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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase. Proverbs 3:9.

Salute To Youth

Whether or not by design, Optimist International and the American Education Association are sponsoring observations next week with the same endpoint beneficiary: youth.

For the Optimists: it's Youth Appreciation Week, and for the educators, it's American Education Week.

During American Education Week, educators annually invite patrons to visit the schools to see what is being done to develop children toward able and responsible manhood and womanhood.

Particular attention is being given currently in North Carolina and in many other areas to the problem of school dropouts. It is a costly problem for the youngsters individually and for everyone else.

The Optimists of Kings Mountain and throughout the world propagate as their principal avocation aid to youth, directly and indirectly, recreationally and educationally. Next week, from the Optimist standpoint is "pat on the back" week for Kings Mountain area teenagers.

And, at Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library a "Salute to Youth" is evidenced by Children's Book Week which follows the theme, "Sing Out For Books", with new books being added daily to the library shelves.

None lives very many years until he is aware that the future belongs to youth. Their welfare and training spell the difference between a bright future and a dark one, locally, and for the nation.

Blood Gifts

Kings Mountain area citizens may have set a record in blood-giving at visits of the Red Cross bloodbank this fiscal year.

Item: At last week's regular visit 238 pints of blood and total number of donors processed: 291.

Two regular donors also set a record in the persons of C. Yates Harbison, grocer, and Troy Lee Wright, textile employee, who gave their 50th pint of blood to the blood collecting unit.

SO THIS IS NEW YORK



By NORTH CALLAHAN

Even some of those who become successful in this stiffly-competitive place do not stay here. E. Hornsby Wasson is an example. Now the genial and distinguished president of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company with headquarters in San Francisco, Hornsby is a fellow alumnus of the University of Chattanooga and a proud native of Tennessee. A few years ago he was vice president of the AT & T here in New York, when he was elected president of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company. We missed him when he left, but it was not far away, Newark to be exact, where he was located and there added to his executive laurels. But now that he has been selected to go all the way to the West Coast for the Number Two job in the Bell system, he is missed even more. This is but another way in which California is getting ahead of us. When asked the formula for success, Hornsby replied with his famous smile and the words, "hard work."

There's an old story about the man who saw the road ahead was smooth and straight. He sat down to enjoy the scenery and was promptly run over by the people behind him. This is the kind of sensible philosophy which makes Hornsby Wasson a success wherever he is.

Printers Ink has interestingly pointed out that while 220 libraries have been built in this country within the past 15 years, in the same period our nation was also embellished with 10,000 pizza parlors, 15,000 frozen custard stands, 9,180 bowling alleys and 3,300 drive-in theaters. If the millions of new television sets were added, one can readily see why reading has so much competition. Yet I understand that people are, despite the diversions, reading more books, magazines and newspapers than ever.

While some people celebrate their silver wedding anniversary, Harnett Kane, a dynamic bachelor, is observing the occasion of his 25th book. It is "A Picture Story of the Confederacy", published by Lohrop, Lee and Shepard, and is a vivid story of the Civil War Between the States entertainingly set off by its colorful illustrations. The volume is especially appropriate in this 100th year since that conflict ended. Harnett comes to New York from his native New Orleans now and then and is in de-

mand as a speaker. Once chatting with him in a restaurant, I was surprised to find that we were on a radio network. The friendly energetic Louisianian was a newspaper man for years and feels that such is the best writing experience a person can have. Besides books, he also contributes to leading magazines.

So many students seem in such a hurry to get through school, then they find that a year or two more would have made little difference. College admissions directors point out that not all 17 or 18-year-old youngsters are ready for college. It has been shown that a good number of them who take a year or so after high school do better in beginning college than they likely would have otherwise. This probably means that the interim gave them a better realization of how important higher education is, and also made them more mature.

The speaker at the luncheon club leaned over to the toastmaster and asked how long he could talk. "All afternoon if you want to," was the reply, "but the rest of us will leave at 1:30 to get back to work."

