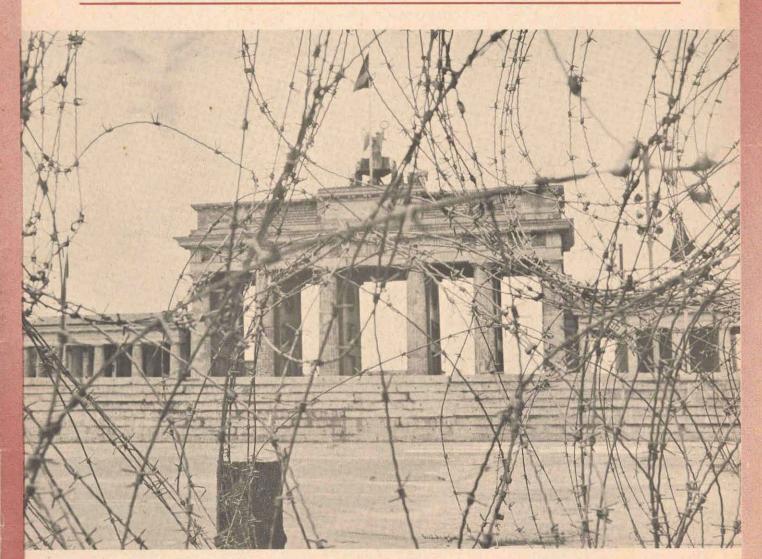
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THE BERLIN WALL

Wide World Photo

This spectacular view of the Wall highlights the crisis over Berlin. Continuous incidents at the Wall stir German feelings. Many now ask why U.S. stands by and does little, while Communists eat away at West Berlin, at Cuba, at Laos. Europeans are concerned about stopping Communist penetration, rocking Moscow back on its heels. The secret plans to bring it about are now underway. Read in this issue what is happening behind closed doors in Europe today.

What our READERS SAY

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"I have just finished reading 'U.S. and Britain in Prophecy.' This is the most breath-taking book I have ever read (next to the Bible)! I just could not lay it down till I finished it. I wish everyone in the U.S.A. could read it!!"

Woman from Morrow, Georgia.

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Woman from Anchorage, Alaska.

Editor's Comment: How many of you prove what you hear by the Bible? For the first time in their lives thousands find their Bibles the most amazing, upto-date and vitally interesting book they own.

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"Although radio listening is not included in my usual routine, I happened to hear your broadcast from a Houston, Texas, station last night while in that area on a fishing trip, and I heard enough of your comments on the Lord's Prayer to be convinced that your approach is sound. I am requesting information concerning your publication of an interpretation of the biblical book of Revelation."

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"This is a *remarkable* magazine. We cant' tell you what a change it's making in our lives. We are beginning to think and read more of our Bible. For the first time both of us are beginning to understand what we are reading. Before, the Bible seemed dull, now it's coming to life."

Couple from Kansas City, Missouri.

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"This series of articles on "The Truth about the Reformation' is the first thing I have ever seen that gave me a thorough summary of the history and character of the Reformation."

Man from Nossen, East Germany.

"I have received your series of articles on the Reformation. I find this matter very interesting. I am sending them on to a Lutheran pastor now whether he will be interested or not I can't tell."

Man from Weil, West Germany.

"I have just received your monthly magazine 'Die Reine Wahrheit.' I am holding it in my hands now—this wonderful magazine I have been waiting so expectantly for. And those beautiful pictures of your theological school, Ambassador College! I pray that God will train many dedicated people at this college to serve in spreading the gospel." Man from Wuppertal, West Germany.

"I have heard your broadcast several times on Wednesday morning, but could never understand the English address clearly. So I could never write to you. As today I heard you announce

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We Were Asked -

World Tomorrow" did not include the Ambassador College Correspondence Course Department or the Letter Answering Staff. Answer:

... there just were not enough pages in the October issue!

So we have asked Mr. Roderick C. Meredith to cover these two special departments also.

Two Special Departments

One of the most outstanding special ministries within God's Work is that conducted by my uncle, Dr. C. Paul Meredith. Dr. Meredith is Director of the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course—a unique course of Bible *study* which multiple thousands of you readers are already taking. Undoubtedly, this course is the most *interesting, fascinating* and *revealing* of any such course in existence today.



Dr. C. Paul Meredith, Director of the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course.

Setting the pace for other successful business and professional men who were to come later, Dr. Meredith gave up his practice in Missouri and moved to California to start *all over again* in college this time, however, GOD's college. Having listened to Mr. Armstrong regularly since way back in 1943, having followed Mr. Armstrong carefully and taken notes on *bundreds* of broadcasts before he ever came here, Dr. Meredith already knew that this was IT. Already a professional and financial success, Dr. Meredith cut himself off from further material gain and came here to SERVE.

I will always remember Dr. Meredith telling me that even if he found Mr. Armstrong operating out of a coalbin when he got out here to Pasadena, he had ALREADY proved that this was the TRUTH—and that Mr. Armstrong was God's true minister.

So Dr. Meredith applied himself diligently here in the courses in Bible and theology, later obtained his Master's Degree from Ambassador College in Theology—already possessing a Doctor's Degree from Iowa State University. Then his writing talent came to light and he produced regular articles for *The* PLAIN TRUTH magazine.

But Mr. Armstrong had long dreamed of starting a regular Bible Correspondence Course, and began to feel that Dr. Meredith—with his scholarliness, thoroughness and dedication—was just the man to direct the writing of this course. Thus, Dr. Meredith found himself in a unique field—writing a scintillating yet thoroughgoing Bible Correspondence Course which is now changing the lives and bringing increased happiness and understanding to multiple thousands of enthusiastic students on every inhabited continent of this earth.

Coming into God's Work several years later than Dr. Meredith, Dr. Clint Zimmerman nevertheless followed in his footsteps in giving up his professional practice and entering Ambassador College as a full time student of Bible and theology.

With his previous training, Dr. Zimmerman also had an unusually thorough and analytical mind and began to show good ability in writing and in helping to answer the tens of thousands of letters Mr. Armstrong receives *every month*. Dr. Zimmerman also possesses unusual organizational and administrative abilities, and was eventually put in

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OUR COVER

Recent view through barbed wire shows the famed Brandenburg Gate fronted by cinder block Berlin wall. The gate, one of the divided city's landmarks, is situated near the border in Communist - controlled East Berlin. Barbed wire is part of fence erected by West German police to insure that people in the area do not become involved in further border incidents. August 13 marked start of construction of the Berlin wall. We Were Asked – (Continued from page 3)

charge of our constantly increasing staff of letter writers in our Letter Answering Department.



Dr. Clint Zimmerman is in charge of our expanding Letter Answering Department.

Dr. Zimmerman and his dedicated wife have three fine children, and they sacrificed much in a material way to come here to Ambassador College and to be in God's Work. But God is now blessing them spiritually and in every way, and they are able to serve multiple thousands of you who write letters to God's Headquarters each month.



your new address in Germany, I am writing to you for the literature you announced."

A German listener in England.

"What Did We Germans Gain by Making War?"

"Your magazine 'Die Reine Wahrheit' gets better every month. I have come in contact with many religious publications, but none of them can compare with yours. That is because the Holy Spirit is moving and working in you ... I can see that the English have the Birthright, as you said in one of your magazines. What did we Germans gain by trying to make war on the peaceful democracies of the world since God Himself was with them? To a certain extent God also used England to punish the Germans, because they had touched the apple of God's eve—the Jews."

Man from Hohenheide,

West Germany.

"Your radio programs really shake a person up. They are like a powerful beam of light shining in this godless world of darkness and confusion. Even the most calloused doubters must be stirred by what you say. You are doing a great service to the Lord in the carrying out of the commission found in Matthew 24:14. May the Lord richly bless you."

Man from Altmühldorf, West Germany.

"We have heard your radio broadcasts ever since they have been on the air (since January, 1960) and have written to England, but since we could never understand the address very well, our mail must not have ever been received by you."

> Man from Niederrossbach, West Germany.

"There is no other magazine to be found that is as clear and understandable as 'Die Reine Wahrheit'."

Man from Walsum, West Germany.

"What you write in your magazine is so overpowering! I have never heard such things before . . . I can hardly wait until each new issue comes. I have compared all you write with my Bible and it agrees exactly. I have often been very shaken up and have had to kneel before our Lord Jesus. I expect His return soon. You are right when you write: 'We don't have much more time to wait'."

Woman from Bremerhaven, West Germany.

"What is contained in your magazine is so true! Where else can one find such clear explanations? Nowhere else!! One can sit down, open the Bible and study it, and understand it well enough to explain things to others."

Woman in Dresden, East Germany

"I hear your broadcasts Sunday mornings at 6:05 and Wednesday mornings at 7:00. Since I like to sleep late in the mornings, I usually set my alarm clock, in order to not miss your program. Everything on 'Die Welt von Morgen' is said with so much conviction, cheerfulness and optimism."

Woman from Wingst-Bargkamp, West Germany.

"I have read your articles about the Reformation, but I can't agree with everything you have to say about Luther ... The main thing is that I can't see that it is right to connect the anti-semitism of Hitler with Luther. Luther lived 400 years ago. I am 66 years old and can say with good conscience that we were never taught the slightest thing about hating the Jews in school or church. We were instructed in the whole Bible, but no teacher or minister ever told us anything detrimental to the Jews. All peoples can be shown to have committed atrocities, and not just the Germans. Almost none of us knew what was going on under Hitler. Many Germans also thoroughly detest what went on, and I myself am ashamed of what these dogs of hell did. But it wasn't just Jews that were killed, but also many Germans, Poles, Ukranians and others. I am at least glad that there were many resistance fighters, who gave their lives fighting these dogs. But I surely can't hold Luther responsible for all this."

> Woman from Leupoldsgrün, West Germany

· Anti-Semitism is not new. Under Hitler it appeared in its most diabolical form. But Hitler did not start it. Nor did Luther. Luther's aversion to the Jews was only a continuation of the spirit of anti-Semitism that poisoned Europe during the Dark Ages. To hate the Jews became an official policy of the Roman Empire only after Emperor Constantine. Constantine hated anything "Jewish." The Emperor was a pagan at heart. To achieve religious unity he accepted the Babylonian Mysteries which were then masquerading as a Christian religion. To make the people embrace it, he had to use the Jews as a scapegoat to divert their attention from his attempt to impose the same religion on everyone.

NAZIS PLOTTING WORLD WAR III!

How democratic and denazified is today's Germany? What happened to the old Nazis and industrialists of Hitler's regime? Here is an exposé of how the Nazis went underground to prepare for a third attempt at world rule.

London, England

AZISM is completely dead," declared General Clay in 1952. "Nazism is *dead and buried,*" said Dr. James B. Conant, former president of Harvard University, in January 1958. These men said what they believed to be true.

But they did not know all the facts!

What Happened in Britain

Just recently, millions of Britons were shocked to read of violence between British Fascists and the angry public that took place when the Fascists held meetings in London's Trafalgar



Wide World Photo British extreme rightist, Sir Oswald Moseley, heads British Union Movement, a fascist oriented organization inciting racial hatred. Moseley's is only one of many fascist groups around the world that are coming out into the open again.

by Robert C. Boraker

Square. The riots involved a mob of 3,000 people.

This isn't all!

A uniformed platoon of Nazis paraded in a secluded glade in the English countryside singing German marching songs and listened to race-hate speeches from George Lincoln Rockwell—selfstyled Fuehrer of the American Nazi Party. Some wore the typical uniforms of grey shirts, black ties, dark trousers and boots (London *Daily Express*, August 6, 1962).

Though the emotions of some Britons are aroused when they hear fascists speak in Trafalgar Square, the vast majority of Britons and Americans are oblivious to the fact that these small Nazi-fascist parties and societies are only the visible twigs of a gigantic underground tree-a smooth-running, well-organized, closely knit fascist organization whose power and influence extends throughout Europe, into Egypt, the Middle East, Africa, South America, and the United States. It's time you knew the facts and truth behind this organization. You need to know how it started, how the Nazis planned to go underground years before the end of World War II, and how Nazis have come back to overwhelming power and influence in preparation for WORLD CONQUEST!

Seventeen years ago, the Nazis were thoroughly whipped, with their cities laid waste in a heap of rubble. But a new and fantastically *modern Germany* arose out of the ruins—a Germany which now holds the balance of power in Europe. It is physically a New Germany. But what happened to the *old Nazis*, the German General Staff, the industrialists and politicians who served the Hitler regime? Where are these people today? The answers to these questions are *startling*!

The German Strategy

You may have believed that Germany was defeated in 1945-totally and unconditionally. But to the Germans, no defeat is final. As General von Stülpnagel said in 1944, "Defeats are simply lessons to be learned in preparation for the next and greater attack." This same German general also said: "The conquest of the world will require numerous stages, but the essential is that the end of each stage brings us an economic and industrial potential greater than that of our enemies we shall be better placed to conquer in 25 years-[by about 1968 suggested Stülpnagel] -than we were in 1939" (Combat, November 1943).

This is German strategy. But you have been led to believe that the decision to transform the defeated enemy into an ally was a wise one, that the Germans have changed profoundly and have formed a truly democratic society, and that in Chancellor Konrad Adenauer the Germans have found a leader and statesman whose counsel is sought throughout the Western world. The *truth* is—the world has been DE-CEIVED!

It is no mere coincidence that Nazis again goose-step down the streets of villages in Bavaria to the stirring strains of Hitler's favourite march, the *Badenweiler*. Growing anti-Semitism, nationalistic veteran's and youth rallies, and infiltration of Nazis into key positions in Germany's industry, commerce, law courts, schools and colleges, the press and political parties, *are no coincidence!* It all has happened according to a clever and preconceived *plan*—a PLOT,



Wide World Photo

Britons last summer suddenly became aware of rising fascist tide. Question now is whether traditional British anti-fascist attitudes will keep her out of ultimate political union of Europe, which is swinging slowly but surely to the far right-fascism. In above picture you see London policemen strain against surging demonstrators at open air meeting of Sir Oswald Mosley's rightist British Union movement. Clashes between small but noisy groups preaching an anti-Jewish and anti-Negro doctrine and militant antifascists-including communists and socialists-are causing concern in Britain, a nation which prides itself on orderliness and tolerance.

if you please, to bring about the *down-fall* of Great Britain and the United States with the final goal being *WORLD domination by* a united Europe led by *Germany!*

Distressing is the fact that the Allies and most of the British and American public knew about this plan and didn't do anything about it. In the years of 1943-45, whole books were written and published exposing the Nazi plan to go underground to make systematic preparations for a third world war. There were books published like Nazis Go Underground by Curt Riess, The Plot Against Peace by Sayres and Kahn, Germany Will Try It Again by Sigrid Schultz, as well as numerous newspaper articles.

Allies Were Warned!

One such newspaper article appeared in the Aberdeen, Washington *Daily World* which said, "Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler and a powerful clique of Nazi leaders are organizing an underground movement to keep the party alive after Germany's defeat and lay the groundwork for another attempt at *world conquest*, usually reliable sources said today . . ." (October 29, 1943).

Dr. Alexander Loudon, Netherlands Ambassador to Washington, predicted in August 1943 that, with defeat, the German General Staff, the Nazi leaders, and Gestapo in particular, would go underground to prepare for the next war. The Swedish daily, *Nydag*, also reported on the Nazi plans for an underground to lay the eggs for another war of German conquest.

Even in the November 1949 PLAIN TRUTH—exactly thirteen years ago was an article entitled, "Under Cover in Europe" which exposed in detail how the Nazis organized a world-wide underground network in order to prepare for World War III.

The West has no excuse. The United States and Great Britain were forewarned during World War II about Germany's secret plans to regain her dominant power-and did little or nothing to stop it. Before revealing the whereabouts of the Nazi underground, we need to know the history of the German General Staff.

Germany is now waging a secret war! It is an underground war of conspiracy, propaganda, political intrigue, terror, "Fifth Column" activity, assassination and secret preparation for a new military attack. Men are being trained and for one purpose—to conquer the United States and the WORLD! The new Germany is a giant awakened, but a giant with fundamentally the same mind it had before World War II—the German General Staff.

History of German General Staff

The rule of a *secret* Teutonic Order, or General Staff, has existed in Germany for centuries. Since the days of Thomas Muenzer in the 16th century, the German people have been seeking to shake off the rule of this secret caste.

There have been three different political regimes for forty years in Germany before 1945. Until 1918, Germany was a Monarchy under Kaiser Wilhelm II. Germany was a Republic ruled by Social Democratic ministers until 1933 when Adolf Hitler began to rule with his fascist dictatorship. Under each regime, *the same men ruled Germany* a small group of a few thousand military leaders, industrialists, politicians, and scientific experts who comprise the German General Staff.

The General Staff is the real *permanent government* of Germany which not only controls Germany's military affairs, but also the economy, technology, schools and universities, and politics. The German General Staff exists for one purpose—*war and world conquest!* The General Staff successfully resurrected German militarism after World War I and is *now plotting for World War III!*

The ultimate goal of the General Staff is to bring about a world that is dominated and ruled by Germans. This was called *Pan-Germanism*. The Pan-German plan originally involved only German emigrants in every country who would mobilize into a secret instrument of German military aggression and conquest. After the First World War, the German General Staff along with Pan-

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Germanism went underground. When it came above ground, it was called National Socialism, abbreviated as "Nazism." Nazism was the fascist phase of this Pan-German Plan for world conquest which not only included the emigrants in other countries, but all fascist and pro-fascist groups and societies throughout the world!

Contrary to what most people believe, the official programme of the Nazi Party was worked out and elaborated by the Pan-German General Staff before the party was organized. Adolf Hitler was merely their puppet who was to sell it to the German people, and the Nazi Party was their chief political instrument. The General Staff always works through whatever political party achieves its goal.

Nazis Prepare to Win the Peace

Long before World War II ended, the General Staff could see that a military defeat was in sight. They were determined to survive the Allied occupation and prepared for another opportunity to rise again as a military threat to the world for a third time in this century. On November 6, 1944, Marshal Stalin warned the people of the world, "It is known to all that the German leaders are already now preparing for a new war."

As far back as 1942, on November 9, Heinrich Himmler and Martin Bormann met secretly to talk over the possibility of the Party having to go underground. By this time victory was no longer an assured thing and survival was of utmost importance. Himmler summed up his talk with Bormann in these words: "It is possible that Germany will be defeated on the military front. It is even possible that she may have to capitulate. But never must the National Socialist German Workers' Party capitulate. That is what we have to work for from now on."

By March 1943, the party leaders knew that the war was lost. The Nazis were convinced that Germany would be conquered and occupied by the Allies. They knew that every branch of the administration would be supervised or controlled by Allied officials. All their plans were based on this certainty and assumption. They were determined to

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survive and they pessimistically planned for the worst and prepared to win the peace and convert it into a basis for a third world war. They did not intend to have their new plan fail. As Goebbels uttered toward the end of 1943, "No matter what happens to Germany, *the party must go on.*"

Himmler's Gestapo, the best-organized machine in the Third Reich, was put in charge of the entire preparatory work for the Nazi underground. Heinrich Himmler had an extremely specialized private library on underground movements. For a long time he had been interested in revolutionary underground movements that had been deprived of power and wanted to stage a comeback. From his studies, Himmler knew that an underground could only succeed when its men could infiltrate into the existing government and governmental departments. This is what the Nazis planned to do!

Nazis Go Underground

The Nazis went underground on May 16, 1943. On this date the Intelligence of the Gestapo split into two parts. About half of the officials went on as usual, but the rest carried out the plans for the underground movement under the direction of Generals Werner Heissmeyer and Fritz Kaltenbrunner, both of the SS (Elite Guard).

What does it mean to go underground? It means that a person or a number of persons, a unit, a force, an idea, a movement that had been visible before—*becomes invisible*. It has become anonymous and is no longer recognized by the outside world. Its existence is known only by the effects of its actions.

Organization is a primary factor in a person or organization being able to go underground. The men who were put in charge of the work of preparing for the new underground movement were expert organizers in their field. Martin Bormann, who was the chief administrator of all Nazi organizations, was the logical partner for Heinrich Himmler, the chief administrator of all state organizations. Himmler knew what was necessary. Bormann knew what was possible.

