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Most news headlines this morning read: Another government overthrown this time in Peru and a new puppet and government in rotation Portugal.

Governments are being overthrown at the rate of one or more a month. This morning's banner head lines report a bloody coup over throwing President Juan Velasco Alvarado of Peru. It was a coup by left wing military officers. These same officers had staged a previous coup in October 1968 overthrowing the government of President Fernando Belaunde Terry. Apparently the left wingers felt that President Alvarado was not making fast enough progress toward communism. General Francisco Morales Bermudez has now taken over as head of state. He has been prime minister since the 1968 government was overthrown.

In rotation Portugal that country has been on the verge of civil war for weeks. Portugal is predominantly Roman Catholic, but communists have been making inroads just as they have to a greater or lesser degree all over the world. The new premier replaces the communists. He is to form a new government. Apparently this does not end the strife in Portugal, and we shall probably hear of more government changes or civil war.

Incidentally this communist rightist struggle in Portugal could possibly trigger the prophesied United States of Europe if forces at Rome feel that the time is right. That's certainly an outside possibility.

The former Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia died a few days ago. He was just eight days older than I. His government was overthrown by a military coup approximately a year ago. One of the last things he did before the military took him was to send me a letter of congratulation on my 82nd birthday. Many asked me after his imprisonment what had happened to the noted emperor. But I didn't know. Nobody except a few military officers in Ethiopia knew.

President Kenyatta of Kenya is also the same age. He told me that he and Haile Selassie were very close friends—closer than brothers, he said. But at that time he had no knowledge as to the emperor's fate.

It is significant that some mysterious invisible force seems to be stirring up strife within nations all over the world, as well as strife between nations.

As I write, reports from Jerusalem and Cairo say that it is now a matter of a day or two before Henry Kissinger succeeds, this time in bringing about an interim peace accord between Israel and Egypt. The peace there will not last. Jerusalem is destined to be the news center of the world in the months and immediate years just ahead. No human effort can bring permanent peace to that center of civilization. It is commendable to try, but it will take a higher power to bring permanent peace there.

Last evening I was a guest of honor at a dinner party at the residence of the Israeli ambassador to Japan. Eighteen were present, including the ambassador and his wife who was a gracious hostess. A former Israeli ambassador was an African nation, and some of my Japanese sons—members of the Japanese Diet. Nine of the 18 had also been present at an outstanding banquet hosted by the Japanese embassy in Jerusalem just four weeks ago.

Some of my Japanese sons were also there along with a few Japanese archeologists working on the Japanese archeological project at Tel Zetar between Tel Aviv and Haifa. At that banquet were the largest number of Israeli leaders that have been present at any such affair in some time. I am personally grateful that I have been in a position to bring about a warm and peaceful relationship between many leaders in Japan and Israel and also between Japan and Egypt, but it will take a greater power than human to bring permanent peace between Israel and the Arab world. Yet that permanent peace will come in our time. You can read it in the book of Zechariah, the 14th chapter. (1)

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**SADAT'S MASTER PLAN
FOR EGYPT**

by Keith Stump



When Egypt's popular President Gamal Abdel Nasser died in 1970, his successor, Anwar Sadat, assumed the presidency amid an outpouring of ridicule and abuse by his countrymen. "We're suffering two plagues at one time," one joke went "First Nasser dies. Then we get Sadat."

Sadat was considered by most to be merely a second rate "caretaker" who would surely be supplanted before long by a more prestigious leader.

But today five years later, Sadat is still president of Egypt enjoying broad popular support and trust at home facing no organized political opposition and what is more - considered by many to be the most prestigious and influential leader in the entire Arab world.

This miraculous transformation of image has been brought about through the careful exercise of efficiency, foresight, and pragmatic realism in his conduct of the domestic and foreign affairs of Egypt. President Sadat has so improved his stature that he is able to take personal charge of negotiations with Israel and to accept or turn down proposals himself. In Egypt today there is no doubt who is calling the shots.

Goals and Strategy

Few visitors to Cairo today come away doubting that Mr. Sadat genuinely wants peace in the Middle East. Peace is an integral part of Sadat's master plan for Egypt's economic future.

The economy of Egypt, where inflation is now running at nearly 30%, is in desperate need of a shot in the arm. Unlike her Arab neighbors, Egypt has few proven petroleum reserves. Egypt's population of 37 million, growing at an annual rate of nearly one million, is made up almost entirely of the poor. Sadat himself was born into a lower class family in the impoverished delta village of Mit Abu al Kum and therefore he deeply understands the needs of his people.

The Egyptian head of state is seeking to end the protracted struggle with Israel so his backward nation can devote its total energies to building a new thriving Egypt. The cost of maintaining a battle-ready army of 300,000 men (the defense budget is some \$3 billion) leaves few funds for Egypt's development. Another full fledged war would be utterly disastrous to the nation's precarious economy.

It is primarily for this reason that Sadat has backed Secretary of State Kissinger's shuttle efforts, in hopes of their eventually producing a durable peace.

Development experts have observed that under peaceful conditions, Egypt could be transformed into one of the most prosperous countries in the Middle East within 25 years. Asked recently if he agreed with this assessment, Sadat quickly replied, "I quite agree. That is my objective. I want to reach peace so we can concentrate on this."

Egypt is currently receiving outright grants from some of its wealthier Arab neighbors, but not enough to tangibly im-

prove the daily lives of the impoverished Egyptian masses. The additional billions in aid from the United Arab Gulf states and Iran for industrial and agricultural development projects will eventually help, but it will be some years before even the first of these projects begin to generate jobs and income.

Prior to the disastrous Six Day War of June 1967, Egypt's foreign earnings were based in large measure on income from the Suez Canal. Before its closure during that war the canal was yielding some \$200 million a year in hard currency. In the eight years following its closure, Egypt has had to depend in large measure on tourism and agricultural exports for income which were far from sufficient. Now that the canal is once again open to international traffic, revenues are beginning to flow into the country. An other war would only result in the loss of these vital funds, hence, another strong reason to peace.

Reconstruction plans for the war shattered canal zone (called of Suez Port Road) and Ismailia are also moving ahead with hopes of transforming them into thriving free ports teeming with business, tourism, and industry. These projects will also enable the one million refugees from these once prosperous cities to be repatriated. Many of these refugees migrated to Cairo after the 1967 war, contributing to the severe overcrowding there (One fifth of Egypt's population - nearly 8 million people - live in or around Cairo today).

Another factor in Sadat's program for revitalizing Egypt is the ecologically controversial Aswan High Dam, in addition to providing electricity for the first time to thousands of villages over the next few years, the dam is slated to provide water for the irrigation of the Great Western Desert, thus lessening the nation's dependence on the narrow green belt straddling the Nile River. Electric power from the dam will also be used to pump water from the natural underground reservoirs beneath the Western Desert to reclaiming these arid lands.

Reclamation of 800,000 acres of land below the Aswan Dam is also planned.

The irrigation of the Sinai desert with water from the Nile.

Sadat is looking to foreign investors to help accomplish these ambitious projects in return however. The matter what whatever he attempts at this stage to attract Western capital they will not be entirely successful until he makes greater headway toward stable and lasting peace in the area. The Inter-Sinai Disengagement pact just signed another step in that direction but unfortunately - judging from the total absence of even a single conciliatory word for Israel upon the signing of the agreement - the hopes for Egyptian economic miracle do not include cooperation from Israel. Even more importantly, underlying attitudes on the part of all the Middle East nations may torpedo prospects for durable peace altogether. (1)

THE MIDEAST: TAKING A CHANCE ON PEACE

by Mark Armstrong



SECRETARY OF STATE Kissinger puts signature to Sinai agreement as Israeli Prime Minister Rabin looks on

JERUSALEM Chmacking a round the clock flurry of shuttle flights by US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, Israel and Egypt have initiated a new accord on separation of forces in the Sinai. The interim agreement, signed September 1, is the first in a planned series of steps designed to bring about a defusing of the Middle East tinderbox.

U.S. Promises the Key

Following the breakdown of negotiations toward an interim agreement between Israel and Egypt last March, the format for the settlement took on an entirely new dimension.

As it finally evolved, the agreement has turned into an intricate three way deal in which the United States has assumed the responsibility for many of the concessions to Israel in exchange for the return of Egyptian territory in the Sinai.

This new approach agitated many of the members of the Israeli Knesset (Parliament) and much of the population of Israel as well during the recent "wrap up" round of the Kissinger shuttle diplomacy.

Giving Up Too Much?

Many Israelis are charging that the interim agreement amounts to nothing more than an economic deal with the US and, as it now stands, it cannot be considered a step toward real peace with the Arab world.

Some have argued that giving up the strategic Mitla and Tichin passes will pose a threat to the national security of Israel. Others resented Israel being forced to give up the Abu Rodaja outfields, which have been supplying nearly 50% of Israel's oil needs. Still others point out that it will cost Israel a vast amount to build a new defense line west of the one they now maintain.

However, Prime Minister Rabin has answers to all of these criticisms. First, he maintains that calling the withdrawal from the strategic Sinai passes a threat to national security is a misrepresentation of the situation. Even though Israel will be withdrawing from the passes themselves, Egyptian troops will not be allowed to advance into them. Instead, this vital area will become part of the United Nations buffer zone, and electronic surveillance stations manned by American civilian personnel will be operating in the passes, pending all important Congressional approval, of course.

As for the return of the Abu Rodaja outfields, it is concerned, Israel will rely on the United States to supply the means of obtaining oil elsewhere. Washington has repeatedly promised Israel between 2.25 and 3 billion dollars in economic aid over the coming year. Israel is expected to spend 70% of the aid on armaments and about 20% to compensate for

the loss of Abu Rodaja oil. Elements of the accord in Israel are calling this giant an American bribe to entice Israel into complying with the agreement. Many officials are openly stating fears that this monumental amount of economic aid will prompt Israel to expect an even more substantial amount in the years to come.

President Sadat is also facing much opposition from other Arab countries who feel that their causes are being sold out by the separate interim agreement. Sadat has tried to calm this opposition by making public some assurances he has received from President Ford, namely that the United States will do everything possible to secure a new interim agreement between Syria and Israel before the end of this year and that the US recognizes the "aspirations of the Palestinian people."

Israel has agreed to negotiate with Syria at some point in the future but has at the same time made plans that only a very small step on the Golan Heights is possible within the context of an interim agreement. Yasur Arafat, leader of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, has threatened "violent upheavals" if the Israel-Egypt accord is not followed by similar moves on Jordan's west bank and on the Golan Heights.

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TIMOR CRISIS SHAKES AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY Ever since the Whitlam Labour government first came to power in 1972, Australia's defense policy has been based on the assumption that there will be no military threat to peace in Australia's region for at least the next 10 to 15 years. However, the fierce fighting and bloodshed in Timor, only 700 kilometers to the north of Darwin and geographically part of the highly sensitive Indonesian archipelago, has exposed the incredible naiveté on which the government's defense policy has been based.

For whatever the outcome of the Timorese revolution, the rationale for the government's defense policy has been forever destroyed. Timor has effectively demonstrated just how quickly war or the threat of war can come to Australia's doorstep.

