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has become a fanaticism beyond all reason. We only suggested originally that the importance of the divinely ordained missionary program, "to the Jew first," was more clear when we understood that the poor Jew during the tribulation days would be deprived of a Gospel witness. Thus we suggested that an aggressive and extensive program of Jewish missionary testimony now, while there is yet time, might be used of God as a sort of carry over into the tribulation days. In this way the memory of the Jew would be used by God in that last terrible hour of Jacob's trouble, to, in a way, make up for the absence of the Holy Spirit.

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Question. Please explain Ephesians 1:14.—Mrs. H. F.

Answer. The believer at the time of his second birth is sealed by the Holy Spirit. In fact the Holy Spirit Himself is the Seal. This sealing is now described as the earnest of our inheri-

tance. You have doubtless used the expression, or you may have heard it used, "earnest money." This is the term applied when one is buying a piece of property and puts down a first payment or a deposit. That deposit is the earnest, or the assurance, that the buyer will complete the purchase in accordance with the full terms of the Contract of Sale. And so, our inheritance with the Lord Jesus Christ as His fellow heirs, is a part of God's contract with us when we first believe. The gift of the Holy Ghost is part of the payment and is the earnest, until the redemption of the purchased possession. We are His purchased possession, and in connection with such possession there is mentioned the word redemption because we were literally mortgaged to sin. In accordance with the law of redemption, our Lord therefore has paid off this mortgage so that we shall be His, "free from sin." The Mosaic law of redemption provides an illuminating background for the better understanding of the finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ as our Redeemer. See Lev. 25:47-55.

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## Salutation

"We go down to salute the children of the king"—II Kings 10:13

*Dearly Beloved Friends:*

Paul told the Thessalonian believers, "Ye are our glory and joy." 1 Thess. 2:20. And it is in our hearts to say the same thing to you at this time.

For the precious friends He has given to us as your missionaries have rallied about us and have been a wall of defence and support. Thus it came about, when this little paper was sent out on its errand of enlightenment last month, we had once more a demonstration of His care, and your love for us; for your letters came, and came, and are still coming; letters which revealed aching hearts, tearful eyes, prayerful lips, generous sacrifice of worldly possessions, all for the glory of God and for the love of His covenant people. Somehow we know that these things will not be forgotten by Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40. We are doing business with Him, and when He settles His accounts, He pays with interest.

### PROPAGANDA UNPRECEDENTED

Paul has also told us, "Be patient toward all men." 1 Thess. 5:14. And we must ever try to keep this admonition before us. For, we are passing through such a strange period in the history of our own country that it tries men's souls to keep patient and unmoved. Suddenly, America is being made the arena for a titanic struggle between the two major political forces of Europe—Communism and Fascism. Russia is pouring millions of money into America to sow the seed of Stalinism and demonism in our land. The Russian propaganda is admittedly saturated with falsehoods of the most reprehensible sort, and if we believed it, we would believe that Russia is a veritable paradise and Utopia. But we know that all is not well in that land of curse and hate; even though a thick veil of impenetrable secrecy hides the awful facts. True communism does not exist in Russia—it is the brutal reign of a cruel, bloody Stalin. It matters not that he calls it Communism—we know it is a despotism; a despotism comparable only to the terrible days of a Nero.

### THE OTHER SIDE

And our land is also filled with Nazi propaganda, spawned in Berlin, and barraged upon us. In a recent issue of the New York Times there appeared a report of the Senate Committee which has been investigating foreign propaganda in our country. A long list was given, of agents engaged in the shameful business of spreading Jew hate throughout the United States. It was appalling to read the names on the list; some of them are men who have professed Christian leadership and have been using their profession as the cloak under which to hide their demoniacal hate of the Jews. We use the word demoniacal advisedly, for in Scripture only the devil is assigned the function of hate—a true Christian does not hate, nor does he foment hate.

We mention these things, not by way of a plea for the Jew—our readers do not need that, for you already have in your hearts a God-given understanding of God's yearning for Israel, and you are ever on your guard against the wiles

of the evil one, but we put these facts down in writing, as evidence that the Fulness of the Gentiles is fast coming to a close; and we do want, as far as God gives us the wisdom, to be good discerners of the times.

#### INQUITY TO THE FULL

The groundwork is now being prepared for the most gigantic struggle the world has ever seen. Out of it will spring forth, with a startling suddenness, the greatest monster of all history, the Anti-Christ. Two gigantic forces are now struggling for supremacy—Communism and Fascism, or Nazi-ism. In the last analysis, they are both of the same cloth. Stalin of Russia is just as much a dictator as is Hitler of Germany, or Mussolini of Italy. They only assume different names. And if we understand Ezekiel 38 aright, we will yet see Russia and Germany under one flag. It may be that revolution will stalk in Naziland and the Russian hordes swoop down; or it can be that Hitler will make some sort of liaison with Stalin as he has now done with Mussolini. The details we cannot predict—these will be revealed in the fulness of time, and God's word will be fulfilled to the letter.

But we see Gentile dominions tottering, and, in the midst of it all, Rome is quick to seize every opportunity for entrenched power. Rome has a great stake in Palestine, and we can keep our eye in that direction a bit; for startling possibilities exist in the present Palestine situation.

We need to emphasize afresh the all important fact that the sands of the Gentile times are fast running out. Some of the Lord's people have been confused in their understanding of the expressions, "Times of the Gentiles" and "Fulness of the Gentiles." But no confusion will exist if we remember at all times that the two expressions are synonymous—they both mean exactly the same thing, the fulness of time; for Gentile testing is now coming to a close. There is no reference in either phrase to the Church of Christ, because the Church has nothing to do with Gentiles as such nor with the Jews as such. The Church is a called out body from both Jew and Gentile, and is a new creature in Christ.

