THE BIBLE SPEAKS

International Uniform Sunday School Lessons

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Wanted: Pioneers!

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IT IS on record that a Virginian in the 18th century wrote to his family that he was moving "to the far west," meaning the neighborhood of what is now Bull Run, Va., not far from Washington, D. C. Well, the "far west" moved and moved, till it reached the Pacific. Beyond that ocean is the Orient, crowded past belief. Where now can the pioneer go? For pioneering is always in the blood of man. Not in every one's [illegible] be sure; there always are contented stay-behinds; but also there always are the restless souls, not content with what has been or is. How shall pioneering instincts have their way when all frontiers are closed?

Dr. Foreman

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Un-Traveling Pioneers

THE traveling pioneer has about had his day; what we now need is the un-traveling pioneer.

Such explorers are of various sorts. One is the mental pioneer, moving to new frontiers of the mind. These can be found breaking out new trails in various directions.

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[illegible]nce upon a time, [illegible]istian people sup[illegible]ry was not only a [illegible] that God had com[illegible]ll time. Whitfield, a [illegible]ist, said that what [illegible]eded for its development [illegible] slaves imported from [illegible]d more home-brewing of [illegible]day this sounds so ri[illegible] it is hard to believe that [illegible]an could have said it.

[illegible]e has made ancient good [illegible]outh. But time alone will not do this. There must always be some moral pioneer, some one who will run the risk of being called "bad" by going out in front of popular opinion.

Between Whitfield's time and ours there have been moral pioneers, notably a Quaker named John Woolman on whose mind and heart God laid the message: Slavery is a wrong.

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Pioneers of God

WE need also spiritual pioneers, persons who will move forward to new discoveries of God. For most persons, God is still an "undiscovered country"; and no man can discover God for another, though he may testify to his own discoveries. So in the realm of the spirit each must be his own pioneer; and some men and women, even from sickbeds, unable to walk as far as the door, have made great discoveries of God.

The man who is honored as a saint by three religions—Christianity, Judaism and Mohammedanism—Abraham, is sometimes known for the wrong thing. He may be thought of as a traveling pioneer because he moved several hundred miles during his lifetime. But he was not a pioneer in the "old American" meaning of that word, for the Canaan to which he went was no unsettled wilderness but a well-populated civilized country, and he never owned the land he lived on.

Abraham's pioneering was in the realm of the spirit. We know from Joshua 24:2 that even Abraham's father was an idolater; Abraham moved out from the pagan religion of his father and his people, to the discovery of the One True God. No more important journey was ever taken.

The traveling of Abraham's feet was of little importance by comparison. It was the traveling of Abraham's spirit that has most blessed us all.

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WOMAN'S WORLD

Window Dressing Will Set Off Your Furnishings

By Ertta Haley

THE touch of glamour that a hat lends to a beautiful costume is much the same role which well styled windows play in your home. If you have lovely furniture and beautiful accessories, you need carefully chosen window coverings to show them off, to lend proper background.

Today's furnishing trends are getting away from the ornate window treatments of yesterday, as these detract too much from what nice furnishings you have in the room, and they are also expensive. Now we have simple window treatments which have a luxury of their own because curtains and draperies are full, though simple.

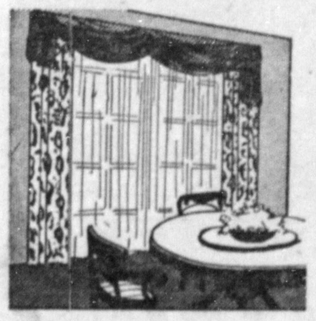
You may have both draperies and sheer curtains at your windows, but since the combination is apt to run into a bit of an investment it may be wise to choose draperies for those windows which give a nice view, while sheer glass curtains are appropriate for small informal room.

More than any one single thing, remember that windows can add to or detract from the atmosphere of the room, depending upon what you do with them.

You may have a problem with the size of windows or with their placement. There are answers to these rather common problems, and they are all attractive ones.

No matter how ugly a duckling any one or several windows may be, you can, with some good planning, turn them into assets.

Little money to spend, a lack of sufficient fabric to give full luxurious drapes, curtains which don't fit a new house or apartment, all



A full swag emphasizes drapes.

can be readily solved if you'll put your imagination and ingenuity to work.

