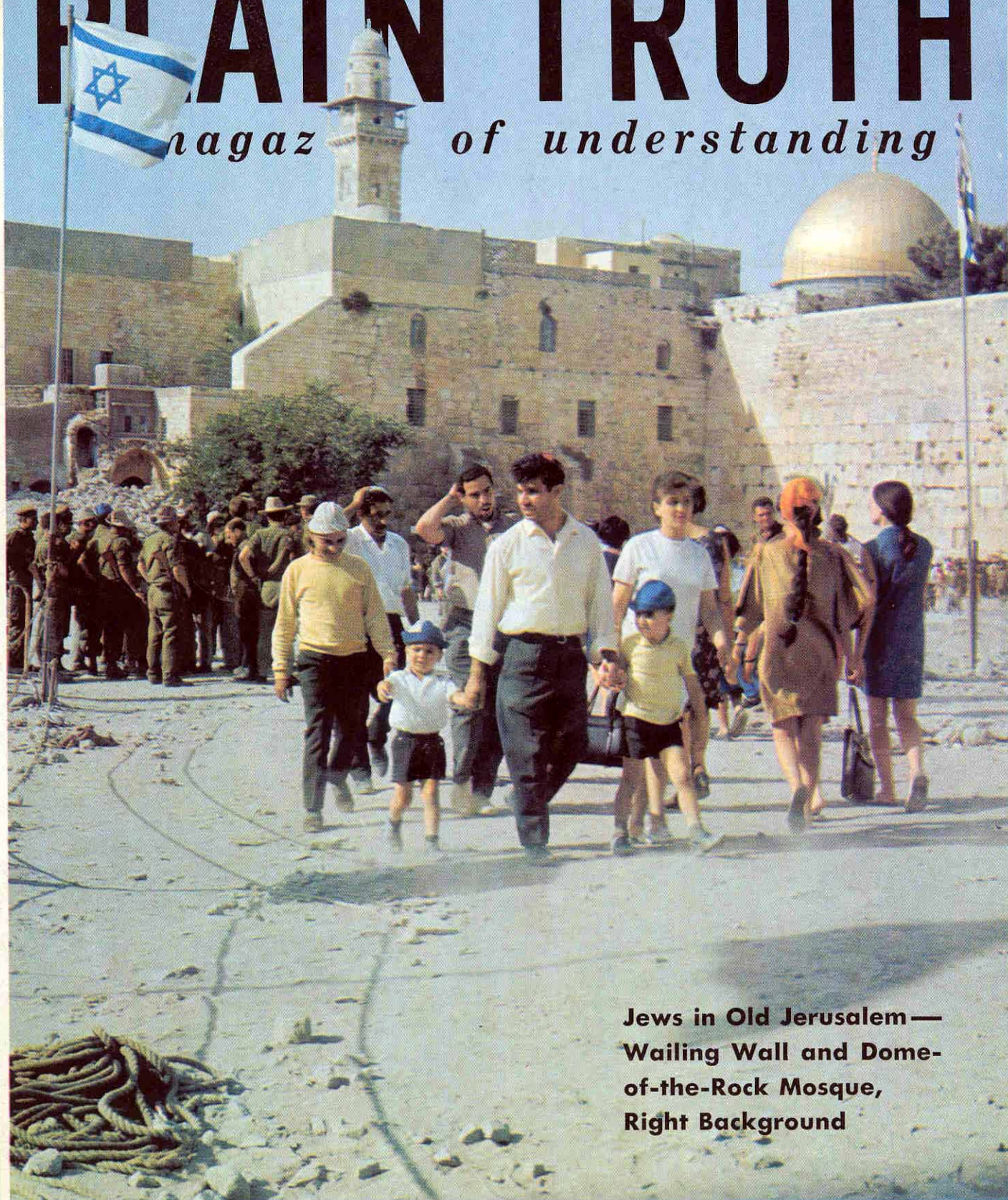


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**Jews in Old Jerusalem—
Wailing Wall and Dome-
of-the-Rock Mosque,
Right Background**

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Evolution

"I have been extremely impressed by your series of articles on evolution. I am a teacher in the University of Melbourne and for years I have been teaching my students that evolution is a fact. Despite years of scientific training it has been only your articles which have caused me to see that a true basis for this evolutionary theory is lacking. This is going to mean a big change in the type of lecture I will be giving but I thank you for enabling me to see the true 'origin of species' and God's will for man on earth."

Prof. M.,
University of Melbourne,
Victoria, Australia

"Thank you for sending us (my wife and I) *The PLAIN TRUTH*. . . Also for the extremely well-researched and revealing articles by Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong on Evolution with their lovely, humorous twists. As a scientist who has never been totally convinced by Evolution, but who has been so close to it that I have been unable to see its absurdities, the series has been a real eye-opener."

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Hull, Yorkshire,
England

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"Your most excellent series of articles on evolution fills a need for many of us.

I do hope that when the series is completed you will take under advisement the possibility of publishing the entire group in one volume which could serve as an antidote to *LIFE* magazine's beautifully illustrated book on the story of evolution. . . ."

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"I surely do not agree with everything you say. . . . My biggest criticism is that you don't believe in Santa Claus. For shame! I'm almost 50 years old, and I still believe in Santa. I believe in everything — ghosts, ESP, UFO's —

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Personal from the Editor

ONCE AGAIN I devote this column to comment on BIG NEWS — important to those who know the PURPOSE being worked out here below, and *how* its working out has been Master-Planned.

TWO happenings, involving this Work, since we last went to press:

First, with this July number, *The PLAIN TRUTH* passes *another giant milestone* in its upward climb of progress!

It *now* reaches a *grand plateau in circulation* — AT LAST!!! — ONE MILLION COPIES THIS ISSUE!

A few of our readers have watched the improvement and the growth of *The PLAIN TRUTH* from a small "home-made" mimeographed "magazine," to its present status as one of the world's major high-quality, full-color, world-news human-interest magazines.

With this issue *The PLAIN TRUTH* becomes, truly, one of the comparatively few MASS-media of the entire earth. In many nations there is no magazine or publication of any kind with a circulation and readership so large.

The PLAIN TRUTH is published in five editions simultaneously in Pasadena, California, Watford, England, and North Sydney, Australia. It is published in three languages, English, French and German. Soon, perhaps, in Spanish too! The three English editions are identical. All are printed on our own presses, in our three major printing plants.

I have written of its history before — how the dream of such a magazine came to mind forty years ago — in the spring of 1927. At that time I drew up a rough draft of a "dummy" portraying my concept, turned it over to a professional letter artist, who in turn designed a professionally laid-out dummy.

But when it came to the problems of publishing, of building circulation and readership, and of financing such a venture, I was stopped — for the

time. For seven years, actually. I had no such resources as such a high-character magazine would require to establish.

But the first week in January, 1934, the ETERNAL God opened the way — *not* for the sudden blossoming forth of a big-circulation quality magazine such as I had envisioned — but for the most HUMBLE and *small* beginning of what, after 33½ years of hard work, dedication, struggle and perseverance, has *finally* developed into such a publication.

It was in that first week in January, 1934, that the *living* Jesus Christ opened before me the door of radio broadcasting — in the smallest possible way. The facilities of a smallest-powered local station in Eugene, Oregon, were made available at a cost of \$2.50 per week. A small group of dedicated friends pledged a little more than half of that amount for a year. I took the other half on faith. That radio program has never missed a week on the air since.

There still were no resources for publishing a superb quality large-circulation PLAIN TRUTH. God does not *start* things, *through humans*, on such a large scale, but on the *smallest!*

But now the way had been opened to *start* to acquire a readership. I began offering *The PLAIN TRUTH*, free, to listeners of the broadcast. Also I began getting out the first "edition" — if it could be dignified by calling it that.

But it had to be so small and humble as to be humiliating. But it contained a certain *quality*, and reader *interest*, and God's TRUTH!

To make this possible, without "wherewithal," I purchased a very few sheets of inexpensive mimeograph paper, and a few mimeograph stencils. Without mimeograph equipment, except a borrowed stencil, I hand-lettered headlines by holding the stencils vertically against a window-pane. They were

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OUR COVER

Our Contributing Editors in Jerusalem photographed these happy Jews at the Wailing Wall in the newly captured old city. The Wailing Wall, the last vestige of the old Temple, is a sacred spot to Jews. They have long wailed and prayed here for a new Temple on this spot. Newly planted Israeli flag and golden Dome of the Rock share near background. Foreground area has recently been cleared, allowing easier access to the Wailing Wall.



**Jews Worship
At Wailing Wall**

MORE WAR IN JERUSALEM?

You have lived through the most amazing war in centuries, and the beginning fulfillment of DYNAMIC BIBLE PROPHECIES for our day! Read this eyewitness report of the Mideast crisis, and KNOW IN ADVANCE the explosive events soon to SHAKE THE WORLD from the Holy Land.

by Charles V. Dorothy and Ernest L. Martin

Jerusalem, Israel

"LONG LIVE Israel!" shout jubilant Israelis, as they celebrate victory, inspect captured territory, and worship at the Wailing Wall. "Jihad" (holy war) cry angered Arabs, as Nasser plans a massive comeback, a revenge attack, a new "death-to-Israel" onslaught — A HOLY WAR!

But here on the spot in Jerusalem, a few days after cease-fire, no one worries about another war. Israelis are exuberant, confident, proud. The intoxication of conquest runs high as business booms with thousands of Jews flowing into Jerusalem for pilgrimages or tourism.

Life struggles to return to normal, while conquered holy sites draw big crowds and exorbitant taxi fares. Roads are cleared of burned tanks and trucks, the dead are buried. *The air is filled with tense excitement* — the Jews expect GREAT EVENTS to occur soon.

And indeed they will . . . but not the way the world expects!!

Moslems wait, expecting a new VICTORIOUS WAR — possible within six months, depending on foreign aid — according to the *Jerusalem Post*.

Professing Christians rejoice, expecting WORLD PEACE. Some were carelessly assuming that this war is the fulfillment of Luke's prophecy: "And Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the *times of the Gentiles be fulfilled*" (Luke 21:24).

But wait a minute!

The Bible proves, and international events show, that Luke's prophecy is *not yet fulfilled*. This article will prove that other political and prophetic events must occur before the "times of the Gentiles" are over. First, look at the present world situation.

Another War Promised

"THE BATTLE IS CONTINUING. . . . CITIES ON THE LINE OF FIRE ARE READY FOR THE NEXT ROUND" (from the Egyptian weekly magazine, *al-Mussawwar*, as reported in the *Jerusalem Post*, June 22, 1967). This warning of new *hostilities* came almost immediately after the grudgingly accepted cease-fire, as Nasser appointed Abdul M. Abulnour (former Vice-Premier) as chief of the "Popular Resistance" movement. "Popular Resistance," though pitiful at present, is *no joke*, and arms build-up is already going on — this time not at Gaza, but on the west bank of the Suez.

Of course, help for any new war (or even *defense*, for that matter) must come from outside — from the USSR, the "big brother bear." And come it will. The Soviets have already agreed to bear the expense of lost Soviet-supplied equipment. Even while thunderous mine and shell blasts ring in our ears (from detonations by Israeli clean-up crews), *top Soviet military advisors are already in Cairo*, inspecting the shambles of USSR aid to Egypt! The *London Times* reported the ardent Cairo reception given Soviet

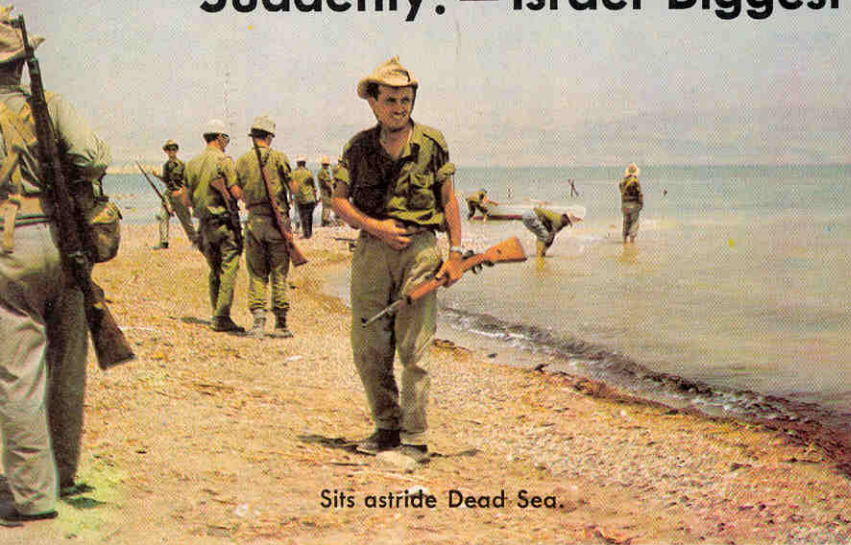
Union President Podgorny. He was met by Marshal Matviev Zakharov, Chief of Staff of the Soviet Armed Forces, an earlier arrival.

"How much damage? How much loss? How did Russian equipment perform under fire? Was the Arab defeat due more to manpower and leadership, or faulty Russian equipment? More important, how much *new* war material is needed *now* to protect Russian interests in the Mideast?" All these questions and more the unhappy Russians and the embarrassed Egyptians are asking themselves. The implication of these questions spell more war in the Mediterranean. Already, 150 more MIG-21 fighters are believed to have arrived in Egypt! Cargo craft have landed in Cairo, and shiploads of Soviet tanks arrived in Alexandria at the same time, reports the *London Times*, June 22.

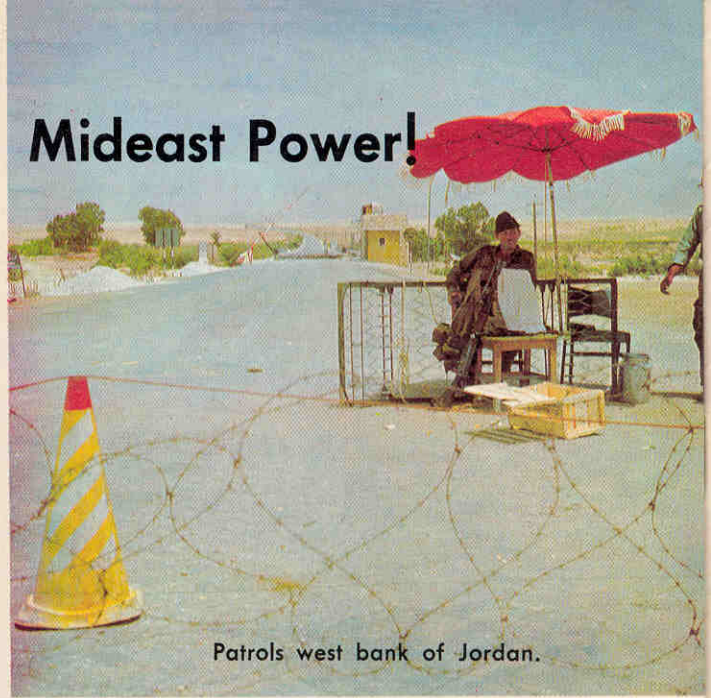
Now Saudi Arabia *publicly announces* the Moslem countries will "sooner or later UNDERTAKE A [*jihad*] HOLY WAR." Of course! As an American correspondent in Jerusalem's King David Hotel told us, "Why do they talk of another war? Simple. What else can the Arabs hang on to . . . what else do they have?" In other words, human pride demands something to salve open wounds of defeat. But pride is not the only thing behind Arab war talk. If it were, there might be no new war.

The Arab nations have powerful sup-

Suddenly! — Israel Biggest Mideast Power!



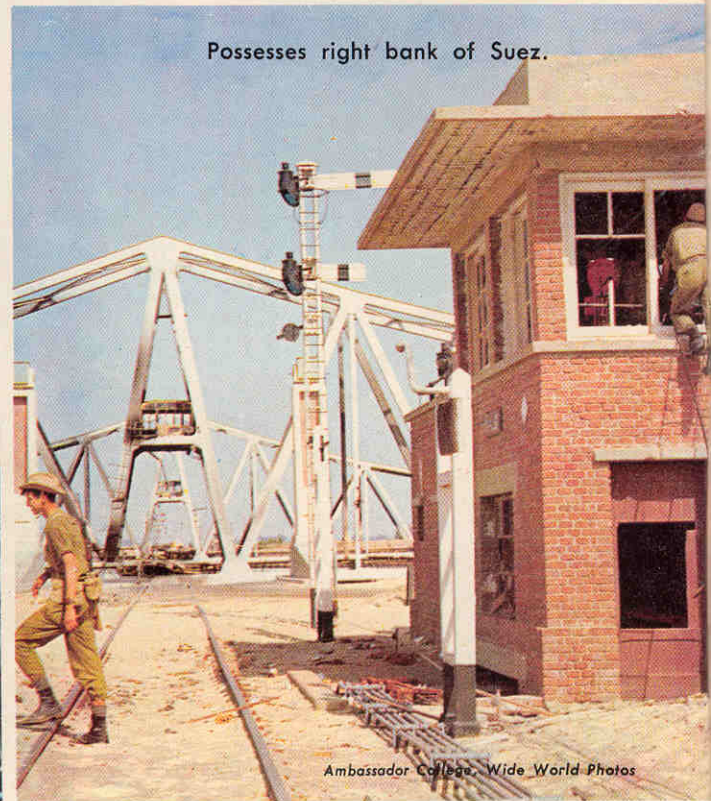
Sits astride Dead Sea.



Patrols west bank of Jordan.



Takes over Gaza Strip.



Possesses right bank of Suez.

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port from sources other than wounded pride and Russia. To you, the outside observer, Arabian hopes of conquest may now seem futile. But not to Arab militarists who have the powerful ally of *history*. In the 7th century, Arab Moslems conquered Palestine, and centuries later successfully recaptured it from the Christian Crusaders. "Why not again?" they think. Historically, last week's war is not a permanent defeat — only "another stage in the continuing battle," to the Arabs.

Moreover, history and wounded pride

have a third powerful supporter, a vehement ally — postwar *revenge*.

Agony of Aftermath

Revenge will be sparked and fed by a long agonizing aftermath, of which we saw the beginning. Burned villages, hundreds of thousands of refugees, conquered peoples living inside new boundaries, reparations, internationally important religious capitals — all combine to promote tension, conflict, desire for revenge.

To see the certainty of impending

war, let's recall some well-known and also some little-known facts about this recent "little blitzkrieg."

Everyone asks: "Who started it all?" A most interesting answer is the story claiming an *armed* (but not *attacking*) Egyptian patrol entered Israel's territory (supposedly on reconnaissance for a later attack), and nervous Israelis answered this intrusion with an attack which chased the Arab patrol back into Egyptian territory. This version answers several questions, principally how *both* sides could have some truth in

saying the other side started the war.

However, what the Atlantic Edition of *Time*, June 23, page 20, reports is possibly correct: Arab threats were so clear and strong that a secret Israeli pre-war meeting was called discussing "whether to launch a 'pre-emptive' attack before the gathering Arab armies struck. The hawks, led by Defense-Minister-hero Moshe Dayan, carried the day. Their weighty argument was that Arab countries have claimed a "state of war" with Israel for 19 years, and were clearly massing for their own proposed strike when hostilities erupted.

From here on, best sources available to us at this writing generally agree. Israeli planes did the unexpected in the gray dawn of war, Monday, June 5. Instead of attacking across Sinai toward Suez (as Egyptian defenses expected), they shot westward, out over the Mediterranean, turned sharply south and swooped in low over the Nile's mouths — thus avoiding both radar and anti-aircraft defenses. A brilliant maneuver!

In the first lightning-like three hours, the Jews had destroyed some 300-odd UAR planes; and a total of exactly 410 by nightfall! Then Israel's air intelligence over the desert, air cover over tank and troop thrusts, and air bombardment power over the Arabic capitals was virtually unchallenged. Israeli paratroopers, landing north of Sharm el Sheikh (the key to the Strait of Tiran and the Gulf of Aqaba), found they were beaten to the punch by their own patrol boats from Eilat (the blockaded port), only to discover the Egyptians had left before either paratroopers or gunboats could arrive!

Israel gained by capturing good, usable armored equipment on almost every front.

As always, the war had its heroes, tragedies and its freak situations: the badly wounded Egyptian who climbed into an Israeli ambulance and promptly hand-grenaded himself, the truck and several medics to oblivion; the obliging Arab-speaking Israeli who kindly guided five unsuspecting Egyptian planes into a safe landing and capture at a Sinai airport. The dead who died without a mark on their bodies — victims of concussion. Egyptians — trying to retreat

across the Suez — shot by fellow Egyptians on the home shore. A whole village evacuated so as not to allow citizens to see the pitiful ragtags of a defeated army. Good and bad on both sides. Either way, Arabs feel *cause for REVENGE!*

All in all, you and I lived through a six-day conflict as dramatic in action and as sweeping in its consequences as any in the past 2,000 years!! And this startling emergence of Israel as the dominant power in the Mideast is only the beginning.

World news sources do not understand fully what they have reported. In some cases, they neglected the truly significant events in order to relate facts

of no great consequence. From the really important events of this war will spring history-making, hair-raising, yes even cataclysmic changes destined to SHAKE THIS WORLD!

Do you personally see what the war means?? Do you know what will happen next?

Coming Events Foretold

You, the PLAIN TRUTH reader, will be informed of what will happen, of *future* events as they are made plain by current events and revealed Bible prophecies. But remember this: *The PLAIN TRUTH* is not taking sides — in this or any other war. We are not supported by any political party or pressure group. Our job is to inform you,



WARN YOU IN ADVANCE of the startling consequences man is bringing on himself by *rebellling* against God!

