

# Second Hurricane Shrieks Into New England

## FHA Calls Meet Trying to Regain Windfall Profits

Takes 1st Step Toward  
Getting Back Millions  
for Government

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Federal Housing Administration today took its first direct step toward claiming for the government millions of dollars in "windfall" housing profits.

Acting in the case of the big Linwood Park Apartment project near Ft. Lee, N. J., the FHA ignored a threatened court fight against the first of several moves aimed at compelling "windfall" recipients to return money they made on inflated government-backed construction loans.

Investigations by government housing officials and the Senate Banking Committee have revealed some builders used a now-expired post-war apartment program to get FHA-insured mortgage loans far in excess of actual construction costs.

Some pocketed the difference, netting profits labeled as "windfalls" by the brokers.

The FHA called a special meeting for Sept. 22 of preferred stockholders of 13 corporations which comprise Linwood Park, Inc. The agency said it intends to remove the project's present directors and elect new ones as a first step in recovering \$2,428,821 in alleged "windfall" profits gleaned from FHA-insured loans by which the project was financed.

If it can make recovery in the Linwood Park case, the FHA has said it will try to claim the bulk of more than 40 million dollars allegedly distributed as profits by building corporations across the country under the apartment construction program which expired in 1950.

The special meeting will be held in the corporation offices at Hackensack, N. J. It was called by FHA through an advertisement in a Hackensack newspaper.

In effect, FHA was calling itself into a meeting, since the agency owns all the preferred stock in the corporations. FHA employees will represent the agency at the meeting.

## More Quakes Rock Algeria

In Spite of New Shocks  
Orleansville Is Trying to  
Restore Activity

ORLEANSVILLE, Algeria (AP)—Earth tremors rocked this quake-shattered North African city today—48 hours after the disastrous jolt which killed an estimated 1,000 persons.

The latest shocks caused more damage to the already smashed and crumbling buildings of Orleansville and made movement through its streets increasingly hazardous.

The first shock came shortly after midnight. Heavier tremors were felt at about 3 a.m. and continued at irregular intervals.

Despite the anxiety caused by the new quakes, Orleansville made an attempt this morning to restore normal activity. A few shops opened for business and some citizens resumed their usual occupations.

An Algerian official said the known dead from Thursday's disaster now stood at more than 600 and continued to mount as the grim count went on. At least 1,000 others were injured in the 12-second shock that virtually wrecked Orleansville and surrounding villages.

Rescue workers were threatened by continuing tremors which threatened to collapse quake-damaged buildings. The seismographic institutes of Algiers counted 40 mild shocks since the devastating quake struck.

Meanwhile, Orleansville's town hall and other public buildings were turned into chapels housing the caskets of the identified dead. Unidentified bodies have been placed on view for possible recognition.

## Hurricane Nears Coast



EDNA MOVES ON—Hurricane Edna, the season's fifth, continues to move in a north northeasterly direction as indicated by broken arrow. Cross symbol locates Edna about 135 miles southeast of Atlantic City, N. J. early today. The weather bureau in Washington said highest winds are estimated up to 125 miles per hour.

## Prison Conditions Scored by Warden in Speech Here

William H. Bannon, warden of Southern Michigan Prison, deplored prison conditions at Jackson as inadequate and charged that Americans are losing the battle against the increase in crime Friday.

Speaking at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Pontiac Exchange Club in the Waldron Hotel, Bannon said the prison, the largest in the world, is crowded with a record number of inmates all reflecting the ills of society.

## Fear of Union Led to Payoffs

Trucker Thought Keating  
Could Stop Wage Law  
Protests

DETROIT (AP)—A Farmington contractor testified yesterday that fear AFL teamsters' union might complain that he was in violation of wage-hour regulations led him to make payoffs totaling \$8,750. Edgar S. Mather Jr., secretary treasurer of a Farmington sand and gravel company, told a Recorder's Court jury the money went to Daniel J. Keating, president of the Teamster's Pontiac Local 614.

