

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR DECEMBER 27

JESUS, THE WORLD'S SAVIOR AND KING.

(Review.)

READING LESSON—II Cor. 5:14-21.
GOLDEN TEXT—Far be it from me to glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.—Gal. 6:14 I. V.

With the exception of the temperance lesson, all the lessons of the quarter have to do with the death and resurrection of our Lord. In the first quarter we considered Jesus as the great Teacher; in the second, he is presented chiefly as the seeking Savior; in the third, we observed him as he acted in judgment upon Israel and sin; in this last, he is seen in his supreme office as Savior and king. The king of love, he is also the world's Savior. Deny him his kingship, refuse to become a subject of that kingdom of which he is the head and we bring upon ourselves the condemnation of a righteous judgment. This past quarter particularly reveals him in that final ministry which resulted in the initiation of the new enterprise of proclaiming his gospel, to the end that his kingdom shall be established. We shall consider the lessons under four headings:

Story of Love.

I. Those of Preparation for His Passion. These embrace the first three lessons. (1) In the first, we have the beautiful story of the love which anointed him for burial, which he accepted and immortalized. This was not because of the greatness of the act, but because of the appreciation of himself and of his words. (2) Here we observe him presiding over and instituting that lasting memorial, the symbolic feast, wherein the old passes away and the new dispensation is ushered in. (3) In the third lesson we view with awe the agony of the garden wherein he dedicated himself to the coming suffering. "Not as I will, but as thou wilt"—absolute surrender and delight in the Father's will.

II. Those That Preceded His Passion. These next five lessons lead us through those dark shadows, yea, through a darkness which is yet unfathomable and which ended in the total darkness of Calvary. (4) In this lesson Judas is presented, the incarnation of evil, and the agent of Satan, who betrayed his Lord and "Friend" by a kiss. Here we see the utter ruin of a soul which chose private ambition instead of fellowship with Jesus. (5) This is a presentation of the greatest and most appalling travesty of justice the world has ever seen. Humanity never descended to any lower depths, yet he is serene, calm, dignified and strong. (6) The Temperance Lesson. (7) This lesson considers the heart-breaking rashness of Peter. (8) This is the story of the ignoble failure of a weak, vacillating, time-server.

Story of the Cross.

III. His Passion. (9) This brings us to the story of the cross itself, as considered in this sequence of lessons. Before that awe-inspiring, wonder-creating event we stand with bared head. Here sin was unmasked and did its utmost. Her also we behold grace unveiled and active.

IV. The Post-Passion Lessons. We are now in a new atmosphere and light, a new glory is to be seen. (10) In this lesson we behold the empty tomb, for "He could not be holden of death." We share with them the glorious, the joyful consciousness that he whom we have just seen die in ignominy and shame and suffering is now alive and "ever liveth" to be our advocate and ever-present friend. This is a glorious fact, that of the literal, bodily resurrection of Christ from among the dead. Hallelujah! (11) In lesson eleven this same thought is again emphasized and with the suggestion of its accompanying obligation, in that "we are witnesses of these things."

