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Government and Misgovernment

(A full report of the convention of Jehovah's witnesses at Washington will appear in *The Golden Age* No. 413.)

WHEN Uncle Sam took over the government of Puerto Rico, 37 years ago, the island was in great need of a wise and noble administration. The results may now be appraised. Here are two bulletins put out by the Government itself.

The first mentions that Uncle Sam has so ruled on the mainland as to enable one man to have an *income* of over \$5,000,000 a year; one has over \$4,000,000; one has over \$3,000,000; 8 have over \$2,000,000; 6 have over \$1,500,000; 29 have over \$1,000,000; 28 have over \$750,000; 56 have over \$500,000; 55 have over \$400,000; 84 have over \$300,000; 101 have over \$250,000; 187 have over \$200,000; 405 have over \$150,000; 1,085 have over \$100,000; 5,927 have over \$50,000; 18,168 have over \$25,000, and 28,189 have incomes of over \$15,000 a year. But perhaps these *incomes* on the mainland may not, after all, be the best index as to what Uncle Sam has been able to do for the downtrodden workers of Puerto Rico. So here is what the greatest and wisest and best government on earth has been able to do in 37 years, according to the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor:

Approximately half of the 123 women who were sewing on handkerchiefs were making about 1 cent an hour; 30 percent were earning about 2 cents an hour, and a very few were earning as much as 6 cents. For the group of 323 home workers as a whole, that is, not only those working on handkerchiefs but those on household linens, dresses, cotton nightgowns, silk lingerie, men's pants and shirts, the earnings are somewhat lower than those of the handkerchief workers. Reduced to an hourly basis, almost one-third of the 323 were earning less than 1 cent an hour, about one-half were earning 1 or 2 cents, and comparatively few—slightly more than one-twentieth—were earning from 4 to 8 cents.

The scale of hourly earnings ran somewhat higher in men's pants and shirts than in other lines, and was lowest in cotton nightgowns and household linens. None of the 94 home workers in gowns and linens

earned as much as 3 cents an hour, and almost three-fourths were earning less than a cent an hour.

In silk lingerie most of the women were earning 1 to 2 or 3 cents an hour; in dresses and handkerchiefs few were earning as much as 3 cents.

In one little shop, inside workers were embroidering on handkerchiefs the same designs as done by home workers. A very good inside worker was finishing eight pieces a day, paid at the rate of 45 cents a dozen. Speeding all day, almost without interruption, that worker was able to make 30 cents a day, or between 3 and 4 cents an hour.

A fairly simple design of cotton nightgowns for which contractor pays agent 43 cents a dozen and agent pays home worker 30 cents; the agent's sister, a particularly fast and good sewer, can finish six gowns a day, working from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.; that is 15 cents for at least 10 hours of work, or about 1½ cents an hour.

A very ornate embroidery design and scallop trimming around neck and armholes. Design consists of 1½ yards of double hemstitching and 120 each of eyelets and embroidered leaves, dots, and stems. The contractor pays \$1.43 a dozen gowns for this work, and agent pays home worker \$1.25. The agent estimated that a swift worker might do all the embroidery but hemstitching on one gown in a day, working morning, afternoon, and night. She would earn not over 10 cents for such a day's work, probably averaging about 1 cent an hour.

Hand scalloping and ornate embroidery on cotton pillowcases for which the rate is \$1 per dozen pieces. A manager stated, "A girl must be very rapid to make two, working steadily all day." If a girl could make two a day (and no girl doing this type of work reported such an accomplishment) she would earn 16 or 17 cents, less than 2 cents an hour.

Starvation is rife in Puerto Rico. 'My country, 'tis of thee—land of the noble free—of thee I sing.'

Lying About Uncle Sam

IT IS not true that Uncle Sam, in the first eight months of the current fiscal year, expended \$2,500,000,000 more than he took in. Actually it was only \$2,249,923,235.

Gathering at the Festal Board

THE Pittsburgh *Post-Gazette* says, "In the past two years there has been an increase of 105,000 in the number of Government employees in the city of Washington alone." In other words, if you have noticed a great change for the better, this is the reason, and if you have noticed a great change for the worse, this is also it. The *Post-Gazette* goes on to say:

There can be but one result if these activities on the part of the Government continue. It will mean "one big state" ruled from Washington. And "one big state" governed by one administration, regimenting all classes of industries and agriculture—and to a degree, also labor—all this is exactly what now exists in Italy under the Fascist government and in Germany under Hitler. If that is the kind of government the Administration wants us to have, we are very close to it, and unless we try to stop it—and now—we are likely to be in it before we know it, since few of us pay much attention to the laws that are being passed except for those which happen to interest us personally. But already the Administration has enacted measures which put us so close to the borderline of fascism that it would not require much more to render American independence and freedom a thing of the past.

Government Running on Hot Air

DEMANDING the immediate repeal of both the NRA and the AAA, Senator Tydings, Democrat, of Maryland, astonished the United States Senate and the world at large when he said, in part:

"We can't go on running a government on hot air. We can't go on just trying to pull money out of the heavens. The whole philosophy of this administration has been to increase and not to decrease unemployment. Unless we about-face and walk back toward sanity, we'll rue the day we have reached. We have pursued the mad policies that have brought Europe to the brink of war. Eventually we will just be taxed to death under the present program. We have come to treat a billion dollars as if it were a hundred thousand. We are pursuing a policy that as long as we can borrow we can provide. Let us be men and have courage to abandon all of this."

Throwing Things at the NRA

TODAY the NRA has no friends, except those politicians who depend upon it for a livelihood. The New York *American* says:

The NRA ought to be killed, and the anti-trust laws ought to be revived. The president would merely be living up to his promises if he killed the NRA. It has been definitely damaging to business, definitely obstructive to recovery. It is an utter failure.

"War Is a Racket"

IN HIS informative book *War Is a Racket*, published by the Round Table Press, Inc., of New York, General Smedley D. Butler asks the pertinent question,

"Who provides the profits—these nice little profits of 20, 100, 300, 1,500 and 1,800 percent? We all pay them—in taxation. We paid the bankers their profits when we bought Liberty Bonds at \$100 and sold them back at \$84 or \$86 to the bankers. These bankers collected \$100 plus. It was a simple manipulation. The bankers control the security marts. It was easy for them to depress the price of these bonds. Then all of us, the people, got frightened and sold the bonds at \$84 or \$86. The bankers bought them. Then these same bankers stimulated a boom and government bonds went to par and above. Then the bankers collected their profits. And the soldiers bought about \$2,000,000,000 worth of these bonds. In the government hospital at Marion, Ind., 1,000 of these boys are in pens! Five hundred of them are in a barracks with steel bars and wires all around outside the buildings and on the porches. These already have been mentally destroyed. These boys don't even look like human [creatures]. Most soldiers got no money at all on pay-days."

Navy Conspiring Against the Government

THERE is a happy land not far away where trusted officials of the Navy conspired with the New York, Bethlehem and Newport News shipbuilding companies to award \$30,000,000 of ships away from government yards to these private yards. From 1927 to 1934 the 'big three' above named discussed their prices before they submitted bids to the Navy department, agreed which ships each company wanted, and arranged their bids so that each company would get the right ships at the right price, which price was 100 percent advance over previous prices charged the Navy. The Navy men who engineered this deal will never have to work any more; that much is certain.

Grafting in War Department

GRAFTING in the War Department enabled one contractor to clean up \$7,000,000 over and above his legitimate claim. An officer received \$2,500 as a 'loan' from a lobbyist, which has never been repaid. Government business is carried on in hotel rooms and in private homes; army officers receive the most lavish entertainment at the hands of lobbyists. The Department of Justice may take a hand. It's a great world.

At the Shrine of the Golden Calf

THE decision as to whether the United States shall worship a solid gold calf or a filled-gold calf has been duly made, and it is decided by 5 to 4 that a filled calf is as good to worship as a solid one. It created plenty of excitement. Santa Fe stock went up \$10 a share, and cotton \$1 a bale. In an hour 1,000,000 shares changed hands. The general sympathy of the public was with the filled-gold calf idea, but the solid-golders took their sorrows seriously. Justice McReynolds, speaking for the minority, said: "We are confronted with a condition in which the dollar may be reduced to 50 cents today, 30 cents tomorrow, 10 cents the next day, and 1 cent the day after. The Constitution, as we have known it, is gone. This is Nero at his worst." "The impending legal and moral chaos is appalling."

Front Trench for Munition Makers

REPRESENTATIVE O'MALLEY, Wisconsin Democrat, has introduced a bill to force those who profit most by war to serve in the ranks and answer the military roll call before anyone else may be called. O'Malley would like to see Henry Ford, Andrew Mellon, J. P. Morgan, the Rockefellers and the du Ponts all in the uniform of buck privates, and thinks it might be quite amusing to the du Ponts to be shot with munitions of their own manufacture sold by them to the enemy countries they are now arming. The du Ponts, by the way, are alleged to have offered to see to it that any Fascist organization seeking to overthrow the United States government by force of arms would be armed by the Remington Arms Company on credit through the du Ponts.

Butler Names the Big Shots

GENERAL SMEDLEY D. BUTLER claims, in effect, that the American Legion is controlled by the bankers, and lists as persons that should be questioned about the plot to seize the government of the United States: Grayson M. P. Murphy, Wall Street broker; Louis McHenry Howe, secretary to President Roosevelt; Governor Ely, of Massachusetts; General Douglas MacArthur, chief of staff of the United States Army; Alfred E. Smith, and the Legion Commanders Hanford McNider, Frank N. Belgrano and William Doyle. The name of President Roosevelt was also involved.

Patriots of International Murderers, Limited

INTERNATIONAL MURDERERS, LIMITED, would not help Germany to rearm. Of course not. But they sold 'mail planes' to Germany exactly like the fighting planes they sold to the United States Navy. They also sold Germany, for industrial purposes, powder, bullets and machine guns. And the joke of it is that these self-confessed patriots, that paid munitions dividends of 39,000 percent and 1,143,275 percent, let the foreigners have lower prices than they charged to Uncle Sam. These are the men that bust up peace conferences, by men used to such work, that are hired for the purpose, like William B. Shearer. In case of war these are the men that supply the United States with advice and really run the country. They admit that bribery and double-crossing is their regular course of conduct; and even if they did not admit it, the facts prove it.

Building New Wars

A BULLETIN of the Socialist Party National Headquarters, Chicago, says:

All signs point unmistakably to the fact that we are being pushed gradually, surely, closer and closer to the precipice of war. The patrioteers and publicists, the munition makers and the profit takers, the coupon clippers and the wage slicers, the Hearst scaremongers and the jingo journalists, the subversive propagandists for war in high places, all are whooping it up for another war. The excuse doesn't matter. Excuses can easily be found, as they have been found before. President Roosevelt, urging a starvation wage on public works, skyrockets the military budget to its highest peacetime peak. The government, impotent to set its house in order and provide subsistence and comfort to the army of the unemployed, strengthens its military bases; stages naval maneuvers in the Pacific, builds more and better warships; proposes to militarize the CCC, and enlarges our standing army.

Getting Ready for Another War

ADDRESSING the Merchants and Manufacturers Association at Brooklyn, General Smedley D. Butler said, in part:

"The whole world is getting ready for another war, and don't let anyone tell you otherwise. If we don't watch our step we'll be hearing the beating of war drums in the near future. The forty million trained soldiers of Europe are not being trained for knitting. War is legalized wholesale murder. Our troubles started when a group of millionaires took over the country in 1896. We are in the grip of the great financial giants struggling for control of the world."

The Dickstein Committee

SAYS Tom Cullen, in Upton Sinclair's *Epic News*:

"The so-called Dickstein Committee deliberately suppressed evidence of Fascism because that evidence led to Wall Street and involved some of the biggest financiers in the United States—J. P. Morgan & Company, Kuhn, Loeb & Company. Therefore the Dickstein committee has proved itself an accomplice to the Fascist plot to undermine the government of the United States. . . . The Dickstein committee was forced to investigate Fascist activities when it learned that General Smedley D. Butler was about to 'break' a story to the New York *Post* and the Philadelphia *Record* that he had been offered a \$3,000,000 bribe to organize a Fascist army and march on Washington! Butler was offered \$3,000,000 to ride a white horse at the head of an army of 500,000 storm troopers, with a promise of \$300,000,000 if he needed it. The committee heard Butler's testimony behind closed doors; then it released garbled statements of what Butler had said to the press, later issuing parts of his testimony. But the important parts of Butler's testimony have been suppressed, and no reason has been given for the suppression. Why? Because Wall Street interests such as J. P. Morgan are involved."

