

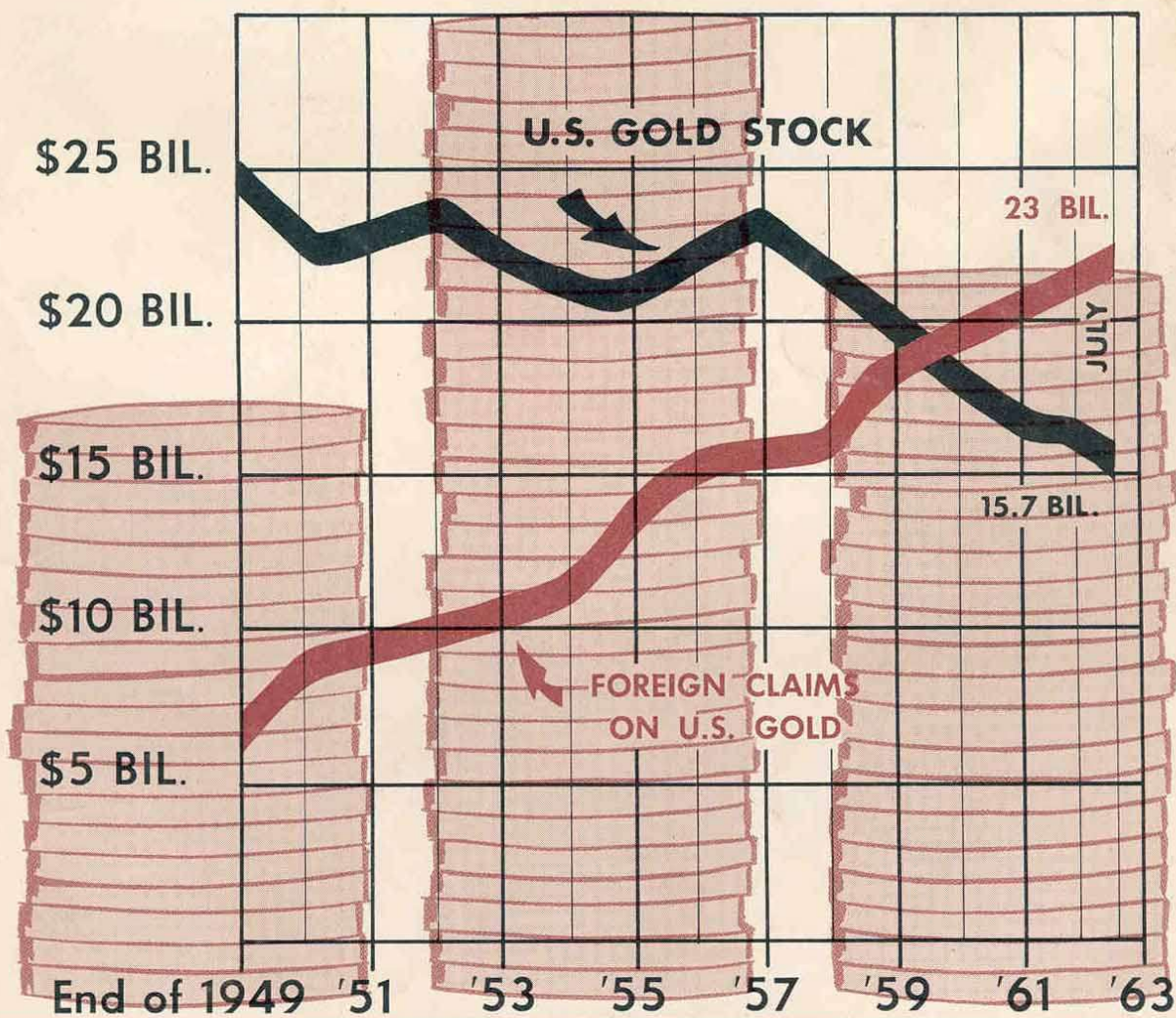
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THE GOLD CRISIS



In 14 years the once-massive U.S. Gold Reserve has shrunk 40%, while Foreign claims against it have more than quadrupled. As graph shows, claims now far surpass the gold stock.

What our READERS SAY

Applied the Test

"Here is a clipping calling Herbert W. Armstrong a false prophet. To see if he is, I went to the source of all truth—the Holy Bible. It seems that all religious leaders are calling each other false prophets. This is very confusing until you go to the Word of God to analyze the various teachings of the 400 Protestant denominations. I have, and I found that there is nothing false about the plain truth that Herbert W. Armstrong preaches."

Serviceman, California

• *A rare case, indeed! Going to the source of all knowledge is the right way to really PROVE all things.*

Change of Heart

"I could not help but think back to the first installments I read of your Autobiography in 1959 with a feeling of 'just who does this guy Herbert Armstrong think he is?' Anyway, as I read each one from then on I saw how God was using you for His great Work. Today as I read your 56th installment in the June PLAIN TRUTH and looked up the Bible scripture you mentioned, my feelings were very different. Oh, that the whole world could and would read installment 56."

Mrs. Lillie C., Minnesota

To Mend Broken Home

"I was just reading your article 'What Our Readers Say.' A person asked for a copy of 'Your Marriage Can Be Happy.' I would like to have a copy of it also, as we are caring for four children from a broken home. Maybe we can help some of these by reading your information."

Dale R., California

• *Be sure to write for the new FREE booklet on Child Rearing.*

Audio-Tory Pain

"I have an old unabridged Webster Dictionary which gives only one pronunciation of the name of the Sea in which Cuba is located. That is Care-a-be-an. There is no 'rib' in Caribbean

but there is a 'be.' I have noted the incorrect pronunciation in *The WORLD TOMORROW* programs. I have also noted the use of 'split infinitives' in both oral and written messages. They hurt my ears."

Fannie C., Kansas

• *Maybe your dictionary is too old. The new Webster's Collegiate Dictionary lists "Ca-rib'-e-an" as a correct secondary pronunciation. We admit we're human—and hope you will overlook a mispronunciation—so long as the message is true!*

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"Thanks for giving Southern hospitality a plug. In these times when the mode seems to be to criticize the South severely for its way of life, a benevolent attitude or note of congratulations toward us is appreciated."

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"You talk in terms of today's world and in language we can understand. You don't discuss the Bible as if it were ancient history, with no relation to the way we should live today. You have helped change my outlook."

Mrs. Patricia G., New Jersey

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Paul M., Texas

• *You now have it in your hand. And, just as we said—it's FREE of charge.*

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"I have just finished reading *The PLAIN TRUTH* for June. It appears that your magazine is trying to use scare tactics to promote a Christian revival. Most Christian revivalists use this same method, but I can't see that it has done any good. The morals and mental health of our nation's people continue to de-

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Personal from the Editor

WHO AM I? A false prophet, or a man sent from God with a Message? Do you know they asked Jesus Christ that question?

They asked John the Baptist. Was he the Christ? Was he Elijah? No, he answered—he was merely a voice in the wilderness of religious confusion. But the *man* is not important—it is his Message.

