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"Just a week ago I was awakened by a blood-curdling cry for help. It was right below my window and I awoke from a sound sleep, but things that (Continued on page 48)

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Personal

FTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, I have returned to the historic site of the San Francisco Conference. It was the 25th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter — the San Francisco Commemorative Meeting, 26th of June, 1970.

I was an accredited press representative during the entire Conference in 1945.

Many who attended that Conference, where the United Nations Charter was drawn up, are not among the living today. That includes my wife, who attended the several-weeks'-long Conference with me. Once again, I was seated in a booth in the Press gallery. And this time, photographers and writers on The Plain Truth staff were with me.

Once again, as in the plenary sessions a quarter century ago, it was opened, not with prayer, but with a moment's silence — which lasted ten to fifteen seconds. Once again, the anniversary memorial meeting was opened on an optimistic note. The presiding Chairman said we were here, 25 years ago, in a spirit of optimism; and he expressed hope we returned, now, with renewed optimism. What grounds there are for renewed optimism, however, he did not say.

Actually, the true state of affairs in the world was more accurately expressed that same evening at the Commemorative Dinner at the Fairmount Hotel atop Nob Hill. It was summed up by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, U Thant.

What he said was a great deal like the joke about the new captain on a commercial airline plane. About one hour after takeoff, he announced to the passengers:

"Ladies and Gentlemen, I have an announcement to make. I have both good news and bad news. I'll give you the bad news first: WE ARE LOST! Now the Good News: WE ARE MAKING EXCEPTIONALLY FAST TIME!"

Secretary-General U Thant summarized 25 years of "progress??" of the United Nations with these words: "Now we meet again in a mood of uncertainty and anxiety, with only the knowledge that humanity is moving at an increasing speed in uncertain directions, and that time is running short...."

After 25 years of the United Nations, its Secretary-General continued: "Where has NATIONAL INTEREST led us? To an arsenal of ugly weapons, which cost humanity 200 thousand million dollars [200 Billion] a year; to the greatest historical deadlock

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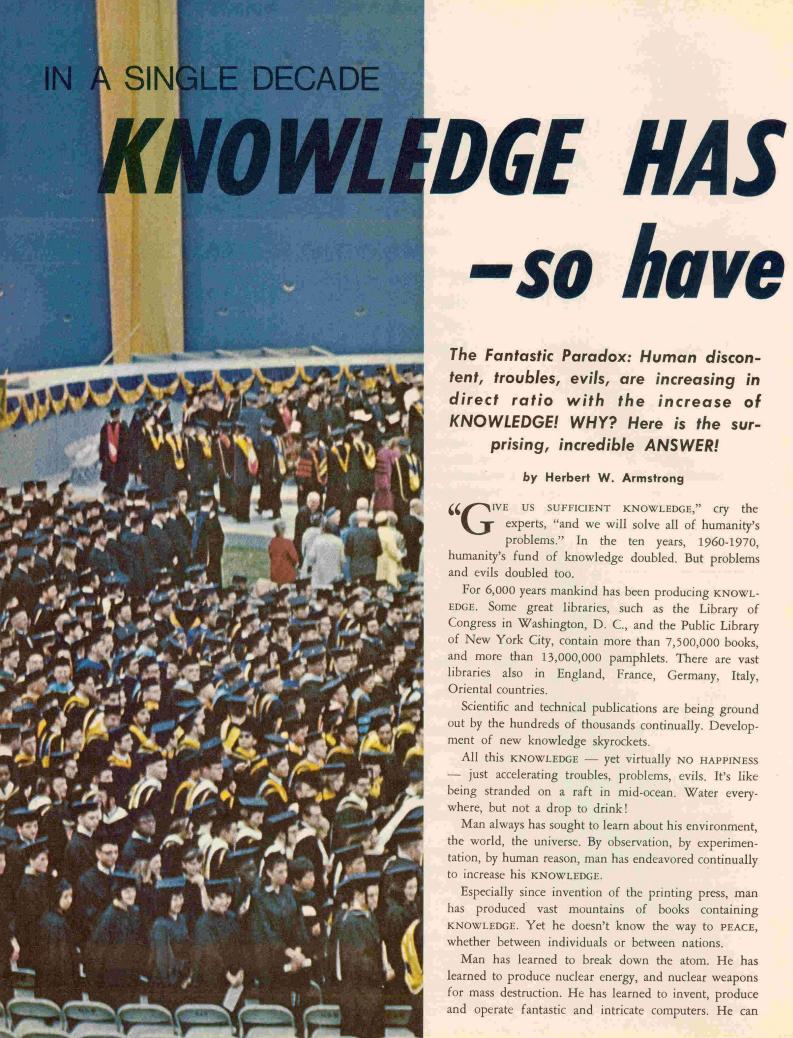
ABOUT OUR COVER

United Nations Secretary-General U Thant addresses commemorative U.N. session in San Francisco on June 26, 1970. Occasion marked 25th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter.

Despite the "world forum" provided

by the U.N., nations are more deeply divided now than at the founding of the international body in 1945. National self-interest, reported the Secretary-General, has led the world to an arsenal of ugly weapons, and to the greatest historical deadlock between big Powers the world has ever seen.