Federal Bureau of Investigation

THE new Federal Bureau of Investigation, resembling in some senses the O.G.P.U. of Russia, will have the proper legal status to continue its work of disposing of such public enemies as John Dillinger, "Baby Face" Nelson and numerous others it has helped out of this world in the recent past. It has great powers for good, and, if misdirected, great powers for evil. It is the nation's shock troops in the war against crime.

The Courageous, Silent Sufferers

FEDERAL RELIEF ADMINISTRATOR HOPKINS struck the nail on the head when he said recently:

"There are probably far more people who are in need of relief but who won't go and apply for it because their pride restrains them. They far outnumber those who are on relief rolls and do not need help. They have fought a bitter losing fight for from three to five years, and no living person can properly appraise the sufferings they have endured in silence."

Proposed Ban on Titles

REPRESENTATIVE KNUTSON, Minnesota Republican, has offered a bill to prevent acceptance of titles from foreign governments by American citizens. The bill should have been in full force and effect from July 4, 1776.

Judge Alexander Ackerman, of Tampa

FEDERAL JUDGE ALEXANDER ACKERMAN, of Tampa, Fla., granting an injunction restraining the NRA from instituting criminal prosecution against a grocery, said of an order sent out by the NRA:

"A perusal of this remarkable document would cause any citizen to wonder whether he is still living under and is protected by the Constitution of the United States or whether he is in the country of a Stalin, a Mussolini or a Hitler. The picture presented is enough to shock the sensibilities of a person trained in the belief that we are living under a constitutional government where the citizen is governed by laws and not by men."

National Resources Board

THE National Resources Board, after months of strenuous labor by highly paid executives, finally came to the conclusion respecting the 1934 drought that "the drought was serious because of a scarcity of water, caused by insufficient rainfall". Now isn't that wonderful? Wonder what the National Un-Resources Board would find on the cotton plowed under and pigs destroyed. For a few million dollars they might tell that there are fewer pigs and less cotton, and that makes a scarcity of pigs and cotton due to the fact that there is now an insufficient supply of each.

Casualties of the World War

IN THE World War the Allies mobilized 42,188,810 men, of whom 22,089,709 were killed, wounded, prisoners or missing. The Central Powers in the same conflict mobilized 22,850,000, of whom 15,404,477 were killed, wounded, prisoners or missing. The murder business is very profitable. The munition makers had a good thing out of the World War and would like to have another.

Joy over High Prices for Food

WASHINGTON is reported jubilant over higher prices for food. Secretary Wallace estimated that in the first half of 1935 prices would climb 11 percent even if there were no recurrence of drought. But the country may get the drought too; so the prospect is good that if enough food is destroyed the prices of eatables will be high enough to suit everybody, including the millions out of work.

Harvey Charges Monomania

W H. HARVEY, otherwise known as "Coin" Harvey, famous as one of the world's best reasoners on financial questions, declares his belief, in *The Liberty Bell*, that Franklin D. Roosevelt is insane on the subject of destruction, believes he is bankrupting and wrecking the country so that the people will, in desperation, back him in declaration of martial law and dictatorship, and insists that the penal island where the liberals will be taken has already been selected and the governor thereof, one Judge Wilson, has already been appointed. Mr. Harvey, now 83 years of age, usually knows what he is talking about. The story is repeated for what it is worth.

Relief in Montgomery County, Illinois

GOVERNMENT officials were so enthusiastic about relief of the poor in Montgomery county, Illinois, that they even copied names from tombstones so that nobody would be overlooked. As Cardinal Big Bill O'Connell said in Ireland, "In America we have been accustomed to think that anything is all right so long as you can get away with it."

175,418 Units of Government

THOSE who have investigated the matter claim that in the United States there are 175,418 units of government. To this may be added the fact that thousands of these units are maintained against all reason and common sense, in complete violation of the best interests of the taxpayers.

The United States Has Had Enough

THE United States has had enough. It is punishable by fine or imprisonment to sell here, or even to buy here, any securities issued by those countries that are in default in their payments of interest on the moneys they have borrowed from the one-time liberal friend of all mankind.

Flood-Control Project in Ohio

A \$30,000,000 flood-control project is under way in the Muskingum valley, Ohio. There will be fourteen dams. One village, Tappan, of 500 inhabitants, will be moved from the valley to a hill. Another village, Zoar, will be surrounded by a protective dike.

Single Police Head for Michigan

MICHIGAN is considering the appointment of a single police head to direct the activities now distributed among 1,764 sheriffs, police chiefs and similar officials. It is also considering sentencing of all persons by a board of penology, after a study of each convict by psychiatrists.

Sees a Malign Paternalism Looming

SAYS Q. Forrest Walker, of R. H. Macy & Company: "Our codes tend to foster monopoly. They harass and intimidate small enterprises through the economic tyranny of trade majorities. If we persist in price fixing, our 'benign co-operation' must be displaced by a malign paternalism."

Tax-Exempt Property

IN Philadelphia, as a result of favors passed this way and that, over 16½ percent of the total taxable property is tax-exempt. In Martic township, Lancaster county, 76 percent of the taxable property is tax-exempt. In the latter case, there are large public utility holdings, tax-exempt in Pennsylvania.

Crime Increasing in Georgia

THE president of the Georgia Bar Association says that crime is increasing in Georgia at an alarming rate of speed. The worst of it is that this is what the Georgia people really want, as is indicated in reports of conditions at the Fort McPherson concentration camp for hosiery strikers.

Too Many Tax-free Securities

IT IS alleged by Congressman Treadway, of Massachusetts, that there are now outstanding about \$50,000,000,000 of securities which are tax-free. He wants this injustice ended. The Du Pont gang last year made \$46,701,465. Wonder how much of that went into tax-free securities.

Seven Billions in 29 Months

IN THE effort to relieve unemployment conditions the United States has expended \$7,000,000,000 in the past 29 months, with the net result that conditions are not much worse, if any, at the end than they were at the beginning.

No Two of One Family on Relief

NEW YORK city has a wonderful "assistant home relief director", and if you could see some of the homes you would know that she is needed badly enough. Seeing that there is so much poverty and suffering she conceived the rule and put it in force that no two members of one family could be on the city's relief pay roll. That is, she put it in force with one grand and glorious exception. She paid herself \$70 a week, and her hubby was on the same pay roll at \$29 a week. When this was brought out at an aldermanic hearing, and she squalled and explained that she and her hubby were of the privileged classes, women rushed to comfort her, a court attaché brought her a glass of water, and her lawyers slobbered the dictionary from one end to another explaining what a fine woman she was, and what a great sorrow it was to have her placed in such an embarrassing position, etc., etc., to the end of the chapter. At the same hearing it was also brought out that the "assistant executive director" was pulling down \$7,500 a year out of the relief funds, while at the same time he was getting \$4,500 from the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities. This alphabet system of relief is great, when you get to understand all the wrinkles. If you know just how to relieve the poor you can get away with \$12,000 of their money a year, and after a while you can get your conscience so trained that you could eat pot roast made of human babies and rather enjoy it, if it didn't get into the papers.

37 Percent of City's Population Idle

THIRTY-SEVEN percent of New York city's population is now idle, according to latest reports. In the periodical *Labor*, Washington, D.C., this information appears in a column article bearing the headlines: "Middle Class Now Being Wiped Out, Survey Discloses; Destitution Reaches Families Once in Relatively Comfortable Circumstances; Losing Heroic Struggle; Deluge of Relief Demands Expected Unless Jobs Are Immediately Provided." However, on paper, the future is not so dark for everybody, for in their book *The Economic Consequences of the New Deal* Benjamin Stolbert and Warren Jay Vinton point out that in the year 1933, the first year of the New Deal, the number of persons with annual incomes of over \$1,000,000 increased from 20 to 46. The interest machine is sucking the life out of the debtor class, and rapidly destroying the nation.

Mecklenburg's Treatment of Negroes

LAST August a Negro, L. Bogan, was chained to a wall in a solitary confinement camp in Mecklenburg county, North Carolina, and died in the shackles. During the past winter, on a terrible night in January, two Negroes in the same camp were similarly chained. During the night their feet froze, and they had to have them amputated. The jailer, Captain Rape, was probably a Baptist, that being the principal faith in those parts. No doubt he is a strong believer in eternal torture and is trying to be like the god he worships. Tanganyika papers, please copy. Should any papers in Central Africa copy this item they are requested to omit the fact that when Robert Barnes, one of the Negroes whose feet were frozen off, was so ill, because of his terrible fever, that he vomited, Captain Rape knocked him down. America does not wish the kind-hearted savages of Africa to know just how infinitely mean some of the white men of America, who profess to be Christians, can be. The man who died in the shackles was buried sub rosa by his killers. This is the regular procedure, so it seems. One Negro testified to a North Carolina legislative committee that he had helped bury six Negroes who had thus died in the dungeon. They were not placed in coffins, nor even wrapped in blankets. One of the legislative investigators was heard to say to his comrades, "Where are we? Can this be North Carolina? Is it possible that we have been living alongside of this? My God! men, where are we?"

Murderers Stand by Each Other

THE international murderers stand by each other. Zaharoff plays one country against another all over Europe, promoting wars wherever possible, so as to boost the munitions business. Schwab says he is "merely a brilliant business man"; which may be true, and gives a new slant on what a brilliant business man really is.

Iowa's Sonorous \$5 Prayers

BY A VOTE of 37 to 6 the State of Iowa has decided that silent prayers are ineffective, or at least beneath the dignity of the Hawkeye State, and so will continue to pay \$5 in each house every morning for prayers of the sonorous variety offered by the gentlemen who for reasons unknown are supposed to have special contact with the Almighty.

Young People Out of Work in Massachusetts

A SURVEY in Massachusetts showed that 60,000 persons 16 to 24 years old, or one out of every two seeking work, were unemployed. About 12,000,000 young people, it was calculated, have reached the age of employability since October, 1929; and if half of them are unemployed, as is the case in Massachusetts, then these constitute about one half of all the unemployed in the country. In other words, here is a so-called "civilization" that has nothing to offer to its young people but a choice between idleness and crime. And one breeds the other. If this is Christ's kingdom, pray, where is the Devil's kingdom?

States in the Bread Line

WRITING informatively and convincingly of the fact that forty-four of the states of the Union are virtually standing in the bread line for whatever Uncle Sam will give them, Frank R. Kent, in the *Baltimore Sun*, says:

"There is nothing else to do. There is not only no nourishment in bucking the Administration, but any rejection of the conditions is punishable by a ruinous withdrawal of funds or a replacement of state with Federal personnel. In at least four states the Federal government stepped in last year and took charge of the distribution of relief funds because the governors of those states would not 'play ball' with the Roosevelt Administration."

In Clergy-Ridden New Jersey

IN CLERGY-RIDDEN New Jersey, where the politicians are so anxious to please the Roman Catholic hierarchy, and other representatives of the Devil, that they throw Jehovah's witnesses into prison for bringing the message of God's kingdom to the attention of the people, conditions are so rotten that, in Bayonne, a rival candidate by the name of Daly charges Mayor Donohue with having expended \$32,000 of the taxpayers' money to administer a fund of \$1,000 for braces for crippled children. How it was that the mayor chanced to let the last \$1,000 slip through his fingers was not explained.

Temporary Relief Getting Permanent

NEW YORK state has what it calls a State Temporary Emergency Relief Administration. In 1932 this Temporary Administration had 195,735 families to minister to; in 1933 there were 371,253; and in 1934 there were 519,278, which is one-sixth of all the families in the state.

Highwaymen on the Highways

THE New Way Lumber Company, of Texas, engaged in delivering lumber by truck all over the greatest state in the Union, reports grafting by officers set to watch the highways. A load of lumber is weighed at a licensed and bonded weighmaster's. When it gets out on the road the driver is liable to be arrested and thrown into jail on the ground that his load is 400 to 4,000 pounds over the weight allowed by law. Business honor and honor among officers of the law are getting scarcer and scarcer. The New Way Lumber Company seems to think the highwaymen posing as law-enforcement officers in the Lone Star State are in reality stool pigeons of the railroad companies.

