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Evangelist Swanson (right) with Assam Missionary Reuben Holm

"Tiger hunting! That would be an intriguing experience," thought Evangelist Everett Swanson, who

was on an adventurous world missionary tour.

It sounded exciting, but what if the tiger should get him instead of vice versa! Trusting himself to the veteran tiger-hunting missionary, Wilbur Sorley, he climbed up the rugged elephant's back and went crashing through the jungle. Elephants and tigers are jungle friends, hence the safest mode of transportation for such an expedition.

They tied a cow nearby for bait, then crawled up a tree where a platform awaited them for their night's vigil. They waited and waited, peering anxiously into the darkness — but no tigers came to accommodate the traveling conference

37,000 Miles of Adventure

by Hazel Thomson

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On the third of August he flew to Japan, spending two months in evangelistic endeavor with Youth for Christ and visiting all the Conference missionaries in Japan.

Preaching and singing from a mobile unit in Yokohama one night, with his message translated by an "interrupter" (jovially so named because of the frequent interruption by the interpreter), he was thrilled to see nearly one hundred kneel in the dirt on the street and accept Christ. Scenes like this were repeated over and over again in Japan.

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The guide, explaining the meaning of all these religious exercises, was soon challenged by Swanson and his comrades, "But the Bible says so and so," they insisted.

They reasoned with him for an hour and fifteen minutes showing through the Scriptures the fallacy of such heathenish worship. The guide was finally convinced that God's Word was true.

One of the men asked, "Do you now believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God?"

His significant reply was, "If I believe that the Bible is the Word of God, then I am compelled to believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

Then and there he accepted Christ while kneeling on the floor.

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How Everett got into S. Korea

Summers



while in Korea, for without such a guarantee no one can enter Korea and even that is most difficult.

Permission from the government and United Nations Command was finally given, but a wait of two months was necessary.

Other contacts made it possible for him to travel freely from Pusan to Seoul for thirty days.

Swanson spoke in the largest churches crowded with Koreans hungry and eager for the Word. Because of their persecution, (80% of North Korean evangelists, pastors, and Christian have been killed since the World War) they were utterly responsive to the gospel. Just to mention the word heaven to an audience, copious tears would flow.

On numerous occasions he spoke at military schools where officers were in training. From this group some 2,860 men accept Christ. Korean chaplains are averaging 4,000 professions of conversion a month.

He spoke to natives in Korea high in the hills, who had never heard a white man before.

"The tremendous response in Korea," says Swanson, "was the greatest experience in my life."

Wherever he preached, whether in school, hospitals, or churches, there was eager response to the comforting gospel message.

In Manila he preached at Youth rallies and over the five radio stations of the Far Eastern Gospel Broadcasting Company.

And with the General Conference missionaries at Bogo, Cebu Island, midst terrific heat (eight degrees above the equator) he found a good work and response. One Sunday alone he spoke at seven services.

The two days at Formosa he was privileged to be with Dr. Chen, the pastor of Chiang Kai Chek.

He preached to servicemen on the street and there were conversions.

Flying to Hong Kong, where he stayed for four days, speaking to missionaries recently come out of

China, he went as far as the Bamboo Curtain.

Traveling thirty miles to Red China, he proceeded to take pictures when suddenly guards yelled, "Stop him! Stop him!"

They were too late.

With his telephoto lens he had got his pictures, including the red flag!

In the month of November he visited India, preaching in the Carey Baptist Church three times, the church where William Carey, famous missionary, preached and labored for years. He witnessed a baptismal service in the baptistry where Ann and Adonirom Judson were baptized years ago.

It was at Darjeeling, in the Mt. Hermon School, high in the Himalayas, that the Tibetan princess gave her heart to the Lord. Conducting evangelistic services there for three days, a revival broke in the school.

Helen Bergfalk, a Conference missionary, teaches in this school.

Another teacher — of music — who had believed she was a Christian, was wonderfully converted during the revival.

