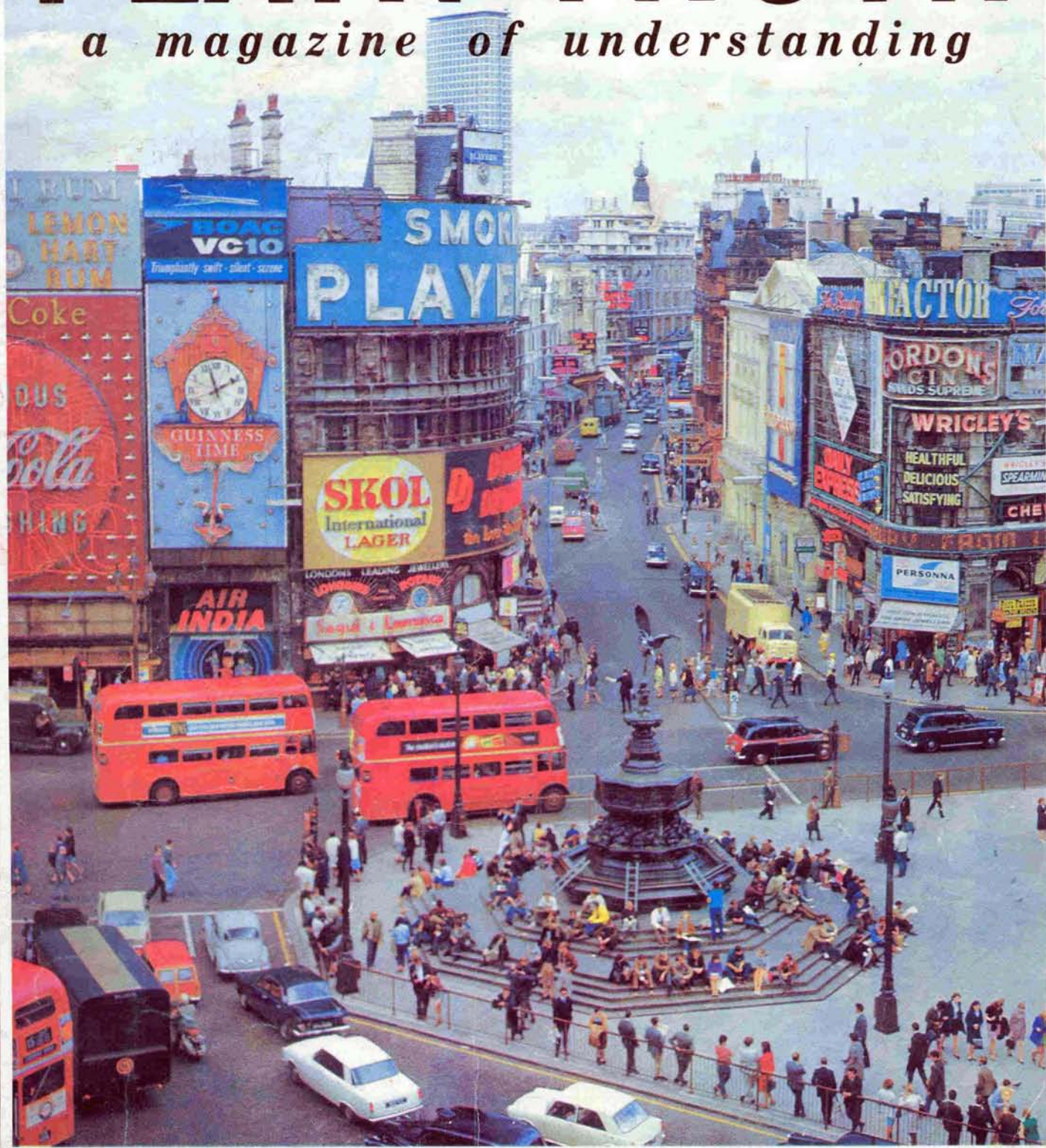


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What our READERS SAY

Strange Weather

"Just a few lines to tell you of conditions around this area. In the beginning of the season the rain was more than enough. In fact, there was so much the fields of wheat across from us had to be burned off because they had rotted. Now we have no rain, and the corn and soybean crops are lost. While riding last night, my husband and I saw the pathetic attempts of the farmers to irrigate. Some of the soil looks like dust and is almost white. The field behind our home is overrun with grasshoppers. I sat and watched two of them eat the bush by our steps. I have never seen this before. We have mosquitoes, flies, beetles, and crickets as never before. I give God thanks that He has blessed us with the knowledge of why these things are happening."

Woman, Milford, Delaware

"I am interested in why we are having drought for five years. I live in the fruit belt, and farmers blame cloud seeding for not having rain. I tell some it is not so. I explained your articles in the magazine and said 'check your Bible.' But some won't believe. They have publicly threatened to shoot down airplanes."

Man, Williamson,
Pennsylvania

"In this rapidly closing summer season, as last year, in this part of the state we have only had .70 inch of rain since mid-June. Early in June we had a few small half-inch showers following a series of floods in April. Cattle and goats are rapidly getting to the point of needing additional rations to keep their weight up, as the grass is all dry now, and has not grown for a month or more. On the average, cattle prices have not been as good as last year, and of course expenses are much higher. Last year cottonseed meal was around \$70 a ton, but now it is about \$100 a ton."

Reader, Kendalia, Texas

Plain Truth Helps Student

"The PLAIN TRUTH really helps me in my school work, especially my history classes. Believe it or not, I receive more history, geography, and science from *The WORLD TOMORROW* and *The PLAIN TRUTH* than I do in my classes. So you can see that they supplement my education. Each day I study my Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course, I gain more knowledge and understanding of my Bible."

Boy, Ernul, North Carolina

"The July PLAIN TRUTH is really amazing. When we first started receiving it we never dreamed to see it transformed into a thing of beauty. Now, after two years of getting it, it's a double pleasure to pick up and read. When I read 'Genesis vs. Geology' by Dr. Hoeh and came to the abrupt end, I was so disappointed. 'To be continued'! I thought, 'Oh no!' A month seems a long time to wait to finish an article."

Marcia C., Pontiac, Michigan

• *The sequel will appear in the next issue. Dr. Hoeh is presently attending the Seventh International Congress on Prehistory and Protohistory in Prague, Czechoslovakia.*

"I am a teen-ager (16) who has read, with some interest, your magazine. In fact, I have been reading *The PLAIN TRUTH* for some time. However, I cannot accept any longer any of the altruistic drivel offered by any denomination. The presence of denominations itself is a key to the totalitarianistic nature of the present Christian psyche. I seem to sense that Christianity, or any belief in a God, rather than being a comfort, is a crutch whereby individuals can forsake the acceptance of reality for a false faith, an ignorant stupor, and an opiate. To quote one of the Beatles, 'We're not anti-Christ, just anti-Christian.' Therefore, I wish that my name be removed from *The PLAIN TRUTH*

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Personal from the Editor

ONE OF THE PROBLEMS that continually comes up on all three Ambassador College campuses is ROMANCE.

Actually, this is a problem category that helps keep Mrs. Armstrong young. She is Guidance Counselor for women at all three campuses. Most of the girls come to her for counsel and advice. Their problems are not always romance, of course. But out of hundreds of girls, mostly of ages between eighteen and twenty-two, you may be sure that many are concerned with matters of love and marriage.

Let me hasten to say that we most certainly do not *require* that students obtain faculty or ministerial permission to marry.

Frequently a male student will come to me, and say, "Mr. Armstrong, I would like your permission to become engaged."

I smile. "You're not required to have my permission," I assure him.

"Yes, I know," the student will answer, "but I'd like to counsel with you about it, if I may."

On that basis—at the request of the student—we are always happy to have students come to us for counsel. On each campus there is an ordained minister, who is also a faculty member, who is Guidance Counselor for men. But some students will come to me, or to Garner Ted Armstrong, for counsel and advice.

Let me tell you the reason we are pleased to have them consult us. Out of a few hundred marriages that have resulted from campus life at Ambassador, there has so far been only one divorce—and that happened to a marriage made *against* our advice. One other, also made in spite of our adverse counsel, came to a temporary separation—but this couple apparently learned their lesson and went back together. I know

of only one or two more—in each case marriages we advised against—which have not been as happy as they should have been, but in each case the marriages have endured for several years, and appear to be permanent.

BUT, on the other hand, so far as we know, EVERY marriage which had the approval of our counselors has been a successful and happy union. Not all have counseled with faculty members by any means, but many have. And, as far as we know, our counsel has proved close to 100 percent right.

We are in no doubt as to the reason. God says, through James, "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, . . . and it shall be given him."

We do ask for wisdom, and in faith. And we receive it!

Last month I told you, in this column, about our 49th anniversary which Mrs. Armstrong and I recently celebrated. I feel that a woman who has been a very exceptional HELP to her husband for 49 years, through thick and thin, adversity and success, sickness and health, and a real *partner* in the very WORK OF GOD, is specially qualified to counsel with young girls about their romance problems.

Mrs. Armstrong tells me that she usually takes a girl who is becoming romance-conscious back to the very PURPOSE of life. Not only the overall spiritual purpose, but the REASON God made WOMAN as well as man. Too few girls today have any concept of their mission in this life—the very reason God *made* them—to be a HELP to the man to whom God Himself binds them in marriage.

Too many girls today think only of the fluff and excitement of romance, with not much if any concern about the PURPOSE of marriage—the RESPONSIBILITIES of marriage, and whether they

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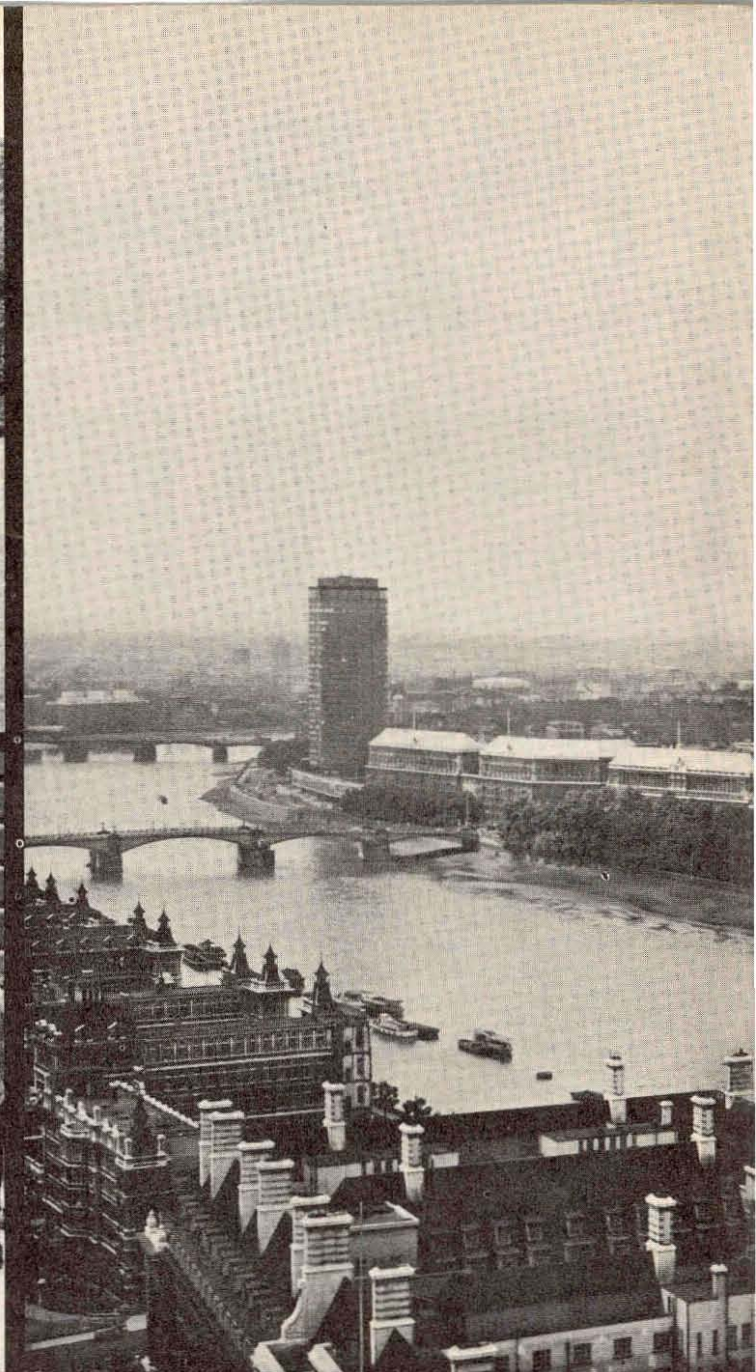
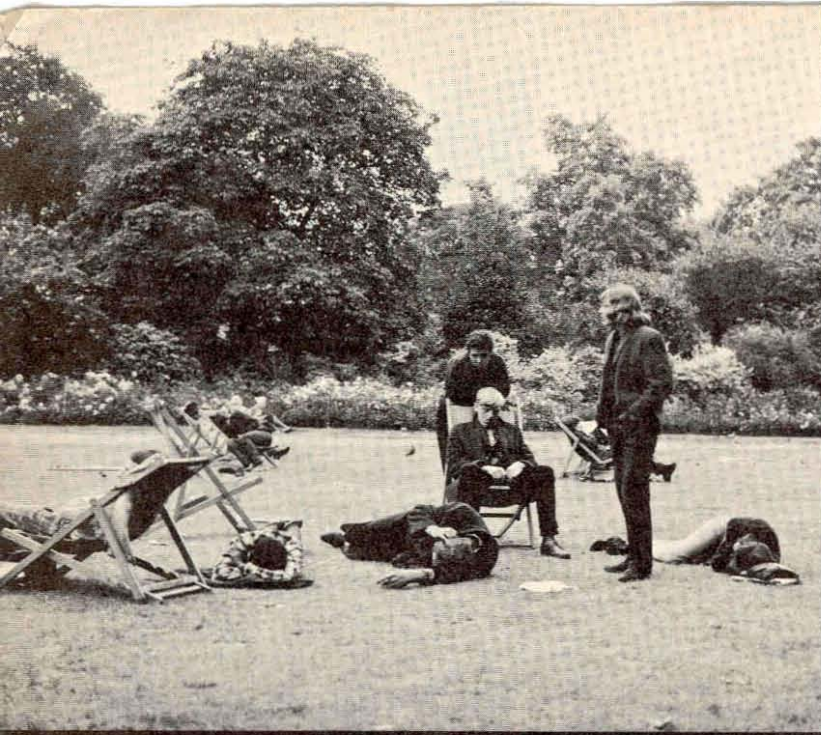
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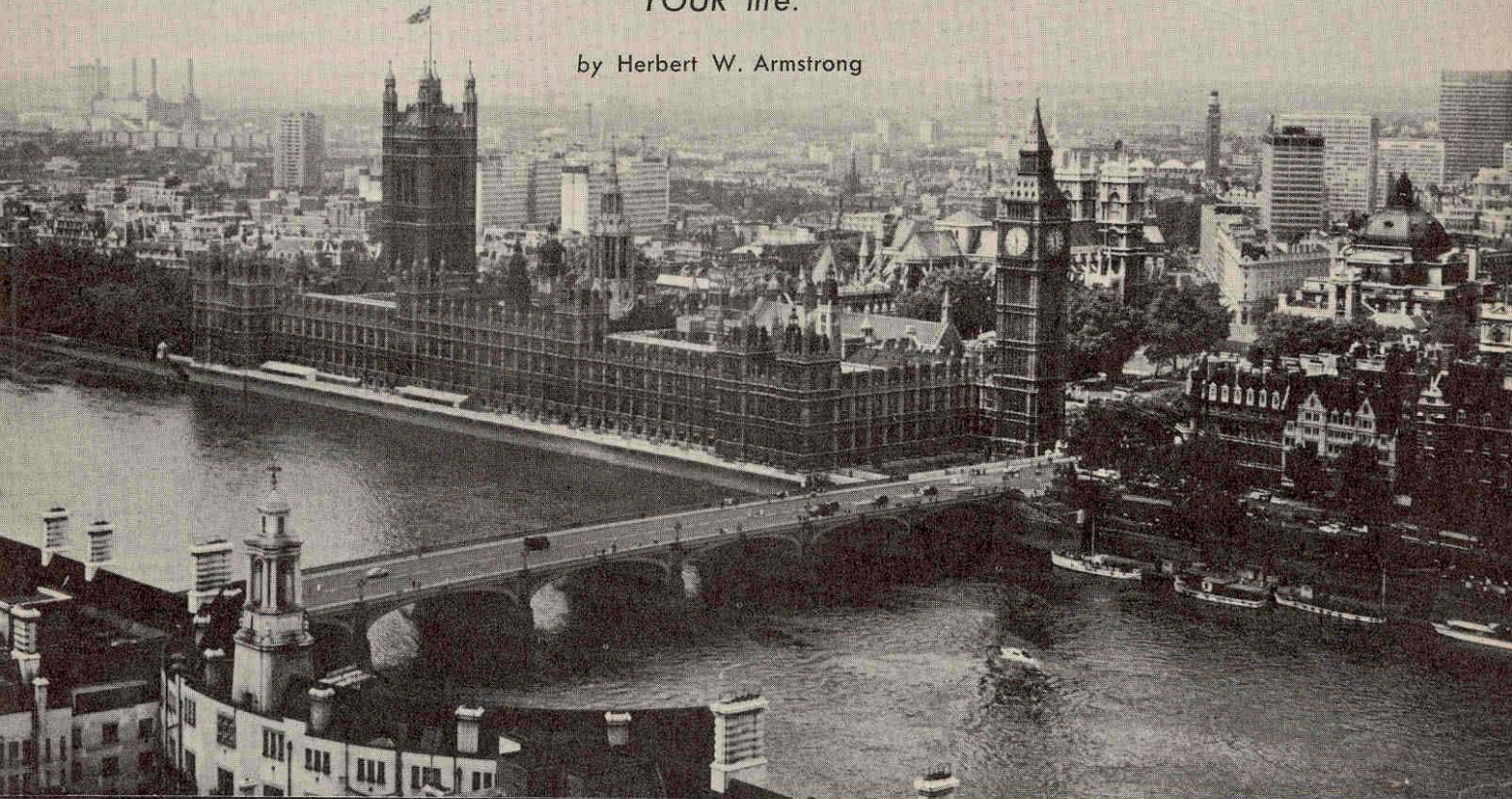
Piccadilly Circus, London. Once the "Times Square" of the world—the most famous plaza of the banking and trading capital of the world—meeting place for world leaders, and center of a worldwide empire. Today, homosexuals, beatniks, pallid-faced, purposeless teen-agers loaf beneath its glaring ads and invitations to passing pleasure. Rather than the symbol of the bustle of a world empire, it has become the vortex of wild pleasure-seeking. London is becoming increasingly noted for its wild gaming houses, its bawdy clubs, its "way out" fashions. Read the two shocking articles in this issue about the tragic state of the once-proud British Empire.



OBITUARY of the British Empire

The stupendous significance of official closing of the British Colonial Office goes unrecognized by a stultified Britain. Read the shocking truth of how this will dramatically affect YOUR life.

by Herbert W. Armstrong



THE BIG NEWS of the past month is not what happened in Vietnam. It is not the race riots in American cities, nor the mass murders in Chicago and in Austin, Texas—nor even the White House wedding.

The real BIG NEWS, of world-shaking significance, rated only small headlines, and was passed over quietly by a lethargic public in British countries and America.

Signal for World-Shaking Turn of Events

At precisely MIDNIGHT, Sunday, July 31, the British Colo-

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Tragic decay of Britain. Laziness, strikes, immorality, the beat generation—amid symbols of past glory. Top, Big Ben and Parliament House. Immediate left, Commonwealth Office, formerly British Office of Colonial Affairs.

nial Office in London came to an official closure.

With this shutdown, the BRITISH EMPIRE WAS DEAD!

Little does the world realize what this means! Few on earth know what a calamitous turn in world events this almost unnoticed action signals.

I have said many times that none of the heads of government in the world, none of the editors, news analysts or observers of the world scene can UNDERSTAND the REAL MEANING of today's world news—*unless* they first understand the PURPOSE being worked out here below—the MASTER PLAN by which it is being worked out—and also have a *right understanding* of that whole third of the Bible which is PROPHECY! And in all probability, not one in these fields possesses that understanding!

It's high time slumbering peoples WAKE UP!

Tolling the death knell of the once-powerful British Empire signals a SWITCH in world affairs that now will happen quickly, and will rock this whole world back on its heels in dumbfounded AMAZEMENT!

It's high time people in official circles, educators, and the supposedly educated of the world realize that the Bible is the most up-to-date report on world conditions that exists—that it is *not* the religious speculations of an ancient, straggling, despised, little race searching in ignorance for a mythical new concept of a nonexistent deity. It's high time the LEADERS of a suffering humanity realize that the Bible is the *living* message of the *living* Universe-Ruling GOD to mankind DURING THIS LAST HALF OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY! God's message is for NOW! It is for US!

It's high time those who are so rebelliously MISMANAGING this world's affairs come to an awareness that this living Book pertains to THEM, TODAY—to the conditions, problems, causes, and solutions of NOW!

Sun Never Sets????

The British had a world-known slogan: "The sun never sets on the British Empire." But Britain's sun actually *did* set some little time ago. The British

have been groping, blinded to the real truth, in the dusk period, seemingly oblivious to the fact that their MIDNIGHT is fast approaching. The very fact that the official closing of the Colonial Office struck at MIDNIGHT is significant!