The Uses of Portland Cops

TWO cops in Portland, Oreg., had their attention called to the fact that the front door of a pharmacy had been jimmied. The two newsboys who summoned the cops went with them into the store, where they saw the cops take a camera, a number of cartons of cigarettes, several boxes of candy and \$20 in money, to add to the considerable list of things stolen earlier by other thieves, not in uniform. They reported it, and the cops lost their jobs. In New York, about the same time, two cops got up to three years in prison for stealing \$60 worth of candy.

Victims of International Murderers, Limited

IF THOSE who, directly and indirectly, during the World War, died to make the world safe for Hypocrisy, were to stand holding hands with each other, the loop would go around the earth twice, in the latitude of New York. Does anybody think that Jehovah God is going to overlook a thing like that? Did not every one of those that miserably perished in the war, famine and pestilence have every whit as much right to live and enjoy the blessings of God as those who survive?

The Greatest Kidnaping Racket

THE greatest kidnaping racket, the granddaddy of all the others, is the scheme of swiping human souls by the million, running them into a bake oven and not letting any of them out for a thousand years, and only then when their relatives pay and pay and pay the fraternity that the Mexican government, for the good of its citizens, chased out of the country.

Hitler's Government

Child Victims of the New Germany

LADY VIOLET BONHAM-CARTER has given to the world the following letter from a boy of 13, the son of a Jewish father, brought up a Protestant by his mother. It sets before the world the civilization of Hitler, and those that have united with him to make Germany a byword and a hissing in all the earth. The letter is authenticated by Samuel Untermyer. The child is now safe in Paris.

"I was the only Jew in my class. Until Easter I was a Protestant, then they found out that my father was a Jew and so I became one. After that everything was different. No one would be friends with me. No one would answer me. In school no one would sit next to me. They all used to want to before, as I was the best in the class and they all wanted to crib. Now I had to sit all alone on the back bench. At first I was frightfully unhappy—more so as the masters who always used to like me could not stand the sight of me any more. When they came into the classroom everyone had to jump up and with right hand outstretched shout 'Heil Hitler!' I did too—or I didn't. I don't know. If I did, then the whole class would shout 'The Jew is profaning our greeting!' And if I didn't the master shouted 'You wait, you Marxist bastard!' Then I was ordered to shout 'Heil Hitler!' alone three times. The whole class laughed. I was so afraid, I wanted to cry. And then I used often to be late so that I shouldn't have to shout 'Heil, Hitler!' The master used to give me extra work to do as a punishment. He wrote in the class book, 'For Jewish slovenliness.'

"Once I did not know the answer—I used always to know before—so he asked me if the only thing I could do was 'Fires and murders like my father'. Once when I could not answer, the history master said I should be slaughtered like father. I tried to pull myself together, but tears used to sometimes come and then they used to say I was a dirty coward like the rest of the Marxists. The worst thing of all was in the 'breaks' in the courtyard. We children of Jewish and Marxists parents had to go into a corner of the courtyard by ourselves. Then there was always trouble. The others shouted nasty things at us and threw stones. Once I defended myself, so they hit me and bullied me fearfully. Those in charge didn't even come near.

"At singing it was worse still. I had to learn the text of the Horst Wessel Lied and the other songs and then I had to say them alone. Again they used to laugh and shout horrid things.

"In drawing I had to do nothing but swastikas. Once I got detention because I drew a crooked one. Then the master wrote in his book, 'For ridiculing the German symbol.'

"Before I used to be the best pupil. Now I was the worst. Whether I got something right or wrong, I always got the worst marks. I was the scapegoat for everything."

How the Nazis Exterminate Opposition

IN AN address before the Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Associations, December 13, 1933, Samuel Untermyer said, in part:

"Here is one characteristic incident, related to me recently by a young writer of great talent from the West. He became alarmed at the reports of what was happening in Germany, because his mother was still living there, and took a trip to the little town in which she lived. Whilst there, one of her neighbors, who was a widow with two sons, both of whom had served in the German army in the World War, came to his mother's home in great agony and explained that a few days previously Nazi soldiers had come to her home and had forcibly taken her sons away, without reason or explanation. She suspected, from their arrogant and insulting conduct, that their visit boded no good, and so, having heard nothing from them after a few days, she began to make inquiries, the result of which was that two sealed coffins, said to contain the bodies of her sons, were delivered at her place with instructions that under no circumstances were they to be opened. A courageous man in that community dared, however, to open the coffins, and was confronted by the gruesome sight of the bodies of the two young men, having been so mangled and emasculated that there was not an unbroken bone left in either body, from the top of their heads to their feet. There was, of course, no remedy. There is never any remedy in Germany for any atrocity committed by German soldiers. The word 'Sadists' was invented for such people. They are human [creatures] turned into wild beasts."

Mails Not Delivered in Germany

D. C. KAEFER, manufacturing chemist, of Chicago, reports that in the last year the German government has seized 21 pieces of mail that he sent to his mother, living near Berlin. Mr. Kaefer insists that none of this mail could by any stretch of the imagination be considered anti-Nazi propaganda. It consisted of books, pictures, newspapers, magazines and guide books of Chicago's Exposition. Some of it was registered.

100,000 Refugees from Germany

AT THE end of February it was estimated that 100,000 had escaped from Germany, the majority of them young men and women, husky, looking as if they would be valuable citizens of any country. Though they had salvaged nothing but the clothes on their backs they were all glad to escape with their lives, and were said to be fairly cheerful, especially the women.

Why Germany Readopted Conscription

IT IS believed that the real reason why Germany has readopted conscription is that the huge army of its unemployed young men could not be provided with any kind of useful work. In three months last winter, in Germany, 700,000 were added to the army of the workless. German army officers are buying fine horses all over Denmark, Norway and Sweden. A decree has been issued that farms may be condemned anywhere, for garrisons and drill and target practice grounds. Physical training is required of all males.

"The Sole Master of This Earth"

IN HIS book *My Battle (Mein Kampf)* Hitler shows what are his real ambitions for himself and his followers when he says: "It is necessary, then, for better or worse, to resort to war if one wishes seriously to arrive at pacifism. In reality the humanitarian and passive idea will perhaps be excellent on that day when the man superior to all others will have conquered and subjugated the world first of all in such a measure that he becomes the sole master of this earth. First, then, the battle, and afterwards—perhaps—pacifism."

Where Hitler Gets His Money

IT IS well known that, to start with, Hitler got his money for the Nazi movement from Thyssen and Krupp, the great German industrialists. It is now noted that his rearmament move came on the heels of a loan of \$200,000,000 by Sir Henry Deterding, rival of the Standard Oil crowd.

German Judges Must Be Nazis

WITH the outward pomp which the German people seem to so highly regard, the administration of justice has been turned over to the Reich, with the distinct understanding that the judges must be active supporters of the National Socialist viewpoint. A German judge is a mere clerk of the government in power.

British Politicians Admire Hitler

AMERICANS will be interested and surprised that Lloyd George has expressed his admiration of the new Germany, while Dr. A. J. Macdonald, rector of St. Dunstan-in-the-West, Fleet street, London, has four columns in the London *Daily Mail* entitled "Why I Believe in Hitler".

Nazi Destruction of Labor's Property

THE Nazi government in Germany forcibly seized the accumulated property of the German Labor movement, amounting in value to about \$270,000,000; a great part of this property has been totally destroyed. Among the properties taken over were 339 buildings, 86 of which were trade union headquarters, 233 were local peoples' houses, 16 were health centers with more than 2,000 beds, and 4 were trade union schools. The German Labor Bank, with 240 branches, was forcibly seized. The German Consumers' Society, which had 46 co-operative factories and 4,000,000 members, with property worth \$100,000,000, was seized. Also 126 newspaper dailies and 84 printing establishments were seized. In many instances safes were opened and robbed of their contents, all in the name of the 'New German Government'.

Imitating Hitler

THE American Legion at San Francisco demanded death for those advocating Communism, and imprisonment up to 100 years for distribution of literature advocating class antagonism or promulgating doctrines inimical to the state; the imprisonment to be on some Devil's island off Alaska. All these punishments seem too mild. Why not go the limit of compelling all such persons to become members of the body of men that passed the resolutions? That would be the worst kind of punishment that could be inflicted upon true Americans. In their efforts to get the people ready for Fascism in America the Big Business crowd are only making a laughingstock of themselves.

Wages Under Hitler

UNDER the Hitler régime wages in Germany have reached the lowest level in fifty years. The official records show that only 1 percent of the workers receive an average weekly wage of more than \$13.50, while 50 percent receive between \$3.50 and \$7.30, and 13½ percent receive less than \$3.50.

German Junkers Plant at Moscow

AT THE German Junkers plant at Moscow there is now turned out every day one huge all-metal four-engined bombing plane capable of a top speed of 170 miles an hour. Russia's air fleet is now the largest in the world.

British Items

Unemployment in Britain

IN Britain the people do not take it kindly, having their unemployment allowances reduced. At Merthyr Tydvil they broke through a police cordon, smashed the windows and overturned the furniture in the office of the Unemployment Assistance Board when 1,000 women marched to the office to complain of cuts in their allowances. In Sheffield 30,000 engaged in a fierce fight with the police in which 30 were hurt. Women used umbrellas as weapons. Concerning the Means Test, which was the basis for these complaints, George Lansbury, Labor statesman, said: "The Labor party protested and pleaded in vain against the dreadful regulations and we were defeated every time. With the banks full of idle money, with our streets filled with despairing men and women, and with an increasing daily toll of robberies and suicides, brought on by despair, the Government tells us nothing can be done." So many thousands of protests went up from all over Great Britain that the government was forced to abandon the cuts in relief compensation. In South Wales even the Sunday schools went on strike against the regulations.

King George's Wages \$52,460 a Week

THE fiery anti-royalist, John McGovern, member from Glasgow, denounced King George as a parasite drawing \$52,460 a week, one of a class living on the common people with no effort of their own to provide the means of life they enjoy. Denouncing an expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars in Glasgow alone on the king's silver jubilee celebration he said: "I say it should be spent in erecting black flags throughout the length and breadth of this country for a day of national mourning for the common people who are being destroyed and degraded by this national government. If your class goes to war you will appeal to the workingmen to help you, and I hope when that day dawns the workers will use their rifles on the ruling classes." Pretty savage talk for the house of Parliament, is it not?

Divorces Up, Births Down

IN THE year 1933 the number of decrees of divorce in Britain was the highest recorded, and the birth rate per thousand of population was the lowest, thus showing the gradual breaking down of the human family in one of the choice centers of civilization.

Britain's Rush to Rearm

BITAIN has never been unarmed, and never intended to disarm; it has now laid aside all pretense, has virtually thrown the League of Nations overboard, and announces its intention to abandon disarmament and build up its forces on land and sea and in the air. The money to pay for all this is money owing to Uncle Sam, which will never be paid. The money was loaned with the understanding that thereby the world would be made safe for democracy. Concerning this propaganda former premier Baldwin said in the House of Commons: "The greatest mistake made after the World War was the spreading of the belief that the world was safe for democracy. The world never has been unsafer for democracy than it is today." Even if they are a little late with their admissions, it is nice to have all the great statesmen admit that no greater liars have ever lived than those that were responsible for the murder of 50,000,000 human creatures in 1914-1918.

Birmingham, Best-Governed City in the World

BIRMINGHAM owns and operates its own electric light, water, gas, street-car, bus, banking and market services and has the best sewage-disposal plant in the world. Half its garbage goes into marketable fats and fertilizers; the other half is used to generate electricity. A comfortable workingman's home can be rented from the city for less than \$11.50 per month. Sizable garden allotments can be rented at \$2.50 per year each. The city has the best civic orchestra and civic art gallery in Britain. There are two dozen civic swimming pools, five civic golf courses, 3,500 acres of civic parks and playgrounds, six civic cemeteries, and a civic hospital that cost \$6,000,000. There are 32,000 civic employees, but the civic tax rate of less than \$20 a head per year is only 40 percent of what it is in Toronto, itself one of the best-governed cities in America. In Birmingham public ownership of public utilities dates back 66 years.

Preferred Suicide to the Lash

AT Dartmoor prison, England, a prisoner lashed every night with the cat-o'-nine-tails committed suicide by hanging rather than be slowly tortured to death. The conscience of the British government is officially in the care of the Church of England. Queen Victoria approved flogging.

