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THE EASTER LIGHT

By Charles V. Stanton

The world stands today on the verge of a new era, an era of space travel. As men think of penetrating outer space and exploring the universe, their awe increases. Thoughts turn to the Creator of the universe. Religion and science march hand in hand as they consider alike the riddles of space and space travel.

The ability of the human body to withstand the effects of space travel is being tested in many ways. Scientists are hard at work on machines that will create and maintain atmosphere, provide automatic navigation, afford directional control and perform the many other functions required in a manned space ship.

Scientists tell us that one of the difficulties faced by the space traveler will be that of the total darkness by which he will be surrounded as he proceeds into outer space.

Light is visible only by reflection. The waves which generate light cannot be seen except as they are reflected from something of a material nature. The space traveler will be in complete darkness. It will be an ordeal for a human being to remain for any length of time without light, say the scientists.

Light Is Essential

The study science is giving the problem of outer darkness, and the need to provide an artificial light for those who may in coming years travel from planet to planet, leads us, I believe, into a thought for this Easter season.

Science and religion have walked together throughout the ages. They now stand side by side on the edge of a totally new experience as science prepares to explore more of the creation reported in the Book of Genesis.

One of the primary problems with which science must contend is that of light. Light is essential to life. It is essential to every growing thing. Without light man soon would die. It is light that gives color to the flower, to the leaf and to the blade of grass. It is the heat from the sun, which generates the light received by the earth, that sets up the cycle whereby water is drawn from the sea to fall upon the land. Virtually every form of life, vegetable and animal, depends upon light. Light, in itself, was a distinct part of the creation.

The light of which we speak is a light affecting our physical lives. But there also is a light which illuminates the spirit.

As we celebrate the greatest of all religious holidays, Easter, that great spiritual light is to be seen shining around the world. But it is a reflected light. Just as no light can be seen except as it is reflected, so the spiritual light can shine only as it is reflected from the life of the one who walks in the divine sunshine.

Darkness Dispelled

The darkness of the tomb was the utter darkness of outer space. No light could penetrate that cavern before which was rolled the stone. In the darkness of the tomb there was only death.

But the stone was rolled away and the women who came early to the sepulcher gazed upon a messenger in shining raiment, a holy light that illuminated the darkness of the tomb and shone forth upon the world.

Because of that light which came from out the deep darkness of the tomb, the world has had hope, a hope which finds its true expression in the celebration of Easter, a hope that becomes faith in the hearts upon which the light has been shed.

If and when the whole world will reflect that true light, the Light of the World, we will have no problems of war or destitution. There is no issue between men or nations that cannot be solved in the brilliance of that light.

We look bravely and with anticipation into the age of space exploration which lies ahead, because we know at the end of each journey there will be light.

To him who believes, the journey of life may often follow dark paths, but eventually there is light, a light that came on that Easter Sunday many centuries ago, never to be extinguished.

Lenten Devotions

Message By

Roseburg Ministerial Assn.

Matthew 28:1-20

Lend me your imaginations for a minute, while I endeavor to picture a scene.

Christ had paid the price, the full price. That price was presented before the Father's judgment seat. He looked at it, and was content. But as it was a solemn matter, it was not hurried over. Three days were taken, that the ransom-price might be counted out; and its value fully estimated. The angels looked, and admired. The "spirits of the just" came and examined it, and wondered, and were delighted.

The very devils in hell could only express their satisfaction by biting their iron bonds, and sullenly keeping silence, because they had not a word to speak against the sacrifice of Christ.

The three days passed away, and the atonement was fully accepted. Then the angel came from heaven. Swift as the lightning flash, he descended from the spheres of the blessed, into this lower earth, and he came into the prison-house, in which the Saviour's body slept; for, mark, His body had been kept in the prison till God ratified His atonement and accepted it. He was lying there a hostage for His people. The angel came, and spoke to the keeper of the prison, one called Grim Death, and said to him, "Let that captive go free."

Then the angel showed to him Heaven's own warrant, and Death turned pale. The angel grasped the key, unlocked the prison door, and stepped in. There, slept the Royal Captive, the Divine hostage.

