

## Sunday School Lesson

### ISAIAH DENOUNCES FALSE PROPHETS

National Sunday School Lesson  
for December 4, 1949

KEY SELECTION: "He that sayeth, let him speak his word faithfully."—Jeremiah

Text: Jeremiah 23:16, 21-32  
In the ministries of the prophets Isaiah and Jeremiah there was a difference of 70 years. The prophet who lived at Ananias in Jerusalem, Jeremiah preceded to God before his ministry began his ministry at Ananias but soon moved to Babylon, where most of his life was spent. There, for more than 17 years, he faithfully proclaimed the word of God and passed through the fire of trial and soul-stirring persecution. His ministry was a life-long struggle. Answering the

call of God, it became his task to stand up boldly alone and tell the people of their sins and of the coming destruction of the Temple. Fearlessly he preached the truth of God but the people did not want to change their ways and refused to believe him. So bitter did they become against him that, at one time, his own townspeople tried to murder him and his own family treated him treacherously. Even the religious leaders of his day thrust him into stocks for blasphemy when he prophesied of the destruction of the Temple.

Lulled into complacency by the false teachings and leadings of the popular prophets of that day, the people were too comfortable to be aroused by the stirring messages of Jeremiah, especially when he was openly condemned by these prophets. They preferred to be-

lieve the false prophets who preached a soft-easy, comfortable religion.

The land was full of such preachers—astrologers, fortune tellers, wizards and witches, healers of various sores, who were growing rich on the ignorance, superstition and wickedness of the ease-loving people.

When Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonian conqueror, attacked Jerusalem, Jeremiah predicted its complete overthrow and the captivity which would follow. For this kind of talk the people condemned him as a traitor. The false prophets assured the king and the people that no harm would come to the city but, in the face of the fierce hatred and opposition of his people, Jeremiah continued to preach his unpopular message from God.

How pertinent is this lesson for us today! On every hand we are confronted with the task of winning the truth from the false. We are being assailed with cleverly concealed propaganda from various groups, designed to mould public opinion. Expertly worded advertisements oftentimes carry false propaganda and especially is this true in the case of the liquor advertising. They show only one side of the picture. Never, in any of their advertising, does one see the drunkard wallowing in the gutter or the drunkard's family deprived of the very necessities of life because of the money spent for alcohol.

And, sad to say, we are today often exposed to the preaching and teaching of false prophets, who, like the false prophets in Jeremiah's

time, claim to have been called of God to speak for God and to act for God, when, instead of giving God's message, feed their people on messages they want to hear.

How may we tell the true leader from the false? Jesus gives us an excellent rule to follow, in Matthew 7:15 and 16. "Beware of the false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. . . ."

A little study of the life and works of any leader, whoever he or she may be, will reveal the sincerity or insincerity of that particular person. We should not be influenced too greatly by outward appearances but should rather be guided by his actions. Does he practice what he preaches? Does association with this person lead one to a better life?

Jeremiah died a martyr's death—stoned at the hands of his fellow-townsmen, but time vindicated the truth of his teaching. Jesus died on a cross—crucified by his own people, but the centuries have proved the truth of his teaching and the blessings which come to those who try earnestly and sincerely to follow his leading.

It isn't always easy to speak the truth as it is revealed by God. It takes courage to endure the ridicule which often accompanies the unpopular truth, the unkindness of those from whom one has a right to expect kindness, and the loneliness which results from being different from the crowd. Jeremiah, Jesus, Paul and scores of others have had this kind of courage. What about you?

## WHO Knows

1. What is the significance of the Freedom Fair?
2. Where will the Freedom Fair be held?
3. What President first occupied the White House?
4. What is the population of Washington, D. C.?
5. How many visitors are expected to visit Freedom Fair next year?
6. When will Freedom Fair open?
7. Identify: Nathram Vinayak Godse.
8. What Presidents were married while in office?
9. What is the cost of a B-36?
10. What is the area and population of Iran?

The Answers  
1. Celebrates the 150th anniversary of Washington, D. C., during the year 1900-1950.  
2. In Washington, D. C., during the year 1950.  
3. George Washington.  
4. 628,000 square miles (three times the area of France) and 16,000,000 people.  
5. 10,000,000.  
6. July 4th and run through November 22.  
7. The man who killed Mahatma Gandhi.  
8. John Adams, 1797-1801.  
9. 15,000,000.  
10. City proper: 870,000.  
11. John Adams, 1797-1801.  
12. In Washington, D. C., during the year 1950.

