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Inconsecuencia y falta de respeto a la personalidad del ex-Presidente Licenciado don Ricardo Jiménez O.

He venido siguiendo el proceso político desde que el Lic. Jiménez entregó las riendas del Estado al señor González Viquez, que algunos pueblos de la Republica, mejor dicho, algunos individuos constituidos en agrupación, sin darse cuenta de su inconsecuencia y falta de respeto hasta cierto punto, han querido y hasta quieren como exigir al ex-Presidente Jiménez Oreamuno, eximio y excelso varón, no sólo de Centro América sino del Continente, a que baje de su alto pedestal donde lo ha colocado la historia, para confundirlo en la maleza de la política rastrera y mezquina, nominándolo como candidato a diputado para el próximo período constitucional; y esa inconsecuencia y falta de respeto, no es otra cosa, sino hija legítima de la ignorancia, y si se quiere hasta de mala fe. Querier obligar a don Ricardo en los actuales momentos, a que acepte su candidatura para una curul en el Congreso, después de haber escalado los más altos puestos con que la Republica premia a sus hijos más preclaros, es como pretender que Jesucristo venga de nuevo al mundo, a recibir nuevos azotes y nue-

vos vejámenes para redimirnos por segunda vez. ES, mejor dicho, querer confundir con sus enemigos de ayer y de hoy, para que en los ratos, de soez proteración, considerándolo igual a ellos, porque está en el mismo sillal diputadil, le falten a la consideración que se merece y a que es acreedor, ya que raras veces se oye en el recinto de la Cámara la voz del patriotismo, sino el personalismo, por resquemones políticos.

Creo yo, que el Lic. Jiménez para servirle a su patria como lo exige el más alto patriotismo, y dentro del marco de la actual administración del señor González Viquez, no necesita el canon diputadil, ya que desde las soledades de su finca *Pan de Azúcar* puede muy bien decirse a los hombres del Gobierno el derrotero a seguir, y al pueblo el camino que debe tomar, que no es otro, que el respeto a las leyes y a sus instituciones.

Como amigo leal y partidario sincero que soy del Lic. Jiménez, he celebrado y celebro su actitud ante las exigencias de trabajo—pueblos—para llevarlo al Congreso, ya que de haber aceptado tal o cual denominación

en la Cámara, le hubiera tocado desempeñar la ardua tarea de un maestro de escuela de primera enseñanza, con el recargo del primer grado.

Si hoy como ayer los pueblos fueran conscientes de sus deberes civícos y eligieran para sus representantes hombres de la talla de don Alberto Echandi Montero, Alfredo González Flores, Dr. José María Soto Alfaro, Luis Anderson Morúa, Máximo Fernández, Astúa Aguilar, Matías Trejos, Bernardo Soto, Juan B. Quirós, Segura Leonidas Pacheco Cabezas, Luis Castro Ureña, Luis Ruiz, Meza Aníbal Santos Aguirre, Oscar Rhomoser, Arturo Volio Jiménez, Carlos María Jiménez Ortiz, Santos León Herrera, Alejandro Alvarado Quirós, León Cortés, Dr. Francisco Cordero, General Jorge Volio Jiménez, Carlos Brenes Ortiz, Manuel Francisco Jiménez Ortiz y tantos otros ilustres ciudadanos, yo estaría de acuerdo en que don Ricardo aceptara la nominación de diputado para que fuera al Congreso, porque entonces no se relajaría su prestigio, sino más bien, con compañeros de esa talla moral, se sentiría orgulloso de representar al pueblo, cantón o provincia que lo eligiera.

Por eso creo y así lo pienso, que si los pueblos de la República lo desean como diputado, deben quererlo más para Presidente, y siendo así, dejemos que llegue el momento en que todos, al unisono, lancemos su candidatura presidencial para el próximo periodo que se acerca, ya que como mandatario, puede hacer como ha hecho ya, más beneficios positivos a la Patria que lo que haría como simple diputado.

Carlos Orozco Amador
Limón, 10. de Dic. de 1929.

