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As the object of the American Board of Missions to the Jews is to reach the entire field of American Jewry, it is our desire and purpose to establish Mission stations in such important Jewish centers as may be in greatest need of a Gospel testimony, consistent with the Lord's will, as evidenced through His provision of workers and funds. This work of national evangelization of the Jews is further being accomplished by our Field Secretaries, who come into personal contact with Jews in their travels; also by means of letters, tracts and Gospels mailed to selected lists of Jewish names in practically every city and many towns of the United States; and finally by our Yiddish-English monthly paper, *The Shepherd of Israel* which has a large circulation among the Jews in all parts of the world.

The plan of work for all stations calls for the maintenance of Gospel meetings for adults and children; a medical department to assist poor Jews; a Poor Fund, to enable us to relieve the distress of deserving Jews and to give a practical demonstration of Christian love; a Literature Fund for the purchase of Hebrew Bibles and Testaments and to print tracts in Jewish. Mr. Cohn has written eight Jewish tracts which God has used to the conversion of many.

We covet your prayers and your sympathy, and we invite fellow believers to cast in their lot with us, taking fellowship in the great task He has committed to us.

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## JEWISH NOTES

An excellent example of how wicked and unfair is the deliberate campaign of abuse and falsehood against the Jews, is to be found in just one fact with regard to the situation in Germany. It is charged by the Hitlerites and other enemies of the Jews that there are enormously large numbers of Jewish Communists in Germany, and to the Jews blame must be given for the Communistic uprising in that land. Now as a matter of fact, there are only 562,000 Jews in all Germany, counting, men, women and children. The population of Germany according to the last available figures was 62,348,782. The Jewish population was therefore 0.91 per cent of the total, or less than 1 per cent!

Now at the last election in Germany on March 5th, the Communists polled more than 4,800,000 votes. Thus, even if every Jewish man, woman and child, the whole 562,000 of them could have gone to the polls and voted the Communist ticket, they would still represent only one-eighth of the total Communist votes polled! But of course, it is well-known that not more than 10 per cent of the German Jews are Communists, so that at the very outside, not more than 56,000 Jewish votes could have been polled for the Communist ticket, out of a total of 4,800,000 votes.

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Reports are being circulated that some Jewish Christians have purchased a tract of 500 acres of land in Palestine, near Gaza. This, it is claimed, is to be the nucleus of a Hebrew Christian colony, in which it is also hoped to have a Hebrew Christian Church. We confess that we do not find ourselves in sympathy with such a scheme, which we fear is doomed to failure. Any Jew who

has been born again and become a member of our Lord's body, the Church, has no further interest in Jewish racial or nationalistic schemes which the Palestine Zionist movement frankly is. Every so often we come across attempts to start something distinctively Jewish Christian, sometimes it is to be a Jewish Christian Church, as distinguished from a Gentile Christian Church. This of course, is unscriptural, for the Word of God says nothing about a Jewish Christian Church or a Gentile Christian Church, but in the Word of God it is always THE CHURCH, a church composed of both Jew and Gentile who, because He broke down the middle wall of partition between the twain, have become one.

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Blatantly, and without regard to real facts, sweeping statements are being continually made that the Jews own the banks of New York and that they even own the gold of America! Yet, when the House of Morgan was being inquisitioned in Washington last summer, not a Jewish name appeared in any connection whatsoever with this, the most powerful financial investment house of America, if not of the world! We scrutinized carefully every one of the so-called preferred lists of the Morgan House, and could not find even one Jewish name. It was brought out at the investigation that the Morgan partnership was using capital funds that ran into the hundreds of millions of dollars. A few weeks later, a preliminary examination was started of the investment banking house of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the only Jewish investment banking house of any importance in New York City. In this initial examination it developed that the total capital funds of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. was something like twenty million dollars! Such facts as these speak far more loudly than all the vociferous and irresponsible ballyhoo of those who for reasons undisclosed seem to be determined to make the Jew out as the greatest scoundrel in the world. In this connection, it may be of further interest to our readers to know that among the largest banks in New York, such as the Chase National Bank, the National City Bank, the Irving Trust Co., the Guarantee Trust Co., etc., not one Jewish name appears either as a Director or an officer.