Konstantin Hierl, one of the best

organizers in the Third Reich, was the third man appointed to the task. These men along with the entire General Staff had only one idea in mind—that no matter what happened to Germany, the party must go on. Gauleiter Wagner expressed this idea when he declared, "If we win the war, it is the party that wins. If we lose this war, it is the army that loses."

Were these men concerned about the continued existence of the party's ideals? No, they had always been more concerned about their own interests than ideals. To them the party and its principles existed, not for the benefit of the people as a whole, but for the satisfaction of their own personal and private desires. They wanted power in one form or another to satisfy their VANITY!

The Part of the Industrialists

Hitler and the Nazi Party could not have come into power if it had not been for the industrialists. The Nazis will not be able to gain control over Germany in the future if it isn't financed by German big businessmen. The same financiers and industrial backers of the Kaiser's bid for world conquest-Krupp, Thyssen, Hugenberg, Stinnes, Abs, Kirdorf, Siemens-and who also financed Hitler, will play an important part in the Nazi comeback. It is interesting to see that the leading Right-wing party in the Bonn government today-the Free Democratic Party headed by Eric Mende-is backed by the Ruhr industrialists (read the article, "Are the Germans Secretly Dealing with Moscow?" in the May PLAIN TRUTH).

The leaders of German industry, Krupp von Bohlen-Halbach and Baron Georg von Schnitzler of I. G. Farben held an important meeting at Krupp's residence in May 1943. The situation which would arise after the war was discussed at the meeting. They discussed the idea of having to divorce German industry from Nazism as much as possible. Krupp and Schnitzler declared that it would be easier for them to work if the world knew that German industry was not owned and operated by the Nazis. By the end of the year, this idea was being carried out in the form of a decree stating that all Nazi Party officials were to have no connection with private business concerns of any kind.

Why did the industrialists conspire with the Nazis? Some of the leading industrialists were the original founders of the Pan-German League whose goal was world domination by Germany. These men believed that business was the preparation for a proof of Germany's domination of the world. When they sang the song, Deutschland über alles!-Germany over all!-they meant every word of it. To them, the trade-mark "Made in Germany" was a proof of superior quality. They believed that everyone should use things "made in Germany" because everything Germanmade was better than anything anybody else could produce. The German industrialists have a definite never-changing strategy, the goal of which is to first conquer the whole world with their goods. Later . . .

To German industrialists, war means money. They supported the Kaiser whenever he acted aggressively, but opposed him when he was an appeaser. They were behind General Ludendorf when he declared total war on the entire world. They were behind the German General Staff when they started to build up the army immediately after the armistice of 1918. After World War II, the industrialists had to give up their enterprises, but they have come back and with greater power than they ever had before.

The Germans Lack Imagination

The Germans are fond of thinking and acting in historical parallels. The General Staff conducts its conspiracy today precisely as it did forty years ago. The German plan today is almost identical with the plan it carried out with such amazing success following World War I. Though the General Staff is methodical and efficient, it is *not very imaginative*, as Marshal Stalin pointed out in 1942. It follows a conceived plan step by step, again and again, no matter what happens. Its agents penetrate politics, the schools and universities, the press and scientific institutions.

How the Nazis Went Underground

The Nazi method for going under-



Numerous books have been published on the Nazi plot to commence another world war. Many are difficult to obtain or out of print. Equally important books, not shown here, are Germany Will Try It Again, by Schultz, and Tetens' Germany Plots with the Kremlin. A few of these books are available in Public Libraries.

ground was in a word, decentralization. In July, 1943, Minister of Economics Konstantin Hierl made a revealing statement to his trusted lieutenants in the Labour Service: "The principle for the illegal period which will come after the war must, however, be utmost decentralization. In fact, we must decentralize to such a degree that we must seem to have disappeared. The one hundred men who formerly marched through the street or attended a meeting will then be found in one hundred different plants or offices in one hundred different cities. Only thus can we survive."

To accomplish decentralization, a vast and intricate system of cells was organized. Each cell comprised three to six men and there was to be no connection between the different cells. Only a few leaders were to know how many cells there were and where they were located. Through this method, Himmler and Hierl hoped to hide away 300,000 men within German plants, factories, city administrations and any government department which would continue to exist during the Allied occupation.

The organizations chosen as a hideout

and field of activity for members of the Nazi underground were those most likely to survive military defeat and occupation. The fire departments, waterworks, highway department, and public utilities were ideal for this purpose. Even the German Red Cross was considered as an ideal front for the Nazi underground. These organizations were necessities of life to the country and if all of the Nazis, known or anonymous, were to be removed, everything would break down—transport, supply lines, the mails, electricity, gas and water.

According to German statistics, about 75,000 men are necessary to administer and control the complicated net of roads and tunnels that make up the *Autobahnen*. The same number of men are needed to direct shipping on the numerous rivers and canals. Here was a vast organization almost made to order as an ideal hideout for the Nazi underground. Look at the German Department of Transportation today to see how the Nazi plan succeeded.

The Minister of Transport in the Bonn government is Hans Christoph Seebohm. During the Nazi regime, he

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WE TOLD You So!

Forming now, before your eyes, is the great power in Europe we foretold years ago—the coming United States of Europe—foretold in these pages when the whole world scoffed! Why was it foretold? How did it happen? What does it mean? Is there anything you should do about it? Read these striking quotations, direct from the pages of the Plain Truth, of the shocking prophecies that are actually happening, right now, just as we said they would—years ago!

by Garner Ted Armstrong

IN MARCH 1948, it looked like Stalin was ready to begin an actual WAR against the United States. I remember the urgent draft call President Truman presented to Congress, and the later extension he handed those already in the armed services. I remember, because I wanted to *avoid* being drafted by enlisting first!

Even though in the U.S. Navy from 1948 through 1952, I remember WELL how my father, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, was constantly preaching and writing that RUSSIA WOULD NOT AT-TACK the United States or Britain, that poverty-stricken, beaten-down, cold, starving, helpless GERMANY would begin to RISE AGAIN to a position of real dominance and power in central Europe. He even went so far as to say Germany would head a UNITED STATES OF EUROPE, beginning as an ECONOMIC union, and finally becoming an ultimate union of TEN nations, completely unified in political, economic, military and RELIGIOUS ties!

Along with multiple thousands of others, *I* scoffed, too.

I didn't want to believe it, either! But it's true.

And now, after real conversion, a total *change*, years of *study* and *preparation*, ordination, and years in God's true ministry, I now want YOU to *see*, with YOUR OWN EYES, some of these *really shocking* prophecies, laid bare and plainly stated in these pages when NO ONE believed them—when *everyone* scoffed—prophecies which are ACTU-ALLY BEING FULFILLED THIS MOMENT!

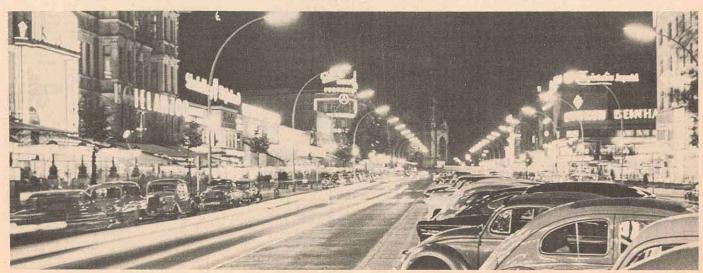
When Germany Lay in Ruins

At the close of the last great World War, Germany lay prostrate. Her leaders were branded war criminals, her factories were dismantled or ruined, her cities lay waste. Her people were dazed, helpless, bitter. Teeming thousands became lost persons, with no families, no homes, no jobs, nowhere to go.

Wouldn't it have seemed the UTTER-MOST folly to have heard a voice on the air at THAT time, proclaiming boldy, that GERMANY WOULD EMERGE AS THE DOMINANT WORLD POWER, to finally *CHALLENGE* even the United States and Great Britain for world leadership? It would have been a little *difficult* to *believe*, wouldn't it?

But Mr. Armstrong was fearlessly proclaiming it!

When Germans were still cold, hungry, and demoralized, he wrote, "Even before the end of this war, I revealed to you the Nazi plans for a NAZI UNDER-GROUND MOVEMENT, to go underground as a SECRET organization the very moment they lost the war—to lay low a few years during allied and Russian military occupation, then to come forth when least expected, RESTORE GER-MANY TO POWER, and go on to



West Berlin at night. Neon lighting, autos, illustrate pulse of the New Germany. Fifteen years ago few would have believed it possible.

Wide World Photo



Wide World Photo Ruined section of Cologne in 1949, with Cathedral in background. To the right is Cologne's main railway station, which was an Allied target.

finally accomplish their aims in a WORLD WAR III,"

This shocking statement was made on page 2 of the September 1948 issue of the PLAIN TRUTH! Yes, *fourteen* years ago!

But how could this be? Was it merely through some technical or inside information Mr. Armstrong possessed? Was it merely an unusual "grasp" of world affairs? Was it some special secret report he'd received from someone in high political position?

No, it was none of these. It was the simple, straightforward, earnest, BELIEF that Almighty God means *exactly what He says*, that He does exist, that the Bible is His Word, that the prophecies in the Bible are for our peoples today, and that they are going to happen—LITERALLY—just as the Almighty Creator has said!

Just before World War II, Mr. Armstrong saw, in the light of the Bible prophecies, what was developing in Europe and the Middle East. He faithfully proclaimed the prophecies that Russia would NOT attack the United States and Great Britain, but that a revival of the ancient Roman Empire would. During the first hectic years of World War II, as my father saw the advancing Nazi juggernaut rolling across the desert sands of North Africa toward Suez, the fantastic German advances and quick overthrow of country after helpless country, the speedy subjugation-by Japan of the Philippines, Indonesia, the Marshalls, Gilberts and Solomons, and their steady advance across the "roof of the world" toward Burma and India, he knew the *key* to what would happen NEXT was contained in the amazing prophecy of Daniel II. He saw clearly, that *if THIS* resurrected "beast" power *should* achieve its obvious goal of conquering *Egypt* (Dan. 11:42) that PALESTINE would be next, and *this* would lead to the great battles described in Revelation the nineteenth chapter, and the second coming of Christ!

But what actually happened?

The armies of General Stilwell in Burma, of Field Marshal Montgomery in North Africa, and of the combined forces of the U.S. Navy and Marines in the South Pacific with their "islandhopping" methods of warfare, and the mighty air armadas of the British and Americans from bases in Britain began to take a stupendous toll.

The tide of battle turned. It became *obvious* that Germany was going to LOSE that war! Now, it was only a matter of time!

What *then* happened? INSTEAD of deciding that maybe, somehow, this clearly prophesied event in Daniel the eleventh chapter had perhaps "happened off up in heaven," my father remained *true* to the inspired wORD of God! He began to realize there *had* to come yet ANOTHER revival of this very same system that is described in Daniel's second, seventh and eleventh chapters, and thoroughly labeled and described in Revelation 13 and 17!



This is a general view of Berlin shantytown in 1945, one of the numerous communities of shacks built by German residents of war-torn Berlin on the outskirts of the German capital. Compare this with picture on next page.



Wide World Photo

Helicopter view of Berlin 16 years after war devastated city. A sector of East Berlin is in background. Photo was taken before erection of Berlin Wall.

He *knew* that a beaten and subdued Germany would go *underground*, its clerks, bankers, politicians, military leaders and teachers would begin striving mightily to turn chaos into order, defeat into victory!

Yes, instead of *compromising* with the Word of God—and trying to *justify* what he honestly and sincerely thought he saw developing THEN, he IMMEDI-ATELY began proclaiming that GERMANY WOULD RISE AGAIN!

No one believed it then. Do you believe it today?

America Has Been Warned!

Listen to the shocking quotations

appearing in these pages years and YEARS ago!

"Just as certainly as we restore Western Europe to *economic* prosperity, and then to *military* power, a successor to Hitler will emerge, gain control of this power through a 'United States of Europe,' which we also are encouraging, and we shall then wake up, too late, to REALIZE we shall have restored our Fascist enemy to power to destroy us!"

This straight-from-the-shoulder quotation appeared in an article in these pages in *November of 1948*! The article was entitled "Will Russia Invade America?" and showed conclusively through the prophecies of Ezekiel 38 and 39 that Russia will NOT attack the United States and Great Britain now, or at any time in the future, short of the time *after* the second coming of Jesus Christ, and *after* we have been removed from a terrifying captivity at the hands of a merciless conqueror described over and over again in *your Bible* as GERMANY, at the head of a coming United States of Europe!

After attending the San Francisco Conference, carrying credentials from the State Department as an accredited press representative, Mr. Armstrong said, in an article entitled "Now It Can Be Told," "Through this political movement, he [the Pope] will UNIFY ten nations in Europe. It will be a 'The UNITED STATES OF EUROPE.'"

In November 1949, Mr. Armstrong said, in the subtitle of an article entitled "Undercover in Europe": "But UNDER-COVER all is not so quiet! Gullible Uncle Sam is being duped again. Here is a startling exposure of what is brewing UNDERCOVER in Europe-and what is PROPHESIED from here!" He went on, in the text, to say, "Behind the scenes of the San Francisco Conference, we revealed the germinating by the great "MOTHER" church of Europe of a religious-political movement. This "Christian-Socialist" movement has since swept all Europe. It is destined soon to give birth to a strange phenomenon that will cause the entire world to gasp with WONDER!

"It is the purpose of the present article to reveal the astounding part of the FATHER in this diabolical thing now secretly developing undercover in Europe, soon to be born before the astonished gaze of a credulous world! For if the "MOTHER" is Rome (Rev. 17:5), the FATHERland in producing this last and final Satanic kingdom is GERMANY!

"While the naive and trusting allied nations have believed they *won* the war against Germany and in their jittery fear of war from Russia have assumed that Germany is now safely de-Nazified, the facts are quite the contrary.

"The *facts* are, THE NAZIS WENT UNDERGROUND, MAY 16TH, 1946!"

All this was stated, and much more, in this shocking article *clear back in* 1949! That was 13 long years ago! Would YOU have believed it, *then*?

Continuing to faithfully proclaim the real truth of the shocking prophecies of God's Word, Mr. Armstrong said on page 2 of the February 1950 issue of the PLAIN TRUTH, "But what power will put this yoke [the yoke of captivity enforced upon us by a nation described in the Bible] on our neck? . . . the BEAST 'of the Revelation.' Past articles have identified this 'beast' as a Fascist civil government in Europe-the outgrowth and successor of THE ROMAN EMPIRE. Verse 8 shows this 'BEAST' emerging out of impotency and virtual nonexistence. In the last and final resurrection of this ROMAN EMPIRE, it is formed by a uniting of TEN DICTATORS in Europe

. . . forming a UNITED STATES OF EUROPE.

"... therefore, this is identified as the Roman Catholic Church, uniting with, and proving the solidifying element in bringing about, the coming UNITED STATES OF EUROPE! From the time of Otto the Great, the GERMANS dominated the various revivals of the Roman Empire. NAZISM is merely the German form of FASCISM, the civil government system of the Roman Empire."

Shocking words, aren't they? But TRUE, and right from the pages of your Bible!

But even more shocking STILL, is the fact that Mr. Armstrong was faithfully proclaiming these tremendous and shocking prophecies to a gullible, God-rejecting, sleepy, lethargic, disinterested, scoffing world, even DECADES ago! When a rare attack against God's work occurs from a misguided but "apparently" well-intentioned theologian, labeling Mr. Armstrong a "false prophet" I notice they attempt to attack various *doctrines* of God's Word with which they seem to violently disagree, but they never DARE disagree with the actual PROPHECIES which are being fulfilled before their very eyes and yours!

Let's face it! These things are *true*! Germany IS RISEN again! A very rapidly forming union of nations IS solidifying in Europe! The battlefields ARE becoming economic, *just as we said* they would be. The movement IS rapidly forming toward complete *political* solidification! Overtures ARE being made by a great CHURCH organization toward making it not only a fully *political* union but a (*Blace entime on trace 20*)

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Past articles in the Plain Truth—covering nearly 15 years of reporting illustrate what's been happening in Germany and all Europe. It's time to heed what Bible prophecy reveals about the New Europe. Newsmen would be dumbfounded if they knew—but it's been in your Bible for over 2000 years!

The Autobiography of Herbert W. Armstrong

Now, the first beginnings as a major national influence; first meeting of United Nations' Security Council; the vision first conceived of founding Ambassador College; and first acquirement of college property.

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A^S THE years sped along, each seemed to usher in more important developments than any preceding year in God's Work. 1945 was a momentous year!—but, for the Work, 1946 was even more important.

Actually, 1946 was the year of BE-GINNINGS, as an organized major national and world-wide Work.

This was the year in which our own printing department was started.

This was the *first* year in which the full impact was felt of three super-power radio stations, blanketing the entire United States and reaching even Canada and Alaska.

This was the first year in which we had the impact of six-nights-a-week broadcasting, at an early prime listening hour, coast to coast.

This was the year in which the *first* baptizing tour was taken. It covered the four corners of the United States, and much of the middle sections of the country besides.

And this was the year in which the founding of Ambassador College was conceived, planned, and the *first* block of property for the new campus acquired in Pasadena. This college was to be the means of training the growing personnel for the fast-expanding organized Work.

Now notice the startling significance in the fact this all happened in this particular year!

The "Magic Number" 12

Looking back in retrospect, it is truly amazing to recall how many things, liftng this almost obscure *minor* effort to the dynamic world-wide FORCE God's Work is becoming today, had their *beginnings* in 1946.

I have remarked before how certain

numbers have significant meaning in God's Plan. Six is the number of MAN, and materialism. Seven is GOD's number of perfection and completion. God made the material creation in six days. MAN was created the sixth day. But God completed the first week, and perfected it by creation of His Sabbath, on the seventh day. That seventh day typified the completed and perfect SPIRIT-UAL creation.

Thus God set apart *six* millenniums for MAN to be allowed rejection of God's government, and to write the lesson of human rebellion, to be followed by the *seventh* millennium in which God will *perfect* and *complete* His SPIRITUAL creation.

But *twelve* is God's number of spiritual *organizational* BEGINNINGS. God's promises pertain to Abraham's children. His children *began* with twelve sons. God *began* His organized nation on earth with TWELVE tribes. Christ BE-GAN His Church with TWELVE apostles.

But TWELVE is the number of organizational beginnings, not first beginnings. God started off the human race with ONE man, Adam. The first human "father of the multitude" that shall be converted and inherit salvation was the ONE man, Abraham (Gen. 17:5); and this same one man is the human "father of the faithful" (Rom. 4:16). The actual first beginning of the Church of God was the ONE man, Jesus Christ. But the organizational beginning was through the collective Body of Christ, empowered by the same Spirit, starting with the TWELVE.

This present *last-warning* Work of God, officially, was started by the little Church of God in Eugene, Oregon. Yet I was the pastor and leader of that little Church, and most original members of that time showed little interest, and took no real part, in the work. To all prac-

tical effects it started with one man, with the help of my wife—and, of course, a handful of Co-Workers.

The first conception of The Plain Truth had come in 1927. I had made actual dummies of the magazine that year. But it was only after seven years that the dream came to reality and completion as a fact. Even then it was a crude, home-produced, mimeographed "magazine." For the first seven years, from then, this whole work remained a crude, unprofessional, struggling little work. After seven years, the magazine became a printed publication, the work moved into a day-light, efficient office, we began to acquire some office equipment, and the work took on a more perfected and professional appearance.

But the year 1946 was TWELVE years after God's Work began. And it was in 1946 that the vision of Ambassador College, the BEGINNING of the organizational activity of this great Work first was placed in my mind. But it was by no planning of mine that this first BEGINNING of an enlarged, worldgirding ORGANIZED Work first entered my mind-and that the property for its beginning was purchased that year. The truth is, I never so much as realized that this all happened TWELVE years after the first starting of the work, until I had begun writing this Installment 49 of the Autobiography! It comes, now, as much a surprise to me as to our readers. But see now what happened in 1946!