Keating and four other officials of Detroit and Pontiac locals are on trial on charges of conspiracy and extortion before Recorder's Judge Joseph Gillis.

Mather said Keating warned him in 1950 that his company was in violation of the wage-hour law. "I thought Keating had the power to reach into the Wage Stabilization Board—or any other place he wanted to—so I paid him," Mather testified.

"The arrangement was," he continued, "that he (Keating) would take care of the matter in the petition he would file with the board. There were no receipts and no witnesses."

"We would meet in the parking lot of an inn on Orchard Lake road, and I would get in his green Cadillac. I would have \$1,250 in an envelope in my pocket. And while we were talking, I could put it on the seat between us."

"I never saw Keating open the envelope."

Previously Mather testified he once gave Keating \$2,500 to "forget about" a cost-of-living increase the union leader was demanding for his driver members.

The trial is in recess until Monday.

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## Cohn on Hand Today in Senate M'Carthy Probe

Senator Claims Money  
Has Been Spent Illegally  
to Investigate Him

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. McCarthy insisted today that a Senate Elections subcommittee spent "a vast amount of money illegally" in investigating him two years ago. McCarthy made the statement during cross-examination by counsel for the special committee weighing censure charges against him. The committee pressed ahead in a Saturday session in its effort to wind up public hearings as soon as possible.

McCarthy took the witness chair again as the hearings resumed, but standing by in the Senate's big caucus room and ready to testify were Brig. Gen. Ralph W. Zwicker and retired Maj. Gen. Kirke B. Lawton.

Three senators have charged that McCarthy "abused" Zwicker when the general appeared before McCarthy's investigations subcommittee last February. McCarthy contends Lawton was "broken" by the Army as commander at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., for cooperating with the subcommittee.

Also on hand today was Roy M. Cohn, who resigned as chief counsel of McCarthy's subcommittee soon after the McCarthy-Army hearings.

Cohn told a reporter he is due to leave tomorrow for National Guard training at Keeler Field, Miss., and has made no arrangements for a deferment because he is not yet sure whether he will testify today.

The committee has no yet announced who will follow McCarthy to the witness stand.

Cohn, deeply tanned, sat in the rear of the room behind the table at which the committee members were seated.

Guy de Faria, assistant counsel of the special censure committee, started off by questioning McCarthy about the charge that the Wisconsin senator showed contempt for a Senate Elections subcommittee that investigated his financial affairs and other matters in 1952-1953.

Referring to a letter McCarthy wrote on Dec. 6, 1951, to Sen. Gillette (D-Iowa), then chairman of the elections subcommittee, De Faria asked McCarthy if he had any evidence that the group spent "tens of thousands of dollars" illegally.

"It was spending a vast amount of money illegally," replied McCarthy. "I don't know the exact amount."

## Weekend Forecast Is Cloudy and Cooler

The weekend will be cloudy and cooler in the Pontiac area according to the U. S. Weather Bureau forecast.

The prediction calls for a low of 50 to 54 tonight with a high Sunday of 64 to 68.

Yesterday's temperature in downtown Pontiac ranged from a low of 59 to a high of 74. Rainfall in the area measured .02 of an inch.

The downtown temperature was 55 degrees at 8 a.m. today, rising to 63 by 1 p.m.

## Gives 'Late' Storm Data

NEW YORK (UP)—A local TV station remained on the air all night to dispense storm information, extending the "late show" and the "late late show" into the "late late late show."

Lodge argued that the plane was over international ocean territory and the nine other members accepted his statement. Lodge suggested that the World Court take over adjudication of the dispute which he said was the latest of a pattern of unprovoked attacks on American planes since 1950.

## Alligator's Diet Bored

CHICAGO (UP)—Museum officials who cut open an alligator that died at Brookfield Zoo found five marbles, two peach stones, a bicycle reflector lens, two flash bulb cases, a piece of a comb, a dime store brooch, a bent iron rod, 11 pieces of broken bottle, an air valve cap and many stones. The officials did not say what caused the alligator's death.