In March, 1947, I interviewed one or two officials in the Colonial Office in London. I was informed that the postwar plight of Britain was such that, to regain the prewar standard of living, every Briton would have to produce 65 percent more, by his labor, than the prewar level of production. Reason? Loss of colonies and possessions which had supplied so much of Britain's daily living!

In late 1959 I completed the purchase of a very fine estate just outside London, which became, in 1960, the English campus of Ambassador College. This rather fabulous small estate was acquired for an unbelievably low figure. It had been totally neglected for two years. Weeds were hip high. We were obliged to employ British labor to convert horse stables into buildings and rooms for college purposes. Instead of working 65 percent harder, to produce 65 percent more, it became our standing, rather unfunny joke that English workmen came to tea, and took an occasional work break.

There is a CAUSE for every effect.

There is a totally unrealized CAUSE for Britain's former prosperity, and might, as the number one World Power. I'm going to tell you what CAUSED that never-before-equalled POWER and GREATNESS!

There is a definite CAUSE for the pitiful plight in which Britain exists today, *still little realized*. And I'm going to make plain what CAUSED this downfall! The Government and people of Britain *do not know*. AND THEY MUST KNOW!

No longer can Britain boast, "The sun never sets on the British Empire." They do not realize or believe it, but it is TRUE! *The Eternal living GOD* has taken that slogan away from Britain. He has transferred it to His very own worldwide Work! And today it is a FACT that the sun never sets on the established offices administering this great Work of God, around the world!

The CAUSE of Former GREATNESS

Prior to World War II, the British Empire and the United States combined possessed more than two thirds—almost three fourths—of all the cultivated wealth and resources of the world. All other nations combined shared less than a third!

NEVER had *any* people possessed such wealth, such national POWER and GREATNESS!

But WHY? How did we come by it?

Probably few realize it, but we had acquired it rather SUDDENLY. *Never* had any people sprouted from small stature in the world to such might and wealth and power so quickly! In the year 1800 the United Kingdom and the United States were comparatively small and insignificant among the nations. The United Kingdom consisted only of the British Isles, a very small part of India and of Canada, and a few little islands. The United States consisted only of the 13 original colonies and three added states—16 states in all. Neither the United States nor Britain possessed any great wealth or power.

But, beginning in 1800, these two little nations began to expand at phenomenal rate into vast national resources and power. By 1804 London was the financial capital of the world.

Probably many do not realize that in 1800 Britain was not an EMPIRE—was NOT a "Commonwealth of Nations." Australia was not yet a nation. Australia was not even settled until 1788 and thereafter. It did not become a Commonwealth NATION until January 1, 1909. New Zealand was not even discovered until 1642. British Sovereignty was first proclaimed in 1840, when it became a colony, and the colony became a Dominion in 1907.

Canada was "discovered" in 1497—soon after the "discovery" of America. Succeeding explorers came in the 16th, and 17th centuries. There followed struggles for possession between England and France, but the first uniting of Provinces for administration of Government, as Canada, was 67 years *after* 1800! Other Provinces were added later.

South Africa was not really settled (by white Caucasians) until "the Great

Trek" emigration of 1831, and later. It was not formed as the Union of South Africa until May 31, 1910 by act of the British Parliament.

It is not generally realized, but the British Commonwealth and the United States spurted, SUDDENLY, RAPIDLY, to wealth, and POWER, and GREATNESS, *following the year 1800!*

WHAT CAUSED this sudden spurt?

Did we develop it through our own human superiority, wisdom, foresight, energy, and abilities? WE DID NOT!

Let Abraham Lincoln answer for the United States—and the answer is the same for Britain:

"We find ourselves," he said, "in the peaceful possession of the fairest portion of the earth, as regards fertility of soil, extent of territory, and salubrity of climate... we... find ourselves the legal inheritors of these fundamental blessings. *We toiled not in the acquirement or the establishment of them.*"

Further, in the proclamation of April 30, 1863, President Lincoln said: "It is the duty of nations, as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the over-ruling power of God... and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations *only* are blessed whose God is the Lord:... We have been the recipients of the choicest blessings of heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power *as no other nation ever has grown*, BUT WE HAVE FORGOTTEN GOD! We have forgotten the gracious Hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and *we have vainly imagined*, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, *that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.*"

And because President Lincoln saw a nation which had forgotten its God—a vain nation taking upon itself all the credit and glory due to the God who bestowed these riches on us, he called for a DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER FOR THE NATION TO CONFESS ITS NATIONAL SIN BEFORE GOD!

How far have our English-speaking peoples drifted from their Creator in the century since a President called his

NATION to fasting and prayer before God! If President Johnson should call for such a day (please don't laugh), the Supreme Court probably would hasten to declare it unconstitutional, and FORBID the nation to acknowledge its God!

What God PROMISED!

Here's the amazing paradox—stranger than any fiction—yet, incredible though it may sound, ABSOLUTELY TRUE!

Many centuries ago, the precise vast national wealth, greatness and dominant power which so suddenly came to America and Britain was *unconditionally PROMISED* by the Almighty God to the ancient Abraham for his literal racial descendants. This promise of inheritance by birth was re-promised to Abraham's son Isaac, and to Isaac's son Jacob—whose name was changed to Israel. This promise of material wealth and power was conferred by the aged Jacob on the two sons of Joseph, named Ephraim and Manasseh.

This was a promise *separate and distinct* from the promise of the Messiah, and of spiritual salvation through Him. *That* promise, called in the Bible the "Sceptre," passed on to the sons of Judah—(the JEWS)—(also one of the twelve sons of Jacob). But the Birthright—meaning *right by birth*—was passed on to the sons of Joseph (I Chronicles 5:1-2).

The Birthright Promise pertained to RACE. The Sceptre Promise pertained to GRACE. *The two were totally different.*

WHEN Birthright Inherited

Now when the Children of Israel were first formed into the Kingdom (or nation) of Israel, under Moses, it is important to notice HOW, and WHEN this tremendous national wealth and power of the Birthright would actually be inherited.

It is explained in Leviticus 26. To this people, God said:

"Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image... to bow down unto it; for I am the Eternal your God. Ye shall keep my Sabbaths... *IF* ye walk in *my* statutes, and keep *my* commandments, and do them; THEN I will give you

rain in due season..." etc., etc.—their land would produce year-'round crops, they would inherit the WEALTH promised in the Birthright, and they would have become the most POWERFUL nation on earth.

"BUT," continues God's proposition to them, (verse 14), "if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments... I will do this unto you..." and God enumerated punishments of sicknesses and diseases, sorrow and suffering, invasion and captivity, and becoming the slaves of other nations—saying (verse 18), that He would punish them "*seven times*" for their rebellion against His Government.

Now "times" in their terminology referred to YEARS. And in Ezekiel 4:4-6, and in Numbers 14:34, we are given the key that Israel is to bear punishment on an "each day for a year" basis. Thus, the "seven times" becomes seven years—and on the prophetic-year scale of 360 days to a year, the total punishment becomes 2,520 years.

In other words, *IF* the Israelites of Moses' day submitted to God's Government, especially obeying the two commandments emphasized, then *that generation* of Israelites would inherit the great Birthright promise. They would become the mightiest World Power on earth. BUT, if they rebelled, they would become slaves, and the inheritance of the Birthright *would be withheld 2,520 years!*

What actually happened?

Four hundred thirty years after Abraham, his descendants, the children of Israel, were led by Moses out of Egyptian slavery and they became God's own NATION. But they rejected GOD as their Ruler (I Samuel 8:1-7). They had Saul as their first King, then David, then Solomon, then Rehoboam the son of Solomon. But when Rehoboam threatened to tax the people more heavily than his father Solomon, the nation REJECTED REHOBAM as their King, and elected Jeroboam, Solomon's chief deputy executive, as King.

Thereupon the Tribe of Judah seceded from Israel in order to retain Rehoboam as their King. This set up a new and *different* nation, called the Kingdom of JUDAH. The tribe of Ben-

jamin went with Judah. Then Jeroboam threw out the tribe of Levi from being the priests, and most of the Levites also left the nation ISRAEL, and entered into the Kingdom of JUDAH.

Two Different Nations

And so the Children of Israel now were divided into two different nations. Four entire historic Books of the Bible are devoted to recording the rival governments and their wars. Yet most professing Christians still believe they were never more than one single nation, called "the Jews."

Incredible as it may sound, the Kingdom of ISRAEL were NEVER called "Jews." The name "Jews" is merely a nickname from their tribal name, Judah. Judah was merely one of the tribes of Israel. So *they* and their Kingdom of Judah *only* were Jews. Of course the Benjamites and the Levites, who became part of the Kingdom of JUDAH also were called Jews. But NONE of the ten-tribed nation of the north were ever called Jews.

The first place in all the Bible where the word "Jews" occurs is II Kings 16:6. There you will find that, beginning verse 5, ISRAEL was allied with Syria, and they went to war against the Jews. So the very first place where the word "Jews" occurs in the Bible describes the nation ISRAEL going to war against the Jews.

It is highly significant to note that the Birthright promise was given jointly to Ephraim and Manasseh (sons of Joseph) (Genesis 48). These were counted as two of the Ten Tribes of the Kingdom of ISRAEL. But the Sceptre—the promise of the Messiah, and spiritual salvation through Him—was now in a *different* nation—THE JEWS. Jesus was born of a Jewish mother. God was His Father—not any human. Yet, as the Son of man, Jesus was a Jew of the House of David—a direct descendant of David, who was of the Tribe of JUDAH.

Idolatry Enters Israel

When Israel first rejected Solomon's son as King, and elected Jeroboam as their King, Jeroboam immediately turned the nation away from the worship of, or obedience to GOD. His

reason? He feared losing his office. Like most politicians, he was interested *first* in his selfish *personal* welfare, and that of his people secondly. He reasoned (I Kings 12:26-32) that if his people continued to go to Jerusalem every autumn to attend the Feast of Tabernacles, in the 7th month (sacred calendar), and the people should see King Rehoboam, they might turn again to Rehoboam, and dethrone Jeroboam.

So Jeroboam set up two idols, golden calves, one in Dan and one in Bethel. He issued a proclamation to his nation saying that these calves were the gods that brought them out of Egyptian slavery. To further fortify his personal power, he rejected the tribe of Levi from the priesthood, and made priests of the lowest, most ignorant of the people—priests who would do his bidding—not God's. Thereupon the rejected Levites migrated from Israel, moved south and became part of the nation of JUDAH.

Jeroboam did one thing more to fortify his personal power. He ordained his own Feast of Tabernacles one month later—in the EIGHTH month. Although it is not recorded, it is evident that he also changed God's Sabbath from the seventh day, which God had hallowed, to the EIGHTH day—the day *following* the seventh day—(actually the first day of the following week)—the same day on which the pagans worshiped the sun-god.

This Sabbath of God had been made the IDENTIFYING SIGN between God and Israel—the SIGN that identified Him as their God, because in six days He made heaven and earth, and rested on the seventh day (Exodus 31:12-18). CREATION is the PROOF of God's existence. Creation identifies God. The One who created not only earth, but MAN, is man's true God. On the other hand, God's Sabbath identified Israel as God's nation.

WHY? Because, 1) no *other* nation ever kept it; 2) there can be no reason to keep it *except* that it is a memorial of creation—that God made it HOLY TIME—and that God COMMANDED mankind to *keep* it holy; so 3) it became a matter of OBEDIENCE to God, respecting that which is HOLY TO HIM. Thus, since no other nation would OBEY, or

show this respect to the true GOD, it SET ISRAEL APART from all others as GOD's nation. That is, as long as they kept it! It was a sign OTHER nations could recognize—a sign causing other nations to RECOGNIZE this nation as GOD's nation.

WHY did the ten-tribed nation ISRAEL later become known as the LOST Ten Tribes? *Answer:* They lost God's SIGN of identification.

WHY does the world suppose that only the JEWS (part of the descendants of the Kingdom of JUDAH) are the "chosen people"? *Answer:* Because they did retain this SIGN which identified them!

What Happened to Israel

Remember, now, in Leviticus 26 we saw that God had put special emphasis on two of His Ten Commandments—Idolatry and Sabbath-breaking. The first four of the Ten Commandments regulate man's relation to GOD. The last six regulate man's relation to MAN. Idolatry and Sabbath-breaking are the two which, above all others, cut humans off from contact with GOD.

After the Israelites rejected Rehoboam, and elected Jeroboam as King, the very first things Jeroboam did were to CUT HIS NATION OFF FROM GOD by turning them to idols and Sabbath-breaking.

But the ETERNAL was patient. He allowed them to remain in their land through seven dynasties and the reigns of nineteen kings. He sent them prophets, but the people stoned and killed them. They had completely lost knowledge of God during the reign of King Ahab. God sent them the prophet Elijah, who restored the KNOWLEDGE of God, and of God's LAWS, giving the people no excuse. Yet after recognizing the true God—in their KNOWLEDGE (I Kings 18:21, 39)—the kings of Israel and their people refused obedience to God and returned to their idols.

Finally, this northern Kingdom—the HOUSE OF ISRAEL—was invaded by the armies of King Shalmaneser of Assyria. After a three-year siege—721-718 B.C.—(II Kings 17:5-6) the nation ISRAEL was defeated. The Assy-

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BRITAIN—"SICK MAN OF EUROPE"

Why is Britain now being universally dubbed "sick man of Europe"? "An international charity case"? Do you realize God prophesied—millenniums ago—the RISE and FALL of Britain and her Commonwealth. Here is an eyewitness account of the actual fulfillment of this astounding prophecy!

by Raymond F. McNair

London, England

FOR many years, Britons have been living on borrowed money—in an artificial prosperity—a fool's paradise!

Now grave warnings are being trumpeted from every corner of the earth. Britain's chronic haemorrhaging of the pound sterling—like the U.S. gold haemorrhage—must be stanchied. Her chronically sick economy is on its last legs. The international bankers are contemplating the funeral.

This very summer the Central Banks of eleven countries propped up the British pound sterling with a *one-billion-dollar* loan. This was in addition to another *one-billion-dollar* emergency rescue loan in 1965. And a still larger, yet unpaid, *three-billion-dollar* international loan in 1964.

But these massive monetary transfusions seem to be having little or no effect on Britain—"the new *sick man of Europe*."

What's wrong with Britain? Why can't she get back on her economic feet? Why is Britain the *only* nation in Western Europe whose gross national product will show a *growth rate of less than 3 percent this year?*

One continually reads of "the pound's weakness," "Britain's weakness," "the deep British sickness"! And many are now referring to Britain as "*an international charity case*"!

Do you realize that the pound is the world's *second* most important international currency (after the dollar)? That it *finances one third of the world's trade?*

Britain's chronic economic palsy puts her at a serious disadvantage when dealing with other nations. In recent soundings, Britain discovered that the six EEC member nations will not even *consider* her *application* for entry into the Common Market—until she gets her economic house in order. They don't want Europe's "sick man"—they don't want a "charity case" on their hands.

Prophesied to be Great

Millenniums ago, God prophesied the rise and the unprecedented wealth and power of Great Britain and her Commonwealth of Nations ("multitude of nations")—mentioned in Genesis 48:19. (For a complete explanation write immediately for our free booklet: *The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy*. This fascinating, 32-page booklet will clearly prove the biblical identity of Britain and the Commonwealth.)

The sure prophecies of the Bible reveal that the peoples of the British Commonwealth of Nations were to become great and powerful—*invincible* in war (Gen. 49:22-24). They were to be "as a lion" among the nations (Micah 5:8, 9). The "lion" is a well-known symbol of the power and majesty of Great Britain.

History Fulfills Prophecy

Only a few short years ago, Britain was the master of a far-flung empire—which embraced over one fourth of the world's peoples and land areas. Great Britain was the imperial leader—the policeman and arbiter for over one

quarter of the whole earth. Her proud ships dominated the Seven Seas—Britannia ruled the waves! Her soldiers manned the forts guarding the major strategic gateways of the world.

Great Britain's *merchants* and *bankers* dominated the world's markets and commerce. British colonial administrators, governing officials, judges, soldiers and policemen maintained law and order over vast areas of Asia, Africa, Australia, the Americas and Oceania. Under British rule, the English language became the world's number one tongue in business and commerce.

But now, thinking Britons feel frustrated, thwarted, bewildered. They have lost (or rather have foolishly given away) their national birthright—the world's greatest empire. But they have been unable to find a clearly defined new role.

The younger generation, however, couldn't care less about the past glories of Britain's faded Empire. The Empire had vanished before most of them were old enough to even read about it. They, unlike their fathers, have never known the thrill of looking at a map of the world plainly showing (usually in light red) the vastness of Britain's Empire—covering one fourth of the globe! These young Britons aren't concerned about Britain's past or future. They are only concerned about having a good time—NOW!

But the handwriting is on the wall! Today, increasingly, the peoples of
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Ambassador College Photo

Big Ben signals approach of
eleventh hour for Britons.

"SICK MAN"

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Britain find they are no longer able to compete effectively with such modern industrial nations as Germany, Japan, France, Italy and America. They are being priced out of the world markets. *Why?* Does it have to be that way? Where have Britons fallen short?

How could a nation which only a few decades ago was the financial centre of the world—and had enjoyed an industrial head start on all other nations—have become "an international charity case"? Just what has happened to make it impossible for Britain to compete effectively in today's highly competitive world markets? Why is the gross national product of Britain rising at a slower rate than every other major industrial nation in Western Europe?

Dozens of conflicting "solutions" have been given as the answer to Britain's recurring economic crises—as the antidote for Britain's chronic balance-of-payments troubles. But very few really *understand* the solution to Britain's monetary difficulties.

In fact, very few Britons are convinced that Great Britain is in a severe financial crisis! Why should they be? They've never had it so good! Things are looking up! Wages are rapidly increasing. Britons are able to afford luxuries which their parents never dreamed of.

"I'm All Right, Jack!"

This heady affluence has blinded the eyes of practically everyone. "How could things be so bad?" "I'm all right, Jack!" "The sun still shines; and if it isn't shining here in England, the balmy coasts of the Mediterranean are just a few hours away by jet."

This typical British smugness was expressed perfectly by former Prime Minister Earl Atlee: "*I don't believe we have become a second-rate power. Let us have a good conceit of ourselves.*"

This "I'm-all-right-Jack" attitude must be repented of before Britain's deplorable "economic mess" can ever be cleared up. The people of Great Britain

must first quit kidding themselves and honestly *admit* their terrible economic plight. To maintain a silly, ostrich-like attitude is suicidal.

Many alarms have already been sounded. No less a personage than Prince Philip warned over a year ago: "*The fact is, the wolf really IS at the door and looking uncommonly hungry.*"

Prince Philip then mentioned that the "I'm-all-right-Jack" attitude is surely leading Britain "to almost *certain disaster.*"

But it is very unpopular to speak the plain truth in Britain today. Britons don't want to be told the disturbing facts—the real blunt truth concerning their very serious economic dilemma. They don't like to think about their rapidly shrinking influence in world affairs. They don't wish to think of themselves as a "poor run-down little island"—an offshore satellite of Europe! They just want to have a good time, and let the rest of the world go by!

Anybody who does speak out the PLAIN TRUTH is called "a prophet of gloom and doom"—"a Jeremiah"! Those who decry Britain's downward plunge are being spoken of as "doubters and pouters," "quitters with the twitters."

Suicidal Tendencies

On June 25th, Mr. Quentin Hogg, Conservative M.P. (formerly, Lord Hailsham) spoke out against some of the dangerous trends in Britain. His statements are worth reading.

He asked the question, "*What has gone wrong with this country?*" And then he mentioned that it was not very popular "to criticize, to prophesy evil things to come, to warn of possible disaster."

He asked: "Can anyone doubt, who has eyes to survey the totality of the present political and social scene, that we are a people that has *LOST ITS WAY?* Can anyone who looks with understanding at what is going on deny that *the British people is in the act and process of DESTROYING ITSELF*, and will surely do so if we go on as we are at present going?"

He then stressed that to survive, a

nation "must possess a feeling of *overall direction and purpose.*"

Then Mr. Hogg said, "*Everywhere we see a weakening of the very things which made this nation great.*"

This influential Member of Parliament asked: "But where is our *national pride?* Where is our *self-respect?* *We are living on credit—on borrowed money—and we do not seem to care.* The history of the last two years has been one long series of stepping-stones to *national bankruptcy.*"

"November 1964, September 1965, and now June 1966—each new *excess of borrowing*—each new draft on other people's generosity and credit, hailed as a masterpiece of financial genius, each the signal for a *new relapse into national somnolence.* How long can it go on?"

Then Mr. Hogg stated: "We plead *poverty.*" He then showed that Britain doesn't have sufficient money to spend on space projects, advanced aircraft, or on peace-keeping technologists.

"But we have plenty of money," said he, "when it comes to spending on ourselves—on *television sets, on motor cars, on washing machines, on holidays in Spain, on BETTING and bingo, on drink and tobacco, on pop singers . . . WELFARE* or subsidizing the railways."

"*A nation that does not think and plan higher than WELFARE will not survive as a nation even to enjoy WELFARE.*"

Mr. Quentin Hogg then asked if we could just blame our young because *crime, drug-taking, sex and violence* are increasingly popular? It is, he concluded, the natural consequence of the *whole nation having "lost its ideals."*

Very few people took any real notice of the warnings sounded by this leading Member of Parliament! But a number of *jeers* and *wisecracks* were made concerning this "prophet of doom."