START of Business and Printing Departments

During these first twelve years, there was no such thing as a Business Office to handle the finances. Through those years I, myself, was Business Manager of the work, as well as Editor, Printer, office boy and everything but windowwasher (there were no windows the

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first seven years).

But an organizational operation could not operate world-wide, as God's Work does today, without a department of Business Administration.

We didn't know it at the time, but the future manager of the business office, in charge of handling all monies, paying all bills, keeping all financial records, and making all but the very top-level financial decisions (which I still must make), in regard to budgets, requisitions for purchases, etc., joined the "organization" (if it could then have been called that) in mid-February, 1946.



Vern R. Mattson, Business Manager, as he looks today. He became part of the organization in 1946.

This was my son-in-law Vern R. Mattson, husband of our daughter Dorothy. They had been married in our little Church in Eugene in July, 1944. He was on brief furlough from the Marines after returning from the Marines' engagement at Guadalcanal, and having been in an Australian hospital. After their marriage, due to his record in action, he had been sent back to Quantico, to Officers' Training Camp. He graduated from Officers' school with highest grades and honors, at the head of his class, and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant. He had been discharged finally from service in November 1945.

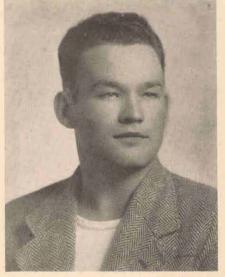
In February he joined our small but growing staff, to become Office Manager. For some two to four weeks he did ordinary office work, working in every department, to learn our system—and make suggestions for improvements, preparatory to taking over the office management.

At that time we had a forelady, a secretary to me, one woman reading and channelling incoming mail, one girl cutting stencils for new names on the mailing list, 3 girls filing at the mailing list cabinets, and 2 girls in the "Co-Worker Department," keeping card records of all people contributing to the support of the Work, with amounts and dates.

After moving the headquarters to Pasadena, in 1947, Mr. Mattson became Business Manager of the work, and Controller of the College. His department has developed into a sizable operation, with a competent staff, today.

The first START of our own Printing Department came about under unusual circumstances, by late May.

In early March, 1946, our other sonin-law, Jimmy (James A. Gott), husband of our elder daughter Beverly, met with a serious accident. He had been working in the Oregon woods east of Eugene for a lumber company. This was dangerous work. Employment was somewhat spasmodic. The pay was good when they worked. We were glad, therefore, when he was transferred to a more steady and "safe" job, in the mill.



James A. Gott shortly before his accident in the sawmill. Now, over 15 years later, he heads the Printing Department.

But it was on this "safe" inside mill job that the accident happened. Jimmy was working on the edger. At the time he was wearing a glove, which caught on the teeth of the feed-roll. The spinning feed-roll gouged out the whole back of his left hand, even shearing thin the tendons and severing one or two.

He was in the hospital some six weeks or more. During the war, the doctors had learned to do some remarkable feats of plastic surgery on injured soldiers. A plastic surgeon, by binding the back of Jimmy's hand to his abdomen, grafted new flesh and skin from the abdomen onto the back of his hand. The operation restored most, but not complete, use of the hand.

We didn't want to see Jimmy go back either to the woods or the saw-mill. At this time the Davidson offset printing machine was brought to my attention. I sought further details, obtained circulars and catalogs. The company offered special training to teach men to use the equipment. I found we could purchase this equipment on terms.

I took the printed matter and illustrations about it to Jimmy in the hospital.

"How would you like to get into the printing business?" I asked. "I think the time has come to start our own printing department. I don't have in mind printing The Plain Truth ourselves, but we need many more booklets than we can afford to have printed at commercial printing establishments. I think this offset method of printing, in a department of our own, will pay for itself in a year's time or less. I was thinking you could learn this type of printing in a short time, and it would be a STEADY job, and a safe one. I can't pay you as much as you make in the woods-when you have work there, but this would be steady, and you'd make more per year than you have been making."

Jim liked the idea immediately. He read up on the Davidson literature, and by the time he was released from the hospital he was enthusiastic over it.

The equipment was installed in a room in the basement of the IOOF Building in Eugene, and with a factory instructor teaching Jim the first few days, our printing department got under way late in May.

My Mother's 80th Birthday

My mother reached her 80th birthday April 21, 1946. Although the Biblical instruction of God shows that only pagans celebrated birthdays, and Mrs.

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Armstrong and I have not done so since learning this truth, my sister, who lived in Portland, was of a religious denomination which does follow this custom. She had planned a celebration for Mother at her home, and it was up to me to get Mother there.

My mother had never flown on a plane. I can remember very well, as a boy, hearing her use the expression often: "I could no more do thus and so than I could fly." I decided it was time she began to fly—and she was quite willing.

So, at Eugene airport, we boarded a United Airlines plane for Portland. I took "movies" of her walking out to the plane, ascending the steps, and standing on the platform in the door of the plane, waving. At Portland, I left the plane first, to take pictures of her getting off. In the doorway she waved, with a sort of triumphant smile which reminded me of the supposed expression of a cat which had just swallowed a canary. She flew frequently after that. My sister and husband were there to meet us.

It seemed that eighty was a very ripe old age-one that deserved honoring. But God granted my mother an additional 151/2 years after that-151/2 years of enjoying life abundantly. In September, 1961, recovering from a deep-seated cold and semi-pneumonia condition, sometimes called "the old people's friend," she simply seemed to lack the physical strength to continue recovery. In mid-afternoon, she smiled, said she felt a little tired, and thought she would lie back in her easy reclining chair and take a nap. She went to sleep, and, a half hour or so later, simply stopped breathing.

Only the preceding afternoon she had smiled at one of our favorite little jokes. I said, as I had done many times before, teasing her a little, "Mother, you're the best mother I ever had." As usual, though a little weaker and more tired than usual, she smiled and replied, "Herbert, you're *one* of the best sons I ever had."

No one grieved, though she was greatly missed. She had lived to the fine old age of 951/2, enjoying life to the last day. She simply went to sleep happily no pain, no suffering, just peaceful, restful SLEEP. She will awaken, in the next second of her consciousness, in the resurrection of LIFE. Instead of grieving, we gratefully thanked God for giving her long life, in the happiness of the knowledge of HIS WAY, always loving her Lord and Savior.

good conversation.

She often talked of her joy the day I was born—for I was her first-born. She bore me, and, for Jesus Christ, I baptized her.

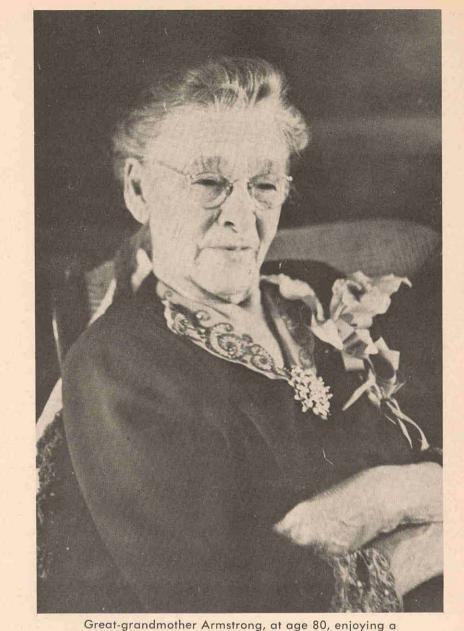
But I have gotten 15½ years ahead of the story. Back, now, to the spring of 1946. Back, now, to that year of *organizational* BEGINNINGS, when God's Work began emerging from virtually a minor one-man work into a highly organized major world-wide power and influence.

The "Shirt-tail-shoot"

The first meeting of the Security Council of the new United Nations was scheduled to begin on March 25, 1946, at Hunter College in New York. And *that* marked the *beginning* of the END of man's efforts to rule the world.

The General Assembly of the United Nations was merely a debating body a sounding board for rival propaganda. Only the Security Council was supposed to have the real power. If ever men were to be able to bring about PEACE on earth, this Security Council was their sole and last hope.

I decided to cover this first session of the Security Council in person for *The*



Plain Truth and The World Tomorrow radio program. It was my first coast-tocoast flight.

This flight was made in a series of hops in the best air service of the time— DC3s, or the equivalent. My first hop started from Portland.

I do not now remember whether I have ever told on myself about a certain proclivity. I think I have pretty well overcome it now, but I had not in 1946. I had developed a habit of always catching a train, bus, or plane at the very last minute. I suppose this tendency had been influenced as a boy, when parents, uncles and aunts always felt they had to arrive at the depot at least an hour or more before departure time for a train. This seemed to me a foolish waste of time.

Through the years I had caught many a train on the run, after it had started. My wife had a name for this habitual last-second dash. She called it a "shirttail shoot." She never approved of it. She preferred to waste the hour of waiting, rather than waste the following hour calming jangled nerves. I'm afraid I pampered and petted the habit somewhat, before I finally determined to overcome it.

Often, through my life, I had not been able to accomplish things I set out to do on the original planned schedule. Sometimes goals or objectives were reached a whole year later than original schedules. But I took comfort and courage in being able to say: ". . . but I *always arrived*"—and, even if late, I could always say, "Mission Accomplished!"

It was a fault—and it has been overcome, in the main—but I always insisted it was better to have set the goal and to have achieved it, even a day or a month or a year late, than never to have tried in the first place; or, having set the goal, to have started out with a flourish and then to have given up and quit.

I will still hold to that—but I must say, however, that today I do plan to arrive at airports, railway stations or whatever, with ample time to spare without the nerve-shattering "shirt-tailshoots"—and I hope, when my wife reads this, that she will appreciate this effort to spare her nerves. Also, I do now strive, with every pressure, to complete projects and to accomplish various objectives *on time*.

GOD DOES THINGS ON TIME! God is never a single second late. It took me years to learn that lesson, and I pass the experience on to you for what it is worth.

First Security Council Session

But on March 23, 1946, I had not yet overcome the last-second-dash tendency. Even when I started out on time, something always happened along the way, it seemed, to necessitate that final leap for the departing train—or, in this instance, plane.

I decided to drive the car to Portland airport. On this occasion, I believe we started in time. But we encountered tire trouble—or car trouble of some nature —along the way. After an enforced stop at a garage, it became doubtful whether I could reach Portland in time. Mrs. Armstrong went along to see me off on the plane, and both of our sons, one of whom drove the car back to Eugene.

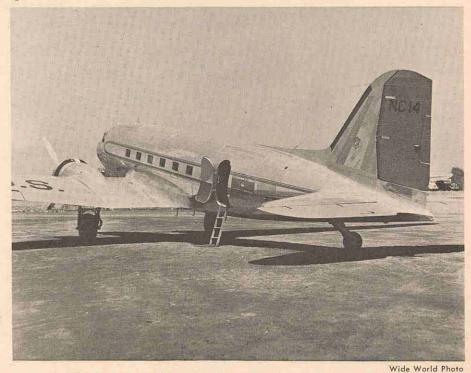
It was a wild, nerve-shattering ride in the rain the remaining 70-some miles. I'm sure Mrs. Armstrong will never forget it. But, as usual, I arrived at the airport at the last split second.

Sometimes we need to reflect back on events such as this, only 16 short years ago. We need to remind ourselves of the swift pace at which this world is travelling. This transcontinental flight was not flown non-stop in 4 hours and 50 minutes in a big jet plane—as hundreds fly the distance every day now. The best available then was this little two-prop DC-3. We made stops at Pendleton, Oregon; Pocatello, Idaho; Salt Lake City, Cheyenne, Denver, Omaha, Chicago, Detroit, Washington, D.C., and New York LaGuardia Airport. This flight lasted all that night and next day, arriving in the evening.

However, during that very week I was in New York, air transportation took a big leap ahead. The larger DC-4s were inaugurated. On my return flight, to Los Angeles, I enjoyed the thrill of what seemed then like a *huge* DC-4, with stops only at Washington, D.C., Nashville, Dallas, El Paso, and Los Angeles. It was an over-night hop.

As we flew over Manhattan after take-off, it was 9 P.M. We arrived at Burbank Airport around 6:30 A.M. I shall never forget the exhilarating sensation I felt, walking up Hollywood Boulevard before 7 A.M.—before many people were out on the street, and thinking, "And only 9 o'clock last night I was looking down on the lights of New York!"

I thought of my first trip to the West Coast in 1924, in a Model-T Ford-18



The Douglas DC3 was a big step forward in air travel.

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arduous days from Des Moines, Iowa just a little over half way across the United States. And now, only 22 years later, I had come all the way from New York just overnight! It seemed to me we were living in a tremendous age!

But think what has happened since then. Next came the DC6s, and the 3tailed Constellations; then the still larger DC6Bs; then the DC7s, when we felt planes had reached the ultimate. But soon even that model was improved and enlarged into the DC7Bs, and rivalling it was the Super-Constellation. But then a little later we were gasping for breath when the 707 jets occurred.

Garner Ted and I were passengers on the first overnight jet flight from Los Angeles to New York—leaving Los Angeles International Airport about 1:30 A.M., after midnight, arriving in New York early morning.

And now there is the larger edition of the 707, besides the DC8, and, in Europe, many other makes of jet planes. I suppose we soon shall be leaving New York in rocket planes, arriving in Los Angeles *before we start*, due to the threehour difference in time. Already, with this time-differential, jet planes arrive in Los Angeles only about three hours after leaving London, England, on polar flights!

Yes, *time flashes past*—and it is LATER THAN WE THINK!

But back, now, to New York, where I arrived the evening of March 24, 1946. Next morning I took the subway out to Hunter College. I had full access to the press room set up for the opening sessions of the Security Council, because of my press card from the State Department.

But, in these first deliberations of the BIG POWERS who were members of the Security Council, I found no moves toward peace, but only a continuation of the bickering, accusing, and struggle for selfish advantage I had witnessed at the San Francisco Conference.

Special Dispatch from Security Council

The very START of the United Nations is summarized in the special dispatch I filed in the press room, sent by wire to Eugene, Oregon, and published on page 7 of the March-April *Plain Truth* of that year. It was short, so I reproduce it here:

"UNO Security Council, New York. Special: As Secretary of State Byrnes said in opening the first meeting of the Security Council of the United Nations Organization today: "This is a moment of great importance in the history of the world. With this meeting the Security Council of the UNO begins to function permanently and continuously."

"I write this from the press room of this temporary headquarters of the Security Council. The session begins today as all such conferences do, with speeches by important personages. Press men and women are milling around in the press room here, writing and filing, for their papers, thousands of words, reporting names and happenings.

"But what is being said in these opening speeches; and what is being sent out from here to be read in newspapers throughout the world is not of itself important.

"What is important is what is going on in the mind of Joseph Stalin, over in Moscow, Russia!

"What is important is what is still in the minds of multiple millions of Germans poisoned by Goebbels' propaganda, and for which poison our occupation forces have no cure!

"What goes on in those minds will lead to the action which shall determine whether, when, and how the next war will start.

"The World's LAST HOPE of preventing atomic annihilation lies IN HAR-MONY in this vital Security Council of the UNO. BUT THERE IS NO REAL HAR-MONY!

"An open break on the Iranian dispute this week would bomb UNO out of useful existence, make immediately imperative the British-American alliance advocated by Mr. Churchill and possibly lead to imminent war.

"Russia is not ready for another war now. Consequently the Iranian dispute will have been worked out in some way before you read these lines.

"The Security Council will continue to function for the present. But that does not mean the kind of harmonious unity between the Big Three IMPERA-TIVE FOR PREVENTION OF ATOMIC WAR!

"In the minds and hearts of the principals here, and in Moscow, London and Washington, there is not that kind of unity. THERE CAN NEVER BE PERMA-NENT WORLD PEACE UNTIL NATIONS AND THEIR LEADERS LEARN THE WAY TO PEACE. THAT WAY THEY DO NOT KNOW AND WILL NOT CONSIDER!

Comedy? Farce? or Tragedy?

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- p.m. Sat. WNOE—New Orleans—1060 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun.
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- WEAW Chicago 1330 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun. (105.1 FM, 9:00 p.m. Sun.), 7 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- WIBC-Indianapolis-1070 on dial, 10:30 p.m. Sun.
- *WFBM Indianapolis 1260 ОП
- dial, 7:30 p.m. daily. KWTO-Springfield, Mo.-560 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.

- KFDI-Wichita, Kans.-1070 on dial, 12:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. daily.
- KFH-Wichita, Kans.-1330 on dial, 9:30 a.m., Sun.; 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KEVE-Minneapolis-1440 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
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- KCTA-Corpus Christi, Tex.-1030 on dial, 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 4:30
- p.m. Sat. KCUL-Ft. Worth-1540 on dial, 1 p.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KMAC-San Antonio-630 on dial 9:00 a.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- *KHEY—El Paso, Texas—690 on dial, 8 p.m. daily. KFMJ—Tulsa—1050 on dial, 12:30
- p.m. daily. KBYE—Okla. City—890 on dial,
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- KNBX-Seattle-1050 on dial, 12 noon daily.
- KWJJ-Portland-1080 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- *KEX-Portland-1190 on dial, 8:15 a.m. Sun.
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- p.m. daily. KUMA Pendleton, Oregon 1290 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily except 7:30 p.m. Monday.

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- KNEZ Lompoc, Calif. 960 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

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- KFQD-Anchorage, Alaska-730 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.
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CKJL—St. Jerome, Quebec—900 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.

TO EUROPE

In English-

RADIO LUXEMBOURG - 208 metres (1439 kc.) medium wave and 49 metres (6090 kc.) short wave-7:00 p.m. Mon. and Tues., G.M.T.

In French-

- RADIO LUXEMBOURG-1293 metres-5:40 a.m., Mon.
- EUROPE NO. ONE-Felsberg en Sarre, Germany 182 kc. (1647 m.)-5:45 a.m. Wed.

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TO AFRICA

- RADIO LOURENCO MARQUES, MOZAMBIQUE - 3301 kc. and 4925 kc.--10:00 p.m. Mon., Wed., and Sat., 10:30 p.m. Tues., Thur., and Fri. RADIO UFAC, ELIZABETHVILLE
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- WNBS Lagos 602 kc. 8:30
- p.m. daily. WNBS—Ibadan—656 kc., 3380 kc., 6185 kc. and 9500 kc.—8:30 p.m. daily.

- TO AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND
- 2KY-Sydney, NSW-1020 kc.-10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs., 10:45 p.m. Fri. and Sat.
- 2AY—Albury, NSW—1490 kc.— 10:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 2GF-Grafton, NSW-1210 kc. 10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 2GN-Goulburn, NSW--1380 kc.-10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 2HD-Newcastle, NSW-1140 kc. -10:30 p.m. Sun.; 6:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.
- 2KA-Katoomba, NSW-780 kc.-10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 2KM-Kempsey, NSW-980 kc.-10:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 2MW-Murwillumbah, NSW-1440 kc.-10:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 3AW—Melbourne, Vic.—1280 kc.— 10:30 p.m. Sun.
- 3BO-Bendigo, Vic. 960 kc. -10:15 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 3CV—Maryborough, Vic.—1440 kc. —10:15 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 3HA-Hamilton, Vic.-1000 kc.-10:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 3KZ-Melbourne, Vic.--1180 kc.--10:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:45 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:15 p.m. Fri.
- 3MA—Mildura, Vic.—1470 kc.— 3:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.; 10:00 p.m. Sat.
- 3SH—Swanhill, Vic.—1330 kc.— 10:15 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 3SR-Shepparton, Vic.-1260 kc.-10:15 p.m. Sun, thru Fri.
- 3UL-Warragul, Vic.-880 kc 10:15 p.m. Sun. thru Fri. kc.-
- 3YB-Warrnambool, Vic. 1210 kc.-10:15 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 4AK-Oakey, Qld.-1220 kc.-9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.
- 4BK-Brisbane, Qld.-1290 kc.-9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.
- 4CA-Cairns, Qld.-1010 kc.-10:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 4TO-Townsville, Qld.-780 kc.-10 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 4KQ Brisbane, Qld. 690 kc. 10:30 p.m. Sun.
- 4WK-Warwick, Qld.-880 kc.-10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 6GE-Geraldton, WA-1010 kc.-9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.
- 6KG-Kalgoorlie, WA-860 kc.-10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- 6PM—Perth, WA—1000 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.
- 6AM Northam, WA 980 kc. -10:00 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

- 7AD-Devonport, Tas.-900 kc.-3:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 7HT-Hobart, Tas. 1080 kc. -7:30 p.m. Sun.; 9:30 p.m. Mon., Wed., Thur, and Fri.; 10:35 p.m. Tues. 7SD – Scottsdale, Tas. – 540 kc. –
- 4:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.
- 2XM Gisborne, New Zealand 1180 kc.—8:30 p.m. Wed.; 9:15 p.m. Thurs.; 10:00 p.m. Sat.

