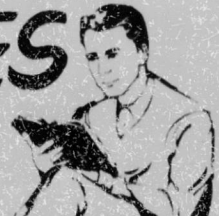


BOY SCOUT EXPLORERS POST OFFICIALS work and play with youngsters in the Montclair, N. J. area. Here, two Scout leaders help two young skaters. In the picture, left to right, are Loomis Wright, James Fitzgerald, Walter Reed Jr., and Aubrey Lewis, Woolworth personnel representative.

TWO MINUTES WITH THE BIBLE

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THE LAW AND THE WORTH OF GOD

Romans 4:15 clearly states that "The law worketh wrath," but so many people seem not to want to see this. Even some clergymen tell us that God gave the law to help us to be good, when God Himself says the very opposite; that it was given to show us that we are bad and need a Savior.

"The law worketh wrath." Every criminal knows this and every sinner should know it, for the Bible has much to say on the subject. Rom. 3:19,20 declares that the law was given "that every mouth might be stopped, and that all the world might be brought in guilty before God," and this passage goes on to say: "Therefore by the deeds of the law shall no flesh be justified, for by the law is the knowledge of sin."

II Cor. 3:7,9 calls the law "the ministration of condemnation" and "the ministration of death." Gal. 3:10 says that

"those who are of the works of the law," i. e., who seek to make themselves acceptable to God by keeping the law, "fare under a curse," because the law can only condemn them.

Those who approach God, expecting eternal life in return for "good works" are offering Him their terms--which He will never accept. God will not sell justification to those already under condemnation for sin. But He does offer sinners complete justification because:

"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us; for it is written; cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree" (Gal. 3:13).

Thank God, those who trust in Christ, "have redemption, through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace" (Eph. 1:7), "being justified, freely by His (God's) grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" (Rom. 3:24).

RELIGION and RACE

BY NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL
"RASH" DEMANDS

NEW YORK--The Rev. Canon Walter D. Dennis, first Black man to be named a canon residentiary of the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, told worshippers last week that the demands by the New York Board of Rabbis to curb anti-Semitism were "intemperate and rash." "Only time will tell whether the demands will have the effect of moving many moderate black leaders into the camp of the militants and extremists," he said.

LENT SPEAKER
CHICAGO--Slated to be one of the principal speakers at Chicago Temple, First Methodist Church of Chicago during the Lenten season will be Dr. Leon H. Sullivan, Philadelphia minister and founder of the black employment and industrialization program in his home town. He will address services at the Temple on March 16.

MEDITATION

A SERMONETTE
BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"I can do all things in Him."
--Phil. 4:13.

You can enter any project or undertaking in life with perfect confidence in the ultimate success of it if you have faith to KNOW that God is ALWAYS with you, and that YOU cannot fail --because GOD cannot fail.

Do not ever let the fear of possible failure keep you from attempting anything you desire to do. Do not ever let the fear of what others may say or think prevent you from expressing yourself, from making use of your abilities, from growing and accomplishing. Say to yourself, whenever you hesitate to act in accord with an inner prompting, "I KNOW that God is with me, and I KNOW that God cannot fail." In prayer, place your reliance in Him, and from this prayerful meditation will come the peaceful assurance that God's wisdom will see you through any circumstance or any situation that may arise.

Someone once said, "Persons are not created great, but are created with the capacity to become great." All of us have that capacity to become great, great in the eyes of God, great in spirit and in courage. We have the opportunity every day to develop in soul stature by making small overcomings, by using our faith in even minor matters of life. We can know that as we live and exemplify the principles of God, we shall be inspiring others to seek and find Him, so that they too may live in His light. Our part is to keep our thoughts attuned to God's voice, so that we may be poised and calm and helpful under all conditions. Our part is to keep our heart so filled with His light that we let that light shine forth to others. Our part is to keep so close to our Father's love that we radiate joy and happiness to everyone everywhere.

"Even so let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works." --Matt. 5:16.

Zion Church Performing At Expansion Miracle

KINSTON, Jamaica - The expansion of A. M. E. Zion Church in the Caribbean Islands according to church leaders is perhaps the most miraculous ever witnessed by a Black religious group. Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw, who presides over the area, reported that approximately 200 new churches, with an approximate membership of 10,000, had joined the communion in the past 3 years. It is to be remembered that the first Jamaica Annual Conference was held less than 3 years ago, when less than 50 churches reported. The recent Annual Conference held at Black River had reports from 168 churches and more than 30

new congregations were accepted.

The denomination is based in the U. S. A. and is said to have gained favor because of its democratic processes. Many of the newly admitted pastors were quick to announce that they were bringing their congregation into the communion because it offered the opportunity for full participation in the religious life of the people and therefore had the image that was needed to bring converts to its tenets.

