

★ WEEKLY BIBLE COMMENT

Great Women Among Early Christians

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RECENTLY I wrote of the contrast between the traditionally and supposedly inferior position of women in the past, and the actual power and prominence that many women have attained: like Deborah, great judge in Israel; Jezebel, Cleopatra, and Catherine of Russia—all powerful for evil or very doubtful good; Elizabeth of England, powerful monarch, and Victoria, whose subjects called her "the Good."

The same contrast is found in the history of the early Christian Church, where Saint Paul's attitude of what would be called anti-feminism today was in sharp contrast to the ministrations that Paul nevertheless accepted from women disciples in the churches that he founded and visited, and also in contrast with the part that women actually played in the Christian fellowship.

One should not, of course, be too critical of Paul. He was so far beyond his age in almost everything, that he ought to be forgiven for lagging behind in some respects. But he was so able and logical in most things, it is strange that he did not see the logic of the facts concerning women in the church. Their greatness in saintliness and service ought to have freed them from the limitations that Paul imposed. But for the most part churchmen and church councils of later times have been no more liberal or logical than Paul, though the Congregationalists recently elected a woman

to the highest office in their denomination, the Moderatorship of their General Council.

Who were the women whose names have at least a place of honor in the New Testament, even if they did not have all the freedom and power available to male disciples?

Greatest of all was Mary, the mother of Jesus; Anna, the prophetess, stands with Simeon as the devout saint, awaiting the coming of the Messiah; Mary and Martha, of Bethany, were content to be humble, faithful disciples; Mary Magdalene is the type of fervent worshiper; the unnamed "mother of Zebedee's children" put fire into her sons, James and John, seeking to realize through them her intense ambition.

But in the first generation of the church, following the death and resurrection of the Master, were women who through saintliness or force of character, or both, are famous for what they contributed to the Christian fellowship. Dorcas, in the church at Joppa, "full of good works and almsdeeds," made her sewing needle a means of grace and consecration, winning the love of those whom she clothed, and an honorable mention (Acts 9). Lydia, seller of purple, apparently successful in business, was equally energetic and effective as a Christian (Acts 16). And there were other honorable women, pioneers in service and distinction such as women have had in the age-long life of the church.

CHRIST EVANGELICAL AND LUTHERAN CHURCH
Dr. A. Lentz, Pastor

On Plattsmouth-Louisville Road
Friday evening, August 20, Choir practice.
Sunday, August 22—
9:30 a. m. Sunday school,
10:30 Worship Services.
Sunday, August 29—
9:00 a. m. Sunday School,
10:00 Examination and confirmation of Catechumens. After services auction sale of small building on church grounds.

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH
"The Church of the Lutheran Hour"

Cleo Kautsch, Pastor
9:30 a. m. Sunday worship,
10:30 a. m. Sunday school.
Noon, Sunday, August 22nd. Basket dinner and picnic.
When H. A. Tronside was a little boy, his mother would draw him to her knee and talk to him of the importance of trusting the Lord as his Savior. Once he said, "Well, Mamma, I would like to

do it, but the boys will all laugh at me."

"Harry," she replied, "remember, they may laugh you into hell, but they can never laugh you out of it."

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN
Rev. Roy P. Morris, Pastor

Murray, Nebraska
10:00 a. m. Bible School, with classes for all ages. James Comstock, superintendent.
11:00 a. m. Morning worship with sermon: "What Can We Believe?"

FIRST CHRISTIAN
Rev. Sherman R. Hanson, Pastor

Eight Street and Avenue "C"
Twyla Hodge, director of music at the Christian church assisted by organist Lester Thimgan, will offer the second in a series of two special worship services based upon the church hymnology this next Sunday at 10 A. M. These are meaningful and inspirational interpretations, and everyone is invited to attend and enjoy them. Church School is at 11 A. M. No evening services in August.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH
Fifth St. and Avenue A.

Parsonage at 714 First Ave.
E. J. Moritz, pastor
Church School at 9:30 a. m. No church worship services on Sunday's August 15 and 22. Pastor and family will have their vacation.

Dr. H. G. McClusky, Pastor
Seventh Street and Second Ave.

Sabbath School at 10:00 a. m. Ralph Wehrlein, Superintendent. There will be no preaching service through August, but Sabbath school will be held each Sunday at 10:00. Beginning with September Sabbath school will start at 9:45 a. m. instead of 10.

