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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. St. Luke 6:38.

Amen, Senator George

It was talked about in the House of Representatives but batted down in the Ways and Means committee by a straight party-line vote, 15-10.

But Senator George, of Georgia, has advanced again the proposition that federal income taxes be trimmed from the bottom up, in order to increase buying power and to give every taxpayer the same dollar cut.

The fact that Senator George is the ranking minority member of the Senate Finance committee, which handles tax matters after they have passed the House, puts added weight to the proposal and means that, with an election year on plus the Republican majority in both houses of Congress precarious, the proposal has a good chance.

Great wails and cries have come up from the Tory journals about balancing the budget, but, strangely, these sources were silent when the discussion concerned putting in a gimmick to cut the tax bills of persons drawing big dividend checks, upping depreciation write-off allowances, cutting excise taxes, and many other items which people other than the rank-and-file are seeking.

Specifically, the proposal of Senator George is to raise the personal income tax exemption immediately to \$800 per person for 1954 and to \$1,000 per person for 1955 and thereafter.

At a base rate of 20 percent, the increased exemption would put \$40 more per year in the pay envelope of every worker and add \$80 to the check of a man and wife, had they been paying any income tax at all. And who doesn't pay income tax now?

Needless to say, the increase in pay, falling as it does at the lowest level, would be that much more money to go into trade channels, for groceries, clothes, television sets, and washing machines. And a couple's saving of \$80 would pay one month's dues on the family bus.

No sane person can disagree with the Congressmen who are working toward balancing the budget, but Senator George was talking the sensible kind of tax cut that would be easy to follow and easy to administer. No complicated formulae, just \$200 less income per person to pay tax on in 1954. It's as simple as that.

Parrot Fever

The news of the possibility of a case of parrot fever having originated in Kings Mountain must have caused concern to many people, who number among their families many Pete Parakeets, some of which have learned to talk.

The news was distressing, too, to several citizens who breed the birds for resale in what has developed in the past couple of years to a booming business.

The State Board of Health, on a report from Tennessee, was sufficiently concerned to send a doctor here to confer with Dr. Z. P. Mitchell, county health officer, and other local authorities in the field of health.

It is possible the suspicion that parrot fever may be extant in Kings Mountain may be disproved, and all concerned hope it. Dr. Mitchell himself emphasized against being "alarmist," pointing out that the important thing is to avoid misjudging parrot fever and thinking it is another ailment. Dr. Mitchell, with the full concurrence of state authorities, was merely practicing the old medical theorem of an ounce of prevention saving several pounds of cure.

All hope the word from the U. S. Public Health Service laboratory will be negative.

Our best wishes to Rev. David Morris, pastor of Temple Baptist church, who has resigned that pastorate to accept duties in the mission field at Smithfield.

Congressman Jones

Congressman Woodrow W. Jones, of Rutherfordton, is seeking another term in Washington as the district's Congressman.

While he is technically a third term, having filled the short unexpired portion of the term of the late A. L. Bulwinkle, Mr. Jones actually seeks his third full term to the office which he has filled with competence.

Congressman Jones has established a record of supporting economy in government and has demonstrated a seriousness about the business of representing the people of his district that seems to assure his return to Washington for another two years. His increasing seniority as a member of the House Judiciary committee is not only important to Congressman Jones, but to his constituents in the district. As his seniority increases, his influence can be more forcefully brought to bear for the welfare of 11th district citizens.

The sudden death of Lewis B. Peck, 12th division highway engineer, was a shock to his many friends throughout North Carolina and particularly in the Piedmont section, where he had lived and worked for the major portion of his life. A man who was once in his employ said that Mr. Peck was the most courteous man he ever knew. He spoke to a road gang trusty assigned as janitor for the highway office with the same pleasant, friendly tone as he did to his "customers," the citizens of North Carolina, or to his superiors in the highway commission. While Mr. Peck was seriously ill several months ago, he had been in apparent good health recently and was in Kings Mountain early last week to observe the construction work underway on West King street. Many a mile of North Carolina road had been laid under his supervision, and Kings Mountain people who came to know him during the past four years after his transfer to Shelby found him willing to walk the last mile in his efforts to satisfy their wishes and needs for roads.