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## Salutation

"We go to salute the Children of the King"—II Kings 10:13

*Dearly beloved friends:*

Again in the good providence of our Lord, we are permitted to greet you after a cessation of four months. You are always in our prayers, both of thanksgiving and of petition; thanksgiving, that the Lord has allowed us to be laborers with Him in this perhaps the most vital task of the present apostate day, which may well be the closing day of the age; and petition that the Lord may keep each one of us steadfast until that blessed day dawn when the shadows shall flee away and night be no more. Likewise, letters keep coming to us every day from our beloved friends in which they say that they are praying for us, by name, once, twice and sometimes three times a day. What an inspiration and blessing these assurances have been to us! And is it any wonder that the Lord is blessing in such abundance the testimony of this Mission, so that its lines have truly gone out through all the earth?

## THE SUMMER'S WORK

We find that we must literally fulfill the exhortation of Psalm 105:2, "Talk ye of all His wondrous works," a never ending delight for the children of God. To set down, item by item, all of the evidences of the Lord's grace to us during these past four months, would take so many pages that even a good sized book could not contain them all. So, we must content ourselves with giving you brief summaries, that you may have a glimpse of at least the high lights of His dealings with us.

Perhaps never before in the almost forty years' history of this Mission have we had more manifestations of His grace than during this past summer. Surely His coming cannot be far off, when we are allowed to witness such a rising tide of spiritual turning to God on the part of so many from among Israel, and such a response to the Gospel message from literally every part of the world. Perhaps it is because persecution has begun again for the Jew, a persecution which may be the storm that, as in the case of Jonah, will precipitate the terrible time of Jacob's trouble. Or perhaps it is that the Lord is using us in these last days to prepare a group from among Israel that shall be used in the tribulation days for world evangelism. Or perhaps it may be that we are witnessing the final gathering out from among Israel just before the Church is taken up to be with the Lord. Whatever may be the reasons, our meetings have been crowded, new conversions have been reported over and



over again, *The Shepherd of Israel* has been in demand from every part of the world, and through its circulation we have received some beautiful letters from Jews who have been brought to the Lord through the reading of those pages; our Pittsburgh Branch reports likewise a marvelous outpouring of God's grace. Philadelphia too reports the Lord's continued rich blessings upon the testimony there.

The reading of Miss Biber's article on our summer's work in the Main building in connection with the Daily Vacation Bible School, will give you an introspective portrayal of the kind of work the Lord is leading and allowing us to do. That it is our privilege to behold in these young hearts such a love for the Lord Jesus Christ, certainly must have significance by way of what the Lord will do with these faithful witnesses in the pregnant period that may be just ahead. The tears will come to your eyes, I am sure, as you go with Miss Biber behind the scenes and see how our people live and how much the Gospel message means in their homes and in their daily lives. You will not only rejoice with us, but give thanks to the Lord Jesus Christ for having so wonderfully owned your faith and your help.

"BEFORE THEY CALL." Isa. 65: 24

A final word of testimony must also be given, as we "talk of all His wondrous works," of the truly wonderful way in which every financial need of the Mission has been supplied throughout these lean months of the summer. Over and over has money come to us just at the very hour when we had reached the cross roads as to how to meet the need of the moment. In one case a friend has been compelled to greatly reduce, and stop for a while altogether, a hitherto regular monthly gift towards the salary of one of our workers. This meant that for the remaining six months of the year there would be no money available for the one-half of the salary of the worker in question. To let the worker go, we felt would be a tragic mistake and a serious undoing of what we had recognized to be the Lord's will. In the midst of this perplexity, there came a check from a wholly unexpected source for just the amount needed to care for this worker's salary for the remaining six months of the year. And we wrote this dear friend and told how when we were at our own human extremity, the Lord had moved upon her heart, totally unbeknown to us, to send this large gift just at that moment, as a direct answer to our doubt. Another instance was when in a space of three days we received such overwhelming demands for *The Shepherd of Israel* from all parts of the world, in one case the request was for 5,000 copies, that again we knew not what to do. Once more, even as we were pondering over the problem, came a large check to be used for *The Shepherd of Israel* fund, and again our problem was solved and we ordered our printer to go ahead with an extra edition, so that these papers went literally like the raindrops and fell all over the earth. Even now returns are coming in telling us of the blessings that have been attendant upon such distribution. We say all of this to the glory of God, for we are truly a living testimony to His care and faithfulness in all of His dealings with us. Without begging, without frantic appeals, without threats of closing our doors, the Lord has been moving day by day upon the hearts of His children in every part of this country, to come to our help, and so often as we have read the letters from you, our faithful and beloved friends, have the tears come to our eyes, and we have thanked God that He has privileged us to have the love and