Short on Material? Use these Tricks

Perhaps you have some, not-so-full draperies, or a length or two of material which do not cover a window luxuriously. Or, if you have two windows to treat rather than one, with possibly a single pair of draperies, you can do several things.

One of the smartest ways to treat the problem is to build a floor length plywood frame for the window or windows. Cover this frame with the material on hand. It will take far less to cover the frame th[illegible]e gathered draperies, [illegible]ect is good.

The [illegible]ywood frame can be straight on the outside top as well as on the sides. Inside, the part which is next to the window, on all four sides can be scalloped, large scallops of course, to add the proper decorative note.

Let's say that you have a wide window or two narrow windows in the bedroom or dressing room. Why not treat these as one, for they will look better and conserve material. You can set twin dressing tables against the windows. Use sheer material right on the windows, in full folds, then a three or four inch width of ruffle across the top, of the same material as is used to cover the dressing tables. Glass curtains of the same material can be used at the sides, tied back to the windows.

A kitchen window which is larger than the cottage curtains you have on hand can be easily remedied. Add several rows of ruffle to the bottom of curtain to make it fit.

Another solution is to use several yards of cotton curtain material to make a glass curtain for the window. Several rows of bright material made into ruffles can be used as the bottom edge.

Cornice matches room chair.

Give Decorator Treatments To Problem Windows

All the draperies in a room need not match. There are times when it's more desirable not to have them match. A problem window, one that has poor size and poor location should not receive the attention which a satisfactory window needs, for instance.

Take the room with a large bay window which is distinctly an asset. Use a good attractive print or color in draperies for this window. In the same room you may have a fireplace window, that is, one on the same wall as the fireplace. The size of the window is poor, and to use the same draperies on this window as the bay window would be to distract interest from both the fireplace as well as the bay window.

The smartest covering for the fireplace window would be a plain material similar to the wall coloring. If walls are blue, green or gray, for example, have the plain window draperies dyed exactly the same so this window will melt into the background.

Small windows, or a pair of such windows as is found in many homes need not be despairing. Rather than draperies, build a cornice around the whole window and cover this with the same material as a chair in the room. If the window is set off the room a bit, place an easy chair near the window with an ottoman, and have these covered as the cornice.

Blinds Can Solve Window Problems

Problem windows, can, in almost every instance be solved with the correct use of Venetian blinds. If you have a group of two or three small windows which are drab and uninteresting, create a picture window effect by treating the entire group as one unit when decorating. You may hang a single large blind instead of two or three smaller ones, and then use a plain or decorated cornice to span the entire group, with one pair of draperies on the extreme sides.

If you have an especially pretty wallpaper, such as clusters of flowers or fruit, cut the designs out of the leftover wallpaper, and cut into strips measuring one and three-quarter inches, the size of each slat. These can be pasted on the slats with just library paste.

When you have ceiling-high draperies, use attractive blinds to hide the bare spot above the windows. These are especially good for large windows as the blinds can be drawn to give the privacy desired during day or evening.

Another trick which is very useful especially in dinettes, kitchens or bedrooms is to make ruffling from one of the materials used in the room. These ruffles can be attached to the blind tapes by simple sewing, and are wonderfully decorative.

How to Emphasize Walls Rather than Problem Windows

If the view outside the window has nothing attractive to offer, don't emphasize the windows. This is especially true when the windows are long and narrow.

One way to get around this problem is to use an attractively patterned paper in the room, as this is certainly an attention-getting feature. Your room will have to be large to take a boldly printed paper. If it is not, use only one patterned paper wall. Pick a color from the paper and use it for painting or papering the other three walls.

Window Magic

Here's a problem window which has been easily made an asset. Polka dot chintz ruffling goes under the table to camouflage mops and buckets. A Venetian blind, with contrasting slats hides the dreary outlook from the window. Gay ruffles of chintz to match the bar skirt were basted onto the tapes of the blind and an all-over cornice frames the window.

KATHLEEN NORRIS

Honor Is Made, Not Born in Us

THE FACT that schoolboys are apparently incapable of one minute's serious thought is apt to cost all those who love them very dear.