WHY do people seem always to want to follow a MAN? Why do they look to the man, himself—and either become a follower of him, or an accuser and persecutor? Why must they look to the MAN instead of the TRUTH?

The enemies of the truth know this trait of human nature. And they utilize it to turn people away from the truth by discrediting the *person* who proclaims it. Or else they seek to attract people to their false way by exalting the *person* of their leader, and inducing people to follow that person.

For thirty years, on the air and in *The PLAIN TRUTH*, I have been saying: "Don't believe *me*—BELIEVE YOUR BIBLE—BELIEVE GOD!" Always I say—and so does Garner Ted Armstrong—"Check up! Listen without prejudice, with open mind, then *check up*—go to your BIBLE, and BELIEVE what you read *there*."

But can you really *believe* the Bible? Can you believe GOD? Does God exist? Is He REAL? We continually offer positive PROOF of the existence of God—and that proof is sent FREE. We offer, *free*, the booklet *Proof of the Bible*. That is your starting point—to PROVE the reality of GOD, and that the Bible is His inspired Word—His Message to mankind—His instruction book telling us HOW TO LIVE. Once you have PROVED the absolute AUTHORITY of the Bible, you have the solid foundation for belief.

It does not depend on a man. Whether I am a false prophet or a man sent from God is not the important thing. What GOD SAYS is the important thing to

you! Yes, let GOD be true, though every man be a liar!

Religion was organized, in various sects or denominations, among the Jews of Jesus' day. And the leaders of these religious sects—the chief priests and the scribes or lawyers—the Sadducees and the Pharisees—looked on Jesus as a competitor. In their personal self-interest they did all they could to discredit Jesus by foul means.

If the leaders of the religious organizations did not endorse Jesus, then, they argued, the people should not believe Him. The Pharisees learned that a few people were beginning to be impressed with Christ's Message. This worried them. They looked on Him as a competitor. The Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to arrest Jesus and bring Him before them.

It was on the last day of the great autumn Festival. The officers heard Jesus speaking to the people in the Temple. Many of the people were impressed. Some believed. Others wondered: "WHO is this man?" Some thought He was "the Prophet"—probably meaning Elijah. "Others said, 'This is the Christ.' But some said, 'Shall Christ come out of Galilee? . . . So there was a division among the people because of him'" (John 7:41, 43).

Then the officers returned, empty-handed, to the chief priests and Pharisees. "And they said unto them, 'Why have ye not brought Him?' The officers answered, 'Never man spake like this man'" (Verses 45-46).

These officers, you see, had been impressed. They were inclined to begin to believe. They had feared to take Jesus. Now how did these religious leaders attempt to do away with the TRUTH these officers had heard from Jesus? THEY ATTEMPTED TO DISCREDIT HIM AS A PERSON!

"Then answered them the Pharisees, 'Are ye also deceived? Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him?'" (Verses 47-48.) In other words,

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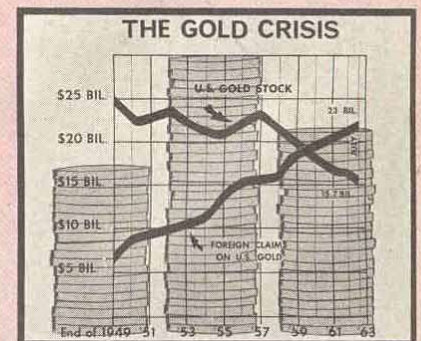
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FRONT COVER

Foreign claims now exceed America's gold stock by approximately \$7.3 billion. But this is not the whole story. U.S. law requires the retention of \$12.3 billion in gold to back currency and deposits. Therefore, only \$3.4 billion is readily available to match the \$23 billion in claims.

they inferred that Christ was a false prophet—a deceiver. And *He did not have the endorsement of the organized religious LEADERS!* The implication was: if He was not accredited by them, He was discredited!

Today through *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast, and *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine, that *same* living Christ, through us, proclaims to the whole world—over all continents—the SAME Gospel Message Jesus then proclaimed. We, as men, are not important. We are only human instruments. It is GOD'S work. And today the SAME IDENTICAL METHODS ARE USED to discredit THAT SAME MESSAGE!

If YOU had lived in Jerusalem in the year 30 or 31 A.D., and had heard an ordinary-looking man saying the same things Jesus said in the Temple, HOW WOULD YOU HAVE CHECKED UP? How would you have known whether to believe Him? Would you have gone to the leaders of the big religious organizations, sects, or denominations, and asked them, "Who IS this man? And shall I believe what He says?"

If you had, they would have told you: "He's a false prophet! He has a false hybrid religion. None of the leading denominations endorse him!"

But what was the test Jesus gave, of how to know whether a man is a false prophet, or a man sent from GOD?

He said: "If I do not the WORKS of my Father, believe me not. But if I do . . . BELIEVE THE WORKS, that ye may know!" (John 10:37-38). Jesus was sent to START GOD'S WORK for this New Testament period. Jesus said, "My food is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish HIS WORK" (John 4:34). One who has and proclaims the TRUTH is one who is DOING GOD'S WORK!

That is one of the FRUITS—and Jesus said we are to know whether people are true or false by their fruits.

And so we say, today, KNOW whether the Message we preach is the truth by the fruits! Are we carrying on the WORK OF GOD? You'll find what that is, IN YOUR BIBLE!

I know a talented young minister who might be serving God in a very powerful way, had he not gotten off on a wrong track at the start. And now he

doesn't know how to get off that track—a track carrying him to a wrong destination. He has the backing of quite a number of powerful organized denominations. He knows more truth than he dares proclaim. He is muzzled. I'm sure he would like to be free to proclaim the FULL TRUTH OF GOD, unshackled and FREE! But, you see, all these denominations do not believe or endorse the same things. They disagree on many doctrinal points—and this man, potentially powerful for God, is forced to confine his preaching to those few points on which ALL of these differing denominations can agree. Otherwise their endorsement not only would be canceled, he would find himself discredited, and much if not most of his financial backing would cease.

Thirty years ago I had been accepting a very small salary from a church which I had believed to be God's True Church. But a few men who controlled the church treasury demanded that I baptize people contrary to the Word of God. I learned then that he who accepts his pay from men must serve men, and not God. I read God's PROMISE to "supply ALL your NEED, according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." I knew that if I looked to GOD as my employer, with all salary and income to be supplied BY HIM, that I would have to serve Him HIS WAY! And I gave myself to Him so to do! He didn't increase the salary and income at the time—but in answer to prayer, and through FAITH, the same amount did continue to come! Then, some five months later, He opened the DOOR of radio and the printing press. GOD'S WORK was started! But not until it was no longer MAN'S work! It was not started BIG, but the smallest of any.

Gradually—ever so slowly at first—the WORK grew. It grew 30% bigger each year than the preceding year. It is still growing at the rate of 30% a year. Today it is a WORLD-WIDE POWER! And I am FREE! I am unshackled! I am free to proclaim Christ's own TRUE GOSPEL!

Do you want to know who I am? Well, who I am is not important. But if you want to know the TRUTH about it, do not ask those who are imbued with this world's competitive spirit.

