# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LAW, LOVE, AND TEMPERANCE (International Temperance Sunday).—Romans 13: 1-14.

Golden Text.—It is good not to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor to do anything whereby thy brother stumbleth. Romans 14: 21.

Devotional Reading: Romans 14: 13-21.

Beginner Topic: A Kind Neighbor.
Lesson Material: Romans 13: 8-10.
Memory Verse: Love thy neighbor. Romans 13: 9c.

Primary Topic: Why We Keep Rules.
Lesson Material: Romans 13: 1-4, 10.
Memory Verse: He that keepeth the law, happy is he. Proverbs 29: 18b.

Junior Topic: Junior Citizens.
Lesson Material: Romans 13: 1-5, 10.
Memory Verse: Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling law. Romans 13: 10.

Intermediate and Senior Topic: What Shall We Do About Drinking?

Topic For Young People and Adults: Law, Love, and Temperance.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—The Epistle to the Romans was written A.D 57.

Place: The Epistle to the Romans was written to the church at Rome, from the city of Corinth, in Greece.

1. Let every soul be in subjection to the higher powers. These are all the higher officers of the Empire, not only the Emperor, but those representing the Emperor throughout the provinces of the Roman Empire. For there is no power but of God; and the powers that be are ordained of God. Not only is human government a divine institution, but the form in which that government exists and the persons by whom its functions are exercised are determined by his providence.

2. Therefore he that resisteth the power, withstandeth the ordinance of God: and they that withstand shall receive to themselves judgment. "Judgment" in this verse means the judgment of the government resisted, i.s., punishment for disobedience to the government's laws.

3. For rulers are not a terror to the good work, but to the evil. No government, even though it is corrupt, ever fundamentally acts to punish the good and favor the wrong. And wouldest thou have no fear of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise from the same.

4. For he is a minister of God to thee for good. As much as we may disagree with the policies of a government, even, at times, with our own, we know that the ultimate object, whether it be achieved or not, of govermental legislation is the welfare of that government's subjects. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is a minister of God, an avenger for wrath to him that doeth evil. The sword is here used as a symbol of authority and especially of the right of life and death in punishment for doing evil.

5. Wherefore ye must needs be in subjection, not only because of the wrath, but also for conscience' sake. "If the state were only armed with means of punishing, it would be enough to regard it with fear, but it is the representative of God to assert justice among men and hence it is from a principle of conscience that submission must be given to it."

6. For this cause ye pay tribute also; for they are ministers of God's service, attending continually upon this very thing. The word here translated "tribute" refers especially to taxes upon houses, lands, and persons, and particularly to annual taxes (see Luke 20: 22; 23: 2).

7. Render to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom. The word "custom" has a great many various meanings in the New Testament, but here refers especially to "custom duties," "tolls" (see Matt. 17: 25). Fear to whom fear. "Such as is due to an authorized avenger of wrong." Honor to whom honor. It is a very bad sign in any country when those who are in authority are spoken of in a light way, and when men "set at nought dominion and rail at dignities" (Jude 8: 2 Pet. 2: 10.)

8. Owe no man anything. This, fundamentally, refers to the preceding verse, i.e., we are not to owe to men what it is our business to pay—taxes, customs, fear, honor; but, of course, the verse also covers the matter of debts in general as well. Save to love one another: for he that loveth his neighbor hath fulfilled the law. This debt we are always owing to men. The next verse explains this fundamental principle of life.

9. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not covet, and if there be any other commandment, it is summed up in this word, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Love always is concerned with the welfare of the one loved. Love can never intentionally harm the loved one.

10. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: love therefore is the fulfilment of the law. The law here referred to is, of course, that part of law which has to do with the relations between one man and another in this life. If all men sincerely loved each other, thousands of laws on our statute books could be cancelled, for they would be automatically and enthusiastically obeyed.

11. And this, knowing the season, that already it is time for you to awake out of sleep. The sentence simply means that the conditions of the time demand that believers should be alert and at work. For now is salvation nearer to us than when we first believed. The salvation here referred to is that ultimate consummation of our redemption which will occur on the morning of our resurrection.

