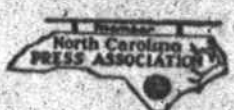




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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones. Proverbs 17:22.

Voting Day

Next Tuesday is voting day in North Carolina and virtually throughout the nation. Maine has already settled its biennial jousting, as has the Territory of Alaska which send a non-voting Congressman to Washington.

Even in North Carolina the voting will be perfunctory in many of the state's counties, as in Cleveland, where Democratic nomination is tantamount to election.

Some North Carolina counties, however, will be busy places, for the state-wide minority party has strong points of strength and, in some spots, wins control more often than it loses. The counties of the ninth and tenth Congressional districts have real battles to settle at the polls for the two seats to the United States House of Representatives. Rep. Hugh Alexander (D) has been waging a busy campaign to offset the strong challenge of Bill Stevens (R) in the ninth district, and Rep. Charles Jonas (R) has been doing the same to stave off the onslaught of J. C. Sedberry (D) in the tenth.

The opinion polls, of which there are many, are near unanimous in reporting a Democratic trend throughout the nation, but almost all of them, like the Herald's United States Poll, are specific in noting that the findings are nationwide and that a particular race in a particular district might be considerably out-of-kilter with the total findings. Such appears to be the situation in both the heavily contested North Carolina districts, where the incumbents, Rep. Alexander and Rep. Jonas, go to the wire as favorites.

Throughout the nation, pulse-feelers and political leaders figure the customary by-election trend is at work, with the party in power destined to lose Congressional seats. It is said the Democrats will certainly win control of the House of Representatives and may win control of the Senate.

But nothing is sure until the votes are tallied, as the commentators always remind as they recall 1948 and the F. M. Truman upset victory.

Citizens here should go to the polls next Tuesday and cast their ballots. While the races are few and the stakes not high as far as Cleveland County is solely concerned, there are several races to determine at congressional and state-wide level. In addition, the voters are being asked to approve, or disapprove, five amendments to the North Carolina constitution.

Four of the amendments are, in essence, procedural. One would liberalize voting provisions to enable a 30-day resident of a precinct to vote provided he had lived in the state one year. Another would eliminate short terms of office which occur between a general election and January 1, and another would authorize the General Assembly to create a parole board, transferring a present power of the governor. A fourth would enable the recall of a retired Supreme Court justice for temporary duty in event a member were temporarily incapacitated.

The other proposed amendment is political. It would restrict each county of the state to only one senator. Generally speaking, citizens of the smaller counties will favor this change, while citizens of the larger counties, like Mecklenburg, Guilford, Forsythe, and others, oppose the change, regarding it as an effort at disfranchisement.

It is good business for citizens to vote at every occasion offered, and the majority of good citizens do.

The statement of Engineer Hair on the type of sewage disposal plant to be built on McGill creek will be encouraging to many, who, indeed, had the impression that the city was merely erecting another over-sized septic tank. The stench from McGill creek has been offensive for years.

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.

Citizens of Kings Mountain are looking forward to the Floral Fair to be held at the Woman's club Friday. The Fair, sponsored annually by the Woman's club, features a showing of fall flowers along with a display of handwork, canned fruits, vegetables, and candies.

Social And Personal
Betty Jean Falls celebrated her 13th birthday last Friday with seven of her friends as dinner guests. Those invited were Betty and Jean Cash, Iris Patterson, Billie Falls, Sarah Kincaid, Katherine Falls, Jean Lynch, and Jeanne Hallman.

Mrs. Charles Thomasson is in Macon, Ga., visiting her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomasson, Jr. Mr. Thomasson underwent a major operation Tuesday in a Macon hospital. Mrs. Harold Crawford is visiting her husband at Camp Lee, Va., this week.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

Anyone can learn to like about anything, if he tries.....

How many diligent mothers have used that truthful statement in trying to get youngsters to forswear the sweets for vitamin-filled vegetables, crunchy lettuce, and bone-building milk?

And it works, if the hard-working mother is sufficiently persistent and, of course, can get any degree of cooperation out of the male side of the household.

I know, having gone the route acquiring a taste for carrots, lettuce, tomatoes, and a whole host of other foods I now regard as delectable, even more so than lemon pie and other sugary good things. However, I'm still slow to reach for the cooked cabbage (though kraut is fine, cole slaw wonderful) cooked carrots (prefer 'em raw), egg plant, and slimy okra. Maybe I'll make it some day. My father got me over the hump, then left me alone in the raw carrot department.

The latest acquired taste I have developed slipped up on me. For years I couldn't look at a ripe olive. My initial memory was not too pleasant. Somehow recently I tried another, then another, and now they taste fine, even better than the green olive that had long been a favorite. And I am told the ripe olive is easier to digest. Bananas are in the same category. Unless a banana has some dark spots, excuse me.

