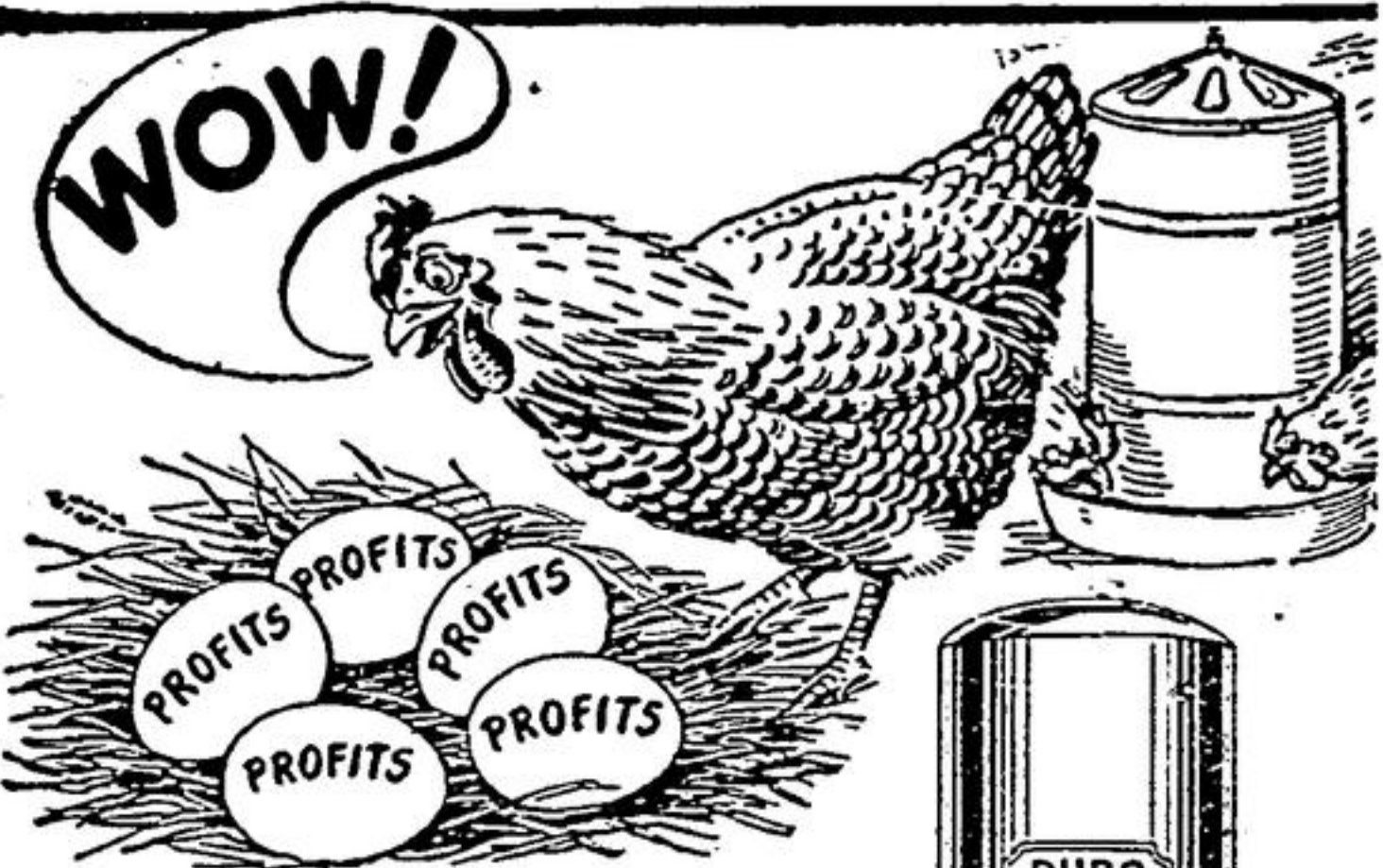


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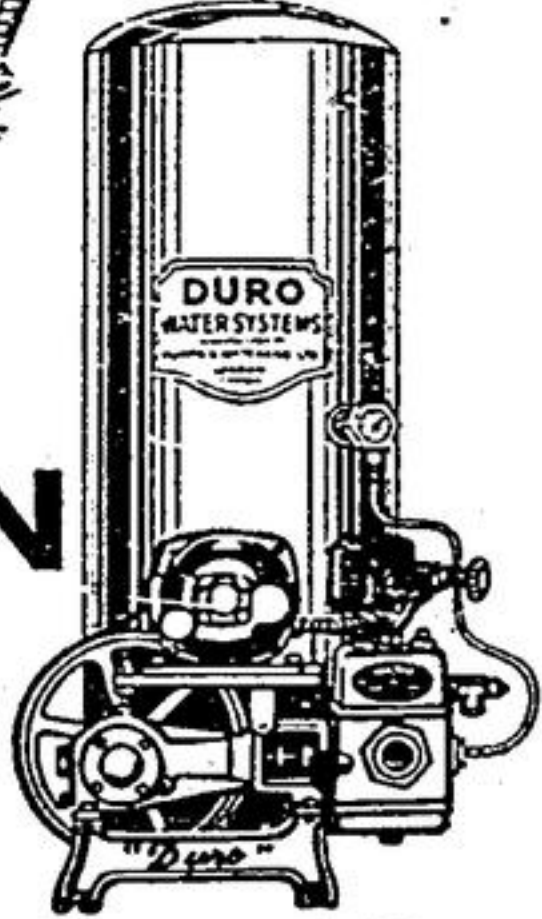
Lesson for Sept. 19
Golden Text.—To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.—Prov. 21:3
The Lesson as a Whole
Approach to the Lesson
 It may seem strange, at first sight, to speak of this stirring incident as a temperance lesson. But we need to remember that temperance is self-control; and here we have a mob, incited by vested interests to violence, quelled in quiet and self-control by the persuasive eloquence and sensible

advice of the town clerk, who stood for law and order as opposed to the effort to obtain redress for real or fancied wrongs by inciting to unreasonable and illegal methods. Surely, in all this, there is much that we as a people may and should take to heart today. What is the idolatry against which the Christian church finds itself in conflict today? Diana of old, the multiple-breasted goddess, whose worship was supposed to insure large increase in the produce of the field and great human fecundity, may well symbolize that great, iniquitous system, which, for the sake of material gain, sacrifices the bodies



