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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee. Isaiah DVSVC.

Mohair And Friends

Formalization of the previously indicated request of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company for annexation of its Margrace plant to the city limits, together with petitions of 60 families, neighbors to the Margrace plant, offers the city chance of its most important expansion since 1923.

In that year, via legislative act under the bill introduced by then-Representative J. Roan Davis, the Town of East Kings Mountain was disincorporated and the area involved was incorporated into the Town of Kings Mountain.

Figuring about four persons per family (the 1960 census showed the average North Carolina family at 3.9 persons), the indicated population increase is about 2400 people.

Mohair Manager Al Maino says ad valorem taxable values represented by the petition are more than one million

As the petitions were filed, Mohair still needed at least one more "next friend" to petition for inclusion in order. to meet the state's annexation test which requires annexed areas to be adjacent and continuous to the present city limits.

Under another state statute adopted several years ago, a city has the power to annex adjacent and contiguous areas at will — provided it has cash-in-hand or borrowing authority to provide all city services to the annexed areas within a period of two years. Property owners unwillingly annexed could otherwise obtain court orders to restrain the particular city from collecting ad valorem taxes and/or to obtain refunds.

The 1923 annexation at the time was quite unpopular in East Kings Mountain, where citizens were still smarting under the 1915 election defeat whereby the Town of East Kings Mountain was voted into Cleveland County

after a close and bitter election. Since 1923, city commissioners

United States Senator Sam Ervin,

Thus, the Senator announced Tues-

Change of Position

of North Carolina, is regarded as one

of the nation's top Constitutional law-

day he would support neither the Dirk-

son amendment to permit certain religi-

ous services in the schools nor the Bayh

resolution which would declare the

"sense of Congress" concerning Bible-reading and prayer in the public schools.

the Constitution, as well as the majority

opinion of the Supreme Court, and feel

both the proposed amendment and res-

jority opinion which said public school

officials may not "prescribe nor pro-scribe" concerning prayer in the public

schools. Additionally, Senator Ervin reminds, Article I of the Constitution re-

mains quite operative, guaranteeing to all freedom of worship.

men quite knowledgeable of Old Coun-

try troubles. Indeed, the colonies were settled in the main by two major groups,

those desirous of religious freedom and

those who believed in the right of all

offered as course of study here in Kings

Mountain schools, at state-supported colleges in North Carolina and else-

decision, as was the Supreme Court in

Community Center

A sizeable community center is

Kings Mountain hopes to acquire

rhaps, a luxury, and for most small

cities a luxury they can ill afford either

one, via a federal government grant

Few, if any, will argue with the

basic need, nor with the idea that many

community benefits will accrue there-

Some decry federal largess and ex-enditure of funds for such domestic

Fact remains these funds are made

le and those who do not obtain

are, in effect, being doubly taxed.

by public or private means.

Bible, quite legally, continues to be

Senator Ervin is quite right in his

to hold and protect private property.

The Constitution was forged by

olution un-needed.

its ruling.

Senator Ervin said he had re-read

Justice Tom Clark wrote the ma-

here have followed a policy of annexing only on petition of property owners effected, the several commissions reasonably thinking that citizens brought in under duress do not make happy, and therefore good, citizens. Another factor has been monetary cost to the city, which provides citizens many virtually deadweight services, money-wise, such as fire protection, garbage collection,

sewer service, and police protection.

Penciling will need to be done from the city's standpoint on the matter of cost, with the city weighing the potential intake from ad valorem taxes and other new income. A city's population, for instance, is a key factor in Powell Bill Fund gasoline tax rebates from the state, also for intangible tax rebates. In the recent year, the population increment was \$2.43 per capita. Thus a population increase of 2400 indicates a \$6000

per year increase from this source. Outside city citizens naturally have done some penciling themselves.

With the city's favorably low ad valorem tax rate, savings in fire insurance alone, not to mention garbage collection service, make in-city citizenship financially beneficial for a large majority.

