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Columbia, S. C.—"I was suffering with a breakdown in health, and became discouraged. I suffered with bearing pains and pains down through my limbs, my appetite was poor and I became frail and weak. Nothing I took seemed to do me any good. One day my husband got one of Dr. Pierce's pamphlets and we soon decided to try the 'Favorite Prescription.' My husband bought a half dozen bottles to start with. I began to improve at once and before these bottles were gone I was perfectly well and have been well ever since."—Mrs. Hattie Wessinger, 209 Sumpter St. Your health is the most valuable asset you have—do not delay but obtain this "Prescription" now. At all drug stores in tablets or liquid. Write Dr. Pierce, President Invalids' Hotel in Buffalo, N. Y., for free medical advice. Send 10c for trial pkg. tablets.

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Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 28

THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS

LESSON TEXT—Luk. 16:19-31. GOLDEN TEXT—"Choose them that are rich in this world, that they be not hindered, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy."—1 Tim. 6:17. REFERENCE MATERIAL—Psalm 49:1-10; Eccl. 5:1-10; 1 Tim. 6:17-19. PRIMARY TOPIC—Story of a Rich Man and a Beggar. SECONDARY TOPIC—The Poor Rich Man and the Rich Poor Man. EXTREMELY IMPORTANT SENIOR TOPIC—Parables of Scriptures. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Right Use of Wealth.

In this lesson we are afforded a peep into two worlds where we see disclosed extremes of character and conditions. No more graphic picture could be drawn showing the contrast of two lives. These lives were intended to be representative. The rich man descends from the highest pinnacle of worldly enjoyment to the depths of endless misery. The poor beggar ascends from utter wretchedness and misery to the loftiest heights of blessing.

I. Contrasted Lives (vv. 19-21).

1. The Rich Man (v. 19). He lived in a mansion secluded from the common people. He was clothed in costly raiment, his outer garments were of purple and his inner garments of fine linen. He fed upon the richest food that could be provided. His sin was to selfishly indulge his appetites without consideration for others.

2. The Beggar (vv. 20, 21). He was laid at the rich man's gate with the hope of getting at least the crumbs from his table. The dogs of the street were more kind to him than the rich man. Lazarus means "God is a help," indicating that a godly life shone through his poverty. We learn from these contrasted lives that worldly condition is no sure test of a man's state in the sight of God. Rich men are not all wicked or selfish, and not all poor men are godly.

II. Contrasted Deaths and Funerals (v. 22).

1. The Beggar. He was found dead and his body hurried off to a pauper's grave. No notice was taken of it by the world.

2. The Rich Man. He also died. His gold could not bribe the messenger of death. Doubtless a costly funeral was held, attended by those who moved in his class of society. Death is the common end to which all classes must come.

III. Contrasted Destinies (v. 23).

1. The Beggar. He was at once carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. The souls of believers are especially cared for at the hour of death.

2. The Rich Man. Though he had an elaborate funeral, his soul was cast into hell, being a torment. When the angels saw the positions of these men one wept, the other rejoiced. The poor man was in the bosom of Abraham, while the rich man was in hell. The rich man is stripped of his purple and the lion and carried away with all his wealth, because while on earth he only lived for himself.

IV. The Reality and Firmness of Life Beyond the Grave (vv. 24-31).

1. The Cry of Mary (v. 24). Dives, which is the Latin name for "rich man" was now willing to claim relationship to Abraham. He was keenly conscious, and the appetites which controlled him while on earth were still with him. Instead of a means of gratification they were now an instrument of torture. Part of the torment of hell will be the cravings of appetite and lust, with no means of their gratification.

2. Abraham's Reply (v. 25). This reply cast the matter back upon the man's memory. He said, "Son, remember." The lustings of a guilty conscience will be most real in hell.

3. Their Fixedness (v. 26). Human destinies are fixed by the choices during the life. When one passes out of this life he enters into an unchangeable state and condition.

4. God's Word and the All-Sufficient Law (vv. 27-31). Dives now requested that Lazarus go on an errand of mercy to his brethren. He requested the testimony of a spirit of more value than the Word of God. Mary today are more willing to trust the promises of a ghost than the sure Word of God. Abraham declared that God's Word is sufficient; that those who reject Moses and the prophets would not repent though visited by one who had risen from the dead. The greatest miracles will not affect the hearts of men who reject the Bible.