Why England Invented the League

ACCORDING to H. L. Mencken, England invented the League of Nations to put a curb on France. He says, in part:

Holland, Switzerland, Spain and the Scandinavian countries were too smart to succumb, but the United States was easier, for the English could tackle us in our own language, and tackle us they surely did. When we fell at last it was at a critical moment, for Germany was winning. Our help turned the tide and saved England, whose back was to the wall. Moreover, we did the job free of charge, and even paid most of the bills. . . . The idea behind it was to line up the "enlightened opinion of the world" against the French appetite for power and glory. This enlightened opinion, of course, was to be supplied by England, with the United States standing by as stooge, bouncer and paymaster. But as Wilson passed out of the picture the United States began to see a red light, and in the end flatly refused to join. . . . Once more England has been outmaneuvered by France, and is hanging out on a limb.

Mencken describes the League of Nations as "A Transparent Falseface for Dog-Eat-Dog Diplomacy".

What to Do with the Milk Surplus

LORD DE LA WARR, of England, referring to the disposition of England's surplus milk, said:

"The problem of today is to bring together the over-producer and the underconsumer. Remember the 2,000,000 good men and women, with their 6,000,000 or 7,000,000 dependents, who are out of work and living on a bare minimum of subsistence. In every back street in every town there are children at whom you only have to glance to see that they are not being given a chance to grow into strong and healthy citizens."

The Church at Avalon

A SUBSCRIBER wants to know if it is true that the carpenter Jesus built the first Christian church at Avalon some time before He was thirty years of age, as claimed by Anglo-Israelites. The thing is preposterous; Jesus was a Jew, born under the law; and there was no Christian church till Pentecost, at which time Jesus was no longer a man.

Gladstone Involved in Spiritism

A BOOK recently published in London contained the surprising information that W. E. Gladstone was involved in spiritism, and attended seances, and that he considered it "the most important work which is being done in the world—by far the most important".

William Kenworthy, Unemployed

WILLIAM KENWORTHY, unemployed, in an address broadcast over Britain by the British Broadcasting Company, said, in part:

"Is it to be wondered at that I doubt the sanity and justice of mankind when I read of goods and food-stuffs rotting in barns and warehouses and even being destroyed; when I see that the five big joint stock banks made a total profit last year of nearly £9,000,000, and another large concern £5,000,000, £14,000,000 all together, enough to feed 100,000 families for twelve months? . . . I find the church rift with animosities, sickly with moth-eaten pageantry, and utterly divorced in practice from the principles it professes."

David Knight, Unemployed

DAVID KNIGHT, 21 years of age, a Welsh miner, unemployed for two years, sang in a public house because he loved to sing. He was overheard by two men, vacationing in Wales, who knew the value of his throat. Within two weeks he was the biggest hit of the season at one of the theaters in the city of Reading. He never had on a dress suit in his life until he stepped upon the Reading stage. His mother is a widow, and the whole family was workless when this opportunity came to him like rain out of a clear sky.

Why America Entered the World War

NOT until seventeen years afterwards did it leak out that in March, 1917, Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to Great Britain, cabled to President Wilson:

"If we should go to war with Germany all the money (gold from transatlantic trade) would be kept in our country; trade would be continued and enlarged until war ends, and after the war Europe would continue to buy food from us, as well as an enormous supply of things to re-equip her peace industries. Perhaps our going to war is the only way we can maintain our present pre-eminent trade position and avert a panic."

England's Milk Marketing Board

ENGLAND has a law that makes it a crime for a farmer to sell a pint of milk to a neighbor. Basil William Jude, farmer, of Great Ellingham, sold milk to his neighbors at four cents a quart, because he considered it a crime to charge six cents, which is the price set by the Marketing Board. He was arrested and fined \$50, but is still selling milk at four cents a quart

Sir Ambrose Fleming Stands by the Bible

SIR AMBROSE FLEMING, D.Sc., F.R.S., famous scientist, inventor of the thermionic valve which makes wireless telephony possible, in a presidential address in London to the Victoria Institute and Philosophical Society of Great Britain, denounced the childish and foolish evolution theory as unproved and unprovable, and said: "We can quite appropriately assert that the origin of man is to be looked for in the creative power of a self-conscious Creator and supreme intelligence and will." As a consequence "a resolution was carried by a large majority protesting the continued teaching of the theory of evolution in the schools, colleges and pulpits of Great Britain and the dominions".

Remarkable Operation on Eye

IN Calcutta, India, a Hindu girl 20 years of age was totally blind in one eye. A graft was taken from an eye removed from an eighty-year-old man and grafted onto her eye by cross stitches, in the form of a cart wheel. Six days later, when the stitches were removed, she could read large print and could count fingers held thirty feet away.

Death from Misadventure

WINIFRED ANNIE EDWARDS, 20 years of age, probationer nurse, was given employment at a hospital in Birmingham, England, but was first vaccinated, and, as a result, lived but a few days. The coroner's verdict was "Death from misadventure". When one dies from vaccination it is nice to know just how the death will be reported in the records.

Poor Relief in Britain

POOR relief in Britain in 1933 was 26.4 percent in excess of the previous year; and in 1934, was 21 percent over 1933. In June, 1934, 1,325,807 persons in Britain were completely destitute. During the year they received something like \$12 each, paid in food.

Less Liberty Than in 2,000 Years

GENERAL JAN CHRISTIAN SMUTS told a group of students in London that there is today less freedom of thought, speech, action and self-expression in Europe than there has previously been in the past 2,000 years.

How Capitalism Spreads Fascism

THE merry game of the capitalistic crowd of turning peaceable unemployed civilians into prospective cannon fodder goes on in every land. The anti-Fascist League of Durban, South Africa, objected to 500 out-of-workers' being given military training in their city at the expense of the taxpayers, saying: "The intention behind this move is obvious: it is the compulsory militarization of men who through their economic plight are unable to resist this encroachment on their rights and civil liberties as citizens of this country. It is an unfair advantage taken by the government, of people beaten down to starvation and submission by four years of economic depression." The same thing is in progress in America.

Smallest Wireless Sets

ROBERT E. SMITH, Tottenham, England, claims to have made the smallest radio receiving sets in the world; one goes on a finger ring; six go in a matchbox. In each case there is a wooden base one-half inch square, a crystal holder, with crystal, and a tuning coil of 200 turns of wire. An aerial of twenty feet of wire is used, and earphones. Reception has been had of both regional and national programs.

Ordinary Letters Go by Air Mail

ARRANGEMENTS are now in effect in the British Isles by which all ordinary mail is sent by air if it will hasten its delivery. Thus all the mail for Scotland and the north of Ireland that accumulates in London after the last train has left at night goes by plane the first thing in the morning and in most instances is delivered before noon.

Britain Will Move the Woolwich Arsenal

ON ACCOUNT of the development of bombing aircraft the great Woolwich Arsenal of Britain will move to an unnamed location in the west and north. Two new airplane lines have been opened from Britain to Sweden, one via Holland and the other via Norway.

Four Air Routes London to Budapest

LONDON now has four air routes to Budapest. One is via Paris, the second via Rotterdam and Berlin, the third via Amsterdam, Leipzig, Prague and Vienna, and the fourth and last is a straight hop without stops.

Judge Rutherford's Lectures in Europe

ECHO from Turin:

It is with great interest that I am listening in on Wednesday and Saturday evenings to whatever the speaker of Radio Toulouse has to tell us on your account. I regret not knowing this gentleman personally, whom I have had the pleasure of hearing for several years now; his clear, cordial and persuasive voice perfectly suits the important items of vital interest with which you are dealing.—E. D., T——, *Italy*.

The son of a sexton gets the truth:

I have received your esteemed letter and your catalogue, which has attracted my attention. I am entirely satisfied with the wonderful, pure truths which you are publishing regarding the Catholic system which has transformed the admirable revelation of Jesus Christ into a vulgar, shameful commerce. It is due to the statutes of the pope and the bad examples given by the majority of the clergy and Catholics that mankind has completely lost faith, has become materialistic (no God, no master!), and for this reason crimes are a daily occurrence.

I am 55 years old, was brought up as the third son of a sexton right in Catholicism, and therefore really know. I am so pleased with your teachings that I really wish to offer you my services. If at some occasion I could be helpful to you at the place where I live or in the neighborhood, in case you would like to give lectures, I would do everything in my power to assist and protect you. . . .

—J. B., *Isère, France*.

"By their fruits ye shall know them":

For about ten months we have been reading your booklets and some *Age d'Or** copies. Furthermore, we are following with ever increasing interest your short talks by Radio Toulouse. We have in our house some domestics who before entering our service bought some of your publications. Their employers had taken hold of these booklets, read them, then burned them right before the girls, without reimbursing the poor maidservants their modest sum. As for us, we lent a *Harp of God* to somebody a while ago; maybe we shall never see it again, for, on pretext of saving our souls, they might have destroyed these "anti-dogmatic" writings!

In the hope that we may see the end of this wicked, cowardly and hypocritical world, we are ready to endure whatever may now be coming.—T., *Landes*.

* *The Golden Age*, French edition.

Best wishes:

Please receive, from a propagandist of universal peace by Esperanto, best wishes for the prosperity of your noble and ideal cause, which you publish in such a clear and comprehensive way. . . . —M. D., *Paris*.

At the Riviera:

Would you please send me the book *Deliverance*. It was impossible to get your address here in Cannes, and it was by radio that I received it again last night. I had already had your book when at Versailles and it was a great aid to me, but having left it behind at my departure, I must get it again to have it always with me. Are there any adherents of yours in these parts? If so, I should like to get in touch with them, as I have nothing to do just at this moment and I could work together with them spreading the holy word. . . . —R. P., *Cannes*.

I am stirred:

I have received your parcel with the books. They are wonderful, and I am really stirred by their contents. Like others, I had been under the domination of the clergy, but, thank God, have withdrawn now from this darkness. These books clearly show me the way to take, and therefore I wish to go on as a true follower of Christ and a witness for Him. I shall make efforts to spread your writings here in my town, for I want to make known the Truth.—F. B. L., *Cotes du Nord*.

An honest confession:

By means of the radio I learned of the existence of the *Tour de Garde* [Watchtower], and I am closely following your lectures from Radio Toulouse. For a long time I have been a faithful Bible reader, but in spite of all my efforts to understand its contents—although well acquainted with the principal events of ancient and modern history—I have never been able to comprehend the greater part of the Bible. Therefore I apply to you asking you to send me a sample copy of your journal.—L. F. M., L——, *Portugal*.

Deity has been mocked:

I have received your booklet and thank you for it. It will certainly circulate! Freethinkers of this town who rail against the churches are stopping and seeking to understand—oh, how God has been mocked! How hard a task you have undertaken! But the light you are bringing to the world is welcome.—MME CHE., *Maine et Loire*.

Consoling and comforting:

We could never thank you too much for the work of consoling and comforting which you are doing for the unfortunate. May the battle of Armageddon deliver us soon from this world of injustice and lies! I express to you my most profound gratitude.

—G. P. St. M., *Seine*.

Strength to live:

I have not yet seen your bearers of good news again. However, I hope they will come again soon, for I wish some new books. We are really happy to know this wonderful truth which gives us strength to live.—MME L., *Maine et Loire*.

Watch Tower Publications Granted Highest Award

THE members of the jury of the Paris exhibition of Modern Comfort, impressed with the richness of the revelations contained in the publications of the Watch Tower and anxious to do justice to the work of moral sanitation

undertaken by this philanthropic society whose reputation is constantly growing, accorded them the highest award, The *Diplôme de Hors Concours*, which means that this work is above competition and in a class by itself.*



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Fathers

A five-minute talk

by Judge Rutherford

WHY are the Roman Catholic priests called "fathers" and the pope called "holy father"? Is such according to the authority of the Bible? You prefer to have the answer of Jesus to this question, because He speaks the truth. At Matthew 23:9, Jesus said: 'Call no man father upon the earth; for one is your Father, which is in heaven.' Jesus did not permit anyone to call Him "father", nor did any of His apostles take that title. *Father* means life-giver, and only God can and does give life; hence the title applies to Him.

There is no Scriptural authority whatsoever to call a Catholic priest "father", and certainly there is no Scriptural authority to call the pope the "holy father". The title could not apply to any of them as earthly parents, because none of them marry. When Jesus was on earth the clergy of that day were claiming to be servants of God and they loved to be called "Rabbi" and "Master" and to be exalted amongst men. Their conduct in this regard Jesus declared was an abomination in the sight of God. (Luke 16:15) It still must be an abomination in God's sight for men to assume titles that belong to God.