If you are able to receive it, here is the message.

FIRST, *Israel will very likely give back some territory.* That is, Israel will use conquered land she does not really desire in order to bargain for benefits she dearly wants.

Israel must bargain for *recognition.* If she can only get the Arabs to join her at the peace table, she has *attained recognition already.* She must bargain for free passage through the Strait of Tiran — where the Gulf of Aqaba joins the Red Sea. And she probably will try for some embargo or control (by bigger powers) on arms shipments to the Middle East. The only question is what land to keep for sentiment or security, what to trade for politics and profit.

Look at the problem this way. *Sinai*, in spite of its air bases and control over the critical Strait of Tiran, is a desert wilderness — basically non-producing, unprofitable, filled with unpredictable Bedouins. If Israel can achieve a Big-Power guarantee for free passage through the Strait of Tiran, why keep Sinai?? *Gaza*, thoroughly conquered in fact, but not in spirit, is an economic sinkhole. Israel could keep this area (with its fifth column of Palestine Liberation Army) to extend its coastline and control the main road to Suez, or could just as well trade it for concessions. Captured *Syrian* territory is essential to Israel in only one area: the rocky heights just above Israel's northeast border. The rest would be almost impossible to keep — Syrians are not likely to become Jewish proselytes! *West Jordan?* That's another matter. No country likes to be only 10 miles wide as Israel *was* (between Tul Karim, Jordan and Natanya, Israel). A little more breadth there, for easy breathing at her geographical waistline would be logical to the Israelis, if not to the rest of the world.

And *Jerusalem?* That's a delicate matter. Certainly the massed and poised Arab troops gave the Israelis much concern. But because of its religious value to Judaism, and its prophetic necessity for Bible fulfillment, Old Jerusalem

had to be taken, one way or another. Will the Old City be kept, returned, or shared?

SECOND, *Jews will definitely not give up the Old City.* The *Ir Hakodish* as Hebrew speakers call the Holy City (*El Kuds* to the Arabs) is essential to Judaism — a religion thousands of years old. "*Israel to keep reunited Jerusalem, Eban states,*" according to *Jerusalem Post* headline. Jews by the hundreds and thousands, from home and abroad, are flocking to the Wailing Wall — yes, even the conquering General Moshe Dayan who is not especially religious. They kiss the ground as we saw in person, cry, literally wail, fall prostrate, touch the sacred stones of Herod's Temple, and pray at the holiest site of all Judaism. That moving sight should convince us that the Jews will not easily give up Jerusalem again.

But listen to Bible prophecy. Read Zechariah, chapters 12-14. Notice especially chapter 14, verse 14: "And Judah [the Jews] also shall fight at Jerusalem..." These prophecies for the latter days — our time now — require the Jews to be in Jerusalem. Furthermore, Daniel shows that sacrifices to God in His Temple will be *restored* just before the final world war culminates in the Return of Christ. The Temple will have to be built in Jerusalem's Old City.

General Shlomo Goren, Chief Rabbi of Israeli Armed Forces said: "On our blood we took an oath that we will never give it [the Old City] up, *we will never leave this place.* The Wailing Wall belongs to us. The holy place was our place first, our place and our God's place. From here we do not move. *Never... never!*" (emphasis ours). Therefore, the way is open for further fulfillment of Bible prophecy.

THIRD, *Germany* — believe it or not — *will* eventually be in Palestine, patrolling, policing — or on some other political excuse — occupying Jewish soil. Ezekiel 23, your own Bible, proves

Sorry...

There just was not sufficient space in this issue for Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's article on the platypus. We hope you will read it in the August issue.

it. For further information write for our amazing free booklet, *1975 in Prophecy.*

The United Nations have already proved ineffective at peace-keeping in the Middle East. Is it significant that Mr. George Brown, British Foreign Minister has appealed "at once for the dispatch of a special representative [of the U.N.] whose standing should be unchallenged, to the area [Jerusalem]." The *International Herald Tribune* headlined June 21 "U.S. asks Mideast Negotiations with Appropriate 3rd-Party Aid."

Another War Prophesied

FOURTH, Germany's eventual presence in Palestine will lead to a final *nuclear holocaust* — WORLD WAR III. But before that terrifying catastrophe occurs, the Arabs will have *at least a chance at jihad* (Holy War). They will make further efforts to reconquer Palestine — and eventually bring on themselves swift defeat at the hands of Neo-Nazi Germany.

Listen to this late communique which arrived just as we were concluding this article. "*Arabs again urged to wage Holy War...* 'All Moslems are committing a grave sin by not declaring *Holy War* to save Jerusalem and Palestine,' said *Egypt's highest Moslem religious leader*, (Mufti or Jeddah) Sheikh Abdullah Al Qalqili" (*Al Destour*, from Amman 30 June, 1967).

An amazingly determined attitude, wouldn't you agree?

And those leaders *mean business!*

Can you now begin to see how world news and Bible prophecy are *dove-tailing, combining* to form a true picture? You can be forewarned, if you begin studying your own Bible. Write for our Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course, which makes the Bible plain.

Explosive Events Ahead

But there is yet much more to happen within the next few years. Jerusalem will continue to be the focal point of the Middle East until the Temple is built and sacrifices renewed! Then imagination-defying events will occur, and disaster will come to the cherished dreams of Israelis and Arabs.

Continue to watch the pages of *The PLAIN TRUTH* and keep abreast of the significance of these startling events.

WHY HUNDREDS TRANSFER FROM OTHER UNIVERSITIES!

There is something criminally wrong with modern education. It's a FACT — most college graduates FAIL to achieve happiness and real success in life. That's why hundreds CHANGE to Ambassador, with its three superb campuses — Pasadena, Texas, and England.

by Herbert W. Armstrong

RIGHT NOW, thousands of high school seniors, as well as hundreds of disillusioned university students all over the world, are making final decisions about COLLEGE for this autumn THAT WILL VITALLY AFFECT THEIR ENTIRE LIVES!

The WRONG decision may mean failure — unhappiness — frustration for LIFE. Girls, as well as men.

If I were a young man or young woman, either already *in* a university, or now at last *ready* for college, I would most assuredly give sober and solemn THOUGHT to the things I want to say to you here.

I would want to think, seriously, about WHY so many college graduates, after having already acquired a Bachelor's or Master's degree, feel that the university failed to give them what they really NEEDED, if their lives were to be successful, completely satisfying.

I would want to look, searchingly, into the REASONS behind the millions of FAILURES in life by college graduates — and why even *most* who do achieve moderate or even rich financial status *still* find their lives UNHAPPY, far short of the completely *gratifying*, rewarding sense of satisfaction they had anticipated before entering college.

I would want to find the reasons WHY so many college graduates make failures in MARRIAGE — failures in child rearing as parents.

I would want to know WHY so many, whose *minds* have been trained and filled with technical knowledge in specialized fields, still are emotionally immature, morally and spiritually mixed up and confused; still plagued with a

feeling of inadequacy, uncertainty, inferiority, insecurity — even frustration?

Yes, WHY?

WHAT IS IT that these millions, who spent four, six or more years in "higher education," find they failed to obtain at college?

It is, plainly and simply, that they were not given the *most important* knowledge and experience needed for a balanced, well-rounded, happy, *abundant* life that is *really* successful!

May I just speak *personally*, intimately, as I would in a face-to-face, heart-to-heart talk if you should come to me and ask private and personal advice about this problem of going to college, and HOW to be sure you choose the right one?

I have jokingly said, many times, that, like Jack Benny, I am only thirty-nine. But there has been a note of seriousness in that, for that is how I *feel* — even though I am now well past the allotted threescore and ten.

But I have *lived*, as few men ever have. I have lived an active, dynamic, much-travelled, fast-moving life. And today I look back, with deep and very gratifying satisfaction, on a life of accomplishment that has been full, abundant, interesting, even exciting, but always rewarding. Of course there have been problems to solve, obstacles to hurdle. There have been, too, disappointments, setbacks, for those come to every life. They are the training ground of character.

But I have come in contact with numerous men supposedly "successful" by generally accepted standards — men

who headed great and vast enterprises, men whose bank-accounts were full — but their lives *empty*!

I have known scores of multi-millionaires — nearly all of them unhappy! Most certainly I do not consider poverty a criterion of success, but after knowing so many hundreds who became financially affluent, neither do I consider acquisition of MONEY a proof of success. There is *more* to life than earning a living, though that is *one* of the necessary requirements.

And I have known wives of financially "successful" husbands — career women — some who reached the top of the social ladder. They, too, were unhappy, discontented.

But WHY are most people, even affluent in money and material goods, still *failures* in LIFE — still UNSATISFIED — frustrated — unhappy?

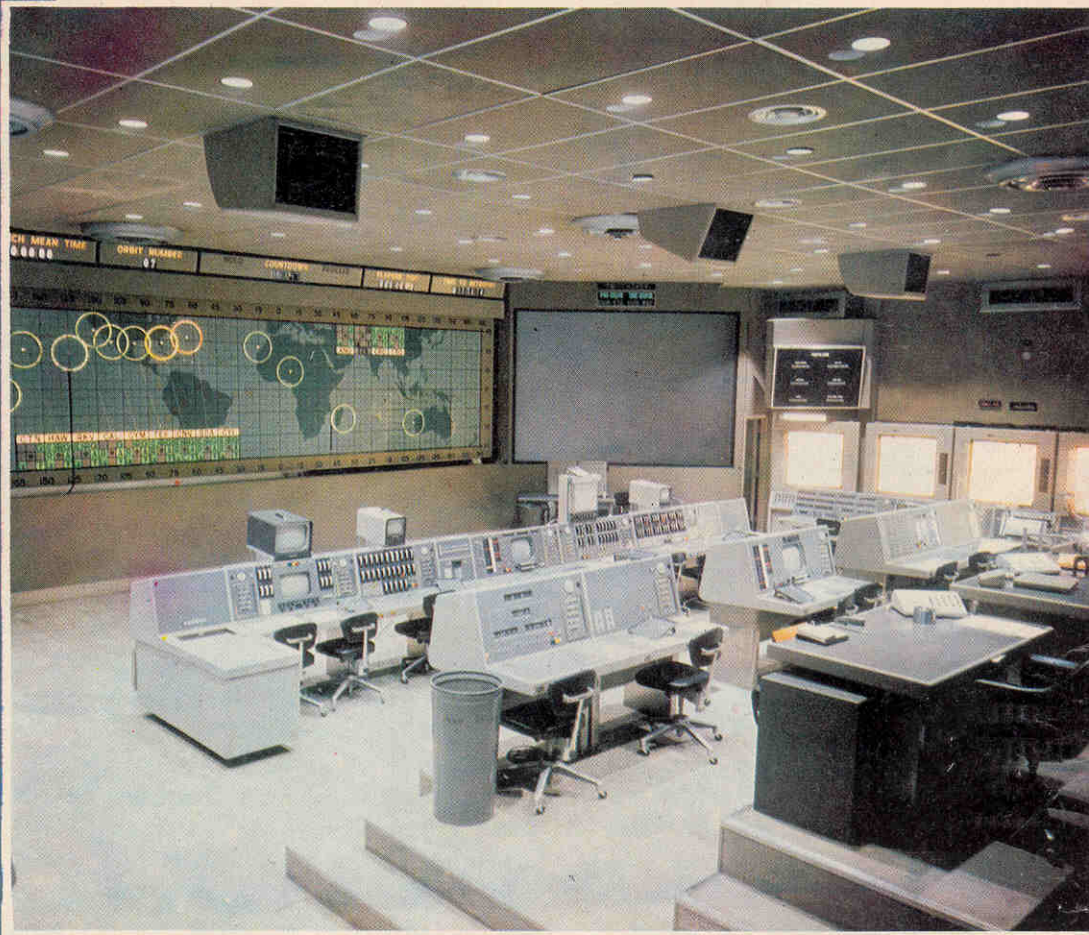
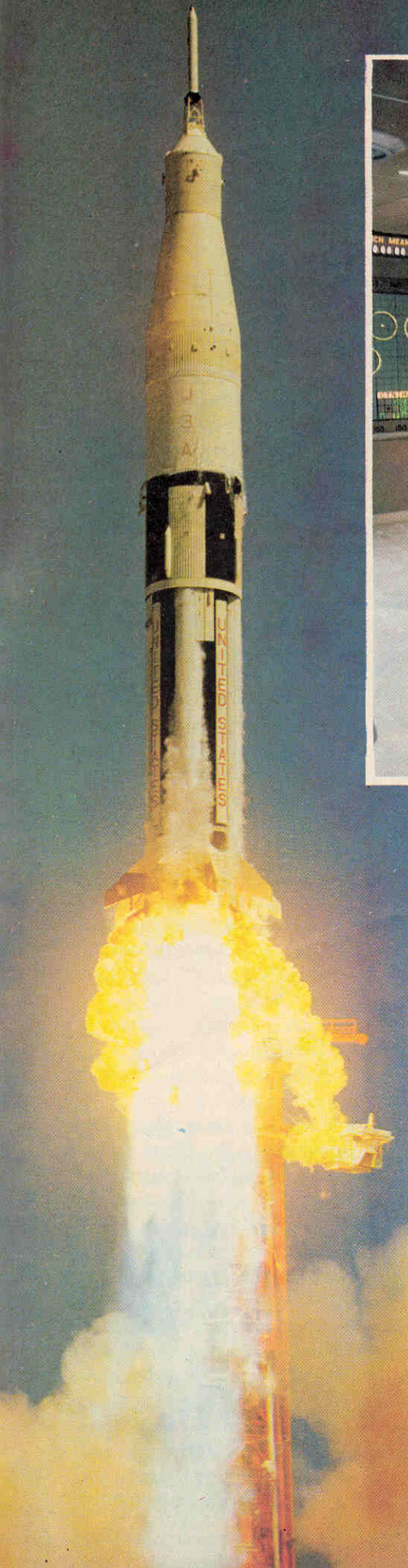
Should YOU not look forward to something better than that?

If you do not *do* something about it NOW, it will be too late.

When I was only twenty-two, I was sent all over the United States as the "Idea Man" of a national magazine — interviewing businessmen, studying, analyzing merchandising and general business conditions, learning why one man makes a success, another a failure, in business.

All my life since, I have studied the CAUSES of success and of failure *in life* — the REASONS for so much unhappiness.

And when, more than twenty years ago, it became my privilege and responsibility to found a college in the field of higher education, I talked about



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SPACE RACE — Left, intensive education in science and technology has made awesome rocket race to moon possible. Above, NASA control center which directs rocket launches and paths. Question is, where is all this knowledge leading?

these problems with a number of educators of good rank in this business of education. I discussed with them the facts that I had found so many college graduates to be actual failures in *life*, not knowing how to live it, even though many were financially "successful."

Said Dr. Packer, Chancellor of Higher Education for the State of Oregon, "Mr. Armstrong, I envy your great opportunity. *We know* there are serious evils in our educational system. *We know* it is gripped tightly in the clutch of a vicious materialism. Those of us at the head of some of these large and vast educational organizations are also in the clutch of that system — even though we see the evils, we are powerless to change them. But, you, Mr. Armstrong, are not bound by these fetters of tradition. You are FREE to start anew — to RECAPTURE THE TRUE VALUES — while retaining all that has proven *good* in educational experience."

Dr. Packer by those words set the

motto of Ambassador College — RECAPTURE THE TRUE VALUES!

What, after all, is basically, criminally, WRONG?

First, above all else, people are groping in the dark, not knowing THE TRUE VALUES!

The millions of even the supposedly "successful" are spending lifetimes of precious hours and strenuous efforts toward wrong GOALS, false VALUES, that fail to pay off! It's like devoting the energies of a lifetime chasing the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow — groping, openmouthed, for the mirage on a blistering hot desert.

Do YOU want to struggle through life in that manner, only to end up frustrated, disillusioned, too late to start all over again?

Life is a pretty serious thing. You only live it ONCE!

What, then, is it that these hun-
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BUILD LEADERSHIP

Why do so few know the real secrets to leadership? to happy ABUNDANT living? Why do so many lack a deep sense of fulfillment in their jobs? in day-to-day life? Here are KEYS to personal success now—in preparation for the GOAL ahead.

by Roderick C. Meredith

GET out of your rut and LIVE! Get out of your rut and *lead* and *accomplish!*

Born to Rule

Don't you realize that the great GOD of heaven created man in His image to *rule?*

Read it, in your own Bible: "Let us make man in *our image*, after *our likeness*: and let them have DOMINION over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth..." (Genesis 1:26).

Why have so few believed what the Bible *really says?* Notice what Jesus told His disciples: "I appoint unto you a *kingdom*, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones *judging* [or RULING] the twelve tribes of Israel" (Luke 22:29-30).

Again, "And he that *overcometh*, and *keepeth my works* unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: and he shall RULE them with a rod of iron..." (Revelation 2:26-27).

We human beings are put on this earth to learn *lessons* in preparation for RULING this earth — and ultimately the *entire universe* — with and under God! That's one big reason WHY there are trials and tests, heartaches and headaches and lessons learned through *human suffering*. Even Jesus *learned* "...by the things which he suffered" (Hebrews 5:8). That's how He became a Leader.

The RIGHT KIND of Leaders

There are two kinds of "leaders." One is the kind who uses "authority" and compels grudging obedience by his followers. The other kind *inspires, per-*

suades, and sets an *example* for his followers.

The authoritarian-type leader generally considers only *himself* and the grandeur he hopes to produce in his empire, nation or business. He does *not* give proper consideration to the legitimate needs, wishes and aspirations of his followers. But the *right kind* of leader leads *in order* to SERVE his followers and sincerely promotes *their* best interests — as well as his own — to the best of his ability.

Which kind will *you* be?

Jesus Christ showed that the greatest leader will be the *servant* of those whom he leads. He described how the leaders of the Gentiles — the strutting dictators and czars — "exercise dominion" over their followers and strut about to "exercise authority" over them. "But," He said, "It shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your SERVANT" (Matthew 20:26-27).

If you can begin to get *this concept* of leadership, your life will certainly be more full and abundant day by day. This, in turn, will certainly prepare you to RULE as a member of God's Kingdom in the World Tomorrow!

But, even here, many elderly people and women often ask: "But WHY should I want to rule?" They exclaim: "I don't want to domineer over others or give people orders! Why should I be interested in this idea of being a king in God's Government?"

Why, indeed!

Have you ever wanted to give *real* and LASTING help to the starving people of India and China? Have you ever wanted to *really* and *permanently* help

the lonely and lost-looking orphan children around the world? Have you ever wanted to genuinely and quickly help the blind, deaf and crippled?

WHY You Should Want to Rule in God's Government

As a *servant* and a LEADER in God's Kingdom, you WILL have *that very kind of opportunity!* That is what all of our long-time readers of *The PLAIN TRUTH* are beginning to realize. For, as we see events shaping up in Europe and the Middle East in the exact manner *specifically prophesied* by *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast and *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine for over 30 years, we know assuredly that the *Kingdom of GOD* will literally be set up on this earth SOON! We who believe *and obey* our Maker will have an opportunity to LEAD and SERVE in that Kingdom!

We will have a genuine opportunity to *supernaturally* and literally HELP the starving, the orphans, the crippled, the blind and maimed! This kind of LEADERSHIP — the type that will bring *tears of thankfulness* and JOY to the faces of millions — is something we all ought to crave and desire. It is the *real reason* for the Christian life and our calling now. For at least a glimpse into the wonderful opportunities for service we will have in God's Kingdom, write *immediately* for our free booklet, *THE WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW — WHAT IT WILL BE LIKE!* Be sure you read it carefully and *study it* with the thought in mind of *your part* and *your LEADERSHIP* in God's Government to SERVE others.

Now let me give you a number of "keys" on various *attitudes* and *attributes* of a Christian leader. Some of these have already been touched upon

— though in a different context entirely — in previous articles in this series. Because of this, and because we are not here discussing strictly leadership but rather *leadership and service* in preparation for God's Kingdom — I will not number these points as in previous articles. But the theme of GOD's kind of leadership *based on service* should become eminently clear.

The Desire to SERVE Comes First

All too often, men desire positions of leadership and responsibility primarily for the sake of exalting self — *not for service*. This is a great mistake, and often leads to grievous harm and unhappiness not only for the individuals involved but for many others. Jesus said: "For whosoever exalthe himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted" (Luke 14:11).

If one humbles himself to *serve* his fellowman he may find that, in due time, he has become a *leader* because of his desire and ability to help.

One of my friends of college days voluntarily took upon himself the lowly task of emptying out the garbage from the dormitory kitchen. Even in his senior year, as a student instructor, he continued this practice until it was noticed by the college president who thought it better that some other regular student be given this responsibility. This individual was trying to *serve* — and now, interestingly enough, has a far greater opportunity to serve as dean of the college!

What is the point?

The point is that he was alert enough to see a genuine *need* and try to *fill that need* — even though it was a lowly job of service. His initiative and imagination displayed itself in far more important and interesting ways than this specific illustration outlines, but the important fact here is that he was willing to exercise his initiative and use it to *SERVE* in this lowly capacity — not just to exalt the self! "He that humbles himself *shall be EXALTED*."

This spirit of *humility* — this desire to *serve* — and the spirit of *selfless dedication* to a cause is the foundational approach to all true leadership.

