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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."—Isaiah 8:20.

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Are You Interested In Making This An Eight Page Baptist Paper Every Week?

Trust the Lord and tell His people.

In a recent issue, we made an announcement as to the enlargement of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER making it an eight page paper each week, instead of four.

This has been your editor's desire for a long time, just as it has been the request of many of our readers. Ever since the paper was launched under its present editorship (Feb. 4, 1939), there have been continued requests from our readers that it be doubled in size.

To do so will necessitate the purchase of another linotype—the machine with which the type is set, and will require an expenditure of about \$5000.00.

The paper in which this announcement of our proposed enlargement was made was caught in the mail embargo, caused by the switchmen's strike, and was mostly delivered quite late. In fact, we are just now beginning to get our first real response to the editorial contained in that issue.

To date we have received \$115.00 for this proposed en-

largement, with many promises from other friends. Now that the mail embargo is lifted and we can deliver the paper regularly, we anticipate that the money for this linotype purchase will soon be in hand.

There are churches and individuals which can give \$100 toward this work and never miss the money. Actually it seems to me that there should be at least 50 such gifts alone. However, remember what none of us can do alone, all of us together can do.

Last year, I took \$400 out of my salary as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Russell to help keep our paper in the mails. I'll put in the first hundred now in behalf of an eight page paper. Isn't there 49 others who will do likewise? Will you be one of the 49? However, regardless of what you are able to contribute, be it large or small, it will be gladly received and used for His own glory in this printed ministry. May we hear from you, as God may lead you!

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Twelve Reasons Why Christians Should Not Play Cards

By Barney E. Antrobus

1. Card playing is the favorite pastime for many estimable people, but it is also the favorite pastime for the very worst class of people on earth. In fact, playing cards have always associated themselves with dice, whiskey bottles, pistols and all outlaw equipment. Card games will be found running in all saloons, gambling dens, harlot houses anywhere and everywhere wicked men and women congregate. Surely Christians may find some other pastime. This first reason alone should cause any Christian to shudder at the sight of a playing card.

2. Card playing is the path to gambling. People do not become drunkards until they take the first drink. People do not become gamblers until they play their first game. True, there are other forms of gambling, but everybody knows that cards are the chief instruments used by gamblers from time unknown. By learning to play card games men have lost all their earnings and savings and their families have suffered by untold thousands for the bare necessities of life. If Christians must find games of amusement, surely something may be found that will not lead to gambling. What real Christian wants to

amuse himself at a gambling game?

3. Card games have led to many murders and suicides, and will lead to many more. The blood of these men cries to Heaven for vengeance on a vicious and senseless pastime. Christians who play cards have most certainly never thought this matter through to some of its terrible and certain ends. Think this through and pray it through.

4. Card playing is not at all necessary to happiness, or health, or good character, or success. It is no mental or social or spiritual accomplishment. (Continued on page four)

Robert G. Lee Violates God's Word When He Encourages Women To Speak In Public

In "Home Life" for February 1951 on the page entitled "Your Questions," which is conducted by Robert G. Lee, President of the Southern Baptist Convention, the following question and answer was given:

Q. My husband and I belong to a Baptist church. I am a Sunday School superintendent trying to do the best I know how. My husband is opposed to women leading in the church and especially me. He hasn't been to church since last September and says he isn't going as long as I have to jump up and make announcements and carry

A. We have four precious children and they need his guidance in spiritual matters. Otherwise he is a good father and a good provider. I wonder should I give up my church work and just stay at home to please him. If he would go to church and actively engage in its carrying on for the Master, it would be much easier for me to give up. I am afraid my giving up wouldn't help. I am praying daily for guidance and that the Lord will lead

ARMY ACCEPTS FREE BEER

Washington, D. C.—The Army recently accepted 1,200,000 cans of beer from brewing interests as a gift to fighting men in Korea.

The Army said the offer of free beer was made some time ago, after there had been some complaints from servicemen that a ration of one can a day to front line troops had been cut off.

Some people in this country objected against any issue of beer to the fighting men, but the Army said it had received no formal complaints from organizations.

Offers to give 600,000 cans of beer each were made by two large brewing companies. Under-Secretary of the Army, Archibald S. Alexander, telegraphed each as follows:

"Your offer to give approximately 600,000 cans of beer to the forces in Korea is accepted, provided it is of the type furnished to the Army and Air Force through the exchange service."

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HOW ONE RICH MAN REGRETTED HIS LIFE WHEN HE DIED

A striking incident was communicated to the New York Press a few years ago, by a deeply humble minister. One of the leading members of his church was greatly distressed in his last illness, on reviewing his mode of living and reflecting upon his family and the comparatively small sum he had given to the Lord's cause. In every way the pastor endeavored to comfort him. He spoke of his having given cheerfully, and as much as others did. He reminded him that the best of us are unprofitable servants, and must look to the mercy of God in Christ as our only hope. The troubled man found no peace or comfort, and grew more and more uneasy, distressed and agonized as his end drew near. At last taking the hand of his pastor, he said:

"Brother, I am going to the Judge unprepared to meet him, because you have been unfaithful to me. For years I have lived, and taught my family to live largely for this world. We have denied ourselves nothing, but spent thousands on personal comforts. When I gave hundred

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Any Baptism, Not Administered By Authority Of A True Baptist Church Is Alien

Any church whose origin was in mediaeval or modern times is not the church that Christ set up, for the simple reason that it was not in existence when Christ set up His church, and did not come into existence for a long time after. Here are the names of some of them, showing their human origin and the date of their birth:

- Christian Science — Mrs. Eddy—1879.
- Mormons—Joe Smith—1830.
- Christians—Alexander Campbell—1827.
- Methodists—The Wesleys — 1730.
- Episcopalians—Henry VII — 1538.
- Presbyterians — John Calvin —1532.
- Lutherans—Martin Luther—1521.

These are the principal ones, and thus we could do with the others if we took time and space.

Now, by this method of historical elimination, we have removed all claimants of being the church that Christ set up save two, and these two are the

Baptists and Roman Catholics. These two go far back in history and are obscured during the dark ages.

In 200 A. D. (one hundred and thirty years after the death of Paul), when many who were almost contemporaneous with Paul were still alive, we find, according to the historians, that the Baptists and Catholics were quarreling over baptism. It was not the mode of baptism that was the point of controversy. The Roman Catholic church up to the middle of the fourth century immersed as did the Baptists. The controversy arose because the Baptists would not accept as valid, Roman Catholic baptism, saying they had no authority to baptize, and in-

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WHY PRAYERS ARE NOT ANSWERED

"How do I know that it is of any use to pray?" repeated Aunt Dorcas, posing her knitting needles, and looking at the questioner. "Did you ever send a telegraph message? Well, how do you know there was anybody at the other end of that wire, or that your message went where you wanted it to go?"

"Because I received an answer."