There are many exotic foods in the super markets; these days, and many of them enjoy heavy use. Once upon a time, dinner tables varied mostly by different treatment of the staples. It would be interesting to check a unit inventory count of a grocery store 20 years ago and compare the offerings of the present day.

It is said Americans eat better than any other race, and undoubtedly they do. It is also said that people should eat to live, rather than living to eat, which is a most noble theory indeed. But there would be no real objection, perhaps, to combining the two.

For years, tobacco manufacturers have propounded their particular contentions about taste in cigarettes, cigars, and smoking tobacco, and the propounding has "took". Hardly can one find a regular smoker who doesn't call for a particular brand with the same degree of habit he lights up another cigarette or big black cigar.

Ask the smoker, and he will recite strong opinions about his particular brand being the best, though the blindfold test is likely to disprove the contentions.

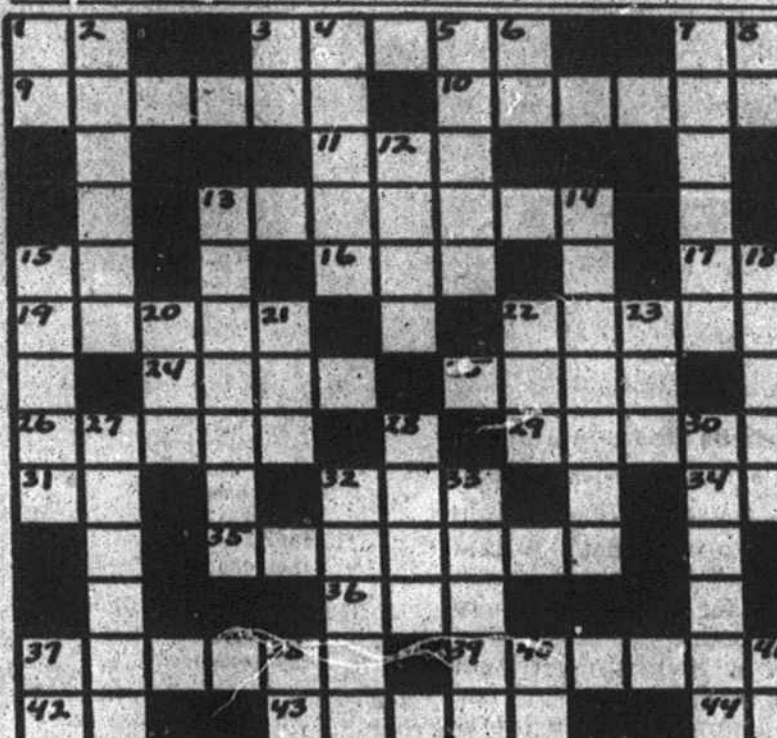
At any rate, each brand has its favorites, indicating that some people like the extra dose of sweet aroma which Turkish tobacco provides, while others like a greater dose of domestic.

Newest development in this field of "taste" is the emergence of filter tip cigarettes, a result of the medical research into the incidence of lung cancer among smokers and non-smokers. Latest reports from the researchers are labeling the cigarette paper, rather than the tobacco, as the ill-doer cancer-wise. The bad by-product is benzpyrene. It appears plausible, since paper is made by a chemical process and, when the paper is burned, would naturally give off some kind of chemical gas. If this reasoning is followed, the filter-tip should be of some benefit. Already the reports have non-smokers who have difficulty with car-sickness and similar ailments wondering if they, too, don't get a dose of benzpyrene, or some other tummy-queasing substance in the course of being around the fumes.

But smoking remains, as the manufacturers contend, a matter of taste. Like the youngsters, the smokers can acquire the filtered taste if they try, and many have.

Taste in clothes is less solid a science than eating and smoking, but just as definite in the short period of a season. Old and young decide what they want, down to color and zipper area, and that's what they want. Next season, it may be vice versa.

CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon



ACROSS
1—Bone
2—Popular housewife's soapbox amusement
3—British affirmative
4—Household storage space
11—Radio is designed for this
12—Feminine relatives (abbrev.)
13—The man of medicine (abbrev.)
14—Song Opera Recreation (abbrev.)
15—Almost extinct American coin (abbrev.)
16—Autumn flower
17—Saturday night ritual
18—You're supposed to do this to what you sow
19—Common "head of the house"
20—Kind of coffee done this
21—View
22—Class
23—Noun suffix
24—Estates
25—Communicated by radiotelegraphy
26—"We are" in Latin
27—Tobacco activities
28—Covered with fleshy ground wheat
29—Lho
30—Geological term for the side of a hill
31—Common direction
32—Excitation of pain
33—Meal course
34—Old English (abbrev.)
35—To iron
36—A weak that is more understood than another
37—Propaganda
38—Ironing mishap
39—Estates
40—The modern kind of power
41—Home cleaning implement
42—Burned with steam
43—Paid household helper
44—Former Russian ruler
45—Puffs coming thru
46—Ancient sun god (poes.)
47—Cry of the sheep
48—Man's nickname
49—Meat dishes
50—Beneficiary of the rich, uncle's estate
51—Sea ducks that furnish good pillow stuffing
52—Latin for "most" (two wds.)
53—Home covering
54—Chemical symbol for samarium
55—Shortened manuscript
56—Associate in Surgery (abbrev.)
57—Archaic "the"

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

Viewpoints of Other Editors

"PLOTICIANS" ARE BUSY
A typographical error in writing the word "politician" gives us an interesting word and we think it hits the nail pretty squarely on the head.

