Waving tommy-guns where they once brandished swords, steel-helmeted Cossacks charge over a ridge on the Caucasus front. These famous rough riders of Russia are reported spearheading the advance against the Nazis along the Georgievsk-Armavir-Rostov road.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

February 28

JESUS RESTORES LAZARUS TO LIFE.

PRINTED TEXT

John 11:20-29, 32-35, 38-44.

GOLDEN TEXT.—I am the resurrection, and the life.—John 11.25.

Memory Verse: I love thee, O Jehovah. Psalm 18:1.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time—January, A.D. 30.

Place—The home of Mary and Martha, in the village of Bethany, which is over the ridge on the eastern slope of the Mount of Olives, opposite Jerusalem.

"Martha, therefore, when she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him; but Mary still sat in the house. Martha therefore said unto Jesus, Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. And even now I know that, whatsoever Thou shalt ask of God, God will give Thee." The characteristics of those two sisters are evident. Mary, the quieter of the two, and the more meditative, remains in the home while Martha, as soon as she hears that the Lord is coming, goes out to meet Him. Mary knows that whatever Christ might ask of God, He would grant which means that she believes Christ, even now, can raise her brother from the dead.

Resurrection and Life

"Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto Him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection of the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live." The word "resurrection" is to be taken in its widest sense, so that it is true to say that life results from resurrection, and resurrection from life, to the believer. He must share Christ's life in order to have the power within him of the resurrection from the grave to the endless life, and by sharing Christ's risen life now in faith he is in fact risen with Christ, and independent of every future change death of the body itself, and shall be kept from endless death.

Believing in Christ

'And whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto Him, Yea, Lord, I have believed that Thou art the Christ, the son of God, even he that cometh into the world." Note particularly how Christ seems to emphasize, above everything else, the importance of believing in Him.

Compassion for Mary

"And when she had said this, she went away, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Teacher is here, and calleth thee. And she, when she heard it, arose quickly, and went unto him. Mary therefore, when she came where Jesus was, and saw him, fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my broter had not died." No doubt, Mary and Martha had continually talked about the Lord's coming to the house, before Lazarus had died, and had both concluded that, should the Lord come, their brother would be healed. This may account for the fact that her words to Christ are identical with those of her sister.

"When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping who came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, and said, "Where have ye laid him? They say unto him, Lord, come and see. Jesus wept." The term "to weep" does not indicate, like the word weeping in verse 33, sighs, but tears; it is the expression of a calm and gentle grief.

Victory Over Death

"Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone lay against it. Jesus saith, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time the body decayeth; for he hath been dead four days. Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that if thou believedst, thou should see the glory of God?" These words, while addressed first to Martha, because she is the one who raised the objection, must surely have been uttered for the benefit of all who were near and were spoken to remind those who had confessed their faith in Him that in ordering the stone to be removed He was only initiating an act which would reveal the glory of God, and should thus persuade them to do what he had commanded them to do.

Jesus Gives Thanks

"So they took away the stone, and Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank Thee that Thou heardest me. And I knew that thou hearest me always; But because of the multitude that standeth around I said it, that they may believe that Thou didst send me." In Christ's calm consciousness of His unity with God, of fulfilling the Father's mission and purpose, He thanks the Father for the opportunity given Him of setting forth the glory of God.

Symbol of Redemption

And when he had thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. He that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes; and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus said unto them, Loose him, and let him go." The simple grandeur, brevity and force of this resurrection call corresponds with the mighty effect. The great voice or shout, from One who was wont to speak so gently and quietly, thrilled the heart of every listener. The significance of this mighty deed we cannot over-estimate, for it is on the one hand, a profoundly significant symbol of Christ's redemption, and on the other, a signal testimony to His right and power to redeem.

Western Canada Wheat Marketings

Marketings of wheat in Western Canada during the crop year 1943-44, starting next August 1, will be restricted to 14 bushels an authorized acre, Trade Minister MacKinnon announced in the House of Commons.

The 1943-44 wheat board payment for wheat sold under the 14-bushel quota will be the same as in 1942-43—90 cents a bushel basis No. 1 northern at Fort William.

Farmers who produce more than 14 bushels of wheat to the seeded acre will not be able to sell the excess to the wheat board at the guaranteed minimum price.

Under the new program, any wheat a farmer has on hand, whether it is produced in 1943 or in any previous year, may be delivered within the 14-bushel quota.

Minimum prices for oats, barley and flaxseed will be continued at the 1942-43 level.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

ANSWER: Five . . . Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida.

NEXT: Snakes alive!

An Experiment In Feeding Hogs

Vitamin Deficiency Discussed by The Winnipeg Free Press

The current vitamin craze may be strongly tinged with faddism, but the new interest that is being aroused in the life-giving qualities of our foods is all to the good none the less. We are discovering at last that our health depends not on how much we eat, but what we eat.

The havoc which vitamin deficiency can wreak was recently shown very vividly in Texas with an experiment in pig breeding. There is a lesson for humans to learn from these experiments.

