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## Russia and Alaska

IF RUSSIA is not converted to the belief that the United States never paid \$7,200,000 to Moscow for Alaska in 1867 it will not be the fault of today's Soviet leaders.

It is now part of Russian school instruction to say that, while the money was paid, it was not as a purchase price. It was received by the Czar of that time as compensation for the visit of the Russian fleet to New York and San Francisco in 1863 when the American Civil War was reaching a critical stage. It is a matter of history that both Great Britain and France sympathized with the Confederacy and it may be assumed, with considerable reason, that the presence of Russian ships in American ports had behind it a definite purpose.

Rehashing events of 86 years ago cannot get anywhere but to try and create the feeling that Russian people have been the victims of colossal deceit and injustice could be accepted as a handy propaganda weapon.

## NEGRO PROBLEM

THE NEGRO PROBLEM in the United States is very much to the fore just now, particularly in the south where it was made a political issue in the last election by President Truman's Civil Rights message. In an article entitled "The South Has Changed," which appears in the July issue of Harper's Magazine, Mary Heaton Vorse says that race relations are improving. "Although the Ku Klux Klan has freshened up its sheets and the Dixiecrats have put on a successful filibuster, there is a transformation going on, on the surface and down deep," says Miss Vorse. She had just returned from a tour of the southern States, and she says that while she found "the voice of reaction was loud at every filling station, there was deep concern over the 'exodus of the Negro from the Southern States.'"

The first factor that is bringing about this change, says Miss Vorse, is "self-interest" on the part of business men, manufacturers and farmers, who are afraid their labor supply will vanish if greater opportunity is not offered to the Negro. After the First World War there was an exodus of three million Negroes. They emigrated north and west and they didn't return.

Negroes have been regarded as the happiest people in the world. They are the children of the sun, and the American Negro still retains the primitive buoyancy and childlike simplicity of his African ancestry. "Old Man River" was written by a white man and, while it may express the reactions of the Negro laborer to the hardships and the hustle of modern life, it is only a passing mood, and the philosophy of the song is more that of the white man than the full-blooded Negro. It has always seemed that a mixture of white blood tends to render the Negro discontented with his lot, as if there were a conflict between the two races in him. If there is some white blood in Paul Robeson, it may account for his embittered attitude toward the country that gave him his culture and freedom to rise to the top of his profession. It is doubtful whether he could have achieved such eminence in communist Russia, for which he professes so much love and admiration. If he had been born there he would probably now be working in the salt mines. He owes everything he is and has to the American way of life which he pretends to despise.

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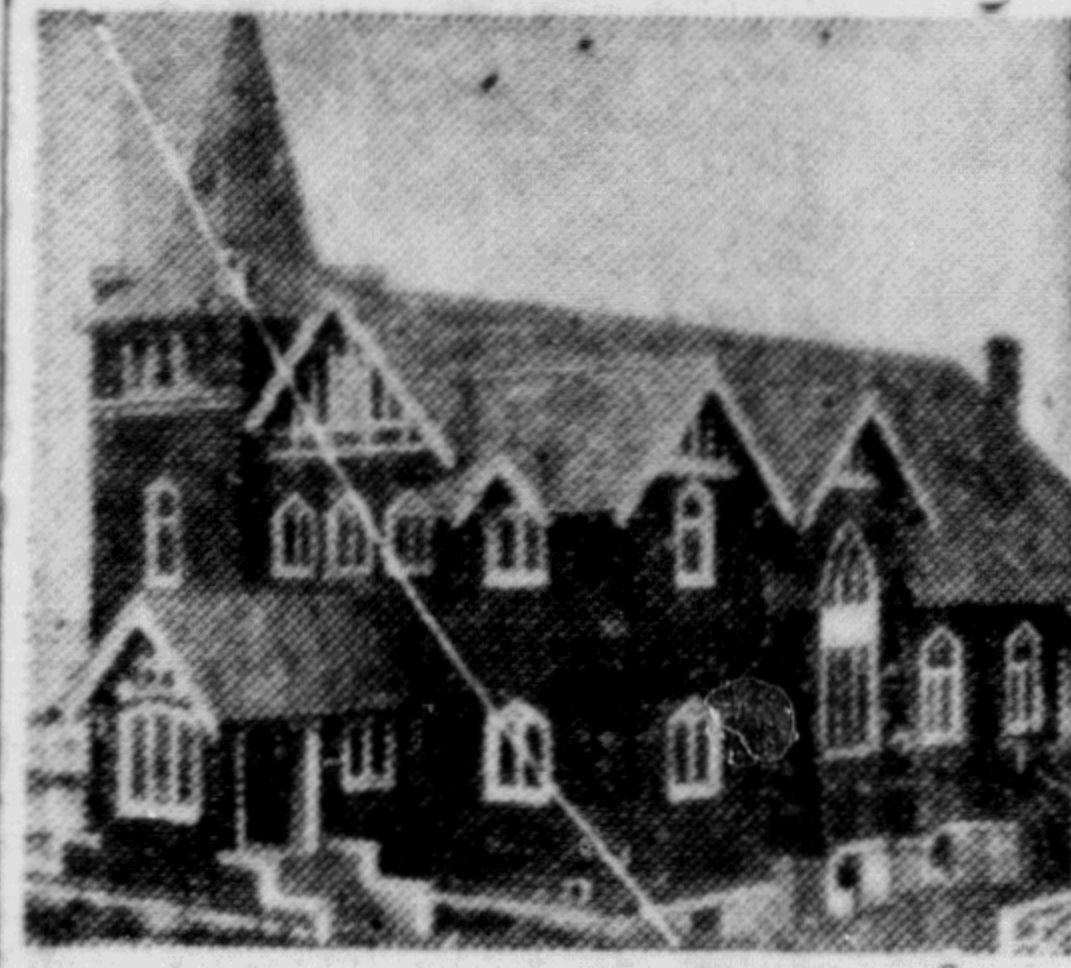
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## SATURDAY SERMON

