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TODAY'S WORLDWIDE BIBLE READING TEXT: John 4:1-14.

When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John,

(Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)

He left Judaea, and departed again into Galilee.

And He must needs go through Samaria.

Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.

Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with his journey, sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour.

There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give Me to drink.

(For His disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

The saith the woman of Samaria unto Him, How is it that Thou, being a Jew, asketh drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.

Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give Me to drink; thou wouldst have asked of Him, and He would have given thee living water.

The Woman saith unto Him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast Thou that living water?

Art Thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water, springing up into everlasting life.

Down with the Doctor

By DEB ADDISON

HERE'S some good fatherly advice to all those who hate the thought of socialized medicine, and all those who don't enjoy the thought of enjoying poor health. To one who also abhors the thought of getting embroiled in discussions of politics and welfare states and the like, there appears one simple way of chucking the whole thing for good.

ADDISON

Get rid of the source of the trouble—the doctor. Of course, you can't get rid of him if you insist on getting sick.

It was outlined here a few days ago how to get rid of 77% of the clinical cases. If you missed that one on psychosomatic illnesses, it will pay you to come down and spend a nickel for the back copy.

If we eliminate common colds that ought to take up the remaining 23%, and zip, there goes your doctor. (Just where maternity cases come in, I don't know. But we can retain midwives for that chore, so all still is well.)

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THERE'S nothing that makes the hair rise on the back of a doctor's neck, like a treatise on medical matters by an amateur. And I might have to consult one if this cold continues, so I hate to get on the blacklist, but for the good of humanity, here goes.

Anyway, anti-histamine drugs (that's what this started to be about) are now in the patent medicine stage, so there's a chance to get in good with the pill peddlers. For instance: Union Pharmaceutical Co. puts out Inhiston, Anahist Co. puts out Anahist, Grove Laboratories put out Antamine, Bristol-Myers Co. puts out Resistab.

There's a theory out that a cold primarily is an allergic response, like hay fever. Histamine is the nigger in the wood pile. The anti-histamine drugs, which have been given on doctors' prescriptions for some time, are taken to put the histamine in its place and so counteract the allergic response.

There is one anti-histamine drug that is allowed to be sold as a patent medicine now, like aspirin. The drug firms are allowed to advertise that these pills, if taken on the first sign of a scratchy throat, will, in some cases, quickly relieve the symptoms of a head cold. It's still not entirely clear what a cold itself is, but it's the symptoms that give us the trouble.

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THERE'S one catch to the thing. You have to take the pills quick, at the first sign of a cold, or the treatment's no good. That's about the same as the catch to the time honored treatment of years past—going to bed on the first sign of a cold. It works, but nobody will take the treatment until it's too late.

Still, a person is more likely to take a pill after meals and before bedtime, than to haul off and go to bed for a few days—much as he'd like to catch up on his reading. So maybe there's hope.

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IF you'll just grab an anti-histamine pill at the first sign of a scratchy throat, and follow the eight easy steps to avoid psychosomatic ills, we'll be done with the doctor for good, and, what's more important, be done with this talk of socialized medicine.

World Today

By DEWITT MacKENZIE

BRITAIN'S conservatives naturally are jubilant over the outcome of the New Zealand and Australian elections which have evicted their socialist governments and replaced them with regimes calling for the restoration of private initiative.

The British conservatives profess to believe that these upsets presage similar disaster for John Bull's socialistic governments in the forthcoming general election. The socialists are saying little—and indeed there isn't much for them to say.

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AS a matter of fact one takes the liberty of doubting whether either Conservative Leader Winston Churchill or Socialist Prime Minister Attlee would be willing to bet his right arm that he can correctly interpret Britain's prospects on the strength of the Australian and New Zealand elections. This column pointed out Saturday that there is little similarity between the position of England and these dominions "down under."

Australia and New Zealand are wide open spaces with rich resources. On the other hand Britain is small, badly overcrowded and has few natural resources. She can't even grow the food to feed herself. The days are gone when she could replenish her glittering coffers by the simple expedient of importing raw materials, fabricating them and reexporting them to the selfsame foreign lands whence they came.

