Sunday School Lesson

LESSON IV

OUR DAY OF REST

Exodus 20:8-11; Isaiah 58:13,14; Luke 13:10-17; Galatians 4:8-11; Colossions 2:16; Revelations 1:10

Printed Text, Ex. 20:8-11; Luke 13:10-17.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—The later prophecies of Isaiah were uttered somewhere near 698 B.C. The incident recorded in Luke's Gospel occurred in December, A.D. 29. The epistle to the Galatians was written A.D. 60; the epistle to the Colossians A.D. 64; and the book of Revelation A.D. 90 or A.D. 95.

Place.—The incident recorded in Luke's Gospel occurred in Peraea on the eastern side of the Jordan River. Galatia was a large province in Asia Minor at the time Paul wrote. The city of Colossae was located in the southern part of Asia Minor; the island of Patmos is located in the Aegean Sea opposite the south-western coast of Asia Minor.

8. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. The Fourth Commandment is distinct from others in a number of ways. In the preceding three commandments, man, as it were, is spoken to individually as regards his relationships to God. In the last six comandments he is spoken to as a member of society, regarding his relationships to other people. In the Fourth Commandment both of these ideas are found together.

The word "Sabbath" is from a root meaning to break off, or to desist, and, therefore, originally, simply meant a time of cessation from work.

9. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work. It is generally forgotten in reciting or speaking about the seventh day that there is as distinct a command here to work as there is to cease from work.

10. But the seventh day is a sabbath unto Jehovah thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates. Rest and dedication to God are the properties here assigned to the Sabbath.

11. For in six days Jehovah made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore Jehovah blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. The reference here is to Gen. 2:1-3.

To work and to rest alternately, with a certain average proportion of time devoted to each, is prescribed to man by the conditions of his physical well-being. To attain the ends of his existence upon earth and maintain his powers in healthful exercise, a large amount of labor, with certain intervals for rest intercalated in the time devoted to labor, is universally indispensable.

But, if we are agreed that the Sunday is to be a day of rest, it is still more essential for us to understand that it must be a holy not an ignoble rest.

Luke 13:10-17. 10. And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath day. No man is ever so good or so wise that he can afford to remain away from church. We here discover that the Lord was acknowledged to be one worthy of expounding the Scriptures in the synagogue.

11. And hebold, a woman that had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years; and she was bowed together, and could in no wise lift herself up. 12. And when Jesus saw her, he called her, and said to her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmtiy. 13. And he laid his hands upon her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. From him (through the laying on of hands) there streamed into her the currents of a new life, so that the bands, spiritual and bodily, by which she was held, were loosened.

14. And the ruler of the synagogue, being moved with indignation because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, answered and said to the multitude, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the day of the sabbath. He was one of those Pharisees who was a stickler for the strict legalistic interpretation of the law according to the traditions of the fathers.

15. But the Lord answered him, and said, Ye hypocrites, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? 16. And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan had bound, lo, these eighteen years, to have been loosed from this bond on the day of the sabbath? Jesus asks two questions, the answers to which are beyond question. The argument is cumulative: the woman, a human being, over against the ox and the ass, mere beasts.

17. And as he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame: and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.

Goodbye "Invisible" Plates

Margaret Gillies shows the difference between this year's "invisible" Ontario license plates and the new 1939 reflecting markers. The new plates are made with a white on black color scheme. Experimentally, thousands of tiny glass crystals have been blown into the paint to reflect light and make them visible at a great distance and at night. Doctors' cars only will use the experimental plates till they have been proved efficacious. Then we may all have them on our cars.

Housing Loans Show Increase

The Department of Finance has announced loans under the National Housing Act in September totalled $1,240,695, providing housing accommodation for 388 families, compared with $552,450 for 134 families in September last year.

Contrary to the seasonal trend in 1936 and 1937, when operations for September showed a marked drop compared with August, total loans for September this year exceeded August by $209,291, an increase of 20 per cent. Loans up to September 30 totalled $23,426,259, providing housing accommodation for 5,911 families in 215 communities throughout the Dominion.

