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DESTINY

Destiny, that which is to be, an inescapable future, a hereafter and a beyond toward which time speeds us on. In Ecclesiastes 11:3, we read: If the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be. Here we have highly figurative language of destiny, it crystalizes in the silence of the night, it is built by every deed, it grows as grain grows. From the earliest dawn of human history man has asked, the greatest of all questions, "If a man die, will he live again? Or what is man that our Deity is mindful of him? Solomon looks upon a fallen tree, a once mighty monarch of the forest, it has been marked and stricken by a storm, it has crashed to the earth, the woodsman with axe and saw may cut it to bits, but it is a tree no more. He notes that it fell to the south or the north, even so far it leaned that way. So man perishes from the earth in the direction that he lived. He falls the way he leaned. The north and the south are opposite points of the compass, one is the farthest conceivable from the other. If one oould travel north forever, so far as we know one could still travel north, or to reverse and travel south it is ever beyond and still beyond. Even so good is the opposite of bad as light is the extreme in contrast from darkness and Heaven is in the very opposite direction from Hell. So a human soul coming to the end of the journey must fall toward the south or toward the north, and that is final, in the place where the tree falleth there it shall be. All things equal, a tree falls the way it leans, the nature of the ground, the influence of other trees or the elements all operate to determine the destiny of the tree, a great fork or limb favored by light may grow heavy and pull toward the south or the north and in so doing will eventually strain the trunk in that direction. So a habit good or bad develops, matures, and decides the course of human life. Again trees fall suddenly; silent laws are ever at work to undermine, wash out, or decay. The grand old tree may look good, but no one saw the decay within, so the storm that it had weathered for many years, now flung the tree to the ground. It was sudden; so are deaths sudden, very sudden, great men fall in the night, in an unexpected hour, they fall. They are gone, and with the strongest of men, our hearts like muffled drums are beating funeral marches to the grave. But the older a tree grows, the more fixed it becomes. It could be bent or influenced south or north when young, but not so when the tree is old. The tree in the course of the years has silently settled itself toward the south or the north, it's bent in one way or the other, that growth and that course has been slow, steady progress, day after day and year after year till finally growth ceases to be and disintegration sets in, it has had its day, and it falls, it falls the way it leans. Old men are not easily changed, they have formed their habits, they are set in their way, a storm called death will carry them away suddenly and just as they have lived they will fall. In Matt. 7 we read of the man who built his house on a rock and of the man who built a like house on the sand, but the storm found the weakness. Now when was the destiny determined, the answer is back when the foundation was being built, and in Matt. 25 we read, "For I was an hungar and ye gave me meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me drink. I was a stranger and ye took me in. Naked and ye clothed me, sick and ye visited me, in prison and ye came unto me." When was the cry, or when did we neglect to do them, back in the every day common run of events, done or left undone, either way, south or north meant the deciding elements of eternal destiny. In looking over our old family album, I am impressed with the arrangement, the photographer said to one, sit here, to another stand, we were grouped together, the three boys, their mother and I. So my eye watched

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his fingers tighten on the rubber bulb in his hand. I was aware that just as he pressed his fingers our likeness would be printed and remain. Even so will death find us, so shall we ever be.

—Geo. M. Hulme.

BIBLE STUDY LESSON
May 20
INTO BABYLONIAN EXILE

Golden Text: Come, and let us return unto the Lord. Hos. 6:1.

This is a lesson concerning judgment, a subject that never has been and never will be popular. People like to continue on in the course they have chosen undisturbed by "calamity howlers" who warn of disaster and defeat. Jeremiah was a prophet God sent to reproach the nation for their sins and urge them to return to the Lord. His message contained certain specific punishments that would be theirs if they failed to listen. His prophecy of captivity was regarded as treason and resulted in his being thrown in jail.

During his ministry Jeremiah was sent to a potter's house to receive word from the Lord. As the shapeless clay was held against the wheel and formed into a vessel the Lord said, "Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel." This was a warning that God had the right, and the authority, and the power to do with Israel what he willed. If they refused to turn back to Him, these punishments would surely follow.

The sad part of this tale is that, not having reformed as a nation, they were taken captive exactly as outlined by the prophets. God's word is sure, his judgments are sure. Prophecy reveals over and over again instances where punishment for sin is dealt out in exact detail as previously given in God's word.

