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IN THE LONG AGO

Long ago in the primitive age of man, man blazed trails along the valleys and across the mountains, he forded the streams and skirted the swamps, he noted the heavy bark on the north side of the trees, he watched the north star. Man was a trail blazer, he established trade routes up and down the earth.

In that olden day, long before vehicles were propelled by power, man of the up country would trade and barter with man of the plains. Man who had a vein of salt on his farm could exchange the abundance of what he had for hides, spices or tools.

Even so Egypt traded with Babylon, Solomon traded olive oil to Hiram of Tyre for timber for the great temple.

In the olden time man traveled much by camel or mule. For thousands of miles he plodded along the weary way seeking profit and gain, giving what he had for the things he needed.

Now, it was so that along these trade routes bad men would lurk. Thieves, brigands, robbers, they took the joy out of life. They plundered the caravans, they infested and preyed upon the trade routes, bad men were they. Undesirable and wicked, they were thorns in the flesh, they were void of mercy, a menace to the trade routes of the long ago.

Now, as years passed a new drama, called civilization, was brought forth. Ships plied the seas, ox carts, prairie schooners, and trains blazed anew great trade routes on land and sea. However into this great plan and progress

of the race came the pirates of the sea, cold, calculating and cruel unto death and on the land the trade routes were haunted by savage bands, called outlaws. They, like their predecessors, preyed upon the commerce of the enterprising pioneer who sought to bring spices and coffee from the south land and carry back home oil, and furs from the north.

In the year of our Lord 1939 all great trade routes that cross the seas are spied upon, submarines and mines hazard the passage of shipping everywhere. The bottom of the North Sea is a great grave-yard. Ships, cargoes, and human beings alike find a watery grave because things today are wicked and bad just as they were in the long ago.

One wonders if it is so ordered, or perhaps it is because of the stupidity of man, or perhaps the Devil is having his day, or perhaps the dominating factor in the race is still the jungle element.

Howbeit, there is another trail, a trail that leads Home. It has been called an upper, sun-lit trail the light lingers there even after the shadows have fallen. Pilgrims, wearied and faint, from the earliest dawn have travelled on that route. Their faces set in the one direction, homeward.

The Book speaks of the trail and calls it a highway and a way. No lion shall be there nor any savage beast go up thereon. It is named the way of holiness. See Isaiah 35.

My friends, fear not to walk in the path of the just. It is by far the safest way, the most peaceful way that man has found. There, by a wonderful provision of pro-

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evidence, are no thieves or brigands on the narrow trail, nothing to molest, that is, if you come clean. You must give all, that is it, all; otherwise your own ghost will haunt you, your own downfall will alarm. The only fear you will ever know is the fear of evil within, it is the path of the long ago.

GEO. M. HULME.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

For this next Sunday evening the Christian Endeavorers plan to meet at 6:30 p. m. Hot chocolate and sandwiches will be served. All who conveniently can are requested to bring enough sandwiches for themselves and one

other person who possibly may not bring any. The regular meeting will be held in the church auditorium at 7:00 p. m.

SERMON

The theme of the sermon delivered last Sunday morning by Rev. Hulme was that the place of the Christian's citizenship is in Heaven. We are now in the world, but, if a Christian, not of the world. Heaven is our home.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE

Friday evening right after school the first practice for the Sunday School Christmas program will be held in the church. All children taking part in the program should be present.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The world seems to be rapidly approaching that grand finale of creation. When the Heavens shall be "rolled together as a scroll, the elements shall melt with fervent heat."—F.A.C.

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LADIES BIBLE CLASS NOTICE

The Ladies Bible Class will hold a Christmas party and business meeting at the church Tuesday evening, December 19th, at which time a ten cent gift exchange will take place between Buddies. Please send a card to remind your Buddy of this party and all Buddies come!

MUNROE FALLS

Shirley Powell is ill with a cold. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones of Harlan Ave., visited relatives in Mansfield O. over the last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davies of Akron spent Sunday with Mrs. Davies' mother, Mrs. Gertrude Smith of Main St.