### THROW OUT THE JEWS?

Sometimes we witness a striking example of the truth of the Lord's statement that the "children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." Just now when on every side we have the planting of poison in the minds of ignorant people against the Jews, to which rather shameful work some who profess to be Christians have joined themselves, it is refreshing to come across an article in a secular newspaper defending the Jews and showing the important place they occupy in the heart and mind of God. The King Features Syndicate kindly gave us permission to reprint it, for which we are grateful. The article was carried under the general syndicated column entitled, "Listen, World!" conducted by Elsie Robinson, and the heading was "Throw Out the Jews?" And while we cannot endorse everything the writer says, there is enough of truth and value in it, to justify passing it on to our readers:

So they're going to . . . drop the Jews? Wonder what they're going to do about Jesus of Nazareth?

But He—Mr. Hitler would undoubtedly retort—was the Son of God; not a Jew.

That is as it may be. But even so, Jehovah's seed was cased in flesh that came straight from the House of David. And the gentle face that bent above the manger on that starry night was a Jewish face. And the kindly, calloused hands that taught a stripling boy to use hammer and plane and saw were Jewish hands. And the little home . . . was a Jewish home.

Thirty-three years He was to live, and of those years only three were spent in ministry. But those few months have left their mark on all the world. And why? Because He was the Son of God? Yes; but also because He was the Son of all His earthly fathers—of Abraham and Moses, David and Solomon, valiant old Isaiah, brooding Hosea, with a face like a thin bright flame. He was their son, as well as the Son of God.

I am NOT a Jew. But I AM a Christian. And for all that Christianity means to me or to the world I

must be grateful, not only to that young Jew of Nazareth, but to all Jewry.

For, while the rest of humanity worshipped its little mud idols with obscene rites, lusted and looted like the jungle beasts which they were, the Jews took the Law from Sinai, built the Altar, kept the Faith.

Through desert exile, through incredible persecution, still the candles burned. While the power that was Egypt scattered like her desert sands, and the glory that was Rome sprawled, a putrid corpse, in her stone gutters, the Jews, without wealth, without power, without a nation, still held on. And today our civilization rests on the traditions which were taught that little Hebrew Boy in the shabby home of a Jewish carpenter.

Corruption and conniving amongst Jews? Where isn't there corruption and conniving? What race has a monopoly on that? But against that record, put this—what race has given to the world such beauty, such song, such vision, such sensitive communing with the Eternal Mysteries as the Jew?

And where, in all the length and breadth of Christendom, can you find a settlement where the home life of the Jew does not shame the home life of other citizens?

"THROW OUT THE JEWS?"

It can't be done. Thank God it can't! For the Jew is more than a man of certain faith or certain blood. He is a symbol—the Sign, made manifest in flesh, of a dream which has filled the heart of man since God first breathed His fire into a lump of clay. And as long as our hearts shall grope for beauty and order, for love and law, the Jew will go on—until at last there is no Jew and no Gentile, only all Sons of God.

### ARE YOU READY?

We stand breathlessly on the threshold of a new era. Every moment pulsates with emotion. Saturday night has come and the Morning Star arises. The Bride is going home to glory. She awaits the Bridegroom's call. The Jew has already packed up ready to go to Jerusalem. The Beast, the Antichrist, and the False Church will soon be enthroned. The great tribulation is at the doors. The 1,000 years of the glorious reign of Christ will follow on. Any moment now we may be translated—Christians look up! Be ready! The time is at hand. The coming of the Lord draweth nigh.—REV. E. MIDDLETON.

