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#### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Come now, let us reason together, with the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. Isaiah 1:18.

Not enough folk attended the Bible program which opened the church campaign May 21. It strikes us that, for the future of the nation and the world, the layman leadership much demand more effective leadership from the ministry — with particular emphasis on the preachings of the Golden Rule doctrine.

The speed with which United States service men, liberated after being prisoners of war, are being returned to the United States, is a joy to see. There is much about the military that the average civilian doesn't like — involving brutality, theoretical disregard for an individual's life, forfeiture of many of the individual's rights — but the services get things done. And, in business, sport, or living, it's getting things done that counts.

#### Hospital Bill

On June 30, citizens of Cleveland county will take an important step. Either they will vote or reject a county hospital program which is filled with benefits.

The average citizen is inclined to think that \$400,000 is a lot of money, at it is, though it diminishes when divided proportionately among the taxpayers.

The proposition is for the county to building a \$160,000 hospital in Kings Mountain, to assume the debt (\$48,000) of the Shelby hospital, and to spend an additional \$240,000 in expanding the facilities of the Shelby hospital.

At first glance, since four questions are to be answered yes or no, it would appear that the voters could reject the proposition to build the hospital here, and approve the building program for the Shelby hospital, or vice-versa. This separate statement of the propositions was unfortunate, but required through technicalities.

However, and this is important G. A. Bridges, chairman of the county board of commissioners and a well-known Kings Mountain citizen, says that the results of the vote will be all-or-nothing. That is, the whole program will be approved or turned down.

Cleveland county, along with the rest of North Carolina, is woefully lacking in the necessary number of hospital beds. We believe the bond vote should be approved, on the basis of information presented thus far.

#### Graduation Time

In the manner of the old-time commencement speaker it would be nice to say to the Class of 1945 that they are finishing an important milestone of their lives and are being graduated into a land of opportunity, flowing with the Bible milk and honey. The milestone business is very true, but the rest of it is somewhat different.

For the young men of the class, certainly for most of them, it will be only a matter of reaching the age of 18 before entering the armed forces. Many will undoubtedly see service in the vast areas of the Pacific theater and enter Tokyo itself.

Many of the young women — and as many as can should — will go to college and the others will go to work and will learn practical application of what they have learned.

To this fourth class which graduates into a world torn with war, the Herald offers congratulations, and bids its members Godspeed. In fewer years than they have already spent in school, the members of this

### Martin's medicine

(Containing bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment. To be taken weekly. Avoid over-dosage.)

By Martin Harmon

#### May Finale

There are times in the life of every person who makes his living by writing, when he is not in a writing mood and his thinking processes are as devoid of fertile material as a bottomless pool is of a bottom.

Now this happens to be one of those days, but that's where a newspaperman is at a disadvantage. For he has a deadline to meet, and he has to write anyhow. This is sometimes pretty hard on his readers, and too, if the writer has too many of those days, he's likely to lose his following and end by digging ditches or doing some other job where the mood matters less than does the strength of the back.

The title of today's portion ought to be "Odds and ends," or something similar, but May 1945 has virtually succumbed to the scythe of Father Time and it would be amiss not to mention it.

May has been a thrill-filled, erratic month, with many families sight here in Kings Mountain having received wonderful news of the safety of loved ones who had been listed missing in action, or prisoners of the Nazis. It saw the end of the European war, the suicides of Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler and other killers, the individual display of greed, suspicion, and other base traits blown into national scale, at the San Francisco peace conference, the increase of the gas rations, and the announcement of the point-system discharge plan. Incidentally, to those A-card drivers who haven't figured it out yet, a 50 percent A-gas increase means only about 15 more miles of driving a week, which could hardly allow an orgy of driving.

On the erratic side, the weather man led the day, by crossing up everyone and making about everybody cut into next winter's fuel allotments. May also saw Yugoslav Marshal Tito, with lend-lease guns, get bilious with the lender. But the Marshal had his bluff called and decided to turn over before getting the last card.

In the mail: Neat announcement from La. Will Arey, managing editor-on-leave of the Cleveland Times, telling about the arrival of Will, III.

