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Romania's Manescu in Bonn

What our READERS SAY

First Fatal Flight

"The article called "The Fable of the First Fatal Flight' in the January issue of The PLAIN TRUTH was very interesting. The story about Archy really shows how foolish evolution really is. I am a biology major in college and all my courses are aimed toward evolution. But I never believed that animals evolved even though on a test I must put down the evolutionary answer. I never saw any real evidence of evolution." Earl R. K.,

Salem, West Virginia

"I received The PLAIN TRUTH a few days ago and have already read over half of it. I was fascinated about your article on 'The Fable of the First Fatal Flight.' What a weird, eerie-looking 'bird' your drawing showed! I'm anxious to read future articles on evolution because you make it very interesting. Also, what you have to say makes sense. I can hardly wait for next month's issue of The PLAIN TRUTH."

Virgil L. H., Chattanooga, Tennessee

"I have just finished reading the article entitled 'What do You Mean . . . SALVATION?' in the December issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. I am among the 99 out of 100 who [did] not ... understand the meaning of salvation. Years and years of traditional teachings have covered the truth so effectively that an article like yours is almost unbelievable, yet it is in God's Word and is to be believed if one is to enter into the Kingdom of God."

> Chester L. B., Cincinnati, Ohio

Editorial

"I was interested in the recent remarks made by the lady in London, wherein she believed the Bible was not written to inform man's mind, but to change man's heart. And that therefore, since she was right and you were wrong, she didn't want to read any more of your literature. I not only agree with your logical explanation, but this uninformed, uneducated lady could probably add to her education by not only reading The PLAIN TRUTH, but also by reading the Bible. She says in effect, 'Don't confuse me with the facts, my mind is already made up.' This lady reminds one of the cigarettesmoking man who had become greatly concerned and frightened from reading so many articles about lung cancer being caused by tobacco. In fact, he became so frightened that he decided to give up reading."

> E. E. B., Portland, Oregon

Neo-Nazi Revival

"Please send me the free article 'There is a Way of Escape.' I do not wish to perish as millions of Jews did in Nazi concentration camps. I am shocked to hear that teen-agers have taken to wearing iron crosses, medals of the enemy which their fathers and brothers once fought. I am amazed that they should wonder why these crosses anger their parents. I am only 13, but am disgusted by the Nazis and everything they stand for."

> Frank S., Elmwood Park, Illinois

"In reading the January issue of The PLAIN TRUTH, on the rising power of Germany and what is coming to pass, it's quite frightening, especially when a government . . . ignores the warnings you've stated and turn to leaders instead of God, 'to end the wars'."

> Mrs. Alice V., Warrensville Heights, Ohio

Checks Up

"In reading your article on salvation and checking it with the Bible, I have obtained a better understanding of the meaning of salvation. What was explained in the December issue of The PLAIN TRUTH was so plain and simple, that I can see how many are lacking

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Personal from the Editor

NE OF THE MOST read pages in The PLAIN TRUTH is the "What our Readers Say" Department, beginning on the opposite page.

This month we received a letter, a little too long for that department—yet too interesting and factual to be condensed or omitted. So I pulled this letter out, so that I might use it myself in this *Personal* talk with our readers.

This man sat down to figure what the subscription price for *The* PLAIN TRUTH would be — *if* we did charge for it — and *if* we charged what it is really worth!

You know, I had never thought to figure this up, myself! You see, I just never thought about any such thing as the amount of subscription price — because, to me, a subscription price on this magazine is unthinkable, anyway.

Of course, The PLAIN TRUTH is a world-NEWS magazine. And if it were merely that, we might charge a subscription price, commensurate with a magazine of its fine quality. Especially, when the world's top news events are covered, on the spot, by our own trained and accredited news writers and staff photographers in all parts of the world. Yes, and especially with all those superb color photos, taken close-up on the spot, mostly by our own staff photographers, giving you better close-ups, I believe, of important world events (see pages 9, 11, and front cover in this issue) than you'll find in ordinary news magazines.

But The Plain Truth is so much more than just a world News magazine. Each of these articles reporting news happenings of world importance also brings you the MEANING and true significance, as it fits in the fast-moving panorama of Biblical prophecy fulfilment! And there is so little knowledge and right understanding of Biblical Prophecy today, that you simply could not obtain this priceless service anywhere else — at any price. You just

could not obtain it elsewhere - period!

Of course we give you an interesting, eye-opening education on certain vital phases of Science - (largely "falsely so called") - especially on the FOUNDATION, the basic concept, and the approach, of virtually all the socalled Sciences - the theory of EVOLU-TION! We're having a deal of FUN giving you these articles, and I hope you're enjoying them also - unless you have been unfortunate enough to have been brainwashed by good minds that should have known better, and should have directed their powers of intellect in more intelligent and beneficial directions.

Then, of course, I suppose there would be nothing wrong in charging a subscription price for all those articles on how to live, to get the most out of life — how to become SUCCESSFUL — how to have a happy marriage and home life — how to rear children. That is, if they were the run-of-the-mill articles on these subjects like you may read in numerous other magazines.

But—and here's the BIG point—here's why we can't even think about putting a PRICE on The PLAIN TRUTH! These articles on the BIG NEWS of the world—these articles on world problems, personal problems, social problems, family problems, romance problems, marriage and divorce problems, and all the questions that plague us, puzzle us, frustrate us today (NO, not us, but everybody else)—these articles are not run-of-the-mill!

They are NOT like any other articles you'll read in any other magazine.

Do you know the difference?

All articles on this type subject-matter in the mass-circulation popular magazines of this world are approached from the basic concept of this world — the FOUNDATION of its ideas and knowledge and so-called "wisdom," — this

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OUR COVER

Tall, handsome, personable Corneliu Manescu — Romanian Minister of Foreign Affairs since 1961—charmed German officials in Bonn during surprise January diplomatic conference. The U.S.S.R. was shocked by the Manescu trip. A one-time Minister of Armed Forces (1948-55), later Vice President of State Planning Committee (1955-60), then Ambassador to Hungary (1960-61), Manescu made it clear to West Germans that Romania's Communist Party was fully independent, able to negotiate with the West without consulting Moscow.



RUSSIA'S REAL FEAR

Few know the purpose behind Prime Minister Kosygin's seven-day state visit to Britain. Fewer still know that Bible prophecies reveal what it is and how it will affect Britain and the U.S.

by Raymond F. McNair

London, England

S oviet Premier Alexei Kosygin has just spoken at a luncheon at the Dorchester Hotel, London. I was invited to hear him. I found Kosygin a very disturbed man.

Reveals Russian Attitude

Mr. Kosygin shocked his audience in the hour-and-a-quarter question-and-answer speaking session. The Soviet Premier disclosed in no uncertain terms the Russian attitude toward some of the *big problems* confronting today's world. The first big problem he named: the revival of Nazism in West Germany! Second and third: Germany's desire to join the nuclear club, and the shortcomings of the Common Market. Last: the signing of a nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

I was able to record Mr. Kosygin's press luncheon speech as well as *his answers* (translated by his Russian interpreter into English).

It was quite an experience to learn, firsthand, the Russian point of view. To observe at close range the granite-like facial expression of this top Russian leader (he nearly brushed my coat sleeve as he walked past me en route to his place at the head table).

Mr. Kosygin began by thanking the Foreign Press Association for the invitation to speak before "so representative a gathering of *the world's press.*" He appeared genuinely pleased.

Power of the Press

The Soviet Premier challenged the press from the start: "You [he meant the pressmen of the world's leading papers, magazines and news agencies] as representatives of the press do have a very great part to play also, because it is, after all, to a very great extent you that form public opinion in the world and, therefore, you, too, are responsible for the international developments."

Mr. Kosygin answered questions concerning Britain entering the E.E.C., Russo-American technical co-operation, the antimissile defence buildup race.

But it was the next questions put to Mr. Kosygin which evoked the most comments from this statue-like, grimfaced Russian Premier. Mr. Kosygin was asked: "Do you expect, sir, that the nonproliferation treaty would be signed fairly soon?" "Is the attitude of the Federal German Republic important in this matter?"

These two questions really set Mr. Kosygin going!

His replies to these questions relating to the "German problem" provoked the following emphatic answers:

"We believe that we are all in favour of the nonproliferation of nuclear weapons; and we say—in all determination—that the spreading of nuclear weapons should be—and must be—banished. And we take this position, not because we are afraid that there might appear in the world yet ANOTHER COMPETITOR [referring to West Germany, undoubtedly] in the field of nuclear arms. We do this because we are convinced that mankind must do

away with nuclear arms if it is to continue to exist and to survive."

Russia's Real Fear — Germany

Mr. Kosygin then added: "As [regards] the question related to the Federal Republic of Germany, I wish to say that WHETHER SHE WANTS TO OR NOT, SHE WILL HAVE TO SIGN THAT TREATY, because we have no intention of ever allowing the Federal German Republic to gain access to nuclear weapons. And we shall, in all determination, take every possible resolute step to prevent her from achieving access to nuclear weapons."

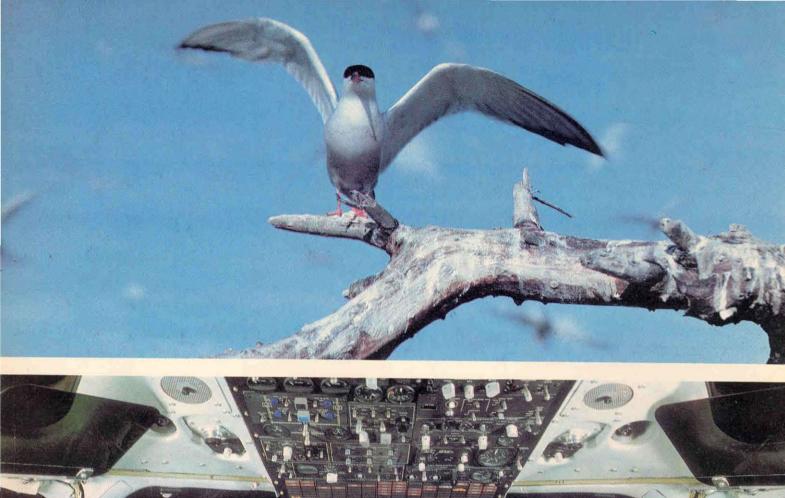
The Soviet Prime Minister undoubtedly made this remark for the whole world to hear. He knew that Herr Willy Brandt's trip to the U. S. might succeed in twisting a little further the U. S. State Department officials' arms so as to permit Germany, ultimately, to gain control over nuclear weapons. This, Mr. Kosygin and the Soviet government whom he represents, intend to prevent at all costs!

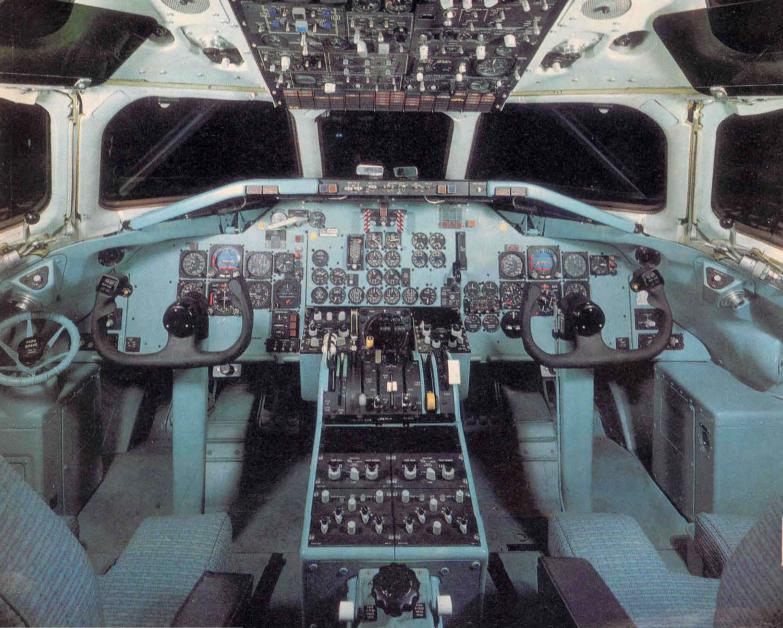
Mr. Kosygin revealed deep Soviet fears of a rearmed Germany — on her doorstep — possessing nuclear weapons! Many millions of Russians remember the horrors of World War II, when Hitler and his Nazi divisions swept across Russia — to within sight of Moscow — before they were brought to a frozen standstill by one of Russia's severest winters. At least twelve million Russians perished in that Russo-German military conflict, before the terrible Nazi scourge was beaten back.

The sober, grim-faced Prime Minister of Russia used great emphasis as he continued speaking on the German (Continued on page 24)

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Russian Premier Kosygin and Prime Minister Wilson shake hands during farewell ceremonies for Kosygin at Gatwick Airport, London.





MYSTERIOUS PATHS IN THE SKY

- How Bird Migrations Baffle Evolutionists!

Why won't a Tern turn for over 8,000 miles? Why do Terns always return? Ornithologists are puzzled by the mysterious patterns of bird migrations! Read, in this highly informative article, of the breathtaking marvels all around you, and how evolution has lost its way!

by Garner Ted Armstrong

Timmy's mother. So the police came. A neighborhood search was launched immediately, with several dozen policemen in patrol cars, and on foot, participating.

Timmy, age 4, had been missing from home.

His playmate, across the street, said he saw him go down the street about 3:00 p.m. None of the neighbors had seen him since 3:00.

It was now 5:30.

Timmy's father arrived home from the office — frightened, distraught. He had received his wife's worried call an hour earlier, and grown more and more fearful as he battled the heavy freeway traffic home. It was now 5:45.

And then, a police car pulled up at the walk.

A big policeman got out, carrying a small, whimpering child in his arms.

Later, the parents found Timmy had wandered down unfamiliar alleys, stopped to pick grapes from a backyard vine, and had chased a yellow puppy for several blocks. Walking along, kicking at rocks, picking up sticks to rattle against the picket fences, Timmy was unaware he was walking further away from home.

He realized he was lost when he came to the big boulevard with the red light, and the stores on both sides of the street.

He began to cry.

A service station attendant took Timmy into the station office, and called the police.

Lost — and only seven blocks from home, in an unfamiliar direction.

Overhead, the faint noise of a mournful goose wafted down through the cool autumn skies. A flock of geese, in a long, perfect formation, flew majestically southward.

Within another two weeks, the big flock would set their wings for a final landing at their wintering grounds near Port Arthur, Texas. They would have flown, unerringly, for thousands of miles — all the way from Northern Manitoba along the shores of Hudson's Bay, to this wintering ground on the Gulf of Mexico.

Timmy was lost, hopelessly, only seven blocks from home.

But these migrating birds always manage to arrive at the precise spot, season after season. The following year, young geese would fly, never having seen or learned the route, the same "Mississippi Flyway" with the same mysterious, unerring accuracy!

WHY? HOW?

How is it that a HUMAN being can be completely turned around inside a city — hopelessly lost in a small forest — without sense of direction only blocks from home, when tiny birds, bees, butterflies, eels, salmon, and many other migrating creatures can travel THOUSANDS of miles in adverse weather conditions, and ALWAYS ARRIVE AT THE PRECISE SPOT?

Bird migration is one of the great, unanswerable MYSTERIES of what man likes to call "nature." Bird biologists continually speak of the great, unsolved MYSTERIES of migrating birds — of the MYSTERY of their complex navigation methods.

As one authority said, "There is no more fascinating way of arousing interest in flight than having your child catch a sight of migrating birds — perhaps a flight of geese in military formation, or a close-massed flock of grackles racing like a dark wind-blown cloud. Even after years of research and experiment, scientists speak of the 'MYSTERY' of bird migration, for they still do not completely understand it." (Illustrated Encyclopedia of Animal Life, Vol. 1, page 17.)

Another authority admitted, "For centuries men have wondered at the marvel of migration, and while much has been learned in recent years, the real mystery is still unsolved.

"The GREATEST MYSTERY about bird migration is the ability of many birds to move over the same route, year after year, arriving each spring in the same

Top: Robert Hermes — National Audubon Society Bottom: Douglas Aircraft Photo

Opposite page, top, the amazing Arctic Tern. Read, in this article, of his incredible feats of navigation. Below, the cockpit of a Douglas DC-9, one of the simpler airplanes. Yet even the more elaborate airplanes, with their vast array of navigational equipment, cannot match the navigation exactness of little birds.



GOLDEN PLOVER

nesting locality and spending each winter in the same place" (*Birds*, Robert Porter Allen, page 9).

But WHY do birds migrate?

What strange compulsion CAUSES these tiny brains to "decide" it's time to begin a tortuous journey over the vastness of oceans, over the broad expanse of whole continents?

What strange, mysterious "sense" causes them to KNOW when to leave? How do they arrive with absolute predictability — right on time, year after year? How do tiny birds (MANY, MANY species migrate!) return year after year to the SAME NEST AREA — after a flight THOUSANDS of miles, through all kinds of weather?

How do they Navigate? How do they find their way?

These questions present really gigantic difficulties to evolutionary theory. Some attempts to rationalize them out of the way are almost humorous.

Says one evolutionary authority about migrating birds, "One of the questions most frequently asked of an ornithologist is: "Why do birds migrate?"... WE CAN ONLY SPECULATE as to what these factors [causal factors of migration] may have been, for it is *impossible to substantiate* these theories with experimentation" (Biology of Birds, Wesley Lanyon, pages 68, 69 — emphasis mine throughout article).

Why do birds migrate? When did bird migration begin? How did bird migration begin? The evolutionists answer, "We don't know!" We can "only speculate!"

And NO WONDER they call it a mystery!



GREAT SHEARWATER

The "Homing" Instinct

The amazing ability of birds, fish, insects, many kinds of animals to return to an exact mating or nesting spot is a fantastic story.

How far to go is the birds' big question. When does a bird know to stop? For instance, it was found by extensive banding of swallows that young nestlings on the European continent slightly south of the latitude of London wintered in Africa — in the



BOBOLINK

northern and equatorial part — and on the Azores. Yet, the *same kind* of swallows, nesting in Britain, only slightly farther north in breeding range, flew clear to SOUTH AFRICA, a distance TWICE as long as the European nesters.

The EXACT area where a bird was hatched is usually selected on its return migration. For instance, a swallow returned to nest on the *same beam* in a Pennsylvania barn for three years in succession.

