BUSINESS CONNECTIONS

A foursome had gathered for bridge in the observation car and were intro- folks aren't much impressed by the ducing themselves to each other. "I'm Joe Tupper," said one. "Travel for the Peerless Furniture Co." "I'm Tom Jones, with the Mammoth Construction Co," said the second. "H A. Sampson, with the Department of Highways," said the third. There was a noticeable pause before the fourth spoke. Then be said: "I'm John Smith the city," he continued "Back in my 17a run my own little business. Smith's home town, the men who had their; Electric Shop."

game he explained.

could use two more if National Sele- but they'll get more fun out of life"

ctive Service would let me have them.

"What I've found, though, is that fact that you run your own show. My neighbor, who's a shipping clerk in a big company, has a standing because of his connection. I'd rather work for myself any day, but my wife feels that I'd sound more important if I worked for a big company.

"Perhaps the fault is in living in ; own businesses, even if small, were There was no obvious reason for looked upon as the backbone of the his embarrassment, but after the community. Sometimes, I think I 1-4 ought to go back and see if things "I was really proud when I first are still the same I don't suppose I opened," he said. "Dad had always will but it seems to me that the young told me about the feeling of independ- chaps coming out of the services to ence you have when you put out your civilian life ought to look over the own shingle. And I've done pretty small towns before they start to rewell. Started off on my own and now establish themselves in a big city I've two chaps working for me and They may not make as much money,

Lesson

SUNDAY, MAY 20th, 1945

INTO BABYLONIAN EXILE Golden Text .- Come and let us return unto the Lord: Hos. 6: 1. Lesson Text. Jer. 18: . 1-10, 15a,

Time 601 B. C. Place Jerusalem

Exposition , I The Potter's House

It is a principle of teaching which the Word of God employs that the truth is imparted through human For instance, the 23rd Psalm begins "The Lord is my shepherd" The muthor David, had been a shepherd David saw in his shepherd responsibilities a likeness to the grace of God. What he would do for sheep, God would do for him Jesus confirmed this in his parable of the Good Shepherd (Jno to 1-18) In Convulse Commons ithe experience of Jeremiah, we see , him led of God to go down to the potter's house us 2, 3) Evidently British House Discusses Merits of he knew the juster, whose he lived, and, perhaps had visited him before When he got to the house he found the potter at work. As he watched the prophet saw him make a vessel 'wanders round the Pole is not a table i the potter for some reason. It was 'marred' in his band, meaning that, although he had done his last, there; buef discussion on the merits of was a flaw in the vessel Undoubtedly the clay had not yet hardened Thus the was able to crush the seasel back worth Conservative, started things by

wheel. This was a revolving table use of the available supply of whaleentirely the instrument of the potter, iwaste." going just as fast as he wanted and manipulate the clay In addition, it is imperative that we note the clay, a substance valued for its texture, able to be molded without disintegrating while wet and able to stay solid without crumbling after being dried. Noting these three potter. wheel, clay we return again to the potter, for he is the principal figure Both the wheel and the clay are his and he uses them as he sees fit. The wheel operates according to his purpose and the clay is molded according to his will. He is dissatisfied with the vessel be fashions in the presence of Jeremiah Undoubtedly desirous of proving he could be far more excito other business cellent in his work than this, he des trovs his bandiwork, and begins all over again Remember however, that it is still the same piece of clay. We are now ready for the application which the Lord gives to Jeremiah

II The Word of the Lord at the Potter's House, 5 10 15 17 "O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter?" It is cod's purpose to show to rebellious Israel that their self-sufficiency is all in yain. He is the LORD. All things are under this hand. God has never surrendered His sovereignty over this world and all peoples within it Israel had been appointed the repository of this truth thom 3.1, 2) They were to be an example of this faith to all nations (Deut 14 2) If they failed even in their failure they should be a witness to the world that they had-Guled cheut 29 21-28) Obedient Tsrant would be blessed, but a rebellious Israel would be Judged Through all we see tool's unmistakable and unchangeable sovereignty This principle is to be found in all our fives : The Creator is Lord over all Even His grace is sovereign stage of cor 12 %. If the potter, , who is a mere creature, has the power . to throw away a marred vessel and

15 9 61; 8) This principle is carried over into the New Testament (Rom 9: 19-24) The creature's responsibility is to submit to be fashioned according to the Creator's design. This is the objest of our creation chev. 1: 11) The vory center of sinning hesein human beings refusing to conform to the purpose of God Self-sufficiency is unfaith. It shuts God out No matter where it is practiced, whether it be in the lives of rich of poor, men; whether among the cultured or the diliterate whether in a university or in a mountain village, wherever thus man brings live unto themselves. they fad the purpose of their creation and sin clost has a purpose for all of us. It is our duty to find what it is: by waiting upon clist and carry it:

. fashion a new one shall not God, who .

