

## CRIMINAL COURT PROCEEDINGS

The grand jury returned a true bill in the case of James Mangioporti, Raymond Livarasi and Jack Laduca of Hooversville, charged with murder by Constable D. S. Ober.

Samuel Drenzo and C. F. Knuff of Jenner township, were tried for violating the liquor laws. The were agents for the Somerset Distilling company, which conducts a distillery in Conemaugh township. The jury has not yet returned a verdict. The prosecutor was Constable B. H. Matthews.

The jury has not yet announced its finding in the case of Nicola Cicciarelli of Jerome, who was charged with violating the liquor laws. It was alleged that he sold whiskey in the kitchen of his home. He was prosecuted by County Detective Lester G. Wagner.

Settlements were effected in the cases in which J. E. Moore of Windber, was charged with assault and battery by Harry Lydie and Michael Foley, charged with selling liquor without license by Constable W. E. Padden of Holsopple.

In the Ralphon riot case, Frank Stetchy Kiat Veydock and George Bengas pleading guilty. Stetchy was sentenced to serve five months in jail and Veydock three months. Bengas was paroled. The other defendants were released.

Andrew E. Bittner, who conducts a restaurant at Boswell, was acquitted of a charge of assault and battery, and the prosecutor, Harvey Hemminger, was assessed with the costs.

Judge Ruppel appointed Attorney Ross R. Scott master in the divorce case of Carrie Gustafson vs. Theodore Gustafson.

The sale of the property of the Berkeley Lumber company, a bankrupt corporation, which was advertised for Friday by Trustee John S. Miller, was postponed until December 11, at one o'clock p. m. The sale will dispose of the planing mill and other real estate of the company.

John C. Lowry of Somerset, on Friday instituted an action in assumpsit against Austin Yutz of Milford township, to recover the sum of \$550, alleged to be due him for selling a \$13,000 farm for the defendant.

**THE GRAND JURY'S REPORT.**  
We examined the new sewage disposal and filtration plant recently completed on the county home farm, and so far as we have been able to observe and learn, it is giving entire satisfaction.

The recommendation of the May court grand jury as to the improvement of the heating system in the county home buildings has been complied with. The heating plant has been remodeled as to conduits and return lines between the heating plant and the several buildings and wrapped with asbestos. The engineer at the heating plant informed us that only one-half the amount of fuel formerly used is now required, and the buildings are more uniformly heated.

We recommend the following improvements as soon as the board of poor directors can conveniently make them: The purchase of a new refrigerator for the better preservation of meats. The erection of a new pig sty. A gradual improvement in the dairy herd by purchasing a better strain of milk cows. Better appearance of the grounds surrounding the buildings.

The grand jury desires to commend the management of the county home and hospital on the condition of the buildings and inmates as to cleanliness and order, and only ask for the continuance of the same, endeavoring at all times to secure a better degree of care for all the inmates of the institution.

The grand jury was composed of the following: Hon. John C. Weller of Milford township, foreman; Harry Bepler of Salisbury; B. A. Bittner of Lincoln township; Frederick Brant, Henry Dickey, James S. Hanger, George Krissinger, and Lewis Maust of Brothersvalley township; W. W. Cupp, Austin Kell and William Wegley of Somerset township; G. H. Egolf of Shade township; Adam B. Friedline and Richard F. Lohr of Jenner township; George W. Gross of Jefferson township; J. A. Lowry of Fairhope township; Aaron Liphart of Upper Turkeyfoot township; Frank Mitchell of Confluence; Nelson Mosholder, of Somerset township; Edward K. Ober and Ross F. Will of Hooversville; Edward Parks of Windber; Russell Smith of Larimer township, and John J. Walker of Salisbury.

Many ills come from impure blood. Can't have pure blood with faulty digestion, lazy liver and sluggish bowels. Burdock Blood Bitters is recommended for strengthening stomach, bowels and liver and purifying the blood.

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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

### LESSON FOR DECEMBER 14

#### THE SIN OF ACHAN.

LESSON TEXT—Joshua 7:1-15. Read Joshua chapters 7-11.  
GOLDEN TEXT—"Be sure your sin will find you out."—Num. 32:23.

Before proceeding against Jericho, God through his servant Joshua, had given strict injunctions as regards the taking of anything from the city for self-enrichment, ch. 6:17, 18. It was necessary at the outset of this campaign to safeguard Israel against any such motives. The fruits of their victories must in no way seem to be the rewards of, nor to be dependent upon, the efforts of their own hands. Spiritual victories are, as we learned last week, won by means and upon principles utterly foolish and inadequate in the view of human wisdom. Nor is the Christian dependent upon the principles of human thrift for his sustenance or enrichment. That does not mean the divorce of the Christian from those principles.

The story of Achan is an illustration. While his sin was individualistic yet it was national in its results (v. 1). After the fall of Jericho, Joshua sent a detachment of 2,000 or 3,000 men to take possession of the small town of Ai (literally, "ruins"). The task was seemingly an unimportant and an easy one, but the result was that the expedition was turned into a miserable rout (vv. 1-6).

**Achan's Sin Revealed.**  
The stages of the sin of Achan are wonderfully revealed in the confession (v. 21) which was finally wrung from him: "I saw that I coveted . . . I took . . . they are hid."