THE MARVEL OF MIGRATION

Animals and their travels form one of the great wonders of our earth. Scientists know that eels, elephants, bats, turtles, plankton, whales — among many others — migrate in some form.

Locusts migrate sporadically. Every few years lemmings migrate. Horseshoe crabs migrate periodically into shore. Even ladybird beetles migrate. Monarch butterflies migrate hundreds of miles — south in the fall, north in the spring. Adult eels swim downstream. King Salmon may migrate 1000 miles up the Columbia River. Toads and frogs hop their way around the world. Big turtles migrate hundreds of miles through the ocean.

But the best-known migrators are birds. Ornithologists still must speak of the "mystery of migration." It has been estimated that about one third of all bird species migrate. In the diagrams above are the routes of four of them. Below are listed twelve more migrators.

		Distance
Bird	Migration Path	n Miles
KIRTLAND WARBLER	MICHIGAN, U.S.A BAHAMA ISLANDS	. 1200
BLUE GEESE	NORTHEASTERN CANADA - LOUISIANA, U.S.A	. 1700
LESSER YELLOWLEGS	MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A MARTINIQUE, W. INDIES .	. 1900
SHINING CUCKOO	NEW ZEALAND - SOLOMON ISLANDS	. 2000
SEMI-PALMATED SANDPIPER	MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A. — VENEZUELA	. 2400
BLUE-WINGED TEAL	QUEBEC, CANADA — GUYANA	. 3300
MANX SHEARWATER	VENICE, ITALY - WALES, ENGLAND (BY WATER)	. 3700
BLACKPOLL WARBLER	CANADA — BRAZIL	. 4000
BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW	TAHITI — CENTRAL ALASKA	. 5500
WHITE STORK	GERMANY - SOUTH AFRICA	. 8000
BARN SWALLOW	NORTHERN CANADA - NORTH CENTRAL ARGENTINA.	. 9000
WILSON'S PETREL	ANTARCTICA - NORTH ATLANTIC	. 9000

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ARCTIC TERN

Thousands upon thousands of such cases are observed, almost casually, by large segments of humankind. Yet these *marvelous* and *fathomless* testimonies to the great MIND OF GOD go unheeded, unnoticed by most.

Did you hear about the first three ruby-throated hummingbirds ever banded? They were tiny, infinitesimal babies when the tiny bands were placed on their legs. Sure enough, they were found using the same feeding station their parents had used, after a flight of at least FIVE THOUSAND MILES clear to the tropics and back. And here they were, nesting within 30 feet of where they had been hatched.

CAN science explain it?

Does evolution have any answers? COULD these MYSTERIOUS patterns have "evolved" GRADUALLY?

Think, and think deeply and logically about some of the breathtaking MYSTERIES of life all around you. Think of the countless MIRACLES you are privileged to witness each day — ponder them — be amazed by them, and give God THANKS for them.

Think about the Golden Plover. This one bird presents insurmountable difficulties to evolutionists, for his migratory patterns are so *illogical*, so *unnecessary*.

The Golden Plovers nest along the shores of the Arctic Ocean, clear above the vast northern Canadian tundra — up in the land of permafrost and lichens, of Caribou and Musk Oxen. Then, after raising their young, the Golden Plovers set out on one of the most awe-inspiring migrations of all. Winging their way southward, they

MYSTERY OF MIGRATION

To the left are four examples illustrating the marvel of migration. The Golden Plover makes an 8,000-mile trip entirely on its own. The Great Shearwater commutes from the tiny island of Tristan da Cunha to the North Atlantic — and back to this tiny dot of land. The bobolink is the top migrator among land birds, averaging 7,000 miles in its jaunt from Canada to Argentina. The Arctic Tern is the champion long distance migrator — which has been known to travel 14,000 miles.

WASHINGTON GOAST

MIDWAY IS.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Homing flights of Albatross. Birds captured on Midway Island were transported to various points. The majority returned to their nests at Midway. The trip from the Philippines to Midway was 4,120 miles — covered in 32 days of flight.

MARSHALL

ISLANDS

fly an elliptical course of more than SIXTEEN THOUSAND MILES.

First, they are seen flying through Labrador, to the tip of Nova Scotia. Then they fly over the Atlantic, completely bypassing the United States, clear to their vast wintering area between Rio de Janeiro, in Brazil, and Buenos Aires, in Argentina! When migrating northward, they cross the Andes mountains, fly across Panama and Central America, up the Mississippi valley, and on to their home in the vast, remote Arctic!

But WHY? How? What CAUSES such an extensive migration?

No one knows. Think of the problems involved. First, the Plovers *leave* their nesting area just as the food available reaches its PEAK. The insect population, the tiny crustaceans, the various forms of Arctic plant life are in greatest *abundance* at this time. Yet, the birds depart, mysteriously, for their wintering grounds.

Do they fly toward warmer climates?

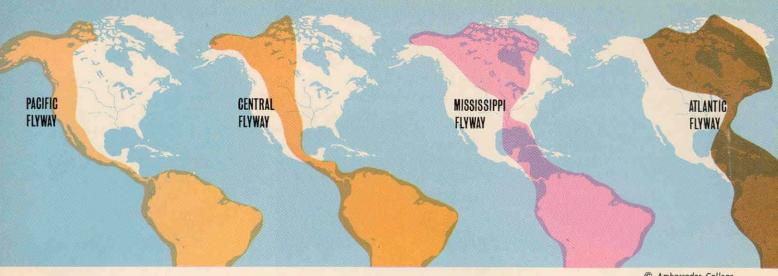
But WHY? The pleasantest time of the year in the Arctic is precisely when they *leave*.

Evolution supposes there are several reasons why birds migrate. But none of their supposes work.

For instance, it is assumed by some that birds migrate because of failure of food supply in their nesting and breeding areas — winter scarcity of food. But we find the many different varieties of birds leaving LONG BEFORE their food supply is scarce — in some cases when it is MOST ABUNDANT!

Some suppose the *cold weather* causes their migrations. But not so. We may observe species after species leaving the northern United States in JULY or EARLY AUGUST, right in the HOTTEST time of the year, long before the heat of summer is over. There are also many cases of migrations within the tropics, having nothing to do with cold weather.

Others suppose the birds anciently began migrating in the face of advanc-



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The four major flyways used by many species of birds. Why these four routes? What determines the route to be followed? Read the amazing answer.

ing glaciers during the Pleistocene "ice age."

This is perhaps the most humorous of all the supposes, possibly's, maybe's, perhapses, and "we have come to believes" that you'll read about bird migration.

Besides — glaciers normally move rather slowly. Any bird, dwelling along the advancing edge of a glacier, and being subjected to frequent winter blizzards, could simply turn into a snowshoe rabbit, or perhaps an ice worm or perhaps become a seal, and return to the arctic sea. After all - since evolutionists tell us crocodiles are the "closest living relatives" to birds these changes would be just as feasible as the complex migrations patterns.

Some evolutionists have postulated the birds are, in actuality, returning to their "ancestral home" in the tropics. But this doesn't work, either - since by no means all of them "return" to the tropics - many migrations take place within the tropics, from one area to another, and some birds fly right across the tropics to another cold region.

The Greatest Globetrotter of All

The Arctic Tern, cousin to the seagull, completely baffles ornithologists.

Arctic Terns nest from northern Alaska to northern Greenland - and many nest as far south as Massachusetts. But from northern Europe to Asia, and from the Aleutians to Hudson Bay and the Atlantic coast, observers have seen and heard the nesting Terns.

Their annual migrations are so vast, so complex, and so improbable they are a great MYSTERY to bird watchers.

For example, the Terns nesting in the Cape Cod area (much farther south than most) fly clear across the Atlantic ocean to offshore Spain, continue along the western coast of Africa, across the Atlantic again to the easternmost tip of South America, and along the South American coast to Antarctica! Some birds cover as much as 22,000 miles on a round trip that takes them in an elliptical path right back to the same gravel bed, the same creek, or lake shore, or rocky coast, they had departed.

Says the National Geographic School Bulletin for March 6, 1967, "How birds navigate over such distances is a mystery. Scientists believe they may somehow steer their course by the sun and stars."

And they do — as experiments tend to prove.

But How? The stars appear to "rotate" in the sky each night - the earth constantly orbits, and the moon orbits around it. The "southern cross" becomes visible south of the equator, and the sky looks totally different to the Terns in the southern hemispheres than when they're in the northern part of earth.

Scientists are still baffled. They have no definite answers.

Blue-winged Teal, a well-known bird to the waterfowl hunter, are among the fastest long-distance fliers in the world. One bird, banded near Quebec, along the St. Lawrence River, flew to British

Guiana, covering 3,300 miles at an average minimum travel of 122 miles each day. Ducks, however, frequently stop to rest and feed - and the Teal are among the fastest of the ducks.

But it seems the smaller the bird, the faster he migrates! The Semi-palmated Sandpiper, weighing only 15 grams, or ONE-HALF OUNCE, flew 2,400 miles from Massachusetts to Venezuela in twenty-six days, at an average speed of 92 miles each day!

The stories about bird migrations are so awesome, so incredible, it's no wonder evolutionists can only use the word, "MYSTERY" when trying to explain bow such marvelous things could have "just happened."

Still - scientists would have us believe much of this happened by CHANCE. As the result of a series of fortunate ACCIDENTS!

A Tale of a Terrified Tern

So let's go back, back, back in time. Back to the VERY FIRST BIRD MIGRA-TION!

After all - birds DO MIGRATE. This, we know. And they had to START sometime — this, we also know.

So, there had to be a very first migra-

Let's think about a little Arctic Tern. Here he is, huddled on his nest, up in the northernmost part of Canada. It's summer. He has plenty of food. He's happy. He fans out his feathers, yawns prodigiously, and sleeps.

August, September passes. The cold (Continued on page 45)

ROMANIA TO JOIN COMMON MARKET?

Romania and West Germany have reestablished diplomatic relations! The sudden action blasted a big hole in the Iron Curtain — and has frightened Russia!

by Gunar Freibergs and Herman L. Hoeh

Bonn, Germany

N a dramatic diplomatic move today, January 31, West Germany has scored a major breakthrough in her relations with Communist Eastern Europe.

This afternoon West Germany and Romania issued a joint communiqué announcing the signing of an agreement to establish full diplomatic relations between the two countries. This will make Romania the first Communist East European Satellite to send an ambassador to Bonn.

Romania's Foreign Minister, Corneliu Manescu received a red-carpet welcome on his arrival at the Cologne-Bonn airport yesterday noon. The enthusiastic

Concluded, in this issue, is an eye-opening report of a 2,500-mile tour behind the Iron Curtain by editors of *The PLAIN TRUTH*. Here are the FACTS about Romania's latest moves — and the dilemma facing Poland.

reception plus Manescu's obvious pleasure made the arrival appear more like a scene from an anti-Communist propaganda movie than the reception of a Communist diplomat.

Common Roman Heritage

In his welcome, German Foreign Minister Willy Brandt called to mind the two countries' former cultural, economic and *political* ties. (On a later occasion a German official again stressed Germany's and Romania's common Roman heritage.) In a short reply Manescu voiced Romania's right to associate with anyone it pleases in spite of foreign—

in this case Russian - objections!

Manescu is a handsome six-footer—certainly nobody's image of a Communist politician. Wherever he went, he was the very picture of friendliness. His manner personified the changing attitude of the Eastern European countries toward West Germany.

Members of *The Plain Truth* staff were present at a state banquet held (Continued on page 13)



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STATE BANQUET — To celebrate the newly signed agreement between Romania and West Germany, Romanian officials presented a state banquet in Bonn. Everything was flown in from Romania — including cooks, food and champagne!





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Romania Forges Link with West Germany

Romania's Foreign Minister Corneliu Manescu, above, signs Golden Book at Bonn's City Hall. Bürgermeister Dr. Daniels looks on. At right, Manescu, facing camera, addresses newsmen at Rathaus. On page opposite, at top, is view of Hotel Carpati in Braşov — built to accommodate foreign businessmen. At bottom, typical Romanian housing development, but few cars, emphasize Romania's need to establish trade relations with the West.





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WARSAW — Communist May Day Parade, 1966. Sign on central skyscraper, above, emphasizes 22 years of socialism and Polish nationalism. Today Polish Communists openly emphasize nationalism and greater independence from Russian controls. Big red sign in white letters reads: "This is the realization of the ideals for which the best patriots and revolutionaries of the past generation have fought." Gigantic picture of Lenin peers over paraders, right.



earlier this evening in celebration of the newly signed agreement. (See the accompanying photos.) The Romanians had spared no efforts—the entire dinner was flown in from Romania by special plane for the occasion.

When asked about a possibility of extending diplomatic relations to other nations of the Communist bloc, one German official present remarked that their "Romanian friends" were confident Hungary was eager to be next. Yugoslavia, he felt, would follow suit.

Others to Follow

Romania has set the pace. A similar trend is now under way in all the other Communist East European countries.

Hungary, just like Romania, has no quarrels with Bonn. Here Germany has taken vigorous initiative to establish diplomatic relations. Plans drawn up at recent talks between the two countries call for fast action. Hungary is willing to make a direct agreement on diplomatic relations, cutting out all unnecessary intermediary steps. It hopes to have an ambassador in Bonn by summer.

Bulgaria, too, is ready to normalize her relations with Germany. Acting amazingly conciliatory toward Bonn, she is eager to enjoy the same relationship and advantages that neighboring Romania now has.

Czechoslovakia, long bitter because of

German take-over at the eve of World War II, is now reported to harbor little hostility toward Bonn. Eyeing German economic resurgence with amazement and envy, she seems willing to assume diplomatic relations with Bonn on condition that West Germany recognize the Communist East German regime. Lately, however, Prague has dropped this clause, counting good relations with Bonn more important than loyalty to a Communist neighbor. West German trade, again, makes the difference.

Yugoslavia, six months ago, was unfriendly to Germany and jealous of rebel Romania. Now, however, Bonn is taking a new initiative in establishing diplomatic ties, and Tito is interested. Belgrade has also liberalized travel in and out of her country, both for foreigners and citizens.

Poland has been softening up in just the last few days, no longer demands recognition of Communist East Germany before being ready to talk with Bonn.

The Polish people are disillusioned with communism. Their leader, Gomulka, they feel, has sacrificed the country's national interests on the altar of international communism. Moscow regards him as her most faithful follower. But in Warsaw many leaders resent Gomulka's aloofness, regard Romania with envy. To them Romania has set the example of how to pursue national interests abroad without departing one



iota from the basic Communist ideology at home. The Poles want to follow suit.

Russia is worried, sees her satellites banging on Germany's door. They all want to follow Romania's lead in revolting from Russian political and economic domination. To them the road to socialism has turned out to be longer and harder than at first imagined. Communist utopia now seems further away than ever, and many are beginning to ask why. They are beginning to realize that they have been fed with nebulous promises of the future that have no reality for the present. So the "Ro-

reason is that 40 percent of the farms are not yet collectivized!

Despite their relative agricultural prosperity the Poles are the most frustrated people in East Europe. They are temperamental, on occasion downright uncivil. They are often cold and disagreeable even among themselves. And no wonder. Poland is caught between two giants, the Russians and the Germans. Their dislike of Russians is only less by comparison with their dislike of Germans. They have not forgiven the Soviet Union for occupying Eastern Poland in 1939. They are dis-

POLAND'S DILEMMA - Poland is caught between two gignt powers. To the east is the Soviet Union which absorbed eastern Poland after World War II. Several million Poles fled west. They now live in once-German territories given to Poland after Hitler's defeat. To the west lies a resurgent Germany which still claims these territories. Symbols of Germany, right and below, haunt Poles. To the right is street scene in Wroclaw - the former German city of Breslau. Below is Auschwitz, terrifying reminder of Nazi atrocities in which millions of Poles, Jews, Gypsies and others perished. Polish tourists who visit museum at Auschwitz still weep when viewing chimneys of crematoriums below. To left is the USSR's symbol of authority over Polish life - the Palace of culture in "Stalinist Gothic" design.

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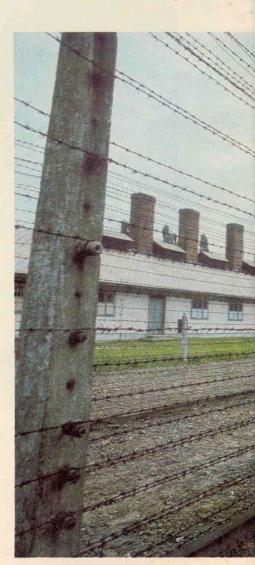


manian sickness," as one correspondent calls the trend, is catching, and Moscow has not found the cure.

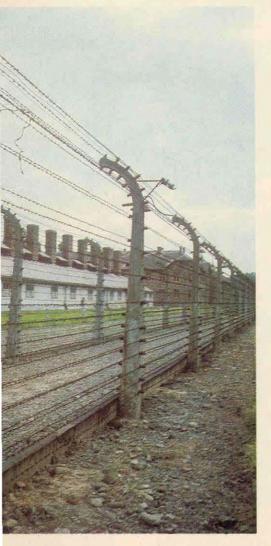
When East Europeans flock to West Germany they see the amazing difference - the striking contrast - between the Soviet brand of socialism and German methods. Though women work in the West, they do so with a gusto not seen in the East. In the East, women labor at laying railroad ties, mixing and carrying cement alongside men, picking away hillsides for rail and roadways. They labor in gangs in the fields. Few work side by side with their husbands. In the West, barns look bigger and better and are usually freshly painted. In the East, collective farm buildings are depressingly low, long, and lacking in appeal. Only in the Polish countryside do farms give the outward appearance of prosperity. The gusted with the fact that they had to rebuild once-beautiful Warsaw along Soviet architectural lines. Warsaw's prewar buildings were replaced by Stalin with flat-topped, dull, boxy structures. When an official of the government called upon us in our hotel room in Warsaw, he could not hold back his feelings about Poland's new look acquired under Stalin. Only the most recent hotels and public buildings are modern in the Western sense. And Poles are proud of them.

To Join Common Market?

Bonn is luring the Communist states with offers of factories, machinery and technical assistance, which neither the USSR nor Communist East Germany can match. Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia are introducing reforms which will require







modern machinery and technical knowhow. West Germany has both. In return for trade, she wants closer political cooperation. To the Germans this is the first major step in changing the status quo of Communist Europe. By establishing trade and political ties with the Russian Satellites, West Germany is weakening the Communist bloc.

