Wilson and Gandhi at Commonwealth Conference

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What our READERS SAY

"I understand you offer copies of a booklet, Crime Can Be Stopped, for distribution to interested individuals and groups. Following the entry and sacking of my own home early this month, I am prepared to say that all of us need some coaching on what to do until the burglar arrives. Would it be too much to ask for a copy for each of our 150 members of Bakersfield Kiwanis?"

> Bill R., President, Kiwanis Club, Bakersfield, California

• Not too much at all — they're on the way.

New Subscribers

"As a new reader of The PLAIN TRUTH, I am most impressed, not only by the layout and quality, but also in the message which this unique magazine puts over so well. The difficulty nowadays, in my opinion at any rate, is in relating the Bible to modern social and world conditions. Not only relating it, but to draw from it sound workable solutions to the enigma of life. And this is exactly where your magazine succeeds admirably. Altogether then, The PLAIN TRUTH IS a handsome, topquality, well-edited magazine which deserves a great deal more international praise than it is getting at present."

A. R. P., Stockton-on-Tees, Teeside, England

Teen-ager Speaks Out

"What disgusts me about my generation and yours is that there is too much freedom. I see 12- and 13-year-olds dating and doing all the things which were intended for older people to do. What gets me is why their parents permit and sometimes even promote it? My parents don't permit me to date now and I'm glad. I don't want to be stuck with all the problems that come with dating right now, because I'm having a lot of fun and who needs trouble. My parents are going to let me start dating when

I'm 17 years old and that is next spring. Then they are going to permit only limited dating. I truly appreciate this and I'm glad they care. 'Free sex,' as they call it, infuriates me. How can girls lower themselves to that sort of thing? I'm not a snob and neither are my best friends. We believe that sex has its right place, like on the honeymoon and in the bridal suite. Maybe being a virgin is out of style, but if people continue to believe in God and attend church, it will never be a state considered to be wrong."

> Miss Cecelia S., Cut Bank, Mont.

• Thanks much for your comment Cecelia — it's time some right-thinking teen-agers had their voices heard. We are sending you our new book on dating -I'm sure you'll find it of great interest and help.

Correspondence Course

"I have just received a copy of The PLAIN TRUTH and read with interest the article on 'Coming - The Solution to Sky-rocketing Crime.' I was born into a Christian family so naturally I am a Christian by 'birth.' But honestly speaking, I know very little about Christianity and the Holy Bible though I took Scripture when I was in the junior high school years back. I, therefore, would be most grateful if I could be enrolled in the Ambassador College Correspondence Course."

> Michael L., Sarawak, Malaysia

Crime Can Be Stopped!

"I am a member of the Memphis Police Department. I have been with this police department since October 31, 1955. I have worked in the uniform patrol car and for the past two and one-half years I have been working in the homicide bureau. The information contained in your booklet about crime is about the same story all over the

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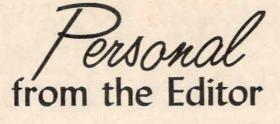
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WHY are people — especially in the United States and Britain — so BLIND? Why so naïve?

WHY are our people unable to recognize the Communist line — the Communist plan and conspiracy — in college and university riots, in propaganda accusing "police brutality," in "black power," "black panther" and other slogans, even in "civil disobedience" and "non-violent" movements of protest which lead to VIOLENCE?

At last a few voices in this wilderness of confusion are speaking out.

A Los Angeles news broadcaster, George Putnam, said to be the highestpaid news reporter on television, has been giving a series of brief and to-thepoint TV editorials, pulling no punches, pinning the responsibility where it belongs.

And recently, Governor Ronald Reagan of California spoke out publicly. He declared student violence is designed "to create launching pads for insurrection against the social order" and to achieve by force what cannot be accomplished at the ballot box.

Governor Reagan said truthfully that leaders of campus revolts are not seeking educational reform. They intend their takeover to extend to the governments of nations — the entire social system. With them it is part of "THE REVOLUTION."

The guiding hand in student revolt is the Communist Party. Many students, their emotions stirred and enraged to violence, do not themselves realize this. Yet, actually, these young leaders of the "NEW LEFT" movement are going *beyond* the Communist Party. Their plan is to stir up college-age students to revolt first, and the teen-age high school adolescents. If they can corrupt and/or win over tomorrow's students they will gain control.

It is reported that several leaders of the Chicago riots (during the Democratic National Convention) were in Budapest soon afterwards, at a meeting making plans to impair the American war effort in Vietnam. Two of the Chicago leaders were on the steps of Sproul Hall on the Berkeley campus of the University of California, only a few days after the Chicago riots. The mayor of Chicago used drastic police action in stopping the Chicago riots in their tracks. For this he was severely condemned. WHY does all the sympathy of our gullible, naïve people seem always to go to the ENEMY of the country - or, in individual crime, to the criminal instead of to the innocent victims?

After many of last summer's campus riots, in many countries in Europe as well as in the United States, I reported in this column a secret meeting held by student agitators at London School of Economics. The press was barred from the meeting. But our PLAIN TRUTH representatives were there. It was a "speak in" on hor to overthrow the government, starting with student revolt and campus violence. British students there were taught to seize on any reason - whether passive or real - and stir up emotional anger against it, whipping resentment into the fervor of violent actions.

But the BIG POINT of the whole situation is this. There happens to be a fertile soil, in which these agitators could plant their seeds of discontent, resentment, anger and hate, or they could not have mounted force into all these riots on hundreds of campuses in more than 20 different countries.

If there were not something WRONG — and criminally wrong — in modern education, these agitators could not succeed. True, they magnify the grievances out of all proportions — they stir anger and violent emotions by exaggerating the grievances. But the evil in modern education provides the

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Henderson — Ambassador College OUR COVER

Twenty-four heads of governments representing one quarter of the world's population met in London during January for the seventeenth Commonwealth Conference. It was the biggest meeting of its kind since the 1947 San Francisco Conference which set up the United Nations.

Our Regional Editor for the United Kingdom was again invited by the Secretary-General to attend a Special Meeting and had the opportunity to speak to and question a number of Prime Ministers. During this occasion this photo of England's Prime Minister Wilson and India's Indira Gandhi was taken.

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soil for the spawning of the destructive weeds.

I am not going to attempt to tell the Presidents and Chancellors of other universities how to put out these fires of rioting on their campuses. But I can tell our readers WHY this sort of thing just does not occur on the three campuses of Ambassador College.

1) We try to keep an alert eye to prevent any real grievance arising or giving cause for any. 2) We have always maintained a close studentfaculty relationship. It is a happy relationship. Discontent simply does not get started.

There is a REASON why such experiences never occur at Ambassador.

There is no fertile soil for the weeds of grievance, resentment, or anger against the institution. Ambassador has a very deep interest in the welfare of its students — and students are well aware of it.

There is, generally, in education today a very vital MISSING DIMENSION. But Ambassador supplies that missing dimension.

Education, generally, is interested only in intellectual standards and in materialistic knowledge. It is not concerned with such things as a moral standard, character building, personality development. The MOST IMPOR-TANT and BASIC knowledge is not taught — the real meaning and the purpose of life — the discernment of the TRUE VALUES, not the false — THE WAY to peace, happiness, abundant well-being in life.

The universities today, in general, teach the professions, sciences and technology, and business techniques. That is, they teach students how to earn a living but not *how to live*.

This vital MISSING DIMENSION is supplied at Ambassador — and, through the Ambassador College Extension Program, it is disseminated *into the homes*, worldwide.

What, after all, is the real crux point of *all* the world's troubles?

The solutions can come only by world government, education, and most important of all, a *change* in human nature. But not a Communist or Sovietstyle world government. Not just *any* world government. And not by decadent education — but a RIGHT and TRUE education which must be based on a right knowledge of the real meaning and PURPOSE of life, the discernment of the TRUE values — and THE WAY to peace and universal well-being.

Look how far afield we are from a peaceful, happy, prosperous, joyful world!

Governor Reagan figured that student violence is designed to achieve by force what cannot be accomplished at the ballot box. He is doubly correct. 1) They are, indeed, attempting to accomplish their end by force. 2) Neither *their* end nor *right* end can be accomplished at the ballot box.

Of all forms of human government in force today, I prefer the Western Democracy form and the ballot box. But the ballot box *is not enough!* It enables a majority or a plurality vote to change from one party, or one candidate to another which the voters *hope* will be better, or more to their liking. But we do not always get better, and never perfection.

And, so far as education goes, the established traditional system of today develops the machine and neglects the man. It has forsaken the true values of life. It is not concerned with moral or spiritual values, or right WAYS to live. The facts about student suicides testify to the disillusionment and state of frustration being experienced by students, staring a hopeless future in the face. The TRUE knowledge, the IM-PORTANT knowledge is simply *missing* from modern education.

Isn't it, after all, a travesty on good sense and understanding that "educated" man today is generally agnostic about the existence of his Maker? That he doesn't know what he, himself, IS? And doesn't know WHY he is - or of any meaning or purpose in his being? And he doesn't know THE WAY to peace, between individuals or between nations? That the supposedly "most successful" have full bank accounts but empty lives? That even the greatest minds do not know what makes the real difference between their highly intelligent minds and the stupid animal brain? Do not know life's real goal or

how to achieve it? Do not really comprehend what human nature is — or wby it is?

Would it be IGNORANT to know and understand these things?

Apparently many of the most highly educated assume it would be.

The world is full of problems, troubles, crying out for answers - for solutions! Ambassador College researchers, scholars and scientists have searched for the answers. They have looked to science, but in vain. Science does not have the answers. Education most positively does not possess or disseminate them. Religion is a blank - it does not have them either. Government has no answers - leaves in its wake a history of war, not peace - taking from the people while posing as public benefactors, promising to GIVE. We have looked to psychologists, sociologists and their ilk. They have no solutions. The business field of commerce and industry are concerned with raking in profits, not solving world problems.

Is humanity left helpless and hopeless, in a bad state of despair with no chance of rescue?

The answer is no. The answers are available. They are not in "religion" they are to be found in the BOOK that religion (the Western world of Christianity) professes as its source but not in the few and scattered portions it customarily quotes. No wonder Bruce Barton actually called it the book nobody knows.

The learned scholars of the world, the scientists, educators, philosophers in general refuse to look there for the answers. And the answers are not to be found anywhere else.

So what? Are we, then, left without hope? No indeed. Our Maker revealed (in His Instruction Book to a mankind which refuses the instruction) that HE, Himself — by a supernatural power and force which the learned of humanity believe to be nonexistent — will VERY SOON, now, intervene directly in human affairs, and solve our problems *for ns*?

Not with human help and co-operation — but *in spite of it!*

The Ever-living Creator — RULER over this endless universe — is soon (Continued on page 47)

HEART TRANSPLANTS and ABORTIONS – What's the Answer?

Heart transplants are forcing doubts about the definition of death. There is growing tendency to make abortions legal. Many are asking if medical science is going too far.

A PATHENT'S HEART stops beating. He stops breathing. The surgeons quickly spark the heart back to beating like once-dead batteries. The heart is kept beating by a mechanical device called a respirator. The patient does not regain consciousness. His brain is regarded as scientifically dead. But is the patient dead, while his heart is kept artificially beating by a machine?

The time-honored definition of death is this: "When the heart and circulation no longer function" death has occurred.

WHEN Did the Heart Donor Die?

The patient is a heart donor. He has legally donated his heart, upon death, for a heart transplant operation on another patient.

In September, 1968, a dying boy from New Brunswick was being flown to Montreal. He had offered his heart for transplant. His heart was being kept artificially beating by a respirator. The question is, *when* did the boy die *before* it was sparked back and kept functioning by the respirator, or when the surgeons removed it from his body during the transplant operation?

The question that is causing so much uneasiness, of course, is that if death occurred when the surgeons operated and cut his heart from his body, were the surgeons committing murder? Obviously if the patient was dead prior to the mechanical heartbeats, the surgeons are cleared of all blame.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

Further, in this moral question of right or wrong, there arises the question of how long the doctors are morally obligated to maintain the mechanically induced heartbeats? How long are they morally obligated to maintain a purely mechanical functioning of a person who is no better than a human vegetable without consciousness or normal activity of LIFE?

A "Human Vegetable"?

There are cases where a patient has been rendered permanently unconscious by brain damage caused by an automobile accident, yet doctors have kept the patient alive for years either with or without artificial mechanical means.

Such a patient is virtually a human vegetable. There is no consciousness, no normal human activity, no knowing, no personality. Yet all physical bodily functions are kept active.

Probably no one would contend that such a person is dead. Yet there is the legitimate question: are the doctors morally obligated to maintain the physical functioning in such a case by artificial and purely mechanical means? Regardless of the moral answer, most if not all medical men would do all possible to keep such a body alive as long as possible.

The Kennedys

There is possibility that by such artificial means the hearts of both President John F. Kennedy and Senator Robert F. Kennedy might have been sparked back to beating, provided the doctors had the opportunity to do so immediately (which probably they didn't). But in neither case could they have been kept physically functioning for more than a very short interval.

There is this difference between the Kennedy assassinations and the motor car accident victims who have been kept alive, though unconscious: both Kennedys were wounded at that point near the base of the brain which severed the brain from any control of bodily functions.

Accident victims who have been kept unconsciously alive for long periods of time had received damage which prevented conscious mind-functioning, but did not prevent those bodily functions which are connected with the brain.

What about Abortion?

Right now pressures are being more and more exerted in the Western world to make abortions legal. Under certain conditions, of course. Such as requiring the assent of two or three doctors.

The pressures are primarily one-sided. I haven't heard many indignant, emoionally aroused well-organized protests to prevent it.

This is in line with the tobogganslide in morals. Fornication and adultery are fast gaining public acceptance. For several years outright profanity has been accepted on the stage. And now the question of whether legal abortion



amounts to legal permission to commit murder does not seem to raise many eyebrows, let alone ignite flames of spontaneous protest.

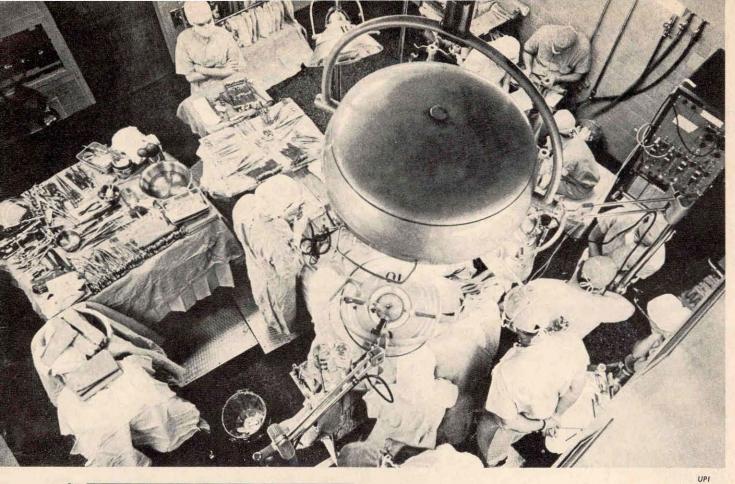
These current trends accompany the alarming increase in crime, in broken homes and divorce, in student revolt and campus violence, in racial strife erupting into riots, arson and murder.

These are the questions. These are the conditions. These are the trends.

But WHAT ARE THE ANSWERS?

We often say newspapers, newscasts, other magazines report the news, pose the questions, picture the conditions. The PLAIN TRUTH gives the answers, reveals the solutions.

We have said, too, that when we look to science and technology for the solutions, we find most of these problems are outside their field. We look to modern higher education, but they, too, seem not concerned with moral spiritual questions. Their emphasis is on the intellect, on the physical sciences and technologies, and the professions. We



HEART SURGERY AND TRANSPLANTS — Medical team, above, performs open heart operation at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Operation requires aid of heart lung machine.

Drs. Hallman and Cooley are shown, opposite page, during heart surgery in Houston, Texas. Rejection of transplanted hearts remains the greatest roadblock confronting heart surgeons. Medical research is being spurred on because of "the awful urgency of controlling rejection."

Artificial heart, left, is made of plastic. It acts as a bypass for the left ventrical of the heart. The heart is powered by an external compress.

look to governments, but they are not custodians of morals. We look to religion, but religion has given us no solution, except a watered-down teaching that is absorbing the world's modernity and adding its assent to increasing public acceptance of the IMmoral so-called New Morality.

Where, then, for solutions?

Wide World

WHO can give positive answers solutions that solve problems, end troubles, bring happy and abundant wellbeing.

WHERE can we go to know what is right, and what is wrong — and to know *why* the wrong *is* wrong?

One man thinks it is wrong even to smoke cigarettes, another thinks it is right and smokes his three packs a day. Do humans, after all, automatically know right from wrong?

Where, for an Authority on Morals?

Until World War I much of the Western world more or less accepted the Roman Catholic Church as the Authority on morals. Protestants generally accepted the Catholic definitions of morality, althouth not necessarily following them in practice. The protestant Sunday school in which I was brought up pronounced Sunday theatergoing a sin — if not theatergoing at any time. So we boys in our early teens sneaked out, without our parents' knowledge, to the Sunday afternoon matinee — following Sunday school attendance Sunday mornings. Other Protestant denominations may not have frowned so emphatically on theatergoing.

So today many university students are being told there are no absolutes. No one can know for sure. We must adjust to living in a world beset with increasing problems and troubles, with no solutions in sight.

So we have the spectacle of discouraged, frustrated young people, seeing no hope for a future, dropping out of society, rejecting "The Establishment," escaping to a Hippie colony, trying to drown out of their consciousness the spectre of a dead-end future in marijuana, drugs, and promiscuous sex. College campus suicides are on a rapid increase.

Our Philip Wylies and John O'Haras paint masterful word-pictures of this troubled society. But, like the newspapers, newscasts, and other magazines, their brilliant rhetoric stops short of workable solutions.

Must a frustrated world throw up its hands in despair? Is there no Authority? Is there no way that is *out* of our troubles?

I am always saying that all things operate on the law of CAUSE and EFFECT. For every evil result there had to be a wrong CAUSE.

But in this world today it seems all society ignores the cause and tries only to deal with the effect. One example of this is modern medicine. There was once a rumor that in China the doctors operated on a different format — that they charged patients only for keeping them well, and received no fees for treating the sick.

But medicine in the Western world pays little attention to the CAUSE of sickness and disease, and treats pri-

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marily the EFFECT. Actually, the sickness or disease is merely the PENALTY nature is exacting because its physical LAWS which regulate the physical body and mind have been broken. People seldom call in the physician until they are ill. Then medical science attempts to demonstrate that nature is unable to enforce its own laws by nullifying or removing the penalty.

A science which pays little attention to causes and treats only the effects cannot give us the answers to such moral problems as whether it is WRONG to commit an abortion, or whether it is RIGHT to take a human heart that is still beating and transplant it into another human.

Surgeons have demonstrated that they can accomplish the transplant. They *can* do the job. They have not as yet demonstrated how long such a transplanted heart will function satisfactorily in its recipient. That will require a little more time.

So again we ask, WHERE can we go for the answers?

Certainly not to any source that has won mere acceptance by society as an infallible Authority.

But has society, then, overlooked or neglected a true Source?

What Society Has Overlooked

We have found such a Source that comes up with the answers that *make sense*! A neglected, rejected, misrepresented, maligned, little-understood Source that reveals solutions that *will work* — that will end the troubles!

THERE IS NO OTHER! Those who refuse to even consider this Authority have to say in hopelessness, "We DON'T KNOW! We are IGNORANT. In our vanity of intellect, we profess that we are wise and knowledgeable, while we reject knowledge, refusing and rejecting the only solutions."

The PLAIN TRUTH about these questions is neither superstition nor ignorance. But today the tragedy of civilization is that superstition, baseless hypotheses, fables, and ignorance are being palmed off on a deceived world in the guise of higher education, knowledge, science, and fact. And the world suffers on! Its evils and wretchedness accelerate! WHERE do we find the sane and true answers?

