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Notes and Comments

New Truck Ration Plan

The Government will shortly introduce a new system for rationing trucks to civilian buyers that may provide the basis for future rationing of passenger cars.

The system will follow the present pattern of tire rationing. Permits will no longer be handled and approved through the Motor Vehicles Controller at Ottawa but will be procurable through local WPTB ration officers on the certification of authorized truck dealers.

It is expected that the new system will be ready for introduction within a month's time and will coincide with the stepup in available supply of new trucks for civilian users.

Only Trucks at First

For the time being, the new plan will apply only to trucks. Eventually it is thought that the same plan will be followed for rationing passenger automobiles. But the idea is to try out the system first for trucks and then as the wrinkles are ironed out extend it to cars.

Full Employment Plan

In a certain town there is a factory, which, in the days before the war, furnished employment for a respectable number of workers turning out a useful form of gadget.

Looking forward to peace, the owners of the factory foresee a large demand for gadgets, but not sufficient to justify the present payroll. When the time comes to reconvert, and the time is not far distant, about two-thirds of the present working force will have to be released to seek employment elsewhere.

The owners see the problem clearly, and have urged their employees to set aside a good part of their present high earnings in Victory Bonds as a preparation for the probable rainy day.

But others have a brighter idea. They argue that, since the manufacture of doohickies for guns provides more employment than the manufacture of gadgets for household use, the factory should continue to make doohickies indefinitely.

Beverly Baxter Holds Seat

Of Eleven Canadians running in the British elections only three were elected, and one of these was Beverly Baxter, a nephew of a former resident of Stouffville, Harvey Lawson who occupied a large house on Church street, now a four family apartment.

newspaper, he gave an hour or two of his time to show the editor of The Tribune over some of the great plant of the Express when a party of newspaper men visited London some years ago.

Baxter was returned as a Conservative in the British general election under Churchill whose government was roundly defeated by a Labor government. At once the public will say that they are a thankless lot to turn out a man who had done so much for them in war years.

Band Box Houses

An editorial entitled "Band Box Houses" in the Port Perry Star is worthy of being repeated here, and as we read, it makes us more thankful than ever that this town of Stouffville has now legislation preventing just such "band box houses" as the Star makes reference to.

"As you drive through the outskirts of any town or city you can see a number of four-room band boxes (with garage) being built. It is too bad that such homes (?) seem necessary for lack of money, or lack of foresight.

Speaking of such houses "Electrical Appliances" has this to say in relation to the various household conveniences which science has made available:

"There is one fly in the ointment about which dealers express concern. It seems that the builders of new houses springing up all over the land are allotting kitchens of only the proportion of large cupboards. Space is wholly inadequate.

No people can grow great and truly prosperous that are more concerned about going places than they are in making home and centre of family life, a place of comfort and beauty. The conveniences that science has made available for housekeepers and householders are useless to folk who live in these tiny homes.

Necessity may require small houses and apartments without gardens; but in a land like Canada, where land is abundant, every family should have lawns and gardens where they could give expression to the freedom and beauty that is our natural heritage."

A Good Example

It was refreshing to read that President Truman declined to attend a conference on Sunday, saying he intended to "remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy."

His action was more than a sentimental gesture. It could only spring from a deep-rooted conviction that the Commandments still stand as a moral code worth keeping. "Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh is the Lord, thy God's" is an injunction that is being brushed aside today by many people who think they know better than their Creator how to regulate this old world.

Here in Canada and in Ontario we are rapidly slipping into a spirit of disrespect for God's laws and the sad thing about it is that one seldom hears a word of protest or criticism, even from those who occupy a place of leadership in religion and morals.

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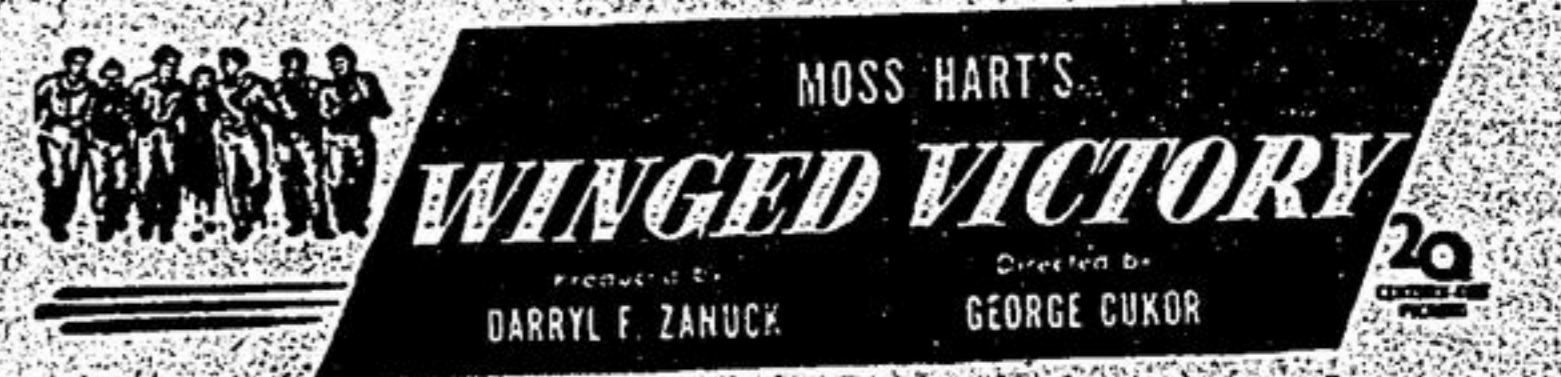
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Golden Text - I have a goodly heritage - Psa. 16:6

THE LESSON AS A WHOLE - Approach to the Lesson

Isaac is the heir. To him it was given to dwell in the land which Jehovah had promised to his father. His life, generally speaking, was very quiet and uneventful. He was a man remarkably meek and self-effacing. True, he failed by going among the Philistines, and there denied his wife as Abraham's handmaid before him when he went down into Egypt. But he meekly accepted rebuke, and when the wells he reopened were contested, he moved on elsewhere, content to allow others to maintain their claims to what he knew rightfully belonged to him by divine gift.

for the Son while He remains in the Heavens in the Father's house. It was a great thing so to present the virtues of Isaac as to cause Rebekah to fall in love with—and be willing to leave all for—a man she had never seen! Even so has the Holy Spirit won our hearts for Him whom, having not seen, we love. 1 Pet. 1:8

Verse 15 - "Before he had done speaking, Rebekah came out with her pitcher upon her shoulder." The servant requested of God, as he waited by a well at Nahor, that the damsel of whom he should ask a drink might respond in such a way that he would know she was the person chosen of God to be Isaac's wife.

fair to look upon, a virgin, and she filled her pitcher, and came up." Rebekah was characterized both by beauty of person and a kindly, obliging manner which at once commended her to the aged servant of Abraham, and encouraged him to believe that she was indeed the divinely chosen one to be Isaac's wife.

interest above all else. Verse 35 - "The Lord hath blessed my master greatly, and he is become great." Not of himself or of his long journey, did he speak, but of the wealth and prosperity of Abraham, for whose son he was seeking a bride.

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