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Washington—Publishing the Bible in everyday language once was a capital offense. Clerics condemned John Wycliffe for his translation of the Bible into English. The Bible, however, not as a single volume, but as a whole library by scores of authors, says the National Geographic Society in its recent book, "The Bible: A History of the Bible." The Bible, it says, is the most popular book in the world's most popular language.

Hebrews chanted the mighty words of the Lord, Centuries later, at the time of David and Solomon, scribes began recording the revered narratives of the creation, the great flood, and their ancestors' deeds.

Reports of Jews' ministry greatly aided mouth for a generation after the Crucifixion, with the passing of the leading eye-witnesses, the evangelists set down in Greek, Mark, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John—wrote the earliest, probably appeared before A.D. 70.

Manuscripts lavishly decorated. Early copies were on rolls of brownish papyrus, according to everyday life in Bible Times, by the 2nd century A. D. The order or book, with page of papyrus or parchment, supplanted scrolls. This began the artistic craft of illuminating biblical manuscripts, which reached a climax in the Middle Ages. Some texts appeared in silver or purple velvet with miniature figures.

Bibles history by scribbles, one copy after another, passed from error to error. So varied were early Latin translations that Pope Damasus asked a revision in 382. To draft it, he named his secretary Jerome, who had studied under St. Gregory of Nazianzus in Constantinople. Jerome's Latin Bible, the Vulgate or "common" version remains in official use in the Latin for the Roman Catholic Church.

The Geneva Bible of 1540, used by Shakespeare, was called the "firebreath Bible" for its translation of a passage in Genesis 3: "Why wouldst thou be together and make thee a vine?"

In 1611, James I named 54 scholars to translate the Bible into all English churches. For its ringing vigor and Elizabethan style, merchants called it James, or Authorized, version as the "choice monument of English prose."



HOME MAKERS CAMP—Mrs. John Clinkbeard, pictured, along with about 17 other ladies from the Nicholas County HomeMakers Club attended the Area HomeMakers Camp at the 4th Camp site last weekend. Some of the things they participated in were making lariat whips, creative art projects, sketching, cultural development training, choral, and appreciation lessons. Along with the classes some ladies enjoyed the nature hike, fishing, and just visiting with good friends.

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The exhibit was prepared by Herbert R. Collins, assistant curator of the Smithsonian's Division of Political History, and was designed by Alfred H. McCanna. Politics still is not exacting science, Mr. Collins noted.

"The methods and techniques of campaigning have changed," he explained, "but the purpose is still the same. The objects used are the same type as in the 19th century, and yet candidates still do not know what effect they have."

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