The Germans are obviously pleased about their success with Romania. What started as a trade agreement with Minister for Trade Kurt Schmücker's visit to Romania six months ago, has now blossomed into a relationship equal to that enjoyed between any two countries in the free world.

Trade agreements yesterday, diplomatic relations today — Common Market membership tomorrow?

Romania has a lot to offer to a United Europe. She has vast oil reserves (her gasoline is the least expensive in Europe), natural gas, coal, iron ore and other minerals. Wheat and corn are large export items, and German housewives are already familiar with Romanian beef. Her location on the Black Sea, her products, and her old Roman-Empire heritage (note the name Romania) will be strong factors in favor of

Romania's trade with the Common Market.

Germany has always had her eye on the Balkans and Eastern Europe. Many have forgotten now the relationship between these countries and Germany during the last war. Czechoslovakia was annexed, Poland and Yugoslavia conquered - that is true. But Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria entered the Axis partnership willingly. Hungary's government was strongly Nazi, and this feeling still prevails among many Hungarian refugees in the West to this day. Romanian and other East European troops fought shoulder to shoulder with the German Wehrmacht at Stalingrad. Romanian oil products filled the tanks of Hitler's mechanized assault divisions. These are the political, economic and cultural ties which Eastern Europe has had with Germany.

The present trend is nothing less than the scramble of Germany's former Axis partners back to the old leader.

What has taken place here in Bonn today is not an insignificant isolated event. Eastern Europe is revolting from under the Russian boot! It is not a revolution of the people against communism, but a tearing away of



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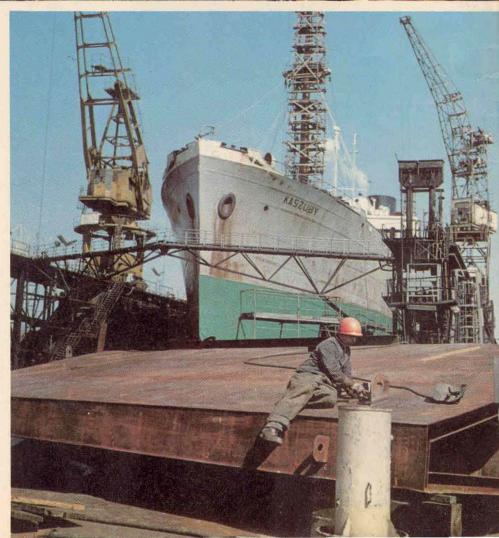
Modern Warsaw with Marshalkowsca boulevard in foreground. Poles drive few cars because of prohibitive fuel costs — over \$1 per gallon. To right is view of former German port of Stettin — now renamed Szczecin — close to Communist East German border.

whole nations from Russian domination.

Who would have thought, even five years ago, that Eastern Europe would throw off the Russian yoke? But TEN YEARS AGO, Mr. Armstrong wrote in the booklet 1975 in Prophecy: "The strong indication of these prophecies [the rise of a ten-nation United Europe], then, is that some of the Balkan nations are going to tear away from behind the Iron Curtain. Russia has lost already, to all appearances, Tito's Yugoslavia. Russia probably will lose still more of her Eastern European satellites."

For those who have not yet read this booklet be sure to send for your free copy.

With the events taking place here today, those words are coming to pass. Eastern Europe is in revolt, and Russia seems powerless to stop it.



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MAJOR STATIONS

WOR - New York - 710 kc., 11:30 p.m. Sun.

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WHAM - Rochester - 1180 kc., 10:30

WWVA - Wheeling, W. Va. - 1170

kc., 98.7 FM, 10:30 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. WNAC — Boston — 680 kc., 98.5 FM

(WRKO-FM), 8:30 p.m. Sun. WIBG - Philadelphia - 990 kc., 94.1

FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun. WBAL -- Baltimore -- 1090 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun.

*WRVA — Richmond — 1140 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. WPTF — Raleigh, N. C. — 680 kc., 94.7

FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

*WBT - Charlotte, N. C. - 1110 kc., 11:05 p.m. Sun., 8 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

Central States

WLAC-Nashville-1510 kc., 6:30 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 p.m. daily. WSM-Nashville-650 kc., 9 p.m. Sun. WCKY - Cincinnati - 1530 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 midnight Tues.-Sun.

WLW - Cincinnati - 700 kc., 11:05

p.m. daily.

WJJD—Chicago—1160 kc., 11 a.m. Sun. KSTP — Minneapolis-St. Paul — 1500 kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KXEL — Waterloo — 1540 kc., 8 p.m.

Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KXEN - St. Louis - 1010 kc., 10:30

a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Sat.

South

*KVOO - Tulsa - 1170 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. LD — Dallas — 1080 kc., 8:10 p.m.

daily.

WFAA -- Dallas - 820 kc., 10:45 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

KTRH — Houston — 740 kc., 101.1 FM, 8 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WOAI — San Antonio, Tex. — 1200 kc.,

10:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

KWKH - Shreveport - 1130 kc., 94.5 FM, 1 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri., 11:30 a.m., 11:30 p.m. Sat. WNOE — New Orleans — 1060 kc.,

9:30 a.m. Sun.

*KAAY - Little Rock - 1090 kc., 9:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 5:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

WGUN - Atlanta - 1010 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WAPI — Birmingham — 1070 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun.

WMOO - Mobile - 1550 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 6:55 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WINQ — Tampa — 1010 kc., 12 noon

Mon.-Fri., 12:10 p.m. Sat., Sun. KRMG — Tulsa — 740 kc., 10 a.m. Sun. XEG - 1050 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily. (CST)

Mountain States

KOA-Denver-850 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.

*Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

KSWS - Roswell, N. Mex. - 1020 kc., 6:30 a.m. daily. XELO — 800 kc., 8 p.m. daily. (MST)

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

*KRAK - Sacramento - 1140 kc., 10 p.m. daily.

XERB - Lower Calif. - 1090 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS

East

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

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

WPIT — Pittsburgh — 730 kc., 101.5 FM, 11 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-

Fri., 1:30 p.m. Sat. WMCK — Pittsburgh — 1360 kc., 12:30

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

WJAC - Johnstown, Pa. - 850 kc.,

7:30 p.m. daily. WSAN — Allentown, Pa. — 1470 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. *WSCR — Scranton, Pa. — 1320 kc.,

12:30 p.m., 7 p.m. daily. *WBRE—Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—1340 kc.,

10:30 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 1 p.m. Sat. WCHS - Charleston, W. Va. - 580 kc.,

7:30 p.m. daily. *WTVR — Richmond, Va. — 1380 kc.,

7:30 p.m. daily. CYB — Bristol, Va. — 690 kc., 12:30 WCYB-

p.m. daily. WWNC — Asheville, N. C. — 570 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 3:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., approx. 5 p.m. Sat. following Metro.

Opera and/or football game. WPAQ — Mount Airy, N. C. — 740 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 1:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WEVD — New York — 1330 kc., 97.9 FM, 10 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Tues.-Fri.,

10:30 p.m. Sat. *WGLI - Babylon, L. I. - 1290 kc., 7

p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WAAT — Trenton, N. J. — 1300 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

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

WFAS - White Plains, N. Y. - 1230

kc, 103.9 FM, 9 p.m. daily.

WWNH — Rochester, N. H. — 930 kc.,

9:05 a.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WTSL - Hanover, N. H. - 1400 kc.,

9:30 p.m. Sun. DEV — Waterbury, Vt.-WDEV --550 kc., 8

p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WKVT — Brattleboro, Vt. — 1490 kc.,

8:30 p.m. Sun. WPOR--Portland, Me. - 1490 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.

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

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

WBET - Brockton, Mass. - 1460 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily. WAAB — Worcester, Mass. — 1440 kc.,

107.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

WMAS - Springfield, Mass. - 1450

kc, 94.7 FM, 8:30 p.m. Sun.
WACE — Chicopee, Mass. — 730 kc.,
12:30 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
WSAR — Fall River, Mass. — 1480 kc.,

9:30 p.m. Sun. WOCB — Hyannis -Hyannis, Mass. - 1240 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

WEIM - Fitchburg, Mass. - 1280 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun. WHMP — Northampton, Mass. — 1400

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

8:30 p.m. Sun.

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

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

*WJAR - Providence, R. I. - 920 kc.,

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

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

Central

WSPD - Toledo, Ohio - 1370 kc., 101.5 FM, 9 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat. or before or after basketball.

WIXY - Cleveland, Ohio - 1260 kc.,

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

WSLR — Akron, Ohio — 1350 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

WFMJ-Youngstown, Ohio-1390 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:05 p.m. Sat. WBNS — Columbus, Ohio — 1460 kc.,

8:30 p.m. daily. WBRJ -- Marietta, Ohio - 910 kc.,

12:30 p.m. daily.

WBCK - Battle Creek, Mich. - 930 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sat., Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri. WJBK -- Detroit - 1500 kc., 5:30 a.m.

Mon.-Sat.

KRVN — Lexington, Nebr. — 1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KMMJ — Grand Island, Nebr. — 750

kc., 4 p.m. daily. WNAX - Yankton, S. Dak. - 570 kc.,

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

8 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.). *WJOL — Joliet, Ill. — 1340 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily or after ball games.

WITY - Danville, Ill. - 980 kc., p.m. Sun.-Thur., after football Fri. & Sat.

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

WJOB — Hammond, Ind. — 1230 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WXCL — Peoria — 1350 kc., 6:30 p.m.

WIBC -- Indianapolis - 1070 kc., 10:30

p.m. Sun.
KBHS — Hot Springs, Ark. — 590 kc.,
1 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
KFVS — Cape Girardeau, Mo. — 960

a.m. Mon.-Sat.

*KWTO - Springfield, Mo. - 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

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KFDI - Wichita, Kans. - 1070 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KFH—Wichita, Kans.—1330 kc., 100.3

FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-

KGGF - Coffevville, Kans. - 690 kc.,

6 p.m. daily. KXXX—Colby, Kans.—790 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KBEA - Mission, Kans. - 1480 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

WMT - Cedar Rapids - 600 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun.

KSO - Des Moines - 1460 kc., 7 p.m.

daily. KMA—Shenandoah, Ia.—960 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.

KGLO - Mason City, Ia. - 1300 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KQRS — Minneapolis — 1440 kc., 92.5 FM, 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-

WEBC-Duluth, Minn.-560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

WMIL - Milwaukee, Wis. - 1290 kc., 95.7 FM, 3 p.m. Sun., AM only, a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WJPG - Green Bay - 1440 kc., 5 p.m.

Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. WSAU — Wausau, Wis. — 550 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

*WCOW-Sparta, Wis.-1290 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KFYR — Bismarck, N. Dak. — 550 kc.,

7 p.m. daily.

South

KCTA - Corpus Christi, Tex. - 1030 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat. WBAP — Ft. Worth — 570 kc., 8 p.m.

KEES - Gladewater, Tex. - 1430 kc., 12 noon daily.

KTBB-Tyler, Tex.-600 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Sat.

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

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

KTLU - Rusk, Tex. - 1580 kc., 1 p.m. Sun.

KGNC-Amarillo-710 kc., 9 p.m. daily. KWFT - Wichita Falls - 620 kc., 4:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KFMI - Tulsa - 1050 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

KOME — Tulsa — 1300 kc., 12:30 p.m.,

10 p.m. daily. KBYE - Oklahoma City - 890 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KXLR - Little Rock - 1150 kc., 12:45

p.m. daily. KWAM - Memphis - 990 kc., 10 a.m.

Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat. WMQM — Memphis — 1480 kc., 1 p.m.

Sun., 6:25 a.m. Mon.-Sat. WHBQ — Memphis — 560 kc., 9 a.m.

Sun. WSHO - New Orleans - 800 kc., 12

noon daily. WDEF — Chattanooga — 1370 kc., 92.3

FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.

WBRC - Birmingham - 960 kc., 106.9

FM, 6:30 p.m. daily. WCOV—Montgomery—1170 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily

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

WFLA — Tampa — 970 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.

WINZ - Miami - 940 kc., 9:30 p.m.

daily. *WVCG - Coral Gables - 1080 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

WZOK - Jacksonville, Fla. - 1320 kc., 5:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. daily. WEAS — Savannah, Ga. — 900 kc., 12

noon daily.

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

Mountain States

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KYND — Tempe — 1580 kc., 2:30 p.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Sat.

KCUB - Tucson - 1290 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sat. KGGM — Albuquerque — 610 kc., 6:30

p.m. daily.

KLZ - Denver --560 kc., 106.7 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.

KMOR - Salt Lake City - 1230 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KIDO - Boise, Idaho - 630 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily. KTFI — Twin Falls, Idaho — 1270 kc.,

7:05 p.m. daily.

KSEI - Pocatello, Idaho - 930 kc., 8 p.m. daily. KMON—Great Falls, Mont.—560 kc.,

8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

West Coast

KHQ - Spokane - 590 kc., 8:05 p.m. daily.

KVI — Seattle — 570 kc., 8 a.m. Sun. KBLE — Seattle — 1050 kc., 12 noon daily. KMO-Tacoma, Wash.-1360 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.

KARI — Bellingham — 550 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

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

*KLIQ - Portland - 1290 kc., 12 noon Sun., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat. Also 6:30 p.m. Sun. March-Oct., 1967.

KEX-Portland-1190 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. KGAY-Salem-1430 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

KUGN—Eugene—590 kc., 7 p.m. daily. KUMA—Pendleton, Ore.—1290 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

KYJC-Medford, Ore.-1230 kc., 6:30

p.m. daily. KAGO - Klamath Falls, Ore. - 1150

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

KSAY — San Francisco — 1010 kc., 8:30

a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat. KFRC — San Francisco — 610 kc., 106.1 FM, 7 a.m. Sun.

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

*KFIV — Modesto — 1360 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:05 a.m. Mon.-Sat. KNGS — Hanford, Calif. — 620 kc., 10

a.m. Sun., 6 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

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

*KDB-Santa Barbara-1490 kc., 93.7 FM, 7 p.m. daily.

KRKD - Los Angeles - 1150 kc., 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Sun., 6:15 a.m., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 96.3 FM Sun. & p.m. times only.

KTYM - Inglewood - 1460 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Fri.

KEZY - Anaheim, Calif. - 1190 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

KFOX - Long Beach - 1280 kc., 100.3 FM, 7 a.m., 9:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

KACE - San Bernardino-Riverside -1570 kc., 92.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

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AN EXCITING PREVIEW OF TOMORROW'S CITIES

by Eugene M. Walter

Tomorrow's Cities are going to surpass your wildest imagination! They will be the most exciting, the most spectacular, the most modern up-to-date cities the world has ever known. They will be like sparkling jewels on the landscape — filled with radiant beauty, with peace and prosperity, with happy, healthy people. Mankind will never have seen anything like it!

Sound too good to be true? Sound impossible? It isn't.

Such cities *are coming* — and that before the end of this century!

But WHERE will they be built? And WHO will build them — and HOW?

Blueprints Already Prepared

Basic plans for these fabulous cities have already been drawn up. All the necessary resources to see this entire plan through to successful completion are available.

The plan is already so far along that a select group is right now being given top-flight training to qualify for future responsibilities as administrators of these cities.

Everything is being carefully worked out. Nothing is being left to chance. The major problems of today's cities will be completely solved in advance before construction on Tomorrow's Cities ever begins.

Problems That Need a Solution

Today's cities are a mess. And the bigger the city, chances are, the bigger that mess is.

Today, city air is laden with every kind of foul pollutant imaginable. Noxious soot, dust and chemical debris from industry. Toxic monoxide fumes and lead from hundreds of thousands of motor vehicles. Stale, filthy smoke from the millions of cigarettes smoked daily. In some big-city areas multiple

tons-per-square-mile of such refuse and waste float down every single month!

City water has frequently been reused oftener than anyone cares to remember. The water being used in one city today has often been flushed down a commode and into the sewer in another city just a few days before.

The food eaten by city dwellers — probably grown on depleted soil to begin with — has been waxed, polished, colored, pasteurized, homogenized, taken apart, preserved and chemically "enriched" until it contains pathetically little nourishment.

The noise level is right on the brink of what the human mind can tolerate and still remain sane.

The normal working day's routine for many begins and ends with a nerve-wracking fight through miserably congested traffic. And what are the sights along the way (besides the back end of the car in front of you)?

A miserable jungle-like labyrinth of steel, glass, wire, asphalt and cement—of streets, supermarkets, shopping centers, housing tracts, office buildings, railroad tracks, electrical lines and industrial smokestacks. A helter-skelter conglomeration of unsightly billboards and gaudy neon signs. A sickening bluish-yellow haze called smog.

Small wonder so many people seek escape!

But these are by no means the only problems.

Personal Safety and Crime

In today's cities personal safety is almost nonexistent. Without God's protection you aren't safe anywhere—not even in your own home. Not even with an elaborate system of locks.

And on the street? Anything can happen! Day or night.

The danger on city streets is no longer confined to traffic accidents. To-

day, the "normal" street dangers include the possibility of being robbed, assaulted, stabbed or murdered. It includes the constant danger of someone suddenly going raving mad and shooting everyone in sight.

In certain areas, especially at night, the streets have plenty of motor traffic, but the sidewalks are empty. And if you do see an occasional person on the sidewalk, you immediately wonder whether he is about to commit a crime or if he has lost his mental balance.

This is the shocking point to which we have progressed — or retrogressed — in this "enlightened" 20th Century!

Huge sections of cities are designated as "crime containment zones." Poverty, unemployment, overwhelming welfare loads, wall-to-wall children, illegitimacy, looting, riots, racial tensions, savage gangs, and schools called "blackboard jungles" are the trademarks of these areas. Here crimes of every description run so rampant that the police hope, at best, merely to keep this "excessive" crime from spilling over into other areas.

Farther downtown there is the bowery or skid row. Its trademark is cheap hotels and saloons, filled with hopeless derelicts, dope addicts, prostitutes and similar types of degenerate humanity.

And out in suburbia — in the nice part of town? Well, the problems of today's society are here, too.

The homes out here may contain two-car garages, boats and double ovens. But they also contain family strife, broken homes and divorce. The fear of not being able to meet next month's payments on the house, car, boat, stereo and color TV. Envy at the neighbors next door who just installed a backyard swimming pool and are planning a trip to Europe.

Bored with the blessings of life—but coveting more—many of the in-

habitants of suburbia seek escape in the excitement of wild, permissive parties — replete with alcohol, drugs, and sexual debauchery.