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C. C. Cloe, Jr., of Cloe Motors, said the 1950 Mercury "carries on the tradition of fine craftsmanship which has won it first honors in its price class."

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Describing the major changes in the new Mercury, Mr. Cloe said, "Improvements in appearance and

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The Mercury retains its distinguished front end appearance while emphasizing its horizontal lines by being in larger, oblong chrome parking lights. Instead of the name being mounted in separate letters, a new nameplate has

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December 5-6

THRILLS OF  
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Technicolor  
ALLISON LAMFORD  
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Also News

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# "Better than ever!" NEW 1950 MERCURY



Mercury was a great car last year—outstanding in everything! Today—the big, beautiful new 1950 Mercury is better than ever in every way—in styling . . . performance . . . economy . . . comfort and value! Come in and see it today!

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- ★ "Hi-Power Compression" makes Mercury performance better than ever!
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- ★ "Hi-Wide" visibility makes Mercury better than ever in all-around road vision!
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- ★ "Cushion-Coil" front springing makes Mercury riding comfort better than ever!
- ★ "Lounge-Rest" foam-rubber cushioning makes Mercury seating comfort better than ever, too!
- ★ Fiberglass insulation makes Mercury better than ever in summer or winter!



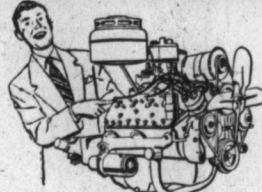
#### BETTER IN ECONOMY!

Last year, many Mercury owners reported 17, 18, 19 miles per gallon! This year, the 1950 Mercury's better than ever in economy—with new improvements in Mercury's gas-saving "Econ-O-Miser" Carburetor! Mercury's thrifty Touch-O-Matic Overdrive, optional at extra cost, adds even more miles to Mercury's unusual gasoline economy!



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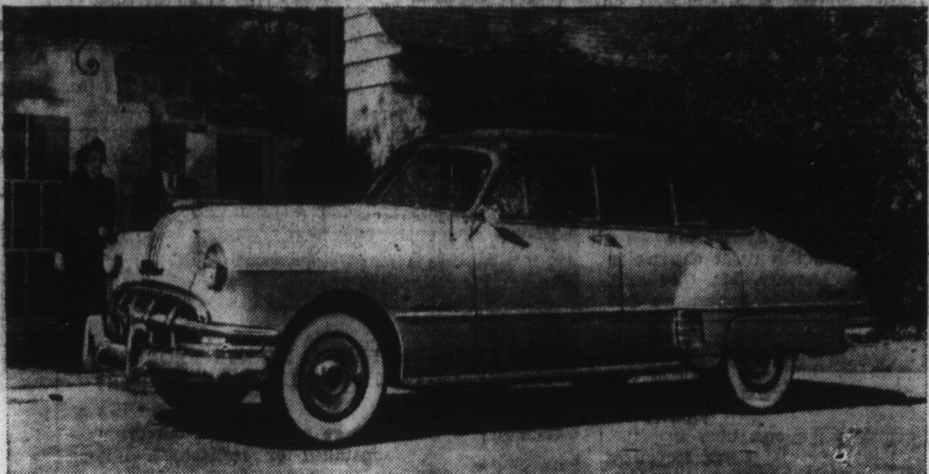
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## Pontiac's Popular Chieftain In 1950 Dress



Pontiac for 1950 has many appearance and mechanical changes resulting in sharpened beauty and improved performance. Both six and eight cylinder engines again are available in all Chieftain and Streamliner models and the horsepower of the eight cylinder engine has been increased. Pictured is the popular Chieftain four-door sedan.

## LOUISA'S LETTER

Dear Louisa:

About six months ago I fell desperately in love with a young man. He seemed to be the ideal of my dreams, come true. We became engaged and are to be married in the near future but just recently I have become a little bit uneasy. This is what I mean:

At first he did everything to make me happy, but I notice of late that if there are two movies in town and I prefer one and he the other, we end up going to the one he likes, and that applies to everything else. And another thing, he seems so inconsiderate of his mother—does not bother to telephone her if he is staying with me for supper and never seems to think he should ask her to go places. I find this peculiar as my mother is most attentive to my mother. Do you think he will change after we are married?

CORA B.

