FIRST WOUNDED BACK FROM AFRICA

With cheerful grins and wisecracks despite their injuries, the first contingent of American fighters wounded in the attack on French Northwest Africa arrived home for treatment. Above, Army nurses are pictured assisting some of the 107 officers and men off the train as they reached Silver Springs, Md., en route to Walter Reed Hospital.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON 50

THE VALUE OF THE CHURCH TO THE SOCIAL ORDER

Matthew 5:13-16; Mark 12:13-17; Luke 6:27-38; Acts 8:4-8; Romans, 13:1-10; I Peter 2:13-17.

PRINTED TEXT

Matthew 5:13-16; Mark 12:13-17; I Peter 2:13-17.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Ye are the salt of the earth. . . . Ye are the light of the world. Matthew 5:13, 14.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—The Sermon on the Mount was delivered in the spring of A.D. 27. The passages taken from Luke's Gospel were uttered in the early summer of A.D. 28. The incident referred to in the Book of Acts occurred in A.D. 36. The words from the twelfth chapter of Mark were uttered on Tuesday of Passion Week, April 4th, A.D. 30. The Epistle of Paul to the Romans, and the First Epistle of Peter, were written, approximately, A.D. 60.

Place.—The Sermon on the Mount was delivered on a mountain in Palestine, probably in Judaea. The event taken from Mark's Gospel occurred in Jerusalem. The incident from Acts occurred in Samaria. The Epistle to the Romans was written from the city of Corinth. We do not know from what place the Apostle Peter wrote his first Epistle.

Preserving Society

13. "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost its savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out and trodden under foot of men." Our Lord here is speaking not of men generally, but strictly of Christian believers, disciples of the Lord Jesus. The definite implications of this verse are that the world itself is corrupt and corrupting, and that Christians, as they live here among men, are to exert an influence retarding this corruption, as salt by its distinctive chemical nature retards and often prevents corruption taking place in meats, and other forms of food to which salt is applied.

Point Others To God

14. "Ye are the light of the world. A city set upon a hill cannot be hid. 15. Neither do men light a lamp, and put it under the bushel, but on the stand; and it shineth unto all that are in the house. 16. Even so let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." Here Christians are the light of the world, the source of spiritual light to it as the sun is of natural light. They are the light by means of which the world, the mass of mankind, may see the things of religion, may see the truth about God and His service.

The Christian's Obligation

13. "And they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, that they might catch him in talk. 14. And when they were come, they say unto him, Teacher, we know that thou art true, and carest not for any one; for thou regardest not the person of men, but of a truth teachest the way of God: Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? 15. Shall we give, or shall we not give? But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, Why make ye trial of me? bring me a denarius, that I may see it. 16. And they brought it. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? And they said unto him, Caesar's. 17. And Jesus said unto them, Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's. And they marvelled greatly at him."

The Pharisees asked if they should pay tribute to Caesar, by which they meant, shoul dthey, as Jews, pay taxes to the Roman Government. It was understood among the Jews that to accept the coinage of any king was to acknowledge his supremacy—by accepting the denarius therefore as a current coin they were openly declaring that Caesar was their sovereign. Therefore our Lord said that they were to render unto Caesar the things that were Caesar's, but He added the far deeper words—and unto God the things that are God's. To Caesar you owe the coin which you have admitted as the symbol of his authority, but to God you owe yourselves.

Duty To Rulers

13. "Be subject to every ordnance of man, for the Lord's sake: whether to the king, as supreme; 14. Oh unto governors, as sent by him for vengeance on evil-doers and for praise to them that do well. 15. For so is the will of God, that by well-doing ye shall put to silence the ignorance of foolish men." While order is a divine command, all special forms of civil government are mere means of carrying out God's designs for the welfare of society. The Christians were accused of being evil-doers. They were to be conspicuous for well-doing.

Bondservants of God

16. "As free, and not using your freedom for a cloak of wickedness, but as bondservants of God." They must not attempt to hide wickedness by boasting of their freedom but they must be as God's servant. The word "servant" in reference to Christians implies neither degradation nor injustice but expresses chiefly the rendering of absolute service.

