

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

HUMMING BIRDS
WERE WORSHIPPED BY ANCIENT INDIAN TRIBES ON THE ISLAND OF TRINIDAD.



SNOWSHOES
WERE ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FAR NORTH.



SOME CATERPILLARS
APPEAR TO HAVE SIXTEEN LEGS, BUT NOT ONE ACTUALLY HAS MORE THAN SIX.

THE true legs of a caterpillar are the three pairs placed on the segments nearest the head. The abdominal segments bear from one to five pairs of short, fleshy, unsegmented false legs, or prolegs, one pair of which is always borne on the rear segment. These are used as clasps.

NEXT: Do birds have to learn to build nests?

RADIO REPORTER By REX FROST

Have you acquired the Sunday afternoon musical relaxation habit?—if not, it's a good habit to acquire. Why? Fine music is both stimulating and restful: It forces the listener to forget war time worries, household or business problems, and on Sunday afternoon between a period rich in fine music. Here 3 and 5.45 p.m. CFRB offers you the line up of programmes. Between 3 o'clock and 4.30 outstanding renditions of world famous music by the Philharmonic orchestra, with explanatory and interesting commentaries on alternate Sundays by two well known Toronto musical authorities, Hector Charlesworth and Augustus Brille.

From 4.30 to 5 o'clock — "The Pause that Refreshes" — a delightful half hour of music under the magic baton of Andre Kostalantetz. Since the commencement of war this very popular feature has not been heard on the Canadian airwaves, but commencing on Sunday December 12 and every Sunday thereafter this 45-piece orchestra will once again delight our ears with melodies old and new.

"Bless this house, oh Lord we pray, keep it safe by night and day" . . . are words which have become the well known theme song of "The Family Hour" programme, heard over CFRB between 5 p.m. and 5.45 on Sunday. Here's a programme which gives musical and dramatic interpretation to current events of our war-shattered world. It blends the sympathy of understanding in times of trouble with the spirit of inspiration and courage . . . the type of programme which renews hope and the determination to win not only over personal problems, but that major problem of all mankind at this present time, to win the peace.

Amos N'Andy apparently set a

CHIN UP, OLD BOY



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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

December 19

CHRIST THE FULFILLMENT OF THE LAW

Hebrews 1 : 1-9; Romans 10 : 4-10
GOLDEN TEXT.—God . . . hath at the end of these days spoken unto us in his Son, Hebrews 1 : 1, 2.

MEMORY VERSE: God . . . loved us, and sent his Son. 1 John 4 : 10.

THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING
Time.—The Epistle to the Hebrews was written, it would seem, before the fall of Jerusalem, and, therefore, between A.D. 65 and A.D. 68. The Epistle to the Romans was written about A.D. 60. Place.—We do not know in what locality the Epistle to the Hebrews was written. Paul wrote his Epistle to the church at Rome, the Eternal City, from Corinth, where he spent many months during his missionary journeys.

God's Final Revelation
"God, having of old time spoken unto the fathers in the prophets by divers portions and in divers manners. Hath at the end of these days spoken unto us in his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things." In these days God has spoken to us through His Son. He is superior to all the Prophets, for He is the Word of God. He came direct from God to express the thoughts, the will, the character of God.

Christ's Place of Honor
"Who being the effulgence of his glory and the very image of his substance, and upholding all things by the word of his power, which he had made purification of sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high."

Here is set forth the dignity and exalted rank of the Son of God to show His Deity. After Christ, by the sacrifice of Himself, had expiated our sins. He sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high. Not until he had poured out His lifeblood, which cleanses from all sin, did our Saviour occupy this place of honor. Christ's Superiority Over Angels

"Having become by so much better than the angels, as he hath inherited a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son. This day have I begotten Thee? and again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a son." God in Scripture calls the Messiah Son; at no time has He given such a name to any angel.

"And when he again bringeth in the firstborn into the world he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him." As the firstborn was the principal heir, and had certain privileges, so the Lord sustains a similar rank and privilege in the Universe of which God is the Head and the Father.

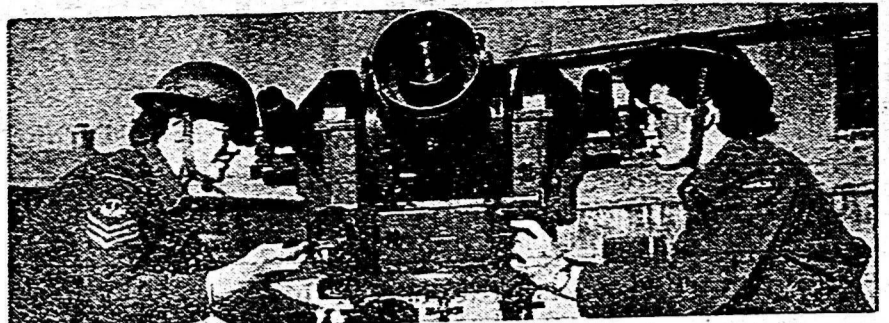
Christ's Reign Eternal
"And of the angels he saith, who maketh his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire: but of the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever; and the sceptre of uprightness is the sceptre of thy kingdom." The angels obey the Divine will as the winds and the lightning. This verse points out the superiority of the Son over all created things. In contrast to the angels' variable and subordinate position the reign of Christ is eternal. Christ's reign will be just; His laws, unlike the laws of many monarchs will be equitable and just.

"Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity; therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows." Because of Christ's holy and perfect character, God hath exalted Him and given Him a Name which is above every name.

The Truth Declared
"For Christ is the end of the law unto righteousness to every one that believeth." The end which man failed to gain by works is gained by faith in Christ.