None In Alberta

Total loans by provinces up to September 30 and number of units in brackets follow: Prince Edward Island $59,634 (11); Nova Scotia $1,698,563 (395); New Brunswick $465,627 (109); Quebec $5,993,281 (1,308); Ontario $11,073,676 (2,844); Manitoba $745,583 (173); Saskatchewan $18,100 (5); Alberta, nil; British Columbia $3,371,795 (1,066).

Are You Listening?

By FREDDIE TEE

CBS VARIETY PROGRAM

Jack Haley, jovial singing comedian inaugurated his own variety program over the Columbia network on Friday, October 14, (WABC-CBS, 7.30 to 8.00 p.m., EST). He was supported by Lucille Ball, young screen commedienne who starred opposite the Marx Brothers in their current film success; Virginia Verrill, bewitching blues singer, and Ted Fiorito's Orchestra.

Jack Haley

Haley is a Bostonian, born and bred. Broadway success blazed a trail to Hollywood for him, and his brilliant portrayal of the ambitious but mike-struck singer in the Winchell-Bernie vehicle "Wake Up and Live", led to radio stardom.

RADIO CONVENIENCES

Rogers new 1939 "Super-Value" Radios contribute many new features for convenience, including easier, quicker and more accurate tuning—but most important is their exclusive six individual spread-band dials. Only one dial is visible at a time on this new Canadian radio so that there can be no question as to what band is being tunde. This is an innovation in radio sets—just as Rogers was the first successful batteryless radio in the world!

"SILVER THEATRE"

Margaret Sullavan, one of the leading emotional actresses of both stage and screen, brought her remarkable talents to the radio when she took the starring role in the "Silver Theatre" production heard over the Columbia network, Sunday, October 9th. (WABC-CBS, 6.00 to 6.30 p.m., EST.)

Margaret Sullavan

Miss Sullavan was supported by a large cast of well known Hollywood actors and actresses. Miss Sullavan's leading success on the stage in recent years was as the star of "Stage Door." Her best known movies have included "Three Comrades," "Shopworn Angel", So Red the Rose", and "Little Man What Now."

BOWES TROPHY

A miniature death mask of Napoleon, taken from an original which was made in 1834, is the latest addition to the unique collection of miniatures which form part of the Major Bowes exhibit in the Chrysler Building in New York. Smallest items in the collection are four animals, a panda, a leopard, an elephant and a bear, each carved out of a peach pit. Musical instruments exhibited include a Dutch silver violin scarcely three inches long and a wooden violin, with case, five inches in length.

Flint Knapping Since Stone Age

Prehistoric Industry of Chipping and Fashioning Pieces Continues in Britain after 10,000 Years.

It may seem strange that there should still be carried on in the heart of rural England that prehistoric industry of flint knapping. The chipping and fashioning of flints into implements and weapons is an art which is said to date back to the Stone Age, to have had its origin possibly 10,000 years ago.

The center of the British industry is now, as apparently it always has been, at Brandon in Suffolk, writes a correspondent of "The Christian Science Monitor."

One wonders if it is a freak industry and kept going only for sentimental reasons. However, flint knapping is still a commercial undertaking and is a means of livelihood. There is no competition and, indeed, the knappers lament that they cannot keep pace with the orders.

There are many parts of the world where flints are still required, and each year more than 100,000 specially worked gun flints are exported to the tropics. They go mostly to the traders at Lagos, on the west coast of Africa, or else to China or Malaya, and the traders in turn barter them to the natives.

The natives use these flints either to cause the spark and ignite the powder in an old flintlock gun or else to give the spark in an old tinderbox used for fire lighting.

Andirons Once Were Essential

To Cooking On This Continent When Wood-Burning Fireplaces Were In General Use

For two centuries American homes were dependent for both cooking and heating on wood-burning fireplaces, writes Thomas Hamilton Ormsbee in "American Collector." Andirons were essential and must have been part of the necessary equipment brought over by the first settlers, although no specific mention is made of them. We do find in the inventory of Governor Winthrop's estate, dated February 17, 1649, "2 pairs andirons—one pound, ten shillings." Four years later a list of the household furnishings of Captain Tyng, of Boston, includes "a great paire of Brass andirons."