Three weeks in Assam brought him in contact with the Conference missionary work at North Bank, and the eventful tiger hunt.

Conducting services in schools and churches, he had the joy of seeing twelve conversions among them and preaching to a primitive tribe where there were only sixteen Christians.

Making a stop in Ethiopia with Conference missionaries, his preaching resulted in sixteen professions.

But it was time for him to head for home if he wanted to get there for Christmas, so, making brief visits at Rome and London, he crossed the Atlantic via plane, topping off the eventful trip with a terrific storm landing in Laborador instead of Boston.

It had been a fruitful, enterprising adventure for God. **END**

"Christian Science": Christian? Science? What?

a Scriptural Examination

by Editorial Committee, Religion Analysis Service

ACCORDING TO one old Puritan preacher, "There is probably some little fragment of truth in every religion of error because man is so imperfect in all his work that he could not invent a complete error."

God hates a mixture. (Lev. 19: 19, Deut. 22:9-11; Rev. 3:15, 16). Satan, the originator of every deceptive religion, loves to mix truth and error. But truth mixed with error is deadly poison, the little truth therein being Satan's bait. Christian Science is one of the Great Deceiver's masterpieces. Let us "give the devil his due" acknowledging that Christian Science has certain good features, though it has no exclusive claim to these features.

Christian Science emphasizes the virtue of self mastery. Stoic philosophy does the same. Both teach that a sufferer should lie regarding pain to bolster his own morale. But the Bible says, "Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ" (II Tim. 2:3).

Christian Science recognizes the power of the mind over the body. The knowledge of this principle is far older than Christian Science; but because Christian Scientists have so over-emphasized it, modern physicians are increasingly interested in psychology and psychiatry. This is well, because too many persons have been drugged to death.

God's Word says, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine" (Prov. 17:22). We have now paid all the tribute possible to Christian Science.

As for healings attributed to Christian Science, we have two things to say. First, most of these are of nervous disorders, and could have been effected by a reliable psychiatrist, or even by the individual (Christian) patient aided only by God. "He careth for you" (I Pet. 5:7).

Second, because Christian Science is of the devil, a cure is no proof that a philosophy is from God. Satan's power is to be recognized, but shunned.

Christian Science is false in its inception; unscientific in its "science"; unchristian in its doctrines. It is neither Christian nor Science. Before examining its principles, let us look at its pedigree. How did it originate?

Mrs. Mary Baker-Glover-Patterson-Eddy, born in New Hampshire, asserted that she "discovered" it, that the Christian Church had been left without guidance to the true interpretation of the Scriptures until she was raised up. But Mrs. Eddy was indebted for her "discovery" to a "Dr." Phineas Quimby, mesmerist and hypnotist, who taught that disease is a delusion. Quimby died in 1865. The following year Mrs. Eddy claimed to have received

a revelation from God, and she produced her book, "Science and Health."

Her therapeutic teachings show influence of Quimby and Mesmer, but her theological teachings show gnostic and pagan influence. Pandita Ramabai, high caste Brahmin widow and the most distinguished native Christian of India at the time of her death in 1922, during a visit to the United States, said of the "new philosophy" — Christian Science:

"I recognized it as the pagan philosophy taught among my people for 4,000 years. As I was born and educated in this philosophy, having taken my degree of Pandita in it, I am acquainted with both its literature and its source of Mrs. Eddy's "revelation."

Let us now examine the principles of the system, first from the scientific, and then from the theological side. We quote from the writings of Mrs. Eddy, using, unless otherwise stated, the 1934 edition of "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" — a key that locks, rather than unlocks.

