MANY ARE THE RACKETS

In the eighth chapter of the Book of Acts we have the story of one Simon who used sorcery and bewitchery for his personal gain. Simeon was converted, baptized and followed the Disciples. So one day Simeon saw that by the laying on of the apostles hands the Holy Spirit descended on the baptized believers. Now this one Simeon remembered his old cunning, lo here was a chance to commercialize in religion, so he offered Simeon Peter money desiring to buy this spiritual gift and thereby profit by it. Now Simeon had come along pretty good, he was making religious progress in his life, but his vein of religion was thin and lo here it crops out and disappears. Poor Simeon probably he had never read in Jewish history how the two servants of Elisha slipped around the bend in the road after Naaman the Syrian captain had dipped seven times in the Jordan River and was healed of his leprosy, and how Elisha had spurned pay for his part in the miracle, but how the servants ran after Naaman seeking profit and how the curse of Naaman's leprosy fell upon the servants. No Simeon had never read or else he had forgotten the episode. In a word, Simeon's religion ran into a racket. So it has been down thru the centuries the good of many useful men has been ruined by the racket that burned within them. A mighty man was Simeon but he wanted to adulterate pure religion and make it a racket. I wonder how many preachers shift about from parish to parish, too lazy to acquire new sermons, saying they go to the hills for their wife's health or to the country for the good of the children, only to reverse the order every three or four years. My brethren know ye not that the ministry can become a racket, that the high calling of the servants of Christ can lose its power and its contact with Heaven. Great revivals that burned like bonfires and illuminated the very heavens have died down and almost ceased to be; and why? Largely because the revival program run into the racket, yes! It became a racket. Able men, good singers, fine programs, but it was often mechanical, and frequently after the meeting was over the church found itself deader than it was before. Now if God had actuated the church folk, if the urge of the Holy Spirit had moved the brethren and good people of the parish had heard His Voice and squared themselves to the task, then the church or any church, at any time would reap a harvest of souls.

My church, wake up, is it not possible that the whole program drift into the dreaded state of a racket, just formal, observing the customs of the fathers but having lost the Spirit of Christ. Let us look about us then; is our singing just observing the notes or is it indeed, the overflow of joy within. Is our teaching a mere rambling over the lesson or is it an opportunity to present Christ? Is our church life a social satisfaction or is it a spiritual fort in the time of trouble? Is the Bible School orchestra just so much entertainment or does it strike conviction into the hearts of boys and girls? Beware my good people lest after
our much bustle and ado we slip and become a racket.

Geo. M. Hulme

BIBLE STUDY LESSON
May 3

THE DAY OF ACCLAIM

Golden Text—Blesed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Mark 11:9.

Palm Sunday is the beginning of what we observe as Holy Week, or the last week of Christ's life on earth. Normally the last week of a man's life is uneventful; he is aged, or too ill to accomplish much. With Jesus it was quite different, inasmuch as a large part of the gospel is devoted to the happenings of his last week.

Proceeding toward Jerusalem, two of the disciples were sent to bring back a colt which they would find tied. If any questioned them, they were to reply "The Lord hath need of him." With no hesitation the disciples performed this unusual task and Jesus, mounting the colt, rode on to Jerusalem, thus fulfilling the prophecy of Zech. 9:9.

In the East, the ass is a livelier animal and quite stately when adorned with royal trappings. The judges of Israel rode on white asses. The horse was foreign to Palestine, having been imported from Egypt principally for purposes of war, whereas the ass symbolized peace.

Multitudes came to meet the little procession, waving the palms of triumph, casting their garments on the ground before Him, and singing again and again the Hosanna of David's psalm. They believed they were ushering the long-awaited Messiah and King to an earthly throne.

At a certain point in the road, the great city of Jerusalem with its temple was spread out before

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them like a magnificent painting, at which Jesus began to weep bitterly. He loved this city, but its rulers and religious leaders had rejected his offer of salvation, and he foresaw the utter destruction that would follow—not one stone would remain upon another.

