Sunday School Lesson

WORKING WITH OTHERS.
I Corinthians, 12.4-27; John, 6.1-14.

Golden text—Ye are the body of Christ, and severally members thereof.—I Corinthians, 12.27.

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Man's thirst for power had divided the Corinthian Church. Their discord, differences and dissensions threatened the prestige, position and power of their Christian service and success. Conflicts had weakened the spiritual power of the church. It was seen in their overlooking gross immorality in one of their members, as well as in their permitting the celebration of the Lord's supper to degenerate into "a bacchanalian revel." Their factionalism was seen in suits between heathen courts. The spirit of pride exhibited by those who possessed certain spiritual gifts, especially that of prophesying and speaking in tongues, served to increase their differences, discord and divisions. Their disputes proved that the spirit of arrogance and assumption which has divided the world into factions and grades was working in the church, where all should have been equal because they were Christ's disciples. Pride, envy and jealousy destroyed their desire to be of mutual service and increased the spirit of conflict.

Society finds itself divided today by competition between groups. Competition for the world trade, the control of cable communication or the supply of oil or any other commodity has in it the germs of division between nations. Competition between groups who are struggling for the place of power in battering for wages and returns on invested capital has resulted in serious differences that have generated a spirit of hatred and suspicion which at times have threatened the very foundation of our social order. In the past it has failed to solve the problem of the distribution of wealth. It has encouraged the shameful waste of our natural resources, and (when unrestricted) has furthered the development of monopolies. By embittering human relations it has destroyed those forces which restrain the strong and protect the weak.

John D. Rockefeller, jr., in his industrial creed, says: "I believe that the application of right principles never fails to effect right relations, that 'the letter killeth but the spirit giveth life'; that forms are wholly secondary, while attitude and spirit are all important, and that only as the parties in industry are animated by the spirit of fair play, justice to all and brotherhood will any plan which they may mutually work out succeed." In this position he was following the ideals of Paul, who sought to remove the controversy, conflict and competition between groups formed by members of the Corinthian Church by recalling Christ's principles of co-operation. He sought to restore right relations by pointing out the source of their special gifts and the purpose of their spiritual endowment.

Paul's contribution of the body, as an illustration of the church, contains a social message by pointing out how men can become workers together for the common good. It made them realize that they were not a mere group of folks who assemble in a meeting house for the purpose of advancing their own interests, ambitions and purposes. They were vitally connected to a living organism, as members of the church. Although each had a different experience, they all had one part of their experiences in common, for they owed their faith to the work of the Holy Spirit, who had convinced them of their sin and revealed unto them Christ Jesus, as their Lord and Savior. Paul found in their possession of the spirit of the Master through their relation to Him, the foundation of their power to work together. It is not for the lack of a program that there is differences today in the industrial, commercial, political and religious world. It is due to a difference in spirit. It is this which has marred not only the home life, but also the church life. It makes impossible any permanent international peace program at this time. Unity of spirit comes first by recognition of our relationship to Christ and through Him to every other member of His body. It is possible to have co-operation of teamwork only when all are dominated by the same spirit and controlled by the Lord Jesus. Selfishness is destructive to unity, while love of Christ helps produce unity of action.

Kipling has said that the strength of the pack is the wolf and the strength of the wolf is the pack. The diversity, dependence and deference of the various members of the body illustrated the solidarity of the church that fulfills the instinct of the race and the social principle of Jesus that fellowship is sacred. The value of the body and the wealth of the church are contained in the diversity of its members. In the simplest forms of life there is not much division. The higher life is diversified. The work of the body calls for all its various members to share in its activity, so in the church any advancement is dependent upon the co-operation of all the members. All rejoice together or suffer together. This law of the body emphasizes the community of interest, which produces because of the communion of Spirit co-operation in effort in the great work of the church to help in the establishment of the kingdom of God among men.

The selection from John's gospel furnishes an excellent illustration of co-operation. There we see how the lad willingly giving his scant supply to the Master, co-operated and worked with the olrd Jesus and the disciples in furnishing the multitude food. In making his small contribution the boy helped the Lord to feed the multitude who had followed Him into the desert without providing for their evening meal. He fulfilled the slogan of Faber, the secretary of the Society of Jesus, "to do anything which will help Jesus Christ; that is our business." This is the heart of Christian co-operation. If we all did our part, as did the lad, we would then see a miracle performed in the social life of men.