We do find them— in the very Book most religious denominations claim as the source of their beliefs and teachings — yet voluminous portions of that Book they seem utterly to ignore. That is why religion as organized in the Western world has never given the world the solutions!

In plain language, then, about 90% or more of the Bible is seldom used, mostly ignored, certainly not understood. Yet here is basic knowledge. Here is truth. Here is rational explanation. Here is revelation of the CAUSES — the reasons for evil results. Here is THE WAY this world will be changed — its problems solved — its potentially peaceful, happy, and vigorously joyful state finally realized — AND SO SOON HUMANITY WILL BEHOLD IT IN WONDER!

Needed - The Answers

This Book — this living Authority this Instruction Book sent along by our Maker — is the absolute Authority on morals — on what is right or wrong and wHY! It shows wHY wrong causes bring unhappy results.

It shows that the Creator has set in dynamic motion certain LAWS. Science knows something of the laws of physics and chemistry — but gives little or no heed to the Maker and Sustainer of these laws.

But also the Creator set in living motion inexorable spiritual laws. These regulate man's relationships with fellowman and with his living Maker. These laws produce definite results.

What, then, do we find revealed about life and death? What about the definition of death? Can we know from *this* tragically neglected source, whether the donors whose hearts are kept beating by respirators are already dead before the surgeons remove their hearts for transplanting?

And WHAT about abortions? Is it murder to remove an embryo or a fetus? Is the unborn child a human being? Or do we become living humans only upon birth?

Here are the questions that plague doctors, lawyers, even theologians.

Next month will appear a sequel giving the answers.

WHO KILLED JESUS?

Here is the age-old question. Whose was the responsibility the Jews, or the Romans? This carefully documented article reveals the official position of Judaism, of higher scholarship, and of organized Christianity.

by Herman L. Hoeh

MO TRIAL in history has raised more controversy than the trial of Jesus.

Was the trial of Jesus illegal? Was Jesus fraudulently convicted by the courts of his day? Who really had jurisdiction in Jesus' case — the Jews, or the Romans?

Why was Jesus ordered executed by the Roman judge who had found him innocent?

If Jesus were here today, would He be treated any differently?

It is time we understood what was behind the crucifixion of Jesus and learn the truth about the arrest, trial and conviction of Jesus.

A Lawyer Looks at Jesus' Trial

How would Jesus fare in today's courts? Look at the answer found in a book written by a modern author who has spent his life in the legal and academic professions. This book, entitled *The Prosecution of Jesus*, is by Richard Wellington Husband. Concerning the trial of Jesus he writes: "The arrest was legal... The hearing by the Sanhedrin was legal... The course of trial in the Roman court was legal... The conviction was legal, and was justified" (p. 281).

This man, a lawyer, is undoubtedly sincere in his convictions.

Husband is not the only man to share these convictions. But his views are better written than most.

Here is how Husband justifies his assumptions: "The arrest" of Jesus, he writes, "was legal, for it was conducted by the proper officers, acting under instructions from the Sanhedrin. There was no illegality in the circumstances under which the arrest was affected. *The bearing* by the Sanhedrin *was legal*, for it was merely a preliminary hearing, and was not a formal trial. The course of trial in the Roman court was legal, for it harmonized with the procedure shown in the sources to be pursued by governors of provinces in hearing criminal cases."

Pilate conducted himself according to Roman legal precedents, contends Husband. That, we are told, made it legal.

Now here is his final conclusion. "The conviction was legal, and was justified provided the evidence was sufficient to substantiate the charges, and the records," he concludes, "do not prove the contrary"!

Here is a man, who, if he had sat on the Sanhedrin, or with Pilate, might have sincerely said of Jesus, "He is guilty." Why?

A Jewish Point of View

I have another book before me. It contains a common Jewish point of view. The book is entitled *The Trial* of Jesus of Nazareth, by Max Radin, a professor of law. It was published by the University of Chicago Press.

Opening the book to page 229, I discover the following:

"If he [Jesus] had said only a tithe [tenth] of the things credited to him it was enough to make an indictment."

In this same book on page 109, Mr. Radin, who has been taught from childhood to believe what he does, says there is "no clear statement of how the knowledge of the trial came to those who reported it."

Radin, of course, has been taught to believe that neither Matthew, Mark, Luke nor John had any personal evidence because the trial was private, a secret affair.

What he failed to examine is the question of whether the Jesus Christ

who was condemned and executed rose from the dead and is alive today. Of whether the One who heard everything, who was there on trial, rose from the dead and revealed to the disciples what occurred so that they could report it to us that we might know today!

Lawyers, of course, have never disproved this possibility!

But let us continue with Radin's point of view. On page 231 you will discover the following statement as to what a Jewish trial was like in Jesus' day:

"We are, most of us, familiar with the procedure of criminal investigations. The accused person is arrested, arraigned before a committing magistrate, specifically accused, and formally tried. He may, and he generally does, appeal to a higher court, if he is convicted. All these things take time, and there is almost necessarily an interval of weeks and months between the later stages of the procedure. But above all the procedure is strictly regulated by law, and any serious deviation is not merely an irregularity but will probably prevent punishment from being inflicted."

Observe, says Radin, that most trials involving criminal procedure take time — weeks if not months. But Jesus' trial was completed in less than nine hours after His arrest! And it was held in private, secretly, so that there would not be any witnesses who could testify on his behalf!

How does Radin reconcile these facts?

On page 241, he states: "Mark's version, even by his own testimony, cannot be more than a guess. Instead of a hurried night meeting, a harsh and brief interrogatory, a disregard of established rules of evidence and procedure, the trial may have been formally correct, and the judgment, even from the point of view of an upright judge, just, though severe."

The author, I want you to notice, assumes that the trial "may have been" conducted in a correct manner. He has no proof — no evidence that it was. He only assumes it.

Now consider another important legal problem.

Could Jews Have Executed Jesus?

Did the Jews have the authority to convict and to execute Jesus?

Scholars — Jewish and Christian have debated this question over the centuries. The answer is plain.

"According to the common view," reports Husband in his book, page 210, "the right to try capital cases," that is, cases involving death penalties, "and even the right to pronounce sentences, still rested with the Sanhedrin, but the actual penalty could not be inflicted until the governor" that is, the Roman governor — in this case Pilate, "had given his sanction."

But this view is unjustified. The Jews not only had the power to try certain crimes, but they had the power to convict and the power to execute in all but cases of treason or sedition.

The assumption that the Jews had no power to execute is an incorrect understanding of John 18:31-32. Here the Jews had said that, "It is not lawful for us to put any man to death." Lifting it out of its context, critics have assumed that the Jews had no lawful right whatsoever to put anyone to death. But this does not happen to be the case.

Have we forgotten the death of Stephen? The Jews said, "He blasphemes," and in their zeal they stoned him. The Romans did not intervene or disapprove.

When Jesus in A.D. 28 first preached a sermon the day of Pentecost in Nazareth in Galilee, his audience, upset by what they had just heard, would have stoned him to death had he not disappeared through the crowd. If it were illegal, they wouldn't have dared try it. The Romans would have pounced on them with military force. The Jews brought to Jesus a woman who was committing adultery. They said, "Moses wrote in the law she ought to be stoned to death. What do you say?"

If the Jewish community had no right under Rome to stone any to death, they would not have dared bring up this trick question. Jesus accepted the fact that they had the right to execute adulteresses and other criminals. He told the guiltless to cast the first stone!

Paul was stoned in Asia. Not only in Judea, but in other areas of the Roman world, wherever the Jews were settled it is plain the Jews had the legal right to execute the penalty of their law.

Here is what Husband himself admits in his book, page 19: The Romans agreed that "the high priests should enjoy the same privileges which they had possessed before the coming of the Romans." And on page 29, he admits almost the same thing: "We learn that the Romans allowed to the subject nations all the rights that were consistent with an adequate administration, and did not conflict unduly with Roman interests." And page 33: "The ecclesiastical law of the Jews was allowed to stand unchanged."

Josephus, the Jewish historian, even bears testimony to the fact that the Jews could execute criminals and enforce punishment for any violation of the Mosaic law.

But why did the Jews make the statement before Roman governor Pilate that we find recorded in John 18:31 and 32?

Here is the answer: "From the earliest period the Roman governor took cognizance of all matters that had any relation to the public security or the majesty of the Empire. Consequently there was no time at which the Roman magistrate would not step in when a *charge of treason* was made, *or a seditious movement begun*. The case against Jesus is one especially in point, for the charge against him [treason] could under no circumstances be tried by any tribunal except that of the governor."

Only when it came to treason, civil disobedience, incitement to revolution, attacks against the majesty, that is, Caesar, did the Roman government decide that it was proper that its governors or representatives should intervene Otherwise, all local administration was carried on by the people and the regular constituted courts of the conquered nations, of the provinces, or the allies of Rome.

Those who were jealous of Jesus, according to the Biblical record, accused him of blasphemy. But out of fear of many of the people, they decided not to execute Jesus themselves. So they charged Jesus with treason before the Romans.

What had to be done was bring the charge of treason against Jesus in order to transfer the case to Pilate. In that way, Jesus' enemies would appear not to be responsible for his death.

An Israeli Justice Speaks

Most Israeli young people have recently become familiar with yet another view of the death of Jesus. This view differs radically from that with which most Jews have been familiar. It is presented in a booklet entitled *Reflections on the Trial and Death of Jesus.* The author is Haim H. Cohn, Justice of the Supreme Court of Israel.

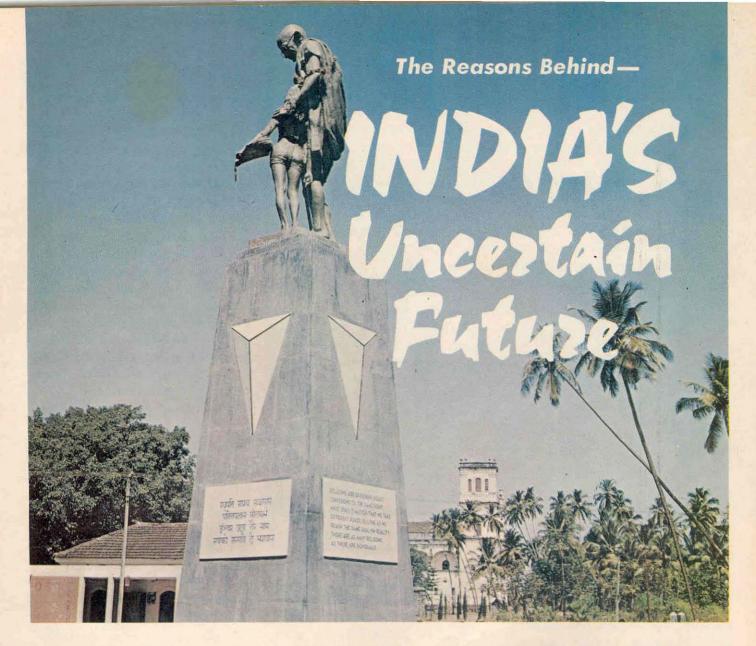
Justice Cohn states his case as follows:

"It must be remembered that this was the night preceding the feast of Passover... That the Sanhedrin should have been called that particular night to a meeting in the High Priest's residence requires very convincing explanation to be credible. There must have been on the agenda a matter of the utmost urgency...."

"There is, *in my view*, no escape from the conclusion that the High Priest... knew that Jesus was due to be tried before Pilate at an early hour the very next morning.... There can, I submit, have been only one thing in which the Jewish leadership of the day can have been and was really and vitally interested: to prevent the execution by the Romans of a Jew (and a Pharisee) who happened to enjoy the affection and love of the people."

Justice Cohn continues: "The only way in which the Sanhedrin could still prevent the execution of Jesus was to

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"IT IS BY MY REVERSES THAT I CAN RUN" — These

and other words by Mahatma GANDHI are found on statue of him, unveiled in September, 1967, by Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in Panjim, Goa. Mahatma GANDHI was the apostle of "passive resistance" that helped force British to grant India independence in 1947. Today, India's future is more uncertain than in 1947, due to mounting problems. *R. McNair* — Ambassador College Many thinking Indians fear the future. They see India's age-old problems of illiteracy, poverty, overpopulation, food shortage worsening, not getting better! Their experiment in democracy hasn't been a big success. Some are beginning to ask, "Can communism solve our problems better than democracy?" This in-depth report tells where and how India will go from here!

by C. Wayne Cole and Raymond F. McNair

Calcutta, India

PARLIAMENTARY democracy in India has been jarred by a sudden shock! The Communist Party is now in control of *two* of India's 17 state governments.

The Marxist-led United Front Party made a sweeping election victory in the state of West Bengal in February. This communist victory dealt a devastating setback to Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's Congress Party. The United Front coalition, led by a resurgent pro-Peking party, won 214 of the 280 seats in the West Bengal legislature — over 40 more than it needs to run the state. The Congress Party dropped from the 127 seats it won in 1967 to a low of 55.

The Times of India called the communist sweep in West Bengal a "debacle." West Bengal, which has India's chief commercial port, Calcutta, now joins the southern state of Kerala, for many years communist dominated,

Congress Party Hurt Elsewhere

In other results in India's midterm elections, the Congress Party hopes of regaining power were dashed in Bihar State, where it appeared that no party would win a majority. And the same happened in Punjab State, where the Congress Party lost 10 seats and fell before a rightist coalition.

In only one state, Uttar Pradesh, did the Congress Party even come close to the majority which would enable it to form a state govenment. Congress candidates won 208 of the 425 seats in Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state.

There are now many fears that fractionalism in India's loose federation of states will destroy India's long fight to become a unified, self-supporting industrial nation capable of feeding, housing and clothing its own people.

"All the glib talk of unity in diversity now has a sickeningly hollow ring," said *Indian Express* writer Nandan Kagal. "National unity is being torn to shreds in several parts of the country."

Adrift Since Independence

Ever since India gained her independence in 1947, she has been *drifting*. No government has yet really been able to get its hand firmly on the helm of India's national destiny.

India's Prime Ministers (Nehru, Shastri and Mrs. Indira Gandhi) have, in vain, grappled with India's many problems.

Some Indians have already lost patience, and others are fast becoming disenchanted with India's experiment in parliamentary *democracy*.

Westerners often fail to realize that Asiatics do not readily accept democracy as we do. To them, democracy is, at best, an unproved theory. After all, what has democracy accomplished in India?

Many have already turned to communism, and many others are leaning in that direction. They keep asking: "Can communism do for India what democracy has failed to do?" "Can communism enable India to provide a higher living standard for her millions of ill-clad, ill-fed, illiterate masses?"

Will the communists eventually gain control of India?

Can any government on earth lift India's hundreds of millions of poor out of their problems?

Before we answer these questions, we should take a brief *bistorical* look at India. Only then will we be able to understand India's destiny.

Britain and India

What caused Britain to become so deeply involved in the affairs of the people of India? When and how did British involvement in the affairs of India commence?

It can truthfully be said that India has one of the oldest histories of any nation on earth — with clear historical references going back at least three or four thousand years.

Vasco da Gama, a *Portuguese* explorer and trader, first established trading posts in India in 1498-99 and 1502-03.

Then the *Dutch* established trading posts in India in order to get a toehold in the lucrative spice trade of the East. They finally superseded the Portuguese. But the Dutch made the fatal mistake of asking the British exorbitant prices for the spices they got from India.

It was then that a small group of *British* traders formed themselves into the *East India Company*, charter dated 31 December, 1600. They thereby secured from Queen Elizabeth I a 15-year spice monopoly.

It should be understood that, at this point in history, this was a purely *commercial* venture. The British had no designs to get *political* control of India.

Once the English East India Company began its operations, however, it felt a need to raise an armed force to protect Company warehouses from the anarchy that prevailed in much of India at the time.

Until this time, it must be remembered, India was not a united nation, but a great number of warring large and small states, each with its own language, customs and religion, and each ruled by its own rajah.

Soon, this new British force was drawn into taking sides in local Indian feuds. The British found themselves extending their influence over more and more territory as they assumed greater responsibility for law and order.

The English founded Madras and Calcutta and acquired the city of *Bombay* from Portugal. It was through Britain's operating the East India Company that she eventually gained control over all of India. When the French nation, under Napoleon Bonaparte, was defeated at the beginning of the nineteenth century, this gave the English a free hand in India. Before this time, British and French traders and armed forces struggled for control of India.

Warren Hastings, the first Governor-General of India (1774-1785), set up *civil* government and later established the Indian Civil Service.

The British parliament finally assumed political direction. Under Lord Bentinck (1828-35) the British began to extend their rule of law and order over all India. Under the British the corrupt *misrule* by the rajahs was abolished, *infanticide* was stopped, *suttee* (suicide of a widow on her husband's funeral pyre) was made illegal.

Britain began to spread the English language, culture and education among the Indians. Under British rule 25,000 miles of *railways* were laid by 1900, and 14 million acres of land had been brought under *irrigation*! This was the biggest irrigation development in the entire world.

Under the British, famines were practically stopped. Education began to thrive, an efficient Indian Civil Service was set up, a strong army was raised, factories were built, trade and commerce began to thrive, and in general India began to be lifted out of her millennium-old squalor, misery and human suffering.

During World War I, India provided 800,000 troops for the Allies. Of these, 24,000 were killed and 70,000 were wounded.

But the National Congress of India

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refused to join the Allies in World War II.

India Agitates for Self-Rule

Both before and after World War II, a number of Indians had begun to agitate for Indian self-rule. Foremost among the leaders of those who advocated this Indian self-rule was an ascetic named Mahatma Gandhi.

He had been schooled in law at Harrow and at Trinity College, Cambridge.

In 1915, Gandhi was a very loyal subject of the British Empire — firmly believed that British rule was "an act of Providence." Not long afterward, however, he changed his mind and declared that he couldn't "co-operate with evil" and therefore decided to fight the "Satanic Government."

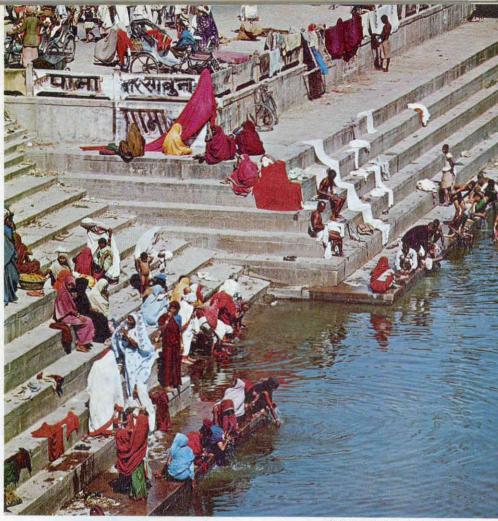
Much of Gandhi's life was devoted to the abolition of "untouchability" in India. In his childhood, his own devout, kindhearted mother had forbidden him to play with Uka, his "untouchable" friend. He also strove to give the women of India equality with men.

Mahatma Gandhi was a very devout Hindu, and was very broad-minded in many ways. His prayer meetings were always begun with Hindu, Muslim and *Christian* hymns. And he used to have "a picture of Christ" hanging in his room.

Many in India looked upon Gandhi as a great saint — a holy man. Many others looked upon him as an ascetic and a crank. He could be extremely stubborn. He preached sexual abstinence — even among married couples.

Gandhi was known worldwide for his long fasts — which were a sort of political blackmail against British rule. He made endless speeches and wrote articles in the cause of Indian self-rule. He and many others agitated and refused to co-operate with the British — and finally wore the British down.

The British announced they would leave India on the 15th August, 1947. British rule had admittedly bequeathed many good things to the nation of India, including a measure of unity, the rule of *law and order*, the abolition of *suttee* and *infanticide*. The British also passed



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NO PLACE TO GO — Indians dry clothes on the steps of pool — Benares, India. Others bathe themselves here. India's greatest asset — people ironically has become her number one problem.

laws outlawing shameful public eliminations.

But India's woes still continued during the period of British rule. Since India experienced poverty, illiteracy, hunger and wretchedness under British rule, many Indians concluded they could rule India better than the British could. They had forgotten what it had been like before the British came.