And the younger suburbians, with too much free time on their hands and with too little parental supervision, run the usual gamut of licentiousness from vandalism and crime to promiscuity and LSD. At every level of city society and in every part of town we see serious problems in need of a solution.

And we have yet to mention the matters of corrupt business practices, bribery, cheating, bitter labor disputes, organized crime, payoffs, weak and ineffective city government and exorbitant taxes.

Add all these problems together and you can begin to comprehend what a tremendous top-to-bottom CHANGE is necessary for our cities to become decent places in which to live.

But thank God, such a change is coming — and soon!

But How? Who and WHAT will bring it about? Where would you start if YOU were responsible for undertaking such a gigantic project?

Biggest Problem Solved First

Today men seek to solve the problems of our cities by money, schools, integration, night lights to deter criminals, new laws, more police, etc.

But all these methods ignore the basic reason that today's cities are the way they are.

What is the *biggest* problem in cities today? What makes cities so bad?

It's people!

It's the fellow who takes off for work in the morning with his eyes filled with smog and other depressing sights, a hostile look on his face, the din of traffic in his ears, his lungs and nostrils full of foul air and cigarette smoke, his stomach full of nutritionally raped food, his veins full of drugs and tranquilizers, and his mind filled with the violence of the previous night's TV programs or his plans to beat the other guy out of as much as he can when he gets to work. He's the problem in today's cities — along with millions of men and women just like him.

And what is it that makes people so bad? It's their unconquered HUMAN

NATURE. This nature is a nature of vanity, jealousy, lust and greed.

In Tomorrow's Cities, this basic cause of human suffering is going to be solved first.

Human nature will be changed.

But How?

Through the prophet Ezekiel God gives us the answer: "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put *my spirit* within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. . . . I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded" (Ezek. 36:26-28, 33). See also Jeremiah 31:31 and Hebrews 8:10.

Human nature will still exist in Tomorrow's Cities. The inhabitants of these cities will still be physical, flesh-and-blood human beings. But God is going to give these people His power — His Holy Spirit to resist and overcome the downward pull of their human nature. They will be able to direct, control and guide their lives into constructive channels. They will obey God's laws. They will live in the way that brings peace, happiness and prosperity for all.

God's Holy Spirit is available today. But mankind as a whole is not interested in God's Spirit. He is by nature hostile to God and thinks he can solve his problems without God's help. He won't submit to God's way unless he is forced to. And that is where Tomorrow's mayors come in.

Tomorrow's Mayors

The mayors in today's cities are little or no different from those over whom they rule. They, too, have human nature. They, too, are subject to vanity, jealousy, lust and greed — all too often increased because of their position.

Mayors often must ignore urgent problems because to bring them out into the open and to suggest a concrete solution would offend a certain bloc of voters and wash their whole political career down the drain.

And when a mayor does make a sound proposal for getting rid of some

evil in his city, it often gets bogged down or lost entirely in a mountain of bureaucratic red tape or in political haggling. Meanwhile the city suffers on.

Many mayors are mere figureheads. Their office sounds important and impressive, but in actual fact it is weak and rather powerless.

The mayors of Tomorrow's Cities will have no such problems. They will possess the power they need. And they will not be motivated by greedy, selfish desires in using this power. They really WILL have the interest of their people at heart.

The rulers of Tomorrow's Cities, as shocking as it may seem, will be divine Spirit Beings. They will be members of the God-Family, the Kingdom of God — immortal SPIRIT BEINGS ruling in God's Government on this earth under Jesus Christ!

God has promised a position of rulership in the soon-coming World Tomorrow to ALL who by their lives in this present age — the world today — meet the conditions which God has laid down.

"And he that overcometh [and that includes human nature] and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron" (Rev. 2:26-27).

For some, this "power over the nations" is going to involve rulership over cities. This is shown by the parable of the pounds in Luke 19. In this parable example, rulership over two, five or ten cities is given to those who qualify. Those who overcome and produce more are given the greater rewards (verses 16-19). Those who fail to produce anything receive no reward (verses 20-27).

God is going to appoint as Tomorrow's mayors those who qualify for positions of rulership over cities. For more details about the entire pattern of God's Government as it will be in the World Tomorrow, write for our new free booklet, The Wonderful World Tomorrow—What It Will Be Like.

Tomorrow's Cities will be ruled by

Spirit Beings who are God. And *how* will they rule? Why, with all the resources of wisdom, understanding, love, might and POWER of the God-Family!

How These Mayors Will Rule

These rulers won't cater to some groups and individuals at the expense of others. They won't be influenced in the least by petty politics. Their rule will be *just*.

They won't fear being thrown out of office by unruly troublemakers. They will possess the power to swiftly put down any self-exalting, rebellious elements.

Neither will these rulers tolerate filth, shiftlessness and degeneracy. Today when the lower classes are put in new apartments and schools by the government, what happens? Do these people appreciate what they are given? In many cases No! In a period of months many new facilities have fixtures stolen, doors and windows are broken, the smell of urine may even be detected in halls and elevators and the whole place is a wreck!

In Tomorrow's Cities people will be taught that this is not the way to live. They will simply not be *allowed* to be low class and degenerate. Those who *insist* on being that way will be punished so swiftly and surely that they will learn very quickly. And all will hear and fear!

Yes, Tomorrow's mayors are going to force their subjects to obey God and to receive His blessings. They will impose a warm and merciful rule that will bring compulsory joy! They will insist on happiness for their citizens. They will demand plenty and goodness in their lives. And they will COMMAND them to be healthy, and filled with a sense of well-being and contentment!

And most of these subjects will quickly learn that God's way is best. They will want God's Spirit to lead and guide them. They will desire to obey God's Laws. They will be converted, cooperative people.

With this kind of rulers and this kind of subjects, the rest is a sheer joy to think about.

Can Cities Be Clean, Beautiful, Safe and Inspiring?

Why can't city streets be clean, broad, tree-lined avenues interspersed with sparkling fountains, interesting malls and imaginative sculpture? Why can't the city's conglomeration of "bright lights" be arranged in beautiful, artistic schemes and designs? Why can't unsightly poles, conduits and wiring be universally hidden from view? Why can't gaudy neon signs be toned down and ugly billboards be eliminated? Why can't necessary information on buildings be done in neat lettering with good taste?

Why can't city buildings have appealing architectural flair and design—complementing one another in an aesthetic, harmonious whole? Why can't public buildings, schools and churches be devoid of pagan symbols and be kept undefaced and unmarred?

Why can't city air and water be clean and pure? Why can't dumping unnecessary soot, waste, refuse and chemicals into city air and water be stopped? Why can't industry be located in a separate part of the city, where its natural noise and dirt wouldn't affect the homes, schools and stores?

Why can't cities have adequate parks and playgrounds with trees, shrubs, flowers, birds, animals, lakes and streams?

Why can't cities have fast, efficient systems of transportation which will whisk people downtown without having to clog the street with their cars? Why can't cars be built so that they don't pollute the air?

Why can't cities be safe? Why can't elderly people go for an evening stroll without being assaulted? Why can't children play without fear of being molested? Why can't people go shopping without fear of being robbed—either by a pickpocket or by the cheap, shoddy, misrepresented products they buy?

The answers to all these questions — and dozens more like them is — *THEY CAN!* Cities CAN be clean, beautiful, safe and inspiring.

But about the only hope of ever achieving these things in today's cities is to *start from scratch!* And that is

exactly what is going to be done. But

Today's Cities To Be Destroyed

As we have already shown, in Tomorrow's Cities, God is going to establish a program to *rehabilitate human nature*. As this program gets into full swing, the sociological problems—the problems of crime, violence, immorality, divorce, delinquency, etc.—will be solved.

Then it will be possible to go to work on the *physical* aspects of the city — the streets, buildings, parks, homes, schools, transportation, etc.

Here, too, God will start from scratch. But How? How can you start from scratch in cities like Chicago, New York, London, Sydney, Toronto, Johannesburg, Tokyo, or Manila?

In the same way that Berlin, Warsaw, and other European cities started from scratch after they were destroyed in World War II!

Yes, shocking as it may be, Bible prophecy reveals that our present-day cities are going to be devastated with all the destructive force of modern warfare! But WHY?

WHY Our Cities Destroyed

God is going to allow our cities to be destroyed for the very reason that they are festering sores on the earth's face to begin with — and that reason is sin! Our cities are full of sin. Of course all this could be avoided.

Speaking to modern Israel — the United States, the British Commonwealth peoples and the democracies of Northwest Europe — God warns:

"For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbor; if ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt: then will I cause you to dwell in this place, and in the land that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever" (Jer. 7:5-7).

Yes, if we as a people would *even* now QUIT SINNING and turn to God, our land and cities could be spared from the catastrophes shortly to come. If we were willing to cooperate with God, He would work out some other

way to make our cities decent places to live — without having to suffer the ravages of war. But human beings refuse to do this (Jer. 7:8-10, 28; 8:5-6; 9:5-6, 8).

Yes, it is because of SIN that God is going to punish us and destroy our cities. Whole chapters and books of the Bible are devoted to warning us of this sobering REAL fact.

Notice Ezekiel's dire prediction:

"In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid waste, ... And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according to thy ways and thine abominations that are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I am the Lord that smiteth.... The sword is without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that is in the field shall die with the sword; and he that is in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.... They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the Lord ... Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence. Wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possess their houses . . . And ye shall know that I am the Lord: for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that are round about you... They shall eat their bread with carefulness, and drink their water with astonishment, that her land may be desolate from all that is therein, because of the violence of all them that dwell therein. And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye shall know that I am the Lord" (Ezek. 6:6; and 7:9, 15, 19, 23, 24; and 11:12; and 12:19, 20).

What a terrible time of destruction that will be. But, thankfully the story doesn't end here!

The Joyous Rebuilding

An All-wise God will have to deal with us in the only language we understand — PHYSICAL FORCE and PUNISHMENT.

But once He has dealt with us in this way, and once we have learned our



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TODAY'S CITIES — crowded, clogged and confused.

lesson, then Jesus Christ will return to this earth to set up God's Government. And then our cities will be rebuilt—this time GoD's way.

Notice the loving tone in which God comforts Israel whom He has had to punish:

"For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer ... For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited" (Isa. 54:7, 8, 3).

"For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession. The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein" (Ps. 69:35-36).

When God sets His hand to build Tomorrow's Cities with the help of His Spirit Servants, how fantastic do you think those cities will be? They will be beautiful beyond description!

And they will be filled with joyful, thankful people:

"I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first . . . Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say shall be desolate without man and without beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast, The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, Praise the Lord of hosts: for the Lord is good; for his mercy endureth for ever" (Jer. 33:7, 10, 11).

A city can only be as prosperous as the hinterland upon which it depends for its food and raw materials. In the World Tomorrow this problem will be solved, too. Agricultural prosperity will be unbelievably great in all rural areas. "And the desolate land [most of today's earth] shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by. And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become fenced, and are inhabited . . . I will in-

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RUSSIA'S REAL FEAR

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problem. "Well, the German problem generally is, I would say, the CRUX of the overall problem of European security.... There can be no revision of existing boundaries. And in short, the Federal Republic of Germany should give up all revanchist thoughts. It should give up all hope of ever acquiring nuclear weapons and it should recognize the inviolability of the existing boundaries."

West German Flirtations

Another correspondent then asked Mr. Kosygin: "Do you think, Mr. Prime Minister, that diplomatic relations between West Germany and Romania is a step in the right direction?"

Mr. Kosygin's reply clearly revealed the firm Soviet attitude concerning West German flirtations with Russia's satellites in Eastern Europe.

Russia, he said, is opposed to the seemingly unstoppable erosion of the Iron Curtain! The Soviets strongly object to increased economic ties being forged between their satellites of Eastern Europe and West Germany.

But, the present-day world political

situation has rendered Russia virtually powerless to stop this rusting of the Iron Curtain! The Soviet Union fears that other countries of Eastern Europe, following the example of Romania, will establish diplomatic ties with Bonn—thus further undermining Soviet economic and military influence in Eastern Europe.

The Soviet Union does not want West Germany driving a wedge between the USSR and her satellites.

Furthermore, he insisted, the Soviets have a deep-seated fear that their World War II Allies (U.S., Britain and France), may let the Nazi beast out of its cage! The Russians well know that they alone are able to prevent the West Germans from getting an itchy finger on the nuclear trigger!

That's why, he said, the Russians are desperately trying to persuade the French, the British and the Americans of the danger to European security of a strong, nationalistically oriented Germany — possessing fearsome nuclear weapons.

The fact is obvious. The USSR plans, at all costs, to forestall the re-





unification of Germany. To prevent the West Germans from gaining control over nuclear weapons. The Soviets know that if the West Germans ever get control of nuclear weapons, they will use those weapons to blackmail the USSR into letting East and West Germany unite—or else!

The Soviet Prime Minister continued to sound the alarm against German expansionistic ideas: "As regards the general problem of Germany ... we [the Russians] proceed from the fact that there exists a sovereign German State, a German Democratic Republic with its own boundaries, boundaries which must not be violated; and we can see from the fact that any agreement that is now negotiated and entered into with West Germany should be strictly in accord with the POTSDAM AGREEMENT that was signed by the Soviet Union, the United States, the United Kingdom and France, after the war."



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Above, Russian Premier Kosygin gives farewell speech at Gatwick Airport, London. Left, Mr. Kosygin inspects honor guard before his departure for Moscow.

Mr. Kosygin referred to the Potsdam Agreements several times. He warned the Western signatories that these agreements had better be made to stick.

Dreaded Fascism Rising

The next question put to Mr. Kosygin resulted from a remark he had made the previous day about Germany (Kosygin had said: "The National Democratic Party has entered the year 1967 with millions of votes in its pocket"). Mr. Kosygin was asked at the luncheon conference: "Will you not agree, sir, that there are millions of supporters of democratic parties in Western Germany rather than millions of supporters of the NPD?"

The Russian Prime Minister admitted that he didn't know "exactly" how many

Fascist supporters there are in West Germany today. Then, with considerable emphasis, he added: "But regardless of the actual number of supporters, we do see that this [the neo-Nazi NPD] is a movement that is progressing from day to day.... We have no wish to see a repetition of any new upsurge of this kind. We shall do our very utmost to fight a resurgence of Fascism in West Germany, all the more so since we believe that this would be in effect a violation of the Potsdam Agreement and, therefore, we believe the other Allies [U.S., Britain and France] should also do their best to combat any resurgence of Fascism in Germany."

Mr. Alexei Kosygin then added that the Soviets don't hate the German people. But they do detest Fascism and would do all within their power to prevent a rebirth of Nazism in West Germany. He said this was not only in the best interest of *Russia*, but of the *world* in general — and was best for the *Germans* as well.

Why, then, has Mr. Kosygin made this seven-day state visit to Britain?

The Soviets undoubtedly hoped to accomplish a number of things by this visit. They wished to increase Anglo-Russian trade. They may have hoped to dissuade Britain from joining the Common Market — which Mr. Kosygin says is not a "common" market since it is closed to most of the nations of Europe. Also, Mr. Kosygin undoubtedly wanted to visit Britain in order to return the visit which Mr. Wilson made to Russia in 1966. He also wished to discuss the Vietnam problem with British leaders. And on this fiftieth anni-

versary of the Bolshevik revolution, he wanted to place a wreath of flowers on Karl Marx's tomb in London.

B-u-r — the main reason for Mr. Kosygin's visit to Britain at this time

the British Government of the real danger of West Germany getting control over nuclear weapons! And he hoped

is either overlooked or ignored by most. Mr. Alexei Kosygin hoped to persuade

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Both waving - Premier Kosygin (left) and Prime Minister Wilson (right) leave 10 Downing Street following conclusion of talks.

Britain would be able to help the Russians convince the Americans of the stupidity of such a foolhardy foreign policy.

March, 1967

The Soviet Prime Minister knows that Russia - without the co-operation of her World War II Allies, the U.S., Britain and France - is now powerless to prevent the West Germans getting nuclear weapons.

Mr. Kosygin used the same psychological approach when visiting France, in December, 1966. Sound the alarm! Warn those who will listen - of the very grave dangers of revival of Nazism in West Germany.

In Paris, Kosygin told the French that Germany must stay divided. "No force in the world is able or will be able to stop the existence of TWO GER-MANYS," said Mr. Kosygin.

But Mr. Kosygin is wrong! What does the Creator God say? Bible prophecy reveals that not even the military might of the Soviet Union can prevent the two Germanys becoming reunited if God so decrees!

Bible prophecies indicate that, unless the Western world repents of its sins, Germany will become reunited within the context of a United States of Europe - just as Franz Josef Strauss has outlined in The Grand Design!

Germany's strong-man Strauss knows the secret of uniting the two Germanys. He knows that this cannot be done except within the context of a United States of Europe.

By uniting Europe first, then the two Germanys second, the Germans will outsmart the Russians. And the Americans, to their consternation, will find themselves totally unable to control Germany any longer! The whole world will stand aghast when this finally happens! (See Rev. 17:8.)

Many in the Western World look upon Kosygin's remarks as mere "wolf cries." They believe the Russian fear of the Germans is unfounded - is paranoiac. They insist that the Germans have now become good democrats - that they've had a change of heart!

They may reject the repeated warnings of the Russians, but will you heed the warnings of such men as Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery-Britain's number one World War II

general? Listen to Montgomery's warning:

Lord Montgomery's Warning

"I have many times said in private conversation that the REAL DANGER in Europe is GERMANY.

"Certainly, the Russians believe this. We know they are most apprehensive lest Germany should emerge as the dominant power in Europe!" So warned Lord Montgomery before the House of Lords, only a few short months ago!

And Lord Montgomery isn't the only Briton who fears to see a strong rearmed Germany emerge on the Continent of Europe.

Another well-known Briton who has warned the British peoples of the danger of a resurrected Germany is British Air Vice-Marshal D. C. T. Bennett, who organized and led the R.A.F. Pathfinder Force that devastated much of Germany during World War II.

He said (as was reported widely in the British press in early 1965) the Allied decision to allow the "resurrection" of German heavy industry "has always seemed to me, at the very least, to be indiscreet...lunatic"!

Air Vice-Marshal Bennett then sounded this alarm: "Many people pooh-pooh the idea of another war with Germany and I hope they are right. But this is to ignore...the declared intention of many people upon whom Hitler depended for his support—to succeed, where they have twice failed in the past."