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## \$400,000 Fire Strikes Near State Fair



LUMBER YARD BURNS—Firemen on the roof of the building at left, shadowed by darkness and last night. Three firemen were hurt but the fairgrounds were not in danger.

## U.S. May Not Go All Out to Defend Quemoy Islands

WASHINGTON (INS)—High administration officials said today they doubted that President Eisenhower would order U. S. combat forces into action to save Chinese Nationalist-held Quemoy Islands from an assault by Communist forces.

Officials dealing with both defense and foreign policy said that the U. S. defense line, guarded by the American Seventh Fleet, is designed to protect the Nationalist stronghold of Formosa, but not the small outpost islands in the shadow of the Chinese mainland.

Final decision on just where the U. S. defense line safeguarding Formosa stops is to be determined by the President and members of the National Security Council when they confer with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles in Denver at an emergency meeting Sunday.

## Buildings Burn Close to Fair

10,000 Persons Watch  
\$400,000 Lumber Yard  
Blaze on John R

DETROIT (INS)—A five-alarm fire fanned by high winds last night razed the Wilson Lumber Co. and the dispatch-warehouse of the National Biscuit Co., both within six blocks of the state fair, and caused damage estimated at \$400,000.

The blaze destroyed the one-story brick building leased by the biscuit company and the two-story brick and frame lumber yard building and caused injury to five firemen, two of whom were hospitalized.

The flames attracted more than 10,000 state fair visitors who flocked to the two burning buildings on John R. and milled about the area, creating a traffic hazard.

The fire was fought for more than an hour by 200 firemen manning 30 pieces of equipment. Fire Marshal Matthew McNally said the fire started either in or at the rear of the lumber company building but said no cause has yet been determined.

In addition to leveling the two buildings, the flames threatened the headquarters of the sewer maintenance and construction division of the DPW and the Pioneer Mfg. Co., both on John R.

Three trucks in the DPW yard were damaged but wreckers pulled 22 other pieces of equipment out of the flames' reach.

The firemen hospitalized were Walter Trombley, 38, and Richard King, 27, both of Detroit. They were injured after falling 20 feet when a ladder collapsed.

The lumber company is owned by Alan Wilson, 54, of Lathrop Township. He said the firm has been up for sale since the first of the year.

## Children's Injuries Keep Folks on Go

SALINA, Kan. (AP)—There have been few dull moments at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Endley.

A month ago, their daughter Mary, 2, fell and suffered a cracked nose.

Two weeks ago their son took a tumble and broke his collarbone.

Thursday Mary drank some lighter fluid and had to have her stomach pumped out.

Yesterday Mary's scalp was cut when she was hit on the head by a toy gun brandished by a playmate.

At the same time, the main Nationalist forces on Formosa are 100 miles away. Military officials said it would be extremely difficult for the forces on Quemoy to be reinforced and supplied continuously from Formosa.

Some officials in Washington are of the opinion that the Chinese Nationalists would be able to put up a defense of Quemoy that would make it very costly to the Reds.

It was pointed out that the Quemoyans are in an exposed position at the mouth at Amoy Harbor, only five to seven miles off the mainland. Both islands are within range of Red artillery.

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## Asks Michigan to Help

LANSING (AP)—Gov. Williams appealed today to Michigan citizens to contribute to a fund to restore the Old North Church in Boston, damaged by a recent hurricane.

## In Today's Press

Birmingham Building News 13 thru 20  
Chicago News 1, 4, 7  
Columbia 21  
Crescent News 4  
Daily News 4  
Dr. George Crane 4  
East Wilson 4  
Editorial 4  
Emily Post 4  
Marine 4  
Pioneer 4  
Sports 16  
Theaters 16  
TV & Radio Program 16  
Want Ads 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27  
Women's Pages 4

## But Full Force Passing to East of Coastal Cities

Near Five Inches of Rain  
Dumped on New York;  
Gales Buffet Shoreline

NEW YORK (AP)—Hurricane Edna raged toward the eastern tip of Long Island today where landmen felt the first thrust of its fury since its birth many days ago far down in the Caribbean.