"Well, that's the same way I know that prayers are heard, because I've had the answer."

"Maybe, if you had only left your message at the telegraph office, given no address, and gone on your way, without waiting or looking for any reply, you wouldn't believe in telegrams either. That is the way a good many people send their messages to God, and even when the asked-for blessing comes to them they either forget that they ever prayed for it, or they call it one of the things that would have happened anyway."

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"ZEALOUS, BUT WRONG"

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they, being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth."

—Rom. 10:1-4.

Primarily, Paul was speaking about the Jewish people. He declares in the very first verse of this chapter his intense spiritual concern for their salvation. He said that it was even his prayer that they might be saved, that even though they were zealous, their zeal was not according to knowledge. Hence they were zealous, but wrong.

Beloved, what was true of the Jews, is true with multiplied thousands of people all over America today—people who are

zealous, but wrong. It is possible that an individual might be extremely zealous for the cause of Christ, yet he himself be miles removed from the truth.

Let me give you some examples in this respect.

I remember several years ago that there was a young girl, some eighteen or nineteen years of age, who was dying in a hospital. Her father was a Christian—the only member of (Continued on page two)

Some go to prayer, not to ascertain the will of God, but to ask Him to do that on which they have fully set their minds.

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"Zealous, But Wrong"

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The family who was saved. I went to the hospital, hoping that I might have an opportunity to witness to this dying girl. A neighbor lad, who was a Catholic, was there also. As this girl died, though she nor her family had any connection with Catholicism, this Catholic boy took from his pocket what he called holy water and sprinkled me, this girl, her father, and the entire room with that water. So far as the sprinkling of the water was concerned, it did no one any good. I have often thought of it, though, as to the zeal of that lad in doing what he thought might avail something in the sight of God. How zealous he was and at the same time how far wrong he was!

Let me give you another experience:

I remember an aged Jewish man who boasted of the fact that he could speak ten languages, and I judge his education was sufficient that he could. Even though he could speak ten languages, the one language that he needed to speak was the language of Heaven. He knew nothing at all about it because he had rejected God's Son.

Jesus Himself said:
"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

—John 14:6.

No man who rejects the Son of God will ever see the Father's face.

This aged Jew was a stranger to the grace of God but he was one of the most zealous individuals that I ever saw in my life when it comes to the propagation of what he thought was the truth. He was zealous, but wrong.

I can remember a Hardshell Baptist preacher who used to work down at the new car shops at Raceland. I never went down there one time to preach but what that man didn't ask me some Bible question. I don't think that I have ever dealt with any individual who was more intensely sincere or who was more zealous in what he believed than was that individual, yet, beloved, that man was miles removed from the truth. He was badly and hopelessly confused as to the plan of salvation. He was zealous, but he was wrong.

I can recall a Methodist preacher who was pastor of the Southern Methodist Church some fifteen years ago here in Russell, who told me one day that his bishop told him when he was sent here that he was being placed in Russell in order to set this town right. One day he called me and asked me to come around to his study. I

spent about two hours in conversation with him. That poor fellow didn't know the first thing about the plan of salvation. He even went so far as to tell me that if Jesus Christ had never come to this world that men could have been saved without the Son of God. He was zealous, but he was ignorant of the grace of God.

Sometime ago a Campbellite from over in Huntington came to visit me in the study and invited me to engage in a religious debate with him,—the debate to be held in South Point, Ohio. He had selected that place for the debate because he had been holding a revival meeting there, and due to the opposition that had developed from some of the Baptists there, he thought that there should be a Baptist-Campbellite debate. I talked with this individual and found him to be a most pleasing personality. He was zealous as I wish you and I were, but, beloved that man told me himself that there never would be any individual saved apart from having been totally immersed in water. He even went so far as to declare that Jesus Christ Himself would have gone to Hell if He hadn't been baptized by John the Baptist. He was zealous, but he was wrong.

Beloved, there are many people just like these Jews to whom Paul wrote who are zealous. They are extremely zealous for what they believe, yet like the Jews of Paul's day they were zealous but wrong.

I

WHY SHOULD WE PRAY FOR SUCH INDIVIDUALS?

If you will notice carefully, Paul voiced a prayer in behalf of these zealous, sincere, but wrong, individuals. You and I ought to do likewise.

We should pray for them in view of the fact that they are so zealous. There is such a dullness in the religious world today. There is such a coldness and fridity on the part of the average church member today. As I have often said, the average Baptist reminds me of an individual who has taken a pullman sleeper and left word for the porter to call him when the train heads into the yards of the New Jerusalem. The majority of folk are so listless, and so dull, and so entirely devoid of zeal and sincerity. They are so utterly unwilling to be of service and to be used in the service of the Lord Jesus Christ.

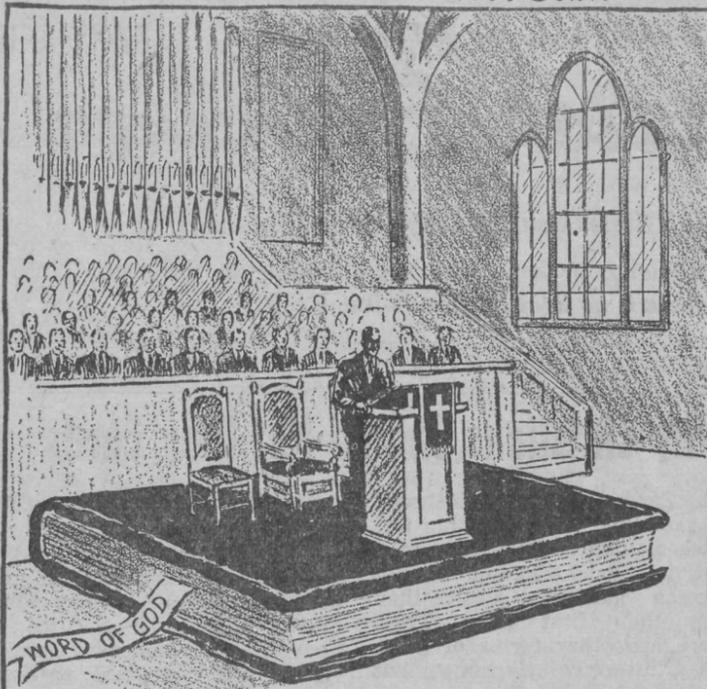
I say then, beloved, it does us good to find someone that is zealous in what he thinks is the cause of Christ. Therefore, because these individuals are so zealous, we ought to pray for them.

Again, we ought to pray for these who are zealous but wrong because of the harm that they may do to others. The man who is wrong but isn't zealous in regard to that wrong, isn't going to harm anyone else; but the man who is zealous as well as wrong, is going to harm people by what he preaches.

I know people who have lived here in Russell who have been zealous but wrong, who have preached false doctrine and have propagated it very intensely. They have done exceeding great wrong to the cause of Christ, for they have led a number of souls astray by the preaching that they have done.