12 The night is far spent, and the day is at hand. (See I Thess. 5: 5.) This passage probably refers to the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. The Lord's return is ever in the New Testament, not an excuse for indifference or carelessness, but an incentive for an ever-increasing holiness of life (see Heb. 10: 25, 37; I Cor. 7: 29; I Pet. 4: 7).

## Nova Scotia Coal

In 1934 over 3,300,000 net tons of Nova Scotia coal were sold in Quebec and Ontario being the largest amount on record since before 1913. This movement fell to 2,665,242 net tons in 1935, but preliminary figures for the first six months of 1936 hold promise of an increase even over the 1934 figures.

## *Says Women's Votes Have Little Effect*

TORONTO.—The question of what women have done with suffrage came up recently at the meeting of Emmanuel College Alumni Association, and brought from Dr. Stanley Russell, of Deer Park United Church, the remark that "the thing about women's suffrage is that they have done so little with it."

"The first speech I ever made was in favor of it," said Dr. Russell. "I felt that all we had to do to have peace, social reforms and all that sort of thing was to enfranchise the women.

'But now that they have got it, they don't seem to have done very much with it"

Fouad Mufarrij, the leader of the Syrian National Party, Fouad Mufarrij, is shown above after his arrival at Montreal. He was sent out of Syria by the French authorities, who charged him with leading the movement for independence last spring. In Montreal he is visiting relatives.

## British Planes For Canada

The first fleet of British planes to be built for Canada shown as they were christened at Hanworth Aerodrome by Lady Shelmardine, wife of the Director General of Civil Aviation. The five planes are S. T. 25 Monospars.

## Milk Cost Survey

What does it cost to produce milk in Ontario? The milk producers of Ontario aim to have an answer to this question in the very near future. Through the co-operation of the Economics and Dairy Husbandry Departments of the Ontario Agricultural College and the Economics Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture, a research staff is now engaged in this study.

It is planned to learn the cost for every section of Ontario and for every type of market. To this task the milk producers' associations interested in cheese, butter, concentrated products and whole milk, in co-operation with the two above-named agencies, have thus far secured the active support of more than 1,500 individual milk producers throughout Ontario.

Each co-operator has been supplied with an account book which has been carefully prepared by the Ontario Agricultural College and the Dominion Economics Branch, and approved by the joint committee of the milk producers. During the year, representatives of the Ontario Agricultural College and the Dominion Economics Branch plan to call on each of the farmer producers to provide any desired assistance in connection with the keeping of the records.

For some considerable time the milk producers have felt that the accurately determined cost of production would be of great benefit to them in arriving at a satisfactory sale price. With this data at their command, they are convinced they will be placed in a more favorable position. On the other hand, the milk distributor, knowing the most advantageous consumer price and also his distribution cost as the result of his constant contact with consumers, is in an advantageous position in dealing with farmers.

Many factors in addition to price

## *Save the Tube*

Critic in the New Statement and Nation observes—I have in front of me an interesting little example of German thoroughness. It is a slip of red paper which was attached to a tube of petrol used to refill the smoker's lighter. The tube was about the size of a toothpaste tube. On the paper is printed a warning not to throw it away as useless because it contains valuable metal which the State has to import. You are instructed to give it to your regular rag-and-bone man (Ihren Altmaterialiensammler), who will see that it is put to proper further use.

Elsie Janis, "Sweetheart of the A.E.F.", pictured boarding a plane at Newark airport to fly to Denver, Col., where she will be the honored guest of the 37th Annual Convention of Veterans of Foreign Wars.

## London Pomp and Ceremony

Prior to the election of the new Lord Mayor of London, Sir George Broadbridge, at the Guildhall, the Lord Mayor and Mayor-elect attended a service at St. Lawrence Jewry. Photo shows Sir George Broadbridge, the Lord Mayor-elect, in the procession.

## Australian Girls Ready for Debut in America

This smiling group hope to keep Australia to the fore while wielding field hockey sticks. The team, including three delegates to the International Hockey Conference to be held shortly in Philadelphia, are a fine band of athletic young ladies, who, after a few games in Canada on the Pacific Coast, will leave for Milwaukee to start their seven weeks' tour which will take them to most of the principal cities between New York and San Francisco.