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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Take ye heed, watch and pray; for ye know not when the time is. St. Mark 13:33.

Water Notes

There continues to be conversation about water, centered on Kings Mountain's Buffalo Creek water project which, last week, should be under construction. Consulting Engineer W. K. Dickson said in October and which should require from 14 to 18 months to complete.

1) In an editorial on Saturday entitled "Water, Water Nowhere", (for text see Guest Editorials), the Shelby Daily Star says "Still to be cleared up to the satisfaction of the County Planning Board is the Kings Mountain policy on selling water to supply the rest of the county."

2) The Planning Board met Monday night and confirmed the Star statement as Chairman Robert Morgan wondered about availability, projected amount of filtered water, and rates.

3) Tuesday night, Engineer Jim Dooley outlined to Democratic and Republican nominees for the county commission his feasibility study for a water district to serve the whole of Eastern Cleveland County and utilizing the Buffalo Creek reservoir.

Answers:

1) Early in the planning for the Buffalo Creek project the city board of commissioners resolved to make water available to the county. Later, the city board re-iterated the initial resolution. Both resolutions were formal and are spread upon the minutes of the meetings of the City of Kings Mountain.

2) Chairman Morgan, on September 19, along with Chairman Hugh Dover, of the board of county commissioners, and Mayor Hubert Plaster of Shelby were furnished copies of the initial resolution. It was hardly a secret from September 19 and before that the plans call for building initially a water treatment plant which will supply 4,000,000 gallons of potable water daily. The plant is designed for easy expansion to an eventual capacity of 20,000,000 gallons per day. As a former State Senator, Chairman Morgan must know that the question of rates cannot be determined at anything more than an educated guess until the happy day that contracts for construction are executed. Hopefully, the estimates of construction cost at \$3.38 million are high. That would mean lower rates. If the construction estimates are low, vice versa.

3) Engineer Dooley has projected his feasibility study on the Eastern Cleveland water district on his own. He has a reputation for competency and, projecting possible rates for out-of-Kings Mountain customers, apparently regards Engineer Dickson's judgments solid.

Mr. Dooley says the density of population in some areas is too thin to sustain a county-wide system now. He thinks it wise to proceed with the possible and leave the impossible 'til tomorrow.

But the City of Kings Mountain couldn't care less about the arguments over whether there should be a county-wide water system or district arrangements pending county growth in less populated areas.

The City says it—spread upon the minutes twice — we have water, you want water, you get water.

Congratulations to Robert E. Hambricht, our Grover Neighbor, and Lansford Jolly, Gardner-Webb faculty member, on their appointments to the county public welfare board. Mr. Hambricht, a state board appointee, succeeds Mrs. Aubrey Mauney of Kings Mountain, and Mr. Jolly, appointee of the county commission, succeeds L. T. Warlick, of Polkville, who served as chairman of the welfare body. Congratulations are due the retirees on their good service, and to the appointees on their willingness to serve on a board often much-criticized, but rendering a necessary and quite sensitive service.

Friends To Be?

Commercial air service between Russia and the United States began last week. There are not of flights. A Pan American Airlines plane takes off for Russia and return once weekly and a Russian jet does the same.

In spite of the roadblocks and stresses and strains in other areas, the US-Soviet relaxation in the area of air travel must be a hopeful sign of better relations to come.

Then on Monday came the prediction of the Soviet physicist Andrei Sakharov, who thinks that by the turn of the century 3 1/2 years distant, the United States and Russia will be cordial allies.

With China contaminated with Maoism, thinks the physicist, the growing friendship may begin as a marriage of necessity, continue as a matter of convenience, and mature into a genuine friendship.

It's a happy thought and hopefully not a pipe dream.

Certainly, US-Russian relations have relaxed since the accession to power of Khrushchev. He was headily impressed by what he saw in the Mid-West corn belt.

Napoleon may have been something less than altruistic when he said it about 1803, but he did warn, "Beware of the yellow man".

The United States has found the warning true already in World War II with Japan, is having current unhappy experience in Vietnam.

The Wallace Bid

American Party Presidential Candidate George Wallace, true to the colors of candidates, declares he "is running to win".

His supporters are less optimistic, frankly aim to get their candidate enough votes to prevent a majority vote in the electoral college and thereby put the election/selection of the next President in the hands of 435 United States Representatives.

