SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 25
THE TASK COMMITTED TO THE DISCIPLES
Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-20
Luke 24:49-53

GOLDEN TEXT.—**Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the whole creation.** Mark 16:15.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—The entire period from our Lord's resurrection to His ascension covers forty days. The appearance of Christ to the ten on Easter night, took place April 9, A.D. 30. The Ascension took place Thursday, May 18, A.D. 30.

Place.—The appearance to the ten occurred in the Upper Room in Jerusalem; another appearance recorded in our lesson took place on an unnamed mountain in Galilee; the Ascension itself took place from a peak on the Mount of Olives.

Easter Night

14. "And afterward he was manifested unto the eleven themselves as they sat at meat; and he upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them that had seen him after he was risen." This is Mark's brief account of that which Luke (24:36-43) and John (20:19-25) give with great detail, an episode of Easter Sunday already dealt with in our last lesson.

Some Doubted

16. "But the eleven disciples went into Galilee, unto the mountain where Jesus had appointed them. 17. And when they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted." Their worship was not merely homage to a King but probably involved the conviction that Christ was divine. Even the Saviour's bodily appearance seems, since the resurrection, to have been so altered and spiritualized that they felt more inclined than formerly to worship him. The subject of doubt must have been whether this was really their Lord come to life.

Christ's Authority

18. "And Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and earth." Nothing less than the Divine government of the whole universe and the Kingdom of Heaven has been given to the Risen Lord. The glorified Christ is above every principality and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come. It is on the plentitude of this Divine authority that He lays upon His Apostles and His Church His last great charge, and leaves to them His last great promise.

The Great Commission

19. "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." It is because the Messiah has all dominion both above and below that He gives this comprehensive charge to the Apostles. He commits the whole human race to their care, and they are not to rest until all have been brought in as disciples with them of the one Master. 'To make disciples' means to make of men learners, or followers of Christ. They were not to make men their disciples; they were to make men Christ's disciples. We are not to be followers of Christian leaders, but of the Christ whom every true Christian leader serves.

Creed and Conduct

20. "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Jesus tells us here that we are to train ourselves and others in, not creed but conduct, not things to be believed but things to be done. A creed that is not wrought out in actions is empty; conduct that is not informed, regulated by creed, is unworthy of a man, not to say of a Christian.

Hope For Everyone

15. "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the whole creation. 16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that disbelieveth shall be condemned." It is interesting to note that our Lord does not say that he who is not baptized shall be condemned, but that he that disbelieveth shall be condemned, while he who believes and is baptized shall be saved. This applies to every living person in the world.

Accompanying Signs

17. "And these signs shall accompany them that believe: in my name shall they cast out demons: they shall speak with new tongues; 18. they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall in no wise hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." These signs shall follow them that believe. Jesus does not mean that each of these signs shall manifest itself with every believer, but this miracle with one and that with another.

49. "And behold, I send forth promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city, until ye be clothed with power from on high. 50. And he led them out until they were over against Bethany: and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. 51. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven." It has been suggested by many that man's last view of the Lord Jesus is of a Saviour with uplifted hands, in the attitude of bestowing a benediction, and that this is the true attitude of the Lord toward humanity ever since — He has ascended into heaven and is at the right hand of God only that he might bless men.

19. "So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken unto them, was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God." The Son of Man at the right hand of God is our Intercessor with the Father.

52. "And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. 53. and were continually in the temple, blessing God." Our chapter begins withs a picture of two disciples in deep despondency, knowing nothing but disappointment in the death of Christ. The chapter concludes with the disciples convinced of our Lord's resurrection and rejoicing in the temple, blessing God.

20. "And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word, by the signs that followed. Amen." In Matthew Jesus promised to be with them; here Mark says that he manifested his presence by 'working with them' and 'confirming the word,' proving its truth and reality.

LAMBS TAKE CALF'S PLACE AT FESTIVE BOARD

Young, but resourceful, motherless twin lambs solve their food problem satisfactorily with the co-operation of an obliging Guernsey cow on a Rushford, Minn., farm. Whether the calf approves of the arrangement is something else again.

Outlook Is Good For Manitoba Crop

The outlook for the Manitoba crop at the opening of the season is good, according to The Winnipeg Free Press; in Saskatchewan it is fair, but in Alberta not so good, for lack of rain in the central and northern areas.

There is a further reduction in wheat acreage in Manitoba this year of sixteen percent, but an increase of nineteen percent in barley, eight percent in oats and thirty-one percent in flax. The increase in barley and flax was what the government particularly asked for. There will be an increase of seventeen percent in hogs, helping to meet the demand from Britain and a six percent increase of cattle.

For the whole prairie country the report is less satisfactory. It is difficult to estimate accurately the reduction in wheat acreage, but it looks like five percent. The increase in coarse grains and flax is much less than was wanted for war production.