"For Moses writeth that the man that doeth the righteousness which is of the law shall live thereby." The blessing of the Law is conditional on obedience, on keeping all of its commandments. "But the righteousness which is of faith saith thus, Say not in thy heart, who shall ascend into heav-

CWACs HELP IN TRAINING ACK-ACK GUNNERS



The kinetheodolite—a new instrument and a new word added by science to the military vocabulary—records and measures the accuracy of anti-aircraft fire. It is a combination of a surveyor's instrument and a camera and its operation has been mastered by members of the Canadian Women's Army Corps who keep the instrument trained on the target, thus recording shell fire in relation to the target when ack-ack gunners are practising.

CHRONICLES of GINGER FARM

By Gwendoline P. Clarke

Hullo, everybody—have you had all your plans turned topsy-turvy by a change in the weather? That is what happened here. We had just about got to the point of resigning ourselves to the fact that Old Man Winter had really come to stay when that same old fellow sort of did the disappearing trick and left King Sol to rein in his stead. And King Sol, of course, is a gentleman whom we like to make the most of when we can. So, once again the air was heavy with the hum of tractors—tractors of every hue—red, green, grey and orange. Partner was out with his iron horse, which puffed and snorted in protest at thus being made to work again.

You know, it may be foolish, but I always watch and listen with uneasy misgivings when Partner is out with the tractor—so much can go wrong in such a little while. Thus it is not surprising that one time when he seemed to do nothing but stop and start and stop again I began to wonder what had gone wrong this time, especially when I saw him get off and run, as I thought, to the head of the tractor. When Partner came in at night the "trouble" was explained. A cat was in the furrow ahead of him! The cat would run ahead for a while and then stop until Partner caught up with it, and then run again. But it wouldn't get out of the furrow until Partner got off the plough and chased it away.

During the nice weather I thought a little extra laundry work would be the best thing for me to do so I washed for two solid days. And please remember that when I wash it is without benefit of an electric washing machine. Which reminds me: Isn't it grand that our Provincial government is taking steps to insure more and better hydro facilities for rural areas. O happy day, should hydro come to Ginger Farm!

But back to the present. To speed the ploughing and washing proceedings Partner and I cancelled orders we had taken for dressed poultry. All that is, except one. It was for a bolting fowl—and I

en? (That is, to bring Christ down:) or, who shall descend into the abyss? (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead.) The point here is that salvation is not far from us, as up in Heaven or down in the underworld, but is ever near to us.

Confession of Faith
"But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach." There was no need for them to go afar to hear the Gospel, for it had been brought into their very midst. This word is the message which requires faith, and faith only, as the condition of salvation.

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." The heart represents the inner life of thought, feeling and willing. When there is a knowledge in a man's heart of real saving faith, confession follows as surely as night follows day.

calf. And then, presumably claiming the privilege of her sex, decided she wouldn't. Three days later Partner and the vet decided she had better! The calf—a big one, was abnormal, and was born dead. The heifer nearly followed suit—and then changed her mind again. But it's an ill wind . . . this heifer previously had evaded all Partner's attempts to tie her up in a stall. Now, when she needed help, she was as docile as a lamb. Even when Partner goes to drench her she just lies there quietly and gives no trouble at all. By the way, for the benefit of non-farm readers—to "drench" a cow means to pour medicine down her throat from a large bottle—no easy job—the cow either tries to forcibly eject the bottle or swallow it! I know, because with a stubborn cow I am called upon to help. There is more to this job of being a farmer's wife than getting meals and washing dishes.

A Direct Loss

The general public's opinion of John L. Lewis and his United Mine Workers is hardly improved by the disclosure that the four strikes staged this year by the miners to further their wage demands resulted in a direct loss to the war program of 335,000 tons of steel.

PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT

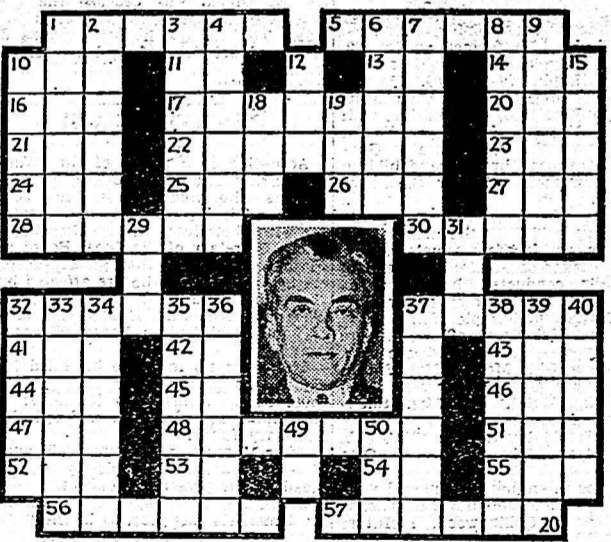
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1,5 Pictured president of the Philippines.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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43 Exist.
44 Dined.
45 Bone.
46 Seaman.
47 Distress signal at sea.
48 His domain is in the Ocean.
51 Fish.
52 Museum (abbr.).

4 Eradicator.
6 Join together.
7 Adjective suffix.
8 Drug.
9 Country.
10 Turbine wheel
12 Lubricant.
15 Offer (emphatic).
18 2000 pounds.
19 Rodent.
29 Vigor.
31 Grain.
32 Form (comb. form).
33 Tour again.
34 Russian city.
35 Runs off to wed.
36 For sale, again
37 Responds.
38 Sarcastic composition.
39 Swapped.
40 Withered.
49 In case.
50 Frozen water.



POP—He'd Like to Make It Sound Good



By J. MILLAR WATT

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