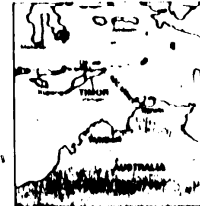
The fighting in Portuguese Timor involves three political factions: the Timor Democratic Union (UDT) which favors independence and continued links with Portugal, the Revolutionary Front for an Independent East Timor (FRETILIN) which wants total independence and the Apodeti which is in favor of joining Indonesia.

The fighting began following the staging of a coup by the UDT on August 11. It was quickly followed by widespread killing and destruction. Within the first ten days hundreds of people were either killed or wounded while hundreds of others were forced to seek refuge outside the colony. By Au-

gust 22 the Portuguese admitted they had lost control of the situation and called for international assistance in helping refugees to escape.

Australia immediately sent ships, including two destroyers, to Darwin on standby in case they were needed.

Reports from Lisbon, Portu-



gal, indicated that fighting in East Timor has been very intense, with mortar shells raining down on the capital, Dili. The warring political parties have also reportedly kept up a continual cross-fire in the city's streets.

Will Indonesia Intervene?

Whatever the outcome, the fighting has serious implications for both Australia and Indonesia.

First there is a strong possibility of direct Indonesian military intervention in East Timor. Portugal shares the island of Timor with Indonesia. The Indonesian government has consistently warned that while it

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The Coming Papal Sweepstakes

The advanced age (78 this month) and failing health of Pope Paul VI, Supreme Pontiff of the 650 million member Roman Catholic Church, have prompted widespread speculation in Catholic circles about the coming papal succession.

Vatican specialists acknowledge that the next pope electing conclave will be the most important and encounter perhaps the most difficulty of any conclave in the last 400 years. Its decision will affect both Catholics and non Catholics alike.

Pope Paul, now in his 11th year as pontiff, is said to be suffering from arthritis, pernicious anemia, and possibly even leukemia, though no one outside his closest circle knows the exact state of his health.

Rumors of his possible resignation persist, though some observers feel he would not step down unless completely incapacitated. The only pontiff in history to voluntarily resign was Pope Celestine V in 1294. Nevertheless, Vatican officials privately admit that the Chair of Peter may soon become vacant, one way or another.

Electing the New Pope

Upon the death or resignation of a pope, the dean of the College of Cardinals publicly announces the vacancy. Cardinals and other designated electors from all areas of the globe are summoned to Rome to participate, along with cardinals resident in Rome, in a solemn conclave to elect the new

Bishop of Rome. Those voting in the next conclave may number in excess of 140. Pope Paul has enlarged the membership of the electoral body to include, in addition to cardinals under 80 years of age, the patriarchs of the Eastern Rite churches and 45 or so elected representatives of the world's bishops.

The secret conclave is held in a sealed off portion of the Vatican Palace, with electors remaining in seclusion until a choice is made. By church law, the conclave may begin on the 15th day after the pope's death or resignation and must begin no later than the 18th day.

Voting takes place in the historic Sistine Chapel. Four secret

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Sobering Thoughts on Nuclear Arms Race

By Norman Cousins

When it first became known, a quarter century ago, that the only limits to the destructive power of nuclear bombs were the intentions of the men who made them, people tried to comfort themselves with easy assumptions. They told themselves that nuclear weapons had become so horrible that no nation would dare to use them.

Other assumptions had to be fitted into place. It had to be assumed that there was a connection between the kind of thinking that was going into the making of the bomb and the kind of thinking that would go into the running of a war. It had to be assumed that the very measures a nation was taking to advance its security would be abandoned when that security was most endangered. It had to be assumed that the nuclear nations are just playing a game.

After all the reasoning went, nations might try to impress each other with their might but they would never allow that might to become the holocaust that could consume the entire human race.

The only trouble with these assumptions was that they ran counter to the logic of history. Moreover, we now have it on the authority of the top military

planner of the United States, Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger, that this nation would not hesitate to use nuclear bombs in any major confrontation. Schlesinger was reflecting the apprehension of our government over the possibility that other countries might think they could press forward with their policies to our disadvantage if they believed we were too squeamish to use the nuclear force at our disposal in the event of a showdown.

The emphasis Schlesinger gave to his statement made it appear that he wanted people to take him at his word.

Taking Schlesinger at his word, therefore, we can dispose of the notion that governments are too civilized to use nuclear weapons. All the nuclear nations, including the Soviet Union, China and France, are caught up in the same patterns of response. Just as they have convinced themselves that atomic weapons are an essential part of their foreign policy and security strategy, so they all recognize that they must be prepared to go all the way if the time should come.

We are forced, back therefore, to a confrontation with the realities. The first reality is that the existing instruments of peace and world organization are too feeble to serve as a guarantee against war between major powers.

The second reality is that, if war should come, the earth will be rocked by man-made earth quakes and no people, whatever they may be, will be safe

For it is in the nature of the new technology that no nuclear nation can go to war against another nation without also going to war against the whole of the human race, including its own people. There is no way of keeping the radioactive debris from floating with the waters and riding with the wind.

The third reality is that we are using up critical time. The longer the arms race goes on, the more likely it is that an international crisis will become the fuse of a nuclear holocaust.

The fourth reality is that thinking people everywhere have to find some way of emancipating themselves from the day to day trivia and begin to think and talk seriously about a rule of law among nations that alone can stop the steady drift toward a senseless, measureless and ultimate tragedy.

The fifth reality is that the stage of humanity is too precarious to be entrusted to the national statesmen. They are locked into their separate sovereignties. They have no credentials for serving the large cause of free creation, law binding on governments, free reasoning and free letters do not extend beyond the national interest to the human interest.

Who then will step forward to fix the attention of the world's peoples on the danger that confronts us all, but also can unite us in creating a common sanity and a common safety?

By Norman Cousins

way. The assets of the newly reopened Suez Canal plus the money invested in rebuilding the area around it would seem too great for him to risk by renewing hostilities with Israel.

Dangerous "Loophole"

One area in which the agreement seems vulnerable is a clause in which Egypt states that it will not use force against Israel in the event of a conflict involving Syria and Jordan, providing Israel is not the one who starts the fighting. There is a glaring problem with this clause. Any American who has followed the news during any previous Middle East conflict knows that each side will inevitably blame the other for starting the war. Who is to decide which party was the aggressor? Who would Sadat choose to believe? As we have seen in the past, actual documentation of which party was the aggressor is often not available until the war is over.

Although the Israeli government is actually giving up terri-

tory in exchange for words (with U.S. aid as the added incentive), it is confident that the agreement constitutes a promise that the words will be kept.

Just prior to the signing of the accord Defense Minister Peres was quoted as saying, "We [Israel] would have liked nothing better than to give more and receive more, but apparently the Egyptians cannot deliver it at this time."

Egypt, of course, cannot agree to a real peace with Israel at this time, as that would create a giant rift in Arab unity. And beyond that, there are still deeply held suspicions on the part of Egypt toward Israel.

In Jerusalem the interim accord is not being called a "breakthrough," even by those who are staunchly behind it. Even though it took an enormous amount of time to achieve, it is only one small step, which must be followed by much larger steps in the near future if peace is to become a reality in the Middle East. □

TIMOR

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does not want to interfere in the internal affairs of another country, it also cannot remain indifferent to what happens in Portuguese Timor.

Trouble Brewing on Another Doorstep

As serious as the Timor crisis is from Australia's point of view, it is only one of several serious problems looming on the Australian horizon.

Papua New Guinea, the world's newest nation which was granted independence by Australia on September 16, continues to live under the threat of multiple secessions.



DEMOCRATIC UNION (UDT) supporters on Portuguese Timor practice with a small rocket launcher.

The most serious challenge comes from the copper rich island of Bougainville, but splinter groups in other areas also threaten the political stability of the young nation.

If Papua New Guinea does experience a lengthy period of bitter factional fighting, it could lead to a crisis of first class concern for Australia.

Still other national security problems are looming for Australia.

The imminent demise of the near defunct SEATO. Japan's doubts over the reliability of America's remaining defense commitments in Asia, and Russia's growing presence in the western and northern approaches to the Indian Ocean, carry an air of foreboding for Australia.

While SEATO's critics might argue that the treaty is an anachronism and that Asia will be better off without it, its passing could nevertheless have a serious psychological impact on countries such as Thailand and the Philippines.

A Call for a Nuclear Australia

While it is still too early to judge the specific long term effects of these developments on the political and military status of Southeast Asia, it is not difficult to see where they could lead.

It is against this unsettled and unpredictable background that the former chairman of Australia's Atomic Energy Commission, Sir Philip Baxter, has called on the Australian government to advance its nuclear technology to the pre weapons manufacturing stage.

Sir Philip said that those Australians who believed that the country would not be threatened militarily for at least an other ten years were living in a fools' paradise. Warning Australians not to assume that Japan did not already have an atomic bomb, he said, Sir Philip said that he shuddered every time a government minister told foreign countries that Australia had untold wealth in

natural resources.

"The minister is issuing an open invitation for us to be attacked," he said.

Sir Philip suggested that if Australia did decide to produce the bomb within three or four years and was willing to invest several hundred million dollars, she could develop tactical nuclear weapons that could be carried by her F-111 aircraft.

Other calls have been made for Australia to look to its defenses. Brigadier Ted Seong who served for many years as an adviser to the South Vietnamese and U.S. High Commands has gone so far as to call the run down that has taken place in Australian defenses "treason." He warned Australians that if they did not reverse the trend of recent years and start spending more on defense and less on enormously costly social reform programs, they would have to accept the consequences. "Without an effective defense force," he stressed, "foreign policy is no more than empty words, the vaunting of tools or knives."

The Labor government is committed to the defense concept of a "Fortress Australia." Australia's defenses start and end at its own shores. But critics point out that the concept can't work if the fortress does not have any walls.

— Don Abraham

SAUDIS ANNOUNCE HUGE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Special to Plain Truth

NEW YORK A trade mission from Saudi Arabia spoke to members of the U.S. Arab Chamber of Commerce at a seminar here recently. The talk traversed various subjects from the Palestinian problem to the new five year development program that the Saudis are going to undertake.

The coordinator of the Saudi Arabian Economic Mission Dr. Abdurahman Al Zamel was the main speaker and he outlined the goals of the five year plan.

The ambitious plan calls for the expenditure of about 150 billion dollars for the construction of some 6,000 miles of highway as well as 200,000 units of housing. Some of this money will also be spent to help Saudi Arabia develop the capacity for receiving and processing 13 million tons of cargo oil for manufacturing 10 million tons of cement.

Dr. Al Zamel explained that it is the goal of the Saudi government to strengthen the export markets for Saudi goods. "We do not want to depend on oil totally for our income," he said, noting that there may come a time when the Saudis might be in the situation of holding oil after the United States developed an alternate energy source.

In response to reports that Secretary of State Henry Kissinger may announce a system whereby the price of oil would be tied to the prices of manufactured goods from the industrial nations Dr. Al Zamel declared: "Fortunately this is becoming more and more convincing to the West. We are glad that they are taking the producer's side. If the prices of manufactured goods go down, then we would lower oil prices."

But it is assumed here that these prices will remain at the current levels, and that any measures of this sort will serve only to keep prices at this level.