Lights on Trains

Inasmuch as there is a wave of financial distress hanging over us, yet people must travel in search of business it can't be for pleasure, and if the Railway Coaches are unimprovable, people will be led to travel by Trucks or other conveyances where road facilities admit. It is complained that the convenience of passengers on our Trains are not being considered as first importance now a days. The Coaches are shabby, the seats on the Local Trains particularly have become prickly and tear the clothes of passengers for want of repair. There are no lights on these Trains, the lamps all being antiquated, some even leaking the oil on passengers. Modern appliances are the order of the day, no one may be tolerated to suggest to Mr. Ferris that he should extend the installation of Electric Lights from the Engines to the Coaches, especially on such Trains as the evening trains from San José to Cartago & Alajuela as well as the Local, there is no reason why the Passenger Coaches could not be attached to the Engine so as benefit by the Light installation, especially as the Conductor now has nothing to do with the Passengers his caboose could be in the rear of the freight Cars. With a plug passing from the Engines to the Coaches, there is no reason why these should not be illumined, it would be a great convenience to passengers & Crew alike and would be cheaper lighting.

Our Lottery and the purposes for which it is used

Much comment has arisen from time to time as to the utility of our Public Lottery and some have even gone so far as to say that the percentage gained by the Board of charity who control it is most exorbitant but if it would be considered the good purposes to which the proceeds are placed we should all make it a duty to buy a Ticket and so subscribe to public utility without even so much consideration for personal gains.

The Junta de Caridad 'Charity Board' wishful of creating confidence in the public mind as to the probity of its actions has published the following account to show how the earnings of the Lottery are being spent.

The net earnings from the Lottery for the year 1928,008,000 colones by which 1,200 patients are taken care of in the Hospital & Lunatic Asylum, being 800 in the Hospital and 400 in Lunatic Asylum.

For repairs to the Hospital \$ 61,451-21
For reconstruction of the same 136,409-90
Current expenses 800 patients
per annum 547,126-76

Total for Hospital..... 745,077-87

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Repairs to the institution \$ 136,873-45
Construction of new Pavilion 123,806-54
Current expenses of 400 patients
pr annum 202,973-93

1,208,731-79

It has other sources from which it derives a yearly revenue of \$ 67,920 it will thus be seen that the responsibilities of the Lottery are not so easily met, therefore the purchases of the of the Lottery Tickets should be met not only from a hope of personal gains but with a feeling of charity. So that those persons who consider it merely a gambling Concern ought to look at it from the standpoint of public beneficence.

If the Parsons and pharisaical persons in Jamaica who are principally responsible for the prohibition of a Lottery scheme run there for a similar purpose would look at it from this view, there would certainly be a most beneficial Lottery existing there, but there are two classes of the Community who are not folks who are not anxious of the possibility of seeing a poor person get in government in a Comfortable position a par with themselves.

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EDITORIAL

OUR PROJECTS

From the daily expressions of men of influence as well as from the different News papers of the country, the palpitating question being discussed is our present *stringent financial situation*. Some are blaming the banana Law, some are blaming the United Fruit Coy, others are blaming individuals inside and outside of Governmental positions, but really this condition has arisen from a series of circumstances for which no one particularly is to be blamed.