Thus, under pressure, British rule of the second-most-populous nation on earth *ended in 1947*. This rule of India by the British had not been consciously sought, but by a fluke of history, it would seem to many, they stumbled into an Empire — including rulership over India's hundreds of millions.

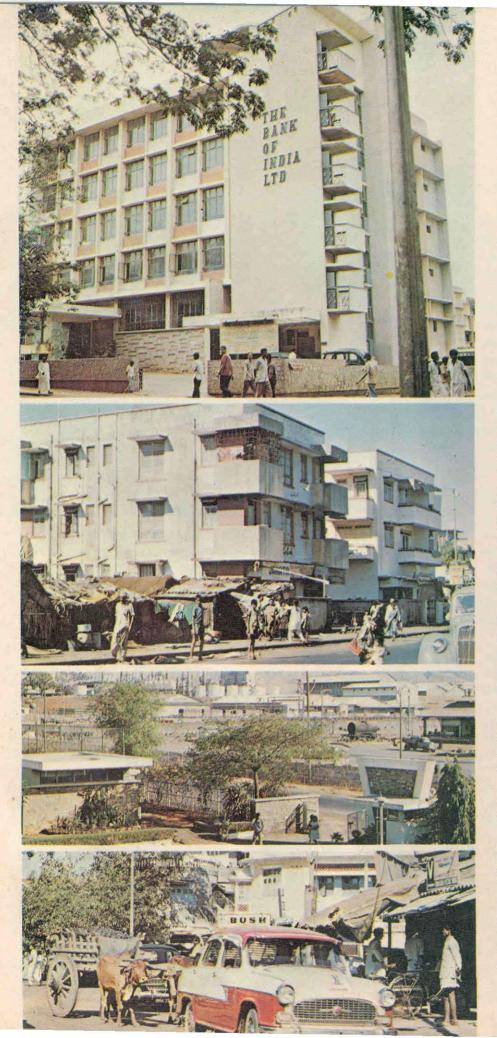
Speaking of Britain winning the rule of India from the French, Portuguese, Dutch and the Sultans, the famous historian, Seely, said that "the British won [India] in a fit of absence of mind." Truly, they hadn't planned it that way; but there is a Creator-Ruler God in heaven who rules over the nations of this earth (Dan. 4:25, 34 & 35). He builds up nations and empires with many or few. It took only 5,000 Britons to rule India.

If you want to know the real truth as to *why* it was the British who won control over India and established the world's largest, most benign empire (ruling over one quarter of the earth), then be sure and write for our free book entitled *The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy.*

But as of now, over two decades since India gained self-rule, many thinking Indians are beginning to realize their troubles were *not caused* by the British. They can see that twenty-two years of self-rule hasn't changed the overall picture of poverty, illiteracy and human wretchedness which has existed in India for thousands of years.

Is Democracy to Blame?

Many in India are beginning to question or even blame the parliamen-



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tary democratic system for all of India's troubles. They are seriously thinking that some other system of government might improve their lot. Many are considering a type of state socialism very similar to the state-owned and state-run system of Russian communism.

Even though Nehru (India's first Prime Minister) had been trained at Harrow and Cambridge, he was never fully persuaded that the British system of parliamentary democracy was best for India.

"Indeed, the younger Nehru became more and more attracted by communism; after a four-day visit to Soviet Russia in 1927 he wrote: 'Whatever its faults, *communism* is not hypocritical and not imperialistic' " (*India*, Taya Zinkin).

Nehru spent his last years trying to lift India out of the "cow-dung age" and into the atomic age. But he, like the British before him, soon learned that it isn't an easy task to change the religious, social and political ideas and customs of four or five hundred million Indians. The road to true, lasting progress in India will be a long, uphill climb all the way!

Nehru found that many domestic and foreign problems seemed almost to defy solution.

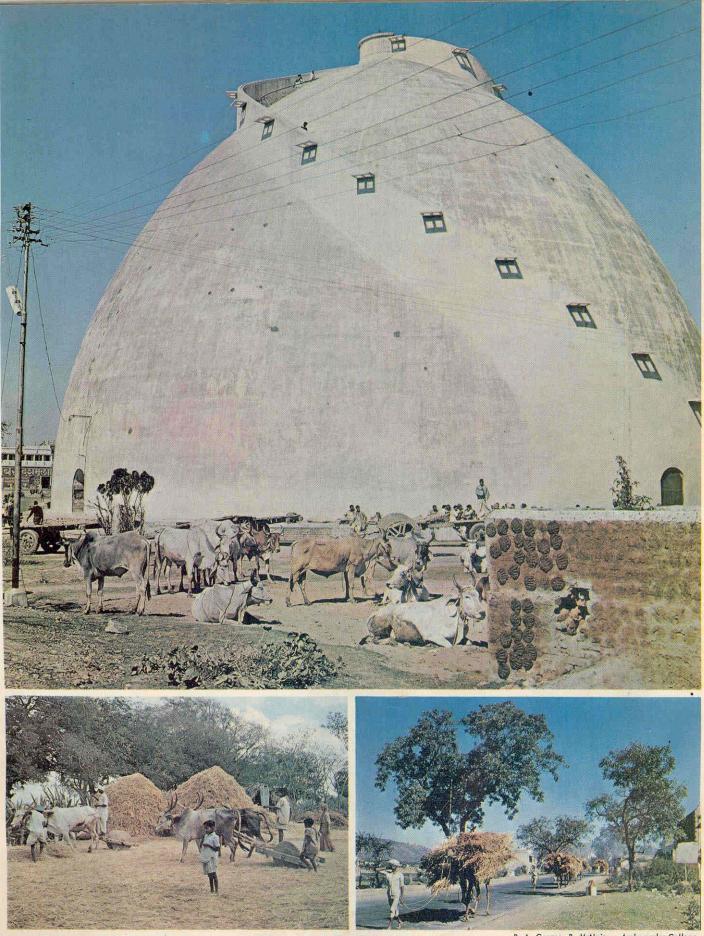
Prominent Indian governing officials have said the caste system has done more to shackle the peoples of India than anything else! They are frustrated by their powerlessness to find the solution to this problem.

Some Indians feel that Nehru's most serious mistake in conducting India's foreign policy was his obsession with *Pakistan* — and his complete overlooking of China as India's foe. During the 1950's the slogan *Hindi Chini*, *Bhai*, *Bhai* "Chinese and Indians are brothers" was familiar in India.

When communist China overran Tibet, Nehru supported Peking on the ground that Tibet was, after all, only a province of China.

But he got his eyes opened when the Chinese began to encroach upon India's Ladakh territory, and began to lay claims on the Northwest Frontier Agency.

Today, India is quite friendly with (Continued on page 39)



PANORAMA OF MODERN-DAY INDIA — Left, top to bottom, modern Bank of India in Bangalore; shacks and "new" apartment houses in Bombay; Union Carbide plant outside Bombay, India; auto and bullock cart, modern and ancient

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modes of transportation. Top right, traditional granary at Patna with cow dung cakes being dried on wall (in right foreground for fuel. Bottom left, ancient method of treading out grain. Bottom right, hauling straw at Jaipur, India.



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- WIBC Indianapolis 1070 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.
- KLÍK Jefferson City, Mo. 950 kc., 1 p.m. daily.
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- p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- KFH-Wichita, Kans.-1330 kc., 100.3 FM, 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KBEA Mission, Kans. 1480 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KGGF Coffeyville, Kans. 690 kc., 6 p.m. daily
- KUPK Garden City, Kans. 1050 kc., 97.3 FM, 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:15 p.m. Sun.
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- WEBC Duluth, Minn. 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WIBA Madison, Wis. 1310 kc., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 6:05 p.m. Sat., Sun.
- WYLO Milwaukee, Wis 540 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
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- KEES Gladewater, Tex. 1430 kc., 12 noon daily.
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- KTBC Austin 590 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
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- kc., 1 p.m. daily. KXLR Little Rock 1150 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
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- KWAM Memphis 990 kc., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- WMQM Memphis 1480 kc., 12:30
- p.m. Mon.-Sat., 1 p.m. Sun. WHBQ — Memphis — 560 kc., 9 a.m.
- Sun. WFWL - Camden, Tenn. - 1220 kc., 2 p.m. Sun.
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- noon daily. WBRC - Birmingham - 960 kc., 106.9
- FM, 7:30 p.m. daily. WYDE - Birmingham - 850 kc.,
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- Tucson 1290 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun. KTUC — Tucson — 1400 kc., 8 p.m.
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- kc., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 10:30 p.m. Sat.

- CKLB Oshawa, Ont. 1350 kc., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 p.m. Sun. CKFH — Toronto, Ont. — 1430 kc., 6
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- CKPC Brantford, Ont. 1380 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
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- CHYR Leamington, Ont. 5:30 a.m. daily at 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily at 710 kc.
- CFCH North Bay, Ont. 600 kc., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sun.
- CKSO-Sudbury, Ont.-790 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 5:30 p.m. Sun.
- CKGB Timmins, Ont. 680 kc., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sun. CJKL — Kirkland Lake, Ont. — 560 kc.,
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- kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
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- p.m. daily.
- CFQC Saskatoon, Sask. 600 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- CINB-North Battleford, Sask. - 1050 kc., 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. daily.
- CKBI Prince Albert, Sask. 900 kc., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 8 p.m. Sat., 2 p.m. Sun.
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- CHED Edmonton, Alta. 630 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- CFCW Camrose, Alta. 790 kc., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 2:30 p.m. Sun.
- CJDV Drumheller, Alta. 910 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
- CHEC Lethbridge, Alta. 1090 kc., AM, 100.9 FM, 9 p.m. daily.
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- RADIO ESPAÑA Madrid 917 kc., 10:30 p.m. Wed. RADIO PANADES Barcelona —
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- RADIO GUAM KUAM 610 kc., 6 p.m. Sun.
 - Okinawa

RADIO OKINAWA - KSBK - 880 kc., 12:06 p.m. Sun.

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 - ZBM 1 Hamilton, Bermuda 1235 kc., 8 p.m. Sun.
 - ZBM 2 Hamilton, Bermuda 1340 kc., 2:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
 - ZFB 1 RADIO BERMUDA 960 kc., 1:30 p.m. daily
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In French-

VICE - Georgetown - 560 kc., 1:30

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MYSTERY BLOB threatens to engulf evolution!

How do you eat with no mouth? How can you crawl with no legs? How to digest food with no stomach? To respond to touch with no sensory organs? And how reproduce, without reproductive organs? Believe it or not, all this, and much more, is accomplished by the "simple" amoeba. "Simple"? Well, it seems to fit the evolutionary scheme of things to call it so. But here are the facts!

PRACTICALLY everyone believes evolutionists MUST have "something going for them." Millions of churchgoers, religionists, peoples of all faiths must daily experience vague anxieties and wonder when confronted with the usual run-of-the-mill claims of scientists' experiments with "creating" life in a lab; or discoveries in the Olduvai Gorge in Africa which seem to substantiate the claim man came from lower animals.

Most simply shrug it off.

They know, vaguely, there must be some sort of CONFLICT somewhere. But looking into it would seem ponderous, and they wouldn't know where to begin.

Evolution — Its Tentacles Are Everywhere!

Many are the hundreds of thousands of housewives, junior executives, shopowners, taxi drivers, laborers, carpenters, electricians, truck drivers, salesmen, designers, engineers, and other laymen who, more or less spasmodically, attend some sort of religious assembly. At least, once or twice a year.

And those same thousands read the newspapers, watch the movies on television, and see published pronouncements of science on evolution, almost daily. Evolution is part and parcel of their daily lives. It was infused into the education they received. It colors the entire philosophical concept of all important matters in our society. Race,

by Garner Ted Armstrong

crime, sex; none of the issues are solved by claiming *absolute* mores and laws, but are viewed in the pragmatic sense with *man*, the "animal," as a "transitory" creature adjusting to everchanging social conditions.

Evolutionary thought is all around you.

Most of you, regardless as to previous education, could probably remember about as many evolutionary catchphrases as you could quote scriptures.

You could remember, "simple to complex," "primates," and words like "gradual change" and "adaptation" and "survival of the fittest."

Other Darwinian proverbs may pop into your recollections from time to time.

And *many* people, even with high school education now two decades in the past, can still remember that magical word "amoeba." They may even remember having watched the little bloblike speck of life shimmering in magnified reality through the lens of the high school science lab microscope.

And with the teacher right there and the charts on the wall, the illustrations on the board, the affirmations in the textbook — it all seemed quite logical that the "single-celled" little "animal" may, indeed, be the surviving remnants of a long-ago ancestor of yours.

But what you *didn't* hear is just how terrifyingly COMPLEX these little blobs of life are — and what a terrible PUZ-ZLE they have been, for half a century, to evolutionists!

They're such a puzzle, in fact, that even their *dictionary* definition is unclear!

Like other useless and sometimes funny appellations man has chosen, in his ignorance, for lack of a better term, the *amoeba* is a sad name, indeed. It comes from the Greek, and means, loosely, *change*, or *to change*. More accurately, it indicates "to migrate." And why this name? Well, because the little blob of life seems to ever change, ever multiply — dividing into two little single-celled animals.

Even the words used to describe what an amoeba is are equally inadequate.

For example, scientists say amoebae are tiny specks of "protoplasm." But the idea that they are "BEFORE" shapes, molds, or forms is not proved! Protoplasm is supposed to indicate the "first-life" form; the basic structure of life. Plasm can mean "matrix" or "form" or "mold."

So evolutionists have infused veritable DOGMATISM into the LABELING of various life forms — insisting that amoebae are "PROTOPLASM" or "PRElife forms" or "FIRST-life forms."

They are nothing of the sort.

But then, we call a fly a fly — when we could just as easily call it a "walk" or a "buzz" or a "humm." We call a grasshopper a grasshopper, when we could use "weedhopper," or "stalkjumper," or "groundleaper," or "spitbug," or "flying, jumping, bug-eyed, big-legged, armor-plated, leaping whatchamacallit!"

Our names of creatures and things leave a great deal to be desired.

So, in studying into evolution, you were introduced to the little "amoeba" which, you were assured, was "protoplasm." But that, too, is a false label.

But let's take a look at the little speck of life, and find out about his anatomy.

Anatomy of an Amoeba

Most amoebae are microscopic, or barely visible to the human eye, and live in water. They move slowly along the bottom of pools, or over living or dead matter in water, or in soil.

Some few varieties, such as the one scientists have dubbed "Pelomyxa carolinensis" — a large fresh-water species measure 1 or two millimeters across, or about the size of a pinhead. These are considered *large* amoebae, and are barely visible to the naked eye. But most species are visible only with microscopes.

A common species is only about 1/20th the size of the "carolinensis," and is called "Amoeba proteus" (there's that old Greek root, "proto" again).

Amoebae seem to move with fluid-like determination at about the same pace as a sluggardly snail. They may consume up to two hours to move $\frac{1}{3}$ of an inch — and even this is remarkable, when you consider they have no legs, as such.

And, for all the "simple" structure of this little fried-egg-like "protoplasm" — he's actually a creature of *prey*. He senses, hunts down, and "captures" other microscopic plants and animals with ponderous, miniature determination. He's skillful, patient, and persistent. But he has no definite shape, no "personality" — and is, for all appearances, a simple "blob" of being — a speck of "living matter" — a piece of "life," as it were.

But for all the seeming simplicity, and the deceptive name of "protoplasm," there is an intricacy — a complexity about this speck of life that has puzzled and confused scientists for more than fifty years! First, there is the "nucleus" — which seems to control the entire cellular activity. The nucleus could be compared to the whole central nervous system, brain, and vital organs of a human, perhaps. That is, if it weren't for the various food "vacuoles" or minute "stomachs" which contain enzymes for the digestion of captured prey.

There is a process for expelling excess water — through what is called a "contractile vacuole."

A skin-like substance, wearing the scientific name of "plasmalemma," holds the little thing together. It's "tough," considering the size and characteristics of the little blob — and yet exceedingly flexible — what with no skeletal structure.

All the cellular components are held suspended in a fluid-like substance, called cytoplasm, encased in the plasmalemma.

The "Monster" Amoeba

To other microscopic plants and animals (if they are that), the amoeba must appear a huge monster, indeed. It sends out "pseudopodia" (fake feet) with which it gradually engulfs its prey. Of course, some speedy little microbes may escape — but the persistent amoeba can eat up to 100 microscopic victims each day — and grow fat on them.

Just how this mindless, shapeless, non-entity of the cellular world captures *prey* instead of specks of bark, or bits of sand, is unknown.

But that isn't all that's unknown about them.

Just HOW does the little organism, for example, adapt the size and shape of the "pseudopod" it puts out to the TYPE OF VICTIM? Scientists are puzzled. But the pseudopod will vary in size and shape according to the size and type of the VICTIM it is trying to engulf!

An amoeba apparently can tell when a prospective meal lies near at hand (in this case, about 1/250th of an inch!), and "send out" a blob-like extension of itself — a pseudopod (fake foot!) to engulf it.

Scientists feel the "proteus" requires a *varied* diet. Laboratory experiments have proved that when "Amoebae protei" are fed exclusively on "Colpidia" (small ciliates, or microscopic animals), or on

the colorless flagellates "Chilomonae," that they grow fat, sluggish, and will continue growth and multiplication for only a few days — and then may gradually die.

So the right kind of food is important.

But How does the amoeba send out a "pseudopod" to engulf food? WHAT MAKES it "sense" food nearby? How does it MOVE ABOUT?

WHY does it divide? How DID IT GET THAT WAY? What was BEFORE it? If anything?

Science has no specific answers. As a matter of fact — most scientists insist we must NOT ask "WHY" of the creation.

Watching an amoeba under a microscope, you may observe several "pseudopodia" all sent out in the same general direction — toward its prey. Then, the "body" of the amoeba seems to gradually "flow" along toward these extensions, until they again become a part of the whole rather formless mass. Or, from time to time, pseudopodia will be sent out in *opposite* directions whenever the amoeba "wishes" to change direction, the main mass simply seems to flow toward the reverse pseudopodia, and the whole entity takes more of a round shape once again.

Biologists have studied this perplexing problem — of AN AMOEBA'S MOVE-MENT — for more than half a century.

They still can't agree on how it all takes place.

There are nearly as many theories for such movement as there are authors to advance them!

What IS an Amoeba?

Said one noted author, after painstaking analysis of the amoeba's movements, "Putting all our results together, we must conclude that the movements and reactions of Amoebae *have as yet by no means been resolved* . . . (Contributions to the Study of the Behavior of Lower Organisms, by Herbert S. Jennings, pages 225, 226).

Later, the same author admitted, "While we must agree that Amoeba, as a drop of fluid, is a marvellously simple organism, we are compelled, I believe, to hold that it has many traits which



A "SMART AMOEBA"

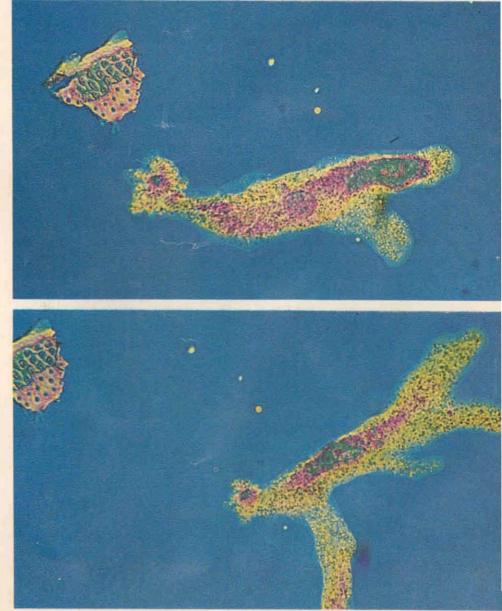
Amoeba sizes up potential food victim, finds it is a piece of debris given to fool him. Finding the particle inedible, the amoeba shuffles away — able to determine food from non-food. Gentry — Ambassador College

are comparable to the 'reflexes' or 'habits' of higher organisms. We may, perhaps, have faith that such traits are finally resolvable into the action of chemical and physical laws, but we must admit that we have not arrived at this goal even for the simpler activities of the Amoeba." (Emphasis mine throughout.)