Hazel Gillam

TEXT SERMON


"13—And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs."

Rev. Hulme explained that threescore furlong was 7½ miles and used the Moffat translation for a portion of the text which read, "Did not our hearts glow within us as he talked with us on the road, opening up the scriptures for us."

When a fire burns low the heat becomes intense from the glow.

The average heart is sad and heavy. Why? One man steals. Why? Onother drinks, and another refuses to come to church. Why? Because the average heart is sad and heavy, that is why.

The average church is a cold proposition and the minister is expected to warm the whole group.

The average heart is a cold affair. No one thinks or does come to church an hour early on Sunday morning to pray for the minister.

The two men on the road from Emmanus to Jerusalem were heavy hearted, they had lost their Lord. The thing that caused them to be glad was meeting one called Jesus along the road and the walk and talk with him made a great change in them. In that same hour they reversed and were going back the 7½ miles and had a hallelujah meeting. They had had heavy hearts but talking with their Lord had made them glad, had made their hearts glow.

How then can we have this glow in the church? First, by keeping the youth, the young folks, in the church, have plenty of singing, develop the spiritual life of the members, our own spiritual lives, prayer and talking with our Lord.

These two men on the road were lifted up by talking with Jesus, their hearts were made glad, their lives glowed.

PEARL DAVIS, Reporter

CHOIR NOTES

Last Sunday the choir sang "Still, Still with Thee", with "Bill" Large carrying the bass solo. Another special number by the choir was "Dear to the Heart of the Shepherd."

BUSINESS MEETING

This Friday evening, May 1st, is the time for the regular church night business meeting. A hot dish supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. The business meeting will follow. Rev. Hulme desires that all members should be present.

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This is a picture of Mr. Davis, our Bible School Supt. and Mrs. Foote, Supt. of the Primary Dept. They were talking over Bible School affairs when we persuaded them to have their picture snapped last Sunday.

SUGAR RATIONING
Get your cards for sugar rationing at Stow Town Hall on May 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th from 1:30 to 9 o'clock p.m. Take care of this matter as soon as possible. It would be nice not to wait until the last minute of the last day to get your card.

MITE BOXES
This next Sunday May 3rd mite boxes are again due. Remember to bring them in.

PIE PLANT PETE COMING
Remember the date, May 11—The mothers of the two Stow Boy Scout troops 158 and 167 will sponsor a program at the High School auditorium Monday, May 11 at 8 p.m. in which Pie Plant Pete will give a 2-hour entertainment with ten local talent numbers thrown in for good measure. Be there with all your friends May 11.
Admission—Adults 40c; Children, 20c.

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP CLEANUP CAMPAIGN
The annual clean-up days for this year will be May 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9th.
On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 5th and 6th, the township trucks will collect rubbish in the territory lying north of Kent road and west of the Hudson road as far north and including Ritchie road.
On Thursday and Friday, May 7th and 8th, collections will be made in the territory north of Kent road and east of Hudson road as far north as Fish Creek road, and east to the township line.
On Saturday, May 9th, collections will be made in the territory south of Kent road to the Mun-

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**NOTICE**

Calcium chloride can be obtained by the Township Trustees at $1.00 per bag, providing we get enough orders to buy a minimum of 450 sacks.

All residents wanting chloride should get their orders in at once by calling Mr. Chipps, WA-9731, or Mr. Traxler, OV-8960.

If orders for a carload cannot be had the price will be $1.35 per bag.

Township Trustees.

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**LETTER**

(Editor's Note: This is a type of letter which we are always glad to receive. Maybe the minister would like to read it too.)

Mr. H. J. Stockman, Stow, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find the subscription for your valuable little paper. The first article by Rev. Hulme is well worth the price alone. Please excuse my negligence in not answering sooner as I intended to after our pleasant meeting at my sister's last June 8. Yours respectfully.

Harriet Smith

Peninsula 4-20-1942

“Memory—the thing one forgets with.”