No matter how educated or wise we may be we are apt to make mistakes and to err in our Judgments; we are not all blessed with the same range of focus, some Searchlights can only afford us vision for immediate individual surroundings to protect us from stumbling and groping in the dark while others are powerful enough to be thrown far out at sea or on land for miles and miles around to be able to discern our enemies or falling into dangers; so it is in politics we cannot have all men of great foresight, who in countries of recent growth like these are few and far between and even when discerned are loathe to come to the front rank because they do not like to associate with men of lesser calibre, so as to incur arguments of intense bearing with men of shorter range, thereby involving unpleasantness; it is very hard to induce men of the stamp of Messrs Ricardo Jimenez, Felipe Alvarado, Cecil Lindo, Alberto Echandi Alfredo Gonzalez, Julio Acosta, John Ernest and a few others around us to come out in the arena of Politics for the above reasons, hence we must always expect errors in judgment from our parliamentary assemblies especially considering that the representatives to these Bodies are generally placed in Power by the Votes of the less informed & ignorant who are always in the majority. The present situation has undoubtedly been brought more forcibly upon us by the mistaken Judgment, with the best of intentions we must admit, of the majority in Congress by the passage of our present Banana Law; but now that this mistake has been admitted by all; even our President felt that it was a great mistake, that the Congress did not adopt the advice of don Ricardo Jimenez to open up the Rio Frio Regions and enhance the greater production of the Banana Industry; but now as we say that this mistake has been admitted, we agree with don Florentino Castro whose intentions has been misinterpreted, that it is up to us to seek in a dignified way for a solution in the difficulties into which we have brought ourselves, and thank God we see a glimpse in a horizon of a solution in the problem. As we said in our former article that an intermediary should be sought out and such intermediary is now to hand. A meeting has been held in Turrialba last week by influential Farmers businessmen and politicians from which the first sign of amelioration is seen, because by means of that representation the United Fruit Co. has agreed to take the fruit in that vicinity again at the platforms instead of at the wharfs, and are willing to renew Contracts for five years with those whose Contracts are expiring; with the condition that if Railroad Communications are blocked the loss would not be the Company's, and is this anything but natural? why should the Contracting purchaser be held responsible for the acts of God or the enemies of the State?

Another meeting was called in the Chamber of Commerce by Mr. Oscar Gutierrez on Tuesday at which were present Ex-president Mr. Julio Acosta, Messrs Felipe J. Alvarado, Oscar Gutierrez, Cecil Lindo, Alfredo Pirie, Walter J. Ford, Alfredo Sasso President of the Chamber of Commerce, Lorenzo Tellez, Guillermo Zeledon, G. W. Long Manager of The Royal Bank of Canada, Alex Murray, Tomas Guardia, Otto Andre, Victor Vargas Quesada, Teodoro Castro, Florentino Castro, David Johnson, Thomas Harrington & Mrs Andrea Venegas de Castro, and several others.

At that meeting several very patriotic speeches were delivered and propositions made for alleviating the present conditions, and a Commission named for approaching the government and the Coy, for a modification of existing circumstances, on account of which we feel that our problem is in a fair way to be solved. The Commission named is composed of the following gentlemen Messrs Ricardo Jimenez, Felipe J. Alvarado, Alberto Ortono, Cecil Lindo, Santos Leon Herrera and John Ernest. With such a body of representatives success is bound to result, because there is no

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On the other hand the U. F. Coy. founded the Industry in this country, second only to their activities in Jamaica, and have by their exploitations made the Atlantic division into if not the most prosperous division of the country the second most prosperous, and would not willingly see the fruits of their endeavours dwindle into insignificance, but would we feel, do what ever is just & right to maintain the process she has gained inside and outside of the Country in the manipulation and formation of one half of Costa Rica from swampy jungles unfit for the residence of men into beautiful prosperous townships & peasant proprietorships. So we feel that our problems are being solved, and we also feel that we shall be happier hereafter from a closer knowledge of ourselves, our interests, our aims & obligations one to another we shall become closer friends each one willing to safeguard the interests of the other, due to our realization of the need of co-operation in every sense of the word for mutual preservation of a lasting friendship & lastly there is never a seeming evil without its corresponding amount of good accruing.

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And now that our works of Improvement are being undertaken; some finished and some under thought, shall we forget our benefactors? It was Don Antonio Segura who first got permission from Don Ricardo Jimenez to construct the Road from Limon to Moín, this was started but on account of conflicting interests this work after spending Ten thousand colones on it was suspended. Don Juan Romagosa then come on the scene and in reality whatever improvements Limon is now enjoying is due to his energy and influence.

He started the improvements of Cieneguita to Westfalia, he then started the road to Moín by way of Portette and if he had one Year more in Power he would have had that road completed as a Belt from Limon to Moín a back to Limon by way of the Cemetery. He organized the Proclamation and named the Committee who have guided the works to a successful issue, and there are those of us who feel that had he not been wise enough to have mixed the Junta Sanacion with foreigners men of honor & intellect such as Messrs. Findlay, Wendor, and Thomas that work would not have been conducted as it has been, but would have ended in quarrels and dissatisfactions as occurred in San Jose.

