waste and barren land, mostly inhabited by scattered nomadic Arabian groups. It was untilled, with vast acreages of it uninhabited. There seemed to be no hope for it, no use for it. Plainly the curse of the Almighty had blighted it. Sporadically, through the years, the question of the Jews' returning to the Holy Land had been brought up. Backed by the money of rich Jews, some pioneering Israelites had made abortive attempts to reclaim the Land. Some of these succeeded, but in a very limited fashion.

In 1898, in Basle, at the instigation and leadership of Theodore Herzl, Max Nordan, and other world-known Jewish titans, the Zionist movement really sprang into being. Representations were made to the world powers, to the Sultan of Turkey. The gold of Baron Hirsch and of the Rothschilds purchased Arabian-owned lands at fabulous prices. A trickle of Jewish immigrants started back to the land of their fathers. The pressure of anti-Semitism in the European countries forced an increasing exodus. Most of the Jews were still loath to pull up stakes to travel over lands and seas to the unknown hardships of Israel.

Then came the first world conflict in 1914. The German hordes overran Europe. England and France were in dire peril. A Russian-born Jewish Professor of physics, Chaim Weitzmann, began to produce desperately needed acetone from the acorn and other lowly items. In a manner, this discovery helped turn the tide in favor of the Allies. Chaim Weitzmann steadfastly refused any titular or monetary rewards. Britain's Prime Minister, Lloyd George, insisted. Doctor Weitzmann asked for help for his people. In 1917, the famous Balfour Declaration was sent forth. In 1920, the mandate for Palestine was bestowed upon England.

Palestine witnessed a tremendous revival of interest. From all over the earth, Jews, mostly young, vigorous and aggressive, began to colo-

Although Palestine is constantly in the day's news, few Christian people recognize the real significance of events now taking place.

nize Palestine. Some of my own schoolmates and friends forsook their American trades and opportunities to pioneer in the Holy Land. Once again the Arabs profited by the influx of the Jews. They profited financially, educationally, scientifically. At the cost of indescribable toil, Jewish young men and young women drained the swamps, irrigated the deserts, tilled the soil, erected homes, schools, libraries, hospitals, colonies, introduced the latest modern inventions. Tel Aviv became a great city. Haifa boomed with prosperity.

The eyes of the world turned towards Canaan. The Jews became news. Men turned to the Bible to find confirmation for the stability of this modern miracle. One result was a revived interest in the study of the prophecies concerning the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. The desert was beginning to blossom like a rose. The dead land was seemingly being resurrected. There could be heard the rattling in the valley of dry bones. Books, magazines, newspaper articles, radio commentaries, sermons poured out one after another to call attention to this extraordinary happening.

Then Hitler! The German and Austrian Jews, the elite of all Jewry, felt the weight and the terror of the Nazi bootjack first. Concentration camps, with their fearful gas chambers, torturing ovens and other horrors, sprang into being. There was an increasing cry to go back to Palestine. Wisely or unwisely, depending on one's viewpoint, the British Empire put up immigration barriers. Palestine was almost closed to the Jews. Six million Jews died frightfully. The conscience of the world was aroused.

Germany was beaten to its knees. Jewish leaders clamored for recognition, for redress, for a place in which to set the feet of their people. After much discussion and political maneuvering, definitely contrary to the Word of God, in spite of the warnings in Joel, the Holy Land was partitioned. This did not completely satisfy the Jews. The Arabs flew to arms. A Holy War of all Moslems was declared. The blood bath began again. Jerusalem was bombed. Arabs died. Jews died. Terrorist gangs had their field day. Tempers and hatred mounted high. Count Bernadotte, the U. N. mediator, was assassinated without rhyme or reason. The situation reached an impasse.*

What are the prospects for Palestine?

Partition will not work. I am, and always have been, an Anglophile. But facts are stubborn things. England tried to carry water on both shoulders. At the time that the Privy Councillor and the Prime Minister were making

** Since the above was written, the Jews have prevailed; the Israeli Government has been granted full recognition as a sovereign state by the leading nations of the world, and several Arab nations have signed a truce with Israel. However, the geographic boundaries of the new nation have not yet been settled.*

promises to the Jews, Colonel Lawrence and others were conveying secret agreements to the Arabian lords. It was the old story of "divide to rule." There was to be a pleasing of the vast hordes of the Moslems, and at the same time an effort to placate the Jews.

It could not work. There were too many angles involved even for astute diplomats. The British Empire lost its authority over Egypt. India, the choicest jewel in Britain's crown, insisted upon and received its independence. Britain finds herself in a dangerous, precarious position. Here is a lesson for our own country to learn. The United States must carefully watch its step. The strategic position of Palestine and the Sinaitic Peninsula must not outweigh the positive promises of the Holy Bible. The nations of the world should read and re-read the promises of the blessings and the cursings of God contained in the Abrahamic covenant.

Jerusalem is the City of Peace. There can be no peace on earth until Jerusalem is at peace. That is plainly to be read in the pages of the Old Testament. God's will must be fulfilled in the city of David before the earth shall be at rest. This is God's immutable decree.

There shall be no peace in Jerusalem nor in Palestine until the Jews are restored to the Land. It is their land. Just as their hearts, consciously or unconsciously, are longing for the land, so is the land troubled for those whose it is. In the eternal purposes of God, Palestine was created for the Jews and the Jews for Palestine. There can be no harmony on the earth for so long as the age-scheme of Jehovah is disregarded. The Bible is specific in that.

