SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON VI

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOME REGARDING BEVERAGE ALCOHOL

Deut. 6:4-7; Jer. 35:5-10

GOLDEN TEXT—Train up a child in the way he should go, And even when he is old he will not depart from it. Prov. 22:6.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time—The book of Deuteronomy was written somewhere between 1450 and 1500 B.C. The particular chapter here quoted from the book of Jeremiah was probably composed about 604 B.C.

Place—The entire book of Deuteronomy is devoted to truth revealed to Israel while she was wandering for forty years in the wilderness.

The One True God

Deut. 6:4. "Hear, O Israel: Jehovah our God is one Jehovah." This declaration asserts that the Lord God of Israel alone is Jehovah the absolute, uncaused God; He who had by His election of them made Himself known to Israel. 5. "And thou shalt love Jehovah thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might." Now, if there be any single attribute in which the moral character of the Supreme attains to unity, that attribute is His love. The characteristic attitude assumed by Jehovah in Old and New Testament revelation, and particularly in the Gospel, is this of a Saviour from every evil. Well, let that be the relationship under which we have learned to welcome, embrace, and confide in God through Jesus Christ; and we shall find that we have welcome, pure and boundless love. Those words of Deuteronomy which our Lord recited to the scribe and which, they say, every Jew was expected to recite to himself morning and evening at his devotions, form a most penetrating commentary on the First Law in the Decalogue; and you see how they tax language to express totality of dedication on our part to this love of God. Every part of every man, and the whole of every part, is to be filled with love.

Teach Unto Your Children

6. "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thy heart. 7. And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Here is a religion which covers the whole day, which belongs to every attitude of man. The entrance of Divine truth into the mind and heart, the formation of habit and the training of character, these are not attained by sudden and isolated efforts, but by regular and unceasing repetition. This is the law of all growth in nature, and of this law God seeks to make use in the kingdom of grace, in dependence upon and subservient to the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Loyal Rechabites

The founder of the fraternity of Rechabites ("Son of Rechab" may mean "son of the chariot" or "disciple of the great prophet") was Jonadab who appears as the ally of Jehu in the overthrow of the house of Ahab. From I Chron. 2:55 it appears that the house of Rechab belonged to the Kenites who had joined the Israelites on their exodus from Egypt, and had settled in their lands, retaining many of the old habits of patriarchal life.

Jeremiah 35:5. "And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites bowls full of wine, and cups; and I said unto them, Drink ye wine."

It is not said that Jeremiah deliberately attempted to seduce these Rechabites to lead them into some sin. That is not the point. Either Jeremiah urged these people to break their former vows only that, knowing they would stedfastly refuse to do so, he might have a powerful illustration by which to rebuke the more easily tempted Israelites who were of weaker stuff; or, he may have wanted to persuade these Rechabites to more closely identify themselves with the Israelites living in Jerusalem, and to give up their severe customs which kept them separate from all their nearby neighbors. They are not rebuked for their stand but are really commended.

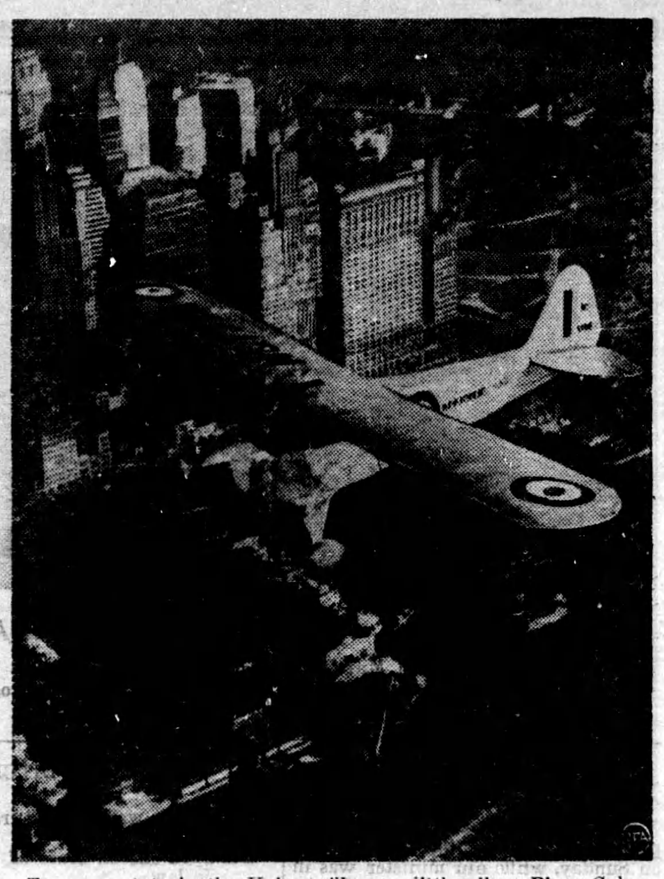
"We Will Drink No Wine"

