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EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW
with West German Finance Minister —
Franz Josef Strauss

What our READERS SAY

Education

"A friend of mine brought to our school *The PLAIN TRUTH* containing 'America's Schools—Vacuum in Values.' My comment after reading it was, 'Amen.' My brother-in-law whom I visited recently had your July issue and I read 'America's Schools—Real Progress?' Again, I echo the question mark. In my 30 years of teaching, my greatest concern is today's lack of a sense of values based on the Ten Commandments and the golden rule."

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"Since I am a teen-ager, may I say your magazines have helped very much. I would have liked to have been a hippie until a few weeks back, when I received your book on *Hippies, Hypocrisy, and Happiness*. Now that I really understand about the hippies' problems, and how they really are, I am very grateful."

Dian W.,
Houston, Texas

"I would like to tell you after reading the book *Hippies, Hypocrisy, and Happiness* my eyes have been opened. I thought hippy life was fun, gay, and just a big joke. I once thought of being a hippy and living that life. After reading this book I have completely changed my mind. Your book has shown me the other side of hippy life. I'm nineteen and now have found the way to go. I now want to be a useful constructive citizen. I have shown this book to many of my friends, and now we see what a terrible thing could have happened to us."

K. G., South River,
New Jersey

Evolution

"Recently in school I was teaching my class the theory of evolution. I explained to them that this was only a theory and was not entirely proved. Any-

way one boy disagreed with me and told me that it was all wrong. Next day he brought a *PLAIN TRUTH* along to school. It contained an article on evolution. I was intrigued and I was wondering if you could send me any previous copies which have articles in them about evolution."

Barbara E., Reynella,
South Australia

"Last night I read your article in *The PLAIN TRUTH* entitled 'When Fish Fish—There's Something Fishy About Evolution.' It is one of the best articles I have read in *The PLAIN TRUTH*. I'm taking Biology II next year with a teacher who convinced 90 percent of the Biology I class that evolution is the answer to life. I'll admit before I heard your broadcast, I was really mixed up about it. I have found that if you take Genesis as it is, it's impossible to believe in both evolution and God's Word. Since it is God's Word, I plan to make sure that this teacher has a smaller percentage of believers this year."

Paul J.,
Michigan

• *You would probably have a bigger audience if openly advocating something more popular, like anti-war demonstrations, or race hatred. But encouraging people to question evolution in a school??*

"Before I found your radio Broadcast, evolution was my specialty, and I could soapbox for hours-on-end about how noble it was for man to have fought his way up from the slime of some swamp eons ago, into the garbage dump cities of today. (I was extremely cynical, but still believed deeply in evolution.) Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's radio lectures on evolution have been a revelation and actually make me squirm in embarrassment to hear him slash the whole illogical mess to ribbons."

Gary E., Shawano,
Wisconsin

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Personal from the Editor

WHY DO MORE THAN FOUR MILLION read this magazine? How did it come into being? Did it have a purpose — fill a need? WHO was back of it? WHAT makes it "tick"?

Some 150,000 new readers have been added these past three months. And many of our new readers would like answers. So in this month's *Personal* column I'll try to oblige. And at the same time, I should like to ask a few questions of YOU.

I'll ask my questions first. I have stated many times how newspapers, other magazines and newscasts report happenings — describe problems — paint the picture of what's wrong in the world. But they seldom have the answers. Few seem to know the solutions. That is the knowledge gap *The PLAIN TRUTH* has come forward to fill. So I would like to hear from our readers what you need most to know. What problems would you like better to UNDERSTAND? What will most help YOU?

I have before me a statement listing subjects often asked about by magazine readers in general. I was a little surprised as I glanced over this list. The Vietnam war wasn't even listed. Health is listed as the subject of first interest. People wanted to know more about food and diet, poison in our foods, and how reliable are these new teachings in nutrition? Next came family relations — including marital problems, sex, parent-child relations, rearing of teenagers, dating. They wanted to know more about mental-emotional problems, making ends meet in finances, crime and juvenile delinquency. Some wanted to know more about evolution, and many want to know where these fast-changing world conditions are taking us.

But what do YOU want most to know? What's YOUR greatest area of interest? What do you want most to

understand? Your letters will be welcome.

I have before me a letter from the Encyclopaedia Britannica people. They tell about a bewildering "information explosion." The letter states that man's sum total of scientific knowledge doubled during the period from 1948 to 1960. Other sources tell us knowledge doubled in the ten years 1958 to 1968. But also the world's TROUBLES doubled in that same decade. And *that's* a most alarming fact! It reveals a frightening knowledge gap!

What's wrong?

Apparently the new knowledge was not the kind of knowledge people needed most to know. We need most to know what will solve our problems — what will end our troubles — what will bring world peace and individual happiness — what will contribute to the fulfillment of PURPOSE in life. And *that's* the kind of information we give you in *The PLAIN TRUTH*. Not only knowledge to satisfy curiosity — but knowledge of HOW TO LIVE!

And I think that may be, also, the answer to my first question: "WHY do more than four million people read this magazine?"

But HOW did it get started — WHO was back of it? — these are questions I personally can answer better than anyone.

I had put myself — as a young man — in the school of practical training in the magazine and newspaper field. Advertising was my profession. For seven years I was a publisher's representative, having the advertising representation of a number of magazines, with an office in Chicago's loop. I not only sold advertising space, I wrote advertising copy. I made numerous surveys to learn public opinion, and customers' reactions and attitudes toward certain products and services. I advised corporations about

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OUR COVER

Franz Josef Strauss, West Germany's Finance Minister, leader of the Christian Social Union in Bavaria, was born in 1915. He received a degree in history and classical languages at the University of Munich. Strauss expounded his views on world affairs in his book, *The Grand Design*. In it he advocates a United States of Europe, led by Europe's big powers, Britain, France and Germany. This third power bloc, according to Strauss, though still allied with the U.S. must be free to deal face-to-face with the USSR in order to release the captive nations of Eastern Europe. Strauss' accomplishments have gained for him a number of honorary doctorate degrees, including one conferred by De Paul University in Chicago.

CENTURY 21

What Will it be Like?

Will the next decade or two bring human EXTINCTION — or will Century 21 dawn on a NEW WORLD OF PEACE, with incredible scientific achievements?

by Herbert W. Armstrong

SUDDENLY this world has become different! It was never like this before! LOOK at the change in 70 years — then LOOK at the change in the last TEN! What will *another* ten years be like — and WHAT by Century 21?

When I was a boy our family transportation was a horse and buggy. Horse-drawn street cars had just been replaced with the little trolley-car "dinkeys." Telephones were rare, hanging on walls. Only a few downtown streets in cities were paved. Automobiles were a curiosity — we called them "horseless carriages." They were steered with a stick instead of a steering wheel.

Gaslights dimly illuminated city streets. A man, riding horseback, rode past with a lighting stick to turn them on at dusk, and again to turn them off at dawn. Our home was dimly lighted by kerosene lamps. No man had ever flown. Orville Wright's first 12-second, 120-foot flight did not occur until after I was 4½ months into my 12th year. Radio and television were unheard-of. And milk in cities cost 5 cents per quart.

What About the Last TEN Years?

Now look at the startling "advance" of just the last decade!

They said MORE KNOWLEDGE would solve all the world's ills. So, in the last ten years the world's sum of KNOWLEDGE has doubled — mostly in fields of technology, electronics, medicine, and various branches of science. But the world's problems and troubles HAVE DOUBLED ALSO! In that same ten years!

But look how ten short years have changed *YOUR LIFE*! It was not like this a single decade ago!

As I described in big-space advertisements in mass-circulation magazines worldwide currently:

TODAY — it is unsafe to walk on streets — in city or in town! Your house or flat may be broken into if you're away! Crime now is rampant, even in residence areas!

Student revolt in twenty countries — violence erupts on campuses. Disheveled hippies lolling aimlessly about.

Unhappy marriages — increasing divorce — juvenile delinquency. Family and home life, the FOUNDATION of any flourishing civilization, falling apart. Police report more homicides in homes, due to family quarrels, than any other source. WHY this sudden breakdown of family life?

Then there's mounting racial strife, mass demonstrations, riots, looting, widespread mass VIOLENCE! And threat of all-out world-girdling NUCLEAR WAR!

Again I ask: WHAT will this world be like in *another* ten years? and *what* by Century 21?

What Scientists Prophecy

Scientists picture two opposite extremes ahead.

1) Science, technology and modern industry are teaming together to produce a magic push-button Disneyland dream-world for our near future. They plan to bring happiness to humanity by reducing work hours to an unheard-of minimum. Now they are talking about a 6-hour day; a three-day work week;

four-day weekends off work; three- to four-month vacations; net incomes, after taxes, up to \$50,000 (£21,000) per year, and retirement at age 49!

They plan to make us all happy by producing a dazzling array of gadgets, labor-saving devices, amusement and entertainment mechanisms such as our wildest anticipations have not envisioned. And medical science plans to replace breaking down human organs to lengthen lives!

2) Conversely, other world-famous scientists see a far sterner picture of the future — one that reverts to the opposite extreme. They see — today — the starving masses of illiterates in India, China, Africa — more than half the world's population in the depths of ignorance, poverty, squalor and degradation; the population explosion and the coming food war; the breakdown of family life, the very BASIS of a progressive and thriving society; the spiraling increase in crime; the fast-spreading breakdown of law and order, and increasing widespread violence; the proliferation and stockpiling of nuclear weapons that can blast all life from off this earth *fifty times over*; and then the mounting crescendo of strife and hostility between nuclear-power nations!

All this they see, and view a future of gloom and doom and absolute hopelessness. They tell us humanity's one great problem, now, is the QUESTION OF SURVIVAL!

Other scientists, educators and writers envision the next few years in this manner: the present trend will continue — only it will accelerate. The world

will be as it is now, only *more so!* That is, *more* dazzling inventions for the *few* who can afford them; increasing millions of poverty-stricken, starving illiterates in backward areas; accelerating increase in the population explosion; increasing immorality, breakdown of marriages and family relationships; *more* crime; *more* race riots; increasing violence; *more* sickness and disease; *more* mental breakdowns; *more* unrest, distrust and tension between nuclear nations until it reaches the breaking point. They see these worsening conditions speeding up.

Ask these sober scientists HOW LONG we may continue in this present trend. Some will guess, perhaps ten more years — others think less than ten — some give us, perhaps, a little more. But that's only relative! It's still a question of SURVIVAL!

Neither of These Makes Sense!

But humanity *WILL* SURVIVE! There *is* GOOD NEWS for the future. It is reported by a major news source most people — and most scientists — have utterly overlooked!

There is a Master Plan already being worked out. And *before* Century 21, it will bring to this earth PEACE! There is a Master Plan to solve the vast problems of illiteracy, starvation, poverty and squalor. It entails vast agrarian reforms, economic reforms, reforms in governments, and *practical* plans to bring about disarmament and world peace.

Many scientists and world leaders know, in general, what it will take to bring this solution. Today, many far-seeing leaders put their fingers on the one great change that can now save humanity alive! What they don't know is how to implement it!

With one voice, these men say the solution now demands a WORLD GOVERNMENT!

Sir Winston Churchill said: "A world super-government is the only solution to man's ills."

Said Dr. Charles E. Osgood, "What we need — and that most urgently — is world government." Others, as if with one voice, say the same!

There is just one thing wrong with this solution — and it's the *ONLY* one

advanced. That world super-government would have to be given the power of a world police force to enforce its laws; and it would have to maintain the *ONLY* military force in the world — all nations would have to surrender their armies, navies, and air forces to this one SUPER-STATE!

In a word, *every* nation would have to surrender its national sovereignty absolutely! And *WHAT MAN* could be accepted by all as *WORLD RULER*? It would, mind you, be a world *POLICE STATE*! Would the United States and Britain accept De Gaulle as world Dictator? No, I'm afraid not in a thousand years! Would the Soviet Union give up their struggle to harness the whole world with communism, and accept an American as their world ruler?

Would the U. S. accept a Russian from the Kremlin? Or perhaps a North Vietnamese or a North Korean? *NEVER!*

ONLY Solution — But Won't WORK!

There is only one way the nations could get together on a world Super-Government.

Within nations, each individual has to be willing to give up his personal sovereignty. He must submit to the laws of his government, or suffer the consequences. Of course individuals in all countries are given certain personal liberties, not prohibited by law.

So it must be with *NATIONS* — *if* there is to be a world super-government — *if* humanity is to survive! *IF* there is to be the world super-government Winston Churchill envisioned, all individual nations must first give up their private selfish goals, their dreams of world conquest — of spreading *their* particular kind of government around the world.

One important news magazine said this can happen only if there is "a strong hand from somewhere" that would intervene.

So there is the world's dilemma.

All leaders are agreed the world's only hope is a world super-government. At the same time, all leaders confess frankly that world super-government is

absolutely unfeasible and utterly *IMPOSSIBLE!*

And where does that leave you? Does that leave you with nothing but gloom and doom for the future?

On this world leaders are agreed: *The ONLY SOLUTION is IMPOSSIBLE!*

Yet There *IS* Good News

Isn't it just about time we heard some *GOOD* news for a change? Yes, there is, after all, a *GREAT NEWS SOURCE* the world leaders and scientists have left out of the picture! There *is* a *major* world news source most have overlooked. It reports tomorrow's news today! It reports world news before it happens! It's news of a gigantic *MASTER PLAN* for a world super-government! There *is* that needed "strong hand from somewhere!"

Two Alternatives and *ONLY* Two!

You *have* to face it — either there is now *NO HOPE* — either all humanity soon will be erased from this earth (to use an expression spoken by former U. S. President Eisenhower) or there does exist that "strong hand from somewhere" with supernatural power to *INTERVENE* in world affairs — to literally take control from the human Great Powers of this world and to *SAVE* humanity from itself!

Every reader needs to *wake up!* — and to realize this means *YOUR LIFE* within the next decade or so — and the lives of your children, your family — your friends and neighbors! The one *GREAT* problem facing every one of us is *HUMAN SURVIVAL!* And the only alternative to extinction — *SOON* — is world government — so say the leaders!

I sat in the Press gallery in the Opera House at the San Francisco Conference in 1945, when world leaders were drawing up the charter for the United Nations. There I heard the leading statesmen of the world warning that this United Nations they were forming was "THE WORLD'S LAST HOPE!" One hour, in plenary sessions, they were uttering this solemn warning — the next hour in group conferences with leaders from other nations they

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Exclusive Interview with —

West Germany's Finance Minister

The London Times said: "An interesting by-product of the Soviet occupation of Czechoslovakia has been the political reemergence in West Germany of Herr Franz Josef Strauss. The powerful Finance Minister and Bavarian leader, after months of relative silence, has spoken out twice in the past week." Actually, Herr Strauss spoke out THREE TIMES. Once, before the television and radio crews of *The WORLD TOMORROW* program. Here we bring you in this article an on-the-spot report and analysis of an exclusive interview with Herr Franz Josef Strauss in his own offices in Bonn.

by Garner Ted Armstrong

IT was my second trip to Germany within very few weeks. Earlier, members of our radio and television staff and I had been in Munich, Bavaria for a possible interview with Herr Strauss during the Christian Socialist Union convention. Readers of *The PLAIN TRUTH* read of this convention in our report from Germany in the last number of *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine.

As I reported then, the questions I had submitted in writing to the personal secretary of the Finance Minister had proved to be too far-reaching for this member of the West German Cabinet to answer in an official manner without first being briefed by other cabinet members.

This was *prior* to the sudden and brutal occupation of Czechoslovakia by Warsaw Pact allies.

Since that occupation of Czechoslovakia, Western Europe has once again become an important focal point of world attention. Arriving in Germany once again for our scheduled interview



with Herr Strauss, I was to discover an intensified desire on the part of Europeans for a more unified and modernized defense posture in the event of any threat from the Soviet bloc of nations to West Germany or other parts of Free Europe.

In Herr Strauss' Office in Bonn

About thirty minutes before our scheduled time of 5:00 P. M. for our filmed and taped interview with this powerful West German leader, I was seated at a lounging table in his spacious offices in the Finance Ministry. Long before, Mr. Norman Smith and members of our American and German office staffs had been checking and rechecking the light and camera angles, voice levels and all the technical preparations for the interview.

As it developed, Herr Strauss was in other governmental meetings, and arrived in his offices for the interview approximately one hour late. Striding briskly into his office with his secretary,

Herr Strauss acknowledged greetings and introductions all around, and recalled having met me earlier in Bavaria. He carried a thick dossier of typewritten material — obviously briefs for the answers to the previously submitted questions he intended to utilize in his comments.

Herr Strauss spoke with a thick Bavarian accent, though in good and clear English of polish and culture.

As we were rigging the microphones and preparing for our first eleven- to twelve-minute film cartridge, I asked the Finance Minister whether I could alter some of the previously submitted questions in the light of the recent occupation of Czechoslovakia (since the questions submitted had been handed to his secretary some weeks prior to Russia's surprise invasion) to which he replied in the affirmative. Here is the interview just the way it happened:

Question: "As a result of the sudden invasion of Czechoslovakia by Warsaw Pact countries, is a new cold war

FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS



Garner Ted Armstrong (right) talks with Franz Josef Strauss, West Germany's Finance Minister.

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beginning all over again? And what, in your view, will occur inside West Europe relevant to the creation of a United States of Europe?"

Answer: "I would like to say that we should not go back to the so-called cold war and its conditions, but all of us — Americans, and Europeans, took a lesson — a lesson which I hope has eliminated some illusions. The conclusions I draw are not to refresh and relaunch an atmosphere against the East, but to continue our policy of bridge-building between the West and our Eastern neighbor nations — I underline *nations*."

"The future of Europe is not based on the renewal of antagonism. I think now it is a fight for democracy where our Eastern neighbors, regardless of what systems they have, appear to be fighting for freedom and democracy."

Here Herr Strauss, in commenting about eliminating some "illusions," was referring obviously to the voices among

liberals both in Germany and the United States who continually talk of "detente" and the lessening of cold war tensions, and held out hopes that the Communist party line was indeed changing.

When Herr Strauss said he "underlined *nations*" he was referring to stepped-up trade and political negotiations with several of the Eastern European neighbors, including Romania and Bulgaria.

Question: "*The Soviet Union has accused that German arms, German cameras were used in helping precipitate the invasion of your eastern neighbor. What is the official position of the West German government to those accusations?"*

Answer: "That is a complete lie — a complete lie. I can tell your audience some things which have not been disclosed up till now. These things are very interesting, because a Czech police station was telephoned by an un-

known man that weapons would be under a bridge. The police center immediately called the police station in the neighborhood. Ten minutes later, police showed up and they found nothing.

"Some hours later they came back and they *found* the weapons. The timing was not arranged very well.

"A second thing. The weapons were American from World War II. Everybody can get them. Anyone can get them anywhere. But the weapons were preserved with an oil which chemists discovered was oil from the German Soviet zone [East Germany]. The weapons were in sacks and bags which were Russian. They even had a Russian inscription. When inspected by X-rays, it was discovered they had tried to eliminate the Russian inscription and had substituted an inscription 'U. S. Army.' I think I have nothing to add."

Later, off-camera, Herr Strauss explained to me that it was usually the habit of this particular police station to drive the distance to a smaller neighboring town to investigate any such claim or disturbance — and that their departure from their usual procedure by telephoning a neighborhood police station had resulted in the discovery of the plot.

Obviously, then, while Herr Strauss was not at liberty to divulge his source of information, he felt West German intelligence had uncovered a plot by the Soviets to fake complicity between the United States and West Germany in helping instigate an anti-Communist revolution in Czechoslovakia.

Question: "*With the final disappearance of the tariff barriers between the inner six of the Common Market, what is the next step for Western Europe — toward complete political*

integration? If so, how can this best come about?"

Answer: "The customs have been eliminated since the first of July this year, but this does not mean full economic integration. A group of serious problems are ahead of us. You asked about the next steps—they comprise a wide program; for instance, harmonization of taxes. There is no full-scale economic union without harmonization of taxes. We need a coordination, and, later on, an alignment of social policies. Then we must elaborate a procedure on how to accept new members. There are some difficulties. But we Germans always have favored an open door policy. We want the entrance of Great Britain. Of course, some terms and conditions must be fulfilled.

"One of our major conditions is that the desire for admission to the Common Market is not based upon the motivation to impede political integration. We want more members in the Common Market, but members who are ready and prepared to join us on the way toward a political integration with the long-run goal of the United States of Europe. That would be our answer to what has happened in recent days in Eastern Europe."

Characteristically, Herr Strauss once again insists Great Britain is a needed member nation of any United States of Europe. However, knowing the stiff British resistance to complete absorption of their individual sovereignty, and giving up of all national autonomy in the favor of complete absorption into a United States of Europe, one would wonder whether or not the continual urging of some leading Germans that Britain join the Common Market is more "good politics," than it is either practical or possible.

Privately, in the offices of the private secretary to Germany's Chancellor, Kurt Georg Kiesinger, I asked the secretary whether it was not now *too late* for the admission of Britain into the Common Market when considering the severe economic crises that have plagued Britain in recent years, (and the resultant economic shocks which would be felt throughout other Common Market countries in trying to absorb Britain's

industrial complex, riddled with featherbedding, and myriads of other problems,) and found the personal secretary of Germany's Chancellor to be in agreement that it was, indeed, *too late* for Britain. Thus, while stating "we want more members in the Common Market," Herr Strauss was quick to add he wanted members who are "ready and prepared to join us on the way toward a political integration with a long-run goal of a *United States of Europe!*"

Strauss' "answer" to what has happened in recent days in Eastern Europe implies a veiled warning to the Soviet Union that aggressive moves by the Russians will be met with a stiffening of resolve by West Europe, and only hasten political integration and the creation of a strong united European army.

Question: "*Will the creation of tensions brought about by the occupation of Czechoslovakia have a counter-reaction in Western Europe in producing an even more urgent desire for political unity for common protection?*"

Answer: "One of the strongest forces in the fifties for the unification of Europe was the policy exercised by Stalin. In the meantime some people had started to forget that. Now we are seriously and severely reminded of the facts with which we are living. And I think that the idealistic dream that we Europeans could live in a corner of world politics—I think this idealistic dream has been destroyed. What I say is directed against nobody, but, when I was in the United States a few weeks ago, I met one American concern which affected me, and that was the American fear of becoming overcommitted everywhere in the world.

