SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON VIII.
THE WEAKNESS OF ESAU
(Genesis 25: 19—34; 26: 34, 35; 27: 1—46.)

Golden Text—Every man that striveth in the games exerciseth self-control in all things. 1 Corinthians 9:25.

The Lesson in its Setting

Time—The generally accepted date for the birth of the twins, Esau and Jacob, is B.C. 1844. The selling of the birthright took place 18 years later, and Esau was married about B.C. 1805. Facts given about Jacob's years of service (Gen. 31: 41) and his age and his children's would place his flight from home about B.C. 1784.

Place—The twins were born probably at Beer-lahai-roi (Gen. 24: 62; 25: 11), about 50 miles south of Beersheba. Later events in the lives of these two men took place near either one or the other of these two cities.

Gen. 25: 27—34. "And the boys grew: and Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob was a quiet man, dwelling in tents."—He was full of the manliest interests, occupations, and pursuits. He was a very proverb of endurance and success in the chase. His hand was always full of skill, and strength, and success. He was the pride of all the encampment, as he came home at night with his traps, and his snares, and his bows, and his arrows, and laden to the earth with venison for his father's supper.

"Now Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: and Rebekah loved Jacob."—Persons of quiet and retiring disposition like Isaac are often fascinated by those of more sparkling and energetic temperament such as Esau. Mothers, on the other hand, are mostly drawn towards children that are gentle in disposition and home-keeping in habit. We are probably not wrong in discovering in these words an indication that there were some jealousies and prejudices in the home of Isaac and Rebekah.

"And Jacob boiled pottage: and Esau came in from the field, and he was faint." And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage, for I am faint." Pottage was a kind of thick broth made by boiling lentils or other vegetables with meat or suet, usually in water, but sometimes in milk. "Therefore was his name called Edom." The word for red is the word "adom," quite similar to the word "adam." The propriety of a particular name may be marked by two or more totally different circumstances, and its application renewed on each of these occasions. It is pretty certain that Esau did receive the secondary name of Edom from the red complexion of skin even from his birth, but the exclamation "that red," uttered on the occasion of a very important crisis in his history, renewed the name, and perhaps tended to make it take the place of Esau in the history of his race.

"And Jacob said Sell me first thy birthright." —The birthright seems to have included temporal and spiritual blessings. It carried with it a double portion of paternal inheritance (Duet. 21: 17; 1 Chron. 5: 1, 2); it gave the holder precedence as head of the family or tribe. Above all, it constituted the possessor priest and spiritual head of his people.

"And Esau said, Behold, I am about to die: and what profit shall the birthright do to me?"—Of course he was not about to die. No man would die simply because he had not had food for perhaps 12 or 14 hours; moreover, supper would normally be prepared for Esau within less than an hour. He simply exaggerated the importance of the demands of his body. Oblivious of everything but his hunger and his food, so it is always with the man who has fallen under the power of sensual appetite.

"And Jacob said, Swear to me first; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob. And Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went away: so Esau despised his birthright."—In Hebrews 12 16, Esau is spoken of as "a profane person." Profane is a Latin word which means "before the temple," and "refers to that plot of ground just in front of the temple which was common to everyone as being outside the sacred enclosure. Gradually the name came to mean that which was purely earthly and common, as opposed to that which was sacred, consecrated and dedicated to God." Esau's life was entirely earth-bound. He was intent only on present gratification and set no value on the divine gifts. To him future blessings were intangible and unreal. Everything about the present was real to him, while everything about the future was unreal, vague and misty. To him this world was everything and God nothing.

"And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob."—Of all the parties in this transaction, none is more to blame than Esau. While he so furiously and bitterly blamed Jacob for supplanting him, it might surely have occurred to him that it was really he who was supplanting Jacob. Inconstant as he was, he could scarcely have forgot the bargain by which he had sold to his younger brother all title to his father's blessings. Many that care very little for God's love, will seek his favors; and every wicked wretch who has, in his prosperity, spurned God's offers, will, when he sees how he has cheated himself, turn to God's gifts, though not to God, with a cry. Like many another sinner he wanted to eat his cake and have it.

