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"What Is Fascism?"

By David Wilkie (Great Britain)

(In Three Parts-Part 2)

THERE are only two persons in Germany "privileged" to call themselves "Leader". One is Hitler, and the other is Baldur von Shirach, the leader of the Nazi Youth Movement. Both Hitler and Shirach are Roman Catholics. Goebbels, Roman Catholic, the min-

ister of propaganda, the prime molder of Germany's mind, was educated by the Jesuits. In 1923, when Hitler's revolt in Bavaria failed, Goering fled to Rome. Later, in 1931, Goering was sent to Rome as Hitler's envoy to the pope and Mussolini: "a mission," says the German author of Why Nazi? (a Nazi sympathizer), "which was highly important for the further progress of the National Socialist movement."

In Mein Kampf Hitler says: "After all, the only infallible touchstone for distinguishing right action from wrong is: visible success." This makes Al Capone a saint until he was pinched. This is the Jesuitical "code" of morality upon which Nazism, and Hitler's philosophy,

is based. This somewhat prepares one for the following observation by one of Hitler's semi-admirers, An Eyewitness in Germany, page 78: "Adolf Hitler has with profound insight made use of the Roman propaganda's many centuries of experience, and National Socialism's whole organization betrays the papal hierarchy as its model."

Hitler is a Roman Catholic, like every other European 'dictator'—the late Pilsudski, Mussolini, and Dollfuss. He acquired his anti-Semitism, so he says himself, from Lueger, a burgomaster of Vienna, a well-known anti-Semite preacher, and a "devout" Roman Catholic. In the story of the actual intrigues that made Hitler the chancellor of Germany there lies the

truth about Nazism.

JESUIT CONTROL OF THE WORLD —BY FASCISM

It is difficult to popularize a tyranny, and, as everybody knows, the Roman Catholic hierarchy is the most perfect example of tyranny the world has known.

The job of the Jesuits is to make it seem desirable, even necessary, that the government of mankind should be turned over to the Roman hierarchy.

The curiously interesting methods by which men are persuaded to put their worst enemies in control of their destinies are set forth in this article.

The writer of the article, a university man of high standing, conceals his identity under a nom de plume. He is one of the few men who, having inside knowledge, dares tell the truth.

Every reader of The Golden Age will be fascinated, but more than fascinated; for he will be instructed as to just how the Devil is working his game.

The article takes down the screens and lets the honest reader see just how the Jesuits are planning world control by Fascism, and how they are succeeding.

If liberty is lost, all is lost; and liberty is lost wherever the Jesuits succeed in forcing a dictator upon the people. This the people sagely suspect.

Made Chancellor by Papal Intrigue

Hitler became chancellor of Germany, and later "constitutional" dictator, purely and wholly by papist intrigue. Hitler was not made chancellor by popular vote or voice. He was called to the chancellorship by Hindenburg after von Papen had persuaded Hindenburg to dismiss Schleicher. This is well known. What is to be noted is that von Papen, like Hitler, is a Roman Catholic.

It is amazing how this has been forgotten in the rush of events since. Nazism rules in Germany today, thanks to von Papen. Democracy has been trampled on, the Jews beaten, Karl Ernst, Strasser,

and Schleicher murdered, thanks to von Papen, the Vatican's 'lay nuncio' at Berlin.

As a matter of fact, von Papen, so-called "Nationalist", and not Hitler, was Germany's first Nazi dictator! Von Papen was chancellor before Schleicher. He, too, was "invited" to the chancellorship by Paul Hindenburg, without either parliamentary or public support.

Yet this von Papen, whose party had won only 10 percent of the votes at the election, while he

was chancellor in June, 1932, summarily "dismissed" and "forcibly removed" the Prussian cabinet led by the Labor ministers Braun and Severing, who had held office for ten years as heads of an efficient administration. This, a year before Hitler became chancellor, was the commencement of Nazism in Germany.

Bruening was connected with the Catholic trade union movement. To use Walton Newbold's words, he was "always cajoling the Social Democrats, more particularly their trade unions". Elsewhere Newbold refers to "the Catholics of the German Centrum and their allies, the Social Democrats". These quotations are from Newbold's book Democracy, Debts, and Disarmament. The papist chancellors Wirth, Marx, Bruening, and von Papen prepared Germany for Hitler; and the Social Democrats, stupidly enough, made themselves the "allies" of the Roman Catholic Centre Party whose vote later on made Hitler the "constitutional" dictator of Germany!

After being elevated to the chancellery, Hitler held a general election. He wanted to win two-thirds of the seats in the German Parliament in order to enable him to abolish it "constitutionally", to vote itself out of existence.

The "Election"

Hitler obtained permission from Hindenburg to dissolve Parliament and to hold the election, but on condition that whatever the result the composition of the government was not to be changed!

Can you beat that? Hitler was taking a chance to get supreme power, but he was not risking the loss of the power he already had!

No sooner had the "election" started than Goering got to work. He had newspapers suppressed for publishing a report that stock exchange prices had slumped. He prohibited the entire Social-Democrat (e.g., Labor) press from publishing a Social-Democrat manifesto!

At this stage Goebbels was appointed to the newly created post of minister of propaganda. This gave Hitler control of broadcasting and cinemas, and of the press, through a system of censorship which Goebbels introduced.

Then six days before the date fixed for the election the Reichstag went up in flames. Does any common-sense person doubt for a moment that it was set on fire by Goering? The effect of the fire was stupendous; and Goering, Goebbels, and Hitler made the most of it. The Com-

munists were accused of setting the Reichstag on fire, and the Socialists with "complicity". Van der Lubbe was said to have confessed his crime and association with both Communists and Socialists.

On the strength of this imbecile's "confession" the official press agency announced throughout the length and breadth of Germany: "Through this confession the united Communist-Socialist front has become a palpable fact." In the course of investigation it was stated several weeks afterwards that the Socialists had been entirely cleared from the charge of conspiracy in the crime.

Labor Press Squelched

On the strength of the fire scare, the entire Labor press, consisting of more than two hundred daily newspapers, was suppressed until further notice. During the last few days of the election Nazi speakers stumped the country accusing the "Marxists" of being murderers and incendiaries. Murderers? It is only non-murderous Nazis who coin words, or names, like "The Night of the Long Knife". Hitler stood forth as the "bulwark" against those "Reds" who had dared to put a match to Germany's citadel of Democracy, the Reichstag.

Still Hitler doubted the result. He wanted, understand, not merely a majority, but a twothirds majority, the majority necessary for the temporary elimination of Parliament. Again Goering came to the rescue. Under cover of suppressing the "Red" danger, Goering obtained from Hindenburg a presidential decree which enabled him to establish an iron rule, first over Prussia, and then gradually to the other German states. Germany was put under "martial" Nazi law. Large internment camps were formed, and Communists, Socialists, Liberals, true Nationalists, intellectuals, state officials, etc., anybody and everybody suspected of anti-Nazism who could influence public opinion by pen, speech, or position, were thrown into them. The Labor branches throughout the country were kept in a riot of disorder by a series of raids carried out by Nazis who were practically free from official interference.

In spite of all this force, suppression, quackery, jailing, and raiding, Hitler did not receive an absolute majority. Out of 647 seats, he obtained only 288. Compared with the previous elections of November 6, 1932, the Nazis had gained 38 seats, the Nationalists 1, the Roman

Catholic Centre Party 4; the Socialists had lost 1 seat, and the Communists had lost 19. The Government Parties (e.g., Nationalists, 52, "Other Government Parties" 9, and Nazis 288) held a total of 349 out of 647 seats. What Hitler had wanted was a two-thirds majority to enable him "constitutionally" to eliminate Parliament. He failed to get this two-thirds majority. What happened next?

The Reichstag met in the Kroll Opera House: Hitler introduced an "Empowering Bill" giving the Government complete and absolute power to rule without Parliamentary control. And the Roman Catholic Centre Party voted in favor of it! This gave Hitler his necessary "two-thirds" majority.

Hitler became chancellor, thanks to the papist von Papen; and he became the "constitutional" dictator of Germany, thanks to the papist Centre Party.

The Murders of June 30

Hitler's next task was to remove from office in the party every sincere Nazi who could by his position or prestige influence policy, and who was not prepared to sell Germany, or betray it, to the general of the Jesuits. This was accomplished on June 30, when about 100 Brownshirt officers were massacred (by Blackshirts), and also a number of non-Nazi patriots were dealt with, such as General Duesterberg and General von Schleicher.

General Duesterberg, former deputy chief of the Steel Helmets, the German ex-Servicemen's Association, was arrested on the night of June 30. (It was the practice of the Inquisition to make its arrests at nighttime.) He was first taken to Dachau concentration camp, and then to Colombia-Haus, Berlin. He was released on August 2, and said after his release: "I have not been shot, but I am a living corpse" (see Manchester Guardian, August 30, 1934).

June 30 and the Austrian Debacle

Note the following facts:

- (a) Nazi "disorders" broke out in Austria just a few days before the murders took place.
- (b) The murders happened a few days after Hitler's return from Venice, where he had been discussing Austria with Mussolini.
- (c) Among those murdered was Herr Rudolf Mai, former leader of the Nazi Storm Troopers (Brownshirts) in Upper Austria; also it was reported in the press that "many

leading members of the Austrian Nazi Legion in Germany are said to be missing since the Hitler 'purge' started on Saturday".

Put two and two together now, and you have the truth about the "Second Revolution". The crime of Roehm, Heines, Ernst, Mai, etc., was that they believed in the Anschluss. They had preached it for years with Hitler: to them the "Third Reich" was the Anschluss.

If Roehm, Heines, Heydebreck, Ernst, and Mai, etc., had been living when the swastika went up in Vienna, they would have led the Brownshirts and the Austrian Nazi Legion in Germany into Austria. Mussolini's meant nothing to them. They believed in 'Germany First' and the Anschluss. Of course, this would have upset the whole "Black" (Popish) plot and the alliance of Germany and Italy.

Leaders Bumped Off

This was one of Hitler's main planks: the union of Austria with Germany. But this did not suit Mussolini, a power in the "Black International"; so, at Venice, Hitler agreed to give up the Anchluss idea, and instead to help Mussolini to "preserve" the "independence" of Austria. In other words, they would share Austria between them; but no Anschluss, because power might change hands in Germany. Knowing that this would create trouble in the Brownshirt ranks when it became known, Hitler "bumped" the Brownshirt leaders off before they had time to organize resistance.

It is surely perfectly obvious that these Brownshirt leaders were not expecting trouble. Roehm made the Brownshirt army. He was its organizer No. 1. Heines was a Ross-bach man, a leading Nazi terrorist. Men of this sort don't wait to be slaughtered. They had met trouble before; but then they knew that it was coming to them. They weren't killed for anything they had done, but for what it was expected they might do when they learned of Hitler's "treason".

To General Daleuge was given the task of "cleaning up" the entire Nazi Brown Army after the June executions. He stated afterwards that "several thousand" leaders and men had been removed or subjected to disciplinary action. Then in the next breath we were told by Hitler that Captain Roehm had "no following". Then why were those "several thousand" cashiered or removed? The "purge" reached out over the whole of the Brownshirt organization. It

altered its character completely. It left Popery in possession of "Nazism" and "on top" in Germany. Blackshirtism, Popish Fascism, rules Germany; Brownshirtism, or "true" Nazism, is finished.

The murder of General von Schleicher had nothing to do with the other murders. He was murdered, and his wife also, because dead men (and women) tell no tales. He knew the whole intrigue that made Hitler chancellor; he was regarded as the chief menace to the popish plot to rule Germany under the name of "Nazism". As stated by "Artego" in *The Referee* (Britain), July 8:

"In his conversations with Schleicher (when Roehm and Schleicher were conspiring to remove Bruening from the chancellorship) Rochm revealed to him certain secrets about the internal affairs of the National Socialist Party and about its leader. Altho' Schleicher did not speak about those things confided to him, he allowed others to see that he was in possession of knowledge about the Nazi party and about Hitler the publication of which would have put Hitler in an unbearable position and ended his political career."