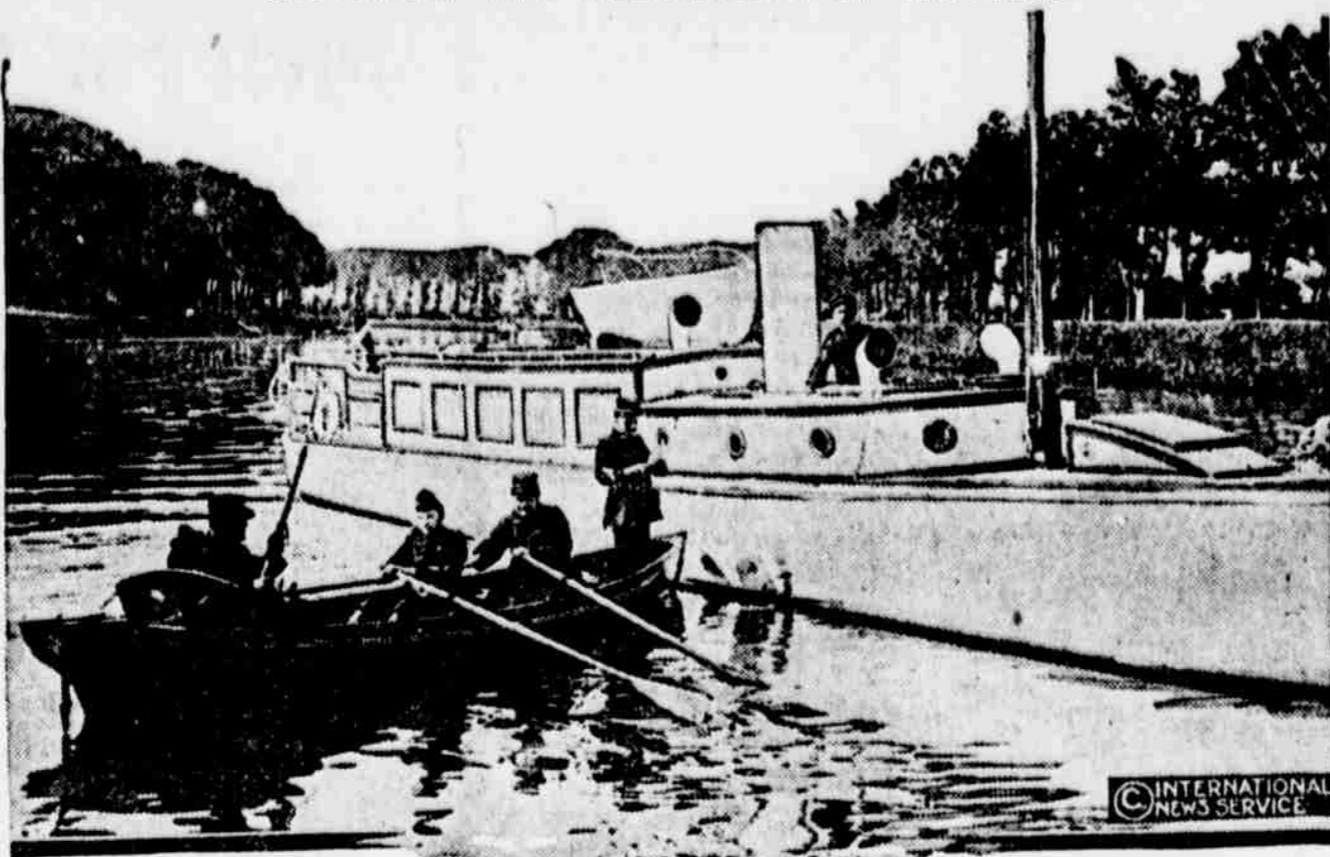
In "Tarbell's Teachers' Guide" is a good suggestion for review Sunday, viz., that a series of elliptical phrases be written upon a board or chart, that will fix the chief idea or serve to recall the lessons, as follows:

- (1) Let her alone (2) For ye have the poor (3) Where-soever this gospel shall be preached (4) Verily I say unto you, One (5) Verily for the Son of Man goeth (6) This is my blood (7) Take ye (8) My soul is (9) Father, all things (10) Watch and (11) My God, my (12) Why seek ye (13) Ye shall be with

These phrases may be written upon cards or slips of paper and distributed to classes or individuals, the entire sentence to be recited when called for. It would also be well to make mention of the two years' work in the Synoptic Gospels. Define what the gospel is (I Cor. 15:1-4), what the word synoptic means, and wherein these Gospels differ from the Fourth Gospel.

