MOUNTAIN MUSIC ON THE HIGH SEAS

To every stoker and mechanic in the Royal Canadian Navy a bit of relaxation on deck when the weather is fine is a welcome diversion. Mechanic Armand Guay relaxes with a few strains of good old-time mountain music on his accordion. His comrades like it, too—providing he doesn't relax too often.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 33

Printed Text: Genesis 26: 18-31

GOLDEN TEXT — "Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called sons of God."—Matthew 5:9.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time, Approximately 1800 B.C.

Place, Principally Gerar and Beersheba, cities of Southern Palestine.

Isaac the Well-Digger

18. "And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them. 19. And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of springing water. 20. And the herdsmen of Gerar strove with Isaac's herdsmen, saying, 'The water is ours': and he called the name of it Sitnah. 22. And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, for now Jehovah hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land." Isaac called the name of the first well Esek, meaning contention, because of his experience with the men of Gerar; when compelled to leave this well, he called the next one dug by the name Sitnah, meaning enmity, for the opposition of the Philistines was now becoming actually pesecution. He now removed much further away, to Rehoboth, forty miles from Gerar, where he was left undisturbed by those who had so sorely been harassing him. Almost all who have preached from this particular portion of our lesson have emphasized the truth that all of us have wells in our lives, at one time or another, which, once flowing with abundant and refreshing water, have been choked by various experiences, by doubt, and the neglects of life.

Covenant With Isaac

24. "And Jehovah appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee and will bless thee and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake. 25. And he builded an altar there and called upon the name of Jehovah, and pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants digged a well." Beersheba was a sacred place in the life of Isaac's family, and here it would seem, in God's plan for his life, he truly belonged. Here God appeared to him with a promise of particular preciousness. Here for the first time, we find the now familiar title, "the God of Abraham".

Isaac at once responded to this Divine revelation. 'He builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the Lord, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.' Let us mark carefully these four stages in the patriarch's restored life. First comes the altar with its thought of consecration, then prayer with its consciousness of need, then the tent with its witness to home, and then comes the well with its testimony to daily life and needs. The altar and the home sum up everything that is true in life. First the altar and then the home, not first the home and then the altar. God must be first in everything.

Enemies As Friends

26. "Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath his friend, and Phicol the captain of his host. 27. And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore are ye come unto me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you? 28. And they said, We saw plainly that Jehovah was with thee: and we said, Let there now be an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee, 29. that thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou are now the blessed of Jehovah. 30. And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink. 31. And they rose up betimes in the morning and sware one to anoher: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace." The first word of this paragraph is very significant, then. When Isaac came to the place where God definitely wanted him to be, as soon as an altar had been set up, and the worship of God resumed, then another blessing came into his life, namely, peace with those who formerly were his enemies. Not long before this, Abimelech had told Isaac to get out of his sight; now the very same man comes to Isaac, acknowledging that God was with Isaac, and asking that he would enter into a covenant with him and his people, to do them no hurt, an agreement upon which Isaac entered at once.

Isaac won the friendship of his opponents by his patience, as the verses after the text tell. Their consciences and hearts were touched, and they 'saw plainly that the Lord was with him,' and sued him for alliance. It is better to turn enemies into friends than to beat them and have them as enemies still. But 'when a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.'

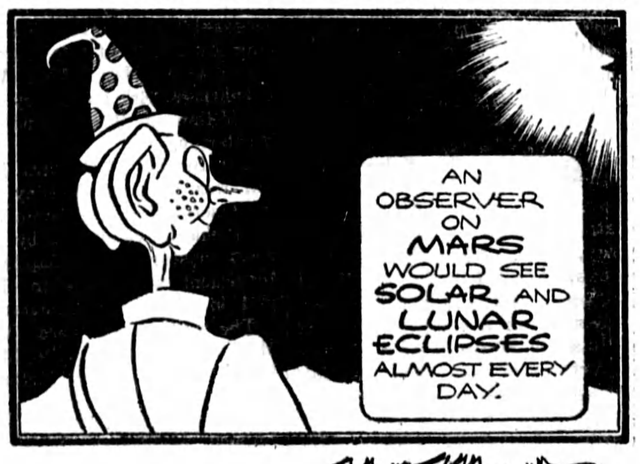
Nazis Transport Regiment By Air

British sources said recently that a German light infantry regiment flown to North Africa from Crete had been put in the Egyptian line to reinforce Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's forces.