"If we investigate in common where Americans and Europeans could share the [defensive] burden in a better way, I have never been a friend of the slogan 'Ami, go home.' Quite to the contrary! But I believe the Europeans should take more responsibility for their defense.

"In a reorganized and modernized NATO, I think the Europeans have the basic resources for uniting to take a greater share of this burden. This will help

you, it will help us. This will normalize the distribution of tasks inside NATO; this will strengthen our resolve to be absolutely secure in the face of any future surprises."

In mentioning the "strong force of the fifties" for the unification of Europe, and the policy exercised by Stalin, Herr Strauss was referring to the widespread *fear* of Russia in all of Europe, and shared by the United States during those years which brought about the creation of NATO, and a great deal of the fervor for unity in the minds of Europeans.

The "idealistic dream" to which Herr Strauss refers again shows his impatience with the standard American policy of attempting to impose strict arms limitations on West Germany (including the Lockheed *Starfighters*, of which nearly 100 have crashed inside Germany in recent years—and which German defense leaders maintain has been foisted upon Germany as an expedient by the American economy to help balance its import-export quotas) and to insist that West Germany and all of Western Europe, with the exception of France, dwell under a big power "nuclear umbrella" but be denied nuclear weapons of their own.

Strauss has continually pointed out the fact that while West Germany is truly a giant of world economy and industry, she has remained a political dwarf.

His mentioning of the American concern which affected him—that of the American "fear of becoming over-committed" again echoes the fears of many Germans that the United States would NOT launch itself into any serious "conventional" war in Europe to preserve Western European integrity. With domestic turmoil in the United States over the Vietnam War, and the multiple thousands of American troops needed to garrison such far-flung places as Korea and Vietnam, West German officialdom sees little hope of any serious United States intervention in the event of an unexpected Soviet armored thrust into Europe.

Question: "*Looking at the involvement of the United States in Vietnam,*
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WHY The Crisis In Cities Threatens Rural Areas

Congestion, pollution, decay, crime and violence. These have become the common lot of big cities around the world. Now even remote rural areas can no longer escape the costly impact of urban problems. Is there a solution to the mounting crisis?

by Ambassador College Research Department

ALL OF A SUDDEN — what's happened? It was *never* like this before!

It's unsafe to walk on the streets — in city or in town! Your house may be broken into if you're away! Crime is rampant, even in high-class residential areas!

Pollution of air and water bewilders

scientists and engineers attempting to combat it. New pollutants are added to the environment faster than the old ones can be dealt with.

As one sociologist observed: "The growth of cities is perhaps the biggest single problem facing man in the second half of the Twentieth Century."

One international conference after

another attempts to get at the root of urban ills.

A Call for Immediate Action

One such conference convened recently in Paris. More than 250 scientists and delegates from 62 countries and 38 international organizations gathered for the United Nations-sponsored conference on "The Rational Use of the Biosphere."

These experts — in their concluding summary, September 13 — called for a world drive to meet the "terrible threat" modern urban civilization poses to its own survival.

Conference vice president Professor Carlos Chagas of Brazil surprised newsmen at the end of the nine-day conference. He quoted a statement by Professor Rene Dubos of the Rockefeller Center that some cities are becoming so polluted that "human life may become impossible in a decade or so."

Dubos has also warned that action must be taken soon or "we may find that *half the populations in these cities*

will be sick and the other half will be engaged in giving them medical treatment."

These are men who know! They fear the direction in which large urban complexes are headed. They are demanding a dramatic reversal of events.

Soon — World 75% Urban!

Other international conferences are critically examining the full scope of the urban crisis.

At the 1968 Delos Symposium in Greece, a group of internationally renowned city planners, scientists and scholars met for one week. In a declaration issued at the end of their conference, these experts concluded:

"Within 30 years, the population of the earth will have more than doubled to reach 7 billion. Half of these people will be under 25. If present trends continue, the present half of the world's population who now live in the cities will have risen to three-quarters."

The impact of this coming crush of humanity, most of it focused on existing and developing cities, is already beginning to have devastating effects. As the Delos declaration stressed:

"Unless far-reaching and immediate steps are taken, the cities of the world — large and small, ancient and modern — will be grievously unprepared to receive them," it said.

"We will have to build approximately twice as many new habitations as man has built from the beginning of history. Even if immediate and successful action is taken to halt the population explosion and to moderate migration into the cities, the tasks we face are enormous."

Rural Areas Affected

For the United States, the population explosion into the cities is already following the same relentless course. By the turn of the next century, say the experts, 4 out of every 5 Americans will be crammed into metropolitan areas.

Existing cities are foreseen by city planners as fusing together into giant megalopolises with the countryside in between being absorbed. The exodus from the small towns to big cities continues unabated, contributing to the cities' woes. And it aggravates the problems of rural America.

Within each urban complex, the "secondary migration" of middle class residents to the suburbs will certainly not abate in the near future. Not with heightened racial tensions within the "Inner City."

Worst of all, the entire panorama of dilemmas within our cities today — much of it caused by present already overcrowded conditions — can only intensify!

The crisis in the cities is not limited to urban society. Increasingly, rural America, rural Britain, rural Canada, Australia, South Africa and rural other countries, feel the impact of the woes of the big city.

The tax burden to support big city needs is destined to increase for all citizens — urban, suburban, and rural — as federal government programs are developed to attempt cures for urban ills.

Some planners have estimated that it would take the expenditure of perhaps TWO TRILLION DOLLARS in order to rehabilitate America's cities and to plan ahead for future urban growth, and the plight of British and European cities is almost as bad. It is a worldwide problem.

Countless billions have already been spent. With seemingly little to show for it, except for clogged expressways and crowded high-rise buildings. The quality of life in the big cities is eroding faster than ever.

But more money will be spent nevertheless. And it will come from the pocket of the farmer, the suburbanite and the factory worker.

Other budding crises are destined to leave their mark on the "man on the farm." Big city social sicknesses are spilling over rapidly into rural districts. One example: Crime.

Crime is now a serious threat *everywhere* in the United States. The latest FBI crime report reveals a startling 21% increase in nationwide crime the first half of this year over the same period in 1967.

Broken down, the rate zoomed up 24% in cities with more than 250,000 population. Big city suburbs registered a 21% upswing. But notice the leap in crime in smaller cities and rural districts! The crime rate in cities and towns less than 10,000 population shot up

17%. Rural areas registered a 14% rise.

Worldwide, all the ills of the city are gradually infused throughout the entire countryside. The city is the nucleus of any society. When the city degenerates, the whole society is certain to follow!

Britain's Crowded Cities

Many recent newspaper and news magazine articles have highlighted the worsening state of America's cities. Little attention has been devoted to Britain's part in the deepening worldwide urban crisis outside of her own press media.

Britain was the leader of the Industrial Revolution. As industrialization progressed rapidly, most English, Welsh and Scottish towns were simply unprepared to cope with its resultant by-products — overcrowding, poor housing, traffic congestion, air and water pollution.

What has already happened to industrial Britain has gradually occurred to nearly all the Western world. Now the same ills threaten to be the fate of many overcrowded underdeveloped nations as they rush heedlessly into a virtually unplanned industrial society! The lessons of what has befallen Britain and the United States are going unlearned.

"The growth of cities is perhaps the biggest single problem facing man in the second half of the twentieth century," says Dr. J. K. Brierley in the book, *Biology and the Social Crisis*.

In Britain this is a problem of considerable magnitude.

Town planners are troubled at the state of British cities. "In little more than a century, the quality of our *urban life has tragically deteriorated*. The deterioration is now gathering momentum, and will, we believe, *disintegrate our cities unless immediate action is taken*." This is the startling conclusion of the first report of SPUR, the Society for Planning and Urban Renewal. SPUR is a body of architects, planners and sociologists formed to wake up and inform the public of the urgency of the problems of urban renewal.

Urbanization presents special, crucial problems in Britain. *NINE OUT OF*
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... BUT DO EDUCATORS HAVE THE ANSWER?

Educators are increasingly convinced they have found the way to world peace and unity... "education in the SPIRIT of SCIENCE." "Science is neutral — non-political — non-religious," they say. "Its products are universally desired." But what is the spirit of science? Can it bring peace and unity where all else has failed?

by Vern L. Farrow

TRY TO PICTURE Alexander the Great as he might have commiserated with Julius Caesar over their mutual failures. Alexander is speaking:

"Julius, old friend," he says, "I was sure I had the solution — conquer 'em and then marry 'em. That way you keep it all in the family. But you know, somehow it didn't work. We finally developed a monumental case of incompatibility!"

Then Julius Caesar, rolling his eyes in despair, replies sympathetically, "Alex, you had a great idea there, but folks are mighty fickle. You just can't depend on 'em. Spook 'em into line — that's my motto! Tell 'em you're god! — that shakes 'em up. But you know, I never could convince some of my best friends!"

Pretty far fetched? Yes, and yet in whatever age — wherever in the world, the elusive dream of a ONE-WORLD SUPERCULTURE has fired the imagination of illustrious leaders from ancient times till now! None succeeded.

Why?

A Chronicle of Failure

Man's history is an uninterrupted chronicle of powerful leaders — soldiers statesmen — theologians — dreamers, who have tried literally everything — from force of arms, to miscegenation, moral suasion, even religion in effort to establish a one-world "superculture."

Tragically, however, history is also an uninterrupted chronicle of man's abysmal inability to weld together the

nations of the earth in peace and mutualism.

World languages have been proposed. International legal bodies have been contrived without success. Nations have experimented with political, military, religious, and economic alliances to no avail. Utter failure has frustrated every scheme. Nevertheless, the dream still beckons.

The unceasing search continues for some unifying set of values acceptable to all — some belief or operative creed desirable enough and universal enough to bring all nations into common understanding and cooperation. Today the new hope is SCIENCE.

Worldwide Community Through Science?

Now, just as man's ecumenical resources seemed nearly exhausted, an exciting ground swell is sweeping the world.

Everywhere, *science and technology* are transforming the minds and lives of whole nations.

Among peoples of the most diverse and backward cultures there is a restless awakening — an insistent hunger for more knowledge, better health, an abundance of material products, new ways of prolonging and enriching the enjoyment of life.

In developing countries, opposition to change is breaking down. Tradition is gradually losing its power to perpetuate diversity. Make no mistake, there is a worldwide *scientific-technological rev-*

olution under way. And everywhere it is producing startling results.

Whatever their race, whatever their ideologies, whatever their historical backgrounds, whatever their social traditions — differing cultures are beginning to evidence a unique new *common identity*.

All nations are becoming concerned with the common aspirations, common material goods, common values, and common problems associated with science and technology. As a result, in the drive to enter the scientific age, cultures peculiar to emerging nations are being modified. Peoples everywhere are beginning increasingly to act, think, yes, even dress alike!

Honda — Coca Cola — Volkswagen — Telefunken — Sony — Boeing 707 — desalination — bikini — nylon — nuclear reactor — "the pill" — IUD — Red Mexican Wheat — pesticides — chemical fertilizer — IR-8 Super Rice — transistor — and automation, for example, are fast becoming household words among an ever-widening circle of earth's population.

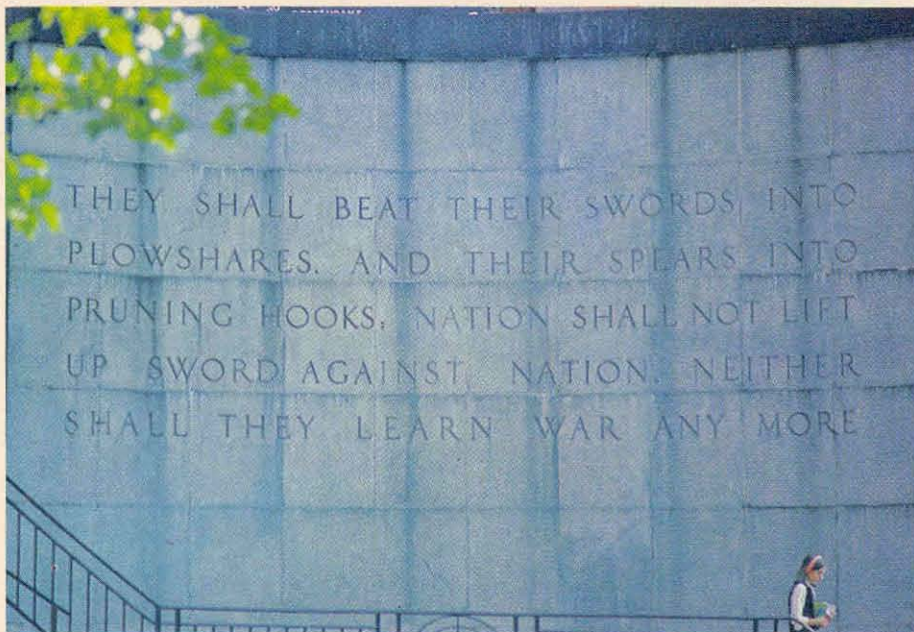
"The most obvious result of the spread of science and technology to the developing countries, has been the development of similar institutions and appearances all over the world." So reports the Educational Policies Commission of the National Education Association. "The same products, the same means of producing them, the same ways of organizing life so that they can be produced and used, and the same impacts on the appearance and structures of society tend to spread around the

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CAN COCA-COLA SUCCEED WHERE UNITED NATIONS FAILED? — Around the world, "coke" is a household word — helping to make the world drink alike even when it doesn't think alike! Left, Coca-Cola and Pepsi — two American soft drinks, being advertised in Manila, Philippines. Above, laudatory motto carved in stone opposite United Nations building. The U. N., despite its efforts at broadening scientific education, has failed to make nations that drink alike think alike.

world..." (*Education and the Spirit of Science*, 1966, p. 5).

Kenneth E. Boulding, professor of Economics at the University of Michigan also observed this growing commonality in experience and environment resulting from the introduction of science and technology. He wrote, "The superculture is the developing society... [for example], all superhighways are the same superhighway; all chemistry departments are the same chemistry department... and in a very real sense, all universities are the same university." Expanding on this striking uniformity he remarked that, "Any university person can go into a university anywhere in the world and be immediately at home, especially in his own department. A chemist can go into a chemistry department in Tokyo, Peking, Moscow, Madrid, no matter where it is, no matter what the ideology is, and it is still chemistry. *There is no such thing as Communist chemistry or Christian chemistry; there is just chemistry.* Every discipline has a worldwide community." (*Current Issues in Higher Education*, 1966, pp. 14, 15.)

The spirit of science does indeed

appear to hold great promise of cutting across national and cultural boundaries. A promise of finally binding together the peoples of the world in a long-sought oneness of thought, purpose, and aspiration — a worldwide "super-culture."

Exciting? A real breakthrough? Are science and technology finally the answer to all our longings? Is the world really on the brink of utopia and unity at last? Or is this merely another mirage on man's bleak horizon? What is this so-called "spirit of science" anyway?

Just What Do You Mean — The Spirit of Science?

The "spirit" of anything is its essence, its motivating force, its heart and core. Just so, the "spirit of science" is the essence — the fundamental guiding principles upon which modern science and technology rest.

Look at this definition of the "spirit of science." According to the Educational Policies Commission, "The spirit of *rational inquiry*, driven by a belief in its efficacy and by restless curiosity, is... commonly called *the spirit of science.*"

More simply, the spirit of science is a boundless, optimistic *faith* in the potential of *human reason and ingenuity* to overcome every obstacle and to achieve man's wildest utopian dreams.

"That sounds great!" you may be thinking. But wait a minute — let's be sure we understand what is involved. Remember, educators are urging that the "spirit of science" become the common basis of curriculum everywhere. You need to know just what it is they are proposing to teach children and youth around the world.

Let's take a look at the three pivotal values or beliefs which undergird the so-called spirit of science.

Human Reason Is Supreme Authority

Understand first that the spirit of science is, above all else, a spirit of *absolute confidence in MAN*. It is an attitude of mind which views man as the supreme culmination in the "evolutionary" scheme of nature — *the supreme intelligence.*

It is a mentality which ascribes unlimited power to man when he is free to pursue the processes of rational inquiry and experimentation.

At its heart is the absolute conviction that *there is no authority greater than the individual human mind!* The "thinker," say proponents of the spirit of science, feels compelled to insist that his curiosity and activities cannot accept limits imposed by *any* external authority!

Briefly, then, the key characteristic of the spirit of science is an absolute belief in *the supreme authority of human reason.* Man's mind becomes the measure of the universe!

"But where does that leave God?" you are probably asking. The simple (and convenient) answer is — DEAD! And that's the answer, direct or implied, that is being given to young people wherever the spirit of science dominates the school curriculum.

Certainty an Illusion

Now, let's consider the next point. The natural human mind can comprehend only those things which the five external senses can perceive — the world of physical things — the world



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KODAK INSTAMATIC INVADES NIGERIA — Note signs “Kodak” and “Agfa” in upper left of photo. Agfa is a German producer of photographic film; Kodak is an American firm producing the same type of products. Photography is the same the world over.

that is known through taste, touch, sight, smell, and hearing.

For the scientist who views his intellect as supreme, this logically means that the *material* universe is the limit of all possible knowledge and thus the limit of all “legitimate” scientific endeavor. The idea of supernatural knowledge is totally rejected.

He is then nagged by the question of how accurately he is able to comprehend the material world. From experience he is suspicious of the limitations and imperfections of his physical senses. He doubts their reliability. Therefore, he is forced to conclude that there can be “no perfect knowledge and no perfect knower!”

At length, the scientist is left with no alternative but to *reason* that *certainty is unattainable* and so the idea of certainty is replaced with the *uncertain* idea of *probability*!

It has been said that “incompleteness rules science.” The “scientist” can *never* rest assured that he has reached the firm bedrock of truth. For him to do so would be to fly in the face of his human

reason! It would be utterly “unscientific.”

So a second characteristic of the spirit of science is a belief in the *impossibility of certainty*. At best, physical knowledge must be accepted as “hypothetical” and truth viewed as “relative.” *Certainty is an illusion!*

What incredible nonsense! It is this very teaching — this popular *agnosticism* that is responsible for so much of the frustration and despair among the world’s youth today. Ask yourself, “Can stability and unity come from confusion and doubt?”

NEVER!

The Law of the Possible

In science, human reason is elevated to supreme authority. Certainty is replaced by probability. The “tools of science” are admittedly incompetent to deal with supernatural knowledge. So the spirit of science is necessarily disqualified from making moral judgments.

The rational scientist disavows such considerations in his work. *What is* and *what is possible* are the limits within

which he operates. The spirit of science walls itself off irrevocably from concern with *what ought to be*.

Prominent author and social critic Archibald MacLeish recently wrote, “After Hiroshima it was obvious that the loyalty of science was not to humanity but to truth — its own truth — and that the law of science [spirit of science] was not the law of the good — what humanity thinks of as good, meaning moral, decent, humane — *but the law of the possible*.”

MacLeish concluded that the prevailing attitude is that, “What it is *possible* for science to know, science *must* know. What is *possible* for technology to do, technology will have done . . . regardless of anything!” (*Saturday Review*, July 13, 1968, p. 14.)

Yes, the *law of the possible* guides scientific endeavor. This is the third pivotal characteristic of the spirit of science. It simply boils down to *complete freedom of action without moral responsibility!*

Wilbur H. Ferry, vice president of the Fund for the Republic, summed up the *law of the possible* in very pithy terms when he bitterly referred to “. . . the high priests and acolytes of technology’s temples . . . enraptured by

the pursuit of what they most often call truth, but what in fact is *obscene curiosity* . . ." (*Saturday Review*, March 2, 1968, p. 50).

It was that "obscene curiosity" which gave mankind the "Bomb" along with at least a half dozen other exotic means of annihilating all life from the planet. It also fathered the "Thalidomide generation." And it is that same obscene curiosity which is presently obsessed with the manipulation of human genetic structure, intra-uterine surgery on the developing human foetus, and control of human behavior through implantation of electrodes in the brain!

So there you have it. The spirit of science is a spirit of deep skepticism, doubt, and cynicism — dehumanized, clinical, and coldly materialistic.

It is essentially a self-seeking attitude, unconcerned with moral or social consequences — A LAW UNTO ITSELF!

Up with Science — Down with God!

Robert Sinsheiner, professor of biophysics at California Institute of Technology stripped away any sentimental illusions when he boldly declared, "The scientist has now in effect become Nature with a capital N and God with a capital G!" (*Saturday Review*, January 20, 1968, p. 43.) Think about that! The scientist now openly claiming to be GOD!

MAKING ANTIBIOTICS IS THE SAME THE WORLD OVER — An ultra-modern chemical laboratory in Romania. It could be anywhere. The international character of chemistry contributes to the hope for world unity. But it isn't solving national animosities.

Romania Photo



Does the impact of that remark shock you? What motivates such a conclusion? THE SPIRIT OF SCIENCE!

Look around you. Look at the absolute perfection and balance in nature and the universe. Then compare it with the insoluble wretchedness, pollution, destruction, and chaos which man has produced. Can you honestly believe that *human reason* is the master of all things? What absurdity! And yet this is the spirit, the attitude, the frame of mind which educators hail as the basis for international unity. This is the mentality they are urging should be fostered in schools around the world!

Needed — a New Spirit

Are we really so gullible and materialistic as to believe that a helicopter in every front yard, a synthetic suit of clothes on every back, a transistor radio plugged into every ear, a transplanted heart beating in every bosom, a frozen TV dinner in every belly, an electric toothbrush jammed into every mouth would bring world unity? Preposterous!

And so what if science is now in almost full possession of the means to modify the hereditary nature of every animal, plant, and microbe on earth including man. What unity does that guarantee except perhaps height, weight, and color of hair and eyes?

Would the Jew-Arab conflict dis-

appear if we could get them together farming algae and reconstituting sewage for food?

Are tensions decreasing in the world as one after another nation begins to share the scientific and technological know-how to produce nuclear energy? No! Just the opposite is true!

Would the race problems around the world be settled if every native hut were equipped with color TV, stereo Hi Fi, an electronic oven, and inside plumbing? Don't you believe it!

When will we learn that unity among men is a matter of *heart* and *not hardware*? And when will we learn that the spirit of science can only deal with hardware and not the heart?