According to Christian Science, fatigue is purely mental. "If it were not for what the human mind says of the body, the body, like the inanimate wheel, would never be weary" (p. 218). "Heat and cold are products of mortal mind" (p. 374). "Food neither strengthens nor weakens the body" (1899 ed., p. 118). "When the unthinking lobster loses its claw, the claw grows again. If the science of life were understood . . . the human limb would be replaced as readily as the lobster's claw" (p. 489). "Proportionately as human generation ceases, the unbroken links of eternal, harmonious being will be spiritually discerned; and man not of the earth earthly, but coexistent with God, will appear" (p. 68). "Man is never sick, for Mind is not sick and matter cannot be" (p. 393). "In Science, no breakage, or dislocation can really occur" (p. 402). "Man is the same

after as before a bone is broken or the body guillotined" (p. 427). "The body cannot die" (p. 426).

If the above quotations will suffice to prove that Christian Science is unscientific, the following will convince any honest mind that the system is as utterly unchristian. Christian Science teaches: "The material record of the Bible . . . is no more important to our well-being than the history of Europe and America" (Misc. Writings, p. 170). But see I Tim. 3:16, 17.

C. S. calls God "Principle" (p. 465). But see John 4:24; Heb 1:3.

Concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, C. S. says, "The virgin-mother conceived this idea of God, and gave to her ideal the name of Jesus" (p. 29). But see Luke 1:30, 31; John 1:14; Col. 2:9; II John 7.

C. S. says, "Christ never died . . . The fleshly Jesus seemed to die, though did not" (Unity of Good, p. 62). "Jesus' students . . . saw him after his crucifixion and learned that he had not died" (pp. 45, 46). But see Rom. 5:6-8; 14:9 Rev. 1:18.

C. S. says, "The eternal Christ never suffered" (p. 38). But see I Pet. 3:18.

C. S. says, "The material blood of Jesus was no more efficacious to cleanse from sin when it was shed upon 'the accursed tree' than when it was flowing in his veins as he went daily about his Father's business" (p. 25). But see Heb. 9:22; Eph. 1:7.

Equally blasphemous is this statement concerning the third Person of the Godhead: "Divine Science (is) the Comforter, the Holy Ghost that leadeth into all truth" (Misc. Writings p. 174). But the Bible teaches that the Holy Spirit is a person. See John 16:7, 8, 13.

C. S. denies the fact of a personal devil. But see John 8:44; II Cor. 11:14.

Among other pernicious teachings, C. S. says, "Man is incapable of sin, sickness and death" (p. 475). But see Rom. 3:23; I John 1:8.

C. S. says, "Divine Principle never pardons our sins or mistakes till they are corrected" (p. 11). But see Eph. 4:32.

C. S. says, "Final deliverance is not reached through paths of flowers, nor by pinning one's faith without works to another's vicarious effort" (p. 22). But see Rom. 4:5; Eph. 2:8, 9; II Tim. 1:9.

C. S. says, "Prayer is not to be used as a confessional" (p. 5). But see Ps. 32:5; Phil. 4:6, 7.

C. S. says, "Heaven is not locality, but a divine state of mind" (p. 291). But see John 14:2, 3.

C. S. says, "Hell (is) mortal belief . . . self-imposed agony" (p. 588).

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Are you endangered by Christian Science, "falsely so-called"? It is a "liar" and "deceiver" portrayed in I John 2:21, 22 and II John 7, and would rob you of salvation. Come, rather, to the Lord Jesus Christ, the real Savior for real sinners, through faith in His real death and His real resurrection. Only so, shall you escape a real hell and reach a real heaven.

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Two weeks from today:
"UNITY Is Not For You"

Salt of The Earth

by Elise Fraser

PART SIX

As Bill drove into the Matthews road, all looked serene and quiet. The barn and corral were reached from a back road some distance from the Matthews home. A long line of eucalyptus trees bordered the road, acting as a wind-break, sheltering the yard. Bill drove directly to the milking wing of the barn. It was empty except for the shiny new Whiz-Biz installation. There was no sign of the Jiffy. Jerry had evidently carted it away. Bill began to unload the portables.