It hasn't happened since 1876, when Rutherford B. Hayes (R) got the nod with the principal help of South Carolina. South Carolina's pay-off was withdrawal of occupation troops, who, for Sandlappers, had been around 11 long years too long.

Can Alabama's Wallace bring it off?

The odds are against it, as Conservative Wallace figures to siphon off Republican votes in all states where he gets his name on the ballot.

Here, however, the Alabamian already has done a mammoth job. He has met the legal tests of 32 states in winning a place for his electors on the presidential ballot. And he's still working for ballot space on the remaining 18.

The instant news lads of the T-V tubes seemed to over-play the recent Gallup poll report. While Candidate Wallace showed gains, the Gallup folk could still find support for him only among 34 percent of the Southerners and 16 percent nationally.

That's not nearly enough to win and would make Cartoonist Henry McCarr's cartoon (adjoining column) quite apropos.

'Tis a while, however, 'til November.

Local Wars

Wars aren't limited to the international arena.

The touring professional golfers, not satisfied with the big purses, don't like the numerically predominant club professionals to call the signals.

The high-paid pro footballers wanted more.

It is the nature of man to make war.

And women, too, if the clogged dockets in the divorce courts are indicative.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By MARTIN HARMON

Pet fanciers are subject to the joys and delights, frustrations and sadnesses, I suppose, of parents.

We have had our share of the sad part in my neighborhood, principally involving dogs, which always manage to lose the arguments they perpetrate with speeding automobiles.

Hallie Ward Hustetter lost a German shepherd, via this route, as did Fred Thornburg, Brownie, an older pomeranian by appearance, owned by Mrs. James next door, was a stylish and handsome dog. Typical of his maturity, he walked with a certain amount of hauteur, disdained the playful blandishments of the younger dogs around, never walked on a leash, never chased cars.

But one day Brownie found a friend and they wandered far afield, as far as busy King street. Both got it in front of Jake Hord's grocery.

Lee Roberts' chihuahua, also venerable, suffered the same fate, and in recent weeks the George Wilson's chihuahua Chico dittoed, mortally injured under the wheels of a car.

The above is in the nature of an explanation why we keep the Boston, Sir Winston Spencer Churchill, on a leash when out, and otherwise in the house. (Indeed, denying him his freedom makes me feel like a DOG.)

But then there's the aging dog process, which is bad too. Emelyn Gillespie lost her long time pet by that route recently, and Joe McDaniel says his dog is sick and infirm.

Mrs. Charlie Randall had the same experience recently with her long-time Persian cat friend Cookie. It was the day Robert Kennedy died. Cookie made a false move and broke a leg. Mrs. Randall rushed him to the veterinarian, who said he could put the cat in a sling and set the leg. It would be a two-week process, and he doubted the leg would heal. By the way, he asked, how old was Cookie? Cookie was 17. The dictum: "The leg won't heal, I'll have to put him to sleep."

"There I was," Mrs. Randall recalls, "crying all morning about Bobby Kennedy, and all afternoon about Cookie."

I am told a state funeral was held for the Howard Jackson's sensible cat Sambo.

As an auto driver, I've been lucky (fingers crossed here) with dogs. It must have been ten years ago that the Whitey Bridges' Boston decided to argue with my wheel. We were both lucky. The veterinarian patched him and he survived.