They can't tell you the truth about who I am, or whether what we proclaim is true, BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW! If you want to know about me personally—it's not important—but if you still want to know, ASK ME, not uninformed enemies.

If you want to know whether our Message is really the TRUTH, then LOOK TO YOUR OWN BIBLE, for, as Isaiah says, "If they speak not according to this Word, it is because there is no light in them."

Check up, as the Bereans did on the Apostle Paul—they listened with open minds, unprejudiced, then searched the SCRIPTURES, whether these things were so (Acts 17:11).

If we proclaim the TRUTH—if we make it plain and understandable, and lead you to the truth which you PROVE to be the truth, then BELIEVE THAT TRUTH.

Look to the FRUITS. By the thousands, people are being converted—their lives changed—brought to CHRIST and the Kingdom of God. Christ's own GOSPEL is being proclaimed, AS A WITNESS, to the whole world—on every inhabited continent. God's own flock is BEING FED. Those brought to Christ, and who through Him are now begotten children of GOD, are finding happiness and joy that literally RADIATES in their lives! The sick are being healed. Future leaders in GOD'S WORK are being trained in God's Colleges. Those are the FRUITS. This is the work where GOD is working.

Yes, even as Jesus, the living HEAD of this WORK OF GOD said: "Though you believe not me, BELIEVE THE WORK [OF GOD], that you may KNOW. . . ."

Be a follower of JESUS CHRIST—I am not seeking followers of my own. Don't be a follower of a MAN—but of CHRIST!

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About Old Testament POLYGAMY!

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IT HAD seemed too good to be true. The application I had received for a professorship on the Ambassador College faculty from a man of Dr. Hawley Otis Taylor's record in education and science appeared positively paradoxical.

In today's world of materialistic higher education and science, God has been virtually thrown out the window. The Bible has been relegated disdainfully to the scrapheap of medieval superstition. Fundamentalist Biblical belief has been contemptuously dubbed "funny-mentalism."

It seemed indeed a rarity to find a man of Dr. Taylor's illustrious scientific status professing fundamentalist Christianity.

More Internal Opposition

I was overjoyed. Dr. Taylor was appointed, as previously explained, as Dean of Instruction, and Registrar.

But before the college was scarcely more than started, I was somewhat dis-



The original classroom building is now a beautiful library. The newly completed presidential offices occupy the third story.

illusioned. I soon learned that, in a few basic areas, Dr. Taylor's religious beliefs ran counter to ours. Of course, he was sincere and unalterably confirmed in his convictions, but they were to prove a

source of opposition and harassment from within. As if we had not encountered our share of persecution and opposition from without, in establishing GOD's kind of educational institution, we met it from within, as well.

How these few basic differences of belief produced a certain friction, but later were resolved in a spirit of happy cooperation must now be told—and without any intended discredit to the memory of Dr. Taylor, for, as I said, he was sincere in his convictions, and he contributed much to the building of the institution.

What Is Fundamentalism?

When I first learned that Dr. Taylor was a "fundamentalist Christian," I am afraid I permitted spontaneous elation to obscure the fact that all "fundamentalists" do not believe all things alike.

After all, what is fundamentalism? It is a comparatively recent Protestant designation. It puts emphasis on a belief in God as Creator; the infallibility of the inspiration of the Scriptures as the Word of God; the fact that Jesus Christ was

Here is a view of the first building purchased for Ambassador College. It was then the main classroom building. Now it is the library shown above.



born of the Virgin Mary as the Son of God; the truth and reality of Biblical miracles; the efficacy of the shed blood of Christ for the remission of sins; and the resurrection of Christ.

But what few fundamentalists seem to realize is that belief in these things, alone, *is not sufficient for salvation!*

Satan the devil believes all these things.

More, Satan well *knows* these fundamental facts are true. He well *knows* there is one God. He *knows* the Bible is the inspired Word of God. He *knows* Jesus Christ was the Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary. He *knows* Christ died for our sins, and that He was resurrected from the dead. Further, Satan *knows* what few *human* fundamentalists believe: that Jesus was three days and three nights in the grave—was crucified, as the Scriptures reveal, on a Wednesday in the middle of the week, and rose, *not* on Sunday, but late on the Sabbath just prior to sunset. (Write for our free booklet on The Resurrection of Christ!)

But believing those things *does not save Satan!*

Satan also knows that the *conditions* to receiving God's Holy Spirit are two, on man's part: 1) real repentance of

sin, which means repentance of transgressing GOD'S LAW; and which, in turn, means to surrender to OBEY God's Law; and 2) faith in and acceptance of the living resurrected Christ as personal Saviour; and this means a *living* faith coupled with obedience.

But Satan doesn't repent. He is a REBEL. Satan does not accept Christ as his Saviour, for he is the ADVERSARY of Christ.

Yes, Satan is the greatest FUNDAMENTALIST of all. But his believing these things he *knows* to be true is not sufficient to save him, nor is such belief *alone* sufficient to save any human. It is not the hearers, but the DOERS of the Law who shall be justified (Rom. 2:13). Satan *knows* what God's Law says, but he is not a DOER of it, but a REBEL *against* it.

Satan has deceived the WHOLE WORLD! He has actually deceived millions of "fundamentalist Christians" into sincerely *believing* that the mere acceptance of these *facts* of fundamentalist dogma, *without obedience to God's Law*, is sufficient for salvation. Thus they are deceived into following the example of Satan himself—*believing* these truisms while *in rebellion!* They don't realize it, because they are deceived; but they have

been made REBELS like the GOD OF THIS WORLD, Satan.

A deceived person is sincere. If an individual knew he were wrong, he would not be deceived. In other words, the deceived *do not know ALL THE TRUTH!* God holds humans accountable for what they do with what they have to do with. "To him that *knoweth* to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (Jas. 4:17).

Dr. Taylor, I felt sure, believed with all his heart that he was right. He believed, just as sincerely, that I was wrong in teaching obedience to the inexorable spiritual Law of God. And I'm afraid this nettled him and drove him to a certain opposition.

Bible Course Minimized

In planning the curriculum, class schedules, and the purely academic matters of the college, I left arrangements in the hands of Mr. Dillon and Dr. Taylor. In preparation of the college catalog, I wrote merely the introductory pages describing the *kind* of college, leaving all technical data, description of courses, curriculum, credits required, to Mr. Dillon and Dr. Taylor. I was not experienced in curricula-planning.

The catalog was not actually printed

One of the early forums at Ambassador College. All the instructors as well as students sit in on these forums. The first faculty members are seated on the front row.

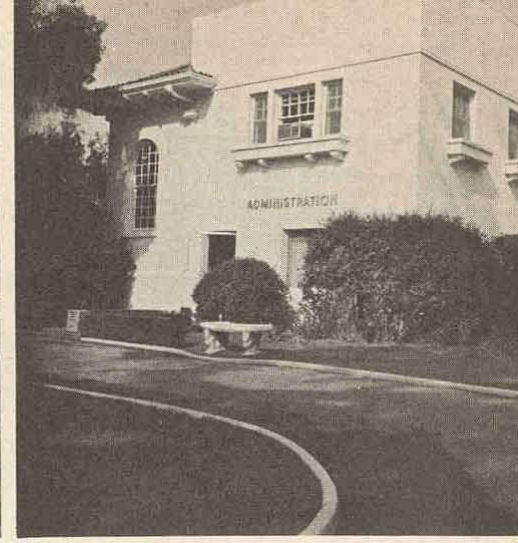




The original mailing office after the College was started in 1947.