During the height of the dust bowl years, two litters of pigs in separated communities were born blind. The authorities set out to discover the reason. Experiments were conducted in hog diet. One diet was devised which was completely devoid of Vitamin A. Sows fed on this diet farrowed pigs which were not only blind but which had no eyes.

In one experiment, a sow became too weak to stand. She was given one dose of cod liver oil. In eight hours she was standing again. When her pigs were born they were blind but had rudimentary eyes. The experiments were carried a step further. The pigs which were born eyeless were interbred and put on vitamin A diets. In every case their offspring had sound eyes and eyesight.

The conclusion which can be drawn from this experiment is clear. Many of the defects in our bodies can be often attributed to the diets of our mothers. The mothers of today who take care of their diets are more likely to produce babies with better bodies, sounder organs and a chance for a healthier life than those who regard modern science as new-fangled nonsense.

Planes Clear Seas Of Magnetic Mines

The Air Ministry released a three-year-old secret recently in telling ow Wellington bombers helped clear the seas around Britain's coast of the German magnetic mines which once were Hitler's "secret weapon" and which threatened the supply lines to these islands in the last three months of 1939.

The minesweepers of the air were equipped with a hoop-shaped casing extending all around them and secured to their nose, wings and tail. The casing held a magnetic coil and the current was supplied by an auxiliary engine of the ordinary Ford V-8 type.

The equipment was designed to set up a magnetic current which would set off the then new type of mine.

Minesweeping from the air continued some four months, after which it became no longer necessary, the (surface) ships having been fitted with degaussing gear, which nullified the magnetic mines.

A new company in Rumania plans to produce 2,000 tons of silk cocoons by next year.

RADIO REPORTER

By REX FROST

What do you suppose Foster Hewitt, the well known dynamic hockey announcer does when he gets through his thrilling description over the radio of a Saturday night national hockey game? Did I hear anybody suggest that he puts on his hat and coat and enjoys a bit of quiet relaxation at home? Well, that is just what Foster Hewitt does NOT do. He starts in to work for several hours. It seems that Foster's air dsceription of the Saturday night hockey games is recorded in order that Canadian soldiers in Great Britain and other parts of the world may follow the fortunes of Canada's national sport . . . hockey. But for the purposes of transmission overseas the game which ordinarily takes about an hour and a half of air time, has to be condensed to 30 minutes. Foster's job therefore immediately following the broadcast is to listen to the record, pick out the highlights and boil them down into a half hour programme. When this has been done, and it is sometimes quite a lengthy process lasting into the early hours of the following morning, Canada's premier hockey announcer can enjoy a spot of rest. But not before. The record is then rushed to a transmission point and beamed by short wave on Sunday for the benefit of the Canadian forces overseas. From all reports this series of international hockey broadcasts has come to be enjoyed just as much by the British public. Canada was the first country to send special shortwave transmissions overseas for the entertainment of the lads in the services.

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More recently, since the entry into the war of the United States, radio has also played an important part in the entertainment of Uncle Sam's Doughboys, sailors and airmen now spread into the far distant corners of the globe. Apart from the special transmissions which are received direct in the more important spheres where American troops are now fighting the cause of freedom, recordings of many radio programs are being dropped by means of parachutes in many of the isolated spots.

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In North America Sunday night has always been regarded as the highlight of the week in real tip-top quality radio entertainment. CFRB Toronto has just announced that on Sunday evening, February 21st, 9 p.m., it will bring for Dominion listeners the first Canadian edition of the Columbia Broadcasting System's exciting feature "The Radio Reader's Digest." Although a comparative newcomer to the air, this programme has been placed already among the first ten in two different divisions of the recently concluded radio poll in the United States. Conrad Nagel, famous star of screen, stage and radio, is Master of Ceremonies, and the whole production has been built around a dramatic and musical personnel of elaborate proportions. Here is a programme which I feel most listeners will agree is entirely different and extremely versatile.

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CFRB Toronto announces also a change in the time of presentation of two popular broadcasts. To accommodate the Radio Reader's Digest it has been necessary to move the much listened to dramatic feature "In His Steps" which from now on will be heard 2½ hours earlier, namely, 6.30 Sunday evening. Enthusiasts for the series of thrilling mystery dramas known as "The Green Hornet" which has been heard for some time 9 o'clock Friday evening over CFRB Toronto will now have to tune in the 760 kilocycle waveband at 7.15 Saturday night.