Honor All Men

17. "Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the King." Christ honored all men, not simply for what they were in themselves, He honored them all for what they were to God. The special love of the brethren does not shut out other forms and degrees of love. Our Lord's words should be considered in all their full force of obligation. Men are to fear God with the holy reverential awe of sons. They are not to fear man more ahan God, however great may be the authority with which he is invested.

THE BOOK SHELF

LITTLE MAN

By G. Herbert Sallans

Little Man is an honest and unflinching account of four amazing decades in the growth of a nation. The scenes move swiftly across Canada and back, to Britain and France and home again. The events are vivid and the characters slendidly alive, for the author describes what he has seen and known and felt.

Little Man is a story that awakens faith in our country and stimulates pride in our traditions and confidence in our destiny. At the same time it never loses sight of man himself. Without mawkish sentimentality the author champions the little man who never knows what it is to win, but who will never admit defeat, who fills the armies of the world because there are so many of him, and who can never be conquered because there are too many of him.

Little Man . . . by G. Herbert Sallans . . . The Ryerson Press . . . Price $3.00.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

ANSWER: It is the official recognition of excellence in the accomplishment of Production for Victory.

NEXT: Birds in Manhattan.

How To Get Rid Of Wolf Menace

Once upon a time the editor of The Star got himself a wolf coat which demonstrated that wolf skins can be converted into outer garments which are both handsome and useful in cold weather.

Now wolf pelts on which the Ontario Government pays bounties, including a substantial number from Algoma District, are being used to manufacture vests which will do something to make the life of the sailors of the Canadian navy on the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans a bit more comfortable during the winter months.

That means that the wolf pelts are doing a worthwhile job—and after all there is nothing more laudable than converting a nuisance to some useful purpose.

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Running free in the bush, the Algoma wolf, or for that matter any other Ontario wolf, is a destructive creature. He won't attack man, as the fact that the $100 reward offered by The Star 17 years ago to anyone who could prove that he had been attacked by a wolf in its natural state in Algoma has never been successfully claimed, has amply shown. But so far as farm animals, deer and even moose are concerned, the wolf does a great deal of damage. That is why the Ontario Government offers a bounty of $25 on wolves. That is why the Algoma Wolf Club, quite apart from the fact that its members enjoy the chase, has from time to time set itself the task of clearing out the wolves from areas where the farmers have been suffering from the animals depradations.

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These are only palliatives, however. But if, inspired by the editor's fur coat and by the use of wolf pelts to make vests for the sailors, it should become recognized that wolfskins have a real commercial value, the remedy might be found. For if a first class market for wolfskins could be built up, wolves might soon become even scarcer than beaver threatened to be a few years ago.

But in that case someone would come along and want a close season on wolves in order to keep them from extinction — and then where would the farmer's live stock come in?

SCOUTING . . .

A record of 23,000 hours of national service during the present year has been chalked up by the 14th Edinburgh West Troop of Boy Scouts. Their duties have included Home Guard and Zoo police duties.

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Boy Scouts of Peterboro, Ont., have shipped 30,000 magazines to the armed services during the past year. The last shipment of 30 cartons, containing 4,000 magazines, was sent to the local regiment, the Prince of Wales Rangers, now stationed on the West Coast.

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Boy Scouts of St. John's Troop, Reading, England, have adopted a nearby day nursery. No, they're not minding the babies, but are mending their toys and keeping them always in good repair.

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Military establishments in and around Canada's capital city have been kept supplied with medicine bottles by the Boy Scouts of Ottawa. Some 50,000 have been turned over to military authorities so far.

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The loss of their Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and practically all of their older Scouts failed to dim the enthusiasm of the 9th Troop, Swansea, Wales. The Troop Leader, Patrol Leader and one Scout set out to completely reorganize the Troop. Today they have 50 boys and are still going strong.

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At a recent meeting of the Air Raids Precaution organization at Sydney Mines, N. S., the guest speaker was a youthful Boy Scout, Billy MacLaggan, who lectured on an A. R. P. topic. Billy is said to be the youngest person ever to address a public meeting in Sydney Mines.