Answer: Very few people change their natures or dispositions because of the marriage ceremony. There are cases where men and women, who live in morbid or unhappy surroundings, become greatly changed when they live in a happy home and become contented men and women, but matrimony in itself is certainly no miracle worker.

If you are engaged to a selfish young man who puts his pleasure first at this time, you may be assured that after you are married he will do the same thing, only more so. If there is just so much money to spend and one of you has to wear old clothes, it will be you.

On holidays he will not plan for your pleasure as well as his, but you will be left at home to care for the children while he goes fishing or golfing. He will feel that he needs recreation but no thought of what you need will enter his mind. His attitude to his mother will probably be the same to you.

However, in the face of all of this, you still feel that you love him too much to break your engagement, take my advice and begin at once to educate him in the art of being a passably good husband. Don't go to the movie he prefers every time. Let him understand that it is a fifty-fifty proposition and that your happiness is of just as much importance as his. Perhaps he is one of those people reared by a silly mother who made herself a doormat for her children and who has failed to teach him consideration for other people. It will be a hard task but not an impossible one to make him more considerate at this late day.

At any rate, you will find it a much easier task to change him if you start before you are married than if you wait until afterwards.

LOUISA.

## Triangle

By Miss Joan Amidon

Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of the J. B. Amidon's included: Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Amidon and son, Melvin; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dillon; Mr. and Mrs. James Green; and Mr. and Mrs. William Cornnell and girls of Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis M. Peacher were Thanksgiving dinner guests at the home of his parents, near Manassas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Amidon and family were Thanksgiving dinner guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Gurtler visited at the homes of their parents in Richmond on Thanksgiving Day. Mrs. Mary Gurtler returned to her home in Richmond with them.

Mrs. Bernard Kincheloe and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Amidon.

Address your letters to Louisa, care of The Journal, Manassas.

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Mrs. Cooper, near Manassas on Thanksgiving Day.

Major and Mrs. L. F. Shoemaker and daughter, Maureen, were Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Roberts in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Amidon and family spent Wednesday through Sunday of last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fines, in Fredericksburg.

Miss Hilda Amidon celebrated her birthday on Saturday night in Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dillon and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gurtler helped her celebrate.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Thomas and Mrs. Jimmy Sherriff visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Amidon on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lloyd and Mrs. Joe Smith and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Lester Abel on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ashby and children of Richmond, visited family and friends here over the Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cornnell



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## ILLUSTRATED TALK

SPOKANE, Wash. — While Fire Inspector Richard Knox was giving a fire-prevention-week talk on the evils of careless cigarette throwing, he was interrupted by sirens and bells. Outside the hotel where he was talking, three fire trucks pulled to a halt to fight the blaze. There was a great deal of smoke but little fire. The fire was located in a basement ventilating fan, caused by a carelessly thrown cigarette.

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## Quantico

By Mrs. Irene Burich

Capt. W. A. McArthur, ret., entertained recently with a surprise buffet supper at his home, in honor of Mrs. McArthur's birthday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Sloan, of Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wright of Alexandria; Mr. and Mrs. G. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. W. Herlihy, Lt. and Mrs. R. W. Wright, USN ret., Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Clifford English and Capt. H. L. Flynn, ret.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ferlazzo and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kirby last Sunday. Mrs. Harrie Nicholson of Fayetteville, N. C., spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ferlazzo.

Mr. J. H. Johnson has returned to his home, after spending a week in his cabin on the York River. Mr. Johnson reported a successful hunting trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bolognese spent last Sunday in Widewater, guests of Mrs. John Dickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Corliss of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goadt and children, Lynn and Carlton, Jr., Mrs. Irene Goadt, and Mrs. Irene Burich were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Goadt last Sunday, Thanksgiving day.

Miss Dorothy Brawner attended the Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia last Saturday.

Tom Paccio and Newell Persons, who attends the University of Richmond, spent the weekend with their families.

Mrs. Wesley Abel and daughter Andrea, spent last weekend in Eden, N. C., as guests of Lt. and Mrs. V. Z. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Abel, Sr., spent last Friday in Guinea, as guests of Mrs. Abel's sister, Mrs. A. Cox.

Mrs. Charles Beane is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Mitchell Stafford.

Mrs. Ben Weaver is on an extended visit in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rawlings and Donnie, were guests last weekend of Mr. Rawlings' parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Rawlings in Prince Frederick, Md.

