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"To the law and to the testimony; if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" (Isa.8:20).

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WHOLE NO. 74

The Editor's Radio Ministry Through WCMI

"I shot an arrow into the air,
It fell to earth I know not where"

How correctly this characterizes the radio ministry of the First Baptist Church of Russell, Kentucky for the past consecutive 102 Sundays! At nine o'clock each Sunday evening, the program is in progress—"shot into the air".

Through the providence of God we were lead to establish this program nearly two years ago. Since that time, each Sunday evening, irrespective of race, color, or creed, the message has entered thousands of homes. It is thus we have had the privilege of preaching in the homes of millionaires as well as in the homes of those on relief. We have ministered to the sick in the hospital and to the discouraged in prison. We have preached to those riding along the highways in speeding cars. What a privilege and what a joy it has been!

That lives have been blessed through our efforts, we are definite.
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Attack On Booze

The Ben Franklin Mutual Casualty Insurance Company in sending out advertising matter from its offices in Chicago, includes a copy of Safety Bulletin No. 5, of the Illinois Steel Company, which, under the above caption, reads as follows:

"For the married man who cannot get along without drinks, the following is suggested as a means of freedom from bondage to the saloons:

"Start a saloon in your own home. Be the only customer (you will have no license to pay.) Go to your wife and give her two dollars to buy a gallon of whiskey and remember there are sixty-nine drinks in a gallon. Buy your drinks from no one but your wife, and by the time that the first gallon is gone she will have eight dollars to put in the bank and two dollars to start business again.

"Should you live ten years and continue to buy booze from her, and then die with snakes in your boots, she will have enough to bury you decently, educate your
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THE ANVIL OF GODS' WORD

Last eve I paused beside a blacksmith's door,
And heard the anvil ring the vesper chime;
Then looking in, I saw upon the floor,
Old hammers worn with beating years of time.

"How many anvils have you had", said I,
"To wear and batter all these hammers so?"
"Just one," said he, and then with twinkling eye,
"The anvil wears the hammers out, you know."

"And so," I thought, 'The Anvil of God's Word
For ages skeptic blows have beat upon,
Yet, through the noise of falling blows was heard,
The anvil is unharmed, the hammers gone.'

BIBLE QUESTIONS

1. In what battle were more men slain by hailstones than by the sword?
2. What men were made to serve God by lions?
3. What reckless driver became a king?
4. What two animals are mentioned in the Bible as having the gift of human speech?
5. What man was dragged out of danger by angels?
6. Who lost his life by eating and drinking?
7. What altar was rent as the sign of the truth of a prophecy?
8. Name three prophetesses mentioned in the Old Testament.
9. What two men each had one day in their lives lengthened by a miracle?
10. What king saved himself by sacrificing his eldest son to an idol?
11. What woman was blushed with a son as a reward for hospitality?
11. What woman was blessed with a son as a reward for dowry?

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The Judgment

"And it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" — Heb. 9:27.

This text declares the certainty of two events; namely, death and the judgment. One may escape the preacher; he may laugh, mock, or pay no attention, but he cannot escape death and the judgment. Years ago in Boston, a shoplifter stole a fur-muff from the fur department of a large department store. In his haste to make his escape, he stepped on to an ascending escalator which brought him right back in the arms of a policeman. Death and judgment are the twin steps on the escalator of life which raise men into the arms of God.

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It is positively certain that there is a coming judgment. Occasionally one is allowed to escape earthly punishment and therefore men live as if they will be able to escape future judgment. In the city of Fort Worth, Texas, nearly thirty years ago, a young woman was murdered on the first floor of an office building right in the heart of the city. Hundreds of people passed the window looking into her office every minute of the day. Though nearly thirty years has elapsed, the murderer hasn't been found as yet. Since occasionally someone thus escapes earthly punishment, men conclude that they will be able to escape the punishment of God. But not so! Our text says: "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Heb.9:27).

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More About The Dickerson-Hall Debate

Last week, under the caption "Campbellism Cornered," I reviewed in general a debate held recently in Kenova, W. Va., between C. W. Dickerson, Baptist, and Roy Hall, Campbellite, on the relation of baptism to the remission of sins. In that review I promised that I would reply this week to twelve supposed contrasts between Bible doctrine and Baptist doctrine as given by Mr. Hall in the closing speech of the debate — as given at such a time that his opponent had no opportunity to reply during the debate, and distributed to the audience. Yet Mr. Hall objected when he learned that I was going to review the debate and reply to him, saying that my reply would be one-sided!

But now, before I make the promised reply, permit me to speak of a few things in general.

1. Why I refer to Mr. Hall and his people as Campbellites. I do this because this is the only proper way I know to designate them. My mind is fully set in refusing
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America's Shame

Certainly it is enough to make angels weep to read these astounding statements quoted by Christian Victory from Pulpit Digest:

"Statistics show that the average American spends \$200.00 per year for pleasure and 50c for all religious causes, Protestant, Catholic and Jewish.

"America spends more for chewing gum than she does for God! If the church could have one-tenth of the amount spent for cigarettes in America (how much of it by church members! Ed.) she could put missionaries in every nook and corner of this lost world of ours to tell the glad story of the love and mercy of God."

"The unbelieving cynic laughs at the money collected in the name of Christianity and speaks about the church being in a 'money-collecting racket'. But the liquor business collects more than 10,000 times as much for their rotten, body-and-soul-destroying business."

Yet some Christians (?) still say, "Well, what's the harm in tobacco or a social drink?" Certainly the above should furnish a conclusive

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