

BURLINGTON

Syns Club announced that plans and committees are under way for the development of skating rinks for the boys and girls in the Lions park this coming winter season.

Charles Pearson, of Freeman, has been appointed constable for the town to replace Thomas Hall, who resigned several weeks ago. Nine applications were received for the job.

Due to the power cut-off, firemen had to depend on the town bell again on Tuesday to summon the men to duty at 12:50 for a fire at the National Fire Proofing Co., Aldershot. A truck owned by S. Chocak, of Hamilton, who was drawing material for the company suddenly burst into flames, and before the fire was extinguished the engine and cab were a complete wreck.

All municipalities throughout the province received an increase in their power quota on Tuesday and Burlington received the huge amount of 2 1/2 per cent, less than 500 kw. hours. We were not as fortunate as "hog town", Toronto, who were immediately able to announce that the night black-outs would end and Toronto enjoyed their full lighting on Tuesday night. The reason given for the quota increase was more rain in the Quebec area, which permitted the Quebec power companies to deliver more power to Ontario. - Gazette.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH RADIO

Radio programs are deteriorating, instead of improving. In the opinion of a majority of those answering a Financial Post questionnaire on the subject, almost all stated that they listened to the radio less than in the past. The chief criticisms: Too many commercials, particularly of the singing type; low cultural level of programs; too many "soap operas" and blood-and-thunder melodramas; too few new jokes and too frequent repetition of old ones. Some credited the CBC with attempting to improve program standards; but even these did not all agree it had succeeded. To minimize the irritation one was suggested that all commercials should be read in the Cree language.

Because early maps showed Africa as only a strip on the Mediterranean, explorers, who believed the world was flat, were afraid to penetrate the continent, thinking they might fall off the earth.

The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6th

HISTORY IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Golden Text.—Go therefore and make disciples of all nations. Matt. 28: 19.

Lesson Text.—Ac. 1: 8; 4: 1-4; 13: 2-3; 16: 9-10; 28: 16, 30-31. Exposition.—I. Witnesses, Ac. 1: 8.

Jesus turns the disciples' attention from the vain attempt to discover times and seasons to their own present duty of witnessing for Him. When they should receive the kingdom He does not disclose; when they should receive power He does disclose (v. 8). This power would be theirs when the Holy Ghost had come upon them. They would not have power until then. How foolish then for us to try to work for Christ until we have sought and obtained the baptism with the Holy Ghost. The power of the Holy Ghost was not merely for the purpose of making them happy but for the purpose of making them "witnesses" (cf. 2: 4; 4: 8-12, 31, 33; 5: 32; 9: 17, 20). They were to begin their witnessing right where they were when the Holy Ghost was received—in Jerusalem. They were to go next to immediately surrounding territory; then to the nearest neighbors, the despised Samaritans, and then on and on "unto the uttermost part of the earth." A true redemption of the Holy Spirit by the church means world-wide missions.

II. The Arrest of Peter and John, 4: 1-4. The ecclesiastical authorities were especially "troubled" because they proclaimed the resurrection. The ecclesiastics could not answer the apostles' arguments, so they undertook to shut their mouths by violence. Hatred to Jesus lay at the bottom of their hatred to the disciples of Jesus (Jno. 15: 18-21) and hatred to Jesus lies at the bottom of all hatred of His disciples.

In their arrest and imprisoning the apostles had the comforting thought that they were entering into deeper fellowship with Jesus their Master (Jno. 15: 18; 18: 12; Matt. 10: 16, 17). It was not, however, as severe persecution as would come later. God was tenderly fitting them for the fiercer fires before He permitted them to be tried by them (1 Cor. 10: 13).

The arrest of the preachers did not in the least check the influence of the word (v. 4). Their preaching had as great power because it was in the power of the Holy Spirit. It is interesting to note the constant forward march of the early Church in face of all the bitter, determined, relentless opposition. It was a praying Church (ch. 2: 42; 6: 4). III. Barnabas and Saul Called 13: 2-3.

The Church at Antioch had five prophets and teachers worthy of mention by name. This early Gentile Church became a fountain of light and life to many other places. The Holy Ghost spoke to them "as they ministered to the Lord and fasted." A Spirit-filled mind rarely accompanies an overfilled stomach. It is not said how the Spirit spoke whether in an audible voice, or silently, in the inner recesses of the heart; but He spoke in an unmistakable way. He is ready to speak to-day, if we will supply the proper conditions and listen. It was the Holy Spirit's work to call; it was man's work to recognize the call, and set the called apart for the work. (Those who ignore ordination by man are as unscriptural as those who ignore a call by God. But it was "for the work whereunto" the Spirit called that they were to be set apart.)