Col. William A. Lee of Camp Meade, N. C., and Mr. Norman Lloyd of New York, spent last weekend with their families.

Miss Gertrude Watson spent last weekend with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Limington in Groveton.

Mrs. Ester Winfree was hostess to the Bridge Club last Wednesday evening at her home in Fuller Heights. High scorer was the hostess, second Mrs. Cora Kelly, third Mrs. Gladys Peters. Other guests were Mrs. E. T. Kelly, Mrs. Ruby Ferlazzo, Mrs. Helen Radcliffe, Mrs. Margaret Sisson and Mrs. P. A. Oberhart of Akron, Ohio, is visiting her daughters and son-in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Winfree, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Peters.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Liming of Arlington, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stock of Groveton were guests last Friday of Mrs. E. T. Kelly.

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Don't forget the Lion's Club Minstrel at Dumfries School tonight and tomorrow night.

## Weekly Social Security News

Much has been said and written of late about social security; and citizens of Prince William County have shown increasing interest in this subject. The Journal has reason to believe that its readers have questions, which they would like answered about the insurance provisions of the Social Security Act.

We believe also that our readers are entitled to authentic information on any subject that concerns the family pocketbook.

### To Be Printed Weekly

Therefore, this paper in cooperation with the Alexandria field office of the Social Security Administration will present one fact each week until high points of the old-age and survivors insurance system have been explained.

If readers have questions about specific cases, they may send them to the Alexandria office, and answers will be provided. The address is Social Security Administration, 519 First Street, Alexandria.

Also, a representative of that office is in the Court House in Manassas, the third Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. to handle inquiries concerning social security.

Rhode Island may be forced to borrow to meet idleness pay.

Secretary Johnson tells AFL U. S. still has weapons lead.

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# Don't Let Anybody Fool You!

## These Things Will Happen If The Anti-Trust Lawyers Have Their Way

When the anti-trust lawyers from Washington filed their suit against A&P, we told the American people, our customers, our suppliers and our employees how this attack would affect them.

We said that this attack, if successful, would mean the end of A&P as you know it.

We said that it would mean higher food prices for American consumers.

We said that if they succeed in destroying A&P the way would be cleared for the destruction of other efficient large-scale retailers.

We thought the American people were entitled to know about this threat to their welfare and standard of living.

Since that time, however, the anti-trust lawyers have been making speeches, talking over the radio, writing letters and giving stories to the newspapers, in which they say we are all wrong.

They say that this suit will not close a single A&P store; and that instead of raising food prices it will lower them.

And they have tried to give the impression that nobody will be hurt by this decision except the present owners of A&P.

We don't think that the American people want to be confused by these statements. We know that when they have the facts, they will understand that this case can affect the living standards and the way of life of every American citizen.

Here are the facts:

## It Will Destroy A&P

The anti-trust lawyers have repeatedly stated that "the suit will not result in the closing of a single A&P store", and that "the purpose of the suit is to enjoin A&P from continuing activity which has been held to violate the law."

The fact is that the suit is designed not only to "enjoin" A&P from alleged illegal activities, but actually to destroy the company.

Here is what they have asked the court to do:

Break up A&P's retail stores into seven groups, each of which must be sold to different owners, and operated under new management.

Order us to sell A&P's factories, which produce many of the fine foods you find in our stores, to still other new owners.

Prevent any of the seven groups of stores from operating any of the factories.

None of the present owners, who have made A&P what it is today, can have anything to do with either the stores or the factories.

The first A&P store was opened 90 years ago. For the past 50 years the

company has been managed by George L. Hartford and John A. Hartford.

These are the men who have pioneered the policy of low-cost, low-profit, low-price food retailing which has won A&P the patronage of millions of American families and given them more good food for their money.

If the anti-trust lawyers have their way, these men and other company executives will be completely out of the picture. No one can predict what the policies of the new owners of the various parts of A&P will be.

No one can predict that they will sell the same quality food at the same low prices, or that they will keep the same employees, or give them the same high wages, short hours, pensions and security.

Nor, despite the anti-trust lawyers' statement, can anyone tell how many A&P stores will remain open or will be closed.

So, while there may be a food store where your A&P is now located, it won't be your A&P store.

Make no mistake about it. If the anti-trust lawyers win their suit it will mean the end of A&P as you know it.