And the angel cried, "Arise, Thou Sleeper! Put off the garments of death. Shake Thyself from the dust, and put on Thy beautiful garments."

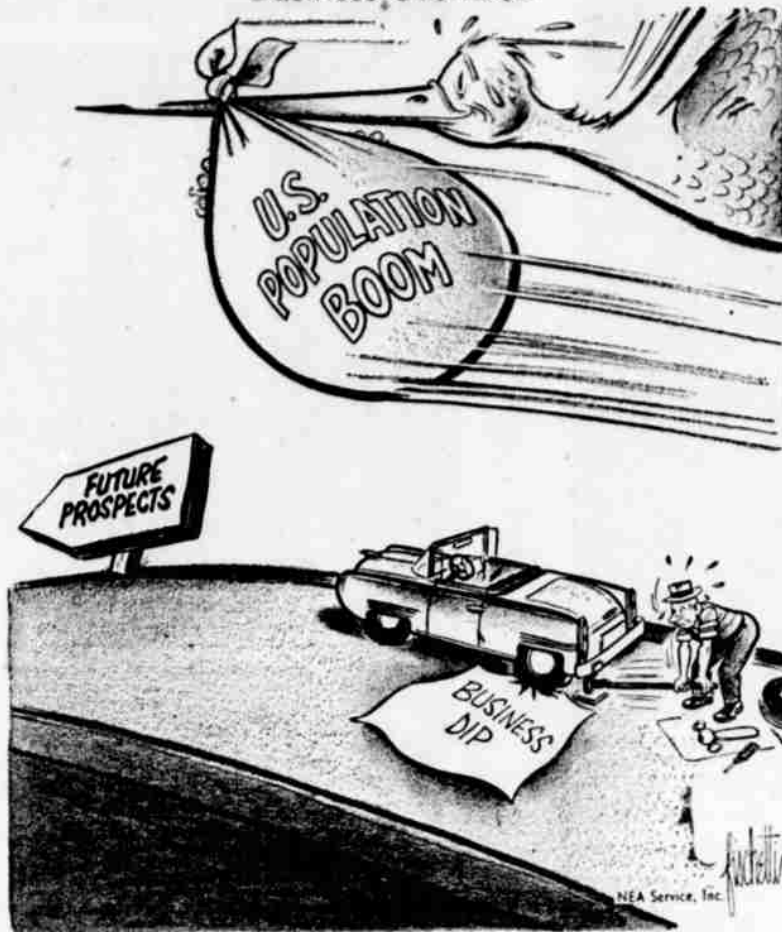
The Master arose. He unwound the napkin, and laid it by itself. He took off His graveclothes and laid them by themselves, to show He was in no hurry, that all was done legally, and therefore orderly. He did not dash His prison-walls aside to come out; but came out by legal process, just as He had entered in.

He seemed to express Himself as Paul did, "No, verily, let them come themselves, and fetch Me out." So was the Master set at liberty. By Heaven's own officer, who came from heaven to give Him just liberty. God's proof that He had done all that was necessary.

C. H. Spurgeon once said, "Thou Lamb of God, I see Thee rising from Thy tomb in splendor ineffable, dazzling the eyes of the angels, and making them flee away in terror. And when I see myself arisen from the dead, I see myself accepted, and all Thy dying redeemed people fully delivered."

The results of the balloting were announced Thursday, after a two-week voting period to decide the issue.

Business Overhead



—Hal Boyle—

NEW YORK — Once upon a time there was a poor young woodcutter named Emil Q. Hardeman.

Emil was sturdy and strong and he worked hard. But he hated his work. He was so busy cutting down the trees he could not see the forest.

On his 21st birthday his father gave him a new ax for a present. It did not please the ambitious young man.

"There is more to life than woodcutting," said Emil, throwing the ax into a corner of the hut.

The next day he left his home in the forest and went to the big city and got himself a job collecting for a small loan agency.

Thanks to his stern honesty and his sterner muscles Emil at 25 owned the small loan agency.

At 30 he owned a bigger loan agency.

At 35 he owned a small bank.

At 40 he owned a big bank.

At 50 he owned a chain of banks, hotels, shooting galleries, ship lines, oil fields, and diaper laundries.