Between the dots: Lt. Charlie Carpenter wrote his folks on May 7 that it was said that the war was over... he added that it may be true but it was a funny surrender to him, with plenty of shooting going on and plenty of blood being spilled... Gene Goforth, in Germany, wrote his mother that he had chanced into Hitler's "Sub" Barrett in Frankfurt, the first Kings Mountain man he had seen overseas... Good to see Lt. O. T. "Judge" Hayes, B-26 pilot, again, first time in about four years... incidentally have you noticed the increasing number of service men in town with overseas ribbons and battle stars... one of them is Enrico Hicks, gunner on a bomber operating off a navy aircraft carrier... Lee Weather, publisher of the Shelby Star and also Senator Weather, wrote a letter to Chester Bowles about three weeks ago asking some rather pertinent questions about the sugar situation... one of them, I believe, asked why the shortage was partially attributed to lack of shipping space when North Carolina liquor stores have plenty of Puerto Rican and Cuban rum on their shelves... at last reports he had not yet received a reply.

Today's medicinal wind-up is a punctuation study borrowed from the Gosport newspaper of NABE, Pensacola, Fla., and sent to me by a friend on the staff: Woman: without her, man would be a savage; Woman: without her man, would be a savage.

The bond-buying record of the employees of the Cora Mill, where 249 of the 266 employees are buying bonds by the payroll deduction method, should serve as an example not only to all other employee groups but to all citizens of Kings Mountain. The plea of Ira Falls to buy still more bonds and obtain the "E" flag for 100 percent participation is the keynote of the day. Incidentally, much more buying must be done if Kings Mountain is to meet its Seventh War Loan quota.

12 percent of our nation's population reside in the six Southeastern states served by the Southeast Air Line Railway.

### 10 Years Ago

THIS WEEK  
 Items of news taken from the 1935 files of the Kings Mountain Herald

P. M. Neisler led the field of skeet, shooters in both the high score and the high average for the month of May. A prize was offered by Bridges and Hamrick Hardware, sponsors, for both high score and high average for the month. Mr. Neisler's high score was 24 out of 25, and high average was about 23.

Rev. P. D. Patrick of Latta, S. C., arrived in Kings Mountain last week and filled the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church at the Sunday morning service. Mr. Patrick had to leave immediately after the service to fill an engagement in South Carolina. Mr. Patrick plans to bring his family to Kings Mountain this week to make their home, as Mr. Patrick has accepted the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church.

The Mothers Class of Grace Church East Kings Mountain, staged a Baby Show Saturday night at East school auditorium. The stage was attractively arranged for the show and an entertainment of readings and music was provided. Prizes were awarded the babies as follows: first prize for girls, Catherine Nan Jean Gantt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gantt; second prize for girls, Betty Stone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stone; first prize for boys, Eugene Stroup, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stroup; second prize for boys, Ralph Emory. The judges were Mrs. Arthur Hay, Mrs. Pride Ratterree and Mrs. A. H. Patterson.

W. J. Fulkerson, who for the past four years has been football, basketball and baseball coach of the Kings Mountain high school resigned this week to accept a position with Neisler Mills. Mr. Fulkerson also taught science in the high school. Coach Fulkerson has made a very good record during his coaching period here, winning more than one half of all the games his team played.

PERSONALS  
 Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Neill and children spent Sunday in Hickory. Miss Sarah Henry Summitt is spending this week in Shelby with Miss Betty Cobb. Miss Kathryn O'Farrell of Charlotte visited her parents in Kings Mountain during the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy of Gastonia were guests of Mrs. Kennedy's mother, Mrs. Lona McGill, Sunday.

#### NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in an order made by E. A. Houser, Clerk of the Superior Court for Cleveland County, North Carolina in the Special Proceeding entitled, "Dr. O. P. Lewis, trustee for the Lottie Goforth Estate and A. H. Patterson, administrator with the will annexed for the Lottie Goforth estate, Ex Parte," I will sell for cash on the premises of the lots hereinafter described at public auction on Saturday, June 30th, 1945, at ten o'clock a. m., or within legal hours the following lots:

Being lots numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 as shown on a map or plat made by L. B. Falls, Surveyor, which plat or map is now on record in the Register of Deeds office for Cleveland County in book of plats number 3 at page 27.

The above lots include all of the lots of the late Lottie Goforth, deceased, four of said lots front on Railroad avenue and three front on Cherokee street.

Any prospective purchasers may see a copy of the plat at J. R. Davis' office or at A. H. Patterson's office at the Home Building and Loan Association.

This 19th day of May, 1945.  
 A. H. Patterson, Commissioner.  
 J. R. Davis, Atty. m-31-J-7-14-21.

#### NORTH CAROLINA, CLEVELAND COUNTY.

In The Superior Court  
 Inez Moss Lovelace, Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 T. H. Lovelace, Defendant.