## Your Food Will Cost More

But, the anti-trust lawyers have asked the court to order us to get rid of our manufacturing facilities, which would put an end to all these savings.

This means that if these A&P brands continued to be manufactured, you would have to pay higher prices for them wherever you found them.

The anti-trust lawyers say that food prices would go down in other stores. They claim that food manufacturers would be able to sell cheaper to other grocers because they would not have to make up alleged losses they now incur in selling to A&P.

This, of course, is pure nonsense. The suppliers who voluntarily seek our business and are now rushing to our defense obviously find it profitable to deal with A&P. Actually, their sales to this company enable them to build up their volume, reduce their costs, and sell more cheaply to all grocers.

The elimination of A&P from the picture would tend to increase, rather than decrease, the wholesale cost of food; and this, in turn, will be reflected in increases in retail prices.

Make no mistake about it. If the anti-trust lawyers succeed in putting A&P out of business you will find your food bill is higher.

## Others Will Be Hurt

If A&P is destroyed, no businessman could safely pursue an aggressive sales policy designed to lower prices and give his customers a better deal if by so doing he takes business away from any competitor.

Even if the anti-trust lawyers have no intention now of prosecuting other suits, a decision against A&P will establish a precedent that could be used by the present anti-trust lawyers, or any future anti-trust lawyers, to destroy any efficient business that buys cheaply, sells cheaply, and grows big in the process.

Such a decision would mean the end of the vigorous, healthy price competition which has given this country the highest standard of living ever enjoyed by any people anywhere in the history of the world.

The anti-trust lawyers are trying to give a new interpretation to the anti-trust laws that, instead of preserving competition, will reduce competition. They are trying, by court decision, to impose a new kind of economic policy on the people of this country.

Make no mistake about it. If they succeed in destroying A&P they will be destroying the method of distribution that has helped make the American standard of living the envy of the world.

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## No Miracle Worker

Advertising is not a miraculous system to enable a merchant to sell shop-worn, out-of-date merchandise for the same profit that he expected to receive when the goods were newly arrived in his place of business.

In fact, advertising is not a device to sell anything that is not the most up-to-date that the customer can secure for his money. The merchant who sells goods knows that his merchandise must meet competition, which means that it must be as good as anything offered to consumers whether the offering is through personal conversation in his store or in the columns of a newspaper through advertising.

Advertising doesn't increase the utility of the articles advertised to any prospective buyer. This is the basis of many attacks upon advertising by those who do not realize that advertising is modern salesmanship. Business men employ individuals to sell goods. They do not expect salesmen to improve the goods sold in order to justify their salaries. Salesmen are only expected to sell.

Advertising is a sales promoter. It does not affect merchandise except to speed-up its transfer from merchant to customer. If there are enough "speed-ups," the merchant gets a faster turnover, reduces numerous carrying expenses and is able to operate on smaller profits per item because he sells more items.

## Get The Sex Perverts

Not many weeks ago, a prominent resident of a large city in the United States protested conditions which, he asserted, made it dangerous for a woman to walk the streets of the city. He referred to the number of attacks upon women and children and suggested that the situation constituted a "disgrace" to our civilization.

We are inclined to agree with the gentleman. It is hard to pick up a newspaper these days, without reading about an attack upon some woman or child of tender years. Apparently, there are a considerable number of sex maniacs in the country. The astonishing fact about so many of the attacks is that the past record of the offender gives a plain indication that he is a pervert. It is hard to understand the ease with which some of these offenders get out of prison on probation.

On one day in November, we read of a 66-year-old man awaiting quick justice in Los Angeles for the sex-slaying of a six-year-old girl.

On the same day, a District judge in Idaho warned officers not to bring a sixteen-year-old high school athlete to the town where he admittedly killed a seven-year-old girl. The judge warned the officers not to bring the boy home "or he might not be alive in the morning."

Another story along the same line, but with a different ending, came from Berryville, Va., where a 19-year-old woman shot and killed a 22-year-old man who had held her captive in his automobile nearly all night. Luckily for her, the man had a pistol on him and was careless. She got the gun and killed him, running barefoot in the freezing cold to call the police.

The third story may give the answer to the wave of sex crimes that inevitably shock the communities in which they occur. Obviously, however, while young women may protect themselves with guns, it is impossible for a small child to do the same.

Certainly, the present condition warrants the serious attention of all sections of the country. Something must be done to protect women and children from sex perverts and, if necessary, society should not hesitate to put these offenders out of the way.

