SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SUNDAY: THE RISEN CHRIST AND HIS DISCIPLES.
Luke 24: 1-48.
PRINTED TEXT, Luke 24: 33-48.
GOLDEN TEXT—Ye are witnesses of these things. Luke 24: 48.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time — Christ's Resurrection took place on Easter Sunday, April 9, A.D. 30. The exact time when Christ gave the commission found in verses 44-48 is very much disputed. Some believe this particular commission was given on the day he rose from the dead. Most harmonies of the Gospels place it at the end of the forty days, when Christ was about to ascend.

Place — The opening part of this chapter, concerning the women in conversation with the angel, took place at the tomb where Christ had been buried; the beautiful story of our Lord's conversation along the road with two disciples occurred somewhere between Jerusalem and a town west of the city named Emmaus, the exact location of which we do not know. The appearance of our Lord to the ten disciples was in an upper room, in the city of Jerusalem.

Report of Experiences

33. "And they rose up that very hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, 34. saying 'the Lord has risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.' 35. And they rehearsed the things that happened in the way, and how he was known of them in the breaking of the bread." Two things are notable — they knew just where to go, and they found not only the apostles but also others all together in one place. This is what the morning news of the resurrection had done in spite of the disbelief with which it was received. When Mary Magdalene rushed back early in the morning she found only Peter and John. The rest were scattered. But now they are all together again. With Jesus dead, the bond was broken; nothing could hold even the eleven together anymore; but with Jesus even only possibly risen from the dead, the old bond began to hold again.

Bestowal of Peace

36. "And as he spake these things, he himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, 'Peace be unto you'." Probably the disciples were in the same upper room where they had been on Thursday evening, at the time of the institution of the Lord's Supper. At the close of this great scene, He once more pronounced the benediction of Peace, and breathed on them with the words, 'Receive the Holy spirit'.

Fear and Comfort

37. "But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they beheld a spirit. 38. "And he said unto them, 'Why are ye troubled? and wherefore do questionings arise in your heart?" G. H. Knight says: 'The thoughts that arise in my heart may be doubting thoughts, anxious, regretful or remorseful thoughts, but I will let this thought be as the sun that banishes the mists—my Lord is with me still. If I am troubled with thoughts of my sin, He tells me that he rose again for my justification. If I am troubled by my sorrows and cares, He tells me that He rose from the grave to give me His perfect peace. If I am troubled with the thought of death, and my lying in the grave, He tells me that He passed through it too, and consecrated it for me by lying there Himself; so that because He lives I shall live also.'

Jesus In The Flesh

39. "See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye behold me having." Jesus is patient with his proof. They were convinced before He came into the room, but that psychological shock had unnerved them all The exact nature of Christ's resurrection body is not defined for us. It was a body that certainly was in many ways different from His pre-resurrection body. Whether his body underwent further changes before His final ascension to heaven, we are not told, and what is not revealed to us ought not to be a subject of prolonged speculation.

Additional Proof

40. "And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. 41. And while they still disbelieved for joy, and wondered, He said unto them, 'Have ye here anything to eat?' 42. And they gave Him a piece of a broiled fish. 43. And He took it, and ate it before them." Jesus wanted to convince His own apostolic company beyond any question that He had in His own body risen from the dead. Beholding His hands and His feet, their hearts swung around from an extreme of fear to an extreme of joy, in which reason for a moment became confused and faith bewildered. But while the heavenly trance is yet upon them, Jesus recalls them to earthly things, asking if they have any meat. Our Lord gave an additional proof that He did have a true body and could eat.

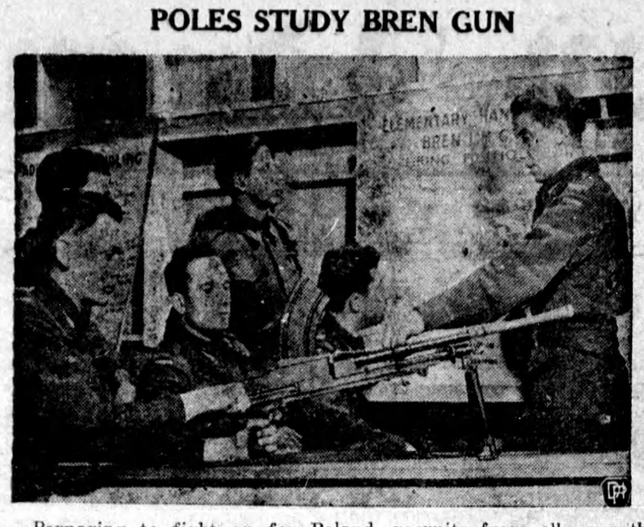
Unshakable Foundation

44. "And he said unto them, 'These are My words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which are written in the law of Moses, and the prophets, and the psalms, concerning me. 45. Then opened he their mind, that they might understand the Scriptures." Our Lord knew that the one unshakable foundation on which all the preaching of the apostolic church could safely rest was, on the other hand, a conviction regarding the Scriptures as they foretold the Messiah, and conviction regarding Jesus as the Christ of God.