Commendation is in order to the officers and directors of the Kings Mountain Building & Loan association on the firm's reaching the million dollar club in total assets, a recent accomplishment for this veteran Kings Mountain financial institution. Congratulations are also in order on its acceptance for membership in the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, which insures all accounts up to \$10,000.00. The fact that the association was accepted for membership means that its finances are in excellent shape and that the actual need for the insurance is at a minimum. At the same time, it is an added measure of safety for the association's shareholders. All Kings Mountain financial institutions now hold federal insurance on their accounts.

Our congratulations to Neal Grissom, who has been elected first president of the newly organized Kings Mountain Optimist Club, soon to be formally chartered by the international organization and thus to take its place among Kings Mountain's other civic groups devoted to upbuilding the community. Mr. Grissom is a man of ability and tenacity and is ideally suited to guide the new organization through the always busy, sometimes difficult, first year.

Heart disease, in its many varying forms, is a great killer. One out of two deaths are attributable to heart failure. Medical research is developing new treatment techniques, new methods of combatting this disease. Money for research is provided through gifts to the American Heart association, and Kings Mountain should do its part in this appeal. Post a check to J. L. McGill or L. E. Abbott today.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By Martin Harmon
Ingredients: bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment.
Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid overdosage.

February is about to pass out of the picture, which means that another Groundhog Day, Lincoln's Birthday, St. Valentine's Day, and Washington's Birthday are once more history until dusting off time in 1955.

Of course, the import of Groundhog Day is still with us and will be, according to legend, until another interesting day, March 15. Mr. Groundhog saw his shadow, which is supposed to insure six more weeks of foul weather. Thus far, there hasn't been much reason to argue with with superstition. While balmy weather has put in appearance, as spring tries to arrive ahead of schedule, there have been many relapses, and a piece of a nasty storm. Personally, I hope cold weather continues for a little while, for, if summer arrives too quickly, then backsets, as they say concerning the "flu," will mean great hardships for the peach farmer and no peach shortcake on the dinner table.

Unquestionably, the lessons of thrift, energy, willingness to work and to overcome hardships as exemplified by George Washington, the father of our nation, and by Honest Abe Lincoln, the rail-splitter, have not been lost for the current generation of school youngsters. Who ever can forget the mental vision of Honest Abe, sitting in front of a big open fire, the only light in the room, studying his lessons? It is sure to shame the most laggard of juvenile minds. And who will ever forget the legend of young George Washington and the cherry tree. Debunkers are always denying the tale that George would rather take the thrashing than to tell a lie, but the killjoys have never been successful. Of course, some characters would find pleasure in shooting Santa Claus.

As for the results of St. Valentine's Day 1954, it may be yet too early to tell. Cupid shoots some interesting arrows, some slow to take effect. Also, 1954 being just a plain normal 365-day year and February a plain, normal 28 days, Cupid may have had astigmatism of the aim this season. But time will tell, and Leap Year is not as far away as it once was.

But February winds up on the Sabbath.

Speaking of the end of the Groundhog shadow curse, falling as it does on March 15, reminds that another storm is due on that day. It also reminds that this is the time of year all those folk who think they're being quite liberal during the previous 12 months get a rude shock. When they get the contributions column, the result is mighty puny. Uncle Sam now allows a deduction of up to 20 percent of net income for contribution to charities—if the evidence of gifts is supportable with documents. But this increase in the permitted and deductible allowance won't bother many of us, including this department. Funny, but it's amazing how a few five-dollar donations can make a man feel like he's giving away his house and birthright.