There was a phone in the barn connected with the house. If Mrs. Matthews were away! Bill waited, then breathed with relief when he heard her voice. Quickly he told her what had happened. "I'll come over to the barn, Bill."

Bill had no sooner hung up than he heard Lon snarl, "What you doing here? Get out of this barn. For

two cents I'd knock your block off."

Bill regarded him coolly, "You and who else?"

Lon's arm darted out, his fist doubled. Bill stepped back. He was more than a match for Lon of the slight figure and the weak mouth, but he had no wish to come to blows.

"What's the meaning of this, Lon?" Mrs. Matthews stood looking at the Whiz-Biz installation, her eyes blazing with anger.

"Don put me in charge," Lon said defiantly. "I'm the herdsman here."

"You're not the herdsman any longer. You're through," Mrs. Matthews returned.

"I don't believe it," Lon replied. "My job is to milk these cows, the best and the fastest way. I'm doing it."

"You're fired, Lon. Mr. Matthews telegraphed to say so."

"You can't fire me," Lon snarled,
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This Week With THE Book

EPHESIANS

In the letter to the Ephesians, Paul emphasizes the unity of the church and the oneness of Jews and Gentiles in Christ. To Paul, Christ was One in whom there is room for all men, and who has the power to solve all the problems of mankind.

Monday, July 7

Ephesians 1

NOTE THE STATEMENTS CONCERNING the believer's position in grace—our redemption and forgiveness in preparation for the day when He will gather all things unto Himself — God's eternal purpose for His saints. Verses 16-23 emphasize the need for prayer in our lives.

Tuesday, July 8

Ephesians 2, James 2:17-29

ONCE GOD'S PEOPLE consisted of only one nation — the Jews, but now the call from God rings clear and strong to all peoples, by His matchless grace and through faith — the free gift of God.

Wednesday, July 9

Ephesians 3

ALL NATIONS are heirs to the promises which God gave to the Jews, which the Jews had hitherto

considered solely for themselves. This phase of God's plan had been hid until Christ's coming and now is revealed, leaving no distinction between Jew and Gentile.

Thursday, July 10

Ephesians 4

THE CHURCH is one body, with Christ the head, and love its basic principle; but the different parts of the body have different functions and abilities. The believer has certain obligations in his walk with Christ. Verses 30-32.

Friday, July 11

Ephesians 5

PAUL CONTINUES the obligations of the believer to live differently from the former life — to live a life of love and purity in all areas of life, business, social and domestic.

Saturday, July 12

Ephesians 6

THE CHRISTIAN wars against powers in the unseen world against which we are powerless save through Christ. Truth, faith, righteousness, peace, salvation, the Word, and prayer are our weapons.

Sunday, July 13

Acts 19, 20:17-38

PAUL'S MISSIONARY journey to Ephesus and the founding of the church there — perhaps the most marvelous work of Paul's life, for Ephesus rapidly became the leading center of the Christian world.

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"without a month's notice. It's in the contract."

"Get busy then and prepare the cows," Bill ordered. "We're using these Jiffy portables."

Lon sputtered, then grudgingly complied.

When the milking was completed,

Mrs. Matthews said, "I feel very nervous with Lon on the ranch, Bill. No knowing what he'll do. I'm afraid for the Jerseys."

Bill considered. "I don't think Lon will cause any more trouble. But if you'd be more comfortable, I don't mind sleeping out here."

"In the barn?" Mrs. Matthews sounded shocked.

"Why not? Hay makes a good bed."

"I'd be a lot more comfortable. Bill, if you would," Mrs. Matthews admitted, "but it's a lot to ask of you."

"Nonsense. I can keep busy. I might as well start ripping out the Whiz-Biz."

"Bill, you're the salt of the earth," Mrs. Matthews said fervently. "I'll never forget this. As soon as I get back to the house, I'll send out a good dinner for you."

"I can eat it all right," Bill replied. "I'm hungry."

