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BETTER INSTRUCTION IN WRITING

A county superintendent of schools in California, who by the way is a woman, appointed a county supervisor of writing. The teachers and parents interested in the schools concerned resented this appointment at first, because they felt that it was a reflection upon the way in which writing was handled by the local teachers, and upon the writing of the children as well.

The superintendent hastened to assure them that no such reflection was intended, that the writing of these children is no worse than that of the average, and better than some. But she added that though modern schools may be far in advance of 20 years ago, they are not as thorough in the fundamental essentials as they might be, and any appointments to the teaching force which can help to improve this fault should be welcomed.

Any one familiar with the handwriting of school children, wherever located, knows that on the average it is worse than poor. The teacher who must handle all the routine work of a school often has little time to perfect herself in the best methods of teaching the extras, and the writing lesson in most schools accomplishes little. No branch of school work needs the direction of an expert more. Anybody can learn to write well, but how many do? And where does the fault lie?

Whether it be California or Maine,

or any spot between, a community should consider itself fortunate which has a superintendent of schools broad enough to see the faults in the school system and set about remedying them.

INTERNATIONAL ADVERTISING

Manuel Carpio, from Mexico City, addressing the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World at New Orleans, announced that a big advertising campaign is going to be undertaken in Mexico. It is intended to advertise the United States to Mexicans. The best thing about it is that the publicity is going to be directed by no Americans, but by Mexican business men.

It is an admirable project. The great trouble in Mexico has been that the Mexicans knew so little about the United States and its people. Most of them are densely ignorant. Those who have had access to newspapers and other means of communication have only too often been misled by propaganda intended to deceive them and foster their anti-foreign prejudices. A systematic effort to set before the Mexican public the facts about our own nation and the spirit and purpose actuating it should have a wholesome effect.

International publicity, indeed, is the thing most needed today throughout the world. Advertising is the best substitute for militarism, and costs it a calculable less. But it must be advertising of the right sort—not the kind commonly resorted to. It must set forth, in every country, not the worst features of neighboring and rival countries, but their best features.

It is upon such understanding and appreciation of good qualities in individuals that amicable social life depends everywhere. Because it is so much harder for nations to understand each other than for neighbors in the same town, they must be explained to each other.

BIBLE STORIES TO BE FILMED BY OREGON MEN

The Bible from Genesis to Revelation is to be visualized in motion pictures.

The ends of the earth are to see in animated fine art the events, the people, the enchanted words, and the visions of that greatest of all the charmed books of the world—the Bible.

The Historical Film Company of America is the official title of the producing company.

The director-general of The Historical Film Company of America is Raymond Della, who won for himself world-wide fame as director of that

wonderful production of "Julius Caesar" at Hollywood, California, in 1917 the greatest outdoor stage production ever made in the history of the drama, the Passion Play at Oberammergau not excepted.

J. A. McGill, of Vancouver, Washington, is president and general manager, and George E. Reynolds, of Portland, Oregon, is secretary.

In this visualization of the Bible text there will be no stars. Director Wells will cast his pictures according to the types called for in the text and he will draw upon that which is most authoritative in literature and art for guidance in staging his scenes.

The St. James version of the Bible will be used exclusively, but no commentaries will be consulted except for art's sake alone. Gustave Doré, Tissot and the master artists of the middle ages will be consulted for details of costuming, furnishings, manners and customs of the various periods, and before the finished picture is released for exhibition it will be reviewed by a board of eminent divines who will pass upon its authenticity and certify to its freedom from all taint of sectarian bias.

The present program of the producers is to make fifty-two pictures of two reels each, beginning with a spectacular presentation of the Creation in tableaux and ending with the tremendous and sublime vision of John as set forth in Revelation.

Works at Corvallis—

Carl Porter of the Nebergall market went to Corvallis yesterday to work in the Corvallis market of the company. Business conditions in Corvallis are reported to be much improved since the 3000 students landed in the town to attend school.

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Any man or woman who keeps it handy will tell you that same thing.

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McCall's Fashions for October are in.

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Leaves for the East—
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hawtin and little daughter, Kathryn left last night for an extended visit with friends and relatives in Chicago. They will also stop at Odgen, Utah, Salt Lake City, Hinsdale, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Hawtin expect to be gone about three weeks.

Make Big Gun by Shrinking Liner.
In making a 12-inch gun at an eastern arsenal the liner tube, 30 feet long, was finished and rifled before being shrunk into place. Customarily the liner is fire-bored and rifled after the shrinkage operation, and this is declared to be the first time a gun of such large size was ever assembled after the tube was finished.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Johannesburg New Metropolis.
Johannesburg, with a population of 333,274, is the largest and most cosmopolitan city in South Africa. The tastes of the people are varied, ranging from the simplest requirements on the part of the natives to the most cultivated wants. Music of some form is one of the means of satisfying these wants.

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MICKIE SAYS
LADIES 'N GENTLEMEN—
ON BEHALF OF 'N BOSS AN' 'N OFFICE FORCE, I WISH T' EXPRESS OUR VERY MOST AFFECTIONATE APPRECIATION 'N YOU 'N'D FRIENDS WHO ARE ALWAYS RIGHT ON 'N JOB 'N REWIN 'N'ER SUBSCRIPTIONS WITHOUT WAITIN' FER NO PRINTED INVITATION— FER NO JOE 'SUZE SANIN' US GOBS 'N 'NORN 'N 'NUGEN'N EVERYTHIN'—
I THANK 'N!

New VICTOR RECORDS for October

Come in and Hear Some of these Good Numbers

1866—Oh What a Pal was Mary (Henry Burr)	
Dear Heart (By John Steel)	.85c
18607—General Pershings March, Victor Band	
Repass Band, March, Conways Band	.85c
18597—Sweet Hawaiian Moonlight, Duett	
Hawaiian Lullaby, Hart & Shaw	.85c
45169—Gentle Annie, Merle Aleock	
Tis All That I Can Say, Merle Aleock	\$1.00
45168—Our Yesterdays (Elsie Baker)	
Ma' Little Sunflower, Goodnight	\$1.00
64779—Laddie O' Mine (Frances Aida)	\$1.00
64821—Tango, Violin, (Mischa Elman)	\$1.00
46820—La Troviator, Sempre Libero (Galli Carci)	\$1.00
64822—Carmen, Prelude to Act I (Orchestra)	\$1.00

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OWNER.

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America is becoming more and more a nation of better homes and better home furnishings. Perhaps the great war has emphasized the comforts of home. Certainly it has made home mean more to the boys who were in the service and their parents are anxious to have "home" mean more than ever to them. Quite naturally this has brought a big demand for home furnishings of the better sort and as we make it a practice to have what the people want, you will find our showing of living room furniture both different and distinctive.

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