6. "But they said, We will drink no wine; for Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, commanded us, saying, Ye shall drink no wine, neither ye, nor your sons, for ever: 7. neither shall ye build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have any; but all your days ye shall dwell in tents; that ye may live many days in the land wherein ye sojourn. 8. And we have obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, in all that he charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, or our daughters; 9. nor to build houses for us to dwell in; neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed: 10. but we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us."

The Force of Example

This lesson has primarily to do with the teaching and practice of temperance in the home. It is strongly suggested that if parents will live wholesome, happy, sincere Christian lives before their children, being exceedingly careful in thought and in act to maintain the practice of constant abstinence from intoxicating beverages, the children themselves will adopt some of these convictions. This we believe is the best way to approach the problem.

R.A.F. "Invasion" of U.S. Begins



To every state in the Union will go a little silver Piper Cub sport plane like this one, shown over the lower tip of Manhattan. Marked with the insignia of the Royal Air Force, the 48 planes are "invading" the U.S. on behalf of the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund of the U.S.A.

Amateur Knitter?

It is often difficult to gather the top of a knitted skirt to fit the waist elastic properly. First measure the elastic firmly round the waist and join ends, then stretch this over a chair back which is the same width as the top of the knitted skirt and seam the knitting to the elastic with matching wool or silk. When removed from the chair the skirt will have even fullness and will stretch to the right hip measurements when it is being pulled on.

First Airman

England's first airman is said to have been James Sadler, of Oxford. He made the first successful ascent in that country in 1874.

RADIO REPORTER

By DAVE ROBBINS

WHAT CANADA'S DOING

Allister Grosart, who has travelled across Canada as the Department of Information's official broadcast observer, will give the first of his impressions of Canada at work on the home front when he speaks from Toronto to listeners of the CBC National Network on Friday, May 9th, at 7.30 p.m. E.D.S.T. Mr. Grosart, a former Toronto newspaperman, has seen everything from patrol operations up the Pacific coast to the voluntary war efforts of Canada's foreign-born citizens. He has just concluded the second leg of his observation trip across Canada with a tour of the Maritime Provinces.

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ACCURATE ANALYST

Canada's best news analyst, Dr. E. T. Salmon from the McMaster University staff, rang the bell again on the Balkan campaign. Dr. Salmon worked in the Balkans for a number of years as a King's Messenger for the British Foreign Office, and the war moved into an area which he knew as well as he knows the roads of Ontario. A month before the campaign was under way, he predicted its development along the channels we have watched these last few days. Then one could turn back and remember that Professor Salmon's predictions were working out to be one hundred per cent correct.

You can follow the war with a greater understanding and a greater knowledge of what each move means, by dialing in the authoritative summing up by Canada's best informed observer. He is heard over CKOC each week night but Saturday at 7.15—Sundays at 6.00 p.m.

AROUND THE DIAL

A program with a sentimental touch is presented over the WOR Mutual chain Thursday nights at 8.15, when Walter Scanlon, outstanding concert tenor is heard in Songs of Ireland.

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To give you some idea of your Government's urgent need of money to meet the costs of war, the Department of Finance is presenting a series of radio programs entitled "All Star Theatre" Friday evenings at 10.00, that are at once enlightening and entertaining. By dialing in these Friday evening treats you can enjoy a top notch program, and at the same time, learn where your money goes in the cost of war for freedom.

The All Star show brings to the microphone each week a parade of radio, screen, and stage stars from Hollywood, Britain and Canada. This show will thrill you.

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Enigmatic Evelyn is catty at times. The other day she remarked: "Some fat girls are waiting for shapes that never come in."

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Trivia: Believe it or not, but such tough fellows as Jack Dempsey, Max Baer and Lou Nova all are victims of "Mike Fright" when they go in a radio studio . . . American news commentator Elmer Davis has gone to England for first-hand look at proceedings . . . Band leader Artie Shaw has another mad on and will retire for a while . . . Songstress Dolly Dawn will take over George Hall's orchy.

Gardening . . .

