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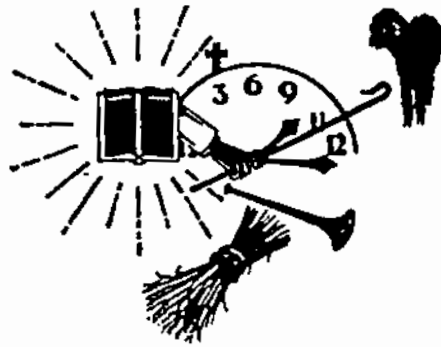
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saved, but "Egypt" also is at last to be saved according to the "more sure word of prophecy."

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the Lord in the holy mount at Jerusalem." Isa. 27:13.

"In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come to Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians. In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land: whom the Lord of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed be Egypt My people, and Assyria the work of My hands, and Israel Mine inheritance." Isa. 19:23-25.

Yes, this is the great revival and reformation that we are now praying for, working for, longing for. It is the hope of the world; for in it is the salvation of the world. Let us with hearts enlightened with the sun of Truth, and imbued with genuine Christian love for humanity, and fired with the zeal borne of God's Spirit allow ourselves to be used of Him to usher in salvation to the world.

So help us, Oh, our God.

WHEN WILL THE SEPARATION TAKE PLACE?

Because they complement the main article of this June, 1956 Code we have selected Timely Greetings, Vol. 2, No. 41, entitled: "Current Events, the Palestine Situation, and How Close the Separation?" and also Vol. 1, No. 24, entitled: "Is World War II Yet To Be Finished, Saints Yet To Be Delivered?" for the readings for this month.

As we study these collectively let us ever keep in mind that Assyria is to fall as soon as God's people turn to Him, as soon as they cast away their idols and seek meekness and righteousness. Considering the fact that we now definitely know that time is very limited, we must be doing just these very things, if we are to be numbered among God's redeemed. Those who are not now casting away their idols and seeking meekness and righteousness during this short time remaining will lose out.

Now that the choice before us is crystal clear may we without hesitation make the right decision and then act upon it.

MARKING ANOTHER MILESTONE

As we have now reached another important milestone in the progress of our Kingdom-bound journey, the Mt. Carmel young people planned their Young People's Meeting on Friday evening, June 1, 1956 to show respect especially to those older members of our Mt. Carmel Family who are now most directly affected by this milestone of progress. Since, however, it involves all Davidians everywhere, we are taking this opportunity to share with you the text of the address which Sister Houteff delivered at that meeting, and which we quote in full.

 TEXT OF ADDRESS:

I sincerely consider it a special privilege to speak to you this evening on this occasion when we shall endeavor to evaluate the important milestone we are now passing in the life of the cause which makes us one in faith and hope. In order properly to do this, however, we must direct our mental gaze for a few moments to the past.

It was just 21 years ago this May that the world headquarters of The General Association of Davidian Seventh-day Adventists moved here to Mt. Carmel Center from Los Angeles, Cali-

fornia. That, too, was as important a milestone as it was memorable in the history of this cause.

Those of us who were privileged to be among the first twelve pioneers came with only the promise that we would "work for nothing and furnish our own board and room, and that there would be plenty of hard work to do." That is the way Mt. Carmel Center started.

There were approximately 375 acres in the original tracts of land comprising Mt. Carmel which, in its natural rustic setting and overlooking Lake Waco and the vast cultivated fields beyond, rendered it a beautiful location, indeed. But there was not a building on the place; nor were there any roads or water. And very little of the acreage was under cultivation as most of the land was rough and completely undeveloped. With this picture before you who were not then here, it should not be difficult for you to imagine the primitive conditions under which Mt. Carmel got her start, nor should it be difficult to realize the great amount of work which had to be done to provide the needed buildings in which to carry on the publishing and office work and to build dwellings for the workers.

Through those several years of growth and development a number of people came to help out in the work of building this institution which was to be but temporary headquarters for the duration of "the closing work for the church."

Some of those who came found the arduous work and rugged life of those early days to be a challenge to their faith and an opportunity for them to serve in a capacity urgently needed in the cause of God, and so they joined the few pioneers to help as they could in the work. Not a few of you who sit before me this evening were among those persons. Others, of course, for various reasons left here for other places and other pursuits.

We are not going to dwell tonight on the struggles and the trials that went with the work of the past years in building this place to what it is today; suffice it to say that due to financial limitations and the acute lack of sufficient skilled personnel and also the impediments to the building work occasioned by the war emergency, it was indeed a struggle all along the way to accomplish what has been done.