No! Education in the spirit of science is not the long-awaited Messiah. The only things it can deliver are flashy, chrome-plated, computerized, transistorized idols dedicated to man's lusts and programmed for frustration and destruction!

Scientific process is being confused with *human purpose*. Man's highest calling seems to have become an unending, enervating round of production and consumption — an irrational obsession with the manufacture of *things* to be squandered on *self*!

English philosopher Aldous Huxley identified our dilemma with great perception when he said, "Technological progress has merely provided us with more efficient means of going backward!"

Yes, what is desperately needed is a *new* spirit guiding the minds and lives of men — a spirit of humility, compassion, service, and outgoing concern.

Unfortunately, there is no science laboratory, no technological process, and no science education program with the power to implant that spirit in the hearts of men.

But the GOOD NEWS is that there is indeed a MESSIAH — the Jesus Christ of your Bible — the very source and fountainhead of the SPIRIT OF LIFE AND LOVE. He has promised to bring UNITY and UTOPIA and TRUE SCIENCE to this earth SOON! And He will!

Will you believe it?

Coming — the SOLUTION to Skyrocketing Crime

Why are hundreds being gunned down in the U. S. today?
Why has there been no SOLUTION to the worldwide rise in
crime? Read why leading authorities ADMIT failure — and
HOW the problem of crime WILL BE SOLVED!

by Richard H. Sedliacik

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD Cindy heard two dull thuds as she watched television one afternoon. She believed the muffled sounds came from the TV.

Later, Cindy began wondering *why* her mommy and daddy hadn't joined her yet. Curious, she went to the bedroom to investigate. There she faced a grisly scene. Both parents were lying on the floor — *DEAD!*

Cindy's stepfather had *SHOT* her mother — and then himself!

But *WHY?*

Ideas — But No Solutions!

Legislators claim *TOUGHER* gun-control laws will curb mounting crimes of violence. But this is blaming the gun for the crime and overlooking the criminal!

Just hours after Senator Robert F. Kennedy died from gunshot wounds, June 6, the U. S. Congress passed an omnibus anticrime bill.

President Johnson called the bill a "watered-down" and "half-way measure." In a radio and television address to the nation, the President said he wanted even *tougher* curbs on gun sales. Mr. Johnson pleaded: "I call upon Congress in the name of sanity, in the name of safety — and in the name of an aroused nation — to give the nation the gun-control law it needs."

The President has a reason to be alarmed.

According to the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, 750,000 Americans have been killed by privately owned guns since the turn of the century. That's more deaths than in all the

wars the U. S. has been involved in since the Civil War.

Each year, in the United States alone, guns are used in more than 6,500 murders.

Guns are also involved in 10,000 U. S. suicides. In 2,600 accidental deaths. In 44,000 serious assaults. In 50,000 robberies and in 100,000 non-fatal injuries each year. Every day, an average of 50 Americans die by firearms misuse — more than *one death every 30 minutes!*

The U. S. — an Armed Camp!

The U. S. has been involved in a *domestic arms race* — spurred largely by racial tension.

Beyond a few basic facts, information about the gun count is anybody's guess.

But supposedly knowledgeable estimates range all the way from 50 million to 200 million privately owned guns of all types in the U. S. — or *one for each citizen!*

The U. S. has become a virtual *ARMED CAMP!* One Negro leader said: "There are more guns in Los Angeles than in Saigon" — *at least 3 million!* Last year in Massachusetts, 1,100 gun dealers sold enough guns to equip an army of 56,000. In Washington D.C., alone, handgun sales have risen by more than a third in the past year.

"People are overly alarmed," worries Frank Flanagan, commander of homicide for Chicago's police department. "White and black people are overreacting, and it's just snowballing."

Nothing seems to convert a fleeting

murderous human impulse into action more effectively or finally than a gun! But remember, guns don't commit crimes — people do! Those people who allow the spirit of hate and murder to control their thinking and their emotions.

As Detroit police commissioner Ray Girardin puts it: "When people have guns, they use them. A wife gets mad at her husband, and instead of throwing a dish, she grabs the gun and kills him."

The Commissioner continued: "Two friends have an argument. One pulls a gun and shoots the other, apparently just because he's got the gun." (Statistics show that two thirds of criminal assaults in the U. S. and three fourths of all U. S. homicides result from quarrels *among family or friends!*)

Of course only a small percentage of people who have the means to murder — or even the impulse — actually go so far as to take another person's life. Most people maintain some control over their emotions. But far too many people have not been properly trained to exercise self-discipline and to control their emotions. In the U. S. this problem especially affects certain ethnic groups. In Switzerland, where almost all homes have firearms, few murders occur because people are taught to control their emotions.

Needed: "A Way to CONTROL Aggression"

There is a *CAUSE* for every *effect!* And for the past 6,000 years, men have been trying to treat the *results* of this

world's problems, instead of getting at the ROOT CAUSE!

The real cause of crime, and of all the world's ills is simply UNRESTRAINED HUMAN NATURE. The real solution can be simply stated in just three words: CHANGE HUMAN NATURE!!

World leaders and philosophers recognize man's nature must be changed if today's problems are to be solved. But they have to admit man is *utterly incapable* of effecting this change!

Time magazine phrased it this way: "To cope with what Sir James Frazer describes as this 'standing menace to civilization,' many authorities suggest that a way must be found to CONTROL AGGRESSION . . ." (*Time*, June 21, 1968, p. 18, emphasis ours).

Human nature — with its pride, vanity, *lust* and greed — is the problem. But the way to solve the problem has eluded philosophers and statesmen through the centuries.

What the great philosophers and

statesmen haven't realized is that the way to solve the problem has been available all these years! They just have refused to believe it! There is a book that tells all about human nature — what it is, and how to change it!

That book is your Bible!

It reveals the solutions to the BIG problems confronting the world — the problems of crime, of war, of sickness and poverty. It reveals that this *present generation is destined to see the END OF WAR AND CRIME!*

Sound impossible?

It would be — *if* it were left up to MEN. But man is about to be rescued from his own folly. God has promised it.

There is coming a time — soon — when *all* instruments of destruction will be converted into useful, peaceful products. Take a glimpse of what the world tomorrow will be like: "They shall beat their swords into *plowshares*, and their spears into *pruninghooks*:"

nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, NEITHER SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANY MORE" (Micah 4:3).

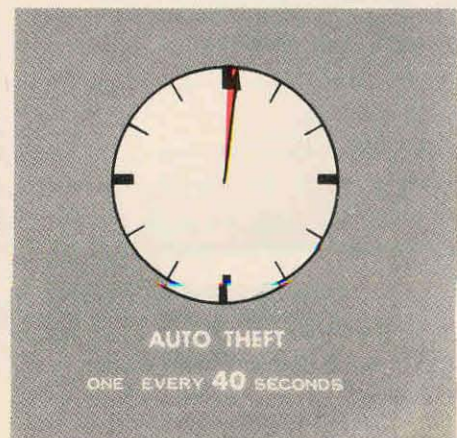
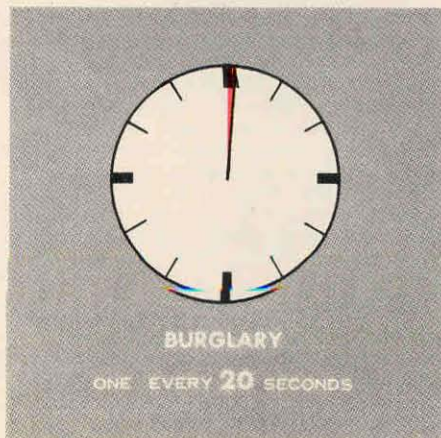
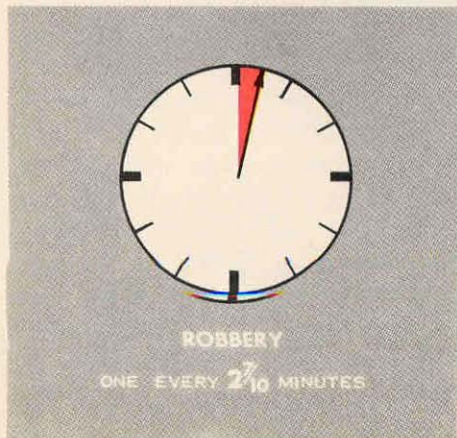
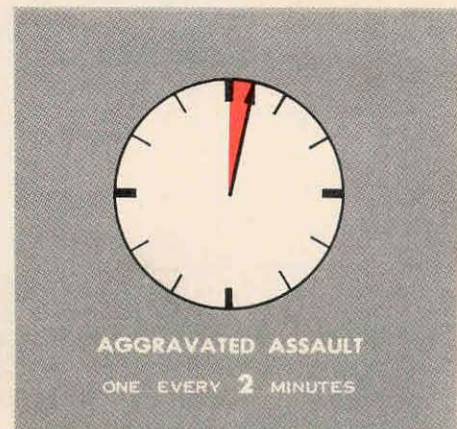
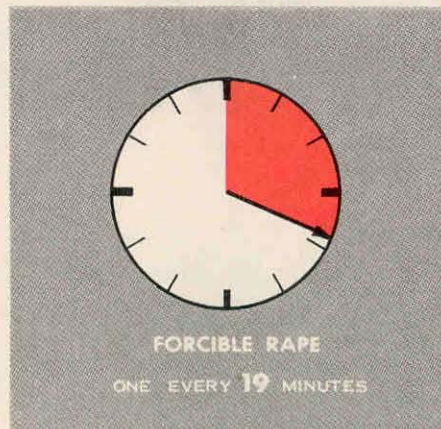
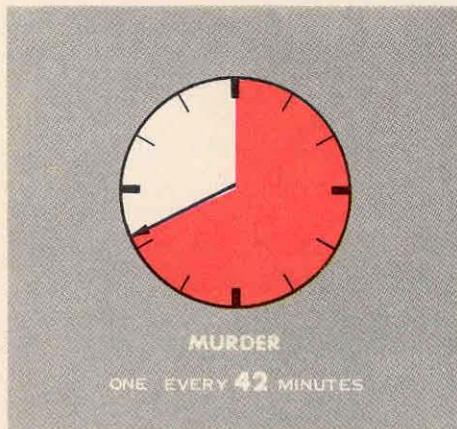
Anything wrong with that? People taught to live at peace with each other! No more shootings, muggings, robberies or suicides! And the detection of *potential* crime will be so fantastically swift and sure, that *would-be* criminals will be discovered at the very moment they begin to MERELY THINK of committing some criminal act!

But exactly *how* will all this be achieved? Human beings cannot solve the crime problem by gun laws.

Only a HIGHER and *infinitely wiser* Power than man can effectively put an end to all crime, and bring suffering humanity world peace! Only the Spirit of God within man can do it. Only the power and authority of the very government of God can do it!

The very One who created man with human nature will show *how* human nature can be CHANGED — and *why*

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we have had human nature in the first place!

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Over 100,000 enthusiastic students around the world are now enrolled in the Correspondence Course — in four languages. They are learning for the first time that there IS HOPE for the future — that there are *solutions* to the absolutely terrifying and seemingly insoluble problems of today! They are learning the laws which lead to success, *financial security* and the HAPPY ABUNDANT LIFE we all desire.

What Our Students Say

Here are a few excerpts from the thousands of letters our students have written. We begin with one from Milwaukee.

Since I had the advantage of a good deal of this world's education, I feel qualified to make this next statement. Although the Correspondence Course is written so that anyone who can read the Bible can easily do the work; in quality and thoroughness of instruction, it is easily the equivalent of courses given for college credit by the better colleges and universities. It is really superior....

Even if you lack this student's education, don't hesitate to enroll. Notice:

Please tell people they don't have to have a high education to take the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course. I didn't finish high school and that kept me from writing for it a long time. Now there isn't enough money to buy the lessons from me that I have received.

Student, Tavares, Florida

From the Midwest comes this letter:

What amazes me is that you ask the questions and tell us which scriptures to read and then the Bible itself explains it. I've heard you say many times on your radio broadcasts, "Let the Bible interpret itself." It really can and does, if people would only give it a chance. Thank you so much for letting me be a part of this wonderful course.

Mrs. P. L., Youngstown, Ohio

Another comments:

I have just completed my first four lessons of the Bible Correspondence Course. Suddenly I realized the amazing change in my understanding of the Bible as I recalled the days before I ever requested the course. It has helped move me out of complete misunderstanding, myth, guesswork and bewilderment, and into a clear and ever-revealing knowledge of the Bible. The comments in *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine about the wonderful course, I used to regard subtly. But now I also share those other people's great enthusiasm.

Edward M., Hanford, California

Would you like to prove that God exists? Here's how this student did:

Your Bible Course really shows one how to study the Bible and what the Bible really says. Most people don't realize that the Bible is a book for our day and age. They have never proved that it is true or that there is a God. You give the proof. I now believe that there really is a God, and that the Bible is His Word. The Bible has become a new book to me. I never realized what the Bible said until now.

D. M., Apache Junction, Arizona

Another adds:

Words cannot tell how much I enjoy this course. It makes the Bible so plain and understandable. For people who do not willfully close their eyes, it makes the prophecies come alive by showing us how today's world-shattering news

is simply prophecy being fulfilled.

R. L., Dallas, Texas

Perhaps you are a housewife? Bored with your daily routine? This person was, until —

I am a housewife and for a time I became bored doing the same thing over and over again every day, with nothing exciting to do. Then I began reading *The PLAIN TRUTH* and became enrolled in the Correspondence Course. And now, I have never in all my life had anything like it. It really is plain, simple, and easy to understand. And most inspiring. I enjoy it to the fullest. And since I've been studying the Bible, there is love, happiness, and contentment in our home. Thank you for helping me to find the truth in this time of trouble.

Mrs. M. S., Ridgeway, Virginia

Don't Delay!

Enroll today! You, *too*, can begin to share in these same experiences. You *can* begin to UNDERSTAND the Bible!

The only qualification necessary for taking this course is the ability to read. (A *limited* number of taped lessons for the blind are also available.) No prior college training or other advanced education is necessary. God's Word is made plain and simple so even a *child* can understand! And the only required textbook is your Bible.

And remember — the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course is absolutely FREE of any tuition cost to you!

Your enrollment has *already been paid for* by others who are voluntarily helping to send this Course to the world as a public service WITHOUT ANY COST whatsoever. You may continue receiving monthly lessons as long as you wish. You'll *never* be billed or solicited in any way!

So if you want to know what present world events mean, what life is *really* all about — if you want to learn how God will soon begin changing human nature — if you want to know where you, *personally*, are headed in the next few short years — then write immediately to the editor in care of our office nearest you, and ask to be enrolled in the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course. (See inside front cover for the addresses.)

Do it *right now* — lest you forget! And remember to *mention* you read this article.

RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

MAJOR STATIONS

East

WOR — New York — 710 kc., 11:30 p.m. Sun.
 WHN — New York — 1050 kc., 11:30 p.m. Sun.
 WHAM — Rochester — 1180 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
 WWVA — Wheeling, W. Va. — 1170 kc., 98.7 FM, 5 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 10:30 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WRKO — Boston — 680 kc., 98.5 FM, 6:30 a.m. Sun.
 WBAL — Baltimore — 1090 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun.
 WRVA — Richmond — 1140 kc., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 p.m. Sun.
 WPTF — Raleigh, N. C. — 680 kc., 94.7 FM, 1:30 & 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 10:30 p.m. Sat., 9:30 a.m. & 10 p.m. Sun.
 WBT — Charlotte, N. C. — 1110 kc., 8 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 11:05 p.m. Sun.

Central States

WLAC — Nashville — 1510 kc., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 p.m. daily, 6:30 a.m. Sun.
 WSM — Nashville — 650 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.
 WCKY — Cincinnati — 1530 kc., 5 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 5:30 a.m. Sat., 12 midnight Tues.-Sun., 7, 9:30 p.m. Sun.
 WLW — Cincinnati — 700 kc., 7 a.m. and 11:05 p.m. Sun.
 WJJD — Chicago — 1160 kc., 11 a.m. Sun.
 WISN — Milwaukee, Wis. — 1130 kc., 10:30 p.m. daily, 9 a.m. Sun.
 KSTP — Minneapolis-St. Paul — 1500 kc., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 a.m. Sun.
 KXEL — Waterloo — 1540 kc., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 p.m. Sun.
 KXEN — St. Louis — 1010 kc., 7:15 a.m. & 12 noon Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m. Sun.

South

KRLD — Dallas — 1080 kc., 8:10 p.m. (or before or after ball game) daily.
 WFAA — Dallas — 820 kc., 10:45 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
 KTRH — Houston — 740 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri.
 WOAI — San Antonio, Tex. — 1200 kc., 10:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:05 p.m. Sun.
 KWKH — Shreveport — 1130 kc., 94.5 FM, 1 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. (or before or after ball game) Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m. & 11:30 p.m. Sat., 10:30 a.m. & 9:30 p.m. Sun.
 WNOE — New Orleans — 1060 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
 KAAY — Little Rock — 1090 kc., 5:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Sun.
 WGUN — Atlanta — 1010 kc., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 4 p.m. Sun.
 WAPI — Birmingham — 1070 kc., 10 a.m. Sun.
 WMOO — Mobile — 1550 kc., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
 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., 9:30 p.m. daily. (CST)

Mountain States

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

West Coast

KIRO — Seattle — 710 kc., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 5:30 a.m. Tues.-Sat.
 KRAK — Sacramento — 1140 kc., 9 p.m. daily.
 KFAX — San Francisco — 1100 kc., 12:30 & 4:15 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m. & 4:15 p.m. Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
 KGBS — Los Angeles — 1020 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
 XERB — Lower Calif. — 1090 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS

East

WBMD — Baltimore — 750 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
 WPEN — Philadelphia — 950 kc., 5:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 a.m. Sun.
 WPIT — Pittsburgh — 730 kc., 101.5 FM, 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 1:30 p.m. Sat., 11 a.m. Sun.
 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., 6:05 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:05 p.m. Sat., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WSCR — Scranton, Pa. — 1320 kc., 12:30 p.m., 7 p.m. daily.
 WBRB — Wilkes-Barre, Pa. — 1340 kc., 98.5 FM, 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 1 p.m. Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
 WCHS — Charleston, W. Va. — 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
 WCIR — Beckley, W. Va. — 1060 kc., 5 p.m. Sat., 12:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri.
 WTVR — Richmond, Va. — 1380 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
 WCYB — Bristol, Va. — 690 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
 WLOS — Asheville, N. C. — 1380 kc., 99.9 FM, 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:30 p.m. Sun.
 WPAQ — Mount Airy, N. C. — 740 kc., 1:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
 WFNC — Fayetteville, N. C. — 940 kc., 98.1 FM, 1 p.m. daily.
 WAAT — Trenton, N. J. — 1300 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
 WEVD — New York — 1330 kc., 97.9 FM, 10 p.m. daily.
 WVOX — New Rochelle, N. Y. — 1460 kc., 93.5 FM, 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 a.m. Sun.
 WGLI — Babylon, L. I. — 1290 kc., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 p.m. Sun.
 WBNX — New York — 1380 kc., 9:15 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).
 WOKO — Albany, N. Y. — 1460 kc., 8 p.m. daily, 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 p.m. Sun.
 WWOL — Buffalo, N. Y. — 1120 kc., 4 p.m. Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
 WHLD — Niagara Falls, N.Y. — 1270 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 1:30 p.m. Sun.

