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June 13
GOD'S EXCEEDING GREAT PROMISES—2 Peter 1 : 1-11

GOLDEN TEXT. — He hath granted unto us his precious and exceeding great promises; that through these ye may become partakers of the divine nature. 2 Peter 1 : 4.

Memory Verse: For thou, Jehovah, hast made me glad. Psalm 92 : 4.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING

Time.—The Apostle Peter wrote his Second Epistle in A.D. 66.

Place.—We do not know from what place this epistle was written, and we probably never will be able to determine it.

The Salutation

"Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ. To them that have obtained a like precious faith with us in the righteousness of our God and the Saviour Jesus Christ." There can be no growth at all in the physical sense, for example, unless there is physical life as the basis of it. And so it is in the spiritual sense. There can be no spirtual growth without spiritual life preceding it. And there can be no spiritual life except through the new birth. And the new birth comes as we obtain this 'precious faith.'

Faithful Service

"Grace to you and peace be multiplied in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord." This is an apostolic salutation and is the way in which nearly all the epistles of the New Testament begins. The true knowledge of God can only come of faithful service.

Christian Faith

"Seeing that his divine power hath granted unto us all that pertain unto life and godliness." The Christian faith is one of absolute fullness of blessing and no ordinary teaching can add anything to that life which we have in Christ Jesus.

"Through the knowledge of him that called us. By his own glory and virtue." The attributes of God manifested by Him are the means by which He calls man to the knowledge of the truth.

Charter of Promise

"Whereby he hath granted unto us his precious and exceeding great promises." The whole Bible may be called God's charter of promises — beginning with the promise uttered when paradise was lost and ending with the unfulfilled vision of paradise regained.

"That through these ye may become partakers of the divine nature. Having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust." If we would be delivered from the powerful evil forces that are so feverishly at work throughout th world, we must continually breathe the atmosphere of the promises of God's Word.

A Christian's Duty

"Yea, and for this very cause adding on your part all diligence." Diligence is that sort of endeavor which springs from a sense of duty. "In your faith supply virture." Virtue means the best development of such power as a man possesses. "And in your virtue knowledge." Knowledge here probably means spiritual discernment as to what is right and what is wrong in all things. "And in your knowledge self-control." Self-control is really temperance in all things. "And in your self-control patience." Patience grows out of self-control. "And in your patience godliness." This last word strictly means true reverence for God. "And in your godliness brotherly kindness; and in your brotherly kindness love." The last-named love is that highest love, the love of God to men, which is set up as the ideal toward which His servants are to constantly press forward. Our love for our fellows is to be as God's love for us, not dependent on their worthiness of it, and not deterred by their disregard of it.

Knowledge From Growth

"For if these things are yours and abound, they may make you to be not idle nor unfruitful unto the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." This knowledge, which grows with our growth, might be said to be the issue of all our strivings. "For he that lacketh these things is blind, seeing only what is near." The word blind is here applied figuratively to the mind. "Having forgotten the cleansing from his old sins." The man who forgets this cleansing of his soul and acts as if he were in his natural state with no power to resist temptation does in fact ignore what God has done for him and treats the sins of long ago as though they were still present.

A True Christian

"Wherefore, brethren, give the more diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never stumble. For thus shall be richly supplied unto you the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

As we close this lesson, we ought to remember one thing. This passage is a revelation of the will of God for us. This is not what some philosopher has pictured, an impossible idealistic life. This is a portrait of a true Christian, drawn by the Apostle Peter, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. If Peter could live this kind of life, so can the rest of us; if this is the life God would have us live, He will enable us to live it, if we so choose.

INVASION PORT?

Salonika, Greek port where allies invaded Balkans in World War 1, has been shelled by British subs, indicating allies may attack here in current conflict.

RADIO REPORTER By REX FROST

While the summertime radio casualty lists of popular programmes is not likely to be as heavy this year as usual, June and July will nevertheless find many favourite shows leaving the air. Jack Benny said "au revoir" to his radio freinds for the summer last Sunday, and from all reports may be going overseas to entertain the troops. Edgar Burgen and the inimitable Charlie McCarthy will be waving a smiling farewell to the networks next Sunday, June 6th. Fanny Brice and Frank Morgan pay their last respects of the season on June 17th. "Truth or Consequences" will leave the N. B. C. network short of numerous quiz questions after June 26th. And as the closing days of June find Old Man Sol pushing up the thermometer. . . WE HOPE . . . it will push Bob Hope and his josh and jocularity into vacation-time seclusion on June 29th. On July 8th Bob Burns will leave friends with a friendly smile of recollection. A few days later "Information Please" will hang out a Monday evening shingle "No information, thank you."

