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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. Proverbs 3:13.

Bond Issues

With legal technicalities finally completed, the city board of commissioners, as it had announced it would, called a bond election for May 10th in which it asks the voters to approve \$350,000 in public improvement bonds.

As indicated before, the Herald favors passage of all the issues. However, since they are separate and since it is possible that some may be approved and others disapproved, the Herald rates them in this order of importance: (1) \$250,000 in sewer bonds; (2) \$50,000 in water bonds; (3) \$50,000 in stadium bonds.

Most of the early criticism to the bond program has been voiced by the so-called "professional economy" citizens who are constitutionally opposed to spending money in any manner. On the other side, the Herald hasn't yet picked up reports of many who are solidly and vigorously for the bonds, outside, of course, the city commissioners. Perhaps it is too early yet. Perhaps the thought of going into debt by \$350,000, or even \$250,000, or even \$50,000 are too unpleasant, even for those who are still forced to use outdoor privies for toilets and who have to get water from a well though living inside a city.

The sewer business is most important from the sanitation standpoint. The defective McGill tank — which lies in Gaston county — is credited by Gaston health authorities as being mainly responsible for the large polio incidence in the immediate area last summer. Correct contention or not, the Gaston neighbors, if sufficiently aroused, could create a very unpleasant and nasty situation. They could take legal steps to force some action on the matter. The health situation makes the sewer bonds most important, with the water bonds closely aligned.

The Herald is for the stadium bonds too. Again, sanitation is closely connected with the pro-

A best bow to Iris Patterson, Mary McKelvie and Jo Ann Bridges, recently inducted as new members of the high school's Kings Mountain Honor Society chapter.

Our congratulations to G. C. Kelly, who has been named to succeed Z. F. Cranford as the operating chief of Craftspun Yarns, Inc.

If the citizens had to name the best deed the Ministerial Association does in a year, it is quite likely that the association's city-wide Easter Sunrise Service would win the election. Plans are already announced for the annual service, and the ministers think the attendance this year will break all records. The service is a most impressive one and those attending come away with a new sense of the real meaning of Easter.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

For the fourth consecutive year the people of the city are invited to Easter Sunrise Service on the Central school lawn.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL
Miss Madge McDaniel was hostess to the Uteloni Club this week at her home on East King street.
Mrs. Hugh Hoke, of Lincolnton,

ject. The present condition of the so-called City Stadium is a bad arrangement for all concerned, participating teams, spectators, and, perhaps worse of all, for the people living nearby. There will naturally be discussion as to whether "more money should be wasted in that hole." While Commissioner Carl Mauney has not yet called his stadium citizen's committee together, indications are that the board's intention is to adequately survey the situation before any more money, if voted, is spent. It is indicated that the present location will be developed only if economically, sanitarily, and physically feasible. Otherwise, efforts would be made to find a new site and a start again made from scratch. Many feel this would be better and cheaper.

Politically, the bond issue should have little opposition unless there is such a wave of opposition to it that opponents of the current administration decide to ride it in an effort to move into City Hall.

Long term, all candidates should support the bond election for personal reasons. As has been remarked here many times, laws regulating municipal governments are so protective for the citizens that no one body of men can make an exceptionally successful record at City Hall in the current situation — much in the way of city services needing to be provided and with no money to provide them. The men elected to City Hall without these bond issues will be taking a good chance of becoming sitting ducks for the next election.

In calling the bond election for the same day as the regular biennial election to fill city offices the board has done two things: (1) it has saved some money in the way of election expenses; (2) it, in effect, invites the voters to approve the bond issues and, at the same time, to elect to office the men they prefer to spend it.

A gift to the campaign of the American Cancer Society might well be looked on as an investment. Cancer deals death to many each year. Thinking citizens are confident that man, who harnessed the atom, will find a cure for this dread disease, and they will support this campaign.

Just what plans the directors of the Red Cross have for completing their 1949 fund drive are not known, but some clean-up work is in order. The Red Cross organization is too important to the township to be hamstrung for funds.

First reports indicate that the Kings Mountain Bargain Days trade promotion was a success for merchant and customer alike. The customer got some real bargains and the merchant, in turn, made room for some new goods.

Items of news taken from the 1939 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

was a visitor in Kings Mountain Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fulkerson, Misses Fanny Carpenter and Eva Plonk spent the weekend in the vicinity of Charleston, S. C., where they visited the gardens and other places of interest.

martin's medicine

By Martin Harmon
(Containing bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment. To be taken weekly. Avoid overdosage.)

Spring Ramble

Though the air is still sprightly in the mornings and evenings, the threat of spring is muchly with us, and everybody seems to like it. There are several favorable signs. The trees are budding and beginning to bloom by leaps and bounds, and most of the hardy populace have stuffed the overcoat in the closet. While the appearance of a robin or two is regarded as the first sure sign of approaching spring, Kings Mountain has another — and almost as early as the robin. Last week I saw it. Claude Hambricht was upstreet in shirt sleeves. Of course, Claude has purpose in mind. It's a subtle piece of advertising for Claude's ice business. Some spring when I think about it, I'm going to test Claude for winter underwear.

There's something about spring which makes everyone feel better, even those who get afflicted with a bad case of spring fever. The feelings perk up, even if the energy quotient seems to need a dose of sulphur and tasses.