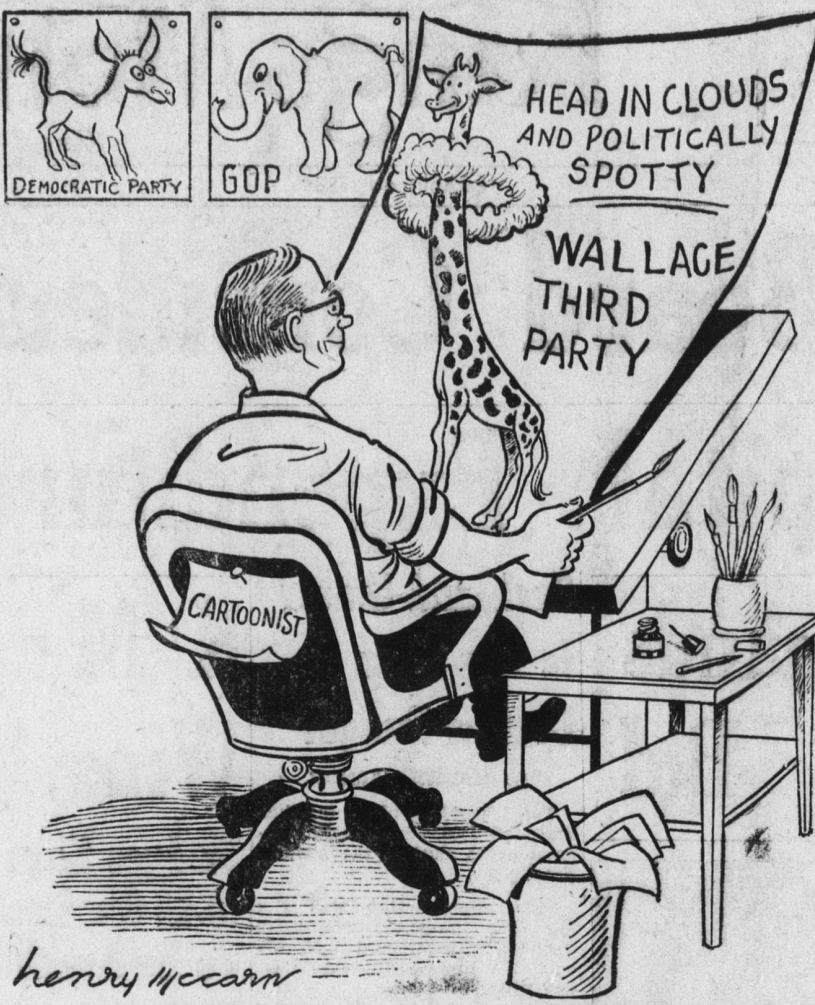
My most recent close call occurred a few press nights ago. It was raining. Suddenly, the headlights revealed a little dog dead ahead. I jammed the brakes and the dozen eggs on the seat zoomed floorward. Not an egg was saved, but the dog was. Maybe more important, several youngsters were also dead ahead, at the moment I jammed the brakes just out of headlight range.

I did not intend this to be a sad column, but there's space left for the glad. Sir Winston loves youngsters and they love him. Recently, my wife's third grade cousin Susie gave him a present a green ribbon to adorn his neck. The ribbon was accompanied by a suitable note. It read: "I LOVE WINSTON."

And there's no happier lad in town than Billy Gene McCarter who recently acquired a two-month old brown puppy and suitably named Brownie.

To keep the family motif correct, I recently acquired from Dr. Nathan Reed a pair of these low cut spectacles Sir Winston Churchill, my pup's namesake, effected. Naturally, these suit me much better than the more common bi-focals.

New Party Symbol?



Viewpoints of Other Editors

WATER, WATER NOWHERE

Finalized plans for Kings Mountain's water-giving Buffalo Creek project are certainly welcome news.

Not only do the scheduled dates of construction and land acquisition mean the beginning of the end of the serious water shortage in Kings Mountain, they could mean the beginning of serious talk of a countywide water system with Buffalo Creek as at least part of the source.

Still to be cleared up to the satisfaction of the County Planning Board is the Kings Mountain policy on selling water to supply the rest of the county. Once Mayor John Henry Moss has made his town's policy clear, hopefully Monday night, then the planning board can go ahead with final recommendations to the county commissioners on the much needed water system.

Before the residents of Kings Mountain overwhelmingly approved the bond issue to finance the Buffalo Creek project, The Star questioned whether or not the project was economically feasible as a one-municipality project.

Residents in Kings Mountain evidently felt they could bear the freight, although some county residents still say the Buffalo Creek project should have been a county endeavor. That latter idea is refuted in a feasibility report on a countywide water system by J. N. Pease Associates which says, "It is unlikely that an independent source or sources (of water) would prove economically feasible."

Thus, once the point of policy over sale of water from Buffalo Creek is cleared up, there should be no major roadblocks remaining in the way of definite recommendations to the county commission. Discussion is next of whether the county ought to proceed (if should, we think), how it ought to proceed (as quickly as possible without hurrying over details) and when should a definite step be taken toward implementing the recommendation of the Pease study (again, as soon as detailed discussion has been held).