Mrs. Frank Thompson of Hill St. has had as her guest over the last week end her sister from Youngstown.

PERSONALS

"Strive to complete the task thou hast commenced."

Save your money for the glass bank—Church Christmas fund.

Heatrola Stove for Sale. Bargain. Call WA-3521. (Adv).

Mrs. Arba Ritter will be hostess to the River Road Club December fourteenth.

Jimmy Cumpson was absent from school last week on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Shakespeare were in Cleveland over the last week end.

Mr. James A. Moss has been visiting this past week with his niece in Newton Falls, Ohio.

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One birthday celebrated at Bible School last Sunday, that of Mrs. Myra Hall.

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The River Road Club will hold a Christmas Party December 22nd at the home of Mrs. George Kissinger on West Arndale Road. There will be an exchange of ten cent gifts. The husbands are invited.

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BACK FROM HOSPITAL

After a stay of a little more than two weeks Mrs. H. J. Stockman returned from the hospital this last Monday evening. She seems to be recovering nicely.

Many people, with cards, flowers or visits have done a great

deal to reduce the burden of her sojourn there. Some have contributed items expressing kind thoughts, to be included in this paper, but these have been omitted lest it seem as if the whole paper were about the Stockmans. However, it does make us realize anew what a good wife the editor has. And we sincerely thank all those whose prayers have gone forth in her behalf.

Now that a start has been made, we (H. J. S. and their sons) wish to thank the good folks who have helped us. Several have fed us. For instance—last Sunday a fine

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dinner at the Fursts was much enjoyed. Hot dishes etc., etc., have been sent in. Thank you. And last to be mentioned but not least, when it didn't seem as if we would be able to get this paper out even on Thursday night, two carloads of church choir folks came out and starting about 10:00 P. M. folded papers as they came off the press finishing up about midnight, after which they gathered around the piano, one found a violin and several of the good old gospel hymns quite possibly awoke the neighbors from their sleep.

Since there still seems to be more space to fill (hand in your news item folks, or better still if you like to write letters, let us have those too), will say that medical doctors, or surgeons are able to do marvelous things these days. When the patient is not too far gone they can change or remove most anything successfully, anything except the years of one's life that have past.

From observations made as a visitor at the hospital we would say that they are wonderful institutions. There are surgeons moving about in gowns and masks, nurses in white, half conscious patients being trundled to or from the operating room, relatives nervously or calmly waiting for word about their loved ones, the head nurse who impresses one as a marvelous and super efficient executive, the hostess in the front

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hall, the office girl who politely inquires about your financial condition, the elevator girl, the gold fish in the memorial pool in the hall, the lady who seems to always be polishing the hallway floors, and then there are the patients,—a little girl just coming out from under the effects of the other who calls and calls for her daddy,—the gum chewing high school girl about ready to leave and her boy friend visitor,—the Jewess with a broken rib, soon to divorce her husband and marry a Greek,—the rubber executive's wife with arched eyebrows,—the Y. W. C. A. secretary whom friend wife thot an agreeable room-mate.

All these, and then, the visitors: Old folks mostly, tho a few children,—the colored lady who insists she be allowed to visit when there are no visitor cards,—the man with a box of candy (probably for the nurses),—the minister, who comforts, — All these and many more make the impression one receives as a visitor at the hospital.

As one lady expressed it, it is a place to which few care to go, but a mighty fine place to be when you are sick.

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(continued from last week)

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The Trustees shall have the management of all business affairs pertaining to the church property.

They shall be authorized or directed in their deliberations by a majority vote of the members of the church at any regular meeting of the church.

The Finance Committee shall consist of the Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

This Committee shall estimate the running expenses of the church, such as, the minister's salary, janitor, light, heat, etc.

They shall advise the congregation from time to time of the financial needs of the church.

