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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

They profess that they know God; but in works and unto every good work reprobate. Titus 1:16.

Trimming Fat

The fat-trimming business promised by the Eisenhower administration is being practiced by the Department of Defense, according to occasional, usually buried news reports. Perhaps the trimming is not getting the attention it deserves.

Postmaster General Summerfield gets a big play for saving \$20,000 per year via a few fourth class postage close-ups, but the \$20,000 is peanuts compared to what's supposed to be going on in the Defense Department.

An army captain who works in the quartermaster corps was chatting recently about some interesting changes at his present station. On an inspection early after his arrival, exactly 21 civilian employees, all rated high up the pay scale, were found holding their hands. Worse than that, they didn't try to get busy when the brass came around. The thumb-twiddling obviously had been going on quite a long time, long enough that the workmen felt no embarrassment.

The captain says the shutdown has come and that many of these 21, and of their counterparts on other shifts, are no longer in the employ of Uncle Sam. He estimates the monetary cut on payroll at this one base at one million per year. He says the efficiency, rather than being impaired, has been considerably increased. The workers now have room to work and something to do. They don't fall over themselves.

That's the kind of fat that needs to be cut out and reminds again that Mr. Wilson, the Secretary of Defense, must have known what he was talking about when he proposed a five billion cut in the defense budget. If the army has the kind of fat outlined above, then the Air Force fat must be much fatter, if the recent yelps of pain are any criterion.

It's waste folk want cut out of government, not defense, not postal service, not other worthwhile needs.

Let's Name The Townships

The Herald doesn't desire in any way, nor will it, get into any argument like the famous one on naming Arkansas (or Arkansas), but the thought has occurred lately that the good commissioners of Cleveland County might do well to take the several townships out of the convict class and assign each of them names.

There are eleven townships in Cleveland, and each of them bears merely an unexciting and non-descriptive number. Why? None probably knows.

Outside the esthetic field, it would appear that naming of the townships would be of some assistance in helping newer model citizens, either youthful ones or those newly arrived in Cleveland, or both, to learn the geography of the county.

Where is Number 7 Township? Our guess is that more readers of this newspaper can't answer that question than can.

And where is Number 11, Number 9, or Number 1? The assumption is that almost everyone knows that Shelby is located in and forms the bulk of Number 6 Township, and that Kings Mountain is in Number 4 Township. But a lot of folk would not know that Casar is located in Number 11 township.

Generally speaking, naming a township after the principal town in the township would probably be the best plan. But regardless of the particular name, the townships deserve better than numerical treatment.

Congratulations are due Mason Hughes, Jr., James Rikard, Jr., Melba Andrews, Joyce Ann Childers, and Margaret Frances Hunter, winners of the fifth grade citizenship medals DAR at the several Kings Mountain area schools.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events taken from the 1943 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

A Minute Man Flag was presented Saturday to the Superior Stone Company with chairman of the bond sale, J. R. Davis, making the presentation address. The local Draft Board has received the July call which is for 25 white selectees for July 7th, for Camp Croft, S. C. and 15 colored selectees for July 8th, for Fort Bragg, N. C.

Social and Personal
Mrs. E. A. Smith was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday afternoon.
Pvt. Ben Bridges was home for a few hours Sunday.
Howard McGill and son, Howard, Jr., left last Friday for Dallas, Texas after a visit to relatives in Kings Mountain.
Word has been received here

that Cpl. Lester L. Etters has arrived safely in North Africa.
Cpl. Jim R. McCarter in officer training, New River, N. C. has been spending a few days with his father pending new assignment.
Pvt. Samuel G. Dover of Daniel Field, Augusta, Ga., is spending a ten day furlough with his wife and other relatives.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By Martin Harmon
Ingredients: Bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment.
Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid over-dosage.

Father's Day again.....
I was laying out a Father's Day advertisement last week when a father of at least three came into the office. When he saw my work he snorted, "Always putting on the pressure to buy gifts huh?" I replied, "Well, the merchants have learned long ago that folks like to buy, and all they need is an excuse."

After my friend left, I remembered that he had three daughters. That meant, with his wife's, four gifts he gets to buy himself in June, which is vacation time, too, and therefore a further rough inroad into the wallet. But I'll wager he'll handle his Father's Day chore with a big broad smile and be tickled too.

