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Appetizers

Schoolboy Howlers

Lords and Commons are the places where cricket is played.

Silence is what you don't hear when you listen.

You break the law if you use mallet and forethought.

They fought Trafalgar on the sea and so they often call it Waterloo.

National government is when all the parties forget themselves and go for each other.

New York is behind Greenwich time because America was discovered a lot later.

The horse you bet on is called a cert; if it loses it is called a dead cert.

Henry VIII was not good at husbandry.

A schoolboy who was asked to use the words cool and collected in a sentence wrote: "The man was cool before the accident but was collected afterwards."

Hit It 100%

A young lady, asked to define a bolt and nut, received 100% for the answer:

A bolt is a thing like a stick of hard metal such as iron with a square bunch at one end and a lot of scratching wound around the other end. A nut is similar to the bolt only just the opposite, being a hole in a little chunk of iron sawed off short with wrinkles around the inside of the hole.

The Cause of It All

"Brudders and sisters, you knows an' Ah knows dat Ah ain't been what Ah oughter been. Ah's robbed hen-roosts, an' stole hawgs, an' tole lies, an' got drunk, an' slashed folks wi' mah razah, an' shot craps, an' cussed an' swore; but Ah thank de Lawd ders one thing Ah ain't nebber done: Ah ain't nebber lost mah 'ligion."

Sold!

The decrepit old car rolled up to the toll bridge.

"Fifty cents," called out the gateman.

"Sold," replied the driver.

Good Story Coming

Husband (arriving home late)—"You can't guess where I've been."

Wife—"I can; but go on with your story."

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

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The Crime of Vaccination



AS THE clergy thrive by exploiting the spiritual perplexities of the people, and politicians prosper by their governmental difficulties, so the medical profession makes merchandise of the people by capitalizing on their physical ailments. While the ecclesiastics inoculate the people with spiritually poisonous doctrines, the medicos vaccinate them with deadly serums. How the Devil must laugh at the cruel hoax by which bodies are said to be made healthy through the injection of diseased tissues, and immunity to disease is obtained by corrupting the blood-stream!

If the Medical Association had been in existence in the days of Christ they would have insisted on vaccinating the babe Jesus, on the assumption that He was not in proper condition until they had injected a goodly number of 1,300-odd serums and vaccines of filthy pus. It would not have done Mary any good to protest, either. They would have laughed at her objections and dismay and would have put Joseph in jail (as they did John Marsh of Carlisle, Pennsylvania), reduced Mary to want, and finally vaccinated Jesus anyway, by force. They would have had no compunction whatever about doing this, even as they have no compunction about doing the same thing now to followers of Christ, the least of His brethren. Mary and Joseph were able to flee from Herod, but they would have been hard put to it to escape the watchful eye and far-reaching tentacles of the Medical Association.

The foregoing hypothetical illustration is set forth to emphasize the arrant wickedness of the entire vaccine and serum setup and those who sponsor it and profit by it. Their proposition reduces itself to the dictum that God's creatures, even if pictures of health and beauty, are not fit for life until the Med-

ical Association has injected a score or more vaccines and serums; the more, the better. And though one may feel that such a practice is nothing short of ungodly, his conscientious scruples are ignored and violently overruled.

The Medical Association is not content with one vaccination. There would be slight profit in that. Vaccinations of various kinds are recommended, and, where possible, insisted upon, in order to "guard" the individual against known and unknown diseases.

What a Discovery!

What a discovery it was when the doctors found out that healthy persons needed their services (at a price)! The world was well on the way to an appreciation of the fact that cleanliness, moderation in food, fresh air, exercise and attention to other natural health rules were the best preventives against disease, when the doctors decided that even if people did look healthy enough to outlive Methuselah they were really in a bad way until they had had at least a few shots of serum and vaccine; and the more, the safer the individual would be. Where would the doctors and serum-peddlers be today if it had not been for this "marvelous discovery", and the further discovery that the law could be called in to make sure that nobody got away. You've got to be vaccinated, or else—!

By the way, that "or else—" business has become a little too prominent since the world was 'made safe for democracy'. You've got to be vaccinated, and your children especially, or else—! You've got to salute Hitler, or Mussolini, or the swastika or the flag, or else—! That tendency should be watched and opposed. It is the essence of totalitarianism and the denial of the most fundamental of human rights. It resolves itself into the question, "Will you do this or that because it is right

and proper, or will you do it because of fear of reprisal and punishment, whether it is right or not?" It is like the ultimatum of the racketeer, "You'll take it and like it." It is the spirit of Satan.

You've got to be vaccinated, or else—! That "or else" may mean a lot. The children may be expelled from school, and have been. The parents may be arrested for failing to send the child to school, even though the child comes every day only to be refused admittance. The father may lose his job. The family may come to want and be obliged to apply for relief. Then the representatives of "law and order" step in and vaccinate the child in spite of the parents' well-founded objections. The John Marsh case is an example of the way in which doctors through "the law" set aside the inalienable right of an individual to say what shall be done with his own body, and the bodies of his children. Vaccination is in reality an assault upon the individual and a violation of his body. This by way of introduction to a symposium of views and reviews on the subject of 'Vaccination and Serumization', with some additional observations on vivisection, which may be viewed as closely related. As the practice of vivisection is medical and surgical experimentation upon animals, so the injection of serums and vaccines is virtual experimentation upon human creatures. The following material has been gathered from various sources, which are indicated, and constitutes a telling array of facts in support of the contention that these practices are criminal in the extreme, human laws in their support to the contrary notwithstanding.

How Smallpox Vaccine Virus Is Made

A calf is tied down to an operating table, the stomach is shaved from twelve to fifteen inches square, and about one hundred incisions are made. Into these incisions one drop of glycerinated lymph (a culture of smallpox passed through a solution of glycerine) is allowed to drop and is thoroughly rubbed in. Fever sets in and the animal becomes exceedingly sick. In a few days the vesicles appear, the scabs form, and the elimination of impurities of various kinds from the blood of the calf begins, in the form of pus, which is thrown out of the blood into the vesicles. At the end of six days the process of elimination has proceeded so far that the vesicles are full of pus, putrid cells, etc., and a scab has formed

over the reservoir of disease. The calf is once more bound and laid upon the operating table. The inoculated area is washed with warm water, and each vesicle is clasped with clamps, separately. The crust is carefully scraped with the edge of a steel instrument and the dead skin, lymph, poisonous pus and blood that are exuded are transferred to a small crucible.

To this horrible mass of putrid matter is added an equal measure of glycerine, and the mass then thoroughly stirred and mixed by a small electric motor. As soon as it is rendered homogeneous it is placed in another crucible and passed through a very fine sieve, in order to remove the coarse pieces of rotten flesh, hair, etc.; then the mixture is again beaten up, thoroughly mixed, transferred to tubes and distributed throughout the country as pure calf lymph, when in reality there is no such thing as pure lymph. It is this rotten stuff that our health boards, school boards and family physicians insist upon having introduced directly into the circulation of the blood of millions of school children every year.

But this is not the worst. Dr. S. Monckton Copeman, at the Victoria University of Manchester, April 25, 1904, said:

The most satisfactory material was found to be vesicle pulp, obtained in the post-mortem room from cases of discrete smallpox that had died during a comparatively early stage of the eruption.

Dr. Copeman goes on to tell how, after this "pulp" had been mixed with glycerine, it was inoculated into monkeys, next into calves, and then into children. Vaccine lymph made from vesicle pulp taken from sores in the body of a living patient is revoltingly unsanitary, and, we hold, clearly an illegal product. But what shall be said if made from the putrid sores on a smallpox corpse?—California Animal Defense and Anti-Vivisection League, Inc., Los Angeles.

Ella Maillart, writing in *John o' London's Weekly*, states that Weigl anti-typhus vaccine is produced in the following way: A guinea-pig is injected with some blood from a person suffering from typhus, but in order to produce a vaccine efficacious for humans, the disease has to be transmitted to lice. The Peking laboratory has a nursery of these insects, the only one in the world. Chinese who have recovered from typhus and are immune come twice a day to act as grazing grounds for the lice. For half an hour the insects suck the blood, which is a necessity to them. On each leg a

man nourishes a hundred, distributed in little boxes which have netting on one side. The men who nurse the lice are often ragged beggars surprised to find themselves paid for nursing parasites which they used to carry on themselves all day and night for nothing.

The old method of ripening pus for injection into the human blood-stream was to squirt it into a calf, and when the calf got sick enough, and the pus was rotten enough, it was collected and the "pure" rot of uncertain origin was put forth to produce infantile paralysis, blindness or whatever other disease besides cowpox it may have at first contained or later collected. All this is now improved by a Japanese method. The Japanese take the same filthy stuff, mix it with "meat juice", certain tissues from rotten hens' eggs and other choice bits, and it is ready to be shot into humans without going through the calf. Surely "the world do move". To make sure the stuff is all O.K. and will be suitable for pumping into Westerners, they tried it out on 2,500 patients in one of their hospitals. It now remains to be seen if American pus-growers can rise to the occasion and duplicate the stunt here. Otherwise the pus trade will go to the Japanese.

Methods of Increasing Vaccine Sales

Dr. John P. Koehler, health commissioner, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, frankly describes the startling method of increasing the sales of any vaccine they decide to force upon the public, as follows:

This we attempted to do in three ways—first, by education; second, by fright; and third, by pressure. During the months of March and April we tried education and vaccinated only 62,000. During May we made use of fright and pressure and vaccinated 223,000 people.

Not content with this, as there were still many people who would not be educated or frightened, officials compelled all employers to force their employees to be vaccinated or lose their positions.—California Animal Defense and Anti-Vivisection League, Inc., Los Angeles.

Compulsory Vaccination

I cannot understand why there should be any attempt to compel anyone to be vaccinated against his will. We who are vaccinated have nothing to fear from anyone who is not vaccinated, unless we are sadly mistaken about the value of vaccination.

It has been my observation that health department officials who are most active in this persecution of people who do not wish to be vaccinated are generally of questionable character and honesty. By making a great show of zeal in the protection of the public health in that contemptible way the grafters and crooks holding health board jobs and collecting illicit money on the side

manage to escape close scrutiny of their official conduct by the public.—Dr. William Brady, in Milwaukee *Sentinel*.

Compulsory Blood-Poisoning

If someone should ask you if you believed in and were an advocate of blood-poisoning you no doubt would answer emphatically in the negative. If someone should ask you if you believed in and were an advocate of vaccination, perhaps you would answer in the affirmative; and yet the practice of vaccination is nothing more nor less than deliberate blood-poisoning.

If you have never doubted the supposed virtue of this practice you may be inclined to take issue with the foregoing statement. If this is true, then what is to follow will be



Poisoning, stupefying and robbing mankind

all the more interesting to you. The practice of vaccination consists in the introduction into the system of a substance called "vaccine virus". Have you ever stopped to consider what this virus is, and how it is obtained? In reality it is the slimy, poisonous oozings of ulcers from a diseased calf.

The word "virus" is of Latin origin, meaning "a slimy liquid; poisonous liquid; poison; stench".

The *New Universal Dictionary* defines "virus" as "organic, contagious or poisonous matter by which disease is introduced into the system".

According to the *Century Dictionary*, it means "a morbid poison; slime or poison".

Webster's *International Dictionary* says it is "contagious or poisonous matter as of specific ulcers, the bite of snakes, etc., applied to organic poisons".

According to Gould's *Medical Dictionary*, "virus" means "a poison that causes a morbid process or disease".

All dictionaries, it will be seen, are agreed that virus is a poison; and when we consider how the substance is produced, when we call to mind that it is nothing more nor less than the morbid filth that nature wisely eliminates from the body of a diseased calf, we can readily appreciate the correctness of these definitions. The calf's blood is poisoned by seed virus, and the reaction that results is but the natural operation of the law of self-preservation that applies to all living creatures. The purpose of the reaction is to eliminate the impurities that have been introduced into the blood, thus to preserve the life of the beast. The filthy slime thus eliminated from the calf is collected and put through a series of processes and then used to vaccinate human creatures.

The reaction in the human body that results when vaccine is introduced into the system is similar to the reaction that takes place in the calf when so-called "seed" virus is injected into it. The object and purpose of the reaction in both cases is to purify the blood and preserve the life of beast or child as the case may be.

Instinct and reason should prompt every person to keep the blood-stream pure. Sanitary drinking cups, individual towels, etc., are the outgrowth of the desire to avoid contamination and promote the purity of the blood. Health is absolutely impossible unless the blood approximates a certain degree of puri-

ty. Then what scientific foundation can there be for justifying the practice of vaccination?

Science as well as Scripture teaches that 'as ye sow, so shall ye also reap'; in other words, that the harvest must conform to the seed sown; that we cannot "gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles"; that 'a corrupt tree cannot bring forth good fruit'. Vaccination is a "corrupt tree" and must bring forth fruit after its own kind. By the practice of vaccination the seeds of disease are implanted in the body, and health is always placed in jeopardy. Even life itself is often sacrificed because of this blood-contaminating operation.