At 10 a.m. EDT, the center of the storm's 125-mile-an-hour winds was charted 100 miles south of Montauk Point, the tip of Long Island 125 miles east of New York City.

Disaster directors there reported the Montauk highway inundated by the rising waters of the Atlantic and the tip of the island cut off. About 500 persons had been evacuated from the Montauk area by early today, said Charles Mansier, head of the Red Cross disaster unit in East Hampton.

The winds were rising fast and the ocean was white and combing on the long beaches.

But the New York Weather Bureau said that the nation's largest city had seen the worst of its share of hurricane Edna by 11 a.m. today.

By that hour 4.2 inches of rain had fallen and the city had been buffeted by sustained winds of 30 to 40 miles an hour and occasional gusts of up to 57 miles an hour.

Ernest J. Christie, chief meteorologist, said at that hour that "we do not expect the storm to be any worse in New York City."

Christie said wind and rain were expected to continue for two or three hours. There were instances of flooded streets and sewers and delayed transportation throughout the city.

Along the coast people felt the backlash of the storm as its fringes brought heavy rains and battering winds.

A total of five storm deaths were reported. Four died in accidents on rain-slick roads in New Jersey and a fifth man died of a heart attack in Chatham, Mass., while preparing for the hurricane.

All along the coast and far inland New Englanders braced themselves for the fury of the storm. All businesses were closed in the southwestern Rhode Island community of Westerly in anticipation of the storm.

The pattern of heavy winds and rains extended as far south as New Jersey. All train service between New York and North Jersey shore points was halted at 9:30 a.m. when winds collapsed high tension power lines near Long Branch. The lines fell across the main tracks of the New York and Long Branch Railroad, owned by the Pennsylvania.

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## Smokes Out 5 Rattlers From Farmhouse Wall

WASHINGTON, N. C. (AP)—Rufus M. Whitfield heard a strange noise in the wall of his farm home in the Edwards community.

He decided to fumigate with burning rags and sulphur. Out came five rattlesnakes. He killed them one by one.

The biggest had 29 rattles and was about six feet long. The other four were smaller, with three or fewer rattles each.

Whitfield is sleeping better now.

## Fifty Beauties in Last Test Tonight for 'Miss America'

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (AP)—Fifty beautiful girls today entered the last round of competition to pick the fairest of them all—Miss America of 1955.

While the judges went into a huddle to total up the points gained by the lovely contestants in preliminary battles, the girls aimed for that final mixture of beauty and talent which would gain the coveted title for one of them and gain her over \$50,000 in awards.

Seven attractive gals are leading the field at this point, victors in bathing suit and talent contests. But other points in evening gown competition, not yet announced, may place other girls in the select circle of 10 semifinalists tonight.

The judges, faced with the difficult choice of narrowing the field, will leave only five finalists, and then late tonight one of them will be chosen as Miss America, succeeding Evelyn Ayl of Ephrata, Pa.

The annual pageant, which has been beset by ill weather since it



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"Signs of Revival"  
Alliance Youth Fellowship ..... 6:15 p.m.  
Evangelistic Service ..... 7:30 p.m.  
"The Signs of the Times"

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W. J. Teewissen, Jr., Pastor  
9:45 A. M. Bible School  
11 A. M. Worship Service  
Sermon Topic:  
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7:30 P. M. Sunday Eve. Hour  
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Sunday School for All Ages, 9:45 A. M.  
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Church Administration Wednesday, 7:30 P. M.



CANTOR JAY KARZEN

## High Holy Day Services Begin

Cantor Jay Karzen Will Conduct Chanting for Jewish New Year

Congregation B'nai Israel of Pontiac wishes to announce that High Holy Day services will be conducted at the synagogue at 143 Oneida Street, under the leadership of Rabbi Henry Hoschander.