*Tuxum*—A town of 5,000 inhabitants whereof 20 per cent are Jews. I arrive at eight in the morning. It is market day and Jews are very busy. I approach the butchers first. They are a very rude caste of the people. As soon as I started distributing the magazine a crowd gathered. To my surprise they listened very attentively to my testimony. One Jew who received a paper tore it to pieces; that attracted more people to the crowd.

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*Jaunjelgava*—A little town at the bank of the Duna. It had been a strategical point of the fighting armies during the great war wherefore two-thirds destroyed. The little houses are spread all over the place among heaps of ruins. There are living some three hundred Jewish families in the town. Besides the distribution of the magazine which the Jews took with certain reservation I had a few talks with them. At first with a coachman Milkin, a man with a straightforward character, reading with sincere interest missionary literature. Saturdays there are gathering all his fellows of the town and are discussing the contents of the Bible and tracts. He regretted me having come on a workday when Jews are busy and many out of

the town. But there was a red-bearded Jew with whom I engaged in a long talk on religion. He fully agreed the external religion to be not genuine, and that many of our brethren are in blindness. He asked me to visit him on my next tour to that town. He had not made yet any confession of Christ, but his sincerity for religious truth cannot be denied.

At one home where I gave the magazine the people started immediately reading it. It was a woman that read and I stood outside listening how she read Mr. Joffe's biography. When she finished reading they noticed me walking to and fro on the pavement in front of the house, and when I was passing she repeated the words, perhaps with irony, "And God said that the Messiah had come!" On the way to the station I had a long talk with a Jew who studied the Scriptures and Talmud, but became an infidel. He denied even the existence of God. However, I convinced him to examine the Scriptures from a new point of view. To this he agreed. At the station I met the Jew whose wife read the magazine loudly. He apologized for not inviting me to his home, but asked me to visit him on the next journey. He is an interested and seeking soul.

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the esteem and the confidence of some of the choicest spirits on this earth. And so often these letters, some of them from hard-headed business men, have contained a sentence like this, "The time is very short, and I want this money in your hands just as fast as possible to be used for Israel's evangelization before He comes." Surely there must be something significant in the fact that so many of the Lord's people are writing us in this vein. You remember that at the time when our Lord came to this earth 1900 years ago history tells us that there seemed to have come over the world a sort of lull of expectancy, that some great event was about to take place; and there were in those days many devout Jews, like Simeon, who were waiting in patient expectancy for the coming of the Messiah. So may it not be that the Lord is speaking quietly to those who are most ready to listen, giving them at least a sense of the impending event for which the world now seems to groan. This ever-increasing conviction thus becomes the most powerful incentive to the child of God for witnessing to Israel in these last days. For we are truly come to days of bewilderment and perplexity. Well does the old hymn describe the condition and the need:—

Change and decay  
In all around I see,  
Oh, Thou who changest not,  
Abide with me.

Pitiable indeed is that soul who in these days has no anchor to hold him fast. In the world of politics, the finest and most skilled statesmen's brains are hopelessly unequal to the task that faces them. It was Montagu Norman, the head of what is probably the most powerful financial institution in the world, the Bank of England, who said not long ago in a public speech, "The problems facing the world today are too great for the brains of any man that has yet appeared. I confess that I do not know the way out." In the field of religion we are made heart-sick as we behold on all sides a letting down of the bars, a deliberate betrayal of the Lord Jesus Christ to His enemies, and finally an open denial of the eternal truths of the Word of God. Among the Jews we see a kaleidoscopic picture of a general breakup of the nation; the Zionist faction is only a very small part of the Jewish race as such. Rarely has there been a time when the Jews have been so devoid of positive religion as they are today. Out of this general breakup the Lord is unquestionably gathering a remnant for the body of the Lord Jesus Christ. What a setting for the next drama! For surely we are at the iron and clay of the very bottom of Daniel's image, and it cannot be long before that Stone cut out of the mountain without hands, shall come crashing down the mountainside, and shall break in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver and the gold. Then will it be that God shall set up a kingdom that shall never be moved, when the Lord Jesus Christ shall be crowned King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

In the light of these startling world events and in the light of the possible nearness of His coming, may we all be found faithful in the doing of those things which will please Him.

Most sincerely yours in His service,

JOSEPH HOFFMAN COHN.