Four Great Truths

46. "And he said unto them, Thus it is written that the Christ should suffer, and rise again from the dead the third day; 47. and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name unto all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48. Ye are witnesses of these things." Four great truths our Lord once more announced as he was about finally to leave His followers—the truth concerning Himself that He was Christ; the truth concerning His death—He must suffer; the truth concerning His resurrection; and the truth concerning remission of sins in His name; a message for all men everywhere. Of these things, the disciples were, and you and I are, to be witnesses.

POLES STUDY BREN GUN



Perparing to fight on for Poland, recruits from all over the continent are being trained at Owen Sound, Ontario. A sizeable unit has already been built up with men drawn mainly from the United States, where there are 5,000,000 people of Polish extraction. This group is studying the action of a Bren gun.

People Of Malta Happy Amid Bombs

Oft-bombed Malta is pictured by a correspondent as an idyllic island of bathing parties, dances and moving picture shows.

Summer heat and "calm limpid sea", the correspondent said are increasing the popularity of the swimming parties. A new cinema has just been opened and large crowds were attending evening dances.

The correspondent cited these facts as proof of the defenders' morale and added:

"The citizens have a profound conviction that the more aircraft the enemy sends over, the more he will lose—a conviction the enemy seems to share judging by recent raids."

U. S. To Distribute Free Gas Masks

Free gas masks will be distributed to all civilians in the U. S. beginning the last of this month under a program for production of 2,500,000 masks a month, said James M. Landis, civilian defence director. Landis said the initial output of masks would go to groups most likely to need them first, such as policemen, firemen and air raid wardens.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

COPR. 1939 BY NEA SERVICE, INC.

AT BRISTOW, OKLAHOMA, POST OFFICE RECEIPTS FOR THE LAST THREE MONTHS OF 1937 AND 1938 WERE EXACTLY THE SAME... $7,992.43

ANSWER: The density of honey varies, but the standard weight is set at approximately 12 pounds to the gallon.

NEXT: The weight of a fish in water.

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

MEET BOB FARNON!

This is genial Bob Farnon! Versatile — talented — friendly! Amongst his other accomplishments is a penchant for writing Symphonic Suites, one of which was recently performed by the famed Philadelphia Orchestra, Eugene Ormandy conducting. Bob went to Philadelphia for the initial rehearsals, heard the Philadelphia performance, and was guest conductor when Ormandy and his men played in Toronto a short month ago. 1.15 daily on the C.B.C.

• • •

Fred Allen's newest studio jokes about the woman who sees a man walking along one of New York's streets — walking with an exaggerated list to one side. She tells a policeman about the 'port-sided' pedestrian and he quickly confronts the man. "I'm not drunk," the fellow insists, when the policeman asks him to "come along," and when the law asks why he walks with such a tilt, the answer is: "I work on the Normandie!" Fred's gay program, with Portland, Kenny Baker, Al Goodman's orchestra and weekly guests, is a Sunday night headline feature from CKOC, CFRB and a number of Ontario Stations! The time—nine o'clock.

• • •

We don't think Fibber McGee and Molly will believe it, but the Women's National Radio Committee lists their Tuesday night 9.30 show (NBC-CBC) as "drama"! Under that classification, the zany show won runner-up honors in the eighth national poll by the committee. Just wait till Don Quinn, the Fibber McGee writer, finds out it's been drama and not comedy he's been scrivening!

• • •

Ted Steele's Novatime is a popular feature on many Ontario stations. Broadcast locally, CKOC carries a daily 7.45 p.m. Ted Steele show from 1150 on the dial!

• • •

Every housewife will want to hear each gripping episode of "Soldier's Wife" — a dramatized story of Canadian life in wartime heard over the CBC network daily at 11.30 a.m. In it, too, you will hear authentic information about all the war-time regulations that concern housewives and women generally. Remember—"Soldier's Wife" — dramatized daily serial of life in the Canadian War-home—11.30 a.m. CBC.