The Jewish New Year will commence at sundown on Monday, September 27, and end at sundown on Wednesday, September 29.

The cantorial portion of the services will be conducted by Cantor Jay Karzen of the Hebrew Theological Seminary of Chicago.

Cantor Karzen is the recipient of the Ariam Medal for musical excellence; has composed several popular liturgical compositions; is the director of a musical quintette and has directed and participated in several operettas.

Cantor Karzen will be assisted in performing the services by Cantor Lazarus Hershovitz of Pontiac.

## Women Will Present Message and Music

Sunday will be Women's Day at the Providence Missionary Baptist Church with the women of the church planning all of the services. Mrs. Gracie Clark will be the speaker at 11 a.m. The afternoon service at 3 p.m. will have Mrs. L. R. Miller bring a message. Miss Neldin Page will speak at the evening meeting at 7:30 p.m. and she has asked the Pastor's Chorus to present several musical selections. Mrs. Mattie Jones is the director of the chorus.

## Senior Choir Sings at Sunday Concert

The Senior Choir of the Trinity Baptist Church is presenting its quarterly concert Sunday at 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. Laura Crawford Price the guest soloist. Levi Eubanks is director of the choir. The Rev. Richard H. Dixon Jr. is pastor of the church.



REV. CHARLES S. MAHER

## Elmwood Youth Present Program

The Youth Fellowship of the Baldwin Ave. Methodist Church will meet for the first time at 6 p.m. Sunday.

This newly organized group is under the leadership of the Rev. Charles S. Maher, pastor of the church. All young people between the ages of 12-19 years are urged to attend.

The Youth Group of the Elmwood Methodist Church with their pastor, the Rev. Keith Colby, will present a program and conduct the meeting.

## Professor Plays at Dedication

Congregation to Hear Recital on New Organ at Memorial Baptist

Sunday will be Rally Day at Memorial Baptist Church. At 7:30 p.m., the new organonic organ will be dedicated.

Philip LaRowe, a former professor of Texas State College for Women and now organist at the Episcopal Church of the Messiah in Detroit, will give an organ recital. He is studying with Palmer Christian at the University of Michigan and will play:

Trumpet Tunes ..... Purcell  
Largo ..... Handel  
Andante Cantabile ..... Tchaikovsky  
Humoresque ..... Dvorak  
Prayer ..... Boellmann  
Londonderry Air, Irish Folk Tune  
Primitive Organ ..... Yon  
Traumerel ..... Schumann  
Prof. LaRowe will close the program by playing familiar hymns.

Nicholas Copernicus classified the earth as a planet in the early 1500s.

## Religion Would Combat Hoodlums, Church Told

DETROIT—An emphasis on religion and religious education would result in less youngsters becoming troublemakers, a leader of the Greek Orthodox Church said here.

Archbishop Michael, head of the Church's Archdiocese of North and South America, made a 24-hour stop to visit with members of the Greek Orthodox community here. He said there was a minimum of juvenile delinquency involving Americans of Greek descent because they have "kept close" to their religion. Detroit has been the scene in recent weeks of youth terrorism with teen gangs blamed for "thrill" killings involving acid row bums and drifters.

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Saturday Night Service at 7:30 p.m.  
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Morning Worship ..... 11:00 A. M.  
B.T.U. ..... 6:45 P. M.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:30 P. M.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting ..... 7:30 P. M.  
Young People's Bible Study 8:00 P. M.  
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KENNETH A. HUTCHINSON  
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11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship  
"THE PLACE OF SECURITY"  
7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship  
"TESTING ETERNAL TRUTH"  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m. Youth Service ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Service 7:30 p.m.

## Emmanuel Baptist Church

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10:00 A. M.  
Auditorium  
Bible Class

"WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT WATER BAPTISM"  
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11:00 A. M.  
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# WHY there are no images, no holy water, no candles, no beads etc. in Our Christian Faith.