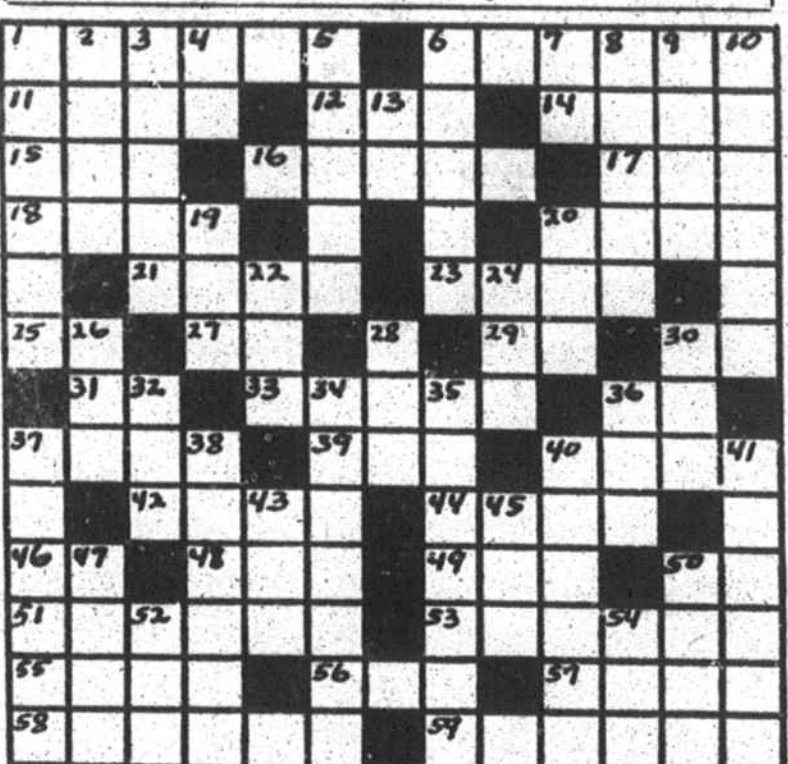
But Father's Day is all right. Many a man gets his full wardrobe via such holidays as Father's Day, birthday and Christmas, and the men's apparel makers perhaps would be in bad shape were it not for this fact. (Some would say the womenfolk are the biggest factor in men's apparel selling. Before a guy is married, he has to spruce up to catch her. After he's caught, she requires him to keep up to par.)

Storm damage: With newspaper headlines of death-dealing tornadoes, the recent storms didn't make people feel too good. Last week, about the time the Herald was due to go to press, and time for a change, a ball of fire seemed to run about my typewriter and the machinery in the back and school was out..... All we could get out of the power was a buzz, which Dr. Hunter Allen diagnosed as "one leg out!", whatever that means in electrical language..... Floyd Thornburg shinned up the pole and replaced the "leg", and Dan Finger replaced a bunch of fuses and we were back in action again..... but some folk weren't as fortunate..... a few nights earlier lightning struck the Earl Carpenter home on Linwood Road and did right much damage..... and oates growers could look out on "down" fields..... Richard Owens, was reported to have had 370 turkeys get excited and smother themselves, which is a fate worse than getting on a Thanksgiving dinner table..... Chief Hugh Logan says he lost a barn roof in the storm that damaged the county home..... Chief Logan figures it's just as well Dr. Dorton hadn't got the Fairgrounds grandstand rebuilt, for the storm would probably have leveled it again..... I am not a storm lover.....

Pick-ups around town: Lt. Frank Summers, on duty with the army engineers in Korea, wrote his folks that the first piece of mail to reach him since he boarded an ocean-going transport plane on the West Coast, was the May 7 issue of the Herald, which would have been the last issue immediately prior to the city election..... needless to say, he was interested in getting the next one..... A number of folk are air mailing each week's edition to their sons overseas..... the postal tariff varies with the weight..... Allen Herndon, who manages the Paul Neisler farm just south of the state border, is using a unique method to keep his big crop of broilers happy..... Allen keeps a radio fixed up in his chicken houses 24 hours per day, setting it at midnight on an all-night station..... advantage is keeping chickens accustomed to noise..... when feeders or visitors enter, the chicks pay 'em no attention, don't huddle up and endanger themselves.....

Lutheran Preacher W. P. Gerberding, who has great love (?) for the neighboring City of Gastonia due to former relations with the traffic department, bemoans Franklin avenue's 21 stoplights..... Count 'em, says the minister..... Sunday was annual Flag Day which reminds that the DAR is doing the neighborhood a favor in reminding of the special holidays that require flag displaying..... At the Herald, Mrs. P. D. Herndon, chief of the social bureau, is flag chairman, and Lib Stewart, chief of the bookkeeping bureau, is deputy flag chairman..... taxes are always in the forefront but more so these days with the new property valuations..... one block I noticed the other day had quadrupled in tax value, and one local industry had quintupled..... and there is some question about the city limits line..... George Huser was talking about 16-plus acres he had thought outside now seemed to be in..... which must be something like making an error in your own when figuring the bank balance..... I did that last month

CROSSWORD * * * By A. C. Gordon



- ACROSS**
1—To talk persuasively
6—Refer
11—Furthermore
17—Lubricate
14—Holding a position at the apex
15—To make a kind of lace
16—Gives forth
17—Theological Education Society (abbrev.)
18—Girl's name
20—Man of the hour
21—To consume in a lit-erary way
23—To raise
25—Negative
27—Prefix denoting "down"
29—Printer's measure
30—Units
31—U.S. southern state (abbrev.)
33—Ranter
36—Either
37—Destitute of natural covering
- Generalities**
39—Knock
40—Harvest
42—Nobleman
44—Debtor
46—Public transportation (abbrev.)
48—Charge for admission
49—Colloquial for a policeman
50—Chemical symbol for manganese
51—Scuffers
53—Paid attention
55—Always
56—Beverage
57—Observe
58—Becomes aware of
- DOWN**
1—Provision allowance
2—Dash
3—Flower
4—Thus
5—Wanderer
6—Change
7—Musical note
8—Speak
9—Performer
10—Kind of salt (poss.)
13—Roman numeral
19—British "Z"
20—Cut of meat
22—Combining form for "air"
24—Poetical "always"
26—Egg
28—Girl's name
30—Man's name
32—High mountain
34—Details
35—Pertaining to a big event
36—"Ports" "above"
37—Water vessels
38—Postboxes
40—To be contrite
41—To wash mentally
43—As all times (poet.)
45—Sorrow
47—To cleave
50—Apportion
52—Man's name
54—Small mark

