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## RUINS GIVE PROOF OF BIBLICAL TRUTH

### Facts Established by Explorations in Palestine.

Undeniable proof of the Biblical history of the ancient city of Shechem, the falling of the walls of Jericho, the existence of the well of Jacob and other Biblical facts is established by explorations in Palestine in which Bishop H. M. Dubose, president of the Three Tennessee annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, participated, said Bishop Dubose at Nashville upon his return from the Holy land.

Bishop Dubose and a party of German college professors led an archaeological trip in recent excavations in Palestine and Egypt which were begun about the time of the outbreak of the World war and soon will be completed.

The ancient city of Shechem, said Bishop Dubose, was definitely located with not a contradiction of the account of the forgotten city as it appears in the Bible. The archeologists, he declared, identified the well of Jacob, less than a half mile outside the gates of Shechem. Science established, he said, that the well was on the same geological level as the gates of the tower of Shechem.

This indicates, said Bishop Dubose, that the gates of the city were built and the well dug within the space of two or three hundred years of each other.

Proof was established, the bishop claimed, of the historic city of Jacob. It was discovered, he declared, that the foundations of Shechem were 4,000 years old.

The rounded curb of the well where Christ is recorded in the Bible as having sat and talked with the woman of Samaria, is still intact. The bishop sat upon it and drank the water, which he described as of a sweetish taste.

The excavations were made to a depth of 38 feet, with the aid of two hundred indifferent natives. Traces of four ancient civilizations were unearthed—those of the Canaanites, the Israelites, the Greeks and the Samaritans.

"Archaeology furnishes the best and truest history of the world," remarked Bishop Dubose. "It is the geology of ancient civilizations. These discoveries are absolute confirmation of Biblical history."

The walls of the city of Shechem measured something like three miles in line, he said.

The bishop displayed photographs of the unearthed ruins of the foundations of a colonnade palace within the walls of the city.

"This bears out the Bible," he asserted. "Not a relic of any sort was discovered in the palace by the excavators. The Bible says that the sons of Jacob destroyed Shechem in the Seventeenth century, B. C.—that the palace was stripped bare—and the ruins were found as such. Jacob, Biblical history says, soon evacuated out of fear and the people returned and rebuilt."

The ancient walls of Jericho, which the Bible records fell upon the sounding of the ram's horn by a priest in the time of Joshua, in the Fourteenth century B. C., actually fell, Bishop Dubose declared. This he claimed was determined by the examination of pottery which fixed the age, and the examination of fragments. Tablets fruitful of "wonderful results" were unearthed in Shechem.

The walls of the city of Shechem, which the archeologists uncovered, contain larger stones than those in the pyramids of Egypt, he said, by actual measurements. All the streets of the ancient city were paved. There was a system of drainage, pictures of which he exhibited, which the bishop declared were perfect and reflected a civilization equal to modern ideas.

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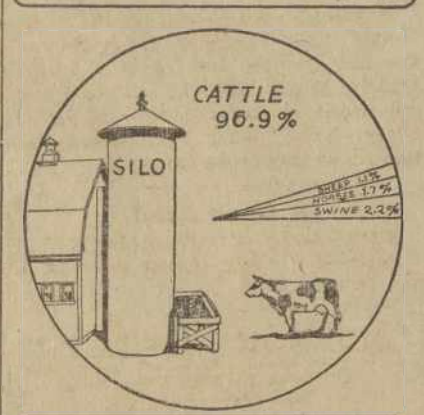
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### Eat Way Through Corn Acres



(Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation) Eating their way through almost four million acres of corn in the form of silage is the job American cattle, mostly dairy cows, accomplish every year, according to the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation. It has been estimated that they eat 96.9% of the vast amount of silage while of the small amount left, swine consume 2.2%, horses, 1.7% and sheep 1.1%. Very little silage is fed to poultry. All silage made on the farm is consumed on the farm because it is not a product that can be handled successfully through commercial channels.

### Tracing Course of Bullet

If we were to fire a bullet horizontally from the peak of a high mountain, it would not go very far before reaching the earth by a curved path which is also a portion of a large ellipse, says Dr. Paul R. Heyl, physicist, of the United States bureau of statistics. The greater the initial speed of the bullet the farther it will travel before striking the earth; in other words, the wider (and shorter) the ellipse will be. If it were possible to give the bullet an initial speed of five miles per second and to eliminate air friction, the bullet would clear the earth in its fall, and continue to revolve around it forever, the ellipse having widened and shortened to a circle. The earth would thus have acquired a tiny new satellite. With a plentiful supply of ammunition we might thus create for the earth a ring system resembling that of Saturn.

### Had "Baptism of Fire"

An Idaho forest fire ravaging a section of a mountain peak, and rapidly spreading towards a heavy stand of valuable timber was recently extinguished by 40 boy scouts encamped two miles away.

Five of the boys discovered the fire while scouting near the camp. They quickly returned for their comrades. Within 30 minutes after the discovery the entire camp was at the scene of danger, pitting their combined strength and their training against the flames. The fire burned over an area of six acres, and when finally brought under control was within 25 feet of the valuable timber stand.

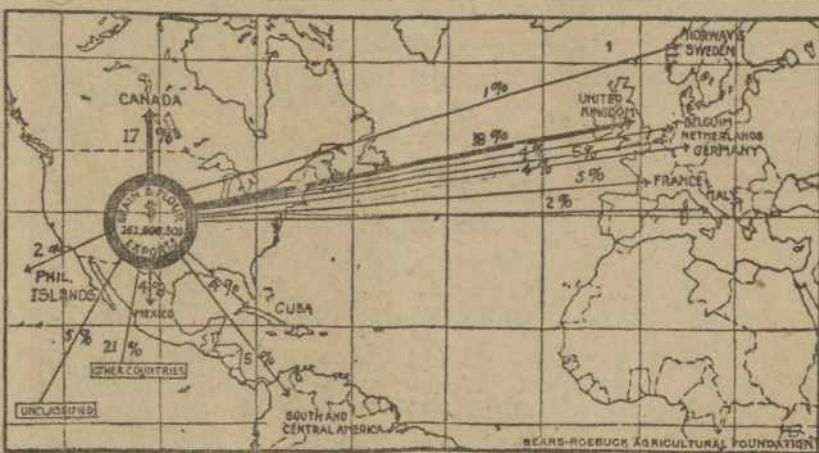
### A Title Gets Her Jobs

Society is turning its hands to many jobs these days, but the palm for originality must be awarded to Lady Paul, who has made good as a canvasser for a London firm of window cleaners and carpet beaters. Lady Paul receives a salary and commission, and tells me she enjoys her work immensely. She hasn't had a snub or a door banged in her face yet! But perhaps that is because she gives her attention mainly to big West End houses and city business firms. I wonder if she might not find it more exciting to move farther afield?—London Tit-Bits.

### Benefits Everybody

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## \$262,896,309 Grain Export—Wheat and Flour Top List



The value of grains and grain products exported from the United States in the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1926, is placed at \$262,896,309 by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation in a survey of the situation just issued. Wheat and flour topped the list, making up nearly two-thirds of the total. Other exports in the order of value were barley, corn, oats, rye and oatmeal and rolled oats. Investigation of the export figures makes Canada appear as the second largest receiver of American grain.

This is due to the fact that much of the grain is shipped via the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence river and is cleared to Canadian ports. The bulk of it, however, is destined for Europe. The leading buyer of American grain was Great Britain, with a record of 18 per cent of the total export. Next in order, following Canada, were the Netherlands, Cuba, Germany, Belgium, Mexico and Italy.

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