Bill was drinking his coffee when the phone in the barn gave a tingle.

"It's Cynthia, Bill. There's a full page ad in the NEWS showing the Whiz-Biz installation on Don's ranch, and a big headline: DON MATTHEWS INSTALLS WHIZ-BIZ. Then it goes on and on about Don's famous Jersey herd . . . and about the Whiz-Biz superiority."

Bill was stunned. Jerry Holt worked fast. But Bill decided he could work just as fast. "Listen, Cynthia. Could you load the truck with a Jiffy outfit and drive out here tomorrow morning?"

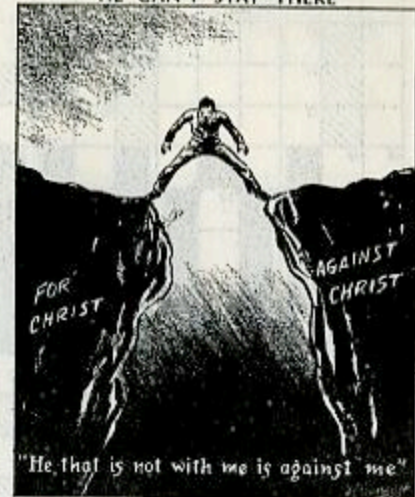
Quickly Bill listed the equipment he'd need.

Cynthia sounded worried. "I don't think we have that many units."

"You'll have to use the units we ordered for Edwards," Bill said. "We've got to get this installation back in a hurry. How early can you come tomorrow morning?"

"I'll come tonight," Cynthia said.

HE CAN'T STAY THERE



Like Cartoons?

ALMOST EVERYONE enjoys a good cartoon, and it's surprising how long its image sticks in one's mind, impressing its message. Truly Christian cartoons are not numerous, but one man whose pen is producing them regularly is C. L. Ramsay of Springfield, Mo. Watch for Ramsay cartoons every Sunday in YOUTH TODAY, beginning with this issue.

"As soon as I can get everything together."

"Good girl. Say, bring my camera, too, will you? I want to get some good shots of the new Jiffy installation. Maybe we can get a full page ad in tomorrow night's NEWS."

"Okay, Bill."

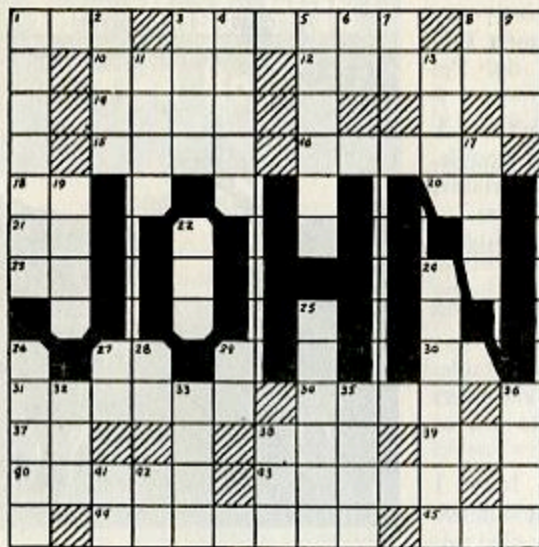
It was almost midnight when Cynthia reached the Matthews ranch. "I took a wrong turn in the road back there, Bill, lost about thirty minutes."

"You're a heroine to come at this hour, Cynthia."

"Pooh! Why shouldn't I?"