#### A NEW TRACT

In recent months, so many friends have been writing us about this matter, that we felt led to write a little tract on the subject. The tract is entitled, "Pleroma, the Times and the Fulness." A few have gone out to inquiring friends, and we have been rejoiced to receive many letters of thanks for the new light given. If you are troubled on these questions, the tract is yours, free in the Lord; just send a post card request. Then, if you approve the exposition, send again for many more, and pass them out everywhere—the testimony is most needed just now, and the Lord will bless it.

#### THE THANKSGIVING DINNER

Again we hope, if the Lord tarries, to have the annual spiritual feast at our headquarters building, on the Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving. Our believers, our spiritual children begotten of Him, come to us, like doves to their windows, from near and afar, and after the dinner itself is disposed of, there comes the evening of testimony and praise. Again we count on your generous help, not only for this occasion, but for all the world-wide reach of the testimony that you have enabled us to proclaim to world Jewry. Our pages are too few to allow us to tell you in the hundreds of details what the Lord is doing through your missionaries. But we crowd in all we can, and for the rest, we know the Lord will give you the wisdom to read "between the lines." The work is spreading so widely and so rapidly, that sometimes we ourselves must rub our eyes, and exclaim with the Psalmist of old, "How wonderful are all thy works!"

But, pray for us; pray that He may keep us through the hours of evil that threaten to befall on all sides: pray that the Word which goes forth from your Mission, from all the Branches, from all the missionaries, shall have an abundantly free course, and shall accomplish that whereunto He hath sent it. And one thing more—let us all look up, for as surely as this night of gloom darkens about us, so surely our redemption draweth nigh!

Ever faithfully yours in His service,

JOSEPH HOFFMAN COHN.

## He Bore Our Sorrows

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They were not Jews, Lord Jesus, who nailed Thee to the Tree,  
Who mocked Thee and despised Thee, and spat upon Thy face.  
They were not Roman soldiers, who laid rough hands on Thee,  
Who wielded scourge and hammer, in the cruel judgment place.  
'Twas I, O Lord and Master, the guilt is mine alone.  
'Tis I who am the heavy Cross, whose burden made Thee moan.  
I am the flail, whose cruel strokes Thy broken body bore;  
I am the blood-stained crown of thorns Thy kingly temple wore.  
For all this hast Thou suffered, Lord, for my sins to atone.

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Jewish interpretation that the first day represents the Jewish captivity in Babylon, the second day applies to the present deadness of Israel among the nations of the earth, and the third day will be the great day of Israel's restoration to God's favor. Another example of a similar type is sometimes cited in the case of Jonah who was in the belly of the fish two days, and then the third day Jonah was revived, and we find him going joyfully as a missionary to Nineveh, and then also that Nineveh receives the message.

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Question 1. *What is the Pride of Life?* 1 John 2:16.

Question 2. *What Scripture has the Church for using leaven bread to represent our Lord's Body? Is 1 Cor. 5:8 to be taken literally?*—Mrs. W. H. S.

Answer 1. We would say in general that it has to do with the deification of mankind. It was, for instance, the Pride of Life, which accounted for the building of the tower of Babel. It was the Pride of Life which accounted for the fact that the Jewish hierarchy rejected the Lord Jesus Christ. Just see the scathing incisiveness of our Lord's rebuke when He indicted the Jewish leaders with the words, "How can ye believe, which receive honor one of another, and seek not the honor that cometh from God only." John 5:44. It is the Pride of Life which causes a Hitler to reject the Word of God and its plain teachings; it is the Pride of Life which causes a Stalin to blaspheme so wickedly the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Answer 2. See our answer on this page to a question from D. F. N. The reference to 1st Cor. 5:8 has to do of course with the heart-cleansing, for leaven was the type of evil.

Question. *Please explain Luke 18:1-5.*—J. D.

Answer. The parable has to do with the persistency of prayer and supplication. There is also the dispensational application which we believe has a double reference:—First, the solemn warning was given extending over the life of the Church, that our Lord's disciples were to go from city to city and if they found the house worthy, "Let your peace come upon it; but if it be not worthy let your peace return to you. And whosoever shall not receive you .... it shall be more tolerable for the

land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city." Matt. 10:13-15. So, our Lord will in the day of judgment avenge the mistreatment and the massacres of the martyrs. Then there is the second application, which you will find amplified in Matt. 25:40-45. It has to do with the Jewish remnant in the tribulation days, the remnant who will suffer at the hands of the Gentile nations. Against these Gentile nations the Lord has promised drastic vengeance. The judgment will be "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matt. 25:41.

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Question. *Please give your opinion on Dan. 12:11-12 as to the time this was or will be fulfilled and by what power. Did not Jesus refer to this in Matt. 24:15 and does Daniel 11:31 refer to the same?*—A. B.

Answer. We suppose you refer to the figures given. These reckonings have to do with the actual time of the tribulation, which will be Jewish. Before that time the Church will have been caught up, so that we as His children are not concerned with these figures. Since the tribulation period is chiefly dealing with Jacob's trouble, it is perfectly compatible with the record of God's dealings with Israel to find dates and signs given. To the Church, which is to walk by faith, there are no signs given, for the Lord will come for His own, "as a thief in the night."