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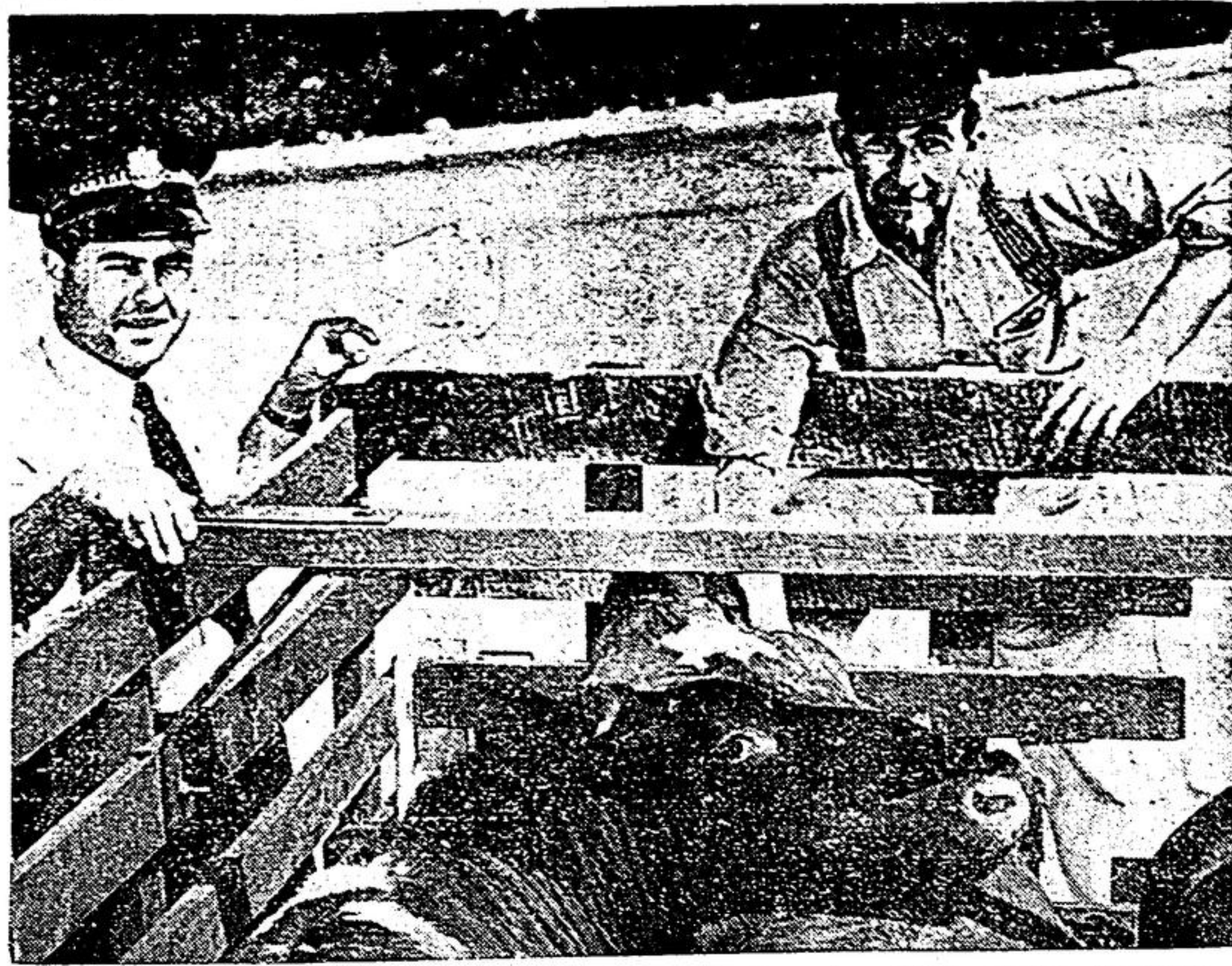


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One steer takes a last look at Canada as customs agent R. McCann and driver Max Petchesky inspect truckload of cattle going over border at Windsor to U.S. market. Truck after truck headed for border with choice Canadian beef after embargo was lifted. Prices didn't soar as was predicted.

CANADIAN BACON PLEASES BRITISH

Canadian bacon is well liked in the United Kingdom.
 Mr. R. Logan Layton, of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, who is stationed in London to report on the quality of Canadian meat arriving in the United Kingdom, recently paid a visit to Manchester. This city is the distributing centre of food-stuffs for that densely populated part of England renowned the world over for its cotton spinning and weaving industries, and for its engineering, machinery, and chemical factories.
 Mr. Logan talked with butchers and meat dealers, wholesalers and retailers, and as a result of his enquiries reports that Canadian bacon is most popular. He states that representatives of the bacon trade drew his attention to the fact that the retailers are more enthusiastic over Canadian bacon than ever before. They commented in particular on the steady, substantial flow of bacon that is coming from Canada and on the achievement which Canadians have made in improving quality. British retailers are handling more Canadian bacon than any other kind and their customers are well satisfied with it.
 Behind this encouraging news is the accomplishment of Canadian farmers in producing a lean bacon hog; the vigilance of the Dominion Department of Agriculture in its inspection, and in its efforts to promote a milder cure; and the co-operation of the packing industry in preparing properly cut Wiltshire sides.

and souls of men, such as the liquor traffic; the vice ring, degrading womanhood in order to become wealthy, by pandering to the passions of beastly men; the gambling fraternity, which impoverishes thousands for the enrichment of a few and; every other form of covetousness which callously seeks only its own interests at the expense of the general public. The representatives of these systems are always opposed to the liberating Gospel of Christ, which delivers men from sin's thralldom and arrays them in opposition to everything that is vicious and hurtful to mankind. But Christianity can never be howled down by mob psychology, and the sooner men realize this, the better. In the town clerk of Ephesus, himself evidently still a pagan, we have at least an example of the power of appeal to law and order, to which Christians ever desire to be subject, and which is the only proper way to handle questions that have to do with the well-being of society.
Verse by Verse
Acts 19: 29.—"The whole city was filled with confusion." The mob spirit spread rapidly throughout Ephesus. Crowds surged to and fro shouting the praises of Diana and denouncing the followers of Christ. Laying hold of two of Paul's companions, "Gaius and Aristarchus," they dragged them into the public theatre.