Just when andirons were first made in the American colonies is hard to say, but those of wrought iron were probably produced for local needs almost as soon as the first blacksmiths set up their forges.

Night Watch

SASKATOON. — Herb Buckle, jeweler, doesn't know why, but he's observed that one-third of the watches brought in for repairs have stopped between 12 midnight and 3 o'clock in the morning; also his business picks up immediately after a thunderstorm.

Bigger Prison Population With Stiffer Penalties

Prison Terms in Ontario Are Being Given More Often Now for Offences Formerly Not Thought So Serious

TORONTO.—The new policy of seeking imposition of heavier sentences and prison terms for offences formerly not regarded so seriously is converting the big provincial industrial farm at Burwash into the "Alcatraz" of Ontario.

Provincial Secretary Harry Nixon said last week the prison farm near the Northern Ontario mining centre of Sudbury gradually was becoming an "Alcatraz" because of the recent plan of sending the more serious "repeaters" there. The farm population now is at an all-time high of 670.

Nixon said the increased prison population should occasion no alarm since it arose from imposition of more severe terms.

"For instance," he said, "the other day near Hamilton a man was given quite a heavy sentence for 'cutting in' on the road. Formerly he would have got off. Sentences also have been stiffened against vagrants and stiffer sentences also are being given for offences under the Highway Traffic Act and under the Criminal Code for drunken drivers."

Arctic Outpost Of Greenland

Thule Is 350 Miles North of the Arctic Circle—Population 311, Ruled By Denmark

Thule, Greenland, one of the world's northernmost permanent settlements, about 350 miles north of the Arctic Circle, now is for the first time under the direct control of the Danish government, which holds sovereign rights over all of Greenland, and has actively governed much of the coast.

Thule is a village of about 311 inhabitants, nearly all Eskimos, situated on the southern shore of Wolstenholme Fjord off Baffin Bay, says the National Geographic Society.

Discovered By Rasmussen

Since its discovery by the Danish explorer, Knud Rasmussen, on the first Thule expedition in 1912-'13, it has been under an autonomous government by native hunters. The explorer set up this local government, a system that until the recent action of the Danish government was successfully operated in the remote Arctic outpost.

While Thule's population growth has not been impressive, the village has become important as a trading and missionary station for a vast region of northwestern Greenland and the headquarters and starting point for several important Arctic expeditions.

Chile will permit the importation of wheat only under Government licence.

May Try For Ottawa

Arthur W. Roebuck, K.C., former member of the Hepburn Cabinet, who, it is rumored may retire from provincial politics and seek a seat in the Federal House.

National Insignia

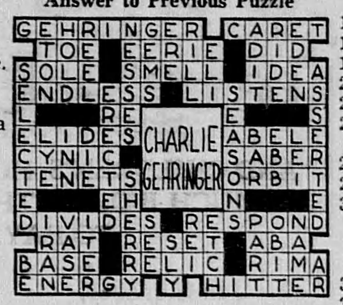
HORIZONTAL

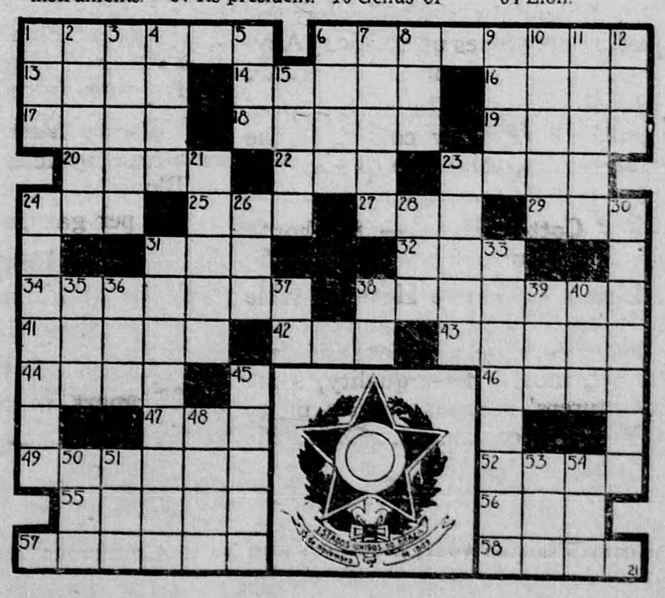
1 Coat of arms of ——, pictured here.
6 Its president has been described as a ——.
13 To relieve.
14 Assembly.
16 Uncommon.
17 Spasmodic twitchings.
18 Common liquid.
19 Dress ornament.
20 Drunkards.
22 Measure.
23 Pomace of grapes.
24 Velvet-black mineral.
25 Soft food.
27 Before.
29 Every.
31 Blemish.
32 Social insect.
34 Composition for nine instruments.
38 Greater slope.
41 Pardises.
42 Derby.
43 To twist and compress.
44 Thought.
46 Proverb.
47 Kind of lettuce.
49 Like an oaf.
52 Hat material.
55 Minister's house.
56 Wrath.
57 Its president.
58 Coffee is its chief ——.