If we were to review the work that has been done here we must include the clearing of the land and construction of the several public buildings, farm buildings, and dwellings. Then there was the earth dam which is but a part of our private water system, the building of which represents a great amount of time and labor. Besides this there were the roads and the power lines. Several acres of orchards were planted and the land was terraced and seeded to provide pasture for our dairy cattle. This is just a synopsis of the outside work which was accomplished with

God's help almost entirely by Mt. Carmel resident student labor.

Inside, was the work of writing, publishing and mailing of the millions of pieces of free literature which have been sent from this Center. Among the many duties performed in the office, the thousands of letters which have come in were read and answered and otherwise cared for as the needs called for.

Then there was the intensive religious-educational program for the training of our Bible workers and present "Hunters." And in 1953 was launched the work of "hunting" called for in Jeremiah 16:16 and which work by now has been pursued in a large part of the United States and in portions of some foreign countries as well. Then there was the benevolent work that God privileged us to do both at the Center and in the field, which of itself has been no small item.

Not only was Mt. Carmel built up through the years, but those of us who have been here since the beginning witnessed construction work continuously going on of another kind--the building work of the beautiful edifice of Truth of the Ages. As Sabbath after Sabbath we sat spell-bound and thrilled at the unfolding of new Truths, we could see the continual building up of the Temple of Truth on earth which was started when "the foundations of the world were laid"

and which will be completed when "the mystery of God is finished." In nearly every one of those inspiring meetings our attention was faithfully called to the progress that was steadily being made in the erection work of this Structure, and we were also caused to reflect on the comparative progress we individually were or were not making in both our personal lives and in our task of building the physical aspects of this institution. All these memories endeared Mt. Carmel to our hearts, and can never be erased from our minds.

In the course of all these various activities there were myriads of large and smaller events along the way that would be interesting to recount but which our time limitations this evening forbid us doing. And so we shall come directly to one of the most important and significant events that have taken place in the last two years. It is important because of its significance--its significance being vitally related to our faith and belief. I am referring to the selling of Mt. Carmel's excess property.

You recall that an announcement of the launching of this event was made by Brother Houteff through the medium of the Association's official organ, The Symbolic Code, in September, 1954.

Though at the time the land was originally purchased some may not then have seen the wisdom of its acquisition, yet it was definitely in

God's plans that in that time of depression this undeveloped piece of property be purchased, for there lay in it great potential value of many kinds particularly tailored to fit the manifold needs of the cause. Besides providing a wonderful base of operations, the experience we were to have here while "dwelling solitarly in the woods, in the midst of Carmel," was designed to teach us how to surmount difficulties, how to cooperate with God, how to get along with other people, and how to evaluate and appreciate the more important things in life. Then of course as property for residential purposes, it is valuable.

In discussing this new undertaking with some of us, Brother Houteff emphasized the urgency of carrying out this part of the work (the selling of the excess property) without delay and as quickly as possible. The reasons are found in the few paragraphs which I shall now read and which were written by Brother Houteff himself.

"The Hunting Campaign launched last year initiated and heralded a new electrifying and progressive advancement of present Truth.

"Now again, with even greater emphasis toward reaching her goal, Mount Carmel Center makes the following announcement to all faithful Davidians who will realize that this good news is perhaps nothing short of a sign. Mount Carmel Center, by commencing to first sell its excess property, then the whole, is symbolically leading

the way to the program that is outlined by the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy, in the words:

" 'Again the Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.' Matt. 13:44. The Lord Himself is leading the way.

"It now becomes very obvious that the time is short, that he who would be ready for the 'great supper' and for his eternal home, will have his eyes open to Truth and his heart set on his eternal welfare. God will direct him day by day.

"Certainly then this move could be a sign-post to both Davidians and to Laodiceans that the eleventh-hour message is on the very verge of a final and all-out effort to reclaim the church from the hands of the Enemy.

"Be it therefore known that part of Mount Carmel property is being subdivided for high class residences beginning at the old peach orchard near Mount Carmel entrance.

"Then who knows, but the Lord, that this heart-stirring example may soon turn into a sounding alarm and be followed by every faithful Davidian believer throughout the land. Even now, the Lord's example to raise funds by disposing of His possessions, is a loud cry to every

Davidian to awake to the fact that he is privileged to join the campaign with faithful tithe and offering, at first, and at last to swell the funds by giving everything so that the work may be finished and the saints be gathered home!"--Excerpts from The Symbolic Code, September, 1954, pp. 3-6.