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Gardeners are advised to divide their vegetable seeds into at least three parts, sowing a third as soon as the weather permits, a third a little later, and the balance at the very tail-end of the planting season. In this way if frost does cut down the first batch there will be more plants coming on and the season will be lengthened by the last part of the garden sown. Of course there are some exceptions to this general rule. One should not plant outside tender things like tomatoes, peppers, melons, etc., until danger of frost is over.

Sow Grass Early

Grass makes its most rapid growth in the cool weather of Spring and Fall. On this account, lawn work of a new or repair nature should be carried out just as soon as the soil is fit to work.

After digging, the ground should be allowed to settle for a few days at least, and then levelled again. It is advisable to repeat this process several times. The top soil should then be raked fine and on a windless day the grass sown at a liberal rate, once across and once lengthwise. This double sowing insures an even distribution. It is always best to get a good mixture of high quality grass seed blended by expert Canadian seedsmen.

Good Tools Help

Experts advise one thorough digging or spading in the late Fall or Spring, or if the lot is a large one it will be better to get it plowed. Just before either operation, if the ground is poor it is a splendid idea to have some good rotted manure turned under. After this spading or plowing it will only be necessary to cultivate fine with a rake. One thorough cultivation like this once a year should keep the soil in shape and permit one to carry on easily with a small hand cultivator, or Dutch hoe. Either of these inexpensive tools can be operated without bending the back and both will be sufficient to keep the soil stirred and the weeds down during the remainder of the season.

Should Control Rheumatic Fever

Rheumatic Infections Could Be Curbed if Caught Soon Enough—Prevention In Children Is the Slogan

The true prevalence of rheumatic infections is unknown because the malady is not, like scarlet fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever and others, reportable.

Rheumatic infection introduces us to heart disease which with the co-incident blood vessel disease leads all others in the list of public killers. Rheumatic fever ranks high among the most severe diseases; it is not so amenable to prevention as syphilis and tuberculosis. So far we lag in our efforts to control this crippling disease.

BEGIN IN SCHOOLS

Our efforts in the control of rheumatism must begin in the schools. Examinations of children in schools has uncovered some appalling facts; 80 per cent of the total organic heart disease of school children has a rheumatic origin. This becomes an important problem when we consider that 3 out of every 100 children are sufferers.

POOR SURROUNDINGS FAVOR DISEASE

Rheumatic conditions seem to be more frequent among persons living in poor hygienic surroundings. The facts indicate that poverty, malnutrition and unhygienic surroundings are the most favourable for the development of rheumatic infections.

Prevention is the slogan in rheumatic fever. The child with growing pains, grippe, tonsillitis and sinus attacks should promptly be put to bed; he should remain in bed until well. Infected tonsils and other foci of infection should be removed. Children should be well fed, clothed and cared for. It will pay handsomely to check the onset and course of rheumatic fever.

Dairying in Greece

Buffaloes, milch cows, ewes, and goats provide the milk supply of Greece. The milk of buffaloes and cows is used mainly for the liquid market, and the milk of ewes and goats for making cheese. There are approximately 220,000 milch cows, 70,000 buffaloes, nearly nine million sheep and over five and a half million goats in Greece. The yield from cows, goats, and ewes closely approaches each other, the supply from buffaloes being eight times less.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

ANSWER: The Galapagos Islands are on the equator, about 2500 miles due south of St. Louis. They are noted for the huge and ancient tortoises found there.

NEXT: What is the only state in the United States in which termites have not been found?