With some of the revenue from these higher prices, the Saudis Arabian plan to eventually aid other states. A good deal of internal development in Saudi Arabia has to be done first, but after that, Arab states and then African and other Moslem states will benefit from Saudi Arabian aid.

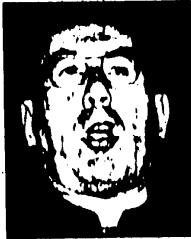
— Mark Allen Kottler

Papal Sweepstakes

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ballots are cast each day. 2 in the morning and 2 in the afternoon. The voting continues until one of the candidates receives the required two thirds majority. The duration of past conclaves has varied greatly. Cardinal Montini, now Pope Paul VI, was elected on only four ballots in June 1963. But six hundred years ago, John XXII assumed the Chair of Peter after two years of deadlocked balloting.

During the daily routine balloting, ballots not resulting in the required majority are burned in the Sistine Chapel.



ARCHBISHOP KOENIG of Vienna — next Pope?

fireplace with damp straw, producing black smoke. This signals to those outside that a decision on the pope's successor has not yet been reached. When the election is finally achieved, the ballots are burned without straw, producing white smoke. Public announcement of the new pope's name is made shortly afterward from the main balcony of the Vatican.

The Candidates

Who, then, will be the 265th pontiff? In theory, any male Catholic of any country or race may be elected, even one who is not a priest. Should a layman be chosen, he would have to be ordained to the priesthood and consecrated as a bishop before assuming the papal crown.

The pope is usually chosen, however, from among the cardinals. At present there is no one whose apparent waiting in the wings. The election of a surprise candidate is always possible, but behind the scenes speculation is centering on a few specific names including:

- Cardinal Frans Koenig, Archbishop of Vienna.
- Cardinal Jean Villot, Papal Secretary of State.
- Cardinal Sebastiano Baggio, Secretary of the Congregation of Bishops.
- Cardinal Sergio Pignedoli,

head of the Secretariat for Non-Christians.

• Cardinal Bernard Jan Alfrink, Archbishop of Utrecht.

• Cardinal Leo Josef Suenens, Archbishop of Mechelen-Brussels.

• Cardinal Jan Willebrands, head of the Secretariat for Christian Unity.

• Cardinal Alfred Bengsch, Archbishop of Berlin.

• Cardinal Jean Yves Le Duc, Archbishop of Algiers.

Despite the lower proportion of Italian electors in the now expanded papal conclave, it is still believed there is a good chance that an Italian candidate will be elected. But observers also feel that the possibility of a non-Italian being chosen for the first time since 1522 is significantly greater than ever before. It is believed, however, that the new pontiff will probably still be a European, rather than an Asian, African, or American.

Of all the non-Italian candidates, Austrian Cardinal Franz Koenig, an ideal 70 years old, is believed by many to be the most suited to be pope. A brilliant diplomat, Koenig, which means "king" in English, enjoys excellent relations with the Roman Curia, where he heads the Secretariat for Non-Believers (distinct from the Secretariat for Non-Christians, the post held by Cardinal Pignedoli). His stature has grown in recent years and the fact that he is from a small neutral country is in his favor. And should it become a priority for the future, it is thought that Cardinal Koenig is possibly the best equipped to effect rapprochement between the Vatican and the communist world.

Healing the Branch

In any case, whoever eventually mounts the throne of Peter will face a formidable task. Since the close of the Second Vatican Council in 1965, the Roman Catholic Church has been rocked with internal criticism, dissension, and in some cases open revolt. The issues of contraception, abortion, divorce, celibacy, papal infallibility, women in the priesthood and distribution of ecclesiastical power have split the church. Papal authority itself has been vigorously contested.

Many Vaticanologists feel that if the papacy and the Catholic Church are to survive in their traditional form, the next pope cannot be a compromiser who straddles the rift running throughout the troubled church. Strong decisive leadership, they say, will be needed to quell the continuing storm of protest, neutralize the acid of division,

ART BUCHWALD The Political Poll of 1775

As part of the Bicentennial celebration, we are happy to re-print a poll Mr. Buchwald took in 1775 when he was covering radical agitation in the 13 Colonias.

The political pollster has become such an important part of the American scene that it is hard to imagine how this country was ever able to function without him.

What would have happened, for example, if there had been political pollsters in the early days of this country?

This is how the results might have turned out:

When asked if they thought the British were doing a good job in administering the Colonias, this is how a cross section of the people responded:

British doing good job	63
Not doing good job	22
Don't know	15

A group of those polled felt that the Declaration of Independence had been written by a bunch of radicals and that the publishing of it at this time would only bring harsher measures from the British.

When asked whether or not the best way to bring about reforms was through terrorism or redress of the Crown, an overwhelming proportion of colonists felt appeals should be made to the king.

Adding a Larger Cause — European Unity

Some observers believe that the only way to inspire unity and bring new life to the church will be to plunge it into a cause larger than itself. That cause, it is believed, could be the *unification of Europe*. A unified Europe is reportedly a major item in the thinking of high Vatican officials. Historically, the Catholic Church has exercised a cohesive effect on Europe and has bound the differing nationalities and cultures on that continent by the tie of a common religion. With the nations of the European Community faltering in their attempts to bring about political unity on the Continent, it would seem that the Vatican and Europe are in a position to mutually assist each other in solving their problems.

In any event, the next pope will undoubtedly be forced by circumstances to take a more active role in European and world politics than his predecessors. By any standard, the next Supreme Pontiff will probably preside over one of the most momentous periods in church history since the Protestant Reformation. □

Hurt the cause of taxation	79
Helped the cause	12
Didn't think it would make any difference	9

What do you think of the image in England after the Minute-men attacked the British at Lexington?

Percent	
Minute-men hurt our image in England	80
Gave British new respect for Colonias	10
Undecided	10

Which of these two Georges can do more for the Colonias, George III or George Washington?

Percent	
George III	76
George Washington	14
Others	10

It is interesting to note that 80% of the people questioned had never heard of George Washington before.

The next question was "Do you think the Declaration of Independence as it is written is a good document or a bad one?"

Percent	
Good document	10
Bad document	12
No opinion	78

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THE MISSING DIMENSION IN SEX

PART VII WAS SEX REALLY NECESSARY?

We have covered two vital purposes relating to sex in humans — procreation and marriage. But now, in this final installment, we pose the question: Did procreation or marriage really require the creation of sex? Couldn't God have devised some other means of generation than sex? And wouldn't the marriage and family relationship be happier without sex?

by Herbert W. Armstrong

THE CONFESSIONS of early Christian thought would have answered the above two questions in the affirmative.

Referring to these founders of traditional teaching, Gibbon says in chapter XV of his famous book *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*. "The chaste severity of the fathers in whatever related to the commerce of the sexes flowed from the same principle—their abhorrence of every enjoyment which might gratify the sensual and degrade the spiritual nature of man."

Their favorite opinion continues Gibbon, was that if there had been no "fall," Adam would have lived forever in a state of virgin purity. Paradise might have been peopled not by "degrading" sex but by some harmless mode of vegetation.

Apparently God made a terrible mistake when He created sex that is, in the "chaste severity" thinking of those church fathers!

"By them," continues Gibbon, "the use of marriage was permitted only to the fallen posterity as a necessary expedient to continue the human species."

Gibbon speaks of these men as "unwilling to approve an institution [marriage] which they were compelled to tolerate." And further, "since desire was imputed as a crime, and marriage was tolerated as a defect, it was consistent with the same principles to consider a state of celibacy as the nearest approach to the Divine perfection."

Ignorant of the biblical revelation that God (Hebrew *Elohim*) is a FAMILY of God—these men condemned the very God-fatherly relationship of the Eternal! The fruits of that teaching have been an indescribably enormous MOUNTAIN of human woe and misery!

What was wrong with marriage, they reasoned, was not the ceremony or the state of marriage, but the use of sex in marriage! How much better would marriage have been without sex?

And that is the BIG QUESTION to be settled once and for all in this last installment: Was sex necessary for the God-plane marriage and family relationships? Could we not have had these without sex?

Why was sex necessary anyway? Why not some intellectual way free from passion and sex, of producing offspring?

Satanic Origin

This pagan concept was Satan inspired (1 Tim. 4:1-3). It simply means this:

Satan is an individual being, with no power to reproduce himself. Satan is deprived of FAMILY RELATIONSHIP. God, on the other hand, IS the divine FAMILY: Father, Son, and those begotten by the holy spirit and born into it. God has bestowed on mankind the privileges of FAMILY and of reproducing our kind, bringing our human offspring into our human FAMILIES.

Satan resents this! So Satan palms himself off as the god of this world (II Cor. 4:4).

The true God—the Eternal Creator—pictures Himself in His Word, as the divine FAMILY and bestows on man the privileges of reproduction and family relationship. Satan represents God's system of reproduction as being wrong. He deceived the world for hundreds of years into believing marital love through sex is a corroding, contaminating thing.

The "New Morality" Concept

Today, worldwide revolt has set in against the repressive "chaste severity" of the "fathers."

The formulations of the modernistic perversion see only one thing—that repression passively adopted but not practiced by Protestants, became intolerable. The sex-is-evil attitude had to go.

The medieval concept downgraded the God-plane MARRIAGE and FAMILY relationships below asceticism. The "new morality" threatens to abolish these divine institutions!

Instead of coming to the true MEANING and PURPOSES and RIGHTS of sex, they blindly swung to the opposite extreme of declaring ANY USE of sex is (GOOD — NOT EVIL). Therefore, says the modern revolt, "Let us use it freely in or out of marriage, perverted or otherwise. DOWN WITH ALL RESTRAINTS! Let's LIVE IT UP!"

So, in the present moral rebellion, la-belling immorality the "new morality," marriage has lost whatever meaning or sanctity it had. Its very existence is threatened.

Now we have seen, in the preceding two installments, that there is a vital and deep-rooted MEANING to the MARRIAGE

institution and to the establishment of HOME and FAMILY life.

But the BIG question is: Was sex really necessary for the high and noble God-plane relationship of the marriage state? And the institution of home and family? Could not these have been more enjoyable, more pure and clean, more righteous and better for humanity without sex?

They Are LOVE Relationships

To answer this BIG question about sex, we need to look further into the FAMILY relationship that constitutes the KINGDOM OF GOD and the betrothal relationship between Christ and the CHURCH.

God has given mankind the institutions of marriage and family to prepare us for an eternity of happiness and joy in His kingdom. His focus? JUST WHAT, then, is the very basic and foundation of the FAMILY RELATIONSHIP?

That! It is LOVE! Of all the CHARACTER ATTRIBUTES of God, the very first, greatest, and most important is LOVE! Above all, GOD IS LOVE!

The very first of the attributes of God expressed in the fruits of His holy spirit in man is LOVE (Gal. 5:22). When this very God-life is infused within us, by His spirit, it is "the love of God" shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit (Rom. 5:5).

Thus in first begetting us, God infuses within us the divine GIFT of His love. The divine FAMILY RELATIONSHIP is a LOVE relationship. The tie that holds the divine family together is the tie of LOVE!

To those thus begotten of God, converted by His spirit, Christ says through John: "Behold, what manner of LOVE the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God! Beloved now are we the sons of God (begotten), and it doth not yet appear what we shall be (when born), but we know that when he (Christ) shall appear, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is" (I John 1:2).

