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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life. Proverbs 6:23.

Mr. Stevenson

Many people, perhaps a majority, express the desire to die with their boots on, an expression gleaned from the Old West, which today carries the connotation of dying at work.

Adlai Ewing Stevenson, 65, did just that, suffering a fatal heart attack in London only a half-hour after a radio interview.

Our guess is that he would have preferred it that way.

Mr. Stevenson was among those who, due to the accident of age and timing, failed to attain his highest goals, yet through willingness to work, to sublimate his personal desires to the best interests of the team, and via basic high principle and intellectual honesty, attained great personal stature in his own country and throughout the world.

Until his passing, many citizens did not know that he was an assistant to Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox during World War II, almost became a newspaperman when he organized a syndicate to purchase Mr. Knox' Chicago Daily News after the Secretary's death.

A successful governor of Illinois, he was a reluctant candidate for the presidency in 1952. Many feel he could have defeated any candidate other than war hero Dwight Eisenhower. He took defeat again from President Eisenhower in 1956.

If embittered, he did not show it.

As United States ambassador to the United Nations he became a major spokesman for the free world who was particularly adept at using the point of truth to foil Communist opportunists.

This nation mourns the loss of a great public servant.

First Union Plans

Announcement that First Union National Bank will construct a modern, two-story main office building in another locale is obviously good news for the community as it will undoubtedly be for the bank itself.

First Union officials, for some time, have been fully aware of need for more space to accommodate more personnel to, in turn, accommodate customers more expeditiously.

Key question has been whether to renovate extensively the present banking house or to start from scratch in a new location. The great increase in the auto population has made nearby parking space a premium just about everywhere in the nation. In San Francisco, a discount firm is constructing a new building in an uptown business district. Its four-story building will contain 96,000 square feet of floor space — 24,000 each floor — with the top two floors parking area.

First Union's management obviously has concluded that the parking problem justifies a new site.

Only announcement yet made is that the new site will be "close in" to the principal business district.

President of First Union is Carl G. McGraw, a Kings Mountain native, who, though he left Kings Mountain in 1923 on graduation from high school, has remained through the intervening years a keen interest in Kings Mountain and his many friends here.

First Union's expansion decision is continued evidence of Mr. McGraw's personal interest in Kings Mountain and his confidence in this area's economic future.

Congratulations to J. Ollie Harris and David M. Neill on their election to First Union National Bank's Kings Mountain board of directors and a cordial welcome to First Union Vice-President Elmore Alexander, recently of Gastonia, new member of the bank's Kings Mountain staff.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

Ingredients: bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comments
Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid overdosage.

By ELIZABETH STEWART
July is fast winding its ball of yarn and will soon be history.

In Kings Mountain the moans and groans of hot, humid weather are already looking forward to fall temperatures and folks are enjoying air-conditioning or nearest vendors of cooling appliances from fan to room conditioners.

The past two weekends the rains came and an electrical storm in the city area caused some damages to trees. One lady in the Phenix Mill area reported her roof was completely demolished by the storm on Saturday evening while yards had taken considerable beatings with bushes and trees uprooted and debris scattered.

Vacation time is here for many Kings Mountain people who have had the opportunity to visit the beach spots and mountain retreats beginning the week of Independence Day.

July is an ideal time to break away and spells out a feeling of real independence from the daily routine of work at the mills, the counter, or the kitchen stove.

Others plan vacations in August.

June and July spells here, among other things, baseball, and in Kings Mountain this year not only the older boys but the young ones have taken to baseball and bat. They're young and hardly major leaguers but spell the reason a kid team can be 10 runs behind and finish the game as a winner. They're always capable of the unexpected, both heroic and sad.

It's been an exciting season for the Legion Juniors, the Teeners League, and for the Little Leagues, and others.

With summer school over and Bible School completed at most churches, the young ones are now really free.

The swimming pools and parks here are enjoying a booming business, as well as nearby Kings Mountain National Military Park and Tootsiland, the amusement park south of Kings Mountain on Highway 216. The young folk ride a train in an Old West Town atmosphere. A train robbery complete with bandits and a marshal add to the festivities every weekend.

The current season is a wonderful one, too, for cranking up the family bus and touring the countryside, and those who haven't should start the tour right at home.

Most will find themselves amazed at the development of residential Kings Mountain. Other new homes are popping up, seemingly overnight.

June and July have been camping months for some Kings Mountain families, too, who have equipped their family transportation with sleeping quarters and camping supplies.

