

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FROM PHILIPPI TO ATHENS.

Golden Text.—The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them. Ps. 34:7.
Lesson Text.—Ac. 16:19-34. (Read 1 and 2 Thess. 5:1-4.)
(19) And (But) when her masters saw that the hope of their gains (gain) was gone, they caught (aid hold) on Paul and Silas, and drew them (dragged) into the marketplace unto (before) the ruler. (20) And (and when they had) brought them to (unto) the magistrates, saying, (they said), These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city. (21) And teach (and set forth) customs, which are (it is) not lawful for us to receive, neither (or) to observe, being Romans. (22) And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes (garments) of them, and commanded to beat them (with rods). And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely. (23) Who, having received such a charge, thrust (cast) them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks. (24) And (But) at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, (were praying,) and sang praises (singing hymns) unto God; and the prisoners began to listen (were listening) to them. (25) And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison (prison-house) were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's hands were loosed. (26) And the keeper of the prison awaking (jailer being roused) out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed (was about to kill) himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled (escaped). (27) But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm, for we are all here. (28) Then (And) he called for a light (lights), and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas. (29) And he brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? (30) And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, (and) thy household. (31) And he spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to the word of the Lord unto him, with all that were in his house. (32) And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway (immediately). (33) And when he had brought them (up) into his house, he laid out meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his household. (34) And he and his household believed in the Lord.

Time.—A. D. 52. Place.—Philippi.
Exposition.—I. Paul and Silas Cast into Jail, 19-24.
The poor girl's masters were trading upon her misfortune, just as mediums today trade upon their own. When the evil spirit had gone out the girl was of little commercial value and her owners were enraged, just as those who trade upon the lives of men and women today are enraged when these men and women are converted to righteousness and so their own nefarious business is ruined. The accusation was brought that Paul and Silas exceeding troubled the city. Nothing troubles the city in the eyes of some people like the revival that unsettles their illicit gain and brings in righteousness. Nearly the whole town seems to have taken a part in the demonstration against Paul and Silas. It was a very important matter, for "trade had been interfered with." It proves nothing against a man that the multitude is against him (cf. ch. 17:5; 18:12; 19:28, 29). But if the multitude was against them, and the magistrates against them, and the magistrates against them, God was with them and that more than compensated (Rom. 8:31). Paul and Silas fared hard; clothes torn off, backs flogged until they were torn and raw, then without any care of their wounds, they were thrust into a dark and filthy dun-

ITALY'S CIVIL WARFARE OVER

Facisti and Socialists Sign Agreement to Stop Fighting.

Rome, Sept. 3.—Facisti and Socialists, after months of guerrilla warfare, have signed an agreement to abstain from fighting and have constituted, in case of new disputes, "a court of last resort" whose judgments shall be final. Meanwhile, there are occasional skirmishes but peace has practically come to Italy.
The court consists of one arbiter, Enrico Ce Nocola, president of the Chamber of Deputies, who is clothed with supreme power in the settlement of disputes between the two factions. Ce Nocola was elected to the speakership of the chamber at the beginning of this session by a practically unanimous vote. He has a national reputation for fairness. In his inaugural address he brought the House to its feet, Facisti vying with Socialists and Communists to applaud his words.
According to the agreement, each side purposed to discipline its own members and to be responsible for their conduct, inflicting their own penalties for infractions of the peace pact. The return of all the trophies of war" was demanded. During the hostilities, the Facisti commandeered and captured all kinds of socialist stock, including hand arms, socialist automobiles, office furniture, seals, record books and thousands of members' cards.
During the strife, the Facisti also had forced many Socialists to resign their positions. Now they may return to work in return for the promise that they will in no way interfere with the patriotic propaganda promulgated by the Facisti and will pay the respect due the Italian flag.