"And the words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah; and she sent and called Jacob her younger son and said unto him Behold thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, purposing to kill thee. Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Laban, my brother to Haran. And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away. Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget that which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from hence: why should I be bereaved of you both in one day?"— It was from Haran that Rebekah herself had come at the request of Abraham's servant to be married to Isaac. She intended her son to be absent only "a few days," but they proved to be 20 years (see 31: 38). It is not probable that Rebekah ever again beheld her favorite son, which was a sinful chastisement for her sinful ambition for and partiality towards Jacob. — Rebekah seems not to have been aware that she herself was the cause of much of the evil and of much of the misery that flowed from it. All the parties of this affair are pursued by a retributive chastisement.

A Good Excuse

A Washington mother was very much put out because the teacher insisted on a written excuse explaining her son's absence from school following a severe snowstorm. Whereupon the mother sat down and dashed off the following note:

"Dear Miss Kitty: Little Eddie's legs are 14 inches long; the snow was 18 inches deep. Very truly yours, Mrs. Johnson."

Vienna draws its water, famed for its purity, from a distance of nearly 100 miles.

The founder of the present Methodist Church, Rev. Charles Wesley, first used the phrase, "Cleanliness is next to godliness," in a sermon.

For Mrs. Simpson

This afternoon dress is among the clothes created by Schiaparelli for the wardrobe of Mrs. Wallis Simpson. Elegant in its simplicity, this dress of black ribbed crepe molds the figure. It is worn with a novel black suede belt and Ascot of suede cloth.

Movie Star Dust Radio

By VIRGINIA DALE

Even better than having the circus come to town is to find "Elephant Boy" playing at your local motion picture theatre one of these spring days. It is a picture that defies description for volumes would be necessary to describe the thrilling scenes of vast herds of elephants, the gruesome terror of discontent brewing among the natives of India, the sturdy charm of little Sabu, the twelve-year-old Indian boy who shares stardom with the king of the elephants, the magnificent blending of music with the haunting shrieks of wild animals.

But with all of its other merits, it is the heart-warming friendship of the boy and his elephant that makes one want to go back to see this picture again and again. Robert Flaherty, the explorer-director who has not had a picture on our screens since the unforgettable "Man of Aran" made off the coast of Ireland, went to India two years ago and is responsible for "Elephant Boy."

Back to roles that are hot and low down go Bette Davis and George Brent-croft in their new films. When Warner Brothers and Bette Davis ended their long court wrangle, they told her all was forgiven and certainly they must have meant it, for they have given her the best role of her career in "The Marked Woman." George Bancroft also comes back in a Columbia picture called "Mackintosh Men," which is a powerful answer to those reformers who said that they just wouldn't have any more gangster pictures.

Bette Davis

For months Sol Lesser has been conducting a search for a Tarzan, and at last he found one. Glenn Morris, Olympic champion, will play the role that Johnny Weismuller made famous. Johnny will stay with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, hoping for more civilized parts.

"Busy" beavers have to keep busy. If not kept short by gnawing, the teeth would grow so long that the animals could not close their mouths.

Longest Shadow Maker Taking a Noon Rest

The Empire State Building never can quite get away from the job of making shadows. This picture from the tower top, made at noon when shadows are shortest, shows the two-block area darkened by the building. The street to the right is Fifth Avenue.

The Ice Water Influence

A London despatch describes the Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain, as hawk-nosed, dark-eyed, saber-toothed, straggle-moustached. Of him also, it is said that there is considerable ice water in his veins and that he smiles as if he feared he would crack his face.

All this may not sound very complimentary, but Mr. Chamberlain will probably care little. At 68 he is about to achieve his ambition—the prime ministership of Great Britain, succeeding Mr. Baldwin when the latter retires.

Incidentally, it may not be a bad idea to have government carried on by a man with "considerable ice water in his veins." In these days of political extremes, the ice water influence has its points. It sometimes keeps governments from making too many mistakes.—The Windsor Daily Star.

The Elimination of Epilepsy Visioned

PITTSBURG — The "tantalizing thought" a bit of chemical no larger than a mustard seed, if it could be rightly divided among the brains of all persons now living, might rid the human race of epilepsy was presented in a report to the American Psychiatric Association here.

