WE laid the neel of the ships that sails the waters of peace or war,
We built her strong for the strongest gales, and big for the load she bore! We made the ship and we made her great with the things that we put inside -

She's built of the bone of the working ones, and the blood of her flag is theirs!

Sattor or soldier or citizen she will carry across the main — She's made of the muscle of workingmen, and born of the worker's brain!

The load of her dech, the grain of her hold, whatever her cargo be, Food or clothing or goods or gold, whatever she takes to sea, The sower's arm or the toiler's toll made ready the thing to go-The shop's machine or the farmer's soil or the forge's justy blow!

THE birds of the sea must nest on land, on the land the birds are born,
They must take their stores from the toiler's hand, they must take their wheat and corn,
For they who sall are a mighty race, and serving a mighty need— But he who stands in the Worker's place is serving the world indeed!

DOUGLAS MALLOCH



TRANK A. VANDERLIP

**Well Been Designated** 

Nation of Workers

EN of labor came to America

in the Mayflower. A printer

and a carpenter signed the

Declaration of Independence.

George Washington was a surveyor at

one time in his life. Lincoln worked

as a day laborer. Andrew Johnson

was a tailor. William Howard Taft,

after leaving college, was a newspaper

reporter at \$6 a week. The United

States is a nation of workers. Labor

day, consequently, is not for any class

Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the

National City bank, is by trade a ma-

chinist. His father was an Illinois

farmer-"a specialist in cows," the son

explained. On the death of the father

"I found employment," Mr. Vander-

lip said, "in a shop where wood work-

ing machinery was manufactured. I

was sixteen and my wages were 75

cents a day. By and by I got a lathe

of my own. I would be a foreman some

day, I was told, and earn \$21 a week.

I thought I could do better. So I

learned stenography and later took up

William H. Canniff, president of the

New York, Chicago & St. Louis rail-

road, was a telegraph operator in

Michigan when he was seventeen. The

attorney general in President Taft's

cabinet, George W. Wickersham, also

was a telegraph operator, as was Theo-

dore N. Vail, head of the Bell telephone

and tamping on the tracks, William C.

Brown, then sixteen years old, fought

his way upward until he became presi-

"My daily wages at the time?" he

repeated. "Figure them out for your-

self. My envelope contained \$27.50 at

the end of the month when the pay

car came down the line." His suc-

cessor, Albert H. Smith, was a rail-

Judge Robert S. Lovett, president of

brush on the right of way on a little

line in Texas and drove a team of

mules when the grading began. Ben-

jamin F. Yoakum operated a scraper

in the Southwest on a road in its build-

ing, and became a brakeman when the

Every day is labor's day. Every man

Universal labor is the lever of de-

road laborer as a young man.

road was put into operation.

worth while is a laborer.

dent of the New York Central lines.

A section hand in 1869, shoveling

but for Americans in mass.

the family moved into town.

the study of bonds."

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## **Trade Union Success** In Effort to Shorten the Hours of Labor

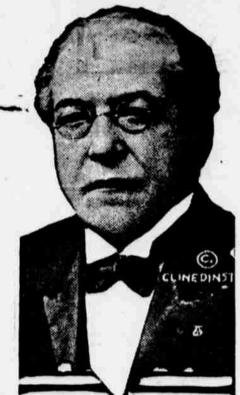
By SAMUEL GOMPERS. President American Federation of Labor.

ABOR Day brings to the workers of America the right to cheer and confidence in the trade union movement. There have been tests and crises that have proved its fundamental principles; there have been opportunities that have tested its practical efficiency. Through them all the trade union movement has made sure progress and gained in confident vision for the future.

Every national and international, every local union affiliated to the American Federation of Labor has made definite progress in securing for its members greater advantages in those things which are fundamental of betterment in all relations of life.

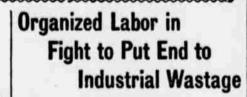
There has been great progress in securing the eight-hour day or the shorter workday. The meaning of the victories can be interpreted only in the light of full understanding of the meaning of the eight-hour day. The shorter workday is something more than an economic demand. It is a demand for opportunity for rest, recuperation and development; things which make life more than mechanical drudgery.