When Moses received the law for the children of Israel he reminded the nation: "And the Lord spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the words, but saw no similitude, only ye heard the voice. And the Lord commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that ye might do them in the land. . . . Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves: for ye saw no manner of similitude on that day that the Lord spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of fire: lest ye corrupt yourselves and make you a graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or female, the likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the likeness of any fowl that flieth in the air, the likeness of anything that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the waters beneath the earth: and lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven and when thou seest the sun and the moon and the stars even all the hosts of heaven, shouldst be driven to worship and serve them. . . . Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the Lord your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image or likeness of anything, which the Lord thy God hath forbidden thee. For the Lord thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God."

"When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained long in the land and shall corrupt yourselves and make a graven image, or the likeness of anything and shall do evil in the sight of the Lord thy God, to provoke him to anger: I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon perish from off the land. . . . ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall be utterly destroyed." /Deut. 5:12-27/

"Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down thyself to them to serve them; for I, the Lord thy God am a jealous God." /Second commandment/

During Israel's journey through the wilderness, when the nation rebelled against their God, he sent a scourge among them—the fiery serpents, but when people repented of their deeds, God provided an unusual remedy for their affliction—the brazen serpent set upon a pole, and every Israelite bitten by the serpents when he looked expectantly towards this brazen serpent he was healed. This brazen serpent had all the necessary qualifications for an utmost respect from the people. If there ever was an item deserving the worship—this was the one! Yet in the latter years, in the days of Hezekiah the King, during a period of spiritual revival in Israel we read about the acts of this king: "And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that his father David did. He removed the high places, and brake the images, and cut down the groves and brake in pieces the brazen serpent that Moses hath made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it." /2 Kg. 18:1-4/. So even the image of a proven healing power and ordered by God himself was destroyed, for it led the people into corrupt practice.

In the days of another faithful king of Judah, king Josiah, God granted to the nation again a revival and thus it is described in the 24th chapter of Second Chronicles: "For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he began to seek after the God of David his father: and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images. And they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the images, that were on high above them, he cut down; and the groves and the carved images, and the molten images he brake in pieces, and made dust of them, and strowed them upon the graves of them that sacrificed unto them. And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem. And so did he in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphtali, with their mattocks round about. And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had beaten the graven images into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem." /v. 2-7/

When King Solomon completed the building of temple in Jerusalem according to the pattern given by God to his father David, he furnished it with every necessary item which God himself had requested to be there, the number of them to be sufficient to fill one whole chapter /ch.8/ in the 1 book of Kings:

No doubt every item was essential for temple worship, but in spite of all visual helps present—Solomon the builder was the very person who trespassed against the Lord, he introduced and legalized idolatry in Israel, thus setting to naught all the "visual worship helps." The nation followed the example set by their king.

Israel failed to take heed. Some 800 years later writes prophet Isaiah this message from God: To whom ye liken me and make me equal, and compare me, that we may be like? They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver in the balance, and hire a goldsmith; and he maketh it a god: they fall down, yea, they worship. They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him up in his place and he standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea, one shall cry unto him, yet he can not answer, nor save him out of his trouble. Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring it again to mind, O ye transgressors." /Isaiah 46:5-8/

And still later adds Jeremiah: "Thus saith the Lord, learn not the way of the heathen. . . . For the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the ax. They deck it with silver and with gold, they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. They are upright as the palm tree, but speak not; they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them for they cannot do evil, neither also is it in them to do good. . . . But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the stock is a doctrine of vanities. . . . Thus shall ye say unto them: The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth and from under these heavens. . . . Every man is brutish in his knowledge: every founder is confounded by the graven image of his molten image: falsehood and there is no breath in them. They are vanity, and work of errors; in the time of their visitation they shall perish." /Jer. 10:2-16/

