

AUSTRIAN ARCHDUCHESS A RED CROSS WORKER



The Archduchess Maria Josepha (at right), mother of Archduke Karl Franz Joseph, the heir to the Austrian throne, like many other noblewomen of practically all the countries engaged in the war, has answered the call of her country and has taken active charge of the Red Cross work. The photograph shows her acting as a good Samaritan to one of her wounded countrymen.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR MAY 2

SAUL TRIES TO KILL DAVID.

LESSON TEXT—1 Samuel 18:1-12. GOLDEN TEXT—Whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe.—Prov. 23:23.

Although anointed by Samuel, victorious in arms and promoted at court, David was many years in reaching his throne. At first both court and army did him honor (ch. 18:2), yet he conducted himself with great modesty (18:18, 23). He also obeyed the king explicitly though he knew fully that he was the God-appointed successor of Saul. Escapes as wonderful and as providential as David's occur in the lives of most of us if we would but know them.

I. David and Jonathan, vv. 1-3. The story of the love of David and Jonathan is a classic. With such close family relations and a son-in-law so successful at arms it is strange that Saul's anger should vent itself upon David. At first Saul was much attached to David but the admiration of the people for David aroused his jealousy, (ch. 18:6) and jealousy is peculiarly a soldier's disease. The slave of jealousy never has peace. As sin and disobedience developed in his life Saul became subject to fits of insane rage during one of which, as David played upon his harp and endeavored to quiet the monarch's spirit, he hurled a javelin, which served as his scepter, at the harpist (ch. 19:10). Saul felt that David was divinely protected and he knew that God had departed from his own life (15:23; 16:14). Saul did not keep his grief and rage to himself for Jonathan and the nation alike knew all about it. Jonathan gladly accepted God's decree, willingly gave up his rights in the kingdom yet he was loyal to his father. It is a tender and touching story of Jonathan's love for his friend David, and at the same time his loyalty to his father Saul. He "delighted much in David" (v. 2), gave full, explicit warning to David, and also sought to intercede with Saul.

II. Saul and Jonathan, vv. 4-7. It took courage and self-sacrifice on Jonathan's part to speak on behalf of David. Prudence and principle are combined in Jonathan's plea. Those who envy include in their hate and anger all who speak kindly in behalf of their enemy. But Jonathan's argument (vv. 4, 5) is unanswerable. David had not sinned against Saul: it was Jehovah who "wrought a great salvation for all Israel" on the day David took his life in his hand and overcame Goliath. Jonathan pleads for God as well as for his friend. He called to Saul's memory his former joy at seeing Jehovah's victory through David and for the time being Saul was persuaded (v. 6) and made another of those impetuous promises which proved so fleeting. Ushered by Jonathan (Matt. 5:9) David returned to Saul's presence, entered once more upon the discharge of his duties and desisted only when he saw that his presence only aggravated the king and that he was uselessly exposing his life in Saul's presence. David was faithful to God and to God's anointed king.

III. Michal and David, vv. 8-12. Saul's hatred was too deep to be permanently overcome. David went out and won a great victory over the Philistines and as he followed his courtly duty, Saul burst out with a fresh attack (vv. 8, 9). David had married Michal when about twenty-one years of age and Saul's attacks occurred during the next three years. The evil spirit mentioned was a demon (18:10; Acts 16:16-18; Mark 1:23-26), a messenger of Satan permitted by God for Saul's discipline (II Cor. 12:7). God permits evil to come upon men not to tempt them—solicit them to do wrong—but to bring them to repentance or to refine them as pure gold. Thus evil may be said to do God's work (ch. 4:1) "to be sent from Jehovah."

On the other hand if men will not have the good spirit, the spirit of truth, then God gives them over to error and evil spirits (II Thess. 2:10-12). Doubtless David was on his guard for when his insanity caused Saul again to attack him he fled (v. 10). Messengers were at once dispatched to his house (v. 11) and Michal lowered David from a window at some unguarded point, and as the spies escaped from Jericho, and Paul from Damascus, so he escaped from his dangerous position. There are suggestions in the Psalms which would indicate his grief over these experiences.

Michal's stratagem (vv. 12-17) was "one not necessarily sanctioned by God, though he bore with it for it occurred at that 'time of ignorance' which 'God overlooked.'"—Eidersheim.