As an example, notice the Saducees and the Pharisees of Jesus' day. Both groups were confused as to the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. As a result, they persecuted others in their

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But the Word of the Lord endureth forever.
And this is the word which by the gospel
is preached unto you. 1 Peter 1:25

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zeal. To this day, men who are zealous but wrong, may do much harm unto others because of their zeal without knowledge.

I say then, beloved, because of the harm that they may do to others, we need to pray for these who are zealous, but wrong.

Then again, we ought to pray for these individuals who are zealous but are wrong because they could be so useful to the cause of Christ if they were saved. I never stand before a congregation to preach but what I think how much some individual could be used for the glory of God if only that one were saved. Especially is it true of the individual who is zealous in what he thinks is right.

I am thinking just now of one here in Russell who is a Catholic, who has been very kind and courteous to me through the years. That man is an unsaved man, though he thinks that he is saved. He gets up early on Sunday morning and goes to church in all kinds of weather. He has a lot more zeal than many Baptists in this town, for many Baptists have the kind of religion that when it gets too cold in the winter or too hot in the summer, or whenever it rains in any season, they find it much more convenient to stay at home than to come to the house of the Lord.

This Catholic of whom I speak practices all kinds of mortifications as to his body in an attempt to hold his body in control. He gives money regularly, he fasts, he prays (at least he reads many prayers daily from his prayer book), and he is obedient to the various rites and ceremonies of his church. That man is one of the most zealous individuals in this town religiously, yet, beloved, he is a lost man. If a man in his ignorance puts the time and the money and the effort into what he thinks is a service of the Lord, then surely he would be of real value if he would actually sit at Jesus' feet and be taught of Him and become a child of God.

I say then, we ought to pray for these who are zealous but wrong because they could be so useful in the cause of Christ if they were saved.

We ought to pray for those who are zealous but lost because it is so difficult to con-

vert them. I can lead an old drunken sot, or a hardened sinner of the worst kind, to the truth concerning Jesus Christ a thousand times quicker than I can that self-righteous man who is depending upon his self-righteousness and upon his own false profession of religion. In the case of the man who is immoral and who is definitely in need of the Lord Jesus Christ, that man, beloved, realizes that he has nothing on which to depend. As for the man who is zealous and has a false religion, he is depending upon that false religion and he has to realize first of all the falsity and the hopelessness of his false religion before being interested in becoming a child of God.

I say to you, of all the individuals for whom we ought to pray, and pray earnestly, it is that individual who is zealous but lost, because it is so difficult to see them converted to the Lord Jesus Christ.

II

WHAT ONE MAY BE AND YET BE LOST.

He may have sincerity and still be lost. That was true of these to whom Paul wrote, for he said, "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved."—Rom. 10:1.

Notice again:
"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man; but the end thereof are the ways of death."—Prov. 14:12.

Beloved, though it may seem to be right to you, the question is, does it measure up to the standards of God? If it doesn't, it is a false way.

Here's a simple illustration: As you know, Ashland is due

east from Russell. Now suppose after the service is over that you decide you are going to Ashland. You get in your car and start driving west, and I say, "My brother, where are you going?" and you say, "I am going to Ashland." I say, "But man, Ashland is in the other direction." You shake your head and you say, "Oh, no, Brother Gilpin, I am going definitely in the direction which I want to go, which will bring me ultimately to Ashland."

Now, beloved, you are sincere in what you are doing, but it is going to be a long, long time before you get to Ashland.

Likewise, if you have a desire to get to Heaven, you have to get started in the right direction. There is no use for you to be sincere nor for you to be zealous, if your zeal is concerning a wrong cause.

Furthermore, beloved, a man may be ignorant and still be lost, for Paul says of these individuals:

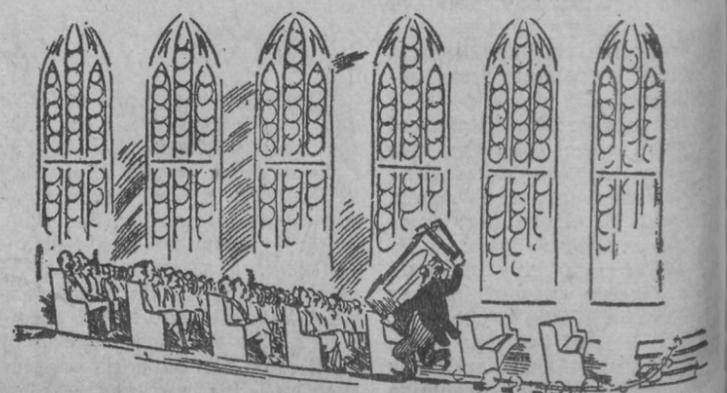
"For they, being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God."

—Rom. 10:3.

Here is a man who is a preacher and who stands before his congregation and reads a religious essay. In that essay he says that the supreme value of the death of Jesus Christ is that it furnishes us an example that we ought to be true to our convictions, even if we have to die for them. Now, beloved, that is false. It is a lie from beginning to end. The supreme value of the death of Jesus Christ is not that it furnishes us an example. A sinner doesn't need an example; he needs a Saviour, a Substitute. The supreme value of the death of Jesus is not an example for sinners, but a substitute for lost sinners who realize that Jesus Christ died for their sins. Such a preacher is ignorant. He is a Scriptural moron.

Here is another individual who goes to the priest and who confesses his sins. I can imagine him as he sits on one side of a little partition while the priest sits on the other side with his ear to the peep hole as this man whispers his sins into the ear of a man who has just as many sins and who needs forgiveness as much as the man who makes the confession. The priest on the one side is a fallible human being just the same as the man who is making the confession. Both are in need of a Saviour. The priest on the one side may say to the man, "You say so many 'Hail Mary's,'" or "You say so many prayers of one type or another." That man goes away and with his string of beads he speaks a prayer over each, thinking he is serving the Lord. Beloved, what that man needs is the atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ about which he knows nothing and concerning which

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"Ah yes, there you are—May I join the huddle?"