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Question. *A number of Christian people are puzzled as to whether in the age of grace believers can aid in preparing the remnant of Rev. 7, the 144,000, for the tribulation period. Since the Church has no part in God's plan for Israel during the time of Jacob's trouble can she sow the seed for that period of time? Does the gospel "to the Jew first" in this age include the tribulation remnant as well as the remnant according to the election of grace?*—E. C. J.

Answer. There is no where in Scripture direct authorization for the Church to prepare the remnant of Rev. 7, out of the twelve tribes of Israel. We think it was ourselves who made the original suggestion along these lines a good many years ago, and since then it has been copied, amplified, magnified, and even glorified, until in certain places it

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## INCIDENTS IN THE WORK

### Another Gospel Out-Post— We Dedicate a Branch in Buffalo

"Not slothful in activity." This is the injunction of the Holy Spirit in Romans 12:11, and this is what we as your Jewish Mission have tried for years to obey. The rest of the verse tells us to be "fervent in spirit; serving the Lord." The great theologian, Dr. Hodge, calls attention to a verse which illuminates this instruction.

stirred the heart of Paul, when from Macedonia came the cry, "Come over and help us!"

And from Buffalo came to us the appeal some time ago to help our struggling brother, Abraham B. Machlin, in his effort to maintain a Gospel testimony to the Jews in that city. For several years we have been helping in a quiet way, month by month, in an earnest endeavor to discover what might be the Lord's mind as to



Our New Branch in Buffalo

The verse is found in Acts 18:25, telling of Apollos "being fervent in spirit, he spake and taught diligently."

So we always consider that it is our duty, so far as the Lord places the ability and the resources at our command, to respond to every call for help that comes to us from our Jewish brethren. Such a call was what

a larger cooperation. And then as the needs there developed, the Lord seemed to give clearer indication that we should take a rather large forward step on faith. And so, through many details that gave us enough further evidence that the Lord was leading us, we finally united in the purchase of a lovely little building which is to

be the headquarters for the work there. From this building there will go out the testimony not only to the Jews of Buffalo, but Mr. Machlin will do itinerant work in the smaller towns within a radius of about 100 miles. We have also stationed there two permanent workers to complete the staff. One is our own Daniel Fuchs who has been working with us here in Brooklyn, and who now has accepted this transfer to Buffalo as of the Lord's will. The other is also a Jewish Christian, Miss Elfrieda Mann, whom we have been helping for the last year or so as she was finishing her course of study at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. Now she has come to us in Buffalo and is already at work among the women and children.

#### THE DEDICATION WEEK

We rejoice to give these reports to our friends, and we know this new Branch will be taken by you as another item on your prayer list. The Dedication services began on Monday, October 10th, and continued through Sunday, October 17th. A report of the Dedication has come to us from a friend who was present and we quote a few paragraphs:

"Friends of Israel rallied in large numbers to make the Prophetic Bible Conference and dedication of the new Buffalo Hebrew Mission, under the leadership of our good friends Rev. and Mrs. Abraham B. Machlin, a time long to be remembered. Expressions of good-will were heard on all sides and the conference and dedication ceremony were marked with blessings which promise well for the future of the Jewish work in Buffalo.

"The conference sessions, October 10 to 15, were held at the Prospect Avenue Baptist Church, whose pastor, Rev. George Alden Cole is always eager to further the work of Christ, not forgetting the Jew. He and his people attended the services faithfully

and took part and helped to make the meetings a success.

"A number of distinguished Christian leaders from other cities took part in the conference, some of them coming long distances in the interest of the cause. Not the least of these was the Rev. Dr. John Muntz of Forestville, who came in every day to preside at the meetings.

"Speakers included the Rev. J. Hoffman Cohn, D. D., of Brooklyn, executive secretary of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, Inc.; Rev. Harry A. Ironside, Litt. D., pastor of the Moody Memorial Church of Chicago; Rev. Joseph Flacks of Minneapolis, Minn., well-known evangelist and Bible teacher; Rev. Dean S. Bedford, from Rochester, and the Rev. William Edward Biederwolf, D. D., LL. D., president of the Winona Lake Bible Conference.

"The main fact in this series of meetings was the announcement that the Machlins had returned to the work in Buffalo after an absence of seven years, during which they were engaged in spreading the Gospel among the Jews of other cities. They were moved to return to their special work here in Buffalo, the city where they have made a place for themselves in a peculiar and definite field of work, a city where they are loved and honored among God's people. Some of the friends from out of town attended the conference. Many who could not attend sent letters and telegrams of encouragement."

#### NEW BUILDING PURCHASED

God made it possible for the Mission to acquire a piece of property at 206 North Park Avenue, a building providentially suited for the work. Here they will continue to spread the message of Salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ among the Jews of the city and surrounding towns, concentrating rather on teaching and preaching, with less of the social activity.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question. *We have one Fundamentalist here who is teaching that to eat leavened bread at the Lord's table is a sin. One newly born soul will not now take it in her own church which is a consecrated faith and prayer church. Of course I can see his viewpoint, as the unleavened bread is the type of Christ, but as the bread is blessed, is not "What God hath cleansed, clean?" I told her I was going to write you. I can see much danger to fellowship at the Communion table if one becomes too radical, but of course, I, personally, want to do God's will, but I am not convicted regarding it. One word from you I would appreciate on this subject.*—D. F. N.