For more about the United Nations past and present - read Personal from the Editor.



The Fantastic Paradox: Human discontent, troubles, evils, are increasing in direct ratio with the increase of KNOWLEDGE! WHY? Here is the surprising, incredible ANSWER!

-so have

by Herbert W. Armstrong

TIVE US SUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE," cry the resperts, "and we will solve all of humanity's problems." In the ten years, 1960-1970, humanity's fund of knowledge doubled. But problems and evils doubled too.

For 6,000 years mankind has been producing KNOWL-EDGE. Some great libraries, such as the Library of Congress in Washington, D. C., and the Public Library of New York City, contain more than 7,500,000 books, and more than 13,000,000 pamphlets. There are vast libraries also in England, France, Germany, Italy, Oriental countries.

Scientific and technical publications are being ground out by the hundreds of thousands continually. Development of new knowledge skyrockets.

All this KNOWLEDGE — yet virtually NO HAPPINESS - just accelerating troubles, problems, evils. It's like being stranded on a raft in mid-ocean. Water everywhere, but not a drop to drink!

Man always has sought to learn about his environment, the world, the universe. By observation, by experimentation, by human reason, man has endeavored continually to increase his KNOWLEDGE.

Especially since invention of the printing press, man has produced vast mountains of books containing KNOWLEDGE. Yet he doesn't know the way to PEACE, whether between individuals or between nations.

Man has learned to break down the atom. He has learned to produce nuclear energy, and nuclear weapons for mass destruction. He has learned to invent, produce and operate fantastic and intricate computers. He can

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go to the moon and return safely to earth. Yet he cannot solve his own problems of human relationships here on earth.

WHY?

You think you know? The greatest minds through the centuries have not understood. And the reason for that fact will probably astonish you.

The Function of the University

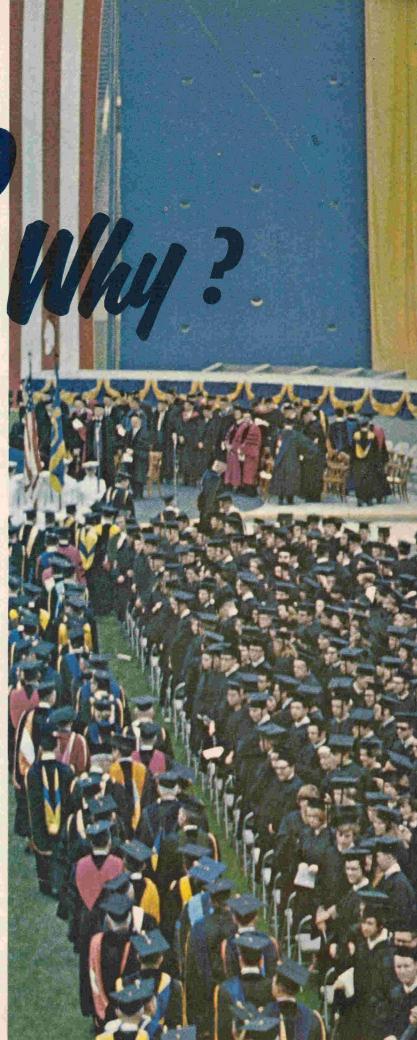
Take a quick look at our institutions of higher learning.

Let me give you a few intriguing thoughts from the mind of Dr. Clark Kerr, former President of the University of California. He is the outstanding theoretician and proponent of a certain view of the university of today and the future.

Universities in the United States, he says, have not yet developed fully their unique theory of purpose and function. The first great transformation in the American university, he says, occurred during the last quarter of the 19th century, with the injection of German intellectualism and the land grant movement. It is now undergoing its second great transformation. Since World War II, the university is being called on to channel new intellectual currents — to serve expanding needs of government and industry.

We are becoming conscious of the question of human survival, due to the population explosion and the ever-increasing production of weapons of mass destruction. Simultaneously we are facing a campus-enrollment explosion. As knowledge production increases, so does the diffusion of knowledge. Before World War II, the college-educated student was the exception. Most stopped off with high school graduation. At the turn of the century only 4.01% of men aged 18 through 21 were enrolled in colleges. That is less than one in twenty. In California today, four out of every five high school graduates seek to continue in college.

Dr. Kerr sees the function of the university as KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION. Knowledge, he says, is



suddenly exploding along with the population explosion.

In his concept of the university of the future, he uses the term, "The Wave of the Future." He describes the "MULTI-VERSITY" of the future. He speaks of "the university's invisible product, knowledge," and, "the university is being called on to PRODUCE KNOWLEDGE as never before" (emphasis mine).

This "knowledge production," he says, is growing at about twice the rate of the rest of the economy. The railroads were largely responsible for the development of the United States during the last half of the 19th century, the automobile during the first half of the twentieth. And what they did for those two half-centuries, "the knowledge industry will do for this last half of the twentieth century.

The production, distribution and consumption of KNOWLEDGE is said to account for 29% of the gross national product.

Does this not sound GOOD?