The Israelites will not be completely and fully restored to the land until they have recognized and received their Messiah. This, too, is declared in unmistakable terms in the Holy Book. The Christ of God is the appointed King of the Jews, the Lord of Jerusalem and Palestine. Whoever rules the city and the land does so by the usurpation of power. God will never stand for long the dethroning of His Son. The Jews, Palestine, Jerusalem, all three are bound up with the acknowledgment of Jesus Christ as Savior, with the enthronement of Jesus Christ as Lord.

This is where we Christians come in. We can do more for the Jews and for the peace of the world than all the combined forces of the world powers. It is ours to pray for the peace of Jerusalem more than we have ever prayed before. It is ours to preach the gospel to the Jews.

Never in my experience have the opportunities for all this been as great as they are now. Never have the Jews been as cognizant of their bitter need as they are today. Never has Israel been as open to the gospel as this day. This is the time for an aggressive intercession, visitation, witnessing, preaching of the truths concerning the Messiah to the Jewish people. It is in our hands to bring the blessings of the Lord God to a perplexed, desperate world through the evangelization of the lost sheep of the House of Israel. God give us all the grace for this mighty task through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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A Mother's Ambition

Ernest S. Williams

on National Radio Hour, "Sermons in Song"

● IF YOU ARE a parent you have earnest desire in behalf of your children. We have chosen our thought for today hoping that it may help us in our choices for our own.

Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem knowing that His going there meant His crucifixion. He took His disciples apart from the crowd and said, "Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests . . . and they shall condemn Him to death, and shall deliver Him to the Gentiles, to mock and to scourge, and to crucify Him: and the third day He shall rise again."

"Then came to Him the mother of Zebedee's children, with her sons. And she said, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left, in Thy Kingdom." Jesus was speaking about sorrow, crucifixion, and death. The thought of suffering with Him never entered the heart of this zealous mother. She believed Jesus would have a kingdom and wished the highest places for her two sons. It may be that we make a mistake when we constantly hold forth the joys of being a Christian, even though there is no joy like the genuine joy of following Christ. The apostle Paul said, "For my rejoicing is this, the testimony of my conscience." But there is (and we must not forget it) a sorrowful side to following Christ. The Bible says, "If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him." There will be no victor's crown without first the victor's sorrows.

Jesus knew this and answered, "Ye know not what ye ask. Are you able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" The sons of Zebedee answered, "We are able." Little did they know at the time what they were saying. They lived to know more about it later on.

Jesus said, "Ye shall indeed drink of My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with." In other words, "James and John, you will know something of My sufferings by personal experience." This became true. James was finally beheaded, and John was banished to the Isle of Patmos; but they had found a joy in suffering with Christ and could say, "Unto Him that loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

Jesus could assure these fervent desirers of prominence that they should suffer with Him, but when it came to positions in the coming Kingdom He said, "But to sit on My right hand, and on My left, is not Mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of My Father."

I do not know who will have the places nearest to Jesus in the kingdom. Of one thing we are sure:

rewards are promised to all who are faithful. Paul speaks of a crown of righteousness. There is a crown of life, which is incorruptible. We are now learning to reign over sin. We shall live and reign with Christ over a sin-free world.

My hearer, do not draw back from God because you think doing His will may bring suffering. Think of the suffering that not doing His will may bring. May God make this hour an hour of giving ourselves to Christ, that whatever His plan for us may be, we shall be willing to do His will.

The mother of Nero was ambitious, but her ambition was poorly rewarded. Her one desire was to elevate her son to the rank of Emperor. She was warned that her ambition would result in her death, but said, "Let him slay me, so he do but reign." He did reign, and he did slay her. Are your ambitions for those of your household of such character that they merit the approval of God? God wishes to enter every home. He would begin with the parents, then with the children. If God has not been welcomed into your home will you not welcome Him now? If your life is not consecrated to His will, will you not consecrate it now? And how about your household? Let us pray together.

(All correspondence and offerings toward the support of "Sermons in Song" should be addressed to the Radio Department, P. O. Box 70, Springfield, Missouri.)

Don't stop sowing because of the birds. If evil persons injure your work, or Satan himself hinders it, do not therefore slacken your diligence, for "The hand of the diligent maketh rich."

An African Christian

● WHEN MOFFAT and his companions were on their travels in Africa, they came near to a heathen village on the banks of the River Orange. They had traveled far, and were suffering from thirst, hunger, and fatigue. They were afraid of lions which were seen in that vicinity; and so they wished to remain in the village overnight. But the people of the place were rough and unkind, and would not allow them to come in; even insisting on their halting some distance off.

The travellers asked for water, but were refused; they offered the buttons on their jackets for a little milk; but that was also denied them. They had no prospect of anything better than to spend the night hungry and thirsty, though in sight of the village and of the river. And to this must be added that they were suspicious of the villagers themselves, whose manner was most unfriendly.

But when it began to grow dark a woman came to them, with a bundle of wood on her head, and a vessel of milk in her hand. Without speaking, she gave them the milk, laid down the wood, and went back to the village. A second time she came with a cooking dish on her head, a leg of mutton in one hand, and water in the other. She sat down without saying a word, prepared the fire, and put on the meat to cook. Again and again they asked her who she was. But she remained silent until her work was done. Then she was again entreated to give a reason for such kindness to strangers. Tears rolled down her dark cheeks as she replied: "I love Him, whose servants you are, and surely it is my duty to give you a cup of cold water in His name. My heart is full. I cannot speak my joy to see you in this out-of-the-world place."

This poor woman was a solitary light burning in a dark corner. She had been some time before in the school of a missionary, where she had learned to love Jesus; and she had now a copy of the Dutch Testament given her by her teacher.

When asked how she kept the life of God in her soul, alone, and without Christian help and sympathy, she drew the much-prized Book from her bosom, saying, "There is the oil which makes my lamp burn; this is the fountain whence I drink."