Answer. I would say that the celebration of the Lord's Supper would be more Scriptural, if the bread were unleavened. But not because of any compulsory requirement; only on the pure basis of typology. I would never think it a sin if a child of God should take the regular leavened bread at the Lord's Supper, for one has to remember that "it is not that which goeth into the mouth that defileth a man, but that which cometh out of the mouth." But now to examine the typology of the Lord's Supper, we must remember that it was the Passover Supper which our Lord ate, and at that Passover Supper only unleavened bread could be used. Now the child of God in the present day, having been redeemed by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, a redemption comparable to the redemption of Israel out of Egypt, is likewise partaking of this Passover Supper in commemoration of his or her deliverance out of Egypt (sin, or darkness, or bondage to sin, or a condition of being eternally lost). Now see 1st Cor. 5:7, "Purge out therefore the old leaven that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us."

It is with this thought that we suggest the practice of using unleavened bread at the Lord's Supper. The type and the fulfillment become more real, and the child of God, understanding these things, will receive more blessing and more spiritual uplift just because of realizing that unleavened bread represents his own purifying to live a godly life, through the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Question 1. *I would like to know what is the mark of the Beast?*

Question 2. *Also, when is Rev. 22:2 to be fulfilled? I don't understand where the Bible description is about the rapture.*—Mrs. D. M.

Answer 1. We understand the mark of the beast to be put into force in the day of tribulation, by that horrible monster-to-come, the Anti-Christ. We may thank God that we who have been born again will not be on the earth at that time. It will be some sort of a trade mark to identify those who will obey and worship the beast. Those who refuse to worship the beast will either be starved into submission or they will be martyred.

Answer 2. This refers to the millennium on this earth which follows the tribulation. A perfect world, the devil out of the way for a thousand years, the absence of sin and therefore the absence of disease. The healing stream flows out from the throne of God, and the nations who eat from the fruit of the tree of life will not know disease or sickness. So long as there is evil in the present world, so long as the devil is loose, so long as human nature is human nature, so long will we have sickness. But all sickness will be done away with, all sorrow will be removed, all tears will be wiped away, when our blessed Lord shall occupy the throne of David, and from that throne streams of living waters will pour their refreshing life-giving elements for the healing of the nations. Read I Thess. 4:13-18 for a description of the rapture which will precede the tribulation.

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Question 1. *Is Joel 2:10 to be fulfilled literally just before the coming of the Lord?*

Question 2. *What do you think is the meaning of Hosea 6:2?*—E. A. S.

Answer 1. We believe so. We also believe there is a corresponding harmony between this passage and the one in Zechariah 14:4, which predicts that there will be an earthquake in which the Mount of Olives will be involved. Out of the earthquake the river shall flow from Jerusalem to the sea.

Answer 2. There is a parallelism here between the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord, and the setting aside and restoration of the Jewish nation. The theologian, Samuel Horsley, adopts the



Justice of the Mixed Tribunal at Cairo, Egypt, for over 25 years. So, his word must be taken with respect. He paints a picture of Arab hatred against the Jew, of the knife being sharpened for the stabbing of the Jew in the back, of guns and armies being prepared to explode into a million fragments the poor innocent and trustful gathering of Jews that is being led blindfolded to such a day of slaughter as never has been known in the history of the human race. And this leading is being done by men who seem to be unable to discern the signs which are fairly blazing at us from every part of a crimson sky. It is much like the story of the Pied Piper of Hamelin who piped on his flute, and out of all the hiding places of the town came uncounted myriads of rats, down to an awaiting doom, unforeseen and unexpected. So our poor Jewish sheep, having really no true Shepherd, are following strange sounds, and are heaping up to themselves troubles for the last days, troubles that will resound to the heavens above in their intensity of agony.

Many years ago God said to us through our beloved prophet Jeremiah, "Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord." Jer. 17:5.

What right have we as Jews to go to Egypt for help? What right have we to go to any nation on earth to ask for guarantees of safety in Palestine? Will Great Britain help us? Do you not know that many suspect that the Pope is cleverly using Mussolini to put over a scheme that will eventually give the Pope the power over the whole of Palestine? And if the Pope should succeed in this scheme, does not your own common sense, together with a knowledge of history, give you at least slight warning of what Rome will do to us Jews? Have you for-

gotten so quickly what Rome did to us in the Dark Ages?

Do you not realize that our Jewish people will never get possession of Palestine until they first acknowledge the sin of 1900 years ago when our forefathers rejected the rightful heir to the throne of David in Jerusalem? The writer of these lines is enough of a mystic to go on record as saying that if a sufficient number of Jews throughout the world would at this moment turn to the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Messiah, and would truly pray to God through Him, God has enough power to crash through the Heavens and come down and accomplish our deliverance! And if as a nation we fail to do this, then still greater suffering is ahead for us.

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A new title assumed by Mussolini is, "Defender of the Islamic faith!" The Governor-General of Libya, Marshal Balbo, in a proclamation to the Moslems, on the occasion of Mussolini's recent visit to Libya, said: "Cry aloud the name of Mussolini, protector of Islam, and invoke from Allah light and glory for his path!" What does the Pope say to this? A pamphlet, widely circulated, declares that no attempt to convert Moslems to Christianity is authorized. Old mosques are restored, new ones are built in which Moslems can invoke the protection of God. It has been stated that to inaugurate the new highway along the Libyan coast, linking Tunis and Egypt, Mussolini travelled fifteen hundred miles in procession, many hundreds of cars following in his train. Everywhere Moslems presented gifts and offered sacrifices, while priests paid homage to Mussolini. Among the numerous gifts is a golden sword, value two thousand pounds. What is really happening in that part of the world? Has it anything to do with Dan. 11, 42-43? If so, then we are told that "the land of Egypt shall not escape!" Is this new road being built for this purpose? If so, then we are witnessing the culmination of great things.—*Immanuel's Witness*.