IV. Paul Called to Preach in Macedonia, 16: 9-10. Step by step God leads His servant on. The means God used for His guidance were various; the direct guidance of the Holy Spirit, a vision (ch. 9: 10-12; 10: 10-17, 30; 18: 9, 10; 22: 17-21; 27: 23, 24; 2 Cor. 12: 1-4; Ac. 2: 17), his own judgment (v. 10). The promptness with which Paul responded to the guidance of God, no matter how it came, is worthy not only of special note but of careful and exact obedience. In fact, one of the greatest secrets not only of a happy, but an efficient life, is that if we respond at once to God's leading, it becomes clearer and clearer. If we falter, the guiding light grows dimmer and dimmer until it goes out in thick darkness, and we are left to grope our way as best as we can. "Come over into Macedonia and help us." What an outcast, wandering Jew help proud and potent Macedonians, especially people of the distinguished colony of Philippi. Yes for he was the bearer of that in which alone is help for man—the Gospel (v. 10).

V. Paul, an Ambassador to the World, 28: 16, 3-31. They had brought Paul to Rome at the expense of the state, and besides the great audience of leading Jews, they had given him an audience of Roman soldiers. These soldiers would never have gone to hear a service conducted by a Jew, but as they had to guard Paul, they had to listen to his message. Many were thus converted (Phil. 1: 13), and as the Roman soldiers went everywhere, they became efficient missionaries. We are told that the spread of Christianity among the army was the ultimate cause of its adoption by Constantine as the state religion. The Jews had had their opportunity and rejected it. If they would not accept salvation, others would (v. 28). From this time on, Paul addresses himself exclusively to the Gentiles. Paul in chains in Rome had two years of uninterrupted service for Christ.

GEORGETOWN

Parents of children attending Georgetown Public School had an opportunity of viewing their children's work and discussing progress with the teachers when their annual "open night" was held at the school last Thursday in conjunction with Education Week.

Ernie Crawford of Toronto is the new manager of the Rocky Theatre replacing Jack Polly who resigned his position last week. A native of Ottawa, Mr. Crawford was manager of the Geneva Theatre there for three years and has lately been in Toronto where he managed the Metro Theatre on Bloor Street. He is married to the former Muriel Mulholland of Mitchell.

Fred Freestone, son of Mr and Mrs. Fred Freestone of Georgetown is seriously ill in Toronto Western Hospital where he is confined with internal injuries suffered in an accident while working with an air compressor.

Mrs. I. Webster well-known Norval resident is receiving the congratulations of friends on the celebration of her 90th birthday tomorrow. - Herald.

PHOTOS IN A MINUTE

Camera set which delivers finished print one minute after exposure has been made will shortly be available, the Financial Post reports. Camera uses special eight-picture double roll film, one looking like ordinary negative, other like plain paper. Concocted in the paper are tiny pods of chemicals. When tab is pulled on camera, film and paper pass between two small rollers which squash pods causing chemical jelly to spread and form picture. Prints come out sepia-tinted, size 3 1/2 x 3 1/4.

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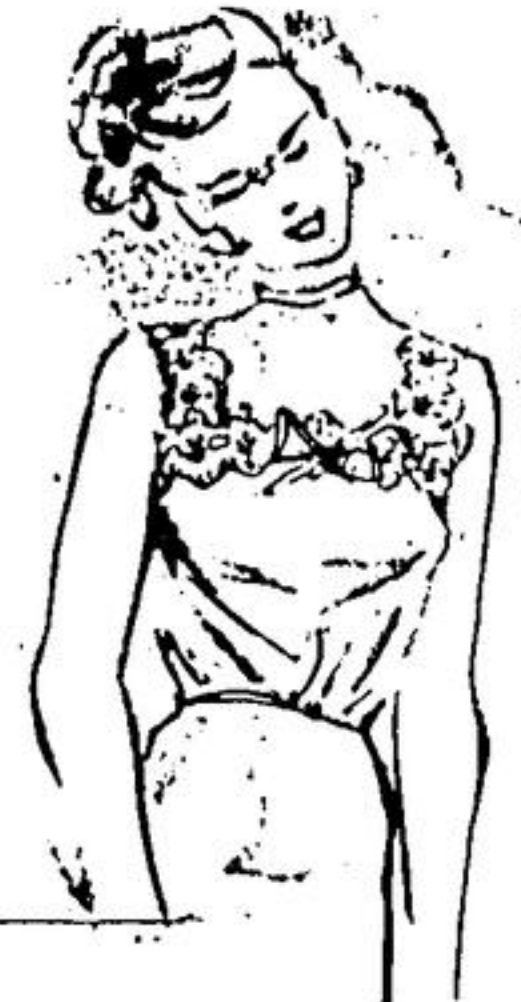
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