Even now, converted begotten sons of God have spiritual FELLOWSHIP with the FATHER and with the SON, Christ (I John 1:3).

So the FAMILY relationship, both on the divine plane and in the human type, now is a LOVE relationship—and God implants within His begotten children His divine love to equip them for that divine LOVE relationship.

Likewise, the betrothal husband and wife-to-be relationship between Christ and the CHURCH is a LOVE relationship.

Notice again God's teaching that MARRIAGE on the present human level is to be a LOVE relationship, just as is Christ's relationship to His church.

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave

himself for it—that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh" (Eph. 5:25-31).

For what cause shall a man marry a wife? For what purpose? For that of LOVE!

The betrothal relationship between Christ and the church—of which marriage between humans is the type—is a LOVE relationship. Humans are to love their wives "even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it."

But notice again! To Adam and Eve in the garden in Eden, God gave sex as the cause for marriage, as did Jesus in Matthew 19: "He made them male and female" and said: "For this cause shall a man and woman marry (Eph. 5:4-5). Because of sex, they shall marry."

So we have the two spiritual reasons for marriage: for LOVE and because of sex. These are not two contradictory reasons. They blend into ONE to express LOVE through sex!

Sex was created not only as the means of reproduction and bringing about a family, but in humans as a means of expressing LOVE in marriage. So again I ask: just what is love?

And again I answer, the world does not know!

Three Kinds of Love

There is more than one kind of love. The Greeks had three words for it, each with a different shade of meaning.

In today's modern world the meaning of LOVE has been all but lost. It has been so romanticized so confused with LOVE, that people carelessly call any sex desire or sex use "love." Usually this is NOT!

Today nearly all popular songs are falsely supposed to sing about love. Motion pictures, television novels, all confuse and erode "love" and induce society to accept lust in the name of "love."

The Greeks are more definitely expressive. They use three words which define love more accurately.

First is *agape*, which is moral or spiritual love. This is the love God expresses toward humanity. It is the divine, spiritual love, supplied by God's holy spirit. The natural and unconverted man does not have this love. But God brings it into him with it—if he will surrender and believe!

Second is *philia*. This is the love of friendship—brotherly love (*philia*)—love of parent or child.

Third is *eros*, which refers to sexual love between husband and wife. But it means love, not lust. The Greek language uses a different word for lust. *Eros*, however, is a love expressed physically, not spiritually.

Just what, then, is love?

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If I had to define love in four words, I would say "I love is an *unselfish, outgoing concern* for the *one loved*. Love is primarily for the *giving, serving, sharing* side of the fence - not on the *getting, taking, fractional, striving* side. It is not selfish.

God is love. Consider how God expresses love toward us who are humans. Yes, even those who are *hostile* and *rebellious* toward God. "God is *kind* to the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

Jesus Christ is God - one of the divine persons who compose the God family. Notice how Christ manifested love. "God commended his love toward us, in that while we were yet *sinners*, Christ died for us - when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son" (Rom 5:8-10).

How did Jesus Christ express His love for the church? The scripture has been quoted above: "He gave Himself for it."

Love is *unselfish*. It is not an emotion, though it may be expressed with an emotional content. True love *combines* the rational aspect of *outgoing concern* with sincere affectionate *feeling*.

William Graham Cole, in his book, *Sex in Christianity and Pseudohumanism*, gives an excellent analysis of love. He draws an interesting distinction between true mature love and immature love. The latter is primarily emotional, thoughtlessly selfish, seeking its own gratification. Like "puppy love" it does not love another as he is, or for what he is, but as he is imagined or romantically desired to be.

"Illusion" says Cole "is the standard diet of infantile love. It is as the poets say, blind - Cupid appears appropriately enough in diapers" (for our British readers, "nappies").

Mature love, says Cole, is not blind. "It has progressed from pabulum to porteriouse."

Jesus said "It is more blessed to give than to receive." That is a true statement of which nearly all humans are ignorant. Carnal humanity is bent on getting, taking, having. The average person, seemingly, is primarily interested in gratifying the desires of his five senses - with no concern for others.

All Sense-Enjoyments NOT Sin

The five senses do cry out for gratification. We humans are composed of *finite*, mortal flesh - MATTER. We can receive pleasurable sensations through these five senses in their "chaste severity" - the early "Christian fathers" deemed any pleasurable sensation or experience, through the senses, to be sinful.

THAT IS EMPHATICALLY NOT TRUE!

God even tells us in His word, that our senses *should be exercised by use*, so that we can distinguish good from evil (Heb 5:14). Our senses were put within our bodies to be *used*, but not *misused*!

God created us so that we must eat food to live. He equipped us with the sense of taste. God gave us this sense so that we might enjoy the necessity of eating. We should, therefore, exercise our senses to distinguish true, natural,

health-giving foods from those false foods which destroy health - and then give God thanks and really enjoy eating!

In like manner, God made it possible for us to receive great pleasure and enjoyment of the most upbuilding and wholesome kind from the sense of sight. He gave us the faculty for appreciating the beautiful. But a man can *misuse* his sense of sight by looking *lustfully* at a woman.

God equipped humans with the sense of *hearing*. How much inspiring, uplifting, pleasurable enjoyment we receive from beautiful music! But, of course, this sense, too, may be used for good, or for evil. Glorious music was actually created in the archangel Lucifer. But when in pride and greed his whole character changed and he fell from his estate of perfection to become Satan, he became corrupted and perverted in all his ways (Ezek 28:13, 17). Satan is the author of perverted discordant, degenerate modern music.

IN LOVE, God equipped humans with the five physical senses to supply man with wholesome enjoyment and pleasure. But the use of these senses can be turned in the wrong direction! The *principle*

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lege carries with it the obligation of responsibility. This is part of the character building process.

I repeat: Sin is not the *thing*, but the *wrong use* of the thing!

God intended man to be happy! It is God's will that we enjoy life - that it be pleasurable, satisfying, wholesome, rewarding! But God gave us *minds* - and made His Word available - to distinguish the true values from the false, not to *decide* in our own minds what selfish or lustful desire we would like to *make* right, but to *distinguish* what God reveals he has made right.

The *right* use of the five senses brings enjoyable, pleasurable sensations that are uplifting, constructive, beneficial - not only to the self, but to others. The *wrong* and sinful use of the senses also may produce pleasurable sensations, but these wrong uses are destructive and harmful - not only to the self, but often also to others.

It is a matter of *RIGHT* or *WRONG* direction.

How may we humans know which use is right, and which is *wrong*? By the *LAW* OF GOD!

RIGHT Use of Senses

God's law is a way of life. It guides actions and uses in a definite direction - always constructive, upbuilding, beneficial. That way always is the way of LOVE - the way of *unselfish, outgoing concern*, the way of sharing what is enjoyable.

Sin is the transgression of THAT WAY! Sin travels in the direction of vanity, greed - in-flowing selfish gratification. It

wants to be *served*, not to serve. To be *helped*, not to help. To *get*, not to give.

The *whole* law of God is summed up in one word - LOVE! And it requires love expressed in *action* to fulfil the law (Rom 13:8, 10).

But this law-principle of love is subdivided into the two great commandments: Love toward God and love toward neighbor. The first four of the Ten Commandments define love toward God. The last six tell us how to love neighbor. Love toward neighbor is *not altogether* outgoing concern. It is also a *sharing with neighbor*. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Of course that is a lot of love!

It is human to love your own self - that requires no effort, no character. But what is *not* human nature is to love your neighbor *EQUALLY*! That requires recognition by an intelligent mind of the TRUE VALUES, and it requires the exercise of WILL, self-discipline and CHARACTER.

The Love Man Doesn't Have

The law allows you to love yourself equally with your neighbor, but *NOT* God! It requires you to love God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength!

How, then, may a person love God? Actually, the natural unconverted man *CANNOT*! Take, at random, any man or woman you might meet on a busy street or out on a country lane. Has he the ability to love God far more than *self* - with ALL his heart, mind, soul, and strength? Does the average person love God that much?

What's the answer? God's Word answers: "We love him, because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19). The "we" here is addressed to converted Christians.

A human can only really and truly love God with the *very* love which we first must receive from Him! This is the spiritual divine love God gives us by the holy spirit! But we must first *repent*, surrender unconditionally to live God's way, and truly believe in Christ, accepting Him as personal Saviour.

When we love God, it is merely His own love, on a return circuit, flowing on back to Him again! GOD'S SPIRIT is *active - flowing*!

So the first great commandment - to be kept in its complete and true spiritual sense - requires a love MAN SIMPLY DOESN'T HAVE! Of course, God *longs* to give every man that love, and fill him with it! But very few are willing!

Now consider two extremes:

(1) Love toward your neighbor *far* *less* from any natural affection - a recognized enemy. Here is Jesus' teaching of fulfilling the law toward him: "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for [not against] them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" (Matt 5:44). Does the natural, unconverted man have that kind of love? The world doesn't consider that teaching of Jesus very practical because the world is empty of that kind of love.

(2) At the other extreme, two categories of neighbors *closest* to you are singled out in the New Testament for

SPECIAL LOVE. One of these categories is one's neighbors *closest* to him *spiritually* - his brethren in Christ. Many scriptures put emphasis on a *SPECIAL* love for these. Here again, a love is required which is totally absent in unregenerate man. But, in that case, they are not brethren in Christ *unless* both are in Christ - have received God's holy spirit! Otherwise they are *none of His!* (Rom 8:9).

The other of these, singled out in the New Testament for *special* love, is the neighbor *closest* to you *physically* - your husband or wife!

And right here is the BIG POINT, vitally important, that probably never before entered your mind!

Four categories have just been cited: love to God, and (love to neighbor) your enemy, your true fellow Christians, and your marital mate.

Man simply is not born with - does not have - the divine SPIRITUAL love required for the first three of those four categories - to love God, enemy, and fellow Christian SPIRITUALLY, in the manner the law requires!

But when we come to the fourth category - MARRIAGE - we find an altogether different situation!

Even here, when in the New Testament, the command is given to those in the church: "Husbands love thy wives," the word "LOVE" in the original Greek in which the apostle Paul wrote, is *not eros* but *agape*, which is the divine love which emanates from God!

The true Christian husband loves his wife, not only in the physical and natural sense possible for a natural, yet unconverted, person, but *also* with a special spiritual love!

But God well knew that an infinitesimal percentage of humans, from Adam and Eve to now, would yield themselves to receive that divine love of God. And even so, it is then mingled with the physical love God has made possible through sex!

Now we are ready for the ANSWER to this installment's big QUESTION. We need, now, to understand some of the FACTS OF LIFE which few ever grasp!

Marital LOVE

GOD is a spirit, but GOD did not create humans out of spirit! To have done so would have defeated God's whole grand PURPOSE! SO, MAN is physical *flesh* - made from matter - the dust of the ground!

Of the three kinds of love, expressed by the three Greek words *agape*, *philia*, and *eros*, the natural man is capable of expressing only the last two types of love. There is a certain selfish element in the *philia* love - love for children, parents, or family. We may have this love for those of "our club," "our team," "our group." That often is a factional-type love - one of the "works of the flesh" of Galatians 5:19-21 (see especially Moffatt translation).