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PERSONALS

FOR SALE: One electric five-deck battery brooder. Call OV-8870. W. F. Carlisle. (adv.)

Visitors at the C. C. Bush home on Elmwood last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adams of Akron.

FOR SALE: Fordson Tractor, also Ford V-8 truck. A Skibiski, corner Sanford and Elm Roads, or call OV-3378. (adv.)

Mr. and Mrs. Weyrick of West Arndale Road drove over to Berea last Sunday to visit Mr. Weyrick’s sister.

Garden plowing, fitting and mowing with Allis Chalmers tractor. Cash. Louis Griggy, Ritchie Road, Stow. (adv.)

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lockwood and children, Paul, Jean and David visited Mrs. Lockwood’s sister in Erie, Pa. last Sunday.

For Plowing, land fitting, cow manure, top soil, call Melvin Thomas, WA-5069. Raise a VICTORY garden this year! (Adv.)

Mrs. D. M. Oberlen and children Herbert and Judy of Kenmore were visitors at the Gillam home on Elmwood last Saturday.

For Sale: Mixed gladiolus bulbs 50c per 100. Choice Dahlia bulbs 5c each and up. Also Banty eggs for hatching. Come afternoons. Fred Coate;, Homewood Ave., Johnson Allotment, Stow. (Adv.)

Glenrose Ballis of Stow, Ray Ballis of Kenmore and Bill Stoffer of Cuyahoga Falls visited relatives at Corning, Ohio, last Saturday.


Lawn mowers sharpened and repaired, Segelhorst, 734 Hudson Road, Stow. OV-8275. (Adv.)

Mrs. Chas. Fischer of Houston, Texas, is visiting this week at the home of Mrs. Fischer’s parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Anderson, Vira Road. Mr. Fischer is in the Air Corps at Ellington Field, Houston, Texas.

GARDEN PLOWING and Fitting with Tractor. Cash J. G. Etter, 227 Marhofer Ave. Phone OV-8845. (Adv.)

Last Sunday morning Miss Sunya Thayer favored us with a saxophone solo at Bible school. It was on Saturday, April 18th at Berea, Ohio, that she won “superior rating” at the Northern Ohio High School Music Contest. On May 9th she will play in the Columbus All State Contest. Sunya is a member of the Stow High School Band and the Community Church Orchestra.

Public Auction: 1:00 P. M. Tuesday, May 5th at Earl Bradley farm, Stow, Aurora Road, Route 106. Farm tools, tractor and numerous other useful articles. The bill in full will be in daily paper. (adv.)

Correction: It was the Ladies Auxiliary of Roger Moore Post in place of the Post who presented flags to the grade school room on Wednesday of last week. Exercises were held at 2:30 p. m. around the flagpole. The invocation was by Rev. Gregory. The speaker was Mrs. Edgar D. Long of Cuyahoga Falls.

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Mr. Frank Sansic of Paradise Park Road ill last Saturday to attend work on Sunday. In Mr. Sansic’s home which turns, three sons and Rudy are in a fourth son for the Atlas Powder Co.

NOTICE: Some people seem to have the impression that “Larro” feeds its chickens with “Larro” feed. This is a mistake. We would have you handle BOTH FEED and “Larro” Feed coo us. Baugham “Bob” Brown, week to Staff Sen en leave last Sun at Indian Gap tion in Pennsylvania wither “Bill” Carribbean Sea off the coast of ing guard Uncle. These boys Mr. and Mrs. Ch Elmwood Ave., Stron FOR SALE: machine, two beauty vanities, a good piano, bird cage “Perfection” No. 525 “Kam stove, portable son and Ball ja pints, cheap. These household goods son Road, Stow.

Frederick A. of Paradise Park living in Akron, for a visit in Taylor who is a Community Church enough of our lil
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Theatre of Ritchie's family and unable to better on Uncle Sam's farm, while Jr. works at a war pro-

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SOLDIERS' LETTERS

(Editor's Note: Letters from soldiers are always welcome. Everybody likes to read them. Keep them coming.)