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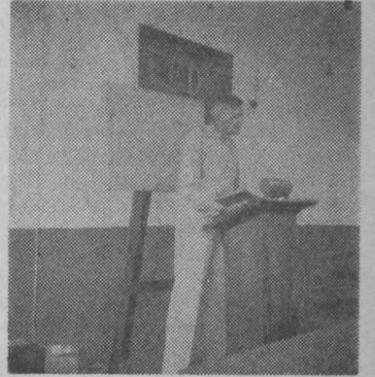
Enrollment for the Daily Vacation Bible School, First Baptist Church, Iquitos, Peru was held on Friday, January 5, 1951. Only 43 enrolled that day but on the first and second days of school quite a few more showed up so that we had a total enrollment of 67, with an average attendance of 56. One day we had hard rain all morning which brought our attendance down quite a bit, but all the other days of the school the weather was favorable. The doors opened each morning at 8 a.m., with ten minutes allowed for arriving. From 8:10 to 8:30 was spent in singing, then ten minutes for roll call. Then father gave a devotional each morning from 8:40 to 8:50. From 8:50 to 9:20 I taught a Bible lesson to the children. After that each day we spent ten minutes learning a new song, usually something with respect to the lesson of the day. 9:30 to 10:00 was spent work-

ing on their notebooks and from 10:00 to 10:30 handwork. The first thing each morning they sang their theme song—E. B. D. V., which in English is D. V. B. S., or literally "Escuela Biblica de Vacaciones." The school was divided into three departments: primary, junior and intermediate. So many of the children do not know how to read and write well enough to keep a regular notebook. We used a hectograph outfit to make special notebooks for the primaries and juniors. Each days lesson was illustrated by a drawing and the memory verse written underneath. During the time allotted for notebook work the ones who used these notebooks colored the pictures and learned the memory verse. For example: on the day we studied about Samuel, our memory verse was "Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth." I Samuel 3:9. The drawing for that day was a boy

with his hands cupped behind his ears. One day our verse was Mark 16:15, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The picture to illustrate this verse was two feet walking. We also studied the wordless book and on these days they colored the drawing of the pages, the color corresponding to the days lesson. The intermediates copied an outline of each days lesson.

Others Help

Senorita Minita Guabloche and Nelly del Aguila had charge of the Primary children after the Bible lesson was taught. Mother and Senora Senora Zoila de Gaima had the Juniors and Sra. Petronila de Ruiz helped me with the Intermediates. Don Juan Castro came each day at 10 to teach the intermediates their handwork. He is a carpenter and (Next page, column one)



Brother R. P. Hallum giving the devotion.



Don Juan Castro holding handwork of two of the older pupils.

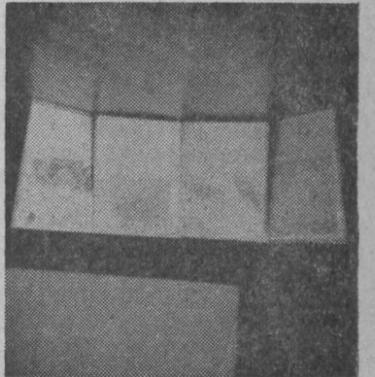
A Letter From Miguel Ibernon To Brother Brandon

(This letter is from Miguel Ibernon the pastor at Cruzeiro do Sul. It tells its own story of the interference by other missionaries, who "butt" in and try to take over another's work. This letter was sent to Brother Smith for him to forward on to Brother Brandon. Bro. Smith translated it into English and sent us a copy. We are sharing it with all who support the work as it gives some of the many problems on the mission field. Read how this native Brazilian preacher pours out his heart in this letter. Ed). Great Friend Brother Brandon: I am writing this because of the great necessity of giving you notice of what is happening here. Brother Brandon, many new things have come up recently; the Adventists are beginning to start work here. I need you much here, but I know it is impossible now, so I ask you for your prayers and there, also for Lord to help in the prayers of all the brethren with the Adventists and Pentecostals. The Lord has helped me

much in the teaching of sound doctrine and yet the brethren here are firm in the faith—Bro. Machado (Ax) is very strong on the side of sound doctrine, thanks to the Lord and he helps very much in keeping the others together and working. Pray also that the Lord will give me wisdom to always teach and preach the truth. Another thing, there arrived in my house a missionary who says that he is a Baptist. He came as a surprise; I was waiting for our missionary and he came in one day and I thought for a little while that he was 'O Mis-sionario Louranco' (Missionary Lawrence), but I know well that he isn't a very good Baptist and I don't have much confidence in him. I hope that God will not let him tear up the work here but some of the members are beginning to take after him. I have greater fear of a man like that, who will come into your house and lead your church away from you, than an Adventist, don't you

think that I have reason to believe this? His name is Jose Morreno (Joe in English) and he receives communication from Guaraja Mirim (a city in Territory of Guapore-Porto Velho is capital). They like to work very much with Indians. He has received much sympathy from some of the members and also some of the workers of the church. I am not exaggerating in this and I have asked that each of the others write to you an account of this, too. No other person that has come has taken the liberty that this man has—walking into my house and taking over, but the Lord will take care of His work. Our missionary hasn't gotten here yet, and it is of great necessity that he come to us and even more now that this man is here. If he doesn't get here very soon to help with this man I will tackle him alone. This is very important matter because, as you know, any one coming from the outside has a great influence on these people, especially an American. I want to ask you to spend much time in the pres- (Next page, column one)

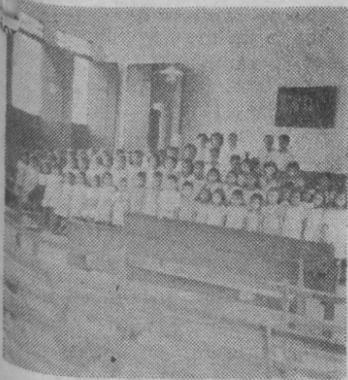
"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. —Matt. 28:19,20.



Notebooks made by Marguerite Hallum for the children who could not read and write very well.



E. B. D. V. Escuela Biblica de Vacaciones. This is Daily Vacation Bible School in Spanish. Notice the crown with the stars on it for the scripture verse memorized.

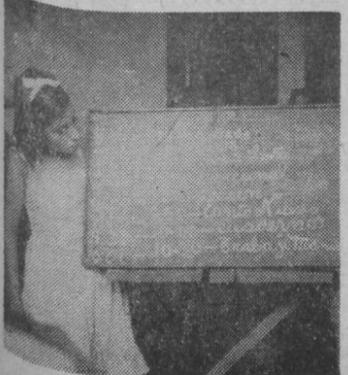


The children arrive for school and stand and sing. First Baptist Church, Iquitos, Peru.

"Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."—Acts 1:8.



The teaching staff. In the back row is Marguerite, Bro. Hallum and Mrs. Hallum. Front row left to right: Sra. Zoila de Gaima, Sra. Nelly del Aguila, Sra. Petronila de Ruez, Sr. Juan Castro, Sra. Minita Guabloche.



Zoila del Aguila looks over the schedule for the day.



Minita Guabloche enrolling the students.

DON TOMAS SENDS MONTHLY REPORTS

Don Tomas the native missionary in Bueneventure, Columbia, sends Brother Hallum a monthly report of his work. He lists the date in one column and the place in the next one and the number of persons conversed with in the next column and the passages of Scriptures used in the next column and the printed material given out in the next column and the professions, if any, in the last column. Thus he reports his labors for each day of the month.



Primary students working on their notebooks.



Miss Marguerite Hallum teaching a Bible lesson to the children.

