

Sunday School Lesson

LESSON VI CHALLENGING THE SOCIAL ORDER — Mark 2:13-22
Golden Text — "I came not to the righteous, but sinners."

The Lesson In Its Setting

Time — Parly summer, A.D. 28.
Place — The teaching recorded in erse 13 and the call of Matthew took place along the shore of Galilee, presumably near the city of Capernaum; the feast given by Matthew in honor of Jesus took place in Matthew's home in the city of Capernaum, at the north-ern end of the Sea of Galilee.

"And he went forth again by the sea to the sower, the lily, the bird. He constom, when teaching, was to point to the sower, the lilir, the bird. He is no pale recitse emerging from a library to instruct. "And all the mutitude resorted unto him, and he then

A Follower of Jesus "And as he passed by, he saw, Levi, the son of Alphaeus." This man is cer-tainly to be identified with Matthew, which is the name he uses in his own Gospel in referring to himself (9.9). A number of men in the New Testamen had two names; generally one was Christ found them, and the other of their life after they became disciples of Christ, though not exclusively so. "Sitting at the place of toll." Matthew was a tax-collector, located in a city through which passed a great deal of traffic, long caravans carrying the rich goods of the Orient down into Egypt, and returning to Mesopotamia laden with Egypt's treasures and agri cultural products. There was a tax and duty upon all imports and exports and on all that was bought and sold bridge-money, road-money, harbour dues, town-dues, etc. The taxes of Judaea were levied by publicans in Ju-daea, and paid directly to the government, the officials being appointed by the provincials themselves. The publicans were chosen from the native population because they would know the ways of the people better. For this position they had to pay their super iors a certain sum, and everything else they could squeeze out of the people would go into their pockets.

Jesus of Nazareth, the carpenter's son, knew Matthew the publican quite well. Perhaps only too well. He had often been in Mathew's tollbooth with his mether's taxes and with other poor people's taxes. "And he saith unto him, Follow me." Possibly Matthew had come to loathe the life of dis-honesty and blackguardism in which he lived. He had long heard of Jesus and had seen, the mighty works he did. He had caught sight of a higher and nobler life, and that vision had created such a disgust with his preor nonesty, purity, a life free from all folly of putting wine which would ferment into skins which did not expand.

The patch illustration gives the patch illus sent existence, that, he loathed him-self. Jesus' standard of life was one fishness. Now Matthew, himself, ward aspect of the truth that Christmands to know that, if he should ever accept this invitation, it would mean walking out of the tollbooth never to come back again, and giving up at once the profession which was his liv-ing. "And he arose and followed him." From this simple statement we see that Matthew had absolute confidence in the Lord Jesus Christ: he believed that the ideals and principles of Jesus

Sitting At a Feast "And it came to pass, that he was sitting at meat in his house." From Luke's account we know that this feast was not in Jesus' house, but in Matthew's house. "And many publi-cans and sinners sat down with Jesus and his disciples; for there were a great many, and they followed him." Publicant' is a Latin word meaning the great officers who formed the Ro-man revenue and paid into the public treasury the sum agreed upon by con-tract with the government. They sublet the tax-gathering to agents, and these agents engaged local officers, the publicans of Scripture to collect the dues. The sinners who were here were citizens of Capernaum who probably kept away from the synagogue more or less of the rabble of the town. A 'disciple' was fundamentally a learner, one who especially attach-ed himself to a teached and became one of his ardent pupils.

Question His Conduct

were, though he was not living them

absolutely right, the very truth of God and he was a man of quick decision; he knew that there were things more important in life than money.

"And the scribes of the Pharisees." The Pharisees were the sect that adhered not only to the law, but to the rabbinical interpretation of the law, which gradually formed a traditional code by the side of the unwritten law. Their scribes, therefore, would be the rabbis of the party that specially be-lieved in the rabbis. "When they saw that he was eating with the sinners and the publicans, said unto his dis-ciples, How is it that he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?"
In the Orient, if two men vol untarily broke bread with each other, dividing, say, a loaf between them, then they became, as it were, united, one with another, in friendship. Consequently when Jesus sat down and actually ate with publicans and sinners, the significance of it all was that he was willing to make them his friends. The Pharisees refused even to come in contact with the type of men gathered around Matthew's table that day, and for Jesus not only to have contact with them, but to actually sit down and eat with them, instantly marked him, in their sight, as one outside the law, unworthy of

their confidence. "And when Jesus heard it." The criticism of the Pharisees was not spoken to Jesus, but to his disciples,

but their words were attered in a ton load enough for Jesus to hear them. "He saith unto them. They that are whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick; I came not to call the righteous, but sinners." Je ses admits that the people with whom that day he is eating and drinking are 'sick,' i.e. they are 'sinners.' The Pharispes never lifted a finger to bea sinners of their sins; for this purpos had Jesus come, and by his so doing these Pharisees themselves would have to acknowledge that his righteonspess was far above theirs.