CHRIST ON THE THRONE AND SELF ON THE CROSS

Anything that comes in between your soul and the path of obedience to God is an idol, and sometimes God has to come and take away these idols from us in a way that seems very hard, and we may even charge Him with being cruel, but it is in order that Christ may have His rightful place, that our hearts may be entirely devoted to Him.—H. A. Ironside.

NO ROSE WITHOUT THORNS



The Passing and the Permanent

Compiled by Robert C. Cunningham

BEHIND THE "BAMBOO CURTAIN"

Associated Press reports seeping through the "bamboo curtain" of Red China, say "the crack-down on the foreigners has begun, even to the point of requiring church missions to give daily lessons in Communism—and pay the salaries of Red instructors!"

A VOICE FROM THE SKY

Folk walking city streets in Kentucky may hear a loud voice from the sky, saying: "Listen, neighbor, would you be willing for Jesus to come today and find you doing what you are doing?" According to *The Gospel Minister*, the voice belongs to Evangelist Louis W. Arnold who speaks from an airplane equipped with a public address system.

"THE GOSPEL ROCKET"

The worldly radio director knew what he was doing when he said to his actors, "Put more feeling into it; it isn't for namby-pambies, it's for blood-thirsty youngsters." Poor child-victims! They are so imaginative, so intense, the world whips them into a frenzy with its crime programs and adventure serials, caring not how empty are the thrills given nor how harmful is the restlessness produced, if only the advertising is put across. It is a tonic to hear a program like "The Gospel Rocket" which is lively enough to hold the children's interest but which leaves them with something worth while in their minds and hearts.

JEWISH CHRISTIANS IN HOLLAND

Young Hebrew Christians of Holland call themselves the "Haderech," the "people of the Way," as the first Hebrew Christians did. According to Ernest Gordon, many of these Jews were converted in concentration camps, and now have extraordinary zeal for Christ. Writing in *Sunday School Times*, he says: "Some of them are ardent Zionists and hope some day to go to Palestine with a view to playing their part as Christian witnesses to Israel."

ISRAEL'S REFUGEE CAMPS

European Jews are journeying to Palestine, leaving behind the concentration, DP and Cyprus camps, only to fall once more into a camp. There are 16 refugee camps distributed throughout Israel, having a total capacity of about 30,000. The immigrants are placed in one of these camps as soon as they debark, and kept there until housing arrangements are made for them elsewhere. Usually their stay lasts six to eight weeks. The camps are crowded and uncomfortable. However, there are many important ways in which they differ from the camps the immigrants knew before. The inhabitants may leave and come back as they like. During most of the day they are free to do as they choose. There are no guards, and no locked gates.

It is reported that half of the Jews in the Balkan States are in Israel already—and the other half is on the way! Surely God is showing His goodness to Israel, and the goodness of the Lord should lead them to repentance.

BOOKS IN ISRAEL

It is reported that more books per capita are being published in Israel than in any other country—one book yearly for each 500 population. Very few, however, have to do with spiritual matters which, after all, are of prime importance.

TERRIFYING WEAPONS

The atomic bomb is not the most dangerous weapon in existence today, according to W. A. Higgenbotham, chairman of the Federation of Atomic Scientists. Two secret weapons which are potentially as dangerous to mankind as the bomb itself, he says, are biological (or germ) warfare, and "fishion-product" warfare, sometimes termed "atomic poison gas."

"Biological war differs in two important ways from atomic war," he continues. "Through it aerial attackers or saboteurs could silently set forces at work which kill men, women, and infants in their homes. After a certain period the conqueror could enter the depopulated areas and find the buildings, factories, and resources of the country ready for his use."

"There is a passive defense for the atomic bomb. Cities and industries might be dispersed at a cost of \$300,000,000,000. But bacteriological warfare could be used to cut off the food supplies, and radio-active materials could be used to trap people in bomb shelters and caves."

The wise man said, "Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions." Eccl. 7:29. There are some things men may wish they never had invented!

WRESTING THE SCRIPTURES

Peter warned against wresting or twisting the Scriptures. We must consider the setting of a verse if we would get its true meaning. Preachers sometimes are guilty of misusing texts to suit their own purposes, but a Michigan Congressman has outdone all the preachers. According to *Religious News Service*, the Congressman, Republican George Dondero, told the House that "hardly a week passes without complaints regarding our habits and conduct on the floor." He therefore called on fellow members to improve their conduct, and offered these bits of advice from the Bible:

"Let all things be done decently and in order." 1 Cor. 14:40. Paul wrote these words to a Pentecostal church, to regulate their conduct in regard to the manifestation of the gifts of the Spirit. We doubt whether the House of Representatives is disturbed with too many messages in tongues or in prophecy!

"Set thine house in order." Isa. 38:1. The Congressman ought to have read the rest of the verse, too, for it gave Hezekiah a reason for setting his house in order—"for thou shalt die, and not live." The Representatives might well be warned to prepare to die, but Congressman Dondero was trying to apply the verse to the matter of keeping order in the House of Representatives.

Someone has well said, "A text without the context is a pretext."

SACRIFICING COMMUNISTS

A missionary in India writes: "I know a few Communist young men in India who are giving 55 per cent and more of their incomes for the cause of Communism." Thus the Communistic plague spreads all over the globe, while the gospel chariot rolls sleepily on or coasts slowly toward a standstill, because the Communists are more zealous, more active, more willing to sacrifice for the devil's business than most Christians are for the Lord's work.

COMMUNISTS IN U.S.A.

