

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

TRIUMPH OVER DEATH

International Sunday School Lesson for March 24, 1940

GOLDEN TEXT: "Now hath Christ been raised from the dead, the first fruits of them that are asleep."—I Cor. 15:20.

(Lesson Text: Matthew 27:57; 28-6)

Having been arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane late Thursday night, falsely charged, convicted and humiliated early Friday, and finally escorted out to Golgotha, Jesus was crucified between two malefactors.

Among those standing by, watching the proceedings, probably smitten to the heart by the cruelty and injustice rendered, was a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who, although he was a member of the Jewish Sanhedrin, had been impressed by the teachings of Jesus and was "Jesus' disciple." Courageously, this man, in order to render a last act of service to his Lord, went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate granted his request.

Tenderly, the body of Jesus was taken down from the cross, wrapped in a cloth and borne to the private garden nearby of this rich man and laid in the new tomb which Joseph had had hewn out in the rock. There the body of Jesus was hastily prepared for burial because the work had to be done before sunset and the beginning of the Jewish sabbath, or those touching the body would be defiled and unable to observe the sabbath.

The usual method of preparing a body was to wrap it round and round with a long linen cloth, laying spices between the folds, the face being left bare. Another cloth was twisted turban-like, around the head. Joseph, assisted by Nicodemus, another prominent Jewish leader who had been a secret follower of Jesus, prepared the body of Jesus in the approved manner, as quickly as they could. Before leaving the garden, however, they were careful to see that a heavy stone was placed before the door of the tomb.

Outside the tomb, intensely interested in the proceedings, were two women, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, probably the mother of James and Joseph. They had ministered unto their Lord for three years and were not willing to abandon him even though he were dead.

It would seem that the Jewish authorities, who had been responsible for the arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus, would have been satisfied when they were convinced that he was dead and safely put away in

a rock tomb. But, remembering Jesus' many prophetic words that he would rise from the dead on the third day, they went back to Pilate, requesting that he seal the tomb with the official Roman seal and place an armed guard there to make sure that his disciples did not enter the tomb, take away the body of Jesus and then go about declaring that he had risen from the dead. The request was granted; the great sepulchre stone was sealed, and a guard of soldiers placed before it.

Just as soon as they could, after the end of the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary returned to the sepulchre with more spices to anoint the body of their Lord, probably feeling that the hasty preparations were not as complete as they would like for them to have been. Arriving at the sepulchre, they were surprised to see the heavy stone rolled away from the door and an angel sitting on it. The angel told them that Jesus, whom they sought, was not there, but had risen, even as he had said. After having seen with their own eyes that what the angel said was true, they were told to go quickly and tell his disciples that Christ had risen from the dead and would meet them in Galilee.

Trembling with excitement, hardly able to comprehend what they had seen and heard, bursting with joy in the fact that their Lord was not dead, these women ran at once to give the disciples news of what had happened. As they were running out of the garden, Jesus met them, called unto them and quieted them with the simple salutation, "All hail." They fell down at his feet and worshipped him.

The authenticity of the Christian faith stands or falls on the reality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The written records of the gospels carry conviction, but there are other facts even more conducive to faith. The fact that the early followers of Jesus changed from the traditional day of worship to the first day of the week in recognition of some great occasion to be commemorated is noteworthy. The transformation then brought about in the conduct of his disciples testified eloquently to some new and dynamic source of faith and confidence. Peter, who denied his Lord three times in terror, after the resurrection faced the opposition and ridicule of the scribes and Pharisees and courageously preached the pentecostal sermon, winning thousands to a belief in and acceptance of Jesus Christ. So, also, Paul, after his vision of the resurrected Christ, changed from a persecutor to an expounder of the new faith.

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"Cotton construction lends itself to prefabrication and mass-production, it is aesthetically pleasing, and it produces houses of neat and colorful appearance," a Department of Agriculture spokesman reports. "The houses are also highly fire-resistant; and last, but far from least from the Southern point of view, cotton houses could provide an outlet for a considerable quantity of the present burdensome surplus. We can hope to see the day when the South can be housed in buildings made of material grown on its own farms."