Success today in every field of endeavor comes largely through co-operation. It takes time to learn how to work together, to develop unity out of units, so the army has its training camps, as well as its training school. No team would think of playing foot ball or base ball without practicing. It is the secret of the progress of any organization or effort. When all work together for a common cause it is soon put over. It is in performing by each one of his task in a given time that there has come increase of production. The adoption of the principles of Christ, as illustrated by Paul, will help promote social and industrial progress. Co-operation has succeeded in more than one great business field. In insurance we co-operate and share the risks of mortality in accordance not only with the mortuary tables, but also with the command of Paul to bear one another's burdens, "and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Co-operative societies, which have made such a tremendous success in England, have succeeded only in communities where the neighborhood or common idealistic conviction had previously established a consciousness of social unity. Most of the efforts to establish them here have failed. The principles of Jesus offer the only hope of success to the one who desires to perform the greatest social service by furthering co-operation for the common good. If preached and practiced by the followers of Christ it will help the next advance in social, national and international commercial and political life by bringing every creature into fellowship with Christ so that we can say to all mankind, "ye are the body of Christ and severally members thereof."

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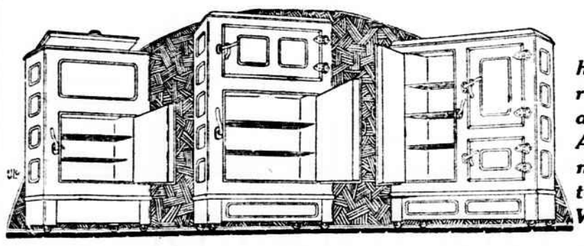

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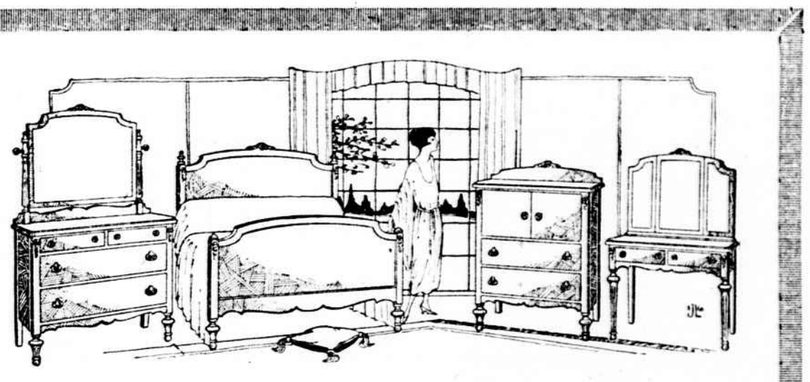

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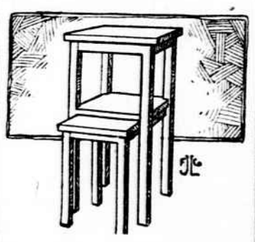

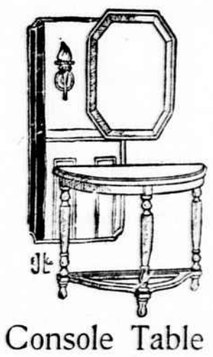

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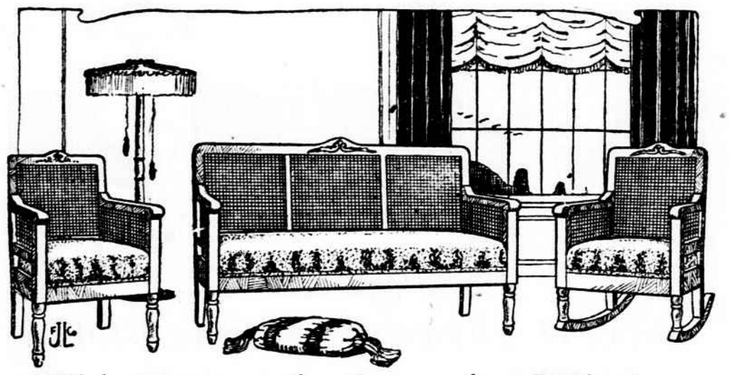

This Extremely Attractive Windsor Parlor Suite Is Finished in Mahogany

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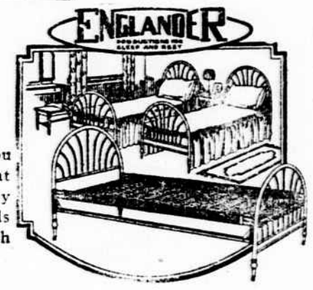

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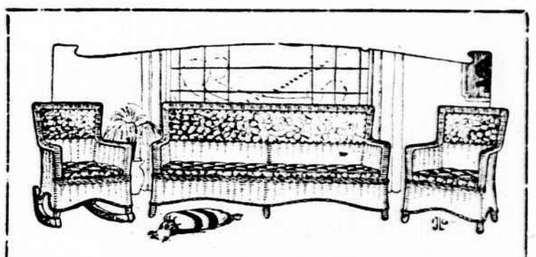

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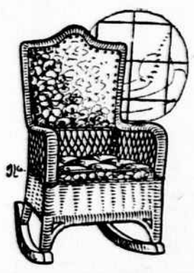

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