TO ASIA

- RADIO TAIWAN (FORMOSA) "The 3rd Network, B.C.C. BED23 Taichung BED55 Taipei 1380 kc.; 960 kc.; BED78 Tainan City 1540 kc.; BED79 Kaohsiung 1220 kc.; BED82 Chiayi 1460 kc.-18:00 T.S.T., Wed. and Fri. RADIO OKINAWA-KSBK-880 kc. Sundays: 12:06 noon. ALTO BROADCASTING SYSTEM

- PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: *DZAQ, Manila - 620 kc. - 8:30
- p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- DZRI, Dagupan City-1040 kc.;
- DZRB, Naga City-1060 kc.; DXAW, Davao City-640 kc.-
- 9:00 p.m. Sunday. DYCB, Cebu City—570 kc.—9:30
- p.m. Friday. RADIO GUAM—KUAM—610 kc., 6 p.m. daily.

TO LATIN AMERICA

- In English-
- RADIO AMERICAS-Swan Island-1160 kc.-6:30 p.m., E.S.T. Sun.
- RADIO AMERICA-Lima, Peru-1010 kc.-5:15 p.m. Saturdays.
- HOC21, Panama City—1115 kc.— 7:00 p.m., Sundays. HP5A, Panama City—11170 kc.— 7:00 p.m., Sundays. HOK, Colon, Panama—640 kc.— 7:00 p.m., Sundays.
- HP5K, Colon, Panama-6005 kc.-7:00 p.m., Sundays.
- In Spanish-
- RADIO AMERICAS-Swan Island-1160 kc.—9:00 p.m., Sun., 9:30 p.m. Sat. E.S.T.
- RADIO LA CRONICA-Lima, Peru
- —1320 kc.—7:00 p.m. Sun. RADIO COMUNEROS Asuncion, Paraguay-970 kc.-8:30 p.m. Thursdays.
- RADIO SPORT-CXA19-Montevideo, Uruguay-11835 kc.-
- 4:00 p.m., Sundays. RADIO CARVE-CX16, 850 kc., and CXA13, 6156 kc.-Montevideo, Uruguay-3:30 p.m., Saturdays.
- In French-
- 4VBM-Port au Prince, Haiti-1430 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.
- 4VCM-Port au Prince, Haiti-6165 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.



How can I reconcile the two accounts of Christ's lineage as given in Matthew 1 and Luke 3? An agnostic friend of mine says this is a contradiction that proves the Bible is not true. How can I answer him?

God says that there are no contradictions in His Holy Word—that He cannot break His Word (John 10:35). Therefore, when we find something in the Bible that SEEMS to be a contradiction, we know that there is an explanation. Such is the case with this question of the two different genealogies of Christ. There IS an explanation—an explanation that has long been available to those who want SINCERELY to know the truth.

Matthew, since he was first writing to the Jews, gave the LEGAL descent of Jesus. This, of course, could only be through *Joseph*. Luke, on the other hand, was giving the REAL fleshly descent of Jesus (Luke 3:23-38). This could only come through Mary since Jesus was conceived of a virgin and was begotten by God, not by a physical, *human* father (Matt. 1:18-25).

The proof that Matthew was writing the genealogy from Joseph's side is found in the way Matthew words his genealogy. In Matthew 1:2, it states, "Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren." This same word "begat," meaning to become the male parent of, is used throughout this entire list UNTIL we come to Joseph in verse 16. There, since God the Father, by the power of His Spirit, NOT Joseph, begat Christ, it brings Mary into the picture by saying that she was the one "of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ." So even though Mary, being Christ's only human parent, is mentioned, the genealogy is, nevertheless, Joseph's, because she was Joseph's legal wife.

Now let us look at Luke's genealogy. At first glance it might appear that this too is a genealogy from Joseph's side because it lists Joseph and says of him that he "was *the son* of Heli" (Luke 3:23). But Joseph's side has already been given in Matthew. It is TOTALLY DIFFERENT from David to Joseph in this list given in Luke. Joseph's father has already been given as Jacob by Matthew (Matt. 1:16), so how can his father now be given as *Heli* by Luke (Luke 3:23)? The key to the answer lies in the use of the words "the son" in Luke.

If you have a Bible that shows certain words in italics (and if you don't, you should at least look at one that does), you will notice that the words "the son" are in italics, as they are throughout the entire list that Luke gives. These words that are in italics are not in the inspired original Greek, but have been added to make the meaning of the Greek clearer in our modern English. Many times these added words DO help clarify; but, unfortunately, many times they CLOUD the meaning and add only confusion. Such is the case with the words the son in this chapter. They are not in the original Greek and only DISTORT the true God-intended meaning when they are added. So the correct reading of Luke 3:23 should be "... Joseph, which was of Heli."

This then tells us that Joseph was OF Heli, but it does not tell us HOW Joseph was of Heli. Because Joseph's true father has already been given, we now know that the only way that Joseph could be associated with this list is as the son-in-law of Heli—Heli being MARY'S father. The reason that Joseph's name is written instead of Mary's is that no women were ever put on the list, and Luke was allowing Joseph to stand in Mary's place in the list, as he would legally have done anyway since Joseph, through Mary, became Heli's heir.

God says that Abraham (Gen. 12:3;

Acts 3:25-26), Judah (Heb. 7:14), David (John 7:42), and others have been the forefathers of Christ. How can we prove from Scripture that Christ WAS of this line? Matthew's genealogy cannot prove it, because Joseph was not Christ's REAL father. But *Luke*, giving the REAL genealogy of Christ through Mary, Christ's only HUMAN parent, DOES give us absolute, SCRIPTURAL proof that Christ *was* of Abraham (v. 34), Judah (v. 33), and David (v. 31).

Rather than *disprove* the Bible and make it contradict itself, these two genealogies, correctly understood, help to PROVE the Bible, and testify to the

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religious one as well!

It's time to *wake up*, and come to see the truth in your own Bible!

On the front page of the PLAIN TRUTH for June 1952, Mr. Armstrong said, ". . . in spending unprecedented BILLIONS of your dollars and mine— TAX dollars—preparing Germany and Europe for defense against the war that isn't going to come, stupid bungling America is spending its wealth and resources to produce the Frankenstein that IS going to TURN ON US in an OFFEN-SIVE WAR of invasion, and DESTROY OUR UNITED STATES!"

Furthermore, my brother, Richard D. Armstrong, wrote in the PLAIN TRUTH for July 1953, "For years we have been reporting to you through the columns of the PLAIN TRUTH that there would not be a World War III with Russia now ... A SOON-TO-BE-REVIVED UNITED FASCIST EUROPE . . . will provoke World War III!" He said later, in this same article, "It is well known that former Nazis are busily at work trying to reorganize. Recently a few of the ringleaders were arrested in the British Zone of West Germany. But the newspapers-and the public-do not grasp the startling significance of this Nazi-Fascist revival."

This shocking article was written from London, England, where my brother, Richard D. Armstrong, was instrumental in pioneering the growth of

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God's work in Great Britain.

Much of this article was so striking that a little more of it is certainly worthwhile to quote! Notice it! "It seems silly, unthinkable and utterly ridiculous in Washington that we would have to fight another war with Germany, or, what's worse is *what will happen*, a war with a ten-nation *united Fascist Europe* within 20 years!" Remember, these striking words were written in 1953!

Time is running out!

The Shocking Present

Today, these very same prophecies RACE toward fulfillment, right before the eyes of many thousands who HEARD these brain-chilling warnings so many years ago!

Listen, now, to some of the most shocking NEWS releases of recent times!

"ONLY THOSE DEAF TO THE SOUND OF HISTORY can fail to be excited by the French-German rapproachment and the steady movement toward the 'making of Europe' . . . Historically, political union over so great a space came only from conquest or from the spread of a common culture.

"Where, in modern times, Napoleon, Bismarck, Hitler and Stalin failed, reason and mutual necessity are succeeding. A European political union would mean little if the ultimate power of deciding whether it fights—and dies—is going to rest with Americans!" (Emphasis mine.) (By Eric Sevareid, L.A. TIMES, July 15, 1962.)

The truth of the behind-the-scenes revival of Germany is truly staggering. Today, German Rear Admiral Gerhard Wagner is Commander of NATO forces in the Baltic. However, the Admiral admitted at the war trial of Admiral Doenitz that neutral shipping was sunk without warning. He had been arrested by British troops in 1945 as Hitler's U-boat Chief of Staff who helped to sink many British ships. High in the German air force is former Luftwaffe ace Adolph Galland, who shot down the incredible number of 104 allied bombers during World War II, then helped to organize the Argentina air force after having served two years as a war criminal, and has since returned to Germany.

Of the top fifteen industrialists in the Ruhr, the wealthiest of the "new breed" of energetically active Germans in the world's most prosperous industrial center, fourteen are former Nazis.

But this is only the beginning! Space does not permit the repetitious quotations of the dozens of names and places we have brought to you in these pages over the past number of years. In our files, literally bulging with hair-raising, imagination-defying quotations from all parts of the world, are pounds and pounds of accurate, authoritative, documented information showing the amazing rise to power of the peoples who are PROPHESIED to be instrumental in heading the coming United States of Europe!

There is no escaping it. There is no avoiding it. This is stark FACT!

It doesn't take a knowledge of the identity of the United States in the light of Bible prophecy to *know* that Germany IS RISEN again! It doesn't take an understanding of a certain "Bible doctrine," or necessary agreement with it, to admit to yourself candidly that what Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong was faithfully proclaiming back before, during and right at the close of World War II, and what he and others who have since come to join him in this great work of God have been proclaiming day in and day out *ever since—is actually happening before your very eyes*!

One of the most shocking, one of the most truly startling, one of the most vitally significant quotations, and one of the most direct fulfillments of prophecy in all recent times was published recently in TOPIC, England's weekly news magazine.

TOPIC commented on how the Vatican, usually cautious over political changes which it hasn't directly inspired, now has come to consider the Common Market as the work of *divine providence*. The article said, "Not since the end of the Holy Roman Empire has the Holy See been offered a *Catholic rallying point* like the Common Market.

"If the 'Pact of Rome' which created the Common Market, had been signed within the Vatican walls it could not have favored the church more." (Emphasis mine.)

Notice how this is the welding force, the uniting power, the *rallying point* which is going to BIND these nations together—just as my father proclaimed so many long years ago!

Notice these brain-chilling statements which appeared at the end of the same article, "Small wonder, then, that the Roman Church is smiling benignly over the formation of what one Vatican official defined as "THE GREATEST CATHOLIC SUPER-STATE THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN.'" (Emphasis mine.)

Can you believe it? You've seen it with your own eyes!

But this isn't all.

The Holy Roman Empire Is Almost Here

World news and trends of today are so shocking, yet so totally ignored by most people that it is one of the truly paradoxical phenomena of our times! While most of *you people* have been sound asleep at the switch, yes, *while you slept*, the world's *"sleeping giant"* has been gradually awakening!

Notice some of these shocking quotations from leading news sources in recent months.

"While students of the problem [of associating Great Britain with the Common Market] note with approval that Euromarket will end some of the ancient rivalries within old Europe by integrating to a large degree the economies of the six nations linked under the Treaty of Rome, it is also noted that Euromarket is raising powerful new rivalries of greater potential danger to the unity of the Free World."

"Students . . . are concerned that Euromarket's six nations are presenting an organized economic affront to . . . Canada, the United States and Japan, as well as the United Kingdom and the other free nations in Europe. The determination of the six nations to INTE-GRATE THEMSELVES POLITICALLY ALONG THE ANCIENT PATTERNS OF THE OLD HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE is not lost on students of the situation." (CHRIS-TIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, June 10, 1961.)

Maurice Couve de Murville, French Foreign Minister, said the new trade bloc's policy on tariffs and other matters must seek to preserve its "essential character, which is to be European."

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clear that the European Common Market is one of the most powerfully divisive forces threatening Free World unity today . . . The questions naturally arise, 'Why?' The answer seems to lie in the determination of the leaders in the Common Market nations to restore the Holy Roman Empire WITH ALL THAT THAT MEANS."

Can you now begin to see? Can you understand? Do you NOW believe that these prophecies are actually *happening*!

You cannot simply "kid yourself" that the Common Market doesn't exist. You can't kid yourself that Germany and France are *not* forging ahead rapidly, leaving Great Britain out of it, headed toward complete political union. You cannot deny the very facts of recent history!

The important thing I want to get across to all of you readers of the PLAIN TRUTH magazine in this article is simply that WE TOLD YOU SO—YEARS AGO when no one listened, when everyone scoffed, when no one believed it, when there was nothing on the world scene to indicate it, and when anyone proclaiming it would have looked to the (Please continue on page 48)

Not only Germany, but all Common Market countries are booming. Here is what is occurring in France. This photo illustrated building boom everywhere. The building is the Radio House, in Paris, a towering 17-story skyscraper surrounded by a circular building a dozen stories high, in the heart of the city. It has now been completed. Towering beyond it is the famed Eiffel Tower, the only structure higher than the new Radio House in downtown Paris. Wide World Photo

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Another leading news source, written by the Business and Financial Editor of the CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, said recently, "It becomes increasingly



Wide World Photo

Charles de Gaulle. A recent attempt on the life of French President Charles de Gaulle, 71, has brought increased speculation as to who might succeed him and what the future holds for France should he disappear from the scene. To solve problem, De Gaulle proposes new powers be vested in President to keep France united. But what will keep future leader from becoming virtual dictator, he does not discuss.

was incompatible with the aims of the Common Market, he went on to say, "Our objective is first and essentially POLITICAL. We are trying to build a *political union*."

In a recent address at Harvard University, Professor Walter Hallstein, President of the European Economic Community, said that the Common Market is not only an economic association it is also political.

Putting it into his words, "Highly political." He considers it the substructure for a hoped-for United States of Europe. He said, "I want to stress that ... it is political, not just that it tends toward a political goal. That goal has been described by none less than Winston Churchill as 'a United States of Europe.'"

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NAZIS PLOTTING WORLD WAR III

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enriched himself by grabbing factories in the Nazi-occupied territories and served the Nazi regime as an economic adviser. During a party congress at Kassel, he referred to the swastika when he shouted, "We bow our heads before every symbol, I repeat, every symbol, under which Germans have given their lives" (A Watcher on the Rhine by Brian Connell, p.128). Many ex-Nazis have jobs in the Ministry of Transportation, including Werner Kreipe, a Department Chief who served as chief of the General Staff in Goering's Luftwaffe.

Did the Nazi Underground Succeed?

How successful were the plans of the Nazi underground? How extensive are its operations? And when did the Nazis come out of hibernation? In his new book, just recently published, The New Germany and the Old Nazis, T. H. Tetens says that the short period of 1950-51 is when Hitler's old officers, SS leaders, and party functionaries returned to positions of power and influence (p. 113). Since 1955, when Germany became a sovereign state, and the Allied rights of control came to an end, the trend toward a nationalistic revival and open manifestations of neo-Nazism has been growing stronger.

"The Nazis have had a quick comeback almost everywhere. From the Chancellery down through every cabinet office, through the parties, the parliaments of the Laender, the police, the school systems, and the press, former Nazis are deeply entrenched in many key positions, as well as in the middle and lower ranks of the federal and state government" (T. H. Tetens, p. 37). In a series of radio talks given in January 1959, Nathan Straus of WMCA in New York said: "The Nazis are back in position and power in government, in industry, in banking, in the press, in education . . . the very Nazi leaders of the days of Hitler are back in power."

The Nazi method of gaining control of Germany, and ultimately all of Europe, is that of infiltration-infiltration into political parties, industry, commerce, education and all existing institutions. It is a cold revolution carried out quietly from the top. The leader of a secret Adolf Hitler Action Group gave the following directive in 1952: "Act inconspicuously! Infiltrate all Rightist organizations and make them ready for the final assault" (Frankfurter Rundschau, January 31, 1956). The result is that the political stability of the Bonn Republic is slowly being undermined by infiltrators who may give lip service to democracy, but are planning for a Nazi comeback and a new strong leader. They dream of a Germany-dominated Europe which is free to throw its weight in order to regain for Germany the status of a great world power.

The extent of the Nazi infiltration was revealed in January, 1953 when the British arrested seven former high Nazi officials for plotting the overthrow of the Bonn Republic. The ringleader was Dr. Werner Naumann, former State Secretary in Dr. Goebbels' Propaganda Ministry and the one designated in Hitler's testament to succeed Dr. Goebbels as Propaganda Minister.

The seven men arrested were leaders of a group of 175 important Nazis whose aim was to infiltrate the Rightist parties supporting Adenauer's Christian Democratic Party and enabling it to stay in power. Four truckloads of documents and files that were confiscated along with the arrest exposed the full intentions and far-flung plot of the Naumann group. Minister of Justice Dehler told reporters that the captured Naumann documents "gave clear proof that the aim of the group had been to fill key positions in all Rightist parties with hard-core Nazis and thereby create propaganda vehicles which later could be used for a broad neo-Nazi mass movement."

A few months before the arrest, there were secret talks between leading members of Dr. Adenauer's cabinet and Dr. Naumann. The confiscated Naumann papers also revealed that Naumann had conducted negotiations with Bundesminister and ez-Nazi Waldemar Kraft and with *Minister of Justice*, Thomas Dehler.

Dr. Naumann's most devoted collaborator was Dr. Ernst Achenbach, a former Ribbentrop diplomat. The confiscated material disclosed that the Achenbach-Naumann group represented something similar to a Nazi high command with *headquarters in Madrid*, *Spain*, with a vast Nazi network spreading from Duesseldorf to Cairo, Buenos Aires, and Malmö, Sweden.

Nazi Headquarters at Madrid

The facts known about the Nazi headquarters in Madrid—German Geo-Political Center—show that it functions as a Nazi party organization in exile. It has its own financial department, special department for German affairs, departments for Africa and Latin America and a propaganda organization with branches all over Europe and groups operating on the other continents in the Western Hemisphere.

The Washington Post of May 6, 1956 reported on the close contacts between right-wing radicals in Germany and the center of the Nazi International in Madrid: "Observers in Bonn have traced the increasing activity of former Nazis who travel between Germany and the main centers of the International— Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Egypt and Argentina. They often work for importexport firms and agencies and for *German motor manufacturers.*"

Martin Bormann was never found after the last war. The original organizer of the underground is still at large and there are reports that he shuttles between Spain and Argentina trying to work for unity and cooperation among fascist-minded bodies.

The Nazi headquarters in Madrid issued a lengthy document in September 1950 which pointed to the success of the "flexible and smoothly working organization which, at the end of the war, provided the precondition for all the gains that by necessity emerged for Germany out of the chaos of the postwar period.... Five years after Potsdam, we can look back with pride at our accomplishments.... Nothing happened by chance; EVERYTHING WAS CARE-FULLY PLANNED" (T. H. Tetens, *The New Germany and the Old Nazis*, p. 32).

Nazis in Bonn Government

The new Germany is supposedly denazified and democratic. It wants to appear as a friendly federal "republic." Even communist East Germany calls itself by the high-sounding name of "German *Democratic* Republic." The political parties also have adopted democratic titles such as "Christian Democratic" and "Free Democratic." But these titles are like false, misleading labels on bottles of poison. When one takes a closer look at a list of Adenauer's cabinet ministers, it reads like a rogues' gallery.

First we have the *President* of West Germany, Heinrich Lubke. The "German Democratic Report" of East Berlin accused him of saying, "I have not abandoned hope of seeing the re-establishment of our *former Reich*."