This was one of the facts emphasized by Mr. Machlin in a brief address at the new Mission on the Sunday afternoon following the Bible Conference. This meeting was the dedication service. Because of custom, it was said that the new home of the work was to be dedicated. Mr. Muntz pointed out in the dedicatory address which he delivered that the place was not dedicated; it was the service of the Lord's workers which was being dedicated. Mr. Muntz pointed out that "the glory of the Lord shall fill this house if His truth is preached and if souls are saved." It was an intimate, friendly talk, admirably suited to the group assembled, a group that might be likened to the group which once met in a certain "upper room."

The consecrated Edward Fairbairn also spoke. No one who is in touch with Christian activities in Buffalo needs to be told 'who Mr. Fairbairn is. A beautiful selection was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Krull, and the service was closed with prayer offered by Dr. F. Hicks Underwood of the Christian Laymen's Association; and then, reluctant to lose the spirit of assembly, the people stood about and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Machlin, Dr. Muntz and the others on the program.

It was announced at this meeting that Mr. Machlin was in receipt of a telegram from Dr. Albert G. Johnson, pastor of the Hinson Memorial Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, announcing their contribution of \$1,000 to make the Chapel a memorial to the late Dr. Walter B. Hinson, "friend of God and lover of Israel" and best wishes to the Machlins' new work in Buffalo.

The Machlins will be assisted by many Christian volunteers in the city, and will have as staff workers, Mr. Daniel Fuchs, a former student of the National Bible Institute of New York; and Miss Elfrieda Mann, a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. The prayers of

God's people ascend to the Throne both day and night that this work in Buffalo may be furthered, to the honor and glory of the Lord.

All this would have been impossible had the American Board of Missions to the Jews failed to come to the aid of Mr. Machlin and guaranteed the financial support of the undertaking as well as the help extended in purchasing the building.

#### Back Numbers Wanted

We need back numbers to complete our files, and if any of our readers can locate any of the following issues of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE we will be glad to pay \$1.00 a copy:

October, November, December, 1895; January, March, April, 1896; January, 1897; October, 1906; March, 1907; January, 1908; November, 1909; May, 1910.

#### An S. O. S. from Poland

Just as we go to press sad news has come from Poland which is truly heart breaking. We have previously mentioned the terrifying persecutions through all Poland against the Jews. Now the circles of persecution have been narrowing down until they have reached our work in Warsaw. Here is the pitiful letter from Mr. Gitlin himself:

*Highly Esteemed Mr. Cohn:*

On Saturday, October 9, while I was still abroad, there came to Mrs. Gitlin the associate pastor of our church, and told her that the pastor wished her to announce at our Gospel meetings in the church that no Jew should come to the church services on Sunday, seeing that the "Nationalists" have threatened to demolish the Gospel hall if any Jews will be found there.

According to the wisdom which the Lord gave bountifully to my dear wife, she did not tell any long story to the audience, but simply announced that henceforth the services on Sunday will be held in our mission hall and the Jews need not go to the church meeting place.

And so it was. On Sunday morning and evening services were held in our own mission place.

We were told that the church building was guarded by police and detectives, no scandals took place.

Upon my arrival from abroad, on Monday evening, October 11, Mrs. Gitlin and I went to see the pastor, and we heard from him a reiteration of the story. Alas, we became also convinced that it was not only the outside pressure from the nationalists which had forced him to put a taboo on Jews coming to the church; but that, alas, also some of the church members have become infected with the anti-Semitic epidemic and have availed themselves of the demand of the nationalists and suggested the taboo.

The only solution to the problem that Pastor S. could propose is that we form ourselves into a Hebrew Christian church, and that as a church unit we enter into the Union of Evangelical Christian Churches of which he is the President. It is true that this suggestion first came from us some weeks ago when we noticed the increased anti-Semitic feelings among some of the members. Mr. S. suggested that we might arrange perhaps for united seasons of bread breaking and love feasts.

You can well picture to yourself how we feel now. We are ashamed before our young converts and our earnest inquirers, for we often quoted to them the prophet's word in the name of Jehovah, "For my house shall be called a house of prayer unto all nations," and our comment was that among Evangelical Christians this is realized. Alas, they have failed us!

Up to the very last minute I was asked to preach twice a week regularly and sometimes thrice a week at our church. Mrs. Gitlin and I, as well as many of our Jewish brethren paid in their membership dues, and liberally contributed to every church need. It was only on September 12—less than a month ago—that we have had the baptismal service, and now all of a sudden such a turn.

Gen. 26:16 is finding its repetition. I am writing now for your counsel, what, according to your way of thinking, might be the best way for us to choose.

Upon receiving your reply I shall call a business meeting of the brethren, and will bring before them your

suggestion, and see whether it may go into effect.

Judging by what we go through now you can imagine what the regular unbelieving Jew has to go through now in this land. On the other hand the unconverted Jews are a big and powerful body, and can appeal directly and indirectly, while we are such a tiny handful, and we dare not voice any protests and dare not make any open appeals. Pray for us, please.

What a pity, that now, when the Lord works again so mightily in the hearts of Jews, we should have such a set-back. May the Lord be pleased to make the wrath of men to praise Him, and make all things work together for good to them that love Him.

Awaiting your reply, etc.