Trinidad, April 19, 1942
Mr. Stockman:
Just a line to let you know that my address has changed, and I would appreciate it if you would continue to send the C. C. News to my new address.

I was terribly sorry to hear of Dick Scott's misfortune. Would you please give the Scott family my deepest sympathy. After this argument is over I will miss Scotty a great deal as he and I were always pretty close friends.

I will close for now looking forward to receiving some more copies of the C. C. News.

Still just one of the boys.
Pvt. Dick DeLaney
309th Mat. Sqdn. A.P.O. 803
Waller Field
Trinidad B. W. I.

Howard Field C. Z.
April 21, 1942
H. J. Stockman, Stow, Ohio
Dear Sir:
I want to again thank everyone who makes it possible for me to receive the C. C. paper. I received
my latest one tonight and as always started hunting for the page having letters that the service men write and send in.

Panama is rather interesting but I will take good old Ohio. I pal around with an Akron boy most of the time but have many swell friends from most of the States.

Well I will close now hoping to see my old friends in Stow real soon.

Yours truly,
Sgt. John Frame

April 21, 1942

Dear Friends:

I suppose there are a great many of my old friends who have forgotten me, as I’ve been away from Stow since February 1941. I hope that some of them will drop me a line occasionally and keep me posted as to the latest happenings in and around Stow. The old place used to seem backward and not to my liking when I lived there, but now, I’ll have to admit, it’s memory really has a soft spot in my heart.

I wish to express my deepest sympathies to those of my acquaintance who have lost their boys in the service. The rest of us are here to make up for their losses, and, believe me, we’ll certainly do it.

Since joining the Air Corps last February, I’ve been posted at Kelly Field, Texas for 3 weeks, Chanute Field, Illinois for six months and the rest of the time at Luke Field, Phoenix, Arizona, except for the past three months, which I’ve spent in Air Corps Technical School, here at Denver. While at Chanute, I attended Air Mechanics school and graduated on September 13th.

Fields on which there are schools, are not as easy as others. Luke Field is an advanced training base, where there is no bed check, curfew, or restrictions. A man has quite a lot of liberty. However, both Lowry and Chanute Fields make it difficult for a man to be able to say that he enjoys the life of a soldier.

I graduate from Lowry on April 25th, and will return to Luke Field as soon as possible. My wife, formerly Miss Martha Saiben, of North Hill, is a civil service employee on Luke Field. She has been there while I’ve been to school, working in the Base Hospital, as senior stenographer.

There are no restrictions of any kind, prohibiting a man from having his car with him, so tell the boys who will leave soon, that
they need not sell their cars before induction.

I sincerely appreciate the C. C. News, and in the future, send it to the new address at the close of this letter.

Well, since the Air Corps is still part of the army, I have to go stand formation at 11:00, so must run. Those who know army ways, know how it is to stand formation.

Sincerely,
Sgt. Glenn S. Cork
550th School Squadron
Luke Field, Arizona

Tues., Apr. 21, 1942
Dear Mr. Stockman:
I have been meaning to write to you for the last five or six weeks but I have never quite found time. I have been receiving the Community Church News for sometime now, and I really get a great deal out of it. I like to hear about what the folks at home are doing and even more what the fellows in camp are doing. If the folks at home like to read about what we are doing half as much as we like to hear about them and the other fellows, they will never let you quit writing it. Jack Beckley and I have been together ever since we left Stow. We were together in Columbus and we are only about two or three tents apart here. There are also some other boys from close around Stow, there is one, a James Gour from Tallmadge, a Herman Dockus from Copley, and Pat Lenihan from Barberton, then there are hundreds of others from Ohio, and I know quite a few of them now.

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a week. We sleep 8 to a tent with double deck cots. In my tent there are 4 Ohio boys and 4 Texas boys. I belong to the 142nd Inf. 36th Div. which originally was an all Texas organization, now there are as many Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and West Virginia boys in it as there are Texans.