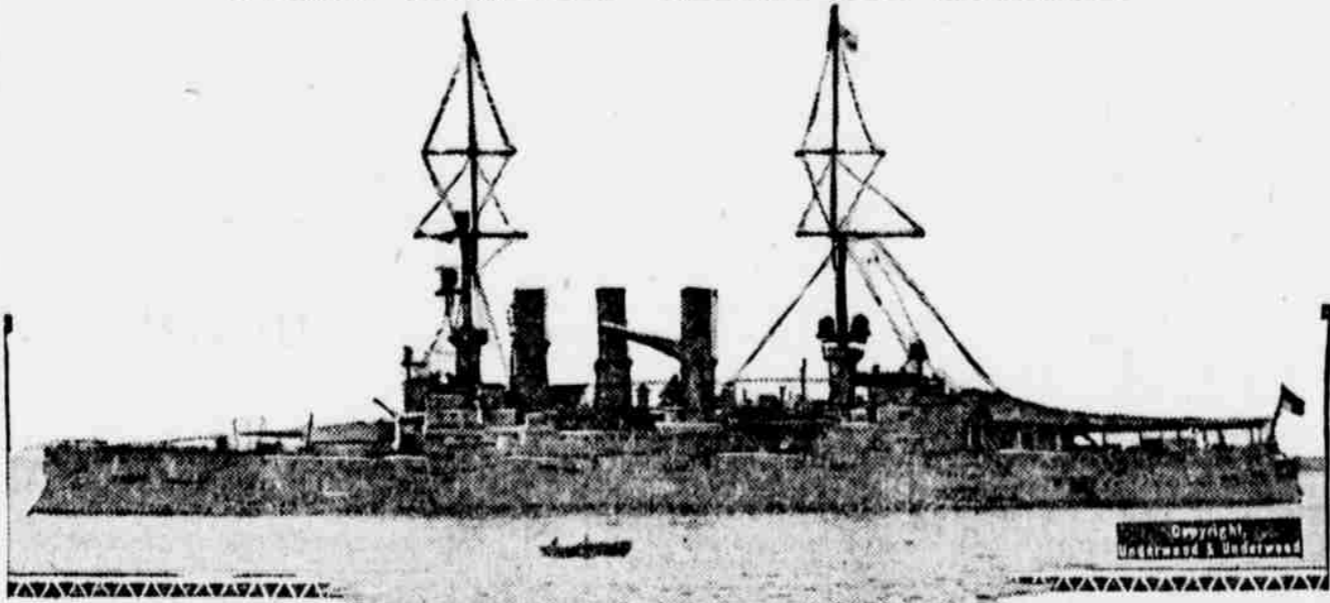
Drill the school in giving book and chapter of the following: The Lord's Prayer, the parable of the good Samaritan, the mustard seed, the leaven, the prodigal son, the great commandment, the last supper, Gethsemane, the trial of Jesus, the crucifixion, the resurrection, the great commission, the ascension.

GUARDING THE NEUTRALITY OF HOLLAND



At the frontier stations and along the Scheldt the Dutch authorities are exercising a very strict guard over all pedestrian, vehicular and boat traffic. Such scenes as here pictured are of everyday occurrence.

GERMAN BATTLESHIP BREAKS THE BLOCKADE



The German battleship Von der Tann, which is said to have broken through the blockade established in the North sea by the British fleet, and started across the Atlantic to join the cruiser Karlsruhe.

HELPING THE BELGIANS



Miss Mary Canfield, a society girl of New York, wrapping up goods in "Little Belgium," a novelty shop established on Fifth avenue for the purpose of raising funds for the destitute Belgians.

FRITZ KREISLER



Fritz Kreisler, the famous violinist who served in the Austrian army party in the war and, having been wounded, has come to America.

Encouragement.