Why has the Roman Catholic hierarchy taught the people to call men by the name "father"? The answer is that the great enemy of Jehovah God is the Devil. He is also man's worst enemy. For centuries the Devil has been trying to turn all men away from God, and he employs fraud and deceit to accomplish that wrongful purpose. It is stated, in 2 Corinthians 4, that the Devil blinds men to the truth lest they should know and serve God. About the fourth century Satan blinded the leaders in the Roman Catholic church organization and caused them to exalt themselves and call themselves "fathers" and the head of the organization "papa" or "pope". The people, being blinded to the truth, follow that custom and have given honor and praise to men, and thus the Devil has caused them to lose sight of their duty toward God, and has turned them away from God and His kingdom.

Does the exaltation of men by giving them high-sounding titles, honor and praise, work injury to the people? Yes, a very great injury;

for the reason that it causes them to lose sight of God, from whom all their blessings must proceed. Thus they become the dupes of Satan. The time has come for the people now to learn the truth of God's Word, that they may take their stand wholly on the side of God and live. The book called *Creation* tells of man's proper relationship to God, the Creator, and this, together with your Bible, will enable you to learn these great truths. The Roman Catholic hierarchy is not God's creation, but is an organization formed by men; and such organization Satan has overreached and used to turn millions of people away from God and His kingdom. The Catholic hierarchy at all times has discouraged the people from reading the Bible, telling them that only the clergy can understand the Bible. That is another scheme of Satan to keep the people in the dark, because he is the prince of darkness and the enemy of God and attempts to turn all persons away from God.

It is the will of God that men should learn the truth which is set forth in the Scriptures. Men who compose the Catholic hierarchy, and hence called "clergymen", have used that religious organization to enrich themselves by inducing the people to give them money to practice their religion. That is bad enough, but they have done the people even a greater injury by preventing them from learning the truth of God's Word. Soon God will greatly debase those men who have exalted themselves. Only the name of Jehovah God and Christ Jesus shall be exalted. The name and glory of men shall perish and the name of Jehovah shall endure for ever. Don't be misled by giving honor and praise to men; but, as the Scriptures declare, give Jehovah God the glory that is due His holy name, and thus put yourself in line for the blessings that He has in store for those that love and serve Him.

The great commandment God gave to man is, 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, soul and mind.' To obey that commandment man must devote himself to God and honor God. Did not He command the Israelites, 'Honor thy father and mother'? Yes, but the word "fa-

ther" in that scripture means Jehovah God, who is the great Life-giver, and the word "mother" means God's organization through which He gives life to His creatures. In harmony with this it is written, in Isaiah 54, that those who are given life are born of God's woman, that is, His

organization. Jehovah is the great Teacher, and He teaches all who become His sons. It is therefore an insult to God to address a clergyman by the title "father", because that is bestowing upon imperfect man the title of honor that belongs to Jehovah God.

[The foregoing talk is one of a series of thirty-six obtainable in the form of phonograph records which may be used on an ordinary phonograph. These talks are carried in *The Golden Age* by special arrangement

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Jehovah's witnesses

Paper Removal of Intolerance

THE widespread paper removal of intolerance continues, with plans to put it across in 500 American cities. Headlines give the paregoric passed out in the public press as follows: "Good Will Trio Gets Biggest Reception in Jacksonville; Tour Country to Bring About Better Understanding Between Religions and to Promote Peaceful Pursuits in Turbulent Times." (This was in Jacksonville, Fla., where the backers were the Chamber of Commerce and kindred organizations.) "Blow at Religious Intolerance; Aim of Second Brotherhood Day; All Faiths Unite in Battle Against Prejudices; Programme Planned in 500 or More Communities; Aim to End Discord; Work Against Hatreds; Prejudices Put Aside; Roosevelt Gives Support." "Creeds Unite for Program Here Sunday; City Churches Join in National Observance of Good-Will Day Sunday." "Forum Hears Pastors Plead for Toleration." "Clergymen of Three Creeds Break Bread; Religious History Written when Protestant, Catholic and Jewish Leaders Talk Over Tolerance Issue; Laymen Speak." "Rabbi, Minister and Priest Bring Plea of Co-operation to Fourth Good Will Meet; Protestant Cites Economic Justice, World Peace and Crime as Problems on Which All Creeds Can Join in Solving." "Leaders of Three Churches Speak Here for Religious Understanding." (This was at Nashville, and the Catholic speaker, Reverend Peter M. H. Wynthoven, of Louisiana, is the same that compelled a radio station in his own state to discontinue broadcasting the addresses of Judge Rutherford.) And so it goes on down the line, a humbug from beginning to end, in-

tended to keep the people from learning the truth about the Devil's organization and about God's kingdom as the one and only hope of the world. These clergymen are ready to tear one another limb from limb, but, badly as they hate and fear one another, they hate and fear Judge Rutherford and Jehovah's witnesses in general much more, and are willing to do anything in reason or out of reason to put an end to the proclamation of the truth and to the proclaimers themselves.

Anthony Kubitsky of West Hazleton

BURGESS ANTHONY KUBITSKY, of West Hazleton, Pa., religious affiliations not known, but guessed, has issued a statement to the effect that any persons desiring to distribute religious literature, for any purpose whatsoever, will hereafter "have to secure the recommendation and identification of West Hazleton clergymen of their own faith, either Protestant, or Catholic, before they will be allowed to start". That is rich. What Mr. Kubitsky, perhaps recently from Poland, wishes to say is that if Jesus Christ and the twelve apostles came to West Hazleton, Pa., in view of the fact that none of them were members of any of the sects now in West Hazleton, they could not do a thing about publishing the truth in that burg, not a thing, because the West Hazleton clergymen, Protestant and Catholic, having no acquaintance with either Christ or His apostles, would withhold the necessary passport. It is to laugh—at Mr. Kubitsky. He still thinks, no doubt, that he is in Poland.

Laughing at the Chattanooga News

WHEN some editors start to write one wonders how their parents ever contrived to get them into ordinary clothing when it is so manifest that their level is that of the four-footed equine with the long ears and the reverberating bray of the *Equus asinus*. Thus the editor of the *Chattanooga News* writes a column and a half on the subject "The End of the World" and begins it with this statement: "We happened to listen to one Judge Rutherford, who peddles religious books over the radio and who specializes in throwing the fear of eternal damnation in the minds of the superstitious. Judge Rutherford predicts the world will come to an end before very long." Probably every one of the readers of the *Chattanooga News* knows perfectly well that Judge Rutherford says not one word over the radio or in his books about the damnation that occupies the mind of the editor of the *News*, and which damnation is there only because said editor is so terribly superstitious and uninformed. Judge Rutherford makes no effort to reach those steeped in bigotry and superstition, as the editor of the *News* manifestly is steeped, but seeks the intelligent who are willing to use their brains, and who can see, as any sensible man can see, and as the editor of the *News* cannot see, that the doctrine of eternal torture, which he no doubt professes to believe, has not a leg to stand upon and is worthy only of the contempt it now generally receives from the intelligent. On February 24, 1918, Judge Rutherford gave his famous lecture, "The World Has Ended; Millions Now Living Will Never Die." The editor of the *Chattanooga News* is either an old man who has lost his grip or a young one who never had it.

"Three Faiths in Brotherhood"

THE headlines in the papers carefully conceal the outrages to Jehovah's witnesses in New Jersey and in various other places, including Germany. They make no mention of repeated arrests and imprisonment for no offense except obedience to the Scriptures, which command the preaching of the gospel from house to house. But the papers have much to say of the three faiths that are now in brotherhood, i.e., Protestant, Catholic and Jewish, and tell about the religious liberty, human freedom, deep abiding faith in men and faith in God, alleged to

characterize them. This faith, it may be said, has the ears of the Democratic jackass, the nose of the Republican elephant, the eyes of the owl, the teeth of the lion, the flippers of the whale, the wings of the ostrich, the belly of the great fish that swallowed Jonah, and the tail of the Berkshire pig. All four of its feet are different; none of its knees are alike; the legs all point in different directions. None can tell whether it is walking, crawling, swimming or flying. Its voice is a cross between the plaintive moo of the brindle cow, the roar of the lion and the bray of the mule, and it has the heavens. Part of it is covered with hide, part is covered with feathers, and part is covered with scales. Its appetite is enormous. It will swallow anything. Its breath is enough to give anybody the blind staggers. Its eyes are crossed, and, for fear that they would be of any use, they are hidden under the ears. The creature is spavined, sickly, and lousy. Useless now, it will die soon and the odor will drive humanity into the next county. Its horns have been broken off, and in their place is the triple crown so familiar to all cartoonists. It would fain rule all humanity, but cannot get away with it.

Is There Then No Hope?

IN A circular letter Reverend George W. Kerlin, pastor of the Toulminville (Ala.) Methodist Episcopal church, South, says: "The hope of our nation and of the world lies in a united Christendom. Our president has stated positively that America's recovery waits upon her spiritual recovery. Your strength is needed in the organization founded to establish the kingdom of God on earth." Well, there is no hope of a united "Christendom". So-called "Christians" the world over are getting ready to blow one another up and gas one another and shoot one another full of holes in a grander, more glorious, more complete way than ever before. And as for sects, what about that item from Hamburg, Germany, that in that one city, in that wretched and unhappy land, in the last ten years more than 200 sects have sprung into existence that were not known prior thereto. And even in the happy days displaced, there were about 200 even then. There is only one thing on which "Christendom" is united, and that is in hatred of the pure truth and the messengers of that truth, Jehovah's witnesses.

THE greatly anticipated day when Judge Rutherford would arrive in Honolulu came at last. Jehovah's witnesses and those associated with them began to assemble early in the morning, and many anxious inquiries were made at the pilot's office concerning the delayed arrival of the steamer, which had been caused by headwinds. A large quantity of leis had been specially prepared of fragrant, beautiful flowers. These were sent down the bay on the cutter, to be presented to Judge Rutherford, with the love and greetings of all the publishers of the Kingdom message in Hawaii, and other parts of these seas. Newspaper reporters and photographers interviewed Judge Rutherford, taking many pictures which later appeared in the local papers. While this was his first visit, Judge Rutherford is well known here through his radio lectures, and by the great number of his books which are in the hands of the people in all languages.

When the steamer docked all the friends went aboard to extend their alohas to Judge Rutherford, and to present more leis until there wasn't room for another one around his neck. Surely it was a great day for Honolulu.

It was desired that everyone on this island should be reached with a personal invitation, informing them that Judge Rutherford would address a public assembly on April 14 at McKinley High School auditorium, Honolulu, on the topic "WHO SHALL RULE THE WORLD?" Pioneers and other publishers had come in from other islands, and even from Australia, to help in the work. Not alone the city of Honolulu, but all the outlying parts of the island, including sugar and pineapple camps, were covered with printed invitations. Large window display cards were placed in the windows of stores and business places all over the island. Also 100 copies of a full-page newspaper advertisement of the public assembly were pasted on store windows. For the week preceding the lecture, parades of autos on which large banners and signs were displayed were held daily. A trailer equipped with sound equipment and plenty of signs led the parades. A number of tire cover signs telling of the public address were placed on cars and trucks. Daily announcements were made over one of the local radio stations, inviting the people to the assembly. A great deal of interest was aroused. Of course, the Devil tried to get in his licks, but all he could do was stir up the weather.

It had been fine and sunny until Judge Rutherford reached here, and then it immediately turned quite windy and overcast, and remained that way much of the time. Just at the time when people would be starting for the auditorium, on Sunday afternoon, it began to rain a regular downpour which lasted just long enough to keep some from coming. However, the Devil failed in his purpose; for over 1400 people were at the auditorium and heard the lecture, and thousands of others heard it in their homes over station KGMB, which broadcast the address. In that way the residents on the other islands were enabled to hear the lecture.

The audience was a noticeably intelligent one representing many nationalities, including Americans, Japanese, Chinese, Koreans, Filipinos, as well as some others. A large delegation of "gentlemen of the cloth" were there with collars on backfront and with black and even red shirts. Some of these left rather hurriedly before the address was over, when it got rather hot for them. Great interest was manifest by the audience, and nearly all jumped to their feet and enthusiastically voted "Aye" at the conclusion. As they left the auditorium 591 booklets containing printed copies of the address and of others by Judge Rutherford were placed with them.

But this was only a part of the witness given that day by Judge Rutherford, for that evening he spoke by invitation in the largest and oldest Hawaiian church, Kawaiahao church. The invitation was extended by the pastor and the chairman of religious activities in behalf of the board of deacons and members of the church, as the copy herewith shows.

