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6 Mos.	YEAR		
2.75	5.50		

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK:
Behold, my witness is in heaven, and my record is on high.
Job 16:19.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
Joy's a subtle elf; I think man's happiest when he forgets himself. — Cyril Tourneur.

Third-Party Efforts Only Weaken South's Influence

By and large, the Southern states have frown on the idea of playing the "splitter game" in presidential elections. In exceptional circumstances, only 4 of the 11 states of the old Confederacy have yielded to the impulse, and then only once or twice.

According to The Columbia State, S. C. Rep. A. W. (Red) Bethea and a group of his legislative colleagues are working on a plan to take South Carolina down the dead-end path it followed in 1948.

The Southern splinter movement that year was in behalf of Strom Thurmond on a State's Rights ticket. The splinters took several shapes.

The worst manifestation was in Alabama, where the national Democratic choice, President Harry Truman, was kept off the ballot in favor of Thurmond. The result was that Thurmond carried the state, through Alabama Democrats stayed home in the largest number since 1924.

Thurmond carried Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina in a more acceptable manner — winning the most votes in a fair contest. But the effect was simply to pour 39 electoral votes down the drain, doing Harry Truman no harm and Southerners no good.

In 1960, Mississippi and Alabama tried variations on the same theme. A plurality of Mississippians chose to turn their voice over to a slate of unpledged electors rather than have them vote for John F. Kennedy. As a result, a majority of Mississippians were thwarted. They didn't want unpledged electors, but they were divided between Kennedy and Nixon, so they lost.

Alabama played a more complex version, permitting its voters to choose from among unpledged, Democratic and Republican electors. When the tally was over, 6 unpledged and 5 Kennedy electors mailed their ballots to Washington. Thus a total of 13 unpledged votes (including one runaway Oklahoma Republican) were cast for a non-

candidate, Sen Harry Byrd, and went for naught.

The purpose of all these devices is to throw the election in to the House of Representatives and bargain for concessions to the South. The last president elected in the House was Jefferson, and that was 163 years ago.

There were wispy hopes that this would happen again in 1948 and 1960. Many Southerners felt alienated from the Democratic candidates, and both men started their campaigns as distinct underdogs. But both won despite the scattered Southern defections. It is all the more remarkable that Bethea should talk of unpledged electors in 1964, a year in which Lyndon Johnson walks with large stride.

While there is nothing unethical about the "splitter game," it is pure folly for the South for more than one reason.

Traditionally, third parties (such as the 1948 States Rights Party) have little or no impact on American life and politics unless they represent reform rather than reactionary trends.

More importantly, the unpledged elector and third party themes are futile expressions of the South's traditional apartness from the rest of America, symbols of our long-standing separation from the main-streams of power and from participation in the main business of the nation.

Our destiny lies in the interplay between the two great established parties, not in shadowboxing off in a corner by ourselves. At this point in the Sixties, Southerners can express general dissent through the Republican Party or general consent through the Democratic Party on the course of national affairs.

If we should express ourselves through unpledged electors, the nation will pay even less attention after the ballots are counted than it has been wont to do.

— The Charlotte Observer.

Prison For Poverty

While Raleigh fusses about the jail a sentiment grows in America to limit the incarceration of people just because they are poor and cannot furnish bail. Senator Sam Ervin, not generally known as a starry-eyed radical, has introduced three amendments to federal laws designed to lighten the financial burden which they place on the indigent.

Says Senator Ervin: "Present bail laws discriminate against the poor in violation of the spirit of the 6th Amendment which prohibits excessive bail. Presently only the defendant who has the money can be free before his trial to prepare his defense."



Senate hearings were held recently on two important state matters. A multitude of North Carolina judges, public officials, and attorneys have endorsed the nomination of Eugene Gordon, Burlington attorney, for the middle district Federal judgeship, before a Subcommittee which I chaired. Committee witnesses pronounced Gordon admirably qualified for the position.

Appropriations requests for North Carolina water projects have been made to the Senate Public Works Subcommittee. The requests embrace three flood control and navigation studies, two comprehensive river basin studies, a reservoir site study and nine proposed construction projects for essential development of water resources in our state.

When death came to Clarence Cannon, Chairman of the House Appropriations Commit-

tee, the House appropriations schedule set earlier this year by him was up-to-date. Ten of the fifteen major appropriation bills for fiscal year 1965 has passed the House. House versions of these measures aggregated appropriations of \$63.5 billion, including the \$46 billion defense bill. Representative Cannon sought to keep a tight rein on government spending. All of us who were privileged to know him and to appreciate the fine work he did in behalf of his country will be conscious of the fact that we shall not see his like again.