It's great fun, according to one young camper, age seven. His mother wasn't too happy when rain came pouring down during a mountain trek last weekend. Her spirits were dampened somewhat but not the two boys. Then they discovered a snake at the campsite. Mom was ready to head the bus home, which they did.

Camp Rotary, Camp Kiwanis, church camps and summer Boy and Girl Scout activities have kept most youngsters busy. In addition, there was news last week that Burlington Mills Phenix Plant has made its Phenix street recreation area available to the City Recreation Department and will assist in its development as a neighborhood children's park.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

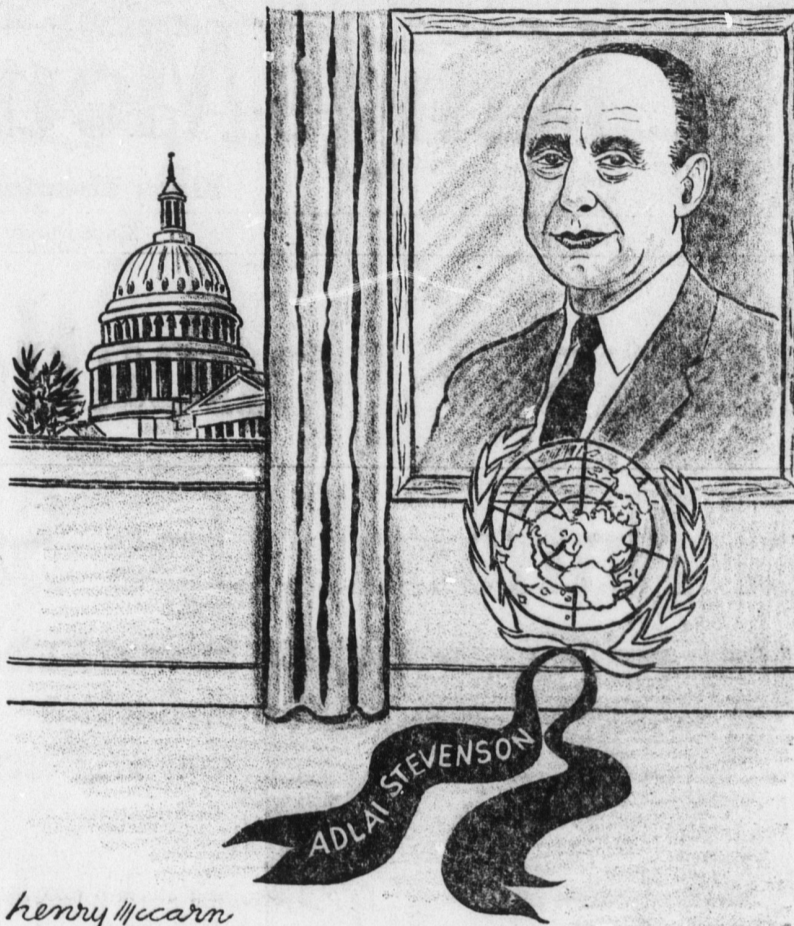
Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events taken from the 1955 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Rev. Aubrey T. Quakenbush, a native of Burlington, has accepted a call to First Baptist church and will assume his duties here on August 15.

The Kings Mountain Little Theatre will discontinue production of "The Sword of Gideon" at the end of the current season, according to recent vote of the organization.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL
Mrs. J. B. Simpson entertained members of the Duplicate Bridge club at her home Monday afternoon. Mrs. Simpson's mother, Mrs. P. D. Herndon, entertained members of the One High Rook club on Thursday at the Simpson home.

Man of Character



Henry McCarrin

Viewpoints of Other Editors

IT SURELY DOES CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDE

By Phyllis Austin in the Johnstonian Sun, Selma

BY JOE ZLOTCH

You've heard of the superstitious people who decide that they'll go out somewhere "safe" and have a small accident so the law of averages won't catch up with them. Well, the first time the law of averages caught up with me, I was speeding about 85 mph down highway 401 late for a meeting, and felt rather resigned to the fact that the highway patrolman trying to stop me would promptly issue me a ticket. After all, I had been driving recklessly and immaturity for six years without a warning citation, or accident, and it helped my guilty conscience as I thought I could pay the state \$13 for years of personal and selfish use of interstate highways, country roads, and back alleys. However, within six months of the first ticket, the law-of-averages man had slapped me down four more times with speeding tickets and citations for failing to stop completely for stop signs. As a result, I found myself without a license for six weeks, returned on the condition that I attend a Driver Improvement Clinic.