All we can do now is to hurriedly and urgently ask every friend of this Mission to pray earnestly that the Lord will grant us deliverance, and that He will find a solution for the problems now pressing upon us so heavily, with regard to Warsaw. A work of grace has been done there; many precious souls have been won to the Lord Jesus Christ, and it is difficult to believe that the Lord will now allow us to be driven out. Will you pray much in this hour of crisis?

#### A Thank You from Vienna

Neither we nor the friends of this Mission are seeking the praise of men, nor do we look for any flatteries or multiplied words of gratitude, when, in His own name, we try to help a brother in the Lord in his struggle through life. But even so, we are only human, and once in a while a word of appreciation is greatly encouraging. So we would share with you a letter that came to us not long ago from a Jewish Christian brother in Vienna whom we had been privileged to help in his hour of great need. He is a German refugee, and he has suffered much, not only because he was born a Jew, but also because he had cast his lot in with those who profess to be disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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#### JEWISH NOTES

"Only a teaser," is the way one of our friends described our article on this page last month, dealing with the proposed partitioning of Palestine.

He felt so hungry for more and more of the details, that he found himself still hungry when he got through the article. But there is not room in our little paper to carry such discussions to the full. We try to give the gist, but are glad to recommend to inquirers sources of fuller information. Much is being made of these partitioning proposals, but it is still a long road to actual decisions. In the meantime, we are urging upon Jew and Christian alike some important considerations out of the Word of God that have a bearing on this question. The truth is that in the last analysis we need not concern ourselves so much with the questions of the detail of Palestine development. These things will be taken care of in God's own time and in His own way. The thing which is the most important of all, is that the Jew shall now have the Gospel, that the remnant from among Israel shall be gathered into the Body of Christ (Romans 11:5) and that every Jew shall have a fair warning of the impending disaster awaiting the Jewish nation in Palestine. We must not allow curiosity as to minute details of prophetic fulfillment to be used by the Evil One to sidetrack us from the main task to which God has most surely called the church in these last days, "that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy." That is why to some friends we may have appeared to be placing too little emphasis upon prophetic fulfillment. This is not the case however, for we only too well realize the necessity for the child of God to be informed on these matters. But, on the basis of Scripture teaching that there is a time for everything, we must remember that this is the time

for giving the Jew the Gospel. In our own Gospel preaching to the Jews, this is the thing we are always emphasizing, and we are warning them that they must not place their hopes upon the frail arms of flesh. In the current issue of our Yiddish-English paper *The Shepherd of Israel*, we have come to grips with this problem in no uncertain terms. The leading article in the issue is entitled "A Fool's Paradise" and we think perhaps the readers of *THE CHOSEN PEOPLE* would enjoy at least a few paragraphs from that article:—

How long will we Jews fool ourselves, and how long will we allow some of our misguided leaders to continue to fool us? In an article which appeared in a recent issue of Harper's Magazine, Mr. Pierre Crabites makes some very unpalatable and pungent statements, and we think it might be well for over-zealous Zionist enthusiasts to read what has been written and to ponder over the statements long and carefully. Here are just a few sentences from the startling article:—

"I have lived for 25 years in the near East, and have made quite a few visits to Palestine and at all times kept in touch with men and women who are intimately acquainted with that country. On the eve of my return to the United States, I received a circumstantial account of conditions which obtain in the Holy Land. It filled me with grave concern. I have however been flabbergasted to note that it is totally at variance with what seems to be the unanimous opinion of my Jewish friends here at home. They appear to be entirely unconscious of the martyrdom that is awaiting their brethren in Palestine. A news item in yesterday's paper accentuates this blissful ignorance. It makes it clear to me that American Jews are living in a fool's Paradise."

Mr. Crabites has been presiding



K's. interest in his soul. He came regularly with his wife and son for a long time and recently decided to confess his Lord publicly by baptism.

The next brother, also named K., has attended various Jewish missions in New York City and became a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ. But, like many others, he did not see the necessity of being baptised. Finally he began to visit our meetings. His wife, who is also a Jewish believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, came too. Mr. S., one of our Jewish converts who is very zealous for the Lord, talked to him and showed him the necessity of an open confession through baptism. His wife is to follow him in the near future.

Mr. D. is a friend of Mr. K. He is a convert from Catholicism but had not been baptised. Mr. K. spoke to him about it, and he expressed a desire to be baptised with his friend.

#### OUT OF THE LONG AGO

Mr. G. is a man about 50 years old. While living in London, England, he attended Jewish missions and became a believer. He came to the United States, and as the years passed he grew cold and had little contact with Christianity. Mr. Schatkin visited him and told him of our Mission to the Jews. His own words are, "The first time I learned of your Jewish mission, my heart was thrilled. It was like a friend out of the past." He attended the meetings for quite a while and finally decided to be baptised.

The conversion of the last brother,

Mr. S., is surely an answer to prayer. His wife has been coming to the mission for years and was in Miss Sussdorff's class when a little girl. After he was married she came to the Mother's Class and was baptised, but her husband did not agree with her views. Through the last eight years, sometimes he has opposed—sometimes has been interested; but through it all God was working and answering prayer. The older children are believers, and now in God's loving kindness both mother and father are children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. A few days ago, Mr. S. witnessed the baptism of three men in our mission. That night he said, "I am going to be baptised." We praise God for one more Hebrew Christian home.

#### A New Advisory Member

At the meeting of the Directors of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, Inc., held on October 20th, 1937, Rev. Harold John Ockenga, pastor of the Park Street Church, Boston, Mass., was unanimously elected as a member of our Advisory Council. Dr. Ockenga has graciously accepted such membership, and we rejoice in the friendship and fellowship of this servant of the Lord Jesus Christ. Dr. Ockenga succeeds to the place formerly held by the late Dr. A. Z. Conrad, his predecessor at the Park Street Church of Boston; and so the line of succession continues, and we are grateful in the Lord.

#### SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM SEPTEMBER 1st TO SEPTEMBER 30th, 1937

Covering Receipt Numbers A 12070 to A 12665; B 9985 to B 10678 Inclusive

General Fund .....	\$6,038.78
For Relief to the Poor.....	71.35
For Literature Fund (Bibles and Tracts).....	77.55
"The Chosen People" (Subscriptions).....	197.00
For "The Shepherd of Israel".....	383.50
Dispensary Income Account .....	73.65
For Work Among the Children .....	13.75
For Hewes Street Account .....	48.50
For Students' Education Fund .....	259.50
For Philadelphia Branch .....	112.03
For Pittsburgh Branch .....	166.87
For Columbus Branch .....	187.33
For Los Angeles Branch .....	40.00
For Buffalo Branch .....	141.60
For Work Overseas, including Relief Funds.....	477.41
Resettlement Fund .....	61.00
Transmission Fund .....	25.00

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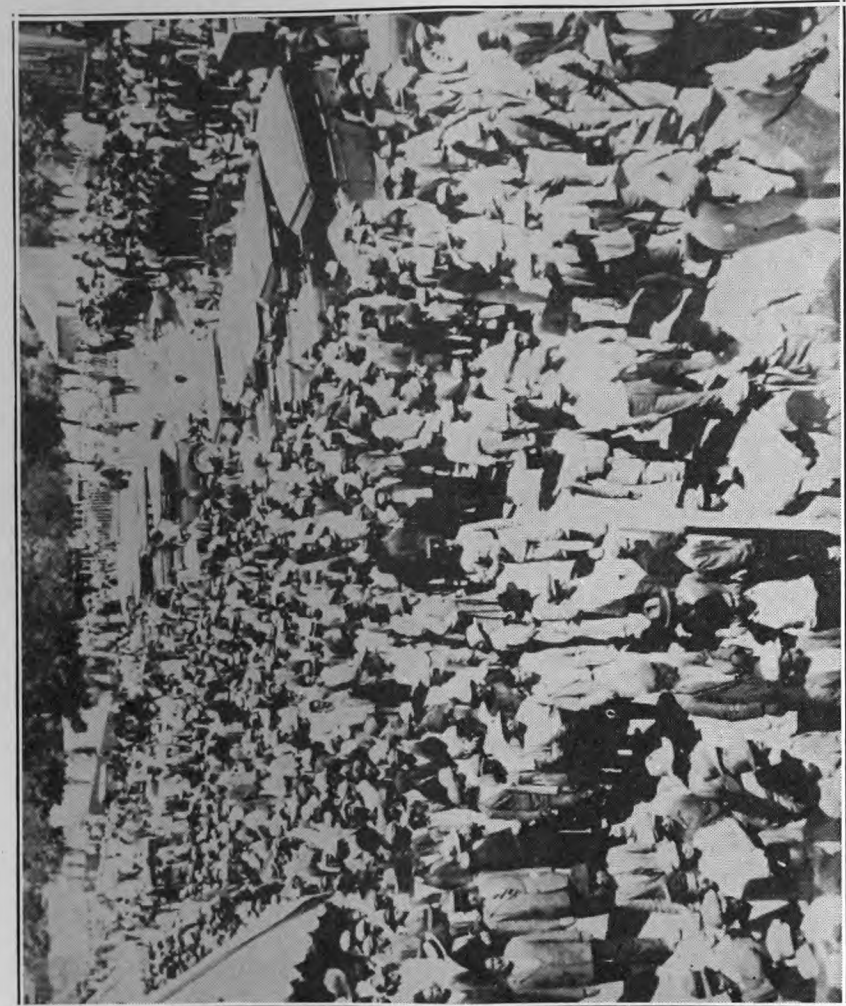
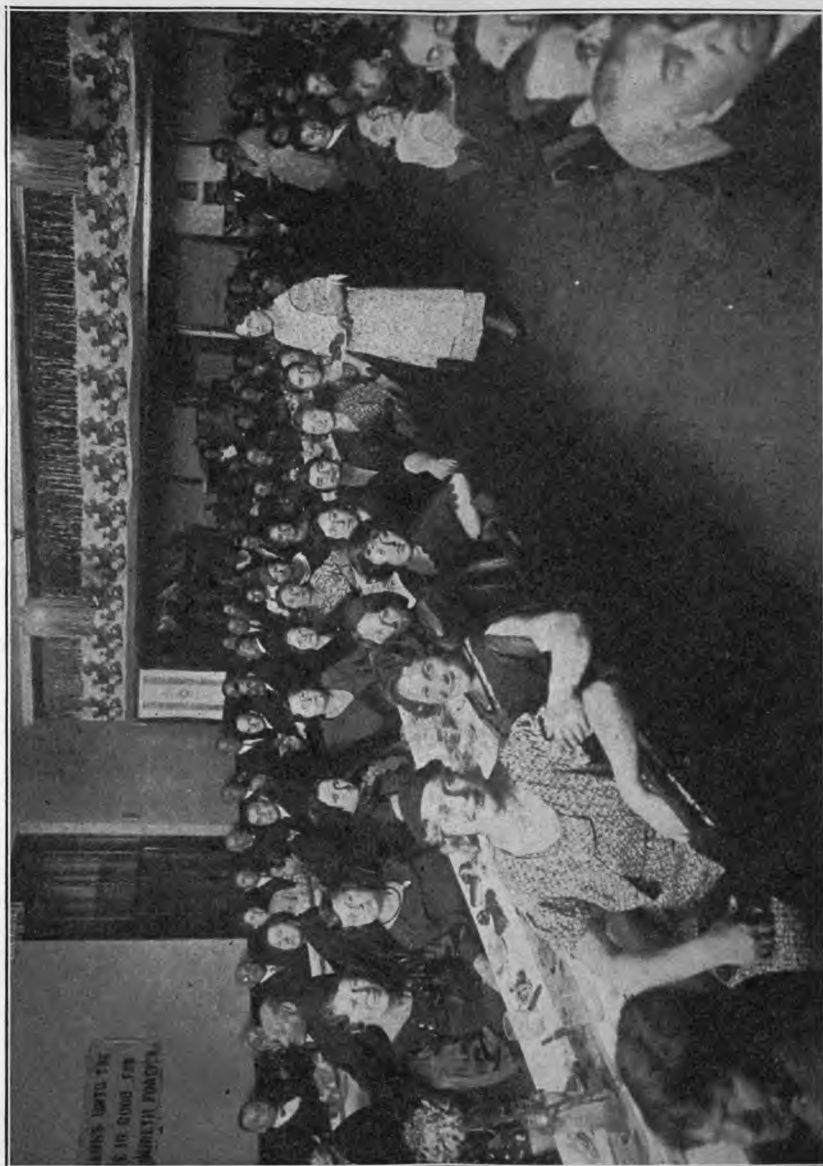