TALMADGE AMENDMENT. Some days ago, I joined in the sponsorship of the Talmadge jury trial amendment to the pending civil rights bill. In essence, it would give the right of trial by jury across the board all criminal contempt cases arising in Federal cour-

that some of the proponents of the bill are meeting with the Attorney General and trying to devise ways and means of getting this bill passed.

The thoughts of Gerald W. Johnson, a native North Carolinian and former editor of the Baltimore Sun, are pertinent on this issue. When this question was previously before the Senate, he commented, not verbatim, but in substance, along these lines. He said that he could not understand why the advocates of civil rights bills were unwilling to have jury trials in criminal contempt cases. He said that when a man is sent to jail after a trial by a judge, without a jury, there is grave danger that the people will make him a martyr. However, if he were sent to jail after a conviction by a jury, there would be no danger of the people making him a martyr.

Bible Facts Of Interest

By Ella V. Prigden

GOD IS LOVE
(Matthew 6:15) "If you do not forgive others, then the wrongs you have done will not be forgiven by your Father."
God is Love, therefore, when we are full of anger, resentment, irritation, anxieties or any wrong attitude, we are shutting God out. We are not completely trusting in Him.

In prayer, we can tell God about these feelings and ask Him to take these things from us. We can then receive His forgiveness - His love, His peace, His joy, His love passes knowledge. His peace is beyond understanding. His joy knows no bounds.

Christ conquered death for us. He also has the power to conquer the things that hold us back from receiving the fullness of God's love and power. But it will mean letting Christ change our old attitudes and reactions, throwing away the old unchristian nature and putting on Christlikeness.

Through our prayer, God will give us the power to do this. Prayer copied - Our Father, who art from everlasting to everlasting, take away our anger, resentment, fears, and injured pride. We leave them with Thee. May Thy spirit be within us to free us from lovin' and serving Thee. We pray in the name of Jesus our Savior, our Lord, and King. Amen.

Use the Lord's Prayer often, taught by Jesus. (Matthew 6:9-13.)

SUNDAY'S SORDON
Rev. ROBERT H. HARPER
PENNY WISE, FOUND FOOLISH
All my life I have heard of the man who is penny-wise and pound-foolish. And now I am going to try to picture the man who saves in little things but misses greater things. Such a man was found in Pilgrims Progress, the man with the muck rake, who was so busy gathering up little things that he never saw the crown of gold held just above his head.

We might apply the caption to the man who hoards his pennies and refuses to believe that it takes money to make money and like the man of one talent puts his talent in a napkin and hides it away. But the wise man who seeks goodly pearls, when he finds one pearl of great price, sells all that he has and buys that splendid gem.

As it is in the world of business and finance, so it is in all our living. The Chinese have a proverb - "Pay the price and take it." This is true in a house of merchandise. If there is a suit that you like, pay the price and you may have it. If there is a consummation that is devoutly wished, pay the price in toll and sacrifice and you may enjoy it abundantly. If you would live a good life and gain heaven at last, meet the terms of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

MAKING PLANS



Uncle Pete From Chittlin Switch

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

Ed Doolittle brung up a item at the country store Saturday night that has got all the fellers a little confused and disturbed. It ain't uncommon for some of the fellers to get confused. For instant, Josh Clodhopper thinks Andrew Jackson and Andrew Johnson was the same President, but it ain't often they was disturbed.

But Ed had a item he had cut out of one o' them Government pamphlets that was mighty upsetting. It said the average American 70 years old had spent 6 years eating, 11 years working, 8 years amusing hisself, 24 years sleeping, 5 years bathing and dressing, 4 years talking, and 1 year in church.

Ed pointed out they was a gap in there of 11 years and he figgered the gap run to 96,360 hours. The question that was put on the agenda at the session Saturday night was what happened to them 96,360 hours.

This is to report, Mister Editor, that opinion was divided in the matter. Clem Webster allowed as how them Government officials never was too good at adding and subtracting and it was in line with a heap of the arithmetic coming out of Washington. Zeke Grubb claimed them 96,360 hours was spent filling out Government forms and tax returns and they was ashamed to mention it. Personal, I think Bug Hookum had the best guess. Bug allowed as how a feller 70 years old had probable spent 96,360 hours listening to his old lady pour out her words of wisdom and that them figgers was compiled by some female Government worker and she just left out them 11 years on purpose. If you have any ideas on the matter, Mister Editor, the feller would be glad to hear from you.

