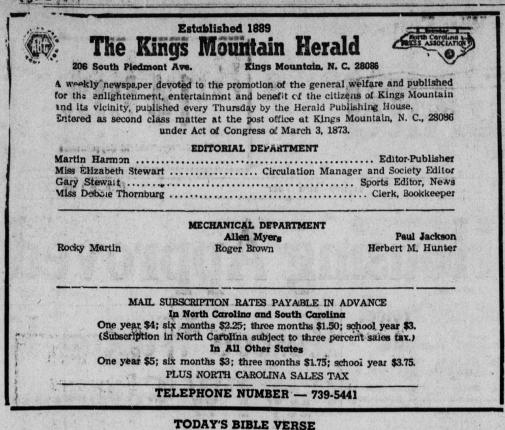
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But now, O Lord, thou art our flather; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand. Isaiah 64:8.

Reassessment In Order?

Three months ago it would have been a hardy, reckless man indeed who have wagered that Senator would George McGovern, of South Dakota, would have been the 1972 Democratic nomines for President of the United States.

As nominations were being made Wednesday night, with voting to follow, the Senator was a shoo-in for the nomination, on the first ballot.

Such worthies as Senators Edmund Muskie and Hubert Humphrey had already withdrawn in the face of the muscle exhibited by the McGovern organization in the preliminary arguments of the convention involving seating of delegations and the party platform. When it counted, the McGovern forces won.

All must face the fact that the South Dakota Senator, World War II airman of distinction, former college professor, U. S. Representative and minister's son, had put the jigsaw puzzle of politics together in handsome tashion.

Chief question remaining for Thursday's business at Miami and last-scheduled day of the Democratic convention was: Who will be McGovern's choice for a vice-presidential running mate?

It can be said with truth that Senator McGovern was instrumental in writing the new "democratic" rules for the Democratic party organization, which found Chicago's Mayor Richard Daley denied a delegate's seat, and that, knowing the new rules better than most. Senator McGovern used his special knowledge to most advantage.

But the fact is that he and his forces did put the puzzle together and in as apple pie order as the long course of this nation's convention political history has recorded.

What is the man made of? It is a question to which the answer, and/or answers will be unfolding in the days and weeks ahead to November 7.

Not Our Business, But. . .

Over in Gastonia, there has been much discussion the past few weeks over the functions of the Gastonia Industrial Diversification Commission.

What is needed, some are contending, is not new jobs, but people to fill the jobs open and at the moment unfillable due to shortage of people to fill them.

The Gastonia Industrial Diversification Commission was unique in conception. Gastonia Township citizens, then with jobs going begging, voted upon themselves a tax of two cents per \$100 valuation to support the Gastonia Industrial Diversification Commission. the prime function of the commission to attract new job-giving enterprises.

The small investment over the years the taxpayers has paid handsome dividends. Numerous new enterprises have located in Gastonia and the surrounding area.

The new arrivals, for the most part, were not fly-by-nighters, but solid industrial citizens.

A moderating voice has been offered by W. J. Pharr, prominent Gaston industrialist who is hardly a newcomer. Mr. Pharr doesn't want to see the industrial diversification commission put out of business. He points to the good record and the fact that the commission, through the years, has never forgot the 'diversification" in its official name.

Members of the commission over the years and veteran Director Ralph Isley might well ponder the word of a former Kings Mountain cost accountant -job standards analyst, a chore labeled in the vernacular "efficiency expert".

The former Kings Mountain man, fired, parodied quite understandably, "I efficiencied myself out of a job." As he did.

Needless to say, he wasn't long in the available labor market.

was among the dozen, but my compounded by the secretive wife wasn't. m-m After two days, my wife had sat on only one case, a compara tively minor one in which a 16-

MARTIN'S

MEDICINE

By MARTIN HARMON

The letter in the official-look-

ing envelope was official, in-

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My wife, it read, was summon-

ed for jury duty at the term of Cleveland Superior Court begin-

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"But what am I going to do

"It looks as if," I said, "they

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turbed when she learned the current term of Superior Court is

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As happens when citizens are

convened as juries, my wife found friends among her con-

freres, among them fellow Kings

Mountaineers Gene Roberts and

Jim Downey, along with Mrs.

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choosing what once was "twelve

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the Bethware school cafeteria.

manages

Charles Goforth, who

county properties.

My wife was a bit more per-

week's vacation.'

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asked

ning July 10.

They did.

the present term.

vear-old youth had been charge'd with reckless driving. He was charged with exiting from a Dix-on Boulevard establishment at sufficient speed to "spin the wheels" of what proved to be his uncle's car. The case ended comparatively happily. After the jury had been sent out of the court-room, it returned to find that the charge had been reduced to speeding, to which the youth had plead guilty.