The Pope Behind the Scenes

Broadcasting to Britishers on July 3, a Mr. Crossman, an eyewitness of the scenes during the Hitler murders, said that whenever he had spoken to the German people, from Munich to Berlin, *all*, without exception, told him the same thing, i.e., that "the pope was behind the whole of the trouble".

To bear witness that the Nazi party was on the wane when the conspiracy which made Hitler chancellor took place, listen to the following accounts of eyewitnesses, a Russian social democrat, a biographer of Nazism, and a French Marxian Communist.

Kerensky, the famous Russian politician, and anti-Communist, says, page 321 of his book about Russia, *The Crucifixion of Liberty:*

I was in Germany myself in December 1932, during the chancellorship of General von Schleicher. The Nazi influence was then plainly on the decline. In order to beat them finally it was only necessary to push the new chancellor's experiment to its conclusion; in his internal policy he had the support of the central elements of every class in Germany . . . Instead of doing everything to support Schleicher, however, Hugenberg and von Papen turned to Hitler and almost pushed him into power.

The (anonymous) German author of Why Nazi? says, pages 23, 89:

The intrigue which overthrew General von Schlei-

cher and installed Hitler in his stead had been contrived, not by him, but by other forces . . . His (Hitler's) movement had undoubtedly begun to decline and was showing signs of internal disunion. Baron von Papen, whose mediation had brought about the change of Government, was (made) vice-chancellor . . . He publicly described the Hitler experiment as a detour leading eventually to the 'authoritative State' which was his ideal.

Lost Two Million Votes

Henri Ernst, the author of *Hitler over Europe*, says, pages 12, 13:

At the end of 1932 it (Nazi party) lost 2 million votes and the Strasser group announced its secession. In January 1933 Schleicher was on the point of hitting the Hitler movement on the head and putting it under his own command . . . In the middle of January a secret meeting was held between Hitler and von Papen at Cologne . . . the news of the meeting got into the papers a few days later . . . At this meeting Hitler came to an agreement with von Papen. In this way the sudden fall of Schleicher and the sensational nomination of Hitler came about.

This, from three sources, is the story briefly of how Nazism got into power. Hitler was not made chancellor as the result of a popular demand. Germany was not in wreck and ruin. He was not carried to the highest administrative post in the Reich on a swell of popularity for Nazism.

In his Merttens lecture, 1934, "The Roots of Violence," Mr. S. K. Ratcliffe said, with perfect truthfulness:

"The German people are profoundly anti-revolutionary. During the eight years marked at the end by her admission to the League of Nations, Germany had rebuilt her industries and her civic life, had overcome to a great extent the destructive influences in the national character, and by persistence in the policy of treaty fulfillment (afterwards so bitterly repudiated) had regained in great degree her international standing."

There wasn't an earthly chance of a Communist revolt. Nazism was a declining force. The German public had rejected the idea of violence. After thirteen years of turmoil, tolerance had triumphed, Germany was becoming Nationalist, progressive, and more thoroughly, and sensibly, democratic. Schleicher "was on the point of hitting the Nazi movement on the head".

Germany "Saved" for the Jesuits

The Jesuits saw Germany, and their vision of the "Holy Roman (Catholic) Empire", slipping from their claws. "Down with Democracy! Down with Tolerance! Up Murder! Up Dictatorship!" Papen and Hitler "saved" Germany for the Jesuits, just as Mussolini "saved" Italy for the "Holy Church".

"Fascism" (meaning "Nazism" too), wrote Ludendorff in his book The Coming War. "is a fighting instrument of the pope." "Fascism is the offspring of the Jesuits." "The ways of the Church of Rome and Fascism are identical." "The Papacy and Fascism are inseparably united: together they constitute what is called 'Rome'." "What astonishes me is that the fact should have been overlooked that national socialism of the Fascist type merely means collectivism of the Romish brand"

Thanks to the Jesuits, the old "Holy Roman (Catholic) Empire" has virtually been revived in Central Europe. Thanks to the Dominicans (the "Inquisitor-General" is always a Dominican), the "Universal Inquisition", known by the name of "Gestapo" in Germany and "Ovra" in Italy (i.e., the secret police), once more rules over Poland, Germany, Austria, Hungary, and the Italian Peninsula. But it won't be for long. (To be continued)

Social and Labor Items

Millionaires Broke in Los Angeles

NE man in Los Angeles, worth \$6,000,000 before the 1929 crash, has applied for a position as teacher. Another, once worth over \$1,000,000, is receiving \$33 monthly to go to school and learn a trade; he declares his intention of fighting his way back to independence. In one trade school are several persons each of whom had once accumulated over \$150,000.

Most American Factories Are Idle

MOST American factories are idle; 10,000,000 factory workers have no jobs. The Department of Agriculture has made studies that show that if these idle men had been busy for the past five years they could have provided a new \$5,000 house for every family in the country, or have scrapped the whole American railway system and rebuilt it five times over.

"Civilization" Spreading in Africa

IVILIZATION is spreading rapidly in Africa. The native does what he sees the white man do. The white man knows how to make whisky and get dead drunk; so the native has learned how to make it, and he gets drunk, too. The white man, when he leaves school, often celebrates; the black man, when he leaves school, is initiated in the saloon. The white man imbibes freely on festive occasions, such as weddings. When the black man has a wedding all hands get as drunk as possible. A returned missionary stated that at Sierra Leone a half-breed wanted to sell him a book of Irish Sweepstake tickets. As fast as the whites can do it they are bringing the blacks down to their own level.

Eguptian Labor Methods in California

T T PTON SINCLAIR'S Epic News contains Dictures of gangs of men hitched to plows, harrows and cultivators in lieu of horses or tractors. The men were working on SERA project No. 1, D4, 876, Long Beach Boulevard. Elsewhere in California college men have been employed as mules to plow and do other like work at \$1.50 per day.

Don't Be in a Hurry to Be Frozen

DON'T be in too big a hurry to be frozen, with the hope of being thawed out a century or a millennium from now, to see what the world is like. The dogs that had sodium citrate put into their blood, and were then frozen and subsequently thawed out, do not behave normally. One of them has never since been able to stand or walk unassisted.

Improvements in Nazareth

IMPROVEMENTS are being made in Nazareth. The market has been divided into three parts: fruits and vegetables are sold in one place, livestock in another, fuel and lime in another. Elements of sanitation are being introduced. Municipal licenses are being required for dogs. Signboards are being restricted.

"This Yere Is Sakrid"

∧ N ITEM in the Morris Island (N. C.) Swamp A Angel states that a tombstone near San Diego, Calif., reads as follows: "This yere is sakrid to the memory of William Skaraken, who caim to his deth by bein shot by Colt's revolver, one of the old kind, brass mountid, and of sutch is the kingdom of heavin."

Abuse of the Insane

WRITER in the Washington Herald, who A had a period of incarceration in a hospital for the insane, tells of having witnessed hundreds of chokings and beatings in one of Uncle Sam's havens for war veterans. According to his tale the favorite method of choking is with a towel wrapped around the neck and twisted. When a patient is to be pummeled in the stomach towels are wrapped around the pummeler's fists, to save his knuckles, and also to make the pummelings resemble bruises received through falls. When a patient offends an attendant he is given the ice pack, by the doctor's orders, and the anonymous writer says: "I've seen men who fought in mud all over France without flinching sob like a baby in a cold pack." Bitterly, this man says: "Yes, I've been a patient in the most violent ward of a 700-patient hospital. Ninety percent of the violence I saw there was among the attendants, not the patients. I talked to many of the patients who had been in other hospitals, state institutions and private sanitariums. They all agreed that there is less brutality in the veterans hospitals. If that is true, I shudder to think what goes on in state institutions. I saw one man thrown by two attendants as you would throw a bag of grain. The fall broke his pelvis bone. Three days later he died of 'pneumonia'. The two attendants are still on the job, or were over a year after it happened. . . . Because I have been a patient in a mental hospital I cannot secure employment of any kind. My wife must earn our living. . . . Where are the sob sisters? Where are all those great humanitarians? Why not laws to protect the inmates of asylums from the brutality of angry attendants?"

Impatience of Youth

EVERY year there are about 60,000 marriages in New York city, but every year there are about 5,000 divorces among these young people, and in only ten percent of the cases is the divorce contested. Youth is impatient, and often selfish. Of course, nobody can make anything out of a thoroughly selfish man or woman, but love can go a long way, and patience can go farther still to make the marriage yoke at least endurable. Every year more than 100,000 children are affected by the divorces granted in this country. These are the real sufferers, and everything endurable should be undergone on their account.

Bleeding the Public by Charity Lies

IN VARIOUS parts of the country concerns have built up large businesses by bargains made with charitable institutions, on this wise: For the use of the name, a small (a very small) percentage goes to the charity, while almost all goes to the promoters of the swindle. Thus a benefit show for a Los Angeles relief association received 4c out of every dollar taken in, clerks got 30c, and the charity swindlers received 66c. A milk fund swindle in Philadelphia spent \$862 for free milk out of a total of \$22,000 taken in.

Papa Spanked Theodore

A T Camden, N. J., Theodore Emicie, 18, pleaded guilty to stealing an automobile to take his girl for a ride. The order of the court was that papa should spank Theodore, which he immediately proceeded to do. And now all the world that has been spanked is left to wonder about the details. Was the best girl there? Was Theodore just spanked on the cloth, or, horrors! was it the kind of spankings that mother used to make?

Sane Locked Up with the Insane

EPIC NEWS, reporting the rescue of Mrs. Blanche Ashley from an insane asylum, where she had been landed by two of her children, cites Harry Lutgens, director of state institutions, at Sacramento, Calif., as declaring that more than half of those confined in California state hospitals are sane. This is a great note; still Mooney is yet in prison in the same State.

Alberta's Health Insurance Scheme

THE province of Alberta, Canada, will try health insurance. Each head of a family will pay \$2.01 per month; seems like a large amount. Some families do not have that much medical expense in a year, or ten years. Eyeglasses are extra, but everything else is provided in care of the sick.

The Central Kitchen Idea

THE central kitchen idea has been so developed in one district in Germany that in an area of a hundred blocks anyone living in the district may telephone to the central kitchen and have meals delivered at once, and hot. Standard containers carry the food through pneumatic tubes.

Finance and Transportation

Trinity Church Leans Toward Wall Street

THE discovery has been made that the tower of the Trinity church, New York city, leans eighteen inches toward Wall Street, at the head of which street it stands. This is peculiarly appropriate. Some years back, and perhaps even yet, the Trinity Church Corporation was known as the wealthiest church corporation in the world and the most heartless landlord. Owner of the greatest number of slums in New York city, and the very worst slums, it was almost impossible for its tenants to get needed repairs made, or the slums made sanitary.

No Tips on Chinese Dining Cars

TIPS are strictly forbidden on Chinese railway dining cars on the ground that waiters are only doing their duty and that duties should be performed without thought of individual reward or discrimination. It is hoped that, in time, this high standard of civilization may spread to Darkest America, where tipping barbarities and vulgarities still exist. To reduce the huge costs of Chinese weddings, mass weddings are now in quite general custom.

Overworked the Telegraph Company

IN ATTEMPTING to put the screws on Congress one of the public utility crowd at Warren, Pa., sent hundreds of fake telegrams from his city, signed by names selected at random from the city directory. His employers admit having expended \$700.000 to swerve Congress from the path which, had they had the courage to follow it, would have eliminated the public utility holding companies, with all the evils that go with them.

Electrical Power Direct from Sun

A LEERT G. Burns, president of the Congress of National Inventors, is authority for the statement that experiments now in progress show that the sun will shortly place 200 billion volts of electrical energy at man's disposal daily, making electrical energy dirt cheap, and doing away for ever with the necessity of coal mining or any other laborious work on the part of man.

Cable for Television

A NEW form of electrical cable, containing copper wires suspended in gas, will carry 200 telephone conversations, or the extremely rapid impulses necessary for television.

Fast Time from Portland

THE Union Pacific Railway Company's new streamlined train "City of Portland" made the trip from Portland, Oreg., to Chicago, 2,200 miles, in 39 hours 45 minutes, clipping 19 hours 15 minutes from the old running time. This is a great achievement, even though it may look small compared with that of the planes, which make the same trip in 14 hours 55 minutes.