NOTICE  
 The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Cleveland County, North Carolina, wherein the plaintiff seeks an absolute divorce from the defendant; that said defendant will take notice that he is required to appear at the Clerk of Court's Office in the Courthouse at Shelby, North Carolina, within twenty (20) days after the final publication of this notice and answer or demur said complaint now on file in the Clerk's office in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 19th day of May, 1945.  
 E. A. Houser, Jr.,  
 Clerk Superior Court.  
 m-24-31-J-7-14

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### General Congratulates Local Men on V-E Day

ENGLAND, V-E Day. — Among the 185,000 men and women of the Eighth Air Force congratulated today by Lt. Gen. James E. Doolittle, who assumed command of the Eighth in January 1944 were Cpl. Otto C. Kiser, Jr., Route 2, Kings Mountain, N. C., Sgt. Jesse B. Martin, Kings Mountain, N. C., Sgt. Raymond E. Hartsoe, 313 Parker street, Kings Mountain, N. C., T-5 Paul D. Dover son of Mrs. Lela F. Dover, Wells street, Kings Mountain, N. C., and Pfc. Ernest C. Mullinax, of Kings Mountain, N. C.

"I wish to extend my personal congratulations and my heartfelt appreciation to every one of you for the magnificent job you have done," Gen. Doolittle said in a message to all personnel.

"Each of you," he continued, "may be proud of your part in the defeat of Germany. I am proud of you. The world is proud of you."

The Eighth Air Force was the world's mightiest strategic bombing force. Its personnel of 185,000 was the equivalent of 12 infantry divisions, and it could send 21,000 airmen in 2,000 four-engine bombers and 1,000 fighters over Germany at one time, a combat effort possible only through the support of thousands of non-flying specialists.

Since August 1942, when combat operations began, Flying Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth dropped more than 700,000 tons of bombs on enemy targets. Fighter pilots shot down 5,250 Nazi planes and destroyed 4,250 others on the ground. Bomb gunners shot 6,000 German interceptors out of the air.

The Eighth dropped an average of a ton of bombs every minute of the last 12 months.

Airmen of the Eighth were the first Americans to attack Germany. The early crews flew a handful of unescorted bombers against the powerful Luftwaffe, and proved the feasibility of an American idea—precision daylight bombing over the Reich.

As the Eighth grew in strength, it was assigned the task of crushing the German Air Force, which had to be done before the Allies could invade France. Bombers of the Eighth smashed Nazi aircraft production centers. Its fighters destroyed thousands of enemy planes in the air and on the ground.

After beating the Luftwaffe into relative impotency, the Eighth threw its growing weight against Germany's rail system and vital sources of oil. These campaigns, in conjunction with the British Royal Air Force and the U. S. 15th Air Force, disorganized all transport in Germany, restricted German military operations in the air and on the ground, and paved the way for the march of the Allied armies across Europe.

Clay Bruton of Mount Gilead in Montgomery County has completed a 4,000 bushel granary equipped with an elevator, all of his own design.

Some victory gardeners in Raleigh paid at the rate of \$120 an acre to have land broken with a one-horse plow.

Supplies of butter, fats, and oils, meat, sugar canned fruits and vegetables, canned fish, and poultry will remain "tight" for the remainder of 1945, say Washington reports.

The Asheville Auction Market plans special feeder calf sales at Clyde and Asheville during September.

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**New Featherweight Bazooka**  
 A new featherweight bazooka with an aluminum instead of steel barrel and equipped with an optical sight on a folding mount has been developed by General Electric engineers for the Army and is now in production. Forty two percent lighter than its older brothers, the new bazooka's accuracy has been so increased that now an infantryman may qualify as a "bazooka sharpshooter."

**Measure Millionths of Inch**  
 These films, like those of oil on water, sometimes seen on wet streets, afford scientists a valuable thickness gauge by the color they reflect, according to Dr. Katherine B. Blodgett, of General Electric's research laboratory. A thin film of oil on water has a yellow color when the film is six millionths of an inch thick, red for seven millionths and blue for eight millionths, she said. By using this information a color gauge has been devised for measuring to millionths of an inch.

**Casualty Blankets For AFF**  
 A wartime version of the peacetime automatic sleeping blanket, developed by General Electric, is being used by the U. S. Army Air Forces for wounded crew members to prevent shock from excessive cold at temperatures as low as 60 degrees below zero.

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