Wind-up pick-ups: John B. Ware, of the Oak Grove Ware's, in town from the nation's capitol, reports Washington still busy and bustling in spite of the exit of former officeholders. . . . he says the section around the Capitol is being rapidly remodeled and will be one of the city's most beautiful sections one of these first days. . . .Tobe Williams is mighty scarce these days, since he moved from "town" to the "country". . . .Jack White is running for the Jaycee district vice-presidency, a job once held by Jacob Cooper. . . .

The Herald is currently running as a public service the advertising copy of the State Department which is aimed at attracting new industry to North Carolina. . . . the idea is that the advertising is good for the homefolk to know, too, as well as the readers of business trade journals and newspapers. . . .Nate Reed, the eye doctor, told me the other day there's no such thing as eye-strain. It is possible to be fatigued, over-strained, nervous, or ill and have symptoms known colloquially as eye-strain, but the eye medicines don't recognize it. . . . which is news to me. What was the last bloodshot dose I had when I spent too much time on the crossword puzzle? That reminds of a definition of an egotist: one who works a crossword puzzle with a fountain pen. . . . and a husband's report to his wife's ailing report of life-consuming ailments: "The creaky door seldom falls off its hinge". . . .The windy month is "round the corner". . . .

CROSSWORD

By A. C. Gordon

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56

- #### ACROSS
- 1—Blank
 - 4—Map
 - 6—Unit
 - 10—Unrefined element
 - 12—Simple
 - 13—Close friend
 - 14—Musical instrument
 - 16—Enclosure
 - 17—Assault
 - 19—Amusement
 - 21—Shortened Greek
 - 22—Australian bird
 - 23—Prefix denoting "down"
 - 24—Moral principles
 - 27—Girdles
 - 30—Pronoun
 - 31—Printer's measure
 - 32—Percolated
 - 35—Maris
 - 38—Never!
 - 39—Able's mother
 - 40—Estate
 - 41—Negligent
- #### DOWN
- 1—State of being informed
 - 2—Exist
 - 3—Discordant sounds
 - 4—Enumeration
 - 5—Part of verb "to be"
 - 6—Culpable
 - 7—Allowance for purchasers for waste
 - 8—Becomes aware of
 - 9—Propelling implement
 - 11—Ancient sun god
 - 13—Was
 - 14—Preaching Elder (abb.)
 - 15—Observation Post
 - 16—Wintery sport implement
 - 18—Theoretical force (pos.)
 - 25—Blind
 - 26—Tut
 - 28—Gaseous element
 - 29—Terminate
 - 32—Certain
 - 33—Hawaiian food
 - 34—Abandon
 - 35—Conscience
 - 36—Three-toed sloth
 - 37—Location
 - 42—Unit of energy
 - 43—The elder
 - 44—Carotid artery (abb.)
 - 46—Observe
 - 49—Part of verb "to be"
 - 53—Ancient Chaldean city
 - 54—Measure of area

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

Viewpoints of Other Editors

THE STRENGTH OF ABC'S APPEAL

Like prohibition, the ABC system has strength as well as weakness in its appeal for support at the polls. But whereas the great appeal of prohibition stems from an inherent strength (prohibition's unquestionable stamp of disapproval upon the use of beverage alcohol), the greatest appeal of ABC stems not from any strength of its own but rather from the principal weakness of prohibition — the failure in law enforcement.

NEWS BUREAU IS BUSY!

A report for the month of January from the advertising division of the Department of Conservation and Development shows that Charlie Parker and his staff are on their toes.

North Carolinians from west to east will receive untold benefits from the services of this bureau whose job it is to publicize the Tar Heel state.

During January, which they termed "normally a light month," the advertising division answered 5,323 inquiries from 48 states and 34 foreign countries; distributed 26,387 pieces of literature, 6,917 of which were in bulk to travel information outlets; referred 664 inquiries to tourist offices, chambers of commerce, etc.; and issued a new directory of North Carolina maps with trailer facilities listed for the first time. It is normal procedure for all these inquiries to be answered the same day they are received.