This practice is justified and forced upon the public because of the false belief that health is thereby safeguarded, or, more specifically, that it prevents smallpox—a disease that has largely been eliminated by improvements in sanitation and personal hygiene. This false conclusion is zealously fostered by a powerful commercial-medical-political combination that is almost impossible to overcome. It is subsidized in practically every nation on earth and deeply entrenched in national, state and city governments. This state of affairs has been brought about by recourse to mob psychology and careful cultivation of the fear complex.

But as sure as truth liberates, the time is coming when this destructive practice of compulsory blood-poisoning will cease, and people will no longer be deprived of their inalienable right to maintain the purity of their blood-stream. It will become obvious to every sane-minded individual, even physicians, that health cannot be promoted by polluting the blood, but, on the contrary, only evil can result from such a filthy practice.

When it is so apparent that the practice of vaccination is founded on falsehood and error, the question logically arises, Why do doctors continue to believe in and advocate it? There may be several reasons for this, but the principal one, no doubt, is that they have been taught that vaccination has rid the world of smallpox. This belief is promulgated as one of the verities of science, and statistics are advanced to substantiate it. The result is that seldom will a doctor of the orthodox school bother to give the matter so much as an inquiring thought. Then, too, the political and commercial aspects of vaccination are a strong factor in its perpetuation.

But let the true nature of vaccination be known, and the practice will rapidly die out.

Doctors themselves will gradually become disillusioned, just as they did in regard to the practice of bloodletting and many other pernicious remedies that have long since been discarded. Let it be known that compulsory vaccination is the inoculation of the body with a "morbid poison", and gradually there will be a revision of sentiment in, as well as out of, the medical profession toward this evil practice, which eventually will result in the repeal of all laws making it compulsory. Many years ago we were assured by the greatest of all teachers, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."—George W. Reid, M.D., D.O., Massachusetts.

Are the Serums Harmless?

One of the greatest lies is the statement, "Inoculations and injections are HARMLESS." Be convinced now, last and always, that it is a LIE, and I will prove it to you here and now—not by my say-so, but I will let you read what one of the leading manufacturers of this filth has to say about "serum sickness". You have all either read or heard of this condition at times, in the medical propaganda you have read, or from persons who have suffered because of having had serum vaccines and toxins injected into them, but it was never explained to you just what serum sickness is, and its results. Of course, medicine will not inform you of the bad results of anything.

This is a doctor-made disease, as vaccinia is, which results after vaccination from small-pox. I will give you parts of that lengthy article, which was printed in "Roche Review", a monthly booklet published by Hoffman-La Roche, Inc., Nutley, N. J., a manufacturer of medical preparations, serums, vaccines and toxins for injections. This story was published in their July issue, 1937, Vol. I, No. 10, on page 281. The following explains itself, leaving nothing for me to say, and plenty for you to think about.

... The clinical picture of serum sickness is distinctive and, with the history of serum administration, presents no diagnostic difficulty. There are two types of delayed reaction whose symptoms are essentially similar, the only difference being in intensity. One type occurs after the patient's first experience with antiserum, and the other occurs in cases in which previous injection has sensitized the patient. In the latter type the incubation period is shorter and the symptoms more severe.

The most constant findings are Urticaria, Adenopathy, Arthralgia, Fever, and Edema. In addi-

tion Abdominal Pain, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Headache and sore throat may be present. In extreme cases, shock (collapse) and even death may occur.

Serum sickness rarely occurs without skin lesions. Usually urticarial in form, or a mixture of urticaria and erythema, the eruption is always attended by pruritus, which may be severe.

Joint manifestations occur in about half of the patients. They may be entirely subjective, with no outward evidence; or a true arthritis may develop, with swelling, heat exudate and redness. The knees, ankles, elbows and wrists are most commonly affected. In about 30 percent of the cases, fever ranging from 99 to 104 occurs. It is usually remittent and may last for a week or more. Edema also occurs in about one-third of patients, occasionally accompanied by signs of impaired renal (kidney) function. The face, sacrum, pretibial regions, ankles and upper extremities are most commonly affected. The evidence of transient kidney damage are chloride and water retention, a reduced phenolsulphonthalein excretion, albumin and cylindrical casts.

Treatment is symptomatic. [There is no cure or specific for all these conditions. You have to battle your way out yourself. If you don't, it is just too bad.—*Author*]

Immediate serum reactions, the so-called "serum accidents" [great injury and death], occur immediately following the administration of serum, sometimes even before the needle is withdrawn. In such instances the cause of the reaction lies in the specific sensitivity of the individual to the type of serum administered, a sensitivity which may be inherent and not necessarily induced by previous serum administration. [Blame it on the patient.—*Author*] As has already been noted, severe, even fatal, reactions may occur in persons who have received previous injections of serum. These are called 'secondary serum accidents'.

And still, my good friends, you continue to read and believe that inoculations are harmless, because the M.D., who listens to the manufacturers, tells you so. The newspapers and magazines give millions of dollars of free advertising to these firms and doctors yearly. Such news sheets are causing thousands of deaths yearly because of this—unknowingly perhaps, for business reasons principally in many cases.

The above is a story written by the manufacturer who makes such filthy products. I believe that should be convincing enough. But you are not allowed to read this side of the story.

Still knowing all this, the manufacturer is allowed to make it, and the medicine man continues to inject this material into healthy blood-streams, making up their own statistics

and results, to satisfy the public mind that it is all for "public welfare". With all their test tubes, white gowns, knives, etc., medicine becomes very intriguing to the public mind, and makes wonderful "copy" for the newspapers and magazines. But have they ever stopped to think of the results, or checked their statements? The crippling, blinding and death caused by such practice is appalling. If they would print in the newspapers what they print in their personal journals about the results of their practices, medicine would collapse overnight.

A few results printed: At Los Angeles a youth of 20 years was caught in the act of choking a woman of 75. Arrested, and suspected of three murders, he claims that the urge to kill came as a result of serum inoculations given him in a CCC camp.

If you want to turn to stone, and you have heard of a number of these cases lately, you might try receiving anti-typhoid injections. It worked that way with Mrs. Iola Swinerton, of Chicago, who has been in a hospital ten years because she let her blood-stream be thus polluted. She is now but 33 years of age.

Has anyone ever heard of a pure mountain stream of water being made more pure by running a sewer into it? Would medical science (?) have us believe that our secretions, serums, organs and reactions match those of the lowest animals? Is there one disease that medicine can prove they have prevented with vaccines? To prove prevention, you first have to prove that person would get that disease in the first place; and who in the world is going to prove THAT?

Oh, yes, serums, vaccines, toxins, inoculations, are all "harmless", because the man who is selling them says so. You, my friends, believe this LIE, and continue to submit your body to these violations; then all I can say is, "God have mercy on your soul."—James I. Bardsley, D.C., Ph.C., N.D., Ph.N., Pennsylvania.

Tribute to Vaccination

It may be that you do not know what vaccination and inoculation are—it may be that you do not know that these practices consist of putting the putrid discharge from the running sores of diseased persons and animals and other diseased human and animal substances into the blood-stream of healthy persons, contaminating it so that, in the case of persons susceptible to particular diseases, one disease or another may result either imme-

diately or at some time in the future. And to make these putrid substances, great cruelty is practiced upon animals by diseasing them, causing them untold pain and suffering and eventually killing them uselessly with disease. These practices sow the seed of infantile paralysis, tetanus, syphilis, cancer, consumption, and other loathsome diseases.

The vaccine makers contend that their product isn't so harmful because it comes from a calf after originally coming from a human [creature], believing apparently that calf pus is not so bad as human pus after the human pus has been smeared into the calf and has festered on the calf into calf pus. But there are reasons why calf pus is a worse substance to introduce into the human circulation than human pus (or human cellular substance); for observe: The calf cells multiply fifteen or twenty times as rapidly as human cells. These calf cells introduced into the human circulation are not digested as they would be if taken into the stomach—they remain living cells indefinitely. Killing the calf does not at once kill the cells of the animal, as many biologists will testify. Thus getting into the circulation, the foreign cells are carried through lymph ducts to glands and there deposited. Should they retain life and subsequently multiply, as they undoubtedly do in many cases, they multiply according to their nature, rapidly, causing bunches—tumors, cancer and other morbid growths have had their most rapid increase since bovine vaccines have become the rule. All vaccination is unphysiological—a crime against nature.

Out of what hell of research could the idea of such grafting have sprung but from that lowest region where misnamed doctors combine disease cultivation with animal torture and carry it on as their life work?—H. Eugene Gardner, prominent Philadelphia attorney.

Picric acid and zinc sulphate have been introduced to aid in cases of infantile paralysis. According to the dictionary, picric acid is used in dyeing and in explosives and zinc sulphate (white vitriol) is made by combining sulphuric acid and zinc. A prophylactic is something that is supposed to prevent disease. All right. What do you say to trying out a combination of these two chemicals, one so useful in dyeing and explosives, and the other so effective as an emetic and astringent? Maybe the two of them together might prevent the spreading plague of infantile paralysis (which some able physicians believe di-

rectly traceable to vaccination). With this little introduction, one is able to understand the following conclusions of Dr. Mervin C. Myerson, director of the nose and throat department of Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., based on a long study at that institution, recently made public.

The effectiveness of astringent chemicals when used in preventing infantile paralysis in monkeys was so great . . . that the prophylactic method was tried out on mass populations, first in the South and last year in Toronto. In both instances no conclusions of any kind were drawn because of the uncertainty of the results.

Just a mild suggestion from one who does not know it all, but loves his fellow men: How about cutting out both the vaccination and the picric acid and zinc sulphate and all similar experiments for a while, and teach hygiene, and see what effect that has on the infantile paralysis curse.

Not One Penny for One Crutch

At a recent hearing for a bill before a subcommittee of the House District Committee, Dr. Joseph Wall, professor of children's diseases at Georgetown University, and acting chief of staff at Children's Hospital, Washington, D. C., said: "The chief purpose of the Birthday Balls is to raise an enormous fund for research. Not one penny of that fund will go to buying a crutch for a crippled child. Not one dollar will go to President Roosevelt's pet foundation in Georgia. The majority of the dollars will go for the purchase of monkeys in order that we may carry out proper animal research."

In recent years, many thousands of monkeys have been tortured to "discover" a serum to "prevent" infantile paralysis, and countless other animals have been diseased and "bled white" to make various serums, which were given to about 20,000 children, injuring their health and actually killing some, till United States health officials called a halt. Surely those who contributed to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis do not wish their money, given to infantile paralysis sufferers, to be sunk in still more tortures, more injured and dead children? Then write at once to the Trustees, 120 Broadway, New York City, and tell them so!—Alice K. Millard, New York.

Results of Vaccination

Reynold W. Wilcox, M.D., in his book on "The Treatment of Disease, a Manual of Practical Medicine", states, at page 244:

Complications of Vaccination: Cellulitis may occur, especially in debilitated children, as a result of contamination. Erysipelas is a serious complication and in certain instances dormant disease such as tuberculosis and syphilis may manifest itself. Vaccinia may prove fatal to children, for various bacteria and amoeboid bodies have been found in the vaccine lymph.

A specific illustration of the possibility of introducing injurious bacteria by means of vaccination is that of the daughter of Prof. Michael Kinnealy of Dublin, who died of galloping consumption after being inoculated with a serum intended to prevent diphtheria (which the child might never have contracted in any event). The professor sued the serum manufacturers, Burroughs Wellcome, for £16,100 (\$80,000) damages. Twenty-five other children similarly inoculated likewise contracted consumption or tubercular disease.

" . . . Eczema and impetigo [skin disease with pustules] in particular have, *post hoc*, been attributed to vaccination, but no direct connection has been proved to exist between the operation and the occurrence of these disorders. Of a different order is the post-vaccinal encephalitis described by Turnbull and McIntosh of the British Medical Association meeting in July 1928. The condition has been noticed in some hundreds of cases and manifests itself, on the average, ten to fourteen days after vaccination, as headache, delirium, paresis, and ultimately coma and death in fatal cases."—Copied from the *Encyclopædia Britannica*, 14th Edition (1929), Vol. 22, page 922, 2nd column, under the subject of "Vaccination", subheaded "Alleged Injurious Effects", by The American Medical Liberty League, Inc., 404 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Achievements of vaccination are hardly of the kind to be extolled. In the year 1935, in the whole of England and Wales there were no deaths from smallpox; but do not think from this that nothing was accomplished by vaccination. There was. In that year eight deaths were registered as having been caused by vaccination. Superstition dies hard. Mexico, with the most rigid vaccination and revaccination law, has the highest smallpox death rate in the world. There is good reason to believe that smallpox is spread only by the bite of bedbugs that had previously had a smallpox dinner.

At Erie, Pennsylvania, five-year-old Maxine Yarrington has slept with her eyes wide open for half of her life. Encephalitis lethargica

(sleeping sickness), often brought on by vaccination, is believed to be incurable in this case.

How They Bolster Up False Statistics

Dr. Carr, former editor of the *Columbus Medical Journal*, said:

We had in this city (Columbus, Ohio) an alleged epidemic of smallpox. A great many people were quarantined, and a great many were vaccinated.