NOTICE

Anyone desiring more information about this mission work write to the Secretary of the Mission. Address your letter to:

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Detroit 11, Mich.

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(Preceding page, column four) prepared some boards about 8 x 10 inches for them to make motto wall plaques. I got a quantity of spaghetti letters from soup and dyed them different colors. After sandpapering their boards and varnishing them, each pupil chose the verse he wanted on his board. After that they would pick out the letters they would need, and then went to work glueing them on. Some of them turned out very nice work. The wood was a very bright color, and the colors of the letters bright, so they made a very nice appearance. After they were finished, they put on another coat of varnish overall. This not only gave a nicer appearance, but was found necessary to protect the letters from the cockroaches, as we learned from experience. For the closing exercises the house was full and running over. There was hardly any room and the windows were full too. The children did extra well on their singing and others parts of the program. I am sure their singing could have been heard two blocks away. Each one wore a crown—each department a different color—with colored stars to represent the number of memory verses each child had learned. An extra gold star was given for perfect attendance. Quite a number who had never been to Sunday School before are continuing so far each Sunday. We trust and pray that the seed sown will bear fruit. Pray with us to that end.

Marguerite Hallum



Miguel Ibernou

(Preceding page, column four) ence of God over this matter and I will too, and also pray that the Lord will help me. All the workers here are in peace and working. We have another conversion here in the church in Cruzeiro. The Lord our God says that if two agree in anything and go to the Father in the name of the Son it will be done by my Father as the same as for me. He will give us great things. Matt. 18:18-19; Jer. 33:3. God looks upon the earth to give strength. II Chron. 16:9. To those with a heart acceptable to Him, and the Lord knows that I want to serve Him with all my strength. It is God who has strength therefore He gives me strength as this verse says. Give an embrace to all the brothers for me there and also salute the Churches of Christ.

Miguel Ibernou.

P. S. I do not accept other doctrine. I will not give the work into another's hand and neither will I leave the work.



If Jesus had done the same for you that you have done for the heathen, what would be your condition today?

Can you prove to Christ that you are not called to be a missionary?

Do you enjoy the money you spend on yourself and begrudge what you give to missions?

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY 1951

Table listing financial contributions from various churches and individuals for January 1951. Includes entries like Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, North Side Baptist Church, etc., with amounts in dollars and cents.

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DYING IN THE LORD

By J. F. BRANDON

I stood by the bedside of a dying man who made a profession to the Roman Catholic faith. Devoutly to his faith he had lived all of the time I had known him, yet too, often had he stood in the window of my home and heard me preach the Gospel. His two brothers were members of the church I had organized in the little town of Codajaz on the upper Amazon River in Brazil. There was no priest near enough to call for him, so one of his brothers sug-

gested that I be called to read a portion from the Bible, to bring comfort in his departing hour. So as I reasoned with him in regard to his soul salvation, he asked me, if a Catholic believes what you believe, will he not be saved, or must one become a Baptist in order to be saved? Then I gave him the assurance that, "He that believeth on the Son of God hath life," John 3:36; Acts 16:31. And such a restful expression as possessed the personality of the man as he said, "Now I can die in peace, for many weeks ago as I stood in your window hearing you preach, I found peace in my

SMITH, PHYSICALLY IMPROVED, HOPES TO GO TO CRUZEIRO TO SEE THE WORK THERE

January 27, 1951

Dear Brother Overbey:

It is with great pleasure that I write you this information. As far as I can tell the medicine cured the infection in my kidneys, as the urine specimen showed no albumin and I haven't had any headaches or dizziness and also I feel generally stronger and more like working. I thank the Lord for this and pray that the Lord will keep me well so I will be able to do His work here. I will write to Dr. Lapham in the near future. Wednesday the 24th was the day of inauguration of the new airline to Cruzeiro do Sul from Manaus. This is a great blessing and the passage from here all the way to Cruzeiro is less than the passage from here to Rio Branco. It is 1,441.20 Cruzeiros. Buying a round-trip would make it even cheaper and the plane makes a trip a week, going up Wednesday and coming back Thursday. You will be able to trace the line, if you care, on the map that you have by following the line of the following towns: Manaus, Cordajais, Coari, Tefecaruarui, Eirunepe and Cruzeiro do Sul. It follows the rivers roughly. I believe in a short time we will be able to go anywhere in Brazil without difficulty and also from the States will be much shorter and cheaper passage. You will be able to realize just how needful it is to visit there when you read the enclosed letter, a translation of the letter to Bro. Brandon. It is bad that anyone has not been able to visit there in so long and one needs to visit all the points of the mission work up the Jurua when he is there, too. In other words, spend about a month, and should be done immediately. It would have already been done had Satan not kept me back. I believe it was somewhat like the message sent to Daniel in answer to his prayer and the angel that was carrying the message was delayed for a time by an angel of Satan. If you folks pray enough and we pray enough this time, I think there might be a different story. Yours in His service.

Lawrence Smith.

Marguerite Works Hard To Help Get Lewises To Peru

Iquitos, Peru

January 23, 1951

Dear Brother Overbey:

I trust that you received the cablegram which I sent you the first part of the month advising of the granting of the permit to the Lewises for entrance to Peru. Dr. Money advised me that he would be writing you but as I knew you were planning on leaving town, though perhaps a cable would get the news to you sooner. We were very happy when we learned of this permit going through, as one never knows when they are going to start saying "No." As to the matter of getting the tickets here in 'soles,' the situation is different here from that in Brazil in that there is no official exchange. The government stopped controlling the exchange a year or so ago, and everything is free market. The Grace Line in Lima (they are agents for Panagra—the South American end of Pan American Airlines) quoted me the ticket prices in dollars and said "Payment of these fares can be effected in the equivalent of soles at the free rate of exchange on the day of payment." For some reason they gave me both boat and plane fare from New York, although I do not believe I asked for price from New York. At any rate they run about the same, taking in the difference in exchange. Boat fare from New York in a two berth cabin, \$39. Plane fare by tourist plane \$30 plus 2 percent tax. For this reason (no official exchange rate) there is no advantage in getting the tickets here. Last Friday night we had the closing exercises for our two weeks DVBS with every bench packed, hardly any standing room and all windows full. We had a good school, although quite so many enrolled year as last. We were thankful for strength from day to day to enable us to carry on. Weather was favorable except for one day of torrential down-pour. Will write in more detail about the school as soon as I get the pictures from the photographer. Yours in Him, Marguerite Hallum

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR LEWISES PASSAGE

NOVEMBER

Table listing special offerings for November: Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. \$125.00; First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. \$74.00.

DECEMBER

Table listing special offerings for December: Friends in Jackson, Mich. 10.00; Richard Poore, Washington, D. C. 20.00; Mrs. Ida C. Bryan, St. Albans, W. Va. 5.00; Macedonia Baptist Church, Ripley, Tenn. 28.00; Mrs. James Meadows, Towanda, Pa. 10.00.