## EDITORIALS

**Thirty-nine.** With this issue of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE we celebrate our 39th birthday as a paper and we enter upon the 40th year of service for Him. Moses reminded the children of Israel, in Deut. 29:5, that through all the forty years of wandering in the wilderness, God's loving care had never left them. This care had extended even to the minutest detail of the requirements of daily living. Moses told the Israelites, "I have led you forty years in the wilderness; your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot." And our own testimony is just as definite and clear cut as that of the Israelites; the Lord has always provided for us day by day, and each need as it became apparent in the growth of the work was always met unto this day. So we take courage from the experiences of the past, and we know that the God who put us here will continue to shower upon us His guidance, His provisions, and His daily mercies.

**"From Such Turn Away."** The large denominational organizations held their annual conventions last summer as usual, and once more, without exception, Modernism was in the saddle. It was heartbreaking to sit through one of these conventions and listen to the exaltation of man, to presentations of ambitious programs for world betterment, to dabbings in world politics, but rarely a word of praise to the Lord Jesus Christ, nor a word of pronouncement as to the lost condition of this world of ours and as to its need to be born again through the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In the Presbyterian General Assembly, a minority group headed by Dr. Machen of the Westminster Seminary of Philadelphia, was given

sufficient boldness from on high, to step out, as they have now done, and form a new society for the purpose of receiving and forwarding funds to be used faithfully for strictly orthodox and Christ-honoring Gospel work. We thank God for their courage, and trust their example will be a stimulus to loyalty on the part of many thousands of others of the Lord's people.

Inquiries come to us frequently as to the soundness of certain denominational societies, but we have never felt free to condemn such societies either directly or by any sweeping statement. We have usually suggested in such cases that our friends communicate directly with the societies involved and give them the opportunity either to affirm or deny the suspicions. One such friend wrote us a letter this summer, which is truly pathetic, because it reveals the disillusionment of a heart that had trusted to its own denomination through all these many years, and now has suddenly discovered the shocking truth. Here are some sentences from the letter:

"I feel so keenly that the Lord's money must not go merely into a religious organization of some kind, but into work where a concentrated effort is being made to win souls to Christ. For this reason I have withdrawn my support from the Foreign Mission field of the . . . Church, which I have helped to support rather heavily for years, and I am now directing it into other channels. A letter from the parent Board of the . . . Foreign Missions Society was a sickening revelation. Certainly these are days in which to use the most careful God-directed discernment."

So it now begins to simmer down to the individual question of loyalty to the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ. Who will dare deny that the present condition of chaos, in which are Socialism, Communism, and their kindred evils, is not due in considerable part to the traitors within the church, who through

food. Oh, how terrible it is to live through a single day! But I hope in the Lord! He is my help and keeps me very wonderfully. I am rejoicing through all sufferings, for the Lord directs me to the eternal life through them. My only comfort in these dark days is only Jesus. Jesus is my Physician! Salvation! For Him I willingly suffer. My highest wish and desire is to live for Him and labor in His vineyard. I desire much to seek lost souls in Israel, and my prayer to the Lord constantly is that among us as well as all over the world, our poor Jewish people may be awakened.

"Now I beseech you, if possible, to grant me some support. I desire greatly during this summer to regain my health in order to serve the Lord with all my strength. Dear brother, for that reason I commend myself to you with the plea, help me in my plight!"

And so these dear children of our Mission did actually bring their pennies day by day, and when the school was all over we found that they had gotten together \$17.00 and then they asked us to send it to this brother in Soviet Russia. We are minded to think of the Macedonian brethren who first set us the example of such heroic giving, so that Paul was able to say of them in 2nd Cor. 8:2, "How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality . . . and beyond their power they were willing of themselves."

It may not always be true, but certainly in this case the old saying has once again been vindicated, that it is the poor who help the poor. And particularly so is this of value when, like the Macedonians, we find that our own children "first gave their own selves to the Lord," and then of course the gift of money to one of the Lord's servants in Russia became doubly blessed of Him, for this is the only Scriptural order, one must first be a truly born again child of God before he can dare offer money for the Lord's work.