Does all this not intoxicate us with human intellectual vanity? Production of KNOWLEDGE is tantamount to being a GoD-level accomplishment!

May we not congratulate ourselves with a thrilled sensation of the supergreatness of the human intellect?

But - WHAT ABOUT THE EFFECT?

Everything, we will do well to remember, is a matter of CAUSE and EFFECT.

One inescapable effect we see all about us is the astounding rapid acceleration of evils besetting humanity on every side.

What could be the CAUSE of these effects threatening the DESTRUCTION of civilization — the EXTINCTION of the human race?

KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION is supposed to be the WAY to CURE all our evils. Given sufficient KNOWLEDGE, the great minds have assured us, we shall have the solution to all humanity's problems, ills, and evils.

WHY, then, this paradox? WHY do we see new and increasing evils all about us worldwide, accelerating in almost exact proportion with the increase in KNOWLEDGE? WHY?

Is there a relation between the two?

Could the one — KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION — be the CAUSE of the other — the evils besetting us?

Take just a quick look at a few FACTS:

Recent agricultural KNOWLEDGE has produced insecticides, artificial fertilizers, and chemicals. These sometimes resulted in suddenly increased crop production. The immediate result seemed beneficial.

It was once supposed that for the good of the soil the land should lie idle every seventh year. But man gained the KNOWLEDGE of how to avoid losing the profits of that seventh-year idleness. He learned how to produce greater profits for himself the other six years beside.

But — the EVENTUAL RESULT of this new knowledge? The ecological balance of nature has been upset. The life cycle of the soil is being destroyed. This is even reducing the amount of oxygen in the air. And it threatens, ultimately, to DESTROY OUR EARTH, so that it will yield NO FOOD TO SUSTAIN HUMAN LIFE.

Man's recent KNOWLEDGE PRODUC-TION has brought us millions of automobiles, giant factories producing labor-saving gadgets, thousands of new luxury items — and at the same time the production of these inventions is polluting our air with SMOG.

It is man's INCREASED KNOWLEDGE that is ultimately producing air pollution, water pollution, food pollution, garbage and waste pollution.

Increased KNOWLEDGE has produced toothbrushes and toothpastes "to save our teeth" — and yet, due to faulty diet, there is far more tooth decay and tooth trouble than ever before!

We produce the KNOWLEDGE that a wife's place is no longer in the home. As KNOWLEDGE increased, women demanded "their rights." Now many women are employed and independent. And home and family life is disintegrating. A sound and solid FAMILY structure is the very BASIS of any healthy, stable society. As the family life disintegrates, so does the civilization! As the divorce rate increases, so does misery and unhappiness! And juvenile delinquency — the delinquency of TOMORROW'S LEADERS!

Carry this analysis on. Open your eyes to what WE ARE DOING TO OURSELVES!

WHAT IS WRONG? Is it WRONG to acquire or possess knowledge?

No, but there are two kinds of knowledge — true and false — right and wrong — GOOD and EVIL. In the pursuit of KNOWLEDGE man has used one SOURCE — the "scientific" method of experimentation, discovery, and REASON.

Where did this "scientific method" of KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION really START?

Humanity doesn't know. Probably it doesn't want to know. Probably few will believe the truth when it is put before their eyes. But it is still a matter of CAUSE and EFFECT. To reject TRUE knowledge is to suffer the consequences. Like the television show, it's a matter of TRUTH or CONSEQUENCES.

In this feverish development of KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION, universities have been placing great emphasis on academic freedom. Academic freedom is defined as the independent judgment allowed teachers, scholars, scientists, students in the pursuit of knowledge.

Higher education has exercised the academic freedom to postulate a creation without a Creator — to engage in the activity of KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION with rejection of God as Creator and Ruler of the universe — with total rejection of any possibility of the miraculous, the supernatural, or anything outside the realm of the material — with total rejection of Biblical revelation.

Personally, when I made my first research into the theory of evolution, I studied Lyell, Darwin, Spencer, Huxley, Haeckel, Vogt, Chamberlain and other proponents of the theory. I read also More and other scientists who were critics of the theory, although they believed it. But I wanted to be open-minded and fair. So I looked also at the alternative possibility — the Biblical statements about special Creation.

I would venture to say that most of those whose higher education has been received during the past quarter century, however, have been taught and have accepted without question the evolutionary theory, not having examined with any seriousness the Biblical



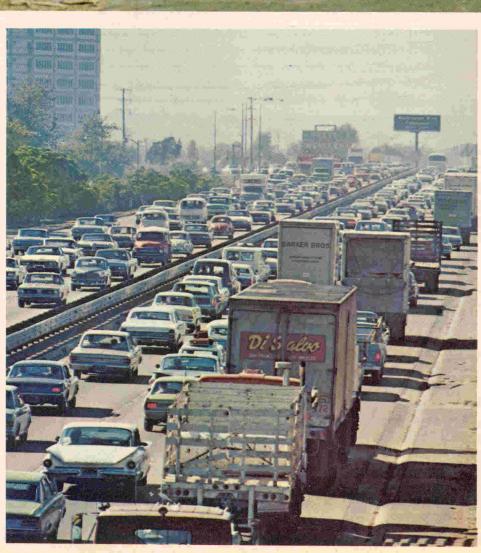
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ABOVE: Angry crowd of collegeage youth confront police at
Newport, Rhode Island. BELOW:
Number of motor vehicles has
increased 50 percent since 1960,
and so did pollution, congestion,
and traffic fatalities.

account of creation. To go along with evolution is the scholarly "IN" thing. In most higher education circles, this world's "Best Seller" has been dismissed without a hearing.