CIRCULATION ORGAN

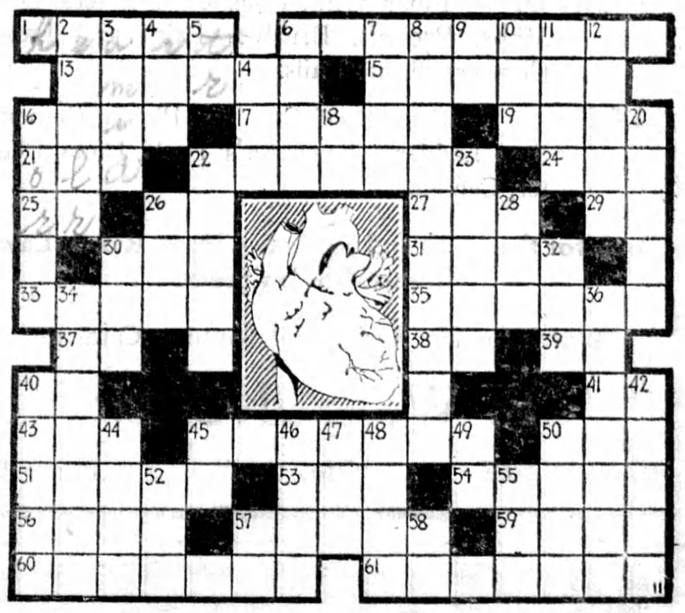
HORIZONTAL

1 Organ circulating blood.
6 It draws together or ——— rhythmically.
13 To mulct.
15 Rubber pencil end.
16 To fuse partially.
17 Winged.
19 Slovak.
21 Ancient.
22 Workman.
24 Lixivium.
25 Railway.
26 Form of "a."
27 Distress signal
29 Musical note.
30 Desert fruit.
31 Employs.
33 After song.
35 Happens again.
37 Either.
38 Common verb
39 Form of "I."
40 Mister.
41 Pound.
43 Supped.
45 Stratagem.
50 Ocean.
51 Organ secreting bile.
53 Room recess.
54 Throng of fish
56 Cake froster.
57 Genus of chimpanzees.
59 Gaelic.
60 It is —— in shape.
61 It has four divisions or ——s.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL

2 Betimes.
3 In the middle of.
4 To soak flax.
5 Transposed.
6 Ax-shaped stone.
7 Gains.
8 Buildings where money is stored.
9 Sun god.
10 Onager.
11 Monk's chamber.
12 Trunk drawers.
14 Auto.
16 Its action is like a —— pump.
18 Sloth.
20 Blood vessels.
22 Celestial being.
23 Snouts.
26 To help.
28 Dry.
30 Because.
32 Total.
34 Colonnade.
36 To liberate.
40 Apple acid.
42 One that bales
44 Level.
45 French.
46 Spike.
47 Tree.
48 Ketch.
49 Electric term.
50 Rowan tree.
52 Silkworm.
55 Skirt edge.
57 South America.
58 Exclamation.



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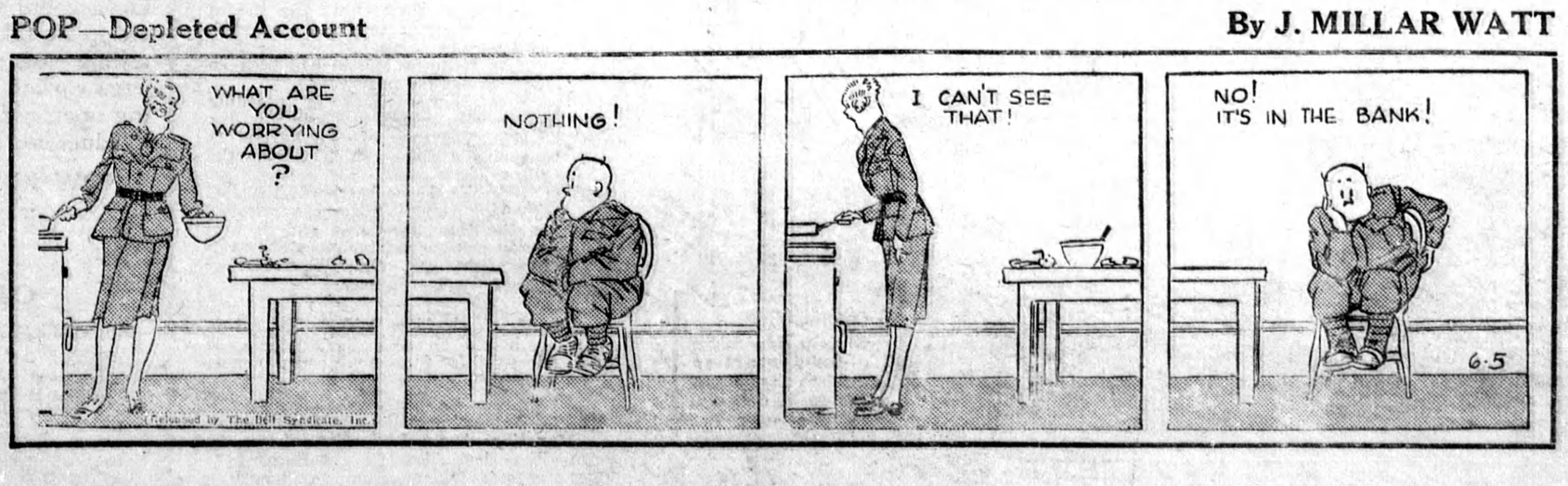
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