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Oh yes, and lest we forget, speaking of June casualties, your radio reporter and contemporary of the Ontario airwaves will leave the CFRB microphone behind on June 20th . . . and for two weeks will exchange the four-walled exclusiveness of the Bloor Street studios for the broad expansiveness of the wide space of Camp Petawawa. For 14 days it will be his privilege to exchange city collar and tie for battle dress of khaki and the lure of the 25 pounders and howitzers of the 208th Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, of the Reserve Army. In his absence, Lloyd Moore will preside at the CFRB noon hour farm broadcast microphone. As for "Country News" 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and the 10.30 Sunday evening "Armchair Club" we're telling no secrets. Better tune in and see what happens!

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For many years the New York Philharmonic Orchestra has provided a musical radio highlight on Sunday afternoon, 3 to 4.30. Recently this fine Columbia feature went commercial over the American network and there was some question as to whether listeners in the Dominion would be privileged to hear it through the facilities of a Canadian outlet. However, arrangements have now been made whereby CFRB Toronto, will continue to bring the New York Philharmonic Society's musical aggregation to Ontario listeners as a non-commercial broadcast. This is the first time in radio history that this well known organization has been engaged on a year round basis. Present arrangements provide for a series of 52 programmes which will be heard at the usual time Sunday afternoon.

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Never before in history has the demand for Canadian grown foodstuffs threatened to outstrip production. Manpower shortages, increased domestic consumption of many foods, set-backs due to enforced late seeding, and the needs of the export market . . . these are just a few of the factors causing considerable concern throughout the agricultural industry. In order that the Canadian public shall learn the facts of food production, the CBC Farm broadcast department has just commenced a series of special programmes whereby the difficult task faced by agriculture will be fully explained. The new series heard over CBC outlets every Monday evening at 8.30 and titled "1943 Food Prospects" will inform Canadian farmers on agriculture's achievements to date and give them an idea of what is expected in the future. The series should prove equally of interest to the urban housewife.

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Every radio announcer at some time or other gets into trouble with his listeners over pronunciation. In Wales there is a delightful little village bearing the name Llanfairphllgywnllgogerytllandrwbwllantisiliogogoch. Recently David Grenfell, the chairman of the Welsh Committee in the British House of Commons remarked that he didn't like the way BBC announcers pronounced the name of this dainty morsel of Welsh countryside. He went on to explain that while many announcers pronounced fancy French, German, Spanish and Russian and other continental names reasonably well, few of them could pronounce Welsh words beginning with "Ll" with any degree of fidelity. Here's how you do it—according to Mr. Grenfell, just stick the tip of your tongue on the roof of the mouth and blow out both cheeks like a goose. Its easier to do it right, he says, if you've got loose lower teeth!

No Tourist Traffic On Alcan Highway

Only Civilian Motorists Are Those On War Duty

The Alcan Highway across Canada to Alaska traverses some of the most beautiful country on this continent, yet it cannot be considered at this time as a vacationistss' paradise, observes The New York Sun. Authorities in both the United States and Canada have been receiving requests for permission to motor over the Alcan, and have, of course, refused nearly all of them.

The great wilderness highway is an artery of war, not a scenic route to the Yukon country. Its present course is through extremely dangerous terrain. Its route affords to travellers neither tourist cabins nor summer-resort lodges and hotels. The route itself is not yet completed, many of the bridges along the way are flimsy temporary structures which will go out with the swelling of mountain rivers, and the more precipitous sections of the road are difficult of access even to the military vehicles that use the Alcan.

The only civilian motor traffic allowed over the highway, therefore, is that made up of persons who have specific war duties which take them to that part of Canada. The present public interest, nevertheless, may be taken as indicating that after the war the Alcan may go into the automobile guidebooks as one of the scenic wonders of the Western Hemisphere.

Peek At Radar

Radar, one of the most heavily curtained of war secrets, was bared for a quick peek by the army and navy, reports Time Magazine. The word stands for "radio detecting and ranging." Basis of operation, a high-frequency radio ray, scanning air or sea, bounces back from objects it strikes: e.g., ships or planes. Radar measures the infinitesimal fraction of a second this takes (at 186,000 miles an hour), thus calculates distance as well as direction. Both Britain and Germany have similar devices.