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THE two prosperous dominions are naturally endowed to undertake free enterprise programs. And what is meant by "free enterprise"? Robert Gordon Menzies, who was Australia's prime minister from 1939 to 1941 and will be her new head of government, has summed it up as one in which ambition is encouraged, in which there are rewards for the courageous and the enterprising, in which "there is no foolish doctrine of equality between the active and the idle, the intelligent and dull, frugal and improvident." He adds:

"We must choose between the ancient British idea that the government is the servant of the people and the shabby, defeated continental idea that we are the servants of the government."

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HAS Britain reached an economic position which forces her to depart from the dashing days of the private initiative upon which her greatness was built? The conservatives (referred to slightingly as "tories" by their opponents) emphatically deny that England has lost her punch and maintain that she is capable of recovery.

The socialists also believe the country can recover, but by their acts have demonstrated that they think the rehabilitation must be achieved through welfare government. That and development of Britain's colonial resources.

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SO the thing simmers down to the proposition of which theory of government is right. The British voter must decide that at the next general election. They must say whether the socialist government has justified its claims in meeting the country's terrible economic crisis.

Free false teeth aren't a completely satisfactory answer to that momentous question. More to the point is whether there is anything for the nippers to chew on at a reasonable price.

SIDE GLANCES

"This Christmas will put a dent in our savings, but at least we won't have to worry so much about the bank failing!"

Boyle's Column

It's Every Man for Himself In New York Water Shortage

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—If cleanliness is next to godliness, then the average New Yorker today is a neighbor to Heaven.

He's so spotless he shines. He's never been so clean before.

It's all because of the great water famine. City hall suddenly discovered that folks were using 1,200,000,000 gallons of water a day—more than 150 a person — and metropolitan reservoirs were down to 34.7 per cent of normal capacity.

BOYLE

And the water level is shrinking. So Manhattan, surrounded by one ocean and three rivers, is wondering dismally if it is going to become a near-desert island.

Custom

Well, you know how it is when a thing gets in short supply.

Folks figure, "By golly, I ain't going to be cheated out of my share."

And people who once had to be driven, screaming in protest, to their weekly Saturday night scrubbing are now taking two baths a day — and slipping home at lunch for a shower.

It has been found that a faucet is only good to the last drop — and mama keeps turning the faucet on and off to be sure there are still a few drops left.

Poachers

The situation has created a new medical problem — secret water drinkers. A man is afraid to leave a visitor alone in his room, for fear he will rush to the nearest tap and drink himself unconscious.

Of course, while the taps still run the shortage has its advantages. A host no longer has to worry about his scotch or rye running out. "How about a highball or straight water?" He murmurs. "The real stuff?"

Any day now I expect some character in a turned down hat and a turned up collar to sidle over and whisper out of the corner of his mouth, "Wanta buy some black market water, Mac? We just smuggled some in from New Jersey on a fast ferry."

An acquaintance of mine says he isn't going to miss out in the water shorage.

"Darned if I'm going to get caught in a black market in that," he grumbled. "I was too late in getting into the black markets during the war, and I got stuck with five bags of sugar and three dozen white shirts."

When I asked him how he was going to avoid it, he said:

"I tied knots in my white shirts, put them in the bathtub and filled them with water. Did the same thing with my sugar sacks, too. I'm already prepared for the emergency."

A nice thing about the shortage is that they no longer bring you fingerbowls in most restaurants.

In the midst of this aqua pura panic one gent stands undismayed. This is Johnny Bo-Bo. Johnny got his name from his habit of standing at the bar in Fogarty's neighborhood saloon belting himself with straight bourbon and muttering at his reflection in the mirror—"Bo-bo, bo-bo, bo-bo, bo-bo, bo-bo!"

"Any body wants my water can have it," says Johnny Bo-Bo. "I ain't touched the stuff since the summer of 1921. I knew sooner or later somebody would find in unpatriotic to drink."

Marysville Party Draws Movie Stars

George Dimbat, of Dimbat Motors, today received an invitation to a big benefit show in Marysville and has been asked to pass along the invitation to any Klamath people interested.