The workers whose whole periods are short are essentially different from those who are so worn by toll that they have neither energy nor mind for other things in life. They become more energetic, more resourceful workers with keener mentality and greater



producing power. It inevitably follows that the short-hour workers are the best paid workers. With every reduction in hours there is always a corresponding increase in wages. Wherever demands for the shorter workday and higher wages have been presented and urged by organized workers during the last year they have met with success.

Shortening the period of work lengthens the period of development, and for all of the other activities that belong to the normal individual. Increases in wages give the workers the means for taking advantage of the increased opportunities of the shorter workday. The workers of short hours and better wages become very different citizens from those who are so exhausted by the daily grind that they have neither the time nor the energy for thought or aspiration. These gains mean better homes, better food, better clothing; time and opportunity for the cultivation of the best and the highest that is possible to man.



By FRANK L. MORRISON, Secretary American Federation of Labor.

T IS impossible to record fundamental gains during the past year because of organized labor's agitation or to individualize probable gains during the year to come. The best we can do is to observe tendencles. Prominent among these is the workers' seizure of the cry for "preparedness" to emphasize a danger in industry more deadly than battlefields. Government statistics show that 30,-

000 men are annually killed and 700,-000 are annually injured for a period of four weeks or over.

It has been stated that every year there are over 3,000,000 cases of industrial illness, caused mainly by long hours, low wages, dust, bad air, fumes, smoke, poisonings and poor ventilation, malaria alone \$900,000,000 is annually lost to this nation. Enough to equip the largest army and navy in the world, and then have a balance sufficient to pay the tuition of every boy now in college.

A system of national preparedness that does not include recognition of this frightful and preventable wastage is the preparedness urged by big business. Another element among employers

who talk of the scarcity of labor does so to entice a sufficient number of idle workers to their factory gates as a menace to those employed and who are



liable to demand better conditions. These employers oppose restriction of immigration because restriction will defeat their policy of having two or more men for every job.

Another tendency is the growing opposition to labor injunctions, which class labor power as property. The congress of the United States has voiced this opposition in amendments the Union Pacific, dug stumps and cut to the antitrust laws. Judicial interpretations of the term "property" in the fourteenth amendment to the federal constitution are losing their force. What was originally intended to end slavery has been used to thwart the enactment of social legislation, but courts have failed to check the swelling tide of democracy.

The trade union movement is conscious of the part it has played in the tendencies above referred to and this consciousness will be an inspiration to greater effort during the coming year.

# INTERNATIONAL **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D. D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.) (Copyright, 1917, Western Newspaper Union.)

### LESSON FOR SEPTEMBER 2

THE SHEPHERD OF CAPTIVE IS-RAEL.

LESSON TEXT-Ezekiel 34. GOLDEN TEXT-The Lord is my shep-herd, I shall not want.-Psa. 23:1.

With the complete subversion of the kingdom of Judah, the national consciousness was largely crushed and the people were without heart for the common affairs of life. Ezekiel, though born in Jerusalem, prophesied in Babylon near the River Kebar. The object of his prophesying was to encourage the captives by placing before them God's promise of their return to their own land. His name signifies, "God will strengthen," which is very appropriate to the mission which in the providence of God he was called upon to fill.

I. Israel's Faithless Shepherds Denounced. (vv. 1-10). These false shepherds included the kings, princes, judges and priests. Ezekiel points out that the captivity was because of sin, but he shows that the greatest guilt obtains with reference to these leaders. They were placed in the position to care for and protect the sheep. The following indictments are brought against them:

. 1. They fed themselves instead of the flock (v. 2). They were essentially selfish. They ministered to themselves instead of the sheep. Too many today are filling public offices for the sake of private gain. Sometimes even ministers are found who are more concerned about themselves, their pleasures and profits, than they are about the souls of the people who support

2. They were cruel (v. 3). They were not only mere hirelings, guilty of looking after themselves, but they actually behaved like robbers, preying upon the flocks. All are guilty of this same sin who use their influence and power to the disadvantage of others. In the theocratic kingdom such behavior was peculiarly obnoxious, as the rulers and ministers were representatives of Jehovah himself. The minister and public officer today is acting in his capacity for God, not for himself, therefore he should make the cause of heaven his chief concern.

3. They neglected the diseased, wounded, wayward, and lost (vv. 4-6). As a result of their selfish cruelty the sheep were without food; thereof unity, were exposed to the ravages of wild beasts. God's flocks are in many places thus suffering and dying because they have not been fed. God's judgments are against such (vv. 7-10).