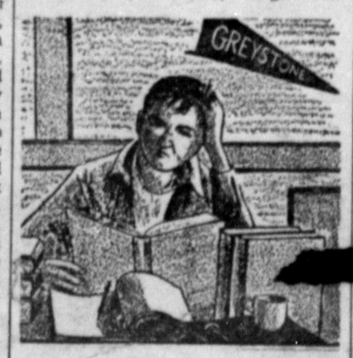
"You know how utterly unthinking boys are!" writes an agonized mother. "A boy who is destined to grow into a fine and responsible man could do something, in his schooldays, that was entirely inexplicable and entirely inexcusable—we all know that! If other boys are doing it, if there is a general careless impression that certain shortcuts to learning are practically taken for granted, isn't it excusable that they follow the fashion? No, not excusable, but something to be censured, and forgiven?

Another Chance?

"My husband," this letter goes on, "has a high standing in this community; we have always been proud of our one son. Our hearts and his sisters' hearts are crushed by this blow. John knew better than to do what he did; he'll never recover from the horror of this time of shame. But isn't he to have another chance?"

Well, it's my personal conviction that he should have that chance. Because honesty isn't natural, and self-protection is. Honesty is a rare plant of slow growth in human hearts; self-protection whether it be from income tax or speeding laws or innocent home gambling for a tenth of a cent, illicit liquor hidden somewhere, or a little speculation on a shady deal, is natural.

We are all sporadically on a high level of honor in some of our affairs, and we all have a blind side to other transactions that are not quite so admirable. I remember years ago the case of a young woman who played races, bought con-



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traband liquor by the case, had divorced two men, lied her way cheerfully through a score of ticklish negotiations respecting an inheritance.

She and I went to a rather pitiful little church bazaar one day during the last war, and as we looked at the display of aprons and cookies and pincushions Stella suddenly perceived that they were displayed upon a stretched American flag. With a cry of anguish she swept the entire stock upon the grassy dusty ground, clasped the flag to her breast and cried, "Shame upon you! Your country's colors!"

So the college student who does a stupid, unlawful thing is by no means marked for life as a cheat. Most college men and women do little real thinking. Girls get into idiotic, impecunious marriages, or worse, and scar their whole lives.

Nightmare

With boys this business of "finals" is an absolute nightmare. Instead of being marked on their weekly averages, and given constant reminders that they are falling below passing marks, they are left to the dangerous freedom of distractions and interruptions and amusements until the terrifying week that comes twice a year, the week of seminars, boning up, studying all night on black coffee and benzadrine, and attempting to stuff bewildered brains in a few days' time with a half-year of work.

A magazine picture s[illegible] ago showed a smart-look[illegible] boy and girl standing b[illegible] room [illegible] noti[illegible]

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Funny, but t[illegible] young men hate [illegible] when, as in so m[illegible] courses, it is study tha[illegible] full well will benefit the[illegible] bit in the years to come. If dre[illegible] upon fungus diseases of plants, the medieval theories of astrology, the Spartan wars or the Polyponesian languages are considered more easily won than credits for more practical courses, then our students flock to those classes.

ONCE OVER

We Live in an Age of Wonder

By H. I. Phillips

THIS is a bad year for skeptics. Doubting Thomas is an also-ran. The Non-Believers and You-Gotta-Show-Me boys don't figure. It is a bold fellow who dares to say, "A thing like that couldn't happen," "It just doesn't make sense," or "I'm not fool enough to swallow that." Nobody is farther out on a limb than a man who says "there are certain things that simply can't be done." When you can sit in your living room on the tip of Cape Cod and see and hear an orator, a convention, a clambake, a three-ring circus, a fish fry or a peace conference on the coast of California, it's time to stop being incredulous.

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Boy and man, we have been in on many wonders. We have done our share of blinking in amazement. We can remember when autos frightened horses, when telephones worked with cranks, when movies were silent, when watches had to be wound and when the idea of a talking picture seemed far fetched. We have lived in the amazing era of the clutchless car, the talking movie, the guided rocket, the atomic sub, the radio, the electric dishwasher, the canned egg, the plastic shirt, the glass fishing rod and the four-course dinner made of fibres, but video from coast to coast has definitely destroyed our resistance to the incredible.