The world's intellectual thought, we must admit, has "gone along" with the accepted postulates about man, his origin and that of the earth, and the ideas about man's environment and development. It is, of course, human nature to want to "belong" — to be "accepted."

Ever stop to inquire in retrospect WHY you believe what you do? People generally believe what they have always heard, read, or been taught — by carelessly taking it for granted without question — and of course, without proof. Also, people willingly believe what they want to believe — what they must to "go along" — and they refuse to believe whatever is not accepted in their particular little world.

Could it be possible that higher



scholarship and general acceptance of advanced thought be, actually, tragic error? *Could* the theories accepted by the superior minds prove to be, after all, mere fable? Could the process of inductive reasoning, considering only one side of a two-sided question, be so infallible that we dare not question their conclusions, or examine the evidences on the other side?

Is it not human to err?

Could it, then, be possible for the most highly educated minds to have been misled — intellectually deceived?

Do we DARE question the theories generally accepted by advanced scholarship?

Would it be academic heresy to look at the other side of the coin? Do we DARE appropriate the academic freedom to look at, and carefully examine, that which has been dismissed without examination?

It might actually prove enlightening, at this point, to allow ourselves the latitude of academic freedom to unprejudicially examine the Biblical narrative of the forbidden fruit. That narrative purports to describe the crucial initial event in human experience that changed the entire course of human history. Evidently few, if any, have viewed this account with any remote conception that it might explain the ORIGIN of the scientific method of KNOWLEDGE PRODUC-TION. And also that it might reveal the CAUSE of all the present-day evil EFFECTS. Certainly almost no one, theologians included, has ever understood what this account really does say!

Begin at the Beginning

I think we must begin the Biblical narrative of the forbidden fruit at the beginning — the first chapter in the first book of the Bible. Actually, I would like to begin even farther back in time sequence than the 2nd verse of Genesis 1. I would like to write an article or a book, covering the beginnings of man's environment - an "Outline of History" showing the other side of the coin than that written by H. G. Wells. I think it might be intriguing to compare the two opposite accounts of origins and developments to our time. There are only the two possibilities, so far as I know. I would hate to accept one as a belief without any knowledge of the other.

Personally I have to make weighty decisions occasionally, in the direction of a worldwide operation. I would be afraid to make such decisions without having viewed carefully *ALL* of the facts involved.

But space does not allow that complete "Outline of History" in this article. To get quickly to an examination of the forbidden-fruit narrative certain high-spot statements from Genesis 1 and 2 are necessary.

I have noticed that scientific and historical writings dealing with origins and developments are generally profuse with such expressions as the following: "We know little about this, but there are several guesses." Or, "We are coming to believe." Or, "We may safely assume." Or, "It might well be." "Probably." "Such and such may have occurred." Or, "It would appear that such and such might have happened."

It might be interesting to take such a book, and underscore all such words as I have italicized above — then look back and read all your underscored words. Do it in red pencil. Let them stand out. It might be fun.

One thing different about the Biblical statements. Whoever wrote them seemed to be pretty sure of what he was saying. They are positive statements.

So we begin: "In the beginning, God..." The statement definitely puts God before all else. No postulate — no guess — no "perhaps" — just the simple statement. "... created the heaven and the earth."

Something tremendous is indicated to have occurred between what is stated to be the original creation in verse 1, and the statement in verse 2. "And the earth was [became] without form and void [Heb. tohu and bohu — meaning ruin, confusion, emptiness — see any Hebrew-English lexicon] and darkness was upon the face of the deep [fluid surface — oceans]." What occurred between these two verses is stated in many other Biblical passages in both Old and New Testaments.

And this, of course, allows for any duration of time between the two verses. In other words, so far as the Bible narrative is concerned, the original creation could have occurred millions of years prior to the events described beginning verse 2 of Genesis 1.

Nevertheless, at the time described by these first three chapters of the Book of Genesis, beginning with the 2nd verse of chapter 1, Biblical chronology dates those events as slightly less than 6,000 years ago.

Coming to the 26th verse, chapter 1, it is stated, "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth."

Verse 27: "And so God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."

Coming to chapter 2, beginning verse 7: "And the Eternal God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." It might be noted that the flat statement here is that what was made of material substance, dust of the ground, BECAME a living soul — a plain statement that the "soul" was made from the dust of the ground — material substance, not spirit.

Next comes the statement that God planted a garden eastward, in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed. So the statement is that Adam was created elsewhere, and then put into this garden.