I took the pains to obtain this list of people, who were put down as never vaccinated. I obtained the list from the books at the Board of Health, and started out to visit the list. I visited the first thirty, and without exception they had been vaccinated, some of them three or four times. I went back to the office, demanding an explanation of their false statistics, and the reply I got was as follows:

"It doesn't make any difference how many vaccination scars a man may be carrying, he has not been properly vaccinated if he gets the smallpox. The only proof we need that he has not been properly vaccinated is the fact that he catches smallpox. And if he had not been properly vaccinated, it is equivalent to never vaccinated." Therefore, they simply find out who has the smallpox, and then put them down as never vaccinated.

Another method of reducing smallpox statistics is to list smallpox cases in previously vaccinated children as chicken pox.—California Animal Defense and Anti-Vivisection League, Inc., Los Angeles.

How Diphtheria Antitoxin Is Made



The method of manufacture of diphtheria anti-toxin furnishes a classical example of the manufacture of all serums used in the modern cult of serum therapy, whether of anti-plague serum, anti-tetanus serum, Selavo's anthrax serum, anti-snake venom serum, anti-pneumococcal serum, anti-meningitis serum, etc., etc. In most of the preparations a horse is used as the medium for obtaining the serum, but for the preparation of anthrax serum Selavo uses a donkey and for that of anti-plague serum Haffkine usually uses a goat.

A portion of the membranous excretion which appears upon the throat of a patient suffering from diphtheria is first extracted therefrom. It is necessary that it should contain the diphtheria bacillus; for many diphtheritic throats contain no diphtheria bacillus at all. This excretion is then transferred to a special beef broth, which is kept at a certain even temperature in an incubator for ten to fourteen days, until the germs multiply

millionsfold, and the broth becomes alive with them. It is recommended that the meat which is used for making the broth should be kept for some days until incipient putrefaction has taken place. The broth is then filtered, and the filtrate is employed for injecting into horses. At first only a few drops are injected under the skin. The injections are administered twice a week in gradually increasing doses for a period of five or six months until the dose ultimately reaches as much as a pint to a pint and a half.

At first injections give rise to a considerable constitutional disturbance—as might be expected in such a blood-poisoning process. The animal's temperature rises, it goes off its food, it may have diarrhea and shivering fits, etc., but the injections are continued until the animal—if it does not succumb—ceases to react. It is then said to be "immune", and its blood is supposed to contain an anti-toxin capable of neutralizing the toxin (i.e., poison) of diphtheria. The bleeding process then begins, usually on the third day after the last injection of the poisoned beef broth.

The animal's head is firmly secured; if at all refractory a cruel instrument called a twitch is fixed on the upper lip, and a long sharp-pointed tube is driven into the horse's neck over a large blood vessel, and two or three gallons of blood are drawn off into a receptacle. This process is repeated from time to time until the animal is exhausted, or is sold or dies. The blood coagulates and the clear fluid which rises to the surface—called serum—is then put into tubes and sold at fancy prices under the name of diphtheria anti-toxin.—Washington Humane Education and Anti-Vivisection Society, Spokane, Wash.

The cheerful work of pumping experimental serums goes on in Canada, as in other semi-civilized areas of the world, including the United States. The *Calgary Herald* tells of one of the so-called "anti-diphtheria" serums being pumped into Basil Forester, nine-year-old son of a widow, at Olds, Alberta, and after a few days of intense suffering he died. Of thirty healthy children inoculated with the pus, twelve had to have their arms lanced and a dozen more were ill. It will now be up to the serum manufacturers to get out one more new serum and to get the news published far and wide of their "great discovery", so that a market can be maintained for the filth they have to sell.

Aluminum

Don't Blame the Wrong Thing

◆ A correspondent writes that Trommers are putting up their malt beer in aluminum kegs for delivery to beer gardens. However, it is not the business of *Consolation* to worry about who gets sick in beer gardens, or why. Anybody who will let any kind of alcoholic liquor stand overnight in an aluminum container and then drink it the next morning might learn something.

Why, Newcomb!

◆ Ever since the first issue of *The Golden Age*, down to the last issue of *Consolation*, I have been a faithful reader of your paper and have swallowed everything contained therein "hook, line, and sinker".

It is my painful duty to inform you that at last you have been found out and you are now being shown up in your true light. You who stand as a protector of the people, warning them of violent death from eating foods cooked in aluminum ware, are now shown up as a base deceiver bringing hardship and privation upon a long-suffering, down-trodden humanity.

Do you not know that 'Sales Mean Jobs'? If you don't, look around you and see the signs, buttons and banners to that effect, and then see if you don't believe it. But what do we find you doing? I should think you would hide your head in shame. A helper of humanity! (???) Ha, ha! Doing your best to drive aluminum cooking utensils off the market and, in so doing, drive many an honest toiler out of a job so that he has to get a pension from Mr. Roosevelt on the A.P.A.

Don't you know that nearly all foods contain aluminum? If not, look over the enclosed booklet. Why, it even has aluminum ink used in its printing, along with its pretty colors of tempting fruits and vegetables.

Don't you know that approximately one-twelfth the earth's crust is composed of aluminum? If not, look at the booklet.

Don't you know that aluminum compounds are essential to life? If not, take another look at the booklet.

Don't you know that all the big hospitals and all the big men use 'Never Wear Aluminum Cooking Utensils'? If not, take seven more looks at the booklet, a page a look.

Now what have you got to say to vindicate

yourself? I suppose you will try to tell me that they don't grind up the aluminum metal and put it into the food after they infer it is there.

Well, I am going to start saving all the aluminum metal I find in the foods I eat from now on, and as soon as I get enough to make a dish I will send it on to you and insist that you cook all your foods in it until you take back all you have said against aluminum ware.

So there now, I have got that off my chest.

Say, it was fine of them to let us know what hospitals, hotels and canned goods to keep away from.

Aluminumly yours,

H. W. NEWCOMB.

Another Honest Newspaper

◆ Another honest newspaper was discovered in the Alton (Ill.) *Evening Telegraph*. It had the courage to record the fact that the entire family of Mrs. Gus Tomlinson, 2121 County Club Avenue, was poisoned because a large goose, cooked for the Sunday dinner, was left, with its dressing, for several hours, in the aluminum pan in which it was cooked. Just why it requires so much courage to honestly report cases of aluminum poisoning becomes clear at once to any newspaper that tries it. The persons that make the aluminum utensils, the hardware stores that sell them, and the doctors that profit from the illnesses caused by their use, are all vitally affected in their pocket books. The papers seldom offend twice. There are now 150,000 aluminum beer barrels in use.

Undertakers' Assistants

◆ It is claimed that in the United States today there are 42 companies engaged in making aluminum cooking utensils, and 400,000,000 pieces of aluminum ware are in use in the nation's kitchens. The amount of misery thus expressed is beyond all human calculation.

Cancer Increase

◆ In Great Britain more than 100,000 persons are suffering from cancer, according to Walter Elliot, health minister. The death rate from cancer has nearly doubled in a generation. Meanwhile Britishers continue to use aluminum cooking utensils.



Witness Assaulted at Glasgow

◆ A very bad case of assault and battery on Jehovah's witnesses, the most serious that has yet been reported in Britain, occurred recently in the Clydebank district of Glasgow. A party of about sixty publishers started to work on the new

housing scheme opposite John Brown's shipbuilding yard, and Harold Youngman proceeded ahead of them to give lectures from the sound-car. "I was giving latter parts of 'Safety,'" he reports. "It was a very strong Roman Catholic district, and I remember being told by a young fellow last year that I had better not come back here with 'that stuff'. As

there were a lot of kiddies around the car, I asked Malcolm Scott to stand by while the records were being run and keep the youngsters off. Malcolm says he casually noticed four fellows coming down the street behind the car. He paid no particular attention to them. Suddenly he received a blow on the face, then another fellow gave him a blow on the back of the head, while a third hit him in the back. The one who struck him first then walked to the car, opened the door, lifted his foot and brought his heel down on the transcription machine, breaking the record; then closing the door and jumping on the back of the car he threw the box speaker from the roof onto the ground. By this time some of the householders had come out and told the fellow that this sort of thing was not playing the game. Had it not been for the number who came from their houses, one of the roughs would have put a piece of wood through the windows of the car."

The matter was reported to the police, resulting in a comb-out of the district, and sub-

sequently four fellows were arrested, but only one of them could be identified as participating in the attack. His name is McGrory—'nough said—and he is to be tried at court shortly. Owing mainly to the fact that the one so violently attacked by these gangsters was rendered practically unconscious, it is doubtful whether all four will get their just deserts; but to ensure successful identification in the future it would be well for publishers to note features, peculiarities of walk, or other distinguishing characteristics, so as not to let such assaults pass without punishment. —C. Daniels.

Catholic Violence in Britain

◆ The exposure of the Catholic Hierarchy and its racket in Britain is now beginning to draw the venom from some of its ardent religionists and, in one instance at least, has led to a pioneer publisher's being roughly manhandled. In the city of Leicester, where two attacks have recently been made upon Jehovah's witnesses, resident

pioneer F. Headley for the past twenty years has been visiting the local populace at their homes and places of business and has called upon nearly 100,000 residents in the last eight years, while during the last four years over 8,000 people have gladly listened to, and given thanks for, the Kingdom message from the phonograph. Such a record speaks for itself concerning the peaceful, inoffensive manner and good work of Jehovah's witnesses.

In pursuance of his God-given commission to preach the gospel of the Kingdom, pioneer Headley called at the home of Mr. Campbell, a Catholic, of Groby Road, Leicester, on Sunday, January 22, and when asked to listen to the message from the phonograph the man's wife gave consent. The machine was started, and then Mr. Campbell came to the door and after listening for about a minute he suddenly became violent. To use Headley's own words,

He told me to get out or he would smash the machine. He was so violent that I had not time to close up the phonograph, and while I was protecting it he handled me so roughly that I could



Listening to the Kingdom message
in the Scottish Highlands



Linemen listening in

not get off his premises with my belongings. His wife then took action and kicked my case of literature (containing about 60 pieces) from the doorstep, and when I protested they both took all the matter out of the case and strewed and kicked it about the garden. My leather case was taken and deliberately ripped, and they refused to let me pick anything up. They finally threw everything over the garden fence. Many booklets were, of course, damaged, and my nerves were so affected that I could not continue the work and have been unable to sleep.

Legal action is contemplated.—C. Daniels, London.

Linemen Listening In

◆ Five witnesses of the Pittsburgh (Pa.) company chanced to come across a group of linemen at the lunch hour. The witnesses could talk to them in German, Croatian, Hungarian, Polish, Russian, Slovak, Ukrainian and English, but they had something better. They had Judge Rutherford's lectures in English, which all understood, and played several of them on the phonograph. Result: 6 bound books, 31 booklets, 27 phonograph attendance. Part of the group of listeners are shown in the picture.

Comical Note from a Fat Man

◆ Fat men are proverbially good-natured;

and when one of the best-natured of all of them was arrested and tried to express his anger, it was fun to hear from him, and to notice that when he did try to get angry his wrath seemed to be specially vented toward one of his own type. He said:

Was picked up today with another witness and we were taken to the police station where the radio desk sergeant tried to scare us out of seven years' growth. We were not much impressed. He raged, he stormed, he threatened, and when he had heard as much of the testimony as we could work in between noises, he howled, but to no avail.

The chief of police told us we could go, but if they had any more complaints they would have to arrest us and lock us up. It turned out that they knew all about our work and were only trying to bluff us. However, it was remarkable how civil the chief of police became after he had listened to Judge Rutherford on the "Enemies" record. And it sounded so much better because the obese* desk sergeant stormed and raged so his own ears would not hear it.

As we went out the chief of police asked how long we were going to work. I said "a full hour", and we did without further trouble. The fat* goat only had one complaint. The other officers were much amused at the fat* one's agony. The reason, of course, that Fatso was so apoplectic was because we refused to ask for a permit, and told him the same as Jeremiah told the Jews.—Jeremiah 26: 8-15.

If Your Name Were Copsack

◆ If your name were A. Copsack, and you boarded at the home of a Spanish woman in Monessen, Pa., and a lady of your own nationality, one of Jehovah's witnesses, called at the home of your landlady to set up a phonograph and put on some wonderful lectures on Bible topics; and if you got mad and smashed her machine, and called her vile names; and if you added to all this that you called up the police and had her taken to the police station [where she was released]; and then if Jehovah's witnesses had you arrested for malicious mischief; and if it happened that even the alderman passed the house while you were making a fool of yourself, and the net result was that you had to pay for repairing the machine and to pay the costs of the suit, or else serve time behind bars one day for every dollar, wouldn't it make you mad that you were such a fool? And how long would it take you to learn that it was your fool religion at the bottom of it all?