The show will be sponsored by Mel Williams, Dodge-Plymouth dealer in Marysville, and is a needy children's charity benefit to be held Decmeber 28. The show, which is an annual event with Williams, will be held at the College View Roller Palace and according to advance reports will be bigger than ever this year.

A host of movie stars and well known figures in the radio world will be there, all donating their services. Among some of the entertainers listed are: Clark Gable, Roy Rogers, Dale Evans, Gabby Hayes, "The Sons of the Pioneers," "Hoosier Hot Shots," Boone Brothers, Cindy Walker, Russell Hayden, Andy Devine, Lum and Abner, "Girls of the Golden West," Kid Elliot, Roscoe Ates and others, according to Dimbat.

Call for Parcel Post Promptly

People who receive parcel post notices are asked to call for them promptly at the post office.

Postmaster Burt E. Hawkins said, "Because of the extra Christmas rush and crowded conditions at the post office, it will help us a great deal if people pick up packages as soon as possible."

Deliveries are attempted with all parcels and notices are left if no one is at home.

Lake Farm Equipment Show Eyed

LAKEVIEW — A suggestion to have farm equipment companies hold a mass demonstration of sage clearing and range seeding equipment next summer, in conjunction with a county picnic was discussed with favor by the agricultural and livestock committee of the Lake county chamber of commerce at a meeting Monday afternoon, December 5.

Thi committee early in 1949 joined the Rotary club in sponsoring the range clearing and reseeding pro-

The committee recommended also that farmers and ranchers be offered a prize for the best project in this program for the work of two years, 1950 and 1951, instead of for one year as the range seeding contest has been conducted. It was suggested that a prize for a two-year gr , which Rotary started in 1948, showing would give better breaks to both fall and spring work than with a one-year showing.

growth of democracy. The winner of the district contest will then compete in the state contest which will be held before January 1, by the state regent of th DAR.

Old Friends

Horses Still Popular In The West

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Apparently there is no immediate danger that the modern horse will disappear, as did little Eohippus.

Present day horses of the West are believed to have been derived from the mounts—lost strayed or stolen—of the Spanish conquistadores.

Eohippus, whose fossilized bones hav. been found in Western states, was a small four-toed creature of the Eocene age, which science recognizes as one of the earliest ancestors of the horse—and of the tapir and rhinoceros.

True, the horse population of the West and of the nation has decreased heavily under the competition of motor equipment.

The "big hitch" that pulled and powered the combined harvesters of a decade ago and the 20-mule team rig that hauled freight across the deserts have given way to tractors and trucks.

Increase

But a spokesman for the agriculture department says there is evidence the number of lighter animals is on the increase—despite an overall decrease in the number of horses.

The agriculture department estimates there are only 984,000 horses in the 11 Western states this year. That's 8 per cent less than a year ago, and compares with 2,154,000 in 1930.

But there's still no better way to get a cow critter out of heavy underbrush or out of a steep mountain canyon than to go after her on horseback. The evidence indicates that cow-punchers' strings are smaller but better.

On the other hand, a winter like last year's has convinced some Western ranchers that they are depending too much on motors.

One Miles City, Montana, rancher said .e found he could get around in the heavy snow with his teams and saddle animals but he didn't have enough of them.

Another thing that is pushing the development of lightweight horses is an expansion of racing. The quarter horse was developed for that purpose and adapted to ranching needs. Harness racing has been gradually spreading along the Pacific coast.

Still further impetus has been given by the increasing popularity of riding clubs. The agriculture spokesman said these have been increasing, even in cities of no more than 5000 population.

He said there are betwen 500 and 600 of these clubs in California alone. Many have been formed in the intermountain country.

The old-time range horse, like the heavy draft animal, is disappearing, he said. Buyers are becoming more conscious of values.

The war had something to do with a reduction of the scrub stock because: (1) worthless animals were getting grass needed by meat stock; (2) horse meat is an acceptable food in some European countries and became marketable; and (3) mea' scraps for the pet dog or cat were almost non-existant and canned horsemeat came into use as pet food.