WWNH — Rochester, N. H. — 930 kc., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:05 a.m. Sun.
 WDEV — Waterbury, Vt. — 550 kc., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 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., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 noon Sun.
 WBET — Brockton, Mass. — 1460 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
 WMAS — Springfield, Mass. — 1450 kc., 94.7 FM, 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WACE — Chicopee, Mass. — 730 kc., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:30 p.m. Sun.
 WEIM — Fitchburg, Mass. — 1280 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WHMP — Northampton, Mass. — 1400 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WARE — Ware, Mass. — 1250 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
 WJAR — Providence, R. I. — 920 kc., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 6:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun.
 WNLC — New London, Conn. — 1510 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

Central

WSPD — Toledo, Ohio — 1370 kc., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 p.m. Sun.
 WSLR — Akron, Ohio — 1350 kc., 8 p.m. daily.
 WFMJ — Youngstown, Ohio — 1390 kc., 10:30 p.m. daily.
 WBNS — Columbus, Ohio — 1460 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
 WBRJ — Marietta, Ohio — 910 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
 WCLU — Cincinnati — 1320 kc., 12 noon daily.
 WJBK — Detroit — 1500 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
 WBCK — Battle Creek, Mich. — 930 kc., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 12:30 p.m. Sat., Sun.
 WKMF — Flint, Mich. — 1470 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
 WIDG — St. Ignace, Mich. — 940 kc., 12:10 p.m. daily.
 WJPD — Ishpeming, Mich. — 1240 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
 KWKY — Des Moines, Iowa — 1150 kc., 12:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. daily.
 KOZN — Omaha, Nebr. — 660 kc., 6:10 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 noon Sat.
 KRVN — Lexington, Nebr. — 1010 kc., 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
 KMMJ — Grand Island, Nebr. — 750 kc., 4 p.m. daily.
 WNAX — Yankton, S. Dak. — 570 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
 KFVR — Bismarck, N. Dak. — 550 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
 KFGO — Fargo, N. Dak. — 790 kc., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:10 p.m. Sat. & Sun.
 WEAW — Chicago — 1330 kc., 8 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. & 12 noon Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun. (105.1 FM, 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 p.m. Sun.).
 WJOL — Joliet, Ill. — 1340 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily.
 WXCL — Peoria — 1350 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

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- WITY — Danville, Ill. — 980 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- WWCA — Gary, Ind. — 1270 kc., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 4 p.m. Sun.
- WSBT — South Bend — 960 kc., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 p.m. Sun.
- *WJOB — Hammond, Ind. — 1230 kc., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 6:30 p.m. Sun.
- WIBC — Indianapolis — 1070 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun.
- KLIK — Jefferson City, Mo. — 950 kc., 1 p.m. daily.
- KFVS — Cape Girardeau, Mo. — 960 kc., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:15 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sun.
- KWTO — Springfield, Mo. — 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KFEQ — St. Joseph, Mo. — 680 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KUDL — Kansas City, Mo. — 1380 kc., 5:40 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 8:30 a.m. & 11 p.m. Sun.
- KFSB — Joplin, Mo. — 1310 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- WIBW — Topeka, Kans. — 580 kc., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. Sun.
- KFDI — Wichita, Kans. — 1070 kc., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:30 p.m. Sun.
- KFH — Wichita, Kans. — 1330 kc., 100.3 FM, 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KBEA — Mission, Kans. — 1480 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KGGF — Coffeyville, Kans. — 690 kc., 6 p.m. daily.
- KUPK — Garden City, Kans. — 1050 kc., 97.3 FM, 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:15 p.m. Sun.
- KXXX — Colby, Kans. — 790 kc., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 11:30 a.m. Sun.
- WMT — Cedar Rapids — 600 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun.
- KMA — Shenandoah, Ia. — 960 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- WOC — Davenport, Ia. — 1420 kc., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 p.m. Sun.
- KGLO — Mason City, Ia. — 1300 kc., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 7:30 p.m. Sun.
- KQRS — Minneapolis — 1440 kc., 92.5 FM, 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- KRSI — Minneapolis — 950 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WEBC — Duluth, Minn. — 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WNFL — Green Bay — 1440 kc., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 5 p.m. Sun.
- WSAU — Wausau, Wis. — 550 kc., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 p.m. Sun.
- WCOW — Sparta, Wis. — 1290 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- South**
- KEES — Gladewater, Tex. — 1430 kc., 12 noon daily.
- KTBB — Tyler, Tex. — 600 kc., 12 noon daily.
- KLVI — Beaumont, Tex. — 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KTBC — Austin — 590 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KMAC — San Antonio — 630 kc., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. Sun.
- KCTA — Corpus Christi, Tex. — 1030 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat., 2 p.m. Sun.
- KTLU — Rusk, Tex. — 1580 kc., 1 p.m. Sun.
- XEWG — El Paso — 1240 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).
- KNIT — Abilene, Tex. — 1280 kc., 8:50 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 a.m. Sun.
- KGNC — Amarillo — 710 kc., 9 p.m. daily.
- KCTX — Childress, Tex. — 1500 kc., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 12:15 p.m. Sat., 2 p.m. Sun.
- KWFT — Wichita Falls — 620 kc., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 4:30 p.m. Sun.
- KFMJ — Tulsa — 1050 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KBYE — Oklahoma City — 890 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
- KXLR — Little Rock — 1150 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KBHS — Hot Springs, Ark. — 590 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KWAM — Memphis — 990 kc., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- WMQM — Memphis — 1480 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 1 p.m. Sun.
- WHBQ — Memphis — 560 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
- WFWL — Camden, Tenn. — 1220 kc., 2 p.m. Sun.
- WDEF — Chattanooga — 1370 kc., 92.3 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.
- WKXV — Knoxville — 900 kc., 12 noon & 7:30 p.m. daily.
- WBRC — Birmingham — 960 kc., 106.9 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WYDE — Birmingham — 850 kc., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- WAAX — Gadsden, Ala. — 570 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 noon Sun.
- WCOV — Montgomery — 1170 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WMEN — Tallahassee — 1330 kc., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
- WFLA — Tampa — 970 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
- WINZ — Miami — 940 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- WGBS — Miami — 710 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
- WFAB — Miami — 990 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).
- WFIV — Kissimmee, Fla. — 1080 kc., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:30 p.m. Sun.
- WBIX — Jacksonville, Fla. — 1010 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- WEAS — Savannah, Ga. — 900 kc., 12 noon daily.
- WKYX — Paducah, Ky. — 570 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- Mountain States**
- KPHO — Phoenix — 910 kc., 6:35 p.m. daily.
- KASA — Phoenix — 1540 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KCUB — Tucson — 1290 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KTUC — Tucson — 1400 kc., 8 p.m. daily.
- KYUM — Yuma, Ariz. — 560 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 2 p.m. Sun.
- KCLS — Flagstaff, Ariz. — 600 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KGGM — Albuquerque — 610 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KLZ — Denver — 560 kc., 106.7 FM, 7:15 p.m. daily.
- KMOR — Salt Lake City — 1230 kc., 6:35 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 6:30 a.m. Sat., 9 a.m. Sun.
- KBET — Reno — 1340 kc., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 p.m. Sun.
- KIDO — Boise, Idaho — 630 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
- KBOI — Boise — 670 kc., 6:30 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., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 p.m. Sun.
- West Coast**
- KHQ — Spokane — 590 kc., 8:05 p.m. daily.
- KEPR — Pasco, Wash. — 610 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KVI — Seattle — 570 kc., 8 a.m. Sun.
- KBLE — Seattle — 1050 kc., 12 noon daily.
- KTW — Seattle — 1250 kc., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- KMO — Tacoma, Wash. — 1360 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
- KARI — Bellingham — 550 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KWJJ — Portland — 1080 kc., 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 p.m. Sun.
- KLIQ — Portland — 1290 kc., 92.3 FM, 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 noon Sun.
- KEX — Portland — 1190 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
- KGAY — Salem — 1430 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. Sun.
- 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.
- KWIN — Ashland, Ore. — 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
- KAGO — Klamath Falls, Ore. — 1150 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- KSAY — San Francisco — 1010 kc., 12:35 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 8:30 a.m. Sun.
- KFRC — San Francisco — 610 kc., 106.1 FM, 7 a.m. Sun.
- KFIV — Modesto — 1360 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. Sun.
- *KTOM — Salinas — 1380 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
- KBIF — Fresno — 900 kc., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m. Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- KNGS — Hanford, Calif. — 620 kc., 6 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. Sun.
- KCHJ — Delano, Calif. — 1010 kc., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 8 a.m. Sun.
- KGEE — Bakersfield — 1230 kc., 5 p.m. daily.
- KDB — Santa Barbara — 1490 kc., 93.7 FM, 7 p.m. daily.
- KRKD — Los Angeles — 1150 kc., 96.3 FM, 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Sun.
- KTYM — Inglewood — 1460 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Fri.
- KFOX — Long Beach — 1280 kc., 100.3 FM, 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 p.m. Sun.
- KBIG — Los Angeles — 740 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
- KACE — San Bernardino-Riverside — 1570 kc., 7:05 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- KCKC — San Bernardino — 1350 kc., 9 p.m. daily.
- KMEN — San Bernardino — 1290 kc., 6 a.m. Sun.
- KCHV — Palm Springs — 970 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12:30 p.m. Sun.

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KOGO — San Diego — 600 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

XEMO — Tijuana — 860 kc., 6 p.m. daily.

KALI — Los Angeles — 1430 kc., 4:45 p.m. Sun. (in Spanish).

Alaska & Hawaii

KFQD — Anchorage, Alaska — 750 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

KNDI — Honolulu, Hawaii — 1270 kc., 6 a.m., 6 p.m. daily.

KTRG — Honolulu, Hawaii — 990 kc., 5:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 noon Sun.

*KPOI — Honolulu, Hawaii — 97.5 FM, 8 a.m. Sun.

CANADA

VOCM — St. John's, Nfld. — 590 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.

CJCH — Halifax, N. S. — 920 kc., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10 p.m. Sun.

CFBC — St. John, N.B. — 930 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

CKCW — Moncton, N. B. — 1220 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

CJEM — Edmundston, N. B. — 570 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

CFMB — Montreal, Que. — 1410 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 1:30 p.m. Sun.

CKOY — Ottawa, Ont. — 1310 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.

CJET — Smiths Falls, Ont. — 630 kc., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 10:30 a.m. Sun.

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THE BIBLE ANSWERS

Short Questions

FROM OUR READERS

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

- What is the origin of today's Hallowe'en customs?

— G. O., Milwaukee

Hallowe'en long antedates Christianity! It was only later introduced into the professing Christian world — centuries *after* the death of the apostles.

Why, then, do so many today keep Hallowe'en? What useful purpose does such a celebration fulfill in this "enlightened" scientific twentieth century? What purpose did it ever serve? Is it merely a harmless celebration to amuse our children?

You may not have realized it, but the ancient pre-Christian Druids in Britain, the pagan Romans and Greeks, and even the Babylonians, among others, kept a Hallowe'en festival.

Notice! "The earliest Hallowe'en celebrations [in Britain] were held by the Druids in honour of Samhain, Lord of the Dead, whose festival fell on November 1" (see *Halloween Through Twenty Centuries*, by Ralph Linton, p. 4).

"It is clearly a relic of pagan times"! (*The Book of Days*, Chambers, v. 2, p. 519.)

Further, "It was a Druidical belief that on the eve of this festival Saman, lord of death, called together the wicked spirits that within the past 12 months had been condemned to inhabit the bodies of animals" (*Encyclopaedia Britannica*, 11th ed., v. 12, pp. 857-8).

Read what this November celebration was like! It was a pagan belief that on one night of the year the souls of the dead return to their original homes,

there to be entertained with food. If food and shelter were not provided, these spirits, it was believed, would cast spells and cause havoc towards those failing to fulfill their requests.

"It was the night for the universal walking about of all sorts of spirits, fairies, and ghosts, all of whom had liberty on that night" (*Highland Superstitions*, Alexander Macgregor, p. 44). Literal sacrifices were offered on this night to the spirits of the dead, when, so the belief went, they visited their earthly haunts and their friends.

There was a reason why November was chosen for that particular event. The Celts and other Northern people considered the beginning of November as their New Year. This was the time when the leaves were falling and a general seasonal decay was taking place everywhere. Thus it was a fitting time, so they reasoned, for the commemoration of the dead.

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Since the Northern nations at that time began their day in the evening, the eve leading up to November 1st was the beginning of the festival. According to the Roman calendar it was the evening October 31 — hence, Hallowe'en — the evening of All Hallows.

Hallowe'en, or *All Souls Eve*, was kept throughout the ancient pagan world. The observance was widespread.

"There was a prevailing belief among all nations that at death the souls of good men were taken possession of by good spirits and carried to paradise; but the souls of wicked men were left to wander in the space between the earth and moon, or consigned to the unseen world. These wanderings spirits were in the habit of *haunting the living*... But there were means by which these ghosts might be exorcised" (*Folklore*, James Napier, p. 11).

To exorcise these ghosts, that is, to free yourself from their supposed evil sway, you would have to set out food and provide shelter for them during the night. If they were satisfied with your offerings, it was believed they would leave you in peace. If not, they were believed to cast an evil spell on you.

"In Wales it was firmly believed that on All Hallows Eve the spirit of a departed person was to be seen at midnight on every crossroad and every stile" (*Folklore and Folk-Stories of Wales*, Marie Trevelyan, p. 254).

In Cambodia people used to chant: "O all you our ancestors, who are departed, deign to come and eat what we have prepared for you, and to bless your posterity and to make it happy" (*Notice sur le Cambodge*, Paris 1875, E. Aymonier, p. 59).

This sort of Hallowe'en festival was strenuously observed throughout the non-Christian world. Pagans would pray to their false gods to prevent "demons" and "witches" from molesting them.

Notice! "The Miztecs of Mexico believed that the souls of the dead came back in the twelfth month of the year, which corresponded to our November. On this day of All Souls the houses were decked out to welcome the spirits. Jars of food and drink were set on a table in the principal room, and the family went out with the torches to meet the

ghosts and invite them to enter. Then, returning to the house they knelt around the table, and with their eyes bent on the ground, prayed the souls to accept the offerings" (*Adonis*, Frazer, p. 244).

This, then, is the way the heathen world celebrated their Hallowe'en, their *All Souls Day*. Although some aspects of the Hallowe'en festival varied with each country, the overall pattern and purpose remained the same.

When the German Frankish king Charlemagne invaded and conquered parts of Eastern Germany, he compelled the conquered German king, Wittekind, to be baptized and to accept Christianity. Having no choice and seeing his life was at stake, this heathen ruler who knew little or nothing about Christ—was forced into this "conversion." And with him his entire people.

This policy brought complex problems. These pagans, who were usually baptized *en masse*, were still pagans at heart. Even though they became nominal Christians, they still yearned for many of their heathen practices, which they were expected to discard.

With Wittekind's baptism, for example, a vast number of barbarians were suddenly added to the roll of the church.

Wittekind's Germans, now professing Christians, and other conquered pagans, had a profound influence on the ecclesiastical affairs of the church in the early 800's A. D. These barbaric and uncultured people brought with them many outright pagan practices and celebrations, Hallowe'en merely being one of many. They were fervent in clinging to their past ceremonies and observed them openly—yet supposedly converted to Christianity.

What was the church to do? Excommunicate them and thus reduce her membership? This she would not do. Was she to force them into discarding their heathen practices and adopt Italian or Roman ones? This, as she had learned in past times, was not possible.

There remained only one other way.

Let the recently converted pagans keep certain of their heathen festivals, such as Hallowe'en or All Souls Day—but label it "Christian." Of course the Germans were asked not to pray to their ancient pagan gods on this day. They

must now use this day to commemorate the death of the saints.

If a pagan practice or festival could not be forbidden, it was reasoned, "let it be tamed." Thus many were persuaded to *transfer* devotion from their former gods to the Christian God. So it was with the festival of *All Souls Eve*. Notice this admission:

"Thus, at the first promulgation of Christianity to the Gentile nations... *they could not be persuaded to relinquish* many of their superstitions, which, rather than forego altogether, they chose to *blend* and *incorporate* with the new faith" (*Popular Antiquities of Great Britain*, John Brand, p. xi).

Now come down to the twentieth century. You'll be surprised to what extent we have inherited pagan rites and ceremonies from our forefathers, so obvious in the celebration of Hallowe'en.

Note this classic example. "In many Catholic countries the belief that the *dead return* on this day is so strong, that food is left on the tables and people still decorate the graves of the dead [on this day]" (*Dictionary of Folklore*, Funk and Wagnalls, v. 1, p. 38).

In Protestant countries many pagan superstitious beliefs and practices have become an integral part of each year's celebration.

In many parts of Britain, *bonfires* are set alight on the eve of Hallowe'en. Of course fire has nothing to do with praying for dead saints. The original reason for the fire, however, was to frighten away witches and evil spirits on this night. Fire has always been an essential part of Hallowe'en in Britain.

What about you and your children? What comes to your mind when thinking about Hallowe'en? The truth of the Bible? Not at all! Instead, weird and *frightening masks*—persons *portrayed as witches and demons*. Pumpkins and turnips hollowed out in the shape of *eerie-looking faces*! Lighted candles are placed inside to help bring out the more frightful side of these carvings. Dough is baked into small figurines *resembling witches, and spider's web cakes* are baked by the dozen for this occasion. Children, dressed up in the most revolting garments, are let loose on the neigh-

bors, trying to scare the daylights out of them.

Let's be honest. The *Good House-keeping Book of Entertainment*, on page 168, has a section on what to do on Hallowe'en. Notice the astonishing advice given!

"Halloween decorations are quite as important as the food. When planning them, remember that if the room is to be dimly lit (preferably by candle and *firelight*) the decorations must be bold to be effective. Orange, black and red, *the devil's colours*, are the colours associated with Halloween and *this scheme should be carried out* as far as possible... Have paper streamers and lanterns hanging from the ceiling, or, if you would like to have something less usual, you could make a *giant spider's web* with black and orange strings, or in narrow strips of crepe paper coming from the four corners of the room, complete with a *large spider*—one of the *devil's favourite followers*."

Notice where the stress lies!

Read further of the black magic associated with this festival. "To decorate the walls, make large silhouettes of *cats, bats, owls and witches on broomsticks*... For the supper table small *witches with broomsticks* can be made by using lollipops on 4-inch sticks."

Weird lanterns, witch-balls, and witches' cauldrons are some other objects, the book suggests, which must fit into the evening somehow.

How pagan can you get?

NOWHERE does the Bible command us to observe Hallowe'en.

Hallowe'en and other common festivals which people observe in the Christian-professing world have *no Biblical basis*. They originated in paganism.

The testimony of history stamps Hallowe'en as a *heathen* festival. It's built on a *pagan foundation*. Your Bible warns: "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (I Cor. 3-11).

Which is the *BASIS* of *your* practice and belief?

Turn to Deuteronomy 12:29-31 and read God's condemnation of Hallowe'en! And write for our free article on Hallowe'en which covers many other startling facts not included here!

CRISIS IN CITIES

(Continued from page 8)

EVERY TEN persons in Britain live in towns. And HALF of all Britons live in the seven great conurbations of London, Manchester, Birmingham, Glasgow, Leeds, Liverpool and Newcastle. (Central Office of Information booklet—*Town and Country Planning in Britain*, p. 25.)

London is the major area of population concentration. In a tiny area comprising only a sixtieth of the land mass live a sixteenth of the British people. (*The Future of London*, Edward Carter, p. 90.) Britain has 50% more people per square mile than teeming, populous, but rural, India. (Figures from *Pears Cyclopaedia*.) How did the country reach this condition?

The last century has witnessed an amazing surge of people from the land to the cities. In the early 1800's the British population was largely rural—65 to 70 percent. (*Life Threatened*, by A. T. Westlake, p. 4.) Fifty years after the first census in 1801, the population had doubled to twenty million people. Half were now living in towns. (*The Wastes of Civilization* by J. C. Wylie, p. 37.) This was a condition that had never before occurred in any country in the history of the world, says John C. Wylie in his book, *The Wastes of Civilization*. Today only 2% of the British labour force is employed in Agriculture. (*Annual Abstract of Statistics*, 1967.)

How did it all come about? What was the magnetic force of the towns?

By the early nineteenth century Britain was already firmly launched on the Industrial Revolution. New machines put Britain in the forefront of the textile trade. And with her natural supplies of coal Britain rapidly achieved a powerful iron and steel industry. These spawned a mass movement luring people away from the country to work in the factories and offices. Cities sprang up seemingly overnight. Workers were forced to live huddled up and crowded together in row upon row, street upon street of monotonous, squalid terrace houses.

Others were not as fortunate. The crudest and worst jerry building could not produce housing fast enough. The labour demands of industry were insatiable. People were crowded in unventilated cellars and draughty attics. Ten families plus lodgers often lived in a ten-roomed house.

Men, women and children worked into the night. Women pulled trucks in the mines through knee-deep mud. Children slaved ten-hour days in factories. (*The Wastes of Civilization*, by J. C. Wylie, p. 37.)

The nation moved into a new age—an industrial society. Britain had almost entirely given up her predominantly agricultural economy.

A Worldwide Crisis

The move to the cities is not only in England. It is apparent throughout the world. Compare these figures!

A hundred years ago, Europe was mainly rural. Then only 26% of French people were city dwellers, 21% of Denmark, 15% of Norway, 10% of Sweden, and 36% of Germany. Today these nations are all predominantly urban. France 53%, Denmark 67%, Norway 50%, Sweden 56%, and Germany 74%. (Fraser Brockington, *World Health*, p. 129.)

The Industrial Revolution has bequeathed Britain—and the world—ugly, blackened, shabby cities with spreading, grasping suburbs. This is the price paid for industrial greed. "The Industrial Revolution," says Professor Fraser Brockington, "has left the world with a legacy of outworn towns, sprawling suburbs and disfigured countryside." (Fraser Brockington, *World Health*, p. 129.)

British cities today are crying out for renewal. In a government White Paper it was revealed that one house out of fourteen in 1967 was condemned as a slum. (*Survey Magazine*, 10 May 1968, p. 494.) Of those remaining, nearly 30% lack such amenities as an indoor lavatory, a fixed bath, a wash basin and a hot and cold water system. (*Op cit.*

p. 493.) All this despite the boom in new housing!

In one district of 2½ million population, comprising the greater part of London county, between 30 and 80% of families live in shared dwellings! (Herbert Commission, 1960 quoted in *The Future of London* p. 116.) It is estimated that 43% of the houses in Liverpool are unfit (slums) and 33% of Manchester. (*Slums of Social Insecurity*, p. 116.)

Vast sections of Britain's cities are old and insanitary. Yet in these cities the bulk of British people live. Remember 90% of Britons are town and city dwellers! There are 55 million crowded on a small island only three-fifths the size of California!

How much further can Britain go with her congested, slum-ridden cities? Will we soon reach the maximum these islands can accommodate?

Frightening Menace of Traffic

British cities are also being stifled by congestion from another source—TRAFFIC. In 1961, traffic congestion alone probably cost the country £250 million. (*Traffic in Towns*, Penguin edition of government Buchanan Report, p. 22.) On one weekend recently, there was a traffic jam for 17 miles. (27th July, BBC News.)

The rapid increase in the number of vehicles on the road aggravates the problem. In ten years the number increased by 150%. (*Town and Country Planning in Britain*, by Central Office of Information, p. 25.) Today there are about thirteen million vehicles in Britain. (*Daily Telegraph*, August 23, 1967.) By 1980, it is estimated, there will be three times as many cars on the road as there are today. (*Traffic in Towns*, p. 11.)

British cities and roads were not designed to cope with such an onslaught.

Accidents occur at an alarming rate. An average of one driver in three will have a crash on Britain's roads this year. The odds of being killed or injured in a lifetime of motoring are a terrifying one in two. (*Traffic in Towns*, p. 11.)

Total road casualties in Britain run



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THE PRICE PAID FOR INDUSTRIALIZATION — Congested and dilapidated buildings in south London, England.

with alarming consistency at about 400,000 per year with about 8,000 deaths. (*Annual Abstract of Statistics*, 1967.) Almost 75% of these occur in urban areas. Why?

Drive, the Automobile Association magazine, says: "British accidents are costly because we drive too fast on roads which are too crowded and more antiquated than those in almost any Western country." (*Traffic in Towns*, p. 11.) Britain now has the highest traffic density in the world (27.4 vehicles per road mile compared with 20 in U.S.A. and 17.3 in West Germany.) (*The Future of London*, p. 153.) The problems of our roads are approaching insolvency.

A government publication called the growth of motor traffic *the most disruptive force that ever assailed British towns in peacetime*. (*Town and Country Planning*.)

Sir Geoffrey Crowther, in the preface of the Penguin edition of the governmental Buchanan Report "*Traffic in Towns*," says: "I call it a *national emergency*... Few of us in Britain realize in what an early stage of the Motor Age we still are, or with what speed the full emergency is advancing on us...