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By the fact of personal friendship and in-law kinship, my wife was told "come down" by the defense attorney in a case in which a man was charged with theft of four guns from Mariott Phifer's Shelby Hardware firm. In this case, the defendant came clear, the guns not having been found in his possession, but Mariott regained possession of his four guns. This was an instance where gun sale report law proved beneficial to the owner. Mariott had the serial numbers on three of the four and identified the fourth from seratch marks appended in his establishment by a

oken glass.

Viewpoints of Other Editors CLOSED BUDGET MEETINGS CREATE CREDIBILITY GAP AND HIGH TIME TOO

Freshdent Nixon has agreed that from now on only volunteers will be sent to Vietnam-no more con-

na generation

The very obvious violation by duc, brings American military policy back into line with the county commissioners of state law that prescribes the public's

From time immemorial the hide the public's right to know great superpowers of history have how decisions are arrived at be-hind a facade of "personnel" serviced their remote commit-ments with volunteer professionmatters violates not only the letter of the law, but the spirit and intent of the law as well. The al soldiery, never with cours As far back as the Roman Empire the lesson had been learned that reasoning behind such a violation it is disastrous to send conscripts not understandable, unless hallway around the world for there is really something to hide. fighting in a trontier war. There is a definite pattern this

Americans have an unfortunate year to keep voters and taxpayers from knowing why their tax tendency to not read history. Tine money is being spent as it is. penaity is to repeat its mistakes. Contrasted to last year, when One may hope that the lesson One may hope that the lesson of Vietnam is firmly embedded public hearings were held, and of Vietnam is firmly embedded this years budget has been drawn in American tork memory. Mr. in secret. There is no evidence Nixon clearly understands it. whatsoever that the secretiveness Christian Science Monitor

City St., BENIGN INDIFFERENCE

BENIGN INDIFFERENCE Senator George McGovern is Highland St., Gastonia. quoted by Time magazine as say. Mrs. Cora L. Rhyne, 400 W. Mountain St., City If there had been openness about the budget so far, taxpayers ing, 'I don't like communism, criminal, with its potential doc- might be assured that the tax ket of most heinous infractions, was cut as much as it could be. but I don't think we have any but she was relieved to learn no Taxpayers, instead, are left won-murder cases were docketed for dering whether the estimated 33great obligation to save the worun dering whether the estimated 33. from it. That's a choice other cent tax reduction is as much as countries have to make." He adds that he would prefer that na-tions like Brazil or India not turn they should be assured. If there had been openness in the budget-Communist, but that if they did it would not, "fundamentally damage our interests." making process so far, taxpayers could have gotten the full story

on the decision to create a civil-ian radio dispatching system. There is some truth in what And these are only two questions McGovern says, particularly the implication that no nation can be saved from Communist The point, to us, is that the commissioners knew very well brook Rd., City. ADMITTED SATURDAY domination unless it is willing to pay the price. That is, there are and must be limits to what the that state law stipulates the open discussion of all matters, except for a very restrictive number of First order of business was exceptions. The great bug-a-boo, U. S. can do to help and a na-tion that is unwilling to help itacross the state, has been the good men tried and true", noy willingness of elected officials including the ladyfolk, to take a to try to circumvent the state year's duty on the grand jury — law by calling for "personnel" disself cannot be saved regardless of the extent of outside aid.

But there are also basic flaws the body that considers charges, cussions and then talking about returns true bills or doesn't, and everything under the sun. The cussions and then talking about in the McGovern argument, which tonia. seem to indicate that the presi also has the duty of inspecting statements by one elective officdential candidate has not really ial and by one appointive official thought out his position. * in this county that the closed

For example, if the transformadiscussion meandered this week Drawn by lct, Gene Roberts is an open admission of guilt, tion of Brazil or India into Communist states would not "fundamentally damage our interests," one is moved to ask just what our interests are. Even if, as many critics claim, there is no 3, City. validity to the "domino theory" There is another side to the ar-(i.e., that the fall of one nation East Gold St., City. gument against closing the pubbic off from its business. Assume, to communism inevitably leads for a moment, that everything so to the collapse of neighboring far done on the budget by the nations), who will deny that a commissioners is agreeable to a political dynamic affects international relations? And who would

majority of taxpayers and voters. Assume, indeed, that everything deny the serious international done so far is correct and above implications if Communists board. Then, we believe, the hidover India, with its almost 600 ing of discussion on the matters million population, and Brazil, the largest, most populous, and most important nation in South simply creates a credibility gap that is unnecessary and self-defeating for the commissioners. America ? Even if everything is correctly

In recent years the attitude done and bears no semblance of has taken hold that communism political pay-offs, the very fact is, after all, pretty much like any that the decisions are reached behind closed doors casts doubt other non-democratic system, so why get too excited. But this cas ual viewpoint overlocks the dia

