

# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

News Items of Interest From Near-by Places, Gleaned by The Commercial's Special Correspondents.

## CONFLUENCE.

October 11.—Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Holiday, Robert Frantz and John Selms motored to Friedensburg and Selbysport Thursday.

Mrs. John Frankfort, formerly a resident of Confluence, but now of Connellsville, was the guest of Mrs. John Davis of the West Side one day this week. She also called on other friends on the West Side.

Miss Wilma Watson of Addison, is the guest of Miss Elsie Beggs for several days.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church will hold a chicken and biscuit supper at the home of Frank Davis Thursday evening, October 23.

Misses Carrie Forquer, Alma Kurtz and Mayme Forquer, of Ursina, were in town shopping yesterday.

Miss Sadie Talentyne of Listonburg, was a town shopper Friday.

George Null and George Nicola, of Addison, were in town and calling on friends Friday evening.

Mrs. E. B. Brown and daughter Eva left yesterday for a ten days' visit with relatives in Bedford county.

Mrs. William Coughenour was in Connellsville shopping yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shiner of Addison were visitors in town one day this week.

Dr. C. P. Large of Meyersdale, was in town on professional business Friday.

John Hanna and niece, Miss Jennie Scott, were visitors in Connellsville Thursday.

Miss Della Silbaugh of Somersfield, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Stella Miller, on the West Side.

Mr. and Mrs. James Naiper, formerly of Confluence, but now of Addison, were calling on friends in town Thursday evening.

Miss Erma Planegan, who has been spending the past three months with friends in Illinois, returned home on Saturday.

Rev. LePage of Dunbar preached his first sermon in the Methodist church on Sunday morning. He preached at Johnson's Chapel in the afternoon.

Misses Emma and Kate Roberts of Addison were town visitors on Saturday.

Mrs. Ray Goller and two children of Harnedsville spent Saturday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell.

Mrs. Frank Clouse entertained the Epworth League Cabinet of the Methodist church at her home on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCartney of Linesville, Pa., and Mrs. Frank Loace of Netherlands, Colo., were guests at Mr. and Mrs. George McDonald on Saturday.

Miss Susan Shrock was a guest of friends in Markleysburg from Saturday till Monday.

## OHIO PYLE.

Oct. 11.—Miss May Rafferty has returned home, after a two weeks' visit with Cumberland relatives.

Mrs. James Swindel returned to her home at Pittsburgh, after spending the past few weeks here.

Albert Younkun was a Connellsville caller today.

Mrs. Cyrus Show was a Connellsville shopper Saturday.

Tim Miller spent Saturday in Ohio Pyle.

Miss Flossie Harbaugh is the guest of Ohio Pyle friends.

James Lambie is a Connellsville business caller today.

Mrs. James Grindel spent Saturday in Connellsville.

Freeman King spent the day in Connellsville.

Charles Gundrum was a Pittsburgh visitor on Friday.

Ira Show spent Friday in Connellsville on business.

Alex Plume of Bear Run, was an Ohio Pyle caller Friday.

Lawnie Stark was a Connellsville caller yesterday.

Miss Lillian Mitchell is the guest of relatives at Bruceon, W. Va.

Matthew Morris, David Daniels, George Stull, Calvin Bryner and Tom Sprout were Ohio Pyle visitors on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Inks are having their household goods moved to the I. O. O. F. dwelling on Commercial street.

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## GLENCOE.

Mr. L. F. Dorn, a prominent citizen of the town of Fairhope was instantly killed last Saturday morning by a west bound passenger train about half a mile east of Glencoe. At that point there are two tracks for west bound trains and upon hearing the blast of the whistle Mr. Dorn mistakenly stepped from one track to the other. His body was immediately taken to Reich's morgue at Meyersdale, where it was prepared for burial.

Mrs. Catharine Weaver has recently returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Broadwater of this place, having visited a large number of her friends and relatives in Westmoreland county, Somerset and Meyersdale.

Harry C. Miller recently sold his farm.

Walter F. Broadwater is going to Youngstown, Ohio, to accept a position.

A very interesting entertainment was held last Saturday evening at the Bridgeburg school, where Prof. William Ellman is teaching. We trust our teachers and citizens will take an active interest in teachers local institutes which will soon be held in our district.

## SUMMIT TOWNSHIP.

Farmers are busy husking their corn at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Fike and family spent Sunday at the home of John Smearman, near Salisbury.

Yost Summy is building an addition to his house.

S. M. Gnagey and part of his family spent Sunday at the Laurel church in Black township.

Ross Witt, one of Larimer township's successful teachers spent over Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Witt.

Daniel Klink and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bookes were visiting near Berlin on Sunday.

Adam Johnson is busy sawing plaster lath for J. A. Opel.

E. R. Hay attended the institute held at St. Paul last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vought visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Miller, Sunday last.

D. S. Gnagey and W. P. Meyers are the first on the list to quarry lime stone this fall.

R. J. Engle, one of our general auctioneers conducted the Daberko sale last Saturday.

Mrs. Mortimore Wellev of Akron, Ohio, spent a portion of last week visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Freeman Handwerk of Middlecreek township, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Handwerk.

Mrs. Abraham Hay of near Rockwood, spent last week visiting her many friends and relatives in this community.

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## INDIAN CREEK.

Mrs. James Bole left for Markleton on Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. Lena Bigam, who is confined at sanatorium at that place.