Israel still would not listen and this was the sentence: "Therefore thus saith the Lord: Behold I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape; and though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them. Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go and cry unto gods unto whom they offer incense, but they shall not save them in the time of their trouble. . . . Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble." /Jer. 11, 11-14/

Even the warnings which Jeremiah uttered took no effect and this was the end: "Therefore He brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man or him that stooped for age: He gave them all into his hand. And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small and the treasures of the house of the Lord and the treasures of the king and of the princes; all this he brought to Babylon. And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof." /11 Chron. 36:17-19/

When in the days of Christ the restored temple was beautified by tireless efforts of ambitious Herod it became a wonder of architecture and an object of admiration even by the disciples yet it was branded by Jesus Christ as "a den of thieves and robbers" and again He predicted the destruction of it: "See ye not all this things? Verily I say unto you there shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down." /Matt. 24:1-2/

When Jesus Christ explained the new principle of worship unto the woman of Samaria He said: "Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. . . . But the hour cometh and now is when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in the spirit and in truth." /John 4:21-24/

Thus that which was legal under the law, namely the temple worship, was brought to an end. When apostle Paul brought to us a new doctrine of justification and salvation by faith, he calls our attention to the failure of the past, saying: "Because that when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up. . . . who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator. . . . for this cause God gave them up. . . . /Rom. 1:19-26/

When the churches of first century began to drift away from his principles—writes he to Galatians: "But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage! Ye observe days and months and times and years, I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labor in vain." /Gal. 4:9-11/

Warning against the dangers of the future writes he to Timothy: "Now the spirit speaketh expressly that in the latter times some shall depart from faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; forbidding to marry and created to be received with thanksgiving of them which abstain from such things: with God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused if it be received with thanksgiving. . . . If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ nourished up in the words of faith and good doctrine." /1 Tim. 4:1-5/

Laying down the principle of faith writes he to Hebrews: "No faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. . . . without faith it is impossible to please him." /Heb. 11/

In the eighth chapter of Romans writes he again: /v. 24-25/. "For we are saved by hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for what a man seeth why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for what we see not, then do we with patience wait for it." Thus the principle of faith eliminates any visual aids and ap. Paul warns us that "whatsoever is not of faith is sin." /Rom. 14:23/

Apostle Paul is never tired to tell us again and again of the utmost importance of faith. Speaking of the purposes for which the law was given he says: "But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promises by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. But before faith came, we were kept under by the law, shut up unto the faith, which should afterwards be revealed. Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ that we might be justified by faith, but after that faith is come we are no longer under a schoolmaster, for ye are all the children of God by faith in Jesus Christ." /Gal. 3:22-26/

Speaking to Romans says he: "The just shall live by faith." /Rom. 1:17/ and again to Corinthians: "For we walk by faith and not by sight." /1 Cor. 5:7/

Warning Galatians against mixing the law and faith he says: "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." /Gal. 5:9/

And, again, writes he to Corinthians: "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal." /Cor. 4:17-18/

We long to be liberal and accommodating to "every word of doctrine" but a very stern warning is left for our safety by ap. Paul when he said to Galatians: "I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: which is not another; but there be some that trouble you and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached—let him be accursed. As we said before so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. As we said before so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. For do I now persuade men of God or do I seek to please men? For if I yet please men, I should not be servant of Christ." /Gal. 1:8-10/

In Revelation ch. 18, paints ap. John a very vivid picture of judgment of a corrupt church of the last days; very significantly enumerates he all the material things and visual helps with which this organization is over-occupied: "And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning. . . . and the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her, for no man buyeth their merchandise any more: the merchandise of gold, and of silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thine wood and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, and cinnamon, and odours, and ointment, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men. . . . Alas, alas! that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones and pearls! For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. . . . And the voice of the harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee. . . . and the light of a candle shine no more at all in thee." This judgment is a judgment of a religious organization, for among her merchandise "the souls of men" are listed, and before this judgment falls a call is issued: "Come out of her my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." /verse 4/

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