The Auditing Committee shall consist of two members elected at the regular annual business meeting of the church. They shall serve for one year and shall audit transactions as directed at any regular business meeting of the church.

It shall be the duty of the Head Usher, together with such assistants as he may select, to welcome both members and visitors, introduce strangers, and act as escorts in finding seats for all.

An Advisory Committee may be formed and called together, at any time when circumstances warrant, by the minister or any three officers of this church. The Committee shall consist of the Minister, Treasurer, Clerk, Financial Secretary, Chairman of Deacons, Chairman of Trustees, and the Superintendent of the Sunday School. Five of these in session shall constitute a quorum.

Any resolution or action of this committee is advisory only, and to be binding on the church must be submitted and passed by a majority vote at any regular

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annual meeting all officers except the trustees shall be elected for one year. The trustees chosen at the first annual meeting shall be elected for one, two, three, four and five years respectively. At the expiration of the term of office his successor shall be elected for five years. All officers shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. Vacancies in any office shall be filled at a special meeting of the church called for that purpose; nominations and notice for such meeting to conform to the plan for the regular annual election. All elections shall be by ballot unless such requirement is waived by a majority of the members present. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of the election of more than one person to a board or committee, the requisite number of candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

Special meetings may be called by the Pastor, the Trustees, or any ten members, by public announcement of such meetings and the purpose thereof at any regular religious or business meeting of the church at least three days prior to such special meeting.

At all meetings of the church 12 of the members in person shall constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum is available. Unless otherwise specified by these regulations, the vote of the majority of the members present in person or by proxy shall be binding as to all questions proper to be considered at said meetings.

Whenever this church shall be without a pastor, it shall proceed without unnecessary delay to invite to its pastorate some minister of good report; at least three-fourths of the members present consenting to the invitation. Due

notice of such meeting must be given to all members either from the pulpit or through the mail.

The pastor shall be the spiritual leader of the church; preach the Gospel; administer the Sacraments; conduct the devotional meetings; and preside at all church meetings where the business is not relating to himself. In case of absence or incapacity of the Pastor the chairman of the Advisory Board shall act as moderator of all business meetings.

The Lord's Supper shall be observed upon the first Lord's Day or Sunday of each month.

DISCIPLINE

The Board of Deacons or the Board of Deaconesses together with the Minister may investigate complaints regarding unchristian conduct of members of the church; remonstrate kindly with the alleged offender, and if there seem grounds for further action may make specific charges of misconduct. Hearing of such charges shall be held at a meeting of the members of the church called for that purpose. If the member so charged is declared guilty by a two-thirds vote of the members present he shall be censured, suspended, or expelled from membership.

AMENDMENTS

These regulations may be changed or added to at any regular business meeting of the church by a majority vote of members present, providing notice has been given from the pulpit for two consecutive Sundays, immediately preceding the meeting.

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There is not a just man upon earth that doeth good, and sinneth not. —Ecclesiastes 7:20.

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

—Romans 3:23.

We are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags. —Isaiah 64:6.

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it? I the Lord search the heart. —Jeremiah 17:9-10.

All we like sheep have gone astray: we have turned everyone to his own way.

—Isaiah 53:6.

Therefore—

Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

—John 3:3.

YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF

For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord.—Isaiah 55:8.

There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

—Proverbs 16:25.

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. —I Corinthians 1:21.

For whosoever shall keep the

whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

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—James 2:10.

Therefore—

By the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in His sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. —Romans 3:20.

**GOD HAS ALREADY PROVIDED
FOR YOUR SALVATION**

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. —John 3:16.

And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ * * * God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them. —II Corinthians 5:18-19.

For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures. — I Corinthians 15:3-4.

Therefore—

By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast.

—Ephesians 2:8-9

**BELIEVE THE RECORD WHICH
GOD HAS GIVEN AND HAVE
EVERLASTING LIFE**

Jesus answered and said unto them: This is the work of God, that ye believe on Him who He hath sent. —John 6:29.