Costs of Electricity Cut in Half

THE United States Geological Survey reports that in 1919 it required 3.2 pounds of coal to produce one kilowatt-hour of electricity, but within fifteen years thereafter the efficiency of steam plants had so increased that the fuel requirement was only 1.45 pounds per kwh.

Planes May Not Fly over White House

IT IS now illegal for airplanes to fly over the White House; and the law is a good law. Others than the president have been disturbed by planes flying in close proximity to their homes, and the president should be spared this.

Germany's New Highway System

GERMANY'S new 4000-mile highway system, of which 14 miles have been completed, is 80 feet wide, will take six years to construct, and involves a cost of \$750,000,000. The road is built to allow for speeds up to 140 miles an hour.

Contemplated Air Lines

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS, British, contemplates air services across Africa from Khartum to Nigeria and all British colonies along the Gold Coast; there will also be a line to Hong Kong, connecting with the London to Australia line at Bangkok, Siam.

Russian Woman Sea Captain

A RUSSIAN woman sea captain, Anna Ivanovna Satinina, 27 years of age, graduate of the naval school at Vladivostok, with the aid of a crew of 30, recently piloted her vessel 9,580 miles to Odessa, on the Black sea.

Russia Has 3,000 Planes

RUSSIA has 3,000 planes, 800 in the Far East; 800 more recently demonstrated at Moscow; there are 350 at Leningrad, 300 at Kiev, 170 at Kharkov, and 100 at Rostov-on-Don; there are squadrons at other points.

Sundry American Items

Two Aluminum Murders in Illinois

WOMAN of 55, the mother of five children, and a daughter of 29, are dead at Princeville, Ill., murdered by the Aluminum Trust. The story of the murder is just another one of the hundreds which have filtered through the news in the past several years. The mother and daughter ate freely of rhubarb, cooked in an aluminum kettle. The sad story, as published in the Peoria Journal, was as follows: "Witnesses told the jury that the rhubarb came from the Swanson garden, that it was picked Saturday morning and prepared in an aluminum kettle. At first it was thought some chemical action might have resulted from this cooking, but physicians said such was unlikely." The key to these murders is in the last six words of the statement just quoted. As long as the physicians stand by the Aluminum Trust, and stand by the Journal of the American Medical Association, and stand by each other, and stand against the truth on this subject, these entirely unnecessary slaughters will continue. The Golden Age does not expect to change the minds of these men; all it does is to tell the truth about it, and let each assume his own responsibility before God and man.

Ghosts Can Be Rented in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA is the only city in America where ghosts can be rented. It seems that in 1874 some 4,200 horses were sent to the glue factory, but their value is still listed in property valuations of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company. The taxpayers pay out, in interest charges, \$77,500 for the upkeep of these dead horses. Naturally, the horses being dead, the money must go somewhere, and so it goes to the live owner of the dead horses' ghosts, at the annual rate of just a shade less than \$18.48 per ghost. It is the expectation of the owners of the bonds that they will draw interest forever.

Not All Spent on War Equipment

THE \$10,000,000,000 of American money loaned abroad did not all go for war equipment; millions of it went for swimming pools, libraries, roads and schools in lands where the United States is hated because it loaned the money. American taxpayers in districts where there are no swimming pools or libraries or good roads or schools will be interested but not enthused to know that a fair share of their taxes goes to pay the interest on that money.

The Greatest Agricultural Experiment Station

THE greatest agricultural experiment station on earth is the United States Department of Agriculture. A few years ago it was urging farmers to expand, to invest in the most efficient and expensive machinery; now it wants three million of them to go back to subsistence farming, wooden shoes, tallow candles and cradles. The farmers have some reason for feeling sore. In the drought region, when benefit checks were given to them, they could not get out of the buildings where the checks were given them until they had paid their back taxes. And the news has got around that one hog raiser in California received a benefit check of \$400,000 for hogs he did not raise, and a Florida corporation got \$800,000 for sugar cane which it did not grow, and the plain dirt farmers who never see very much money wonder at the niggardliness toward the little fellow and the generosity toward the millionaire.

Forty Foreclosures a Week

THE Home Owners Loan Corporation, otherwise known as the HOLC, is now making forty foreclosures per week. The average man has nothing to gain from borrowing money from the government over borrowing from a local bank. In any event it is some bank that at the end holds the whip hand. The very fact that the government itself has to borrow money from the banks, and insists upon paying interest on it, shows that the banks are more powerful than the government and practically own the country. What was it President Lincoln said about this wonderful government of the bankers, for the bankers, and by the bankers?

Publicity Agents Employed by Administration

IN A radio address at Washington Senator Metcalf, of Rhode Island, declared that the government is employing publicity agents outside of the law, and paying them as much as \$10,000 a year to turn the tide of public opinion in favor of the "brain trusters" now in the governmental saddle.

President Against Constitution?

A LL Republicans and many Democrats are now insistent that Mr. Roosevelt is against the United States Constitution, and seeking its destruction, though as part of his oath of office he said that he would, to the best of his ability, preserve, protect and defend it.

Agriculture and Husbandry

Dog Sensed All Was Not Well

A T Kearny, N. J., two boys were arrested for scaling a fence and playing in a playground where they had no right to play. When the cops came and got them, and locked them up, they also locked up with them a little white fluffy-haired dog named Rex, and after that they could not get to the boys even to feed them; the dog barred the way. He seemed to sense that all was not well. At length, when the mother of one of the boys came, and the dog recognized her, he quieted down, and all left the jail and lived happy ever after.

Possibilities of Corncobs

THE corncob is listed as the source of 166 basic products including axle grease, binders for brushes, boot and shoe heels, buttons, car springs, car wheels, chair cushions, cigarette holders, dolls, door mats, filling for horse collars, fodder for bedding, hats, imitation amber, incense, linoleum, lumber substitutes, oilcloth, paint, phonograph records, printer's ink, printing plates, punk, radio equipment, roofing, shoehorns, sidewalks, tar, telephone receivers, varnish and washboards.

What Became of the \$8,355?

A FARMER at Waterloo, Saskatchewan, is a little peeved. In 1917 he borrowed \$6,000 on his farm. Since then he has paid \$8,355.96 on the bill, and now he still owes \$6,238.92. He wonders about this, and just what happened to his \$8,355.96, and why it is that the debt now, after eighteen years, is more than it was in the first place. Persons familiar with the Bible's denunciation of the interest system know the answer.

Hope of Resodding the Barren Plains

THERE is hope of resodding the barren plains, stripped of much of their soil by the dust storms. Buffalo grass, the native range grass of the plains country, would be used, and its seed is being threshed for that purpose.

Snakes Not So Fast

THE fastest snakes known in America are said to move at a slower pace than that of a man walking rapidly, while the rattlesnake, about which one hears so much, requires three hours to travel one mile.

Sea Gull Missed His Aim

SEA gulls have learned to carry clams aloft, drop them from a height upon something hard, and then come down and enjoy the clams' insides. A Babylon (L. I.) man claims that he found about two dozen around his doorstep one morning, but that the gulls missed their aim, and when the clams fell on the soft sand of his yard there was nothing doing in the free lunch line.

Cows, Mosquitoes and Malaria

RUSSIAN scientists claim that cows have 100 times as much attraction for mosquitoes as do humans, and the mosquito bites do not hurt the cows. They therefore urge that in malarial districts the cow barns be located between the swamps and the homes, the idea being that the mosquitoes will stop over permanently on the way.

Electrocution of Artichoke Worms

A CIRCULAR trap with a midnight blue light in the center and a web of live wires all around it lures millions of plume moths to their death in California artichoke fields, with the result that worminess in artichoke plants is reduced from 20 percent or 30 percent to 2 percent or 3 percent.

Mexican and Mediterranean Fruit Flies

THE discovery has been made that both the Mexican and the Mediterranean fruit flies and their larvae are killed when the fruit is subjected, for a few minutes, to a temperature of 112 degrees. This does not injure the fruit.

Plague of Ants in London

L ONDON has recently had the worst plague of flying ants that it has experienced in twenty-five years. At one time the sky was darkened, a tennis tournament was held up, and piles of them were brushed from the doorsteps.

Fishes See by Invisible Light

Dr. Beebe and his comrades in deep sea exploration have discovered that the fish living a half mile down in the ocean see by ultraviolet light, and that zinc ore fluoresces a quarter of a mile away.

Science and Invention

Advice to a Tobacco User

Estelle Lawton Lindsey, in the San Diego Tribune, advises a tobacco addict to avoid smoke and smokers for three weeks; after each meal rinse the mouth with a solution (‡ of 1 percent) of silver nitrate; when tobacco craving comes on, chew gentian root or camomile blossoms and swallow the juice; each morning for one week take a half teaspoonful of rochelle salt and cream of tartar; and in the first two weeks take four Turkish baths, three or four days apart.

What the Restricted Relief Diets Do

Dr. Walter R. Campbell, of the University of Toronto, says that the pinched relief diets cause tuberculosis, eye troubles, gastro-intestinal disturbances, rickets, mental inferiority, and many kinds of degeneracy, costing the people, in the end, billions for malformed, diseased and helpless persons' care, said persons being for ever thereafter unemployable. That is capitalism at its best.

The Great Rift of 1935

THE great rift of 1935 is along a line which includes Italy, Turkey, Irak, Baluchistan, Tibet, Formosa, Papua and New Zealand, and indicates a great uneasiness in the earth's crust hundreds of miles in width and extending nearly halfway around the world. The average annual loss of lives from earthquakes is 15,000, but in the year 1935 many times that number are dead.

AAA Program Gets Results

THE AAA program of plowing under American products is getting results. Several cargoes of Argentinian and Rumanian grain have been received at New Orleans and other ports. Each such cargo means that much cash for American banks that did not see how to get their money back until the scheme of destroying American products was invented.

Location of Foreign Bodies in the Eye

BY THE use of modified X rays a way has been found to locate foreign bodies in the eye. The eyelids are closed when the observations are made, it having been discovered that vision by means of the X rays can be had when the eyes are closed.

100,000,000 Pairs of Legs

A MERICANS have found that frogs' legs make good eating, and have gone after the frogs strong; so much so, in fact, that they eat 100,000,000 pairs of frogs' legs a year. The wholesalers get about 7c a pair. Probably the frog raisers get about half that. Here is a source of meat supply that is limitless; and the meat is good, too. If you don't believe it, try it.

Avalanche in Sight of New York

IF A fifty-ton rock falls from the Palisades into a roadway, is that an avalanche? Well, if that is an avalanche, then the New Jersey shore of the Hudson river, just across from the 125th Street (New York) ferry was the scene of an avalanche May 17, 1935. The big rock fell about fifty feet and tied up the highway for five hours. No one was injured.

Device for Disposing of Garbage

ENGINEERS of the General Electric Company have devised a grinder, weight 75 pounds, which grinds all the garbage and sends it down the sewer, and which may be attached to any kitchen sink. Thus all waste is disposed of, excepting only the bottles and cans.

Photographs Internal Organs of Body

A LOS ANGELES woman physician, Dr. Ruth B. Drown, has photographed the heart, kidneys, spleen and nerve ends of the cerebellum by means of a shortwave radio instead of a camera.

Substitute for Cotton

GERMAN and Japanese scientists, working separately, made the discovery at the same time that alpha-cellulose, the chief constituent of common straw, can be converted into a cotton substitute.

Moon "Turned into Blood"

MILLIONS of Americans watched with interest the moon in its longest total eclipse in 100 years, on the night of July 15. The refracted rays made the moon a rich copper color. The spectacle lasted $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Danes Destroy Animals Too

THE plan of making the nation rich by destroying its food is in full force in Denmark, where more than 300,000 meat animals were destroyed in 1933 and 1934.

Health Items

Washington Star Turns Over in Its Sleep

O N June 19 The Golden Age, in the same issue in which the Washington Star was exposed as a mere servant of the papacy, had the following skit:

Sleeping in the Raw

Those who make a practice in the summertime of sleeping nude, with only the summer covers when any covers at all are necessary, report the greatest comfort and ease in being able to turn freely in the bed, and there is a saving in sleeping garments also. Some robust persons sleep thus the year around, and this can be done, too, with the sheet tucked closely about the neck.