This dazzling preview of possibilities scientists are beginning to see for some day remaking sick minds, and of understanding the nature of mentality, was given in a paper to be read by William G. Lennox, M.D., of Harvard Medical School.

All epileptics, he said, are "predisposed." The predisposition, he said, is "an inherent, recessive quality." It is probably a "gene," a single molecule appearing once among each of the millions of molecules in each living cell.

Two roads of attack, he said, are open. One is to [illegible] epilepsy genes, which [illegible] thousands of years. [illegible] alter the molecular [illegible] cal means.

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U. S. Rebuild[illegible] From Ontario

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Staff and Nonsense

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It always seems to take a pair of squeaky shoes the longest to get anywhere.

Golfer — "My, it rained all day, and at noon the greens were in a deplorable state."

Wife — "My, what a coincidence! The spinach I had was so poor I had to throw it away!"

Boss to office boy who is half an hour late) — "You should have been here at eight o'clock!"

Office Boy — "Why, what happened?"

Production Of Smut-Free Seed

Treatment That Offers The Only Method of Control

Freedom from seed-borne diseases such as smut is usually considered to be one of the important characteristics of registered and certified seed, and purchasers of this seed, relying upon its quality, frequently sow it without treatment. Yet, even seed of the highest quality, showing a trace of smut, may produce a smutty crop if sown under conditions favorable for smut infection. It is particularly important, therefore, that all registered and certified seed should be free from smut. Elimination of smut from such seed would prevent the spread of this disease with new varieties, and would help to improve both yield and quality in the commercial crop.

The treatment of wheat, oats, and barley has been greatly simplified by the recent introduction of organic mercury dusts such as New Improved Ceresan. This dust, when applied to the seed at the rate of 1½ oz. per bushel, effectively controls the smuts of oats, covered smut of barley, and bunt of wheat. It also improves seed germination. Tests are being made of other organic mercury dusts now being sold in Canada.

Wheat may be treated with copper carbonate dust (2 oz. per bushel) for the control of bunt, but this dust should not be used for grains such as oats and barley which have a coarse hull.

Copper sulphate, commonly known as bluestone, may cause severe seed injury, and should not be used for treating grain.

Formalin solution (1 lb. of formalin to 30 gallons of water) has long been used as a treatment for the smuts of oats, covered smut of barley, and bunt of wheat. This treatment, if well done, is effective, but it is likely to impair the germination of the seed, particularly of wheat, and reduce the yield.

Seed which is old, weathered, sprouted, frozen, hulled, or broken, or seed which has been shrivelled by rust or drought should be treated with a dust such as New Improved Ceresan rather than with formalin.

Water is taken from the air by huge, dome-shaped "air wells" which are being built in dry areas of Europe. The warm outdoor air enters the dome through the openings, and is robbed of its moisture by contact with the cold interior.

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GARDENING

By GORDON L. SMITH

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[illegible] portion of each vegetable [illegible] come all mature at [illegible] then there will be [illegible] After all, with [illegible] rubish, spinach, peas, [illegible] anything else for [illegible] they are really [illegible] when they are fresh; [illegible] mature.

PLANTING DEPTHS

[illegible] who know all about the art [illegible] gardening advocate as a good [illegible] rule covering the seed to a [illegible] to about three times the [illegible] Now the beginner is not ad[illegible] to procure a pair of calipers and [illegible] diameter of a great var[illegible] seeds he or she hopes to [illegible] This is a rough rule only. With [illegible] like that of the poppy or [illegible] about the size of a [illegible] merely pressing into [illegible] will be sufficient. With large [illegible] and dahlia bulbs [illegible] will call for depth of several inches. With peas, beans and corn it will mean about an inch.

MUST THIN OUT

Too much stress can hardly be put on the necessity of thinning. After the plants come up, one is urged to stop, and consider just how big these are going to be in a few weeks. It may be only six inches, in which case the plants should need only to be spaced a few inches apart. But suppose it is the cosmos or the larger type of zinnias or marigolds that are being considered. These will reach from 18 inches to four feet when fully grown. Such things require much room on all sides if symmetrical and sturdy plants that will be both beautiful and storm resisting are to be the result. Crowded plants will invariably be spindly and weak in the stem. Experts advise allowing about half as much space between as the plant will be high, whether it be vegetable, flower or shrub.