is the Creator cast away those who

are unfaithful to His election? clsa

Saul was so far' wrong that he thought be did God service by haling Christians to prison and death. The Lord had to interfere with him miraculously. He was sincerely wrong, (Ac 9, 11-17) Many people in our day make the same mistake. They think that home is simply a matter of their own planning and endlavor, Should we wonder that life seems so empty for such We do not teach our young people as well as we ought .: that their lives are not their own. The young are encouraged to plan their career without ever mention-

sing God. It is our Christian duty to instruct the young-that God's plan is the real one. He has never failed to guide us (Ps. 32: 8; 23: 3; Isa. 58: 11: Rom. 8: 28). Divine grace is revealed in God's

promise to change His verdict that He, "thought to do unto them'l (v. 8) if the Israelites repented and turn. ed from their evil way. National red

pentance is the way to national redemption. What a tragedy that Israel The Sunday School refused to turn from their evil way into the way of the Lord! Centuries of suffering and shame have followed on the adoption of such a course. Do we not need to take it to our own selves as Canadian people? Unless we turn away from our national evils, will it be any better for us in the end than for rebellious Israel? Let us make it more personal. If it be true of nations that God is sovervign, it is also true that the Individuals are likewise under His rule. The warning and the hope of this lesson are, therefore, to be applied individually. "He that' does the will of God abideth for ever" (1 Jno. 2 17). And the will of God is that we shall honor His Son (Jno. 5: 22), accept His rule over our lives (Rom 10 8-11) seek to know Him (Phil 3: 7, B) and serve Iffm in love with all our hearts (Rom. 12: 1, 2) ;

Virtues\of Whale

Whale Meat for Human Consumption

LONDON (CP) "The whale that When it was finished, it displeased feb," quotest Seymour Cocks, Labor member for Broxlowe, and a laugh ing House of Commons enfed its

whale-meat for human consumption . Cmdr O. Lucker-Lampson, Hands into a lump of clay and begin again asking Food Minister Llewellin, "Whe-It is well for us to note the potter's ther he will take steps to make full operated by a foot treadle. It was meat which is at present going to

"Well," said the minister as memstopping when he wished As the bern rocked in their seats, "whale wheel revolved under the foot action meat has a strong fishy smell. There of the potter, his fingers would deftly is therefore considerable difficulty in getting people to take it. If you know of any way of getting over this dif ficulty perhaps you will be good enough to let me know."

"Will you let members taste a sample of this meat?" Cmdr Locker Lampson insisted amid guffaws from

He did get some support from Wing Cmdr R Grant-Ferris, St Panacras North Conservative who said "it's judfike good ment and we had quite a lot of it in South Mirica"

But Mr Cocks consulsed the House with his quotation about the wandering whale and the members turned Quality You'll Enjoy

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CLOUDS

John Bracken — The Man

John Bracken, the son of a farmer Ephraim Bracken and his wife, Alberta, was born in a log cabin in Ellisville, Leeds County, Ontario, on the 22nd of June, 1883.

Here, briefly chronicled, are the main events in the life of John Bracken:

1898 - Student at Brockville Collegiate, Ontario.

1902-5 Student at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. He won four scholarships, the Governor-General's Medal, was top honours. student and class medalist. Here, too, he met Alice Wylie Bruce.

1906 - Young Bracken went to Winnipeg as representative of the Seeds Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

1907 - In the neighbouring Province of Saskat 12wan, John Bracken became Superintendent of Fairs and Farmers' Institutes and Secretary of the Provincial Livestock Association.

1910 - John Bracken was appointed Professor of Field Husbandry at the new University of -Saskatchewan. He took the first train to Guelph, Ontario, married Alice Wylie Bruce. Four sons were born -three of whom are now on Active Service with the Navy, Army and Air Force.

1920 - Already the author of two books on agriculture, John Bracken became President of the Manitoba Agricultural College.

1922 - John Bracken accepted the leadership of the Progressive Farmer Government, was sworn in as Prime Minister of Manitoba.

Non began the political life of the ... most continuously successful political leader the Empire has produced in this century. Since that day from 1922 to: 1942 - John Bracken . has never been defeated.

The Liberals joined John Bracken's farmer government.

1940 - All the other political parties, including the .C.C.F. and Social Creditors, threw in their fortunes with a great leader forming a

wartime Coalition Manitoba government. The year of John Bracken's great decision John Bracken, the Progressive, accepted the inational leadership of a great resurgent people's party - The Progressive Conserva-

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Germany has collapsed. It is as if we had been in a tug-of-war, with life itself as the prize. Now suddenly, the line seems loose in our hands. We must brace ourselves lest the pent. up force of our own power send us plunging backward into disorder. Joy is natural to us at this time; but let us be glad wisely. Much remains to be done. Much sacrifice must yet be endured if we are to establish on this world that peace and order which is, and has been, our real goal. Thankful we should be. Proud we may well

be of the courageous fidelity of our fighting men

and the women who have backed them up;

and industrial workers.

and farms.

and of the proven quality of our technical minds .

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abilities shall be applied to assure better flying

mination that Canada's new war-developed

for all our people. As Hydro has expanded to

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