

Sunday School Lesson

December 22, 1946

GOD'S GREATEST GIFT
Lake 2:8-20; John 3:16;
Ephesians 3:14-21

GOLDEN TEXT—Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift—II Corinthians 9:15.

God's Gift The Greatest of All Gifts—John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

A Christmas Prayer

Our dear loving heavenly father, following the example of thy great servant Paul, we bow our knees in humble gratitude for thy great gift to us of thine only son. We thank thee for thy son, Jesus Christ. We know that Christ came as a little babe, born of his virgin mother amid the sweet acclaim of angelic voices. But the significance of his coming can not be understood apart from the cross. The precious babe of Bethlehem was born to live among men, to teach them

how to live, to do the works of the Father and then to be offered upon the cross as ransom for our sins—then to rise in triumph over sin and death. This was done in the long ago but Jesus lives today in the hearts and lives of all who have been privileged to hear the good news and to have seen the light and who have been willing to accept your wonderful gift of love. We thank you for your message of love, the Holy Bible written by thy spirit through the hands of thy servants of old. Through thy word we learn that the Savior is now day by day making intercession to thee for our short comings and sins.

We Thank You For Our Great Land

We know that our land is for from what you would have it. Our land is stepped in sin and selfishness, but oh kind and patient Father! there are a lot of your children in America who are earnestly trying to do your will. These same redeemed ones are by their lives and influence a leaven to our country. Be-

JOE WORKER

By NAT SCHACHNER
and JACK ALDERMAN

SAMMY SPYER HAD WITHHELD SALLY SHIMM'S KIDNAPPING BY MORTON GATES MERCHANTMAN WITHOUT KNOWING AND IT WAS THE NEXT DAY HE GOES TO SEE JOE WORKER WITH A MESSAGE FROM HIS FATHER, AND FINDS JOE AND BILL WAITING AT THE UNION OFFICE MORNING OVER SALLY'S DISAPPEARANCE.

JOE: I SHOULD OF KNOWN THAT WAS SALLY'S SECRETARY PER HELP AN THAT BLACK CAR SHOOTIN' LIKE BOEY...
SAMMY: WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, SAMMY?
JOE: I WAS WALKING DOWN FIRST STREET, MINDING MY OWN BUSINESS I THOUGHT I HEARD A DAME YELPING SMOOTHER-LIKE. NEXT THING I SEE IS THIS CAR TAKING IT ON TH' LAM!
SAMMY: OH, OH! THAT JEWISH SWAT GETS AROUND TOO MUCH!
JOE: SALLY'S GONE! SHE LEFT HERE FOR LAST NIGHT... BUT SHE NEVER REACHED HOME. I JUST PHONED!
SAMMY: WE EVEN TRIED THE HOSPITALS.
JOE: GEE, I DON'T GO MUCH FOR DAMES, BUT SALLY... SHE WAS SWELL!
SAMMY: JUMPING JEEPERS! WHAT A DOPE I AM! YOU SAY SHE LEFT THIS HERE PLACE AT SIX LAST NIGHT?
JOE: THAT'S RIGHT, SAMMY!
SAMMY: SECRET FOUR? I'M S'PRIS'D YOU ASK. IT'S ME AN' MIKE REILLY AN' TOMMY JONES AN' GEORGE BROWN, WHO'S COLORED, AND WE TOOK AN OATH TO TRACK DOWN MAL E-FAC-TORS!
JOE: WELL! WELL! GO THE SECRET FOUR ARE GOING TO RESCUE SALLY SHIMM? POOR SALLY!



THE MARCH OF LABOR

FOURTEEN MILLION WORKERS ARE COVERED BY WRITTEN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACTS.

BE SURE THE HAT YOU BUY IS UNION-MADE. LOOK FOR THIS UNION LABEL UNDER THE SWEAT-BAND OF THE NEXT HAT YOU BUY.

ONE OUT OF FOUR CASES OF VIOLATIONS INVOLVING WAGES AMONG 44,200 NEW YORK ESTABLISHMENTS EXAMINED AROSE BECAUSE THE EMPLOYER FAILED TO PAY HIS WORKERS THE REQUIRED 40¢ PER HOUR UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT.