The Mohair Company is quite frank in saying, in full contrast to former thinking, in-city citizenship is financially beneficial, principally due to Mohair facing a deadline of the State Stream Sanitation committee on pre-treating its dye plant affluent into Beeson's Creek. With the city's sewage disposal system plans already approved by the voters and with planned capacity adequate to specific and with planned capacity adequate to specific and water pistors. I said to can indeed acquire with average faculties, acquire so as to with black despair clutching at a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a few days ago shone so brightly and hopefully over this little house that has for more than a decade been the happy home of and water pistors. I said to can indeed acquire with average faculties, acquire so as to with black despair clutching at a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a few days ago shone so brightly and hopefully over this little house that has for more than a decade been the happy home of "Dad, she does see them, she of the colored flowers. I said to can indeed acquire with average faculties, acquire so as to with black despair clutching at a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a few days ago shone so brightly and hopefully over this little house that has for more than a decade been the happy home of "Dad, she does see them, she of the colored flowers. I said to can indeed acquire with average as to looks and water pistors. Now if anyone can make any to to detect colored flowers. I said to can indeed acquire with average faculties, acquire so as to hours you spend on much that with black despair clutching at a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God that just a broken heart and who had a broken heart and choking of the dim light of God tha and with planned capacity adequate to handle its own and Mohair's disposal problem, Mohair finds it cheaper to pay city taxes over the years and thereby to defer a large capital expense in the near future.

What may be termed a "tangible intangible" from the city's standpoint is liklihood of future tax value and population growth in this particular area.

Logan Defended

Former Kings Mountain Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr., appeared to be on at least a warm-burner hot seat over the weekend with revelations that 12 employees of the Lincoln prison camp have resigned since mid-summer, shortly after Mr. Logan's arrival as area supervisor.

Mr. Logan, again a Kings Mountain resident, also supervises other prison units at Dallas and in Mecklenburg and Union counties.

Quite simple, says Supervisor Logan. Transfers to other stations did not suit some. Others, he indicated, have not yet become attuned to the rehabilitation vs. rough treatment policy in which North Carolina has been a successful pioneer.

It would also be easy to suggest, in view of a state legislator's calling attention to the resignations, that a chronic ailment of governmental officeholders is that they tend to credit their jobgetting to political activity and/or friends and fail to remember that work must be done and in line with higher authority's policy.

It would also be easy to suggest that, with all industry pressed to keep jobs manned, some may have resigned to accept better paying work.

Mr. Logan had a good record as boss of the maximum security prison at Dunn while practicing the new policy accenting rehabilitation efforts rather than black-jacking.

Gill Tax Axe

State Treasurer Edwin Gill is a keen and veteran student of state government and state finances.

He predicts a surplus for the biennium ending June 30, 1967, of \$150 millions and opposes suggestions for any new state taxes, be the tax imposed on tobacco products, retail and wholesale sales, or otherwise.

There are times when new taxes must be imposed or old tax schedules increased, but hardly in a period when present schedules are returning increasing surpluses each year.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

By MARTIN HARMON

Carl Weisener, who lives here and peddles pills an Shelby, re-cently had a sequence of "those days". Events didn't move in pleasant pattern.

Yates Humphries, who had served the drug firm as deliveryman for four years, had moved downstreet to join Red McClain at Sterchi's. Humphries replacement had failed to appear without notice after a few days on the job. A friend of the owner. described as a "boy", had agreed to deliver for a day, but failed to

Next day an elderly fellow came in to say he'd been employed as deliveryman-for-a-day. As Carl welcomed him, he let out a string of vituperation about the "boy" who had failed o appear the previous day. Meantime, Carl was gathering a backlog of pre-scriptions for delivery, and the fill-in fellow had commented, "Some people don't understand business.'

Shortly, the elderly fellow was back and to Carl's query, "What's the matter? replied that there was no delivery station wagon in he parking lot.

Carl looked and there wasn't. The ignition keys usually remained in the switch. .Carl immediately informed Shelby police and the highway patrol that the drug firm's station wagon had been solen. It was sometime later in the day that Humphries (his wife still in the employ of the drug firm) phoned in to apologize "using" the drug firm's

The using thereof had been indvertent. Humphries had been driving the wagon home for four years and out of habit followed his old path. .

people don't understand busi-

m-m

Yet another tale must be told, hough I am under petticoat duress of one of the principals to leave identities.

four Kings Mountain women were at a mountain resort, with elderly gentleman, somewhat shy and obviously lonesome continued o hover in the wings. The ladies were pleasant, finally asked his name and whereabouts and gleaned this reply: "You ladies wouldn't be interested in an old widower l've me."

To which one of the Kings Mountain feminine contingent, a widow, quipped, "Ask us!"