IV. Summary. All who envy are murderers at heart (Matt. 27:18; I John 3:12, 15). The present day murderers hurl their javelins of slander, lying and vituperation against the reputation of the men whom they hate. Or else they hurl unfair and unjust business methods at others that they may perpetuate their power or else build themselves up upon the ruins of those whom they envy. Saul missed David though he was no less a murderer. Satan always overshoots the mark when he assaults one of God's anointed, chosen ones. Saul could not harm David though he wished to ever so much (Ps. 37:32, 33; Isa. 54:17; Luke 4:30; 10:38). Saul's hatred stopped not even at the threshold of David's house but invaded the sacred precincts of his home. Envy is blind, it assaults all that a man has, spares none with whom he is connected and colors every act and relation of life even to the relations of father and child. Saul was frustrated by his own children, Jonathan and Michal. David's danger was imminent, hence his speedy escape.

GERMANS IN THE EAST PRUSSIAN SNOWS



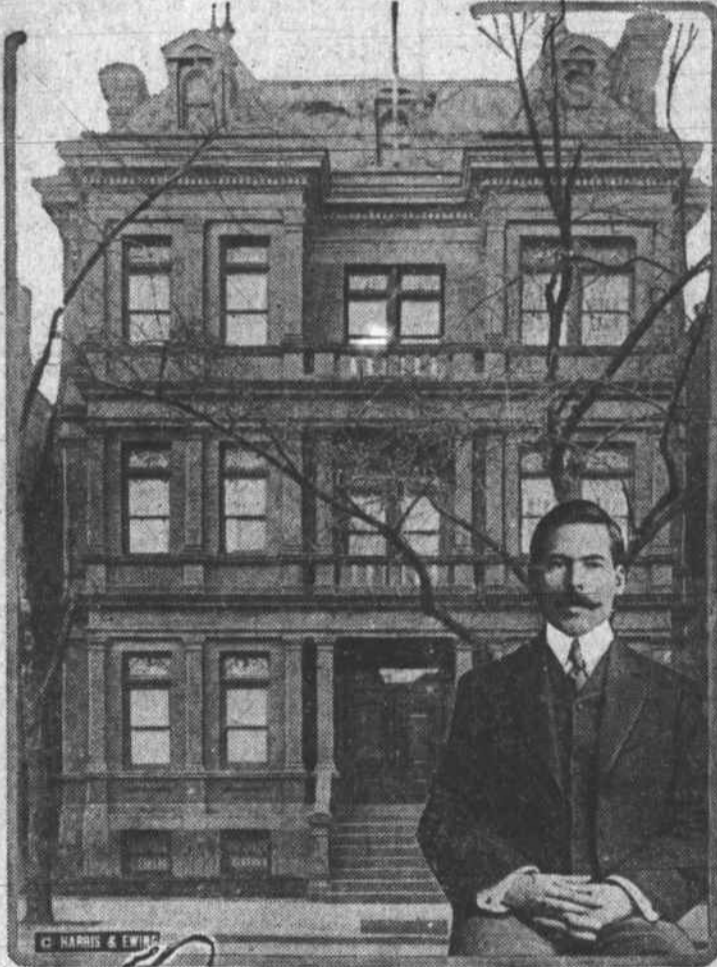
Below, General von Bulow (in cap at left) holding a consultation with his staff officers in East Prussia. Above, a German advance guard marching through the snow to Przasnysz.

DISMOUNTED AUSTRIAN HUSSARS CHARGING



This picture, taken at the risk of the photographer's life, showing an actual charge of hussars on a battlefield in the Carpathians. They are seen advancing to the attack with their rifles clubbed. One of their number has already been hit.

CARRANZA LOBBY IN WASHINGTON



This fine residence, formerly occupied by the Mexican embassy in Washington, is now in the hands of the Carranza junta, the head of which, Senor Eliseo Arredondo, is shown in the insert. Though not recognized officially by our state department, Senor Arredondo directs the doings of all the Mexican consuls in this country.

FROM KAISER'S GREAT GUN



This tremendous shell is one of those fired by the giant 42-centimeter howitzer of the German army. It fell in soft dirt near Verdun without exploding and was dug up by the British. Beside it, on the left, is a French 15-mm field gun shell, and on the right a German 77-mm shell, each of which is about three inches in diameter. The big shell is five feet long and weighs almost a ton.

WHO SAID ZEPPELINS?



Woman looking out of a roof window in Paris during the recent raid of German Zeppelins on that city.

RESCUE WORK ON THE F-4 AT HONOLULU



Heroic efforts were made to rescue the crew of the American submarine F-4 which sank in Honolulu harbor. The photograph shows a diver being lowered in the sea to search for the vessel.

LOVER HAS HEAVY BURDEN

Poet Wrong When He Sang of the Lightness of Young Man's Thoughts in Spring.