Bishop Shaw was accompanied by an American delegation aided considerably in espousing the cause of Zion Methodism. Bishop A. G. Dunston, who had

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"Instead of criticizin', couldn't you say somethin' nice about ih' other nine Commandments I DIDN'T break?"

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charge of the work in Nigeria, during the past quadrennium and now has the 11th Episcopal District, assisted Bishop Shaw in the deliberations. The work is sponsored by the Foreign Mission Department and the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

The delegation left here for Nassau, Bahama, where the Bahama Conference was held.

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"The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then

peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated,

Full of mercy and GOOD FRUITS."

There are two forces at work in this world,

evil and good. We have the freedom to

choose between these two things.

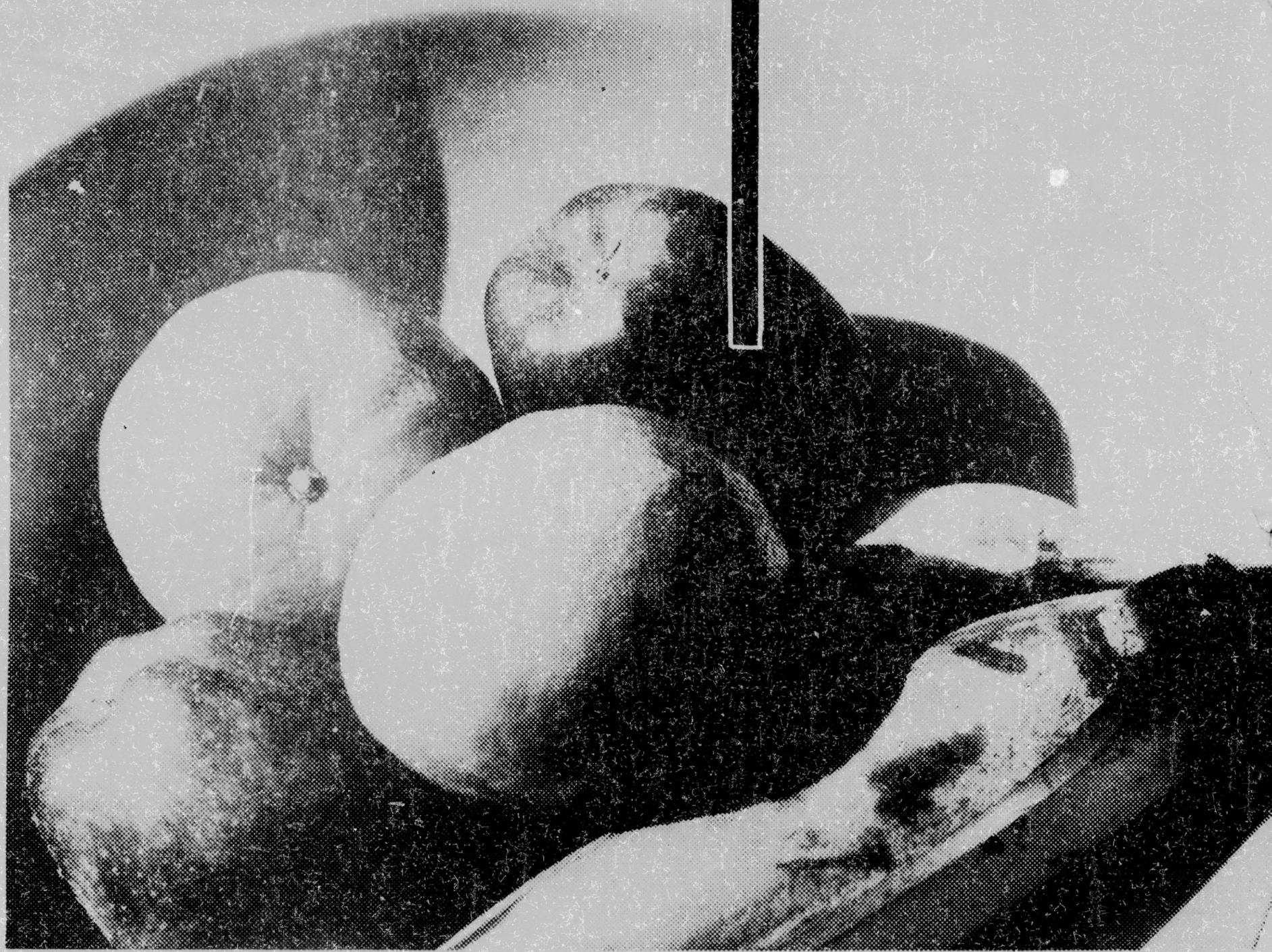
"O taste and see that the Lord is good:

blessed is the man that trusteth in him."



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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