Some do not like the idea of a "jealous" God and some wonder why he delays punishment of sins so terrible as to almost preclude finding an adequate name for them. God is the potter and he controls the wheel as he sees fit. Being a just and holy God it is simply not possible for him to condone

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sin but through his agents he first pleads and begs his loved ones to forsake evil ways so that they may continue in his good graces.

—Hazel Gillam.

THINK THIS OVER

ARE YOU a "pillar" in your church, or a "cater-pillar"?

WHEN THE "outlook" is bad, try the "up-look"!

GOD COULD have kept Daniel out of the lions' den.....He COULD have kept Paul and Silas out of jail.....HE COULD have kept the three Hebrew children out of the fiery furnace.....But God never PROMISED to keep us OUT of hard places.....But what He HAS PROMISED is to go WITH US through every hard place, and to bring us through victoriously!

A CERTAIN SPECIES of tree can produce nuts in seven years..... We know some Christ-denying theological seminaries which can produce them in three.....

THE BIBLE SAYS that God's Temple is made up of "lively stones"....Some Long-faced church-members we have seen must think He meant "tomb-stones"! !

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IF A HYPOCRITE is between you and Heaven, then he's closer to Heaven than you are!

THE PLEASURES OF SIN are "for a season," but its WAGES are for eternity!

ONLY ONE-TENTH OF AN ICE-BERG is visible on the surface.....When you're tempted to judge sin by its superficial appearance, remember the ice-berg!

DON'T HAVE your concert first, and then tune your instruments afterwards," said J. Hudson Taylor. "Begin the day with the Word of God, and get in harmony with Him!—"Gospel Music," Glendale, Cal.

YOUNG PEOPLES RALLY

A Youth for Christ Rally will be held Saturday, May 26, 7:30 p. m., at the Kenmore Baptist church, 2306 18th st. The speaker will be Magician-Preacher Foxwell, "Foremost Young Magician of his generation." Utilizing the tricks of his unusual trade to illustrate Christian Truths. Our young folks expect to attend.

Evening church services at Community church will give way this next Sunday to the baccalaureate service which will be held at 8 p. m. See announcement about this elsewhere.

BACCALAUREATE

Baccalaureate services for the graduating class of 1945 will be held this Sunday evening, 8 o'clock at the high school auditorium, Rev. Harry Nicholson of the West Congregational church, Akron delivering the sermon.

Rev. O. W. Haulman, pastor of the Grace Reformed church, Akron will deliver the high school com-

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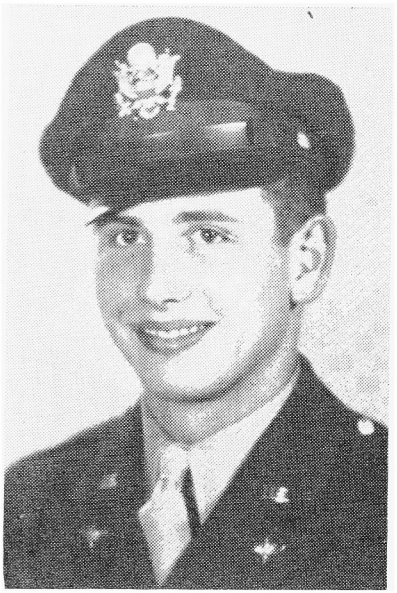

ROBERT F. AMLUNG

Memorial services for Flight Officer Robert F. Amlung, navigator on a B-24 Bomber, will be held Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, May 20, at the Congregational church in Hudson. Chaplain Burns, home on furlough from the South Pacific Bob's pastor before the war, will conduct the services.

In lieu of flowers it is the wish of the family that friends in memory of Bob, may, if they so desire, make contributions to the American Red Cross for use of disabled veterans. This idea is particularly appropriate since a fellow crewman, one of his best friends, came through the accident with a broken back. According to a letter received from the chaplain who was on the scene very shortly after the crash Bob was instantly killed. The accident happened April 14, at East Anglia, England as the plane was taking off. On April 17, Bob was buried with full military honors at the military cemetery, Cambridge, England.

Joining the Congregational church in Hudson at an early age, Bob was active in the work of the Young Peoples society. He also sang in the Junior Choir. He was a member of the Darrowville Grange, and the DeMolay, a Masonic Order for young people in Akron. He graduated with the Stow high school, class of 1941. He was 22 years old on the 18th of March, spending his last birthday in Iceland.

Many are the friends who mourn the assingp of Flight Officer Robert E. Amlung.