Verse 30.—"When Paul would have entered... (the theatre), the disciples suffered him not." Dauntless himself, Paul attempted to meet the mob face to face, but was restrained by his converts and disciples, who realized he would be risking his valuable life needlessly.
Verse 31.—"The chief of Asia, which were his friends." These were government officials known as Asiarchs, who were favorable to Paul and who also urged him not to get into contact with the excited and irresponsible crowd who were surging about in the theatre.
Verse 32.—"The more part knew not wherefore they were come together." It is easy for crafty demagogues and political tricksters to arouse the mob and stir them even to violence when many may not even be aware of the issues involved.
Verse 33.—"They drew Alexander out of the multitude." This man was not a friend of Paul, but a Jew, whom his own religious associates thrust forth to speak for them in opposition to the Gospel.
Verse 34.—"When they knew that he was a Jew," the throng would not listen to him, for Jew and Christian alike refused worship to the goddess. The mob continued to roar, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians," as though the greater noise they made, the greater would be the likelihood of their succeeding in destroying all opposition to

their idolatry.
Verse 35.—"The town clerk... appeased the people." This cool-headed official managed to quiet the mob. He pointed out that there was nothing to become so excited about. The fact that the Ephesians were worshippers of Diana was well known. He reminded them of what was commonly reported, namely, that the image of the goddess had fallen down from Jupiter, the supreme deity in their Pantheon. Actually, this image was a black meteorite that bore only a slight resemblance to the figure of a woman.
Verse 36.—"These things cannot be spoken against." Such was the judgment of the town clerk. Actually, these things were based on falsehood and were destined to be defeated by the truth of God as proclaimed by Paul, something the clerk knew nothing of.
Verse 37.—"These men... are neither robbers of churches (temples), nor yet blasphemers of your goddess." Nothing unlawful had been done by Paul or his associates. There was not a denunciatory ministry, but rather a positive setting forth of the truth of the Gospel.
Verse 38.—"The law is open... let them implead one another." There was no reason to stir up such a tumult. If Demetrius had cause for just complaint, he could bring the matter before the proper

authorities for adjudication. Nothing is ever gained by appealing to the unruly passions of unthinking men.
Verse 39.—"If ye enquire any thing... it shall be determined in a lawful assembly." This principle is the very basis of orderly government. If there are wrongs to be redressed, they should be taken up in accordance with the constitution of the commonwealth. If necessary, new laws may be passed and put into effect by the vote of the people, and in the same way others may be repealed.
Verse 40.—"We are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar." While professing to stand for law and custom, Demetrius and his friends were acting contrary to law and were themselves in danger of being charged with disturbing the peace.
Verse 41.—"He dismissed the assembly." Having delivered his calm and collected discourse, the town clerk brought the gathering to a close. The word translated "assembly" here is ekklesia, the same as that generally translated "church." This helps us to understand its true meaning: an assembly, not a building or a hierarchy.
The Heart of the Lesson
 While the preacher of the Gospel is not called upon to reform the world, the result of his ministry will be to change the habits of men who believe it, because they are born again by the Word and Spirit of God. This puts them in opposition to everything that is corrupt and soul-degrading—hence the place that the church of God has had down through the centuries in bringing about the destruction of many systems that have held men in bondage and have tended to ruin and degrade them. No wonder those who have invested their wealth in the liquor business and kindred evils dread the power of an awakened Christian conscience. There can be no compromise between righteousness and unrighteousness. But Christians should not allow themselves to use method opposed to law and order, but should avail themselves of every rightful means to combat and to destroy that which makes its profit out of the destruction of the bodies and souls of our people.

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