This story is not an appeal to our friends for special gifts for this particular Jewish Christian brother in Russia. The story is given to you only that you may know that at all times we are administering the funds you entrust to us for those things which are the most important and the most needy in the Jewish Mission field. The Lord has given us the grace to be quick to respond to an emergency, and our friends have given us, through His leading, the wherewithal so that we have been always able to respond with speedy relief.

### Bearing His Reproach

Continued and faithful reports come to us regularly from our missionary in Latvia. Our friends will remember that this is another one of our far-flung outposts for Gospel testimony to the Jews. Our missionary there is Joseph Schwartz, who is laboring under the direct supervision of our friend, Rev. Peter Smoljar, the director for Latvia of the Mildmay Mission to the Jews of London. Mr. Schwartz spends his time day after day visiting the smaller towns and villages within one day's ride of Riga, and he faithfully distributes the *Shepherd of Israel* and other Gospel literature, and engages in conversation many of the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Over and over again he is insulted, sometimes beaten, because of his faithful testimony. Many of these Jews who so bitterly hate him, do it out of ignorance, for they think that the Polish Jew haters are Christians, and they think that we wish to make them just like those Polish evil-doers. Taking at random one or two paragraphs from a recent report from Mr. Schwartz, who writes English, we pass them on to you, that you may get a closer knowledge of what this faithful brother is doing because of your prayers and because of your support, and you will also be able to pray for him more intelligently:—

For their Bible memory work they learned the whole alphabet of verses. Can anyone place an estimate upon the value of His Word thus inscribed upon heart and life forever?

#### FINAL OUTING

Each department had a worthy display of handwork. The boys did work with plaster-paris casting, learning the entire process. In view of their desperate need of bare necessities, we chose in the other classes those articles which would be most useful personally, or which would give color and service in the home.

Thursday, August 10th, two bus loads left for Jacob Riis Park, Neponset, L. I. The day was ideal, the crowd the happiest ever and so we enjoyed ourselves at the seashore. During the day we as workers overheard them saying: "The school was the greatest blessing to me." "I really know I am a believer now." "One cannot help but get the spirit of real service." "A peace has come over me which is beyond my understanding," etc.

Besides leading the school and playing the piano, I had the fine class of Juniors to teach. How I did enjoy them. I am looking forward to the time when I shall return and enlist the new believers in further study of the Word.

Someone has so fittingly and wonderfully said:—

"A vision without a task is a dream,  
A task without a vision is drudgery,  
A vision with a task is the hope of the world."

In our school we had the vision and the task which was the hope of our school, and we are praising God for the way many laid hold on the Hope Eternal.

#### Out of Their Poverty

It will touch your heart, when you read the story of the Vacation Bible

School, to stumble upon an incident which is almost lost in the sweep of Miss Biber's narrative.

Sometime ago a pathetic letter came to us from a Jewish Christian brother to whom we have been giving occasional help through our Mr. Guberman in Soviet Russia. This brother, Margolin by name, is one of a small colony of Jewish believers whom we have been succoring during these terrible years of affliction, by having Mr. Guberman distribute among them certain allotments at regular intervals, so that they might keep body and soul together. This particular brother wrote us a special appeal. The letter was written in German and Miss Biber translated it into English for us. She was so touched by the pathetic conditions described in the letter that she read it to the children of the Vacation Bible School. And so these poor children, out of a poverty hard to describe, determined to bring their pennies day by day and accumulate something that we might send to this brother by way of an extra gift. But, here are a few extracts from the letter itself, so that you may get the picture more clearly:

"I am a Hebrew Christian, 27 years of age . . . until today, the Lord cared for me through His marvelous grace. My calling is an accountant. I have an aged mother and a sister, which comprise my family. Now I am out of employment and the conditions are heavy. I am experiencing starvation days. I cannot relate in detail all, but as the Lord has helped me I desire to picture my state in a few lines. I am weak physically, having a weak head, and my health has been greatly impaired through lack of life necessities, all of which has caused me to become anaemic and weak. My aged mother is ill and has no stimulus in the disease. As I write now the situation is the worst and it pains me to see the plight of my family. Our clothes are almost worn to shreds, mother has no bed-covering, poverty is very great; but the worst of all is the lack of

these last fifty years have been sowing the seeds of unbelief and disrespect for the Word of God in a generation that has now risen to manhood and is preparing to put into full effect the implications of the false teachings of these last fifty years? For a generation past these blind and false leaders, both in church and in college, have been sowing the wind; and as sure as there is a God in heaven, they are now going to reap the whirlwind. Dear brother, and dear sister, who read these lines, we earnestly beg you to make doubly sure that the place where you fellowship and where you invest your money is truly loyal to the Lord Jesus Christ. It is serious business in these closing days of the age for any child of God to have fellowship with such as do not give Him the preeminence, such as have a form of godliness but deny the power thereof. The instruction of the Word of God concerning them is, "From such turn away."