J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, says that there are 74,000 Communist party members in the United States, and that the Communist leaders claim ten others, willing and able to do the party's work, for every member enrolled. Mr. Hoover declares that his investigations confirm that estimate. This would mean a total of over 800,000 men and women willing and ready and eager to see our government destroyed and a Communistic regime substituted. We speak of these people with bitterness and disdain; we call them "enemies of liberty." But Christ taught us to love our enemies, and to pray for them that despitefully use us. Have you ever prayed that the Communists in America might be won to Christ? A few have been converted, and they are zealous Christian workers once they have come to know the Lord.

ISRAEL'S CONSTITUTION

"Resolved to rebuild our Commonwealth in accordance with the ideals of peace and righteousness of the Prophets of Israel..." So runs the preamble to the proposed Israeli Constitution.

Said Dr. Leo Kohn, who drafted the Constitution: "Some American correspondents have erroneously called it socialistic. I call it social, seeking to promote a free community both economically and socially."

He explained that the main parliamentary features of the new Constitution are adapted from modern practice in England and on the European continent. From the American Constitution was borrowed the principle of judicial review in testing the constitutionality of any law. But the broad spirit in which the Constitution was executed goes back to the Prophets. "This is not so apparent in the English translation," Dr. Kohn said, "but if you read it in the Hebrew, the words ring with the same sounds as you find in the Bible."

EGYPT'S ENMITY

When the Security Council voted to accept Israel into the United Nations, there was only one opposing vote. It was that of Egypt. Egypt's hostility to Israel is deep-rooted. The Scriptures reveal that it will be evident even in the Millennium. "And it shall come to pass," says Zechariah 14:16, "that every one that is left of all the nations which come against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. And it shall be, that who will not come up... even upon them shall be no rain. And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain, there shall be the plague, wherewith the Lord will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles. This shall be the punishment of Egypt..."

Churches Vary in Egypt

Karlene M. Burt, Florence V. Christie, Egypt

● YESTERDAY MORNING we went to a village west of Tahta, Egypt, where we are stationed, to visit a church that ten years ago was moving forward for God. The church is one of five that did not receive a great amount of attention during the war-years as the village is small and is off the road. We drove along with a prayer that the Lord would send a revival spirit.

At dawn yesterday in another village the Lord aroused a faithful national worker and told him to go to the same village we were to visit to encourage the people.

During the morning service we expressed our regret at seeing a corner of the church used for storing cotton, broken benches, and boards. We tried to create in the people a desire to repair the decaying church, to replace the worn mats, and to clean out the cobwebs.

As we were speaking we noticed the worker to whom the Lord had spoken at dawn. He had arrived late, as he had to make the trip on a donkey. We invited him to come to the platform to speak. He told of how the Lord had awakened him at dawn and told him to visit the believers, and of how he, too, desired the people to repair the physical and spiritual church. He had not been aware of our intended visit to the church. After he finished speaking we took a hat, put two dollars in it, and started passing it. The response was

more than gratifying. Nearly fifty dollars was collected in cash, and there were pledges of that much more. It was from poor people.

The people resolved to do as much work as they could with the money, and as the Lord provides more. One man offered to carry the lime and cement for repairing the church from the city on his camels. A woman said that her income from her chickens would be given to the repairing of the church.

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A short time ago we gave two weeks' time to a revival in another church—a mountain church of another isolated village—the largest church that we visit. There are one hundred and ninety members, all filled with the Holy Spirit, most all living testimonies, and most all tithers. We asked how it was that they came into the wonderful truth and privilege of tithing. They chorused that the Spirit had led them as they read their Guidebook, the Bible. They tithe the money, grain, and cotton. A bricklayer, who erected the building thirteen years ago, has been the treasurer of the church since it was built. He sells the tithed grain and cotton, and credits the books with the money.

Today the mountain church is the mother of perhaps ten smaller churches in neighboring villages, most of which dismiss their services on Communion Sunday so the people can all

assemble at the mother church. Sometimes there are three hundred and fifty attending the communion service. It is a precious time.

A year ago the people of the large mountain church were insistent that the Egyptian District Council give them a trained, spiritual pastor. They wanted the best—they would pay for it. Girgis Gad El Rub, formerly one of Lillian Trasher's boys of the Assiut Orphanage, was sent to the church.

One of the first of the many good things introduced by Girgis Gad El Rub was a Sunday School. Four classes were organized. The Sunday School lessons are the same as those used in the States, only printed in Arabic.

Before our revival effort started the pastor requested the entire church to fast and pray for ten days for a revival. Needless to say there was a real revival. Approximately thirty-five were brought to Christ.

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From the description of the two churches it can be seen that Egyptian churches vary in progress. Some few, as the large mountain church we have just described, are self-operating, self-sustaining. If the missionaries were to have to leave Egypt those churches would continue on, for they are built on the Rock; yea, even if there were no national pastors those churches would continue on as the people would be guided by the Word of God alone. But other churches, as the one first mentioned, will require much encouragement. Then there are places where the gospel has yet to be carried.

We rejoice when we see the people moving forward of their own initiative, and look forward to the time when more of them will.

Roy L. Dalton, Missionary to Cuba, has need for a used piano. Anyone having a piano in good condition that he would like to give to the Cuban field should contact H. C. Ball, Field Secretary for Latin America, Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

Mrs. Glenn Dunn, Post Office Box 141, Canton, South China, could use old picture rolls, picture cards, colored leaflets, Bible pictures, and flannelgraph board figures. Please send the literature directly to Mrs. Dunn.