The man who is willing to *sacrifice himself* to the task at hand is the one whose followers will be most inspired and who will most quickly tend to emulate their leader. For he is leading by *sacrifice and service*. He is leading by **EXAMPLE**. And, if his cause is right, he certainly *will be followed* enthusiastically!

There Must Be Vision, Imagination and a GOAL

Every great leader must possess at least a certain degree of imagination and *vision*. He must be able to *think ahead* — to visualize and plan *on beyond* the immediate present.

He must also have a **GOAL**. If his goal is practical and right, if he has the foresight to realistically create plans and programs leading to that goal — he will certainly command the respect of others and be a true *leader*.

The veritable modern "father" of West Germany, the late Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, asked: "What makes a statesman great?" Then he answered: "He needs first of all a clear conception of what is possible. Then he needs a clear conception of what he wants. Finally, a great leader must have the power of his convictions, a *moral driving force*. Churchill radiated it. He had fire and daring from the days of his adventurous youth."

A Leader Must LEAD and DECIDE

A certain amount of speed and decisiveness is found in the makeup of every great leader. For a leader has got to be *ahead* of those who are following him. He must be alert, charting the course ahead — and able to *decide quickly* the right course of action when problems come up. This requires a degree of mental toughness and courage which many just do not have.

But these are qualities of *Christ Himself*, and they *may be acquired* — to a degree at least — by any Christian who asks Almighty God for them in prayer and seeks to *build, use and exercise* these qualities.

When Jesus found God's Temple being turned into a house of merchandise at the Passover season, He did not go off to meditate, call a committee meet-

ing or ponder what to do. He took *decisive action*. As the Son of God, He had the right to clean out that temple — *and He did!* He courageously and vigorously strode through the temple courts, overturned the tables of the money changers and ordered the money changers out. He then made a whip of cords and drove the cattle out.

A leader with this type of *decisiveness* and *courage* will bounce back from defeat or adversity. He will **NOT** be a "quitter." Even though his course of action may sometimes be unpopular, a true leader will have the spiritual and mental resources to see it through and not be deterred by criticism or adversity.

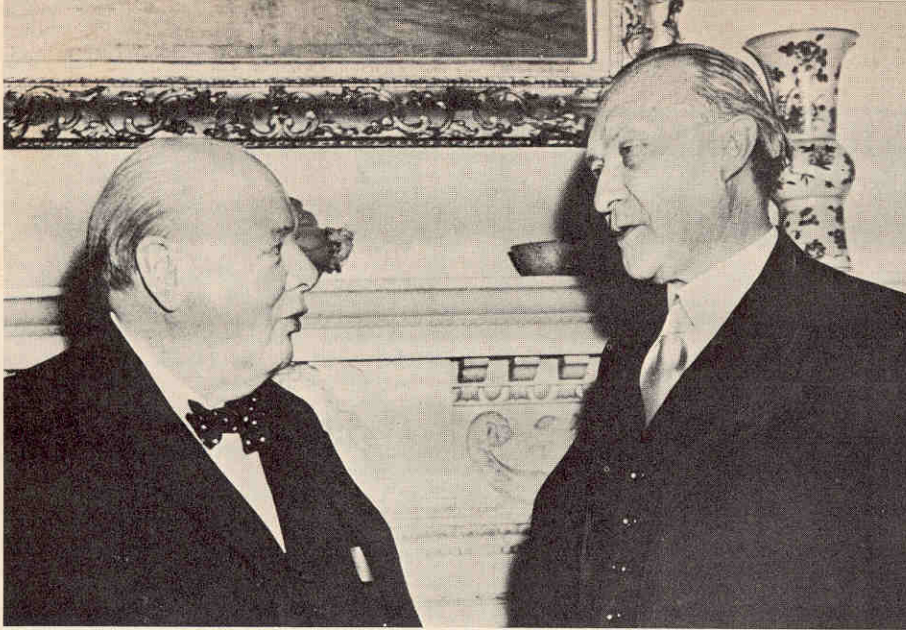
Comradeship and Delegation

A leader must know how to *work with* other people. He must command their admiration and respect — their trust, loyalty and responsiveness. Also, he must be able to so prod and organize them that they achieve their maximum potential under his guidance.

Genuine friendliness and outgoing concern for others is the hallmark of a great leader. He has time for a smile, a friendly chat, and shows sincere interest in the lives, hopes and dreams of those under his charge. He builds a sense of *comradeship* with those under him, so that they feel free to share their ideas and suggestions with him. He is *not* living in a remote ivory tower. He may call conferences and meetings at which his junior executives and subordinates have opportunity to share their views regarding problems that face the nation or organization.

A top leader is always *able to communicate*. He has trained himself to *think clearly* and therefore he is able to express himself with clarity and force to his subordinates. In this way, they can accurately trace his ideas, goals and also his specific instructions without wandering about in hopeless confusion — as actually happens from time to time in many great organizations. Because of his ability *and willingness* to communicate, he is able to create a *unity of purpose* among his subordinates and achieve vigorous action out of this otherwise dissimilar group.

In most cases, a leader should accept



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Churchill and Adenauer admired each other, for each saw in the other strong characteristics of leadership.

the responsibility for the mistakes of the subordinates he himself has selected. In like manner, he should, when possible, give them public credit for their triumph. In all of this, he will win their confidence by the continual example of *fairness and honesty* in all of his dealings with those under him.

A leader must be willing to *delegate authority* to others or he will find himself running a one-man army, a one-man store or a one-man enterprise. He must have the discernment and insight to select as his administrators men and women of ability, honesty and balance.

Indeed, an executive's ability to do this very thing and to *train* the newcomers, *organize* those functioning under him and *inspire* them to accomplishment is one of the greatest tests he must face.

Character and Integrity

If a leader's motives are continually being called in question by his followers, he is *through* as a leader. He must consistently set an example of fairness, integrity and high moral character if his group or enterprise is worth "leading" in the first place.

Self-discipline is an absolute must for a man of leadership. The minute he allows his morals to become eroded, the minute he begins letting down, hitting the bottle, engaging in unethical conduct — that minute may well be the turning point in his entire leadership and future. Very few men indeed can have a feeling of faithfulness and loyal-

ty to an example of instability, dishonesty, weakness, or debauchery.

A true Christian leader — the kind that will LAST — is one who adheres scrupulously to the principles of the Ten Commandments. He will be thinking far more about what is "right" than what is expedient. His personal integrity will be above question to everyone who really knows him, and his sense of faithfulness and loyalty will permeate his institution. It is here that in a very real and *immediate* sense, *righteousness pays off*. There can be *no substitute* for Christian character.

WHERE and HOW to Lead

In exercising these principles of *service* and LEADERSHIP, you will find many opportunities to use them, first of all right in your own family. For, as explained previously in this series, your family is "a miniature kingdom."

In describing the qualifications of an elder or minister, God says: "For if a man know not how to RULE his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?" (I Timothy 3:5.) The place to begin is at home.

All husbands should, in humility and love, *serve, inspire* and LEAD their families. They *serve* them by providing for, protecting and guiding them as a unit through the rough spots of life. Yet, in this very service, they must *lead*. They must exercise the very qualities outlined in this article.

And, very important, learn to *build*

leadership into your sons! For they certainly *should be* the leaders in The World Tomorrow!

Apply the principles of this article on your job, your farm or in your business. Learn to *think ahead* and employ right imagination and vision, decisiveness and courage. Learn to get those under you organized — and develop a proper method of *delegating* responsibility to others, yet being *faithful and fair* to them as you want them to be to you.

A gloomy warning on the declining state of American leadership was issued recently by John W. Gardner, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. He said that unless the present trend is reversed, "We are in danger of falling under the leadership of men who lack the confidence to lead. And we are in danger of destroying the effectiveness of those who have a natural gift for leadership."

It is certainly true that this society has lost its way. It has no GOAL. It substitutes committee meetings, discussions and public opinion polls for leadership.

But you readers of *The PLAIN TRUTH* know what is really going to take place — and SOON! You know that a *new age* is about to be ushered in under the guidance of the Living Christ.

We call it the "World Tomorrow." In it, the true servants of God are going to be made LEADERS in the world-ruling government which was the constant subject of Jesus Christ's Gospel. Those who overcome will be made kings and priests and rule over the nations. And *our children* who live on through the tumultuous days ahead may well become the *human leaders* in the World Tomorrow — if we have trained, guided and inspired them to prepare now.

So, most of all, prepare for *that day*. It is coming sooner than you think! Try to *help and serve* others with the knowledge that you have. *Develop and USE* these qualities of leadership in your everyday life.

Christian *leadership* based on SERVICE is the best possible preparation for your job as a king under Jesus Christ in the World Tomorrow!

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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.

● You define "psalteries" in *The Bible Story* by parenthetic expression as "bagpipes." I don't find this definition current among the dictionaries at my command. I would be gratefully pleased for the elucidation of this point.

Robert L. D., Tulsa, Okla.

Dictionaries are not perfect!

The English word "psaltery" comes from the Hebrew word *nebel*. *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible* — available in most public libraries — defines *nebel* as "a skin-bag for liquids (from *collapsing* when empty)."

What musical instrument is made of a skin-bag that collapses when empty? Only the bagpipe!

If we take Strong's definition of the word, the meaning appears very clear. But if one reads further, his explanation becomes muddled. The author apparently doesn't believe his own definition.

The definition in *Peloubet's Bible Dictionary* is typical of most dictionaries. It is inaccurate. Peloubet dogmatically states at the outset of his definition of the psaltery: "This was a stringed instrument of music to accompany the voice . . . This instrument resembled the guitar . . ." The definition purports to have the ring of certainty.

But notice several lines further down when Peloubet actually starts defining the word *nebel*: "It is impossible to say positively with what instrument the *nebel* of the Hebrew exactly corresponded. From the fact that *nebel* in

Hebrew also signifies a wine bottle or skin, it has been conjectured that the term when applied to a musical instrument denotes a kind of BAGPIPE."

Why couldn't theologians believe their own definition of the Hebrew word *nebel*? Possibly because it goes contrary to opinions they already had.

A careful scrutiny of the definition of the Hebrew word and its 21 occurrences in the Old Testament makes it impossible to define the "psaltery" as a type of guitar. It is impossible to deduce anything so rigid as a guitar from a Hebrew word that specifically connotes collapsing when empty.

Theologians know that the term *nebel* clearly means an instrument that collapses when empty — as a bagpipe does when the air is let out. But they still can't believe it. So they reason around it. To associate the Hebrew *nebel* with the Greek *psalterium* required a theological and grammatical distortion.

Why can't modern theologians believe the *nebel* or "psaltery" was a bagpipe? Very likely they reasoned that "this *nebel* was a Hebrew instrument and the bagpipe is a Scottish instrument and the Scots are not Jews." They just couldn't bring themselves to render this term "bagpipe" 21 times in the Bible. If they had, it would become rather clear that the bagpipe was rather prominent in ancient Israel. And that David, the sweet psalmist, had a high regard for the bagpipe, as well as the harp, as an instrument to be used in praising God. Someone might then de-

duce that since the Scots, who are among the most traditional of Celtic, Gaelic, Anglo-Saxon peoples, perpetuated the bagpipe in its finest form, they may be Israelites! And if the Scots are Israelites, it would not be too difficult to conclude that other related nationalities in Northwestern Europe are also Israelites. Since this would make us related to the Jews, the scholars had to conclude that the *nebel* or "psaltery" was anything but a bagpipe. Thus the "skin-bag" became a kind of guitar.

One would not call a guitar by any term that connotes collapsing when not in use. But the Hebrew word *nebel* perfectly fits the Scottish and Irish bagpipes.

Just how logical is the theologians' decision to discard the apparent meaning of *nebel* and arbitrarily select a new meaning that violated the natural connotation of the term? In the scriptures that tell us the characteristics of the "psaltery" or *nebel*, what do we find? Do these verses describe the bagpipe? or the guitar?

In I Chronicles 15:20 the Levites were commanded to play "with psalteries on *Alamoth*." This term *alamoth* means "soprano" or "falsetto." The bagpipe emits a high-pitched falsetto sound. But would this description

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fit the guitar-type instruments? Hardly.

In Psalm 33 we find the command to "play skillfully with a loud noise" (verse 3). Verse 2 reads: "Praise the Lord with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings." It would have been difficult to get a loud noise out of this combination if the psaltery were a guitar. But with the psaltery as a bagpipe, there would have been no difficulty.

Some assume that in Psalm 33 the term "an instrument of ten strings" is meant to *define* a psaltery, rather than being a third instrument in the group.

But in Psalm 92:3, in which the same grouping is mentioned, the wording is absolutely clear. Read it: "Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound." This wording indicates three different instruments. The *nebel* — translated "psaltery" — appears to have been commonly accompanied by the harp and by a little-known instrument of ten strings. Old drawings have pictured instruments with ten strings of equal length. This may have been simply a rhythm instrument. Such an instrument would go well with bagpipes.

Who is more likely to have preserved the instruments and melodies of David's Israelite surroundings than the traditional Israelites, such as the Scots, Welsh and Irish, who colonized Britain in the days of ancient Israel and preserved much of the form of Hebrew music?

With bagpipes in his band, it is no wonder David was inspired to dance a "Highland fling" as he brought the ark to Jerusalem (II Sam. 6:5). Bagpipes, rightly used, generate feelings of exuberance and make people want to *express* proper emotion.

- Is repentance really necessary for a person to become a Christian? Isn't belief in Christ — accepting Christ — enough?

I. R.

Nineteen hundred years ago, Jesus Christ walked through the land of Galilee preaching, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: REPENT YE, and believe the gospel" (Mark 1:15).

Jesus meant what He said.

He commanded REPENTANCE AND BELIEF!

Christ's message was the SAME message proclaimed by the apostles of the early New Testament Church. On the day of Pentecost, surrounded by milling, anxious crowds, the apostle Peter thundered to everyone within earshot, "REPENT, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).

True repentance is the very first step in becoming a Christian. Notice Jesus' warning: "Suppose ye that these Galileans [who had recently been slain by Pilate] were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, Nay: but, EXCEPT YE REPENT, ye shall ALL likewise PERISH" (Luke 13:2-3).

This point was so emphatic in the mind of Christ, that He REPEATED it: "Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay: but *except ye REPENT, ye shall all likewise perish*" (verses 4-5).

Perhaps you think *you* are an exception—that you haven't ever done anything wrong. Perhaps you think maybe YOU don't really need to repent!

But notice the words of Paul!

"And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but NOW commandeth ALL MEN EVERY WHERE to repent" (Acts 17:30).

Yes, repentance is absolutely necessary for salvation. God makes no exceptions at all. There is no other way. *IF* a person truly wants to be a Christian, he *must* be willing to REPENT of his sins!

Why?

Because all have sinned!

Notice what your Bible says.

The apostle Paul was inspired by God to write, "... for we have before PROVED both Jews and Gentiles, that they are ALL UNDER SIN; as it is written, There is NONE righteous, no, *not one*: There is NONE that understandeth, there is NONE that seeketh after God. They are ALL gone out of the way, they are TOGETHER become unprofit-

able; there is NONE that doeth good, no, not one" (Rom. 3:9-12).

And later, in verse 23, he adds, "FOR ALL HAVE SINNED, and come short of the glory of God."

Here is the reason EVERYONE must come to repentance before God. EVERYONE has sinned—EVERYONE has done iniquity—there is NONE that has been perfectly righteous in his life, with the sole exception of Jesus Christ our Saviour!

For a while Job knew he was righteous and didn't need to repent. "My righteousness I hold fast... my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live" (Job 27:6).

The prophet Isaiah foretold, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him *the iniquity of us all*" (Isa. 53:6).

When finally God convinced him that he was a self-righteous sinner, Job repented (Job 42:6).

Since ALL have sinned, ALL must repent! This means everyone. This means *you*.

What our READERS SAY

(Continued from inside front cover)

there are lots of things we don't know all about yet, not any of us. So give Santa another thought."

Mrs. Marguerite L.,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

- Do you also believe the world is flat?

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"A t-ANT-alized reader,"
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• *So are we.*

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"I appreciate fine printing for I was in the printing business for 7 years. Your magazine, *The PLAIN TRUTH*, is truly a masterpiece of the printers' art. It would be a delight if I could go through your modern printing plant to watch how that most unusual magazine is printed. Congratulations to your printers and pressmen."

Harry G.,
Nashville, Tennessee

• *Conversion, dedication, and REAL organization are some of the secrets.*

"I have been a professional journalist and photographer for many years and wish to commend you for the excellent publication you distribute — not only for its sound educational editorial content, but for the quality of makeup, printing and photography."

Robert W. P., Editor,
"Trade-A-Boat," S. W. Edition,
Dallas, Texas

Portrait

"The portrait of Mrs. Armstrong in the May issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH* is beautifully done. She looks every inch the queen. If only we could all be like her. Needless to say, I am trying to be a better person and though I have a long way to go, it already seems to be helping my husband and son."

Mrs. W. A. C.,
Pulaski, Tennessee

Family Magazine

"I wish to express my gratitude for sending me several past copies of your valuable publication, *The PLAIN*

TRUTH. Every member of my family scrambled for the copies and all of them started to read them with great interest. I, for one who is so busy and buried in Trade and Commerce as Head of the premier body of Ceylonese Traders, never get an opportunity to read any magazines other than a few of the large number of publications on Trade and Commerce received by me from all over the world. But believe me, I am reading *The PLAIN TRUTH* commencing from the oldest copy you have so kindly sent me. This journal is completely different to all I have read. It is interesting but inspiring and is educational. My entire family is grateful to you for your gesture in sending these copies which occupy an important place in my home library."

Consul General of
El Salvador, Ceylon

"I have just seen a copy of *The PLAIN TRUTH* for the first time and both my husband and I are very impressed with it. We would like to subscribe. I must tell you, we do not subscribe to magazines or papers because of the trash that is usually found there. It is truly refreshing to find a magazine that we can enjoy as a family. I'm sure my children will find it as fascinating as I have."

Mrs. R. W.,
San Jose, California

"I am a student at Biggs High School. The school secretary brings *PLAIN TRUTH* magazines to school and lets us kids read them. I would like the magazine for myself. Please put me on your mailing list for *The PLAIN TRUTH*."

Ronald S.,
Biggs, California

• *Many of our readers seem satisfied to look over someone else's shoulder — but if you want your OWN free, PREPAID subscription — just ask!*

"Thirsting for Knowledge"

"I would like another book entitled 'The Wonderful World Tomorrow.' My dog was thirsting for knowledge

and chewed out a few pages of my original issue."

J. H. K., Jr.,
Kopperston, West Virginia

• *And after all we've said about not swallowing everything you read!*

Character Building

"I want to thank you very much for the articles written by Mr. Meredith on character building. These articles in *The PLAIN TRUTH* are most inspiring and stirring."

Fred N.,
Greensboro, North Carolina

"At the suggestion of Mr. Roderick C. Meredith's article 'Seven Keys to Mental Mastery,' November, 1966, *PLAIN TRUTH*, I enrolled in a correspondence course on Human Geography from Louisiana State University. I felt that I was deficient in this area of knowledge. The knowledge about history and geography revealed in *The PLAIN TRUTH* is greater than anything I have learned through this course. Here is what my instructor wrote me after three lessons: 'From the looks of your answers, it is obvious you know more than the average Freshman student enrolled in Geography. I'm not at all saying you shouldn't be taking this course, I'm just curious as to why you are taking it in the first place.' And to think they were not my answers. That is, the basis for them has been in the Bible all these years."

H. C., Confederate Mem. Hosp.,
Shreveport, Louisiana

Long-Time Reader Comments

"Just a few words to tell how much I appreciate the article on 'The Unpardonable Sin.' I think it is second to the book *GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.'* Even though I am a long-time listener and reader — listening since 1943, and reading literature since 1945, the article has drastically encouraged me and given me unflinching hope. I sure hope that you will have this article written in booklet form."

Howard E. T.,
Los Angeles, California

• *This is planned for the future.*

HOW U.S. WHEAT BELT BARELY ESCAPED DISASTER!

— *And What it Means to You*

You need to know what's going on in America's breadbasket. Behind the facade of current high production, an unprecedented food crisis is fast shaping up. Our days of plenty are numbered. Few realize that we are right now on the threshold of what is destined to become the greatest food crisis in the history of the world.

by Eugene M. Walter

DROUGHT HITS WHEAT BELT — Former Kansas wheat fields covered by drifting sands.

Walter — Ambassador College



UPSET weather has again plagued large sections of the U. S. wheat belt. This year's crop has had to survive prolonged drought, furious winds, untimely freezes, cutworms and heavy rains during harvest. Millions of acres didn't make it.

More than 13 million acres — 20 percent of the total winter wheat acreage seeded this year — will not be worth harvesting!

WHY are our fields so *cursed*? What does it all *mean* — and where will it end? This article will tell you.

But first, let's look at some of the specific areas which have been affected by upset weather this year.

Wichita Area Hit Hard

The Wichita area (Sedgewick County), in the south-central part of Kansas, is normally one of the richest wheat-producing counties in the entire nation. But not this year. As we flew

In order to bring you a first-hand report on conditions in the grain belt, we sent a team from our PLAIN TRUTH staff — including the Director of Agricultural Research at our Texas campus, and the author who grew up in the wheat belt — on an extensive 3,000-mile tour through seven states in the U. S. heartland. These men personally investigated crop conditions throughout a vast region, looked inside the nation's largest terminal elevators and watched our few remaining bushels of precious grain being loaded on ships for export. They talked with everyone concerned — leading government officials, farmers, small-town businessmen, agriculture professors, County Agents, elevator operators. Here is their timely report.

into Wichita from the south we counted literally dozens of tractors ploughing under abandoned wheat. At one point fourteen tractors were visible from the air at once! Stock was turned in on many of the fields, and many more thousands of acres would be turned under as soon as the farmers could get to them.