But it is not our desire to habolic skill with which Communrass the county commissioners, but we do wish to point out that ists regimes have elevated purges, wholesale imprisonment they were amply notified of the intellectuals, and denial of speech and religion to new heights of perfection. And not provisions of the state law on open meetings, by this newspap-er and by state officials. Previous least, Communist ideology carproblems arising from attempted ries a litany of world conquest circumvention of the law have been well-publicized, so that that, even if not as prominent as it once was, retains an ever-presthere is no possibility that the ent potential for mischief. commissioners could have been in ignorance of the responsibili-

Obviously there are limits to what the United States can do ties they have to the public. We believe that the commissioners about this state of affairs. It is trapped in the same world with

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Administration, announced on sume 29, that a total of \$232,300 has been allocated to eleven nonmetropolitan regional planning agencies for fiscal 'year 1972-1973. The various grants range from \$2,000 to \$42,000. The Isothermal Planning and Develop ment Commission has received a grant of \$20,000. The Isothermal Commission is the Lead Regional

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The funds are made available to the State by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, to be used to assist regional plan-ning activities in the less populous sub-state regions. Primary emphasis is placed upon the improvement and strengthening of local government; the develop-ment of local resources and serv-

ices; and the implementation policies and plans. The funds a used to help provide continuous effective planning and technical assistance services, and to establish better methods of coordinating programs.

The grants are to be matched with local contributions and will be administered by the Regional Planning section of the Division of State Planning.

CARD OF THANKS

ADMITTED SUNDAY MITS. Michael E. Brown, Gener-al Del., Bowling Green, S. C. Mrs. Marilyn E. Byers, Gas-Mrs. Lona Mae Gaddy and family wish to acknowledge their sincere appreciation to the many Mrs. Robert F. Ernest, 35 Dixie Trailer Pary, City. Mrs. William L. Jackson, 7115 Belhaven Blvd., Charlotte, N. C. Louis E. Martin, 1413 W. Walfriends and neighbors for the loving kindness and expressions of sympathy during the loss of their beloved husband and father, nut Avenue, Gastonia. Mrs. Harold E. Meadows, 730 Jack Gaddy. May God bless each and every one of you. The Family of Mrs. Minnie L. McClain, Rt. 7-Jack E. Gaddy

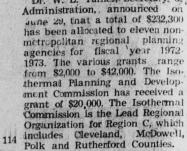
Mrs. Ellen G. Wright, 606 Mrs. E. B. Olive had two ----

ADMITTED MONDAY MMITTED MONDAY guests last week, Miss George Mrs. Virginia Sue Bell, Rt. 3, Ann Olive and Miss Susie Webity. ster. George Ann is the grand-Mrs. T. Woodrow Hamilton, 107 daughter of Mrs. Olive:



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Ave., B. C. Mrs. Jesse A. Dean, 70 Rando Avenue, Gastonia, Mrs. Bobby G. Fulton, Rt. 1, Box 102 Kings Creek, S. C. **HUD Grant To Isothermal** Dr. W. L. Turner, Secretary of



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has not been intentional.

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SELF-DEFEATING

upon the decisions.

business to be conducted in pub-lic leaves much to be desired. To wisdom of the ages.

Some, no McGovern fans, are already looking over their spectacles for a close look to determine what manner of man Senator McGovern is. He beat the odds and made the victory look easy

Home Building Pace

Citing need, Mayor John Henry Moss sometime ago, called for construc-tion of a minimum of 1000 new Kings Mountain dwelling units

Many thought the Mayor, if not daft, at least 'way out.

Without counting, the Herald guesses the 1000 goal is in process of being reached and still without a superfluity of housing within the bounds of Kings Mountain.

There are two reasons that the heavy emphasis on new residential construction hasn't over-clogged the market: 1) Influx of citizens to live and work in Kings Mountain and 2) razing of sub-marginal dwelling units.

Both items are important to the well-being of the community.

Much sub-marginal housing still remains.

Thus the report of the city building inspector of a record six months of resi-dential building during the half-year ending June 30 is of particular interest.

And around the corner is launching of the Cansler area renewal project where 189 derelict and sub-marginal residences are marked for razing.

Meantime, real estate dealers re-late, there is little available in rental housing.

Last Split Vote

Shelby Star Reporter Joe DePriest occasioned some surprise at a 5-1 split vote on a zoning matter at City Hall Monday night.

The Herald remembers the last one: the late Commissioner O. O. Walker cast the dissent on the question of city purchase of garbage containers for placement in the business district.

It's a reminder that there are no great number of matters at local government level where there is too much room for dissent, the final result being dictated often by statute, otherwise by firmly stated policy and budget.