It is impossible to study the traffic problem without being at once appalled by the magnitude of the emergency that is coming upon us..."

In British cities, however, traffic moves at an average speed of only 11 m.p.h. (*Traffic in Towns*, p. 22.)

Our Fouled, Poisonous Atmosphere!

The air we breathe in the cities is a *slow poison*. Cars in Britain are a major source of air pollution. In running an average car over seven years the exhaust pours out enough *carbon dioxide* to fill St. Paul's dome twice over; enough carbon monoxide to fill nine three-bedroomed bungalows; enough oxides of nitrogen to fill three double-decker buses; and enough lead to make a chest weight for a deep sea diver. (*Drive Magazine*, Spring 1967.) As well as this it emits pounds of sulphur dioxide, aldehydes and complex organic compounds. (*Life Threatened*, by Aubrey Westlake, p. 56.)

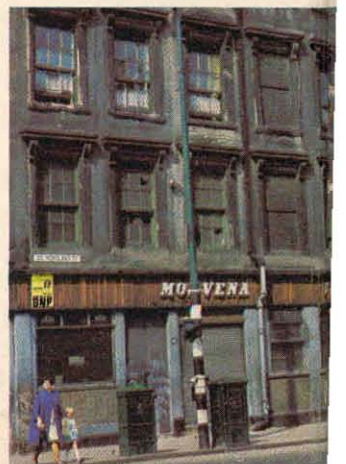
Sixteen million tons of carbon monoxide are added to the British atmosphere every year. (*Evening Echo*, [Hemel Hempstead], 18 July 1968.) It is suspected of being a hidden factor in unexplained road accidents. (*Drive Magazine*, Spring 1967.) It dulls the mentality and slows down reactions. (*Daily Telegraph*, 23 August 1967.) "In any street, especially on a still summer day, *most people in cars are in a*

partially poisoned state," says Dr. G. M. Mackay of Birmingham University's transportation study group. The symptoms are exactly the same as those caused by alcohol. (*Drive Magazine*, Spring 1967.) A London driver takes in enough black smoke to turn his lungs permanently black. (*Evening Standard*, [London], April 10, 1967.)

How much damage do pollutants do? No scientist really knows. But considerable sums of money are being spent to find out because the two indicators of respiratory damage — *bronchitis* and lung cancer — are rising in Britain. (*Evening Standard*, [London], April 10, 1967.)

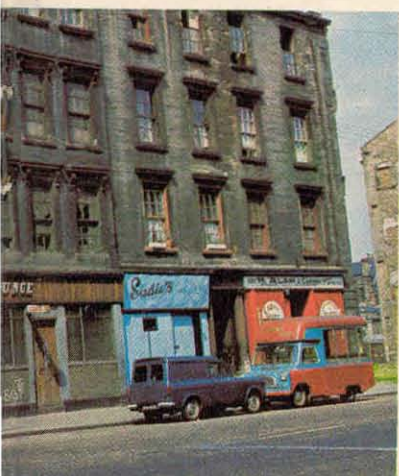
Sulphur dioxide is an irritant and a *poison*. It is probably a major contributor to the *chronic bronchitis* incidence in England. (*Life Threatened*, p. 55-56.) The mortality rate from bronchitis — "The English disease" — *is much higher than any other country*. It is as much as *forty or fifty times* greater than in Scandinavia or the United States. (*Evening Standard*, [London], April 10, 1967; *Control of Air Pollution*, by Alan Gilpin, p. 9.) Between 35-40 million working days are lost because of it. (*Evening Standard*, [London], April 10, 1967.) (Approximately ten percent of all periods of absence are due to bronchitis). (*Control of Air Pollution*, by Alan Gilpin, p. 9.)

Lung cancer death rate in Britain has





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Above, glaring billboards provide only color for rows of dingy buildings. Bottom center, street scene in tough Black Hill area of Glasgow. Top, left, new homes and apartments replace Glasgow's slum areas. One problem eliminated but high rise apartments and endless sameness are introduced. Left, center, Sheffield, England — near city center. Noxious fumes pervade the air. Bottom, left, Glasgow apartment "complex."

shot up in the last half century. In 1906 there were 200 deaths from lung cancer. In 1966, there were 27,000 — much of it attributable to pollution of air by smoking.

Twenty-four million tons of filth are poured into the atmosphere every year. A governmental committee estimated conservatively that air pollution costs £250 million — that's \$600 million — a year (£150 million in direct costs paid out and £100 million in loss of efficiency and production).

This is equivalent to £10 (\$24) for every man, woman and child in black areas and £5 (\$12) elsewhere. (*Op cit.* p. 14-15.) These figures do not include the extra work housewives need to do to keep the home bright and their families in clean clothes — nor in fact for the cost of ill health. A recent estimate has doubled these figures. Half of the natural light may be stolen by smoke haze over cities. (*Op cit.* p. 15.)

In heavily industrialized areas of Britain, over 1000 tons of grit and dust fall on each square mile each year i.e. about 2 pounds on each square yard. A million tons of grit and dust, 2 million tons of smoke and over 5 million tons of sulphur dioxide are produced each year. (*Pesticides and Pollution*, by Kenneth Mellaney, p. 74.)

And Now — NOISE!

Another pollution of the air is NOISE. In a noisy office the efficiency of a typist is reduced by *one fifth*. At the same time the brain work of her boss is reduced by *one third*. Spread over the country this represents £1000 million (\$2.4 billion) in lost production.

Excess noise harms the ear. Deafness can be produced by a loud noise — an explosion of 130-160 decibels in a short time. Or it may occur through continued exposure to a noise level of 85 decibels, as is obtained in many factories. This type of deafness occurs in *one person in ten* of those exposed. (*Life Threatened*, p. 65-66.)

Rivers Turned to Open Sewers

The wastes of today's cities find their natural outlet into the atmosphere or the rivers. The director of the

Anglers' Cooperative [Clean Water] Association acknowledged privately to our editors that probably 95% of Britain's rivers are seriously polluted. (Exclusive interview, 26th July, 1968.) It is estimated that the population produces 4500 million gallons of sewage per day. More than *THREE-QUARTERS* of this together with a similar proportion of industrial wastes are discharged into inland waters. (*Biology of Polluted Waters*, by H. B. N. Hynes, p. 7.)

Britain uses $\frac{1}{4}$ million tons of detergent — nearly twice as much per person as America. Foaming presents problems on many rivers. (*Water and Life*, by Lorus and Margery Milne, p. 65.) At a weir in one town large volumes of foam are produced. If there is a wind in a certain direction, large amounts of foam are blown over the roofs of houses into the main street.

The Tees River is believed by some to be beyond redemption. (Exclusive interview, 26th July, 1968.) The Tame has been called "the waste pipe of the Midlands." In a tributary stream an official recently burnt the skin of his hand when he took a sample. (*Times*, 16 May, 1966.)

Scientists told Trent officials it was possible for a glass of water to be drunk eight or ten times before entering the sea. (*Times*, 16 May, 1966.) It is thought that Thames water is drunk seven times over on its way to the sea. (Exclusive interview, 26th July, 1968.) The water supply that reaches London has been affected by the effluent discharge from places like Reading, Oxford and Luton. The Deputy Director of the Water Pollution Research Laboratory at Stevenage reported to our editors, "Some reuse of effluent whether accidental or deliberate is almost inevitable in this country... A large proportion of flow in one or two rivers is composed of treated effluents. So that reuse of water is... an essential part of the water economy of the country." (Interview, 24 July, 1968.)

While many of the rivers are being polluted, natural resources of water are disappearing. Demand for water might well be $2\frac{1}{4}$ times the present rate by

the end of the century in London and the south east. (*Daily Telegraph*, 6 September, 1966.) Yet in London and the Colne Valley natural underground supplies are steadily shrinking. (*Guardian*, 17 February, 1967.)

Much of water shortage can be blamed on increased urbanization. Large areas have been covered with impermeable tarmac, concrete and buildings. The result is that England has been compared to a vast roof, off which rain water pours dangerously fast without being absorbed in the soil. This causes flooding and at the same time a growing shortage of underground water. (Editorial, *Daily Telegraph*, 12 July, 1968.)

Diseases of the City

Urbanization brings with it a host of problems affecting public health and morals. The list of social diseases linked with city living is alarming.

Neuroses are especially prominent in the highly industrialized world. The suicide rate, divorce, and child delinquency, are all affected by city life. (*World Health*, p. 34.) "Towns have tended to relax restraints... They have fostered prostitution, spreading gonorrhoea..." (*World Health*, pp. 123-124). "This year over 160,000 people [in Britain] will visit V.D. clinics — one out of every 300 people in the country. The number of gonorrhoea cases has doubled in a decade; those of infectious syphilis *trebled* in the seven years to 1965... Experts — even professionally optimistic administrators — see no hope in beating the disease. Factors blamed for the upsurge [are]... increased extra-marital sex, greater mobility of people, and growing resistance of gonorrhoea germs to antibiotics." (*Observer*, 18 February 1968, Brit. N.R. 22 March 1968.)

"Poor housing correlates to a high degree with rates of illness and death, with rates of mental illness, with juvenile and adult delinquency, and with other social problems such as chronic drinking and illegitimacy." (*Slums and Social Insecurity*, p. 143.)

Robbery — with violence — is perhaps the greatest menace which has to be faced in London today. (*Report of*



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RIVER OF DEATH

Two views of water pollution. Scene is the Calder River, a tributary of the Ouse River in England.



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the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1966, p. 8.) Glasgow with a fifth of Scotland's population has more murders and attempted murders than the rest of Scotland put together. (*Sunday Times*, 31 December 1967, and N.R. 23 February 1968.) About thirty percent of crimes of violence in Britain are committed by teen-agers! Thirty percent of house-breaking and burglary is committed by 14- or 15-year-olds! (British News Release 23 February 1968.)

Now Look at Scottish Slums

One in three persons in Scotland lives in either a substandard house or one unfit for human habitation. If Scotland is generally bad, Glasgow's slums are the worst in Europe. For its one million population there are 10,000 unfit houses, 75,000 so substandard they cannot be reasonably improved, and 49,000 substandard houses which could be repaired. About 40% of Glasgow houses lack a fixed bath or shower. (*Ill. London News*, 9 December 1967.)

At the current rate it would take 95 years to improve all inadequate houses in Scotland or 45 years to merely knock them down! (And this ignores the problem of continued deterioration!) (*The Times*, 3 February 1968.)

One economist calculates it would cost £18,000 million — that's \$43 billion — to reconstruct British cities for traffic. Even with a proposed increase in annual expenditure on roads it would take 130 years to achieve this "moderate" scheme.

A London County Council plan for a motorway ring and links around London costing £450 million would take several hundred years to build even at an increased budget.

Why Today's Sick Cities?

Engulfed in the glitter and gleam, the gaud and the gadgetry of shallow and superficial cities, people today no longer stop to just plain T-H-I-N-K!

Assaulted by a relentless barrage of double-talk, distortions, half-truths and unadulterated LIES from too many advertisers, politicians and clerics, it is simply *too much work* for most indi-

viduals to sift through this confusing maze of propaganda. The quest of the TRUTH about why they are here, what life is all about and where our civilization is headed, is forgotten.

But it's high time YOU were *different*. It's high time you began to THINK — deeply and *objectively*, responsibly and *realistically*! It's high time you *dared* to look at the situation of our cities as it REALLY IS and to realize that it's not just a matter of an isolated "problem" here and there. Rather it's a matter of an ENTIRE SOCIETY — urban and rural — *coming apart at the seams!*

You live in a society: where family life is rapidly disintegrating. Where one out of four marriages ends in divorce. Where more murders take place between husbands and wives than in any other category. Where urban and rural children are too often considered a burden best left to shift for themselves. Where adultery, fornication, homosexuality and wife-trading vie with television as popular forms of entertainment.

You live in an urban society: where respect for all constituted law and authority is GONE! Where police, too often in the U.S., are not allowed to enforce the law, and serve as targets for public abuse and the savage attacks of teen-age hoodlums. Where racial violence and strife is assuming ever-larger proportions. Where crimes of every description — rape, murder, assault, theft and dope addiction, to name but a few — are running so rampant in urban and rural areas that it is futile to quote statistics because they are outdated by the time they come off the press.

Where cities are asphalt jungles infested with human "ratpacks," making it unsafe for either men or women in many areas, even in broad daylight. Where teaching is a dangerous profession and police are stationed in the halls of schools because students carry switchblade knives. Where the syndicate runs the American city so completely that even the Federal Government is helpless to intervene. Where courtrooms are overcrowded with lawyers and criminals searching not for justice but for some loophole in the law. Where to be a cold-blooded killer is to be "temporarily

insane" or "socially maladjusted." Where to be "civilized" is to enjoy watching a helpless old man get stabbed to death by a thug on a busy street corner — and then calmly go home to watch several hours more of killing on TV. Where to give birth to illegitimate children is an acceptable means of earning a living, with a graduated income plan for each child thus born.

Is that the kind of world you want?

Where it's acceptable to steal your employer bankrupt. Where the goal of many manufacturers is to see how cheaply and poorly a product can be made. Where in a time of unequalled prosperity the average family is less than three months from bankruptcy. Where going deeper into debt is the panacea for all personal, business and government economic ills. Where food growers feel no responsibility whatsoever toward their fellow man and will use any kind of poison spray imaginable in quest of the "almighty dollar." Where new land is plowed up and chemical fertilizers are dumped on overworked land in a greedy effort for quick gain. Where new drugs are produced by the hundreds, but still can't keep up with the new diseases. Where people desperately try to buy health in pills and peace of mind in tranquilizers. Where fully half of all hospital beds are filled with mental patients.

Is this kind of world God's world?

You live in a society: where ministers condone sin instead of preaching against it. Where insipid, watered-down religion admits it doesn't have the answers. Where the ministers vie with college students for the suicide record.

This list doesn't even begin to *scratch the surface* of the plague upon plague, curse upon curse, woe upon woe, SIN UPON SIN to be found in today's cities — and in all the world!

God's Stern Warning

As God Almighty has said: "Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of *evildoers*, children that are *corrupters*: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel into anger, they are gone

away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? Ye will revolt more and more: the *whole head is sick*, and the *whole heart FAINT*. *From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores*: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment" (Isaiah 1:4-6).

What a vivid description of our urbanized society today!

And yet, in spite of this bleak and pessimistic outlook for the immediate future—the painful lessons that must yet be learned by a rebellious and sinning mankind—there is **GOOD NEWS AHEAD!** Beyond the catastrophic events destined to take place within the next few years (all fully explained in our free book *The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*), there is the bright prospect, the happy outlook of **THE WORLD TOMORROW**—God's Great Society—His kind of city.

Just as man has reached the end of his rope and is about to blast himself into nothingness, God will intervene and **STOP** man's hellish inhumanity to man. He will send Jesus Christ back to this earth to **CRUSH** man's rebellion and to establish God's Government on this earth once and for all—to **FORCE** mankind to be happy, healthy and prosperous.

What Tomorrow's World Will Be Like

God has not left you in the dark about the details and plans for His kind of city, His kind of Society. Believe it or not—chapters—portions of entire books—of the Bible are devoted to a description of that wonderful world.

In God's Society, **HE** will be the Supreme Ruler, aided and assisted by those who qualify in this lifetime for a position of rulership with Him. You can be one of those who qualify for such a position if you meet the conditions God has set forth.

The **TEN COMMANDMENTS** will form the basis of all law in God's city and national Government, and all mankind will obey that law. Punishment will be meted out swiftly and severely on transgressors, for only as these laws are

obeyed can there be perfect peace and happiness. All the suffering and misery in today's world can be traced directly or indirectly to breaking the points of this law.

At that time there will be true justice. And God's Headquarters in the city of Jerusalem will be called the "habitation of justice, and the mountain [a symbol of government] of holiness" (Jer. 31:23)—the "city of **TRUTH**" (Zech. 8:3).

"And many nations shall come and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain [government] of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for **THE LAW** shall go forth out of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And He shall judge many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more" (Micah 4:2-3).

And what will the effect of this system be?

"And the work of righteousness shall be **PEACE**; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance for ever. And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places" (Isaiah 32:17-18).

No more will there be fears, worries, tensions, frustrations and **INSECURITY!** No more will there be a dog-eat-dog society of such fierce, cut-throat competition that people will want to *escape from reality*. Instead there will be *security, peace*—**HAPPINESS!** How **WONDERFUL** it will be!

The Cities Under God's Government

What will happen to our cities when God intervenes to save humanity out of hydrogen bomb war? The few who escape will return to their former land and build the cities anew! The right way!

"And they shall *build the old wastes*, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall *repair the waste*

CITIES" (Isa. 61:4). "And the **CITIES** shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded... and I [God] will settle you *after your old estates* [in your former locations], and will do better unto you than at your beginnings" (Ezek. 36:11).

Yes, you can be sure that when **GOD** directs the rebuilding of our cities it will be done **RIGHT**. It will be done according to design and plan, with beauty as well as utility in mind—not in the chaotic, hit-and-miss fashion of many buildings in today's cities.

God says, "**WOE** unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field, till there be no place" (Isa. 5:8). In God's cities people will have room to live. Jamming together as many uninspiring, cheaply-constructed dwellings as possible **WILL NOT BE PERMITTED!**

In God's cities people will no longer have to be **AFRAID** of their neighbors. They won't have to worry about living next door to someone who is mentally "off," a pervert, or a killer. Old people won't have to fear being senselessly attacked and brutally beaten by some hoodlum out looking for "fun." Instead, "There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem... and the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof" (Zech. 8:4-5).

Juvenile "hoods" will no longer roam the streets and organized crime will no longer run the city while the city officials helplessly look on.

"Again there shall be heard in this place... even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man and without inhabitant, and without beast [because of the captivity and bombing], 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; and His mercy endureth for ever" (Jer. 33:10-11).

This is only a brief look into the happy cities of the **WORLD TOMORROW**. What a wonderful world that will be. And to think you can be there and have a part in rebuilding tomorrow's world and its cities!

SOVIET SEA POWER IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

The phenomenal worldwide growth of Soviet sea power is arousing concern. Nowhere is this build-up more alarming than in the tense Mediterranean area. Here is a firsthand report from Algeria of what is developing there and what it portends.

by Eugene M. Walter

Algiers

IN EARLY 1967 scarcely a dozen Russian warships were ploughing through Mediterranean waters. Today more than *fifty* Soviet units—including the most advanced missile cruisers and submarines—are plying the waves from Gibraltar to the Bosphorus.

The USSR has *quadrupled* her naval forces in the Mediterranean in little more than one year—and no end to the build-up is in sight!

Why Europe Is Afraid

Europe is concerned—frightened—by what she sees—and is frankly saying so. Soothing U. S. assurances that there is nothing to worry about—that the U. S. Sixth Fleet is still vastly superior to present Russian strength—have a hollow ring.

Sagging European confidence isn't bolstered by the well-known fact that the Russians pursue the Sixth Fleet at will and upset its maneuvers, intercept its messages and follow its naval drills at little more than one hundred yards!

Neither does Europe find the presence of some 120 Soviet merchant vessels which daily call at Mediterranean ports comforting.

"The Russians are everywhere!" is the worrisome statement heard again and again. Europe knows only too well that Soviet forces aren't in the Mediter-

anean, as one source put it, "just to get a suntan"!

Red Naval Strategy

For years the Soviet Union has been vigorously building up its strength in sea power and missiles. These two areas are currently receiving both funds and priorities *equalling and surpassing those of its outer space program!* It is estimated that Russia is spending some \$37.5 billion on its naval and missile programs this year—far more than it ever has spent on its army budget.

Why?

Because a modern, highly mobile, missile-equipped navy roaming about in the seventy percent of the earth's surface that is water is one of the most effective ways to gain control of the thirty percent that is land.

A modern navy has many advantages. Its mobility enables it to move to trouble spots quickly. It is able to venture far from home—and close to enemy shores. It can refuel on the high seas, making overseas shore bases, which are dependent on the political vicissitudes of others, unnecessary (though they are still most helpful). And what better way is there to neutralize the effects of an enemy vessel than to place one of your own beside it?

As Admiral Gorshkov, Vice Minister of Defense of the USSR, summed it up for *Pravda* last February: "Today our wartime navy plays a universal role. It is able to fight under water, above the water, and in the air."

The Soviets realize that in many areas the strategic balance of power is today shifting to the sea—and they intend to make the most of this situation.

No. 2 "Tries Harder"

The USSR is "No. 2" in sea power when compared to U. S. strength, but her "We try harder" approach is threatening to change all that—and soon. Russia has recently made the momentous decision to start building what Khrushchev once called "the floating coffins of capitalism"—aircraft carriers. She is making her debut in this field with huge 30,000- to 40,000-ton ships which will surpass in size similar U. S. vessels.

And already the Soviet submarine fleet outnumbered that of the U. S.!

"The Red navy now possesses a submarine fleet which can bring Europe and the United States under fire with 130 to 200 nuclear warheaded ballistic missiles. An increase . . . to 300 by 1972 is planned. They are no less dangerous to the ocean-bordered United States than America's approximately 450 Polaris and Poseidon missiles are to the USSR" (*Atlas*, July 1968).

The fact is, in this situation, the Soviet Union has a defensive geographical advantage because the industrial centers of the U. S. and Europe can be reached much more quickly by missiles from the open sea than can those of the Soviet Union.

Now look at the Baltic for a moment. There: "The Soviet Union maintains

140,000 naval personnel aboard about 5 cruisers, 24 destroyers, 20 frigates, 100 submarine chasers, 130 minesweepers, 70 submarines and 180 torpedo boats... In addition there is a naval air force with 250 planes and another 1,000 aircraft divided into three air forces stationed near the coast, and 100 amphibious vehicles for a first landing wave of four to five Soviet divisions. (*Ibid.*)

This is roughly *four times* the potential West German-Danish strength in this area!

In the Far East, traditional Russian naval training area, the situation is similar. Japan is becoming concerned over the greatly expanding *quantity* and the vastly improved *quality* of the new Soviet cruisers, destroyers and submarines which keep popping up in Asian waters. As British forces withdraw in Southeast Asia and the Persian Gulf, the Russians are only too eager to move in.