Why They Fasted
"And John's disciples and the Phar isees were fasting; and they come and say unto him, Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisee fast, but they disciples do not?". The Pharisees fasted of their own accord twice in the week in their pretense of holiness. In not asking his disciples to fast Jesus of course in no way con tradicts the law. From Matt. 6:17 we see that Jesus was not opposed to fasting as srch, when done for the proper purpose and in the proper way. ter of a mile underground, an air-The disciples of John really asked for plane a mile above the ground, and a enlightenment. The Pharisees wanted to discredit Jesus.

"And Jesus said unto them, Can the sons of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast." John the Baptist himself (John 2:29) said that he was the friend of the bridegroom, and by saying this he designated Christ as the bridegroom himself. The bride-groom was now with them. It was no time for the disciples to mourn and to

manifest their spirit of mourning.
"But the days will come, when the bridgegroom shall be taken away from them. And then they will fast in that day." The Greek word here translated taken away' implies a violent death Jesus had previously hinted at death and here he directly points to it, though it will yet be two years before he shall die on the cross.

New and Old Don't Mix
"No man seweth a piece of undress ed cloth on an old garment; else that which should fill it up taketh from it, the new from the old, and a worse rent is made." Discard the old entirely, and accept not merely a bit of the new, but all the new in its completeness. Not a new patch, but a new robe The old robe is the Judaism of that period. It was useless to try to patch this up with a bit of the teaching or practice of Jesus.
"And no man putteth new wine into

old wine-skins; else the wine wil burst the skins, and the wine perish eth, and the skins; but they put new wine into fresh wine-skins." The con tainers referred to were made of the skin of the goat. When these were new, they were elastic, but the old skins were dry and hard; hence the

Where Christ comes, there comes change; old forms and ceremonies will not suit. Old things pass away and all things become new. Even man becomes a new creature. must be different where Christ is found. The new faith, the new attitude to God, will require new forms. To confine the new in the bonds of the old is certain to mean trouble, per haps disaster and loss.

Toronto Ban Asked On Noisy Animals

It could be expensive to own barking dog, a screeching parrot or a howling cat if Toronto City Council passes an anti-noise bylaw drafted by Ald. Adelaide Plumptre.

The by-law provides a \$50 fine for creation of what a magistrate holds to be unnecessary noises. Among "unnecessary noises" is listed "the crowing, crying or barking or other such sound of or from any animal or bird which disturbs the peace, comfort and repose of any person in the neighborhood of such animal or

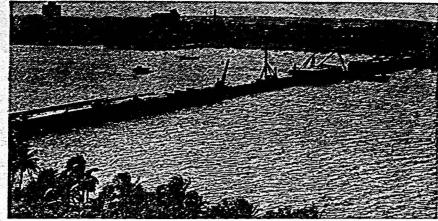
The by-law, however, does not specify that the owner of the animal shall be fined.

New York's Cleaner-Upper



Thomas R. Dewey, whose successfu ight against Charles Luciano, New York's vice king, resulted in co tion, arrives in Albany, N.Y., to bat le a legal move to free Luciano from را ستوسادات ا

Bridge Will Link Two Southern Resorts



This bridge, under construction between Palm Beach and West Palm Beach, Fla., will, when completed, link two of the more favored winter resorts in the state. This view shows the structure as it nears the half-way mark.

Radio Communication from Underground Is Broadcast Across Canada

A mining superintendent, a quar ter of a mile underground, an airradio hook-up which extended the length and breadth of Canada were all linked together in a unique demonstration of modern communica tion methods given by D. E. Gallo way, assistant vice-president of the Canadian National Telegraphs before the Rotary Club at Toronto.