A Few 1150 Listening Tips

If bells mean anything to you, you'll probably be getting quite a kick out of CKOC's 6.00 to 8.00 a.m. Daybreak Serenade with Len Smith. A Toronto fan, who has been a consistent listener to the program, tendered the show a battery of bells of every type and description, to be used for various Smith 'gags' to brighten up the 'get out of bed with a smile' program!

Norman Cloutier, ace NBC Musical Director and concert maestro, is heard from CKOC with a great new string orchestra. Music is light, melodic, and usually selected from the Light Opera Field. With Phil Duey as soloist, and choral arrangements by the Master Singers, the weekly half hour treat is melodic listening.

Sunday the 21st, at 8.30 p.m., Boris Karloff will again appear as starring guest on Inner Sanctum Mysteries.

Record of the week is "Three Little Sisters" — closely followed by "One Dozen Roses"!

"Cheers from the Camps" —a new and thrilling kind of radio program, with Freedom's Fighting Forces in camp, sending entertainment to the folks back home, made it's bow to Ontario listeners via the Alternate CBC network on Tuesday night at 9.30. (CKOC-CFRB). The program is designed to present every kind of talent in an international spirit, with "the boys" doing a glorious job of morale work for those who must remain at home. There's music by camp bands — comedy by the irrepressible lads who know how to be grim and grin; songs — patter — audience participation—ALL the ingredients of top-flite radio fare! The first show originated at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, and other camps across the continent and from the four corners of the world will take part in future broadcasts. It's an hour-long Tuesday night treat — 9.30 to 10.30 — CFRB — CKOC!"

Weekly 'Open House' Held By Regiment

One of Britain's most famous regiments holds an "open house" where for one hour every week officers and men meet on equal terms to discuss matters concerning the unit.

Grievances and problems, ranging from why the men have to go on cross-country runs as punishment for crimes, are aired and members of the regiment claim the debate is one of the most valuable hours of the week.

Started as an experiment, "open house" has proved invaluable in establishing closer contact between officers and men and explaining away minor misunderstandings which, if not cleared up, might have had a damaging effect on morale

Motor Car Industry Contributes To War

What with doing without new things and salvaging old, everybody is making some contribution to the production of war material; helping to beat the Axis in that race, says The St. Thomas Times-Journal. The suspension of the automobile industry is a wonderful and encouraging demonstration of what that means to the war effort.

According to Business Conditions, publication of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, the ending of automobile production will effect the following savings, figured on the basis of a normal year of 3,000,000 vehicles (that will not be produced):

Enough steel and rubber to build 125,000 medium tanks; enough tin for 3,000,000,000 cans of average size; enough aluminum for 42,857 fighter planes; enough nickel for 150,000 tons of nickel steel for armor plate and projectiles; enough zinc and copper for 7,000,000,000 cartridge cases.

Such news is consolation to those who hoped to get a new car this year. If the family car coughs and sputters and jangles, and gets balky occasionally, it will be something to be proud of, not ashamed.

Black Bear's Head As Squadron Crest

A Royal Canadian Air Force Spitfire Squadron of fighter command, commanded by Squadron Leader R. E. Morrow of Toronto and formerly of Vancouver, is adopting the snarling head of a Canadian black bear as the squadron crest.

"We've been thinking about getting ourselves a crest for some time," says the squadron leader, "but we couldn't make up our minds what the crest would be."

"For a while, we thought about using a Canadian grey goose, but the colors don't stand out well enough. So we decided on the bear's head. At present, the design is being drawn up and approved by the British heraldic authorities."