Students mail out *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine. This is an inside shot of the first mailing office in Pasadena.



The mailing office has now been made into a modern Administration Building where members of the faculty and administrative staff have their offices.

until after classes were started. But after they were actually in progress, and class schedules set, I discovered to my great dismay that my own course in theology—the real foundation course of the college—had been reduced to a two-hour *minor* subject!

By then classes were under way. All students' schedules were fixed—all records set. It was too late to change them—for that year.

Sensing this undercurrent of hostility within the teaching staff, I immediately decreed that faculty members, as well as students, must attend all my classes. I taught entirely by the lecture method. I did this, not so much as a retaliatory measure, but as a means of getting the new college off to a start as the very *kind* of college God was building.

Since the BIBLE is the very *foundation* of all knowledge, I was determined to see that this approach to knowledge permeated the entire institution. This class provided me with a forum as a sounding board. It enabled me to keep constantly before both students and faculty the Biblical FOUNDATION of knowledge, and the Scriptural *approach* to understanding.

I was quite conscious of the materialistic educational backgrounds of faculty members. I was well aware of the evolutionary concepts most of them had imbibed. I kept my lectures on a reasonably dignified plane, and I constantly used the Four Gospels to demonstrate that the current concept of Jesus' teachings was at total variance with the inspired record.

I took great pains to make my lectures so rational and factual as to leave no room for refutation.

I was reminded of a church service I had conducted back in Eugene, Oregon, a few years before, when a converted former atheist brought an atheist friend. After my service she asked her visiting guest what she thought of the sermon.

"Well," the visitor answered curtly, "I can't refute his statements, but I'm simply not interested in accepting them."

You can lead a stubborn mule to water, but you can't make him drink. No one knows better than I that it is impossible to cram truth down unwilling and obstinate throats. But I did want the satisfaction of making the truth SO PLAIN that faculty members had but two choices—to accept it, or deliberately reject it in which case it became a witness *against them*, for which they alone were responsible, and for which they would answer in the judgment.

I have been called merely to *proclaim* Christ's Message *as a witness*. I am not sent to force conversion on the world, but to be a witness of the TRUTH, made plain, to those willing to receive it. And, of course, I realized that unwilling minds can shut the door from allowing it to enter.

I am sure that first school year was a bit uncomfortable to some of the faculty members attending my lectures. Irrefutable TRUTH does have a way of making the rebellious and unwilling rather uncomfortable—especially when they find themselves unable to answer or retaliate, even privately to themselves.

But it did establish the educational FOUNDATION for Ambassador College. And it became very convincing to all four students!

Crisp, Carping Note-Barbs

Dr. Taylor especially expressed, on occasion, his displeasure at the requirement to attend my classes. I think it offended his professional dignity. Although Dr. Taylor was a quiet, modest, unassuming *gentleman*, exhibiting a certain dignified humility, he was not entirely unaware of his professional standing in science and education, and his record of having been a faculty member at such institutions as Harvard, Cornell, M.I.T., and being Chairman Emeritus of the Department of Physics at Wheaton.

Until the founding of Ambassador College, my activities had been in fields other than professorial classrooms. Disagreeing as he did on certain basic doctrines, I'm sure Dr. Taylor found it quite distasteful to be required to hear truths he did not wish to accept, coming from one whose attainments were other than pedagogic or scientific.

At the beginning of the second year, he verbally voiced his disfavor of attending my classes. That year I compromised. I saw to it that the theological courses were three-hour majors that year—that is, three hour-long class periods per week. One of them I designated as my own forum period, at which attendance of all faculty members was required. The faculty was excused from further attendance at the other two

periods from that time onward.

I was determined that the AMBASSADOR POLICY was going to be inculcated thoroughly in faculty and students alike. Ambassador was to be GOD'S college—not another rubber stamp of the educational institutions of this world! But, with a faculty trained in this world's scholarship, I found that it required determined dominance on my part, plus vigilance, to assure it.

By the third year, I felt sufficient progress had been made to this end that I could safely dispense with the requirement for faculty attendance altogether—although we did establish a weekly forum period which continues to this day, attended by students and faculty alike. However, though its original purpose was to serve as my own "sounding board" as frequently as I felt advisable, it has become a forum at which students or faculty members are free to speak and voice opinions if desired.

Along about the third year of the college, Dr. Taylor began sending me occasional little short notes, elegantly worded in the best professorial rhetoric, but replete with trenchant wit, innuendo, irony, sarcasm, and discrediting and belittling insinuations.

For a long time I let it pass without reply. Always I had treated Dr. Taylor with utmost courtesy and respect.

Finally, some four or five years after the founding of the college—I do not now remember the year—Dr. Taylor came to my office in February and announced that he would like to retire at the end of that school year from full-time active duty and teaching. However, he said he would be glad to stay on in a part-time advisory and consultation capacity. Of course I acceded to his wishes.

Then, a week or two later he reappeared at my office and said he had changed his mind, and would like to stay on full-time. I decided it was now time to put an end to this religious friction.

"Dr. Taylor," I said, "I think we must come to a definite understanding. The other day you gave me your resignation from full-time service, and I accepted. Now you want to come back. That's entirely agreeable with me, provided

you can be happy here with us. But I feel that you have not been as happy with us as I should like, due to a feeling you have about certain religious differences.

"If you are to come back next autumn, I feel now that we must have a candid talk about this, and come to complete understanding. Let me make this clear. First, we are a Liberal Arts college—not a Bible school. We do have a theological course, but I myself teach that, and it need not concern you. You are concerned merely with the faculty and academic considerations in fields other than religion. Second, your personal religious convictions which are not in harmony with ours are no concern of ours, and do not in any way disturb us. Your religious convictions are a private matter between you and your God. They cause us no offense or feeling of any kind. But, third, it seems, regrettably, that our religious convictions *have* been a source of irritation to *you*. That makes for disharmony, and incompatibility. It has become a disturbing factor to you.

"Now there will have to be one point clearly understood and agreed to, if we take you back next fall. I must have your assurance that you will grant us the same freedom of belief that we accord you—that you will not be unhappy here, knowing our different beliefs on certain basic doctrines."

Dr. Taylor gave me his assurances of this, and it was agreed that he should stay on.

Friction Turned to Co-operation

But the religious differences did continue to irritate him. His sarcastic little literary barbs continued on occasion—especially after the following school year began in September.

Then, the last week in December, an especially piquant note, loaded with belittling sarcasm, was found on my desk.

This was it!

I had had enough. I determined to end this friction once and for all. I wrote Dr. Taylor a letter. It was couched in terms of finality.

I stated that I had received the last of those belittling and insulting notes. I reminded him that I always had accorded him the full measure of respect

and courtesy that both his past record and his office as Dean of the College deserved. But I reminded him that I, too, occupied an office that merited respect—and that it was the office of his superior and employer.