Another prominent author states, "As to what causes such movement, we have only hypotheses . . . Any theory of amoeboid movement will ultimately have to take into account the processes of energy production and metabolism. At present nothing is known about these processes insofar as they are involved in protoplasmic movement . . . we are still in the realm of hypothesis" (*Introduction to Protozoology*, by Reginald D. Manwell, page 138, quoting De Bruyn, 1947).

Not only have scientists been unable to do more than SPECULATE about how an amoeba MOVES, or WHY it does but they REALLY don't know WHAT it is!

It may sound "sufficient" to call it a SIMPLE little animal — and attach the



name of "protoplasm" to it — in order to make it appear logical that this little "single-celled" speck of life could have, indeed, been the progenitor of all of us — but this is NOT PROOF. It is merely reasoning through ANALOGY which proves nothing.

But you have to hand it to scientists who have swallowed the evolutionary theory. They HAVE GREAT FAITH. Their faith is sometimes AWESOME, even to a religionist! In SPITE of evidence to the contrary — in spite of seemingly OVER-WHELMING doubts, conflicts, and missing evidence, scientists will insist on the FAITH that each little life form — from "simple" amoebae to the mind of man, just gradually "happened" without IN-TELLIGENCE, without DESIGN, without THOUGHT and PURPOSE!

And *that*, dear friend, is FAITH! Oh, it's NOT the kind of faith the Bible talks of, to be sure, but it's *exactly* the SAME kind of "faith" leading religionists say THEY have when they claim you can't PROVE God exists (God says YOU CAN!) but must "accept it on faith."

You have to finally realize evolution is a RELIGION!

It is decidedly NOT scientific! Everything in scientific DISCOVERY — the practical, measurable, provable, demonstrable EXPERIMENTS and FACTS of science — DISPROVES evolution throws DOUBTS and CONFUSION into the evolutionary way of things.

But evolutionists are persistent! Like the amoeba — they're patient. They hope that "someday" a magical breakthrough may occur.

Meanwhile, scientists may speculate, muse, ponder, and guess — but they can't create an amoeba! Not even the simplest PART of an amoeba. Not only can't they CREATE — but they can't seem to UNDERSTAND the PRESENT creation!

Multiplication Through Division

The strangest process of all is the reproduction of amoebae. Just How do they reproduce — what with only a shapeless, blob-like form, no discernible body "parts" as such, except as already

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THE ANSWERS TO

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FROM OUR READERS

The RE are the 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.

"I have noticed from various sources that Easter is pre-Christian in origin. I had assumed that it is a Christian commemoration of the resurrection of Christ and dating from the original Apostles. What is the answer?" Miss E. W., Manchester, England

A common assumption is that Easter was instituted by the Apostles to commemorate the resurrection. But read, for a moment, what church leaders and secular historians — both ancient and modern — say:

The Catholic Encyclopaedia gives this information under its article "Easter": "The English term [Easter] ... relates to *Eostre*, a teutonic goddess of the rising light of day and spring ..."

About Easter eggs, this same article states that the "custom may have its origin in paganism, for a great many pagan customs, celebrating the return of spring, gravitated to Easter."

The Encyclopaedia Britannica mentions: "There is no indication of the observance of the Easter festival in the New Testament, or in the writings of the apostolic Fathers" (article "Easter" in the Eleventh Edition). The article mentions further that the church historian Socrates "attributes the observance of Easter by the church to the perpetuation of an old usage, 'just as many other customs have been established."" "This [concludes the Britannica] is doubtless the true statement of the case. The first Christians continued to observe the Jewish festivals, though in a new spirit."

Sir James Frazer in his eleven-volume work *The Golden Bough* says this: "Now the Easter rites...bear in some aspects a striking resemblance to the rites of Adonis [a Greek god], and I have suggested that the Church may have consciously adapted the new festival to its heathen predecessor for the sake of winning souls to Christ" (Vol. V, page 306).

The church historian Eusebius states that Polycarp — a disciple of the apostle John — maintained that New Testament practices should be observed instead of incorporating heathen customs into the Christian liturgy. He even journeyed to Rome to try to convince the bishop Anicetus about this matter.

Half a century later — about 190 A.D. — the Roman bishop Victor attempted to excommunicate the entirety of the Eastern Churches for continuing to observe the New Testament paschal commemoration of Christ's *death*. It was three centuries before Easter generally supplanted the New Testament practice, and introduced the idea of a sunrise resurrection holiday. The English historian Bede tells us the New Testament observance continued in Scotland up to the *seventh* century.

The sources you noticed are right. Easter customs are of pre-Christian origin.

The full story about the origin of Easter is available in a booklet on the subject. It is sent *free of charge* upon request as a public service.

The Tragic Future of Today's

Commonwealth

In January, the seventeenth Commonwealth Conference was held in London. Our Regional Editor for the United Kingdom was again invited by the Secretary-General to attend a special meeting to put questions to the Prime Ministers and diplomats attending the Conference. Here is his analysis of that meeting and of today's divided Commonwealth!

London, England

Commonwealth meetings used to be times when the great Britishreared "family of nations" came together for frank but cheerful discussions.

Times have changed.

Today's Commonwealth Conferences are far from occasions of jubilation. No longer are these Conferences friendly "family reunions."

Why Commonwealth Conflicts

The sixteenth (1966) Commonwealth Conference all but broke up over differences in how to handle the Rhodesian problem. This year's seventeenth Conference wasn't quite so stormy. But it was quite evident that there is still much contention over such thorny Commonwealth problems as the Rhodesian question, the Nigerian-Biafrian conflict, and the touchy racial immigration issue!

How can these — and other — knotty

by Raymond F. McNair

problems be solved in such a way as to preserve real peace, harmony and cooperation between members of this Commonwealth of nations? Today's Commonwealth, remember, is made up of a motley assortment of twenty-eight nations — representing over one-fourth of the earth's peoples and land surface.

I was invited to attend a special informal meeting of the Prime Ministers of today's Commonwealth. Speaking to a number of Prime Ministers — Mr. Trudeau, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, Dr. Kaunda, and Dr. Makarios — I learned, firsthand, their reactions to the sticky problems which confront today's multicoloured, divided Commonwealth.

The Secretary-General, Mr. Arnold Smith, and the Prime Ministers to whom I spoke, know that the big problems confronting the Commonwealth all revolve around the *racial issues*, or *barriers*, which *do* exist in today's multiracial Commonwealth. Mr. Arnold Smith reported to the Commonwealth Conference in 1966 that the whole world was watching to see if the member nations of the Commonwealth could cooperate effectively across *racial* barriers. He pointed out at that time that the real crux of the Rhodesian problem was whether or not the *diverse races* of mankind could get along together. The whole world was, he said, watching to see whether or not the multi-racial Commonwealth could survive — and prosper!

Mr. Smith recently told me that, despite serious differences, he didn't think any disgruntled members were seriously thinking about leaving the Commonwealth at this time.

The Commonwealth Secretary-General said that this meeting was being attended by 24 Heads of Governments, while only four Commonwealth nations didn't send their Heads of State just sent representatives. He said he

MEET — government heads and representatives of the now badly divided Commonwealth nations. These government leaders represent over one fourth of the earth's people and land surface.

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COMMONWEALTH LEADERS

thought this was the largest meeting of Heads of State since the 1947 San Francisco Conference.

India to Withdraw?

Mr. Smith spoke of the "disenchantment between the *races*" which make up today's multi-coloured Commonwealth. Many believe India is being subverted by communism. Communist gains in India's February elections lend weight to that conviction.

But India's Prime Minister, Mrs. Indira Gandhi, told me she didn't think her country was in danger of a communist take-over — as had recently been hinted by the British press.

Just before the January Commonwealth Conference began, reports in British newspapers, radio and T. V. were saying Mrs. Indira Gandhi had even said that India might *leave* the Commonwealth. This she later denied. But there can be no doubt that the Commonwealth's most populous country, India, is beset by many problems, and is slipping in the direction of communism.

Zambia's Prime Minister, Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, refused to attend the 1966 Commonwealth Conference because of a serious disagreement with Britain and other members of the Commonwealth over how the "Rhodesian rebellion" should be handled. Dr. Kaunda favoured *military intervention* by Britain and other Commonwealth members. Most of the Commonwealth knew that an attempted military solution could have set all Africa ablaze in a nightmarish racial war.

Rhodesia, the Republic of South Africa, Mozambique (and possibly even Portugal and other nations) would certainly have joined forces to resist any armed attempt to overthrow the Smith regime. The outcome of such a military conflict could have been fraught with more danger than the Vietnamese conflagration! Britain and other members of the Commonwealth could see this and wanted to avoid a direct military confrontation with Rhodesia and her loyal allies. Besides, Britons weren't eager to kill their own "kith and kin" in Rhodesia.

When I spoke to Dr. Kaunda at the recent Commonwealth Conference, he gave me the impression he had never fully forgiven Britain for not intervening to overthrow Mr. Ian Smith's government in Rhodesia.

'The members of the Commonwealth are generally agreed that Mr. Smith's U. D. I. (Unilateral Declaration of Independence) was "illegal" and they all wanted to see Mr. Smith's government overthrown — but no Commonwealth nation wanted to have the expense, trouble and bloodshed necessary to bring about such a large undertaking.

The Commonwealth members are

like the "council of mice" who, according to Aesop's Fables, once got together to consider what to do to protect themselves against the menace of a certain cat who had the obnoxious habit of eating mice.

During the council session one bright mouse popped up with the brilliant suggestion that a bell be put around the neck of the offending cat. This would warn all the mice when the cat was approaching. Every mouse in the council loudly applauded the idea. But one wise old mouse dampened their enthusiasm considerably by asking one penetrating question: "Who is going to put the bell on the cat?"

This question quickly dissipated all of the mice's applause and enthusiasm. None was quite prepared to accept so formidable a challenge. So it is with the members of the Commonwealth toward the Rhodesian lion!

Dr. Kaunda recently told me that he still strongly believes Britain should take steps to see that Mr. Smith's government is overthrown — by military force if necessary. He then said he feels less bloodshed in Africa will result from this course of action, than if nothing is done until a very hot, bloody racial war engulfs all of southern Africa.

He has even offered his country, Zambia, as a launching-base for *Britain* to use in overthrowing Rhodesia.

Many African states are certainly disturbed by the continuing pros-





perity and growing *strength* of Rhodesia — where about 225,000 white, European-descended Rhodesians rule over 4,000,000 Rhodesian blacks.

Having travelled throughout Zambia and Rhodesia, I feel that I pretty well understand the racial conflict of that continent.

The European Rhodesians see what occurred in the Congo, in Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria and other African-run nations — and they are simply not prepared to lose all they have struggled to build up through the centuries. They point to the fact that the Africans are better off in nations like South Africa and Rhodesia where the whites are still masters. They shake their heads, saying they are not about to turn the reins of government over to the Africans whom they argue are nowhere near qualified to run their own national affairs.

Thus the black and white members of the Commonwealth are deadlocked over the solution to the Rhodesian impasse — are quite unable to untie the tangled Rhodesian knot.

Mr. Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, told me that he and his government are seriously considering taking Canada out of NATO. He said he is more concerned about "national unity" in Canada than anything else. Mr. Trudeau, himself of French and British ancestry, is very anxious to solve Canada's racial unity problems.

Does Canada support the doctrine

of armed intervention in Rhodesia? If Canada isn't even willing to remain in NATO, certainly she couldn't be counted on to supply troops to fight against her own white Rhodesian relatives thousands of miles away.

Most of today's biggest Commonwealth problems all revolve around the explosive issue of "race." This sad, poignant fact keeps throwing itself in the face of today's divided Commonwealth.

What is the Commonwealth? When did it begin? What useful purpose, if any, does it serve today? What is its future?

Britain's Empire

Today's Commonwealth of twentyeight self-ruling nations is actually an outgrowth of the once-proud *British Empire*, originally consisting of many territories ruled by Britain.

Sir Kenneth Bradley, CMG, Director, Commonwealth Institute, thus defined the Commonwealth: "The Commonwealth is *a voluntary association* of independent nations consisting of Britain and those countries which were formerly in the British Empire or had been Protected States in treaty relations with The Crown."

Sir Kenneth says that it is not just "a prolongation of the Empire." "It is an experiment in living together by many different peoples who share a common heritage of ideals and institutions..." He then points out that the peoples of the Commonwealth "belong to many *races* and *religions*, and speak a multitude of tongues; they comprise more than a quarter of the world's population, and they occupy a quarter of its land surface."

Sir Kenneth continues: "Before 1947, when the Commonwealth consisted of Britain and the old "White Dominions," its statesmen thought of it mainly in terms of *political* relations, *defense* and *trade*. It was very much a family affair"

What Binds Today's Commonwealth?

Today's Commonwealth is a "very loose association" of nations who have acquired, through their long association with Britain, a common heritage of ideas and institutions, and there is, of course, the English language which helps bind them together.

The Queen of England is the only formal link which binds the Commonwealth together. Each country is voluntarily a member, and has the option of leaving the Commonwealth at any time. No member of the Commonwealth is permitted to interfere in the internal affairs of the other members.

It may surprise some to learn that the Queen is also the actual "Head of State" in the following Commonwealth countries: Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Barbados, Ceylon, Guyana, Jamaica, Malta, Mauritius, Sierra Leone and The Gambia.

Malaysia, Lesotho and Swaziland have their own monarchs.

All other members are *republics*, and Tanzania has a "one-party" system.

The history of the British Empire is a fascinating one. It can be truthfully said that Britain didn't really *plan* to become the master of her far-flung Empire. But it nevertheless grew until it finally reached gargantuan proportions.

A close scrutiny of British history will show that comparatively little British blood was shed in the acquiring of the vast, far-flung territories which eventually made up her Empire.

It is an undisputable fact that Britain



acquired most of her Empire by colonisation, and by treaties. It was primarily through seeking greater outlets for trade and commerce, and through the missionary zeal of her subjects, that Britain acquired her Empire.

As an example, very little blood was shed by Britain in acquiring the vast country of India with its hundreds of millions of peoples and its almostunlimited resources. In reality, Britain acquired authority in India in order to stop bloodshed.

Commonwealth Beginnings

At the turn of the 20th century Britain had established herself as the undisputed mistress of the seven seas. Furthermore, she had gained control of nearly all of the strategically important, international sea gates which controlled the sea lanes of the whole world. Britannia ruled the waves! Nobody dared challenge her.

The actual beginning of the selfruling Commonwealth nations dates back to Lord Durham's famous report of 1839. This report thoroughly analyzed the causes of *discontent* in the Canadian colonies. It was feared the Canadian unrest might cause these colonies to follow the example which thirteen other North American colonies had taken about 60 years earlier.

Unless something were done, and done quickly, the Canadian colonies might secede from Britain — as the thirteen U. S. Colonies had done — and also declare themselves independent.

Britain didn't want this to happen. Lord Durham proposed that in the Four Commonwealth representatives who attended the meetings were (left to right) Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister of India; Arnold Smith, Secretary-General of the

Commonwealth; Michael Stewart, Britain's Foreign Secretary; and Harold Wilson, Britain's Prime Minister.

future the Governor should appoint Ministers who had the complete confidence of the local assembly and that he should accept the views of the assembly — except in certain matters particularly affecting relations with the "Mother-country."

Thus by 1846 this recommended system of "responsible government" was already operating in Canada; soon afterward, it was extended to Australia,

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New Zealand, South Africa and to the other North American colonies.

These British-run colonies or "White Dominions" became more and more autonomous as the years passed. They wanted more freedom — more liberty to run their own affairs.

The Imperial Conference of 1926 described Britain and the Dominions as "autonomous communities within the British Empire, equal in status, in no way subordinate one to another in any aspect of their domestic or external affairs, though united by a common allegiance to the Crown and freely associated as members of the British Commonwealth of Nations."

The Statute of Westminster in 1931 gave these Commonwealth nations still more freedom from the "Mothercountry." The British Commonwealth of self-ruling nations really came into being — *legally* speaking — in 1931.

Seven nations made up the Commonwealth at that time: Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, the Irish Free State and Newfoundland.

This, then, was the old "white Commonwealth."

Mr. Arnold Smith, Commonwealth Secretary-General, made the following significant statement in 1966: "Once the Commonwealth was a very small and homogeneous [all of the *same race*] group of nations, all mainly of *European* origin, all relatively *rich*."

But what is it today? It has changed drastically since its formation in 1931. Many peoples of other races have been invited to exchange territorial status for Commonwealth membership.

Mr. Smith continued, describing today's Commonwealth: "It is now a typical cross-section of mankind and its *problems*. The *association* includes representative and important peoples from virtually *all the main races*, in all the continents, with a tremendous range of cultural traditions and of economic potentialities and problems, at every stage of development. It includes very *rich* countries and very *poor* ones, very *large* nations and very *small*."

Why was this "family of nations" originally called a "CommonWEALTH of nations"? Simply because the national

birthright heritage of the old, "White Commonwealth" of nations was one of fantastic *wealth*! Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa were all very *rich* nations compared to most nations of the world. They possessed a large share of the earth's best land, large deposits of minerals and other natural resources. They were peopled mostly by talented Northwest European peoples who had the ability and the energy to develop the fabulous WEALTH of these Commonwealth nations.

Yes, most of them shared a common *language* (English), a common *racial* heritage, a common *law* and *educational* system and a common *wealth*!

Eire and South Africa Leave Commonwealth

The Irish Free State (Eire) left the Commonwealth in April 1949. It became the Republic of Ireland. Newfoundland became Canada's tenth province in 1949, thereby ceasing to be an independent member-nation of the Commonwealth.

And South Africa withdrew from the Commonwealth — following Commonwealth criticism of its apartheid racial policy — in May, 1961 and became the Republic of South Africa.

The Commonwealth, originally composed of only seven loyal membernations of about 50,000,000 people, gained many coloured member nations to replace the white members that were lost. But most of the present members aren't loyal to Britain in the same way that the old, "White Commonwealth" was.

Today's 28-nation Commonwealth has a total population of about 800,000,000 and encompasses about 14 million square miles!

Since the end of World War II Britain has granted independence to over 30 British dependent territories comprising a population of well over 700,000,000.

Britain began granting independence to her Imperial possessions in 1947. In that year *India* and *Pakistan* were granted independence, and accepted the invitation to join the Commonwealth family. Almost overnight, the white, rich, mostly Anglo-Saxon-Celtic Commonwealth had been transformed into a predominately dark (coloured), poor, non-European association of "Commonwealth nations." But the majority of Commonwealth subjects from that day forward didn't really share in a *Common* WEALTH. The vast majority share a *common* POVERTY.

Should Britain Opt Out?

Just before the Commonwealth Conference began, a leading British paper asked: "Should we roll out the red carpet and cheer when the Commonwealth leaders arrive in London this week? Sadly, no. For the truth is that several of those who are coming *have* not the slightest loyalty either to Britain or the Commonwealth."

The author of the above statement then went on to say that Mrs. Gandhi had just said that India would remain in the Commonwealth only just as long as she could get something out of it.

"She [Mrs. Indira Gandhi], like Dr. Kaunda and several others, is coming not to help us, but to stir up trouble by urging that we should make war against Rhodesia. Those countries have no ideals in common with us."

This same article then went on to point out that many of the Commonwealth countries insist on voting against Britain in the United Nations — where 12 Commonwealth nations recently either voted against Britain, or else abstained.

Each year Britain spends about two hundred million pounds (\$500,000,-000) in foreign aid — mostly on members of the Commonwealth. Besides this, another *two hundred million* pounds of private capital are spent on these countries annually.

Since World War II, Britain has spent about 350 million pounds on grants, gifts and various types of *aid* to the Commonwealth countries nearly all in outright gifts.

This is what Britain, the "Sick Man of Europe," has been doing to help the *developing* countries — all at a time when Britain can ill afford to help anyone because of her chronic balance-ofpayments crises which keep occurring with the regularity — and sometimes it would seem almost with the frequency — of the setting sun.