At least a few Britons agreed with Mr. Hogg. A reader of *Time & Tide* wrote saying that one of the few MPs to apparently understand "*our national malady*" is Mr. Hogg.

The Prime Minister of Britain, Mr. Harold Wilson, has also on numerous occasions *exhorted, warned, urged* and even *pleaded* with the people of Britain

THE BRITISH EMPIRE AFTER WORLD WAR II



... Now Shattered



In 1945, Great Britain dominated over one quarter of the world's population. Britain controlled thirteen million square miles of territory — one quarter of the earth's land area! Its influence was felt the world over. The sun never set on the British Commonwealth. Today, it is a shell of its former greatness.

The "Commonwealth" exists today only on paper. Gone are most of the important sea gates. The others, like Gibraltar and Aden, are to be dismantled. Britain is phasing out of Malaysia. The so-called "New" commonwealth of non-white nations aren't really bound together. There is no central foreign policy, no effective trade agreement, no single defense pact.

Today, "Great" Britain and the Commonwealth consist of a few islands, a paper pact of squabbling nations, and a home island beset by economic, and moral decay. The sun has set on the British Empire! And to prove it, the British Colonial office struck the flag at midnight, July 31. It was the obituary notice of the death of the British Empire.

to tighten their belts and go to work. But seemingly nobody listens!

Thus far postwar British Governments have only papered over Britain's economic symptoms. No British Government of recent years has yet been willing and/or able to attack the root cause of Britain's economic ills.

The British Prime Minister has repeatedly warned that "sheer . . . laziness" is the cause of Britain's economic plight. He has often exhorted Britons to give "a full day's work for a full day's pay." But no one has been able to shake Britain out of her lethargy.

"Will Sterling Topple?"

Just how serious is Britain's present economic malady? Will sterling really topple? This question is being asked repeatedly throughout Great Britain, America and around the world.

Will a big financial crash really come? Sir Alfred Owen says, "Sooner or later the crash will come when as a nation we shall be down on our knees."

Sir Halford Reddish, Company Chairman, recognizes

The Face of Britain Today



there was more than a grain of truth in the image projected abroad of today's England as "an effete nation—the *sick man of Europe*, a nation of *IDLERS*; *crime ridden, morally degraded*; a country of *betting shops and gambling clubs*, where *HONEST TOIL IS OVERTAXED* and therefore discouraged, but football pools winnings are tax-free gain; a country, in short, of distorted moral values."

Lord Caradon, Britain's permanent representative to the U.N., severely criticized Britain in the House of Lords for its smugness. He said: "We in our affluence, become so *soft, selfish, self-centered, superior and supercilious...*"

Real Cause of Britain's Financial Troubles

Yet very few Britons *realize* their country is in serious financial difficulties. And the public who do understand there's a crisis, *don't seem to care much!* Seemingly no one thus far has been able to put his finger on the real cause of Britain's financial crisis.

Why isn't Britain able to pay her way in the world? Why can't she compete with other nations?

The real reason for Britain's problem is—*NATIONAL APATHY!* To put it bluntly, the people of Britain don't work hard enough. All too many are *just plain lazy!*

"Half-Time Britain?"

As far back as December 8th, 1964, an interesting BBC documentary TV programme, "Half-time Britain?" was televised in the British Isles. This programme showed *why* Britain is producing only *half* of what she is capable. In this documentary telecast, this question was asked: "*Is the nation doing HALF-WORK for HALF-PAY under half-hearted management?*"

According to this telecast, some Britons are paid a full-day's wage for

working only "*three*" hours. By putting around during a great part of their normal eight-hour working day, they are able to force their employer to let them do *overtime* work—at higher wages—in order to meet production quotas.

In Britain today there is *no shortage of manpower*. Britain, for any given similar unit of output—whether of goods or services—*requires between ONE-AND-ONE-HALF and FOUR times as many workers as are required by most other advanced industrial powers.*

For several years most of the advanced nations of the world have been enjoying rates of economic growth *TWO TO FOUR TIMES* higher than Great Britain's.

British factories are seriously *overmanned*, relative to most other advanced nations.

Compared with their overseas competitors, one often sees an excessively large number of people involved in any given operation. One sees a high proportion of the people *STANDING OR SITTING AROUND DOING NOTHING.*

There is a terrible waste of labour in Britain. Two or three men often are required to do the job which one person ought to be able to handle!

This is the story which one continually hears, not only in the press outside of Britain, but right here in Britain!

Few politicians in Great Britain today have the courage to tell the people bluntly that *outright LAZINESS—working at only HALF or ONE-THIRD capacity—is the real reason for Britain's inability to successfully compete in world markets!!*

Unless Britons are aroused out of their national stupor, this condition will persist until it ends in national bankruptcy.

Politicians talk about increasing "productivity." But the British people must be told bluntly to roll up their sleeves and go to work.

Evils of Welfare State

Britain has fostered the Welfare State system. Like a huge octopus, it is helping to strangle the nation's economy.

In theory, the Welfare State idea doesn't sound too bad. Let the Government pay a substantial grant toward your child's birth, supply it with free milk, provide free hospitalization, drugs and medicines, subsidize housing, give you unemployment and other "benefits" *ad infinitum*—including a death grant to your relatives when you die! Yes, it all may *sound* very good. But how does it work? People in Britain are finding (in actual practice) that before the Government can pay out this money to its many millions of citizens, it must first take it in from the people in the form of heavy taxes.

And it takes hundreds of thousands of Civil Servants—all paid by the taxpayers—to administer these Government doles to the people! This needless expense is a serious drain on this nation's economy.

But when people become lazy and indolent—and are no longer willing to work hard and pay their own way—then they seek the kind of Government which will look after them "from the cradle to the grave," or as some phrase it—"from womb to tomb"!

Some indolent Britons now ask, "Is it really worth working? Why work, when I can receive more on the Government dole by not working?"

Britons are working less and less, yet are being paid more and more. They are often paid far more than they really *earn*. Even so, British wages are relatively low—only about one third the U. S. wage.

There's been too much talk of the affluent society. *The average man expects something for nothing.*

The indolence of British labour, foolish Welfare-State handouts, smug complacency, lack of modernization and automation—are all sapping Britain's economic strength. Is it any wonder that Great Britain is sick?

In next month's concluding article, we shall see how: 1—*Britain's paralyzing Trade Unions*, 2—*her lazy managers* and 3—*Britain's shocking morals* all contribute their share to the deep British "sickness" which grips Great Britain today. And we shall point out the real *remedy* to Britain's economic and moral ills.

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Young Britons demand Rhodesia be turned over to native African rule, above left. Below, Britons on the dole pick up newspapers from trash bin, sit and read them in Trafalgar Square.

RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

MAJOR STATIONS

East

WHN—New York—1050 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
 WWVA—Wheeling, W. Va.—1170 kc., 98.7 FM, 10:30 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 5 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
 WNAC—Boston—680 kc., 98.5 FM (WRKO-FM), 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WIBG—Philadelphia—990 kc., 94.1 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun.
 WBAL—Baltimore—1090 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun.
 WPTF—Raleigh, N. C.—680 kc., 94.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

Central States

WLAC—Nashville—1510 kc., 6:30 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m., 7 p.m. daily.
 WSM—Nashville—650 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.
 WKY—Cincinnati—1530 kc., 7, 9:30 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 midnight Tues.-Sun.
 WLW—Cincinnati—700 kc., 11:05 p.m. daily.
 WJJD—Chicago—1160 kc., 11 a.m. Sun.
 KSTP—Minneapolis-St. Paul—1500 kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
 KXEL—Waterloo—1540 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
 KXEN—St. Louis—1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Sat.

South

KRLD—Dallas—1080 kc., 8:10 p.m. daily or before or after baseball.
 KTRH—Houston—740 kc., 101.1 FM, 8 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
 WOAI—San Antonio, Tex.—1200 kc., 10:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
 KWKH—Shreveport—1130 kc., 94.5 FM, 10:30 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 1, 8:30 p.m. or after baseball Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m., 11:30 p.m. Sat.
 WNOE—New Orleans—1060 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
 KAAY—Little Rock—1090 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. daily.
 WGUN—Atlanta—1010 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
 WMOO—Mobile—1550 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
 WINQ—Tampa—1010 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 12:10 p.m. Sat., Sun.
 KRMG—Tulsa—740 kc., 10 a.m. Sun.
 XEG—1050 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily. (CST)

Mountain States

KOA—Denver—850 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
 KSW—Roswell, N. Mex.—1020 kc., 6:30 a.m. daily.
 XELO—800 kc., 8 p.m. daily. (MST)

West Coast

KIRO—Seattle—710 kc., 100.7 FM, 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 5:30 a.m. Tues.-Sat.

*Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

KPIR—Eugene, Ore.—1120 kc., 9 p.m. daily.

KRAK—Sacramento—1140 kc., 8 p.m. daily.

XERB—Lower Calif.—1090 kc., 7 p.m. daily, 9:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri.

LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS

East

WBMD—Baltimore—750 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

WPEN—Philadelphia—950 kc., 7 a.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WPIT—Pittsburgh—730 kc., 101.5 FM, 11 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 1:30 p.m. Sat.

WMCK—Pittsburgh—1360 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

WHP—Harrisburg, Pa.—580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

WJAC—Johnstown, Pa.—850 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

*WSAN—Allentown, Pa.—1470 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WCHS—Charleston, W. Va.—580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

WCYB—Bristol, Va.—690 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

WWNC—Asheville, N. C.—570 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 3:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

*WEVD—New York—1330 kc., 97.9 FM, 10 p.m. Tues.-Fri., 10:30 p.m. Sat.

WWOL—Buffalo, N. Y.—1120 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4 p.m. Sat.

*WFAS—White Plains, N.Y.—1230 kc., 103.9 FM, 9 p.m. daily.

WWNH—Rochester, N. H.—930 kc., 9:05 a.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WTSL—Hanover, N. H.—1400 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.

WDEV—Waterbury, Vt.—550 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WKVT—Brattleboro, Vt.—1490 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WPOR—Portland, Me.—1490 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.

WCOU—Lewiston, Me.—1240 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.

WORL—Boston—950 kc., 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m., 8 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WBET—Brockton, Mass.—1460 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.

WAAB—Worcester, Mass.—1440 kc., 107.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

WMAS—Springfield, Mass.—1450 kc., 94.7 FM, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WACE—Chicopee, Mass.—730 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WSAR—Fall River, Mass.—1480 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.

WOCB—Hyannis, Mass.—1240 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WEIM—Fitchburg, Mass.—1280 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WHMP—Northampton, Mass.—1400 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WHAI—Greenfield, Mass.—1240 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WARE—Ware, Mass.—1250 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WBRK—Pittsfield, Mass.—1340 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.

WJAR—Providence, R. I.—920 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

WNLC—New London, Conn.—1510 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WTOR—Torrington, Conn.—1490 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

Central

WSPD—Toledo, Ohio—1370 kc., 101.5 FM, 9 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WIXY—Cleveland, Ohio—1260 kc., 11 p.m. daily.

WJW—Cleveland, Ohio—850 kc., 10 a.m. Sun.

WSLR—Akron, Ohio—1350 kc., 6 p.m. daily.

WFMJ—Youngstown, Ohio—1390 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:05 p.m. Sat.

WBNS—Columbus, Ohio—1460 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.

WBRJ—Marietta, Ohio—910 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

WBCK—Battle Creek, Mich.—930 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sat., Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

WJBK—Detroit—1500 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KRVN—Lexington, Nebr.—1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

KMMJ—Grand Island, Nebr.—750 kc., 4 p.m. daily.

WNAX—Yankton, S. Dak.—570 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

WEAW—Chicago—1330 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 8 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. Sat., 12 noon daily (105.1 FM, 8 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.).

WJOL—Joliet, Ill.—1340 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily.

WITY—Danville, Ill.—980 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

WWCA—Gary, Ind.—1270 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 6 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WJOB—Hammond, Ind.—1230 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WXCL—Peoria—1350 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

WIBC—Indianapolis—1070 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun.

KBHS—Hot Springs, Ark.—590 kc., 1 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KFVS—Cape Girardeau, Mo.—960 kc., 9:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 6:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KWTO—Springfield, Mo.—560 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

KFEQ—St. Joseph, Mo.—680 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

KFSB—Joplin, Mo.—1310 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sat., Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

KFDI—Wichita, Kans.—1070 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

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WSAU—Wausau, Wis.—550 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

WBAY—Green Bay, Wis.—1360 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

KFYR—Bismarck, N. Dak.—550 on dial, 7 p.m. daily.

South

KCTA—Corpus Christi, Tex.—1030 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat.

KCUL—Ft. Worth—1540 on dial, 1:00 p.m. Sun., 12:00 noon Mon. thru Sat.

WBAP—Fort Worth, Tex.—570 on dial, 8:00 p.m. daily.

KEES—Gladewater, Tex.—1430 on dial, 12:00 noon daily.

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KMAC—San Antonio—630 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KTBC—Austin—590 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KTLU—Rusk, Tex.—1580 on dial, 1:00 p.m. Sun.

KGNC—Amarillo—710 kc., 9 p.m. daily.

KWFT—Wichita Falls—620 kc., 4:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KFMJ—Tulsa—1050 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

KBYE—Okla. City—890 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KWAM—Memphis—990 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

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WDEF—Chattanooga, Tenn.—1370 kc., 92.3 FM, 8:00 p.m. daily.

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WMEN—Tallahassee—1330 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 8 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WMIE—Miami—1140 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon. thru Sat.

WZOK—Jacksonville, Fla.—1320 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.

WEAS—Savannah, Ga.—900 kc., 12 noon daily.

WKYX—Paducah, Ky.—570 kc., 93.3 FM, 12:30 p.m. daily.

Mountain States

KPHO—Phoenix—910 on dial, 6:35 p.m. daily.

*KCUB—Tucson, Ariz.—1290 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sat.

KLZ—Denver—560 on dial, 106.7 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.

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KIDO—Boise, Idaho—630 on dial, 7:05 p.m. daily.

KMON—Great Falls, Mont.—560 on dial, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

West Coast

KHQ—Spokane—590 on dial, 8:05 p.m. daily.

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KMO—Tacoma, Wash.—1360 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily.

KWJJ—Portland—1080 kc., 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KEX—Portland—1190 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun.

KGAY—Salem—1430 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KUGN—Eugene—590 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

KUMA—Pendleton, Ore.—1290 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KYJC—Medford, Ore.—1230 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KAGO—Klamath Falls, Ore.—1150 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KBLF—Red Bluff, Calif.—1490 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

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KFAX—San Francisco—1100 kc., 10 a.m. and 10:45 p.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

KFIV—Modesto—1360 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:05 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 6:30 a.m. Sat.

KNGS—Hanford, Calif.—620 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 6:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KGEE—Bakersfield—1230 kc., 4:30 p.m. Sun., 5 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

KDB—Santa Barbara, Calif.—1490 93.7 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KUDU—Ventura, Calif.—1590 on dial, 95.1 FM, 8:00 p.m. daily.

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CKSO—Sudbury, Ont.—790 kc., 5:30 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

CJLX—Fort William, Ont.—800 on dial, 6:25 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CKY—Winnipeg, Man.—580 kc., 10 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

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CKRM—Regina, Sask.—980 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

CJGX—Yorkton, Sask.—940 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

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CKSA—Lloydminster, Sask.-Alta.—1080 kc., 7:00 p.m. daily.

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CKXL—Calgary, Alta.—1140 on dial, 10:00 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

CFCW—Camrose, Alta.—790 on dial, 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 8:00 p.m. Sat.

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DYBC, Cebu City—660 kc.—9:00 p.m. daily.

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DZAL, Legaspi City—1230 kc., 8:00 p.m. daily.

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p.m. daily.

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DZYA, Angeles City—1400 kc.—9:00 p.m. daily.

DZYB, Baguio City—670 kc.—9:00 p.m. daily.

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3BA—Ballarat, Vic.—1320 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun. thru Thurs., 4:30 p.m. Fri.

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4AK—Oakey, Qld.—1220 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.

4BK—Brisbane—1300 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.

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4KQ—Brisbane, Qld.—690 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.

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STRAUSS' SECRET VISIT TO RHODESIA

America and Britain are "asleep at the switch"! Momentous events are occurring in Europe and Africa almost without notice. Here are the alarming facts about a rising new power on the international scene.

by Gene H. Hogberg

IN mid-April of this year, an influential South African business organization played host to a surprising visitor — former West German Defense Minister Franz Josef Strauss.

While in Johannesburg, Strauss, who may very well be Germany's next Chancellor (see page 48 of this issue), had long discussions with Premier Verwoerd's Cabinet members and other important men. Strauss was conducted on an inspection trip of the Republic's biggest industrial plants.

Then during the middle of the German politician's visit, something amazing happened!

Strauss' Secret Visit

Supposedly "taking a rest" on a ranch in Natal Province, Strauss slipped out of the country. He and his wife took a plane north to Salisbury, capital of Rhodesia. There, Strauss held secret talks with Rhodesia's "rebel" Premier, Ian Smith.

The surprising visit meant recognition of Smith's break-away regime by one of the most ambitious of Germany's politicians. It gave Smith extra backing in his battle against British-led trade sanctions leveled against his country.

"We're on to a Good Thing"

German businessmen are working hard to take profit-

able advantage of the Rhodesian situation.

A new German-Rhodesian trade mission has been established in Düsseldorf, West Germany. Its director, Joachim Seelmaecker told a reporter for Britain's *Daily Express*:

"We are on to a very good thing because [of] anti-British feeling in Salisbury. . . . Rhodesian men and women delight in not buying British prod-

ucts. So the outlook for us Germans is brilliant."

Seelmaecker accompanied the Strauss party on the trip to South Africa. When asked if Strauss sanctions the goals of the new trade mission he answered:

"But of course. We are old friends. He knows all about our plans and they have his blessing."

The days of British dominance in Africa are over!

Meanwhile, look at what is taking place in Europe.

Common Market Rolls Along

"The most important agreement in the history of the European Community" — so proclaimed Common Market's German president Walter Hallstein on July 24. This was the day on which the six EEC member nations finally reached agreement on a common agricultural policy.

The long impasse over the farm issue had threatened the very existence of the Common Market. Now the huge trade organization is "ready to roll" once again.

But this isn't all.

Just eight days before the historic pact, another equally significant—but little-publicized—agreement was reached. On July 16, the large African nation of Nigeria entered into association with



DPA Photo

Representing German business and political interest, Strauss secretly negotiated with Rhodesian officials. He is paving the way for greater German influence in Africa.

the Common Market. It was the *nineteenth* African state to gain such status.

Americans as a whole took little notice of either event. The United States was the architect, chief financier and guardian of Europe's postwar recovery. But now, Washington is getting bogged down in Asia. It fails to see what's happening behind the scenes in Europe.

A Five-Year Struggle

The farm deal climaxed a five-year struggle to streamline the Common Market's archaic and separate farm policies.

Chances are now good that by July 1, 1968, all restrictions will be removed on the free movement of farm goods within "The Six"—West Germany, France, Italy, and the Benelux countries.

Tariffs on manufactured goods within the Common Market—the *world's largest trade bloc*—have already been reduced 80 percent. Now, barriers on the movement of farm goods will start crumbling, too.

The farm deal was good news for the promoters of a United Europe. But for the American farmer the fact could well impend disaster. As trade barriers fall within "The Six," a unified high protective wall arises against all imports from nonmembers. As a result, American agriculture stands to lose *well over a billion dollar's worth of exports annually*.

The famed "chicken war" of 1962 might be "chicken feed" by comparison.

Behind Nigeria's Move

Most people are unaware of the actual scope and significance of the Common Market. It is usually thought of as just a customs union of six struggling ex-enemy nations in Western Europe still halfway suspicious of each other. That view was true when the Market began, but it is coming to be much more than that now. The Common Market is beginning to play a big role outside of Europe, too.

Back in 1964, eighteen former African colonies of France and Belgium freely associated themselves with the EEC. This was under the terms of the Yaounde Convention. (Yaounde is the capital of the Cameroon republic where

the association agreement was signed.) By so doing, "The Eighteen," as they were called, gained easier access for their goods into West Europe. In return they opened their home markets to Europe's industrial products. Special arrangements were made to protect infant industries in the African states.

The program has been working well. Tariffs on trade between "The Six" and "The Eighteen," are being progressively lowered. Now other African nations are beginning to feel the pinch. Many, like Nigeria, want to join in before the Yaounde pact members capture too big a slice of the lucrative European trade.

Others Want In

Nigeria's bold move, despite recent internal revolution, opens the way for several other key African states to associate with the EEC.

Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia are pounding louder on the Common Market door. They want speedier action on their long-stalled demands for permanent association.

Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda have appealed for a start of negotiations. These three are now members of the British Commonwealth, as is Nigeria. But British influence is fading fast in Africa because of the Rhodesian fiasco.

Amazing though it may seem to many, the Bible prophesied that a gigantic Eurafican third-power bloc would arise in our age!

This seems odd, I know, to a skeptical world. But Bible prophecy is dramatically up-to-date! And the struggle for the vast resources and untapped wealth of Africa was not left untouched in prophecy.

But before we turn to the amazing Bible answer, notice first a few amazing facts.

China's Near Success

"The rule over Africa will one day decide the rule over the planet," wrote one geopolitician. Both East and West are open contestants on the often-chaotic African scene.

Red China's hand is hardly concealed.