And so it was that before Brother Houteff's death, Mt. Carmel successfully got under way the subdividing of about 35 acres. It was Brother Houteff's deep concern at the time of his death, however, that the subdividing of the rest of the land would require a great many customers which Waco may not have unless some new industries or other installations were brought into Waco, thus causing a need for more housing. And as I related to you quite in detail a few evenings ago, many changes later did take place in Waco, which materially altered our situation in regard to the selling of the land. Those changes were brought about by a variety of factors, chief among which were (1) increasingly sharper competition; and (2) the new regulations and requirements of the city incident to our being taken into the city limits.

These factors, coupled with the element of time limitation binding upon us, and the world unrest and war prospects, gave the Executive Council clear evidence of God's leadings through these providential circumstances, and were therefore the basic causes of the Council's decision to start selling the land in acreage tracts while there was still some demand for Waco property among

those whose business is land development.

To date six tracts of the land have been sold on two and three year pay-off terms. The last of these six comprised all of the acreage except 18 acres which is reserved for the use of the Institution as long as it is needed.

Due to the fact that some of our dwellings are on the land that was last sold, the necessity of moving the people who live there constituted a need which had to be met. Since, as you know, our other living quarters are occupied, it was plain to be seen that we would have to do something about our housing situation so that those who are needed here in the work would have a place to stay. The Council foresaw this problem before the tract of land was sold, and took steps to provide for the need.

We were able at once to recognize that perhaps the very reason God put it in the hearts of the Springer family in Wyoming, and the Davidians in South Carolina six or seven years ago to dedicate themselves to the noble task of building the two Rest Homes which are now in shape to receive our older brothers and sisters who are our honored guests here this evening, was to provide them with a home at this time.

How good God is! How personally He is interested in each of us from the youngest to the oldest! The love of God which is so manifest to

us in this tonight has been bestowed upon us all along the way and will continue with us and ahead of us as long as we keep close to Him.

Needless to say, it was with mixed feelings that we announced to you in the meeting of a few evenings past that we would be transferring you older brothers and sisters to one of the two places Yoder, Wyoming, or Salem, South Carolina, where you would be comfortably situated in a place of quiet and seclusion for the trying months that are ahead of us.

I said that it was with mixed feelings that we made this announcement, because naturally we will miss you very much when you will not be present in the chapel and cafeteria and the other places here where we see you every day; and also because we know how disturbing a move is to anyone, old or young. But especially do we realize the trial that it is for ones advanced in years to rather quickly move from a place which has been home, to another place. We preferred sparing you the inconvenience and hardship attendant in making the move. But we could not.

We are glad, though, that where you are going you will also feel at home, and that you will be in good hands.

And now to the main reason why we are here honoring you tonight. My dear brothers and sisters who are about to leave us, I speak

in behalf of all of us who will "remain with the stuff" when I say that we mean to do more tonight than to let you know that we will miss your presence among us; we mean tonight to express our admiration for your ready understanding of the situation which has made necessary your leaving, and for your cooperation which has contributed in no small degree to the smoothness with which this difficult move has proceeded to this point. Taking everything into consideration, we could not have expected you to do better. Collectively you have set us younger ones a very fine example of how we should relate ourselves to a similar situation when it comes to us, as it surely will. The live lesson you are enacting before us now as you prepare to leave Mt. Carmel should not be forgotten by any of us.

And what makes these honored ones among us be so cooperative through this experience which is truly a trying one for them?--There can be but one answer: It is their belief in present Truth. I do not believe it would be possible for a group like this to make such a move as smoothly as they are doing it, were it not for the power that is in the Truth they love. It is this in combination with the fact that they have learned that God is faithful in tenderly looking after His Own, and that just as He has cared for their every need in the past, He will certainly do it in the future. They see, too, that whether they have anything or not, God, through this institution takes the same thoughtful care of them. They know, too,

that as we are surely drawing close to the final movements which will come in rapid succession, we must ever be ready to follow closely God's leadings and His directions, and not waste any time murmuring and complaining about the means He may choose to use for our deliverance in time of trouble.

Yes, the path to the Kingdom, our great goal is rapidly growing narrower and narrower. And that which yet lies ahead will try every man's soul. May each of us make it as easy as possible for ourselves to get through by determining to be cooperative in all God's leadings. Thus will we not repeat the inglorious history of our forefathers before us just on the borders of the Kingdom.

Now in conclusion we express to each of you the love that is in our hearts for you and we give you the promise that just as we have daily prayed for you while you were among us, we shall continue to meet you at the throne of grace each day in the short time we shall be apart. May God richly bless each of you, and may we all rejoice together at last, when we shall be given that grand welcome into the Kingdom which is so close at hand. And then will we sing together for the righteousness and mercy of our God, for "the toils of the road will seem nothing when we get to the end of the way."