## Different in Argentina

Some 700 Communists in Argentina were arrested recently while celebrating the anniversary of the Russian Revolution in their headquarters in Buenos Aires.

News dispatches say that 305, including 160 women, were given jail sentences of four days. Some party leaders were given fifteen-day sentences and the remainder were freed.

Apparently, Argentina does not go to the trouble of staging an elaborate and costly trial, such as that witnessed in New York when the eleven top Communists were called to face American justice.

## Views and Reviews

What They Say Whether Right or Wrong

Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., official, General Motors Corporation:  
"Management now recognizes and accepts the fact that there is something in business besides business itself."

Virginius Dabney, Richmond, Va., newspaper editor:  
"Prohibition's ghost is walking again."

Vannever Bush, Dean of Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology:  
"I am not much of a prophet."

Vladimir Clementis, Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia:  
"The idea of a small country mediating between two of the world's greatest powers is rather out of date."

James F. Byrnes, former Secretary of State:  
"I have never known a department or agency of the United States Government that did not ask for more money than it needed."

Bernard R. Montgomery, British Field Marshal, hero of El Alamein:  
"When old soldiers get together, you never know what they will talk about."

The Shah of Iran, visiting the United States:  
"The possession of modern defensive equipment is a legitimate aim which menaces no one."

John D. Hickerson, Assistant Secretary of State:  
"The nations of Western Europe are arming themselves, the United States is helping them to do so, because they fear the intentions of the Soviet Union."

Jacob A. Malik, Russian Deputy Foreign Minister:  
"The Soviet Union is not threatening anyone and is not preparing to threaten anyone. We are being threatened."

Alexander Wiley, U. S. Senator from Wisconsin:  
"This nation is a sucker for an atomic solar plexus blow."

Joseph Pfeifer, Member of Congress from New York:  
"The West German government is a fact. It's a going concern."

Alben W. Barkley, on his honeymoon:  
"We are heading for Shangri-La

and getting closer all the time."  
Robert A. Taft, U. S. Senator from Ohio:  
"If the Government gets into business, no one else can compete with it."

Harry P. Cain, U. S. Senator from Washington:  
"The Army is trying to make every dollar go as far as it can and is doing an awfully good job."

Paul G. Hoffman, ECA Administrator:  
"The fact that we have in the United States a single market of 150,000,000 consumers has been indispensable to the strength and efficiency of our economy."

B. M. McKelway, editor, Washington Star:  
"Newspapers have an increasing obligation to make sure their readers are kept adequately informed of the doings of government in Washington."

## Wise and Otherwise

Birth Place Names  
Presenting: Drimtaidhrickhillichattan, Isle of Mull, Scotland.

They Do  
Empty barrels make the most noise.—New York Naval Air Station.

So It Seems  
Many motorists appear willing to meet the other car more than half way.—Atlanta Constitution.

That's A Fact Dept.  
Every man believes in trial by jury until he is summoned for jury duty.—Buffalo Evening News.

May Be  
A pessimist may be that way because of the optimists who owe him money.—The Hamilton (Ont.) Spectator.

He Did  
"Meat Packer Gets Divorce from Nagging Wife." In other words he canned the tongue.—Clyde Moore in the Ohio State Journal.

If Possible  
It is not enough to be tolerant toward our enemies. There is the friend who slaps us on the back—we must, too, be charitable in our opinion of him.—The Duluth Herald.

Seldom Happens  
One hardly ever hears of a woman cashier running away with her employer's money, but when she does she generally takes the boss along with her.—Florida Times-Union.

## Golden Gleams

Whatever has been well said by any one is my property.—Seneca.

Nothing is said nowadays that has not been said before.—Terence.

Some of the gravest and latest writers have transcribed word for word, from former works, without making acknowledgment.—Pliny the Elder.

They will not let my play run; and yet they steal my thunder.—John Dennis.

They lard their lean books with the fat of other's works.—Burton. I am but a gatherer and disposer of other men's stuff.—Sir Henry Wotton.

If every citizen of Prince William County would make it a habit to pay his bills on the first of each month, we would do a lot to help Prince William County merchants keep a good stock.

Classified advertising can serve every family that reads The Journal. Try one to get what you want, sell what you don't want, or make a swap. It's a cinch!