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When Luke Plunkett, in a hillside shack in Ipswich, Mass., can turn a lever and find himself in the twinkling of an eye attending a global hassel in Frisco, an Elks chowder party in Los Angeles, a ball game in Carson City, a horse race at Santa Anita or a four-alarm fire in Seattle it is time to admit anything can happen and never scoff at miracles.

Harry Truman may go down in history not so much as a President, but as the first man to appear in a transcontinental video performance. (Acheson really beat him by a head . . . his head came throgh pretty good too . . . but it was just a flash.) It was Harry who will go down through the annals of time among the "firsts." One hundred years from now people may look for him in vain among the Jacksons, Clevelands, Roosevelts, Jolsons, Watsons and first flivvers and find him listed among the Barnums, the Baileys, the Hammersteins and whoever first ate a banana under water in a glass tank.

"TRUMAN, Harry S. — An early American whose voice, face and gestures first made the journey from the pacific to the Atlantic Coast through a device known as video, which was considered quite remarkable at the time. He was five feet ten inches tall, weighed 167 pounds, wore a dark suit and a plain tie and came through without interference from Stop The Music."

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Of course, following Harry the show really went to town in video fashion, many of the principals obviously fully conscious of video possibilities and determined to give show business something new. There were times when we expected some of the guests to come on with a trained dog, Indian clubs or trick bicycles. And toward the end of the week we rather longed for a speech by Faye Emerson or Maggi McNellis.

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Washington has named a board to probe gambling in all sports, including racing. The East and Westbound probers down there are now colliding with the North and Southbound investigators.

Chubb Crater Deep Mystery

Origin Still Unknown To Science Expedition

CHUBB CRATER, the big scar two miles in diameter mysteriously gouged in the hard granite of Quebec's sub-Arctic north, has a greatest depth of 1,350 feet.

Thus the depth of the lake-filled natural wonder as well as its diameter is more than twice that of Canyon Diablo Crater in Arizona. Cut in comp[illegible]tively soft sandstone [illegible] the Canyon [illegible] 575 [illegible] deep [illegible] a mile in diameter. It held cle[illegible] as the world's largest known crater of meteoritic origin prior to the recent discovery of Chubb Crater.

Meteor Fragments Sought

Data on the depths of Chubb Crater, not previously plumbed by man, were sent by air to Washington by Dr. V. Ben Meen, Toronto geologist and leader of the joint National Geographic Society-Toronto Royal Ontario museum expedition, which took the field in the Crater area late in July. Meen's soundings showed the Crater's lake to be 850 feet at its deepest, making it one of Canada's deepest lakes. The rocky, sloping rim rises as much as 500 feet above the lake level in the northeast sector.

Still a mystery, however, is how the unique crater originated. Scientists of the expedition are continuing to concentrate efforts in the hunt for metal-bearing meteorite fragments that woul constitute adequate geological proof of meteoritic origin. Signs of vulcanism (volcanic formation) are absent, and Dr. Meen is still convinced that a meteor from space blasted the deep hole 30 to 150 centuries ago, pushing up its high rim, and scattering granite rocks for miles around the barren peninsula between Hudson and Ungava Bays.

FIRST AID TO THE AILING HOUSE

BY ROGER C. WHITMAN

Care of New Floors And Woodwork

QUESTION: We are moving into our new home soon and I would like some information on the care of my floors and woodwork. The floors are varnished oak. The woodwork is birch, also varnished. The doors are of flush design and also varnished. It is all very light and I would like to keep it that way. What should I use when cleaning the floors and what kind of wax would you recommend? Should finger marks be removed from the woodwork with soap and water? Or what would you advise?

ANSWER: A floor finish should be protected by waxing, except when there are old people or young children in the house. Paste floor wax can be used, applied in a thin, even coat and polished after a half-hour for drying. It can be cleaned with a dry hair broom or cloth, or a specially treated mop. It should not need frequent rewaxing except as required in traffic lanes and near doorways. It should be polished or well rubbed about once a week. This can be done with a polishing weight, or a light electric floor polishing machine. Badly soiled places can be cleaned with a liquid wax made for this purpose. (There are special non-slip floor waxes that are sold in bulks only and made especially for convalescent homes.)

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