II. The Faithful Shepherd. (vv. 11-16). The Shepherd here is none other than Jesus Christ. The wonderful blessings here described will be realized by Israel in millenial times. This blessed condition will be ushered in by the second coming of Christ. How sincerely all should pray, "Thy kingdom come." When the true Shepherd

1. He will seek his lost sheep (v. 11). Though they have gone astray through wilfulness on their part, and neglect on the part of faithless shepherds, Jesus will seek them out and save them. To save the lost was his pecultar mission (Luke 19:10).

2. He will rescue them from the power of their enemies (v. 12). God's sheep have real enemies and they have fallen into the enemies' hands, but the Faithful Shepherd is able to deliver them. "No one is able to pluck them out of his hands" (John 10:28, 29).

3. He will bring them back to their own land (v. 13). Poor, scattered Israel shall one day (may it be soon!) be brought back to their own land. This is the one unmistakable sign by which we may know the beginning of the end of this dispensation. Be assured that it is not wars, nor pestilences that mark the sign of the close of this age, but the movements of Israel.

4. He will feed them (vv. 14, 15). "I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord God. I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment."

5. He will seek that which was lost (v. 16). That which has been driven away he will seek and bring it back again.

6. He will heal them from weakness and suffering (v. 16). All the wounds which Israel has received these many centuries shall be healed. III. The Golden Age (vv. 28-27). The vision of the world as it now is,

is most disheartening. It is midnight darkness. In this blackness we wonder why God does not interpose. We wonder how he can be silent. While midnight is upon us we are hopeful, for we see the bow of God's promise of better things flung across the sky. This present order shall disappear before the new. In that new order:

1. Jesus Christ, David's Son, shall be king (vv. 23, 24). This new era of blessedness can only come into realisation when God's Son shall establish his kingdom upon the earth.

No Cause for Alarm.

The other Monday afternoon a woman rushed excitedly down an alley in the poor quarter and, stopping at a house, knocked loudly. Receiving no reply, she knocked a second time. Still no answer.

A third time she knocked, and then What Came From Reading a window flung open and a woman whose appearance betrayed signs of a sudden awakening leaned out. "Well, what is it?" she as'ed.

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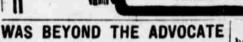
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Counsel Could Think of No Possible a hammer from a large one. on the Bench.

It was one of those tense moments in a crowded court when the prisoner's fate seemed to depend on the next answer of the witness. There was an expectant hush on all present, when suddenly the opposing counsel butted in with a noisy objection based on some obscure point of law, says London Tit-Bits.

For ten minutes or more the prisoner was forgotten while judge and counsel were involved in a tangle of legal phrases and precedents. Although the controversy was absolutely unintelligible to the crowd present, it was Nov. 4, 1916. clear enough to the dullest intelligence that counsel was more than holding his own in the argument. This was also painfully apparent to the judge himself, who, in a desperate effort to recover his official dignity, snapped

"What does counsel suppose I am on the bench for?"

"Well," said the learned advocate, slowly and reflectively, "I must confess your lordship has got me there."

Too Much to Expect. We overheard, on a Collinwood car,

the best excuse for not working that we could ever have imagined. File it for reference.

One fellow said, "How do you like your job down at the mill?" "I ain't workin' there no more," an-

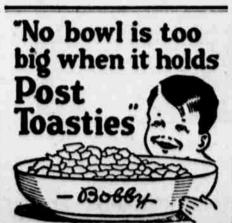
swered the other. "Got a better job?" "Nope. Ain't got no job." "What did you quit for?"

"Well, I couldn't see no use in keepin' on at it. I figger it that if I did make good they'd expect me to keep right on makin' good. That's too much to expect of anybody, this kinda weath-

er. So I quit."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Motorist- Do you know all about PATENTS Watson E. Coleman, Washington, D.C. Books free, Highautomobiles? Applicant-Yes, sir; I used to be a traffic cop.

A woman's favorite novel is the one in which she thinks the heroine resem-



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Nine out of ten men whose names are signed to a petition couldn't tell what it is for.

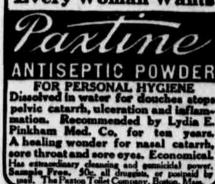
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