Message From Mine an operator sent greetings from president "Jack" Degan to various Roboton phone loops were linked up to tary Clubs from Vancouver to Halifax. Within 12 minutes and long before the demonstration was finished.

Spoke from 1800-Foot Left of the demonstration was finished. nswers were received and delivered to the president.

Long and Short Wave Used

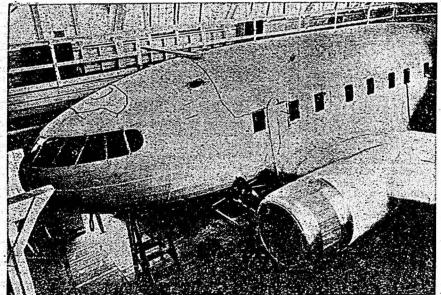
One of the interesting sidelights of the demonstration was the fact that all types of facilities were coordinated to act as a single unit of communication. More than 8.000 miles of Canadian National Telegraphs were required. The long wave of radio communication was brought into use by the Canadian Radio Commission to give a national general manager of the Central Ver broadcast of the event. The short wave was pressed into service to es-

questioning and Bob Kestan nabs the victims and does the commercial an-nouncements. Theatre tickets are givphone loops were linked up to com-plete the talking circulars. en to those who have been unfortunate enough to be collared by Messrs. Kestan and Cook, for their entertain-

Spoke from 1800-Foot Level In opening the demonstration, Mr. Galloway called E. W. Todd, general superintendent of the Lakeshore Mines, at Kirkland Lake, more than ing program. Program number two puts Charlie Hannigan back on the air in his regu-400 miles away, who spoke from the 1800 foot level of No. 5 shaft of the lar spot over CKCL. Last night say the first meeting of the mountaineers at the hayloft in CKCL, with Eddie

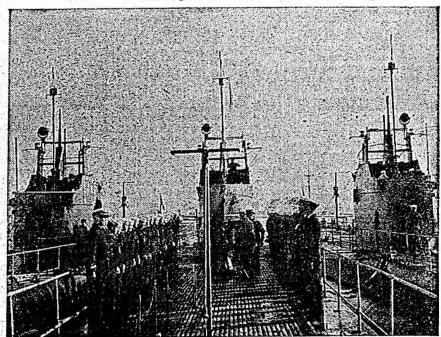
At the time Mr. Todd was speak Guest doing the program. We were ing the passengers and officers of flight No. 4 were receiving the de-monstration by short-wave from 5,100 feet above the ground. When Mr. Galloway called Harry Carson, mont Railway and vice-president of the Central Vermont Airways, subsi-A part of the demonstration was tablish a connection with flight No. 4 the installation of the latest type of of the Central Vermont Airways, fly-automatic teletypewriter upon which ing in regular passenger service be-isharply and clearly.

Million Dollar Model Will Never Fly



This model airplane cost a million dollars and will never fly. It has been designed by the Boeing engineers to test the new airliners to be constructed for the TWA, making possible shorter coast-to-coast flights. The plane will sleep sixteen passengers.

This Ship Has Just Come Up For Air



The crew of the U. S. Submarine Permit line the craft for inspection, prior to shore leave. True to their calling, the "pig boat" men prefer the hardships of the submarine to other craft.

Ski Wedding Party in Switzerland



Having been wed in the snow in the Engadine, Switzerland, this couple skis through the arch provided by the Wedding party.



It is our pleasure to introduce couple of new programs to our read-ers. First, the Man on the Street,

broadcast in front of the Imperial Theatre, Toronto, every Tresday night over CFRB. The program is conduct-

ed by Jack Cook and announced by Bob Kestan. We had a lot of fun

watching this program last week, and if it weren't for the fact that we froze

both ears, and a half dozen toes or so, we really could have enjoyed the program. Jack Cook does a nice bit of

back on radio at the piano, after an

You people who like square dancing listen to Charlie Hannigan Monday

nights over CKCL at 9 o'clock and

you get a full half-hour of old time

music. Theatre tickets are also given

free for your requests, so if you would

The Dr. Jackson show, "Air-Breaks"

absence of about two years.

note to CKCL.

Around The Dial

RADIO HEADLINERS OF THE WEEK

By FRANK DENNIS are doing a fine bit of support to those simon-pures on the show. Inci-dentally, this is not an amateur show, for each person appearing on the program gets a five-dollar bill. Bert Pearl does a fine bit of M.C.ing and Uncle Maurice Boddington is the announcer. The program is heard Friday nights at 8.30 over CFRB.