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

By MARTIN HARMON

I was at City Barber Shop Monday, my venerable Dodge was parked in front. I observed that Ralph (Babe) Ware, who superintends the parking meters, was requiring a bit more time than usual to start writing the over-parking ticket. Indeed, I had time to say, "Here I am with the coins."

Asks Babe, "What's that?"

For two days I'd been driving with a bumper sticker which read, "I'M BEATNIK JOE!"

All the while I'd thought the Halloween pranksters had passed me by.

It reminded of the 1952 general election, when I, an enthusiastic Adlai Stevenson supporter, drove about town advertising, "I LIKE IKE." In that instance, then-neighbor David Neill, now of Charlotte, was the prankster.

Actually, Halloween Eve wasn't too kind to me, but it was all my fault, the moral of this true tale being to give all the trick-or-treat goodies to the young folk.

It was a delicious looking lemon sucker and I decided to sample. Twarn't as tasty as it looked. In a moment of petulance, I decided the quickest route out, was to chew it. As my teeth cracked down, the hard crystal can't crack, too, and a piece of tooth went into retirement.

Herman Campbell was best man at his son Sandy's wedding, as was Herman's father at Herman's. No, Herman professed to his pastor, Dr. Paul Ausley, I wasn't nervous at all—this time. He also recalled his father's efforts to keep him calm. There was conversation about the ring giving, not dropping the ring, etc. Said Herman's father, "Just treat it like the smoke-house key." For the less-educated, the key to the smoke-house, invariably, was from eight to 12 inches long.

Dr. Ausley proved educated. "You know," he averred, "the key to the smokehouse was a mighty valuable key to have."

Dr. Ausley, First Presbyterian pastor and new moderator of Kings Mountain Presbytery, and Rev. Clyde Goodson, pastor of East Gold Wesleyan Methodist church, were comparing notes at the postoffice entrance Monday morning about customary ministerial topics, such as the Sunday collections. They were also conversing about ministerial tenure and commented that they were the deans of the Kings Mountain ministerial corps, Clyde being a couple of months senior to Paul in service here. Both have logged seven years in Kings Mountain.

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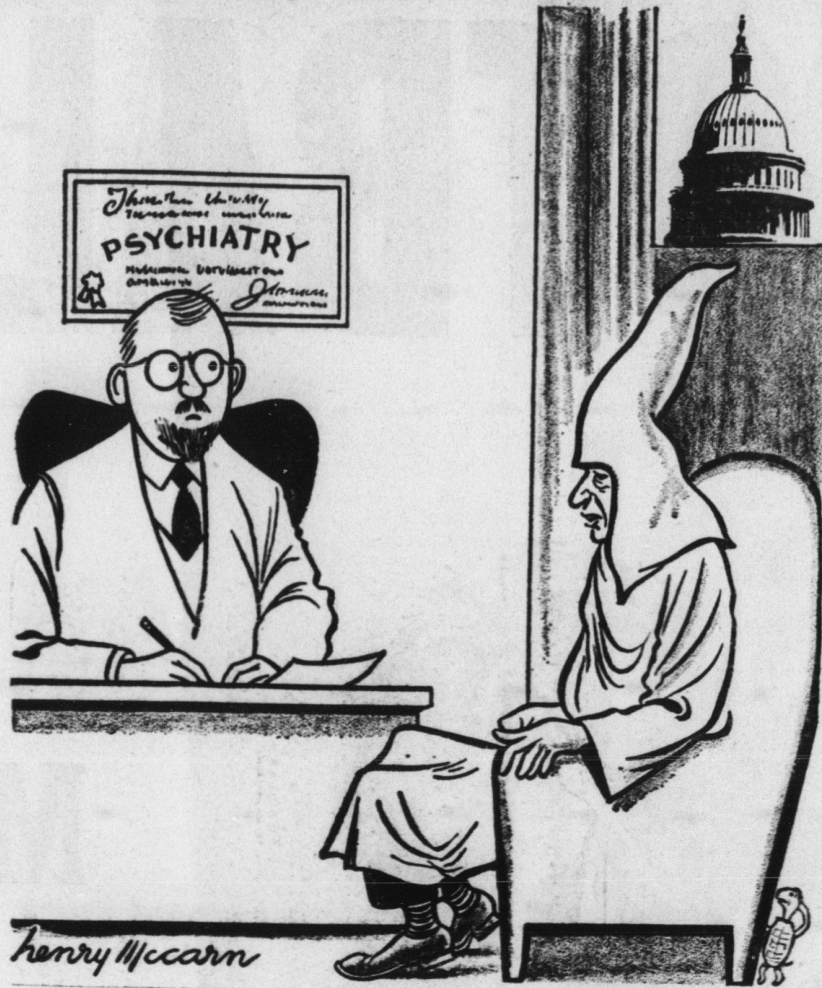
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"I don't laugh as much as I used to."