LIEUT. RICHARD BECKWITH LOST FLYING "HUMP"

First Lieut. Richard Beckwith of 131 Elm rd. Stow was lost flying the "hump" of the Himalayas May 5, according to announcement received from the war department by his mother, Mrs. Clara Burmeister. Lieut. Beckwith who had recently received the air medal for flying this most difficult and dangerous India-China air route was a graduate of Stow high school. He was also a former Kent State and Akron university student and had worked for the B. F. Goodrich Co. His wife Marion lives in Pittsburgh. He has one brother Frank Burmeister, a Stow high school senior who expects to join the navy soon. Frank and his mother are members of our church and we pray that word may soon come telling of Richard's safety.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ney Coleman of East Kent rd., and Sanford av. Stow, announce the marriage of their daughter, Geneva, to Mr. Franklin Hurst Keernan on Saturday, April 21, at The Church of the Angels, Pasadena, Cal.

CHILD STUDY CLUB LUNCHEON

The annual spring luncheon of the Stow Child Study club will be held at the Canteen May 24, at 1 p. m., afternoon entertainment will be planned.

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Tuesday, May 15—Recognition Day.

Sunday, May 20—Baccaulaureate sermon at 8 o'clock, Rev. Harry Nicholson, pastor West Hill Congregational church.

Tuesday, May 22—Senior Party (Barn Party)

Wednesday, May 23 — Junior Senior Prom (High School).

Thursday, May 24—Senior Dinner, Smorgasbord.

Friday, May 25 — Commencement, 8 p. m. Rev. O. W. Haulman, pastor Grace Reformed church.

GOOD NEWS — Word from Frank Sancic to his wife recently came in the form of a letter telling her that he was to be shipped to a French port and from thence home. Frank had been a prisoner of war in Germany since the battle of the Bulge. We are certainly glad to pass this good word along.

D. OF A. NOTICE

Stow D. of A. will hold their Mother and Daughter banquet at the Town Hall on Monday, May 21, at 6 p. m. All members come. Bring your mothers and your daughter. A business session will follow at 7:30 with nomination of officers.

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Curtis E. Holley S2/c C.A. home on furlough recently after finishing boot training at Memphis, Tenn. is now addressed at Barracks 46 AMM-45-45, NATTC Norman, Okla.

For Sale: Small home—full basement, garage attached; cistern—large lot; fruit. 645 E. Graham rd. or call OV-3249. (Adv).

Hazel Gillam's Bible class met last Saturday, May 12, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Witner on Maple rd.

Wanted: Ride mornings from Stow to vicinity of cor. Main and Exchange, Akron. Must be at work 8:45 a. m. Call OV-8237. (Adv).

After spending three or four weeks at the University of Wisconsin doing special laboratory work First Lieut. Charles Trommer, jr. is spending some time in town this week. He is normally stationed at Dayton, O.

For Sale: All household furniture, kitchen utensils, fruit jars, crocks, entire household equipment. Call OV 8285 (Adv).

Garden Plowing and Fitting — and mowing. C. R. Sunthimer, 678 Hudson rd. Stow, OV 3101 (Adv).

Servicemen who have been home on furlough include: Phillip Large, who finished his boot training at Great Lakes. (He was at Bible school last Sunday morning; Paul Eisenman home on 30-day sick leave, and Joe Sauers home two days recently.

Harry Bousum is reported at home. Harry has been recuperating in a hospital at Battle Creek, Mich. from schrapnel wounds.

Jim Bidwell home on a 35-day furlough recently returned to service. It is reported he married Donna Huffard while here.

Wanted: Baby buggy in good condition, also play pen. Call OV-8823. (Adv).

Mrs. Edna Weaver of Thorndale av., Stow, left last Tuesday evening for Washington, D. C., where she expects to spend several weeks with relatives.

Last Friday evening neighbors from Thorndale av., Hawthorn and Margaret st. gathered at the shelter house, Adell Durbin Park for a picnic supper honoring Mrs. Emma Chapman and Miss Carrie Chapman, who are leaving soon to live in Akron, and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Brace with sons, Guy jr. and Bruce, who expect to move ere long to East Reservoir. Our estimate is that some 50 or 60 guests were present.

Wanted: Serviceman's wife to share home and expenses. Call OV-8666. (Adv).

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Mrs. A. N. Coleman, East Kent rd., recently returned from California after attending the wedding of their daughter, Geneva, to Franklin H. Keernan, Huntington Park. The ceremony was performed at The Church of the Angels in Pasadena. Mrs. Coleman was accompanied to the west coast by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Keernan of Evanston, Ill. She also visited her son, A. N. Coleman, jr. and family of Southgate, Cal., and the Claude Webers formerly of Stow who are now living at Temple City near Pasadena. She returned by the way of the Grand Canyon of Arizona where they spent a day and night sightseeing.

