

THE REIGN OF THE MESSIAH.

It Will Be an Exclusive and Aristocratic Monarchy.

NATURE OF THE KINGDOM.

Pastor Russell, in the Philippines, Describes the Fifth Universal Empire of Earth—Sin and Death Shall Be Overthrown and Humanity Uplifted From Ignorance and Superstition—General Hall and Comrades, Also of the Foreign Missions Investigating Committee, Visit the Islands.



PASTOR RUSSELL

Manila, Jan. 14th.—Gen. W. P. Hall, second in command of the U. S. Army and at one time Military Governor of the Philippines, is here in company with Pastor C. T. Russell, Prof. F. H. Robinson, Dr. L. W. Jones, Mr. J. T. D. Pyles, Mr. E. W. V. Kuehn and Mr. R. H. Maxwell, the special committee of Foreign Missions Investigation appointed by the International Bible Students Association. They were heartily welcomed and given every facility for noting civil and missionary activities amongst the Filipinos. Pastor Russell gave two addresses today to large audiences, chiefly Americans; he had a very earnest hearing. We report his address in the Manila Grand Opera House from the text, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is done in heaven." (Matthew vi. 10.) He said:— Many of us have learned to appreciate a republican form of government as the very highest type of civil administration. I trust that I am not one who behind the most patriotic of you in my appreciation of the great government of the United States which many of us believe is the noblest that has yet risen amongst men. Nevertheless, the Bible teaches that Messiah's reign will be that of a Monarchy; not only so, it will be a very exclusive and aristocratic Monarchy. Additionally, it will be most autocratic—theocratic; the will of its subjects will not be consulted in the slightest particular.

The Fifth Universal Empire. At first, in alarm, we are ready to say, "Would not that be a most dangerous condition of things? Could any royal family, however noble and generous, be entrusted with such autocratic power without fear of its being misused for the enslavement of the people, for the aggrandizement of the rulers? Have we not learned this in the history of the past six thousand years? Do we not see the necessity for curtailing and controlling the powers of kings and governors? Are we not more and more brought to realize the necessity that the people shall rule, whether in Congress or in Parliament, in Doumas or in Chambers of Deputies? Yes, yes, my dear friends, I heartily accede to all this; but when I shall describe to you the nature of the Kingdom that is to be established, and its personnel, all your fears will assuredly flee, and you will rejoice exceedingly that the Divine arrangement is what it is in respect to the theocratic Kingdom shortly to be established and to take over the government of the world.

Scripturally, it is described as the Fifth Universal Empire of earth. I remind you of the Divinely inspired dream of King Nebuchadnezzar, as interpreted by the Prophet Daniel. It was of an image majestic, grand. The head of the image was Nebuchadnezzar's own kingdom at Babylon, the first to rule over the earth. Next, represented in the breast and arms of silver, came Medo-Persia, the second Universal Empire of earth, the conqueror of Babylon. Next, represented in the belly and in the thigh of the image, came Greece, the third Universal Empire of earth, which conquered Medo-

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By WOOD E. UNDERWOOD



Miss SYBIL MARSTON

A week ago there weren't very many people who had ever heard of Miss Sybil Marston. Today she is famous. When Baroness A. DeMeyer, visiting in New York, announced that she was British fencing champion, and challenged any American woman to a bout, Miss Marston promptly accepted. She is a California girl, a Leland Stanford University student, and few outside of her own circle of friends knew of her prowess with the foil. The bout was to have been held at the Colony Club, New York, but at the last moment the baroness backed out, claiming the little American girl was a professional, and not an amateur.

and death are permitted of God for a limited time and for a special purpose. The testimony tells us that when the due time shall come Messiah shall take His great power and reign—then Satan shall be bound and all the forces of sin and darkness be restrained. Then the Sun of Righteousness shall arise with healing in its beams to flood the earth with the light of the knowledge of the glory of God. The Election Hath Obtained It. Come with me and take a cursory view of God's great work thus far accomplished. For more than two thousand years God gave no clear intimation of what He intended to do for the fallen race. Then He made a statement to Abraham, so clear, so explicit, that St. Paul declares it was a statement of the Gospel in advance. God said to Abraham, I intend to bless the world, which could only mean, I intend to relieve them of the curse of death which came upon them through Adam's sin. God added to Abraham, This blessing which I will bring to all the families of the earth will come through your posterity.—In thee and in thy Seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