The written invitation was followed by urgent verbal ones. Upon his reaching Kawaiahao church, a real Hawaiian aloha and greeting was extended to Judge Rutherford by the officers of the church, and then all joined in the Lord's prayer. In honor of the occasion the Hawaiian people arranged a special song service; and how they did sing! No written music was used, even though many varied and complicated parts were sung. Each group or choir was led by a different leader, who seemed to exercise absolute control by movements of the hands and eyes. The voices were very strong, but indescribably sweet-sounding, even to the deep bass of the Hawaiian men. No musical accompaniment of piano or organ was needed. In fact, it couldn't

have been heard if it had been played. It was singing that was singing, and sung to praise the Lord.

(The Invitation)

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Wm. Kamau, Pastor

Pastor's office

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April 13, 1935

Judge Joseph F. Rutherford,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

DEAR SIR:

Please accept the aloha nui loa and greetings of the members of my church.

Having learned that you have come to Hawaii Nei to preach the Gospel of our Heavenly Father, and because of your reputation throughout the world as a public speaker, may I, on behalf of the members of this church, the "Westminster Abbey" of Hawaii, extend to you an invitation to speak in our church on Sunday night, April 14th, at 7:30 o'clock.

I know that we, the Hawaiian people, will appreciate your acceptance to preach in this historical church.

May we also have the pleasure of your presence at our get-together meeting at 7:30 o'clock, before the hour of service, so that we may have an opportunity of exchanging greetings in a true Hawaiian atmosphere of aloha?

May God bless you, is the prayer of,

Yours very sincerely,

[Signed] REV. WILLIAM KAMAU
Pastor, Kawaiahao Church

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[Signed] JAMES H. HAKUOLE
Chairman Religious Activities

Judge Rutherford fed them from the Lord's Word; and when he finished, the chairman gave a résumé in Hawaiian for the benefit of those who could not understand English. There were many signs of assent and interest. Those privileged to be present will not soon forget the occasion. The desire of these people to hear Jehovah's message was opposed by the Board of Missions which controls most of the churches here, but no heed was paid to their protests, and the invitation was made despite the efforts of the Board of Missions to prevent it. The members of the Hawaiian church asked for bread, and for once they received bread and not a

stone. Usually they insist that all services in their church be in the Hawaiian tongue. They intended it as a very great compliment to Judge Rutherford in inviting him to speak in their church, and the blessing of the Lord attended the service.

The observance of the Memorial took place on the following Wednesday, and it was a rich blessing to have Judge Rutherford to conduct the service. It was indeed a joyful and inspiring event for those present, many of whom were participating for the first time. Many other grand meetings were led by Judge Rutherford during his stay. While here Judge Rutherford, in the Lord's providence, made many extensive provisions for the giving of a far greater witness in this place to the name and honor of Jehovah. All the publishers here are surely convinced that the Lord sent him here, and hope this was but the first of many such visits. The witness accomplished by Judge Rutherford's visit and public addresses was far more than ordinarily would be by years of witnessing in the usual manner. When the steamer for the mainland was about to leave, many more leis of flowers were given to Judge Rutherford with heartfelt mahala nui for all he had done in behalf of the Lord's work here.

It had been hoped there would be time for Judge Rutherford to enjoy some Hawaiian scenes and food, but his time was so fully occupied in the Lord's service that this was not possible. All were sorry to see him go, but did their best to give him a happy send-off, looking forward to an early return.

Two Notes from France

I am writing these few lines to tell you that I had the blessing to receive your little books when your messenger called here. I am just delighted, as, for a very long time, I had been seeking after the Truth!

—MME VVE. D., *Seine et Oise*.

I am sure it is God's hand that put me in touch with your work, of which I was ignorant until now. About a fortnight ago, in the hospital where I am at present, a fellow sufferer asked me if I would write a letter for him ordering some booklets on the gospel, handing me over your booklet *The Kingdom*. With joy I acquiesced, not only for him, but for myself! Since last Saturday my thoughts keep turning back to your Christian tower as if to a magnetic center of attraction, for what I read at once appealed to my spiritual and ideal conception.—P. C. D., *Aveyron*.

IT SEEMS fair to conclude that our present economic misery is due to our having been "educated" by newspapers that received more revenue from printing advertisements than they did from printing intelligence. When we were in dire need of intelligence they overdosed us with advertising.

Thanks to the use of radio, however, public opinion is now far in advance of editorial opinion, and this lead will keep increasing as long as publications are handicapped with their drag-anchors of advertising revenue.

An exception can be made in the matter of public opinion of advertising, which is 200 or more years behind the editorial opinion of conscientious journalists. In the early part of the eighteenth century editors and publishers were very proud of their professional honor, and they guarded it with as much zeal as the present-day publisher guards the profits of his corporation.

In those days commercial advertisements were not considered the proper business of papers of intelligence, and so the advertisements were used as rear-end material to be printed after the news items, or segregated entirely from the news by being printed in a supplement.

Of course, this editorial opinion prevailed in the earlier days of journalism, long before the days when newspapers became a by-product of advertising, and long before the days of Barnum, Barton, Ballyhoo and Hokum, and long before the Ivy Lee type of clever publicity was used to manufacture public opinion for private profit.

It was in September, 1710, that *The Tattler* printed what is probably the outstanding editorial classic of all times regarding advertising. It was both an editorial and the publisher's statement of policy. It is an indication of what public opinion, looking backward into the future, will be when the present generation gets to know its newspapers and its periodicals better. The editorial (quoted from *The Tattler*, of September 14, 1710) follows:

It is my custom, in the dearth of news, to entertain myself with those collections of Advertisements that appear at the end of the public prints. Advertisements are of great value to the vulgar. First of all they are instruments of ambition. A man that is by no means big enough for the Gazette may easily creep into the advertisements.

A second use which this sort of writings has been turned to of late years has been the management of controversy. . . . The inventors of Strops for Razors

have been writing against one another in this way for several years.

The third and last use of these writings (advertisements) is to inform the World where they may be furnished with almost anything that is necessary for Life. If a man has Pains in his Head, Cholic in his Bowels, or spots on his clothes, he may here meet with the proper Cures or Remedies.

If a Man would recover a Wife or a Horse that is stolen or strayed; if he wants new Sermons, electuaries, Asses' Milk, or anything else, either for his body or for his Mind, this is the place to look for them in. (End of editorial.)

Again, looking backward, into the future, it seems that journalistic history and public opinion will repeat, because we find Dr. Johnson, in *The Idler* for January 20, 1758, expressing this opinion:

"Advertisements are now so numerous that they are very negligently perused, and it is therefore become necessary to gain attention by magnificence of promise and by eloquence sometimes sublime and sometimes pathetic. Promise, large promise, is the soul of an advertisement. I remember a washball that had a quality so truly wonderful that it gave 'an exquisite edge to the razor'. The trade of advertising is now so near to perfection that it is not easy to propose any improvements."

How does advertising in 1934 differ from that of 1758? Has not history repeated itself with a vengeance, and then some?

Is it any wonder that our big advertisers have to employ "public relations" experts to keep public opinion favorable? and is it any wonder that newspapers and periodicals could increase profits by keeping their readers ignorant and gullible and easy prey for the wiles of the tricky advertisers?

Will not public opinion, looking back to 1855, accept the soundness of the logic which Emerson recorded in his diary of that year in these words:

"I trust a good deal to common fame, as we all must. If a man has good corn, or wood, or board, or pigs to sell, or can make better chairs or knives or church organs than anyone else, you will find a broad, hard-beaten road to his house, be it in the woods."

What a difference since 1855! Present-day manufacturers and merchants advertise their own fame. Their products may not be the best, nor their prices bargains, but they can advertise that they are, and the editors will keep their secrets. It was a good game while it lasted. Insull and the rank and file of speculators of all sorts can testify to that.

However, public opinion is no longer so easily opiated by advertising superlatives, and the paid publicists are finding it harder and harder to manufacture public opinion, and the public, becoming informed, will soon say to the editors and publishers, "We are looking backward, gentlemen, into the future, and you will have to mend your ways."

Advertising, which was long considered a necessary fertilizer for the fields of business, has been spread on too thick in an effort to produce larger harvests of profits, and the public is

beginning to notice the odor, and insist on a much needed sanitation.

Journalism will doubtless return to its virtuous duty: that of distributing intelligence. Newspapers will then be divided into two classes: those that carry advertising and those that do not. In the former, the advertisements will probably be put where they rightfully belong: at the end of the news, or in a supplement, instead of being scattered everywhere in the paper except on page one, with the news items being used as "fillers" for the space not sold to the advertisers.

Mordants and Alums *By W. M. Evans, M.P.S. (England)*

REFERRING to Mr. Barber's article in *The Golden Age* of February 27, I was greatly interested in his remarks concerning "athlete's foot".

I will endeavor to give an explanation of the causes of this complaint to the best of my knowledge. Today there is an immense quantity of artificial silk in everyday use, which in the majority of cases is dyed in bright colors. What is artificial silk?

It is the product of cellulose, which is the main constituent of the cell walls of plants which forms the skeleton of vegetable tissues. In a pure state cellulose is best known as cotton, wool, linen, and paper. Cotton and linen differ from each other in the structure of the fibers, which consist in one case of cylindrical tubes, but chemically identical.

Cotton when nitrated and treated with alcohol and ether produces collodion. When this solvent is evaporated it leaves a transparent film of great tenacity.

Upon addition of dilute sulphuric acid to the above and the passing of it through a very fine aperture into water, it at once coagulates and forms a fine transparent thread of great toughness. These threads may be wound on a reel and twisted to produce a silky fiber, which is denitrated by means of ammonia sulphide to render it nonexplosive.

A second method is to treat cellulose with a mixture of carbon bisulphide and caustic alkali. The viscid transparent liquid is squeezed through a fine aperture and subsequently rendered insoluble.

This product is artificial silk.

In the dyeing process some dyes require a mordant, that is, something to fix or hold the coloring matter in the fibers of the material, while there are a small number of dyes which do not require the mordant. The most valuable mordants are the salts of aluminum, particularly alum, sodium aluminate, and aluminum hydroxide.

This hydroxide has the property of uniting with many soluble organic coloring matters, and precipitates them from solution, as lakes. Upon this property depends the use of aluminum salts as mordants.

Today the compound alum is largely used, on account of its purity, in preference to the ordinary aluminum sulphate.

It is clear that the material which is being dyed contains a mass of mordant in a very fine state of subdivision in an anhydrous condition.

Alum in this condition has a great affinity for water, and immediately on coming in contact with any moist surface it slowly reacts, gradually absorbing water, and coagulating any albumen, acidic secretions are neutralized.

Perspiration is a secretion which occurs as free butyric acid (this is a fatty acid which is a component of butter, average about 10 percent); therefore definite action takes place between this acid and the aluminum salt, forming a new type of salt, which in turn acts as a caustic, producing redness, inflammation, and finally a painful blister.

As there is a continual attraction between the aluminum salt and the moisture inside the cells,

this is very marked in the delicate parts, as there is less resistance than there would be where the cell walls are thickened (as in the case of the finger tips). Trouble may also be caused if the dye enters a broken-down cell.

Aluminum salts taken internally react in a similar manner, the salts having contaminated any food prepared in aluminum utensils. These salts are slowly absorbed and have an accumulative action; therefore consumers possessing a strong constitution are able to take their daily dose for some considerable time before the limit is reached and the poisonous symptoms begin to show themselves, while, on the other hand, a consumer with a weak constitution shows signs of poisoning very rapidly. Another interesting fact is that even after the daily dose ceases the pains and ill effects continue for a considerable time, as aluminum salts are very slowly eliminated from the system and with great difficulty. Very rarely is it the case that two persons show the same symptoms while dosing themselves with aluminum salts.

There are many alums in use today, as follows:

1. Alum, or potash aluminum sulphate.
2. Ammonia alum—ammonia and aluminum sulphate.
3. Potash chromium alum, or potash and chromium sulphate.

There are a large number of alums of the other metals in existence, but very rarely used. The most common are alum and ammonia alum.

The alums are a class of compounds which are the double salts of the sulphates of two bases or metals, the most important being the double sulphate of aluminum and potash known as alum.

The first two of the above-mentioned alums each contain aluminum as one of its constituents; but the third one, potash chromium alum, is one which does not contain any aluminum, chromium taking its place; yet, although aluminum is absent, it is a duplicate in many respects, and, in fact, far more dangerous if taken internally. Let me give a word of warning that if at any future date chromium is used as a metal for the production of cooking utensils it will, in my opinion, be disastrous to use them, as compounds of chromium are highly poisonous, far more than aluminum.