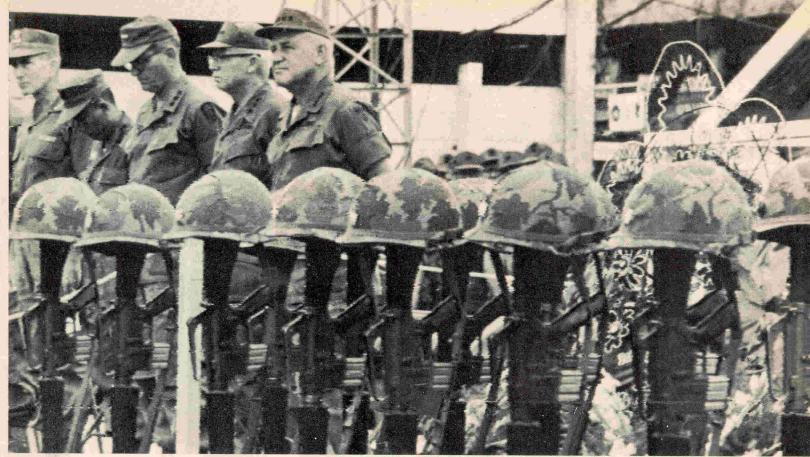
The statement follows that there were beautiful trees in the garden, including fruit trees. And in the midst of the garden two special trees: one called "the tree of LIFE," the other, "the tree of KNOWLEDGE of GOOD and EVIL."

Now verse 16: "And the Eternal God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

There is ABSOLUTELY NOTHING said about the forbidden fruit being an apple.

Although the narrative here is exceedingly brief, touching only on high spots, there is every indication that what is intended is that God gave





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Increased education and advanced technology have not been a deterrent to war. Photo shows twelve M-16 rifles capped with helmets, representing 12 American soldiers killed in Vietnam.

Adam and Eve considerable basic instruction, sufficient for their needs for the moment, only portions of which are recorded.

Now chapter 3.

"Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Eternal God had made" (verse 1).

Much of the Bible is symbols — but the Bible explains its own symbols. Of course it's very out-of-date to believe in a devil today, but the Bible, to the contrary notwithstanding, plainly speaks of the presence of a devil. In Revelation 12:9 and 20:2, the devil is called, symbolically, the serpent. It is, then, no "guess" to say that this serpent is intended to be merely a symbol for the devil.

Notice the temptation. He subtly went first to the "weaker sex" — (the Bible refers to woman as the weaker sex, whether or not one wishes to agree), to get to Adam through his wife.

"And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? (Genesis 3:1.)

"And the woman said unto the serpent. We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil" (verses 2-5).

The narration here attributes astute subtlety to the devil. First he discredited God. In effect, he said "You can't rely on God's word. He lied to you. He knows you will not die — you can't die — because you are an immortal soul."

Next, this devil is represented as clever enough to avoid saying, "Believe me instead of God. Let me be your teacher. Let me give you the KNOWL-EDGE of what is right and what is wrong." Instead the devil is represented here as saying, "You can't rely on God, since He lied when He said you could die. But rely on yourself! If you disobey God and eat this fruit, then your eyes will be opened. You'll come to realize what a great intellect you have. You have a perfect mind - you can think and reason - you can observe explore, discover - You can decide for yourself what is good and what is evil. It is a God function to produce the

KNOWLEDGE of what is good and what is evil — what is right and what is wrong. Your MIND is so perfect you can supply this God function - and by observation, experimentation and reason you can produce the KNOWLEDGE of what is good and what is evil. You have intellect so great YOU can assume this God prerogative of determining what is good and what is evil. You can be as God yourself! Forget that tree of LIFE. You already have that - you are an immortal soul. You have the tremendous intellectual powers of God. You cannot rely on the God that lied to you, but you can depend with confidence on yourself, and your ability to produce this knowledge."

What is implied in this narrative of the forbidden fruit is plain. This Satan is represented as appealing to man's VANITY — his pride of intellect. The narrative represents the man, Adam, as having been just newly created, and with perfect human mind. We know that the human mind is superior to anything else we can see or know by our five senses. It is easy to understand how this newly created man and woman could suddenly begin to realize they had

the capacity to THINK for themselves — like a boy with an exciting new toy, they wanted to use it — they became intoxicated with intellectual vanity. They could exercise this God function of producing the knowledge of what is right and wrong.

Vanity resents authority over it. They began to resent God's authority and His command. They began to think of themselves as having Godlike intellect. This lifted them to the God level reduced God to their level. God became a competitor — a rival in deciding what is right and what is wrong. God had forbidden them to eat the fruit of that one tree - that is, to decide for themselves what is right and what is wrong. God had said it was SIN to eat that fruit. Now they determined to decide for themselves. They decided the way to know was to put it to the test — by experiment.

So, first Eve, then Adam, are here represented as setting out on the very first "scientific experiment."

The narrative continues, verse 6: "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons."

So, one of the first bits of knowledge that came was self-consciousness. Immediately they became SELF-centered—selfish—competitive in attitude—jealous, envious, resentful toward others. The narrative at this point implies a drastic change occurred in their minds when they allowed vanity, self-centeredness, the competitive spirit, to enter their minds.