The skit was entirely original with The Golden Age, including the title. Seventy-five thousand copies of that issue were distributed in Washington by Jehovah's witnesses. At length they made some impression on the Evening Star; for after 57 days the following wheezed forth from that decadent organ, and it is a safe bet that it traces directly to the item above. But would the Evening Star admit that? Not on your life!

'Sleep Raw and Stay Beautiful,' Experts Admonish Fair Sex

CHICAGO—More than 6000 beauty specialists, putting beauty on a 24-hour shift, bade farewell today to the old-fashioned nightgown. A new creed of the fastidious female will be: "Sleep raw and stay beautiful." Miss Ruth D. Maurer, educational director of the American Cosmeticians' Association, said the body cannot breathe properly when covered. Miss Maurer, whose job keeps her on the jump thinking up new ideas, suggested that women sleep with the pillow under their feet instead of the head. "It's more comfortable and gives you more circulation," she explained.

In America the business of appropriating other people's ideas, and taking credit for them, has become one of the fine arts. What a joke is "glory"!

The Value of Lettuce

THE Vegetarian - Fruitarian - Humanitarian calls attention to the fact that lettuce contains over 6 percent of potassium, over 1 percent of sodium, over 2 percent of calcium, over 1 percent of magnesium, iron about ½ of 1 percent, phosphorus nearly 2 percent, sulphur less than ½ of 1 percent, silicon 1½ percent, and chlorine over 1 percent. It thus contains all the minerals present in spinach, without oxalic acid, which, for those inclined to have stones in the bladder, is not considered so good.

About Potatoes and Tomatoes

R. H. G. Burden, of Tennessee, tells about a man who for experimental purposes lived on potatoes and nothing else for a year and a half, adding only a little vegetable fat. He worked hard and kept well, and his weight, strength and appetite did not decrease during all that time. It does not take a very big space to grow a ton of potatoes in your spare time, and 1500 pounds will supply one man with his food requirements for an entire year, except a moderate amount of fat or butter. Much of the food value of potatoes is lost by peeling them or by pouring off the water in which they are boiled. Bake the potatoes and eat the skin as well as the meat. Water in which potatoes have been boiled should be used for soups or broths. Never throw it away. Of course, the potatoes should be cleaned well before being cooked or baked.

The tomato is one of the richest vitamin foods. It is sometimes called the poor man's orange. It contains more vitamins than oranges, especially vitamin A. This vitamin promotes growth, protects against infection, colds and sinus troubles. They are almost as good canned as when fresh. Put them up for use during the winter. Tomatoes do not cause rheumatism, as was once thought, and they are more highly alkaline than oranges in the effect on the blood, which is a desirable thing.

How to Get Eczema and Get Rid of It

RITING in the Arkansas Gazette, L. S. says she discovered that artificial silk undergarments caused the baby's skin to break out in pustules, but changing the type of clothing relieved the eczema. Ralph S. Green (pioneer), writing on this, says: "Clipping enclosed may be a verification of the conclusion arrived at by R. H. Barber regarding the effect of the alum in rayon socks upon his poisoned feet. My own experience with a pair of rayon hose recently may be explained also. Thousands of pimples broke out, beginning at the top of the hose and extending to the top of the foot. As for the "athlete's foot" disease, I had suffered with that for some time, but in the above case my legs were affected. These pimples disappeared upon changing to white cotton socks, and such I expect to continue to wear."

The Rape of Ethiopia

Italy Wants Ethiopia

ETHIOPIA has 350,000 square miles, with only 17,000,000 inhabitants. She has coal, iron, platinum, gold and oil, and can support millions more of people and millions more of livestock. She claims to be able to put 350,000 barefooted soldiers into the field in thirty days and to mobilize 900,000 troops, all together. It is still the law in Ethiopia to punish thieves by amputation of their hands. The war will start without mercy's being shown by either side. The Italians are morally certain to win it in a few weeks, but may get a great surprise. All the talk about the Italians' wanting to put an end to the Ethiopian slave trade is pure buncombe. Sir Samuel Hoare, British foreign secretary, said, in the House of Commons, "So far as my information goes, the Abyssinian government is doing its utmost to abolish the slave trade." All there is about the war is that Italy is determined to have Ethiopia so that she can have an outlet for her surplus population, and keep them Italians. It is a clear case of robbery and murder, and the League of Nations hypocrites will cheer the robber and murderer and make it easy for him, and will do nothing for the native who wants to retain control of his own country.

Who Gets Ethiopia

THE French and Italians fixed it up between them that Italy was to have Ethiopia, a country which in thirty days can put 350,000 men in the field and bad actors, too. But the Ethiopian ruler did the unexpected. He knew what was going on and invited in tens of thousands of Japanese, to build roads, factories and laboratories and open banks, and now the Italians will have to consider the Japs, and it is an embarrassing thing to consider. The Italians are enlisting Mohammedan Ethiopians to fight the so-called 'Christians' of Ethiopia, but the heathen Japanese constitute a serious difficulty to be overcome. Who will get Ethiopia remains to be seen.

Flame Throwers to Convert Ethiopians

TO HELP convert the Ethiopians to the Mussolini idea 100 Italian flame throwers have been sent to Ethiopia, with a fair chance that none of them will return alive. Flames can be thrown sixty-five feet, but if a bullet punctures the flame-throwing apparatus the whole thing blows up, man and all.

England Also Wants Ethiopia

TTALY has been giving popular demonstra-L tions of all known forms of bombs and poison gases. Ethiopia has laid in 1 ton of poison gas and 176 tons of munitions; which is nothing for a war with Italy. She has appointed an American professor of international law and a French professor of law to represent her at the preliminary peace conference; Italy is offended at this, for she had hoped to deal with Ethiopia direct. When the Italian troops began to pour into Africa the British hurried and, for \$1,500,000, bought the right to a large part of the watershed of northwestern Ethiopia, for use in the Sudan. And this preved the Italians, too. When Ethiopia found she could not buy munitions in France, Belgium, Denmark or Czechoslovakia, and that in some instances shipments already paid for were detained, the emperor said: "The Belgian government informed us this was to avoid the reproach of participation in the armament of the Ethiopian empire. Isn't it a worse reproach to facilitate the accomplishment of Italy's program of violation of treaties and coercion of a free people, weak in all resources except the justice of their cause? Is there one policy for the weak and another for the strong? The weak must be kept weak so that the strong may have no difficulty in destroying them."

International Murderers, Incorporated

INTERNATIONAL MURDERERS, INC.,
British Branch, did a wonderful business British Branch, did a wonderful business with Italy during June. The British government. that being one of its side lines, did not, of course. dare to raise any objections. But it is quite different with Ethiopia. The cabled "explanation" of why Ethiopia is denied the same privileges as were accorded Italy is as follows: "The British and French attitude is based on a special agreement among Britain, France, Italy and Ethiopia whereby Ethiopia agreed to limit the importation of arms except when it was 'strictly necessary'. The Ethiopians also agreed that any shipments of arms into their country could be stopped in the event of war." There you have it. Isn't that rich? The whole world knows that Italy is about to wipe Ethiopia off the map. Under those circumstances it is not 'strictly necessary' for Ethiopia to arm in self-defense, and when the war starts she cannot arm, because the murderers are conscientious objectors to supplying arms to a weak nation attacked by a strong one.

Something Else "Unveiled"

THE London Evening Standard has been running a series of articles entitled "Abysrunning a series of articles entitled "Abyssinia Unveiled". The articles have been highly insulting to Ethiopians (from whom the writer seems to have had hospitality and most generous treatment), and paint Ethiopia in the worst possible light. They have appeared under the name of "L. M. Nesbitt". But the Evening Standard has been careful to conceal that "L. M. Nesbitt" stands for Louis Mariano Nesbitt, and that Mr. Nesbitt is a half-Italian. So one could hardly expect his writings to paint Ethiopia in anything but the worst light! But why does a widely read paper like the Evening Standard print articles on Ethiopia from such an obviously biased journalist? Incidentally, the Evening Standard belongs to Lord Rothermere, who a short time ago was backing Sir Oswald Mosley, the British Fascist, in the Daily Mail. Rothermere must have an unfathomable (sic) sympathy for anti-Ethiopian and pro-Mosley (i.e., Fascist) articles. A few years ago Rothermere's son, Mr. Arthur Harmsworth, was a candidate for the throne of Roman Catholic Hungary. Mr. Louis Mariano Nesbitt is now no more, however; he was killed on July 20 in an air-crash on the Swiss-Italian frontier. He was on his way from Rome to London.

Selassie's Sons Educated in Ohio

THE sons of Haile Selassie, ruling monarch of Ethiopia, were educated at Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, where the three boys left an excellent impression by their good behavior, studiousness and ability. Prof. F. Ernest Work, department of history, Muskingum College, decorated by both Italy and Ethiopia, has pointed out that England and France promised Italy Ethiopia in 1915, as a reward for switching the Italian army from the Central Powers in the World War, and Mussolini is now insisting that the promise be made good.

The Ualual Boundary Dispute

THE Ualual (Walwal) boundary dispute between Italy and Ethiopia becomes a ghastly joke when one learns that even on the Italian maps themselves Ualual is shown as being on Ethiopian territory. Italy's pretense that she is seeking satisfaction for border trespasses is the most perfect hypocrisy imaginable.

Courtesies to Burglars

Benito Mussolini is what might be called "a Christian burglar". He is a Roman Cath-Christian burglar". He is a Roman Catholic and sufficiently attached to the papacy that he has ordered the crucifixes to remain in every schoolroom in the country. He is out to steal the land of Ethiopia, and has announced that the only thing that will prevent a war will be for the king, Haile Selassie, to ask Italy to assume an armed protectorate over the country. This brings up the whole question of etiquette toward burglars. Thus if some gang gathers at your front door and sends word in that they are going to murder you, burn your house and swipe all your valuables, the first thing to do is to find out if they are "bread-worshipers", and if they are, and are well armed, the next thing is to ask them to come in and make themselves at home for the rest of their lives, and to petition them to assume an armed protectorate over the premises.

French Tell Italians to Go Ahead

PREDERICK T. BIRCHALL, London correspondent of the New York Times, says: "It is generally understood that when the subject of recent Ethiopian conflicts came up in his conference with Pierre Laval last month, the French foreign minister gave the Italian premier a free hand to carry out any police operation he cared to undertake in that part of the world. No forceful interference from Great Britain is likely either." What this means is that if Italy is strong enough to grab the new Ethiopian oil deposits she will get them, the same as Paraguay grabbed the oil fields of the Grand Chaco, and Japan grabbed the iron ore and coal mines of Manchuria. Some will wonder why the League of Abominations is silent while all this thievery is going on. But the League is only an international joke.

The Pope Wants Ethiopia

A DISPATCH from Vatican City says that the pope remains "neutral" in the Italo-Ethiopian conflict. All the more shame to him. He has constructed an Ethiopian college on Vatican ground, and professes to be very much interested in the Ethiopian people. Then why does he not come out and openly condemn this braggart and murderer instead of remaining "neutral"?

The Religious Business in Ethiopia

IT SEEMS difficult to think of any religious business more foolish than the one that is dominant in Italy and Spain and all over South America. Though less blasphemous, in Ethiopia it is perhaps more absurd. Pierre von Paassen, in a letter to the Atlanta Constitution, says that every family of prominence has its own chaplain; morning devotions conducted by him last two hours. The family meanwhile remains standing, leaning on crutches. The poor have wooden crutches; the wealthy, gold and silver ones. Those in the religious racket seem to have the idea that the more foolish and unreasonable their claims and their methods, the bigger will be the crowds that follow them, and the more they will collect. That being the case, the pope would find a fine field in Ethiopia for his racket.

