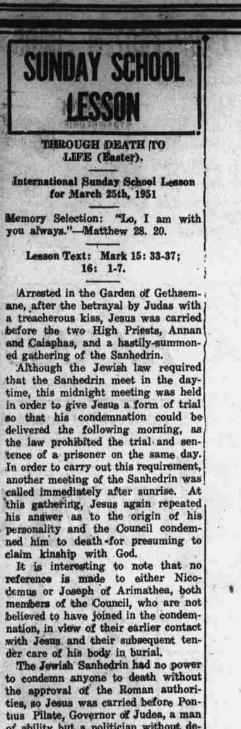
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tius Pilate, Governor of Judea, a man of ability but a politician without de-cided principles. Pilate would not be-lieve that Jesus deserved death. He had a superstitious dread of the role he was called upon to play and, be-sides, he had been alamed by a dream which his mile had redated to him which his wife had related to him about this same man, Jesus.

In an effort to sidestep the respon-sibility and in view of the fact that Jesus was from Galilee, Pilate sent him to be judged by Herod Antipas, the ruler of Galilee, who happened to be in Jerusalem at that time. Herod declined to accept the responsibility and sent Jesus back to Pilate, who was thus forced to face the issue. Pilate's conduct in this crists stands

as a warning to all who exercise authority. In the interest of expediency and rather than brook the anger of the **Jews**, Pliste acquiesced in sending an innocent man to death. The enemies of Jesus lost no time in carrying out the sentence of death which they had extorted from Pilate. The mocking crowd made merry over the apparent discomfiture of the man who had assumed to be the king of his people. Many insults were forced upon him, lly, he was for his cross to the scene of his crucifixion, which he was unable to do be cause of the physical punishment he had just been forced to undergo. Simon of Cyrene was impressed by the soldiers to perform this service for Having reached the place of cruci-fixion, Jesus was impaled upon the cross, with two robbers alongside, and his enemies lingered around, watching him in the agony of death. As death approached, Jesus realized that his great mission was completed and gave voice to his satisfaction of achievement, by exclaiming, "It is finished!" (John 19: 30). Taken down from the cross by lov-ing hands, Jesus was given burial with all the care possible by two secret friends, Joseph and Arimathaea and Nicodemus. On the third day there Modemus. On the third day there-after, early in the morning after the Jewish Sabbath, faithful women went to his tomb, only to be told by the guardian angel there, "He is not here, he is risen!" These are the most meaningful words ever to be heard on earth atom sumsaing the stuon earth, even surpassing the stuus announcement of the angels of the birth of Jesus. "He is not here" meant plainly that Jesus Christ had risen from the dead and that resurrection is the basic corner-stone of the whole Christian faith. In stone of the whole Christian faith. In the Resurrection is the final proof of it all; proof that this was indeed the Only Begotten Son of God, the Lord of Life and the Conqueror of Death. It was the proof of the statement of Desus himself: "I am the resurrec-tion and the life. He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live again." (John II: 25).

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Fair blue skies that were lately bleak and gray arch over our heads. Under our feet the new grass is growing. The first flowers of spring are bursting into bloom. Tender green leaves now cover the branches that a month ago were bare. All around us is the balmy air of spring.

In each of us dwells the hope of a life that is everlasting, and the resurrection of nature in the spring serves to strengthen this hope.

But there is yet another greater evidence of life hereafter. This greater hope lies in the story of Easter, when the resurrection of Jesus Christ revealed an empty tomb.

From this miraculous event came forth the Christian religion which has brought joy, hope, and courage to men for generations. Through faithful church attendance, you too can find a more meaningful, happier life on earth, and the hope of a greater. life yet to follow.

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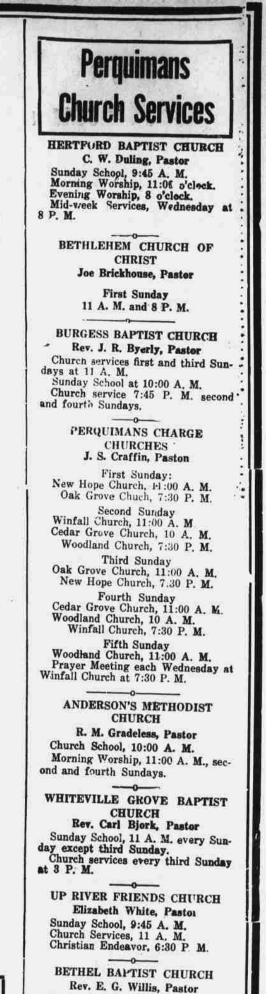
democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound beasons why every person should attend services regularly and sup-port the Church. They are: (1) For his com sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and ma-terial support. Plan to go to church regularly and read your Bible daily.

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