This passage purports to show the very first "scientific experiment." God said that if they took of that forbidden fruit they would die. The narrative shows them rejecting revelation, just as science does today. They made an experiment. They had to test the matter. They refused to believe their Maker. They made the "scientific experiment." They ate the forbidden fruit. RESULT: they DIED!

The Scriptural revelation maintains

that only God can determine what is right and what is wrong — that God's Law, summarized in the Ten Commandments, is the WAY that is RIGHT and produces GOOD, and that the transgression of that Law (I John 3:4) is the WAY that is WRONG and produces EVIL.

And the Biblical revelation teaches that man for 6,000 years has rejected God's revelation as the Source of basic KNOWLEDGE — and has set out on a WAY OF LIFE contrary to that Law. Man does what is right in his own sight — NOT what God says is right. He has piled up a tremendous mountain of books of MAN-produced KNOWLEDGE. He has continued to make "scientific experiments."

RESULT: humanity has produced, also, a vast mountain of EVILS. His fund of KNOWLEDGE is a mixture of good and evil — true and false — he has produced a civilization full of empty lives, discontent, unhappiness, pain and suffering, crime, immorality, broken homes and family life, corruption, injustice, unfairness, violence, pollution, war and DEATH.

Yet man refuses to believe the results of his own experiment. He has written the cruel lesson in 6,000 years of human experience, but he has never learned the lesson.

Dr. Clark Kerr was president of one of the world's greatest universities — a veritable MULTIVERSITY, where he was able to put into action his ideas as an academic theoretician. Result of the experiment? The confusion, division, and violence at the home Berkeley campus finally forced Dr. Kerr to resign.

The entire chain reaction of campus protest, confusion, riots and violence really started on the Berkeley campus of the University of California. It started about the time the "God is Dead" movement was getting under way.

The 1970 Summer Session Bulletin of Claremont University, under classification of "Graduate School Summer Courses" lists the following:

"200s. The Theology of the Death of God"

and

"300s. Process and Death of God Theology" And, although the University of California is a different institution, it seems poignantly significant that, as I write, these words appeared in a Los Angeles Times headline: "Berkeley Reported 'Dead'." The entire headline was: "Some Colleges May Be Unable to Reopen in Fall,' Nixon Told. Two Advisers Cite Severe Student Discontent; Berkeley Reported 'Dead' as Institution of Freedom and Learning."

I happen to be President of a college with three campuses. On these campuses there are no campus protests, no opposition marches, no student rioting, and violence, and no hippies. There is PEACE, happy co-operation between students and faculty and administration. Student faces are wreathed in SMILES which are real and genuine — the outward expression of an inner joy. Visitors are amazed.

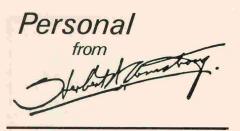
This is the RESULT!

The CAUSE? We are not a factory of KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION, but of human CHARACTER PRODUCTION. Here, we disseminate Both sides of the two-sided question of evolution vs. special creation, and give our students and faculties the *academic freedom* to believe as they see it.

But even as you'll find Darwin and all the evolutionists in our college libraries, you'll also find various translations of that Volume viewed as "Revelation." Its knowledge is not ignored, rejected, and thrown out the window. It is not regarded as the sum-total of knowledge. It was never intended to be that. But it is a revelation of BASIC and FOUNDATIONAL knowledge.

And OUR scientific experiment very definitely is producing exceedingly HAPPY and JOYFUL results.

And in the interest of academic freedom, the Graduate School of Theology edits a very thought-provoking, stimulating, interesting quality magazine, Tomorrow's World — a magazine of Biblical understanding. You may have a subscription if you like — already paid — like The Plain Truth, you can't pay for your own. It might give you a few surprises. The Bible is often quite surprising!



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between Big Powers that the world has ever seen; to north-south, east-west, ideological, racial and economic cleavages; to a belt of divided countries; to a series of smoldering or active conflicts stretching across the globe."

World War II was the "war to END all wars." The United Nations was the world "Peace-Effort" to prevent further wars. What are the results after a quarter-century?

There have been more than 50 wars. The U.N. has contributed to the shortening of four wars—

BUT -

There is no evidence to show that the United Nations has PREVENTED any war!

Let me give you a few of the statements I heard in the Press Gallery 25 years ago, spoken with great solemnity in opening plenary sessions:

Said Anthony Eden of Great Britain: "... the work on which we are making a start here may be THE WORLD'S LAST CHANCE."

General Jan Smuts of South Africa, whom I interviewed personally: "If San Francisco fails, then I see nothing but stark disaster before mankind.... Scientific discoveries have been made in this war which... might mean the END OF THE HUMAN RACE."

General Romulo of the Philippines: "This may be our LAST OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE PEACE."

And many other such sober, ominous WARNINGS.

But after the plenary sessions, the delegates — Foreign Secretaries, Secretaries of State, high officials in the world's Great Powers — got down to real business in many private sessions. And then what happened — 25 years ago?

Let me repeat for you today what I wrote in San Francisco then.

Here is what I wrote:

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This is Sunday, April 29th, 1945. It is a grave moment in history.