Soviet sea power is also obvious in other maritime areas. For example, the Russians are furiously researching the secrets of the ocean with over 100 specialized oceanographic vessels—more than are possessed by all other nations combined. And the Red fishing fleet—the world's largest—doubles as a worldwide electronic listening post.

The Soviet merchant marine is likewise an adjunct to the Red navy. It has doubled in the last four years—and is planned to double again before 1975! This is happening while the merchant fleet of No. 1—the U. S.—is ignominiously dwindling to less than third-rate status.

"In the period 1950-1966, the Soviet fleet grew from 432 ships, of 1.8 million deadweight tons to 1,422 ships of 10.4 million tons—a net gain of nearly 1,000 ships and 8.6 million tons. During the same period the U. S. active fleet contracted from 1,900 ships, totalling 22 million tons, to less than 1,100 ships of 14.8 million tons—a net loss of more than 800 ships and 7 million tons" (from a report by the Shipbuilders Council of America).

As these facts show, anywhere you want to look the USSR is aggressively

developing her global naval strength. The Mediterranean is no exception.

Naval Bases on NATO's Doorstep

A brief glimpse at Russia's naval activities in the Mediterranean will quickly show why Europe worries. Russia is busily establishing a firm foothold all along NATO's southern flank. Here is what she has going for her:

Turkey, a NATO member who is not at all sure that she should be, allows the Soviet Union free passage into the Mediterranean through the Bosphorus and Dardanelles. All Turkey requires is advance notice.

Egypt and Syria have opened for Soviet use their vital naval ports at Alexandria and Latakia, respectively. In return, the USSR has placed in the hands of these unstable countries some 70 naval units consisting of torpedo boats, missile-launch gunboats, minesweepers, submarines, destroyers, etc.

Here in Algeria, the Soviets are making a bid for full use of the strategic NATO-built base at Mers-el-Kebir. An article in the Italian newspaper *Epoca* (translated by *Atlas*, July 1968) said: "When the Algerian President Boumedienne assures the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs that the Mers-el-Kebir base, abandoned six years sooner than expected by France, 'will not be surrendered to the Soviets,' it is as though he were giving a preview of what will happen in the coming year." Incidentally, Algeria has already been the recipient of six Soviet missile-carrying gunboats and eight P-6 torpedo boats.

Over on Malta, the Russians are offering to fill the economic vacuum left on this island by the withdrawal of British forces. This would be an important base because it is between Italy on the north and pro-Western Libya and Tunisia on the south. It would enable the Soviets to interfere with the passage of oil to Europe from these oil-rich regions.

The Soviets are also now negotiating for a base at Aden which would give them control of the Suez Canal route.

The value of such shore bases cannot be overestimated. While modern navies can "get by" with being supplied on the high seas, the availability of near-

by shore bases adds an immeasurable psychological and strategic advantage.

But while Russia is gaining Mediterranean bases, Britain and the U. S. are being threatened with further losses. Spain is continuing to put mounting pressure on Britain to give up Gibraltar. And now the pact granting the U. S. use of the vital Mediterranean Polaris nuclear submarine base at Rota (near Cadiz), Spain, has just expired. Spain is asking a high price to renew the agreement because she knows the base is vital to the U. S. in the face of growing Russian naval strength. But what if the U. S. cannot or will not meet Spain's price? Would the U. S. then lose this crucial base?

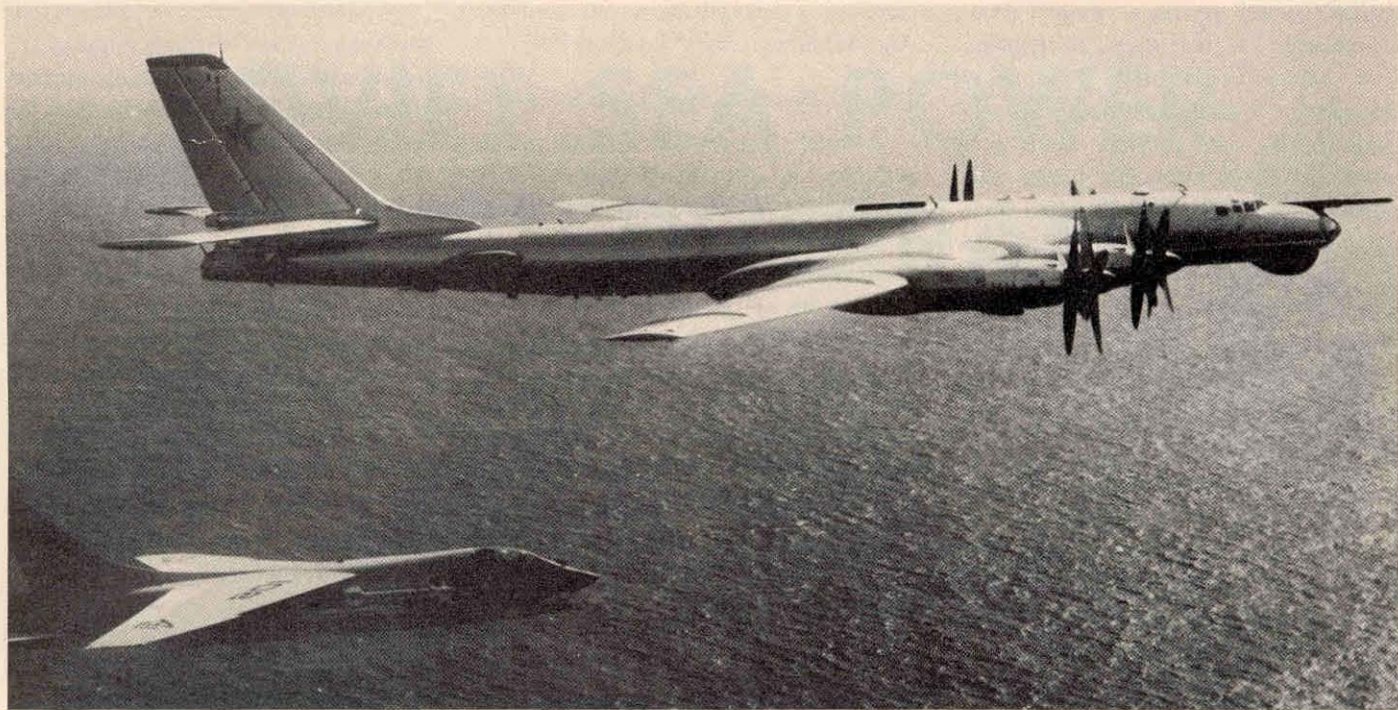
As anyone can see, the picture for the U. S. is not very encouraging, not very bright. That is why the Italians, West Germans and other Central Europeans are concerned.

How Europe Feels

An excellent summary of what Europe is thinking about the Red navy in the Mediterranean was published by *Epoca* of Milan in an article "Why Europe Fears the Russian Navy." An excerpt from this article says:

"Experts assure us that if war broke out tomorrow, the American Sixth Fleet would prevail over the Soviet fleet in the Mediterranean. *But this certainty, for Italy, is not at all consoling.* In the first place, remember, our safety is not in our own hands. Secondly, the Sixth Fleet is not at our disposal. If the United States, whose prevalent interests are in the Pacific, should decide to use its Sixth Fleet in that part of the world or elsewhere, the Soviets would become the masters of the Mediterranean. And apart from that possibility, nothing is stopping the USSR from further strengthening her naval forces on a chessboard which is of vital importance to us."

The article goes on to say that Italy is three-quarters surrounded by water and that every year 200 million tons of merchandise (including 75 percent of her raw materials) are received at her ports. Thus, freedom of the seas is vital to Italy. "Italy must be concerned with the strategic balance of power in the



Official U. S. Navy Photo

Over the Mediterranean Sea a Soviet bomber is followed by an F-8 Crusader fighter bomber from the attack aircraft carrier *USS Shangri La*.

Mediterranean, a condition which determines its future as a free nation. *The Soviet naval presence is now altering this balance*" (emphasis ours).

Europe is concerned. She fears what the USSR might *do* and what the U. S. might *not* do!

The BIG QUESTION now is, what will Europe do about it?

The Future of Europe

To safeguard herself, European leaders are giving serious thought to a third power bloc. Continental Europeans see Britain headed downward. They see U. S. internal decay, and waning international prestige and influence.

The build-up of Soviet sea power is, however, only one factor which is setting the stage for a revival of European unity. The sudden crisis over Czechoslovak nationalism is forcing Europeans to become more and more involved with their own defenses, hastening the long dreamed-of day of complete political union.

Europeans are saying: "The new situation in the Mediterranean calls for a dynamic political strategy, from which we cannot withdraw ourselves." More and more you can expect Europeans to take matters into their own hands.

But what about the U. S. and its Sixth Fleet? What role will it play?

Will the Fleet Leave?

This past summer the Sixth Fleet celebrated its 20th anniversary as a peace-keeping force in the Mediterranean. Our German PLAIN TRUTH correspondent was on hand for the full day of speeches, tours and dramatic naval exercises (all shadowed by the USSR, of course). He was deeply impressed by the power he saw displayed.

But will this powerful fleet remain in the Mediterranean? And will it remain in *American* hands?

You may have been surprised by the first of these questions, and probably *shocked* by the second one! Yet either of these actions is a distinct possibility.

The USSR is determined, one way or another, to drive the Sixth Fleet from the Mediterranean so that they can move in to fill the gap. On April 24, 1967 Brezhnev publicly predicted "the complete withdrawal of the U. S. Sixth Fleet from the Mediterranean."

The U. S. has four major fleets. Two protect its Atlantic and Pacific coasts, one is in the Pacific and one is in the Mediterranean. Russia is hoping for, and no doubt trying to arrange, a situation that would require the U. S. to with-

draw the fleet from Mediterranean waters to fight elsewhere. And make no mistake about it, such an eventuality could develop.

But consider also this possibility: Continuing pressure on the dollar could force the U. S. to look for ways to cut back abroad without, it hopes, endangering its security. It costs a great deal of money to maintain the approximately 50 ships, 25,000 men and 200 aircraft of the Sixth Fleet.

Europe would like nothing better than to have the Fleet at their disposal so that their safety is in their own hands. Europeans would probably be quite willing to supply both men and money to keep the Fleet in the Mediterranean — if that would give them control in event of a military crisis. The U. S., torn apart with internal crisis, and with its back to the wall elsewhere, might see such a "solution" as the only alternative to bringing the Fleet home. After all, hasn't Western Europe been a most "trustworthy" ally?

Many dramatic events are going to be unfolding in the next few months and years. Keep watching world news. And keep reading *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine which will tell you the meaning of these events as they unfold.

The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED TWENTY

SYRIA CHALLENGES GOD

IN A CAVE in Mt. Sinai, Elijah was told by a voice that he should come out of the cave to meet God, who would soon be passing by. (I Kings 19:9-11.) Later, there was a very strong wind, followed by a powerful earthquake. Afterward, the prophet decided that God was not in either unusual display of nature.

Then the mountains erupted into volcanic activity and were stabbed by blazing bolts of lightning. Everything vibrated with the tremendous roar of steady thunder. Elijah crouched in fear, wondering if this could be God's manifestation of Himself, but he was afraid to stay outside the cave and watch what was taking place.

That Was Only Small Power

The lightning storm ended as abruptly as it had begun. The prophet walked slowly to the mouth of the cave, not knowing for certain what he would see. It was then that he thought he heard a voice coming from a great distance. Startled and uneasy, he pulled his coat up over his head, hesitant to see whatever or whomever should be waiting for him outside the cave.

After he had groped his way to the ledge, the voice came to him again. It was a clear, quiet voice of small volume. Seemingly, now, it came to him from all directions. (I Kings 19:11-13.)

The prophet let the coat drop off his head. He stared all around, but there was nobody in sight. The only visible moving thing was a column of smoke rising from the tip of a nearby crag that had been struck by lightning.

"I am your God," came the words. "Within the hour I passed by the cave you

are in more than once, but I was not in the wind, earthquake or lightning. Now I have come to tell you that you have done well as my servant, though lately you let fear of the woman Jezebel get the best of you. I have more work for you, but you can be of the greatest value only if you rely fully on me and dedicate yourself fully to what you must do."

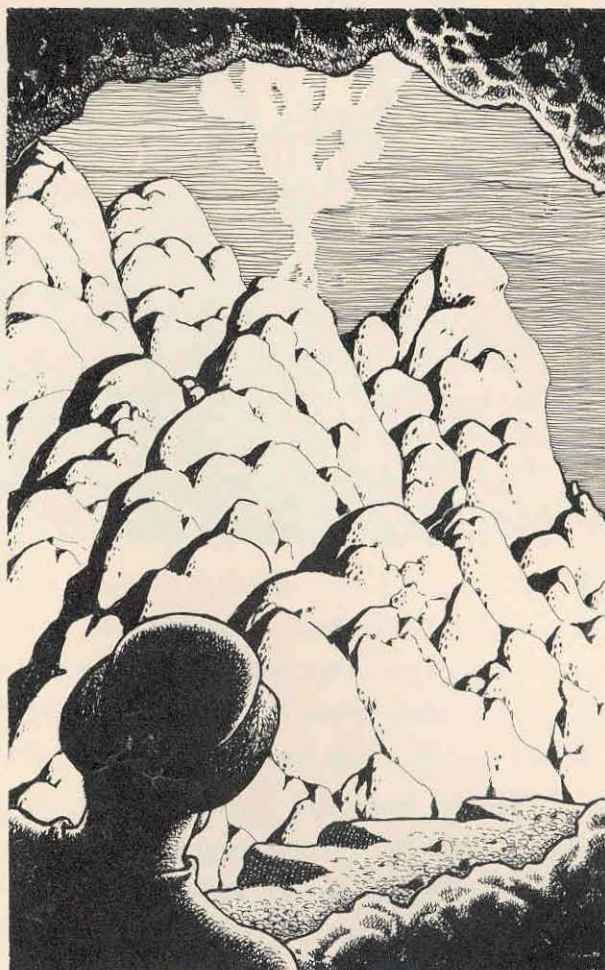
Elijah was both humbled and encouraged by what God said. He wanted to declare that he would be very enthusiastic about whatever God would require of him, but he was so overcome in the presence of the Creator, even though he couldn't see Him, that he feared to speak.

"Don't be concerned about Jezebel's men," God continued. "Go back to Israel, but don't return by the way you came

here. Take a route to the east, as though going to Damascus. In the west side of the Jordan valley, a few miles east of Jezreel, you'll find a man named Elisha. He shall take your place, in due time, as the leading prophet of Israel in these years.

"Later, you will anoint a man named Hazael as king of Syria. You will also anoint a certain Jehu as king to replace Ahab. These two shall be used to punish the disobedient and rebellious rulers of my people. All Israel doesn't deserve punishment, because there are many thousands who have continued to observe my laws and have refused to worship idols." (I Kings 19:13-18; Romans 11:1-4.)

Days later, when Elijah arrived in the area where he had been instructed to go, he inquired about until he found where a man lived by the name of Elisha — an



Elijah looked out of his cave on Mt. Sinai to try to find the source of the voice that had come to him. The only moving thing that he could see was smoke rising from a peak where lightning had struck.

industrious young man of a well-to-do family. Elisha happened to be plowing with a pair of work bulls when the prophet found him. Eleven of Elisha's men were also plowing in the field. Elijah recognized the man he was seeking. He walked into the field and tossed his cape over Elisha's shoulders as the younger man drove his team by. The surprised plowman pulled his animals to a halt and stared at the stranger.

Careless Prosperity

"I have been told that only prophets of God wear capes like this one," Elisha said, "and that when a prophet tosses his cape over another man, it means that the man has been chosen to become another prophet. Am I to assume that this special honor has come to me?"

"You are right," Elijah answered. "I am a prophet of God, sent to let you know that you have been chosen for a purpose."

Elijah felt that more explanation wasn't necessary at the moment. He knew that Elisha would ask questions soon enough, so he walked away, intending to return later. He heard quick footsteps behind him, and turned to see Elisha running excitedly toward him.

"If God can use me, I'm willing to go with you this very hour," Elisha told Elijah. "But first let me say goodbye to my parents."

"You shouldn't leave without seeing them," Elijah agreed. "When I placed my cape on you, I didn't mean that you have to go with me now. Stay for a little time with your family. I shall return for you."

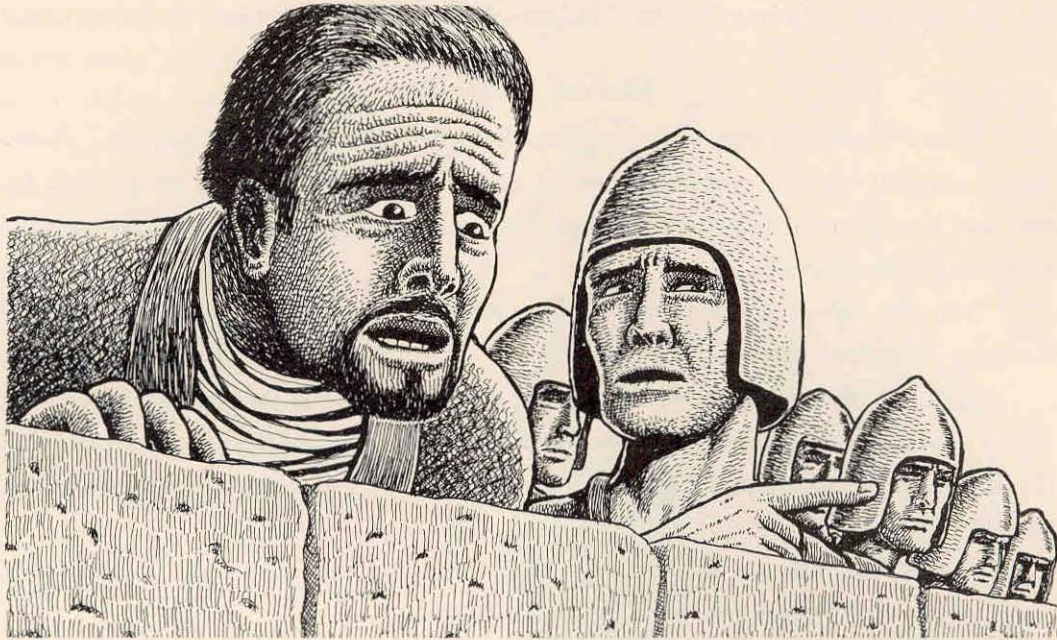
Elisha was very eager about his call from God. To him this was the greatest day of his life. He wanted the last night with his relatives and friends and servants to be a happy one. He was not in love with wealth. Accordingly, he had his men kill and dress two of his work animals to be boiled for a festive dinner that evening. To show he was permanently giving up his previous job to devote himself wholly to God's service, Elisha used his own plow and yoke for fuel.

Next day Elisha saw Elijah crossing the plowed field. The younger man told his family goodbye and joined the prophet. His parents watched the two disappear over a rise, unaware that their son would one day be a prophet who would become very important in the affairs of the nation. (I Kings 19:19-21.)

About five years passed, during which northern Israel recovered from the three-year drought and became prosperous. For a time matters went rather well for Ahab in spite of his continuing in idolatry. All Israel became lax. Then one morning he was awakened with the jolting report that a large army had surrounded his capital city of Samaria. The flags of Syria and thirty-two adjoining states could be plainly seen.

Messengers appeared at the gates to demand an audience with Ahab, who promptly met them.

"We bring to you the words of our king, Ben-hadad of Syria," the spokesman messenger said to Ahab. "He wants you to know that he will call off the siege of your



One morning Ahab was awakened by the startling news that Samaria was surrounded by an army of Syrian soldiers.

city if you will send out to him tomorrow your gold, silver and the choicest of your wives and children. He expects you to decide immediately and give your decision to us to take back to him." (I Kings 20:1-3.) Israel's prosperity was just too much for these greedy men to resist.

Ahab was stunned. He knew that he could be facing disaster if he appeared anything but agreeable. He reasoned that the only thing to do was at least seem to go along with the demands, and later try to find a way out of the sudden trouble.

Unexpected Courage

"Tell your king, whom I consider my master, that I am at his service and that all I have is his," Ahab shakily told the messengers, hoping that his submissive answer would satisfy Ben-hadad for the time being.

When the king of Syria heard from his messengers what Ahab had to say, he decided that the king of Israel was so frightened that he would submit to any terms. He immediately sent his messengers back to make further demands of Ahab.

"Our king wants you to know that he has changed his mind," they reported. "He

has decided not to require that you send him the things he previously asked for."

Ahab was greatly relieved, but his relief didn't last long.

"Our king has decided to trust his gods and instead of your going to the trouble of taking to him the things he asked for, tomorrow he will send men into your city to search for and take everything that looks good. He expects you to cooperate fully. Only then will he remove his army from around Samaria."

Ahab was more troubled than ever. He immediately summoned the leading men of the city to explain the situation to them and ask what they thought should be done.

"Don't give in to him," they fervidly entreated the king. "If you let his men inside the walls, the city could be taken over that much sooner. Besides, if we give him what he demands, we can't rely on his taking his army away. Once he gets what is valuable, he might destroy Samaria and the people who are left."

Ahab was fearful of going contrary to Ben-hadad's demands, but he knew that the Israelite elders were right. His courage bolstered somewhat, he surprised the impatient Syrian messengers with what he had to say.

"Tell your king that although I regard him highly and at first consented to what he asked for in the beginning, I can't allow his men to come into my city and take whatever they want."

When Ben-hadad was told what Ahab had said, his fond hope of taking Samaria without a battle was swept away. In its place came a vengeful desire to do away with the city and every person in it.

"May the gods take my life," he muttered angrily, "if I don't set so many men against Samaria that there won't be room enough in the dust of the city for them to stand on! Tell that to the king of Israel!" (I Kings 20:4-10.)

When Ahab heard Ben-hadad's declaration that he would destroy Samaria, he wasn't as frightened as he had been when he first heard from Ben-hadad. He had just enough courage to cause him to send back a caustic answer to the other king.

"Tell your master that his threat to wipe out my city fails to impress me," Ahab instructed the messengers. "Remind him for me that a soldier who is just about to go into battle shouldn't boast about his victories. He should wait until he is returning from battle." (I Kings 20:11.)