Clarence D. Goudie
Nigeria



Mrs. Clarence Goudie
Nigeria



Paul E. Finkenbinder
El Salvador



Mrs. P. E. Finkenbinder
El Salvador



Russell A. Kensinger
Nicaragua



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Nicaragua



Perry E. Dymond
Honduras



Mrs. Perry E. Dymond
Honduras



John Franklin
Guatemala



Maxine Richardson
Cuba

Sacrifice in Grove

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lloyd Shirer, Gold Coast

● THE ELDERS of a village near our mission station recently called to advise us that it was time for their annual sacrifice in the fetish grove, which adjoins our mission station on the east. When they visited us young men had already started clearing away the underbrush. Inside the grove there are stones embedded in the soil. These are the altars. They were swept clean for the ceremony.

All the adult male population participated in the sacrifice. Each man carried a chicken to be sacrificed.

When time came for the ceremony the older men gathered near the altars with the fetish priest, and mumbled their prayers to their dead ancestors. Then a calabash was passed to all the men. Before drinking from the calabash each man poured a portion of the mixture it contained on an altar. As he

did so he also called upon the names of his ancestors.

The chickens that were sacrificed were not killed outright. Their throats were merely cut through a blood vessel to let the blood drop on the altars. Some feathers were plucked from each chicken to place on the blood. Several dozen chickens were thus offered. They squawked throughout the entire ceremony, and were finally released to die of loss of blood.

The ceremony ended with the eating of millet food, and the drinking again from a common calabash.

To us the whole procedure seemed but a satanic suggestion of the suffering and sacrificial death of our Savior, and the communion service.

Heathen darkness is all about us. We need your prayers; also, pray for these people that they may come to know the living way.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Jay V. Ruth, who left the States on March 24 for Dominican Republic, have arrived safely in La Romana.

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Miss Maxine Richardson returned to Cuba in April.

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Mr. and Mrs. Perry E. Dymond sailed from New Orleans on April 9 for Honduras.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Williams of El Salvador returned to the States early in April.

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John Franklin has returned to Guatemala.

Mrs. Franklin will remain in the States until after the children's school closes.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Finkenbinder have returned to El Salvador.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Goudie sailed for Nigeria on April 21.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell A. Kensinger left the States April 8 for Nicaragua.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Pugh, who left the States on March 12, arrived safely in Uruguay on April 10.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bauer, who left the States for Peru on March 9, have arrived in Lima.

Curious Visit Church

Lois E. Ware, Venezuela

● ONE SUNDAY NIGHT recently a man came into our service dressed much as we see Christ dressed in some of the pictures of Him. The people later told us that the man claims to be a forerunner of Christ, and preaches that Christ is coming soon to set up His kingdom in Peru. A number of the man's followers were with him. They all took seats, but in a short time arose and marched out as the leader was not given an opportunity to speak.

While the people were praying at the altar that same night another man came into the building and walked around. He was holding

a Catholic idol in front of him, and was mumbling in Spanish. The Christians prayed and the man left the church. A policeman made him leave the premises.

Since the two men visited us many persons who are not Christians have been coming to the services, no doubt out of curiosity. Pray for them.

Our Bible School will open May 3. We have a number of needs in connection with the School. We are particularly in need of bathroom fixtures. Any offering toward these needs would be greatly appreciated.

In the past our churches have been given missionary credit for all offerings sent in for missionary work, even when such offerings have been designated for non-Council missionaries. For some time many have felt that our reports should only indicate what is being done to promote our General Council missionary activities. The General Presbytery, during its last session, decided that in the future missionary credit should be given only for offerings sent in for our General Council missionaries and missionary work, or for projects in which we have a definite interest such as the work of the Bible Societies. In accordance with this decision, as from June 30, missionary credit will be given only for those offerings thus approved. We shall continue to forward offerings designated for non-Council missionaries as we have in the past, but no credit can be given on our records for offerings so designated.

Lunds in Africa

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Lund,
Union of South Africa

● WE ARRIVED in Nelspruit, East Transvaal, Union of South Africa on December 23, having sailed from New York on November 28. We had a pleasant trip. None of us were seasick during the entire voyage; however, after our arrival the children were ill for two weeks because of the sudden change of climate.

Most of the national people of our mission speak the Zulu language, so thus far we have been able to minister only to the English-speaking groups. We hope within a few months to master Zulu sufficiently to work with the Zulu-speaking people.

Our hearts are moved as we see hundreds of Africans passing our gate each day who are without Christ and without hope. There is a great need here.

The Christians, we have observed, have great reverence for the Word. We have been much impressed with their spirit of worship.

Miss Laura K. Kritz, missionary to Monterrey, Mexico, is in need of a light-weight piano accordion. If you have such an accordion that you would like to give for the field, please contact H. C. Ball, Secretary for Latin America, Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri.

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The doctor was called and he sent the child to the hospital. But we sent for Brother Bell, the pastor of the Assembly of God church in Orangeburg. Brother Bell and his wife came to the hospital. They began to pray, and God came to our rescue.

No medicine had been given to the child, although the nurses were making arrangements to put her to sleep to take the water from her. God Himself delivered her, for suddenly her kidneys were unlocked, and the doctors and nurses were amazed. They said it was a miracle. We do praise God for this healing.—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Love, Cope, S. C.

(This testimony is endorsed by the pastor, Johnnie Bell, 258 Windsor St. N. W., Orangeburg, S. C.)

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DEAF EAR UNSTOPPED

For some time previous to July, 1947, I had been greatly annoyed by a vibrating and rumbling in my left ear. It became steadily worse until one day, when I put the telephone to that ear, I found I was quite deaf.

My deafness became so apparent that the lady from whom we rented our apartment noticed it. She said she believed it was wax in my ear, as she had had similar symptoms, and recommended an ear specialist. So I went to Dr. McNay, here in St. Petersburg, and told him what I thought the trouble was. After thoroughly examining my ear, sinuses, and Eustachian tube, he said the ear was entirely free of wax.

