

Sunday School Lesson

Asked to name the "oldest college rivalry in the United States," a contestant on a television quiz show with tongue-in-cheek answered, "Science versus religion!"

Unfortunately there is all too much truth in that statement. In the minds of many people, whether people, whether on or off campuses, science and religion are irreconcilable enemies who, when they are not doing battle, exist by simply ignoring the existence of each other.

This picture, however is simply not accurate. Many scientists are also practicing Christians or subscribers to some meaningful religious faith. They see no necessary conflict between these two perspectives of life. In fact, many of these, because of what they know of science, are even more deeply committed to a faith.

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Many Christians—and others—have been deeply influenced and helped by the work of a Jesuit priest who was by profession a brilliant biologist. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, not only found no inherent contradiction between his faith and his science, but, in fact, found that each spoke to the other. His scientific beliefs enhanced his faith and his faith enriched his science.

The more his science revealed about the world, the more Teilhard was awed at the thought of the God who had created such a world. Many of us today share his wonder as we learn of the marvels in the world about us: the intricacy of the "genetic code," the power in the laser beam, the wonders of the tiny atom, etc.

The ancient Psalmist had cried:

When I look at thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon, and the stars which thou has established; What is man that thou art mindful of him...

(Psalms 8:3,4a)

Today we are no less awed when we consider the universe. The telescope at Mt. Palomar enables men to photograph planets over one billion light years away. What this means in miles is equivalent to 186,000 (miles per second) times 60 seconds times 60 minutes times 24 hours times 365 days times 1,000,000,000 years. We haven't the slightest idea how many stars or planets there are.

We can well understand a certain astronomer who, when he was asked how he could believe in God, replied, "I keep enlarging my idea of God."

Many of us today are finding that science continues to force us to enlarge our idea of God! As Teilhard contemplated the world he seemed to find it telling him that in its five to ten thousand million years of existence, even from its very beginning, it followed a "unidirectional trend," it evidenced a purpose toward which it is moving. Not that he was alone in that conclusion. Dr. Kirkley Mather of Harvard has said, "We live in a universe, not of chance or caprice, but of law and order," and Albert Einstein, hardly a religionist in the ordinary sense of the term, also observed: "Certain it is that a conviction akin to religious feeling, of the rationality or intelligibility of the world lies behind all scientific work of a higher order."

"And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good" (Genesis 1:31). Teilhard teaches nuclear age man to look at the world which God has made and recognize with him that it is "very good" because it bears the stamp of the Creator of the Cosmos.

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Specialist Fears Rise In Pesticide Accidents

North Carolina could be in for an increase this year in the number of tragic accidents that occur annually among the users of pesticides.

This warning comes from Dr. Gerald Weekman, who is in charge of extension entomology programs at North Carolina State University.

Dr. Weekman and health officials are fearful of an increase in pesticide accidents because of some of the newer pesticides now available.

"The trend is toward pesticides are actually more dangerous for the person applying them," Weekman said.

DDT is an example. DDT has become more and more unacceptable because of the way that it builds up in the environment, causing all kinds of contamination problems. But DDT is a relatively safe chemical for the user.

Parathion, which is being substituted in some cases for DDT, disappears almost completely after a few days. Therefore, it is considered better for the environment.

But parathion is 10 times more deadly to man when taken orally than DDT. It is almost 200 times more deadly

when absorbed through the skin.

"We are seeing a trend," Weekman explained, "from the long lasting chlorinated-hydrocarbons to the more short lived organophosphates and carbamates. With a few exceptions, however, these newer chemicals are more acutely toxic than the chlorinated hydrocarbons. We are switching from chemicals that pose a long range danger to the environment to chemicals that pose a more immediate danger to the user."

Weekman is particularly concerned about the dangers of dermal toxicity - pesticides being absorbed through the skin.

"Many people feel that they are safe if they keep pesticides out of their eyes and mouth. But many pesticides, and especially some of the newer ones, are extremely dangerous when allowed to remain in contact with a person's skin.

"This is why a person should always read the label carefully before using a pesticide. If the label suggests a bath and change of clothes after use, then he should by all means follow these suggestions."

Manteo Children's Theatre Presents Winnie-The-Pooh

by RICK GRAY

MANTEO, N.C. -- Winnie - The - Pooh, the A.A. Milne bear of the small brain will be the main character in this season's opening production of THE LOST COLONY CHILDREN'S THEATRE.

Opening performance will be given Saturday morning at 10:30 at THE LOST COLONY BUILDING at Ft. Raleigh National Historic Site near here.

This season's Children's Theatre musical presentation is "Pooh Corner, A Musical Fantasy," adapted from Milne's well-known books and poems by Jamie MacDonald and Alex McIlvaine.

Among the Pooh stories presented in the one - hour show are "Eeyore's Birthday Party," the "Expedition to the North Pole," and the "Enchanted Forest."

The entire production is staged by members of THE LOST COLONY company who have been working on the play since early June.

Showings will be Wednesday, and Saturday mornings at 10:30 and admission will be fifty cents for children and one dollar for adults. No reserved seats are sold.