One 40-million-bushel storage elevator just south of Wichita (which we later found to be all but empty) was surrounded by fields which had been ploughed under. One tractor was turning wheat under right in the very shadow of the elevator.

On the edge of the Wichita city limits, there was an area where sand was covering a new four-foot-high fence to within eighteen inches of the top! To many old-timers it was reminiscent of the thirties. One 55-year-old farmer said that this season was the driest he could remember and that this was the





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Top, 18-million-bushel-capacity elevator at Hutchinson, Kansas — the wheat capital of world. It's the largest grain elevator, under one headhouse, in the world. Bottom, sparse wheat field, showing a very poor stand.

worst wheat crop he had seen in his lifetime on the land.

County Agent Don Ingels told us, "We are in the very center of the worst part of the drought area in the whole state. Sixty-five percent of this county's crop is gone. One third to two fifths of the total wheat acreage has been abandoned already, has been killed out, and will not be harvested at all. Half of the remainder is in a questionable stage. They will probably leave it and harvest it, but it will most likely not make more than six to eight bushels per acre, and *our total yield in this area we expect to be the lowest in history*. We normally produce five to five-and-one-half million bushels of wheat in this county; this year it will be one to two million bushels... We have been in a drought situation ever since December 1965... We have received only 2.6 inches of rain since January 1, and we should have had about seven normally. We only received a little over twelve inches last year when we should have received thirty. *We have never had a drought like this.*"

The farmer needs to get close to the twenty-bushel-per-acre mark to cover his expenses. This year the *best* wheat in the area would only make fifteen bushels per acre — a sharp drop from the past five-year average of twenty-five bushels.

Since the time of our tour, heavy rains have broken the drought — at least temporarily. But as far as this year's wheat crop is concerned, the rain did more harm than good.

Mr. Ingels has just informed us by phone that the rain — coming during harvest — was making it impossible to get into the fields in the bottom lands. Yet these were the areas of the best remaining wheat. Now this wheat was beginning to rot.

He also said that as a result of the rain the weeds were growing so fast that at least *ten thousand additional acres* of wheat in the county would have to be ploughed up.

Now take a look at southwestern Kansas.

Year of the "Triple Attack"

"The 1967 wheat crop in southwest Kansas will go down in history as a victim of drought, cutworms and

freeze." So says Andy Erhart, Superintendent of the Kansas State Experiment Station at Garden City.

"I can't think of any year when we have had a triple attack of the worms, the drought and the freeze... From what I hear, it will be less than a fifty percent crop in all these counties out here [in western Kansas]." This is the considered judgment of retired U. S. Representative Clifford Hope, Sr. of Garden City.

These statements pretty well sum up conditions for the 1967 wheat crop in southwestern Kansas. A look at some of the individual counties of southwest Kansas will make the picture of the damage of this triple attack more graphically real to you.

Gordon O'Dell of the Agricultural Conservation and Stabilization office in Finney County estimates that *at least 40 percent* of that county's 170,000 acres of dryland wheat has been lost to drought, freezes and cutworms.

County Agent Merlin Line of Kearny County estimates that at least fifty percent of that county's wheat is gone. "Drought and worms had already taken their toll of the crop. The freeze just put the final touches to it," he said.

(The freeze here referred to took place in early May — late in the spring by our Roman calendar. But by God's Calendar — the only calendar which accurately reckons the seasons — this year had an extremely *late* spring. Hence colder weather was to be expected later than normal.)

Up in Wichita County (not to be confused with the city of Wichita which is several hundred miles east) many fields have been ploughed under. Only time will tell how well those that still remain will pan out.

In neighboring Greeley County, Bruce Stinson of the Tribune Experiment Station reports that his county didn't have much wheat left when the freeze struck! *Only ten to fifteen percent of the original wheat crop remains.*

In Hamilton County to the south, the situation is similar. The County Agent there estimates that at least fifty percent of the wheat is gone and what is left is far from good.

Over in Grant County the freeze took

a heavy toll. Vast stretches of wheat turned white and then brown as a result of the freeze.

We personally inspected a good bit of this area both from the air and on the ground. It was a tragic, moving sight.

Kansas, however, is not the only part of the wheat belt that is suffering from drought.

Drought in the Old Dustbowl

Southeast Colorado is in even worse condition than southwest Kansas. Flying low over this area, it is possible to travel for miles without seeing even a tinge of green from the air.

Colorado State Representative Forrest Burns of Lamar said: "The winter wheat crop, first withered by drought and then caught in a springtime freeze, has been virtually wiped out." On his farm he personally suffered a 100 percent loss and declared the freeze a worse disaster than the 1965 flooding of the Arkansas River. He said that he had talked to many farmers from southeast Colorado, the Oklahoma Panhandle and northern New Mexico who felt the same way.

The County Agent in Lamar, Mr. Fred Fitzsimmons, told us that he hasn't seen a good crop in this area since taking up his post in 1963!

Before the recent rains many people in this region were making comparisons with the thirties. Some were even declaring conditions to be worse than the situation in those days.

To the south, in Cimarron County, Oklahoma, in the extreme western tip of the Panhandle, the situation is similar. In the county seat, Boise City, those who lived through the thirties agree that before this last rain it was *far drier than it ever was then!* In the non-irrigated areas it was powder dry four to six feet deep.

Once again, the recent rain didn't help the dryland wheat this year: *95 percent* of that had already been abandoned or grazed out!

Foster Zimmerman, County Agent for Union County, in northeast New Mexico, told us that his area was the driest it has been in the past twenty years. The last significant rain — before the



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EXPORTS CONTINUE — Loading grain at New Orleans for export. U. S. expects another record crop. But drought, cutworms, freezing, floods are cutting into the crop.

rain this June — fell in the county last October.

In much of the Texas Panhandle the story is the same. One farmer from the Amarillo area told us that he has 3,000 acres of wheat and hasn't harvested one bushel in the past five years! He manages to keep in business with cattle.

We could go on with report after report — but you ought to be getting the picture.

Drought and upset weather have been a lot more severe this year than most people realize. It covered a large enough area to seriously reduce the expected year's production. Ignoring the damage is not going to make it go away.

An Unfair Analysis?

We know full well that some will feel that this report is "overdone"—that it is too pessimistic—that it completely ignores the areas where there will be good wheat crops. We have *not* ignored those areas. But we *have* shown that the damage is too vital and too extensive to ignore.

Some *resent* it when you look at the facts realistically. They like to feel that man is self-sufficient. They foolishly think that man has learned to cope with the elements — and even control them.

Man thinks he doesn't need the help of a Creator God. But God is about to PROVE to man that he is *utterly incapable of guaranteeing his own future well-being!*

Hiding your eyes from the way conditions are won't alter the facts. And conditions *are serious!*

And one big reason that today's conditions *are* so serious is that, on the surface, the picture appears *far brighter than it really is*. This superficial picture is *dangerously deceptive* because deep down we are in real trouble!

A Record Crop?

"But how can you say that conditions are bad when we will have a record crop this year?" some will object. "Why, even Kansas itself, in spite of the upset weather is expected to produce almost 200 million bushels."

Assumptions are made easily. But record crops?

All right, let's look at that question and answer it — *honestly*.

1966 produced a wheat crop in the United States of 1.3 billion bushels. Presently, the 1967 wheat crop — winter and spring wheat crops combined — is optimistically estimated to produce 1.4 billion bushels — an all-time record. This estimate does NOT take into consideration the bad weather in the spring wheat areas which produce a fifth to a quarter of the nation's wheat. It also does not consider the damage of rain during harvest in Kansas.

Remember that the experts were not expecting the triple attack of drought, freeze and cutworms which did so much damage to the winter wheat crop. But they happened.

Well, let's hope the experts are right — that we will have a good spring wheat crop. Barring further calamities from drought, cutworms and such, it is *possible* — just possible — that we *may* have a wheat harvest of about 1.4 billion bushels. But why do the experts assume there will be no summer drought, cutworms, and blowing top-

soil? Because we have to assume it in order to get our record crop.

Such a yield would be 100 million bushels more than last year. But it still would be 50 million bushels less than the estimated total demand, including overseas shipments under Food for Peace and to cash customers abroad.

The *big* question, however, is *what did we have to do to GET this large 1967 crop?*

The answer: we planted 26 percent more acres to wheat.

In other words, for every one hundred twenty-six acres planted to wheat this year, we can hope to harvest no more than 8 percent more wheat than we did on one hundred acres last year.

That amounts to a drastic nationwide average reduction of 13 percent in yield per acre!

Think about that statement for a moment. Make sure you really get it. *Understand* what this implies for the future.

No More Land

We are now running out of additional land that can be planted to wheat!

During the past year, because of fear of shortage, the government first increased the wheat acreage allotment by 15 percent, and then later it increased it by another 15 percent.

But some farmers could not make even this increase because *they simply did not have enough land!* We actually have only a 26 percent increase in total wheat acreage.

Next year we will need even more wheat. *Where will the land come from then — and in the years that follow?*

Are you beginning to see why the picture is not as rosy as it might first appear?

But there is yet another major reason — equally as deceptive — as to why we may be able to produce a big crop even in the face of severe drought in many areas. That reason is irrigation.

Irrigation — the False Saviour

In the thirties, when irrigation was little used, the effects of drought were felt immediately. Not so today. Today lush, green fields of irrigated wheat

stand right beside fields which are powder dry four to six feet deep. The irrigated fields give a certain percentage of the ground a cover, and as long as the wind doesn't blow too hard, no one really notices the seriousness of the drought.

Yes, irrigation gives a false sense of security. It deceives people into thinking that all is well when all is decidedly *not* well. *Irrigation as it is practiced in the wheat belt today is one of the biggest deceptions in agriculture!*

But we are about to be rudely awakened out of our stupefying daydream! In just a few short years it is going to turn into a horrifying nightmare! We are going to be *forced* to face reality!

As an example of what is happening, take Cimarron County in the tip of the Oklahoma Panhandle. Just six to eight years ago this county had only a few wells. Now it has mushroomed to more than 450! It is impossible to get an accurate count because wells are being added continually.

But the underground reserves are fast disappearing!

Just two or three years ago, farmers there were not satisfied with wells that produced less than 1200 to 1600 gallons per minute. Now they are having to settle for wells producing only 400 to 600 gallons per minute! And that in just three short years!

No one wants to talk about what might happen during the *NEXT* three years!

One well driller confided to us that some new wells in this area were falling so fast that there will be no water in them in another year or two!

The Sinking Water Table

In Kansas, the graph on well drilling is going straight up. So far this year, 14,000 applications for new wells have been received! Half of these are from the 17 southwestern counties in the state.

"We are mining water rather than allowing it to be replenished," Mr. McGovern of the Kansas Geologic-Survey Board told us!

Speaking of river water for irrigation purposes, Riley Dixon, Assistant Geologic Engineer for southwest Kansas

said, "There is more river water appropriated than is available."

Yes, time — and water — are fast running out!

The Great High Plains of the Texas Panhandle is the largest area of fine soils in the U. S. But ever since 1962 — with the exception of one month — it has received below-normal seasonal moisture. Meanwhile, irrigation has leaped forward.

Speaking of the sharply falling water level, Jack Music, Director of the Great Plains Research Center near Amarillo, told us, "In this area it [the water level] is dropping three feet a year. We have only one hundred feet of gravel bed, and of course you can't pump it right out [to the bottom]."

In some parts of the High Plains, because of accelerated use, the water table has dropped as much as six to ten feet in just the past year!

Asked about the replenishment of this water, Mr. Music replied: "This is a high plains area, and *there is no way in which this water can be replaced . . . It is in a continuous decline.*"

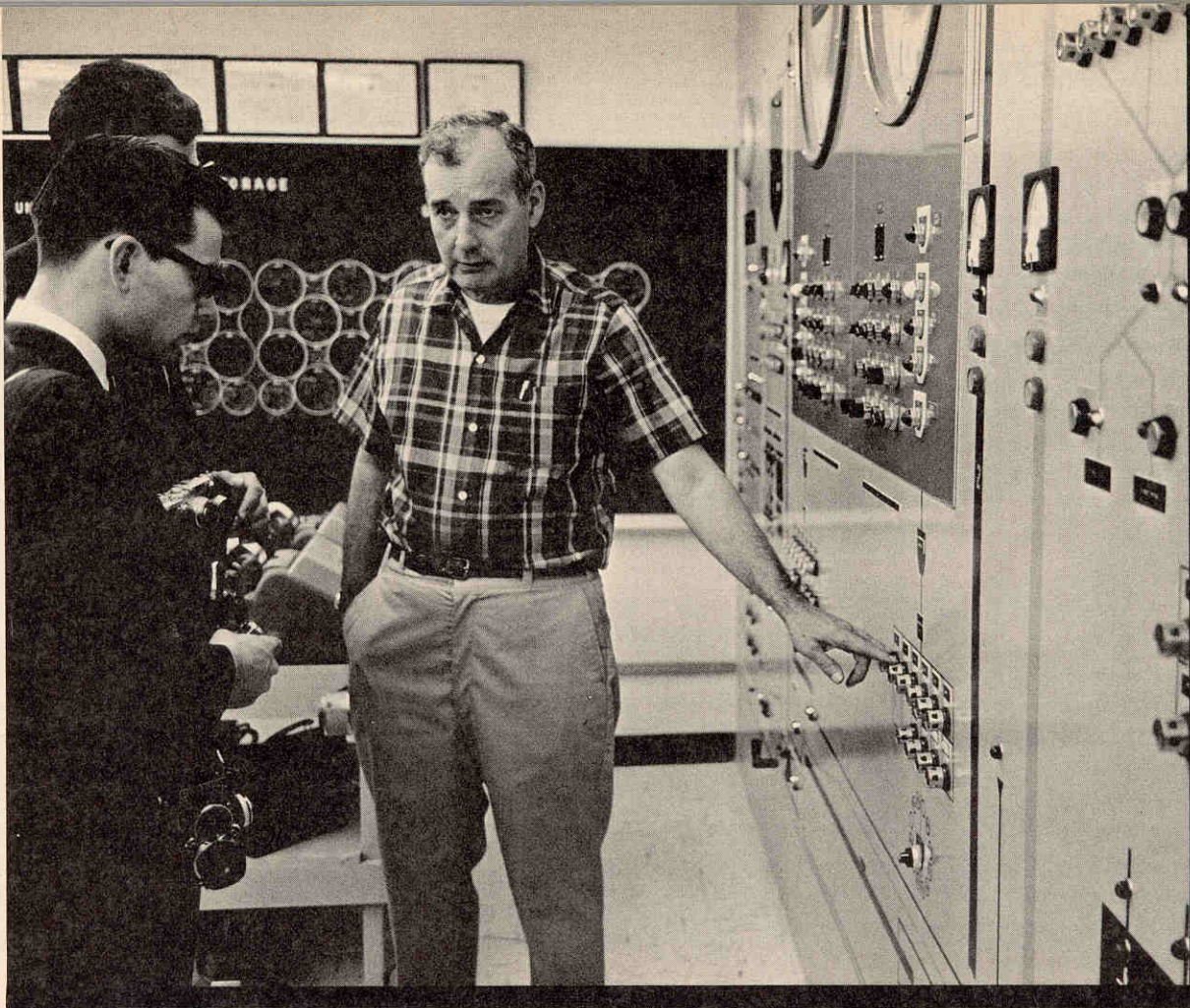
Not even heavy rainfall over a period of many months will make a difference. We learned that because of the nature of the soil, the most that could be replenished by rainfall in one year would be from one tenth to one half of an inch! And this is assuming that no irrigation was taking place and that all the needed moisture was being supplied by rainfall!

When this water is gone, *IT IS GONE!* No replenishment is possible! This chilling fact ought to make the hair stand up on your head!

Still No Control on Pumping

Yet serious as the water crisis is, at this time there are virtually *no controls* on it. In Texas, farmers are considered to own the water under their land and they would fiercely oppose any restriction of their right to use this water freely.

In Kansas, retired Representative Clifford Hope told us, "Kansas law gives authority to the State Board of Agriculture to deny permits when they think the situation has become such that they shouldn't permit any more wells. *But that's a delicate matter.* The time will



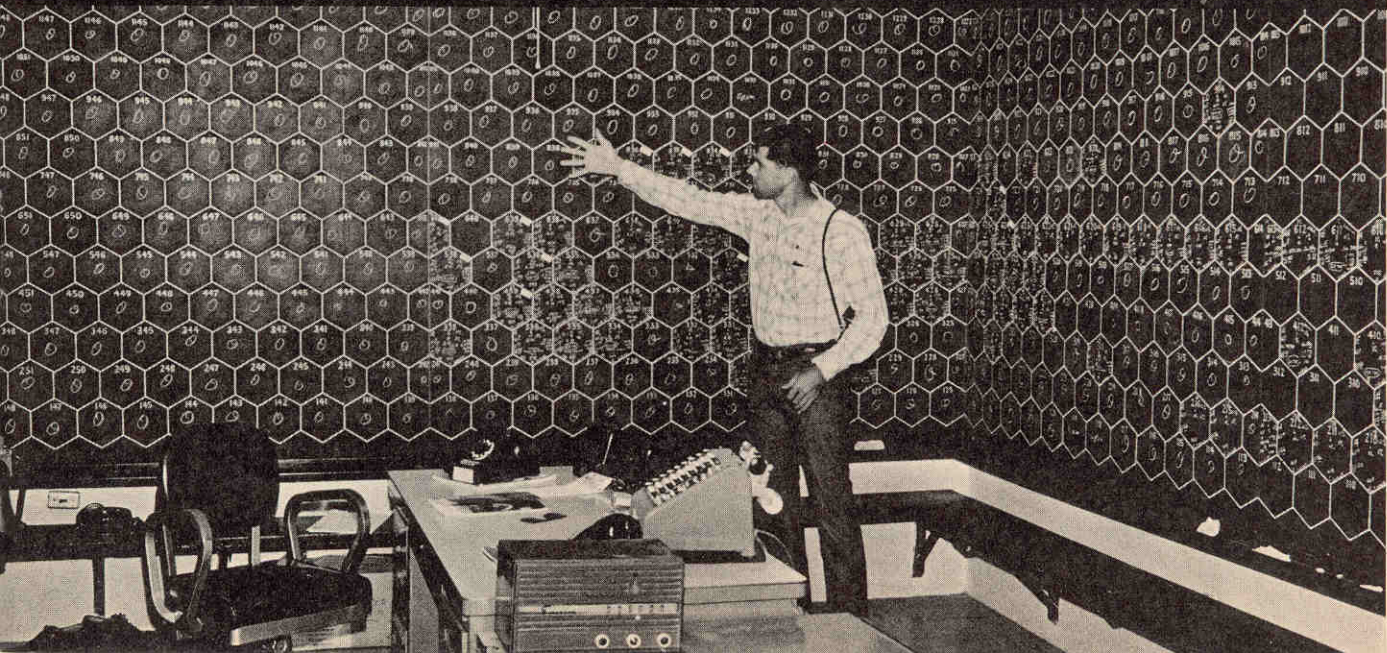


Dale Schurter - Ambassador College

On-The-Spot Report —

UNITED STATES WHEAT CRISIS!

Top, left, Eugene Walter, PLAIN TRUTH correspondent interviews operator at Equity Grain Export Company, Houston, Texas. Bottom, left, Dale Schurter (right) Director of Agricultural Research at Ambassador College in Texas shakes hands with Orville Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture. Top, right, Dale Schurter discusses wheat crop situation with Mr. Sheffield, Director of Experiment Station, North Platte, Nebraska. Bottom, right, PLAIN TRUTH staff viewing graphic picture of individual bins in huge terminal elevator, Enid, Oklahoma. Note vast number of bins with "O." That means they're empty. At time of visit elevator was less than 8% full.



come when . . . there will probably be enough public sentiment built up so that the Board of Agriculture will step in and stop the issue of permits. But it will probably come later than it should. *Those things always happen that way.*"

They certainly do! It is simply not man's nature to face unpleasant facts until he is FORCED to do so.

So in our society of phoney values, the water table plummets downward while the price of land skyrockets upward. As one County Agent stated, "It has gone hog-wild." Land that was selling for \$50 an acre just a few years ago is now being watered and gobbled up by professional men — doctors, lawyers, etc. — for \$400 and \$500 per acre!

What will it be worth when the water is gone?

Irrigation a Stopgap Measure

Contrary to popular opinion, irrigation is not a permanent solution to drought. At best, it is a temporary stopgap measure. It may briefly — for a few short years and at heavy expense — help produce good crops.

But irrigation affords no protection at all from hail, freeze, bugs, worms and cutting winds.

On our tour we saw irrigated fields that were ruined because dust from neighboring nonirrigated fields had blown in and cut out the wheat. In other instances, dust had blown in and *smothered* the irrigated crops.

Getting set up for irrigation places the farmer under a tremendous financial burden. He must have a good crop just to meet production costs — to say nothing about making a return on his investment.

Irrigation in the wheat belt is a substitute for obedience to God's laws. As such, it is a *curse*.

God sends drought and upset weather to let us know that something is wrong — that we are sinning. But instead of acknowledging and confessing our sins and *changing our ways*, we ignore God's warning. We try to find a way around the penalty. But it is still there — and it keeps *piling up* — ready to be unleashed all at once in a sudden, furious assault!