We are in the last days of World War II. The Nazis are disintegrating on all fronts. It appears only a matter of days, now. But already world leaders are looking toward World War III. This historic San Francisco Conference is the world's effort to prevent it and bring in World Peace. "The world's last chance," says Anthony Eden of this Conference.

Power Politics in Action

Never in the history of mankind has anything like this taken place. It is the greatest, most elaborate conference of world leaders ever held. I have had the rare privilege of being one of the writers and radio commentators credentialled to the Conference.

Here I have talked with world statesmen. Here I have been seeing power politics in action. Here I have witnessed something of the subtle, yet fateful arts, skill, and strategy called statecraft and diplomacy — in living action as instruments for selfish national advantage.

In the plenary sessions of the Conference we hear beautiful oratory enunciating lofty aims of altruism and world peace — to be printed in newspapers throughout the world for public consumption. But the real sessions are behind locked doors of committee council chambers, and there the savage battle for national interests rages fiercely.

Already I see the clouds of World War III gathering at this conference. I saw it first as it was injected indirectly into every press conference. We learn of it in private talks with delegates in hotel lobbies. The nations can have peace — IF THEY WANT IT. But they don't want it. They want GAIN at the expense of others.

Injustices to Minorities

Yes, the efforts to form a world PEACE-ENFORCING government here are proving, in themselves, a continuing CONTEST, punctuated by constant strife.

The firebrand here is Stalin's top man, Molotov. I've attended press conferences here where protesting representatives of Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, cry out against grave injustices forced on their people by the overpowering Russian boot. Three million from Lithuania have been torn from their homes and families, and deported to Siberia!

In a private interview with Constantin Fotich, pre-Tito ambassador to the U.S. from Yugoslavia, I learned that 30,000 small farm owners in Yugoslavia have seen their homes and farms confiscated by Stalin's puppet government. Some of these remain on their farms as slaves, some have been driven to Siberia — many have been "liquidated" — killed!

I do not see PEACE being germinated here, but the seeds of the next WAR!

Success of the United Nations' effort for world peace requires complete HAR-MONY between the Big Three. But if America and Britain are to achieve harmony with Russia, it is already apparent it will have to be at the cost of justice in the smaller Baltic and Balkan nations, and Poland. And if the rights of these helpless millions are to be trampled upon with impunity as the price of peace with Russia, THEN WE STILL HAVE NO PEACE!

There can be no REAL PEACE until we have justice for all. To achieve that, Uncle Sam must stand up as the stern and determined champion of the rights of these helpless smaller peoples.

World Oblivious to Russian Crimes

And to do that would sacrifice harmony with Russia, and risk another war. Peace, it seems, can be achieved only if Russia can eat her cake and have it, too!

The world seems blissfully ignorant of the colossal crimes Russia is committing against these smaller nations she is occupying and annexing. But I have talked, here, with officials and representatives from these nations and learned, first-hand, with shocked indignation, the true and cruel facts.

There is the Biblical statement:

"EXCEPT THE ETERNAL BUILD THE HOUSE, THEY LABOR IN VAIN WHO BUILD IT." Here at San Francisco I see little puny men in exalted positions setting out to build a great House — a vast edifice, a HIGH TOWER that will reach to the HIGH HEAVEN OF PEACE! But God is not building this house!

God has not so much as been invited



Ambassador College Photo

The original United Nations charter recently on display in San Francisco at the 25th anniversary meeting. Since 1945, more than 50 wars have erupted between this world's DISunited nations.

into this Conference. At the opening plenary session I was surprised, as I looked down from the Press gallery, to observe Secretary Stettinius, instead of opening the deliberations with prayer for God's guidance, call, instead, for a one minute silence for meditation! You see, Mr. Molotov and the Russian delegates do not believe in God, and if Mr. Molotov were insulted, there could be no peace! But neither can there be peace without Gop!

The United Nations Conference is producing nothing but strife and bickering, and is destined from its inception to end in total failure. Yet world leaders are pronouncing it THE WORLD'S LAST HOPE — with the only alternative ANNIHILATION OF HUMANITY!

HUMAN NATURE the CAUSE of Wars

PEACE "cannot be manufactured here below." Man alone of God's creatures can choose to serve and love his fellow men. But he can choose, also, to hate his fellow men. In every man a struggle constantly persists between his higher faculties and lower inclinations — between obedience to law and servility to appetites, passions and selfishness. Unless this lower nature is kept under control, it breaks forth in violence and disorder.

It is human to be sensitive about securing one's own rights, while disregarding the rights of his neighbor. So men are tempted to lie, steal, and to kill in order to get what they want.

With men left to themselves, their baser inclinations unrestrained, with selfishness given free play, there can be no peace or order in this world. Man's mind and will are too weak. The downward impulses of nature are too strong.

The two great Commands — LOVE toward God, and LOVE toward neighbor — point the only path to peace.

Without GOVERNMENT over men, therefore, we could not have peace between individuals. But, as we rise in the scale of human relations, the problem of peace and good order becomes more complex, yet the solution remains the same. If the maintenance of peace and order is difficult as between man and man, if it is more difficult as between citizen and government, it is most difficult of all as between nation and nation! The basic conflict is the same as before — (human nature) but the stakes are higher. In the international realm the selfishness of human nature reaches its lowest level. Nowhere else are the temptations to greed and lust for power so nearly irresistible. National selfishness is more than the sum-total of the selfishness of individuals.