Becomes Unhappy

At 60 he owned—well, if it wasn't nailed down, it belonged to Emil. He had a billion dollars, but all of a sudden he was despondent.

His hands shook. He no longer enjoyed chorus girls, caviar or yachts. He couldn't eat, he couldn't sleep. He even lost pleasure in counting his money—and it was perhaps this symptom that worried and puzzled his doctors the most.

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the best medical advice. He gulped tranquilizers by the dozen. Nothing helped. Finally he heard of a famous missionary doctor in an African jungle. He sent emissaries to fetch the doctor, but the doctor refused to come, saying: "I am busy treating poor people." (This is a fable.)

Finally, Emil went to the jungle to see him.

Build Hospital

"I will build you a hospital if you take me as a patient," he promised. The doctor agreed.

He did not give Emil any laboratory tests. He merely felt his pulse, listened to his heart and asked him to stick out his tongue. Then he inquired:

"When were you healthiest in your life?"

"When I was chopping wood," said Emil.

"Well," said the doctor, "go back and chop some more wood."

"For this advice I should build you a hospital!" said Emil.

"You should build two," said the doctor, turning to a native with a broken arm.

So Emil went back to the hut of his father and picked up the dust-covered ax he had flung into the corner long ago. He began to chop wood.

Time To Look Listen

This time he was in no hurry. He had time to look at the forest and tell it from the trees. He had time to listen to the birds sing and to pause and watch the chipmunks play.

That night he ate three plates of bread, bacon and canned beans. His muscles ached, but he slept as he had not slept since he was a boy.

Emil gave up the big city forever. He moved the headquarters of his vast enterprises into his father's hut. In the morning he would get up at dawn and go out and cut down a big tree. In the afternoon he would confer with his secretaries and buy another big bank, a big steel mill, or a big chain of restaurants.

And so, content with his lot, he did have a lot. Emil lived happily ever after.

Moral: It is always more fun to chop wood when you are rich.

Corvallis Weather Too Good For Test Center

WASHINGTON — It may not make the Corvallis, Ore., Chamber of Commerce any less disappointed, but it failed in its bid for an air test center because the area's weather is too good.

Sen. Neuberger (D-Ore.) said Thursday Elwood R. Quesada, chairman of the Airways Modernization Board, had told him Oregon "just doesn't have enough sleet, fog, dense rainstorms and blizzards in winter" for such a center.

The board said the center—to test air traffic facilities—will be located at Atlantic City, N.J.

Some 1,700 possible locations were considered. Corvallis was among the three to which final selection was narrowed.

Neuberger said he protested that Oregonians are known as "Webfoots" because of the state's persistent rains.

But, he said, he got this reply from the general:

"That's evidently not true, statistically, senator, because you're way short on fog and squalls for our purposes."

Tranquilizers Proving Big Boon To Plants

NEW YORK — Tranquilizers are proving a boon to plants, says the U.S. Rubber Co.

These results were reported Monday.

In Delaware, tests on lima beans showed yields up to 90 per cent higher than the average.

In the Northwest, cherry trees that had been treated with the nerve-settlers produced twice as much fruit as untreated trees.

Irrigated cotton plants showed a 10 to 30 per cent increase in yield.

The U.S. Rubber Co. markets the chemical tranquilizer.

Next Vanguard Satellite To Check Space X-Rays

NEW YORK — A new Navy Vanguard satellite being prepared for launching at Cape Canaveral, Fla., is a 29-inch, 21.5-pound sphere designed primarily to measure X-rays in outer space.

The specifications were disclosed here Wednesday night by Dr. John P. Hagen, head of the Vanguard program. He did not say when the launching would take place.

The Vanguard satellite now orbiting in the heavens measures only 8.4 inches in diameter and weighs 3.25 pounds.

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Former Chairman Of FCC Says Board 'High Type Folks'

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Former FCC chairman George C. McConaughy Wednesday called the members of federal regulatory commissions "high type folks."

McConaughy testified before a special House subcommittee looking into allegations of misconduct against certain FCC commissioners.

The allegations, touching on such things as accepting favors from the broadcasting industry, were made earlier this year in a memorandum prepared by the committee's counsel, Bernard Schwartz, later discharged.