Viewpoints of Other Editors

TELEVISION TASTE — BAD AGAIN

Every September the nation's TV critics hold their collective noses and bewail "the worst season ever." And every year, it seems, they are right.

The most frustrating thing is the cavalier way the networks sidestep responsibility for supplying taste and standards in their creative programming.

The generally high caliber of news and public affairs programs makes it obvious that the TV industry is capable of taste, judgment — even a sense of mission. But when it comes to prime time, the goal is simply to deliver the highest possible ratings by aiming for the lowest common denominator.

Raising standards, however, is a problem with no easy answers. It's questionable whether even Rudolf Bing would want to come home from a hard day at the Met and watch three hours of "Pelleas et Melisande."

For the harried TV executive, the real problem is how to feed the medium's insatiable, 160-hour-a-week appetite with any sort of fare, especially when quality often means a loss in ratings. — Life Magazine.

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AN EXECUTIVE LUNCH WITH A BEAT

We have known people to go swimming, skating, bowling, shopping, studying on their lunch hours. Now we hear that for the price of a \$150 buffet a man can take his horn and blow a little jazz during lunch at a place in New York.

Among the first participants have been an advertising vice-president on drums, a lawyer on clarinet, a Newsweek man on soprano sax, plus a broker, a banker, and various other executives.

On the whole this may be a good thing. With v-p's "sitting in" at noon, jazz has obviously come a long way from its murky, after-hours origins. And in an age accustomed to sitting back and being entertained, a swinging executive combo may be some kind of equivalent of those sturdy American groups singing around the piano in the mists of nostalgia.

But what of the effect on American business?

A personnel manager who has just played a couple of applauded choruses of "Pennies From Heaven" may return to the office in such a glow that the wage-price spiral will go up again.

A sax man who honks through "Flying Home" with his fricassee may go back to his desk so invigorated that he forgets to leave at closing time.

After a (lunch) break on the tom-toms, will any investment analyst be quite the same? Can a trumpet soloist on "One O'Clock Jump" be expected to subside quietly in the board room at 2?

Actually, of course, your true jazz executive can easily shift gears between art and life. Unless . . . unless . . . just when he's about to close a big deal at 11:45 he gets a great idea for a new lunchtime riff. — The Christian Science Monitor.

WANING

A Broadway song publisher prescribes music to soothe Congress' session-end nerves. Warren Ling of Mills Music, Inc., put it this way in a letter to Senator George McGovern (D) of South Dakota.

"In this day and age, when human communication is a sometimes complex and frustrating problem, music may supply a helpful, expressive language. We offer a suggestion which may be useful in expressing a point of view to your friends in the Senate, the House, or even to your constituents."

He enclosed sheet music and a recording of "You've Got Your Troubles (I Got Mine)." McGovern thanked Ling but said that Congress at this stage prefers the reverse side of the record, "I've Gotta Go." — Washington Post.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

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

Franklin L. Ware, Jr., manager of the Kings Mountain office of the North Carolina Employment Security Commission, reports that business in Kings Mountain is good at the present time.

BANDS GONE SOFT

Hemlines and car models aren't the only things that change with the years. Add to the list marching bands and bugle corps.

When a military band whipped down the street in olden times, it trilled "The Stars and Stripes Forever" or "Under The Double Eagle," or something equally as stirring and strident.