Don Juan it was who inspired Don Ricardo Jimenez with the idea of the Canalization of Moín Tortuguero, he worked constantly with Engineer Spring in the localization of the Wharf and Canal route and as it is said had he remained in Power between himself and Don Ricardo that work would have started already. Therefore Limon and its residents can never afford to forget Don Juan - Romagosa - Segura - Gutierrez

Notice

Several correspondents have been sending in reports short of postage, we will advise that postage is today 13 cents and not 10 as formerly, as we have already advised twice in this Journal. All letters taxed on account of incomplete postage will remain delayed indefinitely in the Post Office.

A Generous offer

While reconstruction of the streets are being pushed by the Ways a Felix Coy-and the President is being taxed to his utmost how to find money to complete the gigantic task before him; Mr. Lido has set the example for all the rich proprietors of San José to follow he has offered to loan the municipality the money necessary for the completion of the entire block on which his residence and office stands, if the work will be undertaken at once.

This is a most generous offer, and will certainly be much appreciated by Don Ceto, as it spells friendship to his administration; and is an inducement to the other wealthy owners to assist in the money necessary for the government to find the money needed to make San Jose a City to be proud of. It also relieves the general Taxpayer of the extra taxes which would accrue for paying Interest on foreign debt for the work; this act of Mr. Lindo therefore should not fail to arouse in the populace as well as the executives a feeling of affection for the man for whom, if all wealthy men would come forward and act in such a public spirited way there could be no thought of communism in any country. He is certainly setting a fair example to dispel the darkness from the pathway of others, the world needs a few more C. Lindo.

Kingston's Mayor

Indeed this is a Labour age. The labourites are getting in Power, in every Election, from Kingston comes the news that Mr. David Vaz has won Mr. H. A. L. Simpson in the Election for the post of Mayor of Kingston by one vote. This was hardly expected, as Mr. Simpson was calculated as the most likely man at this moment when so many works of improvement for the Kingston and St. Andrews area are being undertaken judging from his past experiences in Public Works. If Mr. Garvey was able to be present it is probable that the contest would have ended in favour of Mr. Simpson. It is strange to see the Sup-Medical officer and the Director of Public works voting in favour of Councillor Vaz.

Mr. Vaz is to be congratulated as he is a man who has won his way from the lowest ranks of the labour element, thus proving his probity of actions in the Community in which he lived to have so commanded the confidence and esteem of his colleagues.

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Parisian Selections

The west indian as he is affected by Costa Rican prosperity or adversity

As is well known Mr. Minor Cooper Keith obtained a Contract and Concession to build the Ferrocarril de Costa Rica somewhere in the year 1878, during the Presidency of Don Thomas Guardia. To fulfil his obligation in this gigantic operation the first cause of anxiety to him was the labour necessary for so great an undertaking, passing as it did through such an extent of viciously malarial country, where immense swamps existed with its consequent pernicious fevers, tropical contagious diseases such as Smallpox, La gripe, Cholera etc; it could not have failed his attention that a special class of labourers were necessary, whose physical

hardness and endurance, coupled with their determination to surmount any obstacle was the signal for his success in his great work. Naturally enough he thought of his own people first; he returned to the United States and immigrated here two consignments of Americans white & black nearly a thousand from the Southern States, believing that these from a similarly hot climate, would have withstood the ravages of such tropical diseases in such a malarial Country would have made up the constitutions of his workers in his great scheme; but he was sadly disappointed, for nearly every one of these American immigrants

died before any progress was made in the work to be accomplished. Exasperated at seeing the sad havoc death wrought among the hundreds of his countrymen white & coloured, He now thought he would turn his attention to a more easily obtainable class of labourers for it was no use of thinking of the labouring population of the Country, for they just would not leave the interior where they were accustomed to a easy sort of life to come to the swamps where they would be boxed about, kicked & hustled by their Macho bosses, besides they were not physically fit in those days for such onerous, distressing work digging ditches in Swamps, blasting Rocks, and rolling them to the dumps, lifting heavy iron

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Silvera Hussar was 2nd, and Bonny Boy ran 3rd, 14 Horses ran in the 1 1/2 mile race, which seemed to have been very exciting from the fact that each of the first three horses came in just a head from each other.

