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launching an appeal for new funds to support an adventure which is long overdue. The great cause for hope for the success of the venture is the existence in England and in Malaya of a band of men and women, known as the Malay Prayer Fellowship, who, for some years, have been praying for the way to be opened up. Those who feel called in any way to further the work are invited to join the Fellowship,\* praying that God may guide their plans for the fulfilment of His will for the Malays.

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### Against all Appearances

In Salonica we saw twelve early victims of the street disturbances taken amid great lamentation to the Cemetery. When we left, helped by fixed bayonets and the strong hand of the Military Commander, the city was not so much in a state of disorder as of complete paralysis, a paralysis quite uncanny. A large British ship, with a distinguished delegation and about 600 passengers wishing to land to pay tribute at the war graves—we British had over 5,000 dead in one small sector of the Salonica Front during the Great War—was compelled to pass by Salonica and to go on to the Dardanelles. We were told that Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, the hero of Zeebrugge, was on board.

Alongside of all this we had heard not long before of the culmination of the Italian campaign in the proclamation of a new Emperor of Abyssinia, to be represented on the annexed territory by Marshal Badoglio as Viceroy. In a long journey from the Central Danube basin to the Aegean Sea, I have noticed during the last few days that in all the trains on the main routes and on all the boats everybody is anxiously trying to think out the probable more ultimate effects of the Italian spirit and method of action in Africa. We found the Duce's campaign and its culmination was providing almost the sole topic of conversation in all the hotel coffee rooms, and that, not so much from the political as the moral, and what may be called the general humanitarian, point of view.

I had the opportunity of talking, in a purely friendly way as a fellow-passenger, with at least three men who held important commands during the World War with the Allied forces on the Salonica Front, and I observed that one of them especially, and he

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the most distinguished for brilliant and courageous leadership, came out in the end to a simple and definite religious conclusion. He confessed his own personal inability to go on without a living contact with God in Christ, and he told with great simplicity and humility how he had found pasture for his soul in the Psalms.

We were struck with this : that on every hand there seems to be abroad an instinct or an intuition that, for the whole world, some new era of trial and testing is at hand. One heard this conviction in circles and quarters where one might least have expected it. A former diplomatic Minister who has published able books on politics and economics in two languages said that he had come to an end of his own wisdom and self-assurance at last, and that without some anchor of faith and hope in God as Love and Wisdom—against all appearances—he would already have come to despair. One able man complained of the futility of much of the organized ecclesiastical life in South-East Europe, so occupied and absorbed with questions and those, withal, not vital questions. Ought we not to pray that everywhere all who love Christ Jesus as *Lord* may be more and more made known to each other and brought closer together in true open-hearted fellowship, in love and sincere friendship overstepping and obliterating man-made frontiers? If this is our daily prayer surely the Lord Himself will grant us wonderful daily guidance that we may respond to His great purposes for us and really be a light in a dark place. We shall be lost in wonder and surprise at His guidance and its glorious contrast to those old unfertile days of sagacious human calculation. 'Thou art our Father'; how often we have said it! Let us pray that we may all of us more and more act as His trusting children; then indeed shall our 'soiled face' be anointed and cheered by His exhaustless grace.

*One of our Near Eastern Correspondents.*

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## The Hindenburg Line in Burma

We should like to call the attention of our readers to the statement which appears in every number of *WORLD DOMINION*, disclaiming responsibility for the views of our contributors. We call special attention to this because we anticipate quite a few protests from those who, when they read the following article, will see its reference to teams and groups, and who believe, as someone said to us recently, that any one who has sympathy with the Oxford Group Movement 'should be suspected of doctrinal drift.' Let us say at once that we are not associated with the Movement, but we have seen some of