## Personality of The Week

### James W. Ritter Marks Initial Year As Manager of Manassas

From the time he was appointed Town Manager, November 10, 1948, James W. Ritter, Jr., has been a very busy man.

Concerning the job of managing a town, Mr. Ritter says, "The Town Manager's job is almost a 24-hour-a-day job."

When he first came to Manassas in 1938, he was with the State Highway Department as a civil engineer. Previously, he had worked with the Southern Railway Company in the evaluation department where he handled the depreciation and retirement of property for the railroad, and also for the C. & O. Railroad.

Born in N. C.

Born at High Point, N. C., in 1910, Mr. Ritter was graduated from John Marshall High at Richmond and afterward studied civil engineering from the International Correspondence School.

Marrying a local girl, Miss Catherine Luck, in 1939, Mr. and Mrs. Ritter are the parents of two children, a son, 7, and a daughter, 3.

In commenting on the work of a town manager, Mr. Ritter contrasts the difference between a city manager and a town manager. While the city manager has department heads to whom he can delegate power, a town manager must be the town engineer, purchasing agent, superintendent of construction and maintenance and must fill many other positions.

More Interest Needed

As to some of the things which the Town Manager feels would help in making Manassas a better place in which to live are more civic interest among the town residents, more town boosters, and a clean-up campaign which would require the participation of all residents. Some steps he adds have been taken, for example, the Town Hall and fire plugs have been painted.

Some of the problems which face the Town Manager are how to finance the major construction projects, such as replacement of the culverts, large-sized structures to take care of excessive storm water, building of curbing gutter and sidewalks.

The maintenance of streets is another big problem. And Mr. Ritter explains that since Manassas does not have the proper equipment, it is necessary to get the Highway Department or a private contractor to do the work.

Proper Equipment Needed  
"If we had proper equipment, the town could do the work and save money in the long run," Mr. Ritter says.

So far as the state primary routes within the town are concerned, Mr. Ritter would like to see them changed from "B" to "A," in which category the state would maintain them, instead of the town.

The problem of adequate sewage lines is still another thing. Recently, six miles of new sewer lines were added at a cost of \$135,000, which went for two miles in new subdivisions and for four miles for a new outflow line to the disposal plant.

Discusses Disposal Plant  
Mr. Ritter says that the new disposal plant located a mile out of town on Route 284 is expected to be in operation the first of next year. He says, "We are fortunate to have been able to float a bond issue of \$140,000, which we did several months ago. However, much of it had to be spent on the sewer works which will result in the necessity of borrowing \$23,000 more for the final payment."

The plant, known by design as the contact irrigation type which has been used extensively in the Middle West and Texas, will be the first plant of its type to serve a municipality in Virginia.

In speaking of the new disposal plant, Mr. Ritter cites the Water Control Board which has been "tightening up."

Board Showed Movie

Recently, he saw a movie shown by the Water Control Board which visually showed tons of fish which had been killed by sewage contamination. In addition, lack of sewage disposal has caused a loss of fowl, contaminated bathing beaches and is a serious health menace.

In answering a question asked of him concerning whether or not he



Town Manager Ritter

sometimes came upon a humorous situation, the Town Manager said that his is a "strictly serious job." "People look upon the Town Manager as a magician—able to perform miracles."

Dogs Cause Trouble

Sometimes, however, Mr. Ritter will receive calls on Saturday from residents whose garbage hasn't been collected. This often will mean that the "Town Manager" with his private car will pick it up!

"Picking up a dog is a great deal of trouble," Mr. Ritter adds. "A trained man is necessary, and a policeman or worker must take time off from his work in order to help. After they are caught, dogs are held for 48 hours and then disposal of them is made."

Although his job carries with it a great many headaches, Mr. Ritter likes it anyway, and this may help to explain his ability in handling the many problems of a town with growing pains—Manassas.

## From The Journal Files

Forty Years Ago

Dr. A. A. Marsteller, of Thoroughtfare, has sailed for Brazil, where he has accepted a responsible position.

Mr. J. F. Britton has rented the farm recently purchased by Dr. B. F. Eden from G. W. Nutt, and will conduct a dairy business.

The room adjoining the Town Hall, on Centre Street, formerly used to store the steamroller, is being converted into a fire-engine house.

Dr. Hervis U. Roop, president of Eastern College, delivered an address last week before the State Teachers' Association, held in Richmond.