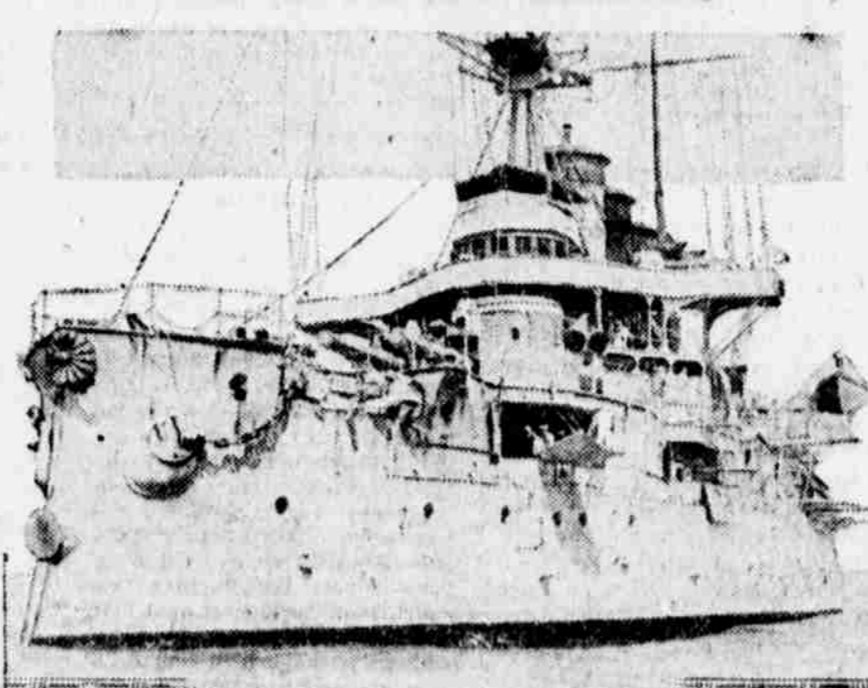
"I haven't had much chance to talk to my constituents."
"And you are worried?"
"I don't know whether to worry or not. I have just received a letter from a friend, who says my silence may be a great help to me."

GERMAN SYMPATHY FOR BELGIANS



Two little Belgian war orphans, orphaned and homeless, being fed by two sympathetic warriors of the German army at an outpost near Antwerp.

ONE OF JAPAN'S WARSHIPS



This is the Japanese battleship Hizen, one of the best in the mikado's navy, which, with others, is searching for German cruisers that have been destroying merchant ships in the Pacific. The Hizen carries four 12-inch guns, 12 six-inch guns, 20 three-pounders and six one-pounders, besides three torpedo tubes.

HUNTER SHOTS A DEER WITH OPIUM

Adirondack Guide Puts Big Buck to Sleep and Captures It Alive.

Rome, N. Y.—An Adirondack guide dropped into Boonville, north of this city, the other day to lay in his winter supply of provisions, traps, ammunition and clothing, and told of his ingenious capture, alive, of a big buck. A man who owns a large deer park in the southern part of the Adirondacks had seen an unusually large buck that he was very anxious to secure for his preserve, and he offered \$100 for it, alive and crated, ready for shipment. All the guides in that sec-



Sent Contents of Both Barrels into Its Side.

tion knew of the big deer and made efforts to get it alive. John Benham went to the nearest village and had the druggist make some pellets of glue, flour, paste and opium a trifle larger than buckshot. Then he loaded several shells with them.

The next time he saw the big buck on the runway he sent the contents of both barrels into its side. It ran and he followed it, coming up to it about two hours later. The buck was in a clump of evergreens fast asleep.

As soon as the hardened mixture so heavily loaded with opium entered the deer's body it had begun to dissolve, and soon the animal was overcome by sleep.

Benham said the deer had run in a circle and was only a few rods from his camp when it dropped asleep.

It was carried to camp and boxed for shipment, the antlers and hoofs being tied to the sides and bottom of the crate. When the buck awoke it was well on its way to the private park. Benham got a check for \$100 the next day.

SAVED FROM LIVING TOMB

Held for Forty-Eight Hours in Quicksand—Barrel Is Improvised Diver's Helmet.

Ware, Mass.—After 48 hours' imprisonment in quicksand, 25 feet below the surface of the earth, Maurice Allen was rescued by a gang of 50 firemen, policemen and citizens, who had dug a ditch 50 feet long and 30 feet deep to reach him.

Allen was conscious when rescued, but very weak. He said he had been unable to help himself, as his feet were held firmly by a piece of plank. A bit and saw, which were lowered to him, enabled him to work one of his feet free, but another cave-in buried the tools and left him as helpless as before.