So far there has been relatively little blowing in the drought areas. But when the irrigation water gives out, and when the powder-dry land around it starts to blow — WATCH OUT!

Mankind will insist on breaking God's laws until those same laws break him.

Our "Surplus Complex"

We have gone into considerable detail to show how irrigation and increased acreage make this year's crop



appear far better than it actually is. We have also shown why this false impression is soon going to backfire.

But of far greater danger is *our whole national attitude* toward our supply. We have an appalling "surplus complex."

We are so used to having more than enough, that we just can't imagine that it could be otherwise.

We drive by our huge storage elevators in Kansas and Oklahoma and we somehow just can't bring ourselves to *believe* they are empty.

But they are!

The surpluses of five years, three years and even one year ago are GONE!

The Empty Elevators

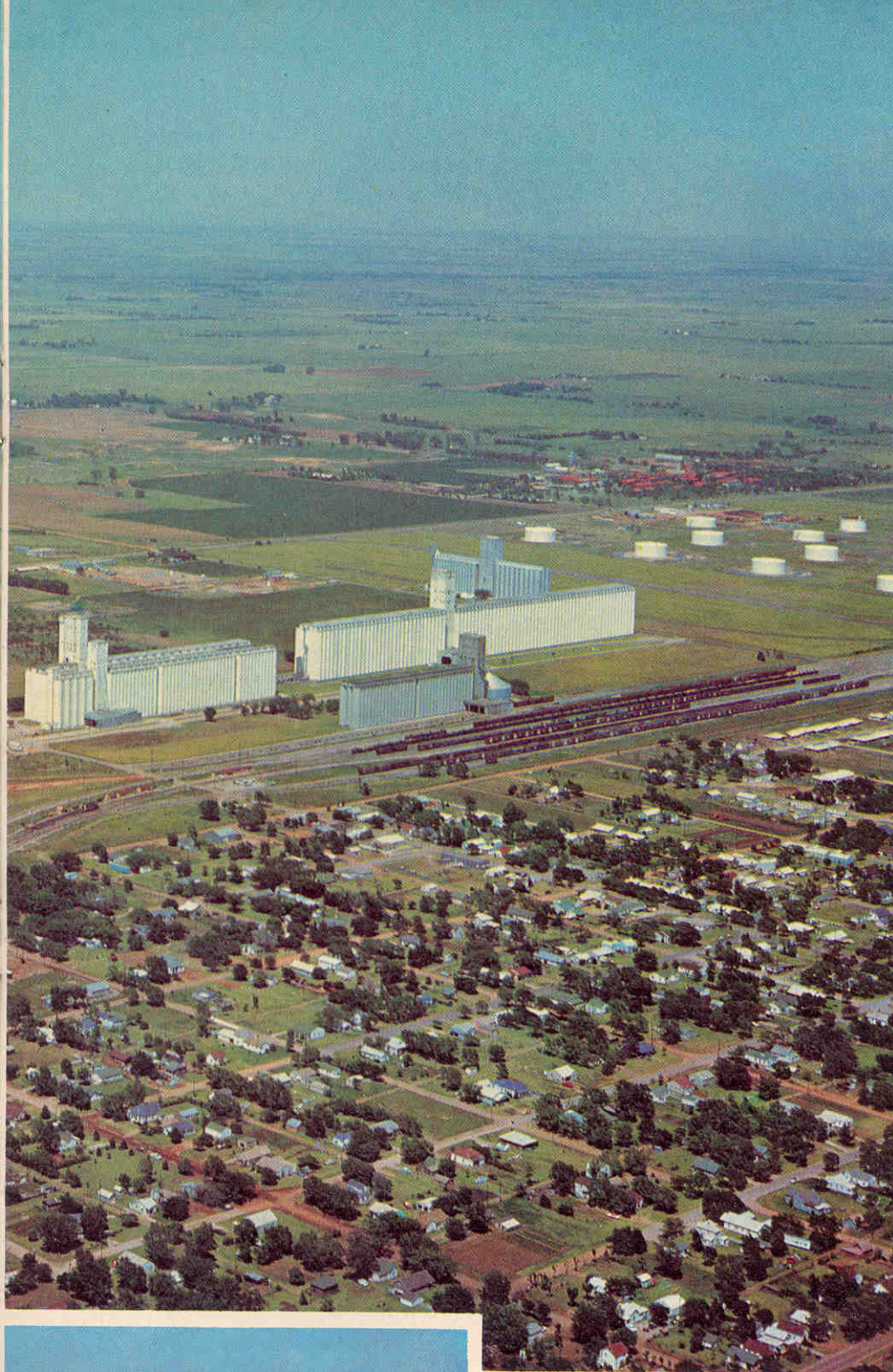
Sedgewick County Agent (Wichita) Don Ingels, whom we quoted earlier, told us, "We were down to 27 percent of our capacity a year ago; *now we are down to practically nothing*. Our capacity here, including the Garvey Elevator just south of town, is 92 million bushels. *I expect we have about eight to ten million bushels of milo, wheat and barley stored in all our facilities.*"

Up in Hutchinson, Kansas, we toured the huge Farmer's Co-op Commission elevator. This imposing structure is 127 feet high, 90 feet wide and one-half-mile long! It holds 18 million bushels and is the largest elevator under one headhouse. It was filled to a scant 15 percent of capacity!

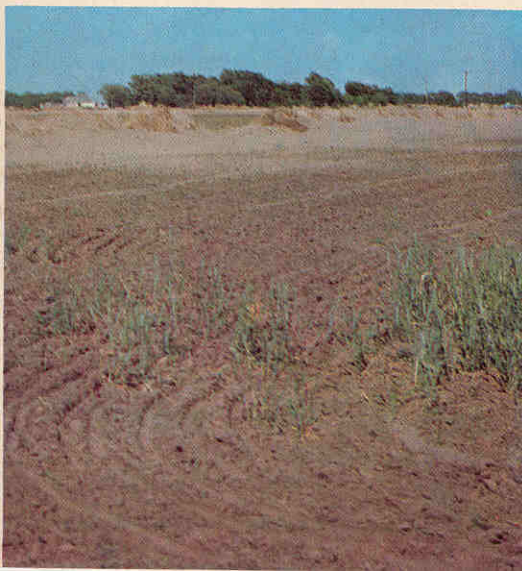
The other huge elevators in Hutchinson told the same story. Three, five, nine, fourteen were the usual percentages of occupancy. A call to several of the elevators in Salina produced the same low percentages. No elevator throughout the entire area had greater than twenty percent occupancy!

Out in western Kansas, Andy Erhart, whom we quoted earlier, and who is well known and respected throughout western Kansas, told us: "I am sure there is very little wheat in this area, most of the elevators have shipped their wheat out, even in the small elevators . . . This has been a development many of us have seen for years. Everybody has been griping about the surpluses . . . *and here all of a sudden we find out surpluses can diminish awfully fast.*"

In Enid, Oklahoma we visited the



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Top, grain elevators dominate Enid, Oklahoma landscape. But bins are not as full as they appear — many are empty.

Left, sand dunes on former Kansas wheat fields! In this area crop is totally destroyed.

huge Union Equity elevators with their modern facilities. These elevators account for 50½ million of Enid's 66-million-bushel storage facilities. Once again the story was the same. The elevators were filled to only *six to eight percent of capacity!*

Yes, America's once-bulging wheat bins are all but empty! Our 1.6-billion-bushel stockpile of the early 1960's has in five short years shrunk to a paltry 400 million bushels!

Today we find ourselves in a position where, "*The composite wheat, corn and soybean reserve of the United States would not meet our needs for more than 90 days if disaster wiped out our annual production!*" (By George McGovern, U. S. Senator from South Dakota, writing in *Look*, March 7, 1967.)

But are we *concerned*? Are we *excited* about it?

NO! Years of rich material blessings have spawned a sluggish, dull, complacent attitude of mind. We have never experienced a food shortage before and we don't know how to react to it. We are in a hypnotic stupor and can't get our eyes open to reality!

On our entire tour the only people we found who were really concerned about the situation were the big elevator men. And they were concerned only because their storage business was being hurt — not because they really feared a food shortage!

An Incredible Meeting

At one point in our tour we were able to attend a meeting in which Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman addressed a group of farmers. After his address there was a question-and-answer period during which the farmers could present their views and questions.

The whole tenor of this meeting was *absolutely incredible*. It was *unbelievable!* The fear of every man who spoke was that after finally ridding ourselves of "burdensome surpluses" we would again overproduce — thus depressing farm prices!

Imagine! With 12,000 people dying of starvation daily, other countries are asking, "Will we be able to produce *enough*?" Yet here were men asking fearfully, "Will we produce *too much*?" What a world we live in!

There was only one written question which expressed concern over the low food reserves. It was summarily read and then put aside without comment, but with the insinuation that it wasn't worthy of discussion by intelligent men. No one would have dared to state a similar question *orally* — he would have been laughed to scorn.

After this meeting, we visited briefly with one of the leading men in the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Again we were appalled. The understanding of conditions which this well-known man had was absolutely shocking. He told us that India was the best off today that she has been in the past ten years!

How far out of touch with reality can you get???

Can't Imagine Famine Here

"I don't think we will ever get into a situation where we will not have enough for our own needs. We grow wheat over such a wide area and under such widely varying conditions that we just could never get enough bad weather or enough worms, or enough freezes or anything else, to reduce the supply that much. So we would always have this [enough wheat for ourselves]."

This statement by a prominent Kansas politician sums up the attitude of a lot of people. Is this *your* attitude?

We think a nationwide crop failure happens only in China or Russia — that it can't happen here. But it can!

In the agriculture meeting just cited, the question was not, "*Will we be able to produce these products?*" This was assumed. Rather, the question was, "How much will we be able to *get* for our products?"

The farmer just *assumes* that next year he is going to have a good crop. As one County Agent put it when we asked what would happen if they had another year or two of similar upset conditions in his area, "We just can't afford to have another year like this. *We don't even consider that we could have it, we go ahead with the expectation that we won't have!*"

Yes, just "be optimistic" — and hope that somehow our troubles will go away.

But our troubles are *not* going to just "go away." They are just beginning.

It WILL Happen Here

You may think that drought and famine can't happen here. But it *WILL!* History and prophecy *prove* it!

Human civilization has always brought disaster to the land and death to its inhabitants. There has been no exception! Do we think that we will escape any more than other people?

Have we forgotten that the forefathers of our English-speaking peoples — the "lost" ten-tribed House of Israel — brought ruin upon the land of Palestine?

In Abraham's day the Jordan Valley was well watered, like the garden of Eden. But by the time that *God* cast our forefathers out of the land, Palestine had become desolate.

Notice what happened to Babylon. Ancient Babylon was watered by the Euphrates River. The inhabitants denuded the mountains of forests; the riverbeds were filled with silt; fields were flooded, sweeping away irrigation works. Salt deposits built up by irrigation water ruined many acres. The remainder were laid desolate over the centuries by invading armies.

A decaying, pleasure-loving nation looked to the government for help — just as we are doing today! But *what the people could not do for themselves, the government could NOT do!*

Have we forgotten that vast portions of the Sahara were once forested and inhabited? Look at it today! Persia and Syria were also civilizations based upon *irrigation*. And it was the exploitation of this system that made the land a desert.

America Going the Way of Rome

At one time the hills adjoining the Mediterranean (in Yugoslavia) were heavily forested — today not a trace remains! The Romans began the destruction of the forests. The Slavic inhabitants continued to denude the hill slopes. The Venetians consumed the remaining trees for timber for their fleets. The hillsides can't be reforested today. They are too badly eroded.

The same process is occurring in the U. S. A. today. *WE SEEM TO BE UNAWARE THAT SOIL EXHAUSTION AND EROSION HAVE PROGRESSED MORE RAP-*

LDLY IN THE UNITED STATES THAN IN ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, except perhaps South Africa.

Apparently we have also forgotten that the Romans knew the value of contouring, the value of grasses and legumes, the rotation of crops and organic manuring! Simkhovitch, a historian who wrote about the fall of Rome, said that Roman knowledge of agriculture was "fairly startling."

Yet Rome fell!

Why?

Listen to the answer!

Taxation to support an ever-increasing bureaucracy and a huge army wiped out the farmers who couldn't make sufficient profit. Most Roman farmers then borrowed money. Taxes increased. The farmer, in turn, had to exploit the soil to pay his debts. Within a few generations of the height of the Roman Empire, the soil of the entire Mediterranean (except Egypt) became sterile by overwork and ruthless exploitation.

TODAY taxes — for a huge bureaucracy and great military machine — eat away more than one third of all income. Poor farmers are being forced off their lands. Today less than 8 percent of the populace is concerned with agriculture, and the average age of the American farmer is 54! The land is constantly becoming more exhausted. History is repeating itself! We are going the way of Rome.

Most farmers know many of the better agricultural methods — but for economic reasons they do not practice them. Better farming methods are not always immediately profitable. Many farmers are victims of circumstance — sometimes victims of their own poor judgment or faulty management.

As we have said before — periodic drought and floods are *here to stay*. They are going to become worse and worse until this nation is brought to its knees and DESTROYED!

What Prophecy Says

Your Bible prophesied OUR peoples would be stricken with drought, famine, and disease epidemics! We are the "lost ten tribes" of Israel of your Bible — and you can PROVE that yourself by writing for our free booklet, *The*

United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy.

Listen to what God said would come upon our peoples — and notice how exact conditions are becoming today! "But if you will not listen to me; if you will not do all I order you... I will subject you to terrible woes, to consumption and fever that waste the eyes and wear life away: you shall sow seed in vain for YOUR ENEMIES will eat YOUR crops!" (Lev. 26:14-16, *Mof-fatt* translation.)

God said, "For ten acres of vineyard shall yield but *eight gallons*, and the harvest shall only be a *tenth of what is sown!*" (Isaiah 5:10.) Can you imagine carrying a *hundred* sacks of wheat *into* the field to plant, and harvesting only ONE sack? But THIS HAS HAPPENED — and MORE IS COMING!

DROUGHT was prophesied to strike our peoples! Listen to the startling accuracy of these prophecies! "I will make the sky hard as iron for you and the earth hard as bronze, till you spend your strength in *vain*; for your land shall bear no crops, and your trees shall bear no fruit" (Lev. 26:19-20).

"... The Eternal will strike you with ... *drought*, blasting, and mildew, that shall pursue you till you perish; the sky overhead shall be brass and the earth underfoot shall be iron; the Eternal will turn the rain of your land into *powder and dust* dropping from the sky upon you..." (Deut. 28:22-24). The EXACT conditions you've just read about!

Further, God warned, "... a strange nation will eat up your crops and all the fruit of your labour, and you shall be utterly crushed and broken continually, till you are driven mad by the sight of it all... Much seed shall you carry to the field, but little shall you reap!" (Deut. 28:33-38.)

These prophecies are sure! They WILL happen!

Why Droughts and Floods

God has *not* deserted the world. He *does* intervene in nature. God is not only the Creator; He is also the Controller and Preserver of the universe. HE CONTROLS THE WEATHER. And He can intervene *for you* if...

... if you *do* what He tells you. This is your only chance of deliverance.

God nowhere promises you won't have afflictions, *but He has promised to deliver you out of them*. "Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Eternal delivereth him out of them all" (Psalm 34:19, *K. J. Version*).

Why is it that God is permitting these terrible afflictions to come upon our people?

"... Because you would not listen to the voice of the Eternal your God, KEEPING HIS COMMANDMENTS and orders for you... because you have not served the Eternal your God with joy and with a glad heart for all your *abundance*; therefore, with *hunger* and *thirst* and *nakedness* and *utter poverty*, shall you serve the foes the Eternal sends against you!" (Deut. 28:45-48, *Mof.*)

Turn also to Amos 4:7-8: "And also I have withholden the rain from you, when there were yet three months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city" — floods — "and caused it not to rain upon another city" — droughts — "one piece was rained upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered. So two or three cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but they were not satisfied: YET HAVE YE NOT RETURNED UNTO ME, saith the Lord." (*King James Version*.)

Drought, floods, famines, *are the result of man's having turned from the ways of God*. Man is bringing these sufferings upon himself. We are about to reap one final catastrophe as a result of our DISOBEDIENCE.

The only way of deliverance is through REPENTANCE — sorrow for having done wrong, and a *determination* to do what is right from now on.

Still Time to Repent

This year God has yet spared us from a complete crop failure. His Work — *this* Work — of warning our people of the impending disaster is not yet completed. But in a few short years it will be. Time is short!

When God's Work is done — when our people have been sufficiently warned — famine, pestilence, disease and death are going to be unleashed in full fury on those who will not listen and change their ways.

YOU are receiving your warning — your witness — NOW. Will you heed?

WHY HUNDREDS TRANSFER

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dreds of university students and graduates discover they have *not* gotten in college — WHY do they come to Ambassador College?

They have failed to obtain the very BASICS of education — the basic FOUNDATION for living!

The *basic*, most necessary things you need to learn are the real meaning and PURPOSE of life — WHY we are alive; the TRUE VALUES, distinguished from the false (few, if any, of the greatest educators and wealthiest millionaires have ever learned this); and THE WAY — the HOW — that brings peace, happiness, abundant well-being.

There is a CAUSE for every effect. There are REASONS for unhappy, frustrated lives — among those who are "successful" financially, socially, politically, or in usual channels of life. There is a REASON for lack of PEACE in the world: the heads of government *do not know the WAY* to peace! If they did, would we not *have* a little of it?

Just training the intellect is NOT ENOUGH!

Technical training in a line of specialization is NOT ENOUGH!

Millions have obtained that kind of education — but it has led to unhappy and unsuccessful lives! It has not prepared these "educated" for *living*!

It's Time to THINK About This!

Two students graduated, then received Master's Degrees from one of the most famous universities in the world. They said they had spent the best years of their lives cramming into their minds useless or DEAD knowledge — knowledge they could not now use. Then they studied at Ambassador Colleges, where they learned the *true meaning* of life, the real PURPOSE for their existence — the real cause and meaning of world conditions, and HOW to adapt and adjust for the drastic changes coming in the immediate World Tomorrow.

Whether you are already in college — or high school — or long past both, you need to THINK about these facts!

LAWS of Success

There is a CAUSE for every result.

If your life is to be *truly* successful, you must find and apply the CAUSE of that satisfying happiness.

There are definite *laws* that determine success or failure — happiness or unhappiness.

The very first law of success is to have, and diligently pursue the RIGHT GOAL! The *second* is EDUCATION — *preparation* for that right goal.

I have known scores and scores of people who had success in achieving *their goal*. They applied diligently the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth of the seven *laws* for REAL success. Well, perhaps many rather neglected the third law, which is good health. To have good health you must know the *laws* of good physical health — the physical *laws* of body and mind that regulate physical health. And you must apply them.

The fourth law I call DRIVE. Initiative, self-propulsion, prodding the self, *driving* on, instead of letting down. The fifth is RESOURCEFULNESS — the ability and confident determination to *think* the way through, over, around or past every problem, obstacle or difficulty that comes in one's path. And life will be full of these. They stop and defeat the irresolute, the shiftless, the unthinking, those lacking resourcefulness. The sixth is perseverance — stick-to-it-iveness — refusal to give up or quit.

Yes those regarded as successful in the world have practiced these rules — and they have attained their goals. But that has not always been real success, because their GOALS were not *right* goals.

Many businessmen fail because they are in the wrong business — the proverbial "square pegs in the round holes."

But, in the main, the MILLIONS supposedly SUCCESSFUL have never known REAL success. Many of these ended up suicides! Nearly all have been unhappy. Many, if not most, have been failures in their home and family life — failures as parents. It is they, not their teen children, who are the "delinquents."

And WHY?

Again, they did not know the TRUE VALUES. They chose the *wrong* goals. They worked hard to achieve a *wrong* goal that left them disillusioned, frustrated, unhappy.

This thing we call *civilization* is, simply, the WAY OF LIFE that is lived by the people. It is the system, the customs, the manner of life in human contacts and associations and organizations and ways. It is, in short, THIS WORLD.

And this world is emphatically NOT a happy, truly successful world!

In the brief span of a lifetime the world has passed with accelerating speed through the age of invention, the machine age, the age of science and technology, the nuclear age, and, now, the space age. The sudden acceleration in scientific development is evidenced by the astonishing fact that 90 percent of all scientists who ever lived are living today.

New Age in Education

And with these developments has emerged a new age in education.

Today's world is what its leaders have made it, and these leaders are the product of this world's education. But what kind of world has this education produced?

It is a deceptive world. It *appears* to be a world replete with gadgets, labor-saving devices, and luxury undreamed of by our ancestors. It is a world of instantaneous worldwide communication, rapid transportation by automobile, railroad, jet plane. It is a world entertained by radio, television, stage and screen, giant sports fields and arenas. It is a mechanized world where mass assembly-line machine production makes possible higher incomes, shorter work hours, more leisure for entertainment and amusement.

Is not this an exciting world of great *progress*? Is this not a world looking forward to a magic push-button Century 21 where labor will be all but abolished, with idleness and ease for all?

It seems so.

But it is a deceptive world. Never was the world so filled with discontent, and unhappiness; with crime, with juvenile delinquency, with divorce and

broken homes, with sickness and mental illnesses, with violence and destruction. Never before was it possible to erase all life — human, animal, and plant — from the face of this earth!

This whole disintegrating civilization is the product of an underlying *concept* toward knowledge, and a *philosophy* toward life, which together have formed the foundation of modern education. The philosophic basis of modern education is that of the ancient pagan Greeks and Romans. The concept, through which the presence and motion of things has been viewed and explained, is the materialistic approach of modern science.