Why didn't God design things so that married humans would love each other with God's SPIRITUAL LOVE - without the physical love of sex? Simply because it would have defeated God's whole PURPOSE. Simply because God deemed it necessary to make MAN, for now, of

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The most successful criminal activity in history, far surpassing street crime, is successful because the criminals are not Mafia-types or professional crooks with guns or burglary tools but "nice guys." Crime committed by these so-called nice guys is termed white-collar crime. It is perpetrated by millions of secret citizen thieves from every social and economic stratum. Their combined ethics of self-justified dishonesty, cheating, swindling, scheming, defrauding, and shoplifting is exacting a costly toll on our national economy, our personal pocket-books and our precious freedoms.

White collar crime plagues every profession. It involves dishonest factory workers, college students, teen-agers, corporate grants, school teachers, movie stars, doctors, artists, technicians, computer experts, small businessmen, housewives and grandmothers.

A white collar thief can include anyone from the corrupt politician, the finger-heavy butcher or the embezzling bank boss to the price rigging executive, the stationary stealing secretary, the fraudulent advertiser, or even the all-too-common gyp mechanic.

White collar crime includes fraud and dishonesty of all types: health and medical frauds, stock and securities fraud, mail order "bait and switch" door-to-door sales frauds and insurance frauds. There is no aspect of life that has not been exploited by the thief in the white collar.

According to security experts, many of the same millions who decry serious crime, Watergate scandals and high-level corruption are themselves part of the most successful ripoff and coverup in history — white collar crime.

"The average company thief," remarks one private security investigator, "is an ordinary person, a church-going, family-oriented, solid citizen — not a hardened criminal. Most likely he has no criminal record. The vast majority of these 'nice' guys are seldom caught, much less prosecuted."

Whatever each nation calls it, white-collar crime is a worldwide problem, plaguing even socialist and communist societies.

Professional Crooks Are Picked by Comparison

Taken together, the combined payoff among thieves in respectable garb makes professional criminals look like pickers. FBI Director Clarence Kelly says white-collar crime "dearths" street crime in incidence and in losses many times over. The estimated U.S. dollar loss of white-collar thievery is in the range of 40 to 50 billion dollars a year, according to security officials in the United States.

According to one rough estimate, 75,000,000 shoplifting thefts occur yearly in the U.S. Security experts estimate that, if we include office and work related tools and materials, 70% of the population is a part-time or full-time white collar thief.

One security official estimates 8% to 10% of the working force are "hardcore" systematic thieves that individually steal millions of dollars in goods over a period of months.

Even small-time swipers "wipe out" tremendous profits because it is so widespread in many businesses. Dollarwise, however, the greatest amount is ripped off by those who have access or control to the flow of millions of dollars in merchandise or capital.

Just one example is internal bank

THE BIG RIPOFF



WHITE COLLAR CRIME

by Donald D. Schroeder

crime. Annual losses from U.S. bank-employee dishonesty and embezzlement soared from \$14.1 million in 1963 to \$135.8 million in 1973. The Department of Commerce says the last figure is six times the amount of money — \$22 million — taken by armed bank robbery in the same year.

By no means are all citizens, businessmen, salesmen or employees dishonest. But growing numbers are, and they think nothing about it. "Ripping off society" has become a virtual right and duty to many. We live in an age when being dishonest without being caught is almost a national sport; we live in an era when the individual that is completely honest is looked upon as an eccentric, a dope or a

square. "Getting away with it" is often considered the viable thing to do.

The impersonal nature of vast bureaucratic businesses and institutions encourages much thievery and reduces guilt feelings about it. Millions feel, "It's owed to me" or "Everybody's doing it. I might as well get mine" or "The company can afford it" or "insurance will cover it."

Our Blameable "Dishonesty Tax"

As together, the white-collar ripoff exacts a sizeable loss in earning power for everyone. Hidden in the price of all the goods and services the average family purchases during the year is a "dishonesty tax" adding up to several

hundred dollars per household per year. Each of us shells out several cents on a dollar (as much as 15 cents for some purchases) to cover losses from the stock shrinkages, management corruption, kickbacks, bribery, and the endless variety of "accepted" but dishonest, illegal business and sales practices.

There is no such thing as "getting something for nothing." We all pay in the end. Here are just a few more examples why.

The trucking industry estimates 10% to 20% of that industry's well over \$100 million annual theft is caused by armed hijackers and professional thieves. More than 90% of losses result from pilferage by employees of the shipper.

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motor carrier, the consignee or other persons having access to the shipments.

Similar statistics apply to the whole transportation industry — truck, air, rail, and water. Total transport losses are around \$1.5 billion annually. Everybody loses in the long run because it becomes increasingly more costly to ship goods.

Project bids in the U.S. construction industry are often increased by as much as 8% to offset losses from dishonest employees.

• Bribe payoffs, donations, gifts and kickbacks are often written into the cost of landing big project contracts abroad as well as at home. Without grease you can't do business in many countries.

• Observe one U.S. banker. Many American and Japanese businessmen doing business in one Far East country add 5% to 10% to their estimates of operating costs to cover graft.

• Seventy-five percent of all auto insurance claims are estimated to be excessively padded. At least 10% are significantly fraudulent. Around 10% of premium costs go to cover the dishonest markup or other fraud.

• Owner-induced arson has suddenly become one of the fastest growing and most costly crimes in the country. Dishonest property owners in fast growing numbers are burning down their own buildings or hiring professional arsonists to do the job for them so they can collect enough fire insurance to bail themselves out of financial trouble.

• Some merchants pad claims of stolen goods and collect handsome profits from burglary insurance. Some have even been known to conspire with burglars to collect such money.

• Fake medical claims increase insurance costs, and many dishonest doctors abuse government medical support to patients (Medicare/Medicaid etc.). One practice is to "ping" such patients unnecessarily from one specialist to another so each can collect for treatment. Other doctors claim several patient visits when only one occurred or pad charges for treatment not given. All is a tremendous waste of the taxpayer's dollar.

• Fake medical claims take many forms. A few years ago two streetcars in Chicago collided in early morning hours. By noon, almost four dozen people had filed claims with the Transit Authority for injury damages, even though the street cars were empty that morning, except for their crews.

• The Internal Revenue Service admits it loses at least \$6 billion due to tax dodging individuals and corporations. Tax experts outside the IRS say five times that amount is more accurate. This then, means billions of extra dollars must be taxed from honest citizens and corporations to meet government expenditures.

• Enough food is stolen from the nation's supermarkets to feed everybody in San Francisco and Boston for a year according to one security consultant. In 1972, \$3.5 billion was shoplifted while \$6.9 billion was stolen by employees. Ten to twenty percent of supermarket carts (\$30 to \$50 each) are ultimately stolen. Since supermarkets cannot absorb these losses and remain in business, the cost is passed on to the consumer.

• Every industry, institution or agency could cite its own dishonesty and theft problems which force up costs for business and consumer, lower unfair competition, and siphon off the public's tax monies.

The Inside Job

On a national average, shoplifters commit only 25% of theft from retail stores, say security experts. The rest, 75%, is done by employees.

Said a vice president of a discount chain: "Maybe 90% of your employees have integrity, but the other 10% can devastate you."

In New York City, at least 1,000 retail businesses go bankrupt every year because of employee theft. "In many cases a store will lose more than twice as much of its inventory to dishonest employees as to shoplifters and burglars," said a New York crime detection squad inspector.

"Stock shrinkages" of 2% to 5% are common in many businesses. Norman Japan, noted consultant on security problems, said one of his studies showed 70% of "shrinkage" was due to employee malpractice, 15% to shoplifting, the rest to clerical errors.

John T. Lynch, head of John T. Lynch Co., one of the nation's biggest investigative and security organizations, says "Employee crime" is increasing at about 20% per year. It could be anybody from the custodian to the president — and sometimes both — responsible for profit losses. Management is seldom in a position to discover dishonesty among its employees until serious, sometimes irreparable damage occurs.

Lynch cites a recent case of a garment manufacturer in Los Angeles who was losing more than \$65,000 per month in blouse inventory. Lynch was called in to investigate and found the company's security guards were not trained in the art of inspecting employees as they left the premises. Lynch trained security guards were put on duty, and during the next quarter the manufacturer's losses were cut by 96%.

As a result of this big report, the security business has become one of the fastest growing multi-billion dollar growth industries — leaping from \$5 billion to \$15 billion in five years.

Closed-circuit TV two-way mirrors, hidden recorders, lie detector tests, specially trained armed guards, chained merchandise, sensitized labels, detective squads, new architectural designs and legal counsel are only some of the elaborate and costly methods to which many businesses must resort to counter the secret army of citizen thieves. The consumer ultimately pays for all this equipment and manpower.

Where is the Outrage?

The Bible clearly describes our end-time moral crisis (II Timothy 3:1-5). Jeremiah upbraids ancient Judah for moral deterioration similar to ours today — no man repented him of his wickedness — they have rejected the word of the Lord — for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness from the prophet even unto the priest every one doeth falsely" (Jer. 22:9-10).

Is everyone dishonest? No, not yet. But where is the public outrage against white-collar thievery? Why, instead of outrage are secret thieves often extolled and emulated as virtual heroes? Why aren't children everywhere educated that shoplifting is a crime? Why are corrupt public officials, dishonest businessmen and fraudulent operators encouraged to continue by penalties that deter few or are readily circumvented?

Escalating white-collar crime reveals

social corrosion. It is not only a yardstick of personal morality, but it is also an accurate barometer of our true national moral fiber. White-collar crime in any nation flourishes in direct proportion to the immorality of that nation.

Several years ago, the U.S. National Crime Commission reported, "When corporations and their managers — often leaders in their communities — break the law, they set an example. Their example tends to erode the moral base of the law-abiding citizenry and offers an opportunity to rationalize their crimes."

Our prisons are full of criminals who feel no remorse for their crimes simply because society accepts so many "nice guys" who are living it up and raking it in by dishonest and immoral means too.

Far from harmless, white-collar crime is a cancer that feeds and grows on itself — encouraging others to take the wrong

path. The result scatters endless costs into our lives and pocketbooks. Dishonesty sets away at mutual trust, which is a main pillar of our free enterprise system. Unethical and dishonest citizens produce widespread skepticism that hurts the honest businessman, salesman, or institution. It wipes out not only profits, but also employee morale and the desire to produce by honest efforts.

Dishonesty ends up by reducing our freedoms and fostering ever more government intervention, more bureaucratic red tape, commissions, agencies, complex laws, regulations, paperwork and higher taxes.

The old adage "republics live by virtue" is very true. The corollary is also true: "republics without virtue will die." In the most of the great national spirit we may become guilty of an even greater crime: the murder of a republic. ()

Tips on Avoiding Consumer Fraud

Caveat emptor — let the buyer beware! The old Roman adage is now more necessary than ever.

Hardly a day goes by when we do not encounter some type of fraudulent business practice. We live in the age of the half-truth — advertising by omission.

The honest businessman will usually "bend over backward" to keep your business and friendship. The cheater, however, isn't interested in repeat business.