A WIFE IN THE MAKING

WHAT NED'S FIGHT WAS.
Cherry's attitude towards her marriage had been somewhat of a surprise for Edward Randall, as he had not been the easiest man in the world. From his fourteenth year he had had it impressed upon him that through the death of his father he was now the "man" of the family. Intriguing word and thought! And "man" of the family he had been from that time on. For although Mrs. Randall was a forceful character and fully capable of running not only her own domestic affairs, but those of half a dozen of her neighbors as well, she was feminine enough to like to have some male person to look up to, and manage.
Ledy and Cooper, the local hardware people, whose business had rapidly enlarged itself within the past ten years, had early seen a good salesman as well as manager in young Randall. At six years of age he had entered their employ, served his apprenticeship, and by degrees worked himself up to the responsible position that he now held. Much credit was due him for this, for Edward Randall, despite his mother's assurances to the contrary, had a good bit of his father's blood in him. He had had to fight hard to make himself accept the responsibilities of a "family" at so tender an age. Many a day had he ached to run away or go fishing or do anything but be "man" of the family. The hardware business had not specially appealed to him, and often he had longed for a college career with the broader future that it commanded. Edward, however, was the son of his mother, and as such had a stern conscience, as well as a semi-developed sense of duty. This combination, plus the constant companionship of his mother, finally won the fight. Now still well under thirty, he was what the world called a successful man.
There were moments when he himself doubted this much-vaunted "success," and longed in his soul for wider fields to conquer and new horizons, but he thought of what his mother would have thought if he deserted the home he loved so dearly at this eleventh hour always consoling himself with the righteousness of the vindictive him of the righteousness of his course.
When he had met the charming Cherry in Chicago he was a real longing to have a companion of his own, someone to make life worth while and to work for. And Cherry had seemed the embodiment of all feminine charm and love and warmth of a nature long suppressed. To him she was the beginning of a better life. And it had been a bitter blow to him not to be able to place his lady-bird in a house of her own, immediately after the marriage. Still, where there's a will there's a way, and Cherry's love for him was fair enough to realize that the arrangements of things after her marriage. The condition of things in his mother's house was by no means all that young bride could hope for. Still, if only she had waited a few months more all would have been well.
There was a streak in his wife that he had not reckoned with in those golden days of courtship. This love for work, and independence in her had, after all, not been the whim of a still unmarried girl, but part and parcel of her whole being. There was the rub.
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The statisticians always Give the percentage of reduction. It seems to be quite a fad. To tell the exact percentage. And they sometimes get it In fractions, to be exact. But I am sorry to say That the gentleman with whom I do business don't seem To read the newspapers, Or, if they do, With their eyes shut. Why don't seem to believe What the statisticians say. If prices have gone down 40 per cent. Or even 10 per cent. These birds haven't Heard about it as yet.
The man who has got up a list of commandments for his wife to obey is a hero, but he has poor judgment.
Candy manufacturer says it is the price of nuts that keeps candy so high, but, looking about us, we are inclined to believe that nuts are unusually plentiful this year.
ISN'T IT THE TRUTH? The minimum in "little" theaters has been reached, it would appear. Yet no matter how small they make 'em the manager of 'em can draw audiences still smaller.—Walter Pultizer.
They don't serve those cute little quill toothpicks in dining cars any more. Well, toothpicks do seem sort of foolish in a dinner.
The fur of the Australian wookus is the rarest fur in the world because there is no such animal. The first glass cutter was invented in 1811, and by 1907 they had succeeded in inventing one that would cut glass.
If the Rocky mountains were rolled out flat this country would be much larger than at present.
It takes four million years to build a coral reef, and it isn't good for anything after it is built.
The best way to clean a kitchen sink is with a scrubbing brush and soap and water.
If a train of four hundred freight cars should run off the bridge at St. Louis Friday morning at 10 o'clock and plunge into the river it would be quite a wreck.
If all the chorus girls who bought their own limousines were gathered together, the meeting could be held in a telephone booth.
All the nations seem willing to disarm if they do not have to reduce their armaments.

The Facisti succeeded in the negotiations in persuading the Socialists to disown the organization of militant radicals known as "Arditi del Popolo" who have been ambushing innocent travelers as well as Facisti. Several deaths and many wounded have been the toll of the ambush parties. The government is using every means to rid the country districts of them. Strong patrols of carabinieri and royal guards reconnoiter the troublesome sections of the country.
The truce between the Facisti and Socialists was largely due to d'Annunzio's former chief-of-cabinet, Major Giurini, who has worked incessantly to bring both sides to an understanding. Mussolini, the head of the Facisti, speaking of the pact said: "Since the Socialists have shown themselves inclined to love Italy and be patriotic, we are ready to offer them peace."

MEXICO BUYS CARS.
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5:00p	29 Atlanta-Danville	18	9:10p
5:00p	3 Columbia	36	9:10p
x2:00p	12 Taylorville	11	8:06a
8:15a	21 Wash-New York	20	8:06a
9:10p	28 Wash-New York	27	10:30a
6:30p	13 Richmond-Norfolk	11	10:13a
9:15p	25 B'ham-Orlando	24	10:08a
10:45a	13 Columbia-Chals'n	14	12:32p
6:30a	10 Winston-Salem	9	12:45p
6:30a	14 G'boro-Danville	15	12:45p
3:00p	46 G'boro-Danville	45	4:10p
7:20a	31 Atlanta	16	5:40p
8:20a	16 Taylorville	15	9:00p
10:15a	28 New York-Wash.	29	8:55p
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6:00p	20 Charlotte-Wil. and Hamlet connections	19	12:25p
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