Dr. Adenauer's Secretary of the Chancellery is Dr. Hans Globke. Under the Nazi regime, he served as the top official in the Office of Jewish Affairs in the Ministry of the Interior. He was responsible for drafting the text of Hitler's race law and was a direct participant and key administrator in the extermination of Jews. He now is the "only man who has access to Adenauer at all times or who can call the Chancellor at any hour" (Die Welt). In such a position, he is able to wield rigid control over every ministry. As a result, every ministry is run either by dependable friends or loyal servants of Dr. Globke.

The importance of Dr. Globke's position is illustrated by the fact that nearly all papers for the Chancellor must first go through his hands. As an additional aid for obtaining any desired information, he is director of the supersecret cloak-and-dagger intelligence organization headed by Hitler's *former spy chief*, Lt. General Reinhard Gehlen. The "Bureau Gehlen" is staffed with 4,000 former SS officers and SD (security) agents (*Hamburger Echo*, August 6, 1954). For more information about Gehlen, see the March 1962 PLAIN TRUTH, page 22.

Gerhard Schroeder is the Minister of Interior and in charge of the police force. He served during the war as an important official in Reichsmarschal Goering's Armaments Office. He is a one-time Nazi Party member who served the Nazis as a legal adviser and storm troop leader. In Schroeder's police force are 1,000 former Nazi policemen and SS officers. The key posts in the police hierarchy have been swamped with former SS officers and Gestapo officials.

The record of Dr. Ludwig Erhard, Minister of Economics, is one of full co-operation with the Nazi regime. He was "adviser to Nazi Gauleiter Buerckel in the Saar and chief of the Hitlerite Institute for Industrial Research" (Again the Goose Step by Delbert Clark, pp. 29 and 30).

Dr. Fritz Schaeffer, *Minister of Justice*, once praised Hitler in glowing terms as the "saviour of the Reich." His Ministry is run by former Nazis to a large extent. Hitler's court officials are today in important positions as prosecutors and presiding judges. Miscarriages of justice and *favouritism toward ex-Nazis* have become routine.

Nazis in Foreign Office

The Senior Diplomat in the Foreign Office of the Chancellery is Dr. Herbert Blankenhorn. He faithfully served Hitler and the Nazi hierarchy as Ribbentrop's close confidante and organized the Foreign Office when Adenauer became Chancellor. As it is a habit of senior officials to bring into their department scores of officials who had worked with them during the Hitler regime, Dr. Blankenhorn was *no exception*.

The Director of the Bavarian Radio Network, Wilhelm von Cube "proved in a detailed analysis that no fewer than 85% of the leading officials in the Bonn Foreign Office had been Nazi party members and had served the Hitler cause" (T. H. Tetens, p. 47).

There is *no doubt* that former Nazis hold key positions in the German government. Dr. Adenauer has surrounded himself with dozens of former Nazis who had served as top schemers under Ribbentrop and Dr. Goebbels. He even admitted in the Bundestag debate of October 23, 1952 that 66% of the diplomats in higher positions were former Nazis. According to the Nazi plans made in 1943, these former Nazis intend to take over full control of the government in order to rule Germany, Europe and the WORLD!

Germany is hiding behind the democratic façade of the Bonn Republic. Believe it or not, there are only a few in Germany who believe in a democratic constitution and most Germans are still steeped in nationalistic fanaticism even though they may appear outwardly to be otherwise. The time is almost ripe for a change in Germany's political future. An economic slump or the death of Adenauer may be all that would be necessary to give the former Nazis and the General Staff an opportunity to take over. Extreme German nationalism now has fewer obstacles to overcome in its return to power than were present during Hitler's rise.

It is time that the United States and Great Britain come to realize that the Germans have never experienced real conversion to democracy. "Democracy to them means American folkways, American political forms, carbonated soft drinks, chewing gum, baseball and anti-Communism. The real spirit of democracy has never been made clear to them" (Colliers, October 1, 1949). They submit to it as one would to a fashionas the thing to do under the present circumstances. But the time is coming when a new generation of young leaders who will take over Germany will not be bound by gratitude to the United States and will work for German interests only.

In a recent letter to Hamburg's mayor, Dr. Adenauer wrote, "German interests must take *first place* before the interests of the E.E.C. (the Six) in its present form, and before the interests of Great Britain" (London *Daily Express*, September 26, 1962). The United States, Great Britain, France or any other nation will soon learn that Germany is using the Common Market for her *own interests* in order to reach her goal of WORLD RULE!

The Bible describes the gentile nations like Germany as having minds like a wild animal seeking to devour its neighbours to satisfy a thirst to rule and (Please continue on page 41)

How Old is MAN-6000 years? or 600,000?

Here's the truth about "prehistoric man."

REMOVE from a library shelf any volume on ancient man. Examine its opening chapter.

What will you find? Expressions as: "it is thought," "there appears to be some basis for believing," "it has been suggested," "it may be presumed," "one may safely assume," and "others are of the opinion"—just to mention a few.

What do all these carefully chosen expressions really signify?

Just this: Science has no demonstrable evidence for accepting as fact what has been written in the book. The conclusions are mere speculation!

Never Safe to Assume

Just how old is Man? Is there any AUTHORITY who can tell us?

Several modern writers, relying only on geological inferences, place the appearance of man about 25,000 to 35,000 years ago. Others suggest the period is no less than 100,000 years ago. No small number of scholars assume it may be 500,000 years ago. And there are a few who place it several hundred thousand years earlier.

Do any of these men really KNOW? And how could intelligent, able men arrive at such absurdly varying figures for the origin of man and the beginnings of ancient history? They all have access, remember, to the same geological and archaeological sources of information. They all have the same facts—but they don't have the same answers!

Why?

The answer is, they are all interpreting geologic and archaeological evidence in accordance with their private theories. They are only guessing. They have no way of knowing.

One well-known writer phrased it this way: "We know that there is no absolute knowledge, that there are only theories; but we forget this. The better educated we are the harder we believe

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in axioms" (Lincoln Steffens Autobiography, page 816).

But we can know. The God who has intervened in history—records of whose acts we may read of in ancient sources from many nations—that God has made known both the time and the place of origin of man. But historians, theologians and scientists alike refuse to believe it, for it leaves them no room to guess!

How "Science" Erred

Let us notice one classic illustration of the total inability of either archaeology or geology to determine the *duration of human existence*.

Take as an example the so-called Neolithic (New Stone) colonists of Wessex, England-near the site of famous Stonehenge. Here is the proof that Science is only guessing! "Estimates of the length of their sojourn have been very varied, the most extreme being that of W. A. Sturge, President of the Prehistoric Society of East Anglia in 1909, who confidently stated and considered that he had proved 'on irrefragable evidence' that the Neolithic period had lasted well over 200,000 years-a grossly inaccurate estimate. . . . Five to ten generations of men, or 100-200 years, would perhaps be nearer the mark as an estimate of time . . ." declared archaeologist J. F. S. Stone recently (Wessex Before the Celts, page 51).

Here is a classic example of misknowledge that masquerades as fact! Imagine guesses that vary from 100 years to 200,000!

Why such incomprehensible variations? Because no scientific means can determine the speed with which geological deposits were laid in the past or how long ago the deposition occurred, or the cause. Nor can any archaeologist determine accurately the rate of accumulation of human remains unless there is some contemporary written evidence to compare with.

No "Prehistory" of Man

The modern idea that man has been upon earth for more than 6000 years is predicated on the assumption that "prehistoric time" once existed. Almost everyone takes it for granted. Few have ever thought to question it.

As used by critical historians, "prehistoric time" is said to refer to earliest antiquity that is nowhere documented in written records. Is this kind of "prehistoric time" really a fact?

Turn to Genesis 1:1 for the answer. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." *Time* is coeval with the creation, for time is measured by the movements of the created heavenly bodies. But here also is a *record* of what occurred at the beginning. Here is a documented account reaching back even to the beginning of time. "Prehistoric time" in this sense is therefore irreconcilable with Scripture, for there is no period of time that is not documented in the Bible.

But how did the theory of "prehistoric time" originate? Why was the idea invented?

Stuart Piggott, noted British archaeologist, summarized the development of the theory in his book *Approach to Archaeology*. Note carefully his wording: "The first step was the realization that non-documented antiquity could in fact exist at all: that the whole creation and the sum of human history was not in fact contained within the Biblical narrative. This was the repudiation of the theological model of the past . . ." (page 53).

"Prehistory" was developed to explain the presence of man without the Bible. It is merely another facet of the "historical method" which denies the possibility of God in history.

The fallacy of "prehistory" is clearly

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explained in the *Encyclopedia Ameri*cana. Here is its surprising statement: "... it is no longer accurate or logical to use the term 'prehistoric,' unless it is employed to designate that vague and hypothetical period in the beginnings of human development of which there exists no positive and tangible record. ..." (from "History, its rise and development").

Could words be plainer?

"Prehistoric"—scholars now admit denotes nothing more than a "vague and hypothetical period . . . of which there exists no positive and tangible record"!

But what of the famous periods or "ages" designated the Palaeolithic (Old Stone), the Mesolithic (Intermediate Stone), the Neolithic (New Stone), the Chalcolithic (Stone and Copper), the Bronze and Iron?

Cultures, Not "Ages"

These terms do not represent "ages." They are *cultural* appellations. It is a historical deception to speak of the "Stone Age." There are only *Stone cultures.* "These names," writes William L. Langer in *An Encyclopaedia of World History,* "are excellent to identify cultures, but their use to designate periods of time has led to much inaccuracy and confusion, as the dates of the cultures to which they refer differ widely in different parts of the world" (page 2).

That is, societies using iron were contemporary with societies limited to bronze or only stone. Most ancient societies used stone and bronze and iron. Today one may see backward tribes with a Stone culture in New Guinea, Australia, areas of India, Africa and South America side by side with highly industrialized civilizations. These tribes are not "prehistoric." They are contemporary. Throughout history they have paralleled contemporary higher cultures. They are not ancestral to higher cultures as anthropologists assume.

Even the Bible mentions some of these degenerate tribes—falsely called "Stone Age" men—who anciently lived in Palestine and Sinai before migrating to their modern habitat. The reference is found in Job 30:1-8, Jewish translation:

"But now they that are younger than I have me in derision,

"Whose fathers I disdained to set

with the dogs of my flock. . . .

"Men in whom ripe age is perished. They are gaunt with want and famine;

"They gnaw the dry ground, in the gloom of wasteness and desolation.

"They pluck salt-wart with wormwood;

"And the roots of the broom are their food.

"They are driven forth from the midst of men. . . .

"In the clefts of the valleys must they dwell,

"In holes of the earth and of the rocks.

"Among the bushes they bray;

"Under the nettles they are gathered together.

"They are children of churls, yea, children of ignoble men;

"They were scourged out of the land."

No evolution here. Only degeneration. Civilized man did not descend from degraded, "primitive" tribes. But degraded tribes did descend from civilized men of low birth and degenerate habits. They were anciently driven out from the Middle East with its rising civilization, only to be rediscovered in tropical forests in recent centuries! These facts make it clear why evolutionists are forced to admit: "Evolution is in the last analysis not a matter of evidence, but a matter of inference" (from *New Views of Evolution* by George Perrigo Conger, p. 91).

Astounding Origin of the Study of Man's Past

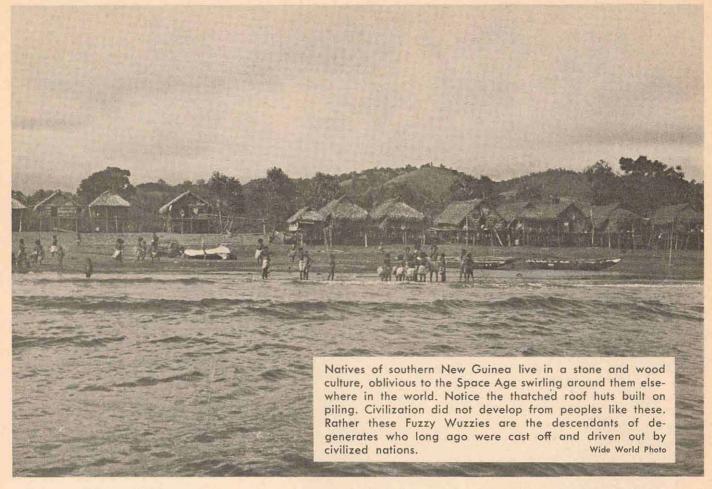
Now we come to the origin of the scientific study of human history. The facts are surprising. Few historians are aware of the real origin of their discipline. They generally take for granted as true the principles already laid down for them by preceding historians. Yet one of the basic rules of any scientific study is never to take anything for granted. Let us pull back the curtain on the study of history and view a plot that has eluded even the historians' keen eyes.

History as a scientific discipline may be said to have taken its rise with Lorenzo della Valla. He demonstrated that the *Donation of Constantine*, on which the secular claims of the Roman Catholic Church were originally based, was a medieval forgery.



Wide World Photo

Scientific and historical texts call these people "Stone Age" savages—yet they live in the mid-twentieth century! Theirs is a stone and wood culture though they live in the Space Age! These savages dwell in the little-known Sepik River area of New Guinea. They are preparing for a head-hunting battle against a rival tribe.



"Forgery." That word became a touchstone. Soon non-Catholic scholars everywhere became critical, negative, looking for spurious documents. The Middle Ages provided many rich finds.

During the same period a great revival in Classical Learning had been occurring. The popes had encouraged Catholic scholars of the Renaissance to revive the study of ancient Roman and Greek literature. In non-Catholic educational circles Classical Learning became associated with Catholicism. The inevitable occurred. Scholars who resented everything the word *authority* stood for saw in the Greek and Roman Classics the symbolism of authority and tradition. Tradition would not be purged out, they reasoned, unless the Classics were also attacked and labeled as spurious.

The frontal assault began. At the close of the eighteenth century Friedrich August Wolf challenged the scholarly world with his work on Homer (1795). The ancient Greek poet Homer—famous for having composed the two great epics, the Iliad and the Odyssey did not compose either epic in its present form, charged Wolf. Homer, he reasoned, did not know how to write. The epics, he concluded, were pieced together from oral traditions long after Homer lived. They were therefore unauthentic, Wolf concluded.

The floodgates of criticism were now opened wide. Thousands of youths, flocking to the German universities for their doctorates, were assigned the task of criticizing classical literature. At the height of the epidemic, scarcely a single ancient work remained unimpugned as biased, untrue to fact, or unauthentic. Into the swirl of condemmed poems, dramas, myths were heaved the sober histories of Herodotus, and Thucydides, the annals of the Greek city-states, the Greek records of ancient Egypt, Assyria and Media. All ancient Greek and Roman history was condemmed by one scholar or another as spurious, unauthentic, fabulous, unhistorical-because writing, said the critics, had not been known. How could the Greeks have preserved authentic histories reaching back 2,000 years before the time of Christ, asked the critics, if the Greeks did not even know how to write till the seventh century before our era?

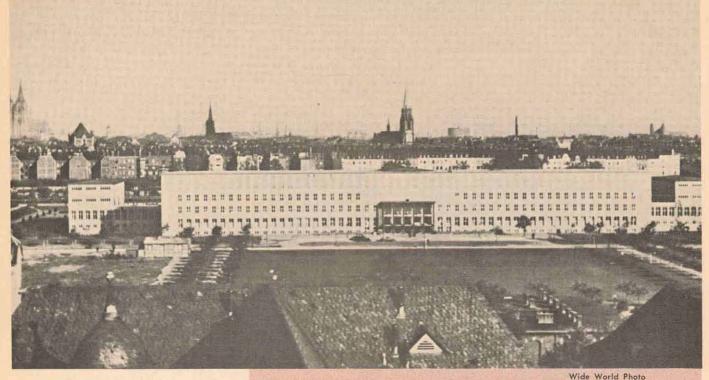
What the Archaeologists Discovered

The historians of that day were greatly influenced by the subjective reasoning of the German Higher Critics. They accepted their verdict. Greek records prior to the seventh century disappeared from history books, or were labeled in footnotes as fabulous, or, at best, garbled.

Nearly a half century elapsed. During that period a new science arose—archaeology. The past was being dug up. What did the excavators discover? Writing materials and documents dating more than 2,000 years before the time of Christ! And in the Greek world, too!

The Greeks did know how to write after all. The critics, including Wolf, had been wrong. The imagined illiteracy of the early Greeks was a myth. The argument that they could not have preserved their history correctly was false.

But did the new evidence make any difference to the critics or to the historians? Were they willing to reconsider their conclusions? How were the



historians going to explain that the basis for rejecting Greek history had been exploded?

No answers came forth. The new evidence was greeted with silence. All who brought up the problem were ridiculed as unscientific. Decades have passed, but not once has the evidence been reconsidered. The plot to suppress the truth has succeeded till now.

But the story does not end here.

Why the Bible Was Attacked

Every year saw fresh hordes of students arrive at the German universities demanding doctoral dissertations. Johann Gottlieb Fichte had made the German educational system famous the world over. Many students from abroad were coming to study in Germany under the great literary critics. The German professors insisted that their students thresh again the old classics. But this was not research. It was mere confirmation of what had already been universally accepted. With the quantity of classical raw material strictly limited in the early nineteenth century, a new field of study had to be thought up.

A "new discovery" must be found, the critics agreed, if Germany was to maintain absolute educational domination of the world. Such a discovery New Köln University—a sign of Germany's renewed influence in world education. For nearly two centuries Germany has led the world in scientific and historical speculation. Attempt of critics to destroy the authority of the Bible commenced in German theological institutions.

necessarily meant something to attack, for assailing a commonly accepted idea always creates interest. What literature, the critics asked themselves, did people believe to be true, but which had not yet been subjected to higher criticism?

The Bible!

Protestant Germany had, since the days of Dr. Martin Luther, assumed the absolute authenticity of Scripture. What a challenge! The opening wedge of the attack had, in actuality, been made by Dr. Luther himself, for had he not denounced the epistle of James as a book of straw?

All the methodology and reasoning, once feverishly applied to classical literature, was now directed in a frontal assault on the authenticity and historicity of Scripture. The Bible, proudly announced the critics, was pieced together from tradition in much the same fashion as the ancient Greek and Roman classics had been. The extremists declared it a pious fraud.

The literature of the Old Testament was rejected as contrary to human experience. It was obviously unhistorical, they concluded, for no events of a supernatural nature were befalling any nation today—and certainly not any German professors and students! There was no God punishing them for their attacks upon Him, as He had once punished Israel.

Historians who had heretofore acknowledged the authority of the historical record in the Old Testament were impressed with the theories of the literary scholars. Then, too, the theory of organic evolution was mushrooming. Rationalism was king. Within a few decades the entire study of history was reshaped to meet the new theories.

But how were historians to reconstruct ancient history without the Old Testament? without God? without the supernatural? with all the early classical events removed? What kind of framework would they use to date events? History had to have some kind of chronological backbone.

Framework of History Founded on Egypt

A new reconstruction and interpretation of history without God or the supernatural, and now without Genesis,

November, 1962

was foisted upon the world in the latter half of the nineteenth century. It first created the phantom of "prehistory," as we have already noted. To bolster their concept of "ancient man," the discoveries by travellers of savage, cannibalistic tribes in far away places were heavily called upon. It became a fad to picture "early man" in the garb of a savage.

The next step was to tie "prehistory" to modern history. What chronological means was to be used? The answer is twofold: astronomy and the history of Egypt.

Rationalism had disposed of all supernaturalism in history. God was excluded from nature. Uniformitarianism became a basic concept. The astronomer was now called on by the historian to date the past for thousands of years on the basis of the present movement of heavenly bodies. All ancient historical records referring to supernatural movements of the heavens were rejected as mythological. Away went "Joshua's long day," and the backward decline of the sun for ten degrees in the kingship of Hezekiah.

From the Biblical record it would be impossible to determine the position of any solar body prior to the time of Hezekiah. (See II Kings 20:8-11 when the sun was seen to move back 10 degrees in the heavens.)

Of course historians postulate that since God, according to their reasoning, could not intervene in the course of nature, it would be possible to date the past by calculating backward the present movements of the sun, moon and other planets, and the stars. All that was necessary, said the historians, was to discover, through archaeological means, early calendars and ancient documents that referred to positions of the sun, or moon, or the rise of the stars on certain stated calendar days.