Cancel Chicago Livestock Show

As a result of every available unit of transportation being required for urgent war needs, the International Livestock Exposition and International Grain and Hay Show at Chicago has been cancelled for 1942. For forty-two years, the Livestock Exposition combined with the Grain and Hay Show for the past twenty-three years, has been the greatest agricultural exposition on the North American continent. Apart altogether from the resolve of the people to prosecute the war to its utmost limit, the problem of the transportation of the huge number of exhibits, exhibitors and visitors in this year of war would have been impossible. Last year, in livestock alone, approximately 14,000 animals were moved from thirty-seven States and from some of the provinces of Canada to the Exposition and Show, which attracted a record attendance of 400,000 persons.

CREATOR OF STARS

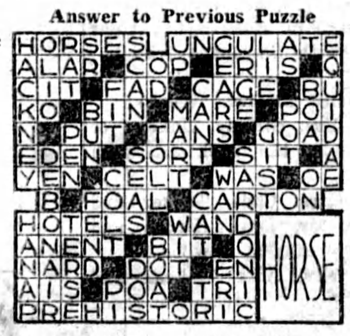
HORIZONTAL

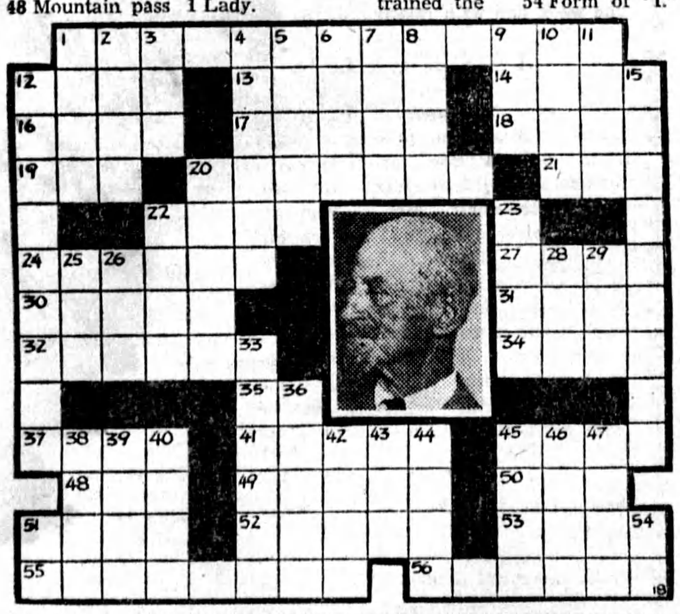
1 Famous name in history of the stage.
12 Wall-eyed pike.
13 Furnished with a sole.
14 To acknowledge.
16 Grafted.
17 Slatted box.
18 Century plant fiber.
19 Duct.
20 Horse's trappings.
21 Lion's home.
22 Viscous.
24 Woolly.
27 Small island.
30 To think.
31 Trappings.
32 Flower leaves.
34 To abhor.
35 And.
37 Dibbles.
41 Pennies.
45 Licks up.
48 Mountain pass
49 To walk.
50 Beer.
51 Songs for single voices.
52 Empty.
53 Opposite of cold.
55 He was a —— of fine stage plays.
56 He lived almost —— years.

VERTICAL

1 Lady.
2 Branches of learning.
3 Born.
4 To get away.
5 Flat car.
6 Blank metal die.
7 Network.
8 Poems.
9 Chart.
10 Greedy.
11 Short letter.
12 He —— or trained the biggest stars of his day.
15 Rovers.
20 Large inn.
22 Genus of frogs
23 He had —— standards of acting.
25 Monkey.
26 Insect egg.
28 Ocean.
29 Upright shaft.
33 Kind of poisoning.
36 To make terneplate.
38 Acidity.
39 Horseback game.
40 Glided.
42 Close.
43 Food container.
44 State of bliss.
45 Plot of grass.
46 Wings.
47 Saucy.
51 Spain (abbr.)
54 Form of "I."

Answer to Previous Puzzle





Two Good Things to do!
WIN the WAR
Buy WAR SAVINGS STAMPS
Roll Your Own with DAILY MAIL

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

TENOR TROUBADOUR!

Amongst the younger American screen and radio tenors, Allan Jones is high in popularity. Local station airings of his many recordings, particularly hits by Victor Herbert and Jerome Kern, have endeared him to millions. As regular tenor guest of Mutual's "Chicago Theatre of the Air" series, and other important 'out of the West' shows, Allan Jones has built himself a great and loyal following.