It is an undisputed fact that many here in Britain, like the Russians, have a much greater fear of a rearmed Germany than do the Americans. Americans didn't have the German *Luftwaffe* pounding their cities day and night.

Americans didn't have their country overrun by the ruthless Nazis. If 12,000,000 Americans had been killed by the Nazis during World War II (as were killed in Russia) American foreign policy shapers would be a little more fearful of the consequences of building up a strong, rearmed Germany.

Unheeded Warnings

While in Los Angeles in January this year, I had the privilege of talking with Mr. T. H. Tetens, author of several remarkable books, including The New Germany and The Old Nazis, and Germany Plots With the Kremlin.

I was able to spend several hours interviewing this German-born writer. Despite his many lectures, articles, books and television interviews in the U.S. and elsewhere, our peoples have failed to awaken to the real dangers of building up a strong, rearmed Germany!

The World Tomorrow programme and The Plain Truth magazine have, for many years, been telling the Anglo-Saxon peoples of America, Britain and her Commonwealth, that Germany would make a complete comeback. We have been showing, from the sure prophecies of God's Word, what Strauss is planning for the two Germanys. That there will arise a United States of Europe (of exactly ten nations or unions of nations). And that Germany will gain control over nuclear weapons.

Most who have heard this warning have turned a deaf ear. They have paid little attention to the warnings of God's Word. They have not realized that we (far from being alarmists) are actually doing them a kindness by warning our peoples of what God declares will surely come to pass (Ezek. 3:4-27; 33:1-11; Isa. 58:1).

And they have not sought to return to their Creator with tears streaming down their cheeks—asking God Almighty in Heaven for complete forgiveness of their many sins against God.

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob declares that He will let our peoples suffer terribly at the hands of this revived Nazi-led Europe (unless we repent of our mounting sins) so that we might ultimately come to our senses and quit breaking His commandments (Isa. 10:5, 6; 47:1-15).

But many continue to sneer — to laugh, to ridicule, to disbelieve!

They will laugh out of the other side of their mouths when these things come to pass!

Before the Creator God let a great calamity befall the earth in the time of the Deluge, He sent His servant, Noah, to warn the corrupt humans to turn from their sins—to repent and begin living rightly, decently—according to His laws!

Before God Almighty obliterated Sodom and Gomorrah, He sent Lot to warn those wicked perverts of the end result of their animalistic perversions. They didn't heed.

And before the loving Creator-Ruler of this Universe will let horrifying World War III erupt (with all of its brain-chilling terrors), He raised up this very Work to warn the world that it is hurtling head-on into the most frightening, indescribable period in all history! (Mat. 24:21.)

It is called the time of "Jacob's trouble" (Jer. 30:7). See also Daniel 12:1.

Would God Permit It?

Would God Almighty let Fascism reemerge and start another frightening war? Would Almighty God permit the Communist hordes of the Orient to come into Europe to totally devastate it? People ask: "Why would a just, all-powerful God permit all this war?"

The answer is simple. God hates sin and the terrible consequences of sin! He is grieved to see adultery, sexual perversions, wife-swapping, mind-destroying drug-taking, cheating, lying, hate and murder, rape, crime, juvenile delinquency—to say nothing of our myriads of sins such as *ingratitude*.

Our national sins are catalogued in the fourth chapter of Hosea: "Hear the word of the Lord ye children of Israel: for the Lord hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out and blood toucheth blood. Therefore shall the land mourn and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away" (verses 1-3).

God is showing this world where it has gone wrong — through this very Work — through the worldwide broadcasts of *The* WORLD TOMORROW and through the pages of *The* PLAIN TRUTH. He knows, however, that most who hear this warning will not heed.

Nonetheless, God in His mercy will not let a major catastrophe befall this earth unless and until He has first seen to it that the potential victims of sin are warned—so those who are willing can have a chance to escape (Amos 3:7)!

God Almighty prophesied that our nations would bog down in *materialism, atheism* and resultant *debauchery*. Then indescribable suffering would come upon our peoples, says God, because "thy sins were increased" (Jer. 30:1-18. Note especially verses 14-15).

But very few really understand the Bible prophecies concerning our peoples today. They reject the knowledge of who we are, and where we are mentioned in Bible prophecy! (If you haven't already received our eye-opening free booklet The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy, be sure and write for it immediately. It reveals where the U.S. and Britain are mentioned in the Bible.

And it will show where the Anglo-Saxon people are headed — according to God's sure Word!)

Seek God's Protection

If we sincerely set our hearts to seek our God with all our might — if we really turn from our sins — then we don't need to fear any of the terrifying things which will befall this earth. Many promises reveal that the Great God will protect His own people during troublous times (Zeph. 2:1-3).

Speaking of the terrible end-time events which will occur in the near future, Christ commanded: "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man" (Luke 21:36).

Will you heed? Or, will you scoff — and suffer the consequences?

THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Zuestions

FROM OUR READERS

HERE are the Bible answers to

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

What does the Bible say about having instrumental music in church?

J. G., Nocona, Texas

Some have concluded that the New Testament does not mention the use of instrumental music in Church. They insist it is therefore wrong to sing in Church to the accompaniment of musical instruments.

No one denies that God was praised to the accompaniment of instrumental music in the Old Testament Church. But, it is insisted, the church Jesus built is a New Testament Church. The teaching and example of the Old Testament, it is claimed, was only for Old Testament times.

Now consider these facts. All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for instruction today. All scripture includes both Old and New Testaments. The New Testament is not all scripture. It is only a part of it.

Further, the New Testament Church is "built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone" (Ephesians 2:20).

"The prophets" are the OLD Testament prophets. The apostle Paul believed and preached from the Old Testament prophets. He taught New Testament Christians from the Old Testament and quoted the Old Testament again and again in the New Testament again and again again

tament (see Acts 24:14; 26:22, etc.).

God *commands*, in the inspired psalms of David, that we use musical instruments in praising Him: "Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; praise Him with the psaltery [bagpipe] and harp. Praise Him with the timbrel and the dance; praise Him with stringed instruments and organs" (Ps. 150:3-4).

God does not change (Heb. 13:8; Mal. 3:6). He therefore still approves this type of musical praise in our worship of Him today.

Later, in the days of King Hezekiah, the king "set the Levites in the house of the Lord with cymbals, with psalteries [bagpipes], and with harps, . . . for so was the commandment of the Lord by his prophets. And the Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the priests with the trumpets . . . And all the congregation worshipped, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded" (II Chron. 29:25-28).

Revelation 5:8 and 14:2-3 show us that God is praised in heaven with instrumental music. Some may want to argue that what is done in heaven today is not good!

Revelation 15:2-3 tells us that those to whom God gives immortality in the future will praise Him to the accompaniment of harps. And in Psalm 87:7 also, God tells us that when He writes up the people — that is, when He gives salvation — "As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there...."

Ephesians 5:19 tells us how to praise God in our homes today. The Greek word here translated "psalms" is psalmos, which means "a set piece of music, that is a sacred ode (accompanied with the voice, harp or other instrument)."

Even the Greek word translated "melody" in this verse is derived from a root word meaning "to twitch or twang, that is, to play on a stringed instrument." See Strong's Exhaustive Concordance for the proof!

This verse is not referring to church services, but to singing and humming at home, daily, those melodies heard played on musical instruments at church services.

WHY CELEBRATE EASTER?

Is Easter really Christian? Here are the surprising facts!

by Gerhard O. Marx

Can you believe it? The observance of Easter is never once commanded in the Bible!

Don't take our word for it!

Notice! "There is NO indication of the observance of the Easter festival in the New Testament!" So states the Encyclopedia Britannica, under article, "Easter."

And, "The celebration of Easter does NOT appear in the New Testament" (A Dictionary of Religion and Ethics, Mathews and Smith, p. 140).

Have you ever wondered what coloured eggs have to do with Christ's death? And what Easter rabbits and "hot-cross" buns have to do with Christ's resurrection? What about the name "Easter" itself? Do you know its origin and meaning? And what about Easter Sunrise services.

How did a "Christian" world come to accept and celebrate Easter? It's high time you knew the *truth* about Easter.

Easter Sunrise Services Before Jesus' Birth!

Turn back the pages of history for a moment. See how Easter came to be accepted by the professing Christian world. Take the year 8 B.C. — 4 years before Christ's birth. Notice what was taking place in that particular year among the *non*-Christian population of Europe — the Germanic people.

As was customary with the spring of each year, a particular event was about to take place. General excitement permeated the towns and villages.

It was a Saturday evening, called Sunnun-abend, when the event was to occur. On this particular evening in 8 B.C., everyone left his habitation and then gathered outside the village or town. All those capable would collect wood, place it around an oak tree, and set it alight.

As the massive mountain of wood began to burn, everyone would gather around the fire, completely encircling it. Flames would light up the entire sky. This ceremony occurred throughout the land.

Then followed the more solemn part of the evening. The populace would kneel and beseech *Sunna*, their *goddess* of dawn as she was then called, imploring her to bring back the long-awaited spring days. The date of this festival was a Saturday night about the 21st of March.

This was the time of the vernal equinox, when the short winter days cease and the long, warm spring months begin. (As a matter of interest, the German word for Saturday — Sonnabend — traces itself back to the Saturday night on which the goddess Sunna was worshipped. The ancient Germans counted their days from evening to evening. Thus Saturday eve was actually the beginning of today's Sunday.)

After having offered sacrifices to the goddess of the spring on this evening, the people retired till early morning.

On this morning, Sunday — some time before dawn — everyone would meet again outside with their faces to the East — toward the rising sun — praising their goddess Sunna for bringing them this long-awaited first day of spring.

This day, the first Sunday after March 21st, was their annual holiday. It was a joyous day of various celebrations and games. One of the games was to find coloured eggs which were hidden in the grass, around trees and in other hiding places. The children especially enjoyed these games. Although the colouring varied, the predominant colours of the eggs were red and gold symbolising the bright rays of the sun. Some of the eggs were given as an offering to the spring goddess and the others were eaten. The egg was regarded as the emblem of germinating life of early spring. "Hot-cross" buns were also baked and offered to the goddess. See the Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, vol. 2, p. 34 and The Westminster Dictionary of the Bible, John D. Davis, p. 145.

Why Called Easter?

Move forward in history to a time several centuries after the birth of Christ. We find the heathen populace of Europe still observing this annual spring festival to the goddess of dawn or spring. But now she was known by another, more general name—EOSTRE.

The name *Sunna* had merely been the *localised* German name, which was now changed to the more general name *Eostre*. Here is what happened.

During the previous centuries, vast numbers of people from Persia and Assyria had settled on the European mainland. These Eastern peoples were also worshipping a spring goddess. Their celebration likewise coincided with the beginning of Spring. In fact, even coloured eggs were associated with their spring festival. Notice! "The ancient Persians, when they kept the festival of the solar new year in March, mutually presented each other with coloured eggs" (Chamber's Encyclopaedia, article, "Easter."

The spring festival of these Eastern immigrants was identical to the festival the Germanic people celebrated. There was only one difference. The name of their goddess was ISHTAR. The Germans pronounced it slightly different, resulting in Eostre or as we today pronounce Easter.

Thus the settlers from the East influenced the local population to alter the name of their goddess *Sunna* to that of *Easter*.

But it was still the same goddess. It was still the same festival on which they worshipped the goddess Sunna several centuries before. They still gathered wood on Saturday eve. They still had their huge bonfire that night. They still arose early the next morning for the sunrise service. And they still

played games and looked for coloured eggs on that day. It was *still* a highly popular festival. With the influx of these Eastern tribes, it became more generally celebrated than ever before.

Nothing had changed except the name of their goddess, now Eostre or in more modern terminology Easter.

Introduced into Christianity

But how and why did the Christianprofessing world accept this festival, knowing its heathen origin? The first three centuries after Christ reveal what transpired.

The true church, founded by Jesus Christ in 31 A.D., never kept Easter. Nor is such a festival kept by her today. Notice the words of a historian of the 3rd century, Socrates Scholasticus, "Neither the apostles, therefore, nor the Gospels have anywhere imposed . . . Easter" (Ecclesiastical History, v., 22). And again, "The first Christians continued to observe the Jewish festivals [that is, the festivals God gave to His people Israel], though in a new spirit, as commemorations of events which those festivals had foreshadowed" (Encyclopaedia Britannica, vol. 8, p. 828).

There was no holiday commemorating a resurrection, only a festival (the New Testament Passover) commemorating Christ's death. Notice what the historian Gieseler admits, "There is no trace of a yearly festival of a RESUR-RECTION among them" (Catholic Church, sect. 53, p. 178).

Instead of celebrating a resurrection or Easter festival — for which there was no Biblical injunction — the early Christians kept God's annual festival, the Passover. This yearly event commemorated the death of Christ. "The Jewish Christians [those who were Jews before conversion and others who commemorated Christ's death] in the early church continued to celebrate the Passover" (International Standard Bible Encyclopaedia, James Orr, p. 889).

This leaves no room for doubt. God's true Church never kept Easter, but instead commemorated Christ's death annually by observing the New Testament Passover. For full proof write for the free booklet, How Often Should We partake of the Lord's Supper?

As we come to the beginning of the second century, we find another church—claiming to represent Christ's true church. It introduced a new festival in place of the Passover. It called the unauthorised festival, the "feast of the resurrection."

But why was this new Sunday festival introduced on a day that doesn't even commemorate the resurrection? (If you want to know which day Jesus arose, write for our free booklet The Resurrection Was Not on Sunday, and also the companion article "The Crucifixion Was Not on Friday.")

During the first and second centuries, Italy was infiltrated en masse by people from the East—from Syria, Persia and Babylon. Often these Eastern people would come in the forms of slaves who would later gain their freedom and settle down in the West. At the same time large-scale immigrations took place. So great was the influx of these Eastern peoples that, by the time of Tacitus, famous first century Roman historian, many of Rome's military men and senators were actually of foreign, Oriental blood.

There was also a tendency during these times for philosophers from the East to travel westward, bringing their philosophy with them. Their powerful influence actually changed the religion of the Roman populace. This is how it happened. "Some of the most powerful divine invaders who came from the East to conquer the West were SOLAR DIVINITIES... These immigrants from the East... brought the religion of the SUN with them" (Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, Hastings, vol. 8, p. 59).

And one form of sun-worship they were very familiar with was a resurrection festival in the spring.

Now these Eastern immigrants settling in the West — with their appealing sun-worship — made a profound impression on the minds of the average Roman. Because of this and the fact that a large percentage of the population was already Eastern in origin, the professing Christian world thought of a scheme to add immense numbers to membership rolls.

Realising that a vast portion of the population in the Roman Empire was

familiar with sun-worship, it was decided to make use of the day these Easterners worshipped on — Sunday. There was instituted a resurrection feast — not to the *literal* sun, which the pagans worshipped, but supposedly in honour of the *true* Sun — Christ.

This Sunday festival was introduced in the mid second century. "Celebrated since the second century!" admits the King's English Encyclopaedia, page 424, referring to this Sunday feast.

Further: "There is also evidence in Irenaeus's language to Victor [Irenaeus was a second century writer and Victor became head of the church at Rome around 190 A. D.] that such an annual celebration [of the resurrection] was then general, and that it had been so AT LEAST FOR A GENERATION" (The Gospels as Historical Documents, Stanton, p. 192). This resurrection festival had not been kept from the beginning. It originated from men in the second century.

If we go back a generation from Victor, we come to the time when the "Passover Controversy" arose. The very fact that this controversy arose in the second century, and not before, shows the change took place at that time.

And true enough, the "Passover Controversy" started after Rome had instituted this new "resurrection festival." The Christians in Asia Minor were alarmed at the institution of a resurrection feast (for which there was no Biblical injunction) in place of the New Testament Passover. Throughout Asia Minor, voices of protest arose.

At the height of this controversy, leaders from both East and West met to settle the dispute, but without success. History has recorded for us the words of one church leader from Asia Minor. His name was Polycrates, living around the end of the second century. See Eusebius's *Ecclesiastical History*, sect. 5, chapter 24.

The Controversy soon abated, finally leaving the Western church victorious. (It was not until after Emperor Constantine in 325 A.D. forced all within his Empire to keep a resurrection feast on Sundays, that the keeping of the New Testament Passover on Nisan 14 of God's sacred calendar gradually ceased in Asia Minor.)

Heathen Become "Christians" Overnight

Introducing this new festival on the pagan day of Sunday paid dividends. The heathen populace of Rome quickly noticed the *similarity* of the newly introduced festival with their own spring festival in honour of their goddess.

As a result, they became Christians in droves. The church grew in number — speedily outgrowing all other rivals.

Since the goal during the time of her ascendancy and growth was to quickly attract new members, church leaders would often *meet the heathen half-way*. This lenient policy made it easier for the unconverted to become members.

In soliciting new members, the church would allow the unconverted populace to *retain* many of their heathen practices and beliefs — in a watered-down version.

For example, the church knew that many of the immigrants from the East were used to celebrating a heathen spring festival. So these heathen practices and festivals were given a Christian dressing. The newly converted were asked not to worship their pagan gods or goddesses on certain days, but rather to worship the true God and Saviour on these days. And the days chosen for these "Christianised" celebrations were usually the identical days on which the pagans worshipped their false gods on — not the days God ordained.

This compromise is admitted by the scholar, Aringhus. He mentions that the church "found it necessary, in the conversion of the Gentiles, to dissemble and WINK AT many things, and yield to the times" (See Taylor's Diegesis, p. 237).

Such compromise with the pagans gained "Christianity" vast numbers of converts. By the time of Constantine in 325 A.D., church leaders were able to influence the emperor to pass a decree forcing all within the Empire to keep this Sunday resurrection. Notice! "The Roman practice gained ground everywhere . . . and was established by the Council of Nicaea in 325 as the law of the whole church" (History of the Church, Schaff, vol. II., p. 218).

Simultaneously, it was strictly forbidden for any Christian to continue keeping the New Testament Passover. It was considered "Jewish." The pagans, now professing to be Christians, were left "free to develop a Christian philosophy of their own, better suited to the Gentile temperament" (History of Jewish Christianity, Schonfield, p. 54).

Forced Conversion

In the following centuries, as the culture of the Roman Empire expanded into Central Europe, the religion of the Roman Empire also spread into these areas. The policy of "converting" pagans continued. Whole heathen tribes were forced into "accepting Christ" and into accepting what was claimed to be His religion.

This policy was zealously carried out by the "Christian" emperors. Charlemagne (about 800 A.D.) was especially eager in bringing thousands of unconverted pagans into the fold of the church. Here is what he did.