Injurious Stages Of White Grubs

Their Presence For The Year Can Be Anticipated

The study of the white grub, the immature stages of the June beetles, has advanced to the point, at least in Ontario and Quebec, where their presence for the year can be anticipated. According to the Entomological Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, in the Montreal area and northward in a zone between Joliette and Lachute white grubs are present in the injurious stages, and widespread injury can be expected, particularly on sandy land, as great numbers of June beetles were present and doubtless large numbers of eggs were laid in the summer of 1936. West of the eastern margin of Papineau Valley and including the Gatineau Valley little loss is expected as the insects are in the non-injurious stages, preparing for flight and egg-laying in 1938.

Throughout the greater proportion of Ontario, notwithstanding the fact that very severe damage was caused in 1936, little damage is expected from the grubs themselves throughout any part of Ontario in 1937. The absence of injury throughout Ontario is due to the insects being present in the non-injurious stages. The very severe outbreak in 1936 in Ontario, in Glengarry, Grenville, Peterborough-Hastings, the Lake Simcoe and Bruce County areas will continue to show in 1937 in the form of dead areas in pasture and meadow sod. These should be watched for carefully, and wherever replacement of this sod by weeds, particularly in meadows, is likely to occur, the killed out fields or spots should be cultivated and seeded down before the weeds establish themselves.

Mother Inspires Child in Music

Adjudicator Makes Statement Before Women's Canadian Club

WINNIPEG.—Women do much to foster music, from the time they croon lullabys to their babies in the cradle to the later time when they "drag their husbands to concerts," Dr. Frederick Staton, adjudicator at the musical festival here told the Women's Canadian Club. His subject was "Music and Women."

Of course, the adjudicator admitted in an aside, men had their points: they were "more honest in their likes and dislikes," once they were at the concert, they didn't hesitate in "preferring Offenbach to Bach often."

"Women's first relation to music is as an inspirer. Who sits beside the child and encourages him to practise? Well, it wasn't my father who did—he tried to make me a medical man; it was only through my mother's efforts I was able to study music," Dr. Staton said.

As for choral societies, 70 per cent. of their members were women; most of the 11,000 contestants in the festival this year were girls and women; Toronto diploma classes and concert audiences both had an "enormous percentage of women."

Just a Transient

"I guess you can call me a transient," said a bright young fellow of nineteen in the office the other day, where he had come seeking a job. He was clean and cheerful though he had been away from his home in Cape Breton for more than two years. In that time he had been as far west as Calgary and as far north as Cochrane. He was not begging but wanted a job and, given help, tried to insist on doing something in return.

Instead we invited him to answer questions. "Why did you leave home?" we asked. "Well," he said, "there were nine of us at home and dad doesn't earn very big wages and it was hard sledding, and I couldn't get a job of any kind, so I thought I'd take my appetite away." In the two years he has been as he rather sadly puts it, a "transient," he has had almost every possible kind of a job, but has not yet got one that he could call steady. He has worked on farms in the summer time and in factory and odd jobs in the winter. He wasn't begging and insists that though he often is given a meal, he would rather work for it.

There are thousands in like position, unfortunately not all of them like this young Nova Scotian, still with their chins up and still hopeful that somewhere there are niches they can fill. It is a great problem.

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Years of Saving, Planning All Gone in West London Flood

Experience of One Family Is That of Others; Water, Mud, Slime Everywhere; Conditions Worse Than Expected

LONDON, Ont., Suffered by Mr. and Mrs. F. Nicol, Paul avenue, was indicative of the losses suffered in hundreds of homes in the West London area flooded last week.

The water reached eight feet up the walls of the first floor which was several feet above the ground on property considered safe from Thames river floodings because it was a dozen blocks away from the normally quiet stream.

Walls and paper were stained a dirty yellow with the muddy water, oozey mud covered chesterfield suite chairs, table, beds, chest of drawers, buffet, tables, ice box, and floors and all other furniture and equipment.

