

THURSDAY, JUNE 10th, 1943

"SOMEWHERE A BOY IS WAITING FOR THE LETTER YOU NEVER WROTE"

If you know somebody that you haven't written to lately, then read the following verse. It's from Frank Palmer, seaman second class. He admits that it may not be a literary gem or anything like that, but it is sincere and from the heart:

You may not have a brother
Or a sweetheart in this war;
You may not be a mother
With a son on foreign shore.

But somewhere in a distant land
Is a boy in uniform,
With a heart that's sad and lonely,
Though his eyes are blue and warm.

He is looking for a letter
But it never seems to come;
There's always mail for some lad,
But for others there is none.

So tell him what you're doing,
And seal it with a kiss;
That his might heal an aching heart,
And it's one you'll never miss.

For somewhere in the world to-day
A soldier boy is blue;
A sailor boy is looking for
Just a line from you.

So won't you spare a minute
And drop that little note?
For somewhere a boy is waiting
For the letter you never wrote.

Detroit Times

Twenty Years Ago

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Thomas Baker has purchased the blacksmithing business of Thomas Rumbley, Mill Street.

The temperature was perilously near the frost line on Friday night.

The newly organized foot ball team is to be known as "The Acton Rangers." The team is largely composed of English, Scotch and Irish players who have played on the best teams in the Old Land.

Bronco defeated Baseball 7 to 5 in the Halton League baseball game on Saturday. In the league standing Burlington is first.

Members of the Epworth League held a very enjoyable picnic in the Park on Monday evening. A baseball game with both ladies and gentlemen on both teams was quite exciting. The score was 20-19 in favor of Miss Lottie Mason's team.

DEED

BRECKON—At Appleby, on Thursday, May 31st, 1923, Captain John Breckon, aged 81 years.

Do you ask to be the companion of nobles? Make yourself noble, and you shall be. Do you long for the conversation of the wise? Learn to understand it, and you shall hear it.—John Rankin.

Be Ready for The Hay Crop

With the harvesting of the hay crop at hand, many farmers are concerned as to how they are going to manage with such a shortage of available manpower.

Before starting haying operations mowers, rakes, tedders, wagons, hayloaders, sweeps, slings and forks should be carefully inspected and all broken or worn parts renewed or repaired. Careful attention should be given to ropes, cables and pulleys in order that there will be no stoppage or breakdown when operations get under way. There is only a limited amount of new equipment available and those in need of new equipment should shop early and avoid disappointment, points out R. G. Newton, Superintendent, Dominion Experimental Station, Prince George, B.C.

It may be necessary to revise some of the present practices, such as curing the hay in the cock and follow windrow-curing. Where weather is tricky it may be advisable to utilize tripods for the early haying operations. Early cutting means the hay will be higher in protein though it may lack a little in bulk. By commencing haying operations early it will compensate to some extent for the manpower shortage. Where large lots are available it may be possible to spread out and salt the hay. Full advantage of the long days should be taken and the work arranged accordingly. Daylight saving hours do not work to the farmers' advantage as it is usually well on towards noon before the dew is off. By co-operating with neighbors a program that will be mutually beneficial to all concerned can be worked out.

FREE CEILING SET FOR NEW POTATOES

Effective June 7, prices of new potatoes must not exceed the lawful ceiling prices for Canada No. 1 grade old potatoes. According to a Prices Board statement, this action has been taken because of the current acute shortage which is not likely to be relieved until this year's crop is harvested. It is not expected that new Canadian potatoes will appear on the market until around July 15.

ENFORCEMENT

During the past week 73 persons were convicted of charges involving the breach of various Wartime Prices and Trade Board regulations. Seven charges were dismissed. Offences under the gasoline and tire regulations led the list, 23 persons being convicted.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 13

GOD'S EXCEEDING GREAT PROMISES

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 Pet. 1:4.

Lesson Text.—2 Pet. 1:1-11.

Exposition.—I. The Christian Ex-

position writes to those who have received "like precious faith." It is significant that this faith is based on "the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." Salvation stems from the righteousness of God.

"The righteous Lord loveth righteousness" (Ps. 11:7). He looks upon the world as sinful man has made it and seeks to establish righteousness in the earth (Ps. 37: 17). God's righteousness does not wish man to be enslaved to his sin for that would be false to His nature, which is loving kindness. So He condemns sin and, in Christ, makes provision for the salvation of the sinner (Ps. 51:14). No wonder, therefore, that Peter speaks of "precious faith." When he pronounces the benediction upon believers in v. 2, he refers to grace and peace being "multiplied" unto them but it is only possible by a growing knowledge of "God, and our Lord Jesus Christ." Many Christians ignore these ways and means of growing in grace. We must increase in knowledge of God and of Christ so that we may grow in grace (Heb. 6:11, 12).