JANUARY

Table listing special offerings for January: Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. 3.00; Mrs. Lillian Barker, Covington, Ky. 1.00.

Total for November, December and January\$777.00

As we go to press we are advised by phone that Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Michigan, has raised over \$500.00 to help send Brother Lewis and family to Peru. It will be listed in the next issue of the Mission Sheets.

The above special offerings have been included in the regular report.

soul and said, I do believe with all my heart and accept Jesus as my only Saviour. I asked him why he had never made the profession of this faith public and he replied, that he had promised his father on his death bed that he would never

depart from the Roman faith. Satan would deceive, if possible, the very elect of God. Matt. 24:24. But it is not possible. Christ is the hope of glory. Col. 1:27. He will manifest at some time, in some way. Rom. 10:10.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

By HENRY H. POWELL

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? Suppose the doors of every church in your community were closed, never to open again; and the house of God had become the habitation of bats and of owls, and the pulpit and the pews were all covered with dust.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? And suppose the foundation of the house of God had given away, the doors tumbled down and the windows were broken out, and the roof admitted the snow and the rain.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? Now suppose the churchhouse had been moved away; leaving no steeple to grace the roadside, directing the traveler toward heaven.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? Just suppose the church house had been moved away; and the old church-yard was now plowed for profit, and the path that once led to the house of God, was now covered with weeds and briars and grass.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? Suppose there were no Sunday School, and no one who cared to gather the children on the Lord's day for an hour, teaching the things of

God. With no prayer meetings, and from nobody's lips a prayer could be heard.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? Just suppose the preachers and the members who cared, had all gone away, and suppose no one was left among us who cared, if the doors of the house of God were closed, nor even if the church house had been moved away.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO CHURCH IN YOUR COMMUNITY? Suppose there was no one to whom you could turn when the hour of death should strike; no hymn books nor Bibles in all the land. No preacher to read from the Word of God, nor breath a prayer in our behalf.

WHAT IF THIS SHOULD COME TO PASS NEXT SUNDAY? And should find you in your usual way, of sleeping late, or just too tired, if not plain lazy; and no one was found in all the land who cared if the doors to the house of God were opened at all.

WHAT IF THIS SHOULD COME TO PASS NEXT SUNDAY? And should find you unaware that the house of God was for-ever closed, and the preacher had gone away, together with all the saved to be with the Lord.

WHAT IF THIS SHOULD COME TO

PASS NEXT SUNDAY? And should find you in your usual place, just sitting around or strolling about, or seeking the pleasure that the world has to offer, which lasts only for a season. And then you found (but at last too late) that the church was gone; and the church-yard plowed for profit. While the path that led to the house of God, was now grown up with weeds and briars.

WHAT IF THIS SHOULD COME TO PASS NEXT SUNDAY? And should find you in your usual mood; well, whose business is it if I don't go to church, or bother to send in my tithe. It costs too much to maintain the church, and the preacher's a pestilent fellow. They always pass the plate when I chance to be around; and I'm sure the church is a burden to the world. So take it along, get it out of the way, it is far more profitable to plow the ground where the old church stands.

Now, dear friend, you simply cannot afford to give the wrong answers to the above questions, and answer you must. There is not any neutral position. Jesus said in Matthew 12:30, and Luke 11: 23, "He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." To stay away from church, places you definitely on the side of those who would destroy the church,

deny the Bible, close the doors to the house of God, drive all the Christians from our midst, and kill their ministers.

Remember, "those who stoned Stephen to death laid their clothes at a young man's feet, named Saul." And those today who are trying to close our church doors by sowing seeds of strife and discouragement among the church members; and of making character assassination attacks on the preacher, are laying their clothes at the feet of all those who stay away from their church. There is no neutral position; Jesus said, "He that is not with me is against me."

And now, my dear friend, I beg you in the name of all that holy, and pure, and upright; to take your family, your wife and your little ones, and go to the house of the Lord next Lord's day, and every Lord's day. Make it your business to see to it that there is a church in your community, and that it remains open until Jesus comes again.

The above questions are too important for you and me to leave to others; you cannot wait for someone else to open the doors of your church on Sunday morning; do it yourself. You cannot afford to wait for someone else to pay the expense of your church, "Lay by in store every Lord's day as God prospers you."

"Zealous, But Wrong"

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priest has said nothing. That is ignorant. He is exactly like the crowd that Paul was speaking about — ignorant of the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The individual in Africa or in South America knows nothing about Christianity. Imagine, beloved, a man carrying an image in front of him — an image that he has made as his god. If he would only pause to analyze what he is doing, he would realize that he has made the god he is worshipping. Oh,

how pitiable for a man to worship as a god that which he himself has created. That man is ignorant just exactly like the crowd that Paul was talking about when he wrote the book of Romans.

Beloved, there are people right here in front of me who are just as ignorant. You say, "Brother Gilpin, I don't go to a priest. I have more sense than that. You know that I don't follow the advice of a preacher who would say that the death of Jesus Christ furnishes us an example that we should be true to our convictions. I don't bow down to an image that I have made and call it god. You know that I have more sense than that." Listen, beloved, you are just as ignorant if you have failed to see that Jesus Christ on Calvary's Cross was God's answer to the sin question. You are just as ignorant as these about whom I have spoken.

Beloved, sin has to be paid for. You can go to Hell and pay for it, or you can trust Jesus Christ who died on the Cross to pay for it. If you have rejected the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour and if you are trying to work out your salvation by your deeds, or by your church membership, or are trying to do something to placate the wrath of God and have not fully depended upon Jesus Christ, the Son of God, as your Saviour, you are as ignorant of spiritual truths as these that I have mentioned. Likewise an individual can be self-righteous and be lost.

"For they, being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God."—Rom. 10:3.

Here is a man who has prided himself on his self-righteousness. He feels that his goodness is sufficient to take him home to glory. He hasn't submitted himself unto the righteousness of the Lord. Instead of trusting Jesus as his Saviour he is depending to a great extent upon himself. That man is self-righteous. Paul says he is lost.

Here is a lost sinner who thinks that he will be saved by doing the best he can and by keeping the law. One day he reads in the Word of God some passage of Scripture that stirs his heart. He says, "I had bet-

ter add a bit of religion. I'll join the church and I'll be baptized and I'll attend worship services regularly." He is baptized into the church and he takes the Sacrament, and he says, "Don't you think that I am doing pretty well? Don't you think I will come pretty square with the Lord?" Beloved, that man is depending upon his own self-righteousness. He will never, never, never know how far from God he is until he comes face to face with death to realize that he is going out into eternity without a single thing to depend upon.