He shook his head very gravely and said, "I only wish it were as simple as that." Then he added, in a tone I'll never forget, "If you want to come for some treatments, I'll see if I can help you." I caught the implication of doubt in his voice, and right then made up my mind I would trust the Great Physician, the all-powerful Specialist, who knew not only what the trouble was but how to remedy it.

So the next Sunday, at the close of the morning service, I asked our pastor, C. E. Homer, to anoint me with oil and pray for the healing of my ear, according to James 5:14, which he did. I felt no change whatever at the time but continued to count on deliverance from that day. I also knew the faithful prayer warriors at Brownsville, Tex. were praying, for I had asked them to stand with me in faith. Many times my faith was severely tested. I was tempted to doubt whenever I was forced to put the telephone receiver to my right ear in order to hear, but in spite of symptoms I continued to trust in the Lord's healing power.

Then suddenly, some time in November, 1947, after completing a phone call, I realized that I had held the receiver to my left ear and had heard perfectly! From that day to this I have had keen hearing in that ear. All praise and glory be to our wonder-working Savior, who Himself bore our sicknesses as well as our sins in His own body on the tree. By His stripes everyone, who will dare to believe, is healed.—Mrs. Alice M. McNally, 1056 Tangerine Ave., St. Petersburg, Fla.

(We publish this testimony on the recommendation of Kenneth I. Wright, the present pastor of Glad Tidings Assembly of God, 532 Thirty-third St. S., St. Petersburg, Fla.)

THE FATHER SEEKETH

(Continued from page three)

less beauty, character and holiness of Christ. He has made provision that you, with all your imperfection, can come into His holy presence and there sit so that the light of His holiness may fall upon the imperfections in your life. Are you serious? Do you really want to be like Christ? Perhaps you have a deep desire to be like Christ, but there may be other desires, another will that is fighting for the throne. God wants to bring you into His presence that He may be able to show you the ugliness, the distastefulness of the moral leprosy that you entertain. The thing that keeps you from adoring, loving, and appreciating God is that thing in you which is not Christlike.

When the Turks came into Smyrna, a Turkish soldier, drunk and mad with the rage of war, came across a band of three Armenians, a father, a son and a daughter. He started to attack them, and to take the woman. Of course, the father and brother resisted, so the soldier killed them. In the meantime, however, the girl escaped. But that soldier's face was indelibly imprinted upon her memory.

Some time later she became a nurse in a hospital, and they brought in a wounded soldier. The doctor said to her, "This soldier's life hangs on a thread. It will require the most careful nursing to bring him back to life; and I am turning him over to you, asking you to do the very best you possibly can to save his

life." When she saw the soldier she recognized the one who had killed her father and her brother. She nursed him as carefully as she possibly could, and saved his life.

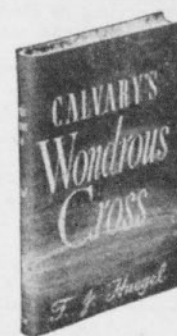
When he became conscious and was on the way to health again, he said to her, "I've seen you before. Your face is familiar to me but I can't recall where I have seen it." She answered, "Yes, I remember; you are the man who killed my father and my brother in Smyrna." He exclaimed, "You've nursed me back? Just a little neglect and I wouldn't have lived. You've nursed me back?" "Yes, I'm the follower of One who taught us to love our enemies, to pray for those who spitefully use us, to bless those who persecute us." He said, "I didn't know there was such a religion."

I think there are many who still don't know there is such a religion. Some of us don't know that there is a God who can make us holy. If you and I will worship the Father until His holiness reveals all our imperfections, and we would say with all our hearts, "Lord, the Holy One is now my King; the Holy One shall rule my life," we will find that His power is able to put everything un-Christlike out of our lives, and bring all the matchless perfection of our Father in heaven into our lives. He will never let us go until we are perfect as our Father in heaven is perfect; until we are holy as He, the holy Son of God, is holy.

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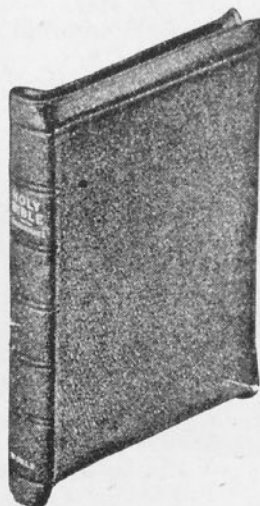
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VALLIANT, OKLA.—We recently concluded a revival meeting with Evangelist Leon Ammons. Twenty-seven were saved, and two were filled with the Holy Ghost. Our church was greatly revived. —Nelson Park, Pastor.

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.—We have just closed a very successful revival meeting with Evangelist Floyd E. Heady, formerly of St. Louis, Mo. About 35 or 40 were saved or reclaimed, and our Sunday School attendance went to an all-time high of 160. There were many outstanding healings.—A. E. Baker, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, GA.—We came to Bealwood Assembly 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years ago. At that time they were having services in a store building. God helped us build a new church one year ago, with full-size basement and auditorium on top; but we have filled them, and at the present time we have another auditorium about half finished.

We just closed a very good revival meeting with Evangelist Roy E. Gilliam of Little Rock, Ark. Several were saved, 16 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, 12 were baptized in water, and 17 joined the church. We praise God for these blessings.—B. W. Flanagan, Pastor.

ELK CITY, OKLA.—We recently concluded one of the most successful revival meetings in the history of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Krupnick of Tulsa were our evangelists. Fifty-two were saved, 29 were baptized with the Holy Ghost, and the church as a whole was inspired to go forward. We broke our all-time Sunday School record the last two Sundays of the meeting, having 233 and then 290, present. One night the auditorium of the First Christian Church was secured to accommodate the large crowd that came to hear Brother Krupnick give a presentation of the Jewish Passover.—Kathryn Yadon, Church Secretary.