This Friday we will complete our basic training period and we'll join our regular companies for more advanced training, then it will really get rough. So far it has seemed like a vacation, and I would not mind it at all if only I could hear from more of my old friends and see all of them once in a while.

Jack and I are in the Infantry and unless we get transferred we will carry a rifle and the trimmings that go with it. I know that none of the fellows like it very well in here but I also know that they will be glad to have had a part in forever wiping out the Germans and the Japs. I hope that my buddies Bob and Bill Brown, Bus Olson, Aaron Metz. Harold Kiser, Eugene Thompson, Norman Nesbit, Jim Graner and all the rest will meet at home again after this is all over.

Thanking you again for the paper, a very loyal reader—
Pvt. Robert E. Green

Camp Polk, Louisiana
April 24, 1942

My Dear Mr. Stockman:
This is a notice telling you that I have once again had my address changed. I have been transferred from tanks and guns to office work. I am now working in the Finance Office of the Third Armored Division. My address is as follows:
Pvt. Kenneth M. Lambert,
Service Company
Third Armored Division
Camp Polk, Louisiana

I am going to write you a long letter in the near future. Until then “Keep 'Em Flying.”
Pvt. Kenneth M. Lambert

EDITOR’S NOTE: It looks as if Pvt. Lambert will be delayed in getting a crack at the Japs with tanks and machine guns. However, we believe he will really be of more value to his

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country in doing Finance Office work. You know, he used to work in the office of the First Central Trust Co. in Akron.

GARDENING

This week I shall discuss with you the matter of war gardens and the part they can play in our total effort for survival and victory. Recently we were asked at school to take two days to discuss the matter and I was unpleasantly surprised to find how ignorant many high school students were about gardening and how indifferent some of them were.

Here we are in the midst of a terrible war, cut off by a powerful and ruthless enemy from most of our rubber and much of our tin, both important materials in canning. We have come to depend on the tin can for a large portion of our daily vegetables, fruits and meat. Sugar, another essential in canning is also scarce and will not be available in the usual quantity.

So we are faced with a problem. Fortunately we have a partial solution close at hand. The amount of unused land available for vegetable growing is large in Stow, much of it growing weeds and briars at the present time, adding to the very serious menace of grass fires. No doubt the average owner of unused lots would be only too willing to have them used if only to keep them from growing up in rubbish. Briar patches usually are very fertile and mellow.

However, the time is here to start, and planning must not be longer delayed. I believe if I were to start out from scratch to raise a garden I'd first look around for a plat of ground; then I'd take inventory of the available competent advice in my community. I'd look for a successful vegetable grower nearby, one who really gets something out of his garden, not necessarily a professional. Try to remember whose corn seemed the greenest last year, whose cabbage had heads on it. Then I'd walk

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over and visit with that fellow and get him to talking about vegetable growing. I'd ask his advice; you'll be complimenting him, and most of us like compliments. Ask him about the advisability of using the ground you have in mind. He'll tell you how to get your ground plowed and fitted. Find out what varieties of vegetables to plant; he can tell you. Get advice on fertilizer: plants also need food. Be sure you know how to plant your ground: watch that fellow who knows.

A hoe is the only implement we need usually; don't spare it.

You'll be surprised what you'll learn from your garden; you'll also be pleased with the friends you'll make that way. When all your friends begin talking about their tomatoes and corn and cabbage and beans and aches and

blisters, you'll not want to feel like a lost sheep or a wall flower at the party; you'll want a few of each to trot out; you'll want to be in on things.

How good those vegetables will taste when flavored with your own sweat and toil, mistakes and triumphs. The work in the outdoors will renew your health and interest in living, and what an appetite you'll bring from your garden to your table along with your lettuce and beans. Fresh vegetables have a goodness that can not be duplicated. Roasting ears are best when started to boil with the dew still on them. I'll be looking for you out in that garden, neighbor. Roll up your sleeves and get started. If you get your work done too soon, remember that I'm always behind.

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