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### THIS WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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over the ceremonial law. Where need, duty, or mercy required it, the usual restrictions of the Sabbath might be waived without incurring guilt. These lessons arose out of two "infractions" of the Sabbath law as it was interpreted by the Pharisees—one by His disciples, and one by Himself. The prohibition against plucking the ears of grain and rubbing them in the hands to separate the kernels from the husk was based

on the ruling that these actions were a form of reaping and threshing. Our Lord recalled the incident in the life of David when he fed from Saul, and persuaded the priest, Ahimelech, to give him some of the holy bread that had been taken off the table of shewbread in the holy place, since there was no other bread at hand (1 Sam. 21:1-6). This bread was reserved for the priests, but the need of David and his men took precedence over the usual restriction. Next, our Lord reminded the Pharisees that the priests in the Temple, in order to fulfill their duties on behalf of the people, must engage in activities on the

### Ontario Municipal Board Reserves Judgment

The Ontario Municipal Board reserved judgment on Thursday morning in the second hearing at Unionville on the issuing of debentures for a new Markham Township municipal building at Buttonville. Messrs. Robt. Roland and C. F. Nunn were the members of the Board who heard the arguments presented for and against the issue.

At an earlier hearing direction had been given by the Municipal Board that the full cost of the proposed new building be presented at a second hearing which was called for Thursday. The bylaw which has been given two readings by Markham Council was for the amount of \$50,000. Full cost of the project as presented Thursday was for \$75,000.

Representing the township council and presenting the case to the Board was J. D. Lucas, solicitor. Representing a group of ratepayers opposing the erection of the building was Jos. Vale of Newmarket.

Mr. Vale opened attack on the debenture issue by taking exception to the contract let to Mr. Stevenson. Mr. Vale attempted to read from the Markham Economist & Sun, a statement attributed to Deputy-Reeve Alf. James. However Chairman Roland stated that newspaper accounts, while he was admitting it, could carry little weight as evidence.

Mr. Vale called as his first witness Robt. Rae of Unionville. Mr. Rae stated that Buttonville might not prove to be the centre of population in a few years if sections of the township continued to be lopped off through annexation.

"Do you suggest then that council wait five or ten years before building?" asked Mr. Roland.

Mr. Rae replied "No", but he suggested that an addition to the present building would be better for the present.

Mr. W. L. Champion, another of Mr. Vale's witnesses stated that the matter of erecting the new office at Buttonville was "sprung on" the public with no chance to object. He also contended that there was enough room on the present premises.

Mr. H. Tandy claimed that there was a rising tide of opposition to the council's move. Mr. Lucas questioned Mr. Tandy on the new Markham Ratepayers' Association and it was revealed that the majority of the members were from Unionville.

Councillor LeMasurier who was called up to testify against his council colleagues stated that the new site was not economically sound and he urged that a vote be taken. He claimed that he was not at the meeting, nor was invited to the meeting, at which the bylaw was given two readings.

"But the matter had been thoroughly discussed and the passing of the bylaw was only a formality," commented Mr. Lucas to Mr. LeMasurier.

"Do you suggest that the meeting was called deliberately without your presence?" asked Mr. Lucas.

"I'm not suggesting anything," replied Mr. LeMasurier.

Mr. LeMasurier went on to say that he opposed council's methods in dealing with the building. He believed that all five ratepayers' associations should have been called into conference on the project. He denied that he had any knowledge when he was elected to council, that the new building would be on the year's agenda.

Mr. LeMasurier stated under cross-questioning that he had objected on a recorded vote when the clerk was instructed to have the solicitor draw up the bylaw. He told the Board that he believed a longer debenture period would be easier for the ratepayers.

