

has said, "His personal appearance had little to command admiration, or even respect. A small figure, a bald head, with weak eyes and a hooked nose, and added to these, feeble health, makes a whole that would excite besides ridicule, only sympathy, until we become acquainted with the great soul and ardent spirit that was the tenent of this poor frame."

Yes, Paul was a man of God, and vindicates himself and his conduct against all the arguments of his adversaries, and is able to say, "As deceivers and yet true." 2 Cor. 6-8. Young people, let us too live so close to the Lord that in spite of contradiction we will be able to give a credible account of our stewardship, and say with Paul when we are done with this life, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

#### NOTICE

#### AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Miss Elizabeth Merriam, 100 Beech St., Framingham, Mass., U. S. A., is deeply interested in getting the Bible circulated among the English-speaking people of the world. For twenty-five years she has been devoting time, energy and money to seeing that those who ask for a portion of the Scriptures shall receive such a portion free of charge. She makes of course not a cent of profit from her labors, and her only purpose is to get the Word of God more familiarized to more people. During the quarter of a century she has been engaged in this activity she has sent out many tons of Scripture portions.

She makes a remarkable offer to Sunday School teachers, who wish to get their scholars to memorize verses from the Holy writings. On request from a Sunday School teacher she will send as many certain slips of paper as are desired; on these slips are printed seven Bible verses, one for each day of the week. Beside each verse is a square in which a check mark is to be made when the verse is "learned by heart."

A teacher can distribute these slips to members of the S. S. class; to every pupil who memorizes these verses Miss Merriam will send free a copy of the gospel of St. John, daintily and beautifully bound. The teacher can report to her how many have learned the verses, the books will be sent to the teacher, who can hand them to the members of the class. Or the names of the memorizers can be written on the detachable part of the slip having the verses and forwarded to Framingham, Mass., U. S. A., and the books will be sent directly to the ones who have mastered the verses.

There is no age limit to those who may learn and earn. Adults are as eligible as are young people or children.

Here is "a great and effectual door" of opportunity for Sunday School teachers who wish to be of blessing to their scholars.

Write today to Miss Merriam, asking for as many slips as you can use; state you want the "Verse a Day Slips." Please be sure to mention the name of this periodical.

E. WAYNE STAHL,  
Lowell, Mass.

Note.—We are personally acquainted with Dr. E. W. Stahl and appreciate very much this letter, and offer, and hope many of our S. S. teachers will take advantage of it.—Editor.

## Temperance Column

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging. Whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.—Prov. 1:20.

#### PREDICTIONS OF ANTI REPEALISTS ARE REALITY NOW.

By W. G. Calderwood

The results of repeal have fulfilled every promise its opponents made for it. The records prove it. Its friends admit it.

Repeal has brought back the public drunk. Arrests for drunkenness during the first three months of 1934, after repeal, as compared with the same months of 1933, dry, increased sharply over the entire nation. Typical cities are New York, 55.5%, and Los Angeles, 95.5% increase, while Denver and some other cities more than doubled. Boston reports an increase of 75% in drunkenness among women.

Repeal has brought back the saloon. Figures of the U. S. Department of Justice show that prohibition closed 177,000 saloons. The Internal Revenue Department reports show that on June 30, 1934, there were over 700,000 four times the number in pre-prohibition days.

Repeal has increased auto fatalities. The Chicago Tribune editorially deplored the fact that auto fatalities chargeable to drunken driving had increased four-fold in that city since repeal. The Automobile Chamber of Commerce figures show that with car registrations and gas consumption down in 1933, as compared with 1932, traffic deaths are up. The U. S. Census confirms with a report showing an increase of 1.2 deaths per 100,000 population.

Repeal has greatly increased bootlegging. Director Choate of the Federal Alcohol Control Administration emphatically says so, and Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau supports the claim.

Repeal debauches and ruins young girls. Dr. Alice Aldrich, Chicago welfare superintendent, says: "Chicago present-day saloons are causing delinquency among young girls to an extent never equalled even in the old days. Young people of opposite sexes drink openly until they are no longer responsible for their acts. . . The saloons, with the back room and upstairs facilities, constitute an alarming cause of immorality." Similar reports come from every quarter of the Union.

Repeal has fully lived up to every promise its opponents made for it.—National Voice in Pentecostal Herald.

#### LIQUOR TAX A BOOMERANG

The "unselfish" wets are so concerned about the poor man and his taxes, that they promise that liquor will pay Uncle Sam a billion dollars.

Sounds Fine, But Let's See

At the peak of liquor consumption the tax was about three hundred million. For every dollar the government got in liquor taxes, the people had to spend five dollars as the cost of drunkenness, drink-made poverty and crime, waste in industry, etc.

Who Pays the Liquor Tax?

True, the brewer or distiller writes the check, but the money comes across the bar, and chiefly out of the low wages of the poor.

So the truth is that the records show:

Three hundred million paid in taxes (by the people) through liquor;

One billion five hundred million paid for

charity (by the people) because of liquor;

One billion put into the pockets of the liquor barons;

And

to raise the billion that the wets promise, all those figures would have to be multiplied by three and a fraction.

The wets are trying to put Uncle Sam on his feet with a liquor tax, but they don't show where the people are to get the money, nor how the people can drink all that booze and stay on their feet.—Christian Witness.

#### RELIGION IN TROUBLED WATERS

Speaking in the Marble Collegiate Church of New York recently, Rev. Dr. Albert W. Beaven said: "Russia, the world's greatest example of the war on religion, is out to kill the very concepts on which religion was based. It has operated on this diabolical principle—in religion, kill all the leaders. With Russian religious leaders either in Siberia, concentration camps or starving to death, the anti-religionists have free play with leaderless congregations." After citing the growing opposition to religious activities in Mexico and in Spain, Dr. Beaven continued:

"We are on the verge of some dynamic movements which we cannot foretell. Tomorrow is going to be an experimental, interesting and important stage in religion. Everybody in Europe is moving fast but fails to know where he is going. America, too, is guilty of swift indirection. Wherever one turns there are undercurrents which appear ready to destroy the true Church unless we take heed."

This is an interesting observation by a man who is not considered an alarmist; a confession that all is not well with the twentieth century religion that is so popular. Russia had the dead and hypocritical formality of the Eastern Catholic Church, and when Russia broke away from that the nation settled down into a horrible state of unbelief and angry opposition to all religion, except the religion of diabolism. Mexico, also, and Spain, after centuries of suffering at the hands of the selfishness and dead formality of the Papal Church now swings to the extreme of discounting all religion, which is readily explainable in the light of one extreme following another. In America, if we may undertake to appraise our religious state in a brief description we would say the religious life of our country is settling into two great sections—the autocracies of American Catholicism and an apostate Protestantism building itself on the foundation of Modernism, with small bodies here and there protesting and maintaining spiritual life and devotion.

If people are willing to wait on God and will bow to His authority He is pleased to work in a great variety of the church forms, but this central fact of a true spiritual experience and a holy life God must have from us, and always demands. Unwilling to meet this costly but reasonable requirement we have the fact in history of churches bearing the name Christian which for centuries have gone their way with no saving power. There is now all the more reason why churches that cherish spirituality should "be watchful and strengthen the things that remain." —Wesleyan Methodist.

#### KEEP THE BRAIN CLEAR

You can get along with a wooden leg, but you can't get along with a wooden head. It is the brain that counts. But in order that your brain may be kept clear, you must keep your body fit and well. That cannot be done if one drinks liquor.—Dr. Charles Mayo.