Even with three strikes against them, the wild horses have not yet disappeared.

The bureau of public lands, which manages the government's range lands, estimates that at least a third of the 700,000 horses feeding on the public domain are wild.

Honor Date Fund For Students

JACKSONVILLE, Tex., Dec. 12 (AP) Wouldn't this have helped you at one time?

It's a "date board," set up ov Merchant John Hensley to aid male students of Lon Morris and Jacksonville Baptist college if they need cash for a date. Pinned to the board are ten $5 bills.

A student may or may not leave his name on the back side of a sheet of paper attached to the board. All that Hensley asks is that the money be returned within a week.

So far no student has failed to return the loan.

Nation Today

Soviets Seek U. S. Market For Official Party Journal

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON, Dec. - (AP) Twice a month the Soviet government issues in English here a magazine called "USSR information bulletin."

Although the magazine is listed to sell for 10 cents, the Russians have been sending it free to American public schools. The distribution to the schools seems fairly wide.

In the latest issue there is a letter to "dear reader" in which the editors explain what a fine magazine they think it is. They say a lot of Americans would like to have it if they knew of it.

And in the letter they say "teachers would have enjoyed a dozen pieces on education, on the role of the instructor, night schools, vocational training, and the growth of enrollment."

But there seems to be a difference of opinion about this. Yesterday some school heads in this country announced they had banned the magazine from their schools.

For instance, the Washington public school officials have refused to let it be circulated among the students. Why?

School Superintendent Hobart M. Corning said last night the magazine was barred because the board of education, which decides what magazines may be turned loose in the schools, hadn't approved this one.

(Asked if the Washington school system bars publications from other governments, Corning said he knew of no such publications from other governments arriving at the schools).

At Columbus, Ohio, school Superintendent N. G. Fawcett said all six high schools had received the magazines but all copies and all "Soviet propaganda publications" are being seized.

Several Massachusetts schools have reported getting the magazine and one, at Fall River, has told the Russians to quit sending it.

The school heads seem to be taking a much sterner view of the magazine than the U. S. state department which has received numerous letters asking about it or objecting to it.

The state department replies there's no law here permitting the government to suppress the Russian publication. It adds that, as a matter of policy, the U. S. stands for a full and free international exchange of information.

The Russians don't share the American government's belief in the importance of free exchange of information, as this will show:

This government distributes in Russia every month a magazine called "Amerika." The U. S. government publishes "Amerika." It's written in Russian by Russian-language experts employed by the U. S. government here.

It contains stories about life in America, such as the World Series and the American capacity for hot dogs. But it contains no political articles. The Russian government sees to that.

The pieces for "Amerika" are written here. Then, in unpublished form, they are sent to Moscow for approval or disapproval of the Russian government. The Russians can censor what they don't like.

Then the approved articles are returned here, published in the magazine, and "Amerika" is sent to Moscow for distribution.

Although the Russians censor "Amerika," this government doesn't censor the Russian information "Bulletin" distributed here.

Does it contain Russian propaganda or political articles? You can judge for yourself from this partial list of articles in the latest issue: "Soviet Constitution Gives People a Vivid Charter of Freedom;" "Vyshinsky proves U. S. Atom Control Plan Aids Monopoly, Not Peace;" "Another Tito Spy Ousted;" "Tito Sells Refugee Children;" "Socialism Ended Mass Joblessness for Western Byelorussians."

And there are a number of pictures showing the brighter side of Russian life.

The Russian magazine is put into English by three American citizens here. They are registered as Soviet agents because, under American law, people doing that kind of work must be so registered.

Forester Cliff Promoted

LAKEVIEW — Edward P. Cliff, who was supervisor of the Fremont national forest here from 1942 to 1944 has been promoted to regional forester of the Rocky mountain region, with headquarters at Denver, it was reported this week by Merle S. Lowden, supervisor of the Fremont.

Cliff will assume his new duties on January 1 succeeding John W. Spencer who retires as Rocky Mountain regional forester. Cliff was with the Fremont from early 1942 until the spring of 1944, going from here to a position with the national forest headquarters at Washington, D. C.