Fire Chief Floyd Thornburg is one of many Kings Mountain men who are devotees of hunting and fishing, but he doesn't go to Morehead City anymore.

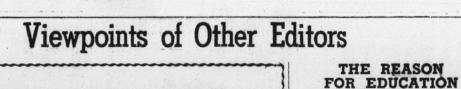
Floyd and 21 friends were on deer-bear hunt at Morehead a few seasons back, patiently manning their stands. Nothing happened. Finally, as the day waned. Floyd made a foray to the other side of the game preserve.

"That rascally guide wasn't hooing us any targets," Floyd says. "I found him asleep in a nammock. Worse than that, two of his dogs were piled up in the hammock with him."

Next day the 22 elected to for ake their guns for rod-and-reels. At \$8 per person per day, the leepy guide paid \$176 for his treams.

Otis Falls, Sr., has a friend who, some years ago annour he had sworn off drinking and become a devotee of fishing.

A few days later the friend



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berness; Circa 1850.

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In The Balance



SUPREME

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Along Life's Highways And By-Ways

With JOHN ALLYN CHESHIRE (Guest Columnist)

day. It is being written in un- I noticed a large wreath with speakable loneliness and grief violet colored flowers. I said to can indeed acquire with averthings: books and water pistols. my wife and me.

ed "Daddy" warmly, as she all now I'll soon understand. ways calls me, opened her eyes I stepped lightly into her hos. tion; for the art of assuming at for a moment, and then passed pital room the day before she a moment's notice a new intelon to her God peacefully in the went home. The nurse was ad- lectual position, for the habit arms of her faithful nurse.

me and left me in a darkness not knowing I was standing quickly into another person's there at the room entrance she thoughts, for the art of indicatwhere I had thought God always there at the room entrance, she held a light for us to brighten held a light for us to brighten the way out of every black val. loveshle little thing."

It was a few seasons ago and the way out of every black val. loveshle little thing."

You garding small points of accurley of hopelessness and lead us loveable little thing." into the daylight of the promises

Then I walked in and she said

He has made us. But now God to me, "Everybody here in the what is possible in a given time; bridge game underway. An He has made us. But now God to me, "Everybody here in the for taste, for discrimination, for had failed me after all my prayers . . . after His promises to And Mother loved everybody ... answer prayers, and I was bitter. and now she's with God.

But I know there is a God. I have heard His voice, I have felt His presence, I have seen His of our family. I should like to name them, but space here dred times before, but it must

Daddy, and he needs me."

And she prayed that she and went home to God. might come back home to me, but again God did not answer her prayer. And after kissing me firmly she breathed just twice and gently died.

I'VE NEVER felt I needed a written convenant with God. Why should I seek the assurance of any living man that the wisdom, love and power of my heavenly Father would ever fail me? In His divine wisdom He did fail me when I needed Him most. But I accept His wisdom. I saw Him last night in the brilliant stars through my tears. I knew He was up there guiding

us all; and I saw Him in my

loneliness in the daybreak this My house was home for Mother and me. Now it is just an unspeakably lonely house, but still I believe God watches over it, and that Mother is watching over it too because as she so often said, "I need you Daddy,

WHEN THE solemn funeral Monday. services were over, together with my son and his wife and his two ty farmers to soil bank their 1957

Maybe you'll forgive me for where in great profusion.
this entirely personal column to-Near my feet where I stood tal effort under criticism. A cer- a recalcitrant memory, I came

does see them." What a beauti. not so much for knowlege as for

justing something about her of submitting to censure and re-THEN THE sun went down for neck. When she had finished, futation; for the art of entering bent down and kissed Mother's ing assent or dissent in gradu-

hospital loves her so much."

As I look around me now in ers were friends of the family, until foolish illusions are dismy despair and doubt, I know particularly my son's family. Soviet Union againsat all the all that is or was or ever can be is the handiwork of God. He electrical contractor, Glee E. Soviet Union agains at all the pelled. With the support of China and the backing of the Soviet is my father and I will yet go Bridges, hardware merchant, W. on trusting Him, but why did S. Fulton, department store own-He fail me now when I needed er. R. S. Suber toytile eventual and the backing of the Soviet Union, Ho Chi-minh does not want to end the war. He wants He fail me now when I needed er, R. S. Suber, textile executive, to win it. He is not only a nat-Him so much, when Mother, as George H. Mauney, head of the ionalist caring for his people, he them should, says Roger Starr love and the sould be wanted so Mauney and Starr love and the love of the I always called her, wanted so Mauney Cotton Mills, and Grady is a convinced communist of a in Horizon magazine. This appropriate the community of a convinced convinced community of a convinced convinc much to get well and come back Howard, administrator of the radical kind. He belives in war plies particularly to New York home because she said, "I need Kings Mountain Hospital where as the means of building a class where many of the historic and as the means of building a class where many of the historic and Mother was when she left me less society all over the world. sentimental landmarks stand on