There was to be a race meeting in Squirres on Monday 25st but on account of the incessant rains it had to be postponed.

Citizens Association

The Municipality of the Canton of Guapiles is forming a Citizen's Association and arranging for the purchase of 200 Hectares of land from the United Fruit Company at the rate of one hundred colones per hectare and cutting it up in lots of Ten hectareas each to be allotted to citizens at the same rate, in easy payments or Cash payments to those who are able to buy for Cash, so that each holding will represent one thousand colones this is a most decided step at improvement which will have the effect of improving the revenue of the municipality, and the contentment of the population.

This is an example to Limon and Squirres to buy out Mrs Arnolds property and Rosehill from Mr. Ice Loring and do something similar, so as to stabilize the residential status of both towns.

From Cedar Creek

We had a visit on Sunday last from Mr. A. L. Stewart our Delegate to the Convention of the Universal Negro Improvement Association recently held in Jamaica. He delivered us a very elaborate address, relative to the influence which it is expected this great Assembly will have on the Negro peoples of the world, and kept his audience spell bound during his explanations of the intentions of the conferences. He was entertained by Songs and Recitations from our Juveniles, and addresses by Officers from this Branch as well as those from the Liverpool Division.

The speeches were very inspiring and a very pleasant evening was spent. Thanks to Mr. J. N. McCalla and his associates who were instrumental in bringing off the Social gathering. The Limon Searchlight is much appreciated in this District, it is to be found in every home.

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and so on was not to be considered in their mode of living any how. At that time he saw what was going on by West Indians on the Isthmus at Colon, and the thought struck him immediately these are the people that will suit my purpose admirably, Going to Colon he recruited a few Barbadians & Jamaicans there, for the coloured Frenchmen would not come, they having the preference for all the best jobs to be done by their own race. He set away for Barbados and Contracts a consignment from that island, but again he was doomed to defeat at the hands of the French, for again they had claimed the majority of these by a sort of La gripe, which broke out among these men, due to the impurity of the swampy waters they had to drink as well as the class of food they used, for want of something better. He next went to Jamaica and Contracted with the approval of the then President Don Thomas Guardia of *immortat* for the labour of 1000 men in 1880 his first batch arrived, again he went in 1881 and 82, operations now started in full swing on The Limon, Cartago road; These people gave such satisfaction in their labour that the French allotted each man that was contracted a plot of land wherever he cared to locate himself in Agriculture, several of these men got documents in return giving them their own plots of land. The last of these whom we knew had such a Document died some two years ago Mr. Douville 15 miles, but gradually these men have sold their titles or nothing left these privileges, some being robbed of their rights by more cunning persons, but these first settlers were much appreciated by President Guardia and later by the immortalized Don Rafael Yglesias.

The Construction of the Railroad progressed rapidly in the hands of these immigrants; of course hundreds died, some from malaria, others from mishaps as is natural in such an undertaking but still they laboured on, the missing ones replaced by some firmer immigrants, until by the year 1886 the road was completed, but it did not realize on the Bonds guaranteed by this Government in the New York market and these men had to work for months & months without getting pay, but from the confidence they had in their taskmaster, sufficient they got their food & raiment they were content to continue working until after six months of this financial strain Mr. Keith managed to get the Government of England Bankers who financed his scheme, one may well imagine the happiness of these workers as well as the ease of mind to Mr. Keith as well as the Executive of the then government when they relief came, and the money got by male loads coming down to pay these west Indian labourers. Tales are told of how one male strayed away from the rest coming in the Train and after days of absence was accidentally found by one Hampshire, brought out and delivered to the bosses intact. It was from this incident that, as a eulogy for the honesty of these workers, Mr. Keith said to have expressed that he could trust the Jamaica Negro with thousands of dollars but not with a bottle of Jamaica old Rum.

Launch wrecked

The launch "Linda S" which has been plugging between Colon, Bocas del Toro, Limon & Bluefields got wrecked off Bocas del Toro on Tuesday las. No lives were lost but the Cargo & Boat was a Total loss.

