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GOLDEN GLEAMS

To err is human; to forgive, divine.
—Pope.
Forgive! How many will say, "forgive"
and find
A sort of abolition in the sound
To hate a little longer.
—Tennyson.

But to have power to forgive,
Is empire and prerogative;
And 'tis in crowns a nobler gem
To grant a pardon than condemn.
—Butler.
It is right for him who asks for
forgiveness for his offense to grant it
to others.
—Horace.

INVISIBLE RESULTS!

German soldiers, captured in Brit-
tany, are reported boasting of a new
German secret weapon—an invisible
plane that can fly to New York and
return to Germany without being seen
or heard, according to the United
Press.

It is an interesting story which may
give comfort to the Nazis as they re-
treat from Brittany. Just the same
the "invisible" plane will produce only
invisible results.

BATS USE RADAR

Dr. Robert Galambos, of the Univer-
sity of Rochester Medical School, has
conducted some extensive research in
the flight of bats, which have long
amazed human beings by their swift
flight in the darkness without colliding
with obstacles.

The Doctor discloses that bats,
hunting at night for food, emit a con-
stant stream of cries pitched far
above the range of human hearing.
The cries are reflected by obstacles
such as trees or posts, and the bat,
picking up the echoes, changes his
course of flight to avoid collisions.

Thus, it seems, the bats use a
natural radar system, based upon the
principle of the echo of waves, boun-
ced back by impact with obstacles ap-
proached.

INVASION SECRET KEPT

One of the interesting revelations of
Winston Churchill's recent address to
the House of Commons was a state-
ment that in April, 1943, the British
and American Planning Staff planned
the invasion of France, selecting the
beaches for attack and presenting the
main operations of the scheme.

Mr. Churchill carried the plan to
Quebec, where it was studied by Pres-
ident Roosevelt and the combined
British and American chiefs of staff,
and approved.

The secret was entrusted to "scores
and very soon to hundreds and ul-
timately to thousands of people" but
it never leaked out either in the
United States or in Great Britain.

In the words of the British Prime
Minister, this was "rather remarkable"
and reflects credit upon the Anglo-
American team.

NAZIS THINK OF CAPITULATION
The average reader is familiar with
the arrogant boasting and bragging
of Adolf Hitler in the years when the
tide of success was running high for
the German Army.

They should appreciate the signifi-
cance of his recent statement to party
leaders that Germany needs "a man
who will under no circumstances cap-
itulate," and his assertion that he is
necessary to the German nation.

Whereas Hitler used to promise his
people victory, together with the
wealth and booty of a triumph, and
assert that the super-race was des-
tined to manage the entire globe, he
now urges his usefulness almost solely
on the basis that he is ready for a
finish fight and will not capitulate.

This assertion, it seems to us, is a
complete give-away as to the German
military situation. Obviously, the sub-
ject of capitulation is in the Nazi
mind and it has been placed there by
the impressive victories of the Allied
armies on the fields of battle.

The German's aspiration to master
the world has now been replaced by
Hitler's pledge of no capitulation.
There has been no change in the Ger-
man mind. The pressure of Allied
arms has convinced the Nazis that
triumph is impossible; it will subse-
quently produce conviction that cap-
itulation is inevitable.

"UNLOADED" GUNS DANGEROUS

In a newspaper published in another
state, we read about the fatal shoot-
ing of a boy who was handling an
"unloaded" gun.

The accident should remind parents
that firearms should be kept out of

the reach of small children and that
older children should be taught to re-
gard a gun or a pistol as a dangerous
weapon.

Of course, we are thoroughly cogni-
sant of the fact that no parent, read-
ing this article, will do anything about
the "unloaded" gun peril. They know
that their children "understand" the
danger involved.

It is the same with the children
themselves, despite all the words of
advice from their parents. Every
child "knows" that he, or she, will not
be killed by an "unloaded" gun.

Nevertheless, the fact is that a
number of children are killed every
year through carelessness in connec-
tion with firearms. In fact, a number
of adults also blast themselves into
kingdom come because they fail to
take proper precautions with firearms.

ALLIED PLAN FOR AUSTRIA
Austria, which was forcibly annexed
to the German Reich in March, 1938,
will be governed after the war by a
joint board composed of representa-
tives of Great Britain, the United
States and Soviet Russia.

Considering the annexation "null
and void" the Allies will attempt to
reestablish a "free and independent
Austria" and to "open the way for the
Austrian people themselves . . . to
find that political and economic se-
curity which is the only basis for a
lasting peace."

The Allied nations, it is announced
in Washington, will not attempt joint
occupation of the Reich, except as to
the Berlin area. The remainder of
Germany will be occupied by units of
the Russian, British and American
armies, without the principle of joint
occupation.

The actual terms to be applied to
Germany under the term "uncondi-
tional surrender" have been agreed
upon but some details of execution
are under discussion and it is said
that there has been no final determi-
nation of the zones to be controlled
by the armies of the three Allied na-
tions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

SAUL REJECTED

International Sunday School Lesson
for September 3, 1944

GOLDEN TEXT: "Because
thou hast rejected the word of the
Lord, he hath also rejected
thee from being king."—I Sam-
uel 15: 23.

