SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 16
Growing Tension With False Leaders
Luke 11:14-54; 13:37-48, 52-54

GOLDEN TEXT.— He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. Luke 11-23.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—November and December, A.D. 29.

Place.—Somewhere in Peraea, the large territory known by that name in our Lord's days, east of the Jordan River.

Importance of Cleanliness

37. "Now as he spake, a Pharisee asketh him to dine with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat. 38. And when the Pharisee saw it, he marvelled that he had not first bathed himself before dinner. 39. And the Lord said unto him, Now ye the Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and of the platter; but your inward part is full of extortion and wickedness. 40. Ye foolish ones, did not he that made the outside make the inside also? 41. But give for alms those things which are within; and behold, all things are clean unto you." Brushing aside the matter of this external washing of hands, Jesus immediately turned to discuss a more serious violation of a greater law, concerning inward cleanliness, telling the Pharisees that externally they were like a cup washed clean, yet in their own hearts, they were like that same cup full of foulness. Of the two, inner cleanliness, in the sight of God, is much more important than external cleanliness, though even the latter is never spoken of carelessly.

Almsgiving is only mentioned as one typical form of charity, which was in that state of society pre-eminently necessary. The general lesson—that God does not care for ceremonies, in themselves, and only cares for them at all when they are accompanied by sincere goodness—is again and again taught in Scripture.

Disregard of God's Love

42. "But woe unto you Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and every herb, and pass over justice and the love of God: but these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. 43. Woe unto you Pharisees; for ye love the chief seats in the synagogues, and the salutations in the marketplaces." Jesus does not object even to the scrupulous tithing of the Pharisees. He contrasts the ridiculous eagerness to tithe the most insignificant herbs with the disregard of that love to God which comes out in love to man.

Mistaking the Pharisees

44. "Woe unto you! for ye are as the tombs which appear not, and the men that walk over them know it not." If a man touched a grave he was ceremonially unclean, and the Jews took pains to make their graves visible, but sometimes a man might touch a grave without knowing it. Men when they first meet the Pharisees may suppose they are talking to saints, but they are in communication with those who will surely corrupt.

Disregard of the Law

45. "And one of the lawyers answering saith unto him, Teacher, in saying this thou reproachest us also. 46. And he said, Woe unto you lawyers also! for ye load men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers." The burdens here referred to are the complicated interpretations by which the scribes, or lawyers, augmented the written law. They made it far more severe than it was intended to be. They were scrupulous about their own traditions, but they did not keep the law themselves.

Rejection of Prophets

47. "Woe unto you! for ye build the tombs of the prophets, and your fathers killed them. 48. So ye are witnesses and consent unto the works of your fathers: for they killed them, and ye build their tombs." The charge here is that while the Jews seemed to take great pride in the tombs they had built for the prophets, yet the fathers of these men had put the prophets to death, which the lawyers of Jesus' time said they would never have done. Yet, they rejected the greatest of all the prophets, John the Baptist, and they would soon crucify the sent One of God.

Key to the Scriptures

52. "Woe unto you lawyers! for ye took away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered." The key of knowledge refers to the Scriptures that are like a house with a door requiring a key. God put it into the door of the world for all men to use to get into the Scrpitures. But the lawyers made it impossible for others to enter by treating the Scriptures as nothing but law and a legal burden. The Gospel was foreign to them; they hated it and they kept the nation out for they were its religious rulers.

The Denunciation

53. "And when he was come out from thence, the scribes and the Pharisees began to press upon him vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things; 54. laying wait for him, to catch something out of his mouth." Instead of being convinced of the truthfulness of what Christ was saying, these scribes and Pharisees began now to set themselves against Him, and undertook to trap Him in His words. In their vindictiveness they were aroused to such a fury that they could think of nothing else but to get this man out of their way.

EMBARKING ON FIRST STUDENT FLIGHT

Embarking on a new and glamorous career as a stewardess aboard Canadian Pacific air liners between Vancouver and Edmonton and the Yukon, 22-year-old Winnifred Marion Hiscox, of Winnipeg, is seen here at the outset of her first student flight on the northern defence route. With her (left) Chief Pilot Sheldon Luck, and Air Commodore H. Hollick-Kenyon, Canadian Pacific air superintendent at Whitehorse. Miss Hiscox, blue-eyed and five foot four, is a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, Winnipeg, and was a night supervisor at Misericordia Hospital in that city before taking to the air.