A London paper recently mentioned that Britain should tell other members of the Commonwealth that they really want to maintain the "spirit of kinship" the Commonwealth. That the of members of the Commonwealth must be prepared to extend towards Britain the same sympathy and understanding which she extends towards them. "And, if these warnings are ignored, we should in due course opt out of the present Commonwealth altogether. In the hope that other members of like mind will opt out too - to form a smaller grouping based on common ideals"-said this paper.

Many in Britain are beginning to see that today's multi-racial Commonwealth has been a constant drain and strain on Britain. This motley Commonwealth is proving to be a pretty lopsided affair for Britain especially.

But Britain, with utmost patience, has continued to delicately walk the Commonwealth's racial tightrope. Britain hasn't fallen off — yet! But South Africa did fall off that racial tightrope, and *Rhodesia* appears to be about ready to declare herself a Republic, and would undoubtedly have to *leave the Commonwealth* shortly thereafter — because of strong *racial* criticism from other members of this motley, Britishfounded club.

Many in Britain keep asking: "When will Britain become the mistress of her own destiny? When will she ally herself more closely with the old 'White Commonwealth'— who really do have so much in common, insofar as *race*, *religion*, *language*, *laws* and *customs*, *government*, etc. are concerned — and let the other disgruntled members of the Commonwealth go their own way? Let them then fend for themselves."

Many in Britain are tired of letting some of these Commonwealth members "kick them around," especially at the U. N. Britain is getting tired of picking up the check, always, while ungrateful members of the Commonwealth grumble and complain — yet are always wanting Britain to bail them out of their difficulties!

These red-blooded Britons would just

as soon see Britain try to rebuild her links with the old, "White Commonwealth" and forget about the "ungrateful newcomers" who have joined the club since 1947.

Zambia's Prime Minister, Dr. Kaunda, has even gone so far as threatening to have Britain expelled — *expelled* from the very Commonwealth which she built up over the centuries. It looks like Britain's unruly, delinquent children have very little respect for their Mother.

"A Meaningless Facade?"

Once upon a time the Commonwealth was *strong* — meant much to all its members. Things are different today.

India's former Prime Minister Nehru once called the Commonwealth: "A rather strange and *odd collection of nations* which has found some kind of invisible link by seeing that practically there is no link." But he was referring to this new, mainly coloured Commonwealth— not the old, "White Commonwealth."

Many have not realized that today's Commonwealth is responsible for over one fifth of all world trade; and that about one third of the world's international payments are still financed in sterling.

All Commonwealth countries (except Canada) belong to the sterling area plus a number of nations who aren't members of the Commonwealth: The Irish Republic, Iceland, Jordan, Libya, Kuwait, South Africa and South-West Africa, Western Samoa, the independent Sheikhdoms of eastern Arabia and the People's Republic of South Yemen.

When Britain declared war in World War I and II, the Old Commonwealth nations were automatically drawn into the fracas. Not so today. It is true that there are a number of defence treaties existing between the various members of the Commonwealth. Neither Britain nor any other country has the power to automatically involve the other nations in any national dispute with another Commonwealth nation. Britain was powerless to intervene in the war between India and Pakistan. They turned, rather, to Russia to help them settle their differences. It is true that the Commonwealth governments, whatever their differences, still do *work closely together* in many ways: Here are a few fields in which they help each other: education, medicine, law, administration, scientific research, industrial planning, marketing techniques, architecture, agriculture, forestry, the arts, broadcasting and tourism.

And there are many benefits which accrue from being a member especially if you are one of the poorer, under-developed and technically untrained nations. Most of this assistance is a one-way street — going out from Britain to these developing countries.

It is true, as Sir Kenneth Bradley put it, that the Commonwealth "exercises *a stable force* in the world" and is of some value in "bridging the gulf between the *races* and the gap between the *developed* and the *developing* world."

Sir Kenneth denies that the Commonwealth is "a meaningless facade."

Future of The Commonwealth?

What will happen to today's sprawling, multi-racial, seemingly impotent, *disunited* Commonwealth?

Almost two thousand years ago a very wise man enunciated a principle which applies to today's divided Commonwealth: "Every kingdom *divided* against itself is brought to *desolation;* and every city or house *divided* against itself *shall not stand*" (Matt. 12:25).

The unruly, undisciplined children lost respect for the "Mother-country" years ago — and are sadly divided! Though Britain continues vainly, gingerly to walk the Commonwealth's racial tightrope, great difficulties lie ahead. British home legislation restricting coloured immigration into Britain has only increased hostility from certain coloured member nations.

What can Britain do? Can she please all this motley assortment of undisciplined nations? Will they really *listen* to her voice?

Or, has the "British Lion" lost much of its growl so that it is no longer feared and respected in other nations, or even in the Commonwealth itself?

Was Dean Acheson right when he said that Britain had lost an Empire,



but hadn't been able to find her world role?

To some few Britons, it is disturbing to see Britain's present financial and political difficulties. And it distresses them to see Britain's waning power, prestige and influence in world affairs! It hurts them to see onceproud Great Britain — past-master of the world's greatest Empire — become a second-rate power. (Now Britain says she will soon withdraw from east of Suez — leaving a vacuum for further communist aggression.)

And it also disturbs some of these red-blooded Britons to see that the very Mother-country of the Commonwealth has lost nearly all control over her very undisciplined children.

But, as for most Britons, they couldn't care less — so long as they can have *the good life* — plenty of beer, cigarettes, food, a "telly" — and can crowd into the gambling places and amusement centres so they can forget the past glories of *a faded Empire*. The younger generation of Britons are bored to tears with Britain's "great and glorious past."

Only a very few Britons have learned the lesson of General Gideon, the Commander-in-chief of ancient Israel's army. He cut his army down from 32,000 to only three hundred.

Better to have a few select brave ones who are dedicated, wholeheartedly, to the cause — than 750,000,000 critics and complainers who always have their hand out — but are not willing to put their shoulder to the wheel to do their vital part.

Will Britain learn her lesson? Will she yet be able to *salvage* the Commonwealth — and turn it into something of substance — something really worthwhile for herself and for all members of the club? Can Britain infuse the Commonwealth with spark, muscle, spirit — with new life? Demonstrations during the seventeenth Commonwealth Conference illustrate the seriousness of dissensions within the divided Commonwealth.

If you really want to know what will happen to this "British-reared family of nations" — then you should write and request two free books: The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy, and The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What It Will Be Like.

These books will reveal how the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-descended peoples of the British Commonwealth of nations — after first learning a vital lesson — will yet be instrumental in helping the peoples of India, of Africa and of many nations to overcome their poverty and ignorance and attain wealth and true greatness in the wonderful world tomorrow!

Youth Cries:

"I WANT'A BLOOM

MY MIND!"

Millions are experimenting with "pot" (marijuana), tripping on LSD, or are hooked on heroin! Thousands are "turning on," "tuning in," dropping out. The shadowy, surrealistic world of drugs is emerging as youth's greatest "cop-out." Here are the sobering facts about the new drug craze.

by Leslie L. McCullough and Ambassador College Research Staff

"B^{UT} MOM, EVERYBODY smokes pot. Everybody's turning on. You have your mixed drinks and martinis, and we have marijuana. What's the difference?"

Tragic — but almost TRUE! Drug abuse in the United States today is increasing dramatically. "You might as well face it," said a 17-year-old. "If you're going to college, you'll probably smoke pot."

Another youth claimed, "Grass [marijuana] is as easy to get as beer for someone under 18."

The Turned-On World

From Harvard to Berkeley and from Washington to Alabama, almost no college campus is free from drug abuse. A list of American colleges plagued with drug problems would read like a who's who of the educational world: Alabama, Brandeis, California, Colorado, Harvard, Illinois, Michigan, the Naval Academy, Oklahoma, Princeton, South Carolina, Texas, Washington, and on and on.

Drug abuse among youth, even in high schools and junior highs schools, is fast becoming EPIDEMIC!

Warned Dr. Henry Brill, vice-chairman of the New York State Narcotics Commission, recently, "Recent surveys show that twenty to thirty percent of all students have experimented — mostly with marijuana, but also with pills. One quarter of these say they take drugs on a regular basis."

Marijuana arrests have skyrocketed. Some marijuana dealers estimate that from three to five tons of "pot" are smuggled into the United States from Mexico *every week*. Heroin, marijuana and other illicit drugs pour into the United States from every quarter of the globe.

The primary target: young Americans!

Narcotics officials estimate that Americans spend about \$100 million a year on marijuana alone. More than 675,000,-000 marijuana cigarettes or "joints" will be smoked in the United States this year — enough to provide 13 million Americans with a weekly "high."

Dr. Dana Farnsworth, director of the Harvard University health services, has estimated that as high as 35 percent of students at major universities on the East and West Coasts have experimented with marijuana once, and about half of them repeat the experiment.

Other hallucinogenic drugs such as LSD expand the problem. LSD is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. Any college chemistry major can synthesize it from lysergic acid amide. Two tiny tablets could give 3,000 people a psychedelic "trip." The LSD black market is a flourishing business.

The age-old traffic in narcotics, especially heroin, is a billion-dollar business in itself. The total drug picture involves BILLIONS of dollars, yearly.

Who are the major users? People from every strata of society — young and old, rich and poor, housewives and doctors, clergymen and politicians, children and aged folks, educators and students.

Millions Ask - WHY?

Surrounded by the signs of increasing drug usage, millions wonder — WHY?

Why are youth turning to drugs for kicks? What is the CAUSE for the upsurging drug statistics? WHY are millions of kids, even grade schoolers, experimenting with marijuana, trying LSD, and "turning on" with other psychedelic drugs?

Is drug use connected with the leap in crime? Do drugs do physical and mental *harm* to those who take them? What is the TRUTH?

Conflicting reports are heard on every side. Millions are confused, perplexed — including parents, teachers, and college administrators.

WHAT CAN BE DONE about the skyrocketing drug problem? What is the solution?

You need to know the answers. Your family — your own children — YOUR FUTURE, and your children's — is at stake! Your children may be tempted at school, or at parties of their young friends. Don't hide your eyes from the facts — your children could easily become involved!

You need to know how to make sure they don't!

And if YOU, personally, are tempted to try drugs, or think they are harmless — then you need to carefully STUDY the compiled statistics, facts and scientific reports that have been researched in this article — for YOU! Your personal future, happiness, tranquility, and peace of mind may well be directly involved whether you like it or not!

Pot on the Campus

Said one Dean of an eastern college, "If I were a member of this generation, I would probably be tempted to give marijuana at least one try."

At Harvard, an estimated 25 to 30 percent of the freshman class has experimented with drugs. At Princeton, 15 percent of the undergraduates have tried marijuana. About 20 percent of

PERCENT OF TEEN-AGERS AND COLLEGE AGE YOUNG PEOPLE ... Experimenting with Marijuana

AREA AND GROUP	0	20	30	40	50%
BAY AREA HIGH SCHOOLS					
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS					
IN CHICAGO AND SUBURBS					
McCALL'S SURVEY OF ALL HIGH SCHOOLS					
FRESHMEN AT HARVARD					
PRINCETON UNDERGRADUATES					
YALE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS					
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS					
STUDENTS OF MAJOR UNIVERSITIES — BOTH COASTS					

the students at Yale have used pot. The Dean at Columbia wouldn't be surprised if one third of the student body has used it.

Who are the college pot smokers and drug takers? Not the fringers any longer. The mainstream of the student body, in many cases, are the new users. Athletes, politically oriented men of ambition, fraternity men, artists, aspiring nuclear scientists, even home economics majors.

Declared one user of LSD, "Sure it's dangerous. But so is everything else I

enjoy. Why should I worry about my chromosomes when everything else in the world is so messed up?"

The typical collegiate pothead may turn on with marijuana every evening. But one, who saw the worthlessness of pot after trying it, said, "When I saw it was taking me nowhere, I quit."

The "Great Escape" to NOWHERE!

Millions of human beings are frantically striving to blot reality from their minds.

Why?

Simply because the reality of today's world is too brutal for the squeamish to face.

The awesome potential of the Nuclear Age is too frightening to consider. COSMOCIDE — world suicide — has become an absolute *reality*. Like it or not, we have to realize the Buck Rogers weapons of past years are no longer only in the comic books. They are real and they are deadly.

Our whole future is at stake. The gigantic implications are so staggering, millions try to obscure them in any way possible. Not knowing the answer, or even having hope of an answer, they blind their eyes and seek to escape reality.

The refusal to accept things as they are is apparent in everything they do. It dominates the thinking of millions and permeates our whole society. It has become a totally unrealistic *way of life* --- or DEATH!

The symptoms are all about us. From the price-rigging executive to the "flower child" in a hippie "love-in." From the slavering, maniacal screams of hate-filled racists to the hackneyed diatribes over U. N. conference tables, the world is filled with the symptoms of a sickness defying diagnosis and resisting treatment.

Today, leaders of the Western world frantically seek solutions to the deeply divisive problems of mankind. They struggle to achieve a workable PEACE, all the while spending more and more billions in a monstrous arms race between the big nuclear powers!

Seeing these enormous world prob-

lems, and crisis after crisis, millions seek escape from it all!

RELIEVE! PLACATE! ASSUAGE! IG-NORE! This is the hue and cry! Just don't face the facts.

While world leaders search for PEACE — for relief from war, famine and poverty, millions of "average" citizens seek relief from their personal problems by taking daily doses from a dizzying array of drugs — all to *escape reality*.

Rather than producing desperately needed solutions, our modern craze to escape is causing millions to "turn on" with pot, "tune in" with acid (LSD), and *drop out* of reality for a while!

Drug abuse is one of the most urgent crises of our age! It's time you knew the truth about pep pills, barbiturates, marijuana, and LSD.

In this series you will see the whole "DRUG SCENE" — from the hardened addict who mugs, snatches purses, and robs to support an expensive "habit"; to the quiet housewife who can't sleep without her pills; from the college kid experimenting with pot; to the elementary school child "shooting" benzedrine!

You'll be shocked to see the true relationship between drug usage and *all* crime. And you'll be shocked to see the tremendous attempt at *justi-fication* for mind-altering drugs from all sides.

You'll see how mind-altering food and drink are as old as the human race, and as new as the Space Age. And you'll be made aware, as never before, of the bizarre desire of a frightened generation to escape the realities of our hideously complex world through the simple expedient of a sip or a swallow.

Drugs - Worldwide Plague

Drugs are a worldwide scourge a devastating world PLAGUE in their effect on human lives, and personalities!

Today well over nine hundred million people around the world are apt to use either opium or marijuana, or both, in one of their many forms. A United Nations survey taken a few years ago estimated worldwide use of *Cannabis* (Indian hemp, or marijuana) to be in excess of 200 million persons, a very conservative figure.

The World Health Organization and the American Medical Association consider marijuana, in any of its forms, to be a threat. India, after centuries of acceptance of bhang (a strong form of marijuana), outlawed its use in 1959 because of its negative effects. African nations have also become concerned. In Nigeria thousands of hoodlums, apparently under the influence of marijuana, rioted and assaulted each other and the police.

In Egypt an estimated 30 percent of the adult male population smokes hashish, a powerful form of marijuana. In the Near East a very high incidence of permanent insanity has been recorded among the users of hashish. In India there is reliable evidence that 42 percent of chronic users suffered damaged health. According to one author, hashish is so potent "that its continued use leads straight to the lunatic asylum."

What about the worldwide narcotics problem? How bad is it?

According to a United Nations report, world addiction to the hard narcotics (generally derived from opium) is several hundred thousand. India alone reports 340,000 addicts. Hong Kong has about 150,000 hard core addicts. West Germany reports 4,357 registered addicts; Spain, 1,588.

Professor H. Grant-Whyte, of the University of Natal in South Africa, warned, "Untold thousands of South Africans are poised now on the brink of the greatest drug binge of all time."

England has a rising drug problem. Eight years ago only 471 addicts were known in England, and only two of them were under 20. By the end of 1966, however, narcotics addiction had soared to about 1,400! There is a suspicion the true figures might be four times as great!

Between 1961 and 1966, narcotics addiction trebled in Britain, while heroin addiction increased SEVENFOLD! — especially among those under 20.

Dr. Robert Baird, a Harlem drug expert, estimates there are actually

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3,500 to 4,000 addicts in England. He calls the English permissive manner of dealing with drug addicts "no solution. It is absolute havoc"!

Addressing a meeting in Hertfordshire, England, Detective Chief R. Jones declared, "Drug addiction is an *epidemic* and one of the GREATEST EPIDEMICS this country is ever going to know; in a few years' time the Great Plague and Black Death will look like small fry compared with it."

In New Zealand a common attitude was, "It can't happen here." But it has. Alarm is growing about the illicit drug market composed mainly of young people. Those arrested for drug violations are doubling, and more than HALF are 21 or under. New Zealand, like any other modern nation, is experiencing the stresses and strains of an unsettled age — and drug abuse is climbing as a means of escape, to "get away from it all."

Just how serious is the world's narcotics problem? Said an article in South Africa's *Personality* magazine, the world today is facing a "*drug addiction* 'EX-*PLOSION*'"!

Indicative of the danger is the fact that arrests and seizures of illicit drugs during the first four months of 1968 surpassed those for ALL of 1967, which itself was a record year, at the California-Mexico border city of Tijuana.

During the first four months of 1968 over 1,000 arrests were made — 200 more than during all of 1967!

Does this shocking fact give you a *bint* of the *enormity* of the growing peril?

Tijuana is fast becoming the Marijuana Mecca of the World! With 22 million visitors a year, it does a landslide business. Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark predicted difficult days ahead in the control of the drug traffic.

The Pot Generation

In more ways than one, the world is "going to pot."

Marijuana can be purchased openly all over Vietnam. It costs about ten cents a "joint," whereas the price in the U.S. would be about one dollar. All the bars in Saigon, said a graduate



Gentry - Ambassador College

Top photo: Sgt. Markulis, of Los Angeles Police Narcotics Division displays marijuana in its various forms. Torn blue bag shows raw marijuana as it is shipped in brick form. Small vial in lower right holds marijuana seeds. Also a marijuana cookie is shown. Note marijuana cigarettes. Bottom photo: marijuana cigarettes can be distinguished quite easily from ordinary tobacco cigarettes, contrary to a popular misconception. student of Queen's College who was there, sell pot. He saw pot parties in every major city.

How many servicemen have tried marijuana in Vietnam? In 1967 there were 2.5 arrests for every 1000 servicemen. In civilian life, law enforcement officials figure for every arrest there are about ten additional users. Applying this rule of thumb to the military problem, there would be about 50,000 potsmoking troops in Vietnam. Its use is widespread, and it can be obtained almost anywhere.

Pot, it is claimed, gives the servicemen "courage," and eases their tensions when facing the Viet Cong. One officer who found his men having a pot party said, "That's all right. You men deserve it."

Young Kids - the "New Addicts"

The true number of constant pot users — or potheads — in the United States is open to question. Estimates range from about 400,000 to as many as *three million*.

Perhaps the worst feature of the problem is the numbers of school children becoming involved. An estimated 10,000 kids in Vancouver, British Columbia experiment with drugs. But California boasts the worst narcotics problem involving children.

Warned Attorney General Thomas Lynch, in 1967 there were 14,760 juveniles arrested for drug abuse more than an 800 percent increase from 1960 and 176 percent higher than the 1966 figure. Arrests for marijuana violations were up 172 percent!

Between July 1967 and June 1968 about 34 *tons* of marijuana were seized by narcotics agents, compared to 13 tons the previous twelve months.

How bad is the problem among our YOUTH? The National Institute of Mental Health's 1967 study reported about 10 percent of the nation's high school students had smoked marijuana. Local officials in many communities put the true figures much higher.

A Los Angeles Times survey of Palos Verdes schools said the high school there "now has a proportion of drugexperienced students which police estimate at 50% and counselors put at 75%. An estimated third of the total are habitual users."

Drug use there has penetrated to the SIXTH GRADERS; more than marijuana is involved. Some 13-year-old kids have been discovered shooting "speed" or methedrine. Some insert the needle into their tongues to avoid the telltale needle marks.