Verily, verily, I say unto you,

He that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

—John 5:24.

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.— I John 5:12. Therefore—

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.—I John 5:13.

YOU MUST CONFESS JESUS AS LORD BEFORE MEN

Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess before My Father which is in heaven; but whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in heaven.

—Matthew 10:32-33.

For whosoever shall be ashamed of Me and of My Words, of him shall the Son of Man be ashamed, when He shall come in His own glory, and in His Father's and of the holy angels. —Luke 9:26. Therefore—

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead thou shalt be saved; for with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

—Romans 10:9-10.

FAITH WHICH SAVES PRO- DUCES GOOD WORKS

What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can

that faith (which he says he has) save him? * * * Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone * * * Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works. —James 2:14-18.

For we (who believe) are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.—Ephesians 2:10.

For it is God that worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.—Philippians 2:13. Therefore—

These things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. —Titus 3:8.

He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

—John 3:18.

It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement.—Hebrews 9:27. But—

He that heareth My Word and believeth on Him (God) that sent Me (Jesus) shall not come into judgement.—John 5:24.

For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.—John 3:17.

Being convinced that I am a sinner, and knowing that "Christ died for my sins, and that God hath raised Him from the dead," I now want to confess Jesus as my Lord before men.

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Total attendance at Bible School the first six months of this year was four thousand and seven of which number five hundred twenty six were visitors. It takes three consecutive Sundays attendance to become a member and five consecutive absences to be dropped from the roll.

Attendance at Bible School last Sunday one hundred sixty. Birthdays celebrated, those of Irene Buck and Fay Douglas.

The Adult Bible Class met last Friday evening at the home of the Kincaids on Hudson drive.

On Sunday afternoon at the church Mr. W. Becker of Cuyahoga Falls gave a very interesting message.

Miss Fern Gahring returned home from Milford, Pa. this past week. She attended Bible School while there.

Mrs. Heisler of Burbon, Indiana is visiting her daughter, Mrs. N. W. Biggs of Cuyahoga Falls. Mrs. Heisler was a visitor at Bible School and church last Sunday. We all love to see her.

Mrs. John Fry recently made a trip to Pontiac, Ill. where she attended the funeral of her mother, who was nearly eighty years of age.

Mr. John Fry, daughter Pansy and Mr. Fry's brother of Akron spent Thanksgiving with his daughter's family, the Maults, of Condit which is near Columbus.

Mrs. Charles Wesley of Home-wood Avenue is in the City Hospital. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Recently the Suttons called on Mr. and Mrs. Oyler, the Rutters and the Frys. They were glad to find Mr. Rutter improving. A call was also made on the Frank Moore family of Diagonal Road. Their daughter Luella is now in Washington, D. C. studying to be a trained nurse in the mission field.

In the CCC Camp where Jimmy Sutton was fighting forest fires this past summer he now reports twenty inches of snow on the level. He is expected home on December 24th after having been gone nearly two years. Dick Murray from the CCC Camp in California, gone nearly a year, is also expected home at the same time.

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New officers and committee chairmen for 1940 are:

Chas. E. Buck, President

W. P. Mills, Vice President.

Guy O. Vough, Secretary-Treasurer.

Committee Chairmen: Fred Sommers, Membership and Publicity.

H. R. Poole, Public Utilities.

Charles Perrine, Safety.

J. C. Russell, Health and Wel-

fare.

A. L. Isenman, Boy Scouts.

Prof. Richard Schmidt, Parks and Playgrounds.

P-T-A

The Parent Teachers Association will meet Tuesday, December 12th, 7:30 p. m. in the Stow High School Auditorium.

An interesting program is planned.

The High School Dramatic Club under the direction of Mr. Clifford will give a Christmas play entitled, "Let There Be Light." Also, the sixth grade chorus will sing.

The second part of the evenings program will be the singing of Christmas carols by the Woman's Choral Group of Cuyahoga Falls. This group is directed by Mrs. E. M. Thorpe.

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