Under the guise of "national liberation movements" (a polite term for Red slavery) Communist China has

been working hard. Peking almost succeeded in securing a firm base in Ghana. Only the recent last-minute ouster of dictator Kwame Nkrumah saved much of West Africa from Communist oppression. Huge secret stocks of Red-supplied weapons were uncovered after his overthrow. Ghanaian army chiefs were shocked at the size of the arsenal.

In all the turbulence on the African scene, however, the aspirations of another major power have gone almost unnoticed.

Germany's Historic Goal

Germany's intentions to gain an upper hand in the "dark continent" are nothing new. Ever since her emergence as a unified European power in the late 1800's, the very cornerstone of German design for world rule has been the control of *both Europe and Africa*.

Arriving late on the colonial scene, the Germans embarked on a grandiose scheme. At the turn of the century they quickly acquired South-West Africa and German East Africa, now Tanzania. This was to have been the beginning of the new German empire of "Mittel-Afrika." This was planned to span the continent from Kenya in the east to the Gold Coast (Ghana) in the west, from South-West Africa to Rhodesia.

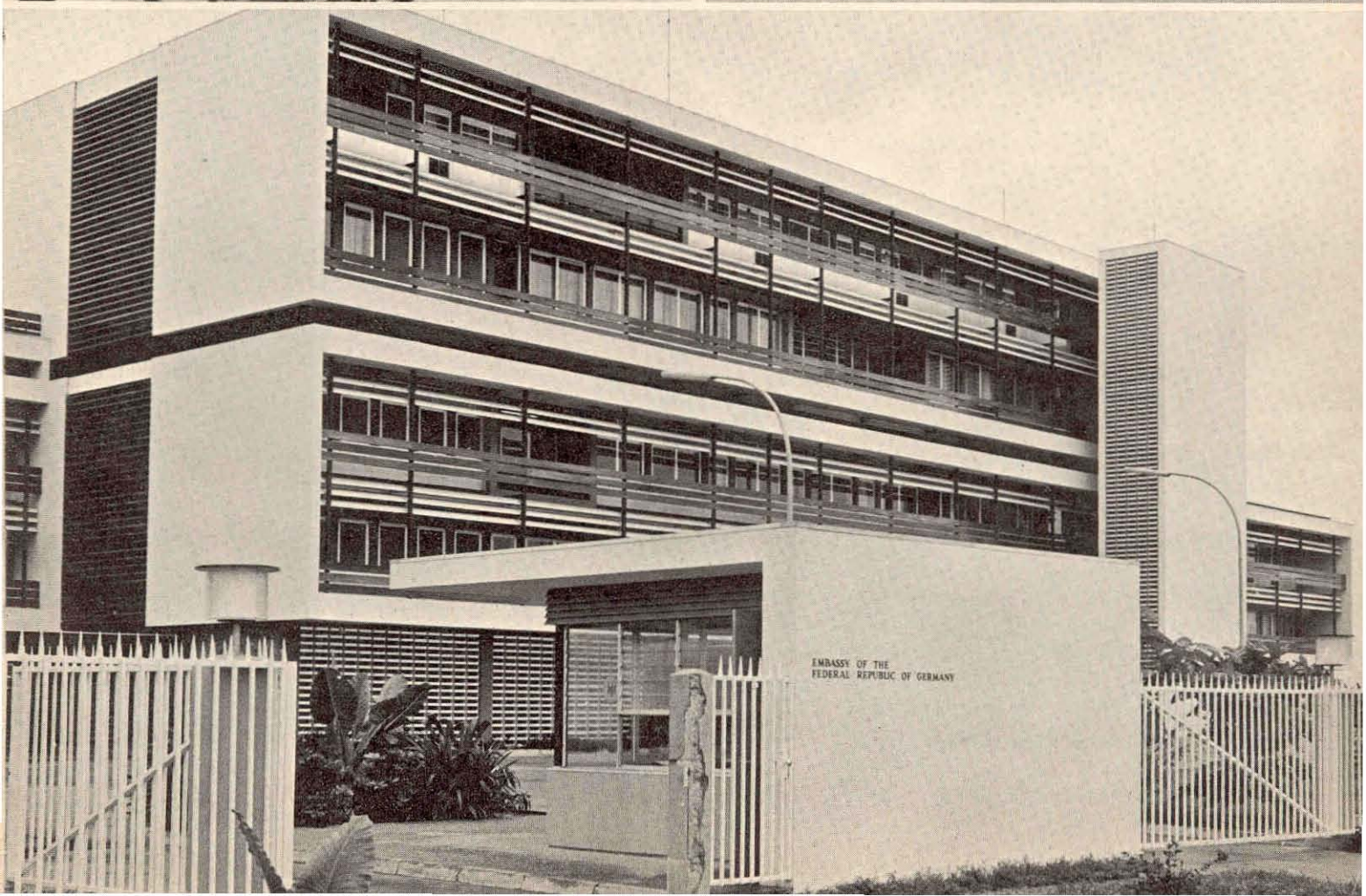
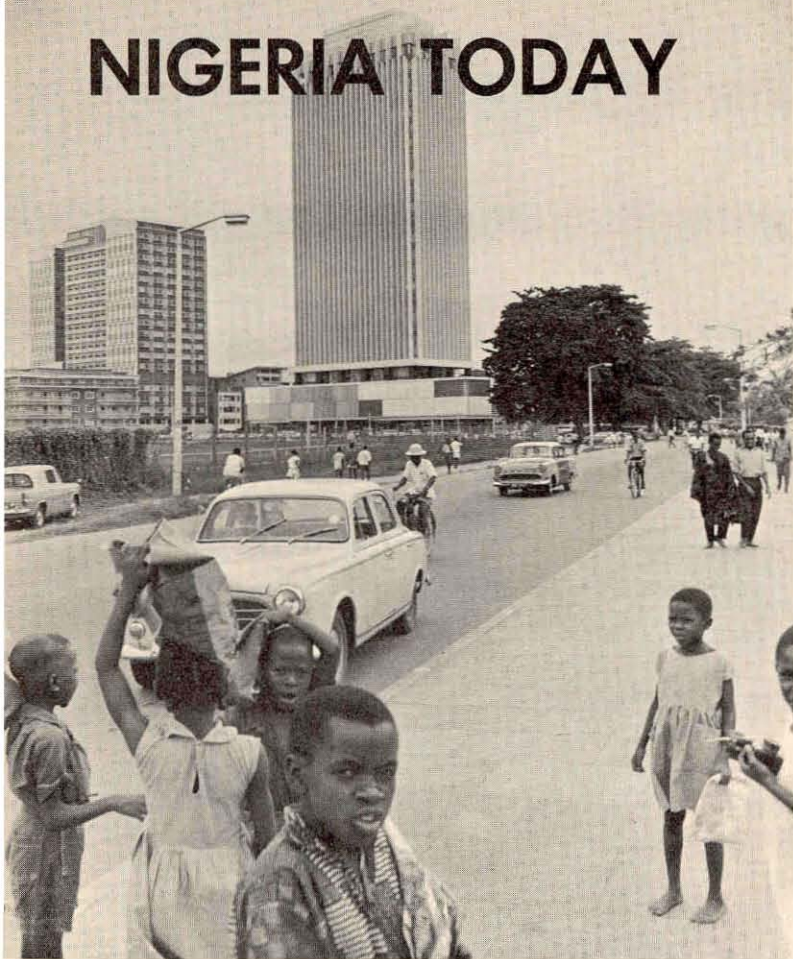
By controlling this central core area, and conspiring with the Arabs in the North and the anti-British Boers (Afrikaners) in the South, the Germans hoped to shove the British out of Africa. This would have seriously challenged Britain's role as world leader!

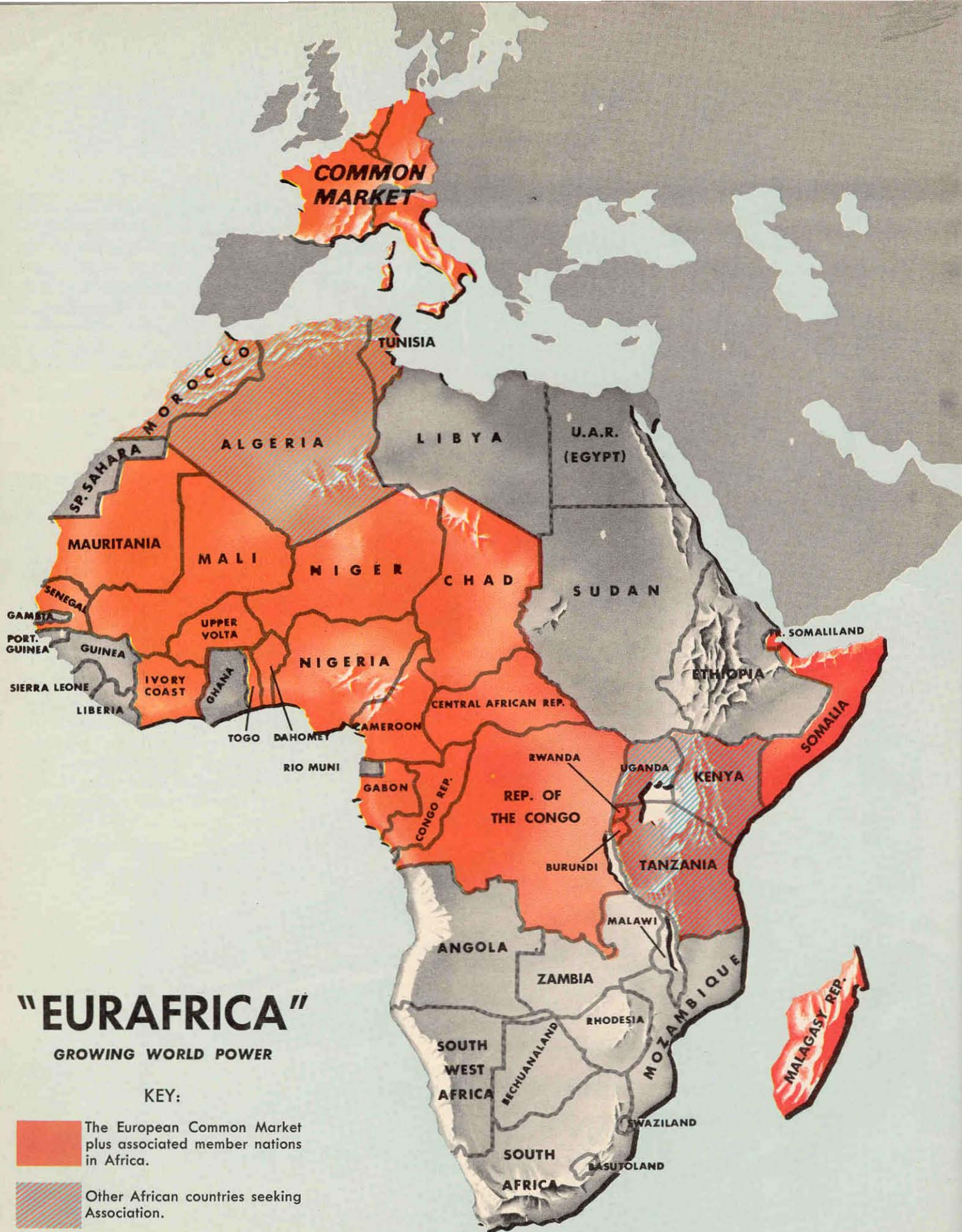
All this came crashing down however, with Germany's defeat in the First World War. The few colonies she had were stripped from her. But this did not deter well-laid plans for long! Hitler followed the same pan-German blueprint—co-operation with the Arabs in the North and the Afrikaners in the

Ambassador College Photos

Below, West German embassy—symbol of German influence in Nigeria and Africa. Other photos show foreign-built industrial complexes in Nigeria. Africans need German technological assistance and European markets for their raw materials.

NIGERIA TODAY





South. Stiff Afrikaner opposition to the War almost kept the Union from joining Britain's cause.

And who can forget Rommel's campaigns throughout North Africa? Few people realize, however, that Rommel's troops were also trained for *tropical warfare*—for fighting in the very heart of British Africa, should that have been necessary.

Change in Tactics — Unite Europe First!

The defeat of the Afrika Korps at El Alamein put a halt—but not an end—to German designs for "Eurafrica." Immediately after World War II, Germany's geopoliticians, working underground from Spain and Argentina, began formulating a new and bolder strategy.

This time, the objective was to be achieved through *economic*, not military warfare. A captured document circulated from the Nazi geopolitical center in Madrid in 1951 outlined the new plan. Only recently translated into English, this startling document lays bare plans for a powerful united German-led Europe with Africa as its raw-materials storehouse.

"Our [Germany's] entire economic and political efforts in the future," stated this directive, "must be directed towards *bringing about the unification of Europe as quickly as possible*. . . . The development for achieving a unified Europe must come [first] from the *economic side*.

"Political propaganda," the underground letter continued, "must be carried out cleverly and the unification of Europe *must not appear as an enterprise holding out particular attraction for German interests*. . . . Germany's problem is this: to gain an economically dominating and politically influential position from within. Force of gravity and the logic of development will later on allow us to *automatically grow into the role of leadership*."

Danger Not Seen!

This plan has been working unbelievably well!

The goal of a united Europe has seemed so right, *so logical* to political leaders in the English-speaking world.

What better way would there be, it was reasoned, to stop the tide of advancing Communism than by constructing a huge anti-Communist bloc in free Europe!

Some few American observers could see the danger of such a plan.

The outstanding authority on Germanism, T. H. Tetens, warned in his book *Germany Plots With the Kremlin*: "A European Union with Germany as its strongest pillar will turn out to be the greatest blunder. Germany's industry will not only dominate the markets in Europe, in competition with the British and the U. S. A., but it will also conquer additional markets in Latin America, Africa and Asia."

Teten's book—281 pages of warning after warning, thoroughly documented, has, for the most part, been ignored.

Another of America's geopolitical experts, Prof. Nicholas John Spykman, also could see the danger to America and Britain of a United Europe setup. He argued—in 1942, when World War II was still young:

"In the first world war conflict of the twentieth century, the United States won the war, but lost the peace. If this mistake is to be avoided, it must be remembered, once and for all, that the end of a war is not the end of the power struggle. It will be immediately resumed by other means, and the defeated powers will continue to challenge the victors. . . . *If the peace objective of the United States is the creation of a united Europe, she is fighting on the wrong side.*"

Why Africa is Needed

Europe's own natural resources, depleted by centuries of warfare, are now insufficient. This is where Africa fits into the scene. The same Madrid circular letter stated: "For its industrial development Germany requires—much more than in the past—raw materials, sources of energy and a market with strong purchasing power. All this it can attain only in a *unified Europe* and through the simultaneous development of *Africa* in a *common European undertaking*."

This is happening exactly as planned. The Germans, *in the name of a United Europe*, are carving out a new economic

empire. And they are also picking up economically the broken pieces of the British Empire!

Last Revival

As explained so often in the pages of *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine, what is forming in Europe today is the prophesied last resurrection of the ancient Roman Empire. It will ultimately be a union of ten European governments—"ten kings" in Bible terminology (Revelation 17:12).

God labels this entire system "Babylon the Great." Its component nations will not only be united economically and politically, but religiously as well.

But this powerful union is not going to be limited to the shores of Europe. Notice God's description of it in Revelation 18:3, "*for all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication*"—her illicit relationship with the governments of this world, instead of waiting for the Kingdom of God—"and *the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.*"

Prophecy clearly shows this power bloc will stretch its trade tentacles to all parts of the earth, including the vast continent of Africa. It was foretold over 2500 years ago. Turn to it—in Ezekiel 27:15, 22. "The men of Dedan [a grandson of Cush] were thy merchants; . . . they brought thee [ancient Tyre is a prophetic type of the modern trading combine now developing in the Common Market—see Revelation 18 and Isaiah 23:17, 18] for a present horns of ivory and ebony. The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they were thy merchants: they occupied in thy fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold."

The stage is being set for the emergence of the prophesied "Babylon the Great." Its foolish victims will be the English-speaking nations. You need to know what is prophesied for the next ten years! Write immediately for Mr. Armstrong's free booklets, *The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy*, and also, *1975 in Prophecy*. They give the step-by-step sequence of events to occur from now on.



Wide World Photo

Angry youths attack draft card burners. Both are expressing evil characteristics of human nature — rebellion against authority, hatred and violence.

HUMAN NATURE IS VIOLENT!

MASS MURDERS, RIOTS, ARSON, RAPE, GANG FIGHTS, KIDNAPPINGS, BOMBINGS, LOOTINGS — *is there any end to it all? NEVER have you lived in a time of such VIOLENCE! But WHY? What CAUSES it? Police, sociologists, psychiatrists, and the public seek answers. They ask, "What CAUSES race riots? What CAUSED the bloody massacre in Chicago — the unbelievable slaughter on the University of Texas campus?" There IS a basic underlying CAUSE. Read, in this article, WHY such violence today, and WHAT YOU OUGHT TO BE DOING about it!*

by Garner Ted Armstrong

NEVER BEFORE have we witnessed so many horrendous murders in so short a space of time!

In Chicago, on July 14, eight young student nurses were strangled and stabbed to death by a psychopathic killer, while a ninth girl—the lone survivor of the mass slaying—cowered in terror beneath a bed.

The murder was labeled the "crime of the century"—worse than the infamous St. Valentine's Day massacre of 1929 when seven Chicago gangsters were machine-gunned against a wall.

But before the shock of *this* brutal crime had dulled, a dazed public heard of a "mad Texas sniper" who had shot down FORTY-SIX PERSONS!

Charles J. Whitman, honor student, had killed his wife and mother in the night, dragged a small arsenal to the top of the famed University Tower, and, to the unbelief and horror of Austin citizens, began shooting at everyone in sight.

The grisly trail of blood Whitman had left included several brutal murders within the office building as he made his way to the top.

Fifteen of the victims were killed, or died later. Thirty-one others were wounded.

And *this* monstrous crime was billed to that date as "the greatest crime in the history of the United States!"

But what lurking thoughts of bestiality and violence it unleashed.

As if in bloody backlash, reports of mass - murder - suicides began flooding the newspapers. A housewife drowned her children, jumped in after them. Another mother slew her children. An estranged husband killed his children, his wife and himself.

Horrifying RIOTS were in progress in half a dozen cities in the United States.

And so crime follows crime—and a public stands aghast.

It's as if millions play a kind of "hide and go seek"—a game of "let's pretend."

The world, millions seem to believe, is made up of *mostly* "nice" people. *Good* people—people who would not resort to crime, as such. Oh, they'd probably tell a lie once in a while, or cheat at cards, or perhaps shave their income tax report or pad their expense accounts, but they wouldn't resort to VIOLENCE, would they?

And then—there are the "weirdies" in society. The "bad guys."

A horrified public stands aghast at grisly atrocities—demands answers. Politicians immediately talk of stricter gun control as a means of "preventing" such gruesome crimes (as if to forget the girls in Chicago were knifed and strangled—and no one has seriously

proposed legislation against kitchen knives and bedsheets), demand police investigations, sift through psychiatrists' reports.

True, Whitman had a brain tumor. But there is no proof that the tumor *caused* the violence. Naturally, any pressure on the brain of an otherwise "disturbed" or mentally unbalanced person would be a contributory factor. But such pressure would only cause *headaches* in a normal, mentally balanced individual.

Apparently, Speck, the accused killer of the Chicago nurses, has no tumor—at least none has been discovered to date.

And so it goes.

All society seems bent on adopting the pose of innocence—demanding of police and political agencies an explanation for the brutal murders.

"WHY did it have to happen?" "WHAT CAUSED IT?" people want to know.

Good questions, all.

But who has the answers? Read on—and you'll see the *true* roots of crime and violence, the *TRUE CAUSE* of *all* violence!

VIOLENCE Runs Rampant

Everywhere, VIOLENCE runs amok. Bloody race riots continue to break out in large cities across the nation. "BLACK POWER!" is chanted by Negro mobs—

Violence In The United States

and massive demonstrations by angered whites retaliate shouting, "White power!"

And nowhere, it seems, is there any more *violence* than right in the midst of the greatest "CHRISTIAN" nation on earth!

Why? What's wrong? *Why* so much HATE in the world?

The world today is PREOCCUPIED with hate, rebellion, and VIOLENCE.

Television is FILLED with lawlessness, crime, and murder. "Westerns" glamorize outlaws, and "shoot-em-ups" are among the most popular TV programs for all ages.