"Is the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," sings the poet. "Lightly!" Of all the burdens that can or do fall upon the shoulders of a young man love is by far the heaviest. The song that he carols so blithely is sheer bluff, meant to hide the crushing responsibility un-

der which he staggers; it is like whittling in the dark to keep one's courage up.

For consider what the lover must do! He must prove to the object of his affections that he is unworthy of her merest glance, while he invents a thousand devices to keep her from glancing away from him; he must wrestle in the silent watches of the night with a dictionary of rhymes to express his clumsy thoughts in Archaic verses, yet at the same time he is figuring that if he furnishes a flat he

cannot afford a honeymoon, and if they keep one maid they can never go to the theater; he must prove to his own mother that it will be nothing to love him, and to his prospective mother-in-law that it will be everything to win him.

To the Point. "When that Western cowboy was taunted so, did he make a cutting retort?" "You bet he did. He pulled out his knife."

SNAPPING THE WAR

English Photographer Follows Shells With His Camera.

Sees Houses Fall and Then Rushes into the Ruins to Take Pictures—Tells of the Ypres Fight.

London.—Christopher Pilkington is making an official regimental record of the doings of the Scots guards at the front. Armed with a camera he has permission to go anywhere and photograph anything.

Lecturing before the Selborne society Mr. Pilkington's descriptions of the terrible fighting round Ypres were full of the realism possible only from a man who had lived with the soldiers as one of them.

Of the 1,000 men who left the Tower with him on September 15 only 100 now remain and of the officers there is a remnant of two.

Round about Ypres the Seventh division got into the thick of the German guns. "You continually heard men who had been through Indian campaigns and South Africa say that what they had been through before was an absolute picnic compared to what they had to put up with from the Germans."

The battle of Ypres, which lasted for weeks and is not over yet, was for Mr. Pilkington a time of cycling about with his camera, usually under shell fire, taking extraordinary pictures of smashed up houses and anything particularly exciting that happened.

Mr. Pilkington was so near the actual thing that he would see a shell fall into a house full of sleeping soldiers, and a few minutes afterward would rush in with his camera and take a photograph of the horrible mess inside. He said that after a time men became curiously indifferent about the shells, and he showed a photograph of some transport drivers calmly gazing round to see exactly where the shells were going to fall and if it was time to move on.

"Custom becomes, as it were, another nature." People seem to have been living much as usual in the houses on the Menin road during this terrible time, and ten minutes after a shell had wrecked a house Mr. Pilkington photographed people hunting for souvenirs. One thing that astonished him was the sight of some children playing with toys on a doorstep in one of the hottest places.

He photographed a soldier having his hair cut by a comrade with shells falling all around at a spot christened by the soldiers "Hell Corner." He saw the French burying their dead in layers in a big hole made by a Jack Johnson. "They were like herrings in a barrel." He insisted that there is nothing picturesque to be seen, and his photograph of a line of guardsmen advancing to the attack showed nothing but a few blobs of khaki in a muddy field.

MUSIC CURES WAR'S INSANE

Helps Restore Faculties Lost as Result of Horrors at Front.

London, England.—Music as an aid in the recovery of mental faculties lost as the result of harrowing experiences at the front, is used with success at the hospital for paralytics, Maida Vale, London. The hospital authorities pointed to the case of Bandman A. G. Reynolds of the Second Wiltshire regiment as typical. He was buried in a trench for 13 hours by the explosion of a German shell at Ypres and for three weeks afterward his mind was a blank. He was brought to London and given "treatment" with the piano and other musical instruments. He began to improve immediately and to assist the treatment pieces of music which had been played to him were left in his room and on his bed. Gradually he began to read the musical notation and later the ordinary printing.

AIR LOOP LOOPER HONORED

France Decorates Pegoud, the Aviator Who First Flew Upside Down.

Paris.—Official announcement is made that Adolphe Pegoud, the famous French aviator, has been awarded the military medal for services rendered the army during the war. The announcement says that Pegoud on several occasions pursued enemy aeroplanes and on February 1

DOG'S HARELIP IS FIXED

Milwaukee Surgeon Performs Successful Operation on Blooded Boston Bull Pup.

Milwaukee.—The craze for flesh and bone carpentry has reached Milwaukee dogdom. Because its mistress did not like the appearance of the harelip worn by Lady Abbot, a blooded Boston bull pup, the animal has been in a dog hospital to have the lip fixed by the knife and needle.

Lady Abbot was the runt of her litter and, though three months old, now weighs only a pound. A Boston bull, it appears, can be beautiful in its own Boston bull way, and to make Lady Abbot beautiful it was necessary to cut open the lip on each side of the seam, and then sew the lip up again, a dozen stitches being needed for this operation.