I. Joshua's error, vv. 6-9. It was right and proper for Joshua to bring his difficulty to God, but it was not right for him to lay upon him the blame for his defeat. Moses before him had made that same mistake (Ex. 5:22, 23), and it would seem that Joshua should have profited thereby. In this, however, he is supremely human. We of today with far greater light are constantly making this same mistake of accusing God, instead of finding out and judging our sin. There is, however, an underlying note of the master passion of Joshua's heart, that note which had so governed the heart of his predecessor, Moses. It is expressed in the last note of his complaint, "What wilt thou do for thy great name?" v. 9. This complaint and petition sounds very much like those of the preceding generation uttered in the wilderness. For us to wish ourselves to be "content to dwell beyond Jordan," when the testing times of our Christian life come, is to doubt his wisdom. No wonder Joshua was amazed when he saw Israel turn its back upon its enemies (v. 8). We must beware lest we, too, be dismayed when we see the church of today give way before the world and the devil.

II. The cause of defeat, vv. 10-12. Joshua's petition is answered by the voice of Jehovah in terms of rebuke, strong, yet tender. In verse two we are told that Joshua sent men to view Ai. Why? Because in the language of verse one "the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing." Joshua wanted the people to know that the sin of Achan and its results was the sin of the whole nation. God brings the essential oneness of the nation before us in verse eleven; for an illustration, see I. Cor. 5:1-7 and 12:12-14, 16.

**God's Instructions.**  
III. The victory of defeat, vv. 13-15. It is a testimony as to the spiritual condition of this nation that the fraud was so soon located. The early Christian church had a parallel incident in the case of Ananias and Sapphira, Acts 5:1-11. In each case the evil was quickly judged and reveals the closeness of God to his people. In the process of years Israel passed from that condition; has the church of today so passed? God had given explicit instructions as to the spoil (ch. 6:18 R. V.). God commands Joshua not to cry unto him, but to "sanctify the people." The church of Christ, as well as the individual, needs to judge its sin and to set itself apart unto God. It was a stern judgment and the query arises what sort of bonfire would the church have today were all sinfully acquired property to suffer similar destruction. It is noticeable, however, that there is no suggestion of any confession on the part of Achan until the narrowing circle of judgment had closed upon him. He confessed only when there was no possible escape. This seems like a stern, hard process, but yet God was dealing in mercy with the whole people.

IV. The Golden Text. The words of this text were uttered by Moses to the two and a half tribes who settled on the east of Jordan, that in case they refused to come to the help of their brethren in the conflict necessary to the possession of Canaan, their sin would discover them. This lesson warrants the application of this principle. A sin against God results in injury to your neighbor. It is a sin not to help your neighbor and conversely to indulge in any act which results in the defeat, moral or otherwise, of those with whom we associate, is also a sin.

### Household Notes.

Cheese is very nourishing and wholesome when prepared with macaroni, potatoes or bread crumbs.

Wash and rinse out glass in water that is not very hot and of the same temperature for each operation.

Never keep bread wrapped in a cloth, as the cloth will absorb moisture and impart an unpleasant taste.

Plain sausage is delicious served with butter melted and flavored with a little chopped parsley poured over it.

When kitchen towels wear thin, stitch two of them together around the edges and diagonally across the center.

Brown sugar is a very delightful sweetener for cereals. It gives them a much richer flavor than granulated sugar.

Cold tongue will be entirely skinned if cold water is run over it for a minute after it is thoroughly cooked.

When hot grease has been spilled on floor or table, you can prevent its spreading by pouring cold water on it at once.

Cane chair seats that have sagged may be tightened by washing the seat in hot soapsuds and letting it dry in the open air.

Biscuits may be shaped in a great variety of ways, but they should always be small. Large biscuits, though equally good, never tempt one with their daintiness.

A teaspoonful of camphor added to a quart of soft water will kill earthworms in house plants. The plants should be quite ready for water when it is applied.

Vegetables which require a great deal of time in boiling can be done tender in half the time if a pinch of baking soda is put into the water when they are boiling.

There is nothing better to remove tar from white clothing than lard. Rub it well into the spot, then wash it out with a warm suds made with a good white soap.

### Guarding Against Croup.

The best safe-guard against croup is a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in the house. P. H. Ginn, Middleton, Ga., writes, "My children are very susceptible to croup, easily catch cold. I give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and in every instance they get prompt relief and are soon cured. We keep it at home and prevent croup." Sold by all Dealers Everywhere.

### Early Closing.

The Department of Labor and Industry urges the merchants in the various communities of this State to get together and arrange for early closing during the weeks preceding Christmas. The stores in Philadelphia and some other cities close at six o'clock without loss of business or inconvenience.

The Department earnestly urges Christmas buyers to do their shopping as soon as possible, and during daylight.

The proper result can be accomplished by the associations of merchants in a community getting together, and agreeing upon early closing and by the people taking in hand their Christmas shopping without delay. Action should be taken at once.

Commissioner Jackson earnestly hopes that this Department will have this kind of co-operation by the merchants and the people of the state, in putting into effect the spirit as well as the wording of the legislation passed last winter.

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