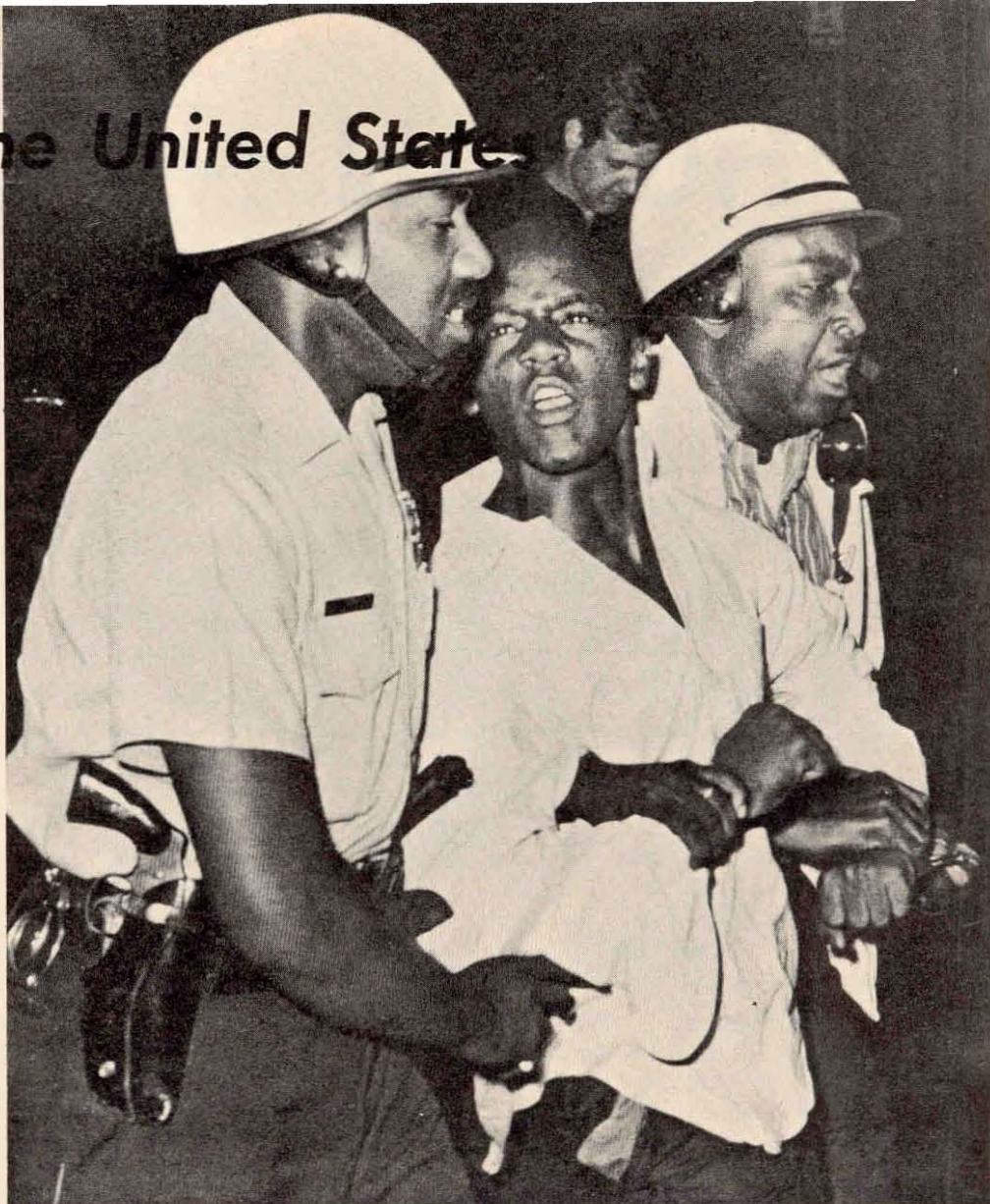
Frustrations mount, tempers flare, tensions increase, and LAWLESSNESS and VIOLENCE spread like a sick, sick contagion!

The greatest mass-murders in all history were perpetrated during World War II. But again—WHY? How could one man, Adolf Hitler, arouse such hate and passion in the minds of his followers that they could calmly murder HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS—MILLIONS?

The world still wonders. People STILL ask why. But Hitler knew some demoniacal quirks of human nature. He *knew* of the seething violence just underneath many a human mind.

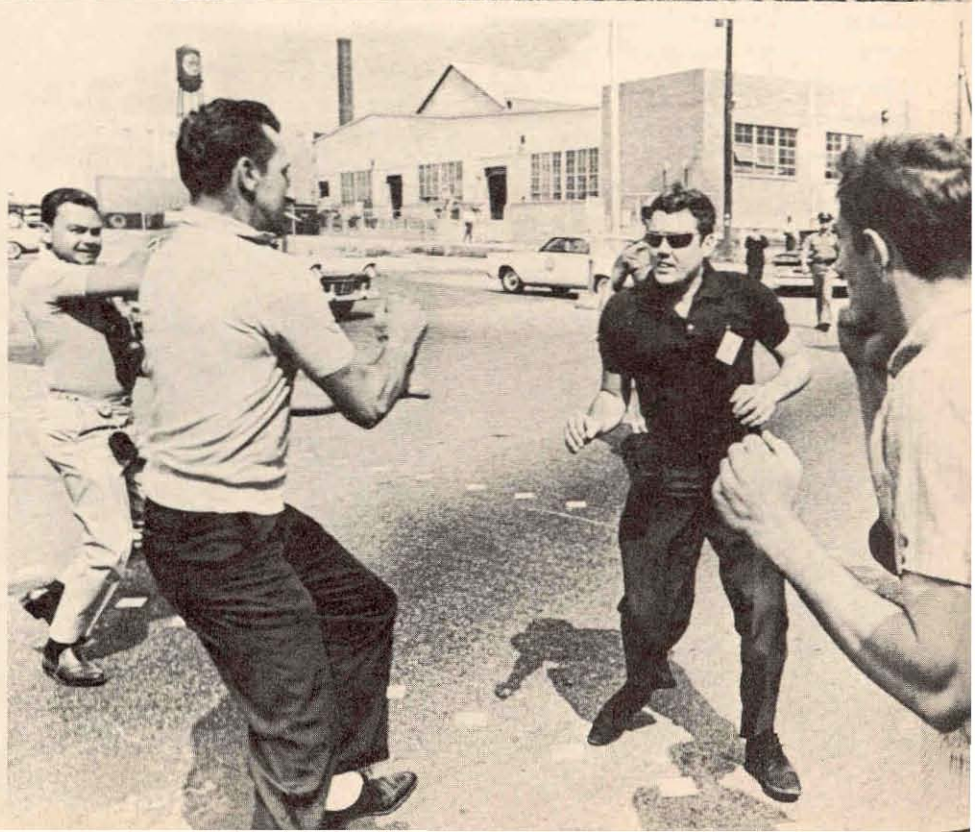
Hitler understood. He knew HATE will get one a bigger following than love. VIOLENCE will attract more attention than peace. INTRIGUE makes a more exciting news headline than harmony; SUSPICION will attract more interest than confidence.

And, in a sense, entertainers, actors, producers, script-writers, and sponsors also recognize these pulls of human



Wide World Photos

Results of recent race riots and related racial incidents. Strife between races and general violence won't end until human nature is changed.



nature. And they *use* those pulls to their own financial advantage.

Hate, violence, illicit sex and perversion make "good" newspaper copy, "good" television script, "good" movie plots. GOOD? Well, no—not actually; but these *evil* attributes, actions or implied actions draw more public attention.

And it's because all of it is so much like HUMAN NATURE. It's time you understood the TRUTH about human nature, what it is, how it works—and WHY the eruption of violence around the world is due to unguided, misdirected, HUMAN NATURE let loose on a rampage!

Your Bible prophesied worldwide hatred and BIGOTRY would grip the minds of men *during this time!* More than *ever* before, people seem prone, today, to bestial acts of VIOLENCE!

And why? Because suspicion, hatred, bigotry, and violence are the *steady diet* of much of the world.

The apostle Paul was inspired to look beyond his time, down into ours. He portrayed the hostile, venomous attitudes of our peoples when he said, "This know also, that in the last days PERILOUS times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves [SELFISH, SELF-CENTERED as never before!], covetous, [LUSTING, COVETING, ENVOUS of the things of others], BOASTERS, proud, blasphemers [and a CURSE is always ready on the lips of almost everyone, today—even popular entertainment figures, and government leaders!], disobedient to parents . . . FIERCE, *despisers* of those that are good" (II Tim. 3:1-3).

What a picture!

You read of *worldwide* violence constantly! You hear of depraved acts—humans tormenting, butchering, bludgeoning, stabbing, murdering one another—public figures *accusing* one another—husbands and wives HATING each other!

Don't delude yourself into believing it's no worse than before—IT IS!

Latest Blood-curdling Statistics

FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover recently announced that CRIME in the United States jumped 46 percent over the past five years. The 1965 total for *serious*

crimes was 2,750,000—an average of *five serious crimes every minute!*

The FBI's uniform crime report for 1965 showed a 6 percent increase over 1964—and the value of goods stolen during '65 topped a billion dollars!

Scoffers and diehards might claim that the increase in crime is merely due to "better crime reporting." Such a claim is preposterous, however, when we realize that the 46 percent rise in crime compares to a mere 8 percent rise in population figures for the same time. According to the FBI Chief, crime is fast accelerating, and outstripping the nation's population growth by almost *six to one!*

Police officials across the country are gravely concerned. "This country is in real trouble," declared a New York City police official. Individuals and whole communities are beginning to REBEL against ALL constituted AUTHORITY!

Race riots, hurled "Molotov cocktails" and incendiary bombs are mere signs of the growing trend toward increasing VIOLENCE!

To an honest, enquiring, unbiased mind there can be no doubt about it—the situation is MUCH WORSE than before!

Speaking of these hate-filled days, Jesus Christ said, "All these [the wars, famines, disease epidemics even now stalking this sin-sick world] are the *beginning* of sorrows. Then shall they deliver YOU [you who are REAL CHRISTIANS!] up to be afflicted, and shall KILL you: and you shall be HATED of *all nations* for my name's sake. And then shall MANY BE OFFENDED [BECOME ANGRY], and shall BETRAY one another, and shall HATE one another" (Mat. 24:8-10).

Those frightening prophecies are literally coming true—they are beginning to be fulfilled NOW—IN YOUR LIFE-TIME!

Ezekiel Foretold It!

Foretelling these days of destruction and worldwide intrigue and trouble, the prophet Ezekiel declared, "Make a chain: for the land is FULL OF BLOODY CRIMES, and the city is full of VIOLENCE" (Ezek. 7:23).

When God told Ezekiel to "make a chain," He implied that the land would

be so REPLETE, satiated with CRIME and VIOLENCE, that *one crime would be following another*, like the links on a chain!

And so it is!

And again, speaking of our nations today, Ezekiel records, "Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is EXCEEDING GREAT, and the land is FULL OF BLOOD, and the city full of *perverseness*: for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not" (Ezek. 9:9). So it is! In the midst of the present "God is Dead" movement among theologians, millions doubt the existence of God, there is NO fear of God prevalent in the land, and bloody VIOLENCE rears its ugly head in city after city!

Your Daily Diet of HATE!

Think for a moment! You live in a world of tensions—a world fraught with FEAR—a world of DESPERATE living! It's a time of insatiable desire to ESCAPE for most people—a time when most want to FORGET the frightening realities of our time!

How do they forget?

By drifting off into ready-made fantasies; movieland madness; television terrorism; paper-backed perversity; newspaper nausea!

Whether in Scandinavia, Japan, Europe or South Africa, pleasure seekers gulp their daily diet of intrigue, suspicion, murder, divorce, robbery, rape, perversion, lust, arson, jealousy, violence and hatred!

And remember! When you're relaxed before your television set—or settled down to read your novel you just bought—your *guard* is down. You want to *relax*—to *escape* the realities and complexities of daily life for a time—to ENJOY your moments of make-believe.

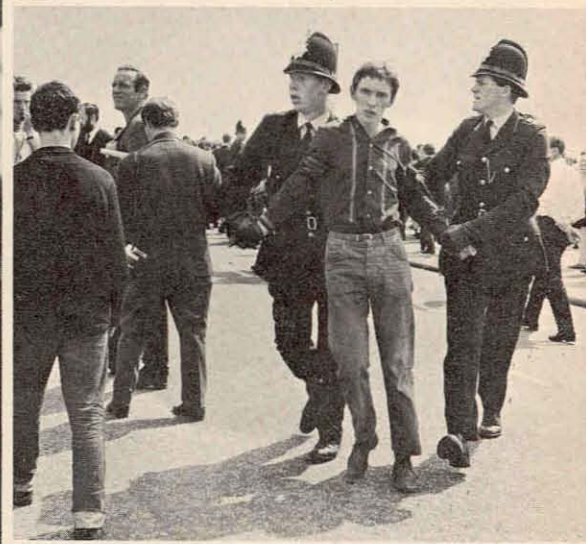
The result?

It's all around you.

What the Police Know

H. Samuel Addis, Chief of Police of Pasadena, addressed the students of Ambassador College in Pasadena. The veteran law enforcement officer told our students how police officials are frankly *worried* about the terrible increase in *senseless* crimes! (Does ANY crime make

Violence In Great Britain



Keystone, Mirrorpic Photos

Traditionally reserved England becomes increasingly violent. Incidents pictured show result of fighting between Mods and Rockers.

sense?) How acts of *wanton destruction* against persons and property were increasing by leaps and bounds.

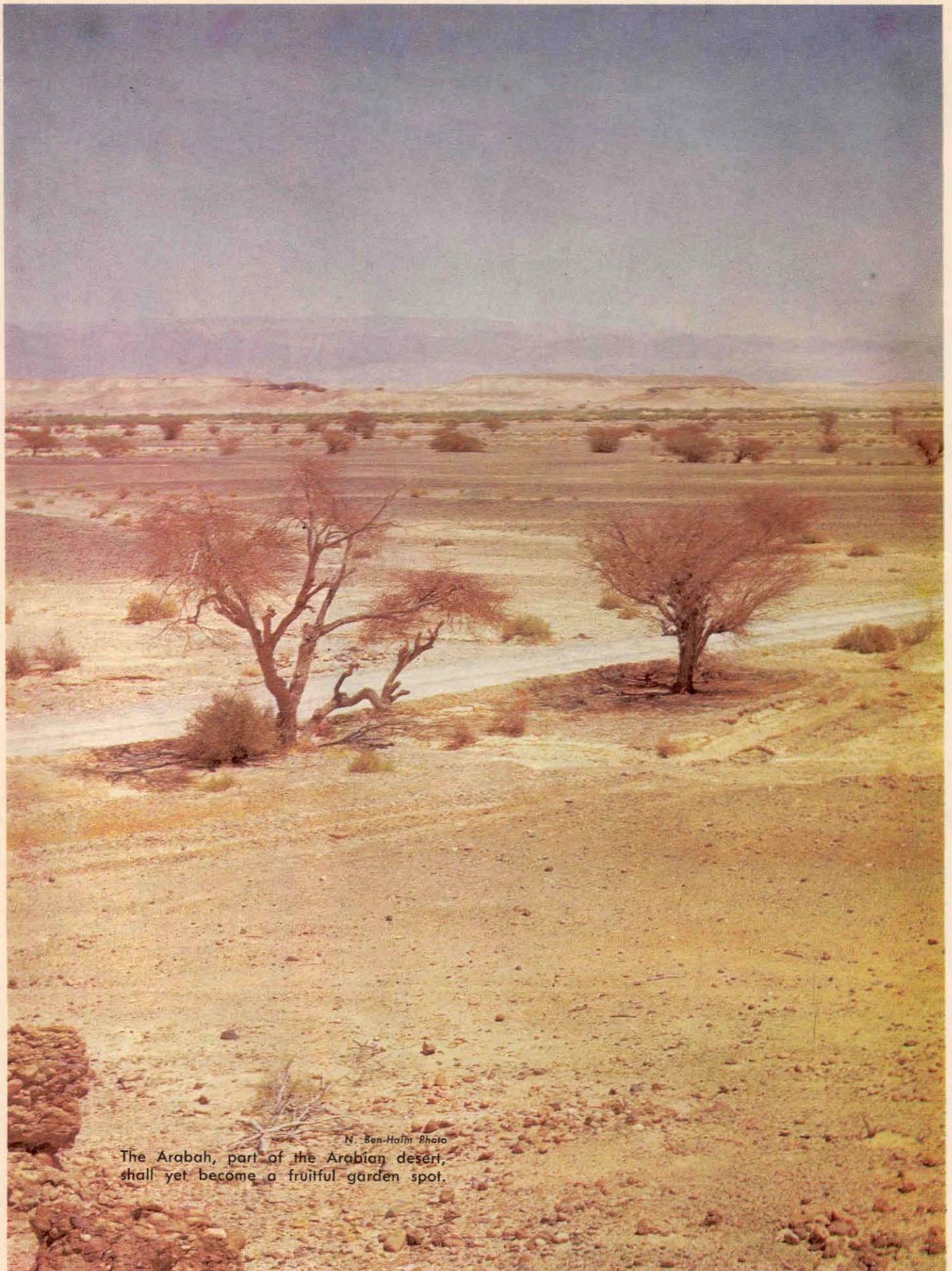
He cited instances of "little old ladies" who were brutally BEATEN to the ground by strong, young teen-age hoodlums—for the sheer brute "pleasure" of inflicting a BEATING on someone who was helpless before them.

He cited cases of depraved acts of VANDALISM—especially against public buildings and schools. Cases of teen-age vandals literally making a SHAMBLES out of new, beautiful, modern classroom facilities—even, believe it or not, using human excrement to defile and ruin.

As if to echo Chief Addis' words, a recent news report told of park officials in the city of Pasadena finding jagged shards of broken bottles carefully placed in the sand, and then lightly covered over, at the bottom of *little children's slides* in Pasadena public parks!

Are THESE just "laughable" children's "pranks"? Is this just "delinquency"? Or is it an unreasoning, blind, venomous, wanton, willful, de-

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N. Ben-Haim Photo

The Arabah, part of the Arabian desert,
shall yet become a fruitful garden spot.

"The Desert Shall Blossom as the Rose"

Today, deserts are expanding. But the time isn't far off when they will literally disappear. Scientists are just beginning to discover how it will happen.

by Robert E. Gentet

How would you like to live in an area that receives less than one inch of rain a year?

Add to this, intense heat by day and the bitter cold of desert nights.

It would be pretty unbearable, wouldn't it?

These are the conditions that exist in the interior of the Sahara, the world's greatest desert. The Sahara stretches across the entire 3,200-mile width of North Africa. It covers nearly one third of that entire continent, an area about the same size as all 50 states of the United States!

The highest climatic temperature ever recorded on the earth was measured at Azizia in the Libyan sector—a staggering 136.4 degrees *in the shade*.

Some large areas of this desert do not experience rainfall for 10 years at a time!

Yet, as amazing as it may seem, over three million people toil to keep alive somewhere in the vast Sahara. Fortunately, only one tenth of the desert is covered by sand dunes.

Waste Areas of the Earth

Without question the Sahara's three and one-half million square miles constitute the world's largest desert. Yet the Sahara is by no means the world's only extensive arid region. Any area receiving less than an average of 10 inches of rain each year fits the category of being a desert.

The "Sparselands" of Australia cover 1,300,000 square miles—a shocking 44 percent of the entire continent! In plainer words, over two fifths of Australia is a desert—the second largest

in the world. The average rainfall a year in its driest places is only five inches.

One million square miles of the Arabian peninsula is also desert and an unusually high percent of this—one third—is covered by sand. Unlike other deserts, the Arabian (the world's third largest) has no sufficiently watered mountains to serve as river sources. There is a complete absence of permanent rivers.

But these deserts are only the beginning. There are nine other major desert areas—making *twelve* in all!

These major deserts are:

- 4) the Turkestan in Russia—
900,000 square miles
- 5) the North American—
500,000 square miles
- 6) the Gobi of Mongolia—
400,000 square miles
- 7) the Patagonian in Argentina—
260,000 square miles
- 8) the Thar or Indian in western India—230,000 square miles
- 9) the Kalahari in southern Africa—
220,000 square miles
- 10) the Takla Makan in western China—200,000 square miles
- 11) the Iranian—
150,000 square miles
- 12) the Atacama-Peruvian in Chile and Peru—140,000 square miles

Check the accompanying map for the location of these desolate areas.

Today fourteen percent of the earth's 56 million square miles of land surface is desert. This is one seventh of the earth's surface! Semi-desert regions

account for an additional fourteen percent. They receive only 10 to 20 inches of rain per year. Together, these arid and semiarid regions comprise nearly three tenths of the earth's land surface! This would be equal to an area about four and one-half times the size of all 50 states of the United States.

Think of it! Vast areas of the earth lying in bleak conditions—unable even to yield a ground cover for lack of sufficient rainfall.

Needed: More Producing Areas

The world's population explosion continues. Deserts and other generally uninhabited or sparsely inhabited areas will be sought out more and more. Regions taken for granted as waste lands a few years ago are even now beginning to be developed. Artesian wells, lakes, reservoirs and even ocean-side salt-removal plants are providing a little water for the thirsty land.

However, this way of irrigation is full of pitfalls. Reservoirs may fill up with silt. Unless properly drained, salts carried in solution by desert irrigation waters can ruin soil. Three fourths of Iraq's formerly irrigated land is now ruined for that very reason.

Modern irrigation is not making appreciable gains. Deserts are growing much faster than modern technology can reclaim them.

But, the fact remains, if the earth is ever to provide more living room for expected billions of people, wastelands will *have* to be reclaimed.

Most people do not realize that the arid soils are rich in vital nutrients

plants need. In fact, newly reclaimed desert soils produce better foods than most other soils, which have generally been depleted for one reason or another. Western owners of race horses and fine breeding herds, for instance, seek top quality hay that is raised in central Nevada's desert fields irrigated from the Humboldt River.

Given enough water, and properly handled, the population explosion could be adequately handled by the food that could be produced by now-arid soils.

This will happen but not in the way most people imagine!

No Deserts Originally

The earth has not always been cursed by having almost one third of its land parched and dry most of the year. Scientists admit that the deserts we see on the various continents today have been there for only a short time. These deserts are newcomers to the face of the earth.