PRANCING STEED

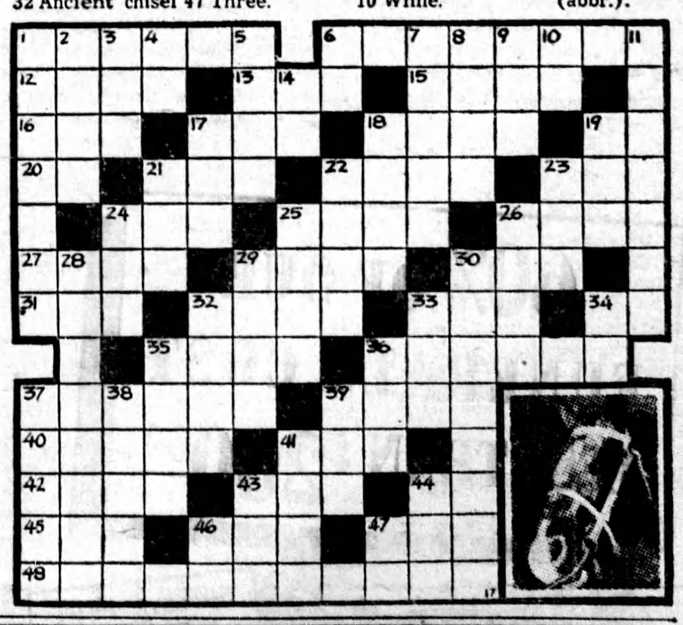
HORIZONTAL

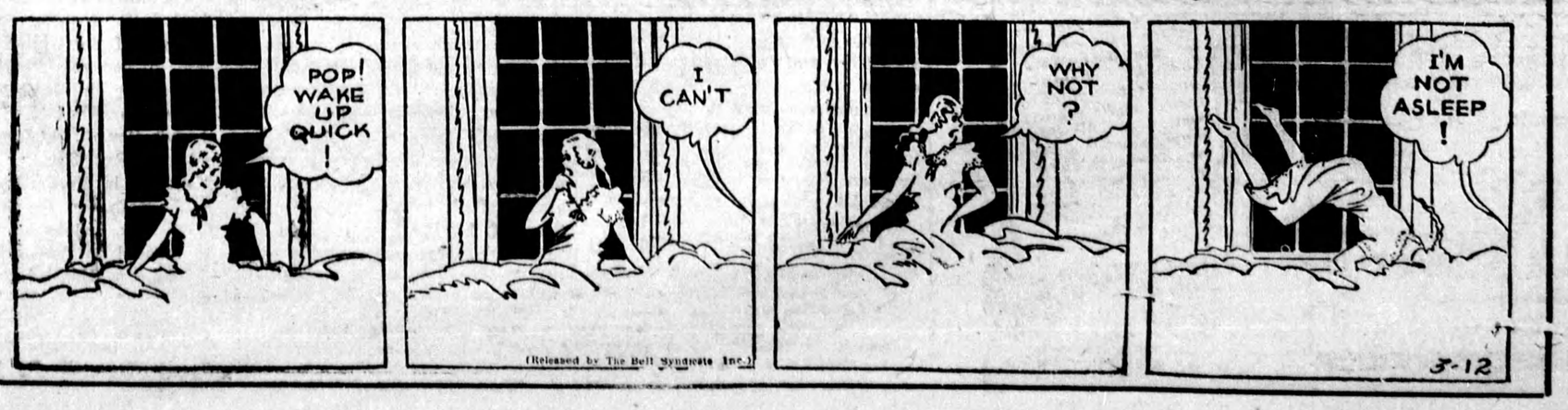
1 Pictured animal, useful to man (pl.).
6 It is an —— or hoofed beast.
12 Pertaining to wings.
13 Policeman.
15 Goddess of discord.
16 Citizen.
17 Fashion.
18 Lion's prison.
19 Bushel (abbr.).
20 Measure.
21 Storage box for coal.
22 Its female.
23 Taro paste.
24 To place.
25 Flogs.
26 A spur.
27 Paradise.
29 Kind.
30 To roost.
31 Japanese coin.
32 Ancient chisel
33 Existed.
34 Whirlwind.
35 A young horse
36 Pasteboard box.
37 Large inns.
39 Scepter.
40 About.
41 Part of its harness.
42 Spikenard.
43 Period.
44 Half an em.
45 Sloths.
46 Blue grass.
47 Three.
48 It has been domesticated since —— times.

VERTICAL

1 Riding horse.
2 Hodgepodge.
3 Rodent.
4 Senior (abbr.)
5 To contemplate.
6 Above.
7 Trappings.
8 To impel.
9 Untruth.
10 While.
11 It belongs to the genus ——
14 Alleged force.
17 Becoming.
18 Jargon.
19 Snake.
21 Biscuit.
22 Market.
23 Kettle.
24 To write.
25 Tax.
26 Main point.
28 Gracious.
29 Oceans.
30 Sarcastic.
32 Young male horse.
33 Pale.
34 Onward.
35 To parry.
36 Kitty.
37 Goblet.
38 Concise
39 Humor.
41 Ship.
43 Dower property.
44 Silkworm.
46 3.1416.
47 Transpose (abbr.).

Answer to Previous Puzzle



POP—But He's Hiding!

By J. MILLAR WATT