Beneath Contempt

◆ Beneath contempt is the United Press dispatch from Alexandria, La., stating that the assistant district attorney "investigated five men arrested for the distribution of 'Fascist' circulars". The accused men were Jehovah's witnesses. The literature described as "'Fascist' circulars" is the most outspoken condemnation of Fascism ever circulated; for it goes straight to the heart of the whole matter. But see the light in which the United Press puts it. The men were arrested, so the account goes on to say, for an "attack on the Catholic Church". The average dumb reader is thus led to believe that the Catholic Church, which is the heart and soul of all Fascism, is against all Fascism, while Jehovah's witnesses, the

only real patriots in the country who have the guts to tell who is back of Fascism, are accused of being "Fascist". If you can beat that for general all-round cussedness you will have to go some.

Does It Happen This Way in the States?

◆ We had finished our monthly sound-car program at Pirapitingui and were on the way

back to São Paulo for our regular Sunday afternoon program at Luz Park, when a tire went flat and we stopped on the side of the highway to change it. It was a hot, dusty afternoon, with a fair amount of traffic. Every car that came along stopped and offered assistance. The traffic cop came by and offered his services. At last came the ice-cream man. He stopped, offered to help us, then said: "What is this message of the Kingdom? This car has passed me a number of times and I've always wanted to know." We gave him a *Kingdom* booklet and *Uncovered* to



A little California girl
Over two years a Kingdom publisher

read, and then he treated us to ice cream.

Bananas 2c a dozen, avocados 2c apiece, pineapples 5c apiece, in São Paulo Free Market, Brazil, January 9, 1939.—Jehovah's Kingdom publishers at São Paulo, Brazil.

Consolation Is Your Magazine

◆ *Consolation* is your magazine. Help make it interesting to yourself and others by sending promptly, and in best, most readable form, accurate, specific information on any subject of general interest. Do not send whole papers, but clippings bearing name of paper and date. Contributed articles should preferably be typewritten, double-spaced, and bear your name and address. Photographs are acceptable, especially of the works of God in your vicinity. Description of what the photograph represents should be written *lightly* on the back.

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CONSOLATION

Balkan States

Rumanian Orthodox Racket



The Rumanian Orthodox racket, commonly called the "Rumanian Orthodox Church", has been making it hot for the Baptists and other sects, bringing about their arrests and imprisonment. The Baptists do not appreciate these little attentions, and remind the world that the Rumanian Orthodox Church sat in at the Oxford conference and was one of the signatories to the statement:

All churches should renounce the use of the coercive power of the State in matters of religion.

The whole thing is laughable. The Oxford conference was merely a conference of racketeers, and the signatures to agreements made there were of no more value than the signatures of the powers most recently agreeing to protect Czechoslovakia.

Latest Elections in Yugoslavia

◆ Latest elections in Yugoslavia are down to the level of elections in Jersey City or Kansas City. The Government announced over the radio that the Greek Catholic archbishop had voted in its favor, and then refused to let him tell the truth that he had voted against it. Election inspectors who tried to prevent falsification of votes were expelled or arrested. Many voters, when they came to vote, were told they had already voted. Identification cards were given to blocks of illegal voters so that they could vote instead of the rightful persons. Many voters sold themselves to the highest bidders. Others voted as they were instructed by dispensers of shoes, firewood or other necessities. Thus, by one crooked means or another, the Stoyadinovitch gang stayed in power.

The Downfall of Czechoslovakia

◆ The downfall of Czechoslovakia was due primarily to French double-crossing and deliberate British betrayal. The Russians were ready to stand by their agreement to support Czechoslovakia, provided the French would do the same. And right up to September 18 the French government assured Benes that it would do so. Only British treachery encouraged Hitler to demand annexation of the Sudeten area:

"Hitler would have accepted autonomy for the Germans in Czechoslovakia, and the Ger-

man program until the last few days did not go beyond that; but then came Lord Runciman who reported favorably on dismemberment.

"This conclusion inevitably was known to Hitler before he committed himself to annexation, clearly with the full knowledge that Great Britain would not go to war, that therefore France would not meet her obligations, and that in turn Russia was not obligated to move, since her treaty with Czechoslovakia was contingent upon French support."

"One must join Professor Frederick L. Schuman in concluding that there was no war crisis at any time, only an unparalleled conspiracy, and even a hoax, to intimidate public opinion and to clothe with a garment of necessity as ugly an act as the history of international politics presents for a thousand years."—Dr. Charles Pergler, in the *Virginia Quarterly Review*.

In the Refugee Camp at Mischdorf

◆ In the refugee camp at Mischdorf, near Bratislava, Hungary, last winter 300 men, women and children were dumped in an open field for one week in temperatures of 20 degrees below zero during the daytime and 50 degrees below zero at night. They built scanty huts of cornstalks and in four vans put the helpless cripples, the blind and those seriously ill with high fevers and tuberculosis. One brave physician, himself a refugee, worked day and night to render all the aid in his power to these victims of man's inhumanity to man.

Pressure upon the Jews

◆ Pressure upon the Jews continues all over the Balkan States, and, of course, emanates from a common center. In Czechoslovakia an order was issued suspending all Jewish professors and teachers from German universities and high schools. In Hungary and Rumania legislation is under way to force all Jews to emigrate. Poland and Yugoslavia, as well as Germany and Italy, show similar intolerance and bigotry. Rumania is now treating as foreigners all Jews who arrived in that country since 1916, is regulating the number that may be engaged in any single occupation, and is forbidding Jewish establishments to close on Saturday.

New England

Reardon Must Go

◆ Of all the appointments made by that "only Catholic governor", Charles F. Hurley, of Massachusetts, one that was most objectionable was that of James G. Reardon, state commissioner of education, and it was good to learn that one of the first acts of the new governor was to put a new and better man in his place. Others to go were William F. Callahan, public works commissioner, Frank Kane, associate public works commissioner, and many others of the same stripe. Americans are gradually learning it is never safe to put a subject of the Hierarchy into an office of trust.

A Good Mother in Massachusetts

◆ In Massachusetts a trusty escaped from the Dedham jail and found his way to the

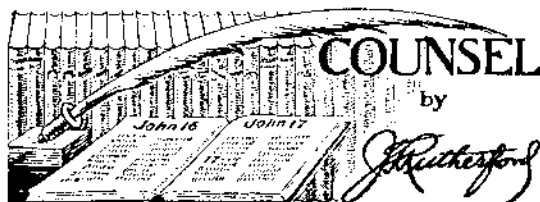
home of his mother, and the mother rose to the occasion. She persuaded him to return; and, to make sure that he did, she accompanied him to the door of the prison. It was mother love put to a great test, and this mother proved that she really loved her boy. She was looking to the future, not the immediate present.

Hard-hearted Massachusetts

◆ At Peabody, Massachusetts, William F. Waterhouse, a young man of 87, was refused permission to marry Mrs. Mary Hill, a young woman of 72. It seems that each of these young people is now getting \$30 a month pension, but if they marry their income will be automatically reduced to \$50 for the two. Now, if that isn't tough luck for those just starting out in life!



White Mountains, New Hampshire



Religion Rejects Jehovah

THE VARIOUS universities maintain a "divinity school", the purpose of which is to give instruction in matters religious. Recently the dean of Yale Divinity School issued a statement that the name Jehovah is to be removed from the Standard Bible used by the religious organizations and added these words in his statement: "Jehovah is not a functioning religious term." Religionists therefore openly and formally reject the name of Jehovah. During the past few years there has been such a wide publicity of the name of Jehovah by faithful Christians that the worldly authorities of religion see the necessity of turning the minds of religious people entirely away from Jehovah God in order that they might hold the parishioners in the organization. Manifestly the reason is fear that some sincere persons might learn the meaning of the name Jehovah, and completely abandon religion. It is true that religious practitioners have no desire to use the name of Jehovah, for the reason that religion is Satan's chief instrument employed to fight against the Almighty God, whose name alone is Jehovah. In fact, the name Jehovah has never been a "functioning religious term".

The name Jehovah is of greatest importance to all lovers of righteousness, that is, the name of the Almighty God, which name signifies His purpose toward His people, and particularly those who are in a covenant for His kingdom. When the Almighty God sent Moses to Egypt to act as the visible leader of the Israelites, and there to appear as the representative and servant of God, He revealed himself to Moses by the name Jehovah. Prior to that time no man had ever heard of the name Jehovah: "And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty; but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them. . . . Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord [Jehovah]."—Exodus 6:3-6.

Then the Lord God revealed to Moses that the meaning of the name Jehovah is His pur-

pose concerning the people. The Israelites were God's chosen people, used by Him to make prophetic pictures concerning His purpose to select "a people for his name", which people should be used to declare His name and kingdom at the time of the coming of the Messiah. The Israelites, also called Jews, fell away to religion, and thereafter the name Jehovah was displeasing to them, and hence they substituted another name. The nation of Israel was a typical nation and specifically pictured or foreshadowed the present-day "Christendom". Years ago professed Christians adopted what they called "the Christian religion" and then called themselves Christians; and all the nations where such a religion is practiced were called and are called "Christendom". In recent years "Christendom" has completely abandoned Jehovah God and turned entirely to religion, and to such the name of Jehovah is undesirable, and now the big religious leaders reject the name of Jehovah and have substituted something else. Therefore the nations composing "Christendom" have forsaken the Almighty Jehovah God and have desired to forget His name. The fate of such is set forth in the prophecy written, to wit: "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."—Psalm 9:17.

It is aptly stated by Professor Weigle, of Yale: "Jehovah is not a functioning religious term." The reason that His name is not a "functioning religious term" is, because Jehovah is against religion and has expressed His purpose to destroy all religion, that the people of good will may know, believe and obey Jehovah God and live.

Jehovah's purpose, as His name implies, is to set up a government with Christ Jesus as ruler, invisible to human eyes, and who shall rule the world in righteousness. Such theocratic government will completely wipe out wickedness and will grant life everlasting in peace and happiness to all who take the side of Jehovah and obey Him and His King. The day of final reckoning is just at hand when the rule by Satan and all of his religious agents shall for ever cease, and which shall be followed thereafter by the righteous rule of Christ Jesus. At the battle of the great day of God Almighty, called "Armageddon", the final end of religion will come, and that time, according to the words of Christ Jesus, "shall be great tribulation, such as was not [known] since the beginning of the world." (Matthew 24:21) Why should Almighty God

bring upon "Christendom" such a time of tribulation? The prophet of Jehovah answers: "That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the Most High over all the earth." (Psalm 83:18) The rejection of the name Jehovah by the religionists is

further evidence of the fulfillment of prophecy showing that we are now in the last days, when Satan is hurrying all nations to Armageddon. Only those who seek Jehovah and Christ Jesus, and obey God's righteous law, shall escape and find the place of safety.

Railroads

Fastest Scheduled Run



The fastest scheduled train in the world is in Germany, where a Diesel-engined train travels 109.6 miles at 82.2 miles an hour, so says the London Railway Gazette. But it admits that America is next, with a run of 62.4 miles at 81.4 miles per hour. For long runs the New York Central's Twentieth Century Limited 518.6 miles between Buffalo and Englewood in 441 minutes is something to talk about. That is 70.6 miles per hour. The Burlington makes the 1,034 miles between Chicago and Denver in 16 hours, or at 64.6 miles per hour. The Pennsylvania makes the 226.6 miles between New York and Washington in 215 minutes, which figures out at 63.23 miles per hour.

Length of Freight Trains

◆ Common sense should limit the length of freight trains to not more than fifty cars. After that they should be split and put in charge of two crews, but as it now is one hears occasionally of trains nearly or quite a mile in length. At Howell Junction, New York, a train 115 cars long parted in front of the fortieth car, then came together with a slam that threw two cars over on another track and wrecked a passenger train, injuring six persons. Constant vigilance is the price of safety. All mechanical equipment needs periodic inspection. God's universe is similarly in need of His care. It does not run itself automatically.

Boys Locate Broken Rail

◆ Rails today are better made than they were a generation ago, but occasionally even now one goes bad. Three boys located a broken rail at Union, N. J., on the main line of the Lehigh Valley, ran to a filling station, reported it to the police, and they held up an eight-car passenger train which would have used the track only twelve minutes later.

Pennsylvania Owns Greyhound

◆ The Pennsylvania Railroad owns half of the common and all of the preferred stock of the Pennsylvania Greyhound Lines, Inc., perhaps the largest of the nation's bus lines.

Gifts to the Railroads

◆ Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin gave from 20 to 25 percent of their area to the railroads. Nebraska gave one-seventh of her area, and California one-eighth of hers. Counting land as worth only \$3 an acre, Wisconsin, by 1874, had granted \$21,000,000 to aid railroad development—fully half the legitimate cost of building and equipping all the railroads then in the State.

Railroad Pay Rolls

◆ In the year 1929 the pay roll of American railroads was \$2,900,000,000. Four years later it was less than half that amount, or down to \$1,400,000,000. During the twelve good years from 1920 to 1931 inclusive the average net income of the roads was \$550,000,000 a year, 80 percent of which was paid out in dividends.

Brakemen to Get Comfortable Seats

◆ Brakemen on the front ends of freight trains are hereafter to be provided with comfortable seats, either in the locomotive cab or in a cab on the tender. Five years are given to the railroad companies to make the provision which should have been made fifty years ago.