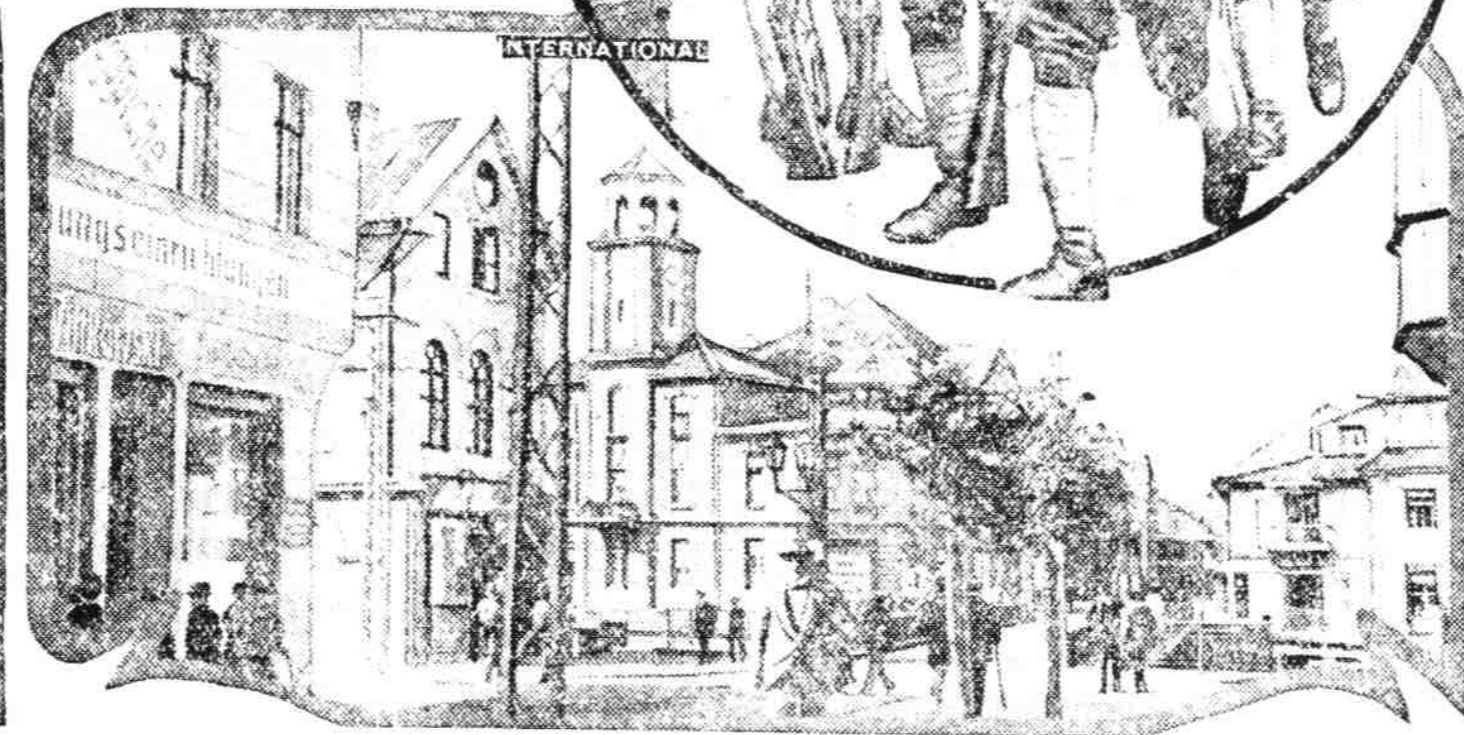