And speaking of Government pamphlets, Zeke Grubb reported he had saw where the U. S. Health Department had warned agin taking too many vitamin pills for the annual Spring tonic. Zeke can recall back to the Old Frontier when barber shops stayed open till midnight Saturday nights and he claims sulphur and molasses was a good Spring tonic in them days and was better than vitamins today.

Clem said he was reading a piece in the papers where one feller claimed vitamin pills was like the four-way hair tonic a doctor prescribed for a bald-headed patient. The first pill grewed hair overnight but left him with a weak heart. The second pill cured his heart but made his teeth git loose. The third pill tightened up his teeth real good but left him blind in one eye. The fourth pill cured up his blind eye but made him with a weak heart. The tion by Zeke, seconded by Clem, it was voted to stick with sulphur and molasses.

Yours truly,
Uncle Pete



From Betty Wilhelmus Gury, Huntington Park, Calif.: What I remember most vividly about my childhood days in Richland, Indiana, is the annual Old Soldier's Reunion held on Rother's front lawn.

There were not more than 400 residents in the little town, but each year they gathered to honor the men who served under Lincoln, and it was really something.

Rother's had the general store down the street from the Ferguson store, and their house was a fine two-story white structure which I imagine is still there. Under the large trees in their big front lawn, the tables were laden with literally bushels of fried chicken, pies and cakes done in Hoosier style, salads, and every kind of delicacy and at noon everybody ate, with homemade ice cream a special treat. We hadn't many "old soldiers" even then, but they had come of parents who knew stories from their folks of George Washington, pointing up how young this nation really is. We had flags waving and speeches, and sometimes parades, the home-grown kind.

Patriotism was genuine and stirring in those days.

(Send contributions to this column to The Old Times, Box 459, Frankfort, Ky.)



A WIDOW, AT 65, PREPARES TO MAKE A GRAND MISTAKE

A 65-year-old widow, with rental property on her hands, is beginning to tear her gray hairs. "My husband always believed that income property was a man's best friend," she says, "and when he died that is about all he left me."

"But I don't know how to manage it. I get a headache trying. I can never be sure when the rents will be paid, when tenants will leave me. I never know when repair jobs are coming, how to get people to do them, or what they should cost."

"I've just about made up my mind to swap the whole crazy mess for a sane, quiet income of \$250 a month."

She was left two pieces of income property by her husband. One is a business building containing three small stores. It is worth about \$23,000 and is bringing rents of \$290 a month. The other is a three-unit frame apartment building, worth about \$14,000 and bringing rents of \$110 a month. She lives in one of the apartments and rents out the other two.

"What I intend," she continues, "is to see that my daughter gets the major benefits from what I do. I also have two sons, but they don't come around much. My daughter's husband is a fine man - finer than my sons, I fear. He is in the real estate investment business. I propose to sign my property over to him, for the benefit of him and my daughter, and in exchange get from him a guarantee of \$250 a month for life."

What sort of guarantee? Just about everything this widow intends to do is wrong.

Her husband had no business leaving her property she didn't know how to manage, but there are simple ways for her to solve the dilemma. In fact she could shut her eyes and guess, and probably get a better solution than she's about to get.

Her mistakes are these: By depriving her sons of a share of their father's estate, she is inviting a law suit by them against the daughter and her husband. A suit in which they could charge the son-in-law with all sorts of conniving;

By signing the property over to the son-in-law instead of to the daughter—or even to the two of them jointly—she is placing too much faith in human nature. And she is not taking into account the possibility of a divorce, the death of her daughter, or a physical or mental breakdown by the son-in-law;

By expecting a guarantee of \$250 a month for life in exchange for a gift of \$37,000 in property is simply expecting too much. Too much if it is based on a legal contract. Much too much if it is based on a son-in-law's good faith.

The son-in-law, even if as noble as the widow believes him to be, can lose the property in the course of his business operations, can lose the buildings by fire if his insurance lapses, can come upon hard times if tenants become scarce. Where then would the \$250 a month come from?