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ANCIENT FORTIFICATION

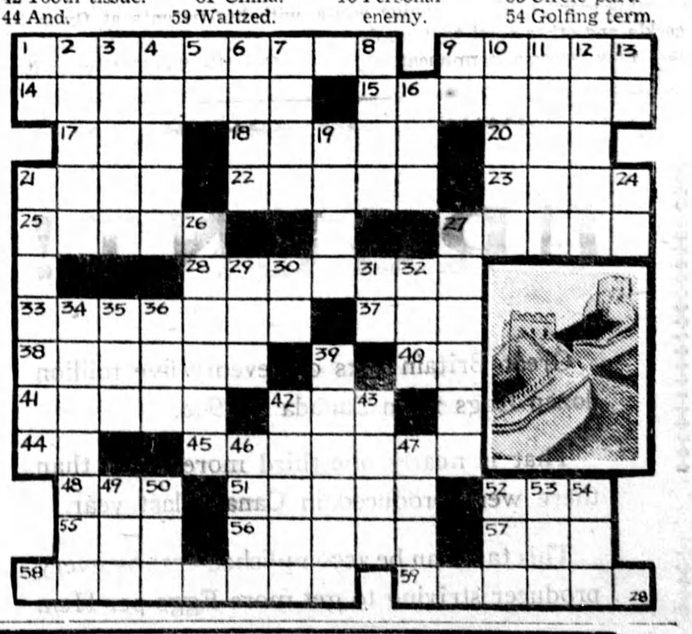
HORIZONTAL

1 Ancient Chinese fortification.
9 It dates from the —— century B. C.
14 Answered.
15 Grain fumigator.
17 Also.
18 Like tin.
20 Fish.
21 Candles.
22 Tethering rod.
23 Measures.
25 Diner.
27 Appointment to meet.
28 Profits from land.
33 Deliverances from evil.
37 Sheltered place.
38 Candy.
40 Right (abbr.).
41 Sources of pain.
42 Tooth tissue.
44 And.
45 Pertaining to talc.
48 Headgear.
51 Mother-of-pearl.
52 Feline beast.
55 Self.
56 Weighing machine.
57 Native metal.
58 It extends along the northern —— of China.
59 Waltzed.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

VERTICAL

1 Grain (abbr.).
2 Networks.
3 One instructed in a secret system.
4 Shad.
5 Palm lily.
6 Moistens.
7 Entrance.
8 Lean.
9 Transposed (abbr.).
10 Personal enemy.
11 European country.
12 Vexes.
13 Doctor (abbr.)
16 Organ of sight
19 Spike.
21 It was built for national ——.
24 Street (abbr.).
26 Meal.
27 Muscid fly.
29 To harden.
30 Postscript (abbr.).
31 Ell.
32 Ever (contr.
34 Flatterer.
35 Mongrel.
36 To grow old.
39 To aid.
42 Dazzling light.
43 Morning.
46 Person opposed.
47 Ovule.
49 Since.
50 2000 pounds.
52 To read.
53 Circle part.
54 Golfing term.



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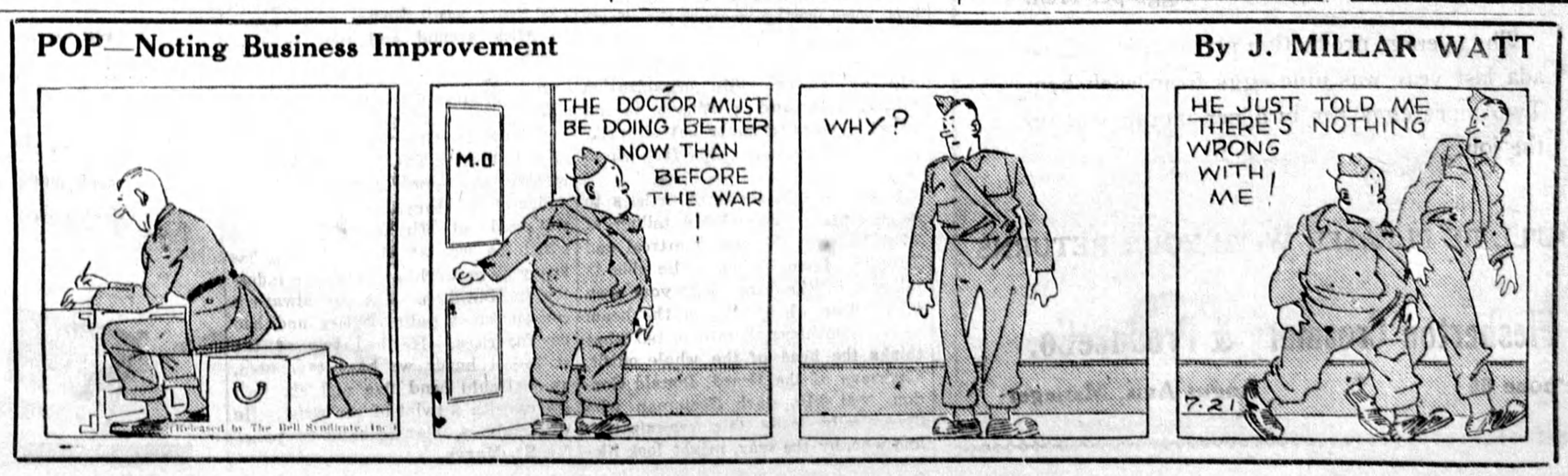
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