News Items on the Ethiopian Situation

FRICAN travelers familiar with Ethiopia A assert that it is one of the greatest natural fortresses in the world, and that Italy is cut off from it by almost inaccessible mountains and deserts. As a feature of its African campaign Italy has sent to the front, so it is said, three hundred thousand tons of steel rails. Among the Italian troops already in Africa drinking water is said to be selling at a dollar a bottle. Ethiopia claims to be able to put 80,000 cavalrymen, 20,000 trained infantrymen and 700,000 ordinary infantrymen into the field. The army has 1,000 machine guns, 200,000 spears and 100 pieces of artillery. All this, however, is nothing to what the Italians have. Italy's airplanes are expected to be a great factor in the campaign.

Will Imitate Britain to the Letter

MURDERER Mussolini, imitating Japan, made the statement on the occasion of departure of troops for Africa, "We will imitate to the letter those who have given us a lesson." While he probably had Britain chiefly in mind, and British lips are therefore tightly closed, yet every great empire or government has been built up by the identical methods Mussolini is now using. Of course, one could wish that this time the tables would be turned, but they probably will operate as usual and Ethiopia will pass out, with Italy, France, and Britain snarling over the carcass. Meantime Hitler may demand German colonies back.

Ethiopia Claims to Be Christian

REMINDING the world that Ethiopia claims to be a Christian land, that she still subscribes to the Sermon on the Mount and the Ten Commandments, Emperor Haile Selassie also wants the world to note that she has never been conquered and that she is prepared to defend her territory to the last man rather than to surrender her liberties to Italy.

American Negroes Keep Out of Ethiopia

A MERICAN Negroes who know when they are well off will keep out of Ethiopia. Harlem boys who went over there found on arrival that they ranked no better than slaves and were looked down upon because they were black while the Ethiopians were brown. The powers concede that Italy will take the country.

Wants Mussolini to Win

THE Rome correspondent of the London Daily Express reports a Vatican authority as saying to him, "It is evident that when Italian culture and civilization are firmly fixed in Ethiopia, Catholicism will have a better opportunity to flourish."

Friction Between Greece and Italy

RECENT causes of friction arising between Greece and Italy are that Greek sailors deserted a ship which they found was bearing munitions for Italian troops in Africa; and Greeks in the Dodecanese islands, seized by Italy in 1922, are being compelled to bear arms against Ethiopia.

Italian Lemon Market Cornered

W HAT a wicked thing is civilization! American lemon growers are in high spirits, for their markets are expanding, but the reason is that Italy is about to seize Ethiopia, and wants all the Italian lemons for the troops in the hot country where they are now being acclimated for the war in October.

600,000 Mobilized in Italy

EARLY in April, in anticipation of war with Ethiopia, Italy had 600,000 men under mobilization orders and boasted that she could put 7,938,000 trained men into the field on short notice. Mussolini also claims that he has at his command 1,507 modern military planes.

If A PERSON comes to your door bringing you a message of good news that makes you happy, you are pleased to receive that message. Today the earth is filled with strife, crime and suffering. The public press contains nothing but bad news. There is a company of men and women in the land that go from house to house carrying to the people a message of good news. They are called Jehovah's witnesses. They are aiding the people to gain a knowledge of God's provision for giving them everlasting peace on earth, and that knowledge will make you happy. Those men and women are properly called peace messengers. You should receive them gladly.

All the nations of earth are now in great distress and perplexity. No man has a remedy for the relief and comfort of the people. Jehovah God has a full and complete remedy for all the ills that afflict humankind. To all persons of good will God says (Matthew 12:18-21): 'Behold my servant [Christ Jesus], my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: He shall bring judgment to the nations; and in His name shall the nations hope.' Whatsover God speaks to the people is truth, as it is written in the Bible, His Word. He informs us in His Word that for centuries Satan has been the invisible ruler of the world and has brought all manner of suffering and sorrow upon the peoples of the earth. Now the end of Satan's rule is come and God by Christ will destroy wickedness and establish peace and prosperity on the earth. Nothing could possibly be of such interest, convenience and necessity to you as a knowledge of the truth of and concerning God and His kingdom which will bring to mankind boundless blessings. How can the people gain such knowledge unless someone tells them? The Lord has taken out from amongst men those whom He has made His witnesses, and now He sends them to the people to give information of and concerning His gracious provision for the blessing of mankind. These messengers come to you in peace with the unselfish motive of doing good unto you.

Long ago God caused faithful men to make a record of His prophecy, and that record is contained in the Bible. No man could compose or interpret that prophecy. By prophecy God foretold what would come to pass at the end of the world, where we now are. He has brought to pass the facts in fulfillment of prophecy, and by setting these facts alongside the divine prophecy any person may learn the truth and thus ascertain God's purpose and manner of establishing a righteous government on earth for the blessing of mankind. These great truths are now published in book form so that you may take your Bible and together with these books gain a knowledge of God's purpose, which you so badly need. Jehovah's witnesses are bringing to you these books that you may have opportunity to avail yourself of the information they contain. They are not selling books, but if you are able to contribute a small amount of money when receiving the books that money will be used to publish more books, and thus you will be enabled to have a part in sending this message of good news to other suffering ones of mankind that they may know how their relief is coming. A knowledge of God's purpose toward men is of far greater value to you than all the gold of this world, and for that reason it is written, in Proverbs 18:15: "The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge."

The Devil is the invisible ruler of this wicked world, and he causes his representatives to prevent you from hearing the truth. He knows that the truth will cause those who love righteousness to turn to God, and for this reason his agents the clergy oppose Jehovah's witnesses and the message they bring to you. Now a few selfish men control the land and hold mortgages on the farms and homes of the people, who are in constant fear of losing their homes. Such an unhappy condition will pass away under the reign of Christ, and then the people shall live in their homes without fear, as it is written (Psalm 37:11): "But the meek shall inherit the earth, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace"; and (Psalm 22:26), "The meek shall eat and be satisfied; they shall praise the Lord that seek him: your heart shall live for ever." Who are the "meek" mentioned in these texts? To be meek means to be anxious to learn the

truth. The meek are those who seek to gain knowledge of God's gracious provisions for mankind. Such knowledge you can gain only by studying the Word of God; and He has made it possible for you to gain such knowledge, by plac-

ing before you an explanation of His Word of truth. "Say among the [nations], that the Lord reigneth; the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously."—Psalm 96:10.

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With Jehovah's witnesses

Phonograph Experiences in Indiana

"ITNESSING at a Catholic home, and having records along, I asked permission to use their phonograph, but was told it was broken. However, the children had a method for playing it even though the spring was broken, and they did. At another home an elderly woman was grieving because her daughter-in-law had refused permission for her to tune in and hear Judge Rutherford on the radio. I came along with the phonograph records, played for her the record 'Jehovah', and she said, 'Oh, I love the name of Jehovah. Don't you think, when you want to hear, the Lord sends the truth?' And I told her I thought so indeed. Across the street is the I.O.O.F. home, where permission to play the records was refused, and from which I have been asked by the superintendent to remain away. Yesterday morning I saw a couple sitting in front, whose hands hung heavy in idleness. They heard the records gladly. In another home a Catholic-raised boy staying with his grandparents said, 'I am not a Catholic. Do you know that the Catholics are trying to get the power to persecute?' He also was glad to hear the records. Oh that a sound car would come our way, that could make the people hear four miles away!"—Mrs. R. M. H., Indiana.

Petition Experiences in Colorado

16TWO J. w's who team together in the service experienced the following in connection with the petition work. At a fine home an elderly Jewess answered the door, flew into a rage when she saw the petition, called the J.w. hard names and bid her be gone. As the worker turned to go the husband appeared at the door and said: 'Vait a minute, lady, vait; don't go

avay. Mama, don't you know dot ve heard on the radio dis mornink dot dis ladee vould be here vit a petition vot ve should sign? Come in, lady. Sit down. How is Chudge Rooterford? how is his bealt? He is a goot man, God bless him. He is doink a goot vork. Mama, you sign dis petition, too. Now you apologize to dis lady for de vay you talked to her.' And she did." At another door a woman read the heading and said, 'Certainly I will sign this. I believe in free speech for everybody except that damned Judge Rutherford. I wish he was in hell.'"

"At a fine large house no one answered. Perhaps the bell was out of order. Going around to the rear, a lady was sitting outside. Looking the petition over she said, 'I don't understand this; I'll go in and see father.' In a few minutes she returned without the petition. Immediately following her was a big fat priest, with the petition in his hand! Oh! Oh! Glp! What now? Another priest was immediately back of him. The fat one then read it aloud. 'H'm! This is all right. Sure! Wait a minute! We've got a big meeting on; I'll get some more names for you.' He returned the petition with the names of 37 priests added."—F. W. W., Colorado.

Where Else Would It Happen?

W. B. AIKEN, of North Carolina, writes that Carl S. Born, pioneer from Illinois, attending the Washington convention on May 31, lost his last \$5 bill amid the 12,000 that on that day thronged the convention. Upon his applying at the "Lost and Found" booth the bill was returned to its delighted owner. Could this happen anywhere else than in an assembly of Jehovah's people?

"Missionaries" After W. R. Brown

IN THIS issue is presented a report of a transcription meeting conducted at Accra, Gold Coast, West Africa, by W. R. Brown, accredited representative of the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society. The Devil, ably assisted by the missionaries, did everything he could to interfere. Though Brown was born a British subject (in the West Indies), and had credentials signed by Judge Rutherford and countersigned by the London office, and though he had previously been received with courtesy by the officials at Sierra Leone, Liberia, Nigeria, Conakry and Dahomey, some unseen and unknown force persuaded the police to force Mr. Brown to deposit £60 in cash, to guarantee that he would not become a public charge, before he was allowed to give his lecture. The native press was very outspoken about this unkind and unnecessary act; also about hoodlums' throwing stones on the roof where 3,000 people were trying to hear the lecture. It may be set down as certain that the missionaries were at the bottom of this. Several of them were in the audience.

WAR IN THE CLOUDS, WARNS JUDGE RUTHERFORD IN TALK

3,000 Listen to Lecture on Politics

Speaker Condemns Policy of Leading Powers

A fully packed house heard Judge J. F. Rutherford speak on the subject of "Universal War Near" through a high-powered transcription machine at the Palladium, Accra, on the evening of Sunday. W. R. Brown, a representative of the Watch Tower Bible & Tract Society, formerly the International Bible Students Association, under whose auspices the lecture was given, conducted the meeting. The audience, which was estimated at 3,000, included some clergymen from other denominations and adherents of churches with different religious dogmas.

JUDGE RUTHERFORD SPEAKS

The lecture was preceded with the singing of the popular hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" by massed voices at 7:30 p.m. Before this time there was no elbow room in the very spacious hall. After the hymn Judge Rutherford set the ball of his lecture a-rolling in clear intonation through the machine; but owing to the great attendance and the noise outside made by the many people who could not gain admission into the hall, the voice of the lecturer was drowned and was inaudible to many, who were thus deprived of the advantage of closely following the substance of the lecture, which took about fifteen minutes to deliver.

MR. BROWN EXPOSES

But the audience was not disappointed. After the delivery through the machine, Mr. Brown mounted the platform to clarify and amplify certain points in the lecture. He said that by "Universal War Near", the title of the lecture, was meant the clouds which are at present gathering on the political horizon in Central Europe, and are threatening the peace of the world. Like the rain storm, the clouds would burst on the people and the whole universe would be caught in that gruesome cataclysm, the like of which had never been known in the history of mankind, and then the end of the present era would have come. A few people would survive. Satan, who was liberated to interfere in world's affairs after the war of 1914-18 and had been active ever since, would be destroyed, and the Kingdom of God established on the earth.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS DOOMED

The League of Nations was prophesied in the Scriptures. It was referred to as "the abomination of desolation" in the Bible. It was the Devil's organization on the earth and would live but for a short time. There was no truth in the statement that the League of Nations was the expression of God's Kingdom on the earth. Scriptures were definite that the purposes of the League of Nations were to the contrary. No amount of Hague conferences, Locarno pacts or Versailles treaties would give peace to the world; peace would be established in the world only after the great Armageddon, which some of the Bible students believed would commence a year or two hence.