I tell you, beloved, a man can be self-righteous but lost. Did you ever see a treadmill? Sometime ago I visited a large dog kennel and the man who owned that dog kennel had a treadmill. He put those large dogs, one at a time on that treadmill, and as it would move backwards the dog moved forward and the man ground the corn for his livestock by the dog power of that treadmill. Though those dogs worked with increasing activity and though they fiercely lunged forward, when he took the dog off the treadmill, the dog hadn't moved forward one step.

I thought as I looked upon it how many people there are who are trying to climb to Heaven on a treadmill of their own experience. Brother, sister, you can come just as near going to Heaven by your self-righteousness, as that dog, who couldn't go one step forward.

III

WHAT ONE MUST DO TO BE SAVED.

Paul tells these who are sincere and are ignorant and are self-righteous what they could have done to be saved. Maybe I speak to someone who is sincere, who thinks because he is doing the best he can that he is going to Heaven. Maybe I speak to one, who in his ignorance has been trying to worship God. Maybe I speak to someone who is self-righteous, who thinks that because he is doing the best he can, that his own goodness will appease and placate the wrath of God. Beloved, that is the crowd that

Paul was writing to. He told them what they had to do to be saved. Listen.

"For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth."—Rom. 10:4.

Beloved, if you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, He will provide you with all the righteousness that you need. The day that you see the truth that Jesus died for your every sin and believe upon the Son of God as your Saviour, that day your sins are put on Jesus Christ and the righteousness of God is put on you.

From the hour that I received Jesus Christ, my sins have been on Him. From that hour the righteousness of Jesus Christ has been my covering, so that I can say:

"My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness."

Do you want to be saved? Would you like to be a child of God? Then, beloved, there is just one thing that you have to do, and that is to submit to the

righteousness of God which is yours in the Lord Jesus Christ.

You say, "It looks so simple. It does look like I ought to do something myself." Beloved, what I am trying to get you to do is to get away from trying to do something yourself. I am trying to get you to see that all you need to do is to believe on Jesus Christ.

Whenever you go shopping, regardless of what you buy, the problem of the seller is to get you up to his price. You want to buy cheaper than what he wants to sell. My problem is a different problem. It is just the opposite. My problem is to get you down to the price that has to be paid for salvation—that is, the price that Jesus paid on Calvary's Cross. It isn't for you to do something. It is to trust what Jesus Christ has done for you. I need to get you to come down to the price that was paid 1900 years ago by the Son of God at Calvary's Cross.

I say to you, the way to (Continued on page four)

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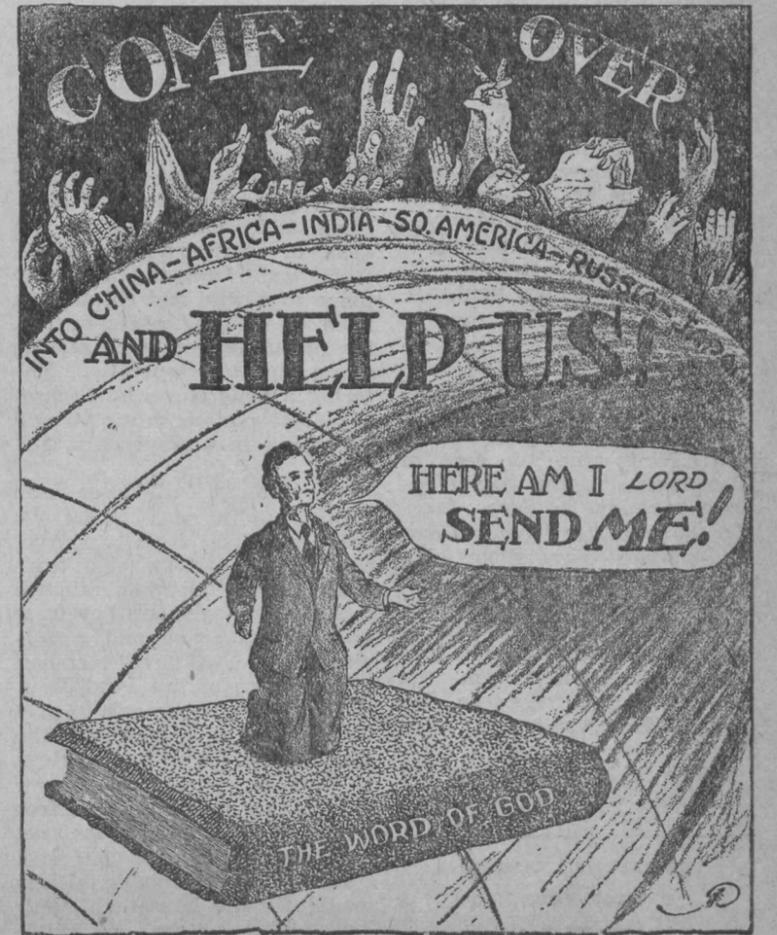
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Ed. Note:

In contrast to the word telegraphed by the Secretary of the Army, GOD SAID:

"Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness."—Hab. 2:15.



"Zealous, But Wrong"

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Heaven is closed to any individual who is too proud to confess himself as a Hell-deserving sinner. If you are too proud to confess yourself a sinner and to believe that Jesus Christ died for your sins, the door to Heaven is closed as far as you are concerned. God will never save any man who is too proud to submit himself unto the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ which is ours by faith in the Son of God.

That is why I like that old song:

"Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,

That saved a wretch like me I once was lost, but now am found,

Was blind, but now I see."

This past week I was reading how the soldiers in the armies of Claudius Caesar always went forth to battle with a coin under their tongue. The idea was that if one of them fell in battle, he would have that coin in his mouth to pay Charon, the ferryman, for his voyage over the Styx River into the Elysian fields. When in the Elysian fields he would meet the Emperor Claudius and he would enter his service once again.

As I read that, I thought how many people there are today who have subscribed to something just as foolish. Listen, beloved, what you need when you come down to the end of the way is not a coin to pay your way, it is not works that you have done, it is not religion that has been wrought up for you—what you need is salvation which was given in the death of the Lord Jesus Christ at Calvary. The only way that you can pass from this life unto the next, happy, saved, and safe, will be by the death of the Lord Jesus Christ. May you submit yourself unto the righteousness of God just now.

May the Lord bless you!



Twelve Reasons

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ment. Ninety-nine per cent of all ministers of the gospel oppose the game in every form. All the leading denominations of Christians have from time to time published their opposition to this dangerous practice. If the game is harmless, as its advocates contend, why this universal opposition from the greatest moral forces in the world? Pause, and think this over!

5. The Bible, the book of the Christian, condemns such

things. In I Thess. 5:21 and 22 the apostle of the Lord Jesus tells us to prove all things and to hold fast that which is good, and to "abstain from all appearance of evil." There's nothing good in card games to hold to when we put the game to the test of results. There are many things that the Christian may give his time to about which there is no appearance of evil. A loving and prayerful and steady perusal of the Bible will take away all desire for cards and card games.