Fly Pests Menace Health Of Family

Early Action Urged to Ensure Effective Control

The season for flies—the common pestiferous, disease-carrying house fly—is upon us. Now at the very beginning of summer is the best time to destroy flies. Every fly killed now is as good as a million or more killed later on in the season. Calculators figure that the progeny of one pair of flies might equal five and a half billion by September if not interfered with in any way, and if breeding places were favorable.

A Universal Pest

All over the world wherever man has gone the common house fly has gone, too. Musca domestica, which is the scientific name for this universal pest, occurs always in association with the human family. There are other flies, notably the stable fly, and the bluebottle. They are relatives, but not the close associates of mankind that the common house fly is.

Fly Tracks Dirt and Disease

If every housewife in the land could see a common house fly magnified to one hundred times its natural size, she would feel such horror and disgust she would never rest while there was one of them around the place. For the fine invisible hairs revealed by the microscope, hairs that clothe its feet, legs and underparts, are found to be alive with germs and contaminated with unspeakable impurities. Their feet are equipped with sticky pads to enable them to cling to such places as walls and ceilings. Imagine the trail of dirt and disease a sufficiently powerful microscope would show!

Grave Danger to Babies

"There is probably no greater source of danger to a baby than the disease germs collected by the wanderings of the house fly and transported to the foods and persons of its innocent victims," says a well-known medical officer of health. "Flies will carry on their feet, legs and body, and in the alimentary canal, the specific germs causing typhoid fever, cholera, infantile diarrhoea, tuberculosis and other diseases. The house fly is also suspected of transmitting infantile paralysis (poliomyelitis). These orgarisms may be deposited in the food, because flies are fond of all human foods, both liquid and solid, and because they are active insects, travelling extensively and flitting about from place to place with rapidity. They wipe their feet, perhaps bearing myriads of disease germs, on everything they touch. When we ponder over the source from which flies come and their filthy habits, we should not allow them to live in a kitchen or a dining room any longer than it is absolutely necessary to kill them."

Methods of Fly Control

Do not throw dich water or scrub water near the house, or in the back yard. Nothing attracts flies more quickly. Sink a box with a hinged cover but no bottom in the ground, and pour waste water into this box to soak away. Keep the lid down and the flies out.

Screen the doors and windows of your house with mosquito netting. In the army refuse is burned or buried, and the same practice should be followed in civilian life, except of course where garbage is collected by the municipality.

Food, water and milk supplies should be carefully protected from flies.

Wilson's Fly Pads, properly distributed about the house in plates of water, will attract and kill any flies that manage to get into the house despite the screens.

Tables, sink-boards, pantry shelves or any place where food is set — and where flies have crawled—should be cleaned with a scrubbing brush and soap or disinfectants. Adherence to these simple rules of hygiene will more than repay the thought and effort by safeguarding the nation's most precious asset, the health of our people.

The latest development in jeep "accessories" is an amphibian trailer designed to carry a quarter-ton load.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

ANSWER: 1, Julius Solters; 2, George Stainback; 3, George Case; 4, Ival Goodman.

NEXT: Do you sleep like a log?

175 Tons Of Meat Saved Each Week

A Prices Board spokesman said that Canada's first "meatless Tuesday" conserved sufficient meat to stock a large British battleship for five months at sea. He estimated that regular diners in public eating places ordinarily accounted for about eight per cent. of the meat consumed in Canada.

The spokesman estimated that on one "meatless day" they contributed more than 30,000 pounds of meat to vital purposes. "Meatless Tuesdays" throughout the year, he said, will save approximately 20,000,000 pounds of meat.