"Everything is lost," sighed Mrs. Nicol. "We spent seven years trying to furnish our home and now everything is ruined. We didn't have much but we'd got the best we could and bought it in small quantities. Now it is all gone."

RADIO IS RUINED

Mr. Nichol walked to the radio so soaked with water he easily pulled a piece of wood veneer from it. The buffet in the dining room was warped and the sides bulged.

Every article of furniture was in disarray and lying on the floor. The buffet was on its side, spilling out the dishes, silverware and table linen. The refrigerator had been knocked over by the rush of the water. The beds were soaked with muddy water and fine mud covered the springs.

Portraits and photographs had been knocked to the floor and were covered with mud. Drapes and rugs oozed mud and water. Lamps had been knocked over by the rush of the water and lamp shades were torn and mud-soaked.

"They won't let us clean up yet," said Nicol. "We just came in to see how badly things were damaged. We hardly expected it would be this bad." He turned to the cellar door, but the water was overflowing out of the cellar within two inches of the kitchen door.

BASEMENT ROOM RUINED

A city official inspected his west London home. His billiard room in the basement was ruined, his downstairs furniture was valueless. "I'd give anyone everything downstairs in the basement for 10 cents if they would take it all out," he said, adding the upstairs rooms had been only slightly damaged.

A small store on Wharncliffe Road was another example of the damage done. The owner had more than 60,000 gold fish many rare tropical varieties, but only one was alive today. He had spent Monday morning in painting a display case and Monday night the same display case had been knocked against a window by the flood, breaking it. He had 69 valuable pigeons, two of which won top prizes at a United States show, but all had been lost or drowned.

Blond Mothers Have Twins More Often Than Do Brunettes

Mother's Age at Double Births Likely To Be Between 38 and 40, Says Doctor

ITHACA, N.Y.—Science has found that blond monthers have twins oftener than brunettes and that the mother's age at the birth of twins is likely to be between 35 and 40.

So said Dr. Margaret Wylie, of the family life department, New York State College of Home Economics at Cornell University, in summarizing some of the "findings" of various researches on twins.

Dr. Wylie, a specialist in child development and parent education, said it was not surprising that the city of Jamestown, N.Y., where she is adviser to the Cornell Twin Study Club, should have 72 sets of twins, "for approximately 57 per cent. of Jamestown's population is Swedish descent" — in other words, of the Nordic type.

Of the 27 mothers of twins comprising the twin study club, 20 were over 20 when their twins were born, said Dr. Wylie.

How One Mountie Got His Man

In the Star, published in far-away Johannesburg, we come upon a half-page story about the Royal Canadian Mounted Police under the caption, "The Mounties Always Get Their Man." It is supposed to be a true story written by "soldier of fortune," who once was in the Force, writes the Ottawa Journal.

This constable, as he tells the tale, one morning was called to the "chief's" office, told there was a hard job for him. "Lead me to it, Cap," replied the constable. "I've been in some hell-bent corners in my time and you've got my word to see it through." He was told he was to find one One-Shot Dick, bring him in. "Dead or alive?" queried the constable. Alive, he was told.

So the Mountie went out and found One-Shot Dick in a saloon—a surly brute, armed with a couple of guns; a drinking, gambling desperado who shot down before the constable's eyes a fellow who accused him of cheating at cards. Then the Mountie went into action. He fired "from the holster," blew Dick's gun from his hand. "Stick 'em," he rasped, "or I'll scatter you all about the floor." Dick stuck 'em, but, as he raised his arms, neatly drew an emergency revolver from under the back of his collar. The shoe then was on the other foot. The Mountie dropped his "hardware" and things looked pretty gloomy for the cause of the law and order. "You durned swine," roared the constable at the gunman, "I'll get you, jest see if I don't."

One-Shot Dick said he wanted to see the Mountie dance and began to shoot close to his feet. Bang, bang, bang. The constable danced, but counted the shots. Dick had but two guns, six-shooters. One was emptied, and then the other. Then came the chance.

"Bang. At the twelfth explosion I leaped higher than ever and as I came down, my feet shot up, one after each other. Dick's guns clattered to the floor. My left fist shot out, and caught the giant on the point of the jaw. A look of surprise flashed across his face before he fell a crumbled heap on the floor. . . 'Well

Spare That Tree!