CHURCH BOWS TO STATE

The church was one of the Devil's organizations on the earth. The lecturer, to lend weight to his contention, referred his hearers to what he considered the very regrettable incident which took place in England when the question of the revision of the Common Prayer Book was before the British Parliament. He said, according to the Manchester Guardian, the then prime minister stated in the debate on the question that the church was for the state. The then archbishop became indignant at this statement and contended that the church was a different organization from the state. But when Parliament declared that it would withhold its financial assistance from the church if the archbishop was serious, he (the archbishop) withdrew his statement ignominiously.

PRIESTS KILL ONE ANOTHER

The clergy were garbed in the cloak of hypocrisy. During the Great War, they divested themselves of their ecclesiastical accounterments, slung rifles on their shoulders, and took part in killing one another.

BUT PREACH LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

But after the war they reinvested themselves with their canonicals, mounted the pulpits and denounced the killing of humanity, and said by way of admonition: "Love your enemies." [Loud laughter and long applause.]

Concluding his lecture, Mr. Brown said that the impending Armageddon would free humanity from the cruel grip of all the Devil's organizations on the earth; the Kingdom of God, for which the people had always prayed to come, would be established on the earth; and Christ the Elect of God would be the Emperor of the world, and would rule the people with love, justice and righteousness.

The lecture was punctuated here and there with thunderous applause, especially whenever Mr. Brown easily explained a knotty point in a Scriptural passage whose meaning was obscure to the auditory.

Mr. Brown's exegesis was a masterpiece, and he sent his large audience back to their homes well satisfied, and with enough food for reflection.

The lecture lasted about one hour and a half.—Acera (West Africa) Gold Coast Spectator.

American Inland Mission

REALIZING that Jehovah's witnesses are visiting every home in the land repeatedly with the message of God's kingdom as the one and only hope of mankind, the Protestant churches are getting together in an attempt to provide work for unemployed preachers, and to prevent the people from learning the truth. They will try to put on thousands of trailer-type coaches, equipped with microphones and amplifiers, to imitate Jehovah's witnesses. An appeal for funds to keep the coaches on the move is now being made in the name of the American Inland Mission. It seems not to have occurred to them. however, that the use of microphones, amplifiers and other sound equipment presupposes that the users have something to say, and the usual vacuities of preachers will hardly serve the purpose. Have we not read somewhere the inquiry, "Wherefore wilt thou run, seeing thou hast no tidings ready?"

Trying Out the New Sound Car

THE New Jersey sound car took up a position in front of the city hall, Plainfield, N. J., at 7:45 p.m., Thursday, June 6. The car's four five-foot trumpets blazed away for about two minutes with a message concerning Jehovah God and His witnesses and their imprisonment. Two police cars surrounded the sound car, arrested the five witnesses who were in it and put them in jail, charged with operating a sound car without a permit from the police. Inasmuch as there were five in the car, the police

do not know the identity of the operator and do not know who made the announcement. The burden of proof is with the strong-arm squad, and it will be interesting to see how they will meet it. The New Jersey sound car is a babe as vet, not officially seven days old, vet it has been approached by 14 police officials at nine different points, six times has been stopped from operating, and twice has been confiscated, and taken away from us. If my kingdom were of this world, than would my soldiers fight.' Happy are we to fight for the kingdom of Jehovah. The operation of the sound cars at Washington was an eye-opener, and the New Jersey division has visions of a fleet of 25 such cars. Shall they not drink of the cup which Jehovah has poured? They shall. We see the continued favor of Jehovah upon Brother Rutherford. His zeal for the King greatly refreshes us. The spiritual food is timely, and without it we could not survive. May God's holy angels direct him and direct us for His name's sake, is our prayer."—D. E. M., New Jersev.

Out of the Heart of the Sahara

CAYS Mme. M. A., Nord, France, in the German Watchtower: "My 19-year-old son belongs to a Sahara regiment of the French army. He is stationed in T., almost in the heart of the desert. If Jehovah had not provided the radio he would have been cut off from all the interesting news of the world. He knows that I listen regularly to your radio lectures. In a letter received yesterday he writes, among other things, the following: 'I know, dear Mama, that just now you are sitting by the radio listening, just when I too am listening in, for I hear those lectures here without any interference whatsoever. At home, in France, I never heard them as clearly as here.' My son asked me to always send him the French Golden Age."

Depths of Ignorance Sublime

A CORRESPONDENT who was at the Washington convention of Jehovah's witnesses writes: "I was stationed in the park outside Rawlings Square on the day of the June 2 broadcast, and a priest was there. He had procured the booklet *Universal War Near* from someone, quite a discussion arose concerning it, and he said this, emphasizing each word by beating the booklet with his palm: 'If the people would stick together they could defeat Jehovah.'"

Australian Items

Did Not Wish to Go to Work

THE pastor of a Baptist church in Australia was asked by four out of five of his official board to resign. The reason for wanting him to quit was that he stopped preaching from the Bible and regaled the people with sermons on Hitler and Doctor Angus and what not. But he did not relish losing his job. Then somebody, possibly the preacher himself, threw a bomb into camp by painting on the inside of the church, in red letters a foot high, and twelve feet off the floor, the word "Ichabod". That means, "The glory of the Lord has departed from this place." The official board thought they would be suspected. One of them tried to wash out the letters, but they would not wash. Then he tried to cover them with a strip of calico. Between the morning and evening services they managed to obliterate the offending word. A good time was had by all.

Missionaries of No Good in Australia

IN THE Sydney Morning Herald Beecher Webb, of Alice Springs, a lawyer familiar with the interior, said that for all the good the missionaries are doing in central Australia they might as well leave. He cited one mission post where flogging of natives is common and in two months there were eight deaths out of a population of 300 natives. Missionaries, both men and women, are living with natives, and there is hardly a white child in the district. Australian aborigines, of whom, full-blooded, there are slightly less than 50,000, are dying off at the rate of ten percent a year.

Great Flood in Australia

AT THE great flood in Australia seven hundred homes were inundated at Chelsea, in some instances not even the roofs being visible. Some were drowned in their beds. Important railway bridges were washed away. Meteorological officials declared the storm "unusual and inexplicable". It was most severe in the district where there was greatest hullabaloo about the worship of a little piece of bread.

Man with Boiler-Plate Insides

A DISPATCH from London says that the Australian premier, after attending 100 lunches, banquets, dinners and conferences during his London visit, would visit the pope on his way back to Australia, via Naples and New York.

What The Mirror Wants to Know

THE MIRROR, a West Australian newspaper, wants to know why ministers wear purple and fine linen, travel in motorcars and mix in the best society in the name of an Outcast who was born in a stable; why they preach that the poor are God's chosen people, but give the best pews to the rich; why they teach the doctrines of the Prince of Peace but wave flags in every war; and why, after 1900 years of burning people at the stake in the name of religion, there is still so much sham, cant and hypocrisy. The Mirror probably has found the answers to these questions, but is just trying to wake some of its readers up; not an ignoble aim.

Shark Helps to Solve a Murder

IN Australia somebody killed a man; the hands were tied together and the body thrown to the sharks. A shark fourteen feet long swallowed the body; the shark was captured and placed in an aquarium; it became ill, refused to eat, and at length disgorged one of the dead man's arms. The arm disgorged was tattooed with a picture of a boxer upon it, and a rope was still tied around the wrist. These details made possible the identification of the dead man, and resulted in the discovery of the man who accompanied him on his last fishing trip.

Plague of Green Parrots

A SECTION of South Australia has been invaded by a plague of millions of green parrots, so thickly massed as to give the country-side a distinct verdant appearance. Nothing like it can be recalled by the oldest inhabitants. It is the more disturbing because it follows closely on a plague of grasshoppers.

West Australia Desires to Leave Federation

BY A majority of two to one, West Australia has petitioned for the right to leave the Federation of Australia, and revert to their former position as a self-governing colony. A petition twenty-six feet long was presented to the Australian parliament.

The Longest Phone Call

THE longest telephone call that can be made on earth is from Perth, Australia, via London, to Vancouver, B.C., 21,000 miles. A call only 2,000 miles short of this has actually been made, from Rockingham, New South Wales, to California.

Canada—Brazil—Cuba—Germany

Canada Readu for Fascism

DEADING between the lines, one can see from K the address of Chief Justice R. A. E. Greenshields, delivered at the University of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, Quebec, that Canada is about ready for Fascism. Calling for a strong National Coalition Government to fight depression and unemployment without partisan bias. Mr. Greenshields admits that he is totally without a remedy for conditions in which "the world's granaries are filled with food, and vet starvation almost faces thousands. Seedtime and harvest have never failed, yet penury and want stalk throughout our land. The Giver of all good has given to His world in abundance to feed and clothe His people, vet thousands go unfed and thousands are in need of proper raiment". One would think, since Mr. Greenshields admits he has no remedy for this complete debacle of the interest or capitalist system, that he would be ready to listen to those who come to him with the message of God's kingdom, or. at any rate, would listen to the arguments of those who believe in Silvio Gesell's "hot money". or Major Douglass' social credit proposals. But Mr. Greenshields and his friends do not want to give up the failing capitalist system without one last determined effort to keep the current of interest still flowing. And the last stand of the capitalist system is the Roman Catholic Fascist system, as now being worked out in practice by Mussolini, Hitler, Schuschnigg, and other clerks.

Japanese Mission in Brazil

MOST cotton planters in Brazil are Japanese. A Japanese mission is now in Brazil making arrangements for more planters to settle there, and also making arrangements to take back to Japan some 900,000 bales of cotton each year. This will reduce, by just that amount, the cotton the Japanese have hitherto bought in the United States. After a few years the American planters may be able to plow all their cotton under.

"And Walked Right Out Again"

THE League of American Writers sent fifteen liberals to investigate the destruction of civil liberties in Cuba, and they found out. They were put in the hoosegow seventeen hours incommunicado and then sent back on the same Ward liner that brought them. Why send fifteen? One could 'walk right in and turn around and walk right out again' as well as fifteen or a hundred.

Jewish Refugees from Germanu

OF 80,500 Jewish refugees from Germany 27,000 have found homes in Palestine, 10,000 in France, 6,000 in the United States, 2,500 in Great Britain, 4,000 in the Netherlands, 3,000 in South America, 2,000 in Spain, 1,600 in Czechoslovakia, 1,100 in Italy, 1,000 in Scandinavian countries, and 4,300 elsewhere; while 18,000 went back to Germany.

Protocols of the Elders of Zion

A T AN official trial at Berne, Switzerland, the so-called "Protocols of the Elders of Zion" were declared to be forgeries, ridiculous nonsense and clearly not authentic. At the trial, one of the Nazi leaders from Germany tried to prove the Protocols genuine; also tried to prove Jehovah's witnesses connected with them. He wound up by making himself a laughingstock.

The Anti-Nazis in Germany

THE Anti-Nazis in Germany, i.e., the Social Democrats, publish every two weeks a paper called Socialist Action. It is of eight pages, in the smallest type, on the thinnest paper. Each issue weighs barely an eighth of an ounce. In the first year 2,000,000 copies were secretly distributed. To be caught with one in possession means a term in prison.

Secret Levy on German Exporters

A SECRET letter sent to all German exporters with an annual income of \$7,500 or more requires them to turn over 3 percent of their income to provide a dumping fund, so that German goods can find an outlet in foreign countries. Jews are required to contribute more than others.

Gasoline Substitutes in Germany

IN AN effort to be independent of foreign fuel oils many cars in Germany are now being driven by illuminating gas, by gas generated from wood, and by gas generated from vegetable refuse, dried leaves and corncobs. Most of these gases are less expensive than gasoline.

Reducing Number of Professional Men

GERMANY is engaged in reducing the number of professional men to those needed to do the work devolving upon them. This program has cut down the number of students in the secondary schools so much that a thousand fewer teachers had employment in 1934 than in 1933.