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WITH CHRIST

STAATS—Loren B. Staats, an ordained minister in the General Council, passed on to his eternal reward on April 3. He was well known throughout our Assemblies of God fellowship, having labored for some time as an evangelist and pastor. For a number of years prior to his death he served as Pastor of the First Assembly of God Church, Peak and Garland Streets, Dallas, Texas.

CLEVELAND, OHIO—A revival campaign of two weeks' duration under the ministry of Evangelist W. C. Nelson of Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, was greatly blessed of God in the salvation of souls and the building up of the church spiritually. This meeting was followed by three weeks of unusual blessing through the ministry of Evangelists Cornelia Donnell and Mildred Holler. The people at West Side Pentecostal Church feel that much for the Kingdom has been accomplished. Clyde I. Bowman is pastor.

MULLEN, NEBR.—On March 20 we began a Sunday School revival with Evangelist and Mrs. E. G. Aldridge of Mason City, Iowa, who are now engaged in full-time Sunday School work. Some came back to the Lord, and we were all blessed. The record Sunday School attendance had been 61 for several years. We broke the record on April 3, the closing day of the meeting, with 78. Everyone enjoyed the ministry of the evangelists in song and musical numbers, as well as Brother Aldridge's inspirational messages from the Word of God.—M. J. Harris, Pastor.

WINNSBORO, LA.—We have just closed a very successful 2½-week revival meeting with Evangelist Ander Henson of Malvern, Ark. About 30 were saved, and 32 were filled with the Holy Ghost. Previous to this, since New Year's Day, 25 had been saved in our regular services, and 4 had received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. Since the revival meetings closed, we have had 4 saved and 2 filled with the Spirit, making a total of 59 saved and 38 baptized with the Holy Ghost in 1949.—J. H. Owens, Pastor, Moss Arbor Church.

Coming Meetings

Due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 16 days before the date which appears upon it, all notices should reach us 18 days before that date.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Youth Rally, First Assembly of God, May 17–20; Christian Hild, Evangelist.—David Pearce, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Victory Assembly of God, 823 W. 9th, May 16–; Roy Gilliam, Little Rock, Ark., Evangelist.—H. Donald Skelton, Pastor.

TEXARKANA, TEXAS—Rose Hill Assembly of God, 1927 W. 9th St., May 18–26; Evangelist and Mrs. E. R. Winter.—H. M. Wisenbaker, Pastor.

TEXARKANA, TEXAS—Homecoming, Rose Hill Assembly of God, 1927 W. 9th St., May 22. Morning, afternoon and evening services, with dinner on grounds. All former pastors, members, and evangelists urged to come.—H. M. Wisenbaker, Pastor.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Bethel Full Gospel Church, North Goodman and Ripley Sts., May 15–; Harvey McAlister, Arlington, Va., Evangelist.—Warren B. Stratton, Pastor.

MOORHEAD, MINN.—Assembly of God, 4th Ave. S. and 11th St.; May 8, for 2 weeks or longer; Maurice Lamb, Youngstown, Ohio, Evangelist.—Alex Karmarkovic, Pastor.

TRIBUNE, KANSAS—May 9–; Evangelist and Mrs. James Colburn of Houston, Texas.—R. F. McMinimy, Pastor.

TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Thirty-fourth Annual Texas District Council will convene in the Municipal Auditorium, San Antonio, Texas, June 7–10. Fellowship Meeting, Monday night, June 6. Council will open Tuesday at 10 a.m. Those desiring to reserve a room may write: J. P. Billingsley, Box 1722, San Antonio, Texas.—E. B. Crump, Texas District Secretary-Treasurer.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT C.A. CONVENTION

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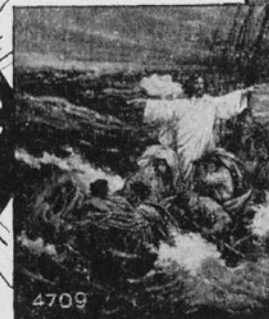
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HOUSTON, TEXAS—Central Assembly of God; April 24, for 2 weeks or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. R. Von Kemp, Russelville, Ark.—Marvin L. Smith, Pastor.

HAMILTON, ONTARIO—Central Tabernacle, May 8–29; Arthur S. Arnold, Evangelist.—J. H. Blair, Pastor.

KNOXVILLE, TENN.—Faith Chapel, Blount at St. Paul St., May 8–22; Evangelist and Mrs. Chas. Hurst of Nashville.—G. R. Kelly, Pastor.

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The Fifteenth Annual Fellowship Meeting of the Polish Branch of the Assemblies of God will be held at the new church building of the Polish Branch Full Gospel Church, 12132 Conant, Detroit, Mich. These meetings will be open to the public and all delegates on May 27-28. All ministers requested to be present on May 26.

For further information write N. Stecewicz, Secretary, 18690 Hickory St., Detroit 5, Mich.

GENERAL COUNCIL

The General Council of the Assemblies of God will meet in the Municipal Auditorium, Seattle, Wash., Sept. 8 to 15, 1949. It will open with a C. A. Rally on Thursday night, Sept. 8, and close with a grand fellowship meeting on Thursday night, Sept. 15. For information concerning accommodations, write R. F. Ashworth, Housing Committee Chairman, 648 West 80th St., Seattle 7, Wash.