Hereafter, I notified him, I would require of him the same courtesy and respect that I accorded him, and that the very first infraction thereof would be accepted as his resignation effective on the spot. In view of his assurance he had given me the preceding February, I stated, no further notice would be given.

Two other events occurred almost simultaneously, which, happily, brought a total about-face in the whole situation.

One, I had just been going over the salary list in our business office. It had become customary to review all salaries at the end of December, to determine who rated raises in salaries for the following year. Actually, I had just written this letter to Dr. Taylor and did not feel that he rated a raise at that time. I had authorized a raise for all faculty members *except* him.

But imagine my surprise when, a couple of days later, Dr. Taylor came to me smiling, and thanked me for the raise he had just found in his semi-monthly check! The business office had made a mistake! But there was nothing to say—it was done, and had to *stay* done!

Then, second, a day or two before the end of the year, Dr. Taylor contacted me by telephone. It was then our custom to purchase for faculty members seats in the reviewing stands for the Rose Tournament parade which starts each New Year's morning in front of our campus. We had given Dr. Taylor two—one for his wife. He explained that Mrs. Taylor was too ill to go, but they had a guest—a former woman student at Wheaton, who apparently had made a rather impressive record in her career since graduating. Would it be permissible for him to take her on Mrs. Taylor's ticket? Why, of course, I explained—the tickets were his for whom-ever he wished.

Now it seems that up to this time Dr. Taylor had somehow felt not too proud of his association with so *small*

a school as Ambassador College. It seems he tried to avoid letting his esteemed guest see our campus. But she insisted. So, after the parade he took her over the grounds and through the buildings.

"Why, Dr. Taylor," she exclaimed, "you are to be congratulated on being the head Dean at a college of this magnificent tone and character."

Apparently this opened Dr. Taylor's eyes to something he had not realized. *Quantity*-wise, Ambassador was still very small, by comparison to the institutions with which he formerly had been associated. Apparently he had subconsciously associated *quantity* with *quality*. I think he had not felt as proud of his Ambassador connection as he had of former ones.

But now he suddenly realized that here was a college which, though small in student enrollment, was nevertheless impressive in cultural appearance, and that it did maintain highest academic standards, and reflect every evidence of high character. He could, after all, hold up his head in pride before his friends!

This incident, coming almost coincident with his salary raise, and immediately following my letter of positive finality, effected a total about-face in attitude.

From that moment until the day of his death, Dr. Taylor was a smiling, happy, and most co-operative colleague. Though he was saddened by the death of his wife shortly after, he remained as happy as possible under the circumstances, and our association together at the college became most pleasant in every way.

And as I now reflect back on those days, it is pleasing to realize that, although some personal unpleasantness came to both Dr. Taylor and me, no harm came to the college, and Dr. Taylor did contribute much to its foundation years.

The Broadcast Dilemma

I have followed this incident relating to Dr. Taylor through to its happy ending. But now, back to the main thread of the story.

This "\$30,000 headache" I have described, in being forced to convert our main college building into a fireproof



Mr. Armstrong as he broadcast from the small Eugene, Oregon, offices back during World War II.

structure, played havoc with our financial situation generally. I was forced to get farther behind with our big radio stations.

We had been forced to drop off XELO, the 150,000-watt clear-channel station at Juarez, Mexico, altogether. We had been on both XELO, and XEG, the other superpowered 150,000-watt station. In those days these two stations could be heard over most of the United States, and even in central Canada. They had built a tremendous audience for us.

While the cost, per half-hour, seemed very high to us, it was only half to two-thirds as much as many major-city 50,000-watt stations in the United States. And although the listening audience to those stations was not a concentrated metropolitan audience such as major-city American stations enjoy, it spread over most of the United States. The total audience, in those days, was much larger than that of any United States station.

We had means of checking and arriving at a close estimate of the number of listeners. I was able to say, then, that every radio dollar reached 2,000 people with a powerful half-hour message!

We can't make that claim any more. Already at that time, 1947-1948, more and more small radio stations were being licensed. Where there had been one small 100-watt station in Eugene, Oregon, in 1934 when we started, there are today some five or six, and, I believe,

at least two of them 5,000-watt stations. The number of radio stations multiplied all over the country, in small towns and in major cities. Power increased also. And all this brought more and more interference over the air-waves, constantly reducing the coverage and clarity of signal of such superpowered stations as XELO and XEG.

But we had found it necessary to drop XELO. Up until March, 1948, we were on XEG at 8:00 P.M. nightly except Saturdays, and 5:30 A.M. daily except Sundays. This was our only southern and midwestern coverage, but it was the most powerful and effective single station existing for a wide-spread coverage of all that vast area. In addition, we were then using five stations on the Pacific Coast—XERB, 50,000 watts, Sunday only, Saturday and Sunday coverage in Portland, and Sunday only in Seattle. What a far cry that was from today's more than 22,000,000 watts of radio power weekly, world-wide!

But, before the close of 1947 we were getting farther and farther behind in paying our bills with XEG. The management told me very pointedly that they were not in business for the purpose of financing the start of a college for me. If we were going to use our money to operate the college instead of paying their bills, we would have to go off the air.

It was a frustrating dilemma. I *knew* (Please continue on page 22)

RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

MAJOR STATIONS— Heard over wide areas

East

- WHN—New York—1050 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun.
- *WWVA—Wheeling, W. Va.—1170 on dial, 98.7 FM, 10:30 a.m. and 11:15 p.m. Sun., 5 a.m. & 10 p.m. Mon. thru Fri. (E.S.T.)
- WNAC—Boston—680 on dial, 98.5 FM (WRKO-FM), 8:30 p.m. Sun.
- WIBG—Philadelphia—990 on dial, 94.1 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun.
- WPTF—Raleigh, N.C.—680 on dial, 94.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 8:05 p.m. Sat.
- WGBS—Miami—710 on dial, 96.3 FM, 10:30 a.m. Sun.

Central States

- WLAC—Nashville—1510 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7 p.m. daily and 5 a.m. Mon. thru Sat. (C.S.T.)
- WSM—Nashville—650 on dial, 9 p.m. Sun., 12 a.m. Mon., thru Fri., 1 a.m. Sun. (C.S.T.)
- WCKY—Cincinnati—1530 on dial, 7 and 9:30 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat. (E.S.T.)
- CKLW—Detroit-Windsor—800 on dial, 93.9 FM, 7 p.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon. thru Fri., 6:15 a.m. Sat.; 11:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KCMO—Kansas City—810 on dial, 7:30 p.m. Sun., 8:15 p.m. and 5 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KXEL—Waterloo, Ia.—1540 on dial, 8 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KXEN—St. Louis—1010 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon. thru Sat.

South

- KRLD—Dallas—1080 on dial, 92.5 FM, 6:30 p.m. Mon thru Fri.; 8:15 p.m. Sat. and Sun.
- KTRH—Houston—740 on dial, 8:00 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KWKH—Shreveport—1130 on dial, 94.5 FM, 10:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. Sun., 9:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Sat.
- KAAY—Little Rock—1090 on dial, 9:30 a.m. and 8:15 p.m. Sun., 9:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 8 p.m. Sat.
- WNOE—New Orleans—1060 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun.

*Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

WGUN—Atlanta—1010 on dial, 4 p.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KRMG—Tulsa—740 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

XEG—1050 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily. (C.S.T.)

Mountain States

- CKY—Winnipeg, Manitoba—580 kc., 10 p.m. Sun.
- CFRN—Edmonton, Alta.—1260 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.
- KOA—Denver—850 on dial, 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- XELO—800 on dial, 8 p.m. (M.S.T.) 9 p.m. (C.S.T.) daily.

West Coast

- KGO—San Francisco—810 on dial, 103.7 FM, 10 p.m. Sun.
- KIRO—Seattle—710 on dial, 100.7 FM, 10:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat., 5:30 a.m. Tues. thru Sat.
- KGBS—Los Angeles—1020 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun.
- KRAK—Sacramento—1140 on dial, 8 p.m. daily.
- XERB—Lower Calif.—1090 on dial, 7 p.m. daily, 9:30 a.m. Mon. thru Fri.

LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS

East

- WJRZ—Newark, N.J.—970 on dial, 11:00 p.m. Sun., 10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- WBMD—Baltimore—750 on dial, 12:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun., 12:00 noon Mon. thru Fri.
- WPIT—Pittsburgh—730 on dial, 101.5 FM, 7:00 a.m. daily.
- WHP—Harrisburg, Pa.—580 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.
- WCHS—Charleston, W. Va.—580 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.
- CKFH—Toronto—1430 on dial, 10:00 p.m. Sun., 9:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 10:15 p.m. Sat. and Sun.
- WMIE—Miami, Fla.—1140 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon. thru Sat.
- WPOR—Portland, Maine—1490 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun.
- WCOU—Lewiston, Maine—1240 on dial, 9:30 p.m. Sun.
- WAAB—Worcester, Mass.—1440 on dial, 107.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- WMAS—Springfield, Mass.—1450 on dial, 94.7 FM, 9:30 p.m. Sun.
- WEIM—Fitchburg, Mass.—1280 on dial, 8:30 p.m. Sun.
- WNLC—New London, Conn.—1490 on dial, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

Central

- WSPD—Toledo, Ohio—1370 on dial, 101.5 FM, 9:05 p.m. daily.
- WJBK—Detroit—1500 on dial, 93.1 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun.
- WADC—Akron, Ohio—1350 on dial, 9:30 p.m. daily.
- WJW—Cleveland, Ohio—850 on dial, 104.1 FM, 10 a.m. Sun.
- WOW—Omaha, Nebr.—590 on dial, 8:25 p.m. Sun.
- KRVN—Lexington, Nebr.—1010 on dial, 10:30 a.m. daily.
- WNAX—Yankton, S. Dak.—570 on dial, 8:30 p.m. daily.
- WEAW—Chicago—1330 on dial, 105.1 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun. (also 8:00 p.m. Sun., FM), 7 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- *WAAP—Peoria—1350 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WIBC—Indianapolis—1070 on dial, 10:30 p.m. Sun.
- KWTO—Springfield, Mo.—560 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily.
- KFDI—Wichita, Kans.—1070 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KFH—Wichita, Kans.—1330 on dial, 100.3 FM, 9:30 a.m., Sun., 6:30 p.m. daily.
- WMT—Cedar Rapids—600 on dial, 11:30 a.m. Sun.
- KEVE—Minneapolis—1440 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- WEBC—Duluth, Minn.—560 on dial, 7:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri., 11:30 a.m. Sat.
- WMIL—Milwaukee, Wis.—1290 on dial, 95.7 FM, 4:45 p.m. Sun. (AM only), 7:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KFYR—Bismarck, N. Dak.—550 on dial, 7 p.m. daily.
- CFQC—Saskatoon, Sask.—600 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

South

- KCTA—Corpus Christi, Tex.—1030 on dial, 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat.
- KCUL—Ft. Worth—1540 on dial, 1 p.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KMAC—San Antonio—630 on dial 9:00 a.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KHEY—El Paso, Texas—690 on dial, 8 p.m. daily.
- KFMJ—Tulsa—1050 on dial, 12:30 p.m. daily.
- KBYE—Okla. City—890 on dial, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- KWAM—Memphis—990 on dial, 10 a.m. Sun., 11:00 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.
- WDEF—Chattanooga, Tenn.—1370 on dial, 8:05 p.m. daily.

WBRC—Birmingham, Ala.—960 on dial, 106.9 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.

WKYB—Paducah, Ky.—570 on dial, 93.3 FM, 12 noon daily.

KTLU—Rusk, Texas—1580 on dial, 1.00 p.m. Sun.

Mountain States

KPHO—Phoenix—910 on dial, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KFIF—Tucson—1550 on dial, 5:00 p.m. daily.

KLZ—Denver—560 on dial, 106.7 FM, 10:45 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 10:30 a.m. Sat.

KCPX—Salt Lake City—1320 on dial, 98.7 FM, 7 p.m. daily.

KIDO—Boise, Idaho—630 on dial 7 p.m. daily.

West Coast

CJOR—Vancouver, B.C.—600 on dial, 9:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., 7:30 p.m. Sat.

KHQ—Spokane—590 on dial, 8 p.m. daily.

KVI—Seattle—570 on dial, 8 a.m. Sun.

KNBX—Seattle—1050 on dial, 12 noon daily.

KWJJ—Portland—1080 on dial, 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KEX—Portland—1190 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun.

KUGN—Eugene—590 on dial, 7 p.m. daily.

KUMA—Pendleton, Oregon—1290 on dial, 7:00 p.m. daily except 7:30 p.m. Monday.

KAGO—Klamath Falls, Oregon—1150 on dial, 8:00 p.m. daily.

KSAY—San Francisco—1010 on dial, 7:30 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KFRC—San Francisco—610 on dial, 106.1 FM, 8:30 a.m. Sun.

KFAX—San Francisco—1100 on dial, 10:00 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. daily, 4:15 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KGMS—Sacramento—1380 on dial, 8:30 a.m. Sun.

KDB—Santa Barbara, Calif.—1490 on dial, 93.7 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.

KRKC—Los Angeles—1150 on dial, 96.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sun., 6:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KBLA—Burbank—1490 on dial, 7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. daily.

KACE—San Bernardino-Riverside—1570 on dial, 92.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m. Mon. thru Sat.

KNEZ—Lompoc, Calif.—960 on dial, 9:00 a.m. Sun.

In Spanish—

KALI—Los Angeles, Calif.—1430 on dial, 4:45 p.m. Sun.

Alaska & Hawaii

KFQD—Anchorage, Alaska—730 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

KULA—Honolulu, Hawaii—690 on dial, 7:30 p.m. daily.

Canada (in French)

CKJL—St. Jerome, Quebec—900 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.

TO EUROPE

In English—

RADIO LUXEMBOURG — 208 metres (1439 kc.) medium wave and 49 metres (6090 kc.) short wave—7:00 p.m. Mon. and Tues., G.M.T.