It is understood that Mr. B. C. Cornwell has purchased from Mr. G. W. Payne the lot on Main Street and the Southern Railway, formerly occupied by the old Manassas Hotel, the price paid being \$3500.

The new 30,000-gallon cistern at the Courthouse is now practically finished, and all that is needed is a good rain to fill it, after which the citizens of southwest Manassas will feel more secure as to fire protection.

The stores are beginning to get in their annual array of Christmas goods, and the windows are already blossoming out in the brave holiday attire, which seems to be a necessary part of the season's festival display.

Thirty Years Ago  
An educational rally will be held at the Courthouse next Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Professor Charles G. Maphis, director of the University of Virginia Summer School, and Mr. S. P. Duke, president of the Harrisonburg State Normal, will speak.

Mr. William May was awarded \$1750 damages yesterday in the Circuit Court of Prince William County in a suit against Elder I. A. Miller for personal injuries sustained several months ago when he was run over by Mr. Miller's car at Nokesville.

Mr. Carl Kincheloe has accepted a position with Conner's Meat Market.

Christmas suggestions being in order, why not a year's subscription to The Journal?

A party was given on Thanksgiving night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Polen.

About \$1800 worth of turkeys are said to have been shopped for the Thanksgiving market by one dealer at Nokesville.

Mr. W. Marshall Haydon has resumed his former position on the rural mail route which he served before entering the army and leaving for France. The mail has been carried since that time by Mr. T. J. Broadus.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Green, who recently sold their farm on the Centerville road to Mr. R. G. Kohn, have purchased a small farm at Oakton, near the electric line, from Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilbur Green and his family will leave Manassas about the first of January to take possession of their new home.

Twelve Years Ago

The Music and Literature Section of the Woman's Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Raymond Ratcliffe.

Miss Bonnie Wolfenbarger of Bristol, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Parrish last week end.

Among those who attended the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia last Saturday were Dr. and Mrs. Stuart McBryde, Miss Mary Patten, Mrs. John Adams of Manassas, and Mrs. P. G. Dawson and Mrs. Robert Gary, formerly of Manassas, and now of Washington, D. C.

Mr. Cleveland Fisher of Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, spent the Thanksgiving holidays at his home here.

The Garden Section of the Woman's Club will hold its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Mammie Lynch Dulaney on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Albert Richeis of Worcester, Mass., is visiting her son-in-law and

## The Reader Forum

The Editor  
The Manassas Journal  
Dear Mr. Kilpatrick:

It is legend that politicians the residents of every town visit that "this is the greatest town in the United States," not a politician; I don't praise town and I'm not going to say this is the greatest town in the United States.

I haven't visited all of the towns in this country—but of those I have worked in or played in, large or small—none have given the courtesy, helpfulness and encouragement that I have received in Manassas.

Without a single exception, Manassas business people have treated us like visiting royalty. We want to thank all of you who look forward to a long and pleasant association with Manassas. We are here to be helped. We have certainly helped and we hope we have helped and shall be in the future.

Some of the names we like to mention are Mrs. S. S. the hotel; Mr. Wine, the plant; Mrs. Davies, the postmistress; Rice, of Western Auto Association; Mr. Peterson, the jeweler; Wenecke, grocer and proprietor of Snack Bar.

Mr. McGlothlin, electrician; Fence, of Pence Motor Co.; Kilpatrick, Manassas Journal; Powell, vice president of National Bank; Mr. Hyson, of gas company; Deputy Sheriff; Mrs. Hare who serves us fast at the Hotel Coffee Shop; her attractive daughter, Mrs. L. Lettner, who is on duty at the time.

There are so many more—whose names we do not know—we know their faces and we remember them for many years—because we were in a town and they greeted us as friends.

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5. Visit as many cooperating stores as possible each day. One coupon may be deposited in each store, each day the Mart is in operation, 36 days.
6. Drawings will be announced on each Thursday evening at 8 P. M., simultaneously in all cooperating stores.
7. Persons identifying themselves to the proprietor of the store at which they may be waiting, will receive by check the full amount of the award due them. Persons not identified within fifteen minutes at any participating store will be mailed one-half of the award due them. The other half will be added to awards to be made in subsequent drawings.
8. NO PURCHASE OF ANY KIND OR SIZE WILL BE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE. Just visit each store: fill out one coupon per day at each store visited; examine the merchandise on display and talk with the obliging clerks; deposit your coupon and return on Thursday evening for the drawings.
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