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH
Rev. Edward C. Tuhok, Pastor

Sixteenth and First Avenue
Sunday—
Holy Mass is offered at 8 and 10 o'clock every Sunday morning. Holy Mass is offered at seven o'clock each week day.
Monday, Choir rehearsal at 7:30 p. m.
Tuesday, Boy Scouts at 7:30 p. m.
Friday, sorrowful Mother Novena at 7:30 p. m.
Saturday, Confessions from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Sixth Street and Second Avenue

Church Service 11:00 A. M.
"Mind" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, August 22, 1948.
The Golden Text is: "The Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth

Rome Wedding Rumored for Them



Rumors say that Tyrone Power and Linda Christian, Hollywood stars now making a movie in Rome, will be wed there very soon. The two pause during a sightseeing tour of the Italian capital. (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent Albert Blasetti.)

cometh knowledge and understanding" (Proverbs 2:6). Other Bible citations include, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5). The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, "The exterminator of error is the great truth that God, good, is the only Mind, and that the superstitious opposite of infinite Mind—called devil or evil—is not Mind, is not Truth, but error, without intelligence or reality" (p. 469).

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC
Rev. Monsignor George Agius, pastor. Rev. Father John W. Kelly, Administrator.

Sunday masses:
First mass at 7:30 a. m.
Week day mass at 7:30 each day.

FIRST METHODIST
Rev. E. C. Williams, Pastor

Seventh and Main Streets
9:45 Church School.
11 a. m. Morning Worship with the pastor in charge.

UNION METHODIST
Rev. E. C. Williams, Pastor

9:45 a. m. Morning Worship.
10:30 a. m. Church School.
Thursday at 2 P. M. Woman's Society of Christian Service.
Friday at 8 P. M. Youth Fellowship meeting at the church.

LETTER BOX

The Journal welcomes letters from readers for this column on any subject. Your name must be signed to all articles intended for publication, however, by request, it can be omitted from the letter appearing in print. Contents do not necessarily express the opinions of this newspaper.

It is certainly gratifying to read the letter appearing in the Letter Box regarding the high rents now prevailing in this town, where those with but modest income are trying to live, the resentment expressed is that felt by the majority of those who are obliged to pay rent, the question so often asked, is why Plattsmouth is not under rent control, instead of allowing a few selfish money loving people who happen to have the advantage of being able to buy property and extort high excessive prices for the privilege of having a roof over their heads.

Of course it is possible for officers, who are here one day and gone the next, who care nothing about building up the community who have no interest in the town, who have their quarters paid by the government, to meet the high rents—but after all who is the government, but you and I who are paying the officers rent as well as their own—

New Tractor Seat Makes Farm Life Easier

COLUMBUS, Neb. (UP)—Farmers throughout the world may ride easier because of the ingenuity of two young Nebraskans.

The pair decided there was no reason farmers should be jolted and sometimes injured as they operate tractors, so they set out to do something about it.

The inventors, Ivan Schmid and Leonard Fleischer, devised a tractor seat that eliminated all discomfort.

Schmid, 39, is farm-bred with ideas gained from operating tractors in the field. Fleischer, 37-year-old salesman, learned the needs of farmers in making his rounds.

They pooled their talents. During 1944 they worked on new seat ideas. In the spring of 1945 they made their first sales.

In August of 1945, the pair incorporated for \$10,000 and started manufacturing in a 22-foot building. The firm was re-capitalized recently at \$200,000 and has expanded into three more buildings.

The first thing the inventors did when they tackled the problem in 1944 was to buy a used tractor for \$50. They devised a hydraulic shock absorber under the seat which stopped "seat spanking."

After a few sales of their original model the firm provided an air-cushioned seat to pad the conventional steel seat.

However, on rough ground, farmers still were lurching from side to side.

Stabilizer Used

Fleischer and Schmid licked that by installing a gyroscopic stabilizer, adapted from the mechanism that kept tank guns level and accurate during the war.

The final improvement dreamed up by the pair was a tilt-back arrangement to enable the farmer to tilt the seat and stand upright on the frame of the tractor.

ROMANCE REVIVED AFTER LAPSE OF 50 YEARS

AUBURN, N. Y. (UP)—A romance, interrupted by a lovers' quarrel 50 years ago, has been climaxed in marriage.

The bride, Mrs. Bertha Swain, formerly of Auburn, flew the Atlantic to England to marry E. R. Swain, her sweetheart of a half-century ago.

It was her third marriage. The couple had been engaged when they were in service together as housemaid and butler but there was a misunderstanding. They parted and the girl came to the United States, relatives here said.

Some time ago Swain, twice a widow, met a brother of his early love and a letter of reunion followed.