EXTENSION NOTES

By FRANCES MANESS
Home Demonstration Agent

We are very well pleased with the wonderful response of the people in West Hertford in the Home Beautification Contest. This contest is sponsored by the Home and Garden Demonstration Club. Forty-six people have entered. The yards were judged last Thursday by Mrs. M. T. Griffin of the Bethel Club and Miss Lucy White of the Belvidere Club.

The date of our next Farm and Home Broadcast has been changed from April 4th to April 11th. Don't forget our 4-H Broadcast Saturday, March 23, at 10:15 o'clock. Russell Harwood, Frances Anne Cooke, Clinton Trueblood and Florence Monds from the Winfall Junior 4-H Club will give a discussion on "Better Homes."

The schedule of clubs for March 25th through March 30th: Wednesday, March 27, Burgess Home Demonstration Club with Mrs. J. E. Bassnight, at 2:30 P. M.

FITS SUIT ON THIEF

Boston.—After spending half an hour helping two well-dressed men select a suit for their shabby companion, Ishmael Ligham, Roxbury clothier, and his wife were forced into the basement of their store and the "customers" made off with the suit and about \$150 worth of haberdashery.

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Winslow-White Motor Company Is Four Years Old

Eighth In a Series of "Reviewing Hertford Businesses"; Is Outstanding In Sales

One of Hertford's younger business institutions is the Winslow-White Motor Company, Ford dealers located at the corner of Grubb and Front Streets.

Progress there since the opening in the number of cars and trucks sold has been amazing. Winslow-White is also an authorized Ford parts and service center. Genuine Ford parts and almost anything in the line of accessories for motor cars or trucks can be found there.

Though the firm continues under the original trade name, Mr. White, Elwood Q. White, who was originally in the business with L. C. Winslow, has since severed his connections there and opened a new agency in Edenton.

Cecil Winslow is now the active manager and service department head at the Winslow-White Motor Company, and William (Bill) Boyce, who was once associated with the old Divers Motor Company years ago, is one of the certified Ford mechanics.

The Ford agency is located in a large modern building at Grubb and Front Streets. Recently, it was enlarged to provide a huge attractive showroom in the part of the building once used by the Grocery Sales Company.

On several occasions, the Winslow-White Company has won out in sales contests promoted by the Ford Company. Members of the firm have made trips to the World's Fair in New York as awards, and the office boasts a number of tokens presented for other outstanding activities in the sales field.

Less than four years old, the business has enjoyed increasing success.

Explaining To Willie
"Pa, what's the difference between a statesman and a politician?"
"A statesman, my son, wants to do something for his country; a politician wants his country to do something for him."

Danger In Home-made Electric Fence Cited

A warning to North Carolina farmers to beware of the home-made electric fence has been issued by David S. Weaver, head of the Department of Agricultural Engineering and Extension specialist of State College. He says that all electric fences present an element of danger, but that the home-made device which does not limit the amount of current and which does not include a fool-proof controller to interrupt the flow of electricity, is especially lethal.

"The recent death of a Wilson County child who was electrocuted by a fence on his father's farm focused attention on the electric fence now being widely used to restrain livestock in the State," Prof. Weaver stated. "I wish to reiterate the position of my department, and that of the entire State College Extension Service, that all electric fences present definite safety problems, but home-made electric fence devices are especially dangerous."

The State College man said that the Wilson County child died as a result of coming in contact with a home-made electric fence, which did not allow for the fence wire to be charged intermittently, and which had only a small electric bulb to reduce the amount of current from a 110 volt line.

Electric fences manufactured by reliable companies restrict the amount of current, and interrupt the current at regular intervals in order that a person or animal may be freed from contact with the charged wire, usually without fatal damage.

"I repeat the warning which we have frequently issued that an electric fence is extremely dangerous unless it is properly made, correctly installed, and carefully used," concluded Dr. Weaver.


Cotton Houses Seen For South In Near Future

Houses built from cotton are a dream which may come true on a large scale in the not far-distant future, the National Cotton Council has revealed in reviewing experimental work conducted with cotton building fabrics.

Department of Agriculture experiments in cotton house building in the South have shown that cotton coverings may be used successfully on both interior and exterior walls as well as for roofing. Experiments are also being made with cotton in-

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