Says Caldwell Williams, guidance counselor at Los Angeles' University High, "Anyone who tries to say that fewer than half the students in any high school in Southern California have taken pot *doesn't know what he's talking about.*"

But Southern California is not alone. In San Rafael near San Francisco, a sixth grade teacher was shocked to see a marijuana sale occur in class right before her eyes!

In Los Gatos, near San Jose, California, 23 percent of the high schoolers have used marijuana, LSD or other drugs (96 percent of those used pot); and HALF of them intend to *continue* doing so.

Even faraway Denver, Colorado, reported a 738 percent increase in narcotics arrests in 1968. In one Colorado boarding school, one third of the student body was put on a year's probation for using marijuana!

Some youths are turning from pot to synthetic marijuana — an odorless liquid which is more potent. Just 3-4 drops on a cigarette will give a kick equal to pot. But there have been psychotic episodes. One narcotics official warns that traffic in synthetic pot may make the heroin traffic look like peanuts.

Spiralling Statistics

Overall narcotics violations throughout the U.S. rose 60 percent in 1967 over 1966.

The growing shame of America is that, in the words of Dr. James L. Goddard, commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, the United States has become "the GREATEST society in the world for overuse of drugs." If you take a look at a chart showing the upsurging, spiralling, snowballing increase in DRUG ABUSE by adults and youths alike, it will seem the line streaks upward and almost seems to fall over backward on the graph!

Seizures of dangerous drugs in Los Angeles have increased 5,876 percent in the past ten years. From 1958-1968, statistics show heroin, up 600 percent; marijuana, up 1,587 percent; other dangerous drugs, up 5,876 percent.

Arrests for narcotics violations have soared 500 percent in five years.

Adult narcotics violations in California were 47,032 in 1967 — up 66 percent from 1966. Marijuana violations were up 87 percent.

Law enforcement agencies estimate the whole narcotics problem costs the United States over \$3 billion yearly.

In New York, diseases related to drug addiction claimed more deaths for 15-35-year-olds than either murder, suicide, accidents or natural cause. Dr. Efren Ramirez, head of New York's addiction service agency, says that 100,000 New Yorkers are addicted and steal to support their habit. He said that 200,000 people in New York "organize their lives around the use of drugs." Thefts by drug addicts in New York, where the heroin problem is worst, amount to \$10 million worth of goods daily. The average addict, to support a habit costing \$22 a day, must steal goods worth \$100 every day.

The estimates on the number of heroin addicts in the United States range from 60,000 known, reported addicts to as high as 200,000 throughout the country. In New York City, estimates go as high as from 30,000 to 100,000 depending on who does the estimating.

On the average, dope addicts have life-spans shortened from 20-25 years. The average age at which death overtakes heroin addicts is 34.

United States attorney Joseph P. Hoey said the U.S. Bureau of Narcotics estimates that there are 200,000 to 300,000 narcotics users in the United States with half of them in New York.

Warns Dr. Jerome Levine, "between 25 and 30 percent of the American (Continued on page 45)

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CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE

A CHANGE OF MANTLES

NE HUNDRED and two men of the army of Israel had been burned to death by lightning. They had defied God and attempted to arrest Elijah and to take him to Samaria. (II Kings 1:1-12.) When fifty more approached the prophet, their captain fell to his knees before Elijah and asked for mercy.

Soldiers Learn a Lesson

"We heard about how fire came down from the sky to consume those who came before us," the humbled officer told Elijah. "We didn't want to come here after you, lest we suffer the same fate, but we have been ordered by the king to respectfully ask you to go with us. We trust that your God knows that we are only carrying out orders, and that He will spare us." (II Kings 1:13-14.) Elijah was pleased that this officer would come to him with such a different attitude. But being taken back to Samaria was another matter. If that happened, he could be imprisoned or even face execution.

"Go with him," a voice said to Elijah that only he could hear, and that he recognized as the voice of an angel.

Regardless of what might happen to him at Samaria, the prophet obeyed. He nodded to the officer and stepped in with the soldiers to march with them to the capital of Israel, there to be taken before Ahaziah. From his bed the king regarded Elijah with a sort of sullen awe, as though he wondered if the prophet would call for lightning to strike the palace.

"Why did you ask your God to destroy my

men?" Ahaziah inquired resentfully, although with some hesitance.

"I didn't ask God to destroy your men," Elijah answered. "God did it for reasons of His own. He also has reasons for soon dealing with you. Because you looked to a pagan god for advice and help, instead of the only true God, you shall die in your bed!"

On orders from the distressed king, Elijah was escorted out of the city. Soon afterward the prophet learned that king Ahaziah had died.

The king of Israel had no sons to succeed him. Jehoram, his brother, became the next king. For the next nearly twelve years he was to follow in the ways of Ahaziah, whose personal interests came before those of his people. (II Kings 1:15-18.)

By this time, Elijah had long since established colleges for training prophets, or ministers of God, at two and possibly three towns in Israel. After leaving Samaria, he went to visit one of the colleges, and there conferred with Elisha, who had left his family about ten years before to be trained as a prophet by Elijah. Elisha had become the foremost minister under Elijah. It was evident to students and other followers of God that Elisha would in time take Elijah's position as the head, under God, of the colleges and groups of disciples.

That time came with Ahaziah's death. Elijah's work was finished, inasmuch as he was getting well along in years, and the Creator had chosen Elisha to deal with the next king of Israel. Both Elijah and Elisha were aware of these things. They also realized that Elijah would be taken from his familiar surroundings, so that he wouldn't be regarded as an old has-been, as time went on, by his enemies.

Elisha's Loyalty and Dedication

"I should go visit the college at Bethel," Elijah told Elisha, hoping that he could thus slip away.

"Then I'll accompany you," Elisha said,

determined that the older man shouldn't leave by himself.

Elijah hesitatingly gave in to Elisha's request, and the two rode on donkeys to Bethel. There some of the students, called in those days "sons of the prophets," excitedly came to Elisha to tell him that they had heard that Elijah was about to leave for some other part of the world.

"I know about it," Elisha told the students. "Don't discuss the matter around others. There could be some who would start rumors." (II Kings 2:1-3.)

Following a hasty inspection of the college at Bethel, Elijah told Elisha that God had directed him to go to Jericho, and that Elisha should wait for him in Bethel.

"You shouldn't make the trip alone," Elisha hastily commented. "Count on me to stay with you wherever you go."

Elijah couldn't gracefully forbid the younger prophet to go with him. Thwarted again in his desire to be alone, he smiled and nodded to Elisha, who didn't want to part with his superior any sooner than necessary. When they arrived at Jericho, Elisha was accosted by students and followers who anxiously informed him what they had learned about Elijah's leaving.

"I am aware of it," Elisha told them. "Don't tell it around, or some of our people who follow God might become upset." (II Kings 2:4-5.)

Shortly afterward, Elijah informed Elisha that he had been instructed to move on to the Jordan river, and that it was his wish that Elisha stay behind so that he could make the trip in lone meditation.

"So be it," Elisha agreed. "If you want to be by yourself I'll stay behind. But I won't forsake you. I'll be behind only a short distance so that I can watch for your safety."

This wasn't quite what Elijah meant. He sighed to himself, but at the same time he was pleased that this man should show so much loyalty. He shrugged his shoulders in resignation and motioned for Elisha to accompany him. When they arrived at the Jordan, Elisha looked back to see that about fifty men had followed from Jericho to see what would happen to Elijah. They didn't think that the two prophets would go any farther. The river in that area couldn't easily be forded, and they hardly expected the elderly Elijah to attempt to swim across.

Neither Elisha nor the fifty men from Jericho could imagine what happened next. Elijah removed his cape, folded it up, walked to the edge of the river and struck the water with the piece of clothing. The water, moving from the north, ceased flowing past the spot where Elijah stood, but the water that had already passed continued flowing to the south, leaving an exposed river bed.

God Inaugurates a Leader

While water slowly rose deeper to the north, Elijah strode across the almost waterless bed of the river with Elisha close behind him. By picking their way from rock to rock, they kept from walking in the wet sand and mud. As soon as they reached the east bank, the growing wall of water broke away and ran swiftly off to the south, and the river soon returned to normal in that spot. (II Kings 2:6-8.) While the students from Jericho stared in amazement, the two prophets walked out of sight on the east side of the river. When the two were alone, Elijah turned to Elisha.

"I know that you know that I am about to be taken from here," the older prophet stated. "I know that you have stayed close to me for that reason, and I appreciate your fidelity. If there is anything that I can do for you before I go, tell me now what it is."

"Because I was the first you chose to teach God's ways, I consider myself as sort of a first spiritual heir of yours," Elisha replied. "Because of that, I ask that you give me a double portion of your special power from God, just as a foremost heir is entitled to a double portion of his father's property. I need this so that I'll have the wisdom and power needed to deal with people and situations."

"Your request is wise," Elijah replied, "but it wouldn't be possible for me to give you such a thing. Only God can do that, and it will be up to Him. If God allows you to witness my departure, then you will know that your request will be granted. If you don't see me go, it will be a sign that your desire will be denied." (II Kings 2:9-10.)



While the water of the Jordan piled up deep to the north, Elijah and Elisha walked eastward across the exposed bed of the river. The PLAIN TRUTH

As the two men continued to walk eastward from the Jordan, the sky took on a strange, glowing hue directly overhead. Something resembling a flaming chariot drawn by flaming horses emerged from the glowing sky, swooping toward the ground with great speed. There was a sound like a strong wind. It quickly grew to almost a roar. The younger prophet was aware that dirt and sand were stinging his face.

He momentarily closed his eyes. The force of the wind suddenly abated, although a loud sound remained for a short time. Elisha opened his eyes and looked around. Elijah wasn't there. A glance upward gave Elisha a start.



Elisha struggled to his feet, in spite of the strong wind, to see Elijah carried upward in a fiery mass that resembled a chariot and horses.

The flaming chariot was being drawn into the sky by what appeared to be a strong whirlwind. This time the chariot wasn't empty. Elijah was in it!

"My teacher and master!" Elisha cried out sadly. "You have been of more value to Israel than all the horses and chariots of this nation!" (II Kings 2:11-12.)

Which Heaven?

Seconds later Elijah was out of sight. Elisha kept on trying to keep him in view, but there was nothing to see but empty sky. The younger prophet finally gave up and picked up Elijah's cape, which had fallen to the ground. He walked back to the east bank of the Jordan. There he struck the water with the cape, expecting that the river would be divided as it had been when Elijah performed the same act. The Jordan kept on flowing as usual.

"God, give me the power that you gave Elijah," Elisha prayed, realizing that he had expected a miracle because the cape was Elijah's instead of looking completely to God as the source of power.

Again he struck the water with the cape. Immediately the river broke apart in the same manner it had done only a short time before. While the fifty men from Jericho watched the twice-performed miracle, Elisha walked back across the bed of the river. (II Kings 2:13-14.)

As he strode up the west bank of the stream, his mind was filled with one question: What had become of Elijah? For many centuries people have been taught that Elijah was taken from this planet to the realm where God lives and from which He rules, even though the Bible states that no one except Christ has ascended into that heaven where God's throne is located. (John 3:13; Acts 2:29-34.)

The scriptures show that Elijah was taken up into heaven, but there are *three* heavens mentioned in the Bible. The first is the atmosphere surrounding Earth to a depth of about forty miles, in the lower part of which birds fly. (Genesis 1:20.) The second heaven is the space of the whole universe, the starry expanse that is billions and billions of miles across. (Genesis 1:14-16; Ezekiel 32:8.) The third heaven is the unseen place or throne from which God controls the whole universe. (Isaiah 66:1; Acts 7:49; II Corinthians 12:2.)

The first heaven, or atmosphere, is the one into which Elijah was taken. We live and move in that heaven, inasmuch as we need air to keep us alive. Elijah was taken up to a high altitude, but he still remained in the first heaven.

Those who wrongly teach that Elijah was taken to the third heaven point to an account in the New Testament in which Christ went with three of his disciples to a mountain to pray. In a vision the disciples saw Elijah and Moses talking to Christ, who later told his companions not to tell others about the vision. (Matthew 17:1-9.)

Because Elijah was taken from his old environment in Israel, that didn't mean that he died. He was put down safely in a distant place where he wasn't known, there to peacefully live out the rest of his life. Wherever that place was, Elijah surely kept aware of the events taking place both in Israel and Judah.

About eight years later, when an evil man was king of Judah, *he received a letter from Elijah*. It warned him that he would soon become diseased and die because of the terrible things he had done. (II Chronicles 21:12.) How long Elijah lived after sending the letter is something that probably won't be known until the prophet tells about it after he is resurrected and again taken high into the first heaven to meet Christ coming down from the third heaven to rule Earth for the next thousand years. (I Thessalonians 4:15-18; Revelation 5:10, 20:4-6.)

"Elijah is Safe!"

Meanwhile, the fifty men from Jericho hurried to meet Elisha to anxiously inquire what had become of Elijah. Elisha briefly explained that God had taken him up in a whirlwind. He showed them the cape that the prophet had dropped. (II Kings 2:15.)

"That means that you have been given the wisdom and power that Elijah had," one of the men declared as they bowed before Elisha.

"Aren't you concerned about Elijah?" another asked. "Isn't it possible that he has been killed by falling onto some rocky mountain or into some deep valley? Shouldn't we search for his remains?"

"God took him up, and God will take care of him," was Elisha's reply. "There is no reason to look for him."

"But anything could have happened," one of the men insisted. "Even if Elijah comes down safely, he could become lost. All of us are anxious to go out and search. Would you deny us this effort to do something for God's servant?"

"If it's so important to you, go search," Elisha replied, having been made to feel that he was responsible for Elijah's absence. "You'll only be wasting your time. God wouldn't take Elijah for the purpose of dropping him or causing him to become lost."

For the next three days the fifty men searched for miles around for Elijah, but they found no sign of him. They returned to report to Elisha at Jericho, where he was staying for a time.

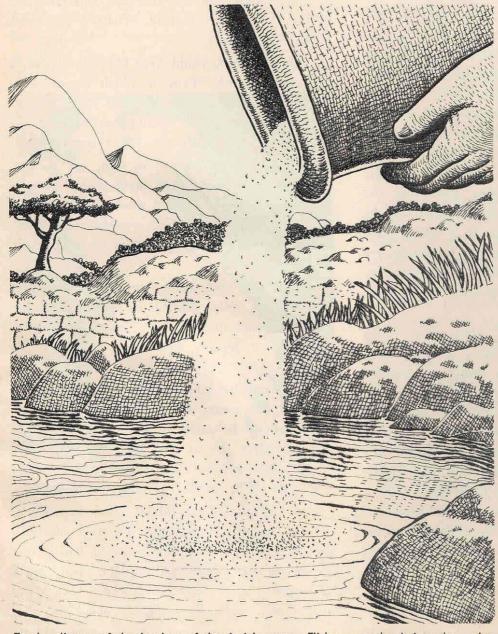
"I knew that you wouldn't find him," Elisha reminded the weary searchers. "I also knew that you wouldn't be satisfied until you had looked for yourselves. Be assured that wherever Elijah is, he is safe and well, and that God will provide him with all his needs." (II Kings 2:16-18.)

A few days later, while Elisha was still at Jericho, leaders of the city informed him that their source of water, a nearby spring, had become so impure that it was hindering the plant growth and causing ill health to the people. They hoped that Elisha could do something about it.

Elisha did. He asked for a container of salt, which he carried to the spring and dumped therein. The city officials, who had followed him, were quite startled. The water was already bad enough without making it salty.

"Why did you do that?" one of the officials asked. "How can you possibly improve water by putting salt in it?"

"It can't usually be improved," Elisha answered. "But God instructed me to use salt because it is an emblem of purity. The salt itself won't improve the waters. God wants you to know



To the dismay of the leaders of the Jericho area, Elisha poured salt into the spring that supplied water there.

that He has healed these waters, and that from now on they will impart good health to those who consume it and lush growth to all plant life in this area."

Right away the people of Jericho noticed how much better the water tasted. In the months to come they were pleased because of the healthy growth of trees, shrubs, grass and gardens. This was the second outstanding miracle God performed through Elisha. (II Kings 2:19-22.)

> Soon afterward, as the prophet was going to Bethel, a group of rude youths — often mistakenly translated "little children" — came from Bethel to shout insults.

> "Look at baldy walking!" they jeered. "Why doesn't he fly the way he claims old Elijah did?"

> "He knows he can't fly!" they taunted him. "He lied about that crackpot Elijah, and a lot of religious idiots believed him!"

> "Mocking God's servants is mocking God!" Elisha warned them. "A curse from God should fall on you for acting like this!"

The jeers ceased when angry roars came from a nearby wood. Seconds later, two huge, snarling bears ambled from under the trees and charged straight at the youths!

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Modern science and technology came forward in our time as the messiah to rescue society from its ills. In ten years scientific and technological knowledge has DOUBLED — and in the same decade humanity's TROUBLES also have doubled!

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Science, technology, Communism have proved false messiahs. World troubles multiply, and today they are frightening. PLAIN TRUTH editors, scholars, researchers, analysts, realize that neither these, nor governments, educators, established religions, psychologists, or any other human "authorities" have the answers. None knows THE WAY to *PEACE!* None knows the PURPOSE of life. None seems to point out the true values from the false.

Therefore PLAIN TRUTH editors have dared, without apology, to go to the one and only SOURCE that reveals these ANSWERS, and points unerringly to the solutions that will be achieved! It is the world's best seller — the Book that Bruce Barton said nobody knows! Approximately a third of it is devoted to advance news reports, utterly overlooked, it seems, by educators, scientists, religious organizations, governments. Yet, over a 2,500-year span these advance news reports have proved unerringly accurate!

span these advance news reports have proved unerringly accurate! What is generally unrecognized is that there is a PURPOSE being worked out here below, and that this totally misrepresented Source is in true fact our Maker's instruction book. It reveals the meaning and purpose of life. It deals with world conditions today. It is not only up-to-date as of NOW — its advance news reports lay bare our future. There is NO OTHER source of understanding OUR TIME, and where we are going! And its Author says to us, "Freely you have received, freely give."

We make the truth *PLAIN*. It is priceless — we simply cannot put a price on it. We happen to be conscientious about it. That is our policy. A comparatively small number of Co-workers, of their own volition, unsolicited by us, have joined with us to make such an unprecedented policy workable! We, and they, sincerely THANK YOU for allowing us to serve you. It is, truly, "more blessed to GIVE than to receive." Thank you for giving us that pleasure!

INDIA'S FUTURE

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the Russians. But the recent success of the pro-Peking communists indicates the Chinese brand of communism is making a rapid comeback.

Signs of Communism

While we were in India we saw little Chinese activity, but many obvious indications of Russian (communist) influence. In Calcutta we saw obvious outward signs of communist influence — their slogans prominently displayed.

Furthermore, the Russian Admiral, Gorshkov, made a tour of India in the early part of 1968, seeking, among other things, *a Russian base* in the Indian Ocean.

Our plane from Bombay to Moscow was filled with Indians.

India's trade with Russia and the communist countries has more than tripled since 1961. In 1966, India negotiated a billion-dollar *arms deal* with the Russians — for the purchase of tanks, planes, submarines and small arms.

India's purchase of a 1.3-billiondollar *steel mill* from Russia further underscores Russia's efforts in that country.

The Sino-Indian border conflict temporarily favored Russo-Indian relations. Russia is very happy to have even an impoverished nation like India for her ally, because this will give her certain psychological and military advantages in her struggle against the West and against the Chinese communists.

Yet, in spite of all these *Russian* communist efforts, the *Chinese* communists were the real winners in India's February elections.

India's Communist Party

Many in the Western world have not realized that right now the communist party is the second most powerful party in India — and has the second highest number of seats in parliament.

The seeds of communism have been sown all over India. Several Indian states are known to be communist strongholds, especially Kerala and West Bengal, as the recent elections made obvious.