Modern education, therefore, is almost wholly materialistic. It develops the machine, the theorem, the hypothesis which becomes the faith or the belief of modern science. But it fails to develop the MAN, or to lead him to a knowledge of the true values.

Few seem to know that peace of mind, happiness, contentment, the true, absorbing, interest-filled, *abundant* life of utter well-being, with prosperity and assured security, are our true heritage. Few seem to know THE WAY. Few seem to know that there are invisible but inexorable LAWS in motion to make possible that utopian state for all. The very first mission of education is to disseminate the knowledge of those laws and of the PURPOSE of life.

Yet this knowledge is NOT disseminated — except at the three campuses of Ambassador College.

What *is* man? WHY is man? Was he put on this earth for a PURPOSE — or did he just happen, by accident? Is there meaning to life? What is THE WAY to peace, to happiness, to well-being, to dependable security? Why are we air-breathing creatures of mere transitory existence?

WHY are these questions ignored, and certainly never taught — these BASIC foundations of any right or true education?

Why?

Simply because modern education has become almost wholly materialistic. It has lost the true values. It gropes hopelessly in the dark, in a vain search for the acquisition of knowledge which

can come only through the very source it rejects!

It fails to teach young men and women the most needed of all knowledge. It teaches young people how to earn a living, but fails to teach them *how to live!*

Surprising Origin of Modern Education

How did the system of modern education come about? A brief research of its history will prove startlingly illuminating.

The academic form of curricular education was originated by the pagan Greek philosopher Plato, 427-347 B.C. He was the founder of education of regular curriculum in a fixed place. He called it the *academy*.

But an interesting analogy, and lesson — if you can believe it — is portrayed as of much earlier date. It is found in the Biblical account in Genesis.

It portrays the Creator as the original Educator, giving instruction to the first man and woman, regarding the two basic *ways* of life. This was pictured by two symbolic trees. The one, freely offered, represented *the way*, as a life-philosophy, of love — of outgoing concern for others — of giving — of serving — of sharing. The other, forbidden yet left completely accessible, symbolized the opposite life-philosophy. It evaluated success in terms of material acquisition. It was *the way* of vanity, selfishness and greed; of consideration, first of all, for SELF; it exalted competition and strife.

The first was simply *the way* of the invisible, inexorable, living LAWS performed by LOVE — the Law of the Ten Commandments — the Law of the Golden Rule. That *way* is the CAUSE of peace, happiness, abundant well-being.

The second was the way this world has followed — competition, acquisition, materialism, fulfilling the twin pulls of human nature — vanity and greed. This way *causes* all war, strife, unhappiness, human TROUBLES.

This account portrays the Great Educator revealing these living laws of Love as *the way* to peace, prosperity, happiness — a real utopia; and their violation *the way* to strife and war,

pain, suffering, insecurity, wretchedness, discontent, emptiness, and death.

True to human nature, even as it manifests itself so often today, the woman took over the initiative. She is pictured as inaugurating, in principle, the "scientific method" of our time.

She rejected revelation as a source of knowledge.

She embarked on the very first recorded "scientific experiment." She decided to make a test, and observe the results. For guinea pigs she used her husband and herself. She experimented, first, with the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

The result of that "scientific experiment"? The guinea pigs became unhappy. They died. During their lifetime, however, they experimented further in the psychology of child rearing. Again rejecting revelation, they adopted the "scientific method" of permissiveness. The result of *that experiment*? It produced the first juvenile delinquent. Their eldest son became a murderer, and they grieved the loss of the second.

But, it seems, neither they, nor their children in all the successive generations ever since, have learned anything from the experiments. Humanity has been experimenting by the same process ever since, with the same unhappy results.

Sorrow, suffering and death have been the harvest reaped by each succeeding generation. Mankind has never learned from the *dearest* teacher of all — experience.

But mankind has *written* the lesson in human blood!

The most ancient of records reveal that educational institutions, from dimmest antiquity, were organized and maintained by religions. As early as the tenth century B.C. we find the record of schools for the training of pagan priest-hoods. On the other hand, the prophet Elijah, at the turn of the ninth century, established three colleges for the prophets of God.

Pagan Schools for Christians

At the beginning of the Christian era pagan schools on the Plato model dotted the Roman Empire. No Christian schools existed.

Printing had not yet been invented.

Textbooks had to be prepared, laboriously, entirely by hand, one at a time. All textbooks were pagan.

All leaders in the first five centuries of the Christian world were, of necessity, the pupils of this pagan education.

Then the barbaric invasion swept away these schools. Through these years the only education in the Western world was pagan. Pagan philosophies and religious beliefs and customs were instilled automatically into growing children. Observance of pagan holidays was a regular part of school life — as, surprising though it may seem, it continues to be today!

Education was instilled as a *system of memory-training*. It was "spoon-fed," literally funneled into immature and growing minds. Children were taught to accept without question, assume without proof, believe and memorize whatever was taught. This method, too, persists today. Children are not taught to THINK — but to take orders — be followers, not leaders. Few know *why* they believe the things they do. Through all those years, all literature in the Western world was pagan.

Beginning the sixth century, the only schools were the Catholic Monastic schools, for the training of monks, and the Cathedral schools, for the training of priests. These evolved into the universities of Salerno, Bologna, Reggio, Padua, Modena, Vercelli and others.

The first university of our modern pattern was the University of Paris, beginning in the twelfth century.

English students sent to the University of Paris, later, 1167-68, founded Oxford University. Oxford alumni founded Cambridge. Graduates of these universities founded Harvard in 1636, William and Mary in 1693, Yale in 1701, and Princeton came later in 1746.

It was Thomas Jefferson who founded the first state university — the University of Virginia in 1819. His motive was to divorce education from religion. This started the present materialistic trend in American education. There was great public protest at the time. His new state university was termed "shocking," and "irreligious."

German Rationalism

Two other factors added impetus to the materialistic drift. German rational-

ism spread its leaven through every phase of the educational structure.

And, in the present century, Big Business has made sizeable financial contributions, conditioned on establishment of technical, scientific, and professional courses to train needed personnel for these huge corporations. This has resulted in education becoming more and more a system of training young people in the art of earning a living, at the expense of teaching them *how to live!* They need to know *both!*

As institutions of higher learning continued through the twentieth century, enrollments multiplied. Today we have virtual assembly-line educational production. The student loses his identity, becomes a virtual nonentity, blending into the uniform collectivism.

Prominent educators have voiced their alarm at this state of educational affairs. Many recognize the evils and the dangers — yet confess their utter helplessness to brake the drift or change the direction.

The Encyclopedia Britannica gives this definition of education: "Many definitions have been given of the word *education*, but underlying them all is the conception that it denotes an attempt on the part of the adult members of a human society to shape the development of the coming generation in accordance with its own ideals of life . . . Education may be said to be the efforts made by the community to *impose* its culture upon the growing generation. . . . Schools and universities which are the ordinary channels through which adult culture reaches the young are naturally conservative and *bound by tradition*. They are slow to leave the old paths." (Emphasis added.)

In briefest summary, education from earliest antiquity was a means of pagan religious instruction; became a vehicle for disseminating pagan culture, religious doctrines and customs under the Plato curricular system; evolved in our modern era into a system of instilling the teachings of what the author-philosopher, Dr. C. E. Ayers, terms "Science the False Messiah," — or the "new religion" of German rationalism and materialism, which, of course, masquerades under names and terminology other than "religion."

Now — Ambassador Colleges!

During the planning stage of the founding of the first Ambassador College, certain educators, held by circumstances in the clutch of this system, expressed sincere congratulations on the opportunity that was Ambassador's.

We were privileged to be freed from the evils inherent in today's materialism. Ours was the glorious opportunity to recapture the true values; to teach the basic most-needed knowledge almost universally ignored; to teach young people not merely how to earn a living, but *how to live*; to avoid mass-production education by limiting enrollment; and to put due emphasis on true character-building; and at the same time having the advantage of being able to retain all that has proved good and sound in educational experience.

Ambassador Colleges have been built upon this educational FOUNDATION: Recognition of fundamental truths regarding the purpose and meaning of life, and the laws that make possible peace, happiness, and the truly successful life.

Students are free not only, but encouraged, to question any or all ideas, postulates, or supposed truths, whether enjoying society's acceptance or not — and to *prove* all things before accepting them as fact. Students here are guided in ability to make right and sound decisions.

Emphasis here is on character-building, development of personality, poise and leadership.

Ambassador Colleges are the PIONEERS for the WORLD TOMORROW — the colleges of the future!

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The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED FIVE

AN UNDISCIPLINED SON REBELS

AMNON, one of David's sons, had cruelly forced Tamar, his half-sister. After Tamar had escaped from him, she hurried in anguish to the home of Absalom, her brother, who opened the door for her. (II Samuel 13:7-19.)

A Plot for Revenge

Sobbing, Tamar jerked off her coat, a colorful and expensive garment such as was worn by a virgin in the royal family, and vigorously ripped it. Absalom knew that something tragic had taken place when he saw this demonstration. Then he remembered that his father had sent a message to Tamar that she should visit Amnon because of his sickness.

"Have you been with Amnon just now?" Absalom asked.

Tamar nodded and went to a chair to sit down and try to hide her tear-filled eyes. Knowing Amnon, Absalom didn't have to try very hard to understand the reason for his sister's misery.

"Don't worry about this," Absalom said, putting his arm about her. "And don't tell anyone about it. If you do, the scandal would harm you as well as our family. Stay here in my home for a while and try to put it out of your mind." (II Samuel 13:20.)

His father David was the last person Absalom would have wanted to learn about this matter. But the most secret things have a way of coming into the open. It wasn't long before the king found out what Amnon had done. He was grieved and angry, but he unwisely didn't apply any punishment to Amnon because Amnon

was his first son, and he had a special liking for him. One of David's weaknesses was his failure to properly discipline his children. (I Kings 1:6.)

As for Absalom, he also said nothing to Amnon, although he hated him for what he had done. He felt that an opportunity would come when he could cause Amnon to pay for the crime against his sister. (II Samuel 13:21-22.)

He waited two years for that opportunity. It was sheep-shearing season, a time when there were special gatherings of friends and relatives to celebrate the wool harvest. Absalom wanted to make this a very special occasion, so he invited his father to a gathering at Absalom's estate a few miles northeast of Jerusalem. David declined with the explanation that the entertainment of royalty, such as the public would expect, would entail too much expense, and that he didn't want Absalom to be burdened with such a heavy bill.

"But I would be very pleased and honored to have my father the king at my home as the guest of honor on this occasion," Absalom persisted.

"Thank you, my son," David said, "but it would be better that I should not be there. I am sure that the celebration will be most enjoyable without me."

"If you can't be there, then I would like Amnon to be my special guest," Absalom stated.

"Why Amnon?" David asked suspiciously, remembering what had happened to Tamar.

"Because he is your firstborn son," Absalom quickly replied. "I trust that you will encourage him and all your sons to be there." (II Samuel 13:23-27.)

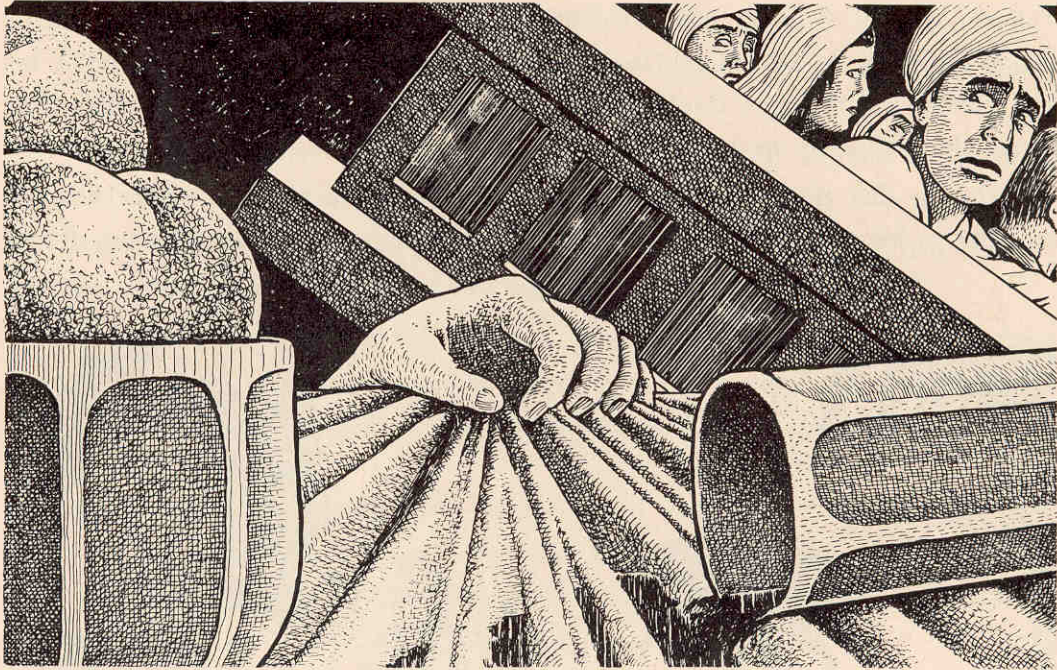
Later, when all the guests were assembled at his home, Absalom issued a ghastly order to his servants.

"When we go in to dine," he told them, "give Amnon plenty of the strongest wine. Make sure that he drinks so much that he will become dull and careless. Then, at a signal from me, do what I have planned for you to do. Don't hesitate. I'll bear the responsibility. Anyone who fails to do his part is lacking in courage, and must leave my employ."

Aftermath of Revenge

The Bible doesn't reveal whether Amnon was killed by a spear, a dagger or a sword, but he died suddenly at the table while he was too befuddled to be aware of his assailants. The other guests were so shocked and frightened by his murder that they fled from Absalom's house without so much as attempting to find out who was guilty. (II Samuel 13:28-29.)

Even before the horrified people had reached their respective homes, a wild



Horrified at Amnon's murder at a banquet table, Absalom's guests quickly left without so much as inquiring into who was responsible.

rumor somehow reached David that all his sons had been massacred at Absalom's home by Absalom and a bloodthirsty group of servants. There was no way to prove or disprove this report. David was inclined to fear the worst. He went into a state of mourning, which included tearing the clothes he was wearing and sprawling on the floor. His servants also believed the rumor, and joined him in the strange, ancient custom by ripping their clothes, too.

Jonadab, the crafty fellow who had been partly responsible for starting this trouble, and who knew what had really happened at Absalom's home, came to David. He informed him that it wasn't true that all his sons had been slain, but that Amnon had been the only victim. David knew that Jonadab wasn't always to be trusted, so he wasn't sure what to believe until Jonadab pointed out a large group of people approaching. The king looked closely at them, and saw that they were his sons and their families. Only Absalom and Amnon were missing. (II Samuel 13:30-36.)

Meanwhile, Absalom was fleeing for his life with his family and servants. He knew that it wouldn't long be safe for him to remain at home, nor would he very long be welcome in any of the cities of refuge in Israel. The only possible safety was in the land of Geshur, an area to the northeast in Syria. (II Samuel 15:8.)

Talmai, king of Geshur, was Absalom's grandfather on his mother's side. Being not too friendly toward Israel, he nevertheless welcomed Absalom because of being related. For the next three years he was pleased to harbor his grandson from those who would try to avenge Amnon's death.

During that time David never quite recovered from the loss of his firstborn son. But as his sorrow decreased, he thought more and more about Absalom, finally



Talmai, king of Geshur, was surprised when he saw Israelites coming from Judah to find refuge among the Syrians.

forgiving him for what he had done to Amnon, and even desperately hoping that Absalom would return to Jerusalem. (II Samuel 13:37-39.)

Joab, David's hardhearted, crafty but loyal general, became aware that the king longed to see Absalom. He sensed that David wanted to send to Geshur for his son, but that he feared what the public reaction would be to his pardoning a murderer in the royal family. Joab had a plan by which he hoped to cause David to decide to have Absalom returned to Jerusalem. He arranged for a wise elderly widow, a stranger in Jerusalem, to obtain an audience with the king. He instructed her what to say. When she came before David she told him that she was a widow, a mother of two men who had fallen into a fight in which one was killed. She said that angry relatives were demanding that she turn her only son over to them so that they could take his life for what he had done to his brother.

The Sprouting of Vanity

"If they kill my only remaining son, then my dead husband's name and family will come to an end," the woman murmured sadly.

"Don't worry about this matter," David told her. "I'll see that your son is pardoned and that no one will harm him." (II Samuel 14:1-10.)

The woman pretended that she was very relieved and thankful. Then she said that she would like David to explain something to her.

"If you so readily can pardon my son, why haven't you done the same thing for your son, who has been banished for so long? Saving my son is a vital thing only to me and my husband's family, but saving your son is important to the welfare of all Israel."

Suddenly the woman felt very uncomfortable under David's steady gaze. Uneasy seconds dragged by while he said nothing.

"I would like *you* to explain something to *me*," he finally said. "Did Joab, my army commander, have anything to do with your being here?"

"He did," the embarrassed and fearful woman hesitantly confessed. "It was he who told me what to say so that you might decide to take steps to bring your son back home. Forgive me for having some part in this thing. You must have the wisdom of an angel to have perceived that I was scheming." (II Samuel 14:11-20.)

"It's not that I'm so wise," David observed. "I've known Joab long enough to recognize his schemes."

"Did you think that sending a woman to me with a wild tale about a murderous son would cause me to decide to pardon Absalom?" David asked Joab after summoning the army commander.

"I had hoped it would," responded Joab, maintaining his military dignity.

"I know a way in which you can help even more," the king declared.

Joab noted David's stern expression. He expected to be told that he could help by keeping out of the king's business from then on. Respectfully he waited for his superior to continue.

"You can assemble the necessary attendants and equipment for going to Geshur to bring Absalom back," David grinned.

Joab stared in momentary disbelief, then prostrated himself before the king.

"Thank you!" he exclaimed. "I am happy to find favor in your sight so that your son might be restored to Israel!"

A few days later Absalom was back in his home in Jerusalem, but he wasn't taken to see his father. David felt that it was enough, for the time being, that he

should be pardoned. Although he wanted to see his son, he didn't choose to allow a big, happy reunion that might seem to indicate to the people that Absalom was being regarded as blameless because he was the king's son. (II Samuel 14:21-24.)

Absalom received much public interest, but not just because he was a royal person who had returned from the protection of another nation. He was a very good-looking, well-proportioned, muscular man whose unusual appearance gained for him the reputation of being the most handsome man in Israel. There were no blemishes on his skin. His hair was so exceptionally thick and heavy and so admired that he became very vain about it. He let it grow very long and then every year he would have about six pounds of it trimmed off.

He was the object of admiration of many women and the cause of jealousy in many men, but his interest was in his wife and children. He had three sons and a daughter. He named his daughter Tamar, after the sister who had been involved in the reason for his plotting Amnon's death. (II Samuel 14:25-27.)

Vanity Begets a Plot

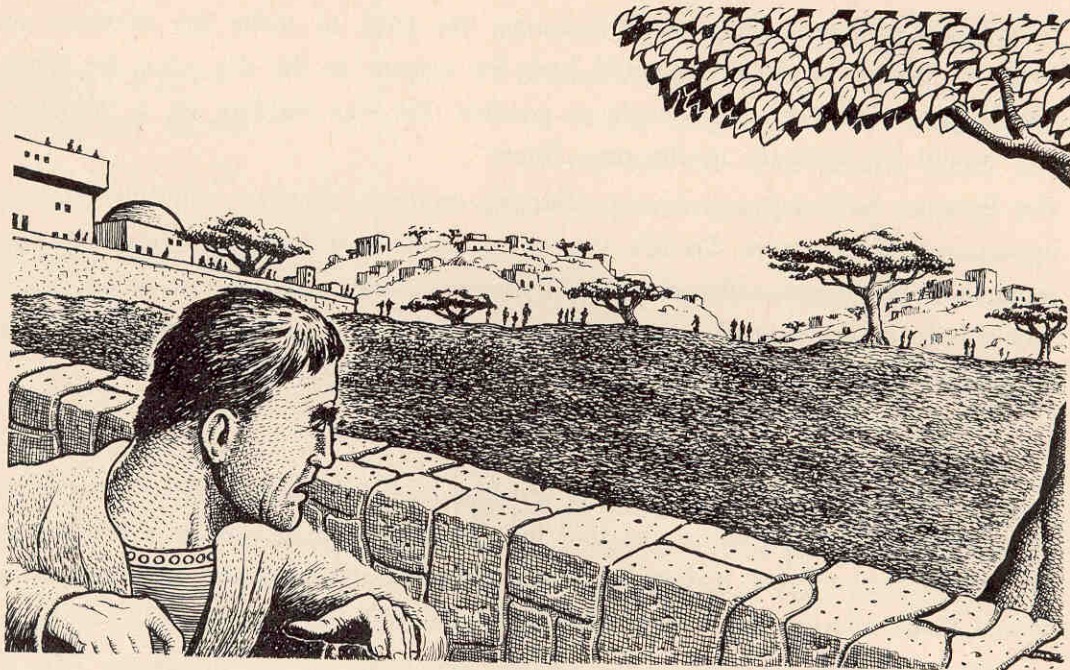
Two years passed without Absalom seeing his father. The younger man couldn't understand this lack of contact. He considered Joab a friend who could help build relations between himself and his father. So he sent a message to the army commander, asking him to try to get him in touch with the king. Joab didn't reply. After sending a second message and again receiving no reply, Absalom decided to resort to a more effective method of gaining Joab's attention.