For Identification

Dr. Hsu Mo, Chinese Minister to Australia, instructed Chinese Consulates throughout the Commonwealth to issue special identification badges to all Chinese nationals so they would not be mistaken for Japanese.

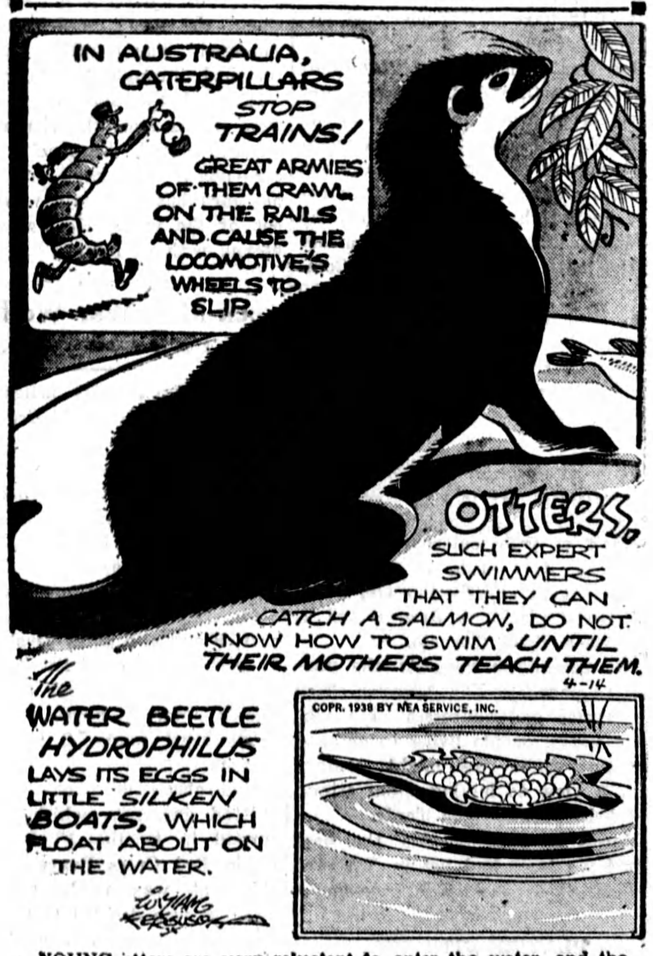
Royal Navy Ships Show Movie Films

Every British warship, from destroyers upwards, is a floating cinema nowadays. Whether they are in Arctic, Mediterranean or Pacific waters, the men on board see the latest films, often before they are shown to the general public ashore.

"Dumbo," the Walt Disney film about a little elephant ashamed of his big ears, was seen at sea long before it was generally released. All films for the Royal Navy are sent out as soon as they are made. So far 34 films have been shown at 35,000 performances, while 60 newsreels a week are going out to H.M. ships and providing the only visual news the men have of what is happening ashore. Each ship has from one to three programs a week, made up of the best of the feature films, interest "shorts" and newsreels.

Supplied by Britain's film industry at the bare cost of the print — one penny a foot — the films go round from ship to ship until they are so old that they are scrapped.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



YOUNG otters are very reluctant to enter the water, and the mother finds it necessary to give them lessons, both in swimming and diving. The training begins with the youngsters riding on the mother's back as she swims about, getting them accustomed to the water. Later on she slips from under them and forces them to swim for themselves.

NEXT: Why will your watch run slower than "sun time" from now until June 15?

In The Garden

By GORDON L. SMITH

Try Something New

In vegetables, as in flowers, scientists have been giving us many improvements. Their work has been carried out in two directions; first, the introduction of vegetables unfamiliar to most Canadians, and second, and probably more important, vast improvement in those varieties that have been grown in this country for years.

Of the vegetables new to most Canadians there are several worth a trial in any garden. Many experienced gardeners make it a habit to try at least one new kind each year. Full descriptions will be found in any Canadian Seed Catalogue.