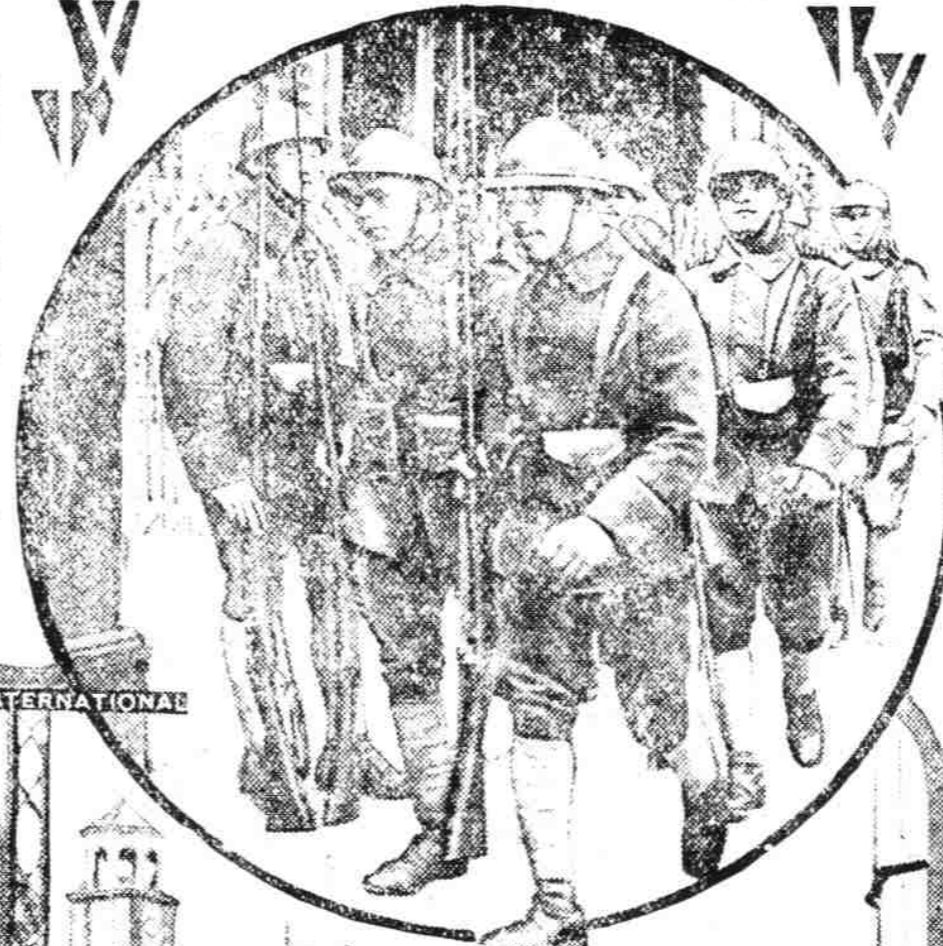
Development.