The old catch-phrase, "Industry grows where water goes," may be hackneyed, but it is not out of date. Even more than industry, a county's people grow where water goes, and that is the prime consideration that should be considered by the county planning board and county commissioners.

COOLER SUMMER?
In 1964, 1966, and 1967 the big jets were touched off in mid-July, and in 1965, in August. This is in many ways an exceptional year. The death of Dr. King prematurely set off violence which revealed that the police had learnt more flexible and less brutal tactics of crowd control whatever armories lay behind them. It is presidential year, which may have diverted some energy. So far it does not seem that "Resurrection City" has developed a new way of expressing dissent, or provided a new theme for Negro leadership. But the demand for change exists—and has shown itself healthy in political events. The problem of poverty—of affluent America's indifference to curable poverty—has been well publicized, and plans exist which can be quickly implemented once the politicians know that public opinion is ready for them.—The Times (London)

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events taken from the 1957 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

The Cleveland County board of commissioners has adopted tentatively a general county tax rate of 1.39 per \$100 valuation and a budget totaling \$1,536,261.

Kings Mountain high school students may get some instruction via television during the forthcoming term, Supt. B. N. Barnes told members of the board of education Monday night.

Mrs. E. S. Neill has arrived in Stockholm, a stop-over point in her 1600 mile bus tour through Europe.

Charles Roy Cadieu of Gaffney, S. C. is visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Nevette Hughes.

Censoring Out Violence

More in sympathetic pain than in self-righteous anger, the distinguished Swedish economist Gunnar Myrdal has suggested that Sen. Robert F. Kennedy's murder is "perhaps the last warning that the United States is desperately, desperately sick."

We don't believe America is as sick as Myrdal says it is, but there is no question that Senator Kennedy's assassination has caused many Americans to ponder what can be done to curb the violence that is depriving our nation of its outstanding public figures.

A Harris survey disclosed recently the confusion among Americans over the remedies for controlling violence. Yet at the same time, there were strong indications in the survey that many believe there are too many graphic displays of violent behavior—particularly in the movies and on television.

Fortunately, some concerned leaders in the film and TV industry are doing more than merely listening to complaints about the links between make-believe violence and real-life violence.

All three television networks and a number of movie studios are taking steps to de-emphasize violence on theater and TV screens. Scripts are being blue-printed in some cases, and in other instances violent scenes are being edited out of films.

In the past, we have frowned on narrow-minded attempts to impose public censorship on films that honestly sought to portray life as it is.

But the self-censorship that the TV networks and movie makers are now undertaking is something else. It is a constructive sign that the industry's leaders are mindful of their responsibilities in helping shape the attitudes of Americans on violence—and particularly the attitudes of young Americans.

As such, the anti-violence campaign deserves commendation and support.

Hopefully, this trend will not subside as the furor over Senator Kennedy's assassination fades. If anything, it ought to expand to the point where violence is no longer considered good "box office."

The commission appointed by President Johnson to study the causes and cures for violence will undoubtedly make recommendations.

MIDDLE AGE—26

It will come as a shock to the sedentary American male that his body is middle-aged by the time he is 26. In Geiger-counter tests on 500 industrial workers, it was recently discovered that the average 18-year-old has 25 cubic centimeters of blood passing through one liter of muscle. At 25, this drops to 16cc, or 40 per cent less, and by 35 it is down to 10 cc—60 per cent less.

What does this prove? A professor of physical education in a Midwestern university thinks it proves that men—even young men—aren't doing enough vigorous exercises to keep the blood flowing through the muscles—an important key to physical fitness. It proves that physiological aging comes upon modern man with astonishing rapidity, particularly the sedentary businessman who is probably tied to a desk from 9 to 5 and often longer.

From The Bloix-Gulfport Daily Herald

COSTLY CUPIDITY

The "pigeon pot" swindle, that ancient and dishonorable means of separating a sucker and his money, was revived in Milwaukee (recently). This time a trusting woman turned \$6,000 in cash over to two strangers who peddled a tale of finding \$21,000 in an empty cigarette package, according to police.

The mechanics of this particular swindle are too complicated to bear repeating. The woman, however, hoped to reap a quick \$7,000 as her share of this "find," police reported. She never saw her \$6,000 again.