**Bootstrap Prosperity.** Do not be alarmed at what is going on in our country today. It is all an unconscious fulfillment of Bible prophecy. It is a serious question as to whether we have not about reached the end of all government. The NRA campaign is a radical attempt on the part of Mr. Roosevelt and his advisors, to do the miracle of the age, and that is to raise ourselves by our bootstraps. If this can be accomplished by the artificial program proposed and being put into effect, Mr. Roosevelt will deserve and will receive the plaudits of a nerve-racked world. If the program fails, the next step may be Communism. We are on a one way street which leads ever more surely to the open highway of world chaos, and there seems to be no backing out. Notable is the fact that the so-called brain trust with which President Roosevelt has surrounded himself, consists of some twenty-five or more college professors. So that we are to become a national laboratory

in which the class room philosophic speculator may try out his experiments. If we are killed in the process, no matter, for the experiment is the important objective. The pity is that throughout these last twenty-five or fifty years it is from college professors that we have gotten the poison throughout the country, of Socialism, Communism, and a breakdown of our moral standards.

What college professors will do now in the economic crisis of our country is giving food for serious thought to the leaders in every line of business activity. How tragic that no one seems to be willing to realize that there is only one cure for our ills, and that cure is that every individual, both Jew and Gentile should be born again, to become a true child of the living God; and if such a blessed miracle could occur in this hour of desperation, what a happy and blessed country would be ours! Then it would be that all problems would be solved, for as true children of God, we would all be living in 1st Corinthians 13. We would not be seeking our own selfish ends, but we would be seeking the good of our brother. It seems grotesque, that while Mr. Roosevelt is trying so hard under the fiat regime of the NRA program, to compel the payment of higher wages, to witness presidents of large corporations, themselves shamelessly taking huge sums in salaries and bonuses, haggling with the empty-stomached laborers in the foundry as to whether the wages shall be \$12 a week or \$13 a week.

Another shadow which is a fore-runner of stirring events to come, is the price-fixing program. Look at Rev. 6: 6, "I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, a measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine." Actual bread for the poor, yes, at a price! Oil and wine, luxuries, no, not for any price. Then see again Rev. 13: 7, "No man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."

Tragic and desperate days are ahead for this world, dear reader. Only be sure that you are His so that you will be delivered from the days of wrath and fury that are surely coming, and will have a message for needy ones about you.



## INCIDENTS IN THE WORK

## "The Best School We Ever Had"

By MISS M. HELEN BIBER

"Whatsoever ye ask in My Name that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." The winter's work closed with the assurance that many of our children had come to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. They were convinced that He was their Messiah, and knew they had been born into that family of which He is the Head. Great joy filled my soul as I thought of the privilege of teaching such a fine group of Jewish children. But I wanted them to know more, and so as I made my plans for the Vacation Bible School, I prayed the more earnestly that I might be used in leading the best School we had ever had, making the program so challenging that they not only would come, but bring new comers.

We opened on July 10th with forty-five in attendance. This handful gained the needed stimulus, for on the next morning we numbered seventy-six, eighty on the third day, and so on until our highest attendance of 97 was reached. Much prayer, praise and careful, loving administration on the part of each teacher held this number throughout, for our average daily attendance was 82. To God be all the glory, for He alone is worthy.

They came, little tots, juniors, intermediates and mothers. From the very start there was marked response to each endeavor. Our motto, "Saved to Serve," seemed a silent reminder that no man liveth unto himself. "I will" was our slogan, to which Sidney added "Serve to Save" and so thereafter our slogan was given as "I will serve to save."