Take, for example, the largest desert—the Sahara. A recent article appearing in the *Scientific American* admits: "Once the Sahara was a tropical region with heavy rainfall, substantial rivers and abundant vegetation. Tools made in Neolithic and Paleolithic times"—that's archaeological parlance for the pre-Flood and early post-Flood world—"have been found in many places, giving evidence of widespread occupation by men. The famous rock carvings of the Tassili Mountains in the Algerian desert display a variety of animals,

together with scenes of people dancing, fishing and hunting" (May, 1966, pages 21-22).

The same is true of Australia, North America and other areas with arid regions. Vast lakes and a multitude

of game were available for the human population as recent as 4,000 years ago!

God did not create the earth with vast waste regions and then put man on it. Everything God designed and created for man's environment was *very* good (Gen. 1:31).

When God originally made the earth, and also when He refashioned it for man later, He did not create it a waste, or "in vain" (Isa. 45:18). The word translated "vain" in Isaiah 45:18 is from the Hebrew word *tohu*. *Tohu* means confusion, emptiness, or waste. In other words, a desert or some kind of unusable area. God did not create the earth with vast waste regions when He placed man on it.

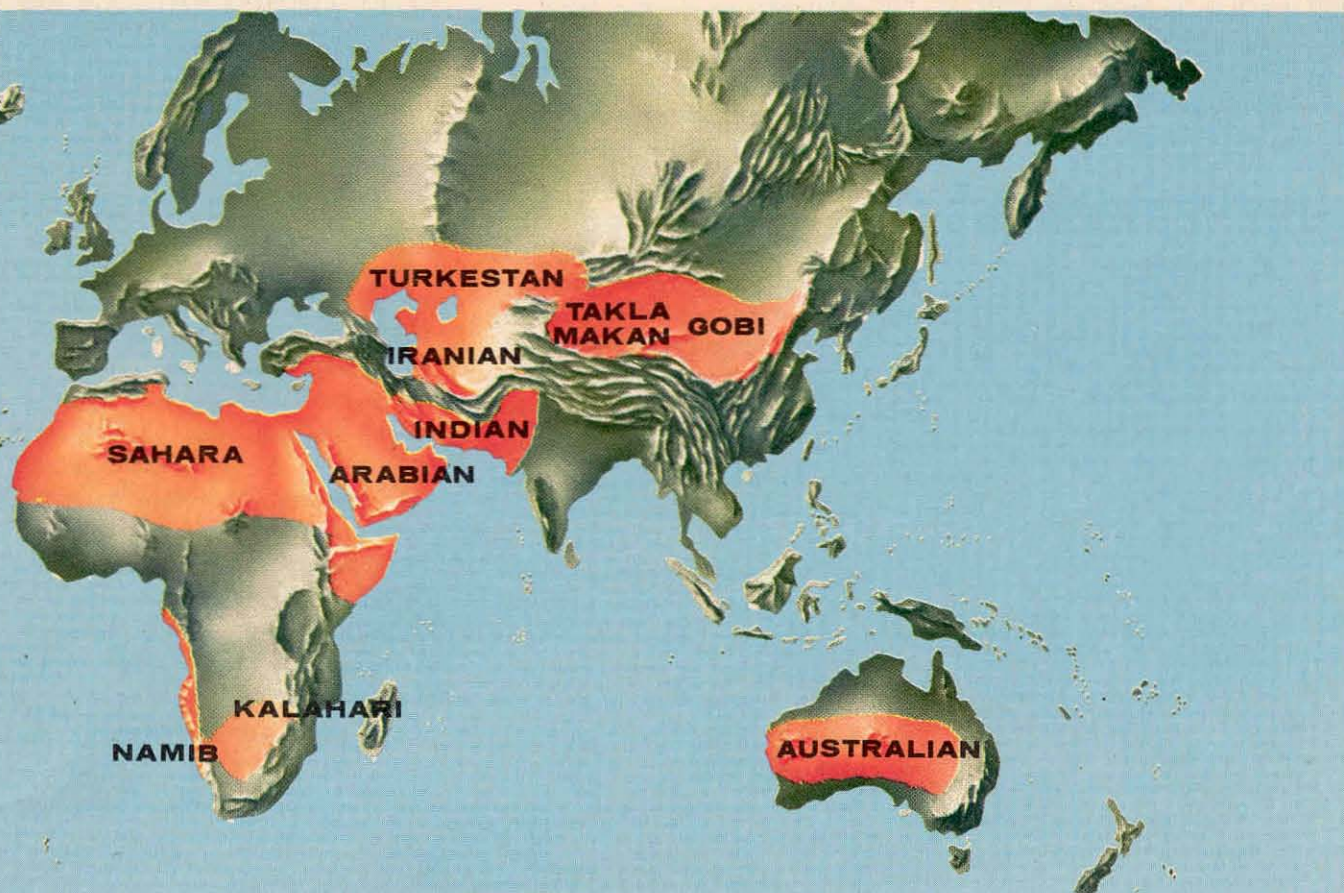
Geology confirms that *in the time of man*—which the Bible plainly shows is within the past 6,000 years—areas that are now deserts thrived with all types of game and vegetation.

The entire earth was once a liveable area. But then something happened.



G. Roger—Magnum Photos

Millions of people, like these Tuaregs of the Sahara, eke out a bare existence in bleak desert lands.



DESERTS OF THE WORLD

Areas that were once able to support large numbers of human beings became drier and drier. Lakes and rivers decreased or totally dried up. What caused this immense change?

The Bible tells us what and why.

Cain's Curse

Adam sinned. So did his son Cain.

Cain was the first son recorded born to Adam and Eve. He was a farmer (Gen. 4:2). He was, says Josephus the Jewish historian, abusing the soil. He was rebellious. He was also guilty of the cold-blooded murder of his brother Abel.

God severely reprimanded him: "And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand. When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth" (Gen. 4:11-12).

Notice! Cain and his descendants would no longer be able to profitably farm the land. Why?

The answer is obvious. Cain was cursed. How? By being sent to a region that henceforth began to lack sufficient rain to yield crops.

God saw to it that Cain should not be able to continuously abuse the soil by wrong farming practices.

Like desert dwellers today, Cain and his descendants roamed from place to place seeking what food they could find by hunting, and eating what grew naturally on the land. Life in any local area was impossible except for a short time. God withheld the rains from falling in their proper season.

The land was under a curse because of sin. Deserts began to form. But Cain and his descendants took no heed. Men continued going the way that seemed right to them. They would not heed the warning God sent, in love,

to stop their grasping, getting, greedy ways.

Evil and violence filled the world "that then was," referring to the pre-Flood world (Gen. 6:5-6, 12-13; II Peter 3:6).

History Repeats Itself

The world today has gone the way of Cain. Strife, competition, violence and death fill the earth—nation against nation, race against race, neighbor against neighbor. We live in what even the movies must confess is the "Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World."

And, as God did shortly before He flooded the earth with water during the days of Noah, He is once again warning this world that it is treading the same ways as did the wicked men before the Flood.

God has promised never again to bring a flood on all the earth. But He has promised that our sins merit catastrophic, earth-shaking upheavals

that will literally rip open the earth.

While bringing man to his senses, God will also provide a blessing for those who remain and live on into the soon-coming, peaceful world tomorrow. God has man's welfare in mind. Even His punishments become a blessing—if we would only wake up and realize it! This great worldwide upheaval which will put an end to 6,000 years of human civilization will break open long-stored underground reserves of water. These will burst forth in abundance to form life-giving springs and streams in today's deserts. Read it in your Bible.

"For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; and I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: . . ." (Haggai 2:6-7).

Then what happens?

"The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose . . . for in the wilderness shall waters *break out*, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons [a better translation is jackals], where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes" (Isa. 35:1, 6-7).

"Behold, I will do a new thing: now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. The beast of the field shall honor me, the dragons [jackals] and the owls [or, ostriches]: because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen" (Isa. 43:19-20).

"For the Lord shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody" (Isa. 51:3).

Once more the desert regions will yield abundant, nourishing food to feed a rapidly increasing population in the world tomorrow. The prophesied "times of refreshing" or "times of restitution" of all things are about here (Acts 3:19).

Water Under the Deserts!

Scientists are just now beginning to discover water sources God long ago hid beneath now-arid regions. These sources will soon water the deserts and make them bloom and produce.

Notice a most amazing discovery—just recently made—about the rock layers under the Sahara. It was reported in the May, 1966, issue of the *Scientific American*: "Below the desert sands [of the Sahara] in water-bearing rock formations are HUGE QUANTITIES OF WATER to sustain human settlement, pasturage for livestock and, in many places now barren, productive agriculture."

"Oases supplied by artesian wells that have been flowing copiously since ancient times have testified to the existence of this resource. Still, men have only recently become aware of the VAST DIMENSIONS of the subterranean reservoir below the Sahara. . . . Good soils

are also available; recent investigations have shown that extensive tracts of desert land have arable (and once cultivated) soils overlain by a thin cover of sand" (p. 21).

The article discloses how the two basic water-saturated rock formations under the Sahara are each 1,000 meters (3,000 feet) thick! The seven major underground basins of the Sahara are estimated to have a capacity of some 15,000,000,000,000 cubic meters of groundwater! All these years God has kept this veritable "ocean" hidden from man—waiting to be utilized in the world tomorrow when man learns the way to peace.

That's good news! What a world that will be like! With the right farming methods being taught in the world tomorrow, the deserts will literally "blossom as the rose"!

Look forward to that time. It's just about here!

THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Questions

FROM OUR READERS

HERE are the *Bible* answers to questions which can be answered briefly in a short space. *Send in your questions.* While we cannot promise that all questions will find space for answer in this department, we shall try to answer all that are vital and in the general interest of our readers.

Should one read love magazines?

J. L.

The typical stories related in "love magazines" center on love triangles, sexual promiscuity, wife swapping, abortions and homosexuality. People read these adventures as a form of escapism.

Evaluate yourself. Have you ever identified yourself with the poor dejected woman who is suing her estranged husband for the custody of a child engendered by some lover?

Too many are living vicariously in this cheap form of escapism! Time can be, and should be, put to better use. One should change his reading habits and become a selective reader.

Ask yourself, "Is this book, or magazine I am about to read contributing useful, upbuilding knowledge? What benefit will be derived from it?"

There are many wholesome biographies available—well written and vibrantly interesting. Read the life stories of successful men and women, when you need a change of pace or a half hour of relaxation.

The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER NINETY-FIVE

VENGEANCE OR REPENTANCE?

A GREAT number of Israelites from all over Canaan came to attend Samuel's funeral at Ramah, where the old prophet was buried with appropriate honors. (I Samuel 25:1.)

David wasn't among those who attended. He knew that he would be risking his life to go where Saul was. Instead, he moved his men on southward to the Paran Desert, farther away from Ramah and Gibeah. There his small army moved from place to place, not staying in one spot very long because of the necessity of obtaining food as well as the effort to keep Saul guessing David's location.

The Shepherds' Friend

Food wasn't always easy to get. Much of it consisted of wild game, but there were necessities that had to be acquired through other people. David sent bands of mounted men to help farmers with their crops, shepherders with their flocks and cattlemen with their herds, thus obtaining food and supplies for their services. Often those services entailed protection from Arabs who plundered for a living. One group of David's men came upon a small number of herdsmen who were looking after an unusually large flock of sheep, and who were in constant fear of attacks. The herdsmen were relieved and thankful when they learned that it was David's men who had come to them.

"If you are afraid of Arab raids, we'll stay with you until you take your sheep back to the owner," the head of David's group told the herdsmen.

In the days that followed, the small group of David's soldiers successfully drove away several bands of Arabs who never expected that they would meet professional fighting men. Many sheep probably would have been lost if the defenders hadn't been there. When finally the herdsmen took the flock back to the town of Carmel in south Judah for shearing, David's men went on the drive with them for further protection. Then they returned south to where most of their fellow soldiers were camped.

The owner of the protected flock was a man named Nabal. He owned several thousand sheep and goats, and was considered wealthy for a man of that time and region. Regardless of his possessions and his beautiful and intelligent wife, Nabal was a sullen, unfriendly, ill-tempered man whose main interest was in increasing his wealth. (I Samuel 25:2-3.)



Although Nabal was a successful sheep rancher who had many reasons to be thankful and cheerful, he was sullen, unfriendly and selfish.

When it was reported to David how Nabal's sheep had been saved from marauders, he picked ten of his men to go to Carmel to remind Nabal what had happened, and to diplomatically ask for a modest reward for sparing him such a great loss.

The ten men were very courteous to Nabal. They carefully explained that he would have very few sheep to shear if their fellow soldiers hadn't been on hand

to protect the flock. Of course Nabal had already heard the story from his men, but he didn't wish to admit it. (I Samuel 25:4-9.)

The King of Selfishness

"You say you were sent from some fellow by the name of David, who is the son of Jesse?" Nabal questioned them sarcastically, trying to create the impression that he had never heard of such men. "Who are David and Jesse? Am I supposed to know them? And why should I believe that you have been sent by this David? There are many hungry servants on the move who have run away from their masters. Why have you come to me?"

"Our leader is the one who killed Goliath, the Philistine giant," the spokesman for the ten men patiently explained. "He is in need of food for his soldiers, and he feels that you might be willing to help him in return for the favor a few of his men did for you in saving your sheep."

"Ah! Now it comes out!" Nabal scoffed. "You're hoping to talk me out of the bread, water and fresh mutton I have to furnish for my shearers! Well, I don't know you, and I'm not giving anything to strangers!" (I Samuel 25:10-11.)

"Our leader will be so disappointed in you that probably he'll be back with us to see you again," said one of David's men.

This remark enraged Nabal, who forgot for the moment that he wasn't supposed to know who David was.

"Tell your beggarly David that if he comes around here I'll have King Saul and his army here to meet him!" he stormed. "Now get out of here before I set all my herdsmen and shearers on you!"

David wasn't pleased when he heard of Nabal's attitude, and he decided that the unsociable rancher needed a lesson in courtesy. Leaving two hundred men to guard the camp, he led the other four hundred on a march back to Carmel.

One of Nabal's herdsmen was afraid that something like this would happen. He went to Abigail, Nabal's wife, and told her how angry and disdainful her husband had been with David's men.

"His stubbornness and ill temper could lead to trouble," the herdsman explained. "He refuses to acknowledge what David's men did to save his sheep, though they were like a walled fortress around us. But Nabal says he doesn't believe that wandering outlaws could be honest or helpful. His rudeness and insulting manner could result in David showing up here with enough troops to take over the whole ranch!" (I Samuel 25:12-17.)

Fearing what David might do, Abigail decided to try to meet him before he

could reach Carmel. While her husband was busy overseeing the sheepshearing, she had some of her servants load donkeys with food, and sent the servants and the loaded animals off on the main trail leading southward. They didn't carry enough provisions to feed a small army. But Abigail hoped there would be enough to show appreciation for what David's men had done. There were two hundred loaves of bread, two goatskins of wine, five dressed sheep, at least ten gallons of parched corn, a hundred large clusters of raisins and two hundred cakes of pressed figs.

Abigail watched until the servants and animals were safely at a distance, and then mounted a donkey and set out after them. She caught up with them on the other side of a hill that commanded a far view of the region to the south. From there, to both her relief and anxiety, she saw hundreds of men approaching across the semiarid, rolling plain! (I Samuel 25:18-20.)

The Way of a Good Woman

David's anger, kindled by Nabal's churlish conduct, was out of control almost from the moment he had commanded two thirds of his army to follow him to Carmel. He had made it known to his officers that he wouldn't leave a man alive at Nabal's ranch, thus temporarily lowering himself, by a vengeful state of mind,



Abigail watched her servants depart with their food-laden donkeys, hoping that they would get out of sight before her husband could see them.

below Nabal's level of character. By the time he was nearing Carmel he calmed down a little, and began to reconsider his cruel purpose.

Just then Abigail appeared. She hurried ahead of her servants, dismounted from her donkey and bowed her head to the ground before David, who preceded his men by a few yards.

"I know why you are here, sir," she said to David. "I am Nabal's wife, and I can understand how you must feel toward him because of how he has treated your men. He is one who is by nature unsociable, and who can't communicate with others without troubling them. If you will allow me to speak on, I would like to make an apology for him."

"Your husband must account for his own shortcomings and make his own apologies," David solemnly informed Abigail, "but I am interested in what you have to say."

"Thank you, sir," Abigail continued. "I didn't know about how your men were insulted by my husband until a servant reported it to me. Now it is my desire to try to make amends by bringing this gift of food here on these donkeys. It isn't much, but I trust that it will help you realize that we are thankful for what your men have done. I hope that it will help remind you, if you are planning to destroy my husband and his men, that it isn't according to your usual fair way of settling matters. For your sake, as well as ours, I trust that you will be merciful to us. I know that your life lately is a perilous one because of being constantly pursued. You are pressed to deal harshly with your enemies, but I know also that God must be your real protection against those who oppose you. One day soon you will be king of Israel. I hope that you won't have to recall how you and your men took the lives of my husband and his men for the mere sake of vengeance. If I am able now to persuade you to be merciful, and if God is pleased by it, please remember, when you are king, that I was a help to you." (I Samuel 25:21-31.)

David was both surprised and pleased by Abigail's understanding words, sincerity and beauty. Here was reason enough to call off the expedition. The gallant move was understood by David's men.

"May God bless you for meeting me here," David cordially addressed Abigail. "I'm happy that I've heard what you have to say to cause me to realize how rash I've been in this matter. If it weren't for your efforts to divert me from my purpose, my soldiers would probably be punishing all the men on your ranch by now. And thank you for bringing food to us. We greatly appreciate it. I shall not forget you for this great favor."

The End of an Ingrate

David's men happily accepted the proffered and needed food while David and Abigail continued in conversation. David told her to return in peace to her home, and promised that he would take his men back to their camp. He parted from her with obvious reluctance, having been suddenly and strongly impressed by her appearance and personality. (I Samuel 25:32-35.)

When Abigail returned home with her servants, she found it filled with sheepherders and their women. Because this was the season of his main income, Nabal had been drinking most of the day. By evening he was in a somewhat drunken condition. But with him it was in some ways an improvement in his character, inasmuch as he became happier, more generous and more sociable. As a result, he invited all his workers and their wives and various other women to a party that turned out to be unusually boisterous.

Abigail said nothing that night about David to her husband. Next morning, when he had recovered his full faculties, she informed him of how close he had come to losing his ranch and his life.

"If I had been only a half hour late in what I did, you wouldn't be here listening to me now," Abigail explained.

At first Nabal wouldn't believe his wife, but after he questioned the servants who accompanied her to meet David, he became so emotionally upset that he became very ill. His fears, frustrations and gnawing hatreds were too much for his heart, and he died about ten days later. (I Samuel 25:36-38.)

When David heard of Nabal's death, he knew that it all had come about through God's planning. He was very thankful that he had been spared from carrying out his own rash plan of vengeance.

David's Marriage

One of David's many disappointments during his time of banishment was to learn that Michal, his wife, had been given by Saul in marriage to another man. It wasn't unexpected, therefore, that David should allow himself to become more and more interested in Abigail. A few weeks after her husband's death he sent several of his ablest soldiers to Carmel with a message for the young woman. Abigail was pleased to receive them, but she was disappointed because David wasn't with them.

"We're here to take you back to our camp," one of the soldiers told her. "David wants to marry you."

The startled Abigail was both elated and distressed. Although this blunt, assumption-type proposal was common in those times, Abigail would have been much happier if David could have come in person to ask her to be his wife. She was for a moment tempted to ask why David should take it for granted that she would agree to marry him, but she controlled herself because such an attitude might have appeared too arrogant for a woman—and because she wanted to marry David.

"I am pleased and honored that your leader has sent for me," she told the soldiers as she bowed her head to the ground. "Let me instruct my servants, and then allow me to wash your feet."

Abigail's willingness to be so humble as to wash her guests' feet was sufficient. David's men declined with thanks because they knew their leader wouldn't approve. They patiently settled down to what they thought would be a wait of several hours, but were surprised not much later when Abigail emerged from her quarters with five handmaids carrying clothes and supplies. The six women mounted burros and departed with the soldiers for David's camp.

There David and Abigail were married, and there was a great celebration. Abigail had appointed one of her most trusted and capable men to supervise her sheep ranch in her absence, but she returned to it from time to time. Later, when David and his men moved northward to a rugged region not far south of Hebron,



David's men were well supplied with food for a time from the sheep ranch belonging to Abigail.

Abigail probably spent most of her time on her property, which undoubtedly furnished much food for David's small army. (I Samuel 25:39-42.)

The Bible mentions another marriage of David to a woman named Ahinoam, but when the marriage took place isn't indicated. Perhaps the two marriages overlapped, as it was not uncommon back then to have more than one wife at a time. (I Samuel 25:43-44.) David had to learn the hard way that having more than one wife at a time was not God's way.

When the inhabitants of the country south of Hebron saw David returning to their territory, they again sent men to Saul to report what was going on. This time Saul didn't delay as he had before when informed of David's presence there. He chose three thousand of his best soldiers to go after David's six hundred, unaware that David's lookouts watched him come into the area, and saw where his troops camped the first night out. (I Samuel 26:1-4.)

David Is Still Merciful

When David learned where Saul was, he came to a spot before dusk where he could look down on Saul's camp. After determining how he might reach Saul's rest area, he asked for someone to volunteer to go with him. Abishai, one of his nephews (I Chronicles 2:13-16), offered to go, and the two men quietly crept to the trench where Saul slept with a few of his officers, including Abner, the commander-in-chief. (I Samuel 26:5-7.)

"There he is!" Abishai whispered to David. "God has given you this chance to destroy the king of Israel!"