Recently, Cliff has been in Ogden, U., with the inter-mountain regional office as chief of range and wildlife management, the position from which he was promoted to the Denver office.

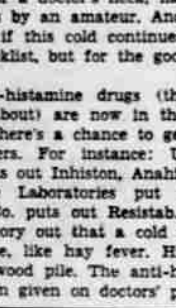
Gallup Poll

Devaluation Sharply Cuts Labor Party's Popularity

By GEORGE GALLUP
Director, American Institute of Public Opinion

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 12 Devaluation seems to be having serious political consequences for the British labor government.

The labor party's popularity among British voters has slumped sharply. Whereas the conservative and labor parties had been running virtually neck and neck throughout the summer and early fall, the conservative party began forging ahead soon after devaluation of the pound. Today it holds a substantial lead. Whether it will still run ahead when the general election is held, probably in February or March, remains to be seen.



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Throughout England voters were asked by the British Institute of Public Opinion:

"If there were a general election tomorrow, how would you vote?"

Here is the trend since August:

	Aug.	Sept.	Nov.
Conservative	37%	39%	41%
Labor	37	36	32
Liberal	10	9	11
Other	2	2	1
Undecided	14	14	15

On the basis of the total expressing a preference for a party, that is, eliminating the undecided, the percentages are:

Conservative	48%
Labor	38
Liberal	13
Other	1

The undecided group will, of course, play an important part in determining the outcome of the election when it is held. A last minute shift of the undecided toward the labor government could assure its re-election, just as a shift of the undecided voters toward President Truman in the American Presidential election was a vital factor in his victory.

The British institute, which forecast the 1945 British election with an error averaging only one percentage point, is making continuous studies of political sentiment in preparation for the election campaign.

e election is of special interest to Americans because when it starts it will indicate whether socialized Britain wants to continue with its brand of the welfare state.

Anti-Devaluation Views

However beneficial devaluation may have been to Britain economically, the move has not been popular with the British public.

Twice as many think that its effects are bad as think that they are good. An overwhelming majority believe that prices are likely to go up.

Here are the results of a British institute survey on devaluation, the first to indicate how the British people view the situation.

"Have you heard or read about devaluation of the pound?"

Yes	96%
No	4

"Do you think that, on the whole, bad?"

Good	21%
Bad	44
No effect	4
Don't know	27
	96%

"Do you think that prices are likely to be affected?"

Go up	77%
Go down	2
No effect	4
Don't know	12
	96%

"Do you think the government has handled the food situation well or badly?"

Very Well	18%
Moderately well	41
Badly	38
No opinion	3

On the other hand, British voters are dissatisfied with the progress made in housing, as the following results show:

"Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the government's progress in housing?"

Satisfied	25%
Dissatisfied	64
Don't know	11

The question facing the Attlee government is clearly whether it can get the British people into a happier frame of mind about housing, devaluation and other problems by the time the election is held. If it can, it may be able to squeak through for another term of office.

Hopeful Note for Labor

One hopeful aspect in the political situation from the labor point of view is that most Britishers seem satisfied with the way the government has handled the food situation.

Although food is still painfully short, the average Briton is not grumbling so much about the food crisis as he did in earlier years.

Lakeview Girl Gets Honor

LAKEVIEW — Betty Sanders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sanders was elected last week by the seniors of the Lakeview high school to represent their school in the annual Daughters of American Revolution "Good Citizenship" contest.

Three senior girls, Dola Morris, Lola Strong and Betty Sanders were nominated this year by the school faculty. These girls were judged by their dependability, service, leadership and partiotism.

In order to compete in the district contest, which includes all of Southern Oregon, Miss Sanders must fill out a questionaire on her opinion of citizenship, democracy and the

Free Book on Arthritis And Rheumatism

Excelsior Springs, Mo., Dec. 12—So successful has a specialized system proven for treating rheumatism and arthritis that an amazing new book will be sent free to any reader of this paper who will write for it.

The book entitled, "Rheumatism," fully explains why drugs and medicines give only temporary relief and fail to remove the causes of the trouble; explains how you may obtain relief from rheumatism and arthritis.

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