We are encouraged to do this (v. 3) by the assurance that divine power is given unto us to achieve "godliness," a word which means God-likeness. In Christ we are called to "glory and virtue." Glory is radiant purity, goodness and simplicity. Virtue is proven character. These are assured to us by God in His Word in many "exceeding great and gracious promises." Think of some of these promises and learn some you have not yet come to know. At any rate, God's purpose in our salvation is that we may "escape the corruption that is in the world through lust." Uncontrolled and misdirected desire in sinners leads to corruption and it is from such that Christ came to save us (Mat. 18:11; Mk. 9:34).

II. Adding Grace to Grace. 5-8.

When one is born again, the Christian life is begun. There must be growth (1 Pet. 2:2). Grace must be added to grace, and this requires not merely diligence, but "all diligence." In our faith, which is the source of all things we must show forth "virtue," i.e., moral goodness, excellence of character. But to this there must be added "knowledge." Even this is not all; in our knowledge we must supply "self-control," then "patience," "reverent regard for God," and "love to all mankind." It is when these things are ours, and ours in abundant measure, that we are really accomplishing something—working and bearing fruit. All of the graces mentioned are attainable by the believer. They are all in harmony with the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-26). God works our salvation into us so we may work it out. Christlike character is essential to the acceptability of our good works (Jno. 15: 4, 5).

III. Make Your Calling and Election Sure, 9-11.

To go on to perfection is the Christian law of life (Heb. 6:1). The condition of an arrested Christian is described in v. 9. He is described in three ways. (1) He is "blind." In this sense it means that the Christian who refuses spiritual development is lacking in moral discernment. He is not able to see the hand of God in his affairs, even when he wants to. It is the same as if we found a young man still in a beginners' class who ought to be graduating from high school (see John 9:11, 15, 17, 25, 30-33, 35-38, for a good illustration for a progressive development in testimony and understanding). (2) Again, the arrested soul "cannot see afar off," that is, he cannot get the long view of his present way of life. He is not affected by the fact that he must stand before the judgment seat of Christ (2 Cor. 5:10). And so, he is only storing up condemnation for himself while he pursues such a course: Such a person needs the warning contained in Rom. 14:12. (3) He has forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. The result is repeated self-condemnation and unhappy weakness as he returns to old indulgences. The constraining love of Christ is not allowed to have its effect on such a life (2 Cor. 5:14-17).

The word "diligence" in v. 10 is a call to the most earnest consideration of the things of our faith. These are our "calling" (Rom. 8:30). The Christian calling is the highest in the world. Yet many treat their Christian professions as though it were light and trivial. The next word is "election," a term used in his epistle (1 Pet. 1:2). This is a significant expression and, while difficult to comprehend in its fullness, nevertheless shows that special grace which is bestowed upon those who accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour. This distinction itself ought to lead us to be reverent and obedient toward God (Eph. 4:1-3). If this is done "we shall not fall." This an-

swers the question as to why so many professing Christians fall by the wayside and take up with the big game elements of the world.

We are always encouraged by the Spirit of God with "exceeding great and precious promises" and v. 11 assures us of "an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." It is the Father's good pleasure to give us the kingdom by regeneration (Jno. 3: 3-5). We possess the Kingdom by faith now (Heb. 12:28). We are to enter into the Kingdom finally in honor tested by the faithfulness of our love for the Lord Jesus Christ (Matt. 25:34, Rev. 11:15-19).

POTATO CONTROL

Through its central potato control, the Wartime Prices and Trade Board has undertaken to see that Canada's few remaining "spuds" are distributed as equitably as possible among the population.

The board now has the right to divert potatoes from any one district to another or from one use to another if it considers this necessary. Potatoes diverted in this fashion have already been received in areas of extremely short supply.

Foreign Diplomats Forsaking Berlin

Any Left in Nazi Capital Are Bombed Out by Allied Nations Raids

BERNE, (CP)—Foreign diplomats in Berlin, impressed by the weight and destructive power of Royal Air Force raids, have decided to abandon their chancelleries in the heart of Berlin, according to messages reaching here. They are taking their staffs and families to Wamsee, well outside the bombed Berlin area, where chancelleries will be established in small houses. Nazi authorities have approved the move as they hope it will result in the diplomats sending less impressive accounts of bomb damage to their governments.