Easily Grown Flowers

There are gardens that fit almost any situation. For those people who have neither the time nor inclination, there are plenty of annual flowers that thrive on neglect. A little digging of the ground in late Spring is all that is required. Take such things as alyssum, dwarf marigolds, portulaca and California poppies for edging. These are little flowers that almost seed themselves, crowd out weeds, do well in any location but prefer sun and light soil. Once started they will look after themselves.

For the centre of beds or near the back, large flowers such as calendula, nasturtium, poppy and phlox will make a good showing, and for screens castor beans, dahlias, cosmos, sunflower, tall marigold are advised.

For scent, especially in the evening, a few nicotine, carnations, mignonette or stocks will perfume the whole garden.

SCOUTING . . .

Plans are now being made by the Scouts across Canada to entertain the four British "blitz Scouts" whose visit to Canada expected has now been confirmed. The boys, who are expected to arrive sometime early in April, are Troop Leader Stanley Newton, of London; Troop Leader John Bethell, of Birkenhead; Troop Leader Hugh Bright, of Glasgow and Troop Leader Roy Davis of Southampton. They will cross the Dominion to British Columbia, and open their tour there, working back eastward. They will meet Canadian Scouts and leaders and address public meetings concerning their air raid rescue work carried out in Britain.

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The important value of Scout first aid training was once more demonstrated recently when a young Kitchener woman on the way to church was caught between a post and one of two colliding taxi cabs which mounted the sidewalk. Her left leg was almost severed, and it was a Rover Scout who first reached her and applied the tourniquet which was credited with saving her life.

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The coincidence of the Victory Loan and Scout Week resulted in combined bonfire programmes in a number of centres. At Barrie a big beacon was prepared and burned on the ice of Lake Simcoe by the Barrie Scouts. A similar beacon was burned by the Scouts and Guides of Sarnia in the City Hall Square. At Lethbridge, Alta., in spite of sub-zero temperature the Scouts circled a beacon on the sports field of the R.C.M.P. barracks.

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At Moose Jaw, Sask., the Scouts and Guides were given an important role in an elaborately planned beacon ceremony. Bearing unlit torches, two Scouts and two Guides were escorted by the Mounties up platform steps to the official party. Members of the latter applied matches, and with the torches flaming the Scouts and Guides descended, marched past a line of soldiers to the beacon, and applied the flames simultaneously to the four corners.

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The 2nd St. Catharines (Knox Church) Scout Troop is developing a Boy Scout pipe band, with three sets of pipes, a bass drum and three small drums. It is believed that the band will add materially to local Scout and Guide parades.

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

RAYMOND EDWARD JOHNSON

This mysterious man, in the traditionally mysterious setting of 'Room 13,' is none other than Raymond Edward Johnson, one of America's greatest radio actors. It is he who acts as host on the Sunday night 'Inner Sanctum' shows, heard at 8.30 over a network of stations arranged by the CBC — including CKOC, CKCO, CKCL, CKTB, CFPL, CFCO, CJIC and CKCA. Shows are extra fine mystery thrillers, and Raymond, as well as acting as host, frequently takes the starring character role!

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Somebody once said, and aptly, that radio maestro Al Goodman, is at home with Bach and boogie, or Wagner and woogie. Only conductor to be heard on two important CBS programs on the same day—"The Family Hour," with Gladys Swarthout and Deems Taylor, and the "Fred Allen" Air show — Goodman is one of the most flexible conductors currently on radio. He stops at no school or composer, does a fine job on either serious music or jazz, turns with ease from a 'Haydn' symphony to a peppy version of "Texas."

Interesting too, is the fact that Goodman's radio band has in it no less than SEVEN well-known conductors, including Waldo Mayo, Nat Brusiloff, Harry Horlick, Charles Marlowe, Ken Murray and Johnny Augustino. Incidentally, the Al Goodman Fred Allen music is heard in Canada Sunday nights from nine to ten on the Fred Allen Show. 'The Family Hour' is a five p.m. Sunday Columbia feature.