"Religion" at Home and Abroad

"It Is Indeed Wonderful"

COMEBODY in Los Angeles sends in a copy Of The "Spoken Word" containing, among other things adoring the Reverend M. J. Divine (the Harlem darky known to his followers as "Father Divine" and believed by them to be God himself), a three-page "sermon" on birth control by that gent himself. In the course of unburdening himself of that which seems to principally occupy his mind, he managed in three short pages to use 41 times the expression, "It is indeed wonderful." In other words, "it is indeed wonderful" how full of prunes a man can get, and "it is indeed wonderful" how many suckers there are born every minute, black, white, yellow, brown and red, who fall for everything except the truth. In sixteen pages there is not a Scripture citation, from beginning to end, in The "Spoken Word", all of which helps one to appreciate what Divine himself said on the witness stand, "Suppose we say I am the Devil." Not that he really is the Devil, but, as far as his influence goes, he is on the Devil's side, and doing what he can and all he can to help others to take their stand on that side also. "It is indeed wonderful" why intelligent colored people should fall for his line of bunk. But many of them have gone Roman Catholic for even less reason than they have gone after this mountebank, for everybody admits that he does something for his followers, i.e., feeds them in his "heavens" as fast as they turn their property over to him. Let nobody suppose the man is a ninny. Without a doubt he is demonized.

The Religious Business in Matanuska

A CORRESPONDENT in the Later of Recently CORRESPONDENT in the Matanuska valhow the religious business works out. Recently our government shipped in 200 farmers with families. Immediately both a Catholic priest and a Protestant minister were on the job, held open-air services, and along came a United States marshal to see that the collections were coming forth. And as they all have radios, they hear Judge Rutherford every Wednesday evening, so they can get, each for himself, the best way to get to heaven. Personally, I believe that the teaching of the Bible is the proper thing for our children, provided that it is not deceptive. For that reason we especially like Judge Rutherford's interpretations, and he certainly has the proper system of reaching the people over the air."

Americanization Classes in The Oranges

TT IS with some satisfaction that it is of record **▲** that Americanization classes will be opened in the Y.M.C.A. of The Oranges, New Jersey. No better locality for such classes could be devised, nor one where there is more need. Maplewood is in The Oranges. It is under the domination of Roman Catholic police, who are as far from being Americans as is possible to be. The spirit these citizens of the Vatican have shown toward Jehovah's witnesses makes the Y.M.C.A. classes in Americanization peculiarly timely, though it is uncertain whether any Maplewood police can be induced to lay down their rosaries long enough to join up. Still they are learning something, anyway. One of Jehovah's witnesses found fifteen of them at Maplewood police headquarters listening to a WBBR (Watchtower) true life radio drama picturing police court conditions in Maplewood, and they sure learned something, if they listened to the end. Also, it should be observed that the citizens of Maplewood are much better protected when the police are sitting around in the City Hall doing nothing than they are when these are out trying to find some way to deprive decent and honest Americans of their liberty, to satisfy a few crossbacks.

Missionaries Using Slaves

W. G. Ballinger, returning to Toronto, Canada, after seven years' work as a technical expert in South Africa, thought many Christian people sending money for the support of missionaries in South Africa would be surprised to know that some of these missionaries are men of wealth and have slaves working for them. He said of one such: "There is a district where one missionary owns 115 head of cattle which were given to him by a native chief. These beasts are looked after by slaves, whose generally shocking living conditions have already been revealed in a Government inquiry report."

Missionaries in Ethiopia

THE twenty-odd missionaries of the United Presbyterian church now in Ethiopia expect to remain there, regardless of the impending war. It is conjectured that at the outbreak of hostilities Addis Ababa will be evacuated and the war will be fought in ravines and on hill-sides, where the Ethiopians will try to make the most of their spears and other crude weapons.

"National Union for Social Justice"

THE so-called "National Union for Social Justice" now calls itself the National Union. Its spokesman, Charles E. Coughlin, at Madison Square Garden, New York city, addressed an audience estimated at 20,500, calling for political action of the Union, but distributed between the various political parties. The Union, in each district, will consider the various candidates, and vote accordingly.

Mr. Coughlin was dressed in clerical garb. Twice in his address he labeled Pope Pius XI as "the greatest churchman of the age". The indications are plain that the Roman Catholic hierarchy, having taken over the Democratic party, body and soul, now aims to take possession of the Republican party, and will use Mr. Coughlin and his "National Union" as the fisherman.

In his address Mr. Coughlin gave some interesting information, quoted:

In 1919 we had in the United States of America 274,402 manufacturing establishments. By 1927—eight years later—despite our increase in population and our increase in exports, these manufacturing establishments decreased by 30 percent, leaving only 191,866 manufacturing plants in operation.

These figures prove to you that there was a tendency toward monopolization, that business as conducted in this nation was programed and geared only for the few.

It was fast becoming a grim reality that in the United States there was no place for the small business man. Only that plant which was associated with a large banking house could secure loans to purchase labor-saving machinery. The little industrialist who refused to sell his birthright and share his profits, not with the laborer but with the banker, gradually was being eased out of industry.

In 1919 these manufacturing plants employed 9,039,171 wage earners. Eight years later this wage-earning group was reduced to 8,349,735. Here again we find, despite our increased population and exports, fewer laborers were required—a decrease of 689,436.

In the prosperous year of 1929 industries upon which 40 percent of our wage earners depended for a living employed 900,000 fewer wage earners than they did in 1919, although the 1929 production was 50 percent greater.

In 1914 the value of the products manufactured in our industrial establishments was approximately \$24,000,000,000. In 1921 this value increased to \$44,000,000,000. In 1923 it skyrocketed to \$60,000,000,000. While in 1929 it reached the stupendous figure of \$69,000,000,000.

Not only was power concentrated in the hands of

fewer industrialists; not only did our population increase by more than 25,000,000 persons; not only did the wealth produced by these industrialists increase by almost 300 percent; the astounding and frightful figure associated with all this is that there was a steady devastating decrease in employment and in wages also. The more business carried on, the fewer wages were paid.

As far as the wage decrease, which accompanied the wealth increase, is concerned, let us put these official figures on the books of our memories.

In 1923, when modern capitalism was in bloom, the total volume of wages paid to workingmen in the manufacturing industries was \$11,007,000,000. In 1929, when the annual value of our manufactured products had increased \$9,000,000,000 over the 1923 total, the volume of wages in the manufacturing industries was still approximately \$11,000,000,000.

Catholics Tired of the Hierarchy

IRTUALLY admitting that good, honest Catholics have lost all confidence in the hierarchy, and that great numbers of Catholic young men in the Citizens Conservation Camps have never been to communion, Bishop Walsh, of Charleston, S. C., in an address at the National Catholic School of Social Service, Washington, D. C., declared: "If we keep on missing the opportunity of reaching young people who call themselves Catholics, we will have a condition just as bad as in Mexico and Spain." This admission confirms the general knowledge that the expulsion of the hierarchy from Mexico was by Catholics themselves. The hierarchy is using every means it can command to get into a position of dominance through unscrupulous methods. While many of the "children of the church" are falling away, there are still enough willing tools left to carry out its dictates. Weakkneed and weak-minded "Protestants" are, at the same time, being cajoled into support of the schemes of the papacy through the mellifluous "Father" Coughlin, an obedient tool of the hierarchy.

A Priest Now Head Chaplain

P.)R the first time in American history a Roman Catholic priest, Captain Edward Aloysius Duff, is now head chaplain of the United States navy. In the navy the chaplains supervise recreation, athletics, libraries and papers. It is the openly expressed intention of the hierarchy to drive all Protestants out of the American navy. The navy has sixty chaplains.

Divine Inspiration of the Bible

THE divine inspiration of the Bible is today attacked from various standpoints. The opposition to and denial of its claims of divine inspiration come from a quarter from which we might, humanly speaking, least expect it. Among those who have apparently given many years of study to Biblical writings there are many who reject the claim that it is the Word of God, and thus undermine its influence. These professors, teachers, students and what not, really exalt their own wisdom above that of the Scriptures. They claim that present-day enlightenment is in advance of the Bible. While they do not always state the case as plainly as that, such is nevertheless their position.

Objection to the Bible as divinely inspired is based upon the following propositions:

They claim that the Bible does not agree with science.

They hold that its historical data do not correspond with the inscriptions found upon some ancient monuments and temples, particularly those of Babylon and Assyria.

They say that the Bible contains things that are indelicate.

They assert that there are contradictions in the Bible.

They state that there are things in the Scriptures that seem foolish and unintelligible, and hold that this is folklore or mythology.

In answer to the objection that "the Bible does not agree with science", it is pointed out that this does not necessarily prove the Bible to be wrong. The Bible is not a treatise upon science. Science has to do with material things. The Bible is pre-eminently a revelation of things that could not otherwise be known. It tells of God's purposes toward His earthly creation, as well as telling of other creatures and their part in His universal organization. It gives important information as to what is acceptable to God and of what His service consists.

Where the Bible deals with natural phenomena and material things it will be found that its statements are in harmony with the *proven* theories of science. Statements which appear to contradict what science has shown to be true will be found to be figurative or symbolical. Thus, when The Revelation tells of "four angels standing on the four corners of the earth", there is no thought of either a flat or a square earth. It is a symbolical statement.

Much of what is called science, on the other

hand, is nothing of the kind. Unfounded statements are often made, and unwarranted deductions drawn. True science does not conflict with a proper understanding of the Bible. Frequently statements of Scripture are found which become very significant in the light of the discoveries of science. For instance, while it was certainly unknown in Job's day that the earth is round, one finds in the book of Job the statement that God "hangeth the earth upon nothing". (Job 26:7) Compare that with the silly notion of the "wise" Greeks of ancient times who believed that the earth was upheld by someone called Atlas. The statement in Job must have been difficult to appreciate until true science revealed that the earth is an immense ball whirling through space and actually 'hung upon nothing'. The Bible is away ahead of science, as its remarkable account of the creative epoch-days abundantly proves.—Genesis 1.

Were the Ancient Monuments Reliable?

As to the claim that there are discrepancies between the historical tables and monuments, on the one hand, and the Bible, on the other: This is readily admitted. But why conclude that it proves the Bible untrue? Is it not more probable that it proves the monuments and tablets of the ancient heathen nations to be false? Consider how the Bible has been preserved, while every vestige of the literature, if any, of ancient Babylon has been lost, with the exception of some clay tablets. Truth was not the big objective with the heathen kings. They were interested in glorifying themselves. The crude inscriptions on monuments and buildings, which are pointed to as invalidating Scripture testimony, are hardly worthy of comparison with the Scriptures. The kings, generals and priests of heathen nations had no scruples about being dishonest, and dressed the facts to suit their purposes. The writers of the Bible, on the contrary, were men who often braved persecution and death in their stand for righteousness and truth. The constant effort of the Israelites was to preserve the Scriptures inviolate. The monuments and tablets with their crude inscriptions, therefore, should be given no weight against the testimony of the Bible.

But, object the higher critics, the Bible has contradictions. An examination of these claimed contradictions shows a failure to bear in mind the main teachings of God's Word, and they manifest as well an unwarranted eagerness to find contradiction where there is none. The fact, for instance, that the four writers of the gospels record similar events in somewhat different language is taken as evidence of "contradiction", while the reasonable and proper view would appreciate these slight divergencies as evidence of the truthfulness of the different narrators, showing that there was no collusion on their part to tell a plausible story.

As to Indelicacies

As to those things in the Bible, and they are few, which seem "indelicate": Niceties of speech are not necessarily an indication of purity of heart, nor is plain speech a proof of the reverse. The Bible is written for mature minds, and not for the immature, although children are greatly blessed by instruction drawn from its contents. It certainly cannot be said that the Bible condones impurity. Its influence is in the opposite direction as respects those who sincerely study its pages. The Bible, however, records without varnish, as well as without partiality, the failings as well as virtues of the individuals which appear in its historical parts. This should give us greater confidence in the accuracy and honesty of the Scriptures, rather than less. As it gives us examples of righteousness and faithfulness, it also gives examples of that which is wrong and to be avoided.

As to those things in the Bible which are unintelligible or which seem foolish to some: No doubt an advanced study in algebra appears foolish to those who have not studied that science. So also the more advanced parts of other branches of knowledge. The Bible, too, has the simpler truths for the beginner and the more difficult themes (such as The Revelation) for those who are farther advanced; that is, it has "milk for babes" and "strong meat" (solid food) for the more mature. The Word of God requires study, and patient study. Only those who are earnestly desirous of knowledge and understanding will find the "treasures of wisdom and knowledge". The critical, the superficial and the unbelieving will not be privileged to appreciate God's purposes. "Light [truth] is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart."—Psalm 97:11.