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It's perhaps an old story by now —how a certain World War number one American Aviator, in the early 20's, went down to South America to sell Curtiss airplanes; how, on the day of demonstration, he had to compete against a German ace — and compete he did, with two broken legs, put in casts just the day before; how he got into a dog-fight without guns, and finally forced the other plane to the ground, and sold the Chilean Army Staff on the superiority of American planes and American pilots. Yes, it was Brigadier General Jimmy Doolittle, who personally piloted the sensational Tokyo bombing. But Doolittle's story has become radio's story—and from complimentary comedy quips on every fun show on the air, to down-right patriotic airtributes, radio has enhanced the ascendancy of the Doolittle Star. And since the flight to Tokyo is just the first chapter in the Victory Novel, radio will keep you in touch with each succeeding chapter, as the book is written. There'll be more MacArthur's, Doolittle's and others — and each will add burning fuel to the torch of freedom!

Fred Allen is the kind of a guy folks just naturally tell stories about — and they're either funny or complimentary. In few other businesses does one find more happily married husband-and-wife collaborations than in radio. For one, we have Fred Allen and Portland Hoffa of the Sunday 9.00 p.m. radio show. Fred, who is a very precise person, has been called "the man who married three women named Portland Hoffa"! It is Portland who types Fred's scripts from their carefully hand-lettered originals; it is Portland who plays the scatter-brained stooge on the air, and it is Mrs. Fred Allen who runs the household around Fred's workaday routine!

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The Lone Ranger, whose legendary heroics in the days when the West was young, thrill young and old in their daily re-enactments on the air, is a consistent popularity poll leader — has been for some four years. CKOC in Hamilton carries the adventures daily at 530 p.m. And all the familiar characters of the Lone Ranger escapades are present — including Tonto, the Indian, and the Ranger's great white horse, Silver. Stirring stuff, with right always triumphant over wrong, the Lone Ranger's radio adventures offer healthy, clean-cut listening for everyone!

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News Notes From Here and There:

Clara, Lu and Em are back on the air-waves — thrice weekly from CBS.

Monday nights 9.00 p.m. Radio Theatre, top ranking hour-long dramatic weekly show, is dress-rehearsed Sunday afternoons with a Studio audience of service-men, who are keen to see and hear many of their radio and screen favorites in action.

"Cheers from the Camps", new Tuesday night 9.30 CBC Alternate Network feature, originating with CBS, is proving a smash hit, with the new idea of the Boys in the Service, providing the entertainment for the folks back home!

Record headliners include: "Three Little Sisters", and "One Dozen Roses"; also "Johnny Doughboy Found a Rose in Ireland".

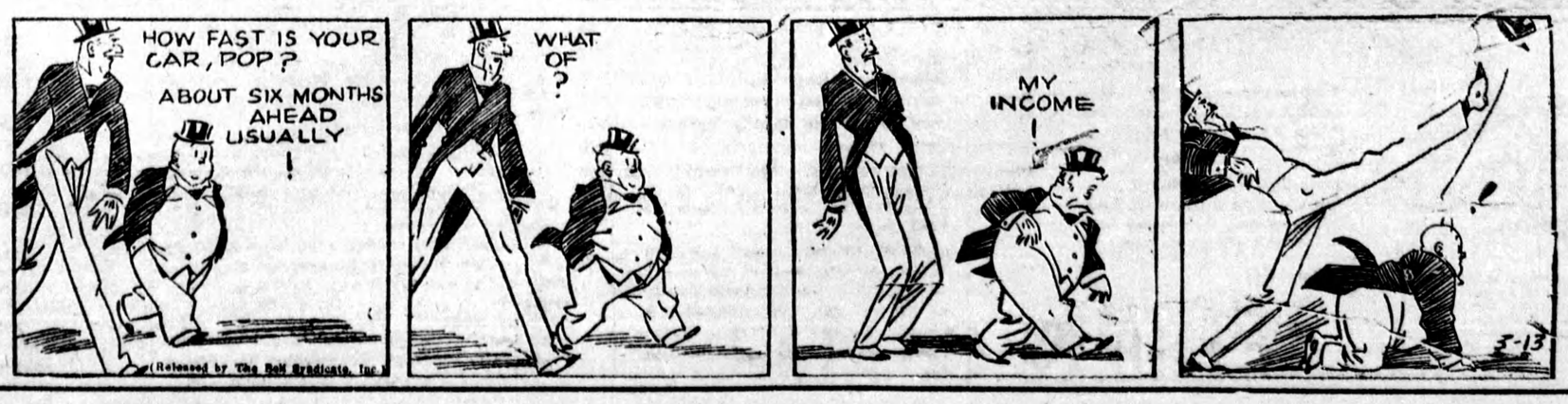
Some of the Psalms are supposed to have been written as long ago as 900 B.C., others as recently as the Second Century, B.C.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

ANSWER: Bunches of bananas at maturity hang from the trees with the individual "fingers" pointing up, just the opposite of the way we usually see them displayed in stores.

NEXT: A deer that brought in his enemy's head!

POP—But He's Hiding!

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