Development seems to be the method by which God works, and development is change—change which, by no means, involves imperfection; and this for the reason that laws, which obtain in the realm of the finite, may, or may not, obtain in the realm of the infinite.—Rt. Rev. N. S. Thomas, D. D.

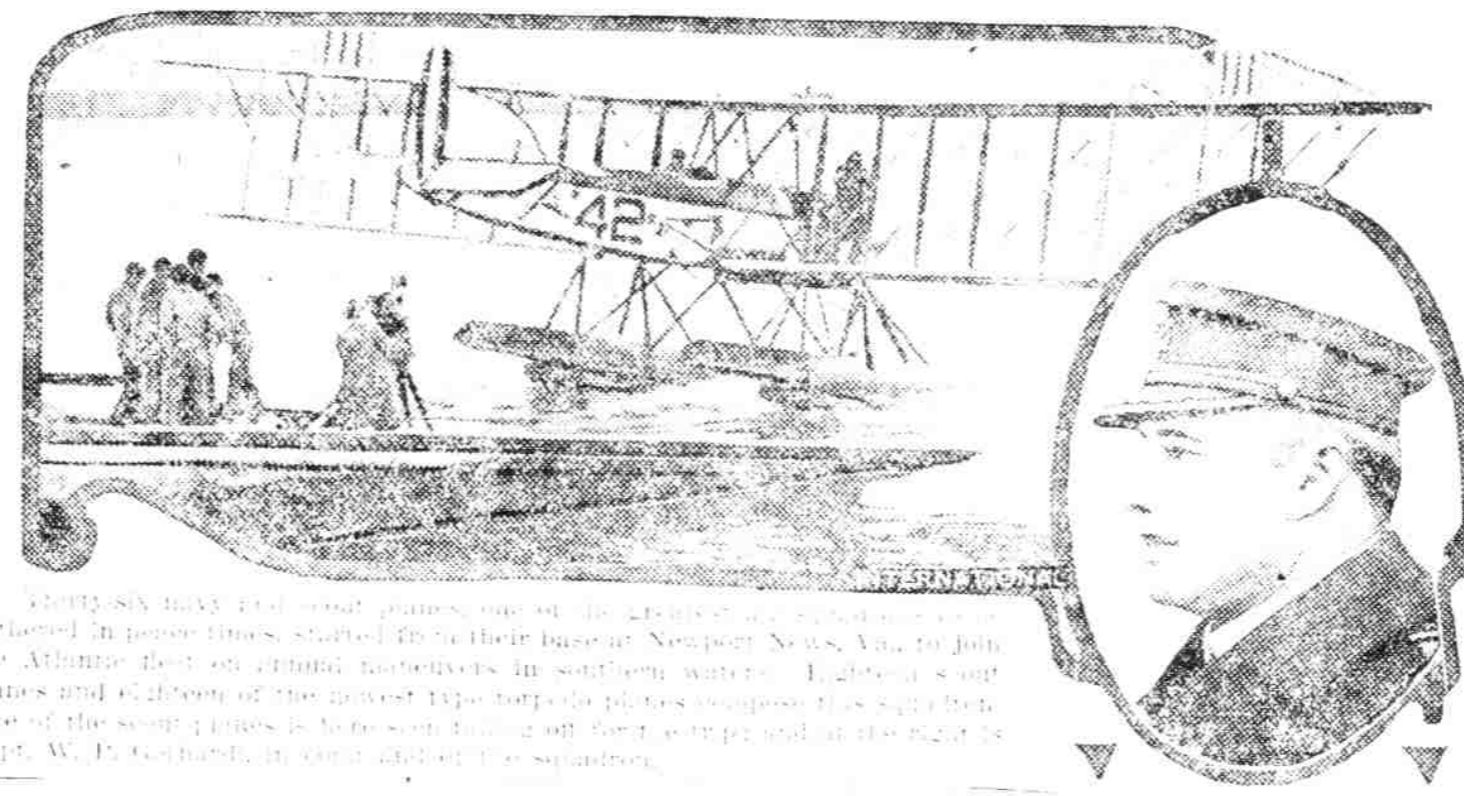
Man Lives His Beliefs. A man lives his beliefs however much he may betray his creed.—Sir Henry Jones.

Lithuanian Peasants Seize City of Memel

View in Memel, the city under rule of the League of Nations, which was occupied by Lithuanian revolutionaries living in the Memel zone. About 1,500 men are some of the Lithuanian soldiers who formed the small army of the city.