## "OTHER SHEEP I HAVE"

From the very opening day we felt the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ whom we sought to glorify in word,

deed and study. Our missionary program took us to lands across the sea. We listened intently to stories of souls that had been "Saved to Serve" in Palestine, India, Africa, China and New Guinea. The Palestine of yesterday and today was studied in vivid contrast as the sure word of prophecy was traced down through the centuries. We learned of Ann of Ava and the wonderful work of Adoniram Judson in Burma; of General Feng's Christian army in China and the marvelous work of translation of the Bible from the original Hebrew and Greek into the Mandarin dialect by Bishop Schereschewsky, the great Hebrew Christian missionary. Stories of children of Africa who were saved by the same power that transformed you and me, held the children spellbound. The children will not soon forget the story of how the Abels made their way into New Guinea and gained souls for their reward from amongst cannibals. Children and mothers took part on this program and on one morning we were especially touched as David after relating his story added by way of personal testimony, "And I too want to be a missionary and bring the Gospel to Africa that many more might become believers in the Lord Jesus Christ." Will you not put this red-haired freckled-faced Jewish boy of twelve years on your prayer list? A more earnest, truly-believing lad I have never known.

## THE POWER OF PRAYER

Our entire group from the very beginning seemed to realize that we had a prayer-hearing and answering God. Daily representatives from each class would rise to their feet and either praise God, make special request or thank Him for answered prayer. One morning just at the close of our session a message was brought to us that one of our youngsters, Shirley, had been rushed

to the hospital in the fear of infantile paralysis and the mother requested that we pray. A hush fell over the whole group and silently one by one stood until there were fourteen to bring the needs of this child to the throne of Grace. From little Marion of the kindergarten to mothers, they prayed for the recovery and return to our midst of this child. One might ask how this is possible among a group of people who do not believe in the Great Physician; but the joy of the missionary is just that of seeing those whom she has taught for several years grow and develop in the things of the Spirit. Such growth we did witness daily.

We took up a daily offering by classes, which netted seventeen dollars and thirty-five cents. It was designated to help a Hebrew Christian laboring in a most difficult place in Russia. We were astonished at this willingness to share out of their own indescribable poverty.

Visitors who heard our singing were thrilled with the heartiness and enthusiasm of the children. How they loved the choruses. The favorite one became the theme song of the school, and you will love it too:—

"All thru the night, all thru the night,  
The Saviour has been watching over me,  
All thru the night, all thru the night,  
The Saviour has been watching over me.  
He saves me so sweetly, so neatly and completely  
And washes in His all atoning Blood,  
My sins are all forgiven, I'm on my way to heaven,  
Walking in the smile of God!"

Our Bible study took us into the Old Testament miracles; we learned what God did for Israel while she walked before Him as His chosen people. Great and mighty were the works wrought on her behalf and through her by Jehovah. Then we went to the New Testament for the remainder of the period, studying the infallible works of the Lord Jesus in the endeavor to reveal to men that

He was none other than He of whom Moses and the prophets did write. Our many Scripture references proved each point. How eagerly they leafed through the Bible finding the passages; truly, His Word was a Lamp unto them. Each day's written lesson was proof of their understanding in the things withheld from the wise and prudent and revealed unto babes.

## FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Our kindergarten and primary department numbered 38. It was possible to serve them milk again this year. One morning the teacher asked how many had had a glass of milk for breakfast, and only a few raised their hands. Six of them had drunk coffee without even the usual bun or cracker. Another child said she had not had "real milk" for months, only from a can to which mother added water to make it go farther. One babe of two years came daily with his bottle filled with coffee; so one can well imagine how they were pleased over this serving of good milk and graham crackers daily.

In their memory work they learned the verse "Resist the devil and he will flee from you." After the teacher had explained that when we are children of God we have help in resisting the devil, Junior spoke up saying, "My mother is a child of God too." How wonderful it is when a child knows early that mother is on the right path. "Mother" in this case was brought to the Mission as a child, was later baptized and now comes regularly with her two lovely children. She is the sister of David mentioned earlier in the article. This mother's voice was heard often in prayer. The little ones sang lustily: "Jesus can save little children,  
Make their hearts clean,  
Save them from sin,  
Jesus can save little children  
Save them and keep them from sin."