A young reporter from a morning daily, after covering a city commission here, complained of the last of dissent, that everything was "cut and do" dist.

On the particular evening, the 12item agenda revealed no there had been room or reason for dissent, again statute and board policy being the bosses

Also reminding: Dissent for dissent's sake, like change for change's sake, no other benefits obtaining, makes no sense.

About the earliest arrival from these environs at the national Democratic convention was Kings Mountaineer Charles Smith. He was there eight weeks early. Mr. Smith, a Southern Bell installation man, was among the large cadre of communications systems men who arranged the sophisticated facilities at Miami Beach. By Tuesday, he and others of his force, had been moved to a hotel closer to the convention center, a precaution against break-downs. It appears now that the Bell folk don't want Mr. Smith to be partisan. They want him to stay over the Republican get-together a month hence.

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When I talked briefly with Jim Downey Tuesday night, he didn't detail his service, but volunteer-

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ed, "I'm learning a lot."

My wife served as a juror some years ago in a civil term, sat on she was on duty. It developed in. a candlestick."

to a scimewhat heart-rendering one. A lady, babe in arms, had rushed into a super market on Thanksgiving Eve. A small ledge of perhaps an inch height was under the entrance door. She In all its wisdom, the federal Department of Transportation has decided that Army surplus Jeeps tripped, fell, and suffered a severe injury to her kneecap, resulting in several weeks in hos- are not "safe" enough to be sold pital and permanent damage to to civilians. the knee. She would bowl no more, play no more tennis, found it difficult to do house-cleaning. She had sued the grocery owner for \$50,000. However, when the Judge charged the jury, he in-formed that the question of fact in the case was not the fully-esta-blished, non-denied fact of the

Instead of recovering several million dollars on its used Jeeps, the Army will cut them up for scrap and spare parts. Sportsmen, farmers, repairmen and others with a need for a small utility vehicle can forget about picking

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up a bargain. plaintiff's plight, but: "Was de-fendant negligent?" Thousands Ex-servicemen who have bounc ed around in Jeeps are no doubt of persons had traversed the alaware that they are not among the safest vehicles, particularly under conditions that surrounded ed hazard with not one fall. The lady didn't get a dime.

their use in places like Vietnam, Korea or Anzio. However, in more Concerned about the verdict, placid surroundings it is hard to imagine that they are any more

my wife asked Judge George Patdangerous than, say, motorcycles, (of Brevard) if the jury had been correct. "Oh, my goodness, yes," the Judge replied. "That's about the weakest case I ever tried. I almost declared a misdune buggies or farm tractors. which are not proscribed. Maybe we're wrong but it ap-pears to us that the government has induged in some substantial trial without sending it to a

economic waste in the name of

m·m that magic word "safety." And My wife has been impressed the waste in these days with the work of Judge Harold brings to mind a word that may Martin (of Asheville), presiding, be a distant cousin of the Jeep-and Solicitor Hamp Childs (of "jeepers!"

Lincolnton).

jury.'

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would be far better off by con-ducting all business in public. the Communist powers, and must seek ways to live with them Put another way, commissioners have everything to lose and peacefully. But it is one to seek agreements with the Communists, as President Nixon nothing to gain from hiding disagreements from the public. Indeed, the very possibility that has done with Russia and China the commissioners' decisions are in hopes of avoiding confronta worthwhile means that the com. tion that could lead to war. And tion that could lead to war. And missioners are hiding their good it is quite another matter to a deeds. As St. Matthew put it: dopt a policy of benign indiffer "Neither do men light a candle ence toward the spread of represonly one case in the four days and put it under a bushel but on sion and totalitarianism.

> Shelby Daily Star harder to understand coming And such an attitude is even from a candidate who so often

invokes appeals to morality, and many of whose supporters are so quick to categorize people and policies as good and evil, right and wrong, decent and indecent. Wall Street Journal

SERMON TOPIC "How Great Is Our God." will be the sermon topic of Rey. N. C. Bush at Sunday morning worship hour at 11 o'clock at Grace United Methodist church.

DIXON SERVICE

A guest minister will fill the pulpit at 9:30 a.m. morning worship service Sunday at Dixon Presbyterian church. Rev. Robert Wilson, pastor, and Mrs. Wilson and daughters, Lynn and Susan, are on vacation.

LUTHERAN TOPIC Dr. Leroy E. Blackwelder of Gastonia, retired Lutheran minister, will fill the pulpit Sunday morning at St. Matthew's Lutheran church in the absence of Rev. Robert E. Allen, who is on vacation.

GOSPEL SING

There will be a gospel sing, ing Saturday, July 15 at 7:30 at East Side Baptist church in Blacksburg, South Carolina, The Hamptons and four other groups expected for the progra Wall Street Journal

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