"See that field of barley just beyond mine?" Absalom pointed out to his servants. "Go set it on fire."

The servants considered this a most unusual order. But they faithfully did as their master ordered. After the field was burned, the owner quickly showed up at Absalom's home, just as Absalom knew he would because the field belonged to Joab.

"My barley field has been burned, and I've been told that your servants set fire to it," Joab angrily said to Absalom. "Why have you allowed such an outrageous thing?" (II Samuel 14:28-31.)

"You are very alert to what happened to your field, but you paid no attention to the messages I sent you," Absalom replied. "I had to do this thing to get you here. Please go to my father and ask him why I was brought back from Geshur. Tell him that I would prefer to still be there if I can't be allowed to see him. If he still regards me as a criminal, he should have me killed. It might be better than living here as an outcast from my own family."



Joab was not very happy when he personally confirmed the report that his barley field had been burned.

Joab was quite upset because of the loss of his barley. Probably Absalom paid for it, but he managed to get a message to his father. When David heard from Joab how disquieted Absalom was about not seeing him, he was moved to send for his son immediately. Absalom happily came to the palace. When he saw his father, he sank to his knees and bowed his forehead to the floor. David pulled him up to embrace him for the first time in five years. (II Samuel 14:32-33.)

It wasn't long after Absalom was welcomed at the palace that he began to change. Because Absalom had not been properly disciplined, he was self-willed and self-centered. He began to lust after his father's throne. Amnon's death led Absalom to believe he would be the one to succeed his father on the throne of Israel. The very thought of coming into that rank and power spurred him with ambition to try to hasten the time when it would happen.

Absalom's vanity increased with his ambition. He equipped himself with fancy chariots in which he rode haughtily about, sometimes preceded by as many as fifty men to herald his approach and to clear the streets and roads. To many people Absalom was a more exciting and interesting figure than the king, and they were quite impressed by the manner in which he conducted himself.

Often he went to the main gate of the city to mingle with the many people who brought problems and grievances there to be settled. He was always anxious to

have some part in helping make decisions. He tried to make the decisions in favor of parties to whom he could look for support in the day when he might need support from as many people as possible. He was building up a following that would be necessary in the near future.

By these back-slapping, favor-performing methods, together with his unusual appearance and manners, David's son soon became very popular in Israel. At the same time, he became so impressed with that popularity and the way in which he was able to influence people, that he soon decided that it was the time for him to try to wrest the rulership of Israel from his father David! (II Samuel 15:1-6.)

Absalom Leads Revolt

To do this, he had to go away to organize his political and military forces. As an excuse to leave Jerusalem, he told his father that he had made a vow, when he was in Geshur, that if ever he could return to Jerusalem, he would make a special thank offering and would thereafter serve God.

"I want to go to Hebron, the ancient sacred city of the priests, to offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving," Absalom told David.

"Indeed you should," David agreed, pleased that his son had such inclinations. "Take two hundred of my soldiers with you, and may your sacrifice be pleasing to God."

Unknown to the king, Absalom took many conspirators with him, besides the two hundred, who weren't aware that they would turn out to be something more than just impressive guards for the king's son. Absalom had already secretly arranged to send men out to all parts of the nation to help swing the people over to support him as king. Because David was getting old and because he had made what people thought were unwise and unpopular moves, Absalom's campaigning helpers had some effective tools to use in promoting David's son for king. The people were becoming more agitated by the day, and far more than David was told or suspected. (II Samuel 15:7-11.)

Even Ahithophel, David's chief advisor and prime minister, went over to Absalom's side. (II Samuel 15:12.) Perhaps his reason for deserting the king was that he was Bathsheba's grandfather. (II Samuel 11:3; 23:34.) He could have harbored some secret ill will against David because of the way he had treated her.

It was a grave shock to David when he was informed by a loyal subject that the state of affairs in Israel had changed almost overnight. Not until then did he learn that Absalom was seeking the throne and that he was planning to make a

surprise attack on Jerusalem in a sudden effort to gain control of the nation by taking over the seat of government. (II Samuel 15:13.)

David could have ordered soldiers to occupy every foot of the wall around Jerusalem, but he didn't want to make the city the site of a possible battle that would mar the capital. Instead of taking defense measures, he called together only his family, servants and palace guards.

"Prepare to leave Jerusalem at once!" he warned. "Absalom has turned against me, and might attack us here with an army he has raised!"

For a time there was confusion and fearful excitement, but then the women and children became calmer. The servants declared their loyalty to David, and assured him that they were eager to go with him anywhere.

Leaving ten women to take care of the palace, David and his family, servants and guards left with a few hastily collected provisions. The party included the six hundred men David had brought from the Philistine city of Gath years before, and who were still loyally attached to him.

David was very moved that these people were intent on staying by him at a time when so many in Israel were switching their devotion and allegiance from the king to Absalom. David suggested to Ittai, who commanded the palace guards and others from Gath, that he and his men and their families remain in Jerusalem, but Ittai made it evident that he wanted to stay with the king no matter what happened. David consented to Ittai's going with him. (II Samuel 15:14-24.)

Not far outside the city David paused to watch the loyal lines of people move on toward safety. He was suddenly quite perturbed when he saw that the Ark of the Covenant was being carried from Jerusalem.

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Personal from the Editor

(Continued from page 1)

rough — amateurish — "home-made" — but they were easily read. Then I cut the text-matter into the stencils with a borrowed typewriter.

I don't remember whether the mimeograph salesman just gave me the ink out of the kindness of his heart, or whether I paid a few pennies for that — but at any rate, he allowed me to come into his shop and grind out the few hundred copies on one of his mimeographs.

All through January I worked on this VOLUME 1, Number 1, edition of *The PLAIN TRUTH*, which was the issue of February, 1934. By February 1, it was ready for mailing to the handful of radio listeners who had requested it.

Never could a publication have had a more humble beginning.

But it survived! There were months I could not get it out. There was even one whole year when no issue was put out. *The PLAIN TRUTH* struggled over a hard, rutty, difficult road toward constant improvement, enlargement, and increased circulation.

It was several years before it became what professional people in the publishing business would regard as even a "respectable" magazine.

But today we offer no apologies for *The PLAIN TRUTH*. And today it enjoys a readership of probably 2½ or 3 million people, worldwide!

Continually, as it struggled upward, it has been constantly improved and enlarged.

It was even a few years before *The PLAIN TRUTH* was printed on a printing press. After the first or second issue, the mimeograph agent, probably wanting to avoid my coming into his shop and "printing" this little "magazine" on his equipment, dug up, possibly from somebody's attic, an old second-hand, antiquated "ancestor" of the mimeograph — called a "neostyle." It was altogether hand-operated. I wish we still had it — we could start a museum

of primitive equipment used in the early years of *The PLAIN TRUTH*.

He let me have it for \$10. Also I bought an old secondhand typewriter, with which to cut stencils, for \$10. It took weeks to accumulate the two \$10 amounts, too!

But we persevered. *The PLAIN TRUTH* *did* contain vital, important material unobtainable in any other publication. It gave its tiny family of readers, even in those early days, the real MEANING behind world news. It made the prophecies PLAIN, UNDERSTANDABLE. It opened the Bible to readers' UNDERSTANDING! It made TRUTH plain and simple, understandable.

Humble, "homemade" though it was in *appearance*, readers began to realize they were obtaining IMPORTANT truth, knowledge, information — astounding, eye-opening facts — unobtainable in any "respectable" publication!

Poor though it was in *physical appearance*, due to lack of financial resources, there was QUALITY, MEANING, TREMENDOUS VALUE, in *WHAT* it said!

So *The PLAIN TRUTH* grew — and grew — and GREW — and GREW! It had character, and it had merit!

Today, *The PLAIN TRUTH* has its own branch offices around the world! Today, it has its own trained *newsmen*, news correspondents, contributing editors — all thoroughly *trained* for their specialized work in AMBASSADOR COLLEGE — stationed in many parts of the world. Today, we "cover" the important world-news events for our readers with our own specially trained writers, editors, and news correspondents.

The PLAIN TRUTH today maintains branch offices, staffed with Ambassador College-trained people, in Britain, Düsseldorf, Geneva, Johannesburg, Sydney, Manila, Nicosia, Jerusalem, Vancouver — beside many cities all over the United States.

Today we send our own specially trained newsmen and editors, and our own specially trained photographers, wherever the BIG NEWS is breaking, anywhere on earth!

Today we have fully staffed News Bureaus at Pasadena, and at the college in England. We have the full leased-wire teletype services of the big news-

gathering agencies — *Associated Press*, and *United Press International*.

And now, with this July number, we pass the ONE MILLION mark in circulation — more than A MILLION COPIES, THIS ISSUE!

The magazine I envisioned FORTY YEARS AGO is today *A REALITY!* *The PLAIN TRUTH* gave its readers QUALITY and CHARACTER of *material*, first. Then, gradually, came quality and character on physical appearance and printing. Gradually, the QUANTITY increased. And today there is *BOTH* QUALITY and QUANTITY, but the quality and character were built into it *first!*

Today *there is no magazine like it on earth!*

Its articles not only *inform* you — give you terse, boiled-down, easy-to-read information and knowledge — but they EXPLAIN THE MEANING of what is going on in the world *as no other publication does.*

Its articles are not only interesting, eye-opening, intriguing — but they do *not*, like those of mass-circulation commercial magazines in the world, leave you FLAT! They STIMULATE! They INSPIRE!

Have we now, at last, after 33½ years of publication, attained our goal? Is it, finally, as large and as fine in quality as we expect to make it?

I answer that we shall *always* strive, with energy and drive, to attain continued improvement where possible — perhaps, now, in world news coverage and photography, and even in still further quality of production.

But number of pages? Well, a couple years ago I had hoped to bring *The PLAIN TRUTH* ultimately to 68 pages (including cover). It now is 52. I should like, personally, to be able to add another 16-page signature — to be able to give our readers about two more articles per issue than at present, and to have the magazine still more profusely illustrated.

But impulsive desire is one thing — and the practicality of mechanical considerations, costs, etc., is another. And these must be carefully weighed against personal desires.

To enlarge *The PLAIN TRUTH* by another 16 pages presents many problems — now that we are in MAJOR-

size production — involving millions of dollars in additional equipment and facilities. It would require additional giant presses at all three of our printing plants — an additional investment of more than a million dollars. It would increase the postage cost in mailing, for the magazine then would weigh more.

It would increase the overall total cost of production and mailing by about one third of present costs.

Would it give YOU, our readers, enough extra value to *you*, to warrant it?

Frankly, I wonder if we are not, already, giving our readers about as much good, vital, interesting but solid reading material as the average reader would take the time to read within a month. If you eliminate the advertising in the commercial magazines, we are now giving you about the same amount of actual reading articles and material as the biggest magazines — even though they *appear* to be much larger than *The PLAIN TRUTH*. Some carry up to 60 percent advertising.

And actually, we are now giving you, most issues, *more* color pictures than even the big pictorial magazines. If you will check, you may be surprised to find that *most* of the *color* in those magazines is in the *advertising*, not the editorial or reading material. Often, if not usually, about the only *color* pictures are in a non-news type article, which is written months in advance. Articles of this type are often illustrated with *many* color pictures, because they are able to spend many weeks on the reproduction and printing of the color photography.

Just for a mild surprise, why don't you *check* such magazines as *Life*, *Look*, *Saturday Evening Post*, (in the United States) — or any other magazines in other countries — and even the news magazines such as *Time* and *Newsweek*, and see for yourself how *few* color pictures they give you of the most recent NEWS EVENTS? You may be surprised to discover that nearly all their illustrations of current world *news events* are printed in black and white — *not color!*

You may be surprised to see, with your own eyes, that *The PLAIN TRUTH*

now consistently SCOOPS the big-circulation magazines with *on-the-spot* FULL-COLOR pictures of these world-shaking NEWS events! And in nearly every case you will discover that these pictures were photographed by *our own staff photographers!* We always give credit, when a picture is not our own — and usually when it is, also. You will see the *credit*, identifying whose photograph is used, in small italic type, either just above, or below the picture, or beside the description of the picture. Credit for the front cover picture is always found on page 1, inside — on the editorial page on which you started reading this *Personal* column.

You might be interested to know WHY we are able to get these vital, BIG-news world-event color pictures to you so FAST!

Of course we have access, like all major magazines and newspapers, to the big picture services, like "Wide World," which is the picture service of the Associated Press. But these are primarily *newspaper* services, and newspapers use very few color pictures — most of them not any. Consequently these pictorial syndicated services supply very little color photography — almost altogether black-and-white.

Therefore the magazines who do use color photography must rely almost wholly on their own staff photographers.

But the problem is much more than that! To actually *print* a color photograph is more than four times the job of printing a black-and-white picture.

When only black-and-white reproduction is used, the actual *printing* is in one color only — the black! The *paper itself* supplies the white. But in full color, we have to actually *print it four times*, not once. Magazine pictures are printed from plates. A plate or half-tone of a black-and-white picture can be made very quickly. But a full-color process requires *four* such plates, and each one takes *many times longer* to process than a single plate that shows the black only.

WHY?

Because each one of the four *colors* must be *extracted*, one at a time, by a very complicated and highly technical process. There are perhaps ten thousand shades of green, ten thousand of

red, ten thousand of blue, and ten thousand of yellow. All the unlimited other colors and shades — of purples, aquas, salmon, rose, cerise, orange and in-between colors — are derived by a *mixing* of five basic colors — black, white, red, blue, yellow.

To get green, you mix yellow and blue. But all the various ten thousand different shades of green come from *the proportion* of yellow, or of blue, or from mixing a certain slight amount of white, or black, or even a slight touch of some other color. Orange is produced by mixing yellow with red. Purple is red mixed with blue.

Now your COLOR CAMERA is quite a magic instrument, in a way. It actually photographs, at one snap of the shutter, *all* the colors of the rainbow. A very fine color picture — *shot* in a fraction of a second — may contain many thousands of various shadings of various colors. Yet they are all a MIXING together, on that magic film of the color-camera, of various amounts of the *five* basic colors — white, black, yellow, blue and red. Although your camera will snap them ALL READY MIXED, in a fraction of a second, to PRINT that picture on a printing press, we must now UN-mix all those thousands of deftly mixed shades and colors, into just the right amount of each of the five basic colors.

Then WHY do we need only four plates — and to print it FOUR times? Because the paper on which it is printed is white — the *paper* supplies the white. Where white shows in the picture, nothing is printed — it is just *left* white. But HOW would you know just *where* to put a little red, or a little blue, or black, on one of your plates? Well YOU *wouldn't!* But in our modern world today, a complicated type of MACHINE has been invented, which *can* do this!

This machine costs many thousands of dollars. We have one — and one or two more are coming, later. This machine moves a plastic plate slowly back and forth, carefully, with an "electric eye" or some process I do not personally understand (our technicians *do!*), a line at a time, it etches on the plate just the exact amount of red — IF it is extracting *red* on this particular plate

— that needs to be extracted from the color photograph. Line after line, each one the smallest fraction of an inch alongside the one before, this machine continues, until it has put all of the *red* on the plate, in the exact right spot in the exact right strength.

This is repeated for each of the four colors — black, red, blue, yellow. When put on the press, these different images are put on each of four units of the press. When the giant web-fed press starts rolling, it prints from a continuous ROLL of paper. As the paper passes through the *first* unit, one color is printed — perhaps red. As it passes through the next, and around a cylinder on this unit, another color — perhaps blue — is printed. But the PLATE must be so set on this unit that it will register in exactly the right spot on the paper. If it is off-set by a hundredth of an inch the picture will be spoiled. Then the other two colors, one printing on top of the other, and the paper rolls off the press, is CUT, and FOLDED into 16-page signatures, as they roll off, thousands of copies an hour.

IF we printed in only one color, we should need only one unit of the press, instead of four.

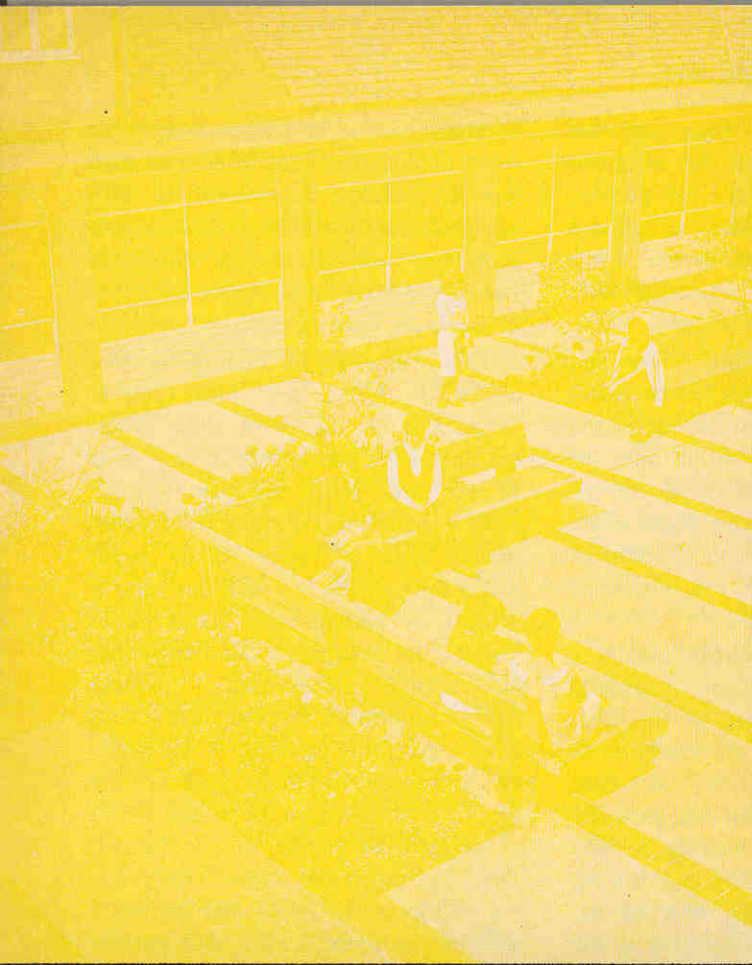
I hope I have not bored our readers. But I know that most people have NO IDEA at all about what goes into a FULL-COLOR picture in your PLAIN TRUTH — and I wanted you to know what pains we go to, in order to GIVE you the very best and the very finest, as well as the MOST IMPORTANT magazine in the world today!

There are not too many magazines in the world that are in the MILLION-COPY CIRCULATION CLASS!

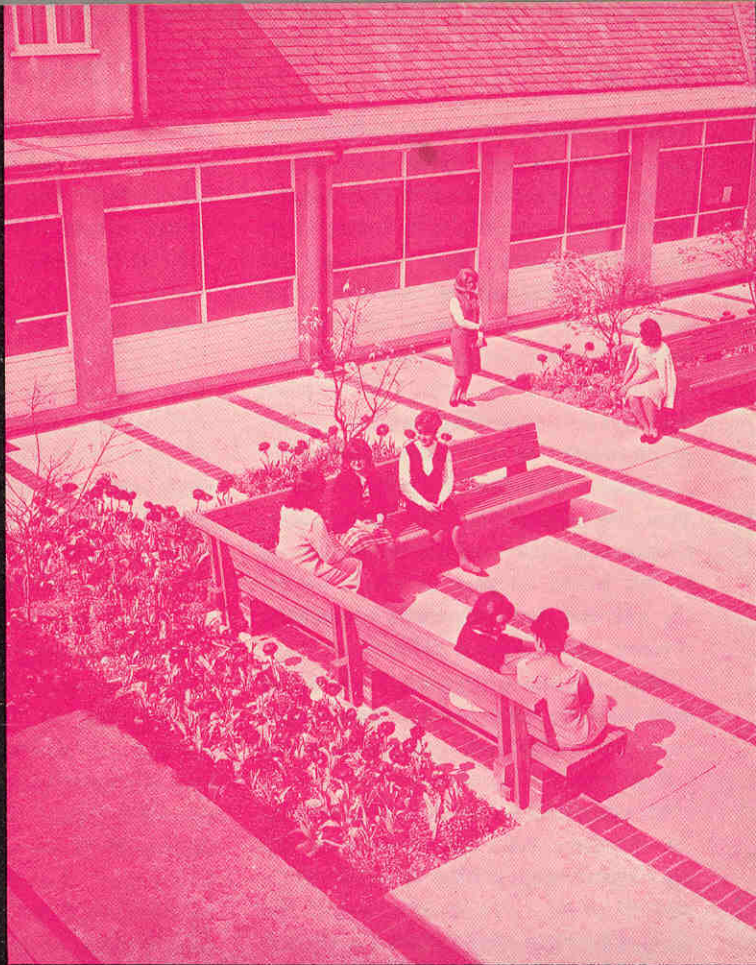
With this issue *The PLAIN TRUTH* becomes one of the really MAJOR magazines of the whole round earth. It achieved QUALITY first, now the *quantity* continues to grow, as always!

I confess that reaching this MILLION-copy circulation mark gives me very great *personal* gratification — with gratitude to the *living* Christ who has guided, directed, and blessed this development and growth. I just wanted to share this gratification with our readers.