A happy time

The home of our friend Mr. A. G. Malick was enlivened by a happy gathering of friends on the 24th inst when his new arrival was christened at the Iglesia de las Mercedes with the name of *Dorris* it was also the birthday of the former sweet little angel Gladys. Mr. and Mrs. Saide Bredy were the favoured sponsors.

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The Kingdom of God

By Lowell Filmore

Remember that the kingdom of God is not made of building material; neither is it a place where we go to satisfy our material desires, such as eating and drinking. The kingdom of God is a spiritual kingdom not measured by feet and inches, nor has it a material location, Jesus Christ located it when He said, "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation; neither shall they say, Lo, here, or there, for lo, the kingdom of god is within you." We understand from this that the kingdom of God is not a place where we can go and sit in an easy chair and rest our weary bodies while we gaze on the beautiful scenery and hear the music of golden harps. It is a place that is not seen with the human eye, because it is within man, as his thoughts are within him.

There is room in man for countless thoughts—beautiful thoughts or ugly thoughts. The beautiful thoughts help to make the kingdom; the ugly thoughts help to mar it. Where does man contact God? Within his thoughts. He cannot find God in a tree or on a mountain, although God is everywhere present. He may sit on the mountain and find God within himself, or he may climb the tree and find God within himself. God is Spirit and must be worshipped in Spirit and in Truth. So His kingdom is filled with joy, life, spiritual substance, harmony, peace, love, purity and wisdom, any one who will conform himself to the kingdom may enjoy it here and now.

When a man enters the kingdom of God to find joy, how can he find a joyous kingdom if he insists on taking sorrow with him? When he expects to find life in the kingdom, how can he find it if he insists on taking thoughts of death with him? If you went into a quiet place and took a playing brass band with you, you would hunt in vain for quietude. If we should attempt to enter the kingdom looking for love, but taking hate with us, we should be trying to do that which is impossible, for the kingdom is made of love and is all good. Some one may ask, "If the kingdom of God is invisible and we cannot know it by any of the five senses, then how will help us in our daily problems, which concern the things of the senses?" In answer to this we say that the world of sense is but a manifestation of the world of thought. If we live in a thought world of discord, lack, anger, fear, and general negative conditions, our outer world will express disorder, poverty, and unhappiness. If we live in the kingdom our outer world will express the qualities

At Pacuarito

There will be a Carnival held on Monday 9th, inst at Pacuarito by the U. N. I. A. All day & night sports of all kinds a Procession headed by the Limon Band to adjacent Section & Back.

Small Coinage

On Saturday last the government received a consignment of \$ 125,000 in small change 10¢ & 5¢ pieces.

To correspondents

Several articles & letters have reached us late for publication this week we must ask to be excused by our correspondents especially a letter from Mr. H. M. Waring Asesor de Obremos, to those people having claims for accidents.

La Samaritana

When in San José do not fail to give a Call on your old friend A. G. MALICK. He is ready to serve you again, with his latest arrivals for the Xmas of ladies & gents dress good, leather purses, Sweets, and all sort of fancy goods suitable for Christmas presents.

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The Power of Prayer

By Marion B. Shoen

I AM not stretching the truth one iota when I say that the Prayer of Faith saved me from insanity.

One year ago things were about as bad for me as they could be. I had allowed myself to get into such a negative way of thinking that all the conditions around me were negative. I do not mean that just one condition seemed amiss. I meant that I seemed everything that I touched or thought about seemed to flop topsy-turvy the moment I touched it or even thought about it. I hope that I do not need to relate all my miseries to make you understand how desperate and destitute I was, or how desolate my heart was. I do not want to think about those miseries.

I would surely have been in an insane asylum before this had it not been for that beautiful, expressive prayer. I began to use it about a year ago, when it seemed to me that nothing could save me, and I have continued until the present time. I never shall stop.

I want to tell you how I used the prayer. I went through it, emphasizing every word separately and trying to

understand its meaning for me in my distress. "God is my help in every need. God is my help in every need. God is my help in every need. God is my help in every need. God is my help in every need." I repeated every line in the same way, trying to get at the truth of it every time I said it.