Those figures merely show the printed information distributed through the news bureau. In addition 392 pictures were produced and sent to more than a dozen publications for use. The two North Carolina movies, "Variety Vacationland" and "The Tar Heel State" were shown 132 times to 10,432 persons in 17 states in January alone. Still others saw these films on two television stations.

News and features are constantly flowing from a steady stream. Last month 22 such articles were produced, 11 of which were exclusives done on specific requests from out-of-state editors.

The preparation of copy for new booklets and for display advertising placed in national magazines and the larger newspapers is a continuous job. Special services such as supplying state flags and other information to foreign organizations also comes under the heading of advertising department duties.

There may be some departments of the state government where the taxpayer is not getting the full value of his dollar, but it certainly isn't true with the publicity boys who are constantly whooping it up for Tar Heels. —*Transylvania Times.*

WHY SOME YANKEES DO NOT LIKE THE SOUTH

We had a letter the other day from a man in Woonsocket, R. I., scolding us for having bragged so much about the South as the location for textile industries. This fellow from Woonsocket said that he had been down South, that he didn't like it, and that he had returned to Woonsocket and that we didn't know what we were talking about when we praised conditions in the southern states. The fellow was really bilious, a sour belly, or something like that. He reminded us of the story of the old farmer out in Iowa, a corn grower, who'd stayed right at home for all the long years of his life and had never been away from his native birthplace, but he heard so much about the Pacific ocean, how grand and big it is, that he wanted to go out to see it. Finally, in his later years, this old Iowa corn-grower did make the trip out to the coast. When he got back home, his neighbors asked him about it, did he see the Pacific ocean and what did he think of it. He said, "I'm disappointed. It isn't anywhere near as big as I thought it was going to be."

We never to this fellow from Woonsocket that the southern states are a Paradise. As we personally understand it, we don't get that Paradise until we come to our final reward! But we have bragged about the South as the Promised Land for textile manufacturing — and we stick to it. —*American Cotton and Wool Reporter.*

J. Worth Hardin Rites Conducted

Funeral services for J. Worth Hardin, 70, resident of Popular Springs community and a brother of Mrs. Gus Anthony of Kings Mountain, were conducted Friday from Sharon Methodist church with interment following in the Sulphur Springs cemetery.

Mr. Hardin, a retired farmer and carpenter, succumbed Tuesday night at 7:30 at his home after an illness of eight weeks. He was a son of the late Douglas and Margaret Glascoe Hardin.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Buena McSwain Hardin; four sons, Walter Hardin and Everett Hardin, both of Shelby, Douglas Hardin, Boiling Springs, and Ben Hardin, of Aiken, S. C.; and four daughters, Mrs. E. A. Mitchem, Salisbury; Mrs. Lee Crowder, Shelby; Mrs. F. O. Boyles, Hickory; and Miss Ethel Hardin, of Shelby.

Also surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Albert Wilson, Blacksburg, S. C., Mrs. Anthony, Kings Mountain, Mrs. J. E. Street and Mrs. M. A. Harrell, both of Shelby; 20 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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10 YEARS AGO

Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events THIS WEEK taken from the 1944 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Kings Mountain's \$10,000 Red Cross War Fund Drive will get underway next Wednesday morning, March 1, following the annual supper meeting Tuesday night. Final plans for the canvass were made Monday night at a meeting of the committee chairmen at the City Hall.

Kings Mountain churches will unite in observance of World Day of Prayer Friday with services to be held at First Presbyterian church.

Social And Personal
Members of the Study club met Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. O. W. Myers on Piedmont avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston H. Smith have announced the marriage of their daughter, Ellen Jeanette, to Pfc. Jack Clark of Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., on February 4.

Pfc. W. E. Whitlington, who is stationed at Camp Haan, Calif., is at home on furlough.