There had been previous reports that the Axis, finding its trans-Mediterranean sea lanes under sharp British air and naval watch and its African supply ports pounded by the R.A.F., had resorted to air transport to get fresh manpower into the drive toward Alexandria and the Nile.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



ANSWER: Polo Grounds, New York; Sportsman's Park, St. Louis; Wrigley Field, Chicago; Briggs Stadium, Detroit; Shibe Park, Philadelphia.

NEXT: A prize collection of superstitions.

SCOUTING . . .

A special Scout unit of 100 boys chosen from different Toronto Troops provided a messenger service throughout the recent convention of Rotary International at Toronto. They worked from a headquarters set up in Union Station.

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The Boy Scouts of much bombed Bristol, England, sent a gift of money to the Scout war casualties of Malta.

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In a first aid competition for the Boy Scouts of Pictou County, N.S., held at New Glasgow by Superintendent James White of the First Aid and Draeger Team of the Acadia Coal Company, the unusual score of 99 out of a possible 100 points was made by the team representing the 1st Stellarton Scout Troop.

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Boy Scouts were widely used throughout the Dominion to collect sugar ration application cards from private homes.

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Boy Scout training was once again credited with saving life when Jack Picot 14, of Strathroy, Ont., during a hike with his brother and another younger boy, and when some miles from any help, fell on a piece of broken glass and severely cut his arm. Ivan Picot, 12, promptly improvised a tourniquet, which controlled the bleeding until the boys could reach the Strathroy Hospital. Jack was a patient there for several days.

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In less than a year the Scouts of Aurora, Ont., have raised over $300 by salvage work, and contributed this to various war funds, including $80 to the Canadian Scouts' B.-P. Chins Up Fund for the Scout war sufferers of Britain.

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"Anyone who has or can make the time available or can otherwise assist in the work of the Boy Scouts Association is not only making a worthwhile contribution towards the winning of this war, but possibly even more important, towards the building up of the future manhood of this country."—Col. R. G. Whitelaw, Director of Military Training.

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A mobile war service tea canteen was presented by the 23 Boy Scouts of the 1st Halesowen Scout Troop of Birmingham, England, to the Y.M.C.A. The canteen was received on behalf of the Y. by Sir Alfred Pickford in a little ceremony at the Royal Mews, Buckingham Palace. The funds for the purchase of the canteen were raised in nine months by the boys, backed by a committee of parents and other supporters.

Why Bother?

A 32-mile round trip for sugar? And how much home canning did they do last year?

The problems were too muh for Myra Riherd, 71, and her 82-year-old brother.

"We have no car, no hoss and buggy. My brother says: 'Dammit, I quit whiskey, I quit smoking, and I can quit sugar'!

"P.S.—I couldn't answer all the silly questions about how much I canned last year. All I know is that it's all 'et up'. So probably it's just as well not to register."

Luftwaffe Dreads Rocket Apparatus

One of the "surprise weapons" used by the Maritime Regiments at sea against attacking enemy aircraft is the rocket apparatus carried by defensively armed merchant ships. These rockets are one of the weapons most dreaded by the Luftwaffe. They carry up into the air long wires supported by parachutes, so that they remain in position for an appreciable time, and the method of using them is to time and place their discharge so that the attacking bomber must either swerve away from his bombing position or become entangled with the wires and be destroyed by them.