It is a well-known fact that communism thrives on poverty, squalor and human wretchedness. No affluent nation has ever espoused communism. That is why Calcutta's deep poverty makes that city an easy prey for communists. Calcutta, remember, has been referred to as "the world's worst city," and "the world's biggest slum."

Since poverty and illiteracy are so common in India, it may not prove too difficult for the communists to take over the entire country. One of the main obstacles to a communist take-over is Hinduism. The Hindus are deeply religious. Communism is atheistic. There would be, of course, some bloodshed. But there would not be anything like the bloodshed which occurred in Russia when the communists took over that country during World War I. It is not so easy to rouse the Hindu Indians to organized violence because so many of them, by religion, are against taking life in any form. But Hindus are prone to spontaneous riots and acts of emotionalism leading sometimes to disorganized local violence.

Indian Origins

Who are the peoples of India? Where did they come from? It will come as a surprise to many to learn that the racial origins of the Indians are made plain through the Scriptures.

The peoples of India, in major part, descend from Ham, one of the three sons of Noah. One of Ham's sons was named "Put" or "Phut" — spelled either way in the Scriptures (see Gen. 10:6; I Chron. 1:8).

Both the Hebrew Bible and profane history — especially Arabic and Persian sources — demonstrate that the descendants of Put migrated eastward from Mesopotamia and settled in what we call India. The Hebrew word "Put" means *a warrior*.

The word "Rajput" means "king or chief of Put (*Encyclopaedia Brittanica*, art. "Raja"). The rulers of India have often been referred to as the "Rajputs." They were the warrior-rulers of India.

Furthermore, some descendants of another of Ham's sons, Kush or Cush, also settled in India. These Cushites once lived in the area called Hindu Cush. Today there are Cushites in India as well as in Ethiopia and other farflung regions. And it is well known that the *Parsees* are the descendants of the ancient *Persian* peoples.

Some of the Indians are very dark like the dark Cushites of Ethiopia (where the Western branch of Cushites settled) while many of the Indians are not quite so dark.

India to Go Communist?

Many in India — especially in government circles — fear a possible communist take-over. Present-day indications point to the strong and imminent *possibility* of India being engulfed by communism — either in a somewhat bloodless coup, or by a more bloody revolution. India and communist Russia have been drawing closer and closer through the years. India is becoming more and more disenchanted with democracy and with the Commonwealth.

British papers recently stated that Mrs. Indira Gandhi had hinted that India might even withdraw from the Commonwealth. Some in Britain feared India would turn more completely to Russia, and away from the Commonwealth.

At this year's Commonwealth meeting in London, Mrs. Gandhi told us that she and her government don't fear a communist take-over in India. But, time will tell if she is correct.

An Amazing Prophecy

An amazing prophecy, written thousands of years ago, reveals that *India* will eventually be allied with the COM-MUNISTS — not with the West astounding as that may seem!

The 38th and 39th chapters of Ezekiel speak of a number of nations allied *against Israel*. Notice the names of those attacking nations who will come up "against the mountains of Israel" (Ezek. 38:8).

What are those nations, or peoples,

who, according to this prophecy, will attack the nation of Israel?

Verse 2 mentions the peoples of Gog and Magog, of Meshech and Tubal (or Moscow and Tobolsk). Allied with them will be the Persians, some of the peoples of "Ethiopia" (Heb. Cush) and "Put" or "Phut." Any good marginal reference will show that the word "Libya" (verse 5) is a mistranslation. The Hebrew word here translated "Libya" is "Put" or "Phut."

So we see that the peoples of Phut and of Cush (meaning the modern-day *Indians*) will be allied with the communists of Russia, China and the Orient. Since India is inhabited by peoples of Phut, Cush and even some of the Persians (today called Parsees) — it becomes quite clear that *India will* either be taken over by the communists, or else will be very closely allied with them — at the time when these communist nations invade the "land of Israel."

The 38th and 39th chapters of Ezekiel are known to be yet *future*. No one claims they have already been fulfilled.

These amazing prophecies are beginning to take shape right before our very eyes. Watch Bible prophecy! Watch India! You will not have long to wait to see these sure prophecies come to pass before your very eyes.

India's Only Hope

Even though India will finally sever her ties with the British Commonwealth and will snuggle up closer to the *communists*, yet — surprising as it may seem — the time *is* coming when the peoples of India will have their hearts turned back to the peoples of Britain. Yes, the peoples of Britain are prophesied to help lift the peoples of India out of their ignorance, poverty and squalor — during the coming millennial rule of Jesus Christ upon this very earth!

The people of Britain will be a great blessing to the people of India in the wonderful world tomorrow — when the long-prophesied Messiah will rule all nations in peace, judgment and in prosperity. This, truly, is *India's only hope!* Then, and only then, will the peoples of India receive such boundless blessings that we can't even imagine!

The Hindus also believe that their god, Chrishna (or Krishna) will return to the earth and rule for 1,000 years. This Hindu belief in a millennial rule is virtually identical with the Jewish and Christian Messianic teaching of the soon-coming Messiah establishing His just rule upon this earth.

If you wish to understand, in much greater detail, just how these and other significant world-happenings will occur in the near future, then you should immediately write, requesting the free books: The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy, and The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What It Will Be Like.

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MYSTERY BLOB

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described — and no reproductive organs?

Well — it seems that to reproduce, they must first reach a certain "critical size," which seems to *cause* them to DIVIDE INTO TWO amoebae!

Some of you have no doubt watched this incredible process through a microscope. The amoeba will round up, and then gradually constrict in the middle, right through the nucleus, just as if some unseen hand were tightening a corset to unbearable restriction. Then, just as if one fried egg had, all by itself, so constricted its middle that the yolk parted, flowed to the approximate center of each half of the remaining white of the egg, and appeared to be *two* eggs, so the amoeba splits into Two living cells.

Just how does an amoeba reach critical size? What determines that size?

Let's ask protozoologists. "Apparently we must still confess ignorance of the answer to this vital problem" says Reginald D. Manwell, on page 188 of his book, *Introduction to Protozoology*.

The little amoeba divides in about half an hour.

Simple.

Only trouble is — scientists do not understand it — and admit they cannot!

"It must be remembered that the division of one cell into two cells is really not as simple as it appears at the outset, but instead involves complex processes that are not yet completely understood by man. For one thing no amoeba can reproduce without a nucleus, for in the nucleus is the hereditary material known as chromatin, which determines exactly what the individual is going to be" (Zoology, by Max N. Silvernale, page 42).

The amoeba, then, is FAR from simple! The idea of its "simplicity" is advanced by evolutionists to preserve the "simple to complex" idea — a vital part of evolutionary thought.

But in the tiny Amoeba proteus are 500 or more chromosomes. These chromosomes, in the nucleus of the little organism, have to do with the *totally*

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mysterious process of reproduction and, equally mysteriously, somehow preserve the PATTERN of the exact makeup, size, appearance, shape, and function of each "daughter" cell as it "splits off." Actually, it is impossible to label one amoeba a parent and the other the offspring — since one "parent" becomes TWO EQUAL bodies, sharing fifty-fifty in the nucleus and the "protoplasm."

In watching the division of a cell into Two cells — you would notice that the amoeba rounds up into a more compact ball — bringing up its pseudopodia into very short, stubby form all over its body. Then the cell begins to elongate, constricting more and more in the middle. The fluid-like blob then begins to flow in opposite directions, tugging apart, as it were, and finally, the two cells break apart, and "crawl" away, beginning individual lives!

But what FORCE causes this? There is no MIND there — no body, or limbs.

Only a "simple" process — we're sometimes told.

But if it's so "simple," why, then, are scientists still so PERPLEXED by it all?! They still don't know WHAT triggers the cell division.

Scientists have studied the reproduction of amoebae by the hundreds and hundreds of hours — yet must still admit they are a MYSTERY!

They can tell you what they "look like" and try to give names (usually erroneous, or inaccurate) to their various parts, and tell you what they do. But as to why they are; where they came from; what *controls* their processes; science must admit it does not know.

In one experiment, a scientist noted an apparent *cyclical* pattern in the reproduction of amoebae. "An unexpected and rather surprising discovery was that division, in at least some species of amoeba, is a *cyclical* matter and may be related to the time of day..." (*Introduction to Protozoology*, Reginald D. Manwell, page 307).

Sensitive Animal

Regarding response to heat, light and other stimuli, here are some startling discoveries:

"Amoeba can sense the presence of prey at some distance and move purposefully toward it, or can respond to an irritating stimulus, such as certain kinds of light and reverse its direction." (*The Marvelous Animals — An Introduction to the Protozoa*, Helena Curtis, page 15).

"If the light is suddenly shone directly on the amoeba, it draws itself together in shock and will even extrude its half-eaten food" (ibid., page 79).

The amoeba has no eyes. Yet a sudden, sharp light increase shocks an amoeba, almost like a *bright* light momentarily blinds a person.

Other experiments show that the amoeba is sensitive to various colors of light. That is, there would be one response to blue light, and another to red!

And every part of the amoeba's body appears to be equally sensitive.

The amoeba is sensitive to heat also. If one side of an amoeba is heated, it reacts in the same negative way as it would to chemicals or to a mechanical shock.

Ordinarily an amoeba prefers to work in the dark, and when a strong white light is suddenly thrown on a moving amoeba it comes to rest immediately.

Experiments have shown that an amoeba is very sensitive to changes in the chemical composition of the water surrounding it. The amoeba tends to move away whenever it comes to a region in which the water differs even slightly from that to which it is accustomed.

Some scientists believe that it is by certain chemical stimuli that the amoeba can tell food particles from inedible bits of debris.

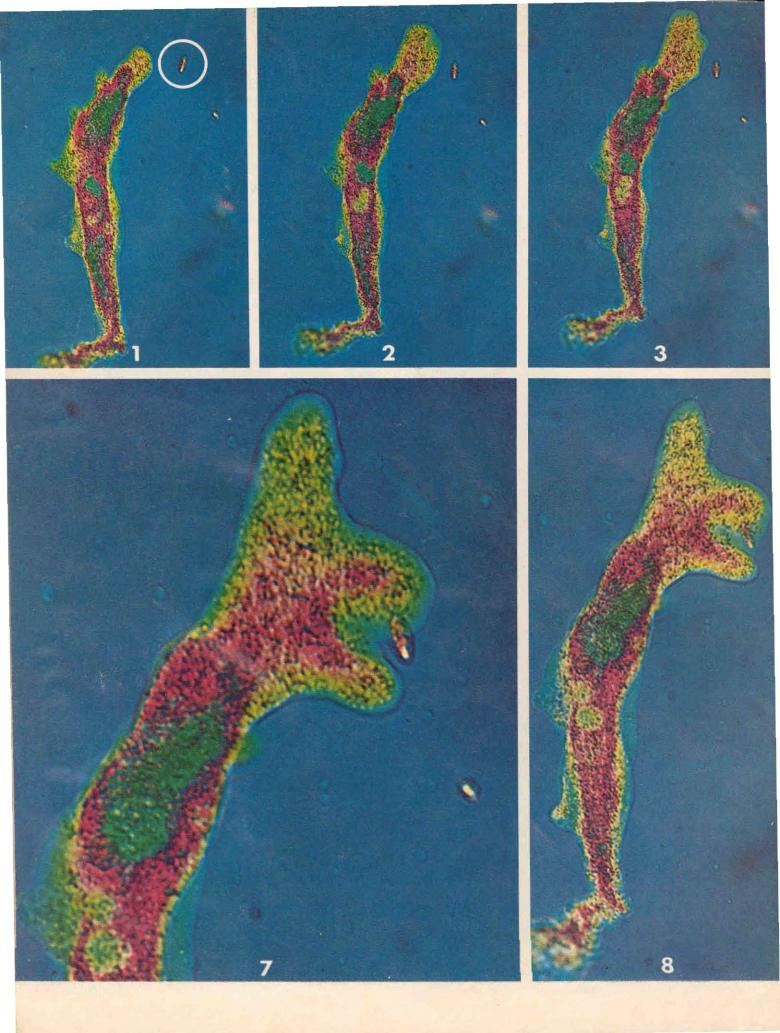
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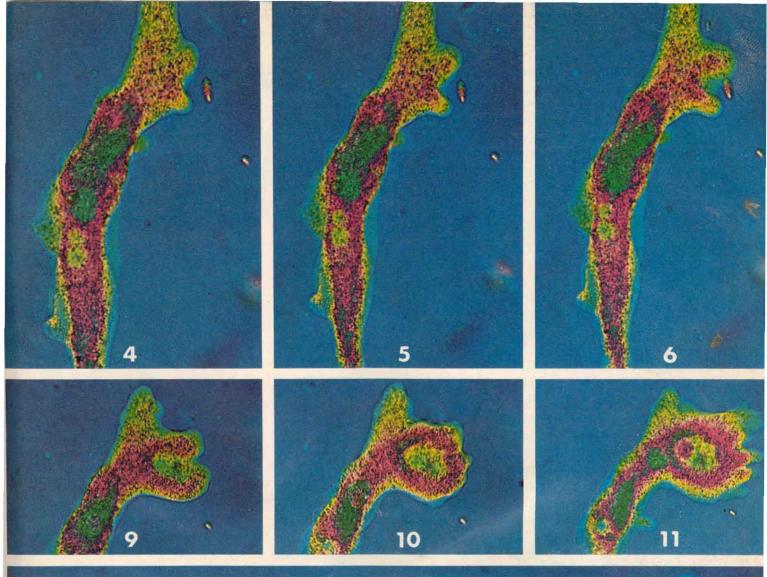
Amoebae have been found in tepid thermal springs with a temperature of 24-36° C., or about 93-96° F.

Other experiments found that "internal freezing kills the amoeba, although if the ice is prevented from forming, a temperature as low as -5° C. [about 23° F.] brings about no visible damage to the organism" (*Protozoology*, by Richard R. Kudo, page 22).

Certain "social amoebae" even use a chemical substance called "acrasin" to

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MICRO HUNTER CAPTURES PREY

Gentry — Ambassador College The amoeba hunts and captures his food in a unique way. The series above, all taken within sec-onds of the first shot, was photographed through an interference microscope, giving full color to the trans-parent amoeba. (Series progresses from left to right and top to bottom.) The amoeba senses a chilomona (note white circle around food organism), sends out "false feet" to surround the prey, brings it inside its fluid body for digestion to begin. relay messages to other amoebae. In one experiment, a colony of amoebae were separated individually a short distance apart. It was found that one amoeba immediately rose to lead the group back together. This leader secreted a chemical called "acrasin," to which all the other amoebae were very sensitive. Stimulated to action, the other amoebae began to secrete the same substance and started their long trek toward their leader!

Can you imagine — a whole army of amoebae???

Exactly *why* the amoebae came together in this manner was not explained. However, the group formation was connected with their cyclical reproductive process.

Let's look at more of their admissions about the amoeba.

"Handicapped though it is, this amazing little animal can carry on all of the vital life processes that are common to even the higher animals...

"The involved behavior of the amoeba is exceedingly hard to explain in view of its lack of specialization. The reactions [to stimuli] display a remarkable sensitivity that can only be explained in a very *unsatisfactory manner* by saying that its behavior is the result of the *irritability of protoplasm*" (Zoology, by Max N. Silvernale, pages 39 and 42).

It's like saying the train moves because of the engine — without explaining the engine!

And more admissions on the mysterious amoeba.

"The Amoeba crawls about in search of food. To move about is doing work. We all know work cannot be done without a *source of energy*. This is as true for the tiny Amoeba as for the biggest steam engine . . . If we understood this process in all its details, the mysteries of life would be solved! We are still very far from this" (*About Biology*, Karl Von Frisch, page 9).

Further showing the amoeba's complexity, another author says, "The amoeba appears to be about the *simplest possible living animal*, an independent cell with nucleus and cytoplasm but no permanent organelles ... Despite its seeming simplicity it can move, capture, digest, and assimilate complex food, egest indigestible residues, respire, produce secretions and excretions, respond to changes [stimuli] of various kinds in both its internal and external environment, grow, and reproduce itself in kind" (General Zoology, by Tracy I. Storer & Robert L. Usinger, page 286).

Here are more specific admissions scientists themselves wonder about.

The Complex Amoeba — No Simple Creature

"Amoeba, they suppose, stands at one end of the evolutionary ladder and man at the other. The Sarcodina, of which the amoeba has become the most familiar example (although by no means the most typical) are often presented as interesting chiefly because of their assumed primitiveness. Yet the amoeba, seemingly so simple in its organization is *highly complex*. It has its nucleus and constituent chromosomes, its contractile vacuole, its mitochondria, and frequently a rather complicated life history" (Introduction to Protozoology, by Reginald D. Manwell, page 297).

The same author states earlier in his book, "Even amoeba is far from simple as we have seen; and as more refined techniques are developed for the study of minute structure, its *complexities seem steadily to increase!* (Ibid. page 145.)

The more scientists learn, the more they find they don't know!

A common expression used to indicate the diversity of the scale of life is the phrase "amoeba to man." "In fact, however, the amoeba is a highly developed organism, which is almost as much more complex than the simplest organisms as man is more complex than amoeba" (Biology, edit. by Samuel Rapport & Hellen Wright, page 205).

So now you see that, far from being the basic "beginnings" of "simple," single-celled life — a mainstay in the evolutionary scheme of things amoebae are terribly complex!

Still, they are supposed to have EVOLVED!

They are supposed to be remnants of YOUR OWN ANCESTORS!

Right here — you should realize a basic truth. The *closer* you look into creation, whether living things, or anything material, the more flawless perfection, organization, harmony, complexity, beauty and DESIGN you see! The CLOSER you look at anything MAN does — including his theories about his own origin, or anything his hands *make*, the *more* disorder, imperfection, flaws, mistakes, inadequacies, and randomness you see.

If you possess a fairly powerful magnifying glass — you can illustrate that point by placing it over one of the color pictures in this article. You will see that color printing is done by a series of little *dots*, and that the closer you look at the picture, the less clearly defined it is — the more imperfections you will see.

No, there's nothing "simple" about an amoeba — nothing.

WHERE did they come from? How could such a fantastically adaptable, resilient, sensitive, active little organism have "evolved" GRADUALLY?

Yet, scientists cling to their faith. And in this, they must be admired — just as much as *any* adherent to superstition must be patronized — and each person must recognize the inherent "right" of each other person to his beliefs — so it must be recognized that each scientist has the RIGHT to his belief; his faith.

Because that's what evolution truly IS. It is a kind of RELIGION — a new DOGMA — a FAITH which is NOT proved; which CANNOT be proved.

But, in truth, many evolutionists have gone the full circle. They have come back to the FACT that creation is IM-POSSIBLE without some special "MIRACU-LOUS" occurrences. They simply call these "leaps" or other mindless, purposeless names.

But at all costs, most people wish to reject the truth of the God of the Bible! Because you see, that God tells you HOW TO LIVE — He reveals WHY YOU'RE HERE — and tells you WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

Unfortunately, those precious truths are rejected by most men today just as they were rejected when Jesus Christ of Nazareth brought the truth about tomorrow's world.

"I WANT'A BLOW MY MIND!"

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people have used the psychotropic drugs within the past year, and twice as many women are using them as men."

Why the dramatic increase in drug problems and upsurging drug abuse? Said one doctor in San Francisco, "drug use reflects a SICK and hypocritical society."

Make no mistake! The problem is SERIOUS — and is fast escalating!

Warned Dr. James L. Goddard, former chief of the Food and Drug Administration, 20 million Americans may have tried marijuana and 400,000 may be using it *regularly*.

The New York Times estimated that 100 million Americans use some form of mind-altering drugs, such as amphetamines, barbiturates, alcohol, and tranquilizers. According to one author, "These statistics are staggering." He continues: "There are ten million persons smoking marijuana. Some ten million individuals take amphetamines (pep pills). Twice that many take barbiturates (sleeping pills). Another three million down tranquilizers. Kids sniff glue and drink codeine-based cough medicine in frightening quantities. And trapped down in the real depths are some sixty thousand heroin addicts" (p. 106, The LSD Story).