In French—

RADIO LUXEMBOURG—1293 metres—5:40 a.m., Mon.

EUROPE NO. ONE—Felsberg en Sarre, Germany — 182 kc. (1647 m.)—6:00 a.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m. Wed.

In German—

RADIO LUXEMBOURG—49 metres (6090 kc.) shortwave and 208 metres (1439 kc.) medium wave—Sun., 6:05 a.m.; Wed., 7:00 a.m., M.E.T.

TO AFRICA

RADIO LOURENCO MARQUES, MOZAMBIQUE — 3301 kc. and 4925 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon., Wed., and Sat., 10:30 p.m. Tues., Thur., and Fri.

RADIO UFAC, ELIZABETHVILLE — OQ2AD—4980 kc. (60 m.) — 10 p.m. Sun., Mon. and Wed.; 9:30 p.m. Tue., Thur. and Fri.

WNBS — Lagos — 602 kc. — 8:30 p.m. daily.

WNBS — Ibadan — 656 kc., 3380 kc., 6185 kc. and 9500 kc.—8:30 p.m. daily.

TO AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

2KY—Sydney, NSW—1020 kc.—10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs., 10:45 p.m. Fri. and Sat.

2AY—Albury, NSW—1490 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

2HD—Newcastle, NSW—1140 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.; 6:00 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

2KA—Katoomba, NSW—780 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

3AW—Melbourne, Vic.—1280 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.

3KZ—Melbourne, Vic.—1180 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:45 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:15 p.m. Fri.

3MA—Mildura, Vic.—1470 kc.—3:30 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.; 10:00 p.m. Sat.

4AK—Oakey, Qld.—1220 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.

4BK—Brisbane, Qld.—1300 kc.—9:30 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Thurs.; 10:30 p.m. Fri.

4KQ—Brisbane, Qld.—690 kc.—10:30 p.m. Sun.

6KG—Kalgoorlie, WA—860 kc.—10:00 p.m. Mon. thru Sat.

6PM—Perth, WA—1000 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

6AM—Northam, WA—980 kc.—10:00 p.m. Sun.; 10:15 p.m. Mon. thru Fri.

7AD—Devonport, Tas.—900 kc.—3:30 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

7HT—Hobart, Tas.—1080 kc.—7:30 p.m. Sun.; 9:30 p.m. Mon., Wed., Thur. and Fri.; 10:35 p.m. Tues.

7SD—Scottsdale, Tas.—540 kc.—4:00 p.m. Sun. thru Fri.

2XM—Gisborne, New Zealand—1180 kc.—8:30 p.m. Wed.; 9:15 p.m. Thurs.; 10:00 p.m. Sat.

TO ASIA

RADIO TAIWAN (FORMOSA)

"The 3rd Network, B.C.C."—

BED23 Taichung 1380 kc.;

BED55 Taipei 960 kc.;

BED78 Tainan City 1540 kc.;

BED79 Kaohsiung 1220 kc.;

BED82 Chiayi 1460 kc.—

18:00 T.S.T., Wed and Fri.

RADIO OKINAWA—KSBK—880 kc. Sundays: 12:06 noon.

ALTO BROADCASTING SYSTEM — PHILIPPINE ISLANDS:

DZAQ, Manila—620 kc.—8:30 p.m. daily.

DZRI, Dagupan City—1040 kc.;

DZRB, Naga City—1060 kc.;

DXAW, Davao City—640 kc.—

9:00 p.m. Sunday.

DYCB, Cebu City—570 kc.—9:30 p.m. Friday.

RADIO GUAM—KUAM—610 kc., 6 p.m. daily.

TO LATIN AMERICA

In English—

RADIO AMERICA—Lima, Peru—1010 kc.—5:15 p.m. Saturdays.

HOC21, Panama City—1115 kc.;

HP5A, Panama City—11170 kc.;

HOK, Colon, Panama—640 kc.;

HP5K, Colon, Panama—6005 kc.—

7:00 p.m., Sundays.

In French—

4VBM—Port au Prince, Haiti—1430 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.

4VCM—Port au Prince, Haiti—6165 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.

RADIO CARAIBES—St. Lucia, West Indies—840 kc.—6:45 p.m., Mon. and Tues.

In Spanish—

RADIO LA CRONICA—Lima, Peru—1320 kc.—7:00 p.m. Sun.

RADIO COMUNEROS — Asuncion, Paraguay—970 kc.—8:30 p.m. Thursdays.

RADIO SPORT—CXA19—Montevideo, Uruguay—11835 kc.—4:00 p.m., Sundays.

RADIO CARVE—CX16, 850 kc., and CXA13, 6156 kc.—Montevideo, Uruguay—3:30 p.m., Saturdays.

God had opened the way for the college. I knew the Eternal wanted the college. I knew the Work of God could not continue to grow without the college.

But I knew also God wanted us on the air. He had called me to proclaim Christ's Gospel.

Thrown Off the Air!

Of course it will be easy for the "arm-chair quarterbacks" to say that the college should not have been started under these circumstances. Plenty of them *did* say that. Perhaps they were right. But I knew of no other way. If the wrong method was used, I knew no other, let alone a better. Anyway, I was now *into* this dilemma, and I had to face it.

Of course I prayed—continually and fervently. But if God had had a better way, perhaps He found my head so thick He couldn't get it through to me any faster. Now, however, I asked for deliverance out of the trouble. And it came—*later!*

By the first of March XEG carried out their threat to throw us off. They allowed the program to stay on Sunday nights, *only*, provided I began to make progress in paying off the back indebtedness, and that this progress be continued.

Other bills were pressing. I was being hounded on every side for money by creditors. Many around me continued to harp about "when this thing folds up." But I was determined it was not going to fold up!

Two or three times, through those harassing months, I did give up and quit—at night after going to bed, trying to push the nightmare out of mind and relax into sleep. But always the next morning was *another day*—and I bounded back with renewed determination to *win through* to success!

Once—possibly it was twice—I actually prayed earnestly that God would let me die in my sleep through the night, and spare me from further torture. But next morning I hurried to my knees in real repentance for such a prayer, and pleaded with God for renewed FAITH, courage, and strength! And, of course, it was that *morning* prayer which God answered in His great mercy—not the one of the night before! One can sin, even in praying!

We were off XEG with the week-night broadcasts until the following October. Somehow, we weathered the storm.

Loyalty of Co-Workers

One very precious lesson was learned by that experience. Our family of Co-Workers who regularly support God's Work with their tithes and voluntary offerings remained loyal, even though we were off the air except for Sunday nights. I had learned that it was the *every night* broadcasting which was really effective and resultful. One might have expected that the money to support the Work would have stopped when the listeners no longer received the broadcast.

But they had accepted Christ's teaching from my voice, that it is more blessed to GIVE than to receive. Their hearts, as well as their tithes and contributions, were in the Work of God. When they no longer *received* the broadcast, they DID NOT STOP GIVING! There was scarcely any lag in the income. But the expenses were greatly lessened.