Not only do YOU receive facts, Truth, (next two pages pictures. Article continues on page 46)

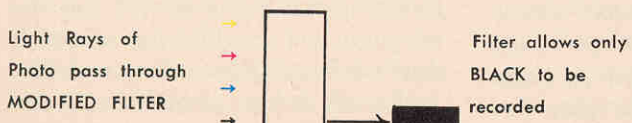
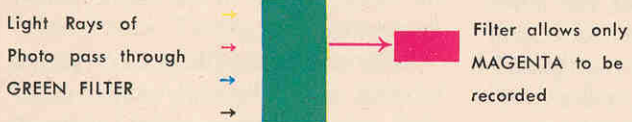


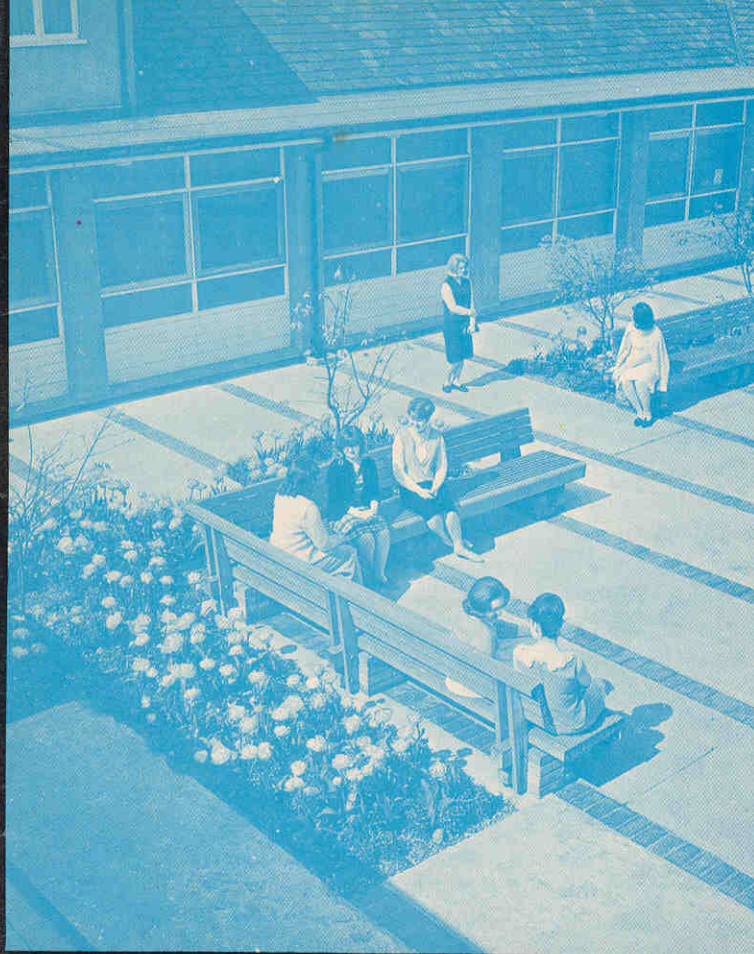
Yellow



Red (Magenta)

SEPARATING PRIMARY COLORS





Blue (Cyan)



Black

How to Separate and Print Color Photographs

Have you ever wondered how a color transparency or print can be duplicated on paper?

Photoengravers only discovered how to do it satisfactorily around the turn of the century. However, the KEY to the basic principle of HOW to do it is quite easy to understand.

You can't just print the entire color range of a photograph *en masse*. All you would have is one big "splotch."

Photoengravers must first *separate* the primary colors. These are yellow, red (magenta), blue (cyan) and black. The process is simply illustrated in the lower left hand column.

A color transparency or print is photographed four times. Each time through a different-colored filter. Each filter absorbs those colors of which it is composed. It permits only the REMAINING color to be recorded on film. For example, a green filter is composed of yellow and blue. It stops those colors from going through and allows *only* the red to be recorded on film.

Electronic color scanners follow the same general principle but utilize the latest improvements in modern technology.

There are various other steps which then occur. However, there isn't space here to discuss them since they aren't necessary to understanding this aspect of the separation and printing process.

What we're now interested in is: How are these colors PRINTED on paper.

Four metal plates are etched. Each records one of the individual primary colors — yellow, red, blue — plus black. These plates are fixed to the printing press. As the paper moves through the press, first the yellow, then red, then blue, then black values are printed on the paper.

You can see the process illustrated above. From these primary colors and black, EVERY COLOR that we see can be duplicated. When the paper has run by all the four plates, a *full color* printed photograph emerges that matches the original!

understanding, beauty and quality with *The PLAIN TRUTH* — but you receive it *without cost to YOU* — your subscription has always been paid for you.

To know that God has enabled us to make all this available to SO MANY, without charge to them, and without ever asking for contributions from any but a comparatively small number of individual Co-Workers who, unsolicited, *voluntarily* have joined in this great Work of God, makes me DOUBLY grateful.

PLAIN TRUTH

JERUSALEM OFFICE

PROVIDENTIALLY SPARED!

AS I WRITE, now at the Ambassador College campus near LONDON, I have received a long-distance call from Istanbul (Turkey), of the *providential* way in which our NEW OFFICE in JERUSALEM was protected and preserved during the Israeli invasion and occupation of the Old City!

A few weeks before the Israeli-Arab flash war, we had signed a contract with the Hashemite Government of Jordan to broadcast *The WORLD TOMORROW* over their JERUSALEM Radio, both medium wave (at 200,000-watts of power), and shortwave (100,000 watts).

This was to be a DAILY broadcast, seven days a week. To receive mail from this broadcast, we had leased offices in both Jerusalem, Jordan, and in Nicosia, Cyprus. Each office was in connection with a private house — residence quarters for our office manager. Our decorator had been sent to each city, and full office equipment and furniture, and home furnishings, had been ordered for each location.

The first broadcast was to start at 8:05 p.m., Wednesday night, June 7. We understood that all furniture and furnishings and equipment were to be delivered and on hand at these respective locations by that date.

Early the morning of June 5, I was being driven from our campus here in England to London Airport. I planned to board a nonstop jet to Beirut, flying the following morning on to Jerusalem. On the car radio I learned the WAR was on in full fury. Airports were being bombed.

I decided not to fly into that danger-

zone. I had hoped to do the first broadcast from Jerusalem — the *first* carrying Christ's true Gospel Message from JERUSALEM since the original Apostles, about 67 A.D.! But, the night before, just in case something prevented my personal appearance there, I had recorded what I intended to say in our radio studio on this campus. It was decided that Mr. Charles Hunting, Bursar of the college here, should continue on this jet flight and try to get the tape recording through to Jerusalem.

The BOAC jet took off on schedule from London. But it never landed at Beirut. It was landed, instead, at Athens. The taped program never got through. Mr. Hunting proceeded on to Nicosia. There he found all furniture and equipment delivered, as per schedule.

But we had no word respecting our deliveries — or our newly leased properties in Jerusalem — actually in the suburbs to the north. During that week the Israelis, as I had predicted five weeks before, took the Old City of Jerusalem, until then in Jordanian hands.

Until this telephone call from two of our men in Istanbul, we had no news about our Jerusalem office.

A representative of the Jordanian Government had visited me here at the college the day before. He had just flown to London from Amman, capital of Jordan. But he knew nothing about what had happened in Jerusalem since the Jews had taken it. He too was quite concerned about what might have happened to our properties, since he had at least morally obligated himself to guarantee our payment.

Then came this telephone call. Two of our men, Dr. Ernest Martin, Dean of the Faculty at the college here, and Dr. Charles Dorothy, Dean of the Faculty at our Texas campus, were calling from Istanbul. They had first visited our new office in Nicosia.

They had NEWS!

They had flown into Tel Aviv. Using their Press cards, as Contributing Editors of *The PLAIN TRUTH*, and also through the help of an Israeli army officer, they had gained access to the entire occupied territory.

They had just visited our new office-residence property in Jerusalem!

This was NEWS! We had not ex-

pected that they would! Or that they would be able to gain access!

Here was probably the ONLY bit of property in JERUSALEM now completely dedicated to GOD and HIS WORK, preparing the way for the soon coming of the all-powerful, GLORIFIED, living Jesus Christ to RETURN to Jerusalem, and to establish it as the CAPITAL OF THE WORLD!

Was God able to PROTECT His property? — *in Jerusalem?*

Was God even concerned about that property — IN JERUSALEM?

HE WAS!

A Jordanian Arab, who lives next door, a local building contractor, had built this building. We had leased it from him, just as it was being completed. It has never yet been occupied! It is a NEW building.

But God put into his mind what to do.

As soon as the Israelis started fighting their way into Jerusalem, he went immediately to the United States Embassy. He reported that this property was under long-term lease, and therefore belonged to UNITED STATES CITIZENS, and he demanded that the United States PROTECT IT!

The Embassy immediately contacted Israeli officials, and at once the property was SEALED OFF, and marked "OFF LIMITS" to all Israeli soldiers!

Our men, now acting as News Correspondents for *The PLAIN TRUTH*, visited the new office and residence. All the furniture, furnishings, and equipment had been delivered! And all had been protected, in perfect condition!

In siege of WAR, when soldiers fight their way through, street, by street, and house by house, as they did in Jerusalem — if you have a home and property there and you are AWAY, you know how many things are liable to happen to your property! It might be looted! It might be ransacked by invading soldiers! It might be in the path of the battle, and riddled with bullets or blasted with bombs! It might be DEMOLISHED.

But, as sure as God approved our following where HE led, when HE opened this broadcast opportunity, (we did not seek or initiate it ourselves), we knew God would watch over and

protect the property dedicated to His service there, preparing the way for the Great living Lord Jesus' RETURN in all POWER AND GLORY to JERUSALEM!

From there, in so few years now we might begin counting it in MONTHS, Jesus Christ THE MESSIAH, as KING of kings and LORD of lords, will RULE ALL NATIONS, with divine power and force, and usher in, at last, WORLD PEACE, happiness, abundance and security for all!

For centuries, God has *rejected* the city of Jerusalem, cut it off from Him — *hidden His face from it* (Jer. 33:5). He cast His people Judah out of it.

Jesus told His disciples how the Temple in Jerusalem would be destroyed utterly (Mat. 24:2). Jerusalem was to be "trodden down of the Gentiles."

But now the very Gospel Jesus preached is once again being proclaimed around the world — preparing the way for HIS RETURN in POWER AND GLORY — to RULE all nations, and usher in the happy WORLD TOMORROW!

The time has now come, just *very* shortly prior to Christ's return, as prophesied by Isaiah, (chapter 40):

"Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to JERUSALEM, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the ETERNAL'S hand double for all her sins" (Isa. 40:1-2).

This is speaking of Christ's coming. Actually, although, so far as the recent Arab-Israeli war is concerned, warfare in Jerusalem is now over — there will yet be more warfare over Jerusalem — in just about 4½ or 5 years — and also more "iniquity" *before* Christ's coming!

Continue: "The VOICE of him that crieth in the wilderness, PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God" (verse 3).

This refers, typically, to John the Baptist, preparing the way before Christ's first coming, more than 1900 years ago. But it refers directly and anti-typically to the VERY PRESENT — when God was going to raise up a people to shout the true Gospel of the now imminent Kingdom of God, worldwide, with a LOUD VOICE (radio-

television) preparing the way for His coming as KING to rule all nations!

Notice verse 5, where it says: "And the GLORY of the LORD *shall be* revealed, and all flesh shall SEE it together . . ." The time is JUST BEFORE Christ's soon coming — not *after* all peoples *have seen* Christ's GLORY — but when they "SHALL SEE" it — in the immediate future.

Continue, verse 9:

"O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain." Zion means the Church — the PEOPLE OF GOD — the people the living Christ is USING in the Work of God, preparing the way for Christ's coming. "Good tidings" is CHRIST'S GOSPEL!

Continue, same verse: "O JERUSALEM, that bringest good tidings [the true GOSPEL], lift up thy voice with STRENGTH . . ." (This is not speaking to the *people*, but to the *CITY*) — its POWER amplified by RADIO. The VOICE (of JERUSALEM — the *CITY*) is to go out FROM JERUSALEM. Apparently this refers to JERUSALEM RADIO, lifting up its voice in MIGHTY STRENGTH AND POWER! Continue: ". . . lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, 'Behold your GOD! Behold the Lord GOD *will come* with strong hand, and His arm shall RULE for Him: behold, his reward is with him; and His Work before Him.'"

NOTICE THAT!

The mightily amplified power of JERUSALEM RADIO — *just before* Christ's coming TO RULE! Notice, "BE NOT AFRAID!" This would not need to be said *after* Christ's return, when the city will be under His SUPERNATURAL power, protection, and rule. It is still during a TIME OF WARFARE and TROUBLE! It is still a time when those delivering the Gospel Message need REASSURANCE: "BE NOT AFRAID!"

And TO WHOM is this Gospel Message, preparing THE WAY BEFORE CHRIST'S COMING, to be addressed?

"Say *unto the cities of JUDAH!*"

The Jews occupying the country they have named "Israel" today are NOT the "House of ISRAEL," but the "House of JUDAH." Their cities are the cities of JUDAH — the Jews! The prophecy is specific — accurate!

The Jews in these Palestinian CITIES

OF JUDAH are to be told that their Lord God — their MESSIAH — *will come*, quickly, — almost immediately! And HOW? "... WITH STRONG HAND, and His arm SHALL RULE for Him!" He is coming as KING of kings to RULE THE WHOLE WORLD!

And what else? "His WORK" — His Gospel Work, now going worldwide by RADIO AND TELEVISION — is now going JUST BEFORE — JUST PRIOR — to His coming!

How plain!

Earlier this year, the Jordan government offered AMBASSADOR COLLEGE the very PRIME TIME of 8:05 every night — seven nights a week — on JERUSALEM RADIO — for the broadcasting of the educational message of *The WORLD TOMORROW*. We did not seek it — it came to us! We accepted it!

Two days before that broadcasting was to start, the Israeli-Arab war broke out. The Jews hold that radio station, as I write. GOD HIMSELF will determine what happens to Jerusalem Radio. *HE*, not any of us in His Work, guides, directs, and decides what is to happen. If He wants HIS WORK to broadcast over that station, all the human forces of all earth's nations cannot prevent. It has been at least temporarily delayed. Representatives of Jordan expect it to be returned to them. If so, the contract with Ambassador College will be in force. We await the direction and action of the *living* CHRIST!

Meanwhile, the government of Jordan is offering us the use of the NEAREST radio voice of POWER — Radio AMMAN. Starting July 1, *The WORLD TOMORROW* is going out TO THE CITIES OF JUDAH as well as Arab cities, Turkey, Greece, and surrounding area at the same time originally contracted — EVERY NIGHT. It is going out on both medium wave and shortwave. On shortwave the power will be boosted to a full 100,000 watts! It can be heard here in Britain!

Also MEANWHILE, the news comes from our own representatives that GOD HAS PROTECTED AND PRESERVED the JERUSALEM OFFICE and residence intact — which otherwise might have been ransacked, looted, bombed or destroyed. This was BIG NEWS to us! We give God grateful THANKS!

PROPHECY *comes alive*

IN TODAY'S WORLD NEWS



ALMOST overlooked during the recent Middle East War has been the growing crisis in Aden, Britain's "Vietnam."

London has promised to grant independence to the South Arabian Federation — Aden and 16 associated states — on January 9, 1968. Two rival Arab nationalist organizations are fighting to gain control of the area by the time the British leave. Neither group is satisfied with the British-sponsored plans for the make-up of the new government.

The bitterness reached a climax in late June when troops of the new South Arabian Army, along with members of the Aden police force staged a mutiny in Aden's Crater district. British troops intervened, but were ambushed. The toll: 22 British dead, 29 wounded by terrorists and the rebellious police.

A top British political leader lamented recently: "Wherever you look in the world, *you see our country humiliated and attacked* — our Governor in Hong Kong, our Embassy in Peking, our base in Gibraltar, even the Falkland Islands coveted by Argentina."

Yes, reverse after reverse on the international scene for both Britain and America. Why? Because of our mounting crime and sins against Almighty God! Curses are overtaking us because of our lawlessness (Deut. 28:15). God is stripping away, one by one, all of the strategic sea gates He let us possess (Gen. 22:17). Aden is almost gone. Garrisons at the key British bases on Singapore are to be cut back soon. A proposed new treaty will reduce U. S. control over the Panama Canal.

How our nations came into the pos-

session of such key areas — and why we are losing them today — is fully explained in the revised, expanded and fully illustrated book on *America and Britain in Prophecy*. Write for your free copy. It will be off the presses soon.

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Israel's Next Move

The State of Israel's next major military move — to develop the atom bomb!

A Canadian Press newsman issued this foreboding dispatch on June 13 from Nicosia, Cyprus. He got the inside story from authoritative military sources in Tel Aviv, Israel. When a colleague of his, however, tried to report this same dispatch directly from Tel Aviv, it was censored.

The feeling in Israel now is that the Arab states, especially Egypt, have simply not learned their lesson. Twice now, they have fought and lost practically the same war. And they'll try it again, Israelis believe — with yet more dangerous weapons. Israel feels it must be prepared for the worst. The tiny Jewish state already has operational peacetime nuclear reactors, and advanced nuclear know-how. Egypt's military plans are a beginning fulfillment of Joel's prophecy: "Let the weak say, 'I am strong'" (Joel 3:10). The terrible result of a final Israeli-Egyptian confrontation is recorded in Joel 3:19: "Egypt shall be a desolation . . . for the violence against the children of Judah."

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Peking Blast

Communist China, too, now has the H-bomb.

The shocking announcement of Peking's first hydrogen detonation on June 17 sent chills rippling through the United Nations. U. N. delegates, already weary from the prolonged Middle East crisis, heard British Foreign Secretary George Brown soberly proclaim this "new threat to human survival."

The problem of controlling the widespread proliferation of nuclear weapons is now more difficult than ever before. Any future U. S.-Soviet treaty to limit the spread of nuclear weapons is bound to be as ineffective as disarmament treaties of the past.

Red China's nuclear arsenal is expected to grow rapidly. What will prevent Peking from offering nuclear weapons to other nations — *for example, the Arab states*, now disillusioned with Russian assistance. Peking always seeks to take advantage of Soviet setbacks.

But this is not all.

Japan and India are gravely concerned. And not just about the blast itself, but about far more ominous reports. Top intelligence analysts expect Peking to perfect a medium-range missile within two years, perhaps sooner. This puts key cities in Japan and India within Peking's nuclear gun-sight.

The government of these two neighboring nations won't sit idly by forever under this threat. India's Premier Indira Gandhi is already under heavy pressure to develop a nuclear defense capability. Nuclear reactors are under

construction in India. Japanese peacetime nuclear technology already is far advanced. A diversion to military means would not be difficult.

Some influential Japanese are having doubts about the U. S. pledge to defend their nation against nuclear attack. Would America be willing, goes their reasoning, to risk a nuclear war with China just to protect Japan?

The joint U. S.-Japan defense treaty terminates in 1970. Watch for Japan to head down the nuclear road at the termination of the treaty.

Hence the problem grows like a cancer. If India — then arch-rival Pakistan will feel the need for N-weapons. Ultimately, nearly 40 more nations could develop nuclear arsenals. As British Foreign Secretary Brown warned:

"These dangers now give *new urgency* to all we do here [in the U. N.]. If we fail in an area as dangerous as this, the chances of the world, and our children and grandchildren, going up in a mushroom cloud must be enormous."

The greatest newscaster of all — Jesus Christ — prophesied of this very time of nuclear insanity. "And except those days be shortened, there should NO FLESH be saved" — and He meant saved *alive* (Mat. 24:22).

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Israel's Biggest Friend?

In one of the strangest twists in history, West Germany has outwardly become Israel's staunchest friend in Europe.

This ironic development portends much for the future.

Israel, of course, had written off any support from Communist Eastern Europe during the war. This was expected. But the attitudes of France and Great Britain — Israel's allies in the 1956 Suez War — were a shock to Israelis.

French President de Gaulle accused Israel of aggression. The British government sternly warned the Israelis against annexing the Old City of Jerusalem. (The Israeli parliament has enacted legislation to do this anyway.)

Of the Western European nations, only West Germany and Holland have stood beside Israel. This "moral support" has not been lost on the Israelis. German trade unions collected \$750,000



Wide World Photo

FOUR MILES OF DESTRUCTION! — Aerial view of the Mitla Pass, strategic gateway to the Suez in West Central Sinai Peninsula. Road is littered with knocked-out Egyptian equipment after defeat by Israelis. Big question now is: Will Egypt be rearmed with yet more powerful weapons?

for Israel. Hundreds of West German youngsters volunteered for military service in Israel!

Public opinion polls throughout West Germany showed a remarkable sympathy for Israel. Many observers hastily concluded that anti-Semitism is nearly dead. They confused sympathy for underdog Israel with sympathy for Jews in general.

Though officially neutral, the Bonn government also aided Israel (as well as the Arabs) generously in nonmilitary items. In a high-level Bonn conference just before the war, Chancellor Kurt Kiesinger personally ordered the immediate sale of 50,000 gas masks to Israel. The Israelis had made a frantic appeal for the masks after their intelligence experts spotted large quantities of

deadly nerve gas being stockpiled by the Egyptians in the Sinai.

A senior Bonn official said on June 15 that the government felt "a certain satisfaction" at the response of the West German people to the war.

Israel undoubtedly *will* develop a nuclear arsenal. But in addition she will seek further international support, to help guarantee her natural integrity.

To whom can she turn? Not to Britain or France. Not to the moribund United Nations. Not even to the U. S. government which has supplied arms to both sides, tries to be neutral in "word, thought and deed."

Watch for Israel to increasingly rely on West Germany, and ultimately a German-led united Europe for support, incredible though that may seem now!

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