See The Want Ad Section For This Week's Completed Puzzle

Viewpoints of Other Editors

LONG OVERDUE

GASTONIA GAZETTE

It seems to *The Gazette* there is undeniable merit in the suggestion of Kenneth Dellinger, well known Gastonian, contained in an open forum letter appearing recently in this newspaper, that legislation should be passed controlling the operation of motor boats and all types of small craft on the Catawba river.

Such legislation is, in fact, already long overdue.

Eight lives have been claimed by the Catawba already this season, since the first warm weather of early spring.

Naturally such a law would have to be drafted to apply not only to the Catawba but to the operation of boats on all waters in the territory included.

To Mr. Dellinger's general suggestion for such legislation *The Gazette* would add these specific recommendations.

1. No boat, either for public hire by commercial boat renters, or privately owned for the personal use of the owner and friends, should be permitted on deep water when overloaded. A definite passenger load limit, in accordance with the footage and capacity of the boat, should be established and enforced. Many of our tragedies on the water have occurred from boat overloading.

2. No boat should be permitted on the water unless every passenger is equipped with a life belt or jacket.

3. Boats offered to the public for rent should be frequently and thoroughly inspected and required to meet rigid safety standards.

4. The law should have sufficient teeth, putting the burden of complying with the law on the owners of the boats.

5. Enforcement of such a law should properly be placed in the hands of the game wardens, who already have the duty of patrolling the heavily-trafficked waters to seek out fishing law violators.

Due to probable strong opposition from Eastern North Carolina coastal areas, it is probably unlikely that passage of such legislation on a State-wide basis could be obtained.

But local legislation for Gaston county, to reduce tragedies on our local waters, would certainly be possible.

and it was a real catastrophe..... a lot worse than finding I had spent it by mistake.....
m-m
Don't forget Father.

CLEVELAND SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION

SHELBY STAR

Residents of Southeastern Cleveland are tackling an area-wide problem with a fortitude that is admirable.

Two meetings have been held, another is planned, on the matter of consolidating schools in Kings Mountain and No. 4 Township.

The proposal, if carried out, would set up two high schools, one Negro and one white, for the entire corner of Cleveland.

It is not a proposal to be taken lightly for it will affect every school home within the area. At present, for instance, Kings Mountain and Grover high schools are on straight terms. Bethware has a split summer session so that students can be out of school in the early fall to help in harvesting the cotton crop.

There is the matter of location. At the moment, at least, sentiment seems to lean toward placing the new buildings outside of Kings Mountain but not too far out since Kings Mountain high school students will have to be transported. The bulk of the students in the proposed new district would come from Kings Mountain.

Financing the proposed venture will call on every taxpayer in the area to examine his conscience for the consolidation will not come cheaply.

More than balancing the cost, however, would be the tremendous advantage to the estimated 650-700 high school students who would attend classes in the new building, using fully equipped facilities.

There is as yet no possibility of determining the proper course to take. Legal, administrative and financial questions must be answered satisfactorily. The entire proposal must be explained in detail to the voters who will determine the course of education in their area.

The approach to the idea has thus far been excellent. Small groups have held bi-weekly meetings. A representative committee has been named to sound out sentiment before further steps are taken.

Perhaps most important, the groups who have attended the meeting so far have agreed that, "This is the opportunity for us to decide how good an education we want for our children."

World production of the three principal hard cardage fibers reached a new peak in 1952 of approximately 1,372,000,000 pounds.

Rites Conducted For Rufus Hager

Funeral services for Rufus L. Hager, 55, resident of route 1, Bessemer City, and father of Mrs. James White of Kings Mountain, were conducted Sunday at 3 p. m. from Concord Methodist church.

Rev. R. W. Blanchard, the pastor, officiated and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Hager died at his home Friday night at 10:30 following a lingering illness. He was a well known farmer and active in the affairs of the Tryon community. He was a life-long member of Concord Methodist church.

son, Joe A. Hager of Dallas; three daughters, Mrs. Lewis Ramsey of Bessemer City, Mrs. James White of Kings Mountain, and Miss Mae Hager of the home.

Also surviving are four brothers, H. A. Hager of Shelby, G. A. Hager of Bessemer City, M. R. Hager of Alken, S. C., and Herman Hager of Cherryville; a sister, Mrs. W. B. Morrow of Gastonia; a granddaughter, Miss Jo Elaine Hager, and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Tom Hager of Indiana.

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