Mr. Roland reminded Mr. LeMa-

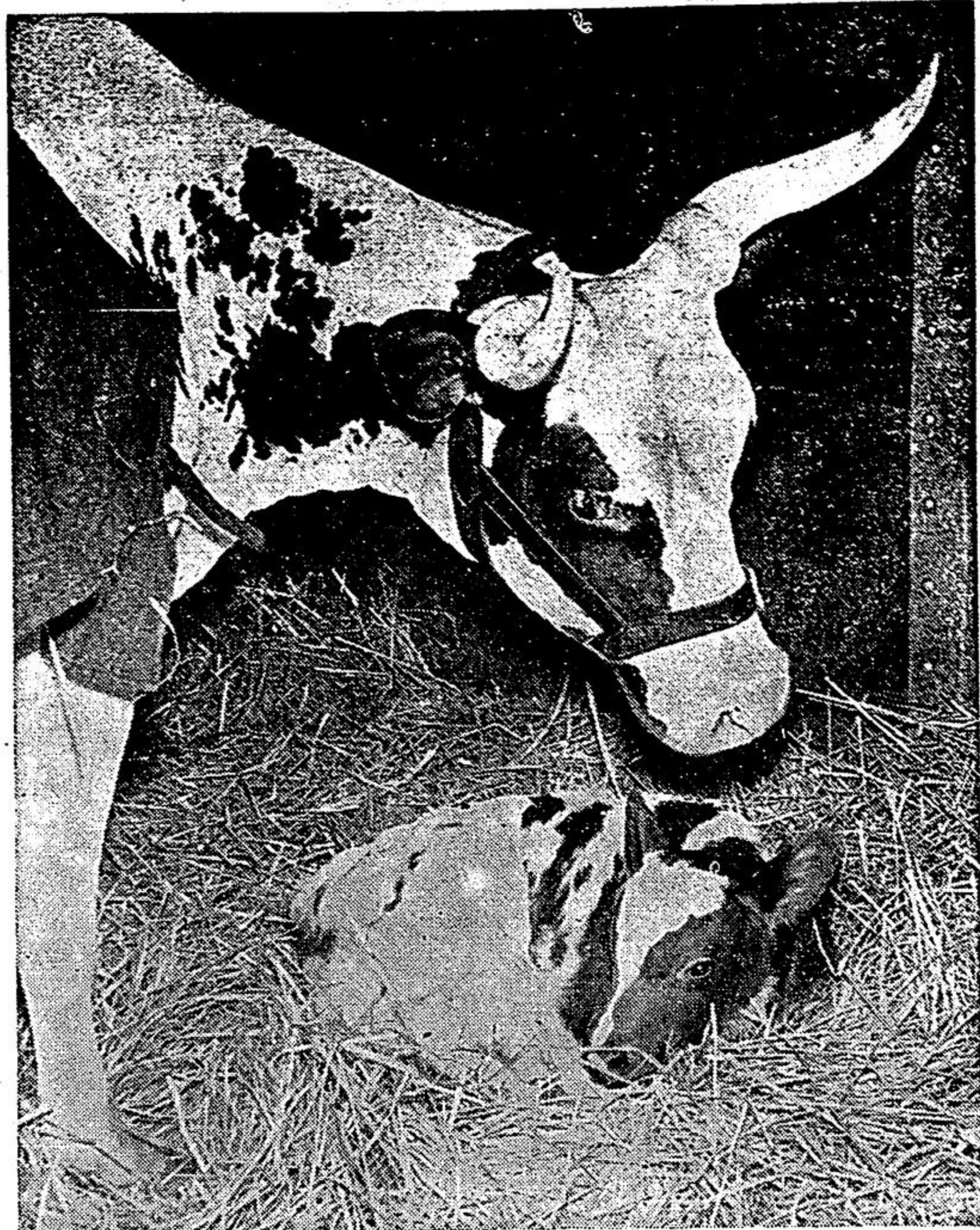
Sabbath Day which in other circumstances would not be allowed — as, for instance, the carrying of the loaves of hallowed bread to and from the golden table. Carrying vessels through the court was ordinarily prohibited (Mark 11:16). So again, the demands of duty took precedence over common restrictions.

In the second instance, our Lord defends His action against the charge of Sabbath-breaking by showing that deeds of mercy are never unlawful. The very men who accused Him would be quick to lift a sheep out of a pit on the Sabbath Day, at least if the sheep belonged to themselves! But Jesus argues, not on the basis of self-interest, but of mercy, and reminds them of the value and dignity of the human personality above all animals.

The old couplet runs:  
He that complains against his will,  
Is of his own opinion still.

It was not truth which the Pharisees wanted, but the enforcement of their opinions. No argument from Scripture or from experience would change them. But since they could not answer argument with argument, they resorted to the policies of those who know they have no valid case—intrigue, with a view to silencing the truth by destroying its herald. Every man who closes his mind to the truth of God is a potential persecutor.