But the rigamarole offered by half-time bands at football games, to say nothing of the five-hour parade staged by the American Legion during its convention here last summer, reminds us that progress leaves its mark on all things.

These days one must expect to see a spit-and-polish color guard stepping it off resolutely to the strains of "Night and Day," or "Love Is The Sweetest Thing."

Time was when a good military band made you want to march off to war or at least around the breakfast table.

Now it just makes you want to kiss everybody in cadence. Sorry, Mr. Sousa. — The Oregonian.

HIGH HONOR

For 300 years Americans pushed west. (They are still doing so to judge by California's swelling population.) Now, to celebrate that westward drive, they have pushed upward. In fact, they have pushed so high that they have built at St. Louis the tallest commemorative structure in the world after the Eiffel Tower.

Thirty-two years abuilding, the monument catches the eye from 30 miles across those immense prairies over which the patient and dogged pioneers plodded in never-ending streams toward the promise of the West. For many years St. Louis was the jumping-off place for those men, women and children. There they turned their back upon civilization, however rude, and set forth, carrying that same civilization in their wagons, heads and hearts. No monument can soar too high which commemorates all that they did. — The Christian Science Monitor.

Lockport Mayor Thanks Citizens

Lockport, Louisiana Mayor Nolan E. Toups has written Kings Mountain Mayor John H. Moss a letter expressing "gratitude of the Town of Lockport for your city's generosity to the victims of Hurricane Betsy."

Mayor Toups said: "Dear Mayor Moss: I am taking this means of expressing to you and the people of Kings Mountain the gratitude of the Town of Lockport for your City's generosity to the victims of Hurricane Betsy."

"Letters of appreciation have been sent to the Chamber of Commerce and also to Plonk Brothers & Co., Inc., of Kings Mountain for their help.

"May I ask that you convey to the people of Kings Mountain our sincere gratitude for their generosity to our needy families.

"You can rest assured that I am personally distributing the clothing to the most needy families of the area and making them aware of the generosity of the people of Kings Mountain.

"I am happy to inform you that the situation is improving every day, but there is much work yet to be done."

Thomas Ingram Hit By Car

A four-year-old Kings Mountain Negro has been listed in "serious" condition at a Charlotte Hospital following an accident on North Candler Street Saturday evening.

Thomas Anthony Ingram of Parker Street received serious injuries when he was hit by a car driven by David Sipes, 20, of 713 Landing Street. Sipes told investigating officers L. P. Beattie and Earl Stroupe that five or six children were playing on the right side of the road and he was watching them when Ingram ran across from the left side.

No arrests were made. Police officers investigated several accidents during the past week but only in one was a charge made, Edward Brown, 47, of Kings Mountain was charged with following too closely following a Thursday night wreck at the intersection of East King and Piedmont Avenue.

Brown hit the rear of a 1957 Chevrolet driven by William Thompson of Gastonia as Thompson pulled up to a stop light at the intersection. Damages to Brown's '62 Ford were estimated at \$150 and damages to the Chevrolet were reported at \$175. Officers Ernest Beam and Boo Hayes reported.

Compact NHS Installation Held

The new members of the National Honor Society were installed on Monday, October 25. The installation ceremony was held in the Compact High School gymnasium with Mr. B. N. Barnes, Superintendent of Kings Mountain City Schools, guest speaker. Superintendent Barnes told the students that they should strive to do their best and that the honor society should be their goal. He told them to never be satisfied with a "B" when they could make an "A."

The advisors, Mrs. B. Brown, Mrs. C. Vance, and M. Campbell, along with the faculty of Compact High School elected the following students to the Society on the basis of leadership, service, scholarship, and character. They are Joyce Bell, Preston Childers, Genell Hunter, Jackie McCree, Jonny Manning, Marie McSwain, Jackie Parker, Polly Ross, Ollie Wade, and Melvin White.

The officers of the National Honor Society are President John Houze, Vice President Johnny Manning, Secretary Barbara Burris, Treasurer Polly Ross, and Reporter Jackie McCree.

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