McConaughy said he didn't "appreciate" what he said Schwartz set out to do — "to try to smear and assassinate good people."

McConaughy, now a Columbus, Ohio, lawyer, was FCC chairman from September, 1954, until June 30, 1957.

He acknowledged that while he was on the FCC he had gone to broadcasting industry conventions, permitted the industry to pay his hotel bills and also collected government expense allowances. He also acknowledged that he had received color television sets from the industry.

These were among the allegations made in the staff memorandum.

McConaughy said after he left the commission he paid NBC \$300 for a color TV set that had been sent to him.

Hearings Slated On Competitions In Transportation

WASHINGTON — Chairman Magnuson (D-Wash.) of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee said Tuesday public hearings will be held starting April 15 on government competition with commercial air and water transportation.

The committee, Magnuson said, has received many complaints that the Military Air Transport Service carries many persons who are not personal business or who are merely going for a ride.

"If this is so," Magnuson said, "then the government is in the position of operating a competing airline, while at the same time it guarantees a fair return to commercial operators under the Civil Aeronautics Act. Such a situation, if it exists, should be stopped."

Magnuson said complaints against the Military Sea Transportation Service were confined mainly to assertions that MSTC carried non-military cargoes and passengers which could be handled by commercial shipping.

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Well, in that event—RUSSIA WOULD HAVE US WHERE SHE WANTED US.

Something to remember: What is going on now is COLD WAR.

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If the Russians could talk us out of perfecting our defenses while they went on perfecting their offensive weapons, they would have us where they want us.

Stevenson Raps U.S. In Fuss Over Nuclear Testing

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Asked about reports that the Soviets may suspend the tests on their own, Stevenson said such action "would deprive us, I'm sorry to say, of any shred of moral leadership in the matter."

"Unhappily," he added, "it would even deprive us of the hope of taking advantage of the possibility of instituting a reciprocal inspection system."

As the Democratic candidate for president, Stevenson proposed in 1956 that the United States suspend tests unilaterally.

Interviewed on NBC-TV's Look Here, the former Illinois governor said that if the United States had followed his suggestion it would have "vastly increased, I believe, our moral influence and respect among the terrified bystanders, the nonnuclear powers."

Islam Guerillas Kill Indonesians

JAKARTA, Indonesia — The Antara News Agency today reported that eight Indonesian army men were killed and six badly wounded in a clash in West Java with a 200-man band from the fanatic Darul Islam movement.

There were no reports of activity on the rebel front in Sumatra.

Adnan said the Darul Islam guerrillas attacked a truckload of troops on their way to reinforce government units operating against the Moslem fanatics. The clash occurred at Tjiakar, about 30 miles from Bandung, capital of West Java.

The Darul Islam, which advocates an Islamic state for Indonesia, has been operating from hideouts in the West Java mountains since 1949, raiding villages, plundering and attacking army posts and units. The Jakarta government has been fighting without success since 1949 to suppress the movement.

The clash at Tjiakar was the latest reported this year between the army and the guerrillas.

Holmes Seeks Migratory Fish Rehabilitation Funds

SALEM — Gov. Robert D. Holmes said Wednesday he would ask for federal funds to rehabilitate migratory fish runs in Oregon streams.

He said the game and fish commissions are finding it hard to get enough money to keep up with the demands being placed on the fishery resources.

"An expanded fish rehabilitation program seems highly practical from several viewpoints," he said. In addition to increasing the supply of fish for both sports and commercial fishermen, the program would be carried out in sections of the state that have been hardest hit economically by the slump in logging activities.

In The Day's News

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Russia is trying to trap us into calling off.

Consider this: It is expected that at our nuclear tests out in the Pacific this spring at least two H-bombs will be exploded 100 miles up in the air, or perhaps even higher. What do we hope for out of this test?

Our scientists say that at that height the vast swarms of neutrons released by an H-bomb will live far longer than down in the denser atmosphere. They add that these neutrons, released in the path of a flight of enemy missiles, MIGHT EXPLODE THEM BEFORE THEY GET TO US.

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WASHINGTON FOR BOMBERS

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