There are hundreds of outright fraudulent schemes in every aspect of business. Many families suffer sizeable financial loss headaches and shame from being taken in by shoddy or illegal practices.

The aged, the lonely and the infirm are particularly susceptible to all kinds of fraudulent schemes.

Fraud commonly pops up in the area of medicine and health, home improvements, auto repair, repair services, charity, work at home schemes, investments, land deals, and unsolicited merchandise. But there are many, many others.

The outright swindler can cheat so many people because he knows human nature. The swindler counts on the consumer's desire to get something for nothing. He plays on the victim's vanity, gullibility and ignorance.

A high pressure or clever low pressure salesman may promise or say anything verbally to get you to sign a contract. Then he often sells the contract at a discount to a finance company to which you will be forced to pay heavy interest, despite whatever rates were quoted verbally to get you to sign.

Consumer protection agencies give the following advice to avoid unnecessary consumer headaches and outright fraud:

• NEVER BUY IN HASTE. Take your time, shop around, compare prices and then make up your mind.

• DON'T DEAL WITH FLY-BY-NIGHT MERCHANTS. Deal with reputable merchants who have been in business for some time. Try to find people who have dealt with them and get their reactions. If still in doubt, check with your nearest Better Business Bureau.

• DON'T BE "BARBARIC BLINDS" ON SHOP BY

PRICE ALONE. Quality is an important value. Watch out for "once in a lifetime bargains." Discounts, "wholesale" and "free" are not always what they appear to be. Never buy something you don't need just because it's on sale.

• DON'T BE HIGH PRESSURED OR OVERWHELMED BY BULK SALESMEN. Look into all the facts, not just the salesman's points of emphasis. If in doubt, sleep on it or get more information.

• ALWAYS CHECK THE CREDENTIALS OF A DOOR-TO-DOOR SALESMAN. Make sure he is who he says he is — representing the company he claims to be representing. Never pay a door-to-door salesman in cash. Pay by check or money order made out to the company.

• OBTAIN WRITTEN ESTIMATES OF REPAIRS. Don't permit a household appliance, TV, or radio to be taken from your home for repairs without first getting a written estimate of probable repair costs. Get written assurance that no additional charges will be made without your consent (also applies to auto repairs and other major household repairs).

• TAKE CONTRACTS SERIOUSLY. Don't sign a contract before you read and understand it. Read all the fine print. Never sign a contract with blank spaces or uninitialized charges. Always keep a copy. Don't accept or rely on oral promises. Get your guarantees in writing.

• KEEP IMPORTANT RECEIPTS. Tags, sales checks, and guarantees in a safe place. Return registration card if requested by the company.

• DON'T ACCEPT AN INCOMPLETE BILL for your merchandise. Make sure the total price includes delivery, installation and warranty charges. Make sure the service contract spells out who provides what and for how much.

• DON'T MAKE UNREALISTIC FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS. The more money involved, the more caution you need. Understand finance charges. Make sure you can comfortably afford what you buy.

• EDUCATE YOURSELF TO CONSUMER FRAUD. Use sources on consumer law. It is well worth your time to read books on consumer fraud. These also often inform you about what agencies you can turn to if taken in by some unsatisfactory or deceptive business practice.

Books such as *Buyer Beware* by Fred Trump, and *The Vulnerable Americans* by Curt Gentry are enlightening. Other consumer fraud literature may be available at your local Better Business Bureau. Your greatest protection is becoming an alert and aware consumer. Buyer beware! ()

There Is No Justice In the Land

by Jeff Callard

Make a chain for the land is full of bloody crimes and the city is full of violence (Ezek. 7:23)

Crime soared by 18% in the first three months of 1975 in the U.S. Before that, it surged 18% in 1974. Eight million serious crimes will take place this year. In fact one 1973 study found 17 million people had been victimized in one year by major crime but only 5.3 million reported it. The grim conclusion, the crime rate is about 3 times what the uniform crime reports show.

The land is full of blood and the city is full of violence. (Ezek. 7:23) They say the Lord will punish the

earth and the Lord seem not (Ezek. 9:9). Failure to convict felons is one outstanding weakness of the American system of criminal justice. In New York City for example 80% of felony arrests result in the reduction of charges to misdemeanors or outright dismissal. The same percentage of homicide arrests in the same city see the defendant freed on probation or sent to prison for less than ten years.

Criminologists estimate that of all serious crimes only 12% lead to arrests, only 8% to convictions and only 1% to prison.

These grim conjectures are supported by the chief of police in Los Angeles Edward Davis who firmly believes that 80% of the felons in Los Angeles County are not sent to prison.

The police chief of Gary Indiana, like wise notes that 9 out of 10 of those arrested for burglary, theft or robbery in his city are back on the streets now.

Yes, murderers and heathen depart from the earth. (Ezek. 7:23) And the Lord saw that the land was oppressed and that there was no one to deliver them. (Ezek. 39:15)

One major key to the abysmal state of justice in the United States is plea-bargaining.

The labyrinth of procedural requirements imposed upon the justice system by the Warren Court has created two major roadblocks to the punishment of criminals: (1) stiff rules for questioning suspects and obtaining evidence make it harder to arrest and (2) trial delays occasioned by hassles over whether a defendant's rights have been violated make it harder to get a conviction.

In the ensuing frustration prosecutors turn to striking deals with defendants offering to withdraw the felony charge in exchange for a guilty plea on a lesser indictment.

In a rotten and immoral system that threatens to give a man more jail time for exercising his right to a trial says Marjorie Hartman, director of defense services for the National Legal Aid and Defender Association.

Judgment is turned away backward and justice standeth afar off for truth is fallen in the street and equity cannot enter. (Isaiah 58:14)

President Ford recently noted that while the number of crimes has soared the number of prisoners in state and fed era penitentiaries has declined. He notes that one study shows that of all convicted robbers with a major prison record only 27% were sent to prison after conviction.

According to Brooklyn District Attorney Eugene Good: A guilty man can slip

through the cracks (one is tempted to say gaping holes) in the system or in recent man can wind up in jail for months awaiting trial.


Who unto them which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him (Isaiah 5:22-23)

The system need not continue in the corruption. There is the utopian alternative wherein a perfect balance is struck between the liberal call to end all root causes of crime (such as poverty, inner city poor family environment and ignorance) and the conservative advocacy of swift and speedy punishment for wrongdoing.

The supernatural solution could strike a balance between justice and mercy, order and freedom and enforcement and forgiveness.

This is the millennial solution prescribed by the same prophets, Isaiah and Ezekiel, which were quoted above. It is a time of law and order - with justice and mercy.

and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither approve after the hearing of his ears, but with righteous ness shall he judge the poor and approve with equity for the meek of the earth. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. (Isaiah 11:3-9) It is a solution which is worth praying for.



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EVERY NINTH SHOPPER The Alarming Frequency of Shoplifting

Several studies have been made by security firms to discover the frequency rate of shoplifting.

One private security firm followed 500 shoppers through a New York department store and found 11 of every 12 shoppers stole something. Another firm found that 1 out of 15 shoppers entering selected New York, Boston and Philadelphia department stores took something without paying for it. But another through study of 432 shoppers has shown that those rates may be too optimistic.

Sam D. Astor, president of Management Safeguards Inc. began his special project on shoplifting by asking various retail executives to guess the ratio of shoplifters to total customers. Two seasoned executives guessed there was 1 shoplifter for every 1,000 visitors, several other executives guessed 1 in 800, 1 in 100, 1 in 80 etc.

Then Mr. Astor sent members of his staff to a particular high volume soft-goods store in midtown New York City and instructed them to follow the first person who entered the store regardless of age, sex, race or any other characteristic. They were instructed to stay with that customer until he left the store. The

same with the next random customer they could concentrate upon.

Of 188 customers followed, 20 stole. That's 1 out of 9.5, or nearly 12%. In addition, 3 customers noticed that they were being observed and either dropped or purchased the merchandise they had concealed.

The thieves were almost equally divided in the age groups: 17, 25, 26, 40 and over. Three were male, 17 were females. Fourteen of the 20 dropped the stolen goods into large shopping bags. Four wore the merchandise out of the store or carried it over their arm, and 2 dropped stolen goods into large hand bags before or after the shoplifters were spotted by store detectives.

At another store, Mr. Astor's staff followed 263 randomly selected customers. Twenty-seven or approximately 10% of these studied the value of the average theft was around \$6. Of 432 average shoppers, 47 stole merchandise. That's about 11%.

Stock shrinkage losses for industries listed with the National Retail Merchants Association average just over 2%. A reduction of just one half of one percent in these losses - to 1.5% - would have the same effect on after tax profits as a \$3,125,000 increase in sales for a \$10 million store, or a \$15,625,000 increase in sales for a \$50 million store.

Obviously then, the white-collar shoplifter exacts a heavy toll on the economic health of many businesses. The businessman and consumer alike would profit immensely if that 1 shopper in 9 would join the other 8 in keeping the simple command of God: Thou shalt not steal. □

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Obituary to the Father-in-Law!

My compliments to Mr. Herbert Armstrong for his well-written series of articles about "The Incredible Human Potential" in the *Plain Truth* magazine. That and the newer series, "The Missing Dimension in Sex," are the type of material that I would like to see more of in *Plain Truth*. I also enjoy reading the news articles which give more details and put things in a better perspective than normally found in news papers. They are mentioned at all. Usually *Plain Truth* deals with subject matters not normally talked about in the media but nonetheless are vital in understanding world events and trends.

Richard Herian
Newton, WI

In your most recent issue of *Plain Truth* magazine, one particular article stood out very strong to my wife and me. This article was the anniversary name, Herbert W. Armstrong, in regards to the future of the world. This quite of me that I was having a conversation with my wife just the day after I received my last issue of *Plain Truth*. I was in a depressed state of mind because I had not been able to land a particular job that I had been trying to get for some time. Many things have been preying on my mind in regards to the sad state of this world and the future state the world would or would not be in a year from now. Then I asked myself and my wife, "I wonder if it's worth trying anymore." Then I reached over and picked up my *Plain Truth* and there staring me in the face was the article mentioned above. Almost every word from the very first letter jumped out at me as if the very words I was reading were the very exact thoughts and feelings that had been confronting me for quite some time. Just reading and knowing someone else like Mr. Armstrong must have had the same thoughts and feelings as I gave me a feeling of ease and contentment. I no longer felt lost in my mind and heart that I was alone with these uncomfortable thoughts and feelings. To summarize, I could not have said it better if I had written the article myself. It is times like this that I am grateful for the opportunity to have a magazine like *Plain Truth* in my home.

Don Rosenthal
Minneapolis, MN

Radio on Solzhenitsyn

In your Aug. 2 issue you tell Canadian reader David Deneau that the God of Christ is not the God of murderous holy wars as passages in Deuteronomy might suggest. But then your columnist Stanley R. Rader contradicts this conclusion by his unmitigated support for Alexander Solzhenitsyn, who has done nearly everything but issue a blunt call for preventive war against the Soviet leadership.

Solzhenitsyn speaks the truth about Stalin's Russia but his narrow self-righteousness prevents him from admitting the many internal improvements in Russia since then from appreciating that further improvements will more likely follow from

decreased tensions with the West than from increased tension, and from understanding even the rudiments about the nature of participatory democracy and the many ill-effects it has suffered in recent years.