This allowed us to make progress in paying the accumulated XEG bill sufficient to induce them to put us back on the air in October that year, 1948. Nevertheless, it was a harassing spring, summer, and fall—and the frightful agony of it rose to a climax by October and November.

Although, as previously recorded, one teacher had threatened, to Herman Hoeh, that there wouldn't be a grease-spot left of this college if she could only remain there six more weeks, we did finish out that first school year. This particular teacher had her six weeks—and more. But her professed demon-inspired mission was not accomplished.

However, we had been forced to get behind even with the faculty payroll. Now of course that was a thing regarded among teachers generally as the unpardonable sin of an educational institution. This particular teacher tried to injure us legally.

But the Labor Relations Board—or whoever it was that the matter came before—allowed us to distribute the back pay over several months of time. So *that* attempt to put the college out

of business failed. Actually, all other faculty members were paid off in full quite a while before this hostile woman. She would have had her money sooner had she not tried to injure God's College!

It surely is needless to say, however, that experiences of this kind were a living punishment to endure.

Reducing to Half-Time

During the summer of 1948 I was faced with a frightful situation and a tough decision. Everyone seemed to think I ought to simply give up, close the college down, and try to build back up the broadcasting work. But somehow I knew God wanted neither dropped. I had supreme and abiding FAITH that He would see us through. True, I had not yet learned to have *relaxed* faith. I continued to allow the strain of this situation to punish me. The following year I was to learn the secret of *relaxed* faith—but I will come to that in due course.

After counsel, meditation, prayer, and much thinking, I made the decision of what to do. I decided to reduce the college schedule to *half-time* for one year. I could only pay *half-salaries*. And I could not continue to pay all of those. We would have to suffer through *one* year with a pruned-down faculty.

Of course this hostile English teacher was not coming back. Then I found that our music teacher, another woman, had become quite upset and resentful at not being paid promptly. Perhaps she should not be blamed, for, as I said, teachers find it an unpardonable sin to not be paid promptly. Nevertheless, resentment and bitterness, regardless of cause, only prove a mental, emotional, and spiritual cancer to their victims. And I hope all readers will heed that warning!

Then a third woman teacher went along with the other two in deciding not to return. I do not believe she was embittered, however.

Just one of our women teachers remained with us—and she is still loyally with us today—Mrs. Lucy H. Martin. Of course Mr. Dillon remained on, and Dr. Taylor and Professor Mauler-Hiennessey. I found that Mrs. Martin was

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well qualified to teach English.

And then Mrs. Martin really surprised me.

"Perhaps I had not made it clear to you before," she said, "but I happen to have degrees in music just as high as the former teacher—and I can make them higher by going on, during summer vacations, to complete work at Juilliard, in New York (America's highest-ranking musical college), for my Master's degree in music. I'll be happy to take over the music department if you'd like, besides teaching English and being Librarian."

And so we started the second year of Ambassador College on half-schedule, with classes only three days a week. It was that or let the college die.

Three New Students Arrive

No effort had been made to recruit any additional students, due to this situation. However, one student showed up—a fellow from Wisconsin, named Kenneth C. Herrmann.

He seemed, however, to be more from Missouri than Wisconsin. When I first met him, in the reception room of the Library, he spoke with extreme candor.

"Mr. Armstrong," he said, "I won't beat around the bush. I'll tell you why I came here. I came here to check up on you. What you say on the air is so startling, I can't accept it without proof. You're going to have to PROVE it, if I believe it. And I've come to check up on you, personally, too."

"Well, that's fair enough," I smiled. "Glad to welcome you to Ambassador College."

Today, fifteen years later, Mr. Herrmann is still with us—a man whom I often say I regard as the best college Registrar in America!

A very few weeks after the 1948-49 school year had started, the front doorbell of our home rang one morning while I was shaving. My wife told me that two young radio listeners from Arkansas were there to see me. I hurried down.

They introduced themselves as Marion and Raymond McNair. They had been

working in the apple harvest up in Washington, but wanted to swing by Pasadena and see me on the way home.

We had a nice talk, and I was surprised to learn how much they knew about the Bible. I was intensely interested in hearing of their experience leading to this Biblical knowledge, and how they came to listen to *The WORLD TOMORROW*.

When they were twelve and eleven, respectively, they had become slightly "mad at" their grandmother, who apparently had had occasion to discipline them somewhat. So the two boys "made a wish." They wished she would die!

It so happened that she did die very shortly thereafter. This frightened the boys and gave their consciences nightmares. They cried, and went off together and prayed, and made a vow to God. If He would forgive them, they promised to purchase Bibles and to read and study their Bibles every day.

True to their promise, they saved every cent they could, and later sent an order by mail to Sears, Roebuck & Company for two Bibles. Apparently the right amount had not been enclosed in the remittance, and the company returned the order and money order, asking them to send the correct amount.

But this letter was intercepted by their father. He could not see the need of TWO Bibles. He said the two boys could order one Bible, and study that one together.

These boys had not had Sunday-school or other *religious* training. They had never been taught anything about immortal souls, or going to heaven when one dies. Their very *first* religious training began when this Bible arrived from the mail-order house. They studied it daily.

Some years later, they happened to hear a religious broadcast on the radio. "Why," they exclaimed in surprise, "that fellow is not preaching what's in the Bible! He's telling people just the *opposite* of what the Bible says!"

This aroused them to tune to other religious programs on their radio set. They were astonished and disillusioned! It seemed that all the "radio preachers" were preaching a "Christianity" that was very contrary to the Christianity of Christ, of Paul, and of the Apostles

which they had been receiving out of their Bible!

Then one day they heard a program coming in from a Mexican station. They were startled in happy surprise.

"Why," they exclaimed, "*that* fellow is preaching exactly what we have been getting out of the Bible!" That program was *The WORLD TOMORROW*! They became steady listeners.

This experience was just one more example of what I have always said: give a Bible to someone who has never had any religious teaching, and let him study it diligently, without any of the popular teachings of "Christianity," and he will believe precisely what is proclaimed on *The WORLD TOMORROW*. Yet those who *do* believe and proclaim the PLAIN TRUTHS of the BIBLE will be branded today as "false prophets."

"Well I hope you boys will come to Ambassador College when you've finished high school," I said.

"Oh, we're older than we look!" came the quick answer. "We've already graduated from high school."

"Well, how does it happen you're not in Ambassador College, then?" I asked.

"Well, we supposed we couldn't afford it," they replied.

"Well, look!" I said. "This is Friday morning. Can you boys find a part-time job before tonight?" I explained that college was in session only three days a week.

"Yes, Sir, we can," came the immediate and decisive answer.

"Well, you go find that job, and report to Ambassador College Monday morning," I said.

They left. And they did find jobs.

Today Mr. Raymond F. McNair is Vice-Chancellor of Ambassador College in England, and an ordained Minister in charge of all the ministry of God's Work in Britain. And Mr. Marion McNair is back in college, after having graduated in 1953, doing graduate work toward higher degrees.

Our biggest troubles in getting the college established were yet ahead of us. They were now mounting to their grand climax. I will have to reserve for the October number the really exciting story of how that greatest crisis of all was met.