"I'll work all night on this, Cynthia. Maybe I can get it ready by morning. But if not, I'll use the

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THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Luke 1

ACROSS

- 1 "brought forth a . . ." :57
- 3 "and they . . . him Zacharias" :59
- 8 Exclamation of triumph
- 10 Third son of Simeon Gen. 46:10
- 12 "And his mouth was . . . immediately" :64
- 14 "wrote, saying, His . . . is John" :63
- 15 Level
- 16 "they made . . . to his father" :62
- 18 National Guard (abbr.)
- 20 East Indies (abbr.)
- 21 Grain (abbr.)
- 23 Compass point
- 27 Territorial Army (abbr.)
- 30 "his mother answered and said, Not . . ." :60
- 31 "To give knowledge of salvation unto his . . ." :77
- 34 "thou shalt go before the . . . of the Lord" :76
- 37 Capital of Moab Num. 21:15
- 38 Small stack of grain or hay
- 39 Narrow inlet
- 40 Apprehended as true
- 43 "heard how the Lord had shewed . . . mercy upon her" :58
- 44 "shalt be called the . . . of the Highest" :76
- 45 Ground

DOWN

- 1 "all these . . . were noised abroad" :65
- 2 "There is . . . of thy kindred that is called by this name" :61
- 3 "And fear . . . on all" :63
- 4 Edens (var.)
- 5 "and his tongue . . ." :64
- 6 Epistle (abbr.)
- 7 Doctor of Entomology (abbr.)
- 8 "but . . . shall be called John" :60
- 9 Poem
- 11 "prophets, which . . . been since the world began" :70
- 13 Four and five
- 17 "by the remission of their . . ." :77
- 19 "the child . . . and waxed strong in spirit" :80
- 22 "and they rejoiced with . . ." :58
- 24 "and was in the . . . till the day of his showing" :80
- 25 "In holiness and righteousness . . . him" :75
- 26 "and he . . . and praised God" :64
- 27 " . . . prepare his ways" :76
- 28 Apostle (abbr.)
- 29 "What manner of child shall this . . ." :66
- 32 Sea eagle (var.)
- 33 Cotton fabric
- 35 Aid
- 36 "And the . . . of the Lord was with him" :66
- 38 Cape of Good Hope (abbr.)
- 41 Opera (abbr.)
- 42 Water Reserve (abbr.)

Solution to Previous Puzzle



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portables again."

"Do you think the Jiffy company can still use Don's herd for advertising?" Cynthia asked.

Bill nodded. "Every milking made with the Jiffy."

Cynthia sighed with relief. "Do you think Don will still make his record?"

"Sure. Why not?"

Bill was busy unloading the truck. When the last of the equipment was taken out he said, "Cynthia, why don't you stay with Mrs. Matthews tonight? She's rather nervous after Lon's actions."

"If there's a light in the house,

I'll stop by and see if she wants me," Cynthia replied. "But I'll have to get down to the store early in the morning."

It was Mrs. Matthews who brought Bill's breakfast to him the next morning. She stood at the entrance of the milking barn, her eyes shining. Then she touched one of the all-steel units of the Jiffy. "Looks nice and familiar, Bill."

Bill grinned. "Sort of fits the place, eh?"

"Did you get any sleep at all, Bill?" Mrs. Matthews asked.

"No. But it's worth it, don't you think?"

"It's wonderful, Bill. I don't know how Don can ever repay you."

"Well, after all, this is my business you know."

"And you are diligent in it, Bill. The Lord will bless you."

"Did Cynthia stay with you last night?" Bill asked.

"Yes. But she left at an unearthly hour this morning. About six, I believe."

Bill smiled. He believed Cynthia loved the business as much as he did.

It was about nine that morning that Bill received a telephone call from Cynthia. "A telegram from the Jiffy company just came, Bill. Mr. Blunt and a couple of other men are coming to Big Oaks today. Evidently Jerry Holt sent them a copy of last night's ad."

Bill grinned. "Good. Let them come. I've got the Jiffy practically ready, and Don Matthews ought to be home today."

When Cynthia drove up with Mr. Blunt, Mr. Gregory and Mr. Douglas from the Jiffy Company, Bill was taking some expert shots of the new Jiffy installation.

The men were just getting out of the car when a taxi drove up, bringing Don from the airport.