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN ITS 1946 SESSION REAFFIRMED THE RIGHT OF LABOR TO STRIKE, SUPPORTED THE RIGHT TO WORK AT AN ADEQUATE WAGE, REGARDLESS OF CREED OR RACE, AND CALLED FOR GOOD FAITH IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

NEAR ONE BILLION DOLLARS SUBSIDIES TO BE DECONTROLLED

Washington, D. C. — Close to three-fourths of the Government's billion-dollar subsidy program, or approximately \$790,000,000, will be saved as the result of President Truman's recent decontrol order, John R. Steelman, Director of War Mobilization and Reconstruction, announced.

JOB PICTURE HAS LITTLE CHANGED

Washington, D. C.—The number of employees in nonagricultural pursuits showed virtually no change between last September and October, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Labor Department reported. Unemployment, according to the Bureau of the Census, remained at the 2,000,000 level.

First Marble Contract Signed in Alabama

Sylacauga, Ala.—A contract has been concluded with Alabama Marble Company providing paid vacations, holiday pay, hourly raises from .07 1/2 to .25 (average 15) four hours reporting pay, shift differential of .05 and .10 an hour and maintenance of membership with irrevocable check off. Management of the Harrah Marble Corporation, whose workers have been on strike agreed to a strike settlement with A. F. of L. on the same terms. Organizer Walter Mitchell handled these negotiations. Both these groups are chartered by the International Marble Workers.

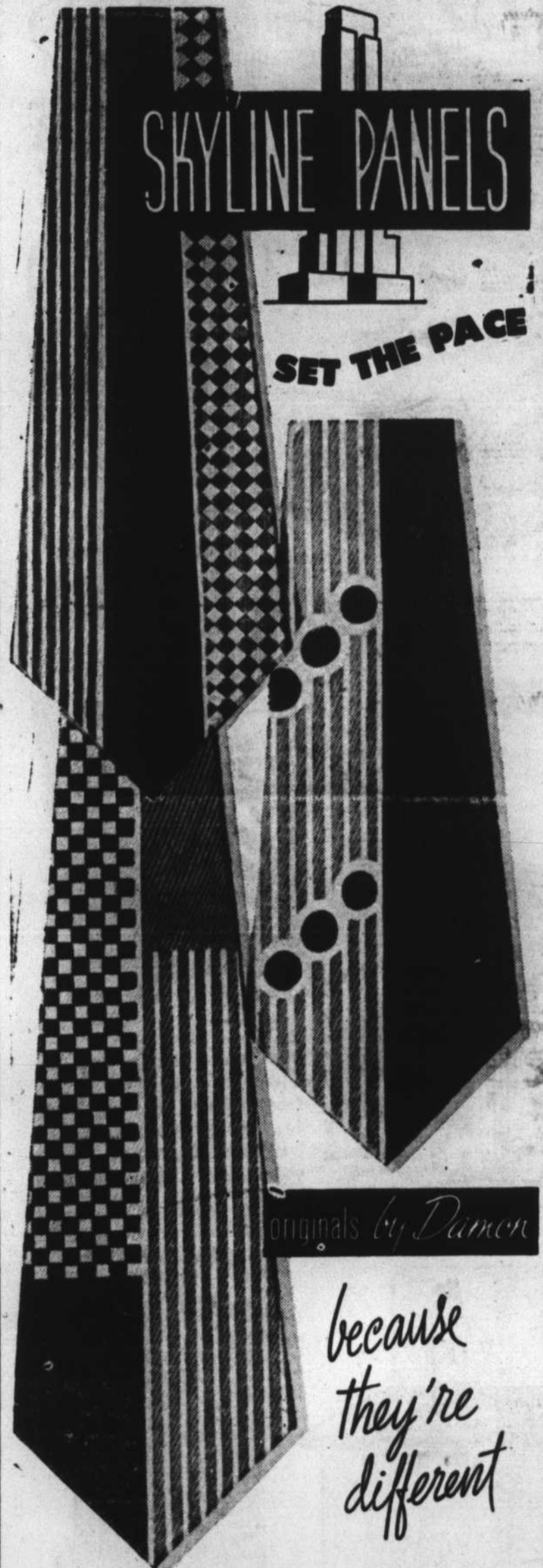
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