New York to Los Angeles

◆ A Lithuanian journalist walked from New York to Los Angeles. It took him 228 days, and cost him \$350 for meals, lodging and four pairs of shoes. He could have made the journey by rail for \$56.54, but would have missed experiences which he considered more valuable than a college education. Besides, he doubtless had a lot of fun doing it.

Netherlands *Reductio ad Absurdum*



OVER in Europe there is, as you know, an arm of the sea running into the country of Holland; it is called the Zuyder Zee. It is very shallow, and for a very long time the Dutch have looked on it as a possible field for reclamation. Very wonderful reclamation projects have been undertaken in Holland century after century, and the Dutch thought to crown them by reclaiming the Zuyder Zee itself. A few years ago this great project actually got started. The Dutch, a highly capable people, with first-rate engineers, set themselves to this huge task. They undertook it with great skill and perseverance. And their efforts soon began to be crowned with success. In a surprisingly short time a considerable area of the sea had been reclaimed.

Now the Dutch agricultural experts had always said that as soon as the Zuyder Zee was reclaimed, and the land made available for cultivation, it would prove most fertile land for growing wheat. Again the calculations of the Dutch technicians proved perfectly correct. The land, as hoped, proved wonderful land for growing wheat. The Dutch farmers moved onto it and soon grew an admirable crop of wheat. Everything went exactly as the technicians had promised; it seemed that the whole enterprise was a triumphant success.

Well, it wasn't long before the Dutch government had to step in to save its farmers. It had to buy up the wheat in order to keep it off the market. Then the Dutch government was itself faced with the problem of what to do with the wheat. After long and difficult negotiations the Dutch government managed to get into touch with the Danish government. And they were able to dispose of their wheat, though at ruinously low prices, to the Danish government. Now the purpose of the Danish government in buying the wheat was to use it, not for human consumption, but for feeding to the hogs, which are the chief products of Danish agriculture. Now, as you can imagine, this big influx of foodstuffs for the Danish hog-raising industry soon increased the supply of Danish pork and bacon.

Up to this point everything had gone just as the Danish government had hoped. But now the second difficulty arose. What was to be done with this Danish pork and bacon?

The Danes looked around everywhere. The British market, which is the chief one for Danish hog products, had been recently cut down by a policy of import duties and restrictions of every sort. The price of Danish hog products began to slump disastrously. Well, in the end the Danish government was forced to buy the bacon and pork from the Danish farmers just as the Dutch government had had to buy up the wheat. And now the Danish government was faced with the problem. It was clear that the hog products could not be used for human consumption. And so in despair the Danish government decided to process them and thus to make them into manure. And this was actually done. The manure factories of Denmark were put into operation, and very soon they had turned out a very largely increased supply of splendid fertilizer for the land.

But now the third difficulty arose. What was to be done with the fertilizer? There were no farmers in Europe who wanted to intensify their cultivation or extend their acreage. It didn't seem possible to find any market for the fertilizer at all. The Danish government was in a terrible quandary. So at last, and in desperation, they reopened negotiations with the Dutch government. And the Dutch government finally bought back the fertilizer, though, of course, at a ruinously low price, and put it back onto the soil which had been reclaimed from the Zuyder Zee. And so you see the fertilizer went back just exactly where it came from.—John Strachey, in an address in New York (some time ago) under the auspices of the American League Against War and Fascism. Since this address was given Strachey was refused permission to lecture in the U. S. A. because of fear of his ideas.

Obsolete Norway

◆ When Joachim Hambro, president of Norway's parliament, landed in Brooklyn recently, for a tour of the United States, he kidded the alleged statesmen of this fair and happy land to a finish by the remark that "Norway is still obsolete in many ways: there is still a surplus in the budget". It seems that the Norwegian parliament, instead of being made up of yes men, is made up of persons that know something and are really interested in their country.



France and the Hierarchy

◆ Of course, France was for long a hotbed of Roman Catholicism. In the fourteenth century the popes actually had their residence in the south of France at the great castle of Avignon. Every student of history also knows of the terrible massacre of the French Protestants, the Huguenots, on St. Bartholomew's eve. Another evidence of the power of the Hierarchy in France in the past still exists in the Palais Royal, in the center of Paris, one of the attractions of the French capital. This vast palace, with its extensive gardens, was built by Cardinal Richelieu, and there he lived in state with his 300 servants.

After the French Revolution a great change came over the country. Today Roman Catholicism is still fighting to retain and regain its hold on the people. Recently, buying a Paris edition of a daily paper in the streets, I was at first surprised to find it containing a special column exclusively devoted to Roman Catholic news. Then I noticed that the paper is the organ of the Fascist leader; which explains it all. Here is one of the news items it contained, which will be of interest and amusement to many:

A scientific and religious expedition to the Polar Circle. Washington: Two priests, Father Dutilly, attached to the Catholic University of Washington, and Father Dumas, scientist and botanist, are undertaking an expedition to the lands situated at the extremities of Hudson Bay, inhabited by Esquimaux.

After the missionary work of evangelization, the two priests will gather plants, minerals and various objects intended for the missionary museum of Lateran, at Rome. The collection will be studied and catalogued the following winter in the laboratories of the Catholic University.

Visiting the local museum, a large oil painting caught my eye. It was entitled "Les Seminaristes", and represented a number of Roman Catholic priests promenading together. I was alone at the moment on the top floor of the building, and without reflecting what might be the consequences I turned to the attendant and said to him in his own language, "I don't admire these fellows." To my surprise he re-

plied, "Well, I am a Protestant myself." Thus an opportunity to witness to the Kingdom was presented.

Finally, here is a particularly intriguing piece of news from a reliable British pioneer in the south of France. He says:

Two days ago it was announced on the wireless here that the pope was sounding the French government with a view to coming to France to take refuge in the old castle of the popes at Avignon, or in some other place.

Further, there is a report that one of the big stores in Paris has been busy making civil clothes for priests and nuns, and that they have their grips packed so as to be able to make a quick get-away.

If such be the case, how futile will be their efforts; for is it not written, 'There shall be no way of escape,' and again, 'Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies'?

Yes, Jehovah's victory is certain. Carry on, British pioneers in France. Carry on, French witnesses and companions. *'Ne vous effrayez point: car c'est Dieu qui combattrá.'* Be not afraid: 'the battle is God's.'—F. R. Freer, Britain.

Vatican Policy

◆ The Vatican's policy toward the Japanese form of Fascism is extremely interesting—and shocking, to Americans. The reader may remember the alarming headlines of October 14 and 15, 1937, over an Associated Press story quoting "a reliable Vatican source" saying that the Holy See, in carrying out the Catholic Church's world-wide campaign against Bolshevism, had "instructed its hierarchy and missions in the Far East to co-operate with Japanese action in China". Most likely the information came from the Vatican's Monsignor Puecci, who for decades has been the American journalistic corps' informer on Catholic policy. The dispatch quoted the Vatican source, saying the memorandum promises "to give Japanese military authorities the clear impression that on the part of the Catholic Church there is no obstacle to complete collaboration".

This statement was denied immediately in Rome. But not in Tokyo. The Associated Press not only reaffirmed the absolute truth of its story but revealed the fact it had asked for and received complete verification before sending out the original. It is also interesting to note that a year earlier Teeling had written that "the feeling in China and in the Philippines amongst Catholic missionaries has been that they will get a fair deal and freedom

to push their religion should Japanese get control", and again, that "the Vatican is also intensely interested in the development of her relations with Japan in order to get control of the eventual development of Christianity in those parts of China which she believes will one day come under Japanese influences". And, of course, the Vatican can fight Russia best with Japan's help. Hitler and Mussolini know that very well.—George Seldes, in *The New Republic*.

Is It True? It Is

◆ In Catalonia, while being received by a group of moderate republicans made up of men and women of various ages, I was asked by one woman the following anxious question: "Is it true that in your country the Catholics are our great enemies?" Carefully and painfully, with an attempt at mitigation I told them what I am sure will be recognized as the truth. I told them that one American prelate had declared that he prays daily for Franco's victory. A gasp of horror was the response to this. I told them that another American prelate had declared that Franco could not be guilty of bombings because he was a "Christian gentleman". The expression was received with wondering eyes and open mouths. When I finished, did these "godless Reds" curse the Church? They did not. They all remained still and bowed their heads in utter, silent grief. Whatever happens, the Church has lost Spain.

As I sailed away from Europe, these words of an Irish worker echoed in my ears: "There must be something very secret and mysterious about this Spanish war that I don't understand, because in this fight the Church is on the side that seems so clearly and terribly wrong."—Ephraim Cross, in the *Washington Post*.



"Snakes alive"

Hierarchy's Auditorium Policy

◆ A writer in the Cambridge (England) *Daily News* bemoans the fact that by the terms of their trust deeds certain large auditoriums in Britain may not be used by Roman Catholics. He should visit Sydney, Australia, where he will find that Roman Catholics in power excluded Judge Rutherford from the Town Hall, which, however, is always available for use by the Roman Hierarchy or by German Fascists. He should visit Seattle, Washington, where the Roman Catholic Hierarchy made a desperate effort, but in vain, to prevent the holding of a public meeting of great importance addressed by the same international speaker. He should visit New Orleans, Louisiana, where the tools of the Roman Hierarchy actually threatened to murder Christians in cold blood if they insisted on their rights to listen to the same speaker by radio. The Roman Catholic Hierarchy's auditorium

policy may be summed up in the statement: "The Roman Catholic Hierarchy is the only institution that has any right to have auditoriums. No one else has any rights whatever, on any subject."

Reminiscent of Happy Days

◆ Reminiscent of the happy days of former years, when newly converted Catholic warriors drank the communion wine from the hollowed skulls of their enemies, the archbishop of Strigonia, Hungary, who likes to think of himself and hear himself called George Cardinal Serebi, has tipped off the Jews of his country, who are in for a hot time unless they do so, that "all who come for baptism must be received with love", though they will be put on a three-month probation and must be indoctrinated in the catechism for two hours weekly.

Replacing Stolen Relics



Important news from the New Zealand *Catholic Tablet*. It relates that during the World War certain relics of Louis IX, king of France, were stolen from the Paris church of St. Louis en Ile. Now, after some twenty-odd years, the stolen relics have been replaced by part of Louis' jawbone, which he no longer needs, a sleeve of one of his old shirts, which is also out of style in his present environment, and a steel whip of five chains with which he used to larrup himself every Friday until he finally got over such perfect and absolute foolishness.

Best Not to Get Too Fresh

◆ The London *Catholic Herald* gleefully published numerous lies about Judge Rutherford, but, when threatened with heavy libel damages, backed down and published a retraction on their front page. Jehovah's witnesses then cheerfully put out 50,000 copies of *Consolation* No. 504, which told the story, and backed that up with 2,000,000 leaflets, telling the story to that many more Britishers. This last brought out the *Herald* with an admission that it was feeling the heat, but did not "know who Judge Rutherford is, or what he stands for", and, "We can do little in reply, due to lack of funds and system." All of which suggests the old adage that when you are monkeying around a buzz saw, it is best not to get too fresh. You might lose a few fingers or something, and get laughed at too.

"True Crown of Thorns"

◆ You don't have to believe it, but if you want to believe it the "True Crown of Thorns" will be taken from Paris to Villeneuve this summer. If you want to believe it you have the right to believe that this alleged "True Crown of Thorns" came to Paris from Palestine in 1239 and has been kept in a glass tube with a fragment of the true cross and a nail from the cross. It all depends on your "faith" in the racket and the racketeers with headquarters at Vatican City.

Pope's New Broadcasting Station

◆ The pope's new broadcasting station will work on various short wave lengths between 15 and 60 meters, and will be able to reach every part of the world. Broadcasts are now made in seven languages.

Freemasonry Banned in Poland

◆ As fast as the totalitarian monstrosity feels ready to grip the throat of a country it seems that one of the first things it does is to comply with the pope's wish that all Freemasonry shall be throttled. This has now been done in Poland; all Masonic property has been confiscated and the proceeds turned over to Catholic institutions. Yet today, in Seattle, New Orleans and everywhere else the Masonic fraternity is glad at any time to give Jehovah's witnesses a stab in the back at the same time that it bestows the glad hand on the emissaries of the pope.

Another Big Statue

◆ Ever since the days of Nebuchadnezzar, and before them, too, the Devil has been urging more and bigger statues, so that the common people would have something to worship besides the Most High God, Creator of heaven and earth. Accordingly the largest "religious" statue in the world, 110 feet high, styled "Our Lady of the Sacred Heart", is being erected near Lyons, France.

Solid Gold Telephone

◆ The American Telephone and Telegraph Company could afford to present the pope with a telephone of solid gold, and they did so. There are three international lines connecting with all the world, and the service and instruments are the best science can provide. There are more telephones in Vatican City than there are persons living in the city.

Silly Palaver About Communism

◆ The silly palaver of almost all spokesmen of the Roman Hierarchy that its one great enemy is Communism is pretty well shown up by the fact that after twenty years of effort the total membership of the Communist party in Britain is only 15,750. How the Hierarchy does love to lie about everything!