VERTICAL

1 Wager.
2 To lift up.
3 Kind of cravat
4 Relish.
5 Legal rule.
6 To love to excess.
7 Goddess of peace.
8 Auto.
9 Alms box.
10 Genus of moles.
11 Bay window.
12 Corded cloth.
15 To pant.
21 Gaiters.
23 To renovate.
24 Its chief city Rio de ——.
26 Work of skill.
28 Rodent.
30 It is the —— country in South America.
31 Threatening.
33 Appalling.
35 Queer.
36 Born.
37 Sound of surprise.
38 Street.
39 Pastry.
40 Finish.
45 By-product of a fire.
48 Bones.
50 Eucharist vessel.
51 Distant.
53 To sin.
54 Lion.

Answer to Previous Puzzle





LIFE'S LIKE THAT — By Fred Neher

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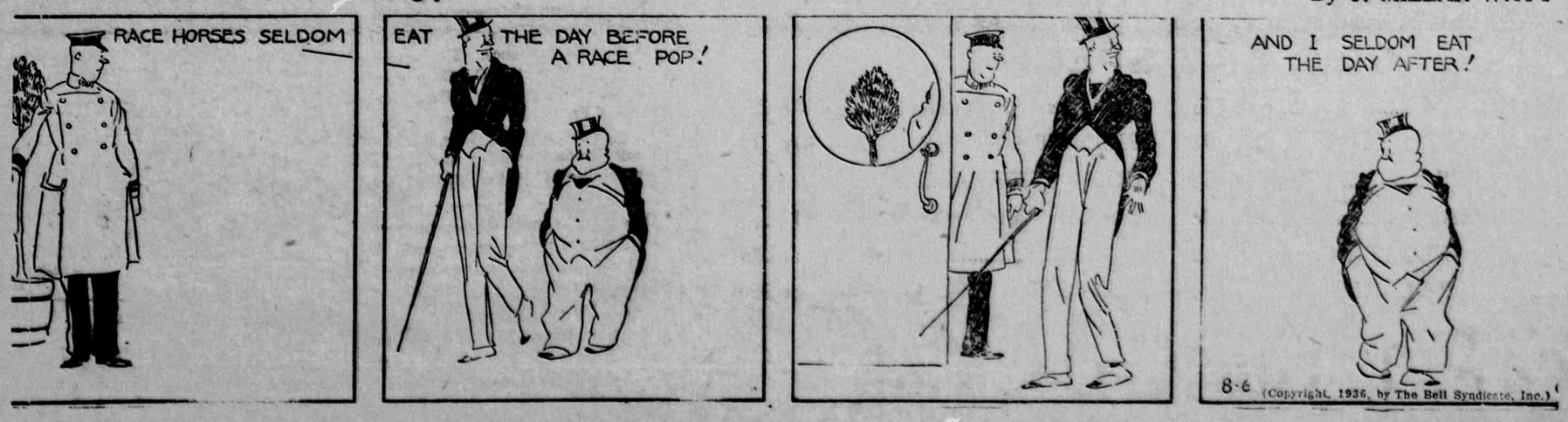
POP—When Beast and Man Go Hungry — By J. MILLAR WATT