"I have no desire to destroy him," David whispered back.

"Then let me do it for you," Abishai pleaded. "I'll run my spear into him with such force that no other blow will be necessary to do away with him instantly."

"No!" David said, seizing Abishai's arm. "Saul was ordained by God to be king of Israel. If you kill him, God will surely punish you. If Saul is to die, let God take him. His time will come, and probably in battle with the Philistines. For now, let's be content to take his spear and his canteen."

David and Abishai successfully left Saul's camp and returned to the hill where the other men waited. The daring feat of getting in and out of the camp was possible only because God caused Saul and his men to fall into a deep sleep. (I Samuel 26:8-12.)

Just before sunrise David shouted loudly down to the three thousand slumbering men. His voice carried strongly on the quiet morning air, awakening Saul's army like a call to arms.

"You there, Abner!" David yelled to the commander-in-chief as soon as he could dimly see figures moving about. "Answer me, so that I'll know you're listening!"

"This is the commander-in-chief!" Abner shouted back. "Who is it that dares disturb the king?"

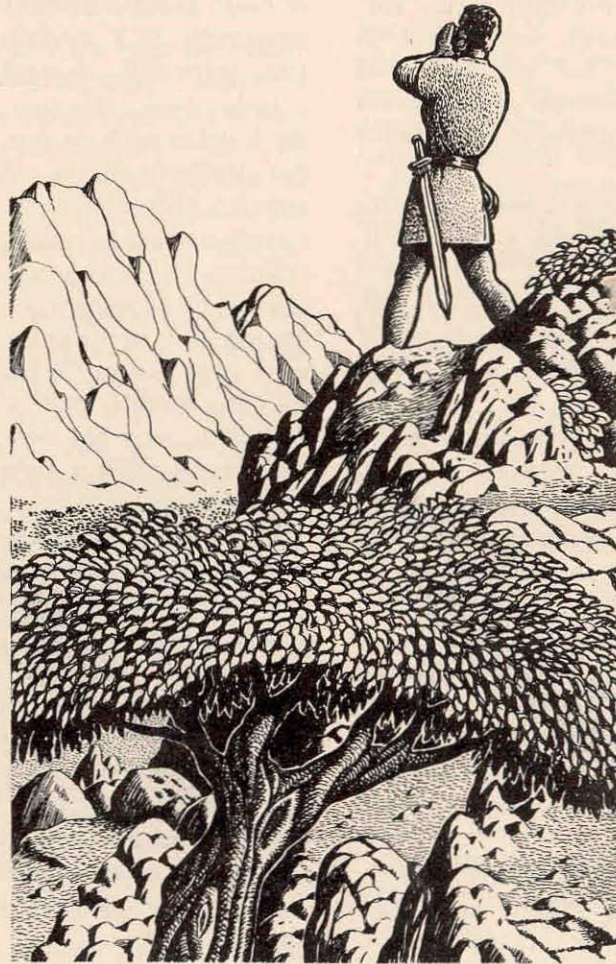
"You have the reputation of being the bravest and most alert officer in the Israelite army!" David yelled. "Then why weren't you on your toes last night? Why did you allow some intruder to get so near Saul that he could have killed the king while he slept?"

"What are you talking about?" Abner indignantly roared back. "There were no intruders in this camp last night!"

"Denying a fact makes you even more guilty!" David went on needling the officer, who was growing angrier and more puzzled. "For trying to hide your carelessness, the king could have you executed! Explain, if you can, what happened to Saul's spear and canteen!" (I Samuel 26:13-16.)

Aides scrambled madly to try to find the spear and canteen which Saul hadn't realized were missing till the moment David mentioned them. Abner stared perplexedly at Saul, who stared in bewilderment at the small hole in the ground where he knew he had jammed his spear before he had gone to sleep. He began to realize that something had been going on that was making his fighting force look ridiculous.

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David instantly brought Saul's army of three thousand sleeping men to their feet by loudly calling down to them from a nearby hill.

HUMAN NATURE IS VIOLENT!

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praved, MURDEROUS spirit of wanting to CUT, maim, BUTCHER, TORMENT, KILL?

Do YOU believe the plain statements of your Creator and your God? Or are YOU one who will continue to "kid" yourself this rotten world "isn't so bad after all" and go right down WITH it into a cesspool of nightmarish destruction unimagined in your weirdest dreams?

Almighty God will soon send Jesus Christ to PUNISH this world of evil-doers! And don't "kid" yourself that sounds "religious!" You'll find little comfort in imagining yourself out of reality when the REALITY is all around you!

Like it or not—these are the FACTS of our HATE-filled society!

But hatred is *not* confined to the teen-age heart. It's a disease of the human mind. It is in your very NATURE to HATE!

HUMAN NATURE — What It Is!

It's HUMAN NATURE to hate.

God made human beings what they are. He *created* man with a certain *nature*.

We call it "human nature." And it's still the greatest enigma to philosophers, psychologists, sociologists. MAN, they say is still "the biggest question mark."

One psychiatrist said, before a group of fellow psychiatrists, "We *all* became interested in psychiatry because we knew *we ourselves* had some mental problems!"

But GOD, the *Inventor* of the human heart, REVEALS its true nature. "The heart is deceitful above ALL THINGS, and DESPERATELY wicked: who can know it?" (Jeremiah 17:9.)

Yes, the normal, natural, fleshly mind—the mind with which you were BORN—is DESPERATELY wicked, unless it has been CHANGED by the nature of God!

Paul was inspired to write, "The carnal mind [the natural mind of every person] is ENMITY against God: for it is

not subject to the law of God, neither indeed *can* be!" (Rom. 8:7.)

The normal, natural, CARNAL mind of every man and every woman—yes and of every child—RESENTS the things of God! The natural mind is ALWAYS SUSPICIOUS! It is ENVIOUS, LUSTFUL, EVIL, RESENTFUL, HATEFUL!

James wrote, "Do you think that the Scripture saith *in vain*, 'the spirit that dwelleth in us LUSTETH TO ENVY?'" (James 4:5.)

Today, if you feel you're basically a "Christian" kind of person—you probably feel Christ really WAS the promised Messiah. You feel, whether or *not* you are a really zealous Christian—that Jesus Christ probably really was genuine. At least, if you're like most people, you couldn't call Christ a guilty EVIL-doer, could you?

But what about those who lived *right with* Jesus Christ? Who SAW His miracles WITH THEIR OWN EYES?

What about those who lived in Jerusalem during the time of Christ's merciless BEATING—His terrible night of KICKS, CURSES, SPITTING, HATRED, VENOMOUS ACCUSATIONS? What about those who HAD A PART IN IT?

What about the hate-filled MOB that *screamed* out their animalistic bestiality—"KILL HIM! CRUCIFY HIM! BUTCHER HIM!"?

God tells you NOT to bear *them* any malice—NOT to HATE THEM—even as Christ Himself said, from His tree of death "Father forgive them—they know not what they do!"

But do you UNDERSTAND the *reason* they acted as they did?

Do you RECOGNIZE the EXACT, SAME IDENTICAL NATURE IN YOURSELF?

It's THERE—recognized or not.

Many of those same participants in the illegal crucifixion of Christ took their hatred, their *firm belief* they had rid the world of a TERRIBLE person—to *their graves* with them.

They somehow *convinced* themselves they should be terribly, indignantly, "righteously" ANGRY at Christ!

They CONVINCED themselves He was

a FAKE! They thought they "KNEW" they were uncovering, exposing, and punishing some GREAT EVIL!

Today, YOU KNOW BETTER! But most of them NEVER did!

Christ Says It Will Grow Worse!

And remember—Jesus predicted this evil disease of HATRED would grow worse and *worse*—heightening in intensity until blind RAGE would characterize our day.

Paul said, "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a *reprobate mind* [a deceitful, hateful, DEGENERATE mind], to do those things which are NOT RIGHT [margin]; being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, *maliciousness*; full of ENVY, MURDER, DEBATE, DECEIT, MALIGNITY; whisperers [delighting in SCANDAL—in *filth, evil, RUMOR!*], backbiters, HATERS of God, *despiteful*, proud, boasters, inventors of EVIL things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenant breakers [not true to their word], without natural affection [NEVER willing to give the other fellow the benefit of the doubt], implacable [their minds UNWILLING to change—to admit new light, to see new facts, or accept the truth!], unmerciful: who KNOWING the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of DEATH, not only DO the same, but HAVE PLEASURE in them that do them" (Rom. 1:28-32).

This world is literally FILLED with human beings who fit this very description! And why not? It's a description of HUMAN NATURE in the raw—human nature JUST THE WAY IT IS!

Jesus warned, "In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). He prayed to His Father, "I have given them [His disciples, and true followers in ANY age] thy word, and the world hath HATED them, because they are not OF the world [they're living DIFFERENT lives—lives that have been CHANGED to conform to the life CHRIST led. And remember, He was accused of being a WINEBIBBER, and a

GLUTTONOUS man!]) even as I am not of the world" (John 17:14).

He had said earlier, "If the world HATE you, you know that it hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own: but because you are NOT of the world, but I have chosen you OUT of the world, therefore the world HATETH you!" (John 15:18-19.)

Yes—like it or not—admit it or not—the plain facts of your Bible are that HATRED will be the lot of anyone who truly repents, and strives diligently to LIVE the abundant, happy, joyous life Jesus Christ makes possible!

Jesus said, "If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin!" (John 15:22.)

The way of life of Christ's true servants makes others ANGRY! Because it's *natural* to RESENT God, it's also natural to RESENT THE WAY of God—the way of LIFE God reveals in His sacred Word!

And today, as NEVER before, people allow themselves to become consumed with purple-faced, blind, mind-chilling, vicious RAGE against the truth of God, and against His true servants! Many HATE the wonderful laws of God.

It's about time you really SAW human nature—YOUR nature, and recognized it for what it truly is. No amount of "reasoning" and arguing about the "good" ideas and deeds of humans will change the *truth* of God's Word.

Human nature is rotten!

It's an evil, filthy, DOWNWARD PULL—tending toward violence, destruction—no good thing! Paul was inspired to say, "For I know that *in me* (that is, *IN MY FLESH*,) dwelleth NO GOOD THING" (Rom. 7:18).

The human heart is *evil*—even the human heart that likes to THINK IT IS GOOD!

Human nature is NATURALLY fearful, resentful, self-justifying, egotistic, vanity-filled, hateful, despicable, proud, defiant, rebellious, boastful, obnoxious, annoying, acidic, selfish, self-centered, jealous, lustful, disobedient, stiff-necked, blasphemous, destructive, corrupt, presumptuous and vile!

It really is! That's why God says REPENT! CHANGE human nature by

taking in some of the very *nature of God* (II Pet. 1:4).

Take a look at your own mind and heart. THINK about the lives of others around you. Ask yourself a few personal questions—and be *honest with yourself* about your own nature!

What About YOUR Private Life?

What about YOUR heart and mind? Do you "fly off the handle" easily? Do YOU become ENRAGED at someone over racial, religious, political issues? Do YOU become so ANGRY, so MAD, so CONSUMED with inflamed passion that you would literally resort to VIOLENCE?

Millions do!

And why? The answer is simple. It's like a recipe for an evil concoction. Just take human nature. Sprinkle in a few situations; add a lot of entertainment pressures, such as TV violence, radio jazz and noise, movieland make-believe, newspaper sensationalism, paper-backed perversity and sex; stir well—and VIOLENCE will erupt!

Solomon wrote, "Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of WRATH bringeth forth strife"! (Prov. 30:33.)

Do you SNAP at your children, argue with your employer, yell at your spouse? Are you *irritated* much of the time—*impatient* in stress and trial—ANGRY at situations that frustrate you?

If you're HUMAN, and if you lack the SPIRIT OF GOD—you ARE!

It's been said, "You are what you eat." And your MIND is what you THINK! And if YOUR STEADY DIET IS ONE OF VIOLENCE—then *you* could become a VIOLENT person very easily!

Will *you* be one who will be filled with RAGE because of your spouse's religious beliefs? Will YOU become brutally VIOLENT because of RACIAL prejudices and hatreds? Will YOU ever be one who will PERSECUTE someone else for his religious, racial, political or personal beliefs?

Probably not, you may think—but, THINK AGAIN! Unless you're CHANGED, unless your very NATURE has been altered from a *violent* nature to a *peaceful* one—you MAY!

It's a SICK, SICK, SICK WORLD!

Look around you. Unless you are careful, YOU could become one of the rioting, looting, crazed individuals preying on a sick society! Most people today are PASSIVE about the crime and violence in our midst.

Law enforcement officials decry the near-obsession of the modern courts with insuring the protection of the CRIMINAL and his "rights," instead of strengthening the laws prohibiting and punishing criminal acts.

When a man brutally murdered his wife, became remorseful, went to the police and signed at least two separate written confessions, and later led the police to the garbage dump where he'd deposited the body—the courts later held his "rights" had been violated when no legal counsel was provided to inform him his confession was not necessary.

Today the man is walking the streets. The judge threw the confessions out the window.

And so it goes. With the public obsession with protecting the rights of criminals, and with the police being increasingly handcuffed in dealing with crime, is it any wonder that CRIME AND VIOLENCE rampage more than ever before?

Society is SICK!

Symptomatic of this delirium is the hazy notion between right and wrong, which often results in almost complete public *indifference* to crime. Noninvolvement is the course many take when a crime is being committed.

Bystanders ignore shootings; turn away from women giving birth on a cold sidewalk; refuse aid to victims of automobile accidents; refuse to help officers in making an arrest; casually watch as a woman is raped.

You probably well remember the case of Catherine Genovese, whose attacker returned to stab her three times as at least 38 neighbors heard, or looked on. None of them would help her, or even summon police. She died.

Case after case could be cited, where neighbors, passers-by, or on-lookers, just casually went their own ways, ignoring the crime, the assault, or the rape.

Such an attitude of public APATHY contributes to the rocketing INCREASE in violence and crime! WHY do these things ever happen?

They reveal one stark truth: Our peoples are *sick*! And there is ONLY one sure cure!

Here's What You Need To Do!

Yes, we're a world of cheats. A world of murderers, thieves, deviates, queers, pornographers, racists, bigots, liars, pretenders, alcoholics, dope addicts, pleasure-mad thrill-seekers and religious nuts.

Society is *SICK*!

VIOLENCE threatens to spill over like a flood and bathe our cities knee-deep in rivers of blood! Berserk frenzy, madness, mayhem are a continuing FEAR to millions. TERROR lurks and prowls in city parks, along city streets and in the alleys.

What can YOU do about it?

First of all, you need to have more of the attitude of God's righteous servants of old, who "*sighed and cried*" because of the horrible *atrocities*, the terrible ABOMINATIONS that occurred around them, daily! Read in Ezekiel 9, of those who, because of their attitude of abhorrence of the evils of this modern era are to be *spared* from the apocalyptic destruction soon to befall this world!

Read about righteous Lot who was *vexed* every single day because of the "filthy conduct of the wicked" and the "unlawful deeds" of the average citizen around him (II Pet. 2:7-8).

You need to develop more of the attitude Jesus illustrated when He said His *true* servants would be praying, "Thy Kingdom COME"! (Mat. 6:10.)

In other words, you need to begin to view *this world* as GOD views it, and not as you have always carelessly taken it for granted.

Next, you need to become *very personally critical* about the way you spend your leisure moments!

You need to become *highly selective* about the motion pictures you view! Let's face it, you KNOW, and KNOW that you know, that MOST motion pictures today are filled with pure slop, swill, violence, ghoulish insanity, murder,

robbery, triangles, licentiousness, perversion, and every form of vile evil!

It is *exceedingly difficult* to find ANY motion picture that is really suitable for any person who is sincerely trying to live according to God's laws!

Always ask yourself, "*Would Christ watch this?*" And then, if you really KNOW the Christ of the Bible, you will be able to find the answer. If you feel Christ would not watch it—then remember YOU shouldn't watch it!

The same holds true for television!

However, it is true that television offers a far greater variety of programs through the day—and that there are certain educational and instructive programs, news programs, that are available. For example, interview-type programs; weather reports, travelogs; certain light comedy or perhaps musical programs or variety shows are not necessarily *wrong* to watch.

But DON'T become an "addict"! Don't become its SLAVE! Use your television set wisely, use it carefully, with discretion!

And literature?

Take a look at ANY bookstand. About all you'll see is pure TRASH of all types. Most magazine stands would have been labeled PURE PORNOGRAPHY only a FEW DECADES AGO! Weird books, sex stories, murder mysteries, horoscopes, demoniacal "comic books," (and what is really "comic" about any of them?)—are NOT fit to stuff into any human mind!

What about your hobbies, pastimes, your moments of relaxation? Are you living WHOLESOMELY—in a refreshing, *balanced* way that gives you a true change of pace—that really is "recreation"? Or are many of your leisure moments spent in literally *tearing down* your body, and *polluting* your mind with the VIOLENCE of this violent age?

Forming HABITS of Violence

Probably, you feel depraved acts of wanton destruction and violence are committed by a certain *type* of person. But you're wrong.

It is this very enigmatic problem that *worries* modern-day law enforcement officers. They see horrible acts of murderous violence being committed more

and more by the "average" type person. They prove conclusively that crime is *not* limited to those who have grown up in slum or underprivileged areas; that criminals are *not* demented, or retarded. They shake their heads in disbelief at bestial atrocities committed by the "good" people in society!

Why does it happen? Why do members of a family fly into a sudden fit of rage, grab a gun, and MURDER in cold blood, other members of the same family?

They probably just witnessed a dozen murders on television and in the movies, and read of more violence in the news! They had probably been feeding and gorging their minds on some murder mystery thriller, in almost *every leisure moment*!

Is it any wonder, when tempers flare, and a person reacts almost AUTOMATICALLY according to HABIT?

If you're not extremely careful what you SEE, how you THINK, what you HEAR, what you READ—YOU MAY BE ESTABLISHING THE SAME PATTERN OF VIOLENCE in your own life!

So THINK about it. INVESTIGATE your life. Be willing to be honest with yourself about yourself! God says, "WOE unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope...WOE unto them that *call evil good*, [that was sure a "good" movie, you might have said!] and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (Isa. 5:18-20.)

Millions keep wondering WHY violence. But it's HUMAN NATURE to be violent. Just as Dr. Robert M. Page has said, "so long as you have human nature, there will be wars." You have seen the PROOF, now, from the Word of God. Now that you *know* more about human nature—now that you understand more of the TRUE cause for crime and violence—what are you going to do about it in your own life?

Check up on yourself! Be willing to call a spade a spade! Label things what they really are! And then, with the help of Almighty God, ROOT OUT of your life the hatred, prejudice, bigotry, and murderous violence of this violent world!

OBITUARY

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ians removed them from their farms and cities, and took them as slaves to Assyria, to the south and west of the Caspian Sea. The only Israelites left in Palestine were those of the Kingdom of JUDAH (II Kings 17:18). The Assyrian king then placed Chaldeans—those who embraced the "Babylonian Mystery" religion—in the cities and towns of the ten-tribed nation ISRAEL. These were the ones whose descendants were in this land of Samaria in the time of Christ.

More than a hundred years later, the Jews—of the Kingdom of JUDAH—were invaded and conquered by King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. They were removed from their homes, towns and cities, and taken as slaves to the land of Babylon. Seventy years later, according to Jeremiah's prophecy, a portion of these people—from the tribes of Judah, Benjamin and Levi ONLY—returned to Judea in Palestine to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem. But NONE of the ten-tribed House of Israel were among them (Compare Ezra 2:1 and Nehemiah 7:6 with II Kings 17:18).

By the time of the Jews' captivity, most of the Assyrians, and the ten-tribed BIRTHRIGHT-POSSESSING Israel had migrated northwest across Europe. Many of the Israelites had already settled in northern Ireland and other parts of the British Isles.

By this time the KINGDOM OF ISRAEL—the northern Kingdom—the TEN tribes—had become lost, so far as historians were aware. WHY? They had LOST their identifying sign. They were following PAGAN religions and customs. They had lost their Hebrew language. They, themselves, had lost their identity as Israelites, and supposed themselves to be gentiles!

Birthright to Britain and America

In due time the ten-tribed Israelites had become established in western Europe and the British Isles. For PROOF of this, if you have not already received and read the booklet, *The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy*, be sure to request your free copy at once.

Stranger than any fiction, and incredible though it may seem, the descendants of Ephraim and Manasseh had migrated together to the British Isles, and Manasseh *later* to the United States—with some of the Ephraimites—also *later*—migrating to New Zealand, Australia, South Africa and Canada.

REMEMBER, now, it was the TWO tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh who possessed the all-important BIRTHRIGHT.

REMEMBER, too, these tribes FAILED to qualify to receive this gigantic national and materialistic blessing in ancient time, while they yet were in Palestine.

REMEMBER, further, when they then failed to qualify to receive it, the actual RECEIVING of this tremendous God-given promise was deferred for 2,520 years!

REMEMBER, still further, that God made this promise UNCONDITIONALLY to Abraham, repromised to Isaac and Jacob, and passed on by Jacob to Ephraim and Manasseh.

THEREFORE, once the 2,520 years expired, God was absolutely BOUND by His oath to bestow that never-before-matched blessing on the descendants of Ephraim and Manasseh. He was BOUND to do it, NOT because of any goodness of these modern-day descendants of Jacob and of Joseph, but *solely because of Abraham's obedience*, and because of God's FAITHFULNESS to His unconditional PROMISE!