I strongly condemn copper, aluminum, and, if we get them, chromium vessels.

Chromium metal until recently was a great curiosity, but is now obtained very easily from its crude oxide by the aid of aluminum and also by means of electricity.

The two metals are very closely allied to each other.

American Elm Trees Doomed

AMERICAN elm trees, the glory of New England, are doomed. The Dutch elm disease imported about four years ago has now gained such headway that it is doubtful if it can be stopped. It is claimed that 50,000 trees in the zone around New York are infected and have become hosts for the disease. The New York city park department is doing what it can to stay the plague.

Wild Dogs in Washington, D.C.

ONE can hardly credit it, but the Washington *Herald* has a half-column article about packs of wild dogs that live in the environs of the capital city and are known, on occasion, to have foraged in the heart of Washington. They are believed to be descendants from animals which infested the Mall before the Civil War.

Flies in Oil and Pepper

IT IS claimed that 15,000 new kinds of insects are found every year. One of the latest discoveries is that of a fly which lives without harmful effects in oil, and preys on other insects that fall into it. Another is an insect which spends its entire existence from birth to death in pepper.

Solar Hot Water Heaters

SOLAR hot water heaters are coming into use in Arizona and California. The better types are so constructed as to bring water up to 280 degrees. Even the homemade varieties raise the heat to 120 to 180 degrees. Scientists have obtained temperatures in excess of 400 degrees.

Lake Iamonia Disappears Again

LAKE IAMONIA, 14 miles long, located in Florida, near the state capital, has the habit of disappearing periodically, through an underground outlet, and leaving immense quantities of fish behind. It went dry in 1917, and again in 1934.

New News About Nicotine By Oran Raber

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Here are the true facts about nicotine. The bold, evasive advertising of cigar and cigarette manufacturers is a camouflage for the effects smoking really has upon you. The newest investigations are sure to surprise you.

WHAT the literary romancers *think* about "My Lady Nicotine" is often very different from what the scientific research workers—the physicians and the physiologists, not to mention the sociologists—*know* about her. Nicotine, like alcohol, is a deceiver; and its real effects upon the human system are not always what they seem to the casual observer.

It is interesting to note that cigars are much worse than cigarettes because (a) the tobacco of cigars is much purer, and (b) the substances mixed with cigarette tobacco lessen the amount of nicotine in the smoke. Cigar smoke contains more than twice the nicotine content of smoke compared with the same amount of tobacco in cigarettes, and pipe smoking is still worse. Dr. W. W. Henick stated in October, 1929, that *angina pectoris*, i.e., neuralgia of the heart, was more common among pipe smokers than among other users of tobacco.

Just exactly what the nicotine does to the body is still a subject of much research and discussion among physiologists. The human organism is such a complex mechanism that it is extremely difficult to put one's finger on the exact part of the machinery that is influenced.

Many of the more general effects were indicated by Rydan, who found that nicotine first stimulates the movement of the intestine and then later depresses it. Mulinos found that when 1.5 to 15 milligrams of nicotine were injected into the veins, motion of the intestinal muscles ceased completely. Gasser and Dale also found that the muscles of mammals were paralyzed by nicotine and made insensible to stimuli. The Polish student Dobryanski showed that the epithelial cells lining the esophagus and trachea which control the cilia that keep the passages to the lungs and stomach free from objectionable germs, dust, etc., are also paralyzed under the influence of nicotine.

In an experiment on rats, Field proved that every one after breathing the tobacco was more active for a short interval; but later activity decreased. This means that the animals were "more nervous"; and it was found that the excited rats weighed less at the end of the experiment than rats given uncontaminated air.

Rydan also found that nicotine increased the blood pressure of subjects experimented upon.

Adrenalin is a very powerful heart stimulant, and Tournade and Chabrol showed that nicotine stimulates the production of this drug, so that many workers thought this was the reason for the increased blood pressure. But Rydan showed that this could not be the entire cause, since the blood pressure is increased by nicotine even when the glands secreting the adrenalin have been removed. Adrenalin tends to annul the feeling of fatigue and to accelerate the recovery of tired muscles, but this action is hindered by nicotine. Thus nicotine not only causes muscles to behave as though they were fatigued, but also prevents the adrenalin from remedying the situation. The action of nicotine on the heart and blood vessels is seen to be a very complex one. Frommel showed that nicotine increased the excitability of the heart; and Hendriksson found that when administered to rabbits, tobacco smoke decreased their pulse, raised their blood pressure, and decidedly increased the work of their hearts. Tournade and his associates performed an interesting operation on two dogs in what is called a cross-circulation experiment. The blood streams of the two animals were united; one of the dogs was then chloroformed and the other was given a small dose of nicotine. The blood pressure of the chloroformed dog rose very abruptly, and then fell to almost zero, owing to the syncope or temporary heart failure of the animal.

Professor Henderson at Yale shows that the heart of an athlete must have a slow, steady stroke; and the extra demands made upon it cannot be met by increasing the beat instead of the stroke-volume. Tobacco tends to increase the beat or pulse rate, so that the heart makes a lot of small strokes instead of a few, slow, strong strokes with high volume output which the work of an athlete requires.

What Nicotine Does to Diabetics

Nicotine also causes an increase in blood sugar both in normal subjects and in diabetics, and since this is the very thing diabetics wish to avoid, the folly of their use of tobacco is self-evident. Nicotine also has been found to decrease the alkaline reserve of the blood of dogs, men and women, owing to the production of acid intermediary by-products while the system is reacting to the toxic alkaloid.

That nicotine really is toxic to organisms was shown by two investigators. They tested the effect of smoking upon the bacteria in the mouth of the smoker and found that smoking a cigarette reduced the bacteria removable by rinsing the mouth about forty percent. At the end of an hour the effect had disappeared. This means that the sterilizing action of tobacco smoke is genuine but temporary so far as the mouth of the smoker is concerned. Unfortunately, what damages the cells of the bacteria also hurts the cells of the smoker.

In small doses nicotine excites respiration, but in larger amounts respiration is hindered. Nicotine is even more powerful than strychnine in producing *apnoea*, or restricted respiration. Nicotine has long been known to decrease the appetite, but it also hinders digestion. It distinctly hinders the digestion of proteins by the digestive enzymes of the intestinal tract and inhibits the starch-digesting power of pancreatic juice.

The Japanese investigator, Fukuye, reports that nicotine injected under the skin or into the veins of cats caused disturbances in their hearing apparatus. Bruni showed that tobacco smoke caused a decrease in the protective action given the body by the scavengers of the blood; i.e., the white corpuscles. These guardians of the body were less efficient after smoking, due to a direct toxic action of nicotine upon these "policemen" of the blood stream.

Can a Smoking Mother Poison Her Child?

A question arises as to whether a smoking mother may poison a nursing or unborn child. Hatcher and Crosby found that nicotine does pass into the milk of an animal containing nicotine in its blood; and a trace of nicotine was detected in the milk of a mother who smoked. Furthermore, nicotine was found to suppress milk secretion for several hours in the case of cows and cats, and there is no reason to believe that it has a different effect upon the human species. The baby of a smoking mother may, therefore, be injured in two ways: in the first place, it will not get so much milk, and in the second place, what it does receive will be slightly poisoned with nicotine.

The various effects upon the heart and other organs produced by tobacco are probably not all due to nicotine. Tobacco smoke contains several other injurious substances, about ten

percent of which are absorbed by the smoker. For instance, arsenic is present in numerous brands of smoking and plug tobacco, varying from six to thirty parts per million. These are many times the amounts permitted in foods.

The above citations have all referred to the physical effects of tobacco. As to its mental effects, it has been shown rather conclusively that smokers are poorer students than non-smokers. But these examples are sufficient to indicate the type of work now being done in laboratories all over the civilized world—work which shows that nicotine is a poison in every sense of the word. One may reply that "a little poison is a harmless thing" or that "a little poison now and then is relished by the strongest men". Very well, if after knowing that a thing is poison, you still persist in taking it, that is an affair for the sociologist and not for the physiologist and pharmacologist. We are merely putting the skull and crossbones on the bottle. Whether you still wish to take it, you must decide.

Good Health

Case of Albinism at Dayton

DAYTON, Ohio, at its National Soldiers' Home, has an unusually well developed case of what is called albinism, i.e., of a black man's losing the pigment of his skin and becoming white. In this instance the man, James Smith, is 77 years of age, and has slowly been turning white since he was a youth. He still has two small brown spots on his face, but otherwise has lost all resemblance of a colored man.

No Such Thing as Pure Vaccine

IN THE very nature of things there is no such thing and can be no such thing as pure vaccine. If the claim is made that a vaccine is pure, and the question is asked, Pure what? there is no answer. Twenty days after he was vaccinated with lymph imported from Switzerland William Alfred Carter, of Camberwell, England, died of encephalitis.

Treatment of Sprains

SPRAINS are successfully treated by exposing the injured part to infrared rays three-fourths of an hour, twice a day, and ultraviolet rays for two to five minutes once a day; so says an English physician who has used these treatments in 100 cases.

Wine—Its Manufacture and Use Unscriptural?

WINE is a beverage or liquor made from the juice of grapes and allowed to ferment. The alcoholic content thereof produces intoxication when used to excess. There could be no wine without fermentation, and fermentation is the result of a natural law which the great Creator God made. *Yah-yin* is the Hebrew word most frequently translated "wine" in the sacred Scriptures from Genesis to Malachi's prophecy. The word is a derivative of the Hebrew verb meaning "to effervesce". In 83 cases out of 138 times used the Hebrew word *yah-yin* certainly means fermented grape juice, and in the remainder of cases it may fairly be presumed to do so. In four cases only is it really doubtful. *Ti-rosh* is the Hebrew word next most frequently used, and is translated "new wine" or "sweet wine". Its derivation from the root meaning "to seize, occupy, possess" was evidently because the new or sweet wine was particularly intoxicating and hence *seized* the drinker's brain.

In Genesis, the ninth chapter, it is recorded that Noah planted a vineyard, gathered the grapes that grew therein, and made wine (*yah-yin*) from them and became intoxicated. To say that Noah did that because he was ignorant of the natural law of fermentation would be foolish. The record shows that he planted the vineyard with full knowledge that wine by fermentation would result; otherwise why did he press out the juice from the grapes and wait for it to ferment before he drank it? Had he desired only the grape juice he would have pressed out the juice and drunk it immediately. The great flood, which had occurred some years before, had nothing to do with the operation of fermentation, as has been improperly claimed. God was not displeased with Noah and did not, like modern prohibitionists, subject him to a fine, imprisonment or other punishment for making and possessing wine; but long thereafter God gave to Noah the very highest commendation, at Ezekiel 14:14. In the eleventh chapter of Paul's letter to the Hebrews again Noah is specifically commended for his faithfulness and devotion to God, and it is plainly stated that he had God's full approval. Notwithstanding this, Noah has been repeatedly denounced by the Anti-Saloon League and the clergy.

Later Abraham, who had performed a great and good act of faithfulness to God, was met by the king of Salem, Melchizedek, the priest of the Most High God, and was served with wine (*yah-*

yin) by God's priest and received God's blessing. The record of this is in Genesis 14:18, 19. During prohibition enforcement the clergy would incarcerate both Abraham and Melchizedek in prison for so doing.

God anointed Aaron, the brother of Moses, to serve in the office of high priest of Israel and to serve in the tabernacle built for the worship of Jehovah God. In Leviticus 10:9 He commanded Aaron not to drink wine (*yah-yin*) or strong drink (*sheh-khahr*, an intensely alcoholic "liquor", an "intoxicant"), when? "When ye go into the tabernacle." But when the service in the tabernacle was done he might drink it. The Lord did not prohibit him from manufacturing or having it in possession. Even those who were specially consecrated to God were told that they could drink wine (*yah-yin*) at certain times.—See Numbers 6:20.

In giving instruction to the Israelites concerning their offerings at the tabernacle God used these words, in Numbers 28:7: "In the holy place shalt thou cause the strong wine [*sheh-khahr*] to be poured unto the Lord for a drink offering." No one would question that the Lord approved this, because He commanded it.

In Psalm 104 the prophet is praising God for His abundant provisions for His creatures, and among other good and blessed things thus provided by the Lord he names these: "He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man, that he may bring forth food out of the earth; and wine [*yah-yin*] that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart." (Psalm 104:14, 15) Instead of prohibiting the making, possession and use of wine, God himself provided it for His people.