RADIO REPORTER By REX FROST

Nearly everyone knows Hy Moyer, the originator of the illustrated cartoons, "Nothing but the Truth." Hy Moyer is now being teamed with Joe Carr in a series of programmes scheduled for 10.30 Saturday night, or immediately following the end of the hockey broadcast. Known as the "Cartoon of the Air" the Moyer-Carr combination presents some very original oddities in the news. It's one of those programmes quite different from the ordinary run of entertainment. CFRB, Toronto is the station.

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During the past several weeks the Thursday evening 9 to 9.30 programme "Ontario Caravan" broadcast over CFRB, Toronto has originated in numerous points around the Province, including Orillia, Meaford, Stratford, Whitby, Simcoe, Newmarket, Brantford and Guelph. Supported by Roy Locksley's 14 piece orchestra, and the humor of the Woodhouse-Hawkins comedy team, the programme features local singers and entertainers who have been chosen by audition to represent the best talent in their respective neighbourhoods. The grand prize is a three months' professional contract over CFRB, the winner to be chosen from the first ten broadcasts of the series. It is now announced that the "Ontario Caravan" will remain at home in Toronto on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve, when the feature will originate from the Toronto studios of CFRB. On the New Years Eve programme, the winner of the series will be announced.

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The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Reverend William Temple will broadcast a special Christmas message to the Canadian people from his Episcopal See in Canterbury, England. The Archbishop's address will be beamed from overseas for the CBC national network, and will be heard on the regular Religious Period, Sunday, December 20th at 2.30 p.m. CBL Toronto will carry the programme.

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"In proud memory of all who gave their lives in the historic raid on Dieppe, and especially in memory of the men of Canada." Such is the dedication of a special composition of Thomas J. Crawford, "Marche Heroique et Solennel" which features its premiere performance during the C.B.C. Concert Hour, 10.15 p.m. Thursday, December 10th, as part of a programme of distinguished music to be offered by Sir Ernest MacMillan's Symphony orchestra, Kathleen Parlow, Canada's eminent violinist assisting. If you are a lover of the best in music and read this paragraph in time to tune in the 740 kilocycle wave length of CBL, Toronto you will be well rewarded. If not learning of the broadcast early enough, you will be sorry to have missed it. Kathleen Parlow is scheduled to present a Scottish Fantasy for violin and orchestra, by Max Bruch, a composition which weaves cosmopolitan charm from the simple elements of Scottish folk melody.

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Not all radio characters live thirteen years or more over the air waves. Not all radio characters deserve to. The familiar "Goldbergs" of the Columbia Broadcasting System and CFRB, Toronto seem destined, however, to go on a long time yet. For even though the "Goldbergs" have just started their fourteenth year on the air, they have lost none of their original magetism. There have been few changes in the cast since 1929. Jake or "Papa" Goldbe g is still played by James Waters, famed previously as the first half of the well known "Potash and Perlmutter." Daughter "Rosey" is still in the hands of Rosalyn Silber, who was only ten when she first appeared in the part. Mrs. Gertrude Berg, the originator of the principal feminine role, and of the incidents themselves, still continues to inspire the other members of the cast.

People in unoccupied France now get only two ounces of butter a month.