The exchange of communications between the two kings had been going on most of the morning. It was about noon when Ben-hadad received Ahab's latest and last message. He was in a spacious dining tent, eating and drinking with the lesser rulers of the provinces close to Syria, whose troops comprised a part of the besieging army.

"Prepare to attack the enemy's city!" Ben-hadad shouted, staggering to his feet.

"I would have spared the wretched Israelites until tomorrow, but now Ahab will pay for his insolent remarks by seeing his palace sacked this very day!" (I Kings 20:12.)

While the worried Ahab and his chiefs and royal guardsmen excitedly discussed what should be done, the king was told that a stranger with a vital message had come to speak to him. The stranger identified himself as a prophet and informed the king that God that same day would give Ahab a victory over the huge Syrian army, to remind him again that the God of Israel was the only real deity.

Impossible Odds

"Why would God tell me that I can be victorious over my enemy?" Ahab asked impatiently, staring doubtfully at the stranger. "I don't even have an army!"

"God wants you to make an army out of the men in the city of Samaria," the prophet answered. "For your leading soldiers, use your royal guards and the experienced retainers who are sons of your clan chiefs. Arm the rest of the men in the city as fast as you can. Prepare them for action right away. If you do these things, God will help you."

"But who will be the head of this motley crowd?" Ahab asked.

"God expects you to be," the prophet replied. "If you aren't willing to do that much, you won't get any help from Him." (I Kings 20:13-14.)

Ahab had two hundred and thirty-two skilled soldiers who were his retainers and royal guards. A hasty count of able-bodied men in the city of Samaria added up to seven thousand. Many of them had no training as soldiers. Fast and frantic efforts were made to form what would at least look like an army out of seven thousand, two hundred and thirty-two men. (I Kings 20:15.)

They marched out at noon to face Ben-hadad's army. By this time Ben-hadad and the thirty-two kings with him were drunk.

"Two or three hundred Israelite soldiers have come out of Samaria and are running this way!" someone shouted into Ben-hadad's dining tent.

"Good!" the Syrian king muttered, sinking back on his pillows. "Take them alive for questioning, whether they have come to attack or whether they have come to bargain! I'll teach them what my gods can do!" (I Kings 20:16-18.)

The Victory is God's

Scores of Syrian warriors were dispatched to meet the small body of Israelites. Confidently they surrounded them, intending to close in and herd them to the Syrian camp. The Israelites rushed at their would-be captors, bringing them to the ground with

fast movements capable only of the best-trained soldiers of northern Israel, the king's royal guard.

More Syrian troops ran from their camp to take the places of their fallen fellow-soldiers. At the same time the seven thousand men of Samaria began to pour out of the city.

The sight of them unnerved the Syrians, who assumed that the men crowding out of the gates were as skilled in fighting as the first ones who had come out. Panic-stricken, they turned and raced back, trampling the tents and colliding with other Syrian soldiers preparing to attack. Pandemonium spread like fire among the thousands of soldiers and their officers.

This was the beginning of a surprising and sudden defeat of the Syrians. The lesser kings in Ben-hadad's dining tent decided without delay that they wanted no part of what already looked like a losing war. They fled to their horses and returned northeastward with some of their troops. Ben-hadad wasn't too confused, in his condition, to decide that he should leave, too. He was helped on a horse and raced away with most of the cavalry he had brought to Samaria.

The Syrian foot soldiers, superior in numbers, might have regrouped and crushed the Israelites, but they lost the will to fight when their leaders ran out. Many of them escaped. Others became the victims of the Israelites, who pursued them for a short distance from Samaria.

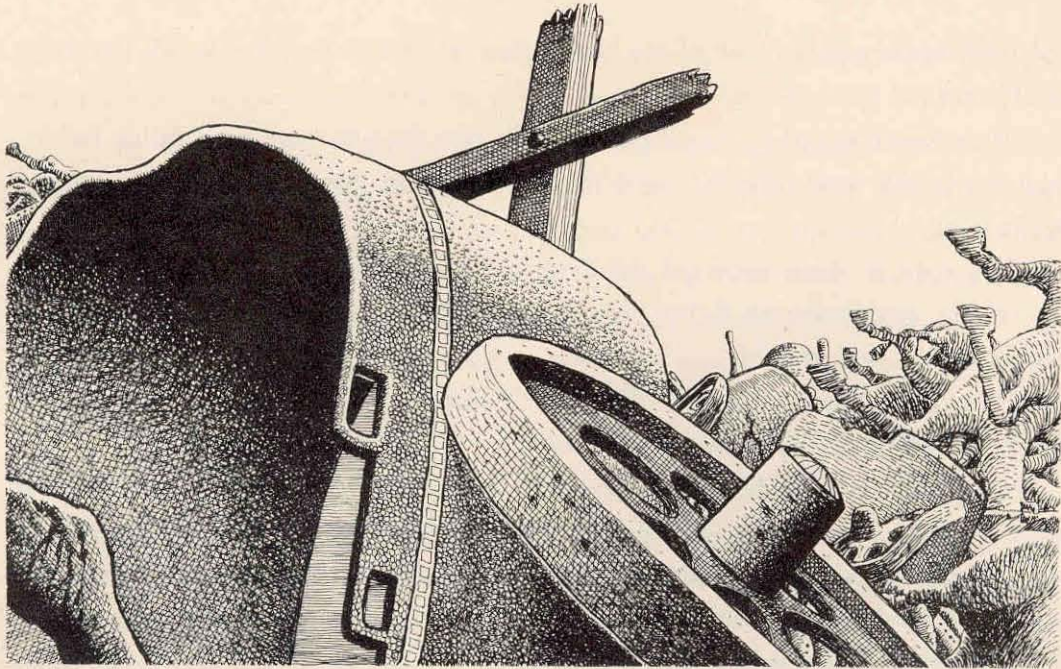
As for the large number of chariots, the drivers had little inclination to fight a battle by themselves by chasing their enemies over rough ground. Most of them died trying to escape. The area around Samaria became littered with dead and injured horses and broken vehicles. (I Kings 20:18-21.)

Ahab, who had gone with his men to direct them in the defeat of the Syrians, realized that the victory had been a miracle that could come only from the one true God. When news of the event reached the rest of the nation, many in Israel became more conscious of God and His power. Jezebel, of course, scoffed at the belief that God was as great as Baal, Astarte, and even lesser pagan gods and goddesses.

Not long after the short siege of Samaria, the prophet who had told Ahab that God would help him came again to the king to make another prediction and give some advice from God.

Defying God

"Next spring, after the rains are over, Ben-hadad will return with another large army," the prophet said. "Because of his stinging defeat, he will be more determined than ever to be the victor. Prepare for his invasion by mustering and train-



The plain near Samaria was strewn with broken Syrian chariots and dead or injured horses.

ing as large an army as you are able to get together." (I Kings 20:22.)

At the same time, up at the Syrian capital of Damascus, advisors to the king were trying to convince him that he should challenge the God of Israel again and invade Israel after the spring rains were over and the ground was firm enough for chariots.

"We lost the battle because the Israelite gods dwell mostly in the hilly regions," they profoundly explained to Ben-hadad. "By casting some kind of spell on your men, those gods prevented your riders and foot soldiers from success. If you would build another army as great as the one that surrounded Samaria, and if you would meet Ahab's forces on some wide plain, where the hill gods of Israel have no power, you would surely enjoy a great victory."

"To muster an army as large as the one I had before," Ben-hadad told his advisors, "I would have to use the troops of the province leaders who deserted me. I wouldn't want to take them with me again."

"Use their soldiers, but don't let the leaders go," the advisors suggested. "Tell them that experienced officers will represent them to insure their safety."

Ben-hadad was far from sold on the idea, but after days of thinking it over, he grew increasingly ambitious. (I Kings 20:23-25.)

"Make plans to rebuild my army," he finally announced to his aides. "I am going to challenge the God of Israel and invade the land again!"

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Strauss Interview

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and the recent withdrawal of more American troops from West Germany, would you want to comment on the possibility of a United European force sharing its peacekeeping load in the western part of the world, and would it be conceivable that such a peacekeeping force could be called upon to help in areas other than Europe proper?"

Answer: "I would consider it unwise to continue withdrawing American troops now or in the near future from the Continent of Europe. We need the physical American military presence in considerable strength.

"A part of American troops could be replaced in the foreseeable future by an integrated European outfit. I would not like to go further and run into fantastic dimensions. The problem I was investigating is how could we help our American friends to get rid of a part of their commitment — and the only place in the world where I see it to be possible would be in a stronger Europe. In Korea or in Vietnam there is no replacement for the Americans, now nor in the foreseeable future. But in Europe, a partial replacement is possible. We shall help the Americans to have more troops at disposal for exercising their world functions. The problem of which you are speaking will become actual, in my view, at a later phase, when Europe is consolidated and when Europe has taken a greater share in European defense. We have lost a lot of time and I would not like to go into a problem which is not in a realistic neighborhood now."

Question: "You have stated personally your feeling with regard to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty — would you care to comment briefly on whether or not such a United European force could exist without its own nuclear weapons?"

Answer: "First I would like to emphasize that all of us, enemies and opponents of the non-proliferation treaty, have one thing in common. That is that we welcome the overall aims of

the treaty. We all wish to prevent a nuclear chaos in the world, to reduce the risk of a nuclear holocaust, to avoid the devilish automatism of escalation into an all-out nuclear war. But we seriously doubt whether or not this treaty will lead to worldwide disarmament which had to include not only nuclear weapons, but which should also include conventional weapons, because a superior potential aggressor who disposes of strong conventional elements can abuse the nuclear umbrella — can abuse the fear of a nuclear coalition, and can make military invasions with conventional weapons, both sides keeping back their nuclear weapons.

"I have been pleading for a NATO strategy during my six years as Defense Minister — for a NATO military doctrine — which maintains an incalculable risk for a potential aggressor. This is the foundation of our military security here in Europe.

"In addition, I don't think very much of the signature of one of the two super powers. I don't think very much of the signature of the super power, the nuclear power, and the conventional power which brutally invaded an allied country, and which is heating up the propaganda against us to nearly an intolerable limit. What is the purpose of this, we must ask.

"So long as the Russians insist in their so-called rights as a victorious country versus a defeated country (Article 53 and Article 107 of the United Charter) where former victors can still maintain a right of using military force against the defeated — the Russians repeatedly said they maintained those rights and said they are not ready to abandon those rights.

"Secondly, I mentioned the weapons stockpiled in Czechoslovakia — a foolish lie. Who will prevent the Russians from attacking us as having secretly broken the commitments of any [non-proliferation] treaty, by a series of lies? We have renounced development and production of nuclear weapons up to now, and we maintain that renunciation.

"Up to now, the Russians have been outside of the fence. But when the treaty becomes valid, they will be inside of the fence. They will then be one of the

controlling powers and there is still a severe number of implied problems which must be seriously considered.

"We have satisfactory American interpretations [of the nuclear non-proliferation treaty]. We have absolutely non-satisfactory interpretations from the Russian side, or silence. And after we have committed ourselves, then the Russians will come out with their interpretation. We would like to remind our friends that they should not forget that the Federal Republic of Germany was the first country in the world to renounce openly, solemnly, firmly, and repeatedly, the development and production of ABC [Atomic, Biological and Chemical] weapons.

"But we do not wish to get into a hopeless position with the Russians."

Question: "Now that Russia has demonstrated that she is, regardless of the pressure of 'world public opinion,' willing to send tanks and armed forces even into an allied Communist country — what has this done to the question of a divided Germany? Has the Russian action delayed the eventual reunification of Germany?"

Answer: "We should not forget such a division of Germany is a faction of the division of Europe, and that both problems — the reconciliation of Europe and the reunification of Germany — cannot be separated from each other.

"Until the Russians and their satellites invaded Czechoslovakia I had to listen to the slogan that the Russians never would intervene with military force in Czechoslovakia because time had passed, progress had been achieved, the 'process of liberalization' is under way in Russia and so on. Now those prophets have elaborated a new formula. The new formula is that the Russians are only exercising a rigid discipline among the Russian areas of influence. But they will never exceed the demarcation line.

"But I think phrase number one has proved to be as unreliable as the assumption number two.

"Without showing any hostility against our Eastern neighbors, we should be prepared for all

contingencies. As to German reunification, we should not forget that the Soviet occupation zone of the so-called German Democratic Republic, is one of the most important power-pillars of the Russian system. Therefore Ulbrecht holds a very important function for them, and is making use of that function.

A few years ago, and repeatedly in the past months, I have made a fantastic statement — an hypothesis, which I would like to repeat now. Assume that the Federal Republic of Germany would make a proposal toward the Russians. This proposal would horrify our allies — would shock them. It's purely an hypothesis, but let us go through it in our thoughts.

The Federal Republic of Germany would abandon all European ties; the Common Market, the Coal and Steel Pool, Euratom; would leave NATO; would dismantle the Bundeswehr [German Army] down to a police force of a hundred thousand men with police weapons; would commit herself to undergo full-scale neutralization and disarmament for a hundred years; would forget about the German problem, and would tell the Russians: 'We shall not come back to that problem before the year 2000 has come.'

In addition to that, in order to make reparations for what was done by Germans in Russia we pay a sum of one hundred billion dollars (that is four hundred billion Deutschmarks) in a period of twenty years and we have only one condition. That is, to grant to the so-called German Democratic Republic (the Soviet Occupation Zone), the present status of Austria. That is; neutralization as a second German state, with internal autonomy, free elections, and limited sovereignty as a small neutralized German state.

"What would the Russian answer be?"

"The Russians would answer, 'Those are very good ideas you have proposed. New ideas — helpful ideas. You should do all that you have proposed. And when you have done that — disrupted your European ties, left NATO, and so-on, we shall be in a better atmosphere to negotiate with you about your point.'

"The Russians would not, un-

der foreseeable conditions, permit reunification of a real German Democratic state — the balance inside the Russian power system has become less stable, and events in Czechoslovakia have proved it.

"Under given circumstances the Russians would not even desire a unified Germany under a Communist regime. Because a unified Germany with seventy-five million inhabitants, with the integration of two strong economies, would disturb the balance inside the Communist system.

"Therefore I see as the only chance, in a long-run historical process, that of building up a Europe — integrating the Federal Republic of Germany into that Europe and building bridges from an attractive, economically powerful, political and influential Europe which can defend herself — including a nuclear potential — to add to the power of the Europeans.

"To build bridges toward our eastern neighbors is a historical process which takes much time. What we have experienced in Europe and what maybe some Americans are not fully aware of (I don't mean it in an unfriendly way) is that the European history from 1940 to 1945, due to German failures, mistakes and crimes, is a process of degeneration of the most important continent of the world — which was Europe in 1914 — down to zero; down to scratch in 1945.

"The reversal of that cannot be done under the aspect of re-establishing European national states as they were before, in the 19th century, and up to World War I.

"We need a new architecture of Europe in order to overcome the period of a catastrophic degeneration of Europe. That requires that we are ready to abandon German sovereignty in favor of a European central government in which the Germans will represent a certain element but will not dominate Europe."

Question: "Are there any such bridges in existence right now; economic ones — social exchanges?"

Answer: "We have offered everything. We went much farther than any cabinet before — the cabinet of Kiesinger did. We tried to establish contacts, eco-

nomie agreements, nonaggression pacts and so on. I would like to say, and it should be taken very seriously, that the agitation against Bonn has increased and has been heated up in the exact same measure as have our attempts at compromise. This means Russia wants for a puppet a militaristic, aggressive, revisionistic Germany in order to keep together her forced allies. The more we are ready to open our doors; the more we are ready to dismantle obstacles; to remove them, the more hateful and exacerbated their propaganda is against us.

"I believe that is a lesson — a lesson which should not lead us to change policy radically, but which should make us continue that policy (of "bridge building" toward the East) but on the basis of having as a stand-by a unified Europe and a reestablished and reorganized NATO alliance."

And so terminated the interview. Privately, I asked Herr Strauss what he felt about the chances of his being elected Chancellor of Germany in the coming elections in 1969. He smiled, declined to speculate about such an office at the moment, and remarked about the fine job he felt Kurt Georg Kiesinger was doing as Chancellor.

Strauss' story about the reaction of the Russians to any such fantastic proposals as he outlined shows how completely he disagrees with the American policies over the past years toward the Soviet Union.

Where many Western seers have continually hailed minor signs of lessening of tensions as evidences of a softening of the old Stalinist hard-line Communist doctrines, Strauss has been under no illusions about such softening. His comments border closely on the "I told you so" approach.

One important point to notice — at no time does Strauss *sound* like a "finance minister." His views have appeared in the press all over the world recently; running the gamut of every major international political issue with which Germany is concerned.

For years, observers in Germany have viewed Strauss as a potential rallying figure for all those who desire a "strong man" to solve the problems that plague

Germans. Most have called him "dangerous," "a bully," "irresponsible" and "unpredictable."

Whatever he may be — Strauss is sincere. He says what he believes, and believes what he says. He *may* become Germany's next Chancellor. Rest assured of one thing. He will continue to be a powerful figure in Germany, and eventually in all Europe.

And, without his knowing it, he may finally fulfill some frightening *prophecies* about modern Europe — frightening to any who truly understand their significance.

Strauss is not a weak, compromising politician. The "Spiegel affair" should have convinced anyone of that. He is not naïve concerning Russia, or, for that matter, concerning any of the maze of difficulties faced by Germany. But Herr Strauss talks as if he feels he has the answers. He speaks with a positive assurance — an emphatic persistence — and sometimes with a very loud voice.

Someday soon — more than just his loyal followers in Bavaria may be hearing that voice.

They may be shocked by what it says.

CENTURY 21

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were fighting savagely for their own special advantage.

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So Nebuchadnezzar called in all his astrologers, his religious leaders, magicians, his chief advisers, his wisest men. But he determined to test their clairvoyant powers.

"It was a terrifying dream, yet it's gone from me," he told them. "I want you to tell me what I dreamed. If you fail, I'll know you are fakes and

phonies, and I'll have you all put to death."

But even with their lives at stake, his wisest men could not tell Nebuchadnezzar what he had dreamed.

Now among other nations that had been conquered by this great Chaldean king was the Kingdom of Judah whose capital city was Jerusalem. These Jews had been taken as captives, and transported from their homes in their cities, towns and countryside to the land of the Chaldeans where they were made slaves. But four outstandingly brilliant Jewish lads had been inducted into important government positions in Babylon. Among them was Daniel.

These four Jewish lads were being seized, to be put to death along with the sorcerers, magicians and Chaldean "wise men." Daniel asked for time, promising that he would be able to tell the king his dream and its meaning.

The four Jewish lads prayed to their God for the answer. That night it was revealed to Daniel in a vision.

Report on "What Is to Be."

"Are you able to make known to me the dream . . . and its interpretation?" asked the king when Daniel was ushered into his presence. "No wise men . . . can show to the king the mystery," replied Daniel, ". . . but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries, and He has made known to you what is to be.

"You saw, O king, and behold, a great image. This image, mighty and of exceeding brightness, stood before you, and its appearance was frightening. The head of this image was of fine gold, its breast and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. As you looked, a stone was cut out by no human hand, and it smote the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces; then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold all together were broken in pieces, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away . . . But the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth."

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"This," continued Daniel, "was the dream; now we will tell the king its interpretation. You, O king, the king of kings, to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, and the might, and the glory . . . you are the head of gold. After you shall arise another kingdom inferior to you, and yet a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over all the earth."

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Now continue this most unusual form of NEWS REPORT.

The Roman Empire Came

"And," continued Daniel, "there shall be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron. . . ." This was the Roman Empire, which swallowed up all four surviving divisions of Alexander's Graeco-Macedonian Empire, and spread out farther beside. It was the strongest military power in world history up to that time. And the two legs symbolized the *two divisions* of the mighty Roman Empire — with the eastern capital at Constantinople (today called Istanbul, Turkey), and the western capital at Rome.

But Daniel continued: "And as the

toes of the feet were partly iron and partly clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly brittle . . . but they will not hold together, just as iron does not mix with clay."

There are three other specific prophecies — FUTURE NEWS REPORTS — one in the 7th chapter of Daniel, one in the 13th and one in the 17th of Revelation, which also depict the future NEWS of this same succession of world empires. Putting all four prophecies together, it becomes plain that the toes of this image represent a last final resurrection — or rebirth of the Roman Empire in our time!

Soon Coming U. S. of Europe!

There is not space for details in this article. But the two prophecies in the book of Revelation report clearly — *long in advance* — the fall of the original Roman Empire in 476 A.D., its restoration by Justinian in 554, and its history as "the Holy Roman Empire," up to the fall of Napoleon in 1814.

Then Revelation 17:8 shows the partial revival of this empire under Mussolini — after he took Ethiopia, adding it to Italian Somaliland, Eritrea, Libya and Italy — officially naming it "The Roman Empire."

These prophecies depict detailed ADVANCE NEWS of one more last revival of this Empire, yet to occur, by a union of ten nations in Europe.

This coming "United States of Europe" is the dream of many leaders — not only within Europe, but in Britain and America. The Common Market is its beginning.

The Russian invasion of Czechoslovakia could well add impetus to the movement. It is now only a matter of two to four years until this ADVANCE NEWS will be *current* news. And it will completely *STUN THE WORLD!* Yet *The PLAIN TRUTH* has reported this news in advance for the past 34 years!

More Powerful Than U. S. or USSR

Once political-military union is achieved out of the Common Market in Europe — combining TEN nations — or groups of nations — not merely the present six — it will present before the world a THIRD WORLD POWER probably

even stronger than either the U.S. or the USSR!

Can you envision what that will mean in the world's balance of power?

But these nations will not cling long or loyally together. The ten toes of Nebuchadnezzar's image pictured millenniums in advance this United Europe! They will not cleave together for long, even as iron and miry clay will not!

Then what shall happen?

This prophecy — and others — give you the NEWS long in advance!

Then Finally — WORLD Government

Continue Daniel's explanation to King Nebuchadnezzar!

"And in the days of those kings" — these ten soon to unite in Europe! — "the God of heaven will set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall its sovereignty be left to another people . . . and it shall stand forever . . . the Great God has made known to the king what shall be hereafter. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure." (Quoted from the second chapter of Daniel — Revised Standard translation.)