RADIO REPORTER

DIALING WITH DAVE:

That screen door on Elm St. in Clifford Goldsmith's mythical Centerville is soon to start banging again. In fact, this Thursday night at 8.30, "The Aldrich Family," refreshed after a five-weeks vacation, returns for another NBC-CBC season. Ezra Stone will continue as Henry Aldrich, the role he created four years ago in Goldsmith's Broadway play, "What A Life!" Hank's patient father, Sam Aldrich, played by House Jameson; and typical American boy's mother, Mrs. Alice Aldrich (Katherine Raht); sister Mary (Charita Bauer) and friend Homer (Jack Kelk) carry on as before. For two years, national popularity surveys have placed "The Aldrich Family" among the top five of all radio shows on the air—so here's for another year of fun and comedy with the Aldriches—starting Thursday, August 13, 8.30 p.m.

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The American music world is still echoing the sensational acclaim given the Western Hemisphere premiere of Dmitri Shostakovitch's Seventh Symphony on July 19. The thunderous studio ovation accorded Toscannini, who conducted the NBC Symphony Orchestra over the NBC network in the American introduction to the remarkable work, continued a considerable time after the program was off the air. Written under the fiery siege of Leningrad, where the composer intermingled active fire warden duties with his composing endeavors, the work, as predicted, was hailed by American listeners as an eloquent indictment of Axis aggression and tyranny. Doubtless this great work will soon be available on records, and will soon become part and parcel of the continent's great symphonic organizations. Russia's music and composers are equally great and we will be hearing much more of them both during the months to come. On last Wednesday's Bandwagon program, locally produced from CKOC each week (8.30 p.m.) an all-Russian program was presented, with the famous Don Cossacks Choir, Feodor Chaliapin and Irog Goria interpreting the music.

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Madeleine Carroll took time out from honeymooning with Stirling Hayden to make two appearances on "Cavalcade of America", Aug. 3rd and 10th.

Walter O'Keefe's "Star Spangled Vaudeville" series for NBC is something of a radio rabbit's foot. Both Walter and Raymond Page (the show's bandleader) have won additional network contracts since the show opened, and Johnny Burke, soldier-monologist of 1917 and Gracie Fields, "The Sweetheart of the Empire" both landed Broadway spots after appearing on the program. Johnny and Gracie will open in a new "Priorities" revue in the fall.

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Next week and the following week CKOC in Hamilton will announce September on CKOC—a completely new and outstanding broadcast schedule, arranged for fall and winter listening. We hope you'll be reading and listening.

GREAT EMANCIPATOR

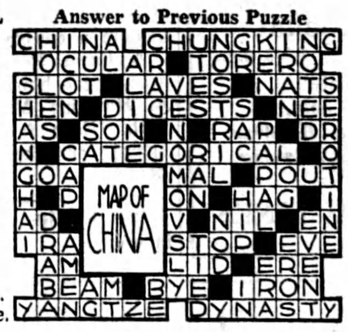
HORIZONTAL

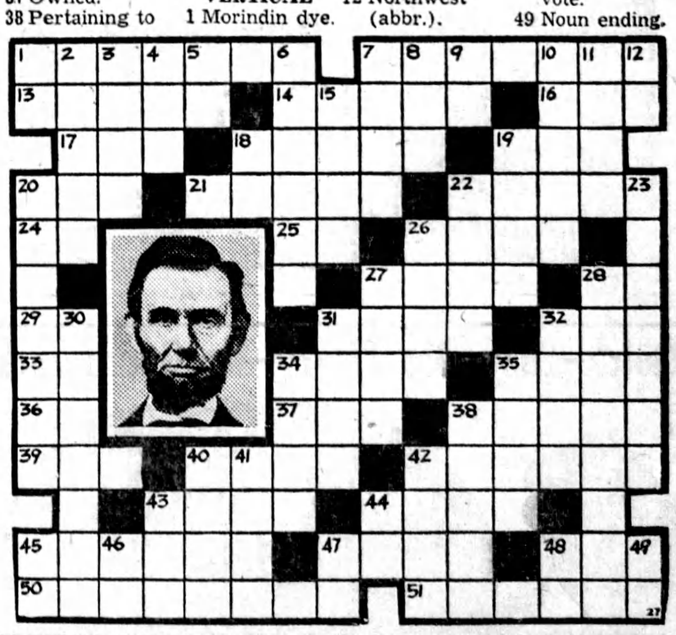
1, 7 Former U. S. A. President.
13 Slack.
14 Apiaceous plant.
16 Line.
17 To doze.
18 To rise in vapor.
19 To offer.
20 Tobacco quid.
21 Coring device.
22 Preface.
24 Bone.
25 Alleged force.
26 Scheme.
27 To whip.
28 Pair (abbr.).
29 Right (abbr.).
31 Carbon in smoke.
32 Rodent.
33 Measure of area.
34 To pack away.
35 Anger.
36 Turn.
37 Owned.
38 Pertaining to the sun.
39 Aurora.
40 Stump.
42 Imprisonment.
43 Temptation.
44 Speechless.
45 Chancel seat.
47 Crystal gazer.
48 Devoured.
50 He fought to —— the Union.
51 He was a —— by profession.