"Ploticians" are busy in both political camps at present and they are really paying more attention to the opponent's speeches than they are to their own. Defense Secretary Charles Wilson knows this better than any other man. His remarks about bird dogs and kennel-fed pooches set off a wave of stinging criticism that all but washed the GOP wagon out to sea.

We do not at all disagree with what Mr. Wilson said, but then, nobody cares what we think. Bird dogs are better than kennel fed dogs we believe. People who go out looking for jobs are more worthy perhaps than those who sit and wait.

BUT, Mr. Wilson should have known that many people are seeking work and cannot find it and any reference then to unemployed people and dogs would naturally stir up criticism. The whole thing boils down to this: Responsible people in responsible positions should be very careful what they say and do. We don't believe that Mr. Wilson actually meant to identify unemployed people with dogs by any means. But it does make good campaign fodder. Some man made an off-the-cuff remark recently to the effect that during the Democratic administration, there were Democrats floating around Washington like waiters. A storm brewed. The man was quick to add that he certainly did not intend to say that waiters were anything like Democrats.

It's a vicious circle, ain't it? — *The Cleveland Times*

HOW BIG SHOULD A MAN BE?

We know a lot of people who are not satisfied with their size. We know fat people who would give anything to lose some weight; we know skinny folks who try and try, without success, to gain some. We know some tall folks who wish they didn't "stand out" so in a crowd; short friends of our acquaintance keep envying the taller ones.

We even know one six-footer who wears small heel lifts to make himself appear taller. He knows he's tall, all right, but he just feels that he's not quite tall enough.

How big should a man be? He should be big enough to look every other man in the eye, feeling neither fear of him or superiority over him, and to walk down the street with the spring of pride in his step.

He should be strong enough to do his share of the work, whether this consists of doing your part when you're on a team aimed at accomplishing a goal or simply in giving another man an honest day's work for an honest dollar.

He should be strong enough to comfort those weaker than himself, and help them when they need help; he should be able to give that little extra push that makes the difference between success and failure when the chips are down.

THE TV DIVORCE
A British engineer named Robert Scott of Horley in Surrey has been granted a divorce because there was some disagreement in the family about television.

Mr. Scott testified that his wife once threatened to put an axe into the TV set, the radio and into Mr. Scott because he insisted on looking at a boxing match. Had this been the only difficulty between the two an acceptable surmise might have been that Mrs. Scott just didn't like the British version of fight night.

But on another occasion Mrs. Scott obscured the view as her husband was trying to catch a British comedian. This time the quarrel led to an exchange of blows which is a fair guess to say the couple picked up on the British boxing program since no one was hurt.

One can only conclude that it isn't only comedians or prizefighters Mrs. Scott doesn't like; it's television. And though everyone will admit that the threat to axe her husband was carrying her criticism of the program a bit too far, there will be some other critics who will agree that if she had just put the axe into the set she would have been on quite sound ground.

Indeed, there is some doubt as to Engineer Scott's real feelings in the matter. Some witnesses testified that after his marriage he became increasingly haggard, drawn and aged. But nobody said whether this resulted from fears about the future of his marriage or about the future of British television. — *Wall Street Journal*

"AMBULATORY"

Governor Umstead at Watts hospital was reported by the doctor to be "ambulatory", though spending much time in bed. He could have said the governor was "walking about", which is an exact Saxon translation of "ambulatory." But that wouldn't have been scientifically impressive.

In older days the doctors told a patient they would give him a "carmative", where today they would say, "here's a soda tablet." And where a mother would give a child a dose of sulphur and molasses, the older doctors would prescribe an "electuary."

The habit of resorting to Latin and Greek terminology instead of plain Saxon is no doubt a relic of the days when science was uncertain of itself and tried to hide its gropings under double-barreled and resounding words. — *Chapel Hill News Leader*

WHO THE SAM HILL?

You've heard the expression, "What the Sam Hill?" Did you ever wonder "who the Sam Hill?" Sam Hill was? Turns out that it all began years and years ago in the little town of Guilford, Conn., and that the expression originally was "He works like Sam Hill". Sam was an actual man, and he took a lot of pride and pleasure in doing a lot of good work as a hat maker — while, at the same time laboring diligently for the good of his community as town clerk, magistrate and member of the general assembly. — *Waynesville Mountaineer*

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