EIGHTH U. S. PRESIDENT

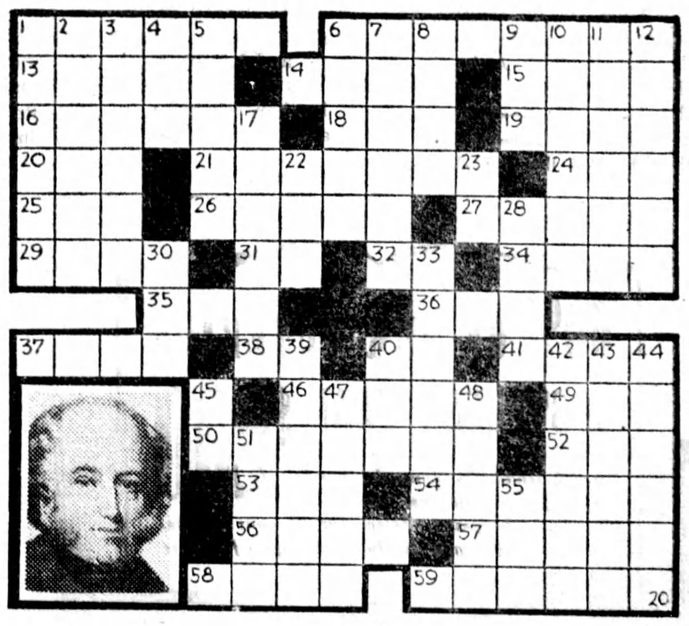
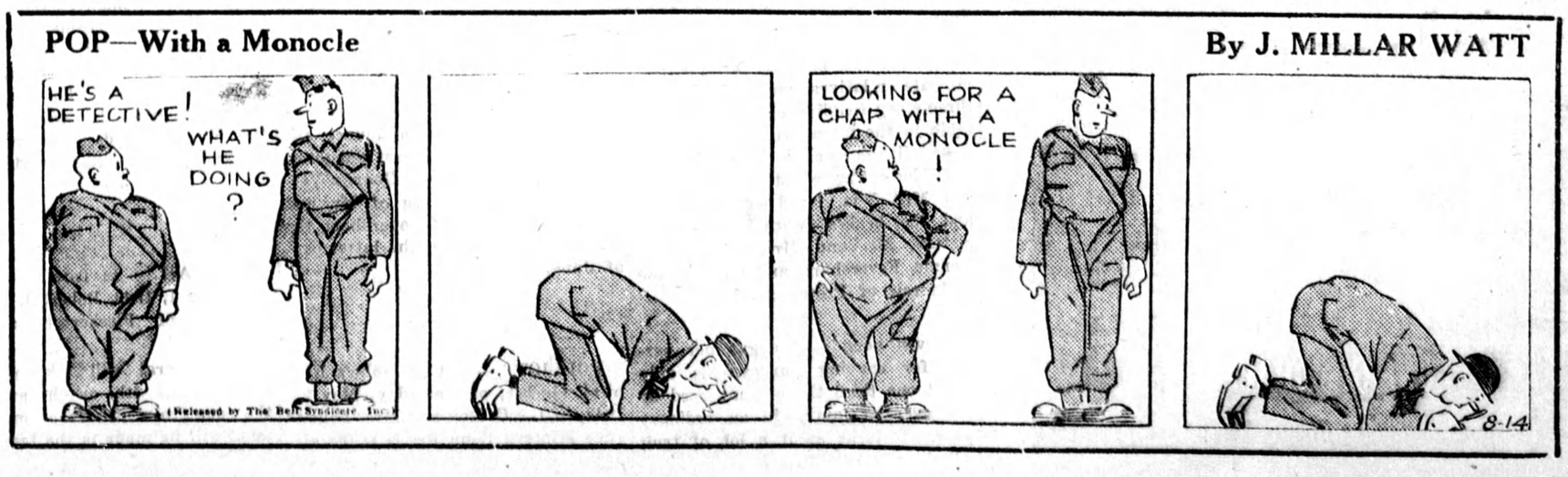
HORIZONTAL

1,6 Pictured eighth president of the U. S. A. —— ——.
13 Occurrence.
14 Male parent.
15 A tissue (anat.).
16 Assayer.
18 It is (poet.).
19 Eject.
20 Entomology (abbr.).
21 Feasts.
24 Girl's name.
25 Regret.
26 A pile
27 Arabian gazelle.
29 Withered.
31 Half an em.
32 Nova Scotia (abbr.).
34 Completes.
35 Possess.
36 Newt.
37 He was first president to be —— an American citizen.
38 Chinese measure.
40 South latitude (abbr.).
41 Any.
46 Footstep.
49 Narrow inlet.
50 Resinlike, astringent substance.
52 Emmet.
53 Meadow.
54 Posture.
56 Span.
57 One who puts animals in cages.
58 Formerly.
59 Tears into long pieces.

VERTICAL

1 Measure of length (pl.).
2 Thoroughfare.
3 Sleeper.
4 Powerful explosive (abbr.).
5 Roman roads.
6 Necessary to life.
7 Risen.
8 Bird's home.
9 Indian.
10 Stay.
11 Omitted.
12 Native (pl.).
17 Feel penitence
22 Metal fastener
23 Samarium (abbr.).
28 Rots by exposure.
30 Age.
33 Biblical word (pl.).
39 Speaks.
40 Dry.
42 Fruit.
43 Hashed.
44 Diners.
45 Before Christ (abbr.).
47 Respond to a stimulus.
48 He was of —— descent.
51 Winged.
55 Swiss river.

Answer to Previous Puzzle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