As most all other "volunteers" for such courses, I thought maybe the sessions could help me a little, but really I wanted it to be over as soon as possible so I could have 3 points removed from my driving record. After having completed the clinic, I am convinced that it was my life-saver, as well as someone else's.

And the most important essential of safe driving that I acquired during the course is a different attitude. I know now that driving is not a personal right, but a privilege issued by the state. It is an overwhelming responsibility for human life that grows greater with each day, as more drivers and cars are on the highways.

The Driver Improvement Clinic presented the facts, such as 25 per cent of all drivers are responsible for most accidents, and this 25 per cent is made up of repeaters—those who are caught time after time for breaking the laws of highway safety.

We also saw a short, gory movie, "Signal 30," whose actors were all dead, due to careless and reckless driving. It was not a pretty picture to see, but it helped impress upon me, along with the other facts presented, that driving is a full-time job when one gets into an automobile.

When I was in high school, the Driver Education program was not required. If I had not already had my license when everyone else began to take the course, maybe I would have done so and learned a few good habits about driving when I first started out. Yet, I had to wait until six years later to learn why I should accept liability. I am convinced that the state is the only one that can tell a driver the true facts in such strong terms as to make him change almost overnight. After all, they are the only ones who really have the whole picture of the slaughter on the roads occurring daily, the dead having reached 279 so far for this year.

This could be termed a public confession or memoirs of a driving menace. But I was caught in time and learned. If you don't think everyone needs to attend some type of Driver Improvement Clinic periodically, just go get in your car and drive down the road a mile or two. And just

DO UNTO OTHERS

Life moves so fast and we are faced with so many temptations to join the run-of-the-mill ways that we often fail to keep in mind the Golden Rule — do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

We are often tempted to join in gossip (usually speculative or half-truth gossip), or to judge others, or to say unkind words or criticize others. How many who read this editorial can say they have not succumbed to this temptation often?

If we seek the good in others, and talk about it, the results are often astonishing. Faith in the goodness of many a weary soul has brought about near-miraculous results and inspirational conduct and performance. For each of us has good in us and none among us is perfect.

Jesus once said: "Let him among you who is without sin, cast the first stone." If we could remember this, every day of the week, every week, the world would be a far better place in which to live. — *Ahoshkie Herald*.

SAFETY MEETING

Regular dinner meeting of Blue Ridge Safety Council will be held July 28th at 6:30 p.m. at Brackett's Cedar Park, Polkville. Reservations should be made by Friday with Mrs. Nancy Greene, Personnel Department, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, Shelby.

BACK ON JOB

Magistrate J. Lee Roberts is back on his job following an illness of several weeks. He was back at work Monday.

Agriculture In Action

FARM SAFETY WEEK
National Farm Safety Week, which will be observed July 25-31, takes on a bit of a new look this year.

Planners for the 1965 version of Farm Safety Week are emphasizing a different area of farm safety on each day of the observance. The idea is to cite specific safety pointers about situations which spark accidental death and injury.

Here's the lay-out for this year's Farm Safety Week:
Sunday—The emphasis is on "Reverence for Life." Remember that accidents can be prevented, and that the individual has a responsibility to act safely to protect himself and others.

Monday—"Safety Begins at Home." The farmstead is bristling with potential dangers to the unwary. Neat, orderly farm homes are safer, more pleasant homes.

Tuesday—"Farm and Home Chemicals." Chemical household and drug products are found in every farm home, and with more frequency today. Read labels. Lock up poisonous materials. Promptly dispose of empty containers and unused portions.

Wednesday—"Prevent Falls." Plan ahead. This reduces the temptation to hurry. Make sure stairways are adequately lighted and properly handrailed.

Thursday—"Rural Highway Safety." Courtesy is your best protection here. Know and obey the rules of the road. Remove trees, weeds and shrubs from farm entrances and intersections to improve visibility.

Friday—"Farm Machinery." This is the big killer on farms. Keep equipment in shape, operate it with common sense, and don't let improper attitudes push you into trouble. The farmer who is angry, preoccupied, or fatigued, is inviting an accident.

Saturday—"Recreation Safety." Play it safe when you play. Farm pond drownings take many lives yearly. Guns too. And so ends Farm Safety Week for 1965. If you're still alive and well then, you're to be complimented for playing it safe. Or are you just lucky?

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