### MOTHER LOVE



Mother love is shown by this Ayrshire cow and her 13-hour-old calf, born during

opening night at the Royal Winter Fair. The animals are owned by G. M. Brawley of

Annbrae Farms, R.R.1 Ashburn, east of Clarendon.

surfer that council could not be expected to run around and confer with the ratepayers everytime they had an expenditure to make. They're put there to use their best judgment he stated.

Mr. Vale questioned solicitor Lucas, and Mr. Babcock, engineer, concerning revised specifications on the building. Chairman Roland commented that he could see nothing unusual about the procedure used by council in selecting the successful tenderer.

Clerk Chas. Hoover and Reeve Timbers both stated that the idea of building an addition to the present

building had been considered, but there was not sufficient space, and the sanitary conditions would not permit it.

Mr. Timbers said that he sincerely believed council had come to the best possible conclusion in regard to the new building. He stated that while he had no objection to a vote, he did not believe it necessary for such an expenditure.

Mr. Vale in summing up his case, appealed to the Board to defer any decision until after the election.

According to some wives, husbands are either bookworms or just the ordinary kind.

### Black Agincourt Steer Takes Premier Award

Ontario proved Thursday that this province can produce beef cattle as good as those from the west when a black Aberdeen Angus steer from Agincourt won the grand champion steer award at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

The steer was Bandsman of Agincourt, entered by Carr Hatch of Agincourt Farms. He first won in the Aberdeen Angus class over a stablemate, Paulo of Agincourt, then went on to get the nod from Judge J. Charles Yule of Calgary

### Plenty of Christmas Spirit in these

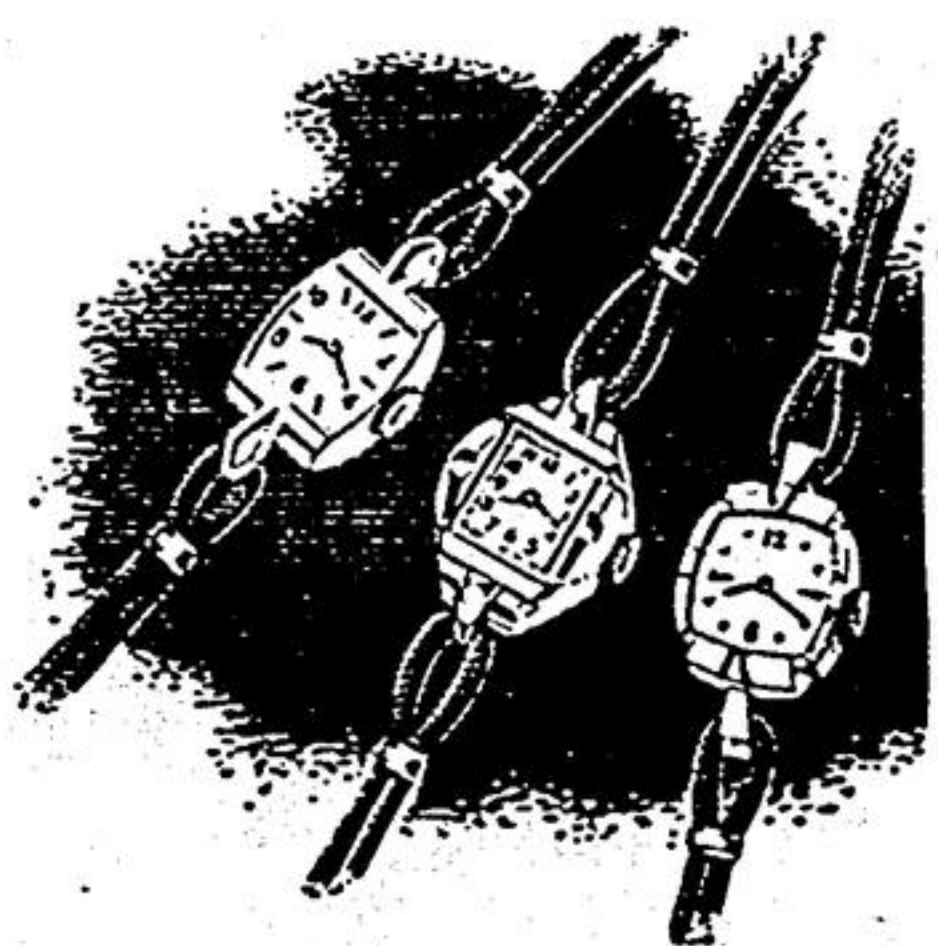


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