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

ACROSS
1. On the high
2. Drums
3. Floating in water
4. Author of "Common Sense"
5. Canadian peninsula
6. Mistake
7. Abounding in ore
8. Burden
9. Mother: colloq.
10. Grand Duke: abbr.
11. Make indistinct
12. Distress signal
13. Prophet
14. Icecream holder
15. Cattle-owner's mark
16. Herbage
17. Sally
18. Cancer
19. Enclosure
20. Sum up
21. Display
22. Samaritan: sym.
23. Girl's nick name
24. Thick slice
25. Middle
26. Score in golf
27. Correct

DOWN
1. Remained in an upright position
2. Values
3. Consumes
4. A ragout
5. Turf
6. Effortless
7. Viper
8. Bombarde
9. Missile-like weapon
10. Rendered fat of pig
11. Breeze
12. Sundial
13. Eager
14. Belonging to us
15. Flax
16. Cleaning agent
17. Hour-glass contents
18. Large, black bird
19. Indian warriors
20. Diffuse
21. Peanuts: South. U. S.
22. Mandarin
23. Snow vehicles
24. London
25. Afters
26. Vent
27. Apportion
28. Tibetan game
29. Pad

PUZZLE NO. 812

HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS FROM YESTERYEARS

The treason trial of Aaron Burr opened at Richmond, Virginia, May 22, 1807. Pres. F. D. Roosevelt vetoed a soldier's bonus bill, May 23, 1935.

Kit Carson, Indian fighter and scout, died, May 23, 1868.

Peter Minuit bought Manhattan Island from the Indians for \$24 worth of goods, May 24, 1624. The Brooklyn Bridge was opened, May 24, 1883.

The first regular session of the Constitutional Convention was held, May 25, 1787. The first daily paper in the U.S., the Pennsylvania Post, was established, May 25, 1783.

The evacuation of British troops from Dunkirk began, May 26, 1940. Tokyo was bombed by 599 superfortresses, May 28, 1945.

The U.S. Supreme Court declared the NRA unconstitutional, May 27, 1935. San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge opened, May 27, 1937.

The Canadian Dianne quintuplets were born, May 28, 1934. Mexico declared war on the Axis, May 28, 1942.

THE HANDYMAN CENTER

Roof repairs. Roof leaks and loose shingles do occur occasionally so it is important to know just how to make quick repairs if and when this happens to your roof.

Inspection is always the first step. You'll find that the area around your television antenna is the first place to check. Wind and rain will cause trouble here after a while. Other things to look for will be loose nails and shingles.

When you have located the trouble spot clean it thoroughly with a wire brush or any other stiff bristled brush.

Experts at the Thor Center for Better Living have found that the plastic cements sold at most hardware stores do a fine job of sealing. If the hole is one-inch or smaller you may apply the cement directly over the hole at a thickness of approximately one-half inch. Work it down to a smooth edge.

For larger holes you'll need a piece of roofing material or canvas. Use nails to hold it down, spacing them about two-inches apart. The cement should then be worked over the patch down to a very fine edge.

Thor Tip - Cement works best in warm weather.

Handyman Questions
Q. How often should I change brushes in my electric drill?
A. When they are two-thirds worn or when undue sparking is noticed. Inspect regularly.
Q. How far apart should studs be placed when building a recreation room?
A. Most experts recommend a 16-inch span.

BRIDGE

BY MARY STONE

North deals. North and South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 8 3
♥ A 9 4 2
♦ J 4
♣ 10 8 6 4

WEST
♠ K J 4 2
♥ 7 5 3
♦ 8 2
♣ 9 7 5 3

EAST
♠ Q 10 7 5
♥ Q 8
♦ Q 7 6 3
♣ K J 2

The Bidding:
North Pass East pass South 1 ♠ West pass
1 N.T. pass 3 ♠ pass
3 N.T. pass 5 ♠ pass

Opening lead: Three of clubs.
After the lead giving South a free club finesse, South led a low heart to the ace on the board. South then finessed the queen of diamonds, first with the jack from the dummy, then with the ten in the closed hand. The remainder of the trumps were cleared and the dummy entered with the ace of spades. When the heart suit cleared, South gave up a spade trick to make six. South had a lot of luck with this hand, first with the opening lead and next by finding the key cards he needed to finesse in East's hand. South should not be blamed for stopping at five.

THE HANDY FAMILY

I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR THE INFORMATION ON THE REPAIRS I COULD NOT GET IN MY OWN COUNTRY.

I'LL BE UP FOR YOU FOR CLEAR THE BEST THEY APPEAR!

SO DID MAKE A PORTABLE WRITING SET

GLUE ON ENVELOPES FOR WRITING MATERIALS FOR GRAPHS, PAPER CLIPS, ETC. GLUE ON PEAK BOTTLES

REPRODUCED ON FIT IN GARAGE

BY LLOYD BRIDGMAN

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