The operation was a success, and Lady Abbot is now recovering. She is the property of Mrs. John Hartkopt, wife of the head of the city natoriums, and the operation is the first of its kind on record on a dog.

URGED TO CULTIVATE CROPS

Efficiency of Army Depends on This Year's Husbandry, Says Austrian Minister.

Vienna.—The Austrian minister of Agriculture has issued a proclamation to the farmers of the empire stating that the efficiency of the army and the confidence of the civilian population depend on the yield of this year's husbandry. He, therefore, urges that such crops in special be cultivated as are directly available for human nourishment.

FARMER'S BARN IS A CAVE

Nature Has Been Extremely Good to Arkansas Man in Providing Shelter for Stock.

Big Flat, Ark.—Nature has provided Almus Winn, a farmer who lives near this place, on Tater mountain, with a barn in the shape of a cave large enough for three teams to go in abreast.

Winn's farm lies on the flat top of the mountain, and the cave opens up in the top ledge of rocks and extends back under his field.

At a point just outside of the field there is a large chimney that extends from the top of the ground into the cavern underneath.

"THEY KILLED MY DOLLY!"



A photograph taken after a German airship had made a raid on the village of Colchester, England.

MOST ANCIENT RACE

Cave Gives Up Relics Many Thousand Years Old.

Explorations by Nevada Archeologists Prove Truth of Plute Legends of Lost Cavern—Sealed Up by Nature.

Kansas City.—The archeological department of the University of Nevada has nearly completed the exploration of a cave in Nevada, sealed up by nature 3,000 years ago. It contains relics of what is believed to be the ancient race from which the American Indians sprung, a race far older than the Aztecs. Among the things brought to light is a skull declared to be more than 5,000 years old certainly and possibly in existence several hundred thousand years ago. If these surmises are correct it is older than the Pittdown skull, found in Kent, England.

Along with the skull were found many relics of a prehistoric race in a remarkable state of preservation, because they have been hermetically sealed in nature's own preservatives. The first mention of this ancient civilization that is remembered by white men dates back to 1844, when General Fremont led from California a little band of whites across a new trail through the Rockies. He followed the Humboldt river until he came to the shores of what is now called Humboldt lake, a half mile east of the main Humboldt range of mountains, and a mile south of Lovelock, Nev. In the region of the lake he entered the land of the Plute, the chief of whom was Winnemucca. The trailmakers were met by the Indian chieftain with open arms.

General Fremont and his party were guests of the Plute band for many days. Familiarity with other tribes attacked, at a great height, and caused the fall of a German machine. "Soon afterward he attacked two other aircraft, causing the first to fall and the second to land." Pegoud first came into fame in 1913 as the originator of the feat of flying upside down and looping the loop.

No Strikes During War.

London.—Union workmen in England will have no strikes during the war, having agreed to submit all differences to arbitration.

had taught Fremont a method of communication by means of signs. He asked the Indian chief if he, in his great wisdom, could tell the white man whence came the red men—their origin. The aged chief by signs indicated that the history of the Indians went back to the beginning of the world. It told how his ancestors had driven a whole nation into a huge cavern and sealed them there to perish.

When years later Chief Winnemucca had learned the white man's tongue the Plute legends spread among the pioneer miners and finally reached the ears of scientific men. At Winnemucca's death his daughter Sarah became attached to the families of army officers, and through them the legends became public.

Her granddaughter, Sarah Winnemucca, was educated in a reservation school. Her imagination fired by the legends of her people, she repeated them to her instructors, until finally Prof. J. C. Jones, chief of the archeological department of the state university, determined to make a search for the lost cave. The stories indicated that it must be somewhere near the Humboldt lake. Sarah Winnemucca picked a spot as near as the legends could guide her, from which point the scientists conducted their search successfully.

Palace Grounds for Truck Garden.

Amsterdam.—It is reported from Vienna that Emperor Francis Joseph has ordered that all the gardens surrounding the imperial palace be used for the raising of cabbages to provide food for the people.

Speaking of Names.

South Norwalk, Conn.—Miss Bertha Fearing and John B. Bold have just been married. One of the wives was Miss Anna Hugg.

Redig Trenches for Canadians.

London.—When the Canadians took over a position from an English regiment it was found they were too tall for the trenches and the ditches had to be remodeled.

"Hobo's Paradise."

New York.—Ten free meals a day for idle men in this city makes it a "hobo's paradise," according to a report made by Mayor Mitchell's committee on unemployment.