Directing the production is Alec Roberts of Glen Cove, N.Y., a student at Jacksonville University who plays Simon Fernando. THE LOST COLONY's villain, Alec is a co-founder of "The Liberty

Stage" in Jacksonville, a theatre group which produced plays for groups who had never had the opportunity to see a drama before. This is Alec's first year with THE LOST COLONY.

Robert Zienta, who plays Pooh Bear, is the Historian in Paul Green's symphonic drama. A resident of Jacksonville, Florida, Robert will graduate from Jacksonville University in December.

Jimmy Frazer, who plays Christopher Robin, is a member of THE LOST COLONY dance company. He is a senior at Duke University and a resident of Wilmington.

Lauren J. Eager of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, plays Pooh's companion Piglet. Lauren dances the role of Uppowoc nightly and is a student at the North Carolina School of the Arts in Winston - Salem.

Shirley Lightbody, assistant choreographer of the nightly outdoor drama, plays Kanga in the Children's Theatre and is also choreographer for the production. Shirley is a student at Jacksonville University and, in addition to her duties as assistant choreographer, she appears in Paul Green's play as Marjorie Harvey.

Roo is played by twelve - year - old Carolee Doughty. Carolee lives in Wanchese and plays a colonist child in THE LOST COLONY.

Eric McFarland who plays Rabbit is a student at Virginia Commonwealth University and is a member of the drama's dance company, as is John Paschal, a Lillington native, who plays Eeyore - The Donkey.

Trigger is played by Bob Letizia of Jacksonville, Florida, who also plays the Indian chieftan Wanchese six nights a week. Rounding out the cast is Leon Rippey who plays Owl. Leon is from Rock Hill, S.C., an actor/technician and has written several one - act plays of his own.



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Distaff DEEDS

By Jan Christensen

A double header in housing can be as thrilling as a double header in baseball.

So, on a recent Sunday afternoon over 200 persons visited two demonstration houses in Randolph County, built by North Carolina Extension Plan 90.

Rose Badgett, home economics Extension agent, says the Ervin Spinks family, Liberty, used brick veneer for their house. Mrs. Lucy McKelvey, Pleasant Hill, had her house built with a frame construction. Each family decorated according to their own desires and the end result was two houses that were alike - but not alike.

Miss Badgett says some persons who attended the "open house double header" are now scratching their heads trying to figure a way to have similar housing.

"Making two mattresses at the kitchen table is a major undertaking, but well worth the effort," believes Mrs. Fred Partin, Moncure, Rt. 1.

Ever since the better bedding program began in her home county of Chatham, Mrs. Partin wanted to try her skill at covering a urethane foam mattress.

Recently she completed a twin-and double-size mattress in two days. Mrs. Partin believes she saved herself and her mother \$97 by doing the work herself, observes Mrs. Annabel Powers, home economics Extension agent.

Some 600 Robeson County youth are attending a summer program titled "How Food Affects You." These meetings, an outgrowth of the county's efforts in the Expanded Nutrition Program, are being conducted by program aides Mrs. Maudie Revels, Mrs. Burnell Stackhouse and Mrs. Beatrice Smith.

It will not be all work and no play. Nutrition information will be supplemented with a picnic.

A Columbus County homemaker has learned to sew well enough to choose any pattern she wishes. And that is an accomplishment, agrees Mrs. Betty C. Thompson, home economics Extension agent.

The homemaker, Mrs. Letha Stanley, Nakina, Rt. 1, makes most the sarments she and her

daughter wear. She mastered her sewing skills through Extension workshops and community college courses, the agent adds.

Penny - wise and pound sound. These words could well describe Durham County senior citizens attending a workshop called "Planning and Preparing Dollar Stretching Nutritious Meals."

According to Mrs. Mary J. Whitmore, assistant home economics Extension agent, workshop participants were given tips on how to adapt popular recipes for one or two servings.

Among the suggestions were these: stuff chicken breasts instead of a whole chicken. Use a three pound package of hamburger to prepare three different recipes, using a pound of meat for each.

Determination to own their own home inspired the Paul Perkins family, Cleveland County, to seek help in budgeting.

So they enrolled in a money management workshop conducted by Thelma E. McVea, home economics Extension agent and worked out a spending plan they could live with.

First, the family paid off outstanding debts. Then they found someone to take care of their four small children so Mrs. Perkins could work to supplement family income.

Mrs. Perkins says the family is happy with the progress they're making. She admits "it is a little hard at times, but we are getting straightened out."

Family members keep records of expenses, take advantage of sales and spend their food dollars wisely, she adds.

When furnishing a new house, make use of items you already have. That's the advice of the Aldean Porter family, the Little Richmond community, Surry County.

As an example, Mrs. Porter used her old living room draperies to make a bedspread.

The fabric was ideal, a closely woven print. Extension agents showed the homemaker how she could split one panel, sew it to the sides of the other panel, and presto, it would fit the single bed in the extra bedroom.

ON LEAVE -- SP 4 Joseph Gordon, Jr., is home on a 30 day leave from Vicenza, Italy where he is serving with the 5th Battalion, 30th Artillery. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gordon.