ALABAMA W. M. C. CONVENTION

The Women's Missionary Council of the Alabama District will convene Monday night, May 16, and Tuesday, May 17, at the First Assembly of God, Montgomery, Ala. All Sectional Representatives, Class Officers, and as many women as possible, plan to be with us. Sister J. R. Flower of Springfield, Mo., main speaker. For further information write Mrs. A. T. Hickman, State President, 301 Second Ave., Clanton, Ala., or Pastor Carl Perry, 24 Polk St., Montgomery, Ala.—Mrs. A. T. Hickman.

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DIGHTON, KANSAS—Meeting in progress; Evangelist and Mrs. E. C. Lagmay, P. O. Box 223, Agra, Kansas.—Lavern Pember, Pastor.

SISSETON, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle, May 22—June 5; Evangelist Paul E. Kauffman, Ann Arbor, Mich., special speaker.—D. H. Waggoner, Pastor.

CISCO, TEXAS—Assembly of God; May 1, for 2 weeks or longer; James M. Woods of Dallas, Evangelist. C. G. Fuston is Pastor.

FT. WORTH, TEXAS—First Assembly of God, 1424 Hemphill St., May 22—June 5; Christian Hild, special speaker.—Leonard Norville, Pastor.

LIVINGSTON, CALIF.—Assembly of God, Third and F Sts.; April 27, for 2 weeks or longer; Bobby Clark of Bakersfield, Evangelist.—John R. Lindley, Pastor.

QUINCY, ILL.—Bethel Assembly of God, 12th and Jefferson, May 1-21; C. M. Smitley, Springfield, Mo., Evangelist.—Harley M. Smith, Pastor.

CARLSBAD, CALIF.—Carlsbad Gospel Tabernacle, Tyler and Oak Sts.; May 15, for 2 weeks or longer; Robert (Bobby) Clark of Bakersfield, Evangelist.—E. William Mincey, Pastor.

FT. WORTH—White Settlement Assembly of God; May 9, for 2 weeks or longer; Robert McCutchen, Evangelist. Ray E. Heady, Pastor.—Mrs. G. W. Blackwood, Secretary.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—42nd Anniversary Revival Campaign, Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325-329 West 33rd St., May 1-15; Hattie P. L. Hammond, Evangelist.—Marie E. Brown, Pastor.

LITTLE FALLS, MINN.—Sectional Sunday School Conference, Assembly of God, May 23, 7:30 p.m. Arvid Kingsriter, Host Pastor.—R. S. Peterson, Sectional S. S. Promoter.

MIDVALE, N. J.—Midvale Gospel Church, Cross St. and Ringwood Ave., May 22-29; Persian Evangelist John G. Warton, sole survivor of his family who were massacred in Persia during World War I.—Frederick D. Pettet, Pastor.

BRAINERD, MINN.—Brainerd Gospel Tabernacle; May 15—June 5, or longer; Evangelist and Mrs. William Andrews of Seattle, Wash. Radio broadcast direct from Tabernacle, every Sunday, 8 to 9 p.m., Station KWAD, 920 on dial.—R. S. Peterson, Pastor.

DALLAS, TEXAS—Anniversary Services, Mt. Auburn Assembly of God, 703 S. Beacon St., May 22. E. B. Crump, Texas District Secretary, guest speaker at 11 a.m., 2 and 7:45 p.m. Dinner on grounds, 12:30 p.m. All ministers and friends invited to attend.—Lonnie R. Mullen, Pastor.

PENTECOSTAL WORLD CONFERENCE

Pentecostal World Conference, Paris, France, May 21-29. For hotel reservations, write Pastor Rene Fauvel, 26 Avenue Aubert, Vincennes, Seine, France. For other information, write David J. du Plessis, Edgewood Grove, Somerset, Pa.

FLORIDA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Second District Sunday School Convention of the South Florida District will be held in the First Assembly, Jacksonville, Fla., May 9-10. C. E. Homer, host pastor. William E. Kirschke, guest speaker.—Goldie Runyon, South Florida District Sunday School Representative.

MISSISSIPPI SPRING CONVENTIONS

Mississippi Spring Conventions: May 16-17, Tupelo, Northeast Section. May 18-19, Meridian (Highland Park Assembly), Central Section. All licensed ministers and exhorters are required to renew their fellowship card at these Spring Conventions.—Jeff Gibbs, District Superintendent, P. O. Box 52, Laurel, Miss.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT S. S. CONVENTIONS

Northwest District Sunday School Conventions: Tacoma, May 16; Coulee City, May 17; Wapato, May 18; Walla Walla, May 19; Spokane, May 20. Afternoon and night meeting in each city. Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, National Representatives, will be the speakers.—Vernon W. Skaggs, District Representative.

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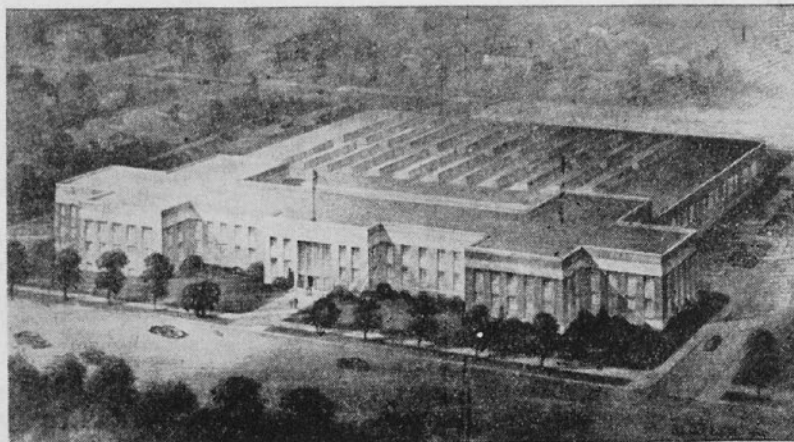
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