R. A. Dasorf returned home this morning on a business trip to Morgantown, W. Va., and Washington, D. C.

Mrs. J. F. Kooser, of Connellsville, spent a few days of last week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Silas Prinkey. Mr. Prinkey has been seriously ill for the past week and is not much improved at this writing.

Lester Barry returned to Hazelwood on Saturday after a few days' visit among Mill Run friends.

J. M. Stauffer spent Saturday at his summer home at White Bridge.

J. B. Davis, of Connellsville spent Saturday transacting business at Mill Run.

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# INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. SELLERS, Director of Evening Department, The Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.)

## LESSON FOR OCTOBER 19.

### REPORT OF THE SPIES.

LESSON TEXT—Numbers 13:1-3, 25-33. GOLDEN TEXT—"If God is for us, who is against us." Rom. 8:31.

Kadesh Barnea marks the place of the Israelites' first great defeat. Long and bitterly did they regret that day of unbelief and not till a new generation was reared did the nation as such enter into the land of promise. The act of that day was the culmination of a whole train of unbelief, and truly they chose death rather than life. (Josh. 24:15.)

I. The Spies, vv. 1-3. God had commanded Israel to possess the land, now as a precautionary measure they went about to "investigate." This act, which was not a part of God's program, but by divine permission, was a reflection upon God's word about the character of the land. (See v. 19.) The eternal questions of man are to know the why and the how. God told Moses to send these men as a concession to their lack of faith, but it cost Israel forty added years of exile. The inheritance prepared for the faithful are always conditioned upon obedience. (Heb. 11:8, etc.) This act, commanded by God at the request of the people, was a means, an opportunity, whereby they discovered themselves.

### A True Type.

II. The Majority Report, vv. 25-29. Though these spies spent forty days in conducting their investigation (a modern form of political graft), yet every step was a corroboration of God's word and the years of desolation which followed correspond to the number of days they were absent from the camp. The first or the affirmative part of their report was fine, but the negative was so exaggerated as to turn the twelve tribes to an act which amounted to a catastrophe. This land and this report is such a true type of our Christian experience. They brought back the evidence of the truth of God's description of the land (Ex. 13:5 and Deut. 8:7-10) which was to be for them a resting place after their wilderness journey (Heb. 3:8-11, 14 and 4:8, 9). But these spies had seen other things, things to discourage, viz., men, strong men, entrenched men (v. 28). They saw those tribes God had said they would find (Ex. 13:5). They not only saw all of this but, like all unbelievers, they magnified their enemies. Today we see evil entrenched behind special privilege, we see the forces of evil that appear to us as giants and unbeliever cries out, "Who is sufficient?"

III. The Minority Report, vv. 30-33. Majorities may rule but minorities are more frequently right, witness history. A great cry of despair (Ch. 14:1) greeted this report. Caleb still the people (v. 30) that they might get the other side of the story. His report agreed with the majority as to the desirability of possessing the land; indeed, we surmise it was Caleb and Joshua who brought their evidence with them (v. 23). Their report differed, however, in its conclusion. To the picture of the strength of those scattered throughout the land Caleb bluntly replied, "Let us go up at once and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it." (Ch. Rom. 8:37; Phil. 4:19.) Ten men looked upon man, the two saw behind man, God, a God who was able. The ten lost their lives even as they feared, whereas Caleb and Joshua lived to enjoy the fruits of their vision of faith. (Ch. 14:6-9; Josh. 15:14.) Unbelief cries, "We are not able," of course not, for "vain is the help of man," but belief, seeing God, in the words of Caleb cries out for immediate action. "Unbelief shuts itself out of promised blessings (Heb. 3:19), it always has and is still so doing. Unbelief exaggerates and contradicts.

### Must Consider Entire Story.

IV. The Sequel, Ch. 14. No teacher can properly present this lesson without considering the entire story. The amazed people (14:1-4); the solemn protest of Joshua and Caleb (vv. 6-11) was met with threatened death and God interviewed to protect his faithful ones (Ps. 34:7). The unkind anger of Jehovah (v. 11, 12) is met by that magnificent revelation of the beauty and strength of the character of Moses (vv. 18-19). He based his appeal upon the necessity of maintaining the honor of God's word and pleads for mercy and compassion. This appeal was answered by a gracious pardon for the people, but with it came a declaration that discipline was necessary.

We must remember that these Israelites had the benefit of the full revelation of the law, yet we see its insufficiency in producing a perfect character. Laws will not cure the ills of the body politic. Sinning men must enter into that fellowship with God that is the result of a life of obedience ere they can enter that delectable land of peace, plenty and power which lies before them. Failing in a knowledge of him and his resources, difficulties are magnified and our strength is minimized. To view people as giants and ourselves as grasshoppers is to court defeat.

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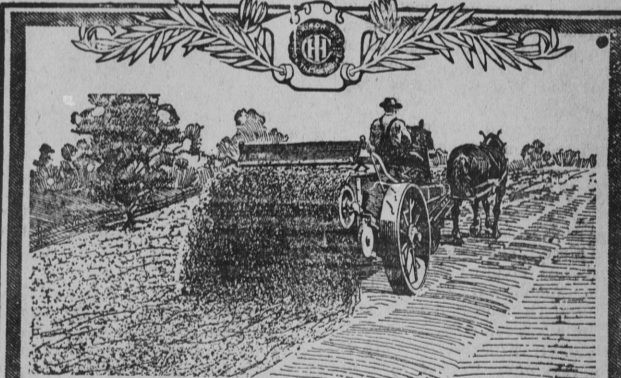
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