God's due time for bringing this blessing was still future; the blessing intended could not come until Messiah should come; but meantime God gave to the natural seed of Abraham, through Moses, the Law Covenant, which offered them eternal life and inheritance in the Kingdom if they could keep the Law. Of course, they could not keep the Law because it was the measure of a perfect man's ability, and alas! like the remainder of the world, the Israelites were imperfect-sinners. Nevertheless the offer and their attempt to keep the Law brought them great uplift of heart, so that when Jesus came to them a considerable number were ready to receive Him, did receive Him, and He received them. They became sons of God, through the begetting of the Holy Spirit, at Pentecost and afterward. These were the spiritual Seed of Abraham, begotten of the Holy Spirit, Jesus Himself being the Head, or First; the others were counted in as members of His Body. Israel had been hoping for a share in Messiah's Kingdom, and St. Paul explains, "Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for, but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded." The blinded Israelites are still cast aside, but not forever. The Divine blessing shall come to natural Israel just as soon as spiritual Israel shall be completed. (See Rom. xi, 25-34.) The Kingdom Suffereth Violence. What did the "election" obtain? Of what did the faithful "Israelites indeed" become heirs by accepting Jesus and by the Pentecostal blessing? We answer that they became identified with Messiah's Kingdom and heirs or inheritors of the glorious promise made to Abraham, that in this Kingdom all the families of the earth should be blessed. But now note that there were not a sufficient number of Jews found worthy to complete the Kingdom class. The Kingdom therefore could not be inaugurated then. God had foreseen this and through the Prophet had

promised that some would be gathered from the Gentiles to complete this Kingdom class. The entire work of this Gospel Age has been the calling of this "elect" class for the Kingdom. If we have rightly viewed the matter, the foreordained number will soon have been found, the election will be at an end, the accepted will be glorified as the Kingdom, and Messiah's reign of righteousness will begin. But notice how the course of all belonging to the Kingdom class, throughout this age, they are not reigning with Christ, but suffering with Christ. And Jesus explained this; they are indeed of the Royal Family, because begotten of the Holy Spirit; they are indeed the Kingdom class, because they are afflicted with the great King; but they have not yet entered into their glory. They will do so only by the power of the First Resurrection. Thus it is written, "We must all be changed," because "flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God." Our Lord Himself was the Pattern, the Forerunner of all these. After His consecration and His begetting of the Holy Spirit, He was tested even unto death, even the death of the cross, before He experienced His glorious resurrection change and ascended up and sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on High. Similarly all of His followers, after consecration, must be tested; their loyalty must be proven, before they can share with Him in "His Resurrection." Partly for the testing of these, their development takes place in a time when Satan is the Prince of this world, and when his power is permitted to be exercised against them as it was exercised against their Lord. The message to these is, "The Kingdom suffereth violence and the violent take it by force." As our Lord suffered violence from the Prince of this world, so will His followers, for "the discipline is not above His Lord." His promise to His followers is, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."—Revelation ii, 10. "The World Knoweth Us Not." So then we perceive that God's Kingdom class, the followers of Jesus, have been suffering violence, just as did their Leader, for righteousness' sake. That the persecutors had not known and done their evil work intentionally, St. Peter intimates when he says to the Jews, "I wot that in ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers, for if they had known they would not have crucified the Prince of Life." Hence, in due time their blindness shall be turned away and they will look upon Him whom they pierced and mourn (Zechariah xii, 10), and God will pour upon them the spirit of prayer and supplication, and forgive them and make the experience profitable to us many as shall prove willing. Meantime, for eighteen centuries, the Scriptures declare, "The world knoweth us not even as it knew Him not." God's saintly ones have not been generally the great, the influential, either in church or state, just as Jesus and the Apostles were not in their day. Nevertheless, the Lord knoweth those that are His. Scattered here and there, during the past eighteen centuries, He has been dealing with them, preparing them, polishing them, fitting them as jewels. And He tells us that at our Lord's second coming He will make up His jewels—they will constitute the Kingdom class, for if we suffer with Him, we shall also reign with Him. I am sure you will agree with me that those whom the Lord has been so carefully selecting, instructing and polishing in the school of Christ, who have been so effectively polished with the trials and disciplines of evil, will do the very class above all others to whom the glorious dominion of earth

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