Nothing this nation has ever done so resembles an unnecessary and vicious holy war as did its fruitless effort in Vietnam. As one who worked constantly to end that debacle I recognize Mr. Solzhenitsyn's support for it as one of the most dangerously reactionary cries to be heard in today's world. I applaud Mr. Ford's desire to avoid talking with such a hypocrite and I deplore the indiscriminate support given to Solzhenitsyn by almost all Christian organizations who in so doing abandon the admonition of Christ to love one's enemies and change the world by example and patient concern.

John E. Suggitt
Brookline, MA

I was very impressed with the article, "Solzhenitsyn and Deneau" in the August 2 issue of *Plain Truth*. The President of the United States seems to be afraid to meet Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the best known anti-Communist writer in the world.

Would it be possible to print in *Plain Truth* more about Deneau and why the Russians still aim for world supremacy?

Mrs. M. Seggerin
Taylor, TX

America Revisited

As one who loves the truth I was most interested to read your article "Who Discovered America First?"

AMERICA in Scandinavian (ancient) language means the Land of Eric. As I understand it AME means land and an "A" at the end of Eric, makes it possessive, or the Land of Eric. This is what the Indians were calling our land (also AMERIKKE) when Amerigo Vesputius came here. I believe his name an Italian was Marco and he took his name from America, rather than gave it to her.

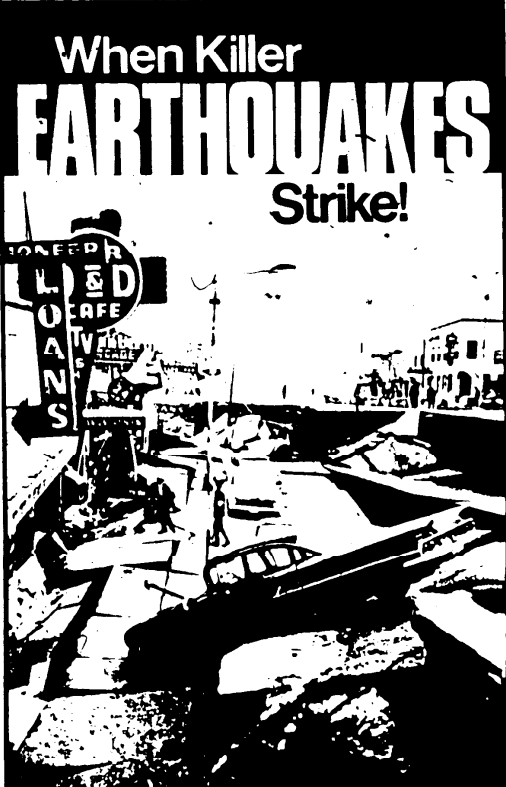
Any "discovery" by Columbus is certainly a myth, those who have sought to make us believe it have good promoters for public relations. Sometimes the truth is slow to be revealed, but I hope time will give us the facts.

Max Alice E. Swanson
Garden City, NY

I refer to your current issue of *Plain Truth* whose new format I admire. Regarding William Dankenbring's article "Who Discovered America First?" it does not seem an attempt to denigrate Columbus but I feel the author could have pointed out that he opened up the whole outward and onward movement of the Great Exploring Age, which was set in motion by him.

To those who argue that it would have happened later on anyway, one can only insist that through him it resulted. This great contribution seems to me to make prophatory navigations of lesser importance.

Patrick Mahony
Hollywood, CA



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In Brief

by Stanley R. Rader

TOKYO, August 30

The news from the Middle East is encouraging. Egypt and Israel have signed their interim peace accord regarding the separation of military forces in the Sinai. Last night the Israeli ambassador to Japan, honoring Mr. Armstrong for his efforts to bring about better understanding between the peoples of Egypt and Israel, was also optimistic over the Sinai agreement.

Thus Mr. Kissinger's perseverance in pressuring and promoting Israel, while keeping Egypt basically in place since the collapse of his last efforts, has paid off.

Yet there is growing concern among many American political leaders in Congress that the use of U.S. citizens (civilian volunteers) to man the early warning system in the buffer zone may lead the nation into another unwanted war — another Vietnam. They feel that the presence of these U.S. citizens will mean a concomitant obligation to use U.S. military forces to defend or otherwise protect these citizens if hostilities should break out again as in 1973. It doesn't take too much imagination for the critics of this part of the agreement to envision another Mayaguez rescue mission as in Cambodia this past spring.

In addition, the agreement does seem to commit the United States to defend Israel's existence militarily if necessary, thus producing a greater possibility of the two things most feared and most to be avoided, a direct confrontation between the United States and the Soviet Union and the use of nuclear weapons in the area.

In Israel the criticism in some quarters that the geographical step back wards (an Israeli withdrawal from the strategic passes and the surrender of the oil fields) was too much in the way of a first concrete step toward a peaceful settlement of the entire area was not severe enough to stop the agreement from being pursued by the Israeli government. The agreement calls for Israel to receive compensation from the United States for the abandonment of the oil fields, as well as a guarantee from the United States that Israel's oil requirements would be met. In addition the United States will begin the shipping of military and economic aid to Israel in excess of \$3 billion — shipments which have been withheld in large part as President Ford was reassessing the entire U.S. policy in the Middle East in the wake of the collapse of the Kissinger peace talks last spring. Furthermore, a consensus in Israel seems to be that the three-year period during which Egypt would appear to be abandoning the use of force as an option will give Israel time both to strengthen its defense and to develop programs for a permanent and lasting peace.

Three weeks ago during our conference with Prime Minister Rabin in Jerusalem, the prime minister was, on one hand, hopefully optimistic that Mr. Kissinger would soon be commencing a new peace shuttle, on the other hand, he was concerned that perhaps Mr. Kissinger wanted a new interim peace accord so badly that he would pressure Israel to pay any price to achieve it. Perhaps during these three weeks the open and secret aspects of this interim peace accord have convinced Israel and Egypt alike that more will continue to be gained as long as the parties are talking to one another, even though that talk is, for the moment, by way of intermediaries such as Mr. Kissinger and his aides from the State Department. As long as the parties are talking, even in this manner, they indeed are not fighting.



STANLEY RADER meeting recently with Israel Prime Minister Rabin.

The Bible Has Something for Everybody

by John R. Schroeder

You've heard the commercial over and over: "Milk has something for every body." That might be true, unless you're one of those unfortunate individuals who has a milk allergy. But would you believe there is a book that really does have something for everybody?

Different people have different tastes. But whatever your particular "thing" happens to be, the Bible probably has something very interesting to say about it.

For instance, you might like reading poetry. Many of David's psalms are poetic prayers — original songs set to music which has been lost. The book of Job contains some of the greatest poetry ever written. It ranks among the literary and philosophical masterpieces of all time, and it contains a vital lesson for everybody.

For the Historically Minded

Are you interested in history? The Bible is a book of origins. It explains where man came from, why he was put on this earth, and where he is going (see Genesis 1:26). That's something everybody needs to know.

Most secular histories show that man's footsteps emanate from the Middle East (the Fertile Crescent). The Bible itself is a Middle Eastern book. It is written historically, geographically, and ethnically from the point of view of the Middle East. The first book in the Bible specifies man's beginnings in the area of the Tigris-Euphrates river valley, in the general region of Mesopotamia (Gen. 2:8-15).

What Is the Bible?

The English word "Bible" is a derivative (or anglicized form) of the Greek expression *biblia*, which is itself a diminutive plural of the Greek term *biblos* or *biblion* — meaning "books." The Bible is a collection of sixty-six books (twenty-seven in the New Testament and thirty-nine in the Old).

We often refer to the Bible by the expression "Holy Scriptures," which merely means "Holy Writings." The biblical revelation is a written revelation — although many of its words were originally spoken orally.

The original language of the Old Testament is basically Hebrew, with some few chapters written in Aramaic (a Semitic language closely related to Hebrew). Hellenistic Greek (or Koine) is the original New Testament language.

Genesis spans more centuries of history than any other biblical book. Besides including an indeterminate period of pre-history prior to man's creation, the first six chapters briefly summarize the beginning 1,650 years of human history in outline form. All told, this book covers 2,300 years, from Adam to Joseph. Much of the balance of the Old Testament is devoted to the history of one man's family grown great — the family of Abraham (from Genesis 12 to Malachi).

The four gospels are basically histories of Jesus Christ during his three-and-a-half-year ministry. The book of Acts is a brief history of the early first-century church.

For genealogy buffs, there is a table of nations in Genesis 5. This genealogy is repeated, summarized and expanded in the beginning chapters of 1 Chronicles.

Other chronologies and genealogies are scattered throughout the pages of the Old Testament. The genealogy of Christ (through Joseph, his legal father), is penned in the first chapter of Matthew, and the lineage through Mary is found in the third chapter of Luke. (Of course, studying genealogies should not be an end in itself (1 Tim. 3:9). But it's an interesting hobby, nevertheless.)

Philosophy

Is philosophy your "bag"? Then the Bible has something for you too. The philosophy of Jesus Christ is summed up in the Sermon on the Mount. It sets the highest moral and philosophical standards of human conduct you can find anywhere.

Philosophy from a humanistic viewpoint is presented in the book of Ecclesiastes. Its lessons are numerous. It is chock full of basic wisdom, such as "Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil" (Ecc. 8:11, KJV). This is highly applicable to our overloaded courts and overworked system of justice today!

The Main Message

Or are you into religion? There's no denying that the overall purpose of the biblical revelation has everything to do with man's spiritual state.

Spiritual — and for that matter even physical — salvation is the main reason why 66 books were included in the Judeo-Christian Bible. The story of salvation starts in the book of Genesis, being briefly summed up in verse 26 of chapter one where God says, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." Man, unique among all the earth's creatures, was fashioned to have fellowship with God — for eternity, when you really comprehend it.

Prophecy

Few realize that a good definition for Bible prophecy would be "history written in advance" — before it happens. Some biblical predictions have already come to pass, some are being fulfilled today, and some will yet be fulfilled at some time in the future.

About a fourth of the Bible is composed of prophecy. Says J. Barton Payne, "Commentators are accustomed

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physical matter. In His divine wisdom, God knew that His supreme purpose required that man be made, first, on the material level - a physical being! Being physical, we were made with the five physical senses.

It was God's purpose that humans, unlike animals, angels, or any other living beings, enjoy the blessings of MARRIAGE and FAMILY relationships - actual God-plane relationships. The marriage relationship as explained had to be a LOVE relationship. But human, fleshly man is not born with spiritual love. Man's comprehension of mind, his expression of LOVE is confined naturally to the physical level, through the senses. Unconverted man can express only physical love and in marriage, it is expressed through sex.

Man is given a choice. So he has full ability to turn physical sex love in the

to stating that fully one quarter of the Bible is prophecy, and while this estimate appears to be a generalization it is still approximately correct. As tabulated below, out of the Old Testament's 23,210 verses, 6,641 contain predictive material or 28.6 percent. Out of the New Testament's 7914 verses, 1711 contain predictive material or 21.6 percent. So for the entire Bible's 31,124 verses, 8,352 contain predictive material, or 27 percent of the whole! *(The Encyclopedia of Biblical Prophecy, pp. 12-13)*

For the Practical Man

You may be a no-nonsense practical man who needs tangible help in finding a job or working out a problem. For the moment you may not be interested in reading poetry, philosophy or even religion. Well, the Bible is for you too!