After being crowned "Emperor" in 800 A.D., Charlemagne set out to subdue the German tribes living in the East. The western part of Europe, France, the Rhineland, and Italy, was already under his sway.

Defeating the unconverted Germans, he forced the German chiefs to be baptised with their entire people. At first king and subjects refused. But finally, seeing there was no choice, the defeated chiefs relented. Thus in one day, tens of thousands became "Christians."

Although these "newly converted" Germans resented the method used in their conversion, they soon found themselves right at home. Noticing especially the resurrection festival that was being kept on their own day of worship — Sunday — the new converts needed little persuasion to celebrate this so-called "Christian" spring festival, which was similar to what they had been used to in the worship of their spring goddess *Easter*.

As time passed, these former pagans—now "converted" — were not satisfied to merely observe a Sunday resurrection festival to Christ. They coveted and yearned for the beautiful but pagan embellishments which they were accustomed to observing.

Thus, in the process of time, they were influential in changing the name

from "resurrection festival" to Easter. But they didn't stop here. They further introduced into the Christian world more outright paganism. Soon, all of Western Europe was hunting for Easter eggs on this man-made, unbiblical festival. The Easter rabbit also became a symbol of fertility. Many even continued to rise early Sunday morning to face the sun in prayer. Campfires were lit each Saturday evening leading up to Easter. (And this is still done in parts of Germany. I have witnessed these fires on Saturday eve before Easter, myself.) Many pagan converts would also bake cakes called "hot-cross" buns and eat them at Easter. In due time these and other pagan spring rites were celebrated on Easter Sunday. Thus the manmade festival supposed to commemorate Jesus' resurrection, came to be embellished with more and more pagan-

The 20th Century

Now you might ask, "What difference does it make? Easter seems such an enjoyable festive occasion. Certainly no harm can come from its observance," you say?

Of course, if there is no God, then it makes no difference at all. If Christ is not alive, ruling this entire universe, and concerned with mankind, then it doesn't matter whether you keep this unauthorised, paganised Easter celebration.

But if you claim to be a Christian and believe religious beliefs and practices are to be founded on God's Word, then it does make a difference whether you keep Easter. Then it becomes a matter of obedience to Christ—doing and believing what He commands, without adding or taking away. God does not take lightly any attempt by man to either add or take away from what He has commanded (Deut. 4:2; Rev. 22:18).

But you might reason, "Well, I know Easter is of pagan origin. But after all, we don't worship pagan gods. Certainly God would understand."

If you really are a Christian and a believer in God, then notice God's instructions in regard to Easter. "When the Lord your God shall cut off the nations from before you, whither you go to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwelleth in their land [this parallels what happened when professing Christians went into Central Europe to convert the heathen]; take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them... and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying HOW DID THESE NATIONS SERVE THEIR GODS? EVEN SO WILL I DO LIKEWISE. THOU SHALT NOT DO SO UNTO THE LORD THY GOD!" (Deut. 12:29-31.)

Which course will you choose? Will you obey men? or God?

And — if you haven't already read it — write for the astounding free booklet on *Easter*. It will make the truth plain!

Tomorrow's Cities

(Continued from page 23) crease them with men like a flock" (Ezek. 36:34, 35, 37).

In the World Tomorrow, city dwellers aren't going to be crowded into small, crackerbox apartments with no backyards and almost no privacy. Instead, "They shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them" (Amos 9:14).

Imagine! Gardens in the city!—actually growing food! And imagine people interested in *having* a garden and working in it! With good food and sufficient exercise, fresh air and sunshine, city people will be robust and healthy instead of pallid and sickly.

Yes, the cities of the World Tomorrow are going to be far superior to anything on earth today. God promises: "And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better unto you than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I am the Lord" (Ezek. 36:11).

Jerusalem the Capital City

Today, Jerusalem is a botch on the face of the earth. But in just a few

short years it will be the *showcase* of the whole world. In the World Tomorrow it will be the world capital and the model city from which all other cities will get their example. It will be fabulous beyond description.

Jesus Christ, as Chief Ruler, will make His dwelling there. With Him will be many other high-ranking Spirit Rulers and assistants who will help Him administer God's World Government.

Here are a few highlights of what Jerusalem will be like then:

"Beantiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion [a part of Jerusalem], on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God is known in her palaces for a refuge" (Ps. 48:2-3).

"Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined" (Ps. 50:2).
"Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited" (Zech. 14:11).

"Jerusalem shall be inhabited as towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein" (Zech. 2:4).

The gates of Jerusalem will be open day and night (Isa. 60:11) so that the various peoples and nations can bring gold, silver and valuable materials into it. They will be richly blessed for doing this, and those who refuse will be "utterly wasted" (verse 12).

All kinds of rare woods will be brought "to beautify the place of my [God's] sanctuary; and I [God] will make the place of my feet glorious" (verse 13).

Jerusalem will be called "The city of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel" and it will be made "an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations" (verses 14-15).

"For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness. Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise" (verses 17-18).

"Thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city" (Isa. 1:26).

Truly, "Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God" (Ps. 87:3)!

Delegations from all nations will go up to Jerusalem to worship, to offer praise and thanksgiving, to be spiritually uplifted and inspired, and to receive instruction from God and His servants.

"Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together [skyscrapers]: whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces" (Ps. 122:3-7).

"It shall yet come to pass, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities: and the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the Lord, and to seek the Lord of Hosts: I will go also. Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the Lord of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the Lord" (Zech. 8:20-22).

This is what Jerusalem will be like in just a few short years!

Tomorrow's Cities and YOU

There is much, much more that could be said about Tomorrow's Cities. They will have for visitors delightful restaurants cheerfully and courteously serving sumptuous meals - without a sickening pall of cigarette smoke hanging heavy in the air. They will have no obscene and violent movies - only clean, wholesome, entertaining, educational films - all under supervision of God's government. They will present thrilling musical productions. They will have exciting recreational centers. They will have interesting, scintillating museums of art, science and natural history.

Cities ought to be places where people go to be intellectually challenged, to be mentally stimulated, to be socially invigorated, to be culturally enriched and to be spiritually inspired!

In the World Tomorrow, cities WILL BE this way.

The big question for you is, will you be there to enjoy it? Will you have a part in making these cities fabulous places for people to live?

The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

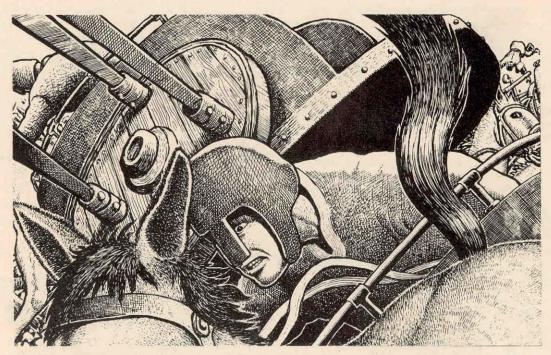
CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED ONE

MEN TRUST IN ARMIES

In a northern region not far from Mt. Hermon, David's soldiers—relying on themselves instead of God—had baited the Aramaeans into action. They boldly marched out on a flat plain where enemy chariots could easily mow down the Israelites. According to plan, the Israelites suddenly turned and ran to safety among nearby boulders. The chariots raced after them, and ran into an area of rocks that caused the speeding vehicles to bounce and careen wildly. A great number of them smashed together or tipped over, snapping off the deadly blades, throwing the drivers to the ground and yanking the horses onto their backs. Oncoming chariots crashed against the overturned ones. The whole detachment came to a violent halt as it sped into the region of small boulders over which the Israelites leaped in planned retreat. David's scheme to lure at least part of the chariots to their destruction had worked.

But the battle had hardly begun. The Syrian drivers and their armed riders lost no time in dispatching spears and arrows into the ranks of the Israelites, who halted their retreat as soon as the chariots were stopped. They turned on the outnumbered Syrians and wiped them out in a matter of minutes.

Many of the chariots of the rear ranks were turned back when the drivers realized what had happened. These stayed at a safe distance to await the arrival of their infantry, which was moving on the double toward the Israelites. Their morale was seriously shaken when they saw so many of their chariots cracking up. Thousands of foot soldiers on each side collided in the awesome din and frightful action of hand-to-hand combat. The Israelites soon realized that they were fighting men who were already partly conquered by a superstitious fear caused by the



Many of the Syrians' terrible, bladed chariots charged to destruction when they struck rocky ground.

tales they had heard of the strange powers of the God of Israel. (II Samuel 8:3.)

Because God was protecting them, almost all the Israelite soldiers escaped the weapons of their enemies. Soon the wide battlefield was scattered with the bodies of many Aramaeans. Hadadezer, the king of Zobah and commander of the Syrian or Aramaean forces, saw that it was useless to continue the fight. He tactfully withdrew a safe distance with some of his men, part of whom he sent on fast horses to nearby Damascus to ask the ruler of that city to send out soldiers as soon as possible against the Israelites.

So great was the defeat of the Zobahites that twenty thousand of their infantrymen were killed or captured by David's men. A large cavalry attack would have been very deadly under ordinary circumstances, but God intervened to cause the horses and their riders to panic during the battle. A thousand chariots and seven hundred horsemen and their horses were slain or taken captive. (II Samuel 8:4.) God had commanded Israel not to accumulate great numbers of war horses, lest they start depending upon war horses instead of upon God for protection. (Deuteronomy 17:16.) For that reason, David ordered the war horses should be killed and all the chariots should be torn apart except a hundred to be saved for use by the Israelites. Much metal was stripped from the chariots, as well as valuable trappings. (I Chronicles 18:3-4.)

All the rest of the day the Israelites took in the booty of war, including a wealth of items in the camp of Zobah, where they stayed that night. Meanwhile, David wondered where Hadadezer, the Zobahite king, had gone. A questioning of prisoners revealed he had been present until the tide of battle turned to favor the Israelites, and that there were many Syrian troops stationed in and around Damascus. David could only conclude that Hadadezer was away somewhere awaiting the arrival of more soldiers to move against the Israelites, and probably that very night!

Reinforcements Attack

David's expectation turned to reality. During the darkness of the early morning, thousands of Syrians moved silently up to the Israelites, whose inactivity caused the enemy to believe that they were in a state of deep sleep after a day of vigorous action. The Syrians were so certain that they were going to find the Israelites unprepared to fight that they suffered quite a shock when the Israelites leaped up, weapons in hand, and noisily charged into the intruders. The bloody result was that twenty-two thousand Syrians died at the hands of those whom they planned to kill in their beds. (II Samuel 8:5; I Chronicles 18:5.)

Next day David's men gathered more of the spoils of war. Many of the shields, collars and bracelets of the Syrians were made at least partly of gold. These were sent to Jerusalem as an offering of gratitude to God to add greatly to the wealth of Israel. The Israelite army then moved from one nearby city to another to seize from the Syrians thousands of pounds of valuable brass, a metal that was very necessary in both domestic and military use. At the same time David left many of his soldiers in that region to guard the borders of Canaan. As with the Moabites, a regular tribute was demanded from the Syrians, who preferred to pay rather than suffer the indignity of the Israelite troops overrunning their land. (II Samuel 8:6-8; I Chronicles 18:6-8.)

For the time being the Syrians (Aramaeans) had learned their lesson. Their punishment came because they had stolen grazing lands that God had formerly given to three tribes of Israel. (I Chronicles 5:3, 9-11, 18-23.)

It wasn't long before Toi, ruler of the nearby city of Hamath, heard about what had happened. He and Hadadezer were enemies and their armies were often at war. Toi was apparently pleased to know that the Israelites had overcome the Zobahites and Syrians, and to learn that Hadadezer's army wouldn't trouble him anymore. It would have been foolhardy for him to disapprove of Israel's occupation of northeastern Canaan. His only wise course was to cultivate friendship with the king of Israel.

Accordingly, he sent his son, Joram, to head a delegation to visit David and congratulate him on his latest triumphs in battle. To prove his father's friendship for the king of Israel, Joram presented David with a costly array of ornate bowls and vases made of brass, silver and gold. All these David added to the



After their victory over the Syrians, the Israelites took over the enemy camp to find many articles of great value.

special treasury being built from valuable articles taken from the subdued people of other nations. He hoped that this wealth would eventually be used to help build the temple for God. (II Samuel 8:9-12; I Chronicles 18:9-11.)

The triumphant wars against the nations pressing in against Israel caused David to be even more respected by his enemies as well as by his people. At last the promised land of Canaan was inhabited and held to all its borders by the people of Israel. Meanwhile, David worked toward establishing a just government. He retained in high offices men who were most capable. He was the kind of king who publicly and privately gave credit to his men when credit was due them, instead of trying to swing the honors his way. (II Samuel 8:15-18; I Chronicles 18:14-17.)

David Teaches Loyalty

Joab, although he had greatly roused David's anger in the past, was kept on as the general of the army of Israel. David had promised that office to anyone who could successfully lead troops into Jerusalem during the attack on that city by the Israelites, and Joab earned the reward. He was a capable military leader, though he was callous and loved violent action. With his brother, Abishai, who became next in rank under him, Joab carried out his duties well.

In the last battle of that particular time when the Israelites cleared out their enemies from southeast Canaan, it was Abishai who handled the troops. Their record was so notable that eighteen thousand Edomite soldiers were slain. (I Chronicles 18:12-13; II Samuel 8:13-14.) God uses all kinds of people to carry out His many plans. But His true servants must be obedient to the Creator's physical and spiritual laws.

David's desire to be fair in matters of government led him to wonder if there were any of Saul's family who were still living. If there were, it was the king's desire to help them for the sake of the memory of Saul's son Jonathan, who was David's closest friend when he was a very young man employed by Saul as a musician and armor bearer. (II Samuel 9:1.)

Eventually a man was brought to Jerusalem who had been a servant in Saul's employ. From him David learned, to his surprise, that Jonathan had a son named Mephibosheth who was living with a kind and hospitable man named Machir in the town of Lo-debar east of the Jordan River.

"How could it be that I have never known that my friend Jonathan had such a son?" David asked the man who had been brought to him.

"He was only five years old when his father died," answered Saul's former servant. "During those years, sir, my master caused you to be an outcast. You could hardly be expected to keep abreast of such matters. Of course Jonathan's son is still only a young man."

"But the grandson of a king can't ordinarily escape the public eye," David observed. "It's difficult for me to understand why I never heard of him."

"Probably it's because his legs weren't normal," was the answer. "Because of childhood injuries, he couldn't take part in games and contests with other youngsters of his age. He doesn't get out in public places very often."

"Send men at once to Lo-debar to bring Mephibosheth here," David instructed some of his servants after a few moments of reflection. "But say nothing to him about why I want him."

Days later, when Mephibosheth was brought to Jerusalem, he limped into David's court and prostrated himself before the king.

"I am your servant, sir!" he muttered fearfully. "I shall willingly do whatever you ask if only you will tell me what I have done to offend you!" (II Samuel 9:2-6.) "Bring this man a comfortable chair," David whispered to an aide. After Mephibosheth was seated, David spoke to him in an assuring voice, "Don't be afraid. You haven't offended me, nor are you here to be troubled in any way. You were brought here so that I might honor you!"

A Pauper Prince Honored

"What reason would you have to do that?" Mephibosheth asked. "Surely I am nothing more than a dead dog to you."

"You mean much to me," David replied. "I want to show you special respect because Jonathan, your father, was my closest friend. I didn't know till lately that you exist, but now that I've found you, I want you to receive the property that belonged to Saul, your grandfather." David knew one should be loyal to old friends. (Proverbs 17:17; 18:24; 27:10.)

Mephibosheth stared unbelievingly at David. All his life he had been dependent on others to support him. His possessions included little more than the clothes he was wearing, but now he was being offered valuable farmland and a fine home!

"Thank you, sir," he said after a pause of several moments, "but I couldn't accept all that. I've done nothing to deserve it. Besides, I'm not able to move about very well, and I couldn't succeed even in taking care of the buildings, to say nothing of farming the land." (II Samuel 9:7-8.)

David turned and said something to an aide. Ziba, the servant of Saul who had disclosed Mephibosheth's existence, soon entered the room.

"Mephibosheth, Jonathan's son," David told Ziba, "should receive Saul's property, and I want you and your family and servants to assume all the duties that should be carried out to make the estate productive for Mephibosheth and for you and all who will live or work there."

Ziba was obviously pleased by these arrangements. He had fifteen sons who were capable of working. He also had twenty servants whom he wished to keep employed.

"It is my pleasure to carry out your will, sir," Ziba said, bowing. "Mephibo-sheth will want for nothing."

"Now how can you refuse all that?" David smiled at Mephibosheth. "Surely you have no other reason to reject these things."

The young man was overwhelmed. He profusely thanked David, who was pleased at the opportunity to do something for Jonathan's son. Mephibosheth sent for his wife, and they were very comfortable in their new home. To make life more pleasant, God blessed them with a son whom they named Micha. The three

of them were treated as royalty, and were often invited to David's house for dinner and other social occasions. (II Samuel 9:9-13.)

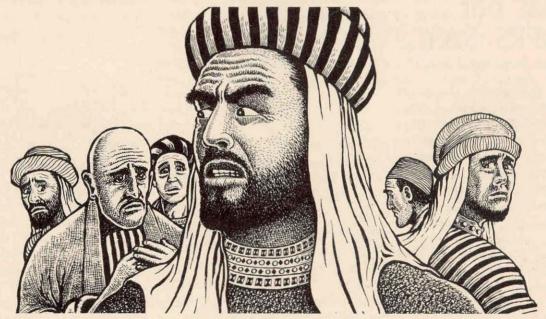
A Friend Insulted

Shortly after the war with the Syrians, David was informed that the king of the Ammonites had died. The Bible doesn't mention what connection David had with this man, but obviously he had in some way befriended David, possibly during the time he had sought refuge from Saul outside Canaan. David wanted the king's son, Hanun, to know that the king of Israel was sorry to hear of the death of his father. Several emissaries were sent with gifts to the land of the Ammonites east of the Dead Sea to deliver David's message of sympathy. (II Samuel 10:1-2; I Chronicles 19:1-2.)

Hanun graciously received the Israelites, but after they had been taken to guest quarters for a night of rest before starting back to Jerusalem, some of the young Ammonite chiefs who were unfriendly toward the Israelites came to talk to Hanun.