A few documents were discovered but, alas, they did not agree with the present movements of the heavenly body. The historians—unwilling to admit uniformitarianism an error—decided the mistaken numbers lay in the scribes who copied the astronomical documents. It was an easy task to change the figures on the cuneiform tablets and Egyptian papyri!

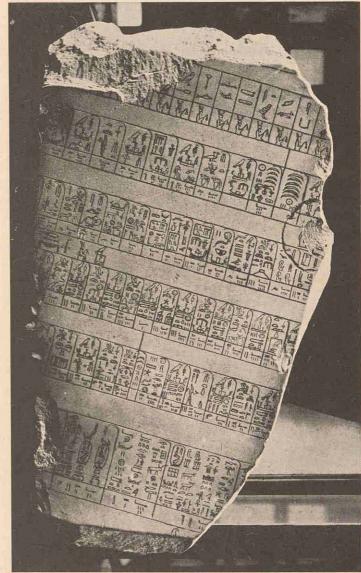
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Still a problem remained.

No ancient date could be determined by astronomical means unless the approximate date had already been determined by historical methods. Here is where Egypt comes on the scene.

Egypt seemed to provide the best solution. Her earliest documents were more likely to be preserved because of the warm, dry climate. Most of the monuments were above ground, unlike those in Mesopotamia. This made it a much easier task for the archaeologist. Egypt, decided the scholars, should become the historical standard of the world. Its civilization was certainly one of the oldest and earliest. Why not tie "prehistory" and modern history together through Egypt, they reasoned.

Now came the difficulty. Archaeology could not always determine which Egyptian monuments and which kings' reigns came first. There were no buried cities, one above another, as in Mesopotamia. No stratigraphy to determine the exact order of events. The only solution was to adopt the traditional dynastic history of Egypt. It is based on the Greek versions of Manetho, an Egyptian priest and historian, who drew up the



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A cast of a fragment of the Palermo Stone. This inscription lists the kings of Abydos, Memphis and Elephantine—the first dynasties of Egypt—in successive order. Historians assumed from this arrangement that each ruler succeeded another in consecutive order. It never seems to have occurred to them that the kings of each city were ruling in part contemporaneously, but that the scribes listed the cities successively in order of their relative importance as a matter. The forthcoming World History will explain what really happened in the ancient Near East.



Lehnert & Landrock

The famous "Israel Stela" in which Pharaoh Merenptah records: "Plundered is Canaan . . . Israel is laid waste, his seed is not . . ." Historians have attempted to read into this granite monument an account of the Exodus, or of Joshua's invasion. Utter nonsensel It is a contemporary record of the deportation of Israel from Canaan by Assyrial The error arose by dating Pharaoh Merenptah five centuries too early!

history of ancient Egypt under thirty dynasties.

Is Egyptian History Correct?

The dynastic history of Egypt is universally assumed to be correct. No historian thinks of questioning it. It is simply one of the assumptions he has taken for granted.

The time has come to explode this assumption! The story of how it became universally accepted over 2,000 years ago is one of the most intriguing in all the annals of history. Let us roll back the centuries and discover the plot that changed history.

The historians of the last century inherited their views of history from the classical professors, for ancient history was for a long time an aspect of classical studies. The classical professors were interested in attacking *literature*. But they needed history for background if they were to demonstrate that early writings were merely garbled oral traditions and mythical accounts of heroes.

It suited their purpose to retain the commonly accepted view of history. The earlier that ancient events could be placed, they reasoned, the longer the time for oral traditions and myths to develop. The greater the likelihood for events to become garbled and untrue to fact.

Thus the framework of history remained essentially the same as it had been all through the Middle Ages.

Medieval and Modern Europe inherited its account of the past mainly through Catholic scholars and historians. These men obtained their information from earlier Greek documents long since lost. But from where did the Greek world obtain its history of Egypt? From the Egyptians.

The framework of all history, in simple terms, is derived ultimately from Egypt—particularly through the writings of Manetho.

In Manetho's time a spirit of competition reached a climax. Egypt and Babylonia were vying with each other for influence over the Greek - speaking world. Each sought to be known as the founder of civilization, of cultural and religious institutions, of political unity. Vanity was coupled in both by a deep sense of inferiority, for both were peoples subject to the Greeks. To rise above that feeling, each claimed to be the first people of earth, not alone in the sense of civilization, but in the sense of time.

This fact all modern historians have completely overlooked.

Distorting History

To justify their claims to antiquity, Manetho of Egypt utilized the early records, the king lists of the various contemporary city-states, and cleverly marshalled them together in consecutive order. Manetho summarized the history of Egypt under the rule of thirty dynasties, or ruling houses, from the royal cities of Abydos, Memphis, Elephantine, Heracleopolis, Xois, Thebes, Tanis, Bubastis, Sais and other cities. The history of the royal families of each city was drawn up to make it appear that only one city at a time dominated Egypt, and that Egypt was, from its beginning, under the government of only one ruler at a time. The result was that Egypt appeared to be extremely ancient! But it was a fraud! Egypt was ruled by several kings at the same time!

The internal details of the reigns of the kings of the various dynasties were scrupulously correct—they had to be to make the history look valid—but the order in which the dynasties appeared was a historic lie. Manetho cleverly told the history of the ruling families of each city. Then he attached them end to end not only to make Egypt

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Are YOU Willing to CHANGE?

Your very LIFE during the next few years depends upon your willingness to CHANGE! You had better HEED the facts in this article.

A FEW years from now—probably LESS than ten years—the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast will suddenly *disappear* from the air waves.

Many of YOU will wonder *why*. You will wonder because you have been *hearing* the broadcast and *reading* The PLAIN TRUTH magazine—but doing NOTHING about it!

Perhaps—at that time—you will hear sarcastic reports that Mr. Armstrong and others with him went into "hiding" to await "the end of the world." Such reports will NOT be true!

What WILL Happen?

But what WILL be true is that a rearmed GERMANY will be at the head of the rapidly forming United States of Europe, whatever its name will be. It WILL be composed-by then-of exactly TEN nations or groupings of nations, like the Benelux countries, under one ruler. This united Europe WILL make an agreement with and be dominated by a great religious power. And this political-religious union of nations WILL have become increasingly HOSTILE toward the United States and Britainand WILL begin imposing trade embargoes on us, in alliance with other nations.

Meanwhile, by this time, Britain and America WILL be experiencing TERRI-BLE national calamities—alternating major floods and drought, increasing earthquakes, horrifying disease epidemics, wholesale race riots, and increasing shortages of food and water leading to near STARVATION conditions in some areas. We will be internally WEAK and ripe for CONQUEST by a cruel aggressor.

The united Europe WILL have become increasingly *stronger* and STRONG-ER and will make some sort of "deal" or

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non-aggression pact with Russia—as did Germany just before attacking Poland in 1939 and as did Napoleon over a century earlier. Thoughtful Americans and Britons will finally WAKE UP and begin to wonder if we have not been building our own "Frankenstein monster" in Central Europe. They *will wonder*, then, but it will be TOO LATE to do anything about it.

All these things WILL HAPPEN!

Then, only after these MAJOR EVENTS affecting the LEADING nations of the world HAVE HAPPENED—then Mr. Armstrong's voice WILL disappear from the scene for a short while. A strange UNEASINESS will suddenly settle over America and Britain. Many will know that "something's up."

As prophesied, there will be a FAMINE of hearing God's TRUTH proclaimed to the world (Amos 8:11-12). Many will now wish they could talk to Mr. Armstrong or one of God's *true* ministers. But it will be TOO LATE!

For at this point, just BEFORE America and Britain are attacked and CON-QUERED by a united Fascist Europe, GOD'S PEOPLE will be taken to a place of safety (Luke 21:36). Mr. Armstrong—along with thousands of others who are OBEYING the true message of God being preached over the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast—will suddenly disappear from the scene. As prophesied in Revelation 12:12-17, they will be taken to a place of SAFETY on this earth (Verse 14).

But what about YOU?

Where Will YOU Be?

Within the next ten years, by the time most of these things take place, multiplied MILLIONS of Americans and Britons will have become *regular listeners* of the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast. They will be talking about the unique and vital MESSAGE of this broadcast in their homes and at the office or factory.

Millions will *sit and listen*. But what will they DO?

GOD says: "And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as my people, and they hear thy words, *but they will* NOT *do them:* for with their mouth they show much love, but their hearts goeth after their covetousness. And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they DO THEM NOT. And when this cometh to pass, (lo, *it* WILL *come*), THEN *shall they* KNOW *that a prophet hath been among them*" (Ezek. 33:31-33).

What is it going to take to make you, personally, KNOW that a PROPHET of Almighty God is *speaking to you* over the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast?

What is it going to take to make you HEED and ACT on the knowledge you are receiving through The PLAIN TRUTH and the broadcast? How much will our prophesied national PUNISHMENT have to affect YOU, *personally*, before you are willing to CHANGE your ways and OBEY GOD?

For that is the "key," you know, your willingness to CHANGE. Most thinking people are *convicted* by what they hear over the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast and read in the pages of The PLAIN TRUTH—they know it is RIGHT—but they *resist* and *resent* having to CHANGE their human way of life!

Yet, in *this age* above all others, your willingness to CHANGE and *accept* and *obey* the TRUTH God is revealing through His servants in these end times is the key to your very survival—now

and forever! Before much longer you will be able to see that this is not just a sentimental idea—it is a FACT!

Your ATTITUDE—The Key to Survival

Down through the ages, every true servant of God has preached a message of CHANGE. This is simply because the people of the world have *always* tended to go the way of human nature—the way of *vanity*, *selfishness*, *lust*, *hate* and *war*.

The answer is to REPENT—to be willing to CHANGE. For to repent not only means to be sorry—*it means to be so sorry you are willing to* QUIT doing that which is wrong and to TURN AROUND and go the other way! True repentance involves a REAL CHANGE.

Preparing for Christ's first coming, John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judaea saying: "REPENT ye: for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand" (Mat. 3:1-2).

Soon after, Jesus began His own ministry preaching the Gospel of the coming GOVERNMENT or rule of God. He proclaimed: "The time is fulfilled, and the *Kingdom of God* is at hand: RE-PENT ye, and believe the Gospel" (Mark 1:14-15).

Again and again, Jesus warned the people that the ONLY WAY they could be saved was to REPENT of the *ways*, the *habits* and *customs* of the people around them and begin OBEYING God. He warned: "I tell you, nay: but, *except ye* REPENT, *ye shall all likewise perish*" (Luke 13:3-5).

As the New Testament Church began, the inspired Peter set forth the WAY to salvation: "REPENT, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). And again: "RE-PENT ye therefore, and be CONVERTED, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19).

The very word "convert" is a chemical term meaning to CHANGE.

To be spiritually *converted*, a person must be genuinely, *actively* SORRY and REPENTANT for his past disobedience to the true God, and then he must CHANGE his *way of life*, his *habits* and *customs* and *actions* to conform to HIS will.

Haven't you noticed that the articles in The PLAIN TRUTH magazine are constantly showing you habits and customs of *this world* which are CONTRARY to the commands of God? What about the DAYS you should keep holy? What about the REWARD—the true GOAL of the Christian? What about the constant exhortations to *surrender your will* to OBEY the commandments of God— ALL TEN of them? What about the instructions on how to actually LIVE by EVERY Word of God?

Are you really DOING something about this precious knowledge God is giving you?

Or do you *resent* having to CHANGE? Does it seem *too difficult* to you to CHANGE from *your way* of life to GOD'S *way* of life?

You need to realize that this is a WRONG part of human nature which in itself *needs to be repented of!* GOD says: "The heart is DECEITFUL *above all things*, and DESPERATELY WICKED: who can know it?" (Jer. 17:9).

God is here describing the kind of human nature He gave YOU!

You DON'T LIKE to change! You DON'T LIKE to have to admit that *your* religion or *your ways* may have been wrong.

Notice this striking description of the human mind in Professor James Harvey Robinson's enlightening and popular book, The Mind in the Making: "We are incredibly heedless in the formation of our beliefs, but find ourselves with an illicit passion for them when anyone proposes to rob us of their companionship. It is obviously not the ideas that threaten themselves that are dear to us, but our self-esteem which is threatened. . . . The little word my is the most important one in human affairs, and properly to reckon with it is the beginning of wisdom. It has the same force whether it is my dinner, my dog, my house, or my faith, my country and my God. We not only resent the imputation that our watch is wrong, or our car shabby, but that our conception of the canals of Mars, or the pronunciation of 'Epictetus,' or the medicinal value of salicine, or of the date of Sargon I, are subject to revision. . . We like to continue to believe what we have been accustomed to accept as true, and the resentment aroused when doubt is cast upon any of our assumptions leads us to seek every manner of excuse for clinging to it. The result is that most of our so-called reasoning consists in finding arguments for going on believing as we already do."

Isn't that a classic illustration of the human mind—YOUR MIND?

Now notice what GOD says about the natural, fleshly mind of man: "Because the *carnal mind* is ENMITY against God: for it is NOT *subject to the* LAW OF GOD, *neither indeed can be*" (Rom. 8:7). And in the previous verse, God says that "to be carnally minded is DEATH."

So the Bible shows that the very KEY to your survival is your willingness to REPENT of your *own ways* and CHANGE your own ideas, customs and beliefs so that they REALLY correspond with GOD'S ways and teachings as revealed in your Bible.

God has shown *millions* of you that this is HIS work—that Mr. Armstrong is *His true minister*. Over the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast and in the pages of The PLAIN TRUTH, you are constantly challenged in plain, clear terms to OBEY the ten commandments LITERAL-LY as God intended to keep HIS days holy, to come out of PAGAN religious observances, customs and traditions. But most of you just sit back and listen and say: "Well, I agree with Mr. Armstrong, but I don't see that there is anything I need to do about it."

But God says: "For not the *hearers* of the law are just before God, but the DOERS of the law shall be justified" (Rom. 2:13). Again, God says: "Therefore to him that KNOWETH to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is SIN" (Jas. 4:17).

In the main, you regular readers of The PLAIN TRUTH really KNOW what you should be doing. You *know* that you should begin ACTING on the knowledge you have been learning through God's work. You *know* that even more

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The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER FORTY-NINE

VICTORY EAST OF THE JORDAN

HE BATTLE was set in array.

When the twelve thousand soldiers of Israel realized that they were marching into the vast jaws of superior numbers of oncoming Midianites, many of them momentarily may have felt like wheeling about and fleeing in the opposite direction. In those first frightful moments they felt what it would mean never to return to their camps and families.

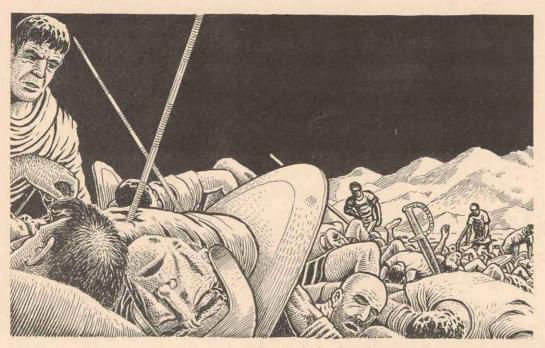
The Signal to Attack

Then came the shrill, piercing sounds of the silver trumpets of the Israelites. It was an instant and powerful reminder to the soldiers that their God was with them, and that He would protect and strengthen them—and take them all safely into the Promised Land.

Spurred to action and confidence, it was the Israelites' turn to make a surprise move. At a signal passed backward from Joshua, the rear flanks of the Israelites suddenly divided and curved out in opposite directions to swiftly get outside the flanking troops of the Midianites, even though many of them were mounted!

Thus the enemy soldiers, attempting to surround the Israelites, swiftly found themselves bottled up except for their rear troops. But even those, within minutes, were hemmed in by the nimble Israelites.

Then the fighting broke out in fierce, bloody fury. Considering the many thousands of soldiers involved, the battle could have been expected to last for hours. However, it went on only for a very short time, and then the awful sounds of slaughter



Not so much as one Israelite could be found among the thousands of bodies of the Midianites.

suddenly died down.

Weary men grouped together to stare in silence at the thousands of corpses strewn over the rocky ground. It was hard to believe at first, but the Israelites soon realized that they had slain every soldier who had come out to war against them, and that included all five kings of the Midianites! They also found Balaam, the prophet, who had taught the Midianites how to lead Israel astray, and killed him because of his evil deeds and unfaithfulness to God. (Numbers 31:1-8.) Because Balaam had set his affections on the gold Balak offered instead of eternal life which God offered, everything went wrong for him. He got neither gold nor eternal life, but was executed by God's servants.

What was even more amazing was that not even one dead or critically wounded Israelite could be found.

True to His word, God had protected all of them.

God Is Our Protector

Today many people worry about our enemies and their powerful forces. If, as a nation, we would submit to God's authority, there would be no reason to be concerned about such matters. We could overcome any and all enemy forces just as successfully as the ancient Israelites overpowered the Midianites, or we would find that God would

supernaturally destroy our enemies as He did on other occasions. (I Samuel 14:1-23; II Kings 19.)

Instead, our nations choose to ignore God (though at the same time lyingly branding ourselves as Christian nations) and try to keep safe and powerful without God's help. Ours is still a great, rich and powerful nation, but not because we are Christians. It is because of God's promise to Abraham and because God is using us for a purpose. When the present part of that purpose is accomplished—and that will be soon—our nation will begin to realize how poor and weak we can become without God's help.

As for the army of ancient Israel, its task was far from finished. Through Moses, God had instructed this force to proceed to the Midianite cities and capture everything of value. After stripping the dead Midianites of their possessions, the Israelites marched on to the nearby Midianite centers of civilization.

Having wiped out the Midianite army, the Israelite forces split into small groups and took over the Midianite towns and unprotected strongholds as soon as the soldiers could reach them. All Midianite men were slain, and the towns and strongholds burned. Women and children were captured. Flocks, herds and valuables were seized. (Numbers 31:9-12.)

Mounted messengers raced back to the Israelite camp to excitedly inform Moses of the overwhelming victory. Moses was not surprised, but he was pleased and thankful. He called the tribal heads together, and with them and Eleazar, rode out east of the camp to meet and welcome the returning victors. (Verse 13.)

Don't Give Idolatry a Foothold

After congratulating Joshua and other officers, Moses noticed that the prisoners consisted of many thousands of boys, girls and women.

"Why have you brought back these boys?" Moses asked Joshua. "And why have you spared these many thousands of women? Have you forgotten that these Midianite women recently drew our men into idolatry? God put a plague on us because of them, and also decreed that they should not live! Besides, they would have slain all our women and children had they won the battle."

"Our soldiers didn't have the heart to kill the youngsters," Joshua replied. "As for the women, we couldn't know which were the offenders. Therefore we brought back all except those who fell before us by accident."

"God sent us to destroy the Midianites," Moses told Joshua. "Tell your officers to instruct their men to slay all the male youngsters you have brought with you. Then determine as far as possible, which females have never had personal relations with men. Set them aside to spare, and slay all the other women!" (Verses 14-18.)

Within a few hours thousands of Midianite women and male children lost their lives. The only Midianites who were spared were girl babies, young girls and any females who could prove to the Israelite officers that they had not taken part in the evil practices by which other Midianite women had led many Israelite men astray. These young Midianite women and girls could live among the Israelites as servants without any danger of their leading the Israelites into idolatry.

Some who read this account will wag their heads in doubt, believing that God would never allow such slaughter, regardless of what the inspired scriptures tell us. However, the slaying of the Midianite women and children was an act of mercy. The Israelites who carried out the task of executing these idolaters had no appetite for such grisly business. They acted under orders from God, who had good reasons for using the Israelites to wipe out an idolatrous nation. These people were so evil, warlike, and lewd that they and their children were better off dead. When they are resurrected in the judgment, along with other evil nations of past ages, they will be taught how to live in righteousness and happiness. (Matthew 12:41-42; 11:20-24; Isaiah 65:19-25.)