After the Betrayal

◆ After the betrayal of the Protestant country of Czechoslovakia, the Roman Catholic Hierarchy of England and Wales sent its congratulations to Premier Chamberlain for his successful efforts in accomplishing the pope's will. The Hierarchy is the same the world over, and works hand in glove with the dictators, while "Protestants" sleep blissfully on, heedless of what is happening.

(To be continued)

CONSOLATION

Britain

"If There Should Ever Be a War"



Thirty-six pages of instructions on this subject, issued by the British Home Office, give one a headache and a heartache. There is a page devoted to the things all were supposed to have in their refuge-rooms. Just to put it in the history of these accursed times, here are the contents of just this one page:

Get these additional things into your refuge-room, as soon as the Government warns you of a threat of war, as well as the things listed on pages 10 and 32:

- A roll-call list of all who should be present. This applies particularly to business premises, or if the refuge-room is to be shared by neighbors;
- Tables and chairs; plates, cups, knives, forks, etc.;
- Plenty of water for drinking, washing and fire-fighting;
- Tinned food, with a tin-opener;
- A food chest of some kind (airtight tins or jars will do) to protect other food against contact with gas;
- Washhand-stand, or basin; washing things, soap, towels;
- Chamber pots, toilet paper; disinfectant; a screen for privacy;
- Books, writing materials, cards; toys for the children;
- A simple hand pump, and sand, with a long-handled shovel;
- Spare blankets or rugs for resealing the window if it should be blown in;
- Gummed paper, or pots of paste or gum, for pasting paper over cracks and window panes. Paste can be made from flour and water boiled with a few cloves to keep it fresh;
- Pickaxe and shovel, to use if there is a fall of debris.

You may also like to have the following things which, if you are using them in other parts of the house, you should take into your refuge-room when you hear the air-raid warning:

- A mattress, or mattresses, to lie on;
- Overcoats, blankets, eiderdowns, rugs and warm coverings;
- The wireless set, gramophone with records;
- Mackintoshes, galoshes, gum boots.

An electric kettle is useful if you have one, but don't burn a gas fire or gas ring, as it uses up air.

If the weather is really cold, you may use an electric fire in your refuge-room for a while if you wish. But the air will remain much fresher if you can avoid artificial heating of any kind. It is better to rely on coats and blankets for warmth.

"Young Women Driven Mad with Shame"



It seems that the "Reverend Dr." W. J. Phythian-Adams, D.S.O., M.C., canon of Carlisle and a chaplain to the king of England, has no use for pacifists. He said of them:

There are a good many among us who think that it is un-Christian to take up arms at all. I can never understand that point of view. If it is Christianity to stand by and see a small and helpless country overrun by an army of barbarians; if it is Christianity to allow men and women, mothers and children to be butchered in the streets, and young women to be driven mad with shame, then I for one will carefully leave that kind of Christianity to others.

One of the pacifists, Lawrence Murfitt, saw that expression and wrote a 20-page booklet entitled "For Christ's Sake" in which he gave some more explicit information regarding the "young women" above mentioned. He cites "Circular Memorandum 21a", sent out to all the cantonments of India by Quartermaster-General Chapman on behalf of Lord Roberts:

In the regimental bazaars (i.e., brothels) it is necessary to have a sufficient number of women, to take care that they are sufficiently attractive, to provide them with proper houses, and above all to insist upon means of ablution always being available.

Extracts are cited from official British records to show that the Second Battalion, Cheshire Regiment, sent the following application:

Requisition for extra attractive women for regimental bazaar in accordance with Circular Memorandum 21a.

Another officer wrote of his efforts to comply with his instructions:

I have ordered the number of prostitutes to be increased to twelve and have given special instructions as to the four additional women being young and of attractive appearance.

Now, it seems that it is all wrong for young women to be driven mad with shame when the Germans attack the Belgians, but when the British attack the Afghans it is quite different, and in that case, one may suppose, the "Reverend" Phythian-Adams would feel that no greater honor could come to a member of his Sunday-school class than to find a field of usefulness such as indicated in Memorandum 21a.

Killing for Pleasure

◆ "One blue and golden day last fall I watched the blood-spattered body of a handsome cock partridge squirming in the dead leaves. The great fan-like tail was spread, the short powerful wings, tensed in the death struggle, beat rapidly against the mottled breast. Loose feathers fluttered in the bars of golden sunshine that streaked down through the pines and birches, and with its little gray feet clutching nervously, life left the body of the old cock partridge. Then and there in that sun-streaked woods a strange feeling swept over me. I stroked the gorgeous plumage of the dead bird and slowly pushed the fallen monarch of the ridges into a pocket of my hunting coat. A mile of forest-rimmed meadowland separated me from my automobile. With every step my sorrow grew. By the time I reached my car I was heart-broken over my deed. Then and there the resolve was made that I would never again kill for pleasure."—*Our Dumb Animals*.

A Guillemot Adopts a Man

◆ Off Deal, England, a guillemot, along with his brother and sister guillemots, was riding the ocean waves, looking for sardines, as is the guillemot's wont. This particular guillemot got tangled in some oil, could no longer fly, and a kindhearted swimmer brought him ashore and washed him up with soap and warm water and, when he was dry, gently placed him back in the ocean. Do you suppose he would stay? Not he. He followed his benefactor home, and refuses to leave the place. He struts all over the place by day and sleeps in the garage at night. No more life on the ocean wave for him. Let George do it.

Dorothy Got Stung

◆ At an exhibition of stingless bees in Norristown, Pa., 16-year-old Dorothy Bidden was photographed clad in bees and a bathing suit,

and then the bees that were stingless were mean enough to sting her fifteen times; and not satisfied with that, they went further and stung the entire audience good and proper. This getting gay with stingless bees is not what it is cracked up to be.

The Albatross

◆ The albatross is a bird that lives mostly on the wing, often following ships for days. It is of great size, with a wing spread of from ten to fourteen feet. A case is on record of one of these birds following a Pacific liner for 3,000 miles. Albatrosses are never seen ashore except on the barren islands of the Antarctic ocean, where they breed.



Well-trained canaries and dog
of C. E. Jones, Vancouver, B. C.

Cassowary a Fighter

◆ The cassowary lives in the forest, and is diurnal, sleeping at night, as a decent cassowary should. The largest cassowaries are found in New

Guinea, being nearly six feet high. The cassowary has a pugnacious disposition, powerful legs and sharp claws. Enough said.

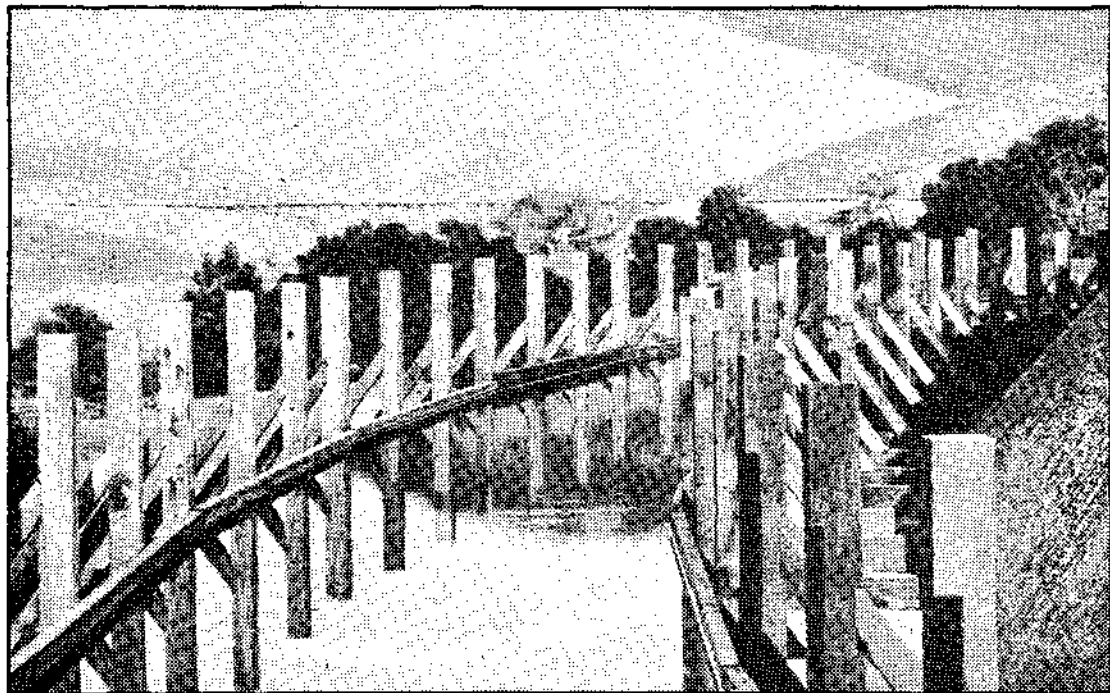
The Egg of the Aepyornis

◆ The largest bird egg known is that laid by the now extinct aepyornis, which once lived in Madagascar. The egg was thirty inches in circumference and more than a foot long. Aepyornis eggs are occasionally found, buried in the sand. One of these eggs would serve a company of 100 persons.

Bird Superstition

◆ Fishermen of Puerto Rico hold the belief that the alcatraz commits suicide when it gets old and feeble, preferring such a death to starvation. This idea is derived from the fact that the birds are sometimes found hanging by the head from the fork of a tree or a crevice in the rocks. Birds as large and awkward as the pelican, however, more probably meet such deaths by accident, particularly when enfeebled by age.

California



Flume for bringing water to San Diego

America Populated from Asia

◆ More and more evidence accumulates that America was populated from Asia, and that not so many centuries ago either. A California man and his Japanese wife recently made the trip from Shanghai to Los Angeles in a 36-foot Chinese junk, navigated entirely by the stars and the compass. The Japan Current, which sweeps from Japan around to California via Alaska and British Columbia, is a natural means of travel between Asiatic and American shores. When American Indians and Japanese men are dressed alike they can hardly be told apart.

Carelessness Worth \$5,000,000

◆ A farm hand in California threw a pan of hot ashes into a clump of dry brush. It resulted in a fire that destroyed more than \$5,000,000 worth of property and left 20,000 acres of beautiful woodlands a mass of charred ruins. Scores of frightened deer lost their lives jumping from cliffs, where they had been cor-

nered by the flames. All together, it was too bad that the farm hand did not make some use of the fungus growth above his ears.

Rabbit Bites a Lion

◆ A lion nine weeks old, belonging to a California picture show concern, started to stroke a pet chinchilla rabbit with its paw. The rabbit, not having any advance information as to the motive, sunk his buck teeth into Suzie's hide, and Suzie beat a retreat. All of which brings to light again the old saying that it is best not to get too fresh; one might get a surprise.

Fencing Off the Water Holes

◆ Fencing off the water holes where the wild horses must drink to live, some men in California now earn an existence by waiting at the water holes, shooting the horses and dragging their bodies off to the chicken feed factories. Thousands of horses have lost their lives in this manner recently.

Kingdom Warfare in Britain

THE Catholic Hierarchy and her hordes are beginning to come out in full force against Jehovah's faithful people. Last Friday the *Catholic Universe* in all its various editions in Scotland, England, and Ireland published a large front-page article titled "Judge Rutherford's Attack on the Church". It goes on to say, "As a matter of policy the *Universe* usually ignores organizations which attack the Church, on the supposition that the attack will fail by its own absurdity if left alone but would thrive on publicity. Judge Rutherford's attack upon the Church is, however, on such a scale that it cannot be ignored. The country is being flooded with literature imported from the U. S. A. by the ton. For the past few months London and several other great towns have been suffering from a plague of Watchtower pamphlets; the most noteworthy being a tract entitled 'Face the Facts', which is often accompanied with other leaflets and more or less provocative appeals." The article continues at some length and as a whole gives a good witness to the Catholic population of the forward movement of Jehovah's Kingdom organization.

Special Attack at Clydebank

In view of the recent series of assaults committed in Clydebank, Judge Rutherford gave instructions for a special campaign there last Sunday. This was the first specially organized attack in this country executed on the New Jersey style in retaliation to the movements of the enemy. Last Sunday 200 faithful courageous Scotch witnesses reported for special duty at the West Glasgow Kingdom Hall. After a brief period of instruction as to field tactics they entered the five special buses in squads of four. The squads were numbered according to their territory assignment and entered their respective buses. In twenty minutes all the two hundred publishers were delivered at their territory by squads of four. Each squad of four had to make 120 calls. In one hour the entire district of 6,000 homes in Clydebank was thoroughly covered. A special leaflet was left in each home. See a copy herewith, which should be read. All the companies in Scotland are being sent a consignment of these special folders to thoroughly distribute in their territories during the month. In addition to the leaflets 1,400 booklets were

left in Clydebank and many people of good will were found. All together, ten assaults were made on the witnesses during this campaign and the entire police force of Clydebank which had previously been notified was on the job. One mob of three hundred just leaving the Catholic Church seriously assaulted a pioneer witness who afterwards was taken to a doctor for examination. In two cases people of good will definitely came forward to protect and take the side of the witnesses in these assaults. One Catholic lady said she didn't agree with our message but certainly was disgusted with the method of violence the Catholics were resorting to. This campaign demonstrated to the people of good will in Clydebank that the Lord definitely has a people and that they will not be intimidated nor threatened to silence by the Catholic organization.