Just Notes

Lou Costello, heavy team-mate of the Abbott and Costello Sunday night 8.00 p.m. McCarthy show, is actually dieting to regain weight. That jovial corpulency of his, is one of his big assets.

Lieut. Commander Walter Winchell may leave his Sunday night air-lane show, the famous 'Journal,' to take a full time job with Uncle Sam's Navy.

Connie Boswell of the Thursday night 'Music Hall,' has decided to re-spell her first name Connee—reason being that Connie's signature scrawl reads 'Connee' on hundreds of autographs she's signed during her personal appearance tour while away from the show. Being a bit superstitious, CB figures the change might add to her good fortunes!

1150 Listening Tips

Sunday afternoon's 'Songs Our Soldiers Sing' program at 5.30—inspirational, patriotic, realistic!

New tagline on Sammy Kaye's Sunday Serenade—heard at 3.30 Sundays on CKOC.

Authentic Ontario old-time music and song—on "Hoedown by Ogden,' Tuesday and Thursday 7.00 p.m.

New record featured on Sundays 1.30 'Hit Parade' is the record of the week—a yesteryear hit parade favorite, returned in modern setting: 'Miss You' by Tommy Dorsey's band.

SOLDIER OF WAR

HORIZONTAL
1 Commander of U. S. A. troops in last World War.
13 School of whales.
14 Sycophant.
15 Shield.
16 Expectations.
18 Three.
19 Lets it stand.
21 Emboldened.
23 Nay.
25 Old garment.
26 Measure of area.
27 Italian stream.
28 Child dedicated to religious work.
30 Energy.
32 Disturbance of peace.
33 Notch.
34 Garret.
36 Mare.
37 Bartered.
39 Chopping tool.
40 Behold.
42 Knot of short hair.
44 Boggy.
46 Compass point (abbr.).
47 Breakfast food
49 Personal contribution.
51 Boy.
52 Male sheep.
54 Swimming fowls.
55 Portuguese coin.
56 He has —— from active service.
57 His native land.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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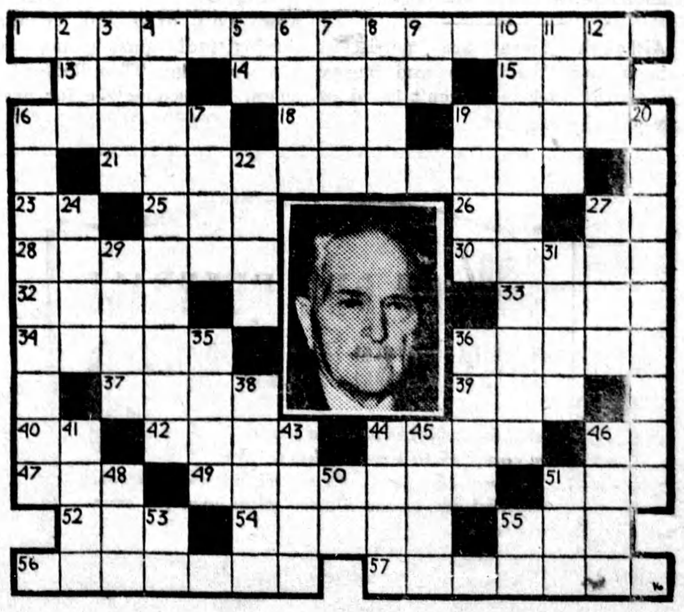
VERTICAL
2 Self.
3 Back of neck.
4 Improvement.
5 Preposition.
6 Burbot (fish)
7 Young salmon.
8 To prepare for printing.
9 Railway (abbr.).
10 Departure from orthodoxy.
11 Frosted.
12 Almond.
16 He has had a long —— career as a soldier.
17 To close.
19 Crispness.
20 Curtailed.
22 Paradise.
24 Death notice.
27 Writes.
29 Building sites.
31 Metal string.
35 Coagulum.
36 Rabbit.
38 Funeral song.
41 Ugly monster.
43 Told an untruth.
44 Banana.
45 Newspaper paragraph.
46 Ketch.
48 Gun.
50 Common verb
51 Rumanian coins.
53 Musical note.
55 Railroad (abbr.).



POP—One of De Gaulle's Men

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