(By Rev. F. Antrobus, First Baptist Church)

### THE FREE GIFT OF GOD

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23.

In contrast to the statement here that the master Sin provides wages to all who serve him and that his wages are death, we can say that God does not give wages at all but something far better. He provides those who come to Him through His Son, Jesus Christ, with "life" and this eternal life is a spontaneous and generous gift of God's grace.

In the same way as Paul, who had no other means of support, was compelled to work at tent-making to earn a wage if he was to live so the man who is not a Christian is compelled to serve the master Sin for his wage of death because he lacks spiritual resources to live a life of righteousness.

And just as the loving gift of money sent by his Philippian friends released Paul from this necessity of working for a tent-maker's wage and set him at liberty to give himself up entirely to preaching the gospel, so when man by faith or trust, receives the gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus, which God freely offers to all men, this alone frees him from the bondage of serving sin, and at the same time gives him wisdom and

strength to serve God.

Well then, if eternal life is a gift, it is certainly not the work of man. Eternal life is not a culture, nor a refinement, nor a product of self-discipline, nor a high standard of life. It is the result of a new birth, a new life given by the grace of God to all who trust in His Son and come to the Father through Him.

Nowhere is there a suggestion of a gradual leading upward by easy stages, from the human to the divine. The man who has eternal life is, therefore, a Christian and the man who has it not are on two totally different planes. The passage from one to the other is not by a process of gradual accomplishment but of immediate recreation. I cannot emphasize this too strongly.

You ask, "How can I have this eternal life?" You are to take Christ for all that God offers Him to you as. He offers Him as your Saviour from sin. Trust Him as such He offers Him to you as your Lord, the Master of every part of your life. Accept Him as such; Accept the fact, that your sins have separated you from God! Take the place of such a lost sinner, trust in Christ as your

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## MRS. M. THOMAS BURIED FRIDAY

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Moya Thomas, who died in the city Monday, were held Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Yelland, 1078 Seventh Avenue East, son-in-law and daughter of the deceased, where she had resided prior to her death.

Family members, including four daughters from out of town and a few friends, attended the rite which was conducted by Archdeacon E. Hodson of St. Peter's Anglican Church, Seal Cove.

Three sons-in-laws of the deceased were among the pallbearers. They were Ernest Backshas of Ketchikan, William McKee of Williams Lake and Kenneth Yelland of Prince Rupert. Acting with them were Mark Ganton, James Currie and Arthur Jones. Interment took place at Fairview Cemetery.

At the graveside, brief services were conducted by Mrs. Harry Paulson and Mrs. M. B. Viereck of the Ladies' Orange and White Society.

Saviour and be saved, and come into the family of God. If you trust Him in this way, you will have eternal life, for it is written, 'He that hath the Son hath life. He that hath not the Son of God, hath not life.' It is just as clear-cut as that. 'As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God.'

To you will be given power over sins as well as forgiveness and power to lead a godly life. To you will be given that calm assurance of life eternal, beginning now. 'I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth on Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never die.' May the Lord guide you this very day to take the Lord Jesus, as your own personal Saviour, that you may enter into life.

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To Sandspit—G. A. Green.

Benevolent Association and Mrs. William Rothwell of the Canada Legion Women's Auxiliary. Deceased had been an active member of both organizations. A graveside service also was conducted by Rev. Mr. Hodson. Daughters of the deceased who were present from out-of-town were Mrs. G. M. (Nora) Beeson, Aldergrove; Mrs. C. D. (May) Turner, Sydney; Mrs. William (Marjorie) McKee and Mr. McKee of Williams Lake and Mrs. Ernest (Jean) Backshas and Mr. Backshas of Ketchikan.

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