6. Card games waste the time of the Christian. We are told in Ephesians 5:15 that Christians are to "walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil." The Revised Version reads: "Look therefore carefully how ye walk." And Moffat's translation reads: "Be strictly careful." Now, the plain teaching is that the Christian has no time to dabble with the questionable sports of the world, but to use this time in most things that will make for the salvation of men. Most Christians are woefully in need of Bible knowledge and need sorely to use every spare minute in reading it and other pure Christian literature.

7. Card games are works of the flesh and belong to the unsaved and not to the saved. In Galatians 5:21 we are told that "revelings and such like" are works of the flesh and not of the spirit. Card games are usually "revelings" often resulting as stated above in murder, great financial loss, drinking and carousing. In I Pet. 4:3 the apostle of our Lord tells us that before conversion these things attracted, but after conversion they were to be put away. After reading these passages one is convinced that gay parties carried on with the playthings of the world are to be avoided. The only honest, safe and sane thing for Christians to do in the matter is to obey I Thess. 5:22 and "abstain from all appearance of evil."

8. Card playing Christians are never known to be faithful Bible readers or prayer meeting attendants. Cards and card company kill out the desire for fellowship with the Bible, or the atmosphere of a prayer room.

9. One example known to the writer ought to settle the matter forever with any honest person. Here is the heart-breaking, true story. An innocent country boy, a farm hand, was taught to play cards by the man and woman for whom he worked. He liked the game, kept it up, married, and was rearing a family in an Illinois city. Week by week a part of his wages went over the gambling table. One night in the dead of winter all his wages were lost. Dragging his way home to a wife and children in need of the necessities of life, his remaining bit of conscience stung him to desperation. Entering a drug store, he secured a vial of poison, drank it, and lay down in a snow drift and died.

The woman still lives who taught him to play cards; she belongs to a Baptist church; she tells this story with tears and remorse, but her remorse cannot bring back this boy from a gambler's grave and a suicide's doom. Church member, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I plead with you to give up forever this game of the Devil. Wash your hands clean of it. Take your place in your church as a free man or a free woman, escape from the net Satan has spread for your feet.

10. What respectable citizen would fill his house with outlaw equipment such as stilet-

Robert G. Lee

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husband's objection and fussing. You cannot truly claim your husband is a good provider when his provision includes only material things. The Bible speaks of a man who does not provide spiritual realities in these words: "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel" (I Tim. 5:8).

Keep on working in the church. Put Christ above all. Don't fuss at your husband's fussing.

Well, well, well, this certainly is a let-down for those who have been boasting about the Scripturalness of Robert G. Lee.

I am quite ready to agree with Brother Lee that the Bible does say that the women may pray and prophesy. However, there is no Scripture that gives women the right to pray or prophesy in public assembly. They may do so in a congregation of women, but never in a congregation composed of both sexes.

As for example, notice that God says that men only are to pray in public.

"I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting."—I Tim. 2:8.

In the Greek language there are two words for men. One means men in contradistinction to women. The other is the word for mankind, which includes both men and women. The Greek word which is translated in this text is the first. It is the word for the male sex, as opposed to the female.

Furthermore, the definite article is used, which would indicate clearly that it is the male sex in opposition to the female who are commanded to do the public praying. While it is true that women are to pray, this Scripture prohibits them from public prayer when men are present.

This isn't the only prohibition placed upon women. She is not to teach men.

"But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence."—I Tim. 2:12.

No woman ought to teach a Sunday School class of boys beyond the twelfth year.

She is not to usurp authority over the man.

She is not to speak in church.

"Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law."—I Cor. 14:34.

She is not to even ask questions publicly.

After giving these instructions, Paul declares that no man is even spiritually minded if he

tos, "knucks," pistols, whiskey bottles, burglar's tools, "jimnies," hypo-needles, dope and skeleton keys? What reason then can a Christian give for the purchase and use of the most popular gambling device in the world?

11. What Christian person in the light of Col. 3:17 can think of playing cards, or of dancing, movies, or other worldly amusements when we know they hinder spirituality and bring disaster to many? "Whatsoever ye do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through Him."

12. I Thess. 5:21-22 says: "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil." What Christian in the light of this can do less than look up in the face of his Lord and Saviour and ask: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" And then answer faithfully: "By thy grace I will."



A Rich Man's Death

objects to these teachings as to a woman's place of submission. "If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord."—I Cor. 14:37.

I don't know Brother Lee personally. The brethren who know him refer to him as a very spiritual man. It does seem that the opinion of "the brethren" and that of God are quite different. I prefer to take sides with God's opinion.

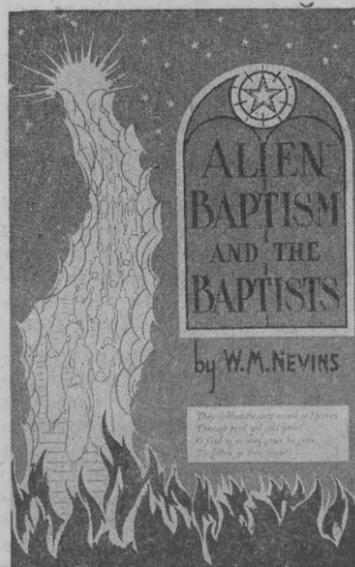
Finally, in this connection Paul says:

"But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant."

—I Cor. 14:38.

The word for "ignorant" is really the word for "blockhead." What a charge this is for the feminist! This is surely some accusation for the preachers who encourage women to get out of their place. This is mighty hard on Brother Lee and the feminist preachers, but God says that they are a bunch of spiritual blockheads.

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reds to Christ and His church it should have been thousands. My business energy and time and money have been mostly devoted to self-pleasing and gratification, and how can I meet my Saviour and give an account of my stewardship? I am beyond recovery. Do what you can to save other professors who are in the current of worldly self-indulgence and extravagance, which is sweeping them to destruction."—Selected.



Alien Baptism

(Continued from page one) sisting in baptizing all that came to them from the Catholics. Whereupon the Catholics were made angry, dubbed them Anabaptists (rebaptizers) and held some church councils about the matter.

Permit me to cite some historical statements in elaboration of this. I cite first a statement from Ignatius, one of the apostolic fathers, and probably a contemporary with John and Paul:

Now near Tertullian, 200 A. D.:

"There is to us one and but one baptism. One God, one baptism, one church in the heavens. But it must be admitted that the question, what rules are to be observed in regard to heretics, is worthy of being treated. Heretics have no fellowship in our discipline. Their baptism is not one with ours, either, because it is not the same; a baptism which, since they have it not duly, doubtless they have not at all. Nor is that capable of being counted which is not had. Ante Nicæan Fathers, Vol. 3, p. 676.

The above is given to show that as early as 200 A. D. there was a controversy between the Baptists and Catholics as to who has a right to administer baptism.

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