WOMAN OF VISION

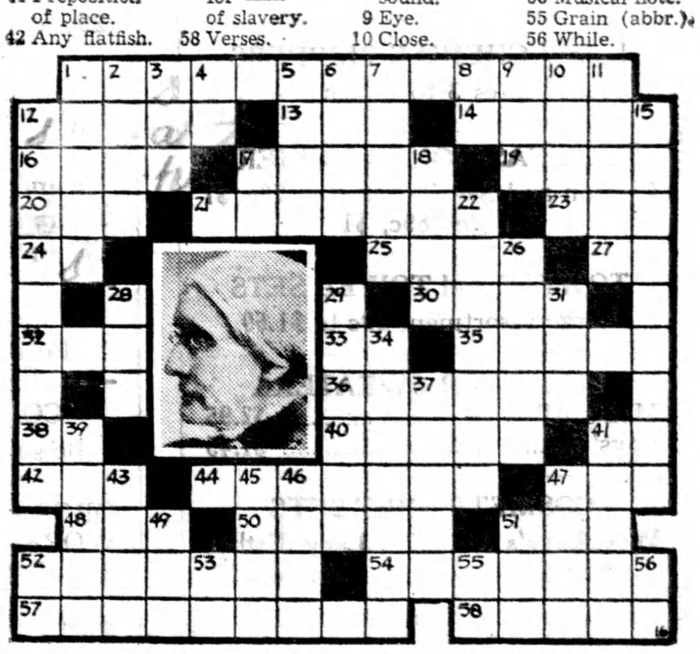
HORIZONTAL

1 Great feminist of last century.
12 Perfume.
13 Since.
14 Regions.
16 The ocean.
17 Newspaper paragraphs.
19 To roast.
20 Duct.
21 Her native land.
23 To hasten.
24 All right (letters).
25 Taxis.
27 Palm lily.
30 To govern.
32 Farewell!
33 Ell.
35 One that tiles.
36 Subdued shade.
38 Half an em.
40 To take up.
41 Preposition of place.
42 Any flatfish.
44 Woolly.
47 Turkish military title.
48 Marsh.
50 Sharper.
51 Sailor.
52 Books.
54 Emblems of royalty.
57 She campaigned for —— of slavery.
58 Verses.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL

1 Slice of beef.
2 Indians.
3 Tree fluid.
4 Measure of area.
5 To mitigate.
6 Dyeing apparatus.
7 Ordinary.
8 Laughter sound.
9 Eye.
10 Close.
11 Mongolian people.
12 She —— the cause of woman suffrage.
15 Priority of service.
17 I am (contr.).
18 Disfigurement.
22 Projected.
26 Craftier.
28 Not many.
29 To say again.
31 Measure.
34 Light.
37 Cubic meter.
39 Viceroy in India.
41 Eagle's nest.
43 Knife.
45 To foment.
46 Unless.
47 Garden herb.
49 Rose.
51 Fish.
52 Go on (music).
53 Musical note.
55 Grain (abbr.).
56 While.



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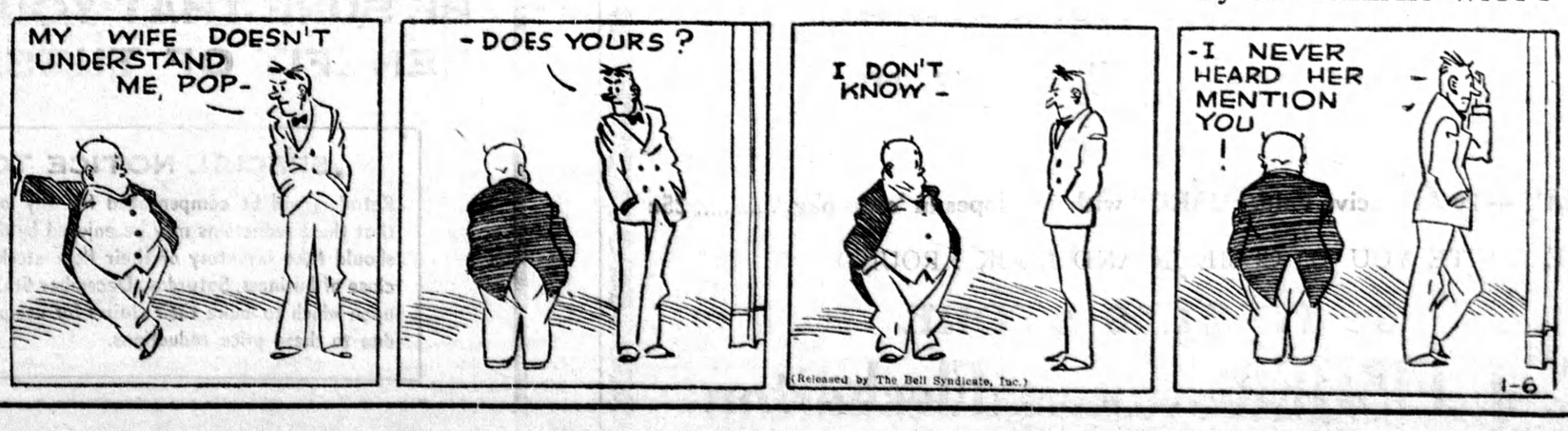
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