Frank Luther, NBC tener, will pre-cent an original radio Crama, destined to be known, according to Frank, as the "world's worst short short drama," during his Person to Person broadcast over the NBC-Red Network. Luther will play the three characters in his original playlet "He". 'She" and "Poor Richard".

Lucille Manners, popular singing star of the Cities Service Concerts, heard over the NBC-Red Network on Fridays at 8:00 p.m., E.S.T., owns an original sketch of herself by Jay Kaye, famous Hollywood artist. Kaye, whose syndicated strip, "Show Folks" is a daily feature of hundreds of newspapers throughout the country, travelled across the country to New York expressly to make the presentation. Although both Miss Manners and Jay Kaye have risen to fame in opposite ends of the country, the pair were criginally neighbors in New Jersey, Miss Manners was a resident of Irvington, N.J., while Kaye lived in the next town, Maplewood, N.J. The sketch presented to Miss Manners is the first like Charlie and the boys to play your presented to Miss Manners is the first favourite old-timer just drop him a of a new strip on radio stars now being syndicated. Miss Manners is using the sketch on her radio program covis really going great guns. Roy Lock- er and as part of a sley and his sixteen-piece orchestra fan mail stationery. er and as part of a letterhead on her

Cost of Living Is Up Slightly

Index Average Stands at 84.3 For December In Canada

OTTAWA .- The Dominion Bureau of Statistics has reported its cost of living index for December was 84.3 against 84.2 in November and 81.8 for December, 1936.

A retail prices index for foods rose from 78.8 to 79.1, gains for butter, eggs, onions and canned salmon being

of more consequence than a lengthier list of declines which included lard, beans, canned vegetables, finnan haddie and most meats.

Moderate increase for coal, coke and wood caused the fuel index to rise from 85.7 in November to 86.1 in December. The clothing index at 73.3 against 71.6 in December was slightly higher mainly owing to advances in woollen ready-to-wear gar-

The rent index was 89.0 against

Canadian Lass Wins Many Blues at Resort



Marion Tyrell, young Toronto equestrienne, leads all other girls in the number of honors won at the Pinehurst, S.C. horse show, where she is shown taking a barrier.

The Stars And You By A. R. WEIR

WHAT THE STARS FORETELL FOR THOSE BORN ON FEBRUARY 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10

Aquarius is the sign under which those whose birthdays are listed above were born. These people have kind, sweet dispositions, are very flexible, and have even, well-governed tempers and natures. They are easy to live with and make good friends since they have high ideals. They usually make good business associates and are generally successful in their undertakings.

YOUR OWN BIRTHDATE:

FEBRUARY 4—You make a long and steadfast friend. You have little difficulty in getting along with others. Even relatives and inlaws like you and respect your opinion. On the whole, the coming year should be a successful and prosperous period for you.

FEBRUARY 5—You are a trifle too self-opinionated for your own good. Be more receptive to suggestions made by others. Contact with others is one of our greatest sources of knowledge. You will visit many places of amusement this year and find happiness in domestic affairs.

FEBRUARY 6.—The coming year should be a very successful period for you, though, as is to be expected, there are also difficult periods to bridge. You will do this best by mixing with older people and paying strict attention to all matters dealing with property. Your lucky day is Saturday.

FEBRUARY 7—Important changes are indicated for you this year also a pleasant holiday by water. Your health should be good and you should enjoy a period of real happiness and prosperity. You love peace and harmony.

FEBRUARY 8—Your lucky number is two. You wish always to do good and never plan to hurt or harm anyone. If you work hard and wisely this year you should experience real progress and gain through influential people.

FEBRUARY 9—This is an excellent year for business affairs, for your health, for social affairs and for love. There should be nothing whatsoever for you to worry about. You are artistic and deeply interested in music, art and literature.

FEBRUARY 10—Unless you rely more upon your own efforts your financial status may always lack stability. You have the ability to stabilize your life but it depends entirely upon you. Prospects for the immediate future are good for you. It is a good time for you to push your affairs to their utmost.

If you birth date is not listed above and you would like a horoscope for any birth date in the year, or if you would like a complete personal horoscope for any date listed above, send 10c to A. R. Weir, 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto. Please print your name, address and birth date picinty.