SOLD 2-PANT SUITS FIRM FINED \$1,000

Convicted of selling two-pant suits in violation of Wartime Prices and Trade Board regulations, a Hamilton, Ontario, tailoring firm was fined a total of \$1,000. The firm pleaded guilty to two charges of selling suits of clothing with two pants and was fined \$500 on each charge.

Preparing for a Lightning Coastal Thrust



Picture shows: Loading torpedoes on board a motor torpedo boat, one of the British Navy's little ships with a high speed and great powers of destruction. The official name for these small craft is H.T.B. 34. They vary from eighteen to thirty-two tons, are about 72 feet in length, and touch speeds up to 50 knots. Some of them carry two 21-inch torpedoes, two machine guns and depth charges. It can be a tough life on board, and they have special padding in various parts of the ship to prevent injuries. These small craft are constantly jarring the nerve of the enemy. They are constantly delivering the unexpected blow.

Newspaper Advertising

— AND —

Display Windows!

Both Newspaper Advertising and Proper Display of Merchandise in store windows play an important part in the sale of goods. One is helpful to the other and combined they make a grand merchandising plan, the one to create interest and give description and the other to clinch the statements by actual presentation of the articles, with store windows.

Used alone the program is only half put into effect. The field is narrowed and the effort does not bring its greatest yield. Here's an actual example of what happened in Acton recently that illustrates the point.

Window Attraction

THE FREE PRESS Office has a window in which small articles are placed so that owners may claim them without any expense. This spring the articles filled the window, until a clearing out was necessary. We were overstocked.

Many of these articles had been on display for passing people day and night for months. New articles would have been damaged if they had been left in the window for the same period. There were motor license plates, gloves, small coin purses, hub caps, mitts, keys and articles too numerous to mention.

Newspaper Attention

So we advertised them in a condensed advertisement in THE FREE PRESS, and here is what actually happened.

A license plate was returned to a truck operating from Guelph. There were twelve enquiries for one of the gloves before the owner secured it. The hub cap was tried on four cars and we finally got an offer to purchase it if the owner wasn't located. The small articles and items largely found owners and we secured a window nearly cleared out from just one small advertisement.

What happened in one window can and does occur in every form of merchandising. Newspaper advertising attracts a larger audience and supplemented by the display of goods completes sales. There is no magic but just plain everyday logic --- meeting more people. Sound merchandising is built on a public acceptance of the fact that its institutions always want to be of service to the buying public. Populations change. New families come to town. They look to the local store advertisements and store windows to guide them in their shopping needs.

Build and Maintain Business By Using Both Regularly!

Metal, Rubber, Fats and Bones Needed for Tanks, Ships and Bombs



Out of the scrap pile and into the scrap. Bits of junk like the hot water tank shown inset help make the ships and depths charges that keep the ocean lanes clear of subs.

Have you looked around the house lately for unusable metal articles that might provide enough brass for a large cartridge case, enough copper for an army wireless set, or enough steel for a rifle? It's a great feeling to know that the old broken down buzz-saw is being turned into an anti-aircraft shell.

Production figures just released by the Department of Munitions and Supply show that, last year, the war factories of the Dominion turned out 3,800 planes, 12,500 armoured fighting vehicles, 200,000 motorized transports, 38,000 guns, spare barrels, and mountings, 325,000 rifles and machine guns, 28,000,000 rounds of heavy ammunition, 1,200,000,000 rounds of heavy ammunition, 1,200,000,000 rounds of small arms ammunition, 430,000 tons of explosives and war chemicals, and more than 200 cargo vessels and combat ships. An untold amount of scrap metal, salvaged rubber fats and bones went into the

making of these war implements. This year, with the nation turning out \$3,700,000,000 worth of military equipment and supplies, thousands and thousands of tons of salvage will be needed.

Steel is the most vital of all wartime requirements and a high proportion of scrap iron is essential in the production of this metal. It cannot be made from pig iron alone. Millions of pounds of steel are needed in shipbuilding. A Canadian Ram tank requires 28 tons; a universal carrier, 4 1/2 tons, and a heavy anti-aircraft gun, not including carriage, nearly two tons. There are 21 pounds of steel in a Bren gun, 8 1/2 in an army rifle, and 375 in a 500-pound bomb.

The next time you clean out the barn, why not ferret out the unserviceable and unproductive farm machinery which is going to rust instead of being thrown into the fight?