Now FIGURE! There was no year zero. The first beginning of Shalmaneser's siege against ancient Israel was 721 B.C. The defeat of Israel was complete in 718 B.C.; 2,520 years from 721 B.C. is the year 1800 A.D., and 2,520 years from 718 B.C. is 1803 A.D.

NOW YOU KNOW WHY Britain and the United States suddenly spurted from minor nations to the greatest wealth and power ever enjoyed by any nations, beginning 1800-1803!

Jacob, in conferring the Birthright on Ephraim and Manasseh had said 1) they were to bear HIS NAME, ISRAEL (Gen. 48:16) for he had adopted them as his OWN SONS (verse 5). Therefore MANY prophecies regarding ISRAEL today apply to Britain-America specifically, in a manner that does not necessarily include the others of the Ten Tribes.

2) Eventually, when the Birthright was actually inherited, Ephraim (Great Britain) was to become a COMPANY (or COMMONWEALTH) of nations (Gen. 48:19) and Manasseh a single GREAT nation. Since these promises involved world-dominating greatness, Manasseh (the United States today) was to become the GREATEST SINGLE NATION of all earth's history.

CAUSE of Our Decline

God kept His PROMISE. I have shown you how, beginning 1800 A.D., our two white, English-speaking peoples suddenly grew into greater wealth, power, national resources, and dominance than any nations in history.

Now you know the CAUSE of the greatness that came to us up to World War II.

But what is the CAUSE of our decline?

In Leviticus 26, God promised this national greatness to Israel of *that* day, IF they would be HIS KINGDOM, ruled by HIM, obedient to HIS GOVERNMENT, following HIS WAYS. And He mentioned, specifically, with emphasis the TWO commandments against idolatry and Sabbath-breaking.

Failure meant TAKING AWAY the Birthright Promise from THEM, even before they had received it—and deferring it for 2,520 years!

Because of ABRAHAM'S obedience to God, the ETERNAL gave Abraham the UNCONDITIONAL promise of the Birthright. God kept that Promise!

But God DID NOT promise we should CONTINUE forever in enjoying that great national materialistic blessing! On the contrary, FAILURE to be obedient to GOD—to walk in HIS WAYS—and especially in the two commandments specifically emphasized (Lev. 26:1-2)—against idolatry and Sabbath-breaking, means the LOSS of these blessings!

WHAT HAVE WE DONE WITH ALL THIS MATERIAL BLESSING God has given our peoples?

Our lands are filled with IDOLS. The largest single denomination calling itself "Christian" in the United States fills its every church and cathedrals with IMAGES—IDOLS! Of course our people say "But we don't call them our

gods—they merely *represent* Christ, and Mary, and saints." But don't you know that THAT is precisely what the idolatrous pagans ALWAYS SAID—even in the Bible days, when God CONDEMNED this idolatry?

Our churches and those who *profess* to be Christ's ministers REBEL against God's Sabbath, and teach the people, FALSELY, that it was DONE AWAY! They teach that GOD'S LAW was done away!

The people worship the things they manufacture today—not only actual images, but houses, automobiles, gadgets, clothes—all sorts of things. They worship actors and actresses—we used to speak of "Matinee idols."

We Have Rejected God!

Our people have REJECTED not only the Sabbaths of God, but His annual Festivals, commanded FOREVER. And instead, they celebrate the PAGAN FESTIVALS of Christmas, New Year's, Easter, etc. They say they use these PAGAN ways to WORSHIP CHRIST. But HE says He will NOT ACCEPT THAT KIND OF WORSHIP. Before you become resentful and angry because God, through me, is printing *The PLAIN TRUTH* for you to read, get your Bible and read what GOD ALMIGHTY says TO YOU in Deut. 12:30-31.

Look at our school systems. We have allowed the poison of German rationalism—falsely so-called—to throw GOD and His knowledge out of our schools, colleges and universities! The atheistic theory of EVOLUTION is the BASIS and FOUNDATIONAL CONCEPT, and APPROACH to all knowledge as falsely disseminated to our children!

Atheism and Agnosticism runs rampant! OUR PEOPLES HAVE REBELLED AGAINST AND TURNED AWAY FROM THE GOD WHO HAS BLESSED US! WE HAVE FORGOTTEN GOD! Our peoples simply DO NOT KNOW the true GOD, nor the true CHRIST!

In Britain-Ephraim the leading theologians—the leading religious leaders of the people—are today approving fornication, and homosexuality!

Morals have taken a toboggan-slide! Divorces and broken homes have increased until more than one in every four marriages end in divorce. Crime is on a tremendous upsurge.

WE ARE NATIONS OF LAWBREAKERS. Our nations REJECT the laws of God, turn to MAN-made laws—and now they will not obey even MAN's laws!

God gave our peoples EVERY SEA GATE that controlled worldwide commerce. Since World War II, when we let MORALS sink into the cesspool, God has begun stripping them FROM us, one by one. *The few remaining will soon go!*

Now the BRITISH EMPIRE is a THING OF THE PAST!

I could quote enough Scriptures of prophecy, picturing England's plight today (which she fails to realize) to fill three or four issues of this magazine! Britain's SUN HAS SET! Britain's MIDNIGHT is fast approaching! Read what Hosea says. Read the parallel prophecies of Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28. Read and UNDERSTAND!

The United States came to great world power a little later. The United States' SUN sets a little later than England's. But America's sun is NOW SETTING!

Much of the prophecy of Leviticus 26 applies to OUR TIME, NOW! In verse 19 God says, "I will break the pride of YOUR POWER." In the days of Theodore Roosevelt, when I was a young man, NO NATION DARED insult the United States. We did not have as much power then as now—but we had PRIDE in our national power.

A German battleship was steaming on Manila Bay. President Theodore Roosevelt sent the Kaiser a fast note, telling him to turn his battleship around. The Kaiser didn't know he meant it. Mr. Roosevelt sent a SECOND note—but it went to Admiral Dewey, commander of the entire Pacific Fleet. It ordered the U. S. NAVY to steam full speed ahead, and if the German battleship did not turn around, "SINK IT!" The Kaiser learned that Mr. Roosevelt MEANT IT!

Why have we had no presidents of THAT pride in our power since?

Now the ETERNAL tells us, if we will READ His warning prophecies, that because of our national sins, He is going to allow us to be invaded, conquered, and removed from our homes, our farms, towns, and cities, and taken as SLAVES to the conqueror nation—UNLESS WE NOW QUICKLY HEED HIS WARNING, REPENT, AND RETURN TO OUR GOD!

Our armed forces DID NOT win World War I or World War II, believe it or not! GOD caused the defeat of Germany and Japan. You BLIND and DECEIVED Americans and Britons—you will soon now KNOW that God Almighty LIVES, and that He has sent His servant to WARN YOU—and that it was GOD SPEAKING through His human instrument, and that HE MEANT IT!

If our NATIONS will not now heed, repent, and return to the LIVING God, then any and all *individuals* who will—who will really REPENT, COME AWAKE to what is actually HAPPENING to this world—and humbly SURRENDER UNCONDITIONALLY to the ETERNAL LIVING GOD, then YOU, individually, shall have divine PROTECTION through the frightful WORLD TROUBLES just ahead of us!

GOD is a living God of LOVE. God put in motion LAWS which are the CAUSE of happiness, peace, well-being, prosperity, security—every desired blessing. But people trample those laws underfoot, CAUSE unhappiness, pain and suffering, curses to come on them, and then blame it on God and call Him a harsh, stern God!

GOD blessed our NATIONS with wealth, power, material blessings such as no nations ever enjoyed. Then we call GOD a stern, harsh God—we say that the very LAWS He set in motion to BRING every blessing we desire are AGAINST US, we say "God is dead," and we CAUSE every evil and curse to come on us—and then blame it on God!

You deceived peoples of America and Britain, WHEN will you WAKE UP to TRUTH?

EVERY blessing, EVERY good thing comes from GOD—and CANNOT come otherwise. God wants YOU to come to your senses and turn to HIM, and to CHRIST, and to His RIGHT WAYS. Otherwise history will repeat, there shall

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come invasion, captivity, our cities blasted off the map by NUCLEAR destruction. And then, in slavery, our people WILL turn to God and plead for forgiveness, and for His BLESSINGS.

In the END, God says our peoples will—with the living CHRIST having returned in supreme POWER and GLORY, ruling the world—we shall then be restored as the CHIEF nations of the world and live in HIS ways, and enjoy His blessings for a thousand years to come!

But ONLY after we learn our lesson, and surrender to God!

Personal from the Editor

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have become trained and prepared to assume those responsibilities.

Too many young men think of love in terms of LUST. A certain girl has sex appeal to a certain young man. He has an urge to put his arms around her and draw her to him. His whole thought is self-centered. He doesn't realize that LOVE is an outgoing concern FOR the one loved. His "love" is selfish—he wants what he feels will please HIM—satisfy HIM. He wants self-gratification. It's all coming his way. Real LOVE wants to *give*, not get or take or receive. It wants to *share*, to help, to serve.

Most parents today do not know HOW to rear children. They need to read Garner Ted Armstrong's booklet on Child Rearing (it's FREE—better write in for it if you have not already done so). Many girls are allowed to grow up with virtually no teaching or training from their mothers. Many 18-year-old girls, with romance and marriage on their minds, have never been taught how to make a bed, cook, wash dishes, or maintain a home. They are no more prepared for the responsibilities of marriage than a five-year-old child.

Many girls who enter Ambassador College have had excellent training at home—come from fine families and, in due time, a few years later, will be

prepared to make some man a fine wife. But not all girls are so blest.

I wish all people might read chapters 8, 9, and 10 in my book, *God Speaks Out on "The New Morality."* Too few realize WHAT marriage is, and WHY it is. It is a direct type of the spiritual marriage to take place very soon between the glorified all-powerful CHRIST and His true Church—at the time when the CHURCH OF GOD is born of God to become THE KINGDOM OF GOD. As physical marriage by humans is expected to result in children, and FAMILY LIFE, so the coming glorious spiritual marriage between Christ and His Church brings the Church into the FAMILY OF GOD. And this divine union will bear many children—*spiritual* children, begotten by this union, and BORN into the FAMILY (or Kingdom) OF GOD!

I have, candidly, been AMAZED that, out of the hundreds of thousands of copies of this book which have gone to HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE, there have not been more—*many more*—to write in and tell me what an eye-opening, surprising, WONDERFUL truth had been opened to them, by these three chapters showing the true MEANING OF MARRIAGE. When God opened *my* eyes to this marvelous TRUTH—revealing it to me so that I might reveal it to YOU—I was thrilled in ecstasy that reached to high heaven to realize how WONDERFUL are the ways of GOD—how transcendently MARVELOUS are His Purposes, and His Master Plan for working out His great PURPOSE here below!

Some few really grasped this tremendous truth. But I guess most, as the apostle Paul wrote, are too spiritually DULL OF HEARING—or UNDERSTANDING—to grasp and UNDERSTAND such glorious TRUTH.

God made marriage to be—IF we understand, and follow HIS ways, even to relying on HIM to select and lead us to the right one to marry in the first place—the most wonderful physical or material blessing possible in this life. On the other hand, when one marries the wrong one—when one or both are carnal-minded—self-centered—concerned only with what they GET from

the other—then marriage can be life's biggest curse.

Marriage is not for children. Young people in their teens may have adult BODIES, but they do not as yet have adult MINDS. They need to realize the sacredness, the seriousness, the RESPONSIBILITIES of marriage. And it is NOT old-fashioned or out of date that marriage as bound by GOD is until DEATH—it is FOR LIFE!

Mrs. Armstrong and I have received many notes, cards, and letters of congratulation since publishing the editorial about our 49th anniversary last month. May we take this opportunity to sincerely THANK all our well-wishers for this thoughtfulness, and love?

One man, past 80 years of age, married 60 years, (to the same woman), wrote: "Some say married life is 50-50. I say if the man and wife are Christians, it is 100% each."

God has planned THE WAY for every happiness—every good thing. God's Ways pay off. They are THE CAUSE of the desired EFFECT—peace, happiness, joy, well-being, security, prosperity, and eternal life."

What our READERS SAY

(Continued from inside front cover)

mailing list. So it must be until Judgment Day or rotting death."

Boy, Stockton, California

• Sorry, Fella. Sorry, that is, that you're willing to base your whole future on what you "seem to sense" instead of what you've carefully PROVED. And, when you've gotten over the vain satisfaction you experienced in writing your cynical letter, and wish again to receive *The PLAIN TRUTH*—we'll be happy to start sending it again.

Evolution in Reverse?

"Perhaps it is a type of evolution in reverse, but Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong is 'making monkeys' out of the professional evolutionists with his logical and devastating radio discourses on this subject."

Listener, San Diego, California

PROPHECY *comes alive*

IN TODAY'S WORLD NEWS

WEST German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's political days are numbered!

Erhard's party, the Christian Democrats, suffered a crushing defeat in the recent provincial elections in North Rhine-Westphalia, the rich and populous "Rhine and Ruhr" state.

The outcome resulted in only 86 parliamentary seats for Erhard's party, but a whopping 99 for the main opposition, the Social Democrats. To stay in power, the CDU must remain united in a weak coalition with the Free Democrats who picked up 15 seats.

Erhard knows he's on shaky ground! To buy precious time, the Chancellor made a drastic move after the election. This was not generally reported. But here's what happened.

Catching his own party critics completely off guard, Erhard sent out an urgent "SOS" to—of all people—Franz Josef Strauss. Strauss responded and agreed to act as Professor Erhard's "political bodyguard." He will be the chief defender of the Chancellor's policies in the Bundestag, shielding him from his enemies. Erhard can then spend time trying to rebuild his prestige.

Strauss' price for such "assistance," however, is sky-high! A German correspondent for London's *Evening Standard* reported, "In exchange [for Strauss' help] Erhard has undertaken to give Strauss a head start over his rivals for the succession as Chancellor—and, in his own good time, to step down in Strauss' favor." Watch Germany—and STRAUSS!

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Quake Ravages Turkey

On August 19, a monstrous earthquake smashed eastern Turkey. Nearly

150 villages were demolished in four stricken provinces. Rescue crews were utterly appalled at the mass devastation wrought by the "killer" quake and its after-shocks.

In the May, 1966, issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH*, this column revealed that earthquake disasters are increasing worldwide.

THE TRUTH ABOUT EARTHQUAKES

A full-length article will appear in the October issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH*. It will explain WHY we have earthquakes—and where it is heading.

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Russia's Secret Weapon

U. S. Vice President Hubert Humphrey is privately warning government officials that *Russia is out to corner the world wheat market*.

With reserves falling in the West, it

is revealed, the Soviets are making huge purchases of wheat to create a large grain reserve of their own. This would give them a *powerful lever in dealing with food-short and politically uncommitted nations of the world*.

Russian farmers harvested a good wheat crop this year. Despite this, Soviet officials recently contracted the largest wheat purchase in history from Canada. This will guarantee substantial supplies for the next three years.

Other reports indicate Moscow has been going to Australia, Argentina, France, as well as every other possible source to buy any wheat available.

The Kremlin leaders are well aware of an impending worldwide shortage of wheat. They are out to buy wheat "while the getting's good"—then use it to further their diabolical plans.

The Vice President also warned this spring: "Listen, if the Soviets had the food that we have today [or have had



Ambassador College Photo

Russian ship "Otradnoe" loading Canadian wheat at Vancouver, B.C., pier. Soviets are buying large quantities of wheat all over the world.

until recently] they'd be driving us out of Asia, Africa and even Latin America. I think we have missed the boat in not using our food as a diplomatic weapon."

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The Great Drought— Then Floods

This alarming news comes as carry-over stocks of the world's four leading wheat exporters—the U.S., Canada, Australia and Argentina—are being rapidly drained away.

And now, the grim specter of drought threatens future food supplies.

For years, readers of *The PLAIN TRUTH* have been warned of prophesied DROUGHT and FAMINE to strike especially the English-speaking world—just before the end time of man's rule.

The first phase of this calamity has already begun!

An unparalleled six-year drought in America's Northeast is spreading like a cancerous growth to the vital Midwestern breadbasket. It is striking areas from the Dakotas to Texas, from Colorado to Michigan. Crops are withering. Pastures are deteriorating. Soil moisture is rapidly becoming short or non-existent. Water tables are dropping alarmingly—despite recent flash floods.

The problem was intensified by the recent record-breaking "heat plague" which blanketed half the nation. High government officials now fear that a new drought cycle, reminiscent of the "Thirties" is returning.

A National Sampling

Here are only a few samples of how various sections of the nation have been affected:

The Northeast in general: The drought here is now described as the worst in 160 years. "Trees, crops—everything wants more water," says drought specialist Wayne C. Palmer. "There just isn't enough moisture in the soil."

New York: Much of the state hard hit by drought. New York City is in the grips of "extreme drought." James L. Marcus, Assistant to the Mayor in charge of water said of the city's watershed area: "The ground is like concrete" (see Deut. 28:23—"and the earth that is under thee shall be [as] iron").

Midwest and East Central: The agricultural belt running from New Jersey truck farms to Kansas pasturelands has been dealt a hammer blow by the searing weather. *All of Missouri* and portions of Kansas, Pennsylvania and Tennessee have been declared drought areas.

Illinois: Governor Otto Kerner has requested the federal government to declare 51 drought-stricken counties disaster areas—the entire southern half of the state! Rainfall there is 15 percent of normal. Pastures are depleted. One third of the corn crop is already lost. Said one official: "If the situation continues next year, it could snowball into a great crisis."

Kansas: "Too much cold weather, too late," "too much dry weather, too early," "too little rain, too late." Such is Kansas weather, today! "We've had one blow after another," said a crop reporter.

Oklahoma: Much of the state lies on the brink of disaster. The mayor of one town even proclaimed a day of prayer for rain. Wheat farmers in his area haven't even been able to plow. "You can't even chisel through the ground," he said. Deuteronomy 28:23 again!

Michigan: "It's tinder dry all over up there, and really bad." That's the description of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. The drought condition comes on the heels of a bitter late-spring freeze. Fruit and vegetable crops were wiped out in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin and western Maryland.

Kentucky: Vital subsoil moisture was lost instead of gained during the normal winter "wet" season. A state agricultural expert exclaimed: "unless we get a tremendous amount of rain, we're in pretty poor shape."

West Virginia: Water levels are reaching new lows in the rural areas and the pasturelands are drying up. *The entire state may soon be declared a drought disaster area*, according to State Agriculture Commissioner Gus Douglass.

North Carolina: Virtually all crops are suffering from insufficient moisture. Six counties have applied for disaster relief, with twenty-five others considering the same action.

The West: In a great sweep from the plains east of the Rockies to Southern California, stream runoff is below average. Throughout the area, it is "much below average."

And in Nebraska: Flash floods. On August 13, a multimillion-dollar deluge swamped Central Nebraska. Damage to the area's fertile farmland was termed "very extensive."

Floods like this—and you will see more of them—never relieve drought conditions. Torrential rains never soak into thirsty soil.

Everywhere!

News clippings continually stream into the Ambassador College News Bureau of unprecedented weather upsets everywhere! Many readers of this column have sent in tragic personal accounts.

Around much of the world the picture is the same.

Australia, has been staggering through its worst drought in modern times. In New South Wales alone, 10,000 sheep, 117,000 cattle and 860,000 beef cattle have been lost in the last two years. It will take seven or eight years to build up herds, say government spokesmen. National farm income has plummeted.

Portions of *South Africa* have suffered from such a severe drought that some say it will take 10 years to recover.

And *India*? On July 15, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture showed up in New Delhi with some bad news for the Indian people. The end is in sight, he said, for the massive shipments of American grain. The wheat surplus is nearly gone. And the growing drought makes future deliveries uncertain.

There are government plans to increase wheat production. But *Farm Journal* reports: "The opportunity to increase acreage is not as great as many people think. Most acreage gains will have to come from needed crops such as feed grains and soybeans."

Almighty God prophesied centuries ago that he would break the staff of our bread" (Lev. 26:26). Our once-vast storehouses would come under a curse (Deut. 28:17).

This is happening right now. Prophecy is coming alive in today's world news.

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★ OBITUARY OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

The stupendous significance of official closing of the British Colonial Office goes unrecognized by a stultified Britain. Read the shocking truth of how this will dramatically affect YOUR life. See page 3.

★ BRITAIN—"SICK MAN OF EUROPE"

Why is Britain now being universally dubbed "sick man of Europe"? "An international charity case"? Do you realize God prophesied—millenniums ago—the RISE and FALL of Britain and her commonwealth? Here is an eyewitness account of the actual fulfillment of this astounding prophecy! See page 7.

★ STRAUSS' SECRET VISIT TO RHODESIA

America and Britain are "asleep at the switch"! Momentous events are occurring in Europe almost without notice. Here are the alarming facts about a rising new power on the international scene. See page 17.

★ HUMAN NATURE IS VIOLENT!

MASS MURDERS, RIOTS, ARSON, RAPE, GANG FIGHTS, KIDNAPPINGS, BOMBINGS, LOOTINGS—is there any end to it all? NEVER have you lived in a time of such VIOLENCE! But WHY? What CAUSES it? Police, sociologists, psychiatrists, and the public seek answers. They ask, "What CAUSES race riots? What CAUSED the bloody massacre in Chicago—the unbelievable slaughter on the University of Texas campus?" There IS a basic underlying CAUSE. Read, in this article, WHY such violence today, and WHAT YOU OUGHT TO BE DOING about it! See page 23.

★ Here's How... "THE DESERT SHALL BLOSSOM AS THE ROSE"

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