Lesson Text: I Samuel 15: 10-23

Samuel was the last of the judges.
As he grew old the people of Israel
demanded a king, like other nations.
Samuel, the founder of the monarchy,
was also the founder of the monarchy
Representing Jehovah, he yielded to
their desires, and Saul became their
first monarch.

The formal selection was made by
lots. First, the tribe of Benjamin,
then the family of Matias, then the
household of Kish, and the individual,
Saul. Previously advised by Samuel,
at the time he had been hunting his
father's asses, Saul was found hiding
among the wagons. At first some re-
fused to recognize his rule, but op-
portunity soon came to prove his
leadership.

Saul's primary services to his people
were as a military leader. Seven able
campaigns he waged, ending in the
establishment of a unified, powerful
nation. As a fighting man Saul was
courageous and brilliant, possessed of
ability and personal bravery. Another
service, hardly less vital, was Saul's
success in winning recognition for the
kingship, setting the authority of the
monarch upon foundations firm
enough for David and Solomon to
propel thereby.

The Ammonites attacked Jabesh-
gilead, threatening to put out the
right eyes of its inhabitants. Saul
Saul hastily called his warriors to fol-
low under penalty of death for failure.
Leading a large army he relieved the
besieged city, earning the gratitude
of its people and a wider recognition as
a worthy loyal leader. Years later,
when Saul's dead body was insulted by
the victorious Philistines, the men
of Jabesh-gilead rescued it and gave it
decent burial.

The second military campaign mark-
ed Saul's first disobedience to Jehovah,
revealing a tendency to disregard the
divine will and rely upon his own
resources. Samuel had commanded
that the army wait seven days before
beginning a campaign against the
Philistines in order to offer proper
sacrifices. Saul became impatient
when the allotted time passed, pre-
sumed to exercise priestly functions
himself, and offered sacrifices. Just
at the close the old prophet turned up
and warned Saul that his kingdom
would not continue because he had
disobeyed Jehovah.

Other campaigns for the rescue of

Israel followed. The fourth struggle
was against the Amalekites, traditional
enemies of the Israelites, defeated by
Joshua at Rephidim long ago. Saul
was commanded by Jehovah to utterly
destroy these people and their pos-
sessions as a punishment for their
sins. The victory won, Saul saved
the king in order to grace his triumph
and preserved the better part of their
possessions. The character of the
campaign was diverted from an act
of divine wrath to one for pride and
greed. It was not a foolish gesture
when America refused material profit
from its enemies in the World War.

Once again, as so many times it
was to occur in subsequent years, a
prophet of God stood before a ruler
to rebuke him for his misdeeds.
When Samuel came, Saul brazenly
declared he had "performed" the com-
mandment of Jehovah. To which
Samuel asked, "What meanest then
this bleating of the sheep in mine
ears and the lowing of the oxen
which I hear?" Saul had no excuse
but the faithful prophet pointed out
the error: "Hath Jehovah as great
delight in burnt-offerings and sacri-
fices, as in obeying the voice of Je-
hovah? Behold, to obey is better than
sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat
of rams." So spoke the eighth cen-
tury prophets later on.

In his high station as king, Saul
got gradually further away from Je-
hove. His death, was tragic. Once
again in battle for the Israelites, he
confronted the Philistines in a strug-
gle that ended in disaster for king
and people. Jonathan, the grave and
noble, and two other sons of the king
were slain. Deserted of everything
save his own personal courage, Saul
committed suicide. As he realized a
little earlier, summing up his own
life, "I have played the fool and have
erred exceedingly."

Saul's life illustrates what happens
when a man attempts any task with-
out divine guidance and trustfulness.
When selected king, he was modest:
"Am not I a Benjaminite, the smallest
of the tribes of Israel, and my family
the least of all the families of the
tribe of Benjamin?" When, after his
first victory, his supporters wanted
to kill those who had opposed him,
he said: "There shall not a man be
but to death this day, for today Je-
hovah hath wrought a deliverance in
Israel." Unfortunately, with success
and power, he wandered away.

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WOODEN EGG CASES SHOULD BE SAVED

Wooden cases for packing eggs will
not be available in 1945 and growers
will have to depend on boxes of fibre
board construction unless they can
all cooperate in saving all of the
wooden cases possible, says C. F. Par-
rish, in charge of Poultry Extension at
N. C. State College.

He points out that there was a rela-
tively high breakage of eggs last
spring when poultrymen were forced
to pack eggs in all kinds of containers.
"With the food situation as it is, this
should not be allowed to happen
again," says Parrish.
He urges poultrymen to purchase all
the good, second-hand egg cases pos-

sible at this time and store them for
next year. To all stores, cafes, and
buyers of eggs in case lots he issues
an appeal to save the wooden cases
and cooperate with the farmers in
taking care of next year's egg crop.
It is estimated that about 85 per-
cent of next year's eggs will have
to be marketed in fibre board cases.
The production of this material is be-
low actual requirements and box man-
ufacturers receive their allocations of
fibre board on a monthly basis.
"Competitive uses for this material,
plus the need for distributing the
manufacturing load in order to use
production facilities more efficiently,
make it necessary for egg case users
to immediately place firm orders
through their normal supply chan-
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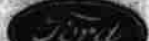
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