The Modernist a False Friend

The foregoing covers the reply to the general objections raised to belief in the Bible as in-

spired. There is, however, another kind of opposition leveled against the Word of God which is more insidious, coming from a class of men that is highly esteemed. This class is composed of "leaders in religious thought". These profess to believe in a sort of half-inspiration. This attitude is more destructive of faith in the Word of God than any direct denial of its claims to inspiration. The modernist is a false friend of the Scriptures. He assumes an air of superiority that often amounts to the most palpable conceit. Pointing to their great learning as a class they claim to be in position to tell what parts of the Bible are to be accepted as "authentic". They will concede that some parts of the Bible are 'fairly good', and that the inspiration which prompted the writing of those passages was similar to the "inspiration" which results in an author's accomplishing the writing of a good book or the production of a fine painting on the part of a painter. Quite differently does the Bible speak of its inspiration.

It would have been the highest presumption if the prophets and writers of the Bible had followed the course which higher critics and modernists say they did. These "wise men" tell us that the prophets and other writers of the Bible, fired by a zeal for the right as they saw it, were very bold in speaking and writing, and claimed that what they wrote was not their own writing, but that of God. The modernists tell us that the prophets merely attached God's name to their own ideas to give their writings and warnings greater weight. They further tell us that the writings of Isaiah, Daniel and others of the prophets were produced by altogether different individuals, who palmed off their own writings as the production of some of the great men who lived in previous ages. Wonder where the modernists get their information. Wonder, too, how they can call this "inspiration" in any sense whatever. A strange zeal for the right must have prompted the prophets, did one accept the modernist view of the matter.

But the apostle John says, "No lie is of the truth." What can it be called but lying, if any individual, no matter what the motive, should say, "Here is a writing from a great prophet, the great Daniel, and see, he foretells thus and so," if all the time he knew that he was falsifying. A peculiar kind of righteousness! Yet, nothing less than this is held up to view in modernist literature, garbed in beautiful phrase, but undermining meanwhile both faith in God and

every proper conception of truth and righteousness. To such, and other perverters of His Word, God says, "What hast thou to do, to declare my statutes, and that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth? Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee."—Psalm 50:16,17.

The Bible's Own Testimony

The importance of the words of God to man is indicated in the significant statement in Deuteronomy 8:3, "Man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of [Jehovah] doth man live." It is of greatest importance, therefore, to realize that the words of the Scripture are indeed the word of God and not the word of man. That they are in the most definite and literal sense the words of God is made clear by the statements of a number of the writers of the books of the Bible. Take note how plainly they state that the things they wrote and taught were not in any sense of their own production. We find Moses saying with eloquent simplicity, "The Lord hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind." (Numbers 16:28) In these words he flatly contradicts the bold statements of the modernists to the effect that the writers of the Bible were merely expressing their own convictions. Not only does Moses disclaim that kind of inspiration, but the same is true of other writers of the Bible. Note the statement of the apostle Peter (2 Peter 1: 20, 21): "No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the holy [spirit]." Note that he says 'prophecy came not by the will of man', by merely human will. The prophets were guided by the holy spirit. In another translation (Weymouth) the twentieth verse reads, "But, above all, remember that no prophecy in Scripture will be found to have come from the prophet's own prompting; for never did any prophecy come by human will, but men sent by God spoke as they were impelled by the holy spirit."

The prophets did not originate what they wrote or said. Very frequently these teachers and proclaimers of God's messages spoke contrary to their merely human inclinations; but, being moved by the holy spirit of God, they spoke boldly and plainly, though they often had to endure much suffering and persecution as a result.

We have as an example the prophet Jeremiah. who, when called of God to speak to Israel, demurred, pleading that his youth and inexperience made him a poor instrument. He said, "Ah! Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak; for I am a child." (Jeremiah 1:6) He felt that the people would be unwilling to accept God's message from one so young; but the Lord encouraged him. Jeremiah then did as he was told, speaking in public places. Being derided and persecuted he for a time kept silence, but not for long. The words which God had entrusted to him were in his heart as a burning fire shut up in his bones', and so he proceeded with the work of giving to the disobedient nation the unwelcome message of coming disaster. While fulfilled upon Israel in miniature, his message has a wider application at "the end of the world".

A Definite Commission

From a reading of the prophetic books, which have a fulfillment in this day as well as in the days of Israel, it is most evident that the prophets had a very definite commission.

Ezekiel says, "The word of the Lord came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest." God said to him, "Thou shalt speak my words unto them." (Ezekiel 1:3; 2:7) Ezekiel was one of the few priestly prophets. He was honored as a spokesman of the Lord not merely because he was a priest, but because he was a faithful Israelite.

Hosea's prophecy begins with the statement, "The word of the Lord that came unto Hosea." The book of Joel begins in a similar manner. Amos says, "Thus saith the Lord," and Obadiah uses the same expression. Others use words which with equal plainness show that they wrote, not out of the abundance of their own imaginations, but at God's behest.

In some instances we find that God made use of instruments which were made to deliver His message in spite of themselves. Thus he used Balaam, who, like preachers today, had an eye for business and who was quite willing to curse the people of God if he could only get permission. But he was obliged to deliver the Lord's word unchanged. So he said to Balak, who tried to buy him, "I cannot go beyond the commandment of the Lord, to do either good or bad of mine own mind; but what the Lord saith, that will I speak."—Numbers 24:13.

The prophet Jonah, though not after the money, as was Balaam, was nevertheless inclined to consider his own honor a little more

than God's honor and the advancement of His purposes. He tried to evade the responsibility laid upon him, and had to be summarily dealt with. He was handled rather roughly, but learned the needed lesson and did as he was told. Having once accepted the duties of the prophet's office he was held to the agreement. His personal inclinations could not be permitted to interfere with God's purpose, for his own good as well as for the vindication of God's name. There is a lesson here for those of God's professed servants who shrink from proclaiming unpopular truths.

God's Word Came Through

All these examples show that God's Word came through the way He wanted it to be delivered, whether His instruments were so disposed or not. Other Scriptural statements still more directly tell us that the Bible is the Word of God.

Peter says, "But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you." (1 Peter 1:25) Then he says, "The prophets... prophesied of the grace that should come unto you... unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the holy [spirit] sent down from heaven."—1 Peter 1:10-12.

Paul states, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in right-eousness; that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works." (2 Timothy 3: 16, 17) He therefore advises Timothy, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." He also states under inspiration, "The word of God is quick and powerful, . . . a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12) He further likens the word of God to a sword with which the servant of the Lord is able to route his enemies.—Ephesians 6:17.

It will be a surprise to those who have not given the matter careful study to note how continually the Scriptures claim divine inspiration and authority. Psalm 119:103 expresses the sentiment of those who have come to truly appreciate the Scriptures. "How sweet are thy

words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!" In the same Psalm is the statement, "The entrance of thy words giveth light." (Verse 130) Further, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Verse 105) The entire 119th Psalm is eloquent testimony to the inspiration of the Bible, particularly the portion of it then known to David. Other parts of the Scriptures subsequently written are declared to be inspired quite as emphatically by other witnesses of the Lord. Proverbs 30:5 declares, "Every word of God is pure"; and the 19th Psalm gives us this beautiful passage: "The law of Jehovah is perfect, restoring the soul: the testimony of Jehovah is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of Jehovah are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of Jehovah is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring for ever: the ordinances of Jehovah are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the droppings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: in keeping them there is great reward." (Verses 7-11, A.R.V.) There is nothing indefinite or ambiguous about these words.

Jesus' Own Testimony

Finally, and conclusively, we have Jesus' own testimony to the fact that the Scriptures are the Word of God. His continual reference to them is proof of His confidence and faith in their inspiration. Indeed, with Him it was more than belief: it was knowledge. He *knew* that the Scriptures are the Word of God, and so testified.

Speaking to the religious leaders of His day, He said, "Ye have not [God's] word abiding in you: for whom he sent, him ye believe not. Ye search the scriptures, because ye think that in them we have eternal life; and these are they which bear witness of me." (John 5: 38, A.R.V.) If the Scriptures which were written centuries before Jesus came to earth spoke of Him, it surely proves most conclusively that they were the inspired words of God. Jesus further said, "Had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" (John 5:46,47) It was His perfect harmony with the Word of God that gave Jesus' own words the power that even His enemies could not gainsay. Of Him it is said, "His word was with power." 'He spake with authority.' "Never

man spake like this man." "[They] wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth."—Luke 4:32; Mark 1:22; John 7:46; Luke 4:22.

In His temptations Jesus rebuffed the adversary with quotations from the Word of God; in His preaching He constantly appealed to it; in His controversy with His opponents He silenced them by referring them to the same authority, and in His hours of sorrow He drew comfort from it.

As already stated, the most honored of Jesus' disciples give unquestionable testimony to the

effect that the Scriptures are the Word of God. Since they were most familiar with Jesus' own attitude toward these writings, they reflect that attitude in their own course of action, as well as being guided by inspiration to bear testimony to the truth of the Bible's divine inspiration.

But the foregoing proofs of inspiration, remarkable as they are, constitute only a part of the vast amount of evidence on this subject that is impressed upon the mind when the depth and scope of the purposes of the gracious Creator as set forth in the Bible are increasingly appreciated through faithful "searching".

Advice from "Silent Unity"

"CILENT UNITY" seems to be about as bad as the more audible kind. It gives the following advice and "information" in one of its booklets. "Silently repeating statements of truth is a form of prayer. 'Concentration,' 'affirmation,' 'meditation,' 'holding the thought,' 'speaking the word,' and 'going into the silence' are terms having exactly the same meaning as 'prayer'. . . . [!] Go where you will be alone. Sit in a comfortable position and relax your entire body. For the time being, dismiss all other thoughts and considerations from your mind and give your entire attention to the work in hand. ... Begin your prayer by repeating, silently or aloud, the truth statement or affirmation in our letter to you, or inclosed in the envelope in the form of a printed leaf or card. . . . Please sign your name the same way in each letter. . . . Give in a few words the apparent condition, and mentally deny the error as you write."

Here we have the system by which "Unity" works. The idea is to "pray" by "affirming truth", which is accomplished on the same principle as when writing about your condition you mentally deny "the error" as you write. Thus when you write "Unity" about your kidney trouble, you think as you write that you have no kidney trouble though you are telling "Unity" that you have kidney trouble. Can anything be simpler. You are affirming "truth" and not kidding yourself, of course.

When you "go into the silence" or "hold the thought" you are "praying" to 'the "god" within you', which "god" evidently is quite in harmony with the falsification. He could be no other than "the god of this world", about whom the Word

of the true God tells us in 1 Corinthians 4:4. This god, or one of his helpers, evidently has a good chance to "get inside of you" while you are entirely relaxed and thinking of nothing but denying what is actually a fact'; otherwise why all this bother about something that does not exist?

Then "Unity" concludes with, "For the benefit of those who are unable to decide the amount of their offerings, we say, Ask the Spirit to show you. Silently affirm: 'Infinite wisdom guides me in all my ways.' Keep your mind open and receptive to the guidance that comes intuitively from within, and you will be shown what to do. Many of those who have been helped through Unity have adopted the tithing plan in order to show their love and gratitude. As a result, these friends are not only remembering our work liberally, but they are, in turn, being blessed with constantly increasing prosperity. Information as to tithes and tithing will be furnished on request."

Now, isn't that just wonderful! You "hold the thought" and "Unity" will hold the tithes. Sweet of them, don't you think? But, to those who are too honest to affirm as truth what is untrue, and who are unwilling to deny that God is, all this is as plainly of the Devil as anything could be, and such will recall the words of real truth to the effect that in the last days some will give heed "to lying spirits". Undoubtedly the Devil and his assistants will give some prosperity to those who fall into this trap; but could anything compensate for the tremendous loss that results to those who thus let go of their integrity toward God?

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