Also at zone assembly at Folkestone a group of forty Catholics attended the public meeting and caused a disturbance. Order was finally restored after the police came on the scene. The public hall in Camberley was canceled at the last minute by the religionists and thus succeeded in stopping the "Fascism or Freedom" lecture in that town. There is now abundant evidence that Catholic Action throughout Britain is moving in open opposition against the Lord's people. This calls for still greater effort on the part of each one to get this message in the hands of the people before Armageddon begins.

The month should be a full month of Kingdom activity. When introducing the *Fascism or Freedom* and *Face the Facts* booklets tell the people that these are anti-Fascist booklets. When pavement witnessing also tell the people this and you will find you can place many more booklets. For some reason the people think we are Fascists and we must plainly tell them otherwise. The sound-cars should also freely announce the anti-Fascist nature of the booklets and the meetings being held. Every publisher should put forth a real effort to get at least one more *Watchtower* subscription before the end of the period. Kingdom warfare needs more pioneers. Why not join now while the battle is warm?

[The foregoing is a rescript of a letter circulated among Jehovah's witnesses in Britain, where the Roman Hierarchy is inciting mob violence against their Kingdom service.]

NAZI TACTICS IN CLYDEBANK

Catholic Priests Encourage Mob Violence

FOR centuries the people of Scotland struggled and obtained liberty and freedom of action. Their faith was for religious freedom and the right for each individual to serve Almighty God according to the dictates of his own conscience. Scotland's history is a history of the religious rights won on this same as a result of the firm stand of the great reformer John Knox. Today Fascism threatens all nations and our heritage of freedom. After a long and arduous struggle over the centuries of the totalitarian State, the destruction of individual liberty. Mussolini boasts that he has reduced democracy and liberalism to the state of "return to zero." Hitler doesn't need to boast: his atrocious acts of violence and oppression have shocked the world. The British people have expressed their horror and disgust, and purpose that this country shall not follow the lead of the tyrants of central Europe. But it is well for a liberty-loving people to be on guard. Britain is not entirely free from Nazi and Fascist tactics. There is a well-organized movement to destroy the civil and religious liberties of the people. This movement has made some progress during the past months.

PROCLAIMERS OF FREEDOM

Jehovah's witnesses pray for many years visited the people to bring them information and enlightenment on the Word of God. Without any profit to themselves, and at the expense of much time, energy and money, they go from door to door conveying a message of comfort and peace to those who desire it. They also use recorded Bible lectures in spreading this message of God's Kingdom. They have been doing so since 1909. Almighty God by blessing His messengers to preach the gospel from house to house and place to place. Their work constitutes the worship of God in the mode prescribed by His Word, the Bible.

Many good people of the Catholic and Protestant denominations approve of the good message, and are glad to have Jehovah's witnesses bring it to them. The priests, clergy and other politicians of their flock do not approve. They became greatly incensed because the people are given opportunity to know the truth, and because the truth exposes their racket. The truth shows how the people are deceived by the priests and clergy, and how their religious organizations will be destroyed at the hands of Almighty God in His battle of Armageddon, now close at hand. There is evidence that these religious parasites have brought pressure on police and prosecutors to interfere with Jehovah's witnesses and their work. They are doing Nazi tactics of force and violence to accomplish their purpose: hence Catholic-Fascism in action.

CATHOLIC-FASCISM IN ACTION—CLYDEBANK ASSAULT

On Sunday, February 26, 1939, Jehovah's witnesses were visiting the people of Clydebank with the Kingdom message as they have done during the past twenty years. A sound was made giving a Bible lecture in John Knox Street (name of circumstance) when a group of four roughs violently attacked Mr. Malcolm Smith, injuring him almost unawares by their many blows on his head. They then attacked the speaker, damaged the equipment, broke the records and threw the cabinet speaker off the car. Householders came out and protested against these ruthless acts and the four roughs quickly disappeared. The ring leader of this gang, Patrick McElroy, was identified as a common and reported in the press. These four roughs were apparently members of the local Holy Mother's Church where priests Dr. McEwen and Duffy rule for flesh.

PROSECUTOR-FISCAL FAILS TO ACT

In spite of a clear case against the ring leader the prosecutor-fiscal declined to bring a charge in the magistrate's court. Thus personal violence and damage actually went unpunished. Hence people cry out, Why are injunctive and injury not properly dealt with by an impartial agent of the Government?

MORE VIOLENCE

The failure to properly punish the first assault increased the boldness of the local priests and encouraged members of their flock to commit further assaults against Jehovah's witnesses. On Sunday, March 12, 1939, in the course of their ordinary Sunday work of preaching the gospel of Christ's Kingdom, the Reverend Father Robert Thomas McEwen and the Reverend Father Charles Duffy took-upon themselves to interfere with a sound was which was giving a lecture in Clyde Street at the front of South Bank House. Instead of behaving like gentlemen and making a personal request to have the lecture stopped, they proceeded to call a mob together and raised no objection to their crime of "push the car over." "set a match to it." The police came on the scene and the priests made a charge against Jehovah's witnesses of broadcasting a lecture which was a disturbance to the peace. The fact is that there was no disturbance of the peace until the priests came and called the mob together because they, the priests, took a personal exception to the message. Whilst one of Jehovah's witnesses was getting particulars from the Police Sergeant, the priest came and touched his arm and was heard to say "that will do, Sergeant."

TWO MORE ASSAULTS

A little later on the same morning while one of Jehovah's witnesses, Mr. F. Holmes, was turning from North Elgin Street on to Overhill Road, he was struck several violent blows on his face and was hurled to the ground. He was lying prostrate on his back in the gutter but was viciously kicked all over his body by a gang of roughs. His face was disfigured and he was hospitalized for several days.

Also in North Elgin Street about the same time Mr. Alan McPherson was attacked by a group of six men, was seriously assaulted and his glasses broken. He was thoroughly upset in health for some time thereafter.

These are plain facts, fully substantiated in every detail by witnesses. Yet the leading Glasgow newspapers reported these incidents, making the priests appear entirely innocent and even protectors of Jehovah's witnesses from the raging mob, whereas the whole facts show entirely opposite.

OPEN STATEMENT

Every fair minded person abhors these Catholic Priest-inspired acts of violence which are accepted according to doctrine. Similar acts have recently occurred in Oldham, Lancashire and London. Judge Rutherford, spokesman for Jehovah's witnesses, pointed out clearly at the Royal Albert Hall, London, last September that in opposition to God's Kingdom the Devil has brought forth the corporate state or totalitarian government ruled by visible and arbitrary man—the Roman Catholic Hierarchy as spiritual ordered working hand in glove with such men as Hitler and Mussolini. The ambition of this crowd is to rule the world. There is now a determined effort on the part of this same crowd to grab control of Britain and America and take away all the liberties of the people. The BULLETS OF HELLIC HIERARCHY face a political institution bent on taking away the liberties of the people and ruling arbitrarily under the cloak of religion. Faraway Fascists and Nazi dictators, with the aid and cooperation of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy at Vatican City, are now wreaking continental Europe. Each one must now face the fact: Shall we have Fascist dictatorship and death? Or shall we embrace Christ and His Kingdom and receive true freedom and everlasting life?

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In addition to this statement being a notice of protest it is also one of warning to all honest people. Bible prophesies that this world with its claims on every hand while we wait without the saints. These are the last days when Satan's system organization of world control is being maneuvered against God's Kingdom under Christ Jesus which is now being established. Jehovah's witnesses now encourage you to get a clear knowledge of God's Kingdom so that you may find a place of safety and protection before the battle of Armageddon begins. "Look ye now, my righteous ones, it may be that ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger."—Zeph. 2: 3.

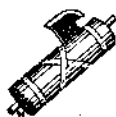
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Employer-Fostered Lawlessness



A most disturbing recent phenomenon is the attempt by many employers to weld the entire community in which a business is located into a united front against workers exercising their constitutional right to strike. Many times this community pressure against unionization has actually been highly organized even before strike action has taken place or is in contemplation. All areas of our country have contributed their quota to an alarming growth of the vigilante spirit, in which the employer's will to destroy the union is substituted for the protection normally accorded American citizens in the exercise of constitutionally guaranteed prerogatives. So-called "campaigns for law and order" are many times merely a mask behind which the private will of a corporation, utilizing its economic threat of withdrawal from the community, succeeds in taking the law, including the law enforcement officers, into its own hands and for its own purposes.

A continuing outcrop of this sort of employer-fostered lawlessness gives aid and encouragement to the antics of such public officials as Mayor Hague, who in complete disregard of civil liberties wages his crusade against organized labor under the trumpery and hypocritical claim that he is protecting the citizens of New Jersey against an invasion of radicals bent on revolutionary action. As a matter of known fact, anti-union employers have been lured to Jersey City for years on the plea that it would be kept an open-shop town. Mayor Hague's slogan of Americanism versus Communism has a very practical economic basis. Even the most conservative of Americans are obliged to hold their noses in the face of Hague's affronts to decency and to American political traditions. While a single politician of this sort may ride to a downfall as a result of his egregious escapades, the fact that Mayor Hague could have ventured so far and so freely is an indication of the extent to which anti-union propaganda issued on behalf of employers may result in substantial threats to our democratic system of government.—Edwin S. Smith, of the National Labor Relations Board, in an address in Boston.

When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish, it is that they shall be destroyed for ever.—Psalm 92: 7.

NAZI TACTICS IN CLYDEBANK

Catholic Priests Encourage Mob Violence

FOR centuries the people of Scotland struggled and obtained liberty and freedom of action. Their fight was for religious freedom and the right for each individual to serve Almighty God according to the dictates of his own conscience. Scotland's history forcefully reminds us of the precious rights won on this issue as a result of the firm stand of the great reformer John Knox. Today Fascism threatens all nations and our heritage of freedom. Autocratic rulers who preside over the destinies of the totalitarian States glory in the destruction of individual liberty. Mussolini boasts that he has reduced democracy and liberalism to the state of "rotten corpses." Hitler doesn't need to boast: his atrocious acts of violence and oppression have shocked the world. The British people have expressed their horror and disgust, and purpose that this country shall not follow the lead of the tyrants of central Europe. But it is well for all liberty-loving people to be on guard. Britain is not entirely free from Nazi and Fascist tactics. There is a well-organized movement to destroy the civil and religious liberties of the people. This movement has made some progress during the past months.

PROCLAIMERS OF FREEDOM

Jehovah's witnesses have for many years visited the people to bring them information and enlightenment on the Word of God. Without any profit to themselves, and at the expense of much time, energy and money, they go from door to door conveying a message of comfort and hope to those who desire it. They also use recorded Bible lectures in spreading this message of God's Kingdom. Their purpose in so doing is to serve Almighty God by obeying His commandments to preach the gospel from house to house and place to place. Their work constitutes the worship of God in the mode prescribed by His Word, the Bible.

Many good people of the Catholic and Protestant denominations approve of the gospel message, and are glad to have Jehovah's witnesses bring it to them. The priests, clergy and other politicians of their flock do not approve. They become greatly incensed because the people are given opportunity to know the truth, and because the truth exposes their racket. The truth shows how the people are deceived by the priests and clergy, and how their religious organizations will be destroyed at the hands of Almighty God in His battle of Armageddon, now close at hand. There is evidence that these religious parasites have brought pressure on police and prosecutors to interfere with Jehovah's witnesses and their work. They are using Nazi tactics of force and violence to accomplish their purpose; hence Catholic-Fascism in action.

CATHOLIC-FASCISM IN ACTION—CLYDEBANK ASSAULT

On Sunday, February 5th, 1939, Jehovah's witnesses were visiting the people of Clydebank with the Kingdom message as they have done during the past twenty years. A sound van was giving a Bible lecture in John Knox Street (irony of circumstance!) when a group of four roughs violently attacked Mr. Malcolm Scott, knocking him almost senseless by their heavy blows on his head. They then attacked the van, damaged the equipment, broke the records, and threw the cabinet speaker off the car. Householders came out and protested against these ruthless acts and the four roughs quickly disappeared. The ring leader of this gang, Patrick McIlroy, was identified by witness and reported to the police. These four roughs were apparently members of the local Holy Redeemer's Chapel where priests Dr. McEwen and Duffin rule the flock.

PROSECUTOR-FISCAL FAILS TO ACT

In spite of a clear case against the ring leader the procurator-fiscal declined to bring a charge in the magistrate's court. Thus personal violence and open assault went unpunished. Honest people cry out, Why are injustice and injury not properly dealt with by an impartial servant of the Government?