Photo from World Wide Photos: First authentic pictures of Palestine Riots. Photo shows a general view of the street demonstrations which took place in Jerusalem.



A THANKSGIVING DINNER SCENE AT BETH SAR SHALOM

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Here is the letter itself:—

Through Brother S. I received your gift of \$50.00. Many thanks for this help. With this sum, I can repair my car, with which I am able to earn partially my support, and then, I begin to pay off my rent-debts. Certainly, Brother S. has told you about me, but nevertheless I will report something of my life. I was converted in 1921 and was baptized in the Baptist Church at Mannheim, Germany. I always liked to participate in the mission work and as long as I was able to spend money for the mission, I did so.

I was employed as an engineer-in-chief with the Siemens Schuckert-Werken, Berlin. I was the boss of 6-7 engineers-in-chief and 150 engineers. My salary, 1200-1500 Mark per month. When the Hitler Government came to power, I was as a Non-Arian discharged. Then I bought a farm of 150 acres in Pommern and paid on account 10,000 Mark and I spent further 8000 Mark, to make better the ground. In this farm, I instructed about 40 Jews for emigration to Palestine. After one year I was forbidden as Non-Arian to carry on the farm. I got back the deposit, and the farm was sold again.

The German Government forbids to take money from Germany to abroad, and therefore I remained in Germany so long as my money lasted. November, 1936, I went to Vienna and took with me furniture, my car and ten Mark for each member of my family. I am an Austrian, had a good certificate from my German firm and some personal recommendations too, and so I thought, I could get easily a place in my trade. I am sorry to say, that it was not possible for me to find a job up to the present time.

My wife, who is a believer too, is a graduate nurse and began to take sick people in our home and to take care of them. My two boys, 15 and 17 years old, are not able to study further, in consequence of our distressed condition. It is our prayer, that the Lord may give us again a possibility to work, that our hearts may become again happy and we could get our old joyfulness for the mission work.

The Lord bless your work and yourself to many people. Once more many thanks for your present. With kindly regards, I am in the love of Jesus, Yours, etc.

## We Baptize Six—In Obedience to the Lord's Command

BY MISS DOROTHY ROSE

A baptismal service is always a source of deep spiritual rejoicing, but especially to the one who ministers to God's chosen people, Israel. <sup>(1)</sup>

All too often Jewish believers draw back at the thought of baptism and hesitate thus to confess before men their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. This attitude is rooted in the experience of the past. Through centuries of persecution, false teaching and prejudice, baptism has been looked upon with a dread amounting to fear. Facts are not lacking to show that in the past many Jews submitted to baptism because of compulsion or threat of loss of life, property or freedom. In desperation they resorted to baptism as a means of escape. A shameful situation, 'tis true! A shame that Christendom should have persecution on the pages of her history. It is still rumored that a "baptised one" has a cross branded on his body. One who is baptised is classed as an outcast—one who has deserted Judaism. In the minds of the people it is the breaking of the last bond that holds them to the traditions of the past and the faith of their fathers. Do you wonder that they hesitate? On October 10th and October 13th, six men were baptised by Mr. Leopold Cohn. <sup>(2)</sup>

## FAILURE OF GOOD WORKS

Mr. D. is a man 65 years old. He has experienced a hunger for spiritual things for a long time. In many ways he tried to rid himself of the consciousness of sin. Through good works he tried to make himself acceptable. Finally, through one of the Jewish converts he heard of this mission. He came out of curiosity and liked it. He came again and again. Mr. Englander called on him and realized his sincerity about his soul's salvation. He had a heart to heart talk and left tracts. After a number of conversations after the meetings, Mr. D. confessed himself a sinner saved by grace, and asked to be baptised.

Mr. K., a man nearly 60 years old, used to visit Jewish missions as long as 40 years ago. At one time he was persuaded of the truth, but as time went on he drifted away. Some time ago Mr. Englander visited him as a dispensary case. He invited him to the meetings and God renewed Mr.