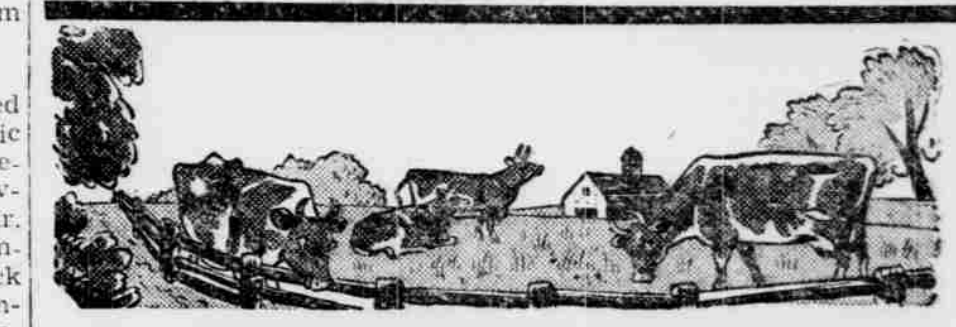
Where Duck Walk on Fish

HARRISBURG, Pa., (UP)—The Pymatung reservoir spillway in western Pennsylvania is known as the place where the ducks walk on the fishes' back. The small carp inhabiting the outlet gather by the thousands for the bread thrown to them daily. Ducks walk up the fish "pyramid" thus formed to snatch the food from their competitors.

The seats have been shipped from the midwestern factory to points in Europe, Asia and South America. Sales outlets have been created through more than 5,000 dealers in the United States. Having perfected the tractor seat, the two men now have added other farm items to their list of manufactures, all designed to make farming easier.

Use Journal Want Ads

JOE'S NEW WAY MARKETS
Ad good Fri. & Sat. Aug. 20 & 27
Johnson—Nebraska City—Louisville—Plattsmouth
Bacon Square, trimmed lb. 39c
Minced Ham lb. 45c
Cudahy Rex Pure LARD lb. 25c
Sliced Bacon lb 59c
Mayflower Oleo lb. 35c
Phillips Pork & Beans 2 No. 2 cans 25c
Otoe Lima Beans No. 2 can 11c
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Gooch's Best Flour 5-lb. bag 39c
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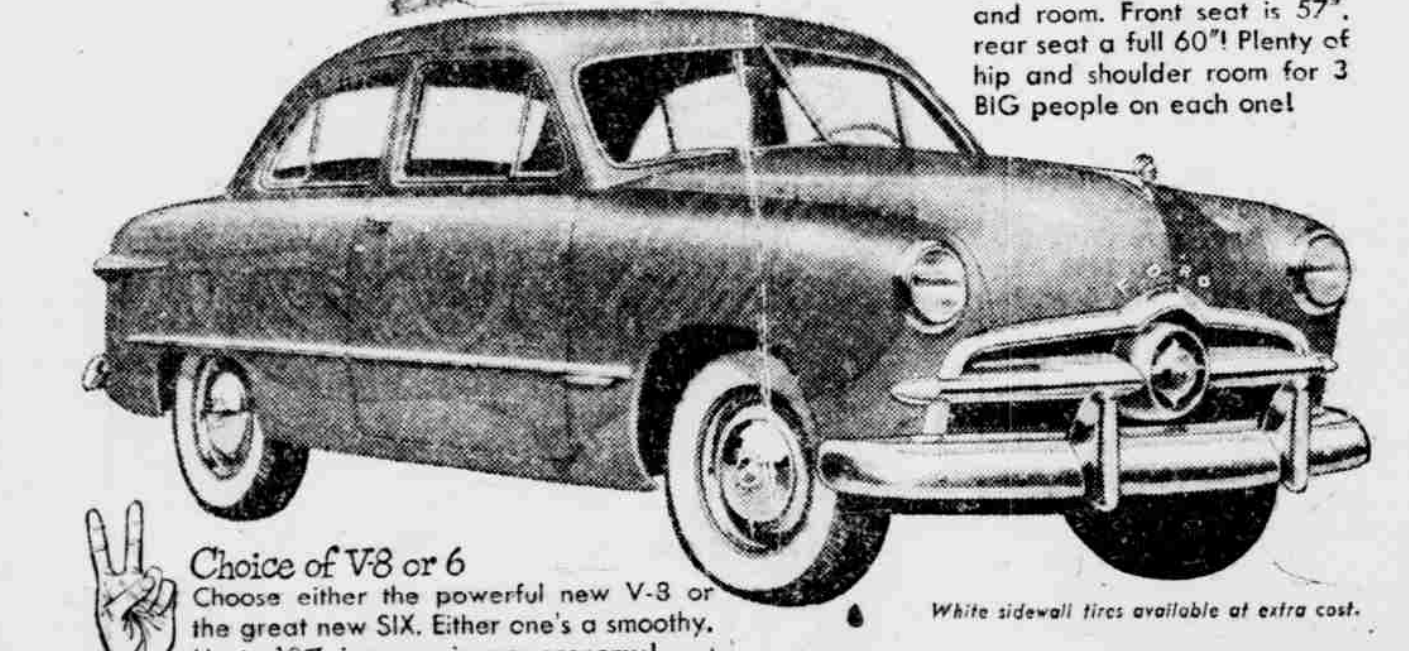
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Red Ryder comic strip panels. The first panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The second panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The third panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The fourth panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The fifth panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The sixth panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The seventh panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The eighth panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The ninth panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American. The tenth panel shows Red Ryder talking to a Native American.