Great Air Squadron Joins the Atlantic Fleet



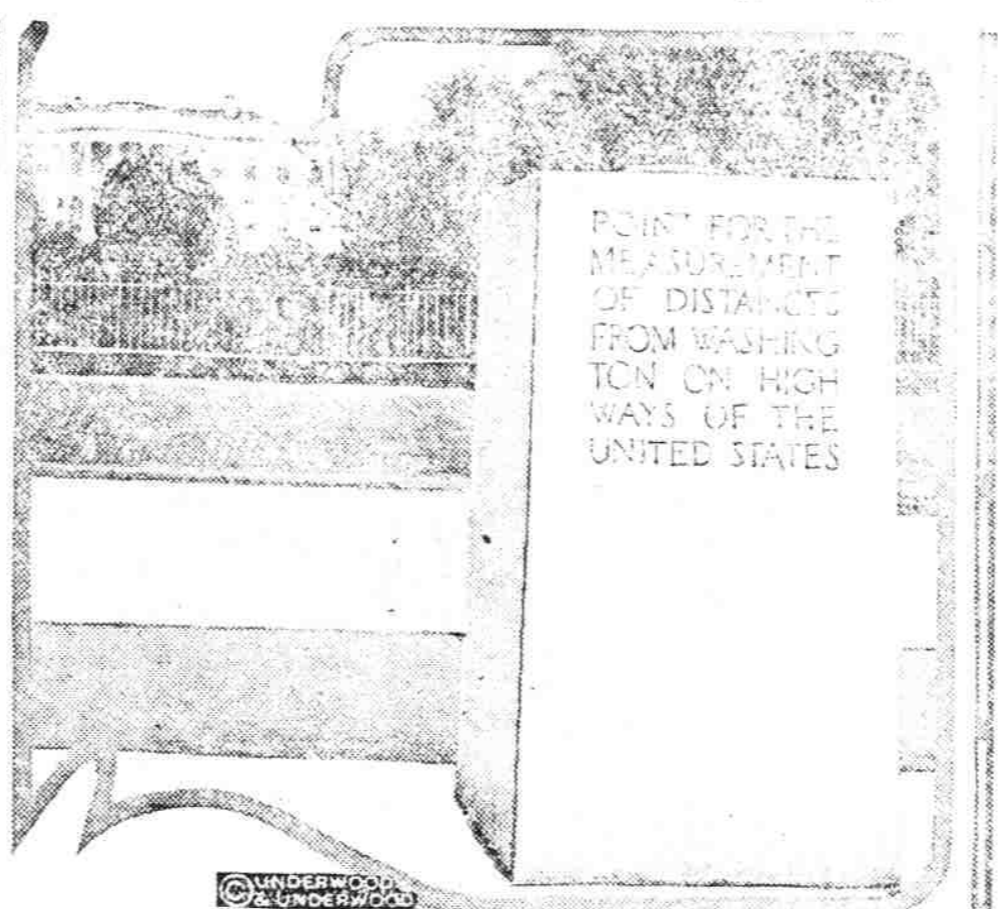
SIX biplane squadrons, one of the greatest air squadrons gathered in peacetime, started for their base at Newport News, Va., to join the Atlantic fleet on annual maneuvers in southern waters. The biplanes and children of the newest type torpedo planes equipped this squadron. One of the scout planes is here seen taking off from the carrier and at the right is Capt. W. D. Tompkins, in command of the squadron.

Oregon City Has a Severe Flood



Photograph shows havoc wrought by the swollen waters of the Santiam and Willamette rivers at Oregon City, Ore. Buildings are down and newspapers of the Willamette valley have lost many of their possessions. The high water mark flooded the lower streets and row boats were used.

New Zero Milestone for Highways



A new zero milestone, the point in Washington from which all highway distances are measured in the United States, has been set up in the ellipse only a few hundred feet south of the White House in Potomac park. The column is of white marble with a bronze compass dial.

HER CAT'S A SWIMMER



Miss Gordon Gray of England, with her pet swimming cat, photographed on their arrival in New York. Miss Gray is an authoress of pronunciation and vocabularies for the amphibious folk, which is something of a distinguished personage among its own kind.

DENIES BLASPHEMING



James Oliver Curwood, well-known writer and conservationist, says the charges of blasphemy made against him are based on a slip of the tongue when he spoke of Mary, the mother of Christ, having in mind Mary Magdalene.

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Weak Back

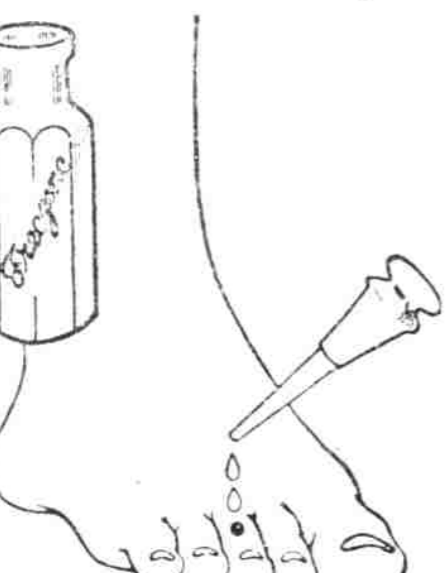
Mrs. Mildred Pipkin, of R. F. D. 8, Columbia, Tenn., says: "My experience with Cardui has covered a number of years. Nineteen years ago... I got down with weak back. I was run-down and so weak and nervous I had to stay in bed. I read of

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