An improvised diver's helmet made from a barrel was lowered into the hole just after midnight and Allen was supplied with air by a pump.

AUTO RUNS OVER BLACK BEAR

Bruin, Amazed at New Kind of Enemy, Breaks Speed Records Getting Away From There.

Lewiston, Pa.—William Boyer and Willis Riden, while taking a spin in an auto on State road, in the Lewiston Narrows, ran across a black bear that was ambling across the road just as they shot around a sharp turn at Ryan's camp.

Bruin promptly gathered himself together and cut the dust for the tall timber, and the boys hurried here to tell their story.

More than one hundred hunters took the trail with guns, hunters' licenses and visions of bear steak for the family menu.

COW ON TRESTLE HALTS ALL

Falls Between Sills and Owner Cautions the Trackmen to Handle Her Carefully.

Hazleton, Pa.—Transportation on the Jeddo branch of the Hazleton & Mahanoy division of the Lehigh railroad was tied up for half a day by a cow which in walking across the trestle near Drifton fell down between the sills.

Her owner would not permit her to be handled roughly and the railroaders had their hands full to get her out.

MAN IS BURIED ALIVE IN WELL

Pennsylvania Farmer Imprisoned Under Arch of Tons of Earth and Stone.

DIRECTS OWN RESCUE

Strain of Spending 18 Hours Under 31 Feet of Fallen Wall Prove Too Great for Chapman and His Heart Fails.

Wheatshaf, Pa.—Imprisonment for 18 hours under tons of earth in an old 32-foot well so seriously affected William Chapman of Wheatshaf that he died a few minutes before he was dug out, after directing the efforts of rescuers for several hours. Physicians worked for an hour with a pulmotor and oxygen, but failed to revive Mr. Chapman. It is believed his heart failed when he felt the hand of the first rescuer to reach him and that death followed instantly.

Mr. Chapman was a farmer and was also employed as engineer in the workings of the Penn Sand & Gravel company of Tullytown. He was a sturdy man of middle age, in excellent health.

Well Caves In.

Because of recent rains, Mr. Chapman was unable to work in the Penn quarries and determined to make some repairs in the well on the farm he had rented. He was descending the slippery wall when two large stones slipped from their places in the wall of the well and precipitated him to the bottom, following which the sides caved in on him. Mrs. Chapman, who was in the house, heard the crash and rushed to the well.

It is believed that when the wall of the well collapsed the stones formed an arch, thus saving Mr. Chapman from instant death. In his narrow prison he obtained air through crevices in the rocks and was able to make such sounds that his relatives and friends knew he was alive.

Men Worked Frantically for Hours.

For 18 hours men worked in relays of four hours each removing earth and stones from the well. Several times



Precipitated Him to the Bottom.

they were driven from their task by cave-ins caused by heavy rains. Finally they were within a few feet of Mr. Chapman. He directed their efforts, took nourishment through a tube, spoke words of comfort to his wife and appeared to be both rational and sound.

Soon the workmen reached the last layer of stone. Some worked at the stone while others slipped their hands through crevices and supported Chapman. Even then he appeared to be able to help himself, but when the last rocks were removed and Chapman was taken from the well he was dead, having succumbed just as assurances of safety reached him.

HAIR CUT OFF AS SHE SLEPT

Girl Awakes to Find Her Tresses, the Family's Pride, Gone—Act of Revenge.

Orange, N. J.—When Mary Carnova, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Antonio Carnova of 12 Forest street, Orange, awoke one morning recently she found that her long black hair, which was of exceptional beauty and the pride of the family, had been cut off. She did not know how or when she had been despoiled.

The police arrested Polo Crispy, aged fifty-one, a boarder at the Carnova home, but Carnova would not believe Crispy was guilty, and the charge against him was dismissed. Chief of Police Drabell believes that the hair was cut off for revenge by some enemy of the girl's father.

Wife Killed Babies and Herself. Thayer, Kan.—Mrs. Leo Moore, who had been deserted by her husband, killed her two small children and then committed suicide. The bodies of all three were found in a well.