This is just one of several ADVANCE NEWS REPORTS that explicitly affirm there WILL BE a world government that shall bring this war-weary earth PEACE AT LAST.

Not by the help of men, or of their human governments — but in spite of them! Other prophecies report, centuries and millenniums in advance, almost every detail of today's rapidly worsening conditions!

Humanity WILL SURVIVE! There *will* be a happy WORLD TOMORROW! Mortal humans do have a stern lesson to learn first. Human bungling will bring accelerated world trouble before God-ignoring humanity will be willing to learn. But WE SHALL LEARN!

Few realize that 90% of Biblical prophecy pertains to OUR TIME, and the very few years immediately ahead. And approximately a third of the Bible is prophecy! It has been neglected utterly. It has been terribly misunderstood, misrepresented. It is tremendously important! Especially now!

Earlier in this article I said Jesus

of Nazareth was the world's greatest NEWSCASTER. Many, deceiving and being deceived, have represented His teaching as a sentimental religious teaching having no relation whatever to this life, this world, its nations, its governments, its society. THAT CONCEPT IS FALSE!

Jesus' "Gospel" — (and remember "Gospel" means "Good News") — was actually His ADVANCE NEWS REPORT of the KINGDOM — the GOVERNMENT — of GOD, soon now to bring us world PEACE! The KINGDOM of GOD is, simply, the world-ruling GOVERNMENT of God. It is absolutely *not* a sentimental, ethereal, imaginary something "set up in the hearts of men." It is something REAL! It is SOON COMING!

And Jesus Christ was born to be the KING of that WORLD GOVERNMENT (Luke 1:30-33; John 18:36-37; Rev. 19:11-16; 11:15). As General MacArthur promised the Filipinos he would return, so Jesus promised His disciples He would return. And, now, SOON! TO RULE THE WHOLE EARTH!

If the reader would like an exciting, graphic description of the coming WORLD TOMORROW — a world governed by the Eternal Creator God — a world under *perfect* divine rule, organization and direction, you may have, at no charge, for the asking, a full-color illustrated booklet of 100 pages, *The Wonderful World Tomorrow*.

It gives you many details. It gives you the system of organization — even THE NAMES of world-famous men who will occupy tremendous offices of power — the very names of men who will have executive rule over Britain, over the United States, over Russia, Germany and others. It will describe the new world's system of education. It will name probable names of highly experienced men who will head the world's new monetary system, the building of gigantic new public works, the new agrarian reform. It will show how the race question will be settled IN PEACE, with all races happy — and prosperous.

You've never read anything like it. It is absolutely amazing — and it pictures humanity's one great and sure hope.

Personal from the Editor

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their merchandising and marketing problems. But also I had been in the editorial end of magazine production, writing articles.

In 1927 the urge pressed heavily on my mind to produce and publish a new kind of magazine. My dream was to produce a "magazine of UNDERSTANDING." As a child, even under five, my father said I would be a "Philadelphia lawyer" when I grew up, because I was always asking so many questions. I wanted to know "why" and "how." I wanted to UNDERSTAND. As a teen-ager I was entranced with Benjamin Franklin's Autobiography. I was enthralled with his faculty for UNDERSTANDING. I had always wanted to understand LIFE — and WHY its problems — and HOW to solve them.

Something else had happened just before this. In the autumn of 1926 a certain incident angered and challenged me into my first serious study of the theory of evolution, and also of that volume Bruce Barton said nobody understands. Although I had been reared by conscientious parents in one of the respected Protestant denominations, I never knew much about the church's religious or doctrinal teachings — and I had drifted completely away from religious interest at age 18.

But in this very intensive 6-months' study and research, I made some startling discoveries. Did the evolutionary theory disprove the existence of God? This I had to know. Suffice it here to say that I found the existence of God the Creator scientifically proved. But I learned, too, why Bruce Barton was right about "the Book that NOBODY knows."

I had always said, "I just can't understand the Bible." But now my thirst for UNDERSTANDING in general was focused on this MISUNDERSTOOD volume in particular. And I was shocked to find there THE ANSWERS — practical, sound, workable answers — to the enigma and

the problems of life. I found that the organized religions had apparently overlooked MOST of the vital knowledge about life and world conditions this neglected Source reveals! Why, this was not sentimental "religion" or medieval superstition!

Actually, I found this world's best selling book — and perhaps also its most neglected — to be an astonishing and tremendous NEWS SOURCE. Actually, the so-called Prophets were merely writing NEWS REPORTS far in advance of occurrence! I found here startling advance news reports of this world's conditions *as they are today!* I found what it seems most all religious people have overlooked — the explanation of the MEANING and PURPOSE of life!

Winston Churchill spoke before the United States Congress about a PURPOSE being worked out here below. In this most misunderstood of books I found human nature laid bare. I found revealed the TRUE VALUES contrasted from the false. I found here the ANSWERS for which the world gropes in frustration!

Here, made PLAIN, was the explanation of the way to PEACE, if the world only would apply it — the way to personal individual success, happiness, abundant well-being!

This, it seemed to me, was not "religion" as I had heard it — as most people regard it.

This MADE SENSE! You could prove it to be TRUE! It was not a mere sentimental, sanctimonious EMOTION. Oh yes, of course I found this Book searches clear through the very heart of man, lays bare his very inner being as it actually is! It paints human nature in its true colors — and it's not so pretty as many would, in their vanity, like to think of it.

But IT IS THE ONE AND ONLY SOURCE THAT GIVES THE ANSWERS! And they are the RIGHT answers — the ONLY answers! What conspiracy could have blinded humanity to this Source of UNDERSTANDING!

I had always craved understanding. And now I had discovered its Source!

It was, I suppose, natural that I should want to bring forth a magazine

that would transmit UNDERSTANDING. In my enthusiasm, I sought out the best professional lettering-artist in Portland, Oregon, where I lived in 1927. With his professional hand I produced a "dummy" of the kind of magazine I envisioned. I called it *The PLAIN TRUTH*. I wanted it to give true understanding, which, after all, is TRUTH — and I wanted it to be a magazine that would SPEAK OUT without fear or favor, making PLAIN the truth about life — about our society — about humanity's problems.

No such magazine existed. It was a serious need!

I even wrote two or three articles to be published in Volume I, Number 1. But then the whole venture hit a stone wall barrier.

How would I launch such a magazine? I had no capital to finance it. And how would I gain a subscription list? At the time I was operating an advertising service for a number of clients. This dream of *The PLAIN TRUTH* had to be a spare time enterprise. Two years went by. Then came the economic crash of 1929. The United States plummeted into its deepest depression. The dream of this *different* magazine seemed farther off than ever.

The advertising service went with the depression.

A former newspaper associate was attempting to launch a new morning newspaper, with virtually no capital, in the midst of the depression. He appealed to me for help. I dropped everything, went to his city to try to bail him out. I kept that newspaper afloat until the spring of 1933 by the unheard-of method of selling advertising space to retail merchants on a percentage-of-sales basis. Even then we had to take much of the payment in merchandise instead of cash.

In late 1933 invitation came to do a radio broadcast daily for a week. It brought an unexpected response. The first week in January, 1934, *The WORLD TOMORROW* radio program made its tiny start on a single 100-watt radio station in Eugene, Oregon.

Now, at last, *The PLAIN TRUTH* simply *had* to be born — seven years after its first single-copy "dummy."

But there was no money. 1933 was the year we hit the very bottom of the depression — the year President Franklin D. Roosevelt closed America's banks.

But sometimes necessity is the "mother of invention." I felt it was a positive MUST that I now have the long-dreamed-of PLAIN TRUTH to offer radio listeners. Lacking capital or income to print it, I produced VOLUME I, Number 1, the February, 1934 number as a "home made" mimeographed "magazine." And I must put the word "magazine" in quotes.

During the month of January, the weekly half-hour broadcasts offered *The PLAIN TRUTH* on an "already-paid subscription" basis. There was no subscription price. There was no advertising. For that first issue I borrowed the use of a typewriter to cut the stencils, and borrowed the use of a mimeograph. I think the total circulation was about 250 copies. Total cost of magazine production: the cost of mimeograph stencils, the few sheets of paper, and a small amount for the ink, plus postage for mailing.

But the mimeographed contents interested readers. And there were some 30 co-workers — low-income people — with me.

In all these years from that unbelievably infinitesimal start, there has been no visible human benefactor or sponsoring organization (save for the one gradually built from that tiny co-worker group) back of *The PLAIN TRUTH*. Or, for that matter, *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast. And we have never solicited either co-workers to join, or contributions from the public.

But BOTH radio program and magazine had a mission — a definite PURPOSE — and there was a definite and serious NEED.

Through the years both broadcast and magazine developed and grew, it seemed so *very* slowly for the first several years. Actually it was growing at the rate of 30% each year. But 30% over a 250-copy circulation — and over a 100-watt radio power per week — seemed painfully slow. Yet that meant it doubled in size and scope about every 2 years, 7½ months.

Actually the growth has been rather AMAZING!

It is like taking a penny and doubling it every day for one 30-day month. Ask a person which he would rather have — (in United States money) — a penny today, doubled every day for 30 days — or one million dollars today. If you haven't figured it out, I suppose most would take the million dollars quickly. But stop and count it. At the end of one week, the penny doubling daily would amount to less than a dollar — only 64 cents. The second week the growth seems still small — less than \$100 — or, \$81.92. At the end of three weeks it is beginning to count up — but still it is only a fraction of that \$1 million — \$10,485.76. I think perhaps the average person would begin to wish he had taken the one million on the first day, after this three weeks.

But from that point, it begins to skyrocket! By the end of the fourth week — just 28 days — it has zoomed suddenly to \$1,342,177.28! More than a million and a third, and two more days to go! After 30 days, it mounts up to \$5,368,709.12!

Of course, with a work doubling only every two and three-fourth years, approximately, growth did seem much slower than the penny doubling daily. Nevertheless, the principle is the same. After all these nearly 35 years *The PLAIN TRUTH* finds itself a handsome, top-quality, professionally edited full-color magazine approaching 1½ million copies circulation — with a readership of more than 4 million!

And *The WORLD TOMORROW* program, with my son Garner Ted Armstrong as the speaker today, being heard on all continents, is the largest purchaser of radio program time on earth, using 50 million watts of radio power weekly! And we put a price on NOTHING — never invite new co-workers — though the number voluntarily added has kept increasing 30% a year — never ask the public for contributions.

Incidentally, we hear much today about the population explosion. The world's population has now hit that same point, where suddenly it begins

to skyrocket at alarming pace. It reminds me of something you might have happened to read in the Bible. In the sixth chapter of Genesis it speaks of the time "when men began to multiply on the face of the earth." I suppose most people — if they ever do read the Bible — would read right over that, not realizing what it really says. It was the time when human population was doubling itself every few years. In those days population could have multiplied 4 times every 40 years. By Noah's time there could easily have been anywhere from two to ten billion (ten thousand million) inhabitants on earth. They had a POPULATION explosion, just as we face one today. I can remember, in my own lifetime, when there were about 2 billion people on earth. Now there are about 3½ billion. In approximately 50 years it will double. And that means food wars ahead!

When any growing factor doubles in size within a certain period of time, it finally comes to a place where the increase seems to explode! It has been that way with *The PLAIN TRUTH* and *The WORLD TOMORROW* program. *The WORLD TOMORROW* is now launching its color-television edition in the United States. That, too, will expand rapidly.

Perhaps I might be permitted to say that this amazing growth, as I now look back on it from the beginning, is very gratifying indeed to me personally. From the beginning my wife shared the responsibilities, the concerns, the problems, and the triumphs with me until her death in April, 1967 — just 3½ months before our golden wedding anniversary.

In 1947 Ambassador College was founded in Pasadena, California. The entire operation of the broadcasting and publishing enterprises has been carried on as a worldwide educational activity of Ambassador College — now with three campuses with a total of approximately 1,200 students in residence. We publish a Correspondence Course, with more than 100,000 students, worldwide.

The PLAIN TRUTH is published now in five languages — English, German, French, Spanish and Dutch. It is produced in our own printing plants at Pasadena, California; Watford, England;

North Sydney, Australia; and Big Sandy, Texas. Our printing plants also produce textbooks, other books, booklets, pamphlets and the Correspondence Course.

The radio and television programs are produced in our own studios at Pasadena. Our new TV studio is one of the finest-equipped, most modern anywhere. The radio program goes on the air live in Los Angeles from our own studio in Pasadena — or, live on a radio station in east Texas from our studios on our Texas campus — and as they go on the air "live," they are also recorded on a master tape. From this master tape a few hundred other tapes are "dubbed" and sent to radio stations around the world by air.

Meanwhile, through the years, an efficient and competent organization, now worldwide, has been developed along with the growth of our Work.

That started from most modest beginnings, too. For a year or so, there was only Mrs. Armstrong and myself. Then we were able to employ a part-time office helper — a girl learning to become a secretary at business college — for \$5 per week. Later we had a secretary at \$10 per week. Gradually a small office staff developed. In 1947 we moved our operation to Pasadena, California, at the founding of the college. From there it has expanded at that steady rate of 30% a year. Today the sun never sets on our offices around the world. Today researchers, editors, writers, photographers are stationed in these offices — and fly to any and all parts of the world to cover important world-news events.

As I write, Ambassador College is laying plans to inaugurate certain important research projects in various parts of the world, and we hope to make important contributions to the world's knowledge — the kind of knowledge that will SOLVE problems and END troubles — not add to them! Our facilities and resources have multiplied along with every other phase of our operations.

Now, once again, HOW can *The PLAIN TRUTH* best serve YOU by publishing what you need most to know? Why don't you sit down, write me a letter, and tell me?

PROPHECY *comes alive*

IN TODAY'S WORLD NEWS



THE Czech crisis has dealt the nuclear non-proliferation treaty a severe, if not fatal, blow.

Even before the Soviet invasion, it was extremely doubtful that key nations such as France, West Germany, India and Japan would ever ratify the treaty.

This uncensored picture shows the unique yet formidable firepower of a U. S. Navy Polaris submarine. The vessel has 16 large hatches through which can be launched Polaris missiles capable of producing unbelievable atomic devastation. The ballistic rockets can be fired from beneath the water, making the point of launching extremely difficult to detect. Polaris submarines constitute America's top deterrent force.

Keystone Photo



Now it is virtually certain they will never sign the U. S.- and Russian-sponsored pact.

"MIRV" Passes Test

Meanwhile, the missile race between the U. S. and the Soviet Union is stepping up.

The U. S. successfully fired two new long-range missiles in an unprecedented demonstration of the nuclear firepower planned for the 1970's.

The Air Force's Minuteman - III and the Navy's Poseidon, *designed to boost U. S. nuclear striking power five-to ten-fold in the next decade*, scored flawless successes on maiden flights in mid-August.

Both rockets are scheduled to carry *multi-bomb warheads* able to rain up to ten separate, individually controlled hydrogen bombs on targets hundreds of miles apart. Such payloads are called MIRV (Multiple Independent-

ly targetable Re-entry Vehicle). The bomb clusters represent a major development in the arms race. They are designed to give the United States the ability to overwhelm Soviet defenses by 1972.

The new warheads will not be merely sprayed over a target like shotgun pellets. Each system will have its own "brain" and control system to send bombs diving at specific preprogrammed targets.

"Boring" Knowledge

But talk about the arms race has become "old hat" to too many people.

General E. L. M. Burns of Canada told the United Nations in New York recently: "No one can deny that if the thousands of weapons in the stockpiles [of the nuclear powers] are loosed they will cause horrible, almost inconceivable death and destruction.

"But the impact of this knowledge," said General Burns, "has been softened by much repetition. It is a truth which has regrettably become a platitude, and perhaps a bore. *The world would like to ignore it, to forget about it.*"

The whole world has also ignored the somber warning of Jesus Christ that "except those days [our era today] should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved" (Matt. 24:22). Jesus Christ—returning to earth in power this time—will put an end to the insane arms race. But not before whole cities will be laid waste under the fury of nuclear devastation! (Lev. 26:31, 33; Ezek. 6:6.)

Invasion Spurs Unity Drive

Western Europe has been rudely awakened from its Rip Van Winkle approach to the Soviet threat from the East!

West Germans especially find themselves looking down the muzzle of the Soviet tank cannon poised menacingly across the Bavarian border in Western Bohemia. Instead of 20 Russian divisions facing them along the 840-mile East-West German border, the West Germans are now confronted by a possible 31 divisions along a 1080-mile frontier.

The Czech crisis has produced a remarkable flurry of appeals by statesmen and politicians in Western Europe for a stepped-up effort to achieve European unity.

West German Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger on August 25 called for a summit conference of the government heads of NATO countries to *wake up* the Western nations and prompt them to "watch over liberty and security."

The Chancellor said the Soviet coup in Czechoslovakia makes it imperative for West Germans "to heighten our watchfulness and to make the necessary sacrifices for our defense." He called the coup *all the more reason to unite*

Western Europe, saying "the great hour of the Europeans has come again."

Strauss Calls for "European Federal State"

The most eloquent reaction to the Czech invasion came from West Germany's powerful Finance Minister Franz Josef Strauss.

In a recent interview in a West German weekly newspaper, Strauss contended that a further Soviet military threat to western Europe or Berlin cannot be ruled out.

Herr Strauss emphasized his view that the "only effective step" to counter the Soviet threat is the ultimate creation of a European federal state in which the central government has all military power.

Strauss, leader of the independent Bavarian wing of the Christian Democrats, has also expressed grave doubts whether the United States would release its nuclear weapons stockpiled in Europe in the event of a conventional Communist attack there.

Strauss sees the invasion of Czechoslovakia as lending support to his plea for Western Europe to achieve greater military and political self-reliance. Says Strauss in his new book, *Challenge and Response: A Program for Europe*.

"At all events, they [the Russians] have thereby thrown their military shadow so threateningly over Europe that they will be able to a growing extent to influence the further course of... Europe's future in a continent weakened by unilateral disarmament measures and *no longer defended by the United States with full engagement*, including the nuclear risk."

The West German Finance Minister is fully aware of the fact that the U. S. Army in Europe — primarily due to Vietnam — is short of troops, weapons, and equipment; that the Air Force is short of both aircraft and crews to operate them; and that the Navy in both the Atlantic and the Mediterranean is operating under strength.

Hence Strauss's call for a European defense community to have its *own* nuclear deterrent force. Be sure to read the exclusive interview with Franz Josef Strauss in this issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH!*

Pope Paul Calls for Unity

Almost overlooked by the press was the most significant plea of all for European Unity. It was delivered by Pope Paul VI.

Speaking before an audience to an inter-European conference in Rome on September 2, the Pope denounced the Russian occupation of Czechoslovakia and called on Western Europe to unite in face of the mounting Red threat.

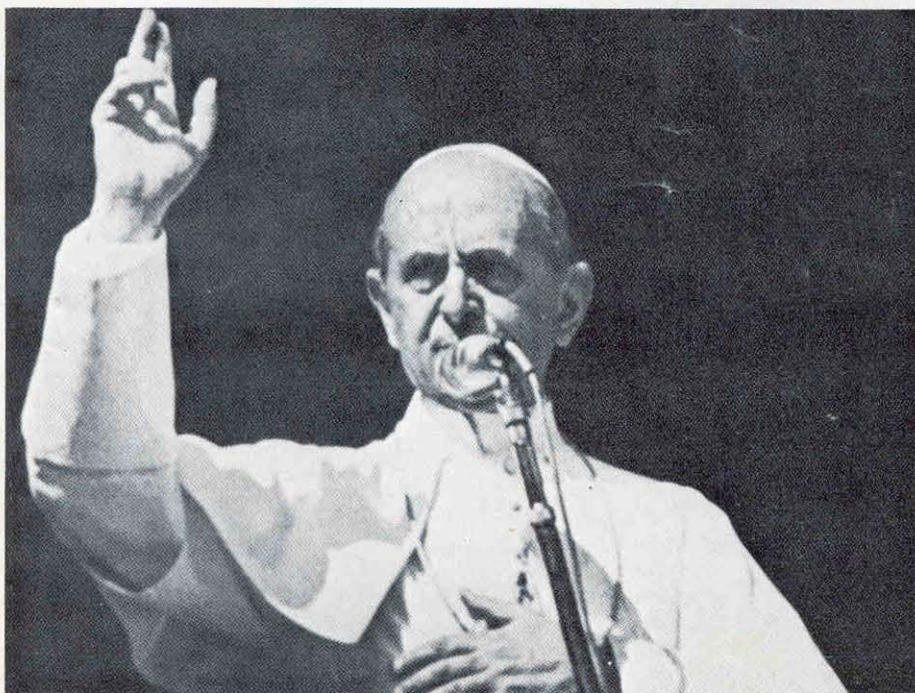
Obtaining and securing peace for Europe was of paramount importance. Said the Pope: "*The unification of Europe is undoubtedly one of the surest ways.*"

For years, the pages of *The PLAIN TRUTH* have informed its readers that the coming United States of Europe — or whatever it may be officially labelled — will have significant religious overtones!

The force of religion combined with the external Communist threat will be the *two key factors* enabling the nations of Western Europe to finally surmount their divisive nationalistic feelings, and to combine into the world's third superpower bloc.

Pope Paul VI has joined the chorus of official voices calling for Western European nations to unite now to withstand the growing Communist threat.

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The London Times said: "An interesting by-product of the Soviet occupation of Czechoslovakia has been the political reemergence in West Germany of Herr Franz Josef Strauss. The powerful Finance Minister and Bavarian leader, after months of relative silence, has spoken out twice in the past week." Actually, Herr Strauss spoke out *three times*. Once, before the television and radio crews of *The WORLD TOMORROW* program. Here we bring you an on-the-spot report and analysis of an exclusive interview with Herr Franz Josef Strauss in his own offices in Bonn. See page 4.

★ **WHY THE CRISIS IN CITIES THREATENS RURAL AREAS**

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★ **...BUT DO EDUCATORS HAVE THE ANSWER?**

Educators are increasingly convinced they have found the way to world peace and unity... "education in the SPIRIT of SCIENCE." "Science is neutral — non-political — non-religious," they say. "Its products are universally desired." But what is the spirit of science? Can it bring peace and unity where all else has failed? See page 9.

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