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Invocation .....Rev. L. M. Gregory
Hymn—Community Church Choir .....Cecil Rearick, Director
Reading of Honor Roll .....H. J. Stockman
Speaker of the Day .....Major Jones
Benediction .....Rev. Geo. M. Hulme
Retiring of Colors by Commander
Parade to Cemetery led by—Stow High School Band, Home Guards
Placing of Wreath by Comrade Clark
Prayer by Chaplain Hagat
Ladakis in charge of Firing Squad

To this Memorial Day Program the public is invited. All Gold Star families of Stow and vicinity are especially invited to attend. A section will be reserved for them at the church. Also all Civic and Fraternal organizations should attend in a body and take part in the Parade.

Memorial Services will be held at Darrowville Sunday, 2:00 P. M., May 27th.

FISH CREEK

F. A. Coffeen's nephew Fred and wife of Pittsburgh and niece Hazel of Kent were recent callers on their Uncle Fred.

The J. B. Mitchelsons were recently summoned to Westerville, O., by the death of Mr. Mitchelson's father, and they remained there with the mother until after the services.

Heather Harvey spent the week end at Ledgewood Lodge with a group of Stow Girl Scouts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman have recently sold their home on Fish Creek-Darrowville rd. to the Hermans from West Akron, which means once again the community loses fine folks, but fortunately fine ones always keep coming.

A letter from Florence Clapp living at the Y.W.C.A. at 1710 Prospect av., while working at one of the Stauffer restaurants on Euclid near 11th tells of Thelma Shroyer being her week-end guest. Florence lives across from the Shroyers while at Fish Creek.

Mr. Herman Schuette now of Akron called on "The Mayor" of Fish Creek the other Sunday and that week a letter came to the Ted Brittans from Mrs. Schuette in Denver, Col., who reported she and Kim are getting along nicely there, but plan to spend the summer with her parents in Wisconsin before locating along the eastern coast or one of the southern states next fall, hoping to find a more suitable climatic condition for Mrs.

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Schuette's health.

Mr. Ellis Terrill having sold his farm in Ashtabula county is at present living with his daughter Mrs. C. H. Phillips and family. He attended a Darrowville Grange meeting since coming here for he is always interested in all granges, evidence of it in being awarded 25-year pin for being a member that long in his local grange.

Mrs. Roy Shroyer phoned to let old Fish Creek neighbors of her husband Roy, CM2/c know that evidently Roy is now sailing the Pacific for she has received the official notice he is now to be addressed in care of Fleet Postoffice at San Francisco. Who knows Roy and Delton Lee, the other bridgegroom of a double wedding may meet somewhere around the equator for it seems that is where both those seabees may be.

Pfc. Herman Sharpnack of E. Graham and Hile rds., home on hospitalization furlough returned this week to Nichols General hospital at Louisville, Ky. Herman called on the France family before they moved and later on met Carl Coffeen at his "Aunt Fern's" where he gave them many interesting and very enlightening facts of his nearly five years in the service, nearly three of them being spent overseas, where he was wounded Jan. 12, which was the time he won 5th star for the big campaigns he was in. Herman like many others had the experience of receiving a Christmas box just before leaving Europe to come home.

The Glenn France family moved May 3 to a 295 acre farm north of Hudson on the Middleton-Forbush rd., after running the Atkins farm since January, 1936, following the death of Marvin Atkins, who was electrocuted in a well at the barn. Mr. Atkins was trying to repair the pipe line when the long pipe which was being lifted out of the well fell against the high tension wires above the well. Mr. Wallace France, the father of Glenn, sr., had assisted with the farm work on the Atkins farm for about 12 years. Speaking of the Atkins, latest report from Sandusky from the former Helen Atkins, now Mrs. T. R. Hedges, is that her nephew, Richard has been sent overseas.

"BOB" HAMILTON, Storekeeper first class who is out in the vicinity of the Caroline Islands, Pacific Ocean on one of those large concrete supply ships, which you can read all about in the June issue of the American Magazine. This picture was taken one evening several months ago when he paid us a visit.

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March 20, 1945.

Dear Mr. Stockman:

I hope all is well around home and my best wishes to everyone. I thought it about time to drop a line to you, a little over time.