The book of Proverbs has plenty of advice for the job hunter. Don't be a quitter (Prov. 24:10). Seek balanced advice (23:4, 12, 26:12, 16). Be diligent in your search (27:23, 24, 24:30, 34). Seek wise counsel (Prov. 11:14, 19, 20). Proverbs propounds a success formula, not only for the job seeker but also for the businessman, the farmer, the scholar, the theologian or the housewife. It contains hundreds of practical, down-to-earth gems of wisdom that can be read one at a time whenever one has the chance.

Get Your Feet Wet

Once you get into it, the Bible is the most fascinating book extant on this earth today. It's all a matter of getting your feet wet. The water's not so cold after you've been in a few minutes. Chronologies and charts and those may turn you off at first, but the solution is to speed read chronological tables and obtain a modern translation like the Revised Standard Version or perhaps the New English Bible if you like more of a free flowing translation.

But whatever translation you choose, you owe it to yourself to jump in and find out what the Bible has for you! □

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wrong direction of LUST. God equipped him with MIND. He has capability to discern and to choose, and what he sows he shall reap!

Though God made man a physical being, it was still His design to make possible our greatest HAPPINESS.

Of all the truly ENJOYABLE experiences received through the five senses, perhaps the most intense and supremely gratifying - the very pinnacle of sheer exhilaration - is that received in the sex act of expressing LOVE for the one who is dearest of all people on earth, and to whom one has been joined in blessed and holy wedlock by GOD HIMSELF!

I remember when I was a young unmarried man, some of us young lincas had a good argument for resisting formation. IF we reasoned, a man might experience a momentary sensual thrill out of an act of fornication. How much greater would be the satisfaction of waiting to share that act with the one sweetest, dearest, loveliest wife in all the world - giving LOVE, not receiving LUST - with clean conscience. With a heart or a girl house and unusual enough to permit fornication, it could not be real LOVE. Besides, it involved a guilty conscience and it could involve premarital pregnancy or venereal disease. (Remember, conditions and attitudes of teenagers were quite different then - some 60 years ago.)

Best - for Us

Even in carnality we realized it was better BETTER FOR US - to wait for marriage.

The perverted believer in today's "new morality" could argue "Why not enjoy both?" But he misses the whole point. The supreme enjoyment and happiness of marital LOVE springs from the very exclusiveness of the true marriage relationship - a sacred joy just the two - unshared with any other. Fornication prior to marriage robs the marriage of something very precious and eminently worth the premarital self-denial.

God made us so that we may really ENJOY the taste of delicious food, the sound of beautiful music, the sight of a beautiful landscape or flower garden, the fragrance of lovely roses. He allowed exercise of our senses is right. God intended that pleasure and enjoyment. God is LOVE, and God expressed His love toward us by making these delights possible. Yet, probably the most intensely delightful of all physical joys God's love has made possible is that of sexual love between husband and wife.

It was intended to endear each to the other, bond them closer to each other.

It was God who created these five senses and set them to such dynamic action with their various stimuli. And God blessed everything that He had made and pronounced it VERY GOOD!

God wants us to ENJOY living! God made us so we can find true happiness, here and now - we can simply radiate happiness and joy! His law is the guide to the RIGHT use of these powers which can produce joyous blessings or terrible curses. And He gave us the CHORE!

God gave us the blessed MARRIAGE relationship and the God-plane FAMILY relationship!

Love is God's way. But natural man

can express it only physically. So, since humans can express naturally only a human and physical love, we come to the answer of the question posed in this installment:

THE CREATOR, IN HIS WISDOM, KNEW THAT SEX WAS NECESSARY TO PRESERVE THE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIP, IN REAL LOVE!

God knew what He was doing! God's answer to those unhappy early religious "fathers" in their "chaste severity" is "Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou?" (Isaiah 45:9)

And again, "Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the work say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say to him that framed it, He had no understanding?" (Isaiah 29:16)

Sex was created in God's loving wisdom to make possible these sacred God-plane institutions of marriage, home and family!

Let's save sex for MARRIAGE. Let's turn to the way of all the blissful joys and blessings God made possible and intended! □

erly mated for marriage; to inspire them with desire to share their lives, their problems, their trials and troubles, their hopes and successes TOGETHER; to enjoy the planning and building together of a happy home; and to rear a happy FAMILY.

God designed sex to produce pure, righteous, clean, holy and rich attitudes! He made it to be the loving bond which not only would inspire a properly mated couple to marry, but which would preserve that marriage in love. Sex should be the energizing magnet to draw a husband and a wife closer and closer together with increasing LOVE - to heal over those little irritations, disturbances, or misunderstandings which do occur.

Yet, this very bond which should bind the marriage tightly together, is also the cord which, misused and perverted, serves more marriages than all other causes combined. Misused, it can bring nightmarish divorce, weak homes and lives, leave children without parents, and spawn juvenile delinquents!

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SPEAKS OUT!

Recycling Our Criminals

For the month in Savannah I have found a young man, a follower of convicted murderer Charles Manson and Arthur B. Bremer, gun at President Ford at nearly point blank range. The pistol got out first and the President was scattered at the scene. The man attempted to shoot at the assassin. He was shot at the assassin's feet. He was shot at the assassin's feet. He was shot at the assassin's feet. He was shot at the assassin's feet.

An hour later, on schedule the President addressed the legislative branch on the subject of law and order and gun control. He said the government has a duty to protect the country. He said the government has a duty to protect the country. He said the government has a duty to protect the country.

It was clear to all Mr. Ford that the majority of the country, the very people he represents, are angry. An angry America can be born in 1974 in a way that is by no means less than an American soldier in World War II was able to do in combat. It will happen in the streets.

As the statistics indicate by their magnitude, the rate of the major crimes is increasing at a rate that has made it necessary to take the larger American cities that 7% of all crimes last year will probably be murdered and the actual figure may reach 15%.

Far from suggesting that current laws are more or less adequate, as some people would like to believe, these results imply that homicide in urban America is far more prevalent than most realize. And the way most murder rates are reported, by simply dividing annually per 100,000 people, tends to mask the fact that for each individual murder made to-omorrow you after you.

But it isn't enough just to say we're in the midst of a crime wave. It's a crime epidemic. In all these cities, it's a crime epidemic. In all these cities, it's a crime epidemic. In all these cities, it's a crime epidemic.

become a major national problem. And yet many people still like to think that we've won.

In the one year from 1971 to 1974 our crime jumped 17%. That was the largest increase in the 40 years that national statistics have been kept. A slight dip in the murder rate, everything is jumping up on the same way, every way.

They were doing crime. Murder, rape, drug, they were all doing. And they were doing it all the time. And they were doing it all the time. And they were doing it all the time.

Johnny's longer range view, there is no doubt that violent crime has been jumping up on the same way, every way. In the same 14 years the rate of robberies has increased 28%, out of all proportion to population growth. During the same period homicide rates shot up by 123% aggravated assault 18% and murder 118%. After some of the other reports the FBI has been tabulating this year show that the rate for serious crimes is up on the rise for 18% during the first three months of 1974. There is no way politicians say you can paint the picture of crime in the United States but say.

Respected law enforcement officers are bewildered about a sparkling world. They are not doing it. They are not doing it. They are not doing it. They are not doing it.

When you look at the crime system of justice, the statistics indicate the homicide and non-homicide crime that is taking place in the United States is probably just one of the most serious and then even after conviction the number of people who are released in jail and then those who go to jail, who actually stay there for any amount of time, who are actually sent to jail. It's a total system.

Recidivism has been up to the point where the rate is now 70%.

That means that seven out of ten of the people who are arrested are coming up before the judge, have already been arrested and probably for the same crime before. We're getting the same criminals over and over again. We can't get them off the streets. We arrest them

again and again and again. But nothing seems to happen to them. It's the wonder. It's the wonder. It's the wonder. It's the wonder.

Pardon Commissioner Joseph J. Noel of Philadelphia has said, "I think we're not being put into jail if they're not guilty. They are put on probation. They are put on probation. They are put on probation.

And Daniel P. Sullivan, who is the executive vice president of the crime commission in Greater Miami, has said, "I don't think we have the moral character to require people to obey the law any more. People are not concerned. They get away with murder. They commit the most violent and vicious crimes and they go through the door and go back out on the street.

The crime problem is a major national disaster, yet we don't seem to realize the true proportions of it. There is no way to over-emphasize the problem that crime has become in the world's greatest free nation. As an approach to the scientific observation of the crime statistics of the land of the free and the home of the brave, we have increasingly become the land of the slaves and the home of the criminal.

Many of the national police and law enforcement professionals are becoming very, very angry. Some professionals have already begun walking off their jobs, refusing to show up for work. When a policeman is actually arrested, it's actually occurred not long ago, a couple of miles away in the process of demanding a check or to take them down to jail. Some have and then some who judge not only lose their lives but give the other engine back to them. Can you really blame them for being discouraged?

But we remember a startlingly accurate report from the Los Angeles office we had been stating. The Los Angeles office of the Los Angeles office of the Los Angeles office. The Los Angeles office of the Los Angeles office.

But what are the causes of our most serious crime situation? Attorney General Edward J. Bates said, "We must understand that an effective criminal justice system has to emphasize deterrence. There are many causes of crime but among them is the failure of our system to move quickly and effectively to detect and punish offenders.

But are there underlying rural causes for some people haven't been willing to look at already brought to your attention that the crime wave has been going on since the beginning of the Eisenhower baby-boom when the young criminals are being trained by a generation of us don't care parents

With the incredible breakdown of America's crime rate, the virtual abolition and destruction of the moral fabric, the erosion of all society, the fact of a ready rampant crime steadily spirals upward. Criminals are for more than to be in crime. It's not the other parent is missing. It's not the other parent is missing. It's not the other parent is missing.

Now of course, some psychiatric groups that split or come new fighter will come along and tell us that it's not the parent that's the problem. It's not the parent that's the problem. It's not the parent that's the problem.

Another study of only 1000 families in the average American youth was 11,000 TV murders by the time he is 14.

And the impact on terrorism has a direct effect on private citizens. Police men by the thousands would tell you they have it a lot. When someone will at last come before a judge and admit that he perpetrated a crime, he's because he can't see it. He can't see it. He can't see it. He can't see it.

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It is only when you begin to see the picture that they must suffer from the consequences of their own actions that the justice is needed, not from our political system. We should have learned that first lesson that you begin to see and looking the law brings punishment. When we adopt the policy that the punishment can never be considered a deterrent to crime, we are abandoning the very foundation of our justice system. We are abandoning the very foundation of our justice system.

The woman who attempted to gun down President Ford in Sacramento had earlier in the year been sentenced to life in Alcatraz. She had been sentenced to life in Alcatraz. She had been sentenced to life in Alcatraz.

But despite the fact that she had been sentenced to life in Alcatraz, she was released and she was released and she was released and she was released.

If there were a health plan in it to meet our needs, it would be essential to have public officials who would be looking out for the people.

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