"If the king of Israel ever cared anything about your father, he is only using it as an excuse to send spies here," they told Hanun. "These men with gifts are surely looking our city over so that they can take back information. It means that Israel is planning to attack us soon!"

Hanun was troubled by this opinion. By next morning he decided that the



Hanun, king of the Ammonites, was angry with his advisors because they had talked him into insulting the Israelites.

chiefs were probably right, and he gave orders to arrest the Israelites. Each man's beard was half removed, and their robes were whacked off almost to their waists. In that condition they were sneeringly told to go back to Jerusalem and tell David that his attempt to spy on the Ammonites was as ridiculous as his emissaries would look when they returned.

News of this insulting act somehow reached David before the embarrassed emissaries could reach the Jordan River. David sent men to bring them new clothes at the site of the wrecked city of Jericho. The emissaries were told to remain there until their beards were evenly grown out.

Meanwhile Hanun also received some news that caused him to hastily call together the rash Ammonite chiefs who had talked him into mistreating the Israelites. (I Samuel 10:3-5; I Chronicles 19:3-5.)

"I made a deadly mistake when I listened to you men," he angrily told them. "If king David had no previous intention of attacking us, he has reason to now. He is very angry. So are thousands of Israelites, and here we are with hardly enough fighting men to be called an army!"

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What our READERS SAY

(Continued from inside front cover)

in the TRUE knowledge on this subject. In fact, they have rejected it and are totally ignorant of it. I am thankful that I can understand it. Now I must do what is required of me to reach that stage in which one is worthy of receiving the gift of eternal life."

Gary M. J., Rochester, Washington

• Read Acts 2:38 — that's the outline of the requirements.

Evolution

"Would it be plausible to send all evolutionists on a picnic? This would afford them an opportunity to make objective observations of the behavior of ants. Which human general has been so successful in organizing his soldiers, or accomplishing his objective

as the ant? It is doubtful that the sandwich has been made which the ant cannot conquer. Anyone who attributes an ant's sandwich-snatching ability to coincidence just doesn't picnic enough. No sir, it's gotta be planned!"

Mrs. Aubrey L., Birmingham, Alabama

Growing-Up Pains

"I am writing this letter for two reasons: First: to tell you how thrilled I am with The PLAIN TRUTH; and secondly: to ask for more literature. The reason I am thrilled is because I am only 12 years old and can't afford a magazine subscription price. Now that I've read The PLAIN TRUTH I'd rather have it than any other magazine anyway. Just today I was over at a friend's house with another boy. . . . So I asked one boy how I could get a few more boys to like me. Was I ever shocked when he replied calmly, 'Swear a little.' That's just one out of a bunch of ways everyone has shown me that if you obey what Jesus said everybody's going to think you are a NUT!"

> Boy, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada

• The important thing is — whose opinion COUNTS? Man's, or God's? They called Christ some terrible names, too, but He continued to obey God, regardless!

"Will you please send me the Bible Correspondence Course. I am 92 years old, and have been listening to *The* World Tomorrow for several years on Station KWJJ, Portland, Oregon."

Mrs. Mabel B. P., Portland, Oregon

"Lately my parents have been getting The Plain Truth, but sometimes we kids' don't even get to see it. It seems like they never get done with it. So I would like you to please send it to me."

Boy, Spokane, Washington

• You meant, "get through with it," and here it is.

BUILD THE CHARACTER OF A KING

Behind every great nation or institution is one or more men of strong CHARACTER. Here are vital "keys" found in these men of character — keys that will make possible SUCCESS and LEADERSHIP for those that possess and use them!

by Roderick C. Meredith

OUNTLESS men of ability, intelligence, personality and training have failed to achieve success.

Why?

Time, chance, circumstance, and "bad breaks" are often assumed to be the cause. But they are not the real answers. The heart of the problem is LACK OF CHARACTER!

Cause of Tragedies

You have heard of the rising young executive who begins hitting the bottle and completely shatters a promising business career almost in its infancy. You've heard about the "happy" family and civic leader who suddenly *loses* everything through a clandestine affair with a woman young enough to be his own daughter.

And the junior executive who suddenly jumps the tracks, begins embezzling company or bank funds, gets caught and ends up in OBLIVION or perhaps a *suicide*. These human tragedies failed to keep their eyes on the goal.

What is Your GOAL?

Any intelligent, thinking person wants to be a success—perhaps a leader in his chosen field. Yet most people have not known how. Perhaps you were taught that, when it comes to religion, you sort of get your mind out of gear, think sentimental thoughts and hope to "get saved" through some emotional experience and "roll around heaven all day." Maybe you were taught that there is nothing to do. Nothing to accomplish, nowhere else to go except sit around in heaven, lis-

ten to harp music and perhaps gaze on the face of the Lord.

Nonsense!

The God of your Bible says true Christians are training to be LEADERS in the World Tomorrow! We are training to help RULE this earth with and under Jesus Christ and to help straighten things out!

Jesus said to His apostles: "I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my father hath appointed unto me; that ye may... sit on thrones judging [RULING] the twelve tribes of Israel" (Luke 22:29-30).

In the little-understood parable of the pounds, Jesus showed that those who "overcome" the most — using his strengths and abilities and yielding them to God — will be given RULER-SHIP. For God will tell him: "Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities" (Luke 19:17). The other man who grew and developed spiritually and used his physical talents as well in the right way was given authority over *five cities* since he did overcome only half as much.

Jesus foretold good news: "He that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron..." (Rev. 2:26-27; see also Rev. 5:10.)

The man who "overcomes," who disciplines himself and develops character, is the one whom God will use as an instrument under Christ to help rule the earth in the world tomorrow. God can always add mental ability and

strength. But character cannot be manufactured or artificially produced — it is something we must willingly develop now as free moral agents under God.

Here, then, are SEVEN KEYS to building the character of the kind of RULER God will bless and use—the character of a KING.

I. Humility and the Fear of GOD

Remember King Farouk? He was the ruler of Egypt a few years ago. He had ability and personality - but very little character. He began a wild spree through the nightclubs of Europe and the Middle East. He overindulged. He let things go at home - indulging his "court favorites" with certain lavish gifts and opportunities but misusing the resources of the nation in so doing. The people had liked his personality and ability. But not the lack of character. Farouk was overthrown in a familiar Middle Eastern "coup." An interim government came into power - evolving into the present Egyptian Government under Gamal Abdel Nasser.

A current example is the deposing of Premier Sukarno in Indonesia. Although working hard and fighting valiantly in the revolution just after the second World War, Sukarno soon went soft and began the familiar merry-goround of wine, women and song. His indulgences blinded his eyes to many realities of political life. And now he, too, has been overthrown—the government currently in the hands of General Suharto of the armed forces.

Both of these fallen rulers were noted for their swagger and vanity when they were in power. They preened and strutted. They lacked real humility, or any fear of the true God of the Bible!

To have a lasting and prosperous reign, any king, ruler or leader MUST learn the lesson of humility. Your Bible says: "When pride cometh, then cometh shame" (Prov. 11:2).

Again, "Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall" (Prov. 16:18).

By contrast, God's Word says: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of WISDOM" (Prov. 9:10). A man who comes to have a deep awe and respect for his Creator is just "beginning" to acquire the basis for real wise and understanding decisions. For he will be basing all of his plans and programs on the ultimate REALITY! This entire mixed-up world is soon going to learn that lesson!

To know the true God of Creation, the God of the Bible, is the basis for all right thinking and judgment. It will help keep you properly HUMBLE. It will make you realize that you are just a little ant on a ball out in space we call the earth. You will quit playing "God" and wake up to reality.

Think of Yourself as a Servant

Jesus Christ said: "Whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted" (Mat. 23:12). Jesus showed that one who surrenders his will to God, who humbles the self and thinks only of being a servant of God and fellowman - that man will be blessed, used as an instrument in the hands of his Creator, and empowered ultimately with eternal life and a spirit body. This is getting into deep water, perhaps, for some of you new readers. But if you would like to follow through on this, write immediately for our free and challenging booklet, Why Were You Born?

The apostle Paul wrote: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, [or, 'emptied himself'], and took upon himself the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men' (Phil. 2:5-7).

Too few understand this tremendous example of the willingness of Jesus Christ to "empty himself" of His divine power and glory in order to die for humanity. Very soon now, ALL THE EARTH will come to grasp and understand that because of this willingness to GIVE of Himself — to HUMBLE Himself — Jesus has qualified not only as our High Priest but as the KING OF KINGS and RULER over all nations!

This is the very basis of the character the true God demands of every leader and king! Even in this present man-made society, this living spiritual principle operates. Those who yield to excess pride and vanity soon "fall" into utter oblivion and disgrace. Those who resist the temptation come out on top.

II. GOD'S Standard of Right and Wrong

Several years ago, McCall's magazine ran a very interesting and very important article showing WHY American prisoners of war in the Korean War often became "turncoats." Many turned against their own fellow prisoners or just "gave up" and died through lack of the will to live. It was an article which went to the very ROOT CORE of American society and its foundations.

This article brought out the fact that the Army Intelligence, in reviewing these cases, pointed up the *vital neces-*sity of CHARACTER TRAINING in the home and in the school.

A high army official stated: "Because of this the army would like to see every American parent, teacher and clergyman work to give our children...a firm regard for RIGHT and an abiding distaste for WRONG." He continued: "By the time a young man enters the army he should possess a set of sound moral values and the strength of CHARACTER to live by them" (emphasis ours).

But what constitutes "right"? What do we mean by "wrong"?

The answers to these questions present a gigantic PROBLEM to American society — indeed to all the world! Modern, "progressive" educators, psychologists and even clergymen say there are no absolute values. They teach that all truth is relative, that God may, in fact, be "dead"!

Even the Communists can sense our lack of spiritual principles and dedication to a common ideal! Notice this startling revelation from the Red Chinese Chief of Intelligence regarding Americans captured during the Korean War: "The American soldier has weak loyalty to his family, his community, his country, his religion and to his fellow soldier. His concepts of right and wrong are HAZY. Opportunism is easy for him. He himself feels frightened and INSECURE... He fails to appreciate the meaning of, and the necessity for, any form of DISCIPLINE."

Although this comes from Godless Communists, are we willing to stare this looking glass right in the face and ADMIT the truth about our materialistic, confused Western society?

Don't kid yourself! It is not just the American soldier, but nearly every man in the street in America, in Britain, in this whole Western world, whose concepts of right and wrong are "hazy"! Hazy concepts are virtually no concepts at all! They leave the door wide open for lust and lawlessness.

The Bible Is SPECIFIC

God says: "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of DEATH" (Prov. 14:12). Yes, the way that "seems" right to human reason usually leads man to his own destruction.

Men need to learn that there is a Great God who sets the standard of right and wrong. He has not left it up to us to decide what the right way is, but only WHETHER we will obey His laws and ways!

God does NOT say: "Worship God according to the dictates of your conscience." Or, "Worship in the church of your choice." Or, "Do the best you can and it will all work out somehow."

Yet supposedly educated people in our society have accepted these vague, irrational, unreasonable, contradictory platitudes!

What is God's way, God's character, God's love? "For this is the love of God, that we KEEP HIS COMMAND-MENTS: and his commandments are not grievous" (I John 5:3). From Genesis to Revelation we find that God's LAW—summarized in the Ten Command-

ments—is the WAY OF LIFE. He ordained the Law for man's own good, to guide him in developing the very nature and CHARACTER of God.

If all men had this kind of character, there would be no wars, no murders, no robberies, no lies, no disobedience to parents, no vanity and lust — virtually NO UNHAPPINESS! For a full explanation of this tremendous spiritual principle, write for our extremely challenging and informative free booklet, The Ten Commandments.

God's definition of "right" is keeping His Commandments. But what do we mean by "wrong"? What is "sin"?

The specific Bible definition of sin—with which all other Scriptures plainly agree—is found in I John 3:4: "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin Is the TRANSGRESSION OF THE LAW."

How clear!

We see that righteousness is KEEP-ING God's Law as summarized in the Ten Commandments. "Wrong" or sin is BREAKING that same eternal, moving, inexorable spiritual Law!

True character is based on obedience to the broad spiritual principles of God's Law. Here, in general terms, is a good basic definition of true character—"True character involves the capacity and willingness to find what is right, the will to choose the right way, then the strength of will to resist all other actions and impulses and DO what is right."

Learn God's standard of right and wrong. Live by it. Then you will be fit to rule and LEAD in your own family, your business and chosen profession — and you will certainly have a vital part in the government of Almighty God in The World Tomorrow!

III. Practice Wise and Impartial Judgment

Any king or leader of men will be watched by his followers as to his complete fairness and impartiality in judgment. Nothing can harm morale more than the discovery that a leader is hypocritically accepting bribes, playing favorites or resorting to some other similar stratagem.

True wisdom — pointed out in a previous article in this series — is per-

haps the most important single policy of a great leader. Such a man will constantly have to be making decisions—and that calls for wisdom. God says: "Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety" (Prov. 11:14). Most people don't really want "counsel." They want their own way!

However, a real leader of men must learn to exercise the character to seek and accept wise counsel in any important matter. And he must be completely fair and impartial in the decision or action he may take. "These things also belong to the wise. It is not good to have respect of persons in judgment" (Prov. 24:23).

In the second volume of his autobiography, *The Public Years*, Bernard Baruch states: "But even when we discover basic truths about human affairs, it is another thing to overcome human failings—the greed, hatred, sloth, or whatever it is that keeps us from acting on those truths. In a laboratory, men follow truth wherever it may lead. In human relations, men have a supreme talent for ignoring truth, and denying facts they do not like."

Powerful words, those!

So in your own life, your family and your business, learn to be *impartial* and fair. Learn to get ALL the facts. Learn to get wise counsel. Learn to admit your own mistakes. Then act on the TRUTH with fairness and mercy!

IV. Exercise Strength and Determination

A real "leader" is one who LEADS. You cannot just "hand" a man authority and expect him to lead and dominate over others automatically. He must have built into his character the strength, the leadership and determination to properly direct others and command their respect.

Many times, he may have to make hard and unpleasant decisions. But make them he must. And he must see that they are carried out.

A great leader must have the strength of will to DOMINATE in any crucial situation to guide the affairs of his family, company, institution or nation in the *right way*.

An outstanding example of this is

recorded in the book, Churchill, by Lord Moran. Lord Moran writes of Sir Winston Churchill: "What his critics are apt to forget is that you cannot measure inspiration. That is why it is not easy to bring home to the military hierarchy the list of assets which easily tilt the balance in his favor: The strength of will that has bent all manner of men to his purpose; the extraordinary tenacity - the Americans call obstinacy - with which he clings for months and if need be for years, to his own plans; the TERRIFIC FORCE OF PERSONALITY that can brush aside all doubts and hesitations, and sweep away inertia, refusing to listen when weaker men begin to whine about difficulties; above all else, the superb confidence he exuded in 1940" (emphasis ours).

This "terrific force of personality" and the strength of will exerted by Churchill was undoubtedly a major factor in literally saving Western civilization only a few short years ago!

Disdaining his own doubts, fears and hesitations, every truly great leader must exercise this type of character!

V. Practice Patience and Mercy

Any man who deals with the lives and fortunes of others needs a great deal of patience. For everyone has human nature, and each of us must be patient with the other.

We must also be merciful. Even the so-called "Lord's prayer" records this important principle: "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: but if you forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses" (Mat. 6:14-15).

God's Word instructs us: "He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoreth him hath mercy on the poor" (Prov. 14:31).

Again: "He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honor" (Prov. 21:21).

A man with a "big heart," a man who is big enough to forgive and forget, to care for and help the downtrodden—this type of leader inspires deep and lasting loyalty in those who serve him. A recent book brings out that George Washington, Father of the

American Republic, exemplified this trait in many ways. During the Revolutionary War he encountered a number of British Redcoats defending themselves fiercely, and he cried: "See how those noble fellows fight!" But after the battle, he found a wounded British soldier being set upon and robbed by American stragglers. Furious, Washington drove the thugs away and ordered a soldier to stand guard over the bleeding Redcoat until he could be moved to camp.

Later, as President, he was often visited by former comrades-in-arms, old soldiers having a hard time. Though constantly plagued by a shortage of cash, Washington always gave each soldier a warm reception and there was a standing order in the kitchen that each veteran was to be served a good meal and sent away with a few dollars.

Any great leader must develop this capacity for understanding, for mercy, and for forgiving the minor faults and irritations of others. "For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath showed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment" (James 2:13).

VI. Practice Diligence and Self-Discipline

Once the nation begins to flourish or the business begins to prosper, it is all too easy for the man at the helm to let down, begin to "take it easy," and give way to human lust and vices. A great leader must so discipline himself that this NEVER happens!

God says: "The hand of the *diligent* shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute" (Prov. 12:24). The man who works hard and produces — this man is going to end up "in charge." But the man who lets down and is lazy will soon find his job taken by others.

Again, "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that RULETH his spirit than he that taketh a city" (Prov. 16:32). For the sake of his position—and as an example to his followers—a true leader must learn to discipline himself in what he eats and drinks, how much time he spends away from the job in recreational activities, the kind of companionship he keeps, the kind of spiritual

character he is and portrays to others.

Nearly every great nation or institution is merely the length and shadow of one man. People follow their leaders! If a king is a drunken womanchaser, so will his subjects be. If the head of a company or family is irresponsible, lazy and given to personal indulgence, so will be his employees and his family!

We see all around us today the socalled "new freedom" — freedom to BREAK God's Laws, to DESPISE all human law and constituted authority, to "get something for nothing," to justify sexual promiscuity, lying and cheating and even homosexuality.

Bernard Baruch — famous "counsellor of presidents" — sums up a supreme lesson all of us in this modern world desperately need to learn: "This is the test of SELF-DISCIPLINE. Even when we know what is right, too often we fail to act... we blame the nation's troubles on others.... But it is far more likely that we will find the source of our national trials in our own failure as individuals to DISCIPLINE OURSELVES to do what the nation's well-being demands" (emphasis ours).

Through God's help, learn to MASTER yourself — your own selfishness, lust and vanity. Self-mastery comes first — the opportunity to lead and direct others follows as a result.

VII. Have LOVE for God and Fellowman

Finally, the sincere feeling of outgoing concern, compassion and LOVE for others is an absolute must in the character of anyone who would be a real leader or king.

Jesus Christ said: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if you have LOVE one to another" (John 13:35). His entire life and ministry was a continual example of love and service. In the end, He GAVE His very life to redeem human beings to their God.