Is it sensible that people should consider God a harsh monster for what He ordered done to the Midianites, and at the same time believe the pagan lie (still voiced from so-called Christian pulpits all around the world) that God has allowed billions of souls to be dumped into everlasting, blistering torment in some fiery place—some suppose in the center of the Earth—just because they never heard of God?

Contrary to this unscriptural teaching, God justly gives every human being, at one time or another, the opportunity to learn right from wrong and choose to serve God. For most people, that opportunity doesn't come in this life. If it doesn't, it will come when all those Midianites and others who have died without an opportunity for salvation will be resurrected after the millennium. At that time people will live together in peace and prosperity while they are privileged to learn the way that leads to salvation. (Ezekiel 37:1-14; Isaiah 65:19-25.)

Quarantine Enforced

Because of being well outside the camps of the Israelites, it was an appropriate place for Moses to advise the soldiers who had any part in killing the Midianites or touching their bodies.

"All of you who have touched a dead body must stay outside of camp for seven days. On the third and the seventh days you and your captives must bathe yourselves, and wash your clothes and anything you have that has touched a corpse if those things are made of skins, goats' hair or wood." (Numbers 31:19-20.)

Eleazar, the priest, added to these directions by telling the soldiers that while they were waiting out those seven days, they should purify all battle equipment and booty made of gold, silver, brass, iron, tin or lead. This meant that objects made of these metals were to pass through flames of a hot fire to kill vermin and germs, and in some cases even to be melted down. Also they were to be washed in a specially prepared purifying water. Nothing could be taken back to the camps of the Israelites unless it was purified. (Verses 21-24.) If all people today would obey such strict rules of sanitation and quarantine, contagious diseases would not spread as they do.

There was great celebration in the Israelite camps when at last the victorious soldiers were prepared to return to their homes and families. But now there was the problem of how to fairly distribute the captured property. Happily, it didn't remain a problem, because God spoke to Moses of this matter. The people did not use their own human reason.

Dividing the Spoils

"Divide what has been taken into two equal parts," God told Moses. "One part shall go to the soldiers who brought it back. The other half shall be distributed among the people. From the first part, for the soldiers, one part in five hundred shall go to Eleazar the high priest for offerings and to supply household needs. From the second half, for the people, one part in fifty shall go to the Levites."

Joshua and his officers made an immediate count of the captives and livestock that had come from the campaign against Midian. It turned out that the soldiers had brought in 32,000 female Midianites, 675,000 sheep and goats, 72,000 cattle and 61,000 donkeys.

Of the female Midianites, 32 (one out of every 500 of the soldiers' half) went to Eleazar and his assistants. They were to be used as household servants and helpers to the wives of Eleazar and of the priests. At the same time, 320 (one out of every 50 in the congregation's half) Midianites went to the Levites to be household servants for their families.

As for the sheep and goats, 675 of them went to the priests, and 6,750 went to the Levites. In the matter of cattle, 72 went to the priests, and 720 went to the Levites. Of the donkeys, 61 of them went to the priests, and 610 went to the Levites for service as beasts of burden. (Numbers 31:25-47.)

As soon as these matters were worked out, officers in charge of soldiers in the campaign against Midian came to Moses to remind him that a careful check of their men had proved what seemed evident right after the battle—that not a one of them had been lost! God had proved that He was able to protect every individual of those whom He had promised to take over the Jordan into the Promised Land. (Verses 48-49.)

"We took much spoil that wasn't included in the count of prisoners and livestock," a spokesman explained. "Among the things was jewelry of all kinds fashioned from precious stones, gold and silver. To show our thanks to God for sparing us, we now bring you a part of these valuables."

Moses and Eleazar gratefully accepted the offering—the gold alone of which was worth hundreds of thousands of our dollars or pounds—and they had it taken to the tabernacle as a memorial before God. (Verses 50-54.)

Having conquered the nations bordering Canaan on the east side of the Jordan river and the Dead Sea, the Israelites were well aware of the condition of all parts of that territory. Much of the land to the east was arid, but there were regions like Jazer and Gilead where the grass grew thick and green, and where there were many shade trees, especially oaks.

A Shocking Request!

The tribes of Reuben and Gad, having long specialized in raising sheep and cattle, were greatly impressed by these fine grazing lands. They felt that there couldn't be greener and broader pastures on the west side of the Jordan. Therefore their chieftains came to Moses and Eleazar to ask if they could remain east of the Jordan to raise their flocks and herds. (Numbers 32:1-5.)

Moses was upset at this request. He believed that these two tribes could be using this as an excuse to get out of going with the other tribes to drive their enemies out of the land west of the Jordan. And he wondered if they weren't showing a lack of gratitude to God for the land He promised them on the west side of the Jordan river.

"Your wanting to stay here reminds me of what your fathers said forty years ago," Moses answered, "when they refused to go into Canaan because they feared that the inhabitants might slay them. Then God sent them into the desert to wander and die! This request of yours is a bad example to the other tribes and might make them fear to cross the Jordan. If they, too, should choose not to cross the river, God might again be so angered that He might destroy all of us!" (Verses 6-15.)

The leaders of Reuben and Gad recognized the wisdom of Moses' statements, but since this was such fine pasture land, they had more to say before giving up. After a hasty meeting among themselves, they again approached Moses and Eleazar.

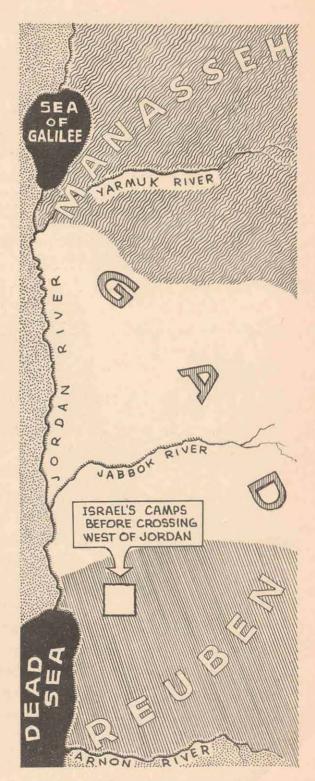
"We aren't being rebellious," they explained, "and we would not want to discourage our brethren or bring disunity to Israel. We can quickly take over the vacant cities from which we recently drove the Amorites, then build them into fortresses for our women and children, and build folds for our livestock. Knowing that our people and livestock would be safe, our soldiers could then return here and cross Iordan at the front of the other tribes to spearhead the attack and help overcome our enemies. We will not return to our homes until the other tribes are safely settled on the other side of Jordan. We will not ask for land on the other side, but will be satisfied with the grazing land here." (Verses 16-19.)

This explanation put a different light on the matter in Moses' thinking. After all, if these tribes preferred this land God had given to Israel, Moses could think of no good reason not to give it to them as long as the whole Israelite army went westward to take Canaan.

"If you will do as you say," Moses told them, "then these regions you desire shall become your inheritances. But be warned that if you fail to go with the rest of the people and fight until the inhabitants of Canaan are entirely driven out, then you will have to pay for such a great sin!" (Num. 32:20-24; Deut. 3:18-20.)

"We will not fail to go," the chieftains promised Moses. "Do we have your permission to leave for Jazer and Gilead?"

"Whenever you wish," Moses replied.



Part of the general area given to Israel east of the Jordan River.

Because he realized that he wouldn't live to cross the Jordan, Moses instructed Eleazar, Joshua and the chiefs of the other tribes to make certain that when the time came, they should see to it that these tribes who had taken eastern territory should live up to their promises. Otherwise, they were to give up the land they desired, and would have to get their inheritance west of the Jordan. (Numbers 32:25-30.)

Thus Reuben and Gad were the first families of Israel to be allotted their possession from God, though half the tribe of Manasseh also promptly received permission to settle north of the area taken by Gad.

The two and a half tribes were so anxious to get to their lands that they set out as soon as possible. The people of Reuben turned to the east and south. The people of Gad and Manasseh went northward. (Numbers 32:31-33; Deuteronomy 3:1-17.)



The people of Gad, Reuben and half of Manasseh worked hard to repair the towns and fortresses damaged in the struggle with the Canaanites east of the Jordan.

They worked hard to rebuild swiftly the broken buildings of the ravaged towns and turn them back into walled strongholds. And as they had promised, they set up shelters and corrals for their vast numbers of stock. (Numbers 32:34-42.)

With their families and livestock in secure strongholds, the two and one-half tribes would not need to leave many men behind to care for them.

Meanwhile, back on the plains of Moab, God was in the process of giving more instructions to Israel through Moses, whose life was soon to be taken. (Numbers 33:50-56.)

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precious knowledge of God's TRUTH is available by studying the free booklets we offer on many subjects in many phases of Christian living. You know that you can be fed even more spiritual truths by taking and acting on the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course. You KNOW where the truth is available. You KNOW that there is no one else on earth today who is really making the Bible PLAIN-and the big major events in world happenings PLAIN and CLEAR in their definite, prophetic significance!

How are you going to feel when suddenly the WORLD TOMORROW broadcast and Mr. Armstrong's voice disappear from the air waves? When these things you've been reading about suddenly come to fruition in front of your very eyes? When you see the chaos we have described in Britain and America all around you, and perhaps hear rumors that a united Europe may be preparing to attack us with hydrogen bombs and rockets?

How are you going to feel when you have KNOWN about these things all the time-have KNOWN that you ought to begin to obey God and ACT on this knowledge He was revealing to youbut have just sluggishly or stubbornly refused to CHANGE your ways and come under His protection in time?

You had better sit down and very carefully think about this.

Short Questions

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critic that God's Word is true, exact, and IT MEANS WHAT IT SAYS!

"I was very interested in your answer, in the October issue, to the question asked by a Sunday School

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teacher of intermediate boys. I have a further question: What about the wars which God permitted His people Israel to wage against the Canaanites? Are these necessary for us to read today? What possible purpose could they serve us in today's world?"

There is indeed a vital purpose for the "war stories" of the Old Testament. Because the lesson of those events have not been learned, the world faces total extinction at the hands of madmen in high political offices.

Let's be frank and ask ourselves: Is God RESPONSIBLE for what occurs on earth-its wars, its suffering, its heartaches and woes? DOES God have the last word—is He the FINAL AUTHORITYin deciding life and death? In punishing warring nations by war? (Deut. 32:29.) YES, HE DOES!

Because of man's wickedness-his disobedience to God's laws-God first took away the life of all men except Noah and his family in a world-wide flood. Later, it became necessary for God to exterminate the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah because of their extreme immorality (Gen. 19). God destroyed by intervening supernaturally in the course of nature. Those Sodomites were better off dead than alive!

Later, however, God established the nation of Israel and then used this physical nation to carry out such punishment. They acted in that official capacity as ordered by God, as does an executioner of the State today who may have the responsibility of executing the death penalty. The nations on which God ordered these wars-such as the degraded, sinning Canaanites-were committing the most evil deeds that man could imagine, even sacrificing their own children to gods of wood and stone. They practiced every conceivable perverted sexual act. God waited until all physical hope for them was lost before commanding that they should be slain.

After Israel rebelled and would no longer listen to God or His prophets, God rejected them and they are not carrying out His work today. Since that time God has used none of the kingdoms of this world as His own Kingdom. Today He may allow various nations to war against each other, but they are of this world and of this time -not the World Tomorrow.

Yes, the Bible DOES make sense-IF we correctly understand it. ALL the stories and events it describes DO serve the purpose God intends. But we must understand God's overall plan and purpose before it makes sense. It can hardly be expected to make sense if we study it as a series of disconnected "blood and thunder" stories-which is what the typical Sunday School lesson books are. Your SALVATION depends on your understanding and obeying the Bible! If you have not yet received our articles on how to study and understand the Bible, you should write for them immediately.

Nazis Plotting World War III!

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conquer the world (Daniel 4). Germany, as the dominating leader of Europe, has one goal in mind-the conquest of the United States and Great Britain! The Nazis have planned it. Prophecy says it will happen! IT WILL!

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though this conference is on a much smaller scale than the San Francisco conference, a year ago: frankly, it all reminds me of the adages 'Much Ado about Nothing' and 'tempest in a teapot.'

"The WAY to permanent peace I DO NOT FIND HERE!

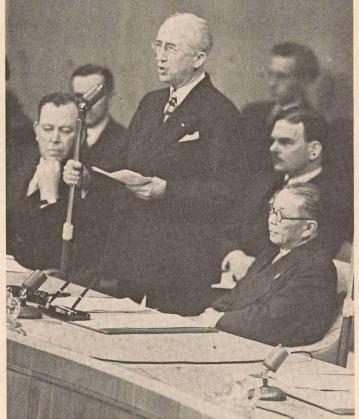
"But what I do find here is the way men and nations will insist upon fol-



Above: Fixing his signature to a United Nations document, Secretary of State James F. Byrnes completes the action making the United States one of 29 nations participating in the world organization. This occurred on Oct. 24, 1945. Today there is still no peace in the world.

Right: Secretary of State James F. Byrnes reads the message sent to the UN Security Council by President Truman, at the opening of the session at Hunter College, Bronx, N.Y., March 25. Seated at left is Trygve Lie, Secretary-General and at right, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York and Dr. Quo Tai-Chi, of China, presiding officer.

Below: Marines stand guard in the Council Room at Hunter College, New York City, March 24, where the United Nations Security Council convened March 25. Delegates sat at the curved table. Other UN officials and secretaries occupied seats at right. At upper center is press section. Radio, television and film services occupied booths at upper right.



Below: Expressions and gestures vary as UN delegates sat at their places at a session of the UN Security Council in Hunter College, Bronx, N.Y., March 26. Left to right: Andrei A. Gromyko, Soviet Ambassador, points as he speaks; Lt.-Gen. Ph. Vasiliev (in uniform), chief Russian military delegate, sits with arms folded; Sir Alexander Cadogan of the United Kingdom watches Gromyko; Edward R. Stettinius, Jr. of the U.S. holds his hand to his mouth; Charles E. Bohlen, Assistant Secretary of State, bends forward to listen to U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes.





lowing until the entire Babylonish world-order finally topples to a selfimposed oblivion.

"And that day is not far off! It's later than we think!"

Work Outgrows Eugene

Even before this flight to New York to cover the Security Council opening, it had become painfully apparent that the Work had outgrown Eugene, Oregon. We had started daily broadcasting, six nights a week, nationwide, on the two most powerful radio stations covering the United States. The program, beginning October 1, 1945, had gone daily on 100,000-watt XELO, Juarez, Mexico, just across the Rio Grande river from El Paso, Texas, at 8 on the clock (Mountain time) and 8 on the radio dial six nights a week. At the same time we had gone on 150,000-watt XEG, Monterrey, Mexico, six nights a week at 8 Central Standard time. Also the program started simultaneously on our first 50,000-watt West Coast station, XERB, just south of San Diego, at 9 P.M., Sunday nights only. This station was heard from Mexico to Alaska up and down the Coast, reaching as far east as Montana and Alberta.

I should mention here that none of these stations have more than a fraction of the effective coverage today that they had then, even though the power remains the same. The number of radio stations in the United States has increased rapidly, until there are several times as many now as then. For example, in Eugene, Oregon there was one station then. Today there are six, including an FM station. These hundreds of additional stations, on all frequencies up and down the radio dial, cut in tremendously on the super-power stations, so that they do not reach out as far or as effectively as they did in 1945 and 1946.

But in those days these stations gave us tremendous coverage. The circulation of *The Plain Truth* had gone up, by the March-April 1946 number, to 75,000 copies. We have never printed *The Plain Truth* ourselves. It was, and still is, too large an operation for our own printing department.

After October 1, 1945, when this super-power national-coverage nightly broadcasting began, our office staff at Eugene increased rapidly. The one office we had first occupied in the IOOF Building expanded to four, with six times our original space, including one large general workroom. By this time I had an office manager in charge of the general workroom, and about nine girls. We had acquired equipment for mailing. Through the years, this type of equipment has been stepped up gradually, a step at a time.

Originally, the mailing list was handwritten on two sheets of paper. The first few years, Mrs. Armstrong kept this list —hand-written. All copies of *The Plain Truth* were addressed by hand. Then, about the time we moved into the IOOF Building, we picked up an old antiquated second-hand foot-powered addressing machine, with which we could use the Elliott stencils. These stencils were cut on a typewriter.

But by the end of 1945 we had our first Elliott Addressing machine. Later, as the work continued to grow, we stepped up to the Addressograph system, with metal plates; but finally, as of today, with a *Plain Truth* circulation of nearly 350,000 copies going out from Pasadena, beside the 50,000 being mailed from England and Australia, we are equipped with a full battery of IBM machines—the same mailing equipment used by the major multimillion circulation magazines.

However, I was confronted not only with the problem of getting 75,000 copies of the magazine printed each issue, and having outgrown local commercial printing facilities, but also with the problem of recording six half-hour programs each week.

By this time I was going to Portland for recording. I was having to spend an average of three days each week in Portland, away from my office. Even this meant recording two half-hour programs each day that I was in Portland. This is too strenuous an assignment, as a regular grind. When more than one half-hour of full speech is recorded in a day, the quality and effectiveness of the second one suffers. There is bound to be a physical let-down in the second program. Garner Ted Armstrong and I still have to do this occasionally—but never continuously.

For a while, I avoided spending half

the week in Portland by installing a regular telephone broadcast line, connecting my office with the recording studio in Portland. But this was not satisfactory.

In those days recording was by electrical transcription. The programs were transcribed on large 15-inch acetate discs. These were larger than phonograph records, and less hard. We were supposed to be able to re-play each disc 15 to 20 times before it deteriorated —but there was loss of quality.

Radio headquarters for the United States was Hollywood, with New York a sort of secondary headquarters. The best-equipped major recording studios were all in Hollywood and New York. It was becoming more and more necessary to have the recording done in Hollywood. So, by December, 1945, I was making trips as often as possible to Hollywood to do the recording, and to look for a location to move our headquarters.

Searching a Location in Pasadena

At first, I thought only of moving our office to the Los Angeles area, accessible to Hollywood, and to the larger printing establishments in Los Angeles for adequate facilities for printing the expanding circulation of *The Plain Truth.* The idea of the college didn't strike my mind until 1946.

Of all places, however, that Mrs. Armstrong and I did *not* want to live, Hollywood headed the list. Neither did we want to live in Los Angeles. It was too large a city, and we regarded it as the spawning ground of crackpot religions. We did not want to be identified with it.

For that matter, I had not liked to have the World Tomorrow program adjacent to the type of religious programs on these Mexican radio stations. But these stations offered us the opportunity of intensive nation-wide audiences, at the best listening time every night, and at a cost that was, compared to equivalent coverage on U.S. stations, very low. It seemed we had no choice. Our mission was to reach the people with Christ's original Gospel. This was the only door open. We knew the public would see the difference in the programming, as well as the Message.

So, needing to be accessible to both

Hollywood and Los Angeles, yet desiring to live in neither, we turned to Pasadena.

We had first visited Pasadena in 1941. We knew it was totally different than either Hollywood or Los Angeles—or Beverly Hills. Pasadena was a cultural city, conservative, and a city of homeowners.

It must have been in December, 1945, that I began making trips as often as possible, while in Hollywood for recording, in search of a fitting location. Ever since starting on the air in Hollywood, in 1942, I had stayed at a Hollywood hotel whenever I returned to Hollywood for "live" broadcasting over station KMTR. So, at this time, began a series of arduous, patience-trying trips to Pasadena in search of office space and a place to live. At this time we had no home, as explained previously. We were living around in various motels in Eugene, and later in a rooming-house.

Day after day I "tramped" afoot all over Pasadena, looking for a suitable location. Nothing suitable seemed to open. I would return to my hotel room in Hollywood at night dog-tired.

I found a frame building on Green Street we might have leased. But it offered barely enough room for present needs—and none for expansion. And we were GROWING every year!

I found an old house, probably 75 years old, we could have rented. But the very thought of living in this depressive, ill-arranged, gloomy old house was like a nightmare. There had been little building since the war. A vacant house was almost non-existent. I found a lot, on North Hill street, two miles from the downtown area, large enough to build an office and living quarters. But we had no funds with which to build.