Among those who first feel the oncoming spring are teachers, and those in the elementary grades note it first. One elementary school teacher was reporting the other day on an interesting, never-a-dull-moment April Fool's Day, which had just passed. It was filled to the gills with the innocent funny, sometimes embarrassing faux pas of the third graders in her command. The fun started early. One student, anxious to get in on the April Fool business, said in astonished voice, "Teacher, there's an ant running up your leg." Another pupil, who had evidently been impressed by an admonition not to use ain't, reprimanded, "There's no such word as ain't." But the jokester was not to be denied. "Well," the small voice continued, "there's an ISNT running up your leg, April Fool."

Later in the day, during a reading lesson which must have had a little English grammar combined, the teacher was trying to put across the use of the word having. She asked a boy to give a sentence using the word and he made a grammatically correct, if physically impossible, reply. It was, "I am having a baby."

The teacher thought surely the day would never end, and it didn't in time. With a few minutes left, a youngster who does a guitar act was invited to perform for the class. After he picked out a few request numbers, the teacher suggested that, with only time for one more, he play his own favorite. After a few introductory chords, the lad gave out in music and song with "Rye whiskey, rye whiskey...." The teacher was never so glad in her life when the day-ending bell rang before the second chorus.

Which, among other things, proves that in life there is never a dull moment, if one looks for it. And where children are around, one doesn't have to look, just listen.

One of the interesting reports in Life magazine recently was the story on the professor who had several of his students — in 1939 — write a statement of what they expected to do, be, and become during the ensuing 10 years. The results were interesting. One chap who had hoped to get one graduate degree (and would be satisfied if he did) had a string of 'em a mile long. One chap who had written out a statement wasn't present. He had committed suicide. But most of the then-students had done very well, now held larger horizons. Which is the way life is. One goal is accomplished, and another is standing by ready to take its place. That's what keeps us going.

Spring means new clothes requirements, particularly for the ladies, but the men, who talk less about clothes, usually slip in a store and buy a piece of two also. There's not much change, as usual, for the men, who have to be (and are) content with newness of the fabric, or shininess of the shoes. Green is returning somewhat as an alternate color in suits and trousers, and, while I customarily agree with the fellow who wrote that "green for men is a mistake," there's a new shade out with just a threat of green, and it's real pretty.

The real emergence in men's wear seems to be pastel colors in shirts. While I haven't yet seen an older man with nerve enough to appear therein, they tell me a sparkin' eye 'bout-ager who doesn't have a pink shirt to wear on his courting expeditions considers himself strictly out-of-fashion.

Pullet Projects And Poultry Work

Pullet projects for 4-H Club members are doing much to promote interest in better poultry production throughout North Carolina, says C. F. Parrish, in charge of poultry extension.

More projects are being sponsored this year than ever before. Parrish adds. Some 500 club members in more than 40 counties are receiving 100 sexed pullets each. After raising the chicks, each member will exhibit 12 of his best pullets at a county show, at which time the birds will be judged and classed according to their development. Proceeds from the sale of the pullets shown will be used to start new projects next year.

Extension poultrymen and agents who supervised the projects will decide which members are to receive awards for having done the best work.

The Sears Foundation, which last year sponsored projects in 30 counties, has added 10 new counties to its list for 1949. These are Wake, Gates, Hertford, Brunswick, Moore, Columbus, Duplin, Edgecombe, Nash, and Burke.

Sears is also sponsoring projects

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Helen Moore, deceased, late of Cleveland County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at his home on or before March 18, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will make immediate payment.

Phillip B. Falls,
Administrator of the Estate of
Helen Moore, deceased.
m-18-a-8

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATRIX

Having qualified as administratrix for the estate of Z. F. Cranford, deceased, before the Clerk of the Superior Court for Cleveland County all persons having claims against said estate will please file same with the undersigned on or before the 23rd of March, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 23rd day of March, 1949.
Mrs. Nellie A. Cranford,
Administratrix
J. R. Davis, Atty. m-25-a-15.

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in an order made by E. A. Houser, Clerk of the Superior Court for Cleveland County in the Special Proceedings entitled "Mrs. Mattie Howard, Executrix for the Last Will and Testament for Miss Gertrude Ware, deceased, vs. Mrs. Mattie Howard, et al", I will sell for cash on the premises of the land hereinafter described at public auction on Saturday, April 16, 1949, at 10:30 a. m., or within legal hours, the following described real estate:

Beginning at a poplar on the branch, J. D. Neal's corner and runs N. 61 deg. 45 min. E. 296.34 feet to a stone, J. D. Neal's corner; thence S. 63 E. 100 feet to Gene Ware's corner, a new corner in Neal's line; thence N. 1 W. 274.5 feet to another new corner in the field; thence N. 88 E. 363 feet to a stake in the West bank of El Bethel Road; thence with said road N. 9 1/2 W. 60 feet to a stake in the road; thence with the road N. 48 1/2 E. 424.38 feet to a stake in the road; thence N. 87 W. 1287 feet to a stake, Boyd Harrison's corner; thence S. 7 1/2 W. 541 feet to a stake; thence S. 54 E. 403 feet to the Beginning, containing 16.62 acres, more or less. Being a part of the land conveyed by Mrs. G. S. Ware to Gertrude Ware by deed as will appear on record in the Register of Deeds Office for Cleveland County in book 5-G at page 306.

This the 16th day of March, 1949.
B. D. Ratterree, Commissioner.
J. R. Davis, Atty. m-18-a-8

for Negro club members in four counties, and civic clubs and hatcheries are sponsoring additional projects for white members in five counties.

State and county highway departments are cutting road building and maintenance costs by the wide use of portable Diesel powered rock crushing plants. General Motors Series 71 Diesel powered portable crushers can produce up to 200 tons of road rock an hour for as little as one half a cent per ton in fuel costs.



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