Jesus said, "Knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Truly, this knock to pass in my case. I knocked at virtually every hour of the day and night, for I could not sleep, because of the weight of my troubles. Then gradually the door began to look brighter and better. If a collector called at my door and I had no money I said The Prayer of Faith. If my child was disobedient I said The Prayer of Faith. If inharmonious conditions of any kind arose, as they often seemed to do at that time, I said The Prayer of Faith. I did not say just the first line or the first stanza; I said it all, and I said each line over until I had emphasized each word separately. I must have said it over a thousand

times that first month. It was almost continually in my mouth.

Somewhat I seemed to feel that everything worth while—perhaps even life itself—was slipping from me, and that The Prayer of Faith was my only hope. Its constant repetition calmed me more and more and filled me with courage.

I wish to tell you some of the things that happened in my life since I have been using The Prayer of Faith regularly and systematically and wholeheartedly, trying to understand it every time that I repeat it.

About a year ago my children were both ill, one with whooping cough and the other with pleuropneumonia. Both have recovered. My husband had a rupture five years standing. It was so bad that he had been refused work at several places because of compensation rules. He was constantly being advised to submit to an operation. During the year, the rupture has disappeared. No means has been used except this prayer. I myself was thin and had a goiter. I have gained thirty pounds in weight and the goiter has disappeared entirely without medical aid.

A friend of mine was sent to an asylum for the insane. The doctors said that she was incurable, that she was growing more unmanageable daily. I said The Prayer of Faith for her, and she has been sent home cured. A child had epileptic fits, and many of her bones were enlarging at the joints. I said The Prayer of Faith for her, and now she is well and is attending school. My own eyesight was so poor that I could not distinguish objects across the room. Now I can go to a theatre, sit in the balcony, and see everything that takes place. I have gained a number of places among undesirable surroundings and I suffered many humiliating experiences. Now we have a nice place to live in, on one of the nicest streets in the city. It all came about after I began saying The Prayer of Faith.

I am not a healer; I do not possess any supernatural powers, although I have been told this must be true of me. It makes me laugh when people say such things. I just said The Prayer of Faith, stopped striving and reaching out for things that I do not desire, and lo, the desired things came to me.

My husband says that he never saw any one change so much in all his life. He says that I am a new person, mentally and physically. Formerly, I did not care how sloppily I looked at home; now it seems the natural thing for me to look nice for the benefit of my husband and children, even if nobody else sees me.

I am a better cook and a more interested housekeeper. I used to think that housekeeping in a household was felt ashamed because I could not afford a maid. Now I see housework as a labour of love, as a possible stepping-stone to something more difficult. For I have found that things always come to me just as soon as I am ready for them and just as soon as I have proved myself capable of handling the added responsibility implied.

I am now doing many of the things that I have always wanted to do. I am not striving toward them through great obstacles as I formerly seemed to be. I am not fighting for my place in the sun. I am merely accepting each day's task as it comes to my hands; therefore, I am always ready at dawn for the new day's task.

No longer do I suffer from insomnia. I sleep well and awake refreshed in body as well as in spirit.

I am a better friend than I used to be; I have more friends and true ones. I am a better wife than I formerly was, and I am reaping my reward in many ways I doubt if even during our courtship my husband loved me so devotedly as he now does. I am a better and a kinder mother than I ever before; my children show their appreciation of the change in me by being better children.

Worry has been left me forever. I have learned that it does not pay to be in a hurry about anything. There will always be plenty of work for other people to do, but nobody can spread sunshine and happiness upon the bread of life in the same way that I can.

I have a spiritual assurance that God is with me at all times, an assurance that was only spasmodic a year ago. I feel that with His help and guidance, I can accomplish anything that I desire to accomplish. It is a feeling that grows stronger and brighter with me day by day.

My old fears are gone. My old miseries seem laughable. My old hatreds have vanished from the light of day. The strength of God, the love of God, the life of God—these are my strength my love & my life for evermore. The Prayer of faith has brought me into a fuller realization of God's kind presence in my life, and in my affairs.

Surely, "God is my help in every need." He does walk beside me and make a path for my feet. He leads me from being weary and sad; for where He is, there can be no weariness, nor any sadness, ever again.

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