

I WRITE

As I See It

By Barton W. Marsh

It will not be by means of a sneak attack that God will halt and bring to an end the complex grind of human affairs as they move along in their present trends. He will not throw out deceptive and misleading signs. He will never tell the world that He is about to do one thing, and when it is sufficiently mystified, do something else. He will not give utterance to diplomatic lies with which to conceal His real intent and purpose. God possesses all power in heaven and upon the earth. He is just and exceedingly merciful. Amid the closing tumults of human history, God will sound many warnings and hang out many signs, both in the heavens and upon the earth. All who are deceived will be so from choice, and because they will to have it so. Therefore, all who permit themselves to be deceived, and who refuse to accept the Scriptural warnings

to which all have access, will stand before the judgment bar of God without excuse.

Daniel, in that book that bears his name, portrays many things that will testify to the movements of nations as they march toward, and approach the close of time. Today we are considering a few verses in the 12th chapter. The first verse mentions the standing up of Michael, (Christ) as he closes the books of records in the heavenly sanctuary and prepares to come to earth for the purpose of ending the long reign of wickedness, to gather his faithful and deliver them from the impending destruction, which terminates a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation.

The second verse speaks of a resurrection in which some are raised to everlasting life, and some to everlasting shame and contempt. In the 4th verse, Daniel was instructed to shut the book and seal the words until the end of time, and that during this period, many would run to and fro, and knowledge should

be increased.

The 19th century came in on a wave of development and progress that has no comparison in the entire preceeding history of the world. This marks the beginning of the time of the end.

Until the beginning of the 19th century the world was contented to go along at a speed that probably did not exceed eight miles an hour. Today, 300 miles an hour is too slow and we are striving to attain in our travels, the speed of sound. Nahum describes our chariots as jostling one against the other in the broad highways, being lighted by flaming torches and running like lightning. Ezekiel adds, that they fly like a cloud to cover the land.

When God created man, He did not gear him to travel at such excessive speed. This is evidenced by the alarming breakdown of the human machine. The write has two sons who are medical doctors, one of them is connected with a medical school and hospital at Los Angeles and is also consulting physician for the veterans hospital at Sawtelle, Calif. He recently told me that the greatest medical problem facing the world today is the nervous and mental deterioration of the human body. It seems unable to stand up under the speed at which it is living. Topping this and increasing the alarm over the general situation, is the appeal of men and women, in all classes and stations of life, to stimulants and narcotics. These products include spiritous liquors in all forms, tobacco in its various methods of use, a multitude of dangerous and deadly drugs, and the milder products including coffee, tea, and various so-called soft drinks. Demand for these products is growing out of proportion to the increase of population, in all parts of the world. The only legitimate reason that can be given is that the human animal is seeking forbidden means to quiet his shattered nerves and hold in leash his troubled mind, in order that he may continue his hearlong career in speed and indulgence.

The individual member of society is bartering away his will power of self-control. He no longer values his life as a Divine heritage, to be guarded, nurtured, (not defiled), and kept clean for higher and nobler attainments. Appetites clamor for self-

indulgence, and excessive self-indulgences put the human machine out of control, and thus the world becomes an unsafe place in which to live. And these are a few reasons why the end of the world is upon us.

Local News Items

Mrs. Roy Lytle is being visited by her father, J. J. Hicks, of Compass Lake, Florida, whom she hasn't seen for 10 years.

While making a transfer at the Grants Pass bus depot last Thursday evening, Miss Edith Ott, on crutches from her recent accident, fell, cutting her knee so severely that she was taken to a hospital. He was returned to Brookings, Sunday evening without ever reaching Klamath Falls, her destination.

A card to his folks, from Gene Gould at Eugene, says he enrolled without difficulty, and has a room at 1836 Alder, Eugene.

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