Just as individual man cannot control and resist the downward pull of his passions and nature, so these NATIONS, swayed by NATIONAL selfishness greater than the sum-total of the selfishness of all individuals, CANNOT CONTROL THESE AMBITIONS AND LUSTS FOR

POWER AND INTERNATIONAL AGGRESSION.

"EXCEPT THE LORD BUILD THE HOUSE, THEY LABOR IN VAIN THAT BUILD IT." THE UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION WILL FAIL. IT IS DOOMED BEFORE IT STARTS!

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That is what I wrote in San Francisco, Sunday April 29th, 1945 — more than a quarter of a century ago!

I had seen so much savage bickering and angry struggle for selfish national advantage, I think I was stirred to some heat of indignation as I wrote.

I remember one press conference held by the American Secretary of State, Edward Stettinius. We press representatives were kept waiting some 40 or 45 minutes, as I remember, before Secretary Stettinius entered the room. He was steaming hot with anger. He had been detained by Mr. Molotov of the USSR in another meeting. He burst out, in an off-the-cuff explanation, with indignation at the unfair, unreasonable and antagonistic tactics the Russian had used in detaining him.

I remember the scene as the chief delegates of the "Big Three" Powers arrived at the Opera House for the opening Plenary Sessions. Mrs. Armstrong and I were standing on the steps just above the front sidewalk when a Cadillac limousine rolled to a stop. Out stepped Sir Anthony Eden, smiling and handsome. The news photographers asked if he would pose for a picture.

"Certainly," he smiled.

It happened Mrs. Armstrong and I were standing in the exact spot the photogs wanted to place Mr. Eden. We stepped to one side and gave him our spot. I don't remember whether we were caught in the picture.

It was the same when Secretary of State Stettinius arrived, also handsome and smiling.

Then two Cadillac limousines rolled to a stop. Out of the first car leaped seven uniformed men. I'm not sure now, but I believe they were armed. They dashed to the rear door of the second car, and, with three or four more uniformed guards leaping out of the second car, formed a double line before the rear door. Grim and scowling, Mr. Molotov

stepped out between the two uniformed lines. Then the whole procession walked stiffly and unsmiling, with Molotov completely surrounded by his guards, up the steps.

I attended a special Molotov press conference. He was the same. Belligerent, unsmiling, accusing the United States, praising the USSR.

What an opportunity for the United States to have championed the rights of those smaller downtrodden ill-treated countries between East and West Europe - Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Yugoslavia. The United States was by far the strongest military Power in all world history then. We had the atom bomb. Russia had no nuclear weapons. If the United States had stood up to Russia IN STRENGTH, and given its demands, the Kremlin would not have risked war. But we had lost the pride of our power. We weakly submitted to Russia's demands and threats.

And as a result the United Nations has become virtually a Kremlin SOUND-ING BOARD for propaganda before the world.

The world COULD have peace — if men in power in the Great Powers were willing to sacrifice selfish national interest, and personal aggrandizement, and if giant powers like the United States were willing to use their power to defend the rights of trampled-over little nations.

But men in power are human, swayed by human nature. They are NOT willing. And so, where do we go from here? Is humanity self-DOOMED? The answer is emphatically NO!

The answer is to be found in our intriguing booklet, The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What it Will Be Like. It's sent gratis, of course. In it you are going to take an astonished glimpse into a new world — as it will be in just ten or fifteen short years. I'll count it a privilege to send this along to you, if you haven't read it already. It will bring you the facts — it sizzles with interest, and gives you sound reassurance. These problems will be solved, after all. Personally, I look forward in faith and confidence — and so should you.

What Our READERS SAY

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you said about people not wanting to help any one for fear of being involved rushed into my mind...but I didn't stop for anything, just ran to the phone and called the police. They came right away and did get the *three* men who attacked this woman. She was badly beaten and her face badly cut — she was taken to the hospital. I can't understand why people will not at least call the police. It didn't hurt me a bit to do that."

Wynona H.,

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

"After reading the article 'Oh, Was That You Screaming' in *The* PLAIN TRUTH [April-May] I decided it was time I became a contributor. I wish everyone could read this with just at least a little bit of concern. So I am sending a contribution for what I have become convinced is truly a worthwhile cause."

Thomas E.,

Guttenberg, Iowa

• Thank you! That's one way of becoming involved where thousands will benefit (see the June-July "Personal from the Editor").

"Personal Reconstruction"

"I am trying to get involved (for the first time in my life) constructively. I am sick of being a hippie — having ruined things for myself by dropping out of university after one year and living common law with my boyfriend for another year on drugs, etc. I have returned home to my parents with my child and am planning to continue my education. My dropping out of society a year ago only caused a lot of pain to all concerned. Your PLAIN TRUTH magazine appeals to my personal reconstruction campaign to make the most out of what's left of my life."

Mrs. M. A. C., Stratford, Ontario

"I have received your recent booklets and articles that I requested. I've been sitting in this prison for 16 months