The Drugged Society

America's reliance on drugs is a growing menace to millions. We live in a society surrounded by drugs. There are pills to pep us up, pills to calm us down, pills to wake us up, pills to put us to sleep, pills to gain weight, pills to lose weight, pills to avoid babies, pills to have babies, pills to avoid pain.

Said Dr. Goddard, "More and more of us are becoming dependent on drugs, hiding from the realities of life—or using them just for thrills. Drug abuse cannot be connected only with narcotics users. The alarming rise in the abuse of stimulant, depressant and hallucinogenic drugs cuts across all strata of society."

Millions of Americans may not know it — or admit it — but they are "hooked" on drugs. They cannot live without them! Many can't seem to sleep without drugs; cannot function smoothly without drugs.

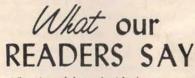
Just how many are involved? No one knows the exact answer. However, here is an indication: Each year over 12 billion amphetamine and barbiturate tablets and 50 million tranquilizers are manufactured in the United States. It has been estimated that half of the amphetamines and barbiturates go to the illegal market!

Also indicative of the growing problem is the number of arrests for drug abuse. In Westchester County, New York, drug arrests jumped from 309 in 1965 to 700 in 1966. In many areas, drug arrests in 1966 jumped 400 percent over 1965!

Fantastic as it may sound, police estimate that between 15 and 50 percent of the teen-age kids in many communities may be trying marijuana.

We have become a drug-oriented, if not a drug-obsessed, society!

Take Tucson, Arizona, for example. Detective Werner Wolff, of the police



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country . . . I am fully in agreement with the information contained in it."

> Nick L. H., Memphis, Tennessee

Education

"I am deeply grateful for the literature you have sent me in the past months. The knowledge that I have received has changed my whole outlook towards mankind and myself. It has forced me to think, probe, prove and to study so many aspects and subjects of this modern age. I am totally indebted to you for this new knowledge, and realize now that as a teen-ager I could never accumulate this in my whole lifetime, and would just go on stumbling through life like so many narcotics unit, says teen-agers are taking to marijuana with "a missionary zeal." Authorities are certain that more young people than ever before are using marijuana and some are trying heroin. Some youngsters in San Diego spend \$10 to \$15 a week on marijuana, said one report.

In 1967, 5 million 5-grain units of illicit drugs were seized at borders and ports of entry. The total weight of confiscated drugs including marijuana was 34 tons. This was over 250 percent above the 1966 figure, and 600 percent above the 1965 figure!

The sale of illicit narcotics in the United States is a whopping multimillion-dollar business.

But wHY the alarming rise in drug traffic? What is the CAUSE of the phenomenal growth of drug abuse? And why, especially, are YOUNG PEO-PLE taking so assiduously to drugs, from pot to LSD, called "acid," from cough syrup to glue-sniffing, from methedrine to morphine, from barbiturates to heroin?

Be sure to read the answer in next month's issue.

people around me, living the way of the conscience, which to me seems now very stupid and so ignorant."

> A. N., Indooroopilly, Queensland

"Thank you for your information that you have sent me the last year or two. While I don't always agree with your opinions and thoughts, I do always find them thought-provoking and interesting. I will soon be leaving the service and returning to civilian life. I will say that *The* PLAIN TRUTH has helped me set a lot of my moral standards and has always given me a lot to think about."

Sgt. Bill Z., APO, San Francisco

"I am a University of Georgia sophomore who is in need of a personal "restoration of faith' you might say... Since coming to college my faith and beliefs have been severely shaken if not shattered. I have heard both professors and fellow students alike denounce the existence of Jesus Christ and severely question the validity of the Bible. I have been in classes and at lectures where Christianity was labeled little more than a 'carbon copy religion,' and the Ten Commandments 'hypocritical duplicity.' I think the time has come that I renew my faith."

> Greg H., Dalton, Georgia

• Or ask the professors for proof.

Tribute to Co-workers

"Here I will borrow the words of the late Sir Winston Churchill and say to you as he did to England's population, 'Never will so many owe so much to so few.' In this case of course the 'so many' are the avid readers of *The* PLAIN TRUTH, and the 'so few' your co-workers who work increasingly that all peoples may read and know the Truth."

Mrs. M. L. W., Sidney, B. C., Canada

"When I first received your magazine, I was surprised as I did not know how I happened to get it. After a few months I wrote that I wasn't in a position to pay for it. You wrote me, saying it was already paid for. I just couldn't believe it. In a little while, I saved up and sent you money to pay for it. To my surprise it was returned, reminding me again that it was paid for. Maybe I understand now."

Mrs. May F., Portland, Oregon

• The whole thing is explained on page 39 of this issue.

"I want to thank you for the many years I have received *The* PLAIN TRUTH along with many other booklets and full-sized books; also, the Ambassador College Correspondence Course. I have now completed my 51st lesson and all without one request for money."

James S.,

New Wilmington, Pennsylvania

"Please cancel my trial subscription to your magazine. I am not in the least bit

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interested in your simple solution to the world's complicated problems. I certainly expected something different than a religious publication. I certainly hope your Jesus does come and *can* do all you say — but I certainly do not believe he will, and I will not sit around waiting for him when there are problems I can help solve *now*."

Mrs. John B., Los Gatos, California

• Nor will we — that's why we're so busy with the radio, TV, magazine and many other publications.

"When I received notice that my name had been entered for a year's prepaid subscription to the magazine, I didn't approve of the idea and asked you to take my name off the list. As I was about to return the first copy, I spent a few minutes in reading some of the articles and to my surprise, found that the magazine was indeed very different from anything I had ever read before and could be the means of doing much good in our troubled world."

N. I.,

Stockton, California

• Thanks for looking, first.

"I would like to have my subscription to *The* PLAIN TRUTH and all the rest of your literature canceled. I have had a long talk with my son about this and it is my decision and his. He is a young man of fifteen years and much too young to have all these thoughts going through his mind."

> Fred L., Hopedale, Massachusetts

• How much TV does he watch? Do you let him go to movies? Just what

Correspondence Course

"thoughts" are you against?

"I have received your most significant magazine, *The* PLAIN TRUTH, for two years. I have many questions in my mind. My classmates told me, "Since you are interested, why do you not enter the Correspondence Course which can explain some correct viewpoint to you.' Now many questions remained unanswered. I thirst for knowledge and understanding. Could you send me the following lessons of the Ambassador College Course and preceding issues of any?"

Po-wang L., Formosa, China

• Sure will — and any other readers who would like a free sample of the most exciting, interesting course they've ever seen.

Why Not Happy Marriages?

"I want to thank you for the articles you sent me on marriage. After 20 years of married life, I began to apply some of the principles you pointed out. I have now established myself as head of this family, and even my wife, after some slight persuasion, has to admit that we are a much, much happier unit."

> Eugene W., Battle Creek, Michigan

When in Doubt, Ask

"What assurance does a confused man like me have that your organization is commissioned or authorized by God to preach and to publish His Gospel to all the world in these last days? I am afraid your organization is not different from those sects founded by men purposely to take advantage of the tithing from blinded men. I am very sorry for such an unkind statement. My intention is not to slander but to seek proof and truth for guidance against false prophets."

> Amando P., Quezon City, Philippines

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India

"It is my privilege to write to you. I am a student from India, studying here. I... occasionally read your magazine. Your recent issue which contains the article about India, is the first magazine which presents the true picture of India. So please receive my most sincere congratulations...."

> Antani P., Brookings, South Dakota

WHO KILLED JESUS?

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bring about his acquittal... Jesus had to be persuaded not to plead guilty and witnesses had to be found to prove his innocence... It was for this reason that the night meeting of the Sanhedrin took place."

The Sanhedrin "was interested in satisfying itself that any evidence there might be available against Jesus was false and inadmissible. Hence it so found and declared."

Under Roman law, continues Justice Cohn, the "accused could be convicted on his plea of guilty...In order to avoid Jesus' conviction on his own confession, he had to be dissuaded from pleading guilty; and in order to dissuade him from pleading guilty before Pilate, he had first to be dissuaded from his guilt and induced to cooperate...."

Jesus' reply to their last question, concludes Justice Cohn, "caused the High Priest and the Sanhedrin to give up in despair."

"If the High Priest rent his clothes that night, it was because of his failure to make Jesus see his point and cooperate and because of the impending doom. The assertion by Jesus that he was the true Messiah — while not constituting any criminal offence — amounted to a rejection of the offer made to him by the High Priest and the leadership It was not the blasphemy which made the High Priest rend his clothes, but the frustration of his efforts to bring Jesus to reason and save him from his fate..." comments author Cohn (pp. 22-31).

These conclusions are those of Justice Cohn, who sincerely thinks that Jesus was wrong in allowing his disciples to believe that he was the Messiah.

Now let's examine the Biblical evidence surrounding Jesus' trial.

Panorama of Events

Here is what really happened!

After the Passover service, which must have lasted to nearly midnight, Jesus went out and prayed. Then Judas, after the multitudes who followed Jesus had retired, appeared with Roman soldiers and a mob of delinquents looking for trouble. In that mob, according to the gospels — the only available written evidence — were the very ones who were about to try Jesus. They came to incite the mob as the Roman soldiers went out to arrest him. All this, remember, while most of the people were asleep in their homes.

After Jesus was arrested, Annas examined him alone. Annas was ex-High Priest. They next took Jesus to Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin, before sunrise while it was yet night, where Jesus was informally condemned.

After sunrise, the Sanhedrin quickly condemned Jesus formally to justify their previous conduct. Then, they took him to Pilate *on different charges*.

Pilate wanted to wash his hands of the whole affair. When Pilate found Jesus was of Galilee, he sent him to Herod. After Herod saw Jesus and could not get anything but silence from him, Herod decided to let him go back to Pilate.

Then, at the second time before Pilate, the Roman governor, under heavy pressure from the mobs, gave sentence — even against his own better judgment, after he washed his hands of it! So Pilate — the Roman and the mobs and their leaders *all participated*.

These are the six steps through which Jesus went from after midnight to nearly 9 o'clock.

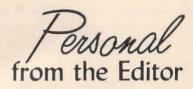
And at 9 o'clock he was crucified. At 3 o'clock that afternoon, he was speared in the side by a Roman soldier and killed (Matthew 27:49, Moffatt translation). For a full explanation of how Jesus died, write for the article titled, "Did Jesus Die of a Broken Heart?"

Shortly before sunset, Jesus was buried. That's how quickly a sinful world ridded itself of the One who came to pay for their sins!

Why did the leaders of the world — the governor, the religious hierarchy — the soldiers, and the mob all have their part in the execution of Jesus? Why, if Jesus were here today, would he receive the same treatment from most who profess themselves Christian?

The answer is made very plain in I Corinthians 2: "But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory; which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they WOULD NOT HAVE CRUCIFIED the Lord of glory" (verses 7, 8).

The Roman officials, the Roman soldiers, the Jewish leaders, and the Jewish mob just did not know what they were doing! Had they known, they would not have done it. And because they did not understand they can be forgiven! Forgiven through the shed blood of the very one upon whom they spat and whom they crucified and stabbed to death! What a glorious truth!



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going to *force* stubborn, rebellious mankind, against his will, to be HAPPY — to be at PEACE — to be universally prosperous — to learn how to live abundantly, joyfully. Now of course some very few will likely scornfully, scoffingly, say this is no hope at all. They won't believe it. That is the very reason their Maker is going to DO IT *to them*, in spite of their lack of any faith in Him.

And, in TOMORROW'S WORLD, under His divine rule, all rebellion will be put down. There will be a truly beneficent, efficient World Government at last. There will be worldwide RIGHT EDUCATION. The MISSING DIMENSION now supplied, as far as I know *only* at Ambassador College, will be supplied in all education. And gradually, as fast as humans come to good reason and sense and right understanding, and submit willingly, *human nature will be changed*!

On the three Ambassador College campuses we are enjoying a foretaste of this happy and peaceful WORLD TO-MORROW, today!

ADVANCE NEWS REPORTS Come alive today!

T F INDIA doesn't function, all we do in Vietnam will be lost." So declared a concerned Robert S. McNamara once while he was U.S. Secretary of Defense.

His remark comes boldly into light in the wake of a stunning election victory by a communist coalition in the Indian state of West Bengal. Core of this northeastern state is Calcutta, a city teeming with explosive slums.

The current Indian election received notice in only a few Western newspapers. Virtually no coverage was given on radio or TV, at least in the United States.

"A Debacle"

The Marxist United Front Coalition — led by a hard-core pro-Peking element — won 214 of the 280 seats in the West Bengal legislature, 40 more than it needed to run the state. The ruling Congress Party of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi slumped from the 127 seats it won in 1967 to a low of 55.

Even though it was a state, not a national election, the outcome was a blow to Mrs. Gandhi's personal prestige, since she and a number of her cabinet ministers had campaigned widely on behalf of party candidates in West Bengal and other areas.

The Times of India called the communist sweep in West Bengal a "debacle." West Bengal now joins the southern state of Kerala, for many years communist dominated, as a second Red wedge to fracture India's already weakened political structure. (See the full story featured in this issue on page 9.)

National Unity Being Shredded

In other results in India's midterm elections, Congress Party hopes of regaining power were doused in Bihar State. There it appeared that no party would win a majority. In Punjab State, the Congress Party tumbled before a rightist coalition. In only one state, Uttar Pradesh, did the Congress Party even come close to the majority which would enable it to form a state government.

There are now many fears that fractionalism in India's loose federation of states will destroy India's long fight to become a unified, self-supporting industrial nation capable of feeding, housing and clothing its own people.

Concurrent with increased communist pressure is the ugly development of private armies among India's various ethnic groups. According to the authoritative *Asia Magazine* of Jan. 26, 1969:

"In the 17 states of the Indian Union, separatist feelings lie taut beneath the skin of federation. In the last two years, private armies called Senas have risen like dragon's teeth — demonstrating, rioting, plundering, murdering, in a frightening display of destructive parochialism.

"Indian democracy is being steadily crippled, threatening to engulf the subcontinent in chaos. The hate movements are not full-blown yet, but are attracting thousands of disillusioned militants, both young and old....

"The activities of India's militant volunteer armies reflect the mood of gloom and despair in the country. They are a major threat to India's democracy and its very nationhood. To contain these forces of undemocratic change, India's leaders would have to make a concerted effort at reducing, if not eliminating altogether, economic and social inequalities."

Such a mammoth undertaking is impossible, given the political climate of India today.

New Asian Worry

Obscured by the cancerous Vietnam situation is a new Southeast Asian trouble spot soon to make its impact felt.

A recent headline in the Kansas City Star zeroed in on the problem: "A BRITISH MOVE FELT OVER ASIA — Decisions to Withdraw From Singapore Alarms Nations."

The British decision to pull out from Singapore by December, 1971, — a four-year advance from earlier plans could leave the Strait of Malacca undefended. It would imperil the security of Southeast Asia, Australia, New Zealand, as well as lay Japan open to potential economic strangulation.

Communist Focal Point

Singapore commands the entrance to the Strait of Malacca, one of the world's most heavily trafficked sea passages.

Each year, over 28,000 ships pass through the Malacca Strait. Of these, 22,000 stop for various reasons at Singapore, *the world's fourth-largest port*.

The Strait is the maritime gateway linking the Indian Ocean and the Far East. It ranks in importance with other vital oceanic gateways and bottlenecks such as the Panama Canal, the Strait of Gibraltar, Suez, Aden and the Windward Passage (between Haiti and Cuba).

The past decade, these seagates have become the focus of increased communist pressure.

While on naval maneuvers in the Mediterranean last summer, a top U.S. naval officer told a PLAIN TRUTH reporter that Red strategy aimed at the eventual wresting of control of Panama, Gibraltar and Singapore.

With the exception of the World War II period, British military presence in Singapore has policed the vital Strait passage and kept peace on the Malay peninsula. A tough 12-year struggle ending in 1960 crushed — at least for a time — a communist attempt to take over the peninsula.

Now look at what would happen upon British withdrawal. "The picture of this strategic region without Britain's Gurkhas and Royal Marine commandos in Malaysia and Borneo, stripped of R.A.F. air cover and air support, and with no British frigates or patrol craft harrying China Sea pirates and smugglers, is alarming." So writes Col. R. D. Heinl, Jr., expert on the Singapore situation.

Japanese Economy at Stake

The Japanese are concerned. The great bulk of the oil supply of Japan, the world's third largest industrial power, moves in mammoth tankers from the Middle East through the Strait of Malacca. At any given time, Japan bas no more than a 20-day supply of petroleum on hand. "Whoever controls the Strait of Malacca can reverse the

course of the 'Rising Sun,' " reports Heinl.

Seeing Russia's lengthening naval shadow across the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean, Japanese admirals and industrialists are fearful of the day, after the British leave, when Communist submarines and other warships may very well take over the policing of the vital sea passage.

Singapore's Bleak Future

Australia and New Zealand, whose northern forward defense perimeter has historically been the Singapore bastion, now are wondering where the line will be drawn once the British go. But perhaps no one is more concerned than the inhabitants of Singapore itself.

The economic impact of the British withdrawal upon the tiny island nation will be gigantic. The military directly employs some 27,000 Singaporeans. Another 10,000 people are hired as domestics while 50,000 others earn their living indirectly from the British in such occupations as storekeepers, tailors, and taxi drivers.

Singapore authorities are already struggling with a dangerously rising tide of unemployment. After the British



Strategically located Singapore faces up to the impending pullout of British forces.

pull-out, over a quarter of Singapore's 600,000-man work force may be out of work! The prospect of Communist agitation is a very grim one.

Lee Kwan Yew, Singapore's industrious premier who has worked hard to build up his nation's economy, has publicly offered to underwrite the continued costs of British military deployments in Singapore.

But Lee's arguments, as well as the impassioned pleas of others, have failed to dislodge British policy makers from their determined effort to relinquish Britain's world role and gradually dispose of their Birthright.

Said one American newsman from London: "Never has the country been closer to becoming the 'Little England' the doctrinaire Socialists dream of."

Maintaining the security of a vast area of the world is tragically no longer deemed important to many. The British are voluntarily giving up one of the world's most strategic "gates." This gate, along with Suez, Gibraltar, Panama, plus others, were given to Joseph — the forefather of the peoples of Britain and the United States — as a part of their national birthright (Gen. 22:17, 24:60 — See our book, *The*

United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy, for full explanation).

Now, because of preoccupation with selfish pursuits, the mass craze for pleasure, the welfare state philosophy, along with wallowing crime and vice — these gates to world commerce and military power are being stripped away one by one.

And many nations face political and economic insecurity — even ruin — as a result.

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HEART TRANSPLANTS AND ABORTIONS

Heart transplants are forcing doubts about the definition of death. There is growing tendency to make abortions legal. Many are asking if medical science is going too far. See page 3.

★ WHO KILLED JESUS?

Here is the age-old question. Whose was the responsibility — the Jews, or the Romans? See page 7.

THE REASON BEHIND INDIA'S UNCERTAIN FUTURE

Many thinking Indians fear the future. They see India's age-old problems of illiteracy, poverty, overpopulation, food shortage worsening, not getting better! See page 9.

MYSTERY BLOB THREATENS TO ENGULF EVOLUTION!

How do you eat with no mouth? How can you crawl with no legs? How to digest food with no stomach? To respond to touch with no sensory organs? And how reproduce, without reproductive organs? Believe it or not, all this, and much more, is accomplished by the "simple" amoeba. See page 17.

★ THE TRAGIC FUTURE OF TODAY'S DIVIDED COMMONWEALTH

In January, the seventeenth Commonwealth Conference was held in London. Our Regional Editor for the United Kingdom was again invited by the Secretary-General to attend a special meeting to put questions to the Prime Ministers and diplomats attending the Conference. See page 21.

"I WANT'A BLOW MY MIND!"

Millions are experimenting with "pot" (marijuana), tripping on LSD, or are hooked on heroin! Thousands are "turning on," "tuning in," dropping out. The shadowy, surrealistic world of drugs is emerging as youth's greatest "cop-out." Here are the sobering facts about the new drug craze. See page 28. Printed in U.S.A.

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