Cynthia had explained the situation to Mr. Blunt and his companions as they drove out to Don's ranch. Then it seemed that everyone was talking at once, explaining to Don what had happened.

Don put a hand on Bill's shoulder. "I can always depend on Bill Felton," he said, turning to the Jiffy officials.

Mr. Blunt pocketed the films. "I'll get some prints made on these. We'll get a full page ad in the NEWS refuting Holt's ad."

Don with Mr. Gregory and Mr. Douglas set off for Lon Neff's cottage. "I'll give Lon a month's salary to get rid of him," Bill heard Don say. "Chances are that Jerry Holt bribed him to put in the Whiz-Biz. He's a weak sort of a fellow, dis-

question box

● Should a born-again grocery or cafe owner sell tobacco because it is expected of him?

—Minnesota

BEING NO MERCHANTS OURSELVES, it is easy for you and me to judge; but I find that Christian businessmen who do sacrifice some trade by choosing the way of clearest testimony, find abundant spiritual — and sometimes material — compensations. The reward principle in such matters is something like that for tithing — provable not mathematically and experientially.

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satisfied with his wages, ready to make quick money."

Cynthia and Bill stood together watching the men as they walked across the yard. Then Cynthia turned to Bill, "You saved Corby Hardware as well as Don's record and Jiffy's advertising, Bill. How about that partnership?"

"Purely business?" Bill asked wistfully.

Cynthia colored.

Bill put a hand under her chin, meeting her eyes. "I love you, Cynthia," he whispered.

"I love you, Bill."

Gently he kissed her. "A business for the Lord and a marriage in the Lord. What more could a man ask?"

Later Don Matthews said, "You know, Bill, I sort of wonder if old Cyrus didn't pray this courtship into being?"

Bill looked surprised.

"Cyrus loved you as a son, Bill. He was a great man, Cyrus Corby was. Salt of the earth." END



Light in the Dark

BY VIRGINIA F. MATSON

"Oops! I'M SORRY!" The dark-haired girl stopped suddenly as she bumped into someone on the patterned paths of the garden.

"Why don't you look where you're going!" a petulant masculine voice cried out. "Can't you see I'm blind?"

"Come along here; Prince will get us both back to where we belong."

"You mean, you're in darkness just like I am?"

"I am blind but not in darkness . . ." Ida Lou Brooks without hesitation led Louis Piccioli back with her to the headquarters building on the grounds of the Seeing-Eye Dog foundation near Princeton, New Jersey.

At that moment neither of them realized that this strange meeting was to be the beginning of an unusual romance and conversion for Louis to Christ.

Ida Lou had lost her sight when a child three years old as the result of spinal meningitis. Her childhood

was further clouded by the fact that her only brother had lost his hearing. But a devoted sister who was a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute patiently helped the two afflicted children, and before she became the bride of Norman B. Harrison could rejoice that she had led Ida out of the darkness of sin into the blessed knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Harrisons then were instrumental in getting Ida a Seeing-Eye dog that she might carry on a special personal evangelism in spite of her affliction. One of the first results of Ida's ministry with her dog was the chance meeting with Louis Piccioli, recently blinded by running into a rosebush. A Roman Catholic, Louis found Ida's remark about being blind but not in darkness startling. But with her patience and understanding of his affliction which was too new for him to accept with resignation, he became willing to hear more of the One who said,

"I am the Light of the world; he that followeth after me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

"And you believe that?" Louis asked, a new note of hope in his voice.

"I do. And it is the most wonderful thing that ever happened to me."

"I think that you are the most wonderful thing that ever happened to me," Louis exclaimed. Shortly after he accepted the Lord as his personal Savior, Louis and Ida were married.

Both of them attended the Philadelphia Bible Institute and are now engaged in a wonderful life together in the Lord.

"How wonderful it is!" the Picciolis declare. "Though unable to see, we can walk in His light and never again shall know *real* darkness." END



GOD GUIDES our steps as well as our steps.