VERTICAL

1 Morindin dye.
2 Premium for a loan.
3 Street.
4 Snake.
5 Masculine pronoun.
6 Staid woman.
7 Falsifier.
8 Distinctive theory.
9 Northeast (abbr.).
10 Constellation.
11 Vein.
12 Northwest (abbr.).
15 Requirement.
18 Therefore.
19 To boast.
20 He was a man of great —— or bravery.
22 Scheme.
23 He was a —— to his beliefs (pl.).
26 Farm tool.
27 Victuals.
28 Hanger-on.
30 Mounted policeman.
31 Dagger thrust.
32 Law.
34 To close.
35 Golfer's cry.
38 Brief rule.
40 Auction.
41 Row of series.
42 Sword combat.
43 Twice.
44 Myself.
45 Spain (abbr.)
46 From.
47 Southeast (abbr.).
48 Affirmative vote.
49 Noun ending.

Answer to Previous Puzzle





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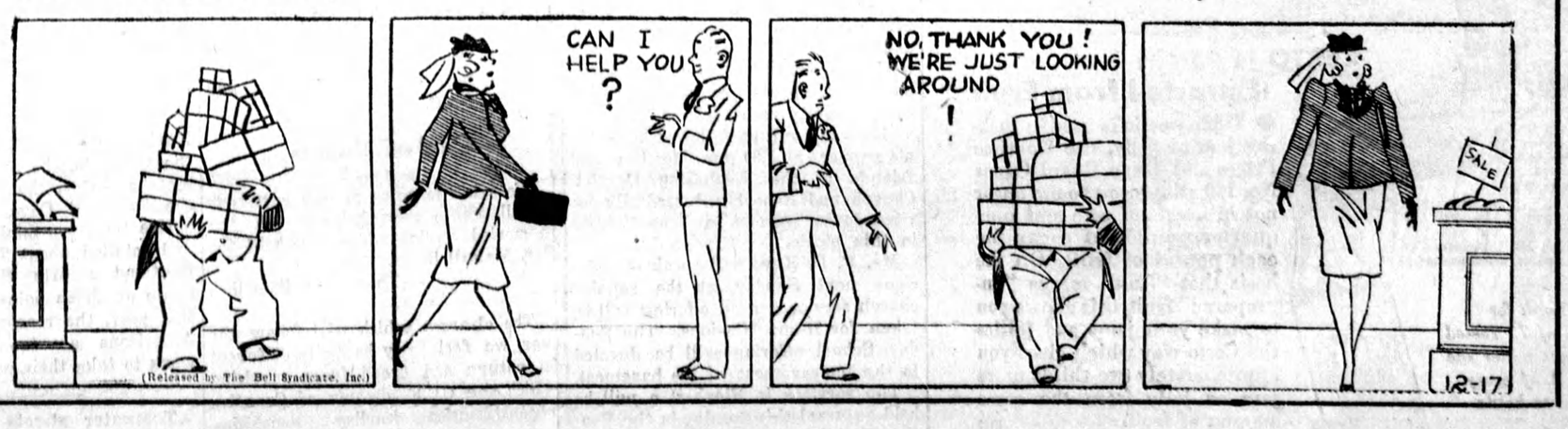
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