There is a word of grief the sounding token; There is a word bejeweled with bright tears.

The saddest word loving lips have ever spoken; A little word that breaks the chain of years;

It's utterance must ever bring emotion, The memories its crystals cannot dye, 'Tis known in every land, on every ocean -'Tis called the last "Goodbye.'

YEARS AGO THIS WEEK Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and

events taken from the 1956 files of the Kings Mountain Herald. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Harrington

and you need me," So I still have assumed managerial duties at Kings Mountain Country Club

sons, we followed the funeral wheat crop, originally set for Fricar that carried Mother to her last resting place. When the throngs had left I was driven ASC manager, said this week. back to our house along with Last week's Bethware Fair big catch, both in quantity and lize of fishes. Otis jested, "There you go. I don't know which is worse. You're just like all of 'em. You swear off drinking and take up lying."

back to our house along with broke all previous records, including attendance, gross receipts, quantity of exhibits and otherwise. This was the report of Myers Hambright, fair manual lying." SO THIS IS **NEW YORK**



By NORTH CALLAHAN

The political pot here is boiling in a family way. Two wealthy Protestants with Dutch names, Rockefeller and Roosevelt, are opposing in some ways, two
Irish-Catholics, wealthy and other-wise, Kennedy and O'Connor.
The race for governor is being
watched as indicative of national trends, but regardless, it is a lively one with deals being charged, names being hurled and money flying around like the seasonal autumn leaves. The name of Roosevelt, once magic, has lost much of its miraculous touch, while that of Nelson Rockefeller has not been helped by his divorce and re-marriage. So, an Irish politician, O'Connor who is said to have the silent backing of President Johnson, is making quite a splash. Bobby Kennedy has lurked in the background but it is not like him to linger out of the limelight very

Now that schools are resumng, the military status of the young men is uppermost in many minds. On the campus of George Williams College, for instance, there is a sign all too remind-ful of this. It says, "Study each day or you may become 1A". Another sign of the times: "There are only three college grades now: A, B and Viet Nam."

On the other side of life's picture, Francis Thompson has written, "Know what it is to be a child? It is to believe in love, loveliness, belief. It is to be so little that the elves can reach to whisper in your ear. It is to turn This essay was written over pumpkins into ccaches and mice a century ago by William Cory, and Eaton College master. The ness and nothing into everything, for each child has a fairy godpertinance of his wisdom in today's headlong scramble for mother i his soul." knowledge is clear. It is re-

hhe idea of what toys a child whatever age, who finds frust-rating his inability to reconcile on his later life is being ex-the sacred haste of the scram-plored not only by our lawmakble with the deliberate, seem- ers but by the oy Manufacturers ingly interminable, pace impos- of the U.S. I received a quesed on acquiring an education. tionnaire from them asking "At school you are not en- what was my favorite toy when gaged so much in acquiring I was a boy. After digging deepknowledge as in making men- ly into the dimming recesses of

Bud Collyer, like so many oth-Wednesday, Sept. 7, she kiss- ful faith my boy has. I think arts and habits — for the art of planned to be a lawyor like his expression, for the habit of ac. planned to be a lawyer like his father. He did graduate from Fordham University and went to work for a law firm where he recalls, "I was working for a fast 15 dollars a week and desk space." But show business beckoned and he switched from ponderous tomes to upright microphones as a radio actor and announcer. Finally he began to have larger roles and when television came along, he was one of the first to work in this new medium, partly because of his looks mental courage and mental soand genial style. Now he is one of the leading masters of ceremony in the business, with "Beat the Clock." "Break the Bank" and "To Tell the Truth" to his credit. Oddly enough, off-stage Bud Collyer is superintendent of the Sunday School and a teacher in the First Presbyterian Church of Greenwich. Connecti-

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