There was a time when Ontario was pretty much all forest. Now we have less forest than some old countries in Europe. We have 26 counties with less than 9 per cent of forest. We have 135 townships with less than 5 per cent of forest, which Prof. Zavitz considers dangerously low. France and other countries have from 18 to 20 per cent in forest. We should have as much.

Just now from Grey, Bruce and Huron there is more timber going out than for 20 years past, but, as a rule, this does not mean that bush lots are being mowed down, but that valued single trees are being sold. Prof. Zavitz feels that swamps were mistakenly regarded as nuisances that should be removed, and now we find that they should, if possible, be restored. New forests, we imagine, cannot be grown soon enough to do the job that will prevent floods. We shall have to build great dams first. But Ontario, after hating trees and slaughtering them without mercy, must go back to the growing of them.—Toronto Star.

Seed Potatoes Important Item

The Spring seed catalogue is a source of joy to the average person. Whether your planting extends over acres or is confined to three flowerpots, the thrill of selecting new seed is not one to be passed over lightly. Among the interesting features in recent catalogues is the sale of potato eyes rather than the whole potato for seed.

Seed potatoes are given special attention from the time of planting until harvesting and Canadian seed is in great demand. Of the 20,083 acres entered for certification in 1936, 16,739 passed field inspection. There were about 3,000,000 bushels of certified seed potatoes produced in 1936. Of this amount the exports up to December 31 were over 1,000,000 bushels.

Normally Canada supplies around 93 per cent of the seed potatoes planted in Cuba and some very interesting points come to light in the regulations regarding this trade with Cuba. The seed is duty free while edible potatoes are not. To prevent the advance of the duty-free potatoes becoming used instead of the heavy tariffed edible ones for food, a deposit is required of the purchases. The seed is kept track of until the authorities are certain of its use. Then the duty deposit is returned. It is estimated that Cuba will require over 400,000 bushels for the 1936-37 planting season.

The 1936 crop in Argentina was almost a complete failure and this opened up a comparatively new market for Canadian seed. By October 31, approximately 120,000 bushels had been exported to Argentina and Uruguay.

"Air wells" already have been successfully used in southern France. The principle of the air well is the same as that of an ice-filled pitcher, on which water condenses. At night, cold air enters the dome of the "air well" through a central pipe and circulates through the interior core, chilling it thoroughly by morning. As the outside air warms up it enters, and deposits its moisture, which drains into basins.

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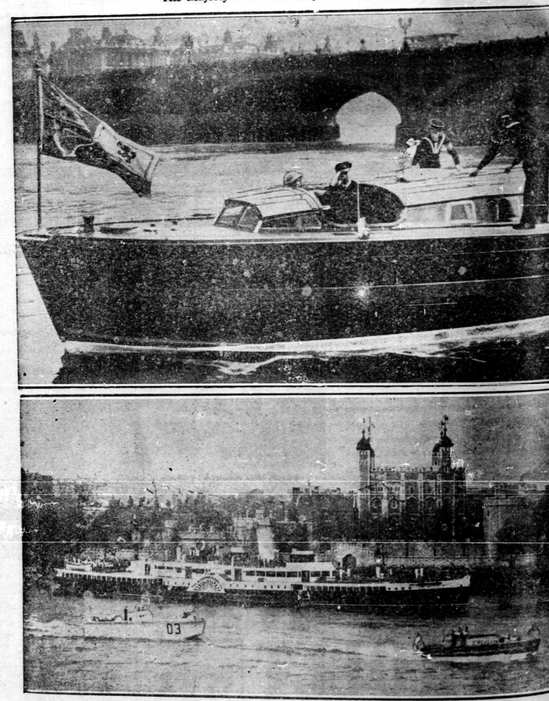

King George is shown in the upper picture as the Admiral's Barge carrying the Royal Party passed the Tower of London. In the lower picture His Majesty salutes as the Barge leaves Westminster pier for Greenwich. The red and gold Standard, affixed for the first time since His Majesty assumed the Throne, is seen at the bow of the craft.