Throughout history and throughout life, the lesson is indelibly written that a man who does not have sincere love for others will never command their deep loyalty, respect and obedience. They may be cowered into fear, goaded on through greed and avarice in antic-

ipation of the spoils, but when the going gets rough it is LOVE which truly binds together the right kind of family, the true Church of God, the right kind of nation or people.

Coupled with humility and the fear of God, guided by GoD's standard of right and wrong, inspired by wise and impartial judgment, empowered by strength and determination, tempered by patience and mercy, protected by diligence and self-discipline, this outgoing LOVE will lead any father and head of his family, any company president, any team captain, any national leader to GIVE and SERVE unselfishly those who share with him in the common task, trials and blessings.

If you would truly build GoD's kind of character, then ask, seek, cry out and then yield yourself to EXERCISE this kind of love in your life and in your relations with others and with Almighty God! There is NOTHING more important. For this kind of love is far from a religious platitude. It is a living, abiding, moving, active spiritual principle which is as real as tomorrow, as active as the law of gravity, as eternal as God Himself.

To be a *leader*, a *servant* of your fellowman, and a KING in The World Tomorrow, *think on* and LIVE by these things.



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theory of EVOLUTION. Evolution, as such, may never be so much as mentioned! Yet the ideas and conclusions drawn — if any — are approached from this concept.

The only true FOUNDATION of all knowledge is the Word of God! It truly makes sense — once you understand it! And of course any good mind could understand. That is, if the hostility to the all-knowing God who inspired it were put down — if one came to a repentant and believing attitude.

Here at Ambassador College, we have learned that truth! Few, indeed, in *this* world's education, look on the Bible as a source of KNOWLEDGE — of EDU-CATION! Yet it is the only true BASIC source!

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Dear Sir:

Have you ever wondered what the subscription rate would be for *The* PLAIN TRUTH *IF* you did charge for it? I thought about it—and, the rate would be staggering.

For example — the PT is surely a

review of the current news that can be found in the U.S. News & World Report, Time, and Newsweek. Subscription to these would run around \$25 per year. In addition a couple newspaper subscriptions would be needed to balance out today's haps and mishaps, so add \$15 more.

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Migrations

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weather begins to set in. The Tern
grows restless. He's cold. He's also hungry — since all the insect population
seems to have disappeared, and the fish
and tiny crustaceans he feeds on are all
frozen solid, under the ice — or have
long ago left for the warmer waters.

He decides to leave. But, alas, he hasn't stored up any body fat for the journey. He didn't know he should! After all — he's never "migrated" before!

So he turns southward, looking for warmer climates. But he's never done this before — is a complete novice. So, halfway across the Atlantic Ocean, he "runs out of gas" (body fat) and plummets down into the sea, and drowns.

Or, if evolutionists would say this is impossible — since there *are* still Terns with us today — and somehow they *have* survived in SPITE of their migrations — let's assume he DIDN'T drown.

Let's assume he just became hopelessly lost, and has become known as the "great circle" bird. A strange creature that keeps flying around and around and around in "great circles" in the middle of the Atlantic.

But this would be preposterous, might the evolutionist say — no bird would be that crazy. But why, then didn't the Terns stop when they found warmer climates? Why did they keep right on going, to the frigid shores of Antarctica to "winter" there?

Some have speculated it's because they like the sunlight. But why didn't the Tern just turn into a Ptarmigan (there are such birds in the high arctic tundra!) and stay where he was?

But let's assume the very first Tern overcame ALL these many obstacles.

When he arrived in Antarctica (a feat even a modern jet, with its vast array of electronic instruments must be very careful to achieve) — how did he know when to return to the north?

What if the first birds had left the north too late — and froze before they left?

What if they became hopelessly confused, and migrated to the Hawaiian Islands instead?

And, anyway, why couldn't a Tern turn before he arrived in Antarctica? Eight thousand miles, just to turn around? That's getting ridiculous!

Obviously, migrations CANNOT be the result of "natural selection."

First, if the birds didn't migrate un-



Migration-Schmigration! Why didn't we just stay where we were and evolve into penguins?

til they HAD to, then they only migrated when conditions involving wind, weather, food and habitat FORCED them to. And if that's true (which it isn't) they didn't need to migrate anywhere NEAR so far, over such DIF-FICULT routes - NOR DID THEY EVER NEED TO RETURN.

If all birds are only seeking pleasanter habitat - then all birds must live ONLY in the temperate zones, and are found nowhere else! But that isn't true, either.

And, after all - why migrate?

Why not just become a penguin, and quit flying, altogether?

No, evolution has no answer for bird

migrations - just as they have no answer for the origin of MATTER, or the origin of LIFE, or the purpose and meaning of life!

It's time you saw the real fallacies of evolution — time you faced squarely the ONLY ALTERNATIVE, that GOD DOES EXIST, and you can prove it!

Evolution Admits How Improbable It Is

The famed evolutionist, Julian Huxley, seemed to believe the more FAN-TASTICALLY IMPROBABLE — the more incredibly UNBELIEVABLE was some "chance" occurrence — the more logical it DID OCCUR.

Mr. Huxley explained how "natural selection" can keep protective coloration up to the mark, such as turning moths black in industrial areas, and how it produces resistance to pesticides and chemicals in bacteria and insects; BUT, he asks, "what about really elaborate improvements? Can it ["natural selection"] transform a reptile's leg into a bird's wing, or turn a monkey into a man? How can a blind and auto-MATIC SIFTING PROCESS LIKE A SELEC-TION, OPERATING ON A BLIND AND UN-DIRECTED PROCESS LIKE MUTATION, produce organs like the EYE or the BRAIN, with their almost incredible complexity and delicacy of adjustment?" (Emphasis mine throughout.)

Notice it, this famous evolutionist quite plainly states some of the great DOUBTS involved in the theory of evolution. He asks HOW CAN the processes of evolution cause such intricate, marvelous mechanisms as we see all about us - and with which we see, and think?

His answer? Notice it carefully! "How CAN chance produce elaborate design? In a word, are you not asking us to believe too much? The answer is NO: all this is not too much to believe, once one has grasped the way the process operates."

Remarkable, isn't it?

Evolution admits over and over again the "way the process operates" the "How" of evolutionary thought is a vast MYSTERY!

Yet, after informing us as to the utter improbability of such a marvelous mechanism as a bird's wing, or a man's brain, or the eye ever having evolved we are simply told to BELIEVE IT. Once, that is, we have "grasped the way the process operates."

But evolutionists do NOT "grasp" the way the process operates - not at all!

Notice this further admission of the utter incredibility of any ACTUAL evolutionary process taking place.

The evolutionists themselves admit the mathematical impossibility of this happening by "chance." For instance, the "chances" that such "evolutionary" steps really could have occurred are said to be ONE "chance" in A THOUSAND TO THE MILLIONTH POWER! But even this is only an arbitrary figure, seized

upon and utilized, rather than actually proved. One chance in a thousand to a millionth power? What that means is staggering.

Said the evolutionist, "A thousand to the millionth power, when written out, becomes the figure one with three million noughts after it: and that would take three large volumes of about five hundred pages each, JUST TO PRINT! Actually this is a meaninglessly large figure, but it shows what a degree of improbability natural selection has to surmount, and CAN CIRCUMVENT [GET AROUND!!]. One with three million noughts after it is the measure of the unlikeliness of a horse — the odds against it happening at all!"

How would you like to "bet" against such "odds"?

"No one would bet on anything so improbable happening," said the evolutionist, "AND YET IT HAS HAPPENED." Or so we are told!

But what CAUSED such a phenomenal occurrence as a horse? Did God Al-MIGHTY CREATE it? Not so — claim the evolutionists, "It has happened, thanks to the workings of NATURAL SELECTION and the properties of living substance which make natural selection inevitable!" (Evolution in Action, Julian Huxley, p. 42.)

The "FAITH" in Nothing

Such faith in "natural selection" which seems almost "godlike" in evolutionary thought is found continually in evolutionary books.

First, you are told of the brain-defying, imagination-defeating, incomprehensible, unbelievable, impossible proportions of such a thing occurring at all, and then you're told you MUST BELIEVE it, or you are "UNINFORMED"!

Notice another salient quotation — illustrating the kind of "intellectual pressure" to which the average layman is subjected, "No informed persons doubt any more that the many animal types that inhabit the earth today are the results of a long process of evolution" (*Animal Behavior*, LIFE NATURE LIBRARY, Niko Tingergen, pages 171-172).

How can evolutionists be so POSI-

Listen! "To understand How this

evolution has happened is one of the major tasks of biology. The course which evolution MUST HAVE TAKEN has been deduced mainly from the study of fossils." (*Ibid.*)

But how much do evolutionists really know about these UNBELIEVABLE processes from their study of fossils? Listen again, "Fossils provide the student of animal structure with a kind of direct, although very fragmentary, historical documentation.

"Unfortunately, fossils do not behave, and so WE HAVE NO DIRECT KNOWLEDGE of the course behavioral evolution has followed in the past." (Ibid.)

How about that?

The course evolution MUST have taken (though improbable to the chances of one in one with three million noughts after it) are "deduced" from the study of FOSSILS.

But fossils are only very "FRAGMEN-TARY" evidence. Therefore, evolutionists admit they have NO DIRECT KNOWL-EDGE of the course evolution has followed.

Yet they remain CONVINCED IT DID OCCUR!

That's FAITH for you. Faith in fragmentary, *missing* "evidence." Faith in NOTHING.

But not all biologists have such empty faith. Said one, Edwin Conklin, "The probability of life originating from accident is comparable to the probability of the unabridged dictionary resulting from an explosion in a print shop!"

But God says you can have faith in WHAT YOU CAN SEE! He says LOOK at the physical creation all around you, and thereby UNDERSTAND about the "invisible" things of God!

The Faith IN BILLIONS OF TONS OF EVIDENCE!

God says only the FOOL has said in his heart, there is no God! There is NO EXCUSE for believing in evolution—and there is NO EVIDENCE whereby it may be proved!

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who HOLD BACK [margin] the truth in unrighteousness; because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shown it unto them.

"For the invisible things of Him God's INVISIBLE power, HIS LAWS, HIS PURPOSE being worked out here below? from the creation of the world [by looking at the material creation] are CLEARLY SEEN [evidence; measurable, tangible, obvious PROOF!] being understood by the things that are made [by observing the heavens, the solar system, the earth, the vastly different, myriads of creatures with their interdependency on each other, their life cycles, their habits, their unexplainable instincts!], even His Eternal power and Godhead; so that they ARE WITHOUT EXCUSE" (Romans 1:18-20).

Creation stands PROVED! The warmth, humor, love and kindliness of God is all around us, known by being alert to observe the myriads of creatures. He has so carefully designed. Known by studying the breathtaking MARVELS of His great creation — being in AWE of it, gasping in amazement at the many little creature habits we take so casually for granted.

Evolutionists have pulled *blinders* over the eyes of millions — made them see only blind, senseless, purposeless, decident — caprice, in this marvelous world of ours — and even in our own personal existence!

Evolutionists claim to deal in "knowledge." They claim to stand for only what they can PROVE. They say they use the "tools" of science — those of observation, measurement, experiment. But, in reality, they wish the layman to leave all the questions to them, saying, in effect, "You needn't bother yourself about worrying about evolution — we have all the facts; we know it's true!"

But actually, they admit they DON'T KNOW! Then *still* they say you're UN-INFORMED if you don't have the same blind faith in LACK OF EVIDENCE THEY have!

But evolution does not stand the test of truth. Millions are the TONS of positive, incontrovertible, incontestable, unanswerable, PROOFS of the existence of your God — and you can have FAITH in that!

PROPHECY COMES alive

WORLDWEWS

S PAIN is suddenly moving closer to the Common Market!

The six-member German-dominated European Economic Community has agreed to offer Spain a "partial association" arrangement. Under the ruling, Spain — which has been knocking on the EEC door for months — would be given certain customs preferences in the prosperous trade bloc.

Madrid hopes this foot-in-the-door arrangement will blossom into full association — and eventually full membership — in the Common Market.

Spain is also taking advantage of West Germany's diplomatic offensive in Eastern Europe (see page 9).

On January 5, Spain and Communist Romania quietly established full consular and commercial relations. Such a relationship is only a step below complete diplomatic relations. The Franco regime also hopes to establish consular relations with the Communist regimes of Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria in the near future.

Spain's actions are remarkable evidence of the little-understood changes sweeping all of Europe today. Until now Spain had been considered Europe's most militant anti-Communist state.

Others Want EEC Tie

The burgeoning Common Market is proving to be a powerful magnet for other non-member European nations, both East and West.

Yugoslavia has formally applied for a special trade agreement with the EEC. Yugoslavia is also reportedly reviewing an offer from Germany to re-establish diplomatic relations, broken off by

Bonn in 1957 when Belgrade recognized East Germany.

Even in *Denmark* there is growing demand for EEC membership. Danish industry is complaining that the smaller market of the British-dominated European Free Trade Association, of which Denmark is a member, can no longer support the country's economic growth.

One Western diplomat commented privately that he expects France's General de Gaulle to invite Denmark to join the Common Market, possibly this year! Many observers believe Denmark would jump at the offer. Such a move by De Gaulle, of course, would shatter the British-led EFTA.

Where is all this leading?

What is prophesied in your Bible is a ten-nation union soon to arise in Europe (Rev. 17:12-13). This union will be an anti-British and anti-American third-power bloc. It will be the seventh and last resurrection of the ancient Roman Empire!

Watch the European scene closely as nations maneuver to get into the Common Market — the economic prelude to a reborn Roman Empire.

* * * * * Rhodesia Crisis Continues

Everywhere you look, British foreign policy is collapsing like a house of



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Nearly 500 West German companies staged a giant industrial exhibition last fall in Madrid, Spain. The Spanish government is making headway in its drive for Common Market association.

cards. It's "heads-you-win, tails-I-lose" in almost every circumstance.

The Rhodesian embargo is turning out to be disastrous. For Britain, *not* Rhodesia!

Rhodesia's Prime Minister confidently admits his country is successfully circumventing almost every aspect of the embargo. South Africa openly, and West Germany, not so openly, are lending helping hands. Smith refuses to reveal Rhodesia's "many other friends."

On the other side of the coin the Rhodesian embargo has already cost Britain close to \$300,000,000 due to losses in many fields—trade, investment opportunities, shipping earnings and others. The total loss for 1967 alone might reach over a half-billion dollars!

But this isn't all!

British prestige has suffered an irreparable blow in Zambia, Rhodesia's hostile northern neighbor. The Zambians are angry because they believe Britain didn't go far enough in handling the Rhodesian issue.

Zambia is now giving rich trade contracts to European and Japanese firms instead of to British concerns.

One British company lost a fifty-six-million-dollar pipeline contract to Italy's ENI group. Other Italians are eyeing huge road construction contracts. Fiat has landed an order for 450 trucks.

Alitalia Airline will shortly begin service from Rome to Lusaka, Zambia's capital. Up to now, only British airlines have provided international service there.

It is within the realm of possibility that Zambia will become an African associate member of the European Common Market. This will cut British influence in central Africa still further.

* * * * * Germany to Help Britain?

London has announced once again its intentions of obtaining Common Market membership. The reason? Britain is in a deep financial morass. She is living on borrowed time — and borrowed money from Europe's central banks which she must pay back someday.

Prime Minister Wilson and Foreign Secretary George Brown have been touring the capitals of Common Market members explaining the British position. While in Bonn, the two talked extensively with West German Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger and Foreign Minister Willy Brandt.

The German government has declared that it "supports" Britain's desire to join the EEC. Clearly, however, Bonn is only paying lip service to the British bid. The Germans are not about to ruin their new friendship with Charles de Gaulle, who has opposed Britain's entry.

Almighty God prophesied centuries ago that Britain would try to obtain help in her time of need from Germany. Notice Hosea 5:13:

"When Ephraim [that is, Britain today] saw his sickness [his economic plight] . . . then went Ephraim to the Assyrian [modern Germany] . . . yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound."

This is happening exactly as prophesied!

Escapism

The U.S. has led the world in escapism. But today the trend is changing. London now rivals Las Vegas as gambling capital of the world. And it's every bit as wide open!

Gambling is now Britain's fifth largest industry, with an estimated annual turnover of three billion dollars! Some leading London clubs even find it profitable to fly in gambling parties from the United States at their own expense!

Growing numbers of Britons seek to escape reality via narcotics. Heroin addiction has jumped an alarming 1,000 percent in seven years. Among youths under 20, cases more than tripled between 1964 and 1965.

In the city of Birmingham, England, a survey finds that about half of the teen-agers have experimented with drugs. Five percent of the youngsters are reported on the verge of addiction, while two percent are already addicts.

In Portsmouth, England, public health committee members were recently treated to a shock. They were told about cases of young children coming to school in a groggy condition, apparently suffering from the after-effects of taking drugs the night before.

Tragic Tasmanian Fire

Now look at the weather.

Nourished by drought, the most disastrous fire in Tasmania's history ravaged the southern part of this — Australia's — rich island state on February 8. When the final toll was in — 52 were dead, over 1,000 homes destroyed. Tasmanian Premier Eric Elliott said the onslaught was "our greatest tragedy."

The heat of the flames that swept into the suburbs of Hobart twisted autos into grotesque shapes, even exploded trees. Homes seemed to melt in the heat

One official said Tasmania's economy has been set back ten years because of the fire.

Canal Going?

The United States is slowly giving in to Panamanian demands on the status of the Canal.

Negotiations on a new Panama Canal treaty are being conducted under one of the tightest lids in American history. Yet, reports columnist Carl T. Rowan, the U. S. has made several concessions in keeping with President Johnson's 1965 pledge to "effectively recognize Panama's sovereignty" over the Zone.

Not only will the Panamanian flag fly in the Zone, Rowan claims, but it has been tentatively agreed that no new American governor w'll be appointed to replace Robert Fleming, who is leaving.

It has also been tentatively agreed, says Rowan, that the Canal will be run by a corporation "based on international law," and *jointly administered* by both the United States and Panama.

Giving in on these points will hardly satisfy Panama's demands permanently. The course of the future is being set. There will be more demands by Panamanian politicians for more concessions by the United States.

In the end, America's control over one of the world's most important sea gates will be completely lost!

God promised that our peoples — the modern descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel — would possess the gates of our enemies (Gen. 22:17; 24:60). Now, because of our mounting national sins, these strategic areas are being stripped away — one by one.

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