They have started bringing and taking the mail to the Fleet now when we are at sea. It is so much better this way, the mail doesn't sit at one place as long this way.

We have had some beautiful weather this trip. The sea has been like glass the whole time we have been out. We usually stay out between six and eight weeks, sometimes more. The weather being so good, we have completed quite a bit of ship's work. One thing about it is that the time passes a lot faster when you have something to do.

I dropped Paul a letter today to the hospital as I know very well what it is like to be in one. I was sorry to hear about his bad luck. I guess I thought of him as the best friend I had at school.

I have to get ready for watch now, I have the 4-8 this week but the week ends tomorrow and I go on the 12-4. Give my love to all at home.

God Bless you all,
John.

John Thomas Adams S1/c
(censored) c/o FPO
San Francisco, Cal.

Ed. Note We were pleased to know that your mail is coming through better. Do they send it by plane or by boat? You speak of Paul — we presume you refer to Paul Eisenman. We hear that he is home on furlough right now. Hope to see him some time before he returns.

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pect smooth sailing all the time is too much—however, as you probably know, to take the Lord along with you in your heart guarantees an **inner** peace even in stormy weather. Write again.—H. J. S.

PFC. EDWARD STARNER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Starner, Highland av., off Ritchie rd., Stow, who has seen considerable front line service in the Philippines and according to latest word received is now in a rest camp somewhere over there. His brother, Pfc. James Starner, who saw service in Africa and Italy is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla. This picture of "Eddie" was taken one evening some several months ago at the "office of publication" this paper.

WHEN WILL HE GET HOME?

Well, VE-day has come and gone in Stow, and outside of the broad smiles you see on everybody's faces things are very much as they were before. Nobody broke the windows in Stein's Dairy or tore down the flagpole in the park. A lot of folks did go to church that night in answer to the bell on the Church of Christ, and we hope they all pray earnestly for a quick end to the war in the Pacific. A big question on the lips of everyone with a boy in the service was, "Will he get to come home now and when?" It makes me think of November, 1918, after the Armistice. We all confidently expected to be home within a few months at the latest. Once when we were so heavily loaded down with souvenirs up around Chateau Thierry that we couldn't find room for all the hospital equipment the

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commanding officer lined us up and proceeded to give it to us something like this, "Throw this junk away. You will have six months after the war is over to gather up souvenirs." How we laughed after it was all over. Six months? Why the man must be talking through his hat.

Then the Armistice came, and we found ourselves hustled off to Germany for the Army of Occupation. Then you should have heard the rumors. We were going home through Hamburg. We would be home by Christmas. Nobody ever tried to find out how those rumors got started. You never seem to get any reliable information in the army. I guess you want to believe something so badly that you are an easy mark for rumor. At any rate, none of the rumors I heard about our going home ever had a bit of truth in them. So a pleasant open winter gave way to a beautiful spring, but it wasn't pretty to us. You get mighty tired of watching the old fellow sitting along the bank of the Rhine fishing with a dip net when you'd like to be watching a bobber down along Black Creek, and the finest of scenery gets tiresome when you want to see some place else so badly you can almost taste it.

I know that some of you will say that this time is is going to be different, that the army has told us just how they are going to choose the ones to be brought home. I admire the system that has been published, but I wouldn't expect to see that boy who is to be discharged too soon. The army takes its time, and he'll probably wait longer than he, or you, expects to do before he comes back. With us, we had just about decided that they had forgotten us when the end of June came with the signing of the peace treaty. Then they really got in a hurry, and we were kept busy day and night with inspections, checking out of equipment and such things. So we got on a train going down the Rhine through Cologne on July 15 and in a week or so we were boarding a ship at Brest. By Aug. 3 we were in Philadelphia, and on Aug. 8 we were discharged.

I am telling you this so that you may not eat out your heart with worry over coming home. Maybe you will be one of the lucky ones to come home in a month or so; but if you aren't, don't let it make you bitter. As one of the boys used to say to me, "If I can take this and not let it get me down, I must be something of a man after all." And if you are not one of those slated to come home from the European war, think how glad those other divisions will be to see you out there along the coast of Asia and think that the end of the whole war may be a lot closer than any of us think. At any rate it surely is nearer than it was when we went ashore on the coast of North Africa or yet in Normandy. But whenever you come home, remember this: Your loved ones will be here to greet you. Your friends will be glad to see you back, and your home town will rejoice with you in your victory.

We'll be seeing you,

—Joe A. Mitten.

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