It cannot be successfully argued that these scriptures, because of being taken from the ancient Hebrew Scriptures, no longer apply. The entire Bible was written for the instruction of men in righteousness, and the Hebrew Scriptures and the later gospel and apostolic writings are in full accord with each other. It is written in 2 Timothy 3:16: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." Jesus and the apostles quoted frequently from the Hebrew Scriptures and showed that such announce God's rule as applying to all His creatures.

The words and acts of Jesus are recorded in the inspired writings of His apostles and followers. He performed miracles for the purpose of establishing the faith of the people in Him as the Messiah sent from God. Would it be at all reasonable that in the performance of miracles for this purpose Jesus would use anything in connection therewith that God had prohibited or that was at all displeasing to God? Certainly not; because He repeatedly stated that He came to do, not His own will, but the will of His Father who sent Him. (John 5:30; 6:38) Therefore what Jesus did had the full approval of God His Father.

The first miracle that Jesus performed was that of making wine (*oi-nos*, the Greek equivalent for *yah-yin*). The record thereof is found in John 2:1-11. He was present at a marriage feast at which all the guests were drinking wine which the bridegroom had provided. The supply on hand was exhausted. Being called upon to do something for the guests in the way of supplying wine Jesus then and there performed His first great miracle by making wine from water. The divine record shows that it was even better than the other wine. Some of the prohibitionist clergymen, not being able to answer these plain statements of God's approval upon the making of wine, have had the temerity to tell the people that the wine Jesus there made on that occasion was merely unfermented grape juice. The clergy expect the people to believe their statement because they claim that no one else can teach the Scriptures aside from them. In proof that it was genuine, *fermented* wine, the record plainly reads: "The governor of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine [*oi-nos*] until now." No man would say that about unfermented grape juice. He did not know that Jesus had made this wine, but he did know it was the best wine; and that proves it was not merely plain grape juice.

The Pharisees who composed the clergy when Jesus was on earth, and whom Jesus denounced as hypocrites, accused Jesus of being a winebibber (*oi-no-po-tes*). (Matthew 11:19) Manifestly they did this because Jesus indulged in the moderate use of fermented wine. Had He been drinking plain grape juice they would have said nothing about it. Had God purposed that the making, possession and use of wine should

be prohibited, Jesus certainly would not have drunk any of it whatsoever. He kept God's law in every particular.

The Pharisees accused Jesus of wrongdoing because He ate and drank with the poor or common people. They were not drinking unfermented grape juice, but were evidently drinking good wine, which represented good cheer, and this they were doing because Jesus was with them and they were glad. To illustrate the *happiness* of the occasion, Jesus spoke in response to the Pharisees' accusation and used these words: "And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish. But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved. No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new; for he saith, The old is better." (Luke 5:37-39) Who ever heard of unfermented grape juice's causing skin bottles to burst? The clergy will have to find some other arguments; for these scriptures show that God does not prohibit the making, possession or use of intoxicating wine or strong drink, but that, on the contrary, He approves the making, possession and *moderate* use thereof.

Use—at Memorial

Just before the death of Jesus He instituted the Memorial of His death by the breaking of bread and by producing wine and inviting His disciples to drink of it. Luke's account (22:14-20) reads: "And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves: for I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you." If fermented wine were displeasing to God, then Jesus would not have used it on that occasion.

God's law concerning the passover and the seven-day feast of unleavened bread which followed specified: "Ye shall eat nothing leavened

[*khaw-mates*]; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread [*mats-tsaw*]." (Exodus 12:20) "Unleavened bread [*mats-tsaw*] shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread [*khaw-mates*] be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven [*seh-ore*] seen with thee in all thy quarters." (Exodus 13:7) If this prohibition against leavened bread at Passover had been meant by Jehovah God to apply also to fermented wine, then most certainly Jesus would not have permitted it at the table nor have handed the cup of it around to His disciples while celebrating the passover nor used it immediately thereafter as an emblem of His shed blood. Also all other faithful Jews would have had to dump their stocks of fermented wine or otherwise have gotten rid of it from their premises before passover night, if the command, "Neither shall there be leaven [*seh-ore*] seen with thee in all thy quarters," included wine in its application.

There is no mention of wine in connection with the passover in the Pentateuch (the first five books of Moses, or Genesis to Deuteronomy); but the Jewish legal code apart from the Bible strictly enjoins that there should never be less than four cups of it provided at the paschal meal even of the poorest Israelite. (*Pesach*. X,1) The wine was usually red, and it was mixed with water as it was drunk. The cups were handed round in succession at specified intervals during the meal. Two of them appear to be distinctly mentioned in Luke's account of Jesus' last supper with His disciples before His death. The wine drunk at the meal was not restricted to the four cups, but none could be drunk during the interval between the third and fourth cups.

According to the Jewish canons: "Nothing is prohibited on the Feast of Passover because of leaven except the five kinds of corn, viz., wheat, barley, spelt, oats, and rye. Leguminous plants, such as rice, millet, beans, lentils, and the like, in these there is no leaven; and although the meal of rice or the like is kneaded with hot water and covered with cloths till it rises like leavened dough, yet it may be eaten, for this is not leaven, but putrefaction. Even the five kinds of corn, if simply kneaded with the liquor of fruit, without water, are not accounted leaven. Though the dough thus made stands a whole day and rises, yet it may be eaten, because the liquor of fruit does not engender fermentation,

but acidity. The fruit-liquor, oil, wine, milk, honey, olive-oil, the juice of apples, of pomegranates, and the like, but no water, is to be in it, because any admixture of water, however small, produces fermentation."—*Maimonides*.

Neither is the service of praise sung at the Passover mentioned in the original passover law given to Moses. It consisted of the series of Psalms from 113 to 118. The first portion, comprising Psalms 113-114, was sung in the early part of the meal, and the second part after the fourth cup of wine. This is supposed to have been the "hymn" sung by our Lord and His apostles.—Matthew 26:30; Mark 14:26, *margin*.

Leaven

In Hebrew two distinct words are found, both translated "leaven" in the *King James* or *Common Version* Bible. This is not the best for the understanding, for there is the same distinction between *seh-ore* and *khaw-mates*, in the Hebrew, as between "leaven" and "ferment" in the English. Chemically speaking, the "ferment" or "yeast" is the same substance in either case; but "leaven" is more correctly applied to solids, as bread dough, and "ferment" is applied both to liquids and to solids. *Seh-ore* ("leaven") occurs only five times in the Scriptures, in four times of which it is translated "leaven" (Exodus 12:15, 19; 13:7; Leviticus 2:11), and in the fifth, "leavened bread." (Deuteronomy 16:4) It seems to have denoted originally the remnant of dough left on the preceding baking, which had fermented and turned acid; hence its distinctive meaning is "fermented" or "leavened mass". *Khaw-mates* ought not to be translated "leaven", but "ferment". It is a more general term than the former, and is spoken of both liquids (as wine) and solids. But leavened bread and wine (fermented grape juice) were not classified together. Note: Leviticus 2:11 commands: "No meat [meal] offering, which ye shall bring unto the Lord, shall be made with leaven [*khaw-mates*]: for ye shall burn no leaven [*seh-ore*] nor any honey [which has leavening force], in any offering of the Lord made by fire." But Leviticus 10:9 and Numbers 28:6, 7, 14 read: "Do not drink wine [*yah-yin*] nor strong drink [*sheh-khahr*] . . . when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die." "It is . . . a sacrifice made by fire unto the Lord. And the drink offering thereof shall be the fourth part of an hin for one lamb: in the holy place shalt thou cause the strong wine [*sheh-khahr*] to be poured

unto the Lord for a drink offering. . . . Their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine [*yah-yin*] unto a bullock, and the third part of an hin unto a ram, and a fourth part of an hin unto a lamb: this is the burnt offering of every month throughout the months of the year."

Jesus commanded that His followers should continue to perform the Memorial of His death once each year until the coming of His kingdom. The fact that the Lord used wine ("the fruit of the vine") on this occasion is conclusive proof that its making, possession and use has the approval of God.

Moderation

God made the grapes and the wine therefrom for men and purposed that men should use it in moderation and for their own good; and that being true, no body of men has the right in the name of God to prohibit the possession or use thereof. The Bible defines the qualifications of those who should be ordained to serve in the church of Christ, and, among other things, it states that such shall not be given to "much wine" (*oinos*). (Titus 2:3; 1 Timothy 3:3-8) Manifestly this is proof that it is pleasing to the Lord for them to make and possess and use it in moderation. This instruction is given to one of God's servants: "Use a little wine [*oinos*] for thy stomach's sake." (1 Timothy 5:23) The law of God does not advise men to use wine to excess and become drunk; but, on the contrary, it is written, in Philippians 4:5: "Let your moderation be known unto all men."

There has been a great amount of sorrow and suffering amongst men by reason of the excessive use of wine and strong drink. It is also true that there has been even greater suffering from other excesses. The improper and excessive eating of food doubtless has killed more people than excessive drink. The Word of God especially denounces a glutton, but it does not prohibit the people from eating in moderation. Likewise God's Word denounces the excessive use of wine or strong drink to the point of drunkenness, but it does not prohibit the manufacture, possession or use of wine.

Thus the use of wine is authorized by the Scriptures, but the use thereof must be in moderation. Manifestly it is proper to use wine in moderation, otherwise the Lord would not have caused to be recorded, with His approval, the use thereof. There is a wide distinction between

the moderate use of wine and "filthiness of the flesh and spirit". (2 Corinthians 7:1) Moderation in all things is the proper and Scriptural course. (Philippians 4:5) An immoderate eater is a glutton. A drunkard and a glutton are placed in the same class, and both are disapproved by the Lord. (Proverbs 23:21; Deuteronomy 21:20) Let it be repeated that the Scriptural admonition is to take "a little wine for thy stomach's sake". (1 Timothy 5:23) But 'do not be given to too much wine'. (1 Timothy 3:8) If one finds that he cannot take a moderate amount of wine for his well-being, then he should avoid it altogether. If it works injury to himself or to any other person, then it should not be used.

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, . . . *drunkenness*, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." (Galatians 5:19-21) "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, . . . nor *drunkards*, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the spirit of our God."—1 Corinthians 6:9-11.

In harmony with what is here said it is written: "Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh: for the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty; and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." (Proverbs 23:20, 21) Manifestly Jesus used wine and ate food, and that furnished an excuse for the Pharisees to charge Him with being a glutton and a winebibber and a friend of publicans and sinners. Concerning this matter Jesus himself said: "The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children." (Matthew 11:19) Of course, the Pharisees *falsely* charged Him with excesses, because Jesus always does right. Of His joy, flashing forth from His eyes, at the privilege of vindicating His heavenly Father's name, it is prophetically written (Genesis 49:11, 12): "He washed his garments in wine [*yah-yin*], and his clothes in the blood of grapes: his eyes shall be red with wine"; not bloodshot and inflamed as with drunkenness, but, as the *Roth-*

erham translation renders it, "darker his eyes than wine"; or, another translation, "brilliant," "darkly flashing his eyes with wine."—*Strong; McC. & S.*

Furthermore it is written: "Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright." (Proverbs 23: 31) According to *Rotherham* this text reads: "Do not look on wine when it becometh red, when it giveth in the cup its sparkle; glideth down smoothly." Some have insisted that this text means that no one should even look at wine; but that is an unreasonable construction of the scripture. Wine made from certain grapes is red at all times and does not change its color. When a man has imbibed wine to excess he begins to see "red". What this text, then, really means is, as stated in modern phrase: Do not look on wine to use it when you see red, that is, when everything looks red to you. When it looks red to you and slides down easily, then it is time to let it alone; you have had enough or too much.

When any publisher of the message of Jehovah's kingdom by Christ Jesus is engaged in the service of the Lord, strong drink in any form should be avoided. God gave commandment to

those who served in the priests' office in these words: "Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die; it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations; and that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean." (Leviticus 10: 9, 10) The clear inference here is that it was not improper to drink moderately when not serving in the tabernacle. At feasts the Israelites were commanded to bring certain offerings unto the Lord, "and the drink offering thereof shall be of wine [*yah-yin*]." (Leviticus 23: 13) When one is engaged in the Lord's active service he should avoid wine and other intoxicating drinks. That is not the proper time for such things. "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit." (Ephesians 5: 14-18) We are in the evil day. A strict observance of the Lord's commands and rule of His kingdom is now necessary for those who will have His approval.

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