MORE VIOLENCE

The failure to properly punish the first assaults increased the boldness of the local priests and encouraged members of their flock to commit further assaults against Jehovah's witnesses. On Sunday, March 5th, 1939, in the course of their ordinary Sunday work of preaching the gospel of Christ's Kingdom, the Reverend Father Doctor Thomas McEwen and the Reverend Father Charles Duffin took it upon themselves to interfere with a sound van which was giving a lecture in Clyde Street at the foot of South Bank Street. Instead of behaving like gentlemen and making a personal request to have the lecture stopped, they proceeded to call a mob together and raised no objection to their cries of "push the car over," "set a match to it." The police came on the scene and the priests made a charge against Jehovah's witnesses of broadcasting a lecture which was provocative to a disturbance of the peace. The fact is that there was no disturbance of the peace until the priests came and called the mob together because they, the priests, took a personal exception to the message. Whilst one of Jehovah's witnesses was giving particulars from the Police Sergeant, the priest came and touched his arm and was heard to say "that will do, Sergeant."

TWO MORE ASSAULTS

A little later on the same morning while one of Jehovah's witnesses, Mr. F. Holmes, was turning from North Elgin Street on to Glasgow Road, he was struck several violent blows on his face and was knocked scummed to the ground. As he was lying prostrate on his back in the gutter he was viciously kicked all over his body by a gang of roughs. His face was disfigured and he was incapacitated for several days.

Also in North Elgin Street about the same time Mr. Alex McPherson was attacked by a group of six men; was seriously assaulted and his gramophone stolen. He was thoroughly upset in health for sometime thereafter.

These are plain facts, fully substantiated in every detail by witnesses. Yet the leading Glasgow newspapers gave a prejudiced report of these assaults, making the priests appear entirely innocent and even protectors of Jehovah's witnesses from the raging mob, whereas the whole facts show entirely opposite.

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British Comment

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Political Situation

● The movements of vast and well-equipped military armies on the continent of Europe, and the latest use by Hitler of his military machine, in Memel, is having the effect in Britain of crowding together the differing political leaders. This was very noticeable in Parliament when Premier Chamberlain announced the decision of the Government to make a war pact with Poland. Hitler, by his absorption of Czechoslovakia and the compulsory economic agreements with the south-eastern countries of Europe, has roused the fears of the leaders in politics and finance, and action to prevent further aggression became a matter of urgent moment for the Government. Chamberlain hurriedly dropped further attempts to appease Hitler, and as his new attitude towards the Nazi policy is much more like that which the Labor party has, and which dissentients in his own party also had, there is general agreement. As Poland is determined that the least aggression on its territory will be considered an act of war, and as the Poles are well equipped for war (and it is said they rather like a fight), and as Hitler is apparently subjected to violent tempers, it is readily seen that very great events may follow from very small actions. The situation is probably much more dangerous than in last September. All this means more money must go into armaments; less attention to the remedying of social evils, and a lessening of the civil amenities of the people; and, too, that general conscription of the property of individuals as well as of persons gets ominously near.

There is no sense of alarm nor even excitement in Britain; nothing at all comparable to that which existed in September, when all London, almost, lined up for gas-masks, even though the actual situation may be said to be more touchy to war. Unemployment figures are less, and the Government purposes to subsidize some shipping interests and also to put out orders in the idle shipbuilding yards. As was to be expected when the war talk should become prominent, the parsons are

beginning to put on their moral military armament. When the Great War was over and its after-effects were heavy to be endured all the preachers and parsons were pacifists, or so they said. But with Hitler's rise to power the "war to end war" seemed to be rising from its ashes, with the certainty that the parsons would be compelled to take a definite position as followers of Christ, whose name they have taken to themselves, and refuse to fight, or keep their desired reputation as good citizens, and their churches as important factors in the welfare of the country. They began to find good reasons for supporting a war of defense: surely it must be a Christian duty to fight for the defense of the homes of the people. Now they are ready for the next step, and, finding a moral argument in the atrocities being committed, and the fear of many more, and also that their religious institutions are in danger of being Hitlerized, they are getting ready for the offensive action which may be taken by the Government. A Nonconformist preacher of Leicester tells the Peace Pledge Union, through his church magazine, not to send him any more pacifist literature. He will throw any that comes into the fire, "the most suitable place for stuff of that kind." He sees no peace for the world until the two bullies of Europe are incarcerated, either in madhouse or in jail; says pious platitudes are useless as a means of stopping their ruthless aggression and cruel persecution of their victims, and he wants a combination of powerful forces which can stop these bullies with like weapons, and force the war-makers to cry halt. He says, "In that effort I am at my country's service." There is every reason to think he speaks as for the great majority of the clergy of all the sects. There will be nothing left for them if they do not take an active part as before, nor will there be anything left for them if they do. They have joined themselves to the world and will certainly perish in the destruction of this day of Jehovah God. The time is on when Jesus' words shall have their great fulfilment: He said, "They that take the sword shall perish with the sword."

Roman Catholicism and Criminals

● "Reverend Father" Fitzgerald, a former prison chaplain for the Roman Catholic church, writes to his favorite Catholic newspaper to show that the religion he represents is the most popular religion amongst

the criminal class. He says, "It has become a recognized fact that the Catholic religion is the most popular in the criminal class." That is a nice way of stating a rather ugly fact. To put it another way, it might be said that there are more criminals in jails who claim to be Roman Catholics than of any other religion. The "father" says this is because the Catholic church never lets its members down; it looks after them in prison, to seek to save their souls. Probably it would be more truthful to say the visiting "fathers" look to their criminals in the interests of the "church" partly because the numerous criminals must be counted in the reported statistics of the church, and also to parade the care which the church professes to have for the erring and the fallen and the vicious members of the communities. It wants to have the people believe that it is the world's greatest moral influence. There are many who assert that the Roman Catholic church has been a great demoralizing power through all the long centuries of its existence. As the world's greatest religion it has admittedly the pre-eminence of position and age, and if religion were a moralizing influence there might be some reason for admitting some of its claims. But the facts of history show that where that church has been in the ascendant the standards of morality have been low, and that it has given much more attention to its own interests as a church than to the welfare of the people either moral or physical. The "father", in his eulogy of his church, says, "It is easy to explain the church's hold on the criminal classes; for the church has a wider influence than any other in the whole universe." In other words, the church understands the mentality of the criminal classes better than any other. Agreed! Certainly: it has had more experience.

Religion Demoralizes

● Religionists themselves have debunked their religion: they accept for themselves that what is commonly accepted as morality and religion are the same in effect. But religion is not a moral thing. Its foundation is not truth, but errors, perversions of the Word of God, the holy Scriptures, and additions thereto. Its great organizations paraded before men are the devices of men led by or deceived by the Devil, the enemy of God and the truth. Its "ministers" in the case of so-called "Protestantism" accept among themselves a moral-

ity that allows them to be unfaithful to their own vows when "ordained", and in the case of Rome to put on a glory of state, which is seen in the Papal glory unequaled in the earth. The Word of God is explained away, lost in "moralizing". The records of Israel, given by God himself, through "holy men of old", show that as that people became religious they became hypocrites and depraved; and when at last God sent His Son to speak the truth to them they slew Him to put Him out of their sight, and that they might not be tormented by the truth. Religion has had the same effect through the centuries, even though it has actually been practiced in His name. But it is Christianity, the teachings of Jesus, followed in loyal devotion to God, and by the aid of His spirit, that elevates a man and brings him into the image of Him who created him.

Variety

● The *Luton News*, under the question note, "Who was the donor?" says: "During the discussion on the Christian religion (*sic*) one of the correspondents, Mr. Norman Hill, referred to the High Town Fellowship as the 'Holy smoke Bible class'. One night this week, while the fellowship was in session someone surreptitiously placed in the porch of the church a chimney pot inscribed, 'Presented to the Holy smoke Bible class.' The donor left no clue, but one of the members gladly carried it home, having some use for it. The secretary of the fellowship denies that the class is a Bible class." Of course; anyone professing to be religious is said to be welcome in this church company, and tobacco is certainly one of the readiest means of "mixing".

A Nonconformist religious weekly gives a picture of some preachers receiving gas-protection instruction. Each with a mask on, the picture looked all right; but a still better one would be one that would show a mask to keep the gas in. It cannot now be far ahead when these men will stop their much speaking, and will hide their clerical garments and don some that will make them look like agricultural laborers, as the prophet Zechariah says. See Zechariah 13: 3-5.

SCENE: Barber shop in Clydach.

Customer No. 1 (pro-religionist): All religious people make good use of the Bible.

Customer No. 2 (anti-religionist, derisively): Possibly so; in fact, I can give you interesting instances of this. In one religious

family I know the Bible is used to keep insurance policies and other documents; for there they are safe, for the reason that no one opens the Bible to read it. Another respectable religious family man has converted his family Bible, with its large covers and massive brass clasps, into a clothes press for his boys.

The Outrages

● The terrible series of outrages against the communities of England perpetrated by the Irish Republican Army are having a repercussion on the Roman Catholics. A letter to which the *Times* gives prominence makes an endeavor to show that the Roman Catholic church should not be considered as having anything but utter abhorrence in this matter. The trouble arises from the fact that the Irish Republican Army professes to be religious—the Roman Catholic variety. Says the letter: "Its menace is its pretense that it is Catholicism . . . the soldier of the republic is taught that he must on all occasions parade his devotion in the ceremonies of the church. He must be a knight of the Blessed Sacrament; he must distinguish himself in frequentation of the sacraments but must never in confession mention anything he has done by order of the 'Sovereign State', for that cannot be a sin." They are getting ahead of the pope and all church authority in this. The soldier is told that after a successful crime he must go to a shrine and burn candles and rattle rosary beads to impress prospective recruits with the holiness of the cause.

This exaltation of the 'Republic' above the authority of the priesthood hits the church in the same spot as is made sore by Hitler; but in this case the blow comes from those who claim to be ardent servants of the church. One wonders why the Hierarchy in Britain has not already disowned these impossible men and women who are destroying lives and the property of a country that has given them hospitality and who are of the worst offenders in the criminal class. Perhaps "Reverend Father" Fitzgerald is trying to reform these erring Roman Catholics.

Exalting the Pope

● A Roman Catholic writer says: "There is still hope for the world, and of peace for all nations. . . . There is one who stands above all strife, and who can speak for the common people of all nations, and appeal to all

governments without being suspected of partisanship. We mean our holy father pope Pius 12. The Vatican is the tiny plot of earth which can redeem the rest of the world from a blood bath. There the nations can assemble in confidence. We feel that there can now be no peace except a pope's peace. Already a fellow Christian (the archbishop of Canterbury) has proclaimed his readiness to turn the world with their eyes to Rome. In all the turmoil of the past few weeks the Papacy has kept silent. The pope will act in his own time—and the eyes of the hierarchy are ever watchful." He continues, "The moral ascendancy of St. Peter's successor is as high as at any time in history. The silent diplomatic service of the Vatican is one of the most active in the world . . . pope Pius himself is a diplomat of the first rank and he may play a decisive part."

In seeking to excuse the pope's silence and the Vatican's refusal to take the action which its claimed position should cause it to take in the terrible afflictions multitudes in Europe are suffering by the actions of ruthless governors, this Roman Catholic writer has said some things that are good to be published. The late pope said much about his desire for the peace of the world, and in what little the present pope has said the same thing has been expressed. But the above-quoted writer says truly that what they want is a pope's peace. And a truer word has not been written than his statement that the Hierarchy at Rome is ever watchful. But those men are watching for their time, and the world must be left in its trouble till then. The pope has chosen his cabinet. It is this selected company of men who are ever working silently and whose decisions are now and again voiced by the pope. Their secret agents are set through the earth, and are kept in closest union with the rulers of the church in Rome. The peace of the world is not the first objective: that is altogether secondary to the advancement of the Papal authority over the nations. When the world's trouble has got worse and the point of time for the Hierarchy to speak has come, then there will be no hesitancy, and the pope will be put forward as the father of peace. "He may play a decisive part," says this advocate. Probably he will for the short time before the judgments of God fall upon that great system and upon all other religious organizations in the commencement of the destruction of Armageddon, now hastening on.

Baltic States

The Bigness of Little Iceland

◆ Little Iceland has the oldest parliament in the world, founded in A.D. 930. It has a language unchanged for 1,000 years. Every adult in the country can read and write. She has no army; none at all. She has the greatest per capita foreign trade in the world. Her fishermen catch more fish per man than any other nation of fishers. She now has 27,000 of her people as acceptable citizens of the United States.

Estonia's Form of Dictatorship

◆ A correspondent in Estonia explains that his country is still under a dictator, but has the appearance of a democracy. This is how it is done:

The dictator is the same person as previously, but has the title of president under a constitution so formed that he may rule as it so pleases him, or ignore most of the provisions of the constitution and rule in any other way, if it pleases him better. The constitution itself provides the president with such powers. Now he has the appearance of the stamp of public approval to back him up. No other candidate was nominated for the presidency than the former dictator.

There is no censorship of the press; but woe to

the man who dares to write slightly of or to criticize the president or any other high official of the government, or to write anything displeasing to the government. Heavy fine or liquidation of the business is the sure result.

The president may be honest in his efforts to guide the destiny of the nation, and afraid that if the people had much to say about the affairs of state they might run into complications with the big powers, and may think that he is able, if he can dictate the running of things, to avoid the complications. But allowing that, there still remains the fact that Estonia is governed by a dictatorship having a form of democracy, all a hypocritical arrangement.

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