

ELON ALUMNUS AUTHOR OF POWERFUL VOLUME

Dr. Harper Reviews Work of W. F. Jordan—Book Deals With Indian Life.

(By W. A. HARPER)

Rev. W. F. Jordan has just issued another gripping volume on Missions, to which he has given the very significant title of "Glimpses of Indian America." The book is far more than the author modestly claims for it. The 12 chapters, filling as they do in excess of 200 pages, are far more than a glimpse; they are a sympathetic interpretation of a people too long neglected and deserving every consideration at the hands of Christian America.

In his opening chapter the author defines what he means by his title. "By 'Indian America,'" he says, "I mean particularly that section of the New World inhabited by the descendants of those races whose forefathers had established civilizations that were old before the landing of Columbus. These people are to be found in great numbers today in Mexico and Guatemala of the Northern Hemisphere, and in Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia, of the Southern. In all of these countries there are large racial groups that retain their ancient customs, costumes and languages in spite of 400 years of contact with European civilization. In all of them the Indian blood predominates among the governed; while the ruling class and the clergy are largely white."

It is a severe indictment that in the pages which follow this faithful minister of our church and world mission-

ary traveler brings against the white rulers and priests for their inhuman, un-Christian treatment of the original Americans. Your blood boils as you read the evidences of oppression, insult and wanton calumny which these silent, suffering brothers of ours must endure. Their overlords who "conquered and reduced (them) to submission by treachery and superior weapons and armament" have "kept (them) in subjection and ignorance through the centuries." In the estimation of the ruling class "the Indian is classed as a domestic animal and valuable beast of burden."

The cataloguing of "the sights of human degradation witnessed" sickens the heart and prods the will to undertake something to relieve so desperate a situation. The Belgian Congo got relief when the conscience of mankind became outraged by the iniquities perpetrated on the helpless negroes of that benighted land. Mr. Jordan's book should bring a speedy relief in the land to the South of us and for which we are especially responsible under the terms of our Monroe Doctrine as well as under the obligations of our Christian Brotherhood.

In his concluding chapter the author rises to flights of real eloquence as he depicts the forlorn plight of these brothers of ours as the Macedonian cry to us to come over and help. He makes it plain that jails will await many of those who respond, even as jail awaited another faithful servant of Jesus in the first Christian century when he answered the first Macedonian cry. He shows a picture of Mr. Powlison of the Bolivian Indian Mission behind prison bars in 1922 for the Gospel's sake. This Christian man Mr. Jordan located in the Indian village of Torocari by asking "for the man who treated the poor when they were sick." The wretched Indians knew him, but not his name. This saintly servant of Jesus was imprisoned on the false charge of having murdered an Indian boy whom he had befriended. With us a man is innocent till he is proven guilty. In Indian America you are guilty till you prove yourself innocent, provided one of the ruling class accuses you. "The government is under no obligation to prove guilt. Mr. Powlison was given to understand that if he would promise to leave the country all would be well and he would be released. This, however, he refused to do, and his wife and little children awaited his return many months alone in the mud-walled hut of the Indian village," where they made their home as the servant of the poor and of Jesus.

Mr. Jordan is a brave man to go back to this country after the publication of this book, which he attended to during his recent furlough to America. But the undaunted spirit of the crusader is in him and he is back again among the people whom he delights to serve as the ambassador of Jesus Christ. His book may cost him imprisonment, but he is not the man to flinch at any personal sacrifice to secure relief physical, intellectual and spiritual for these suffering, down-trodden peoples.

The American government should take note of his disclosures and bring freedom to these people as it did to Cuba when the cry of suffering there reached the sympathetic ears of our citizens. The government is under obligation at least to investigate the conditions Mr. Jordan describes and either to remedy them in the interest of humanity if he is truthful or to expose him if he is an alarmist.

This book, published by the Fleming H. Revell Company, New York City, \$1.75 net, as a companion volume to Mr. Jordan's former book, "Crusading in the West Indies," should prove to be a best seller. It is more satisfying than fiction. It is depressively inspirational. It challenges the heart and convicts the will. It should prove to be Indian America's Magna Carta.

I am proud that a missionary of the Christian Church and alumnus of Elon has been able to bring such a message as this to the Christian world.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE BY ATHLETIC COUNCIL

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Season tickets will be issued as explained below. These tickets will be numbered along the bottom edge from one to twenty. The number of each athletic contest will be posted in advance, for instance, the game Saturday with Hampden-Sidney will be contest No. 1, and the proper number punched on the ticket when it is presented at the gate. In case a ticket is not used for any particular contest it is made void for that game and cannot be used for a later one in place of the unpunched number. For instance, a person holding a season ticket and not attending the first game would not be permitted to have Nos. 1 and 2 punched to admit himself and friend to the second game. The friend would be required to pay the regular admission. Season tickets are not transferable—they will admit the person to whom issued ONLY.

In making provision for tickets the Athletic Council has ruled that no person, no matter who he may be, shall be admitted without a ticket, and this rule will be strictly enforced.

Regular Students

All regular matriculated students will be issued a season ticket for all athletic contests held at Elon during the year. All regular students have paid the athletic fee, which is included in the matriculation fee. Hence there will be no extra charge for the season tickets for regular students. These tickets may be secured by calling at the business office.

Special Students

Special students may purchase season tickets for the year for the sum of \$5.00. If they prefer they may purchase instead season tickets for each sport, as Football (season ticket \$2.25), Basketball, etc., or they may pay regular admission at the gate. The season ticket for all contests for the year, however, at \$5.00 will be much cheaper than any other way of buying tickets for the games.

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Citizens of the town, visitors to the College, and all other persons not included in the above classifications may purchase a season ticket for the year for \$7.50, they may purchase season tickets for the various sports (season ticket for Football, \$2.25), or they may purchase single admission tickets at the gate.

Children under twelve years of age accompanied by parents will be admitted free. Children over twelve and under fifteen years of age, and also children under twelve when not accompanied by parents will pay one-half the regular fare. Season tickets for children will be sold at one-half the regular rate.

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amazing rapidity and a huge pot of coffee shared the same fate. Mrs. Kirkland presided over a pot of delicious mixture which had an impossible name and an irresistible flavor. Bread-slicers plied their knives swiftly and steadily until it was necessary to send for more bread, and pickles of various kinds were downed with a reckless indifference as to the consequences.

As the food disappeared and spirits again grew light, the fires were piled high with brush which blazed up and sent a shower of sparks skyward, effectively silhouetting girls against the darkening wood. The strumming of ukuleles eventually drew the girls closer together and, after many songs, yells were given for all who were directly responsible for the outing. An especially hearty one was given for President "Mickey," who was so busy serving and cooking that she did not take time to eat. After a mad romp around the fire—a circle of girls within a larger circle and moving in opposite directions—the girls scampered across the field in the direction of the campus. Dr. Helfenstein distinguished herself by her brilliant execution of K. P. Duties while the "old guard" extinguished the fires.

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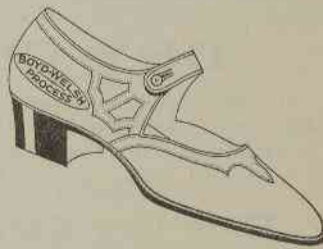
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