Idea of College Germinates

As the weeks and months sped by, an idea was begotten in my mind. As the work was growing, the need of additional trained help was becoming more and more apparent.

Up to this time I had been holding nightly evangelistic campaigns in various towns and cities in Oregon and Washington. Nearly always there had been enough converts to organize a small church group. But there was no minister to pastor the little flock. Not one of them lasted longer than six months. I had to realize that sheep cannot endure without a shepherd.

In Eugene, one of the four larger churches conducted a school for training ministers. It became headquarters for a new denomination. I had noticed that once *they* established a new small church group here and there, their little churches continued to hold together and grow. They had ministers available to pastor each new church raised up. They had a school for training ministers.

If necessity is the mother of invention, perhaps God created the necessity to get through my thick skull the realization that God wanted a college of His own, for the training of HIS ministers, as well as other trained personnel that soon would be required for His rapidly-growing Work.

What KIND of College?

And so it came about that, by the time of my flight to New York in late March, 1946, I was well aware of the need for a college. And I knew that college must be located in Pasadena, California.

As I thought and planned—and prayed for wisdom and guidance—the kind of school to be established gradually took shape in my mind. It must not be a "Bible School" or a theological seminary. There was a vital REASON!

The one profession no man is free to choose for himself is Christ's ministry. The true Ministers of Jesus Christ are CHOSEN BY HIM—just as He chose His original Apostles. Jesus said: "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you" (John 15:16).

I had learned, by observation and experience of others, that invariably if God *does* call a man to His ministry, that man will try to run from it—as Jonah did. I did the same, myself. But, if a man decides for himself that he wants to be a minister, invariably time and the fruits demonstrate that Christ never called him.

The students in this school *must not* come with the expectation of becoming a minister. Again, a specialized BIBLE instruction alone would not be enough.

In today's world of wide diffusion of education, only an *educated* ministry can adequately represent Jesus Christ.

The type of college soon became crystal clear. It must be a LIBERAL ARTS college, offering a general cultural education, with Biblical and theological training offered as *ONE* of *several* major .courses. And then there could be a Graduate School of Theology for those who, after four years of undergraduate work, appeared as possible or probable future ministers *chosen by the living CHRIST*.

Also, because we would need trained girls and women in the work, and because most effective development of character, personality, poise, and true culture is better achieved by social contact of both sexes, it became plain that the college must be co-educational, admitting girls as well as men.

With all this in mind, I planned to fly from New York to Los Angeles.

And that explains my cross-country flight to Los Angeles in one of the very first DC4s, about the first of April, 1946. Arriving early that morning in Hollywood, I telephoned Mrs. Armstrong at Eugene, and we decided she would catch a plane that same day and join me in Los Angeles. That flight is one of the reasons she refuses to fly, to this day, except when absolutely necessary. She had suffered a severe case of airsickness.

In Search of a COLLEGE Location

By that time I knew there had to be a Liberal Arts College. I knew what kind of college. I knew what its basic policies must be. But I had no such idea in mind as the beautiful, magnificently landscaped campus we have today.

What I then had in mind was a small college of one building. There was no idea of such a thing as beautiful campus grounds. The beautiful, spacious, magnificent campuses we now have were of GOD's planning, not mine.

How week after week, month after month, I sought such a location as *I* had in mind—and how, finally, the providential and dramatic happenings surprisingly brought us to this majestic and fine place—events that seemed stranger than fiction, will be revealed in next month's installment,

Which DAY Is the Christian Sabbath?

Was the Sabbath given for Jews only? Is it binding today on Jews, but not on Gentiles? Does it make any difference which day, or whether kept?

INSTALLMENT III

T CERTAINLY is true—by the fourth century Sunday had come to be observed as the "Christian Lord's Day," superseding the seventh-day Sabbath.

But WHY? By what authority?

It was stated before that it is obvious all do not recognize the same authority. For there are those, even today, who say the Sabbath is still binding, and that it is SIN to profane it by non-observance. But *if so*, by what authority? WHO has authority to determine SIN and enforce its penalty?

Sabbath observance has been the most controversial question in professing Christian ranks for 181/2 centuries. Such a question, involving SIN, becomes a matter of life or death—your life or death for ETERNITY! It becomes IM-PORTANT! You are staking YOUR LIFE on the right answer. You can KNOW only from the one supreme AUTHORITY!

Have you PROVED the existence and supreme authority of GOD? You can! Have you *proved* whether the Holy BIBLE is His inspired WORD—carrying divine AUTHORITY? You *can* prove it. (Write for your free booklets "Does God Exist?" and "PROOF of the Bible.")

WHY does it make any difference which day we observe—or whether we keep it? Most people do not see where it really makes any difference. Do you know WHY? It is because they leave GOD out of the picture!

Without the instruction, the explanation, and the command from God, I could not see, by my own reason, why it would make any difference either!

But God Almighty *IS* in the picture!

God does exist! The Eternal is working out a purpose here below! There is a *purpose* in *your* very existence, and

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you are on trial and forced to make a choice — and you are going to be JUDGED! You are going to be judged by the Word of GOD! And so GOD IS THE SUPREME AUTHORITY, and what He says in His Word does make a difference!

If there were no God and no Bible —no right ways to be instructed in, there could be no blessed and glorious results—NO HOPE! The Bible is the Maker's Instruction Book to show us how to live—how to have peace, be happy, enjoy abundant living, receive eternal life in GLOR'! To go contrary to these ways and commands of God results automatically in penalties we don't want! — unhappiness, curses, suffering, frustration here and now, and eternal DEATH in the future.

O yes, it makes ALL the difference!

There is the one SUPREME AUTHOR-ITY—the Holy BIBLE! That stands PROVED! Therefore we are searching that divine Word to learn whether there is divine AUTHORITY for observing Sunday as the Lord's Day, or whether God commands us to keep holy His Sabbath and WHY!

For Jews ONLY?

In the special Sabbath covenant, binding forever, we have learned God's PURPOSE for giving us the Sabbath. It is one of God's blessings for mankind. It was made *for* man—for his GOOD —as a blessing. It was made to keep man in the right knowledge and true worship of the true GOD, and to identify those who obey and reap its blessings as His people, who shall inherit His promises of grace.

Also we have seen that the Sabbath was not made for Jews, but for Gentiles as well—for MAN—for *mankind*!

But there is further proof of that!

God does not have a double standard.

IF the special Sabbath covenant of Exodus 31:12-17, binding *forever*, applied only to Jews, and Sunday is the day for Gentiles, think what that would mean! Today, all converted Jewish Christians would have to keep the Sabbath because of their race—but Gentile-For, in Christ, there is neither Jew nor worship services on Sunday! Yet both would be in God's Church! A house divided against itself cannot stand!

God is no respecter of persons. He does not have one way for Jews to be saved, and a different way for Gentiles. For, in Christ, there is neither Jew nor Gentile—we are all ONE in Christ Jesus (Gal. 3:28-29), and if the Gentileborn be CHRIST'S, then they, too, are spiritually Israelites.

So here is that further proof. Let the prophet Isaiah tell you whether the Sabbath is for Jews *only*! Listen! Read this in your own Bible:

"Thus saith the LORD, . . ." There is your AUTHORITY! ". . . Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed." (Isaiah 56:1.)

This first verse sets the *time* of this prophecy. WHEN does this prophecy apply? What is the *time*? It is explained in Hebrews 9:28: "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin *unto salvation.*"

Then again, the time when God's salvation *is to come* is explained in Revelation 12:10—the time of the nownear second coming of Christ: "Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ." Again: "And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with

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me, to give every man according as his work shall be." (Rev. 22:12.)

The reward of salvation comes at Christ's second coming. The *time* of Isaiah's prophecy is shortly before the second coming of Christ—when salvation and judgment are NEAR to come. This "THUS SAITH THE LORD" is for *our time, right now*. So notice what this SUPREME AUTHORITY says:

"Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the Sabbath ffom polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil. Neither let the son of the stranger (Gentile), that hath joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from His people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree. For THUS SAITH THE LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my Sabbath, and choose the things that please me, and take hold of my covenant; even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off. Also the son of the stranger (Gentiles), that join themselves to the LORD" . . . that is, that are converted-receive God's Holy Spirit-receive GRACE . . . "to serve Him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be His servants, every one that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant; even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer." (Isa. 56:2-7.)

THE SABBATH WAS MADE FOR GEN-TILES AS WELL AS JEWS! What is SIN for a Jew is also SIN for a Gentile.

The Sabbath was made binding on Israelites (Exodus 31:12-17) FOR EVER, and continuously throughout their generations. Forever has not ended. Their generations have not ended. Therefore the Sabbath is BINDING on all Israelite converts who are Christians and under GRACE today! These Israelite-born Christians are *commanded* to assemble for worship services on the Sabbath. Gentiles *become* Israelites, spiritually, by grace thru Christ. Therefore they, too, as Christians, are *commanded* to keep God's Sabbath.

God does not command one part of His converted children to meet for wor-

ship with Him on one day, and another part on another day! No, in Christ we are all ONE!

WHY Jews Made Slaves

Do you know WHY the Kingdom of Israel was invaded by Assyria, conquered, removed from their land as slaves 721-718 B.C.? Do you know WHY the JEWS (Kingdom of Judah) were later taken captive, and scattered over the world? Both houses of Israel were sent into national punishment and banishment from Palestine *because* they broke God's Sabbath!

Does it make any difference? It certainly made a lot of difference to GOD! And He says He has not changed—He is the *same* yesterday, today, and forever!

First, see why the Jews were invaded, conquered by Nebuchadnezzar, and taken into Babylonian captivity during the years 604 to 585 B.C.

Seventy years after that captivity, according to Jeremiah's prophecy (Jeremiah 29:10), many of the Jews returned to Palestine to rebuild the temple, and restore the worship there. The prophet Nehemiah tells *why* they had been driven into captive slavery 70 years before:

"In those days saw I in Jerusalem some treading wine presses on the Sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day wherein they sold victuals . . . Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, What evil thing is this that ye do, and profane the Sabbath day? Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? Yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the Sabbath." (Nehemiah 13: 15-18.)

There it is, in plain language!

Sabbath breaking was a prime cause of Judah's captivity! It was SO IMPOR-TANT to GOD that He punished His own chosen people with this most severe national punishment—defeat in war being taken from their land, and made SLAVES in a foreign land!

SIN is defined by GOD as the trans-

gression of His LAW (I John 3:4). His LAW says: "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy; . . . the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy GOD." To work on the Sabbath, to defile it by your own pleasure-seeking, doing business, etc., is A MAJOR SIN, punishable by ETERNAL DEATH!

WHY Israel Defeated

Now see what happened to the *other* nation of Israelites, the Kingdom of Israel 117 years before Judah's captivity.

God had laid down the choice to these people way back in the days of Moses, long before they were divided into two nations. Notice it in Leviticus 26:

"Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image . . . to bow down unto it; for I am the Eternal your God. Ye shall keep my Sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the Eternal." (Lev. 261-2.)

In offering the following promises for obedience, or punishments for rebellion, in this key prophecy, only the TWO commandments were mentioned —those against idolatry and Sabbath breaking. Notice HOW IMPORTANT they are:

"*IF* ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; . . ." God promised abundant production and wealth, national peace, and national dominance that would have led to world dominance. (Verses 3-13.)

But, said God, (verses 14-33), if they refused to obey those commandments, they would suffer sickness and disease, lose all prosperity for 2520 years, be invaded, conquered, and driven from their land as slaves in their enemies' lands.

Now remember (Installment II), God made a special eternally-binding COVE-NANT with them involving the Sabbath (Exodus 31:12-17). The Sabbath was made the national SIGN by which the true GOD would be identified and known to them, and by which they were to be identified as HIS NATION.

After the division into TWO NATIONS —when the Kingdom of Israel made Jeroboam their King, the first thing this King did was to introduce idolatry and Sabbath breaking. He changed the festi-

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vals of the 7th month to the 8th month, and the Sabbath from the seventh day to the following day observed by the pagans (Sunday).

As God had warned, this resulted in national invasion by King Shalmanesar of Assyria, defeat, captivity, and being taken as slaves to Assyria, 721-718 B.C.

Now see what God said about it through the prophet Ezekiel. Ezekiel was given a message from God to the HOUSE OF ISRAEL (not Judah—the Jews). Ezekiel was among the Jewish captives, after *their* captivity, more than a hundred years after Israel's captivity. By that time the Assyrians had been defeated by the King of Babylon. Later they left their land on the southern shores of the Caspian Sea and migrated northwest, finally settling in the land called Germany, today.

The people of the House of Israel also migrated northwest across Europe. But they did not stop in Germany. They went on farther west and north—into western Europe—France, Belgium, Holland, the Scandinavian countries, and the British Isles—where they are to this day, except for the tribe of Manasseh, which much later migrated to the United States.

The prophet Ezekiel was commissioned to "GO" from where he was, among the Jews, to the HOUSE OF ISRAEL. "Go, speak unto the HOUSE OF ISRAEL," said God (Ezek. 3:1), and again, "Go, get thee unto the House of Israel," verse 4.

But Ezekiel never took that message to the lost House of Israel. He couldn't. He was a slave among the Jews. Yet he *is taking it to them*, today, by means of having written it in his Book in the Bible—and by the fact that it is being taken to those very people today by *The Plain Truth* and the WORLD TO-MORROW broadcast!

IT IS A PROPHECY! It is a message for OUR PEOPLES TODAY! You are reading it NOW! God help you to heed!

Prophecy to US, TODAY!

Speaking first of ancient Israel, God says:

"Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness. And I gave them *my* statutes, and showed them my judgments, which if a man do, he shall even live in them. Moreover also I gave them my Sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I am the LORD that sanctify them." (Verses 10-12.)

Notice, the exact wording of the forever-binding Sabbath covenant of Exodus 31:12-17! Now continue:

"But the House of Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in MY statutes, and they despised MY judgments, . . . and MY Sabbaths they greatly polluted." (Verse 13.) Then God pleaded with their children, a generation later. Notice!

"But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in *the statutes of your fathers*, neither observe *THEIR* judgments, nor defile yourselves with *THEIR* idols: I am the Eternal your God; walk in MY statutes, and keep MY judgments, and do them; and hallow MY Sabbaths; and they *shall be a sign* between me and you, that ye may know that I am the Eternal your God." (Verses 18-20.)

NOTICE IT!

The entire emphasis here is between GOD'S statutes, judgments, and Sabbaths, on the one hand, and *their* FATHER'S different sabbaths, statutes and judgments.

THEY WERE OBSERVING A DIFFER-ENT DAY than God's Sabath! They had already turned to the PAGANS' day, today called SUNday—the day of the SUN and SUN-worship!

"Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me," continued God, thru the prophet Ezekiel. ". . . they polluted *MY* Sabbaths" (Verse 21).

So what did God finally do-generations later?

He scattered them, in national captivity and slavery (Verse 23).

But WHY?

"Because they had not executed MY judgments, but had despised MY statutes, and had polluted MY Sabbaths, and their eyes were after *their FA*-*THER'S* idols." *THAT'S WHY!* Did it make any DIFFERENCE?

But now, continue on in this amazing prophecy! Notice the prophecy FOR US, TODAY!

Speaking of a time, somewhere near ten to twelve years from NOW, in OUR

time, to OUR peoples, God says:

"As I live, says the Lord ETERNAL, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched-out arm, and with FURY poured out, will I RULE OVER YOU." (Verse 33.)

The expression "FURY poured out" refers to the SEVEN LAST PLAGUES, at the very time of the Second Coming of Christ (compare Revelation 16:1). The time when Christ will RULE over us is at and after His Second Coming. So this, then, is a PROPHECY for OUR TIME!

Every prophecy in the Bible showing where our people (Israel) will be, AT the Second Coming of Christ, and the coming great Exodus back to Palestine, pictures them in captivity and slavery ONCE AGAIN.

Continue the prophecy: "And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out from the countries wherein ye are scattered, . . . with FURY POURED OUT. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people" (COMING EXODUS—Jer. 23:7-8), "and there will I plead with you FACE TO FACE." (Verses 34-35.)

Notice it! This is The WORD speaking—CHRIST! He will then be on earth again in Person! And then He is going to plead with our people FACE TO FACE. That will happen to YOU, and to YOUR LOVED ONES—in possibly 12 to 15 years from now!

It's about time to AWAKE to the *iminency*, and the stark SERIOUSNESS of this! Perhaps only one lone voice is WARNING YOU! But God used one lone voice to warn the world in Noah's day one lone voice in Elijah's day—one lone voice in the day of John the Baptist, and, after he was put in prison, in the Person of Christ Himself! If you rely on the majority of sinning PEOPLE, you will suffer their penalties with them!

NOTICE HOW HE WILL PLEAD!

"Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, SO will I plead with YOU, saith the Lord ETERNAL. . . . And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me, . . . and YE shall KNOW that I am the LORD." (Verses 36-38).

How did He plead with them? He pleaded: "Hallow MY Sabbaths, instead of your father's, so that you may KNOW

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that I am the LORD."

And those of us who do go in to Palestine shall KNOW that HE is the LORD, HOW shall they know? By His Sabbath SIGN!

Read verses 42-44 in your own Bible! He says our people, who *are* no longer rebellious, who will then be keeping His Sabbath, shall remember their ways in which they were defiled, and shall LOATHE themselves for their Sabbathbreaking!

This is pretty strong teaching! IT IS THE WORD OF GOD speaking to YOU!

I have given you God's Word faithfully. It is not popular. It is not what the popular majority tell you. But NOW YOU KNOW! You will be JUDGED by what you do with this knowledge!

You must make your own choice. Rebellion means eternal PUNISHMENT of everlasting DEATH. God will *save* no person He does not RULE. You must choose between GOD'S ways, and MAN'S ways he falsely calls "Christian." My responsibility ends with TELLING you. I have cried aloud. I have lifted my voice. I have TOLD YOU YOUR SIN in this regard. God calls *you* to repentance. But He will not force you. YOU must make your own decision, and what you sow you shall reap.

You shall be saved by GRACE, but God does lay down conditions. You can comply, and receive glorious GRACE or you can rebel, and pay the DEATH PENALTY—for eternity!

Other booklets on the subject of God's Sabbath are, The Sabbath of the New Testament; Has TIME Been Lost? The Resurrection Was Not on SUN-DAY; Easter is Pagan; etc. All are free.

We Told You So!

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world as a complete radical, knowing nothing whatsoever about world affairs.

Germany is risen again. It is the most powerful nation in Europe today, industrially, economically, militarily, and politically. The United States of Europe is on the verge of being finally solidified. It is to be a union of church and state, as you have seen with your own eyes.

And remember—and never forget— WE TOLD YOU SO!

The PLAIN TRUTH

How Old Is MAN?

(Continued from page 30) appear the oldest country on earth but also to make it seem as if only one king ruled at a time. It was all a fraud.

Egypt's contemporary kings exercised authority under the most powerful who was called Pharaoh. The word *Pharaoh* means the Great House—as there were also lesser houses ruling.

Your own Bible preserves an account of more than one king in Egypt at the same time: "Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us," said the Arameans, "the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians" (II Kings 7:6). Like Egypt, the land of Assyria also had more than one king at the same time: "At that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him" (II Chronicles 28:16). Historians falsely charge these verses are untrue to fact.

As an example of the strength of a great confederation, one may name Imperial Germany. Few are really aware that the German Empire, like the ancient Egyptian Empire, was a confederation governed by several kings even at the time of World War I. The supreme ruler was of the Prussian House of Hohenzollern, William II (1888-1918). Ruling with him in the German Confederation were Frederick Augustus III (1904-1918), king of Saxony; William II (1891-1918), king of Wuerttemberg; Louis III (1913-1918), king of Bavaria; and Ernest Augustus (1913-1918), duke of Brunswick. All lost their thrones in November of 1918.

6000 Years of History to Be Unscrambled

And that is how the story of early man developed. It is based on a series of assumptions and historical frauds—yet it is taught as if it were fact.

Man has been on the earth only about 6,000 years as the Bible plainly reveals. No evidence to the contrary has ever been demonstrated, or ever can be!

It is time we began to believe God instead of the foolish mouthings of men.

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