Swindlers in such affairs traditionally bait their traps with the lure of quick and easy money. The primitive pigeon drop swindle is kept alive by the combination of naivete on the part of the sucker, a kind of low cunning on the part of the swindlers and by the cupidity of both.

Swindlers about the impact of movies and TV. In the meantime, however, the self-policing approach undertaken by industry leaders is a significant action.

—The Denver Post

KM Recorder's Court Docket

The following persons pleaded guilty before court began and paid their fines: Murray Vincent Beam, Route 2, Cherryville, stop light violation; Roy Charles White, Route 1, Kings Creek, S. C., improper muffler; John W. Thomason, 1002 Woodside Dr., inspection law violation; Sherrell T. Walden, 7901 Yorktown Dr., Charlotte, improper passing; Garland Maynard Knott, 720 Yones Ave., Kinston, N. C., running red light.

Charles Yullen Young, Route 1, Shelby, running red light; Boyd Ray Blanton, 4833 Keats Ave., Charlotte, N. C., speeding 50 in 35 zone; Gerald Burris, Route 1, Box 386, stop light violation.

These cases were held during the court session: Brenda Ann Turner, 612 Lineberger St., Shelby, discharging fire arms inside city limits, not guilty; Robert Manuel Jamerson, Route 1, City, speeding 50 in 35 zone, 30 days suspended \$5 and court costs.

Ronnie England, 914 First St., larceny of automobile, hearing held and probable cause found, bond over to superior court and held on \$3000 bond; Phillip A. Grahl, 710 W. Mtn. St., larceny of automobile, hearing held and probable cause found, bond over to superior court and held on \$3000 bond.

Steve Russell Jamerson, Route 1, driving after suspension, 18 months suspended \$200 and court costs, license revoked 1 year; Dallas Bennett, Route 2, Dallas, driving while intoxicated, charge reduced to reckless driving, 4 months suspended \$50 and court costs; Donald Thompson, 409 S. Deal St., non support, 6 months suspended court costs; pay \$25 weekly for support; Arnold Thompson, 205 Cranford Dr., assault on female, nol pros. pros writ pay costs.

Donald McMaster, 14188 Eastire, Charlotte, driving while intoxicated, continued July 29; Richard W. Oliver, Jr., 113 Fulton St., driving while license suspended, 18 months suspended \$200 and court costs, license revoked 1 year; Thurman M. Lewis, Overcash Trailer Park, Grover, failure to see movement could be made safely, capias issued.

Gerald Lutz, E. King St., worthless check, continued July 29; Joseph N. Williams, 313 Ellis St., stop light violation, 30 days suspended payment of court costs; Joseph N. Williams, 313 Ellis St., exceeding safe speed, 30 days suspended court costs; Paul H. Roberts, Jr., 112 Waco Rd., driving while intoxicated, 12 months suspended \$100 and court costs, license revoked 1 year, entered notice of appeal with bond set at \$200.

Thomas D. Bass, 916 S. Edward St., Lincolnton, improper registration, no insurance, failure to comply with N. C. inspection; Roy Quinn, Route 1, driving while intoxicated, no operators license, continued July 29; George M. Robinson, 219 Charlotte St., York, S. C., driving while intoxicated, no operators license, 12 months suspended \$125 and court costs, entered notice of appeal with bond set at \$300.

William McClure, Route 1, assault on a minor, not guilty; Culen F. Gentry, 217 Morris St., worthless check, 30 days suspended upon payment of court costs. Doyle Dean Self, 412 Mauney Ave., Shelby, no operators license, nol pros. David Dawkins, Route 3, no operators license, 4 months suspended \$25 and court costs; Rodney S. Houser, Route 2, Box 265, Mooresboro, exceeding safe speed, not guilty.

Arvel William McCall, 104 N. City St., failure to yield right of way, issued capias; Mrs. Johnny Short, Fairview St., assault on minor female child, 30 days suspended \$15 and court costs; John Robert Blanton, 112 City St., speeding 50 in 35 zone, 30 days suspended \$5 and court costs; Elijah Turner, Jr., 117 Wells St., non support, nol pros with leave; Roosevelt McCleary, Route 1, reckless driving, issued capias.

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