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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

The tongue of the wise doth know how to keep silence, and the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness. Proverbs 15:2.

Budget-Slashing

That whacking you heard was last week's slashing of the federal budget by the house appropriations committee, paring down several requests to the vanishing point, and others to the bone.

Regardless of political affiliations, the average citizen will sit back and watch the progress of the economy-minded legislators in rainer-satisfied manner, for the average citizen, who pays the bill, likes to think that his money is being expended for necessary government functions.

Criticism of one branch of the state department was stated in this form: over-staffed and inefficient. It was only natural that the appropriations committee should get tough on that item.

None particularly goes overboard for those who follow the slash-everything policy, but all like for their congressmen to view all budget requests with a view all budget requests with a John Q. Public feels that several times the eye has been quite dim.

Sportsmanship

Already there has been evidence of poor sportsmanship at the local ball park.

On Saturday night, at least two pop bottles were heaved in the direction of Umpire Sheehan, but, fortunately, the pitching of the irate fans was no better than witnessed in the free-hitting game.

On Friday night a fight at a ball game resulted in death to a young Gastonia man.

This editorial note is in no way a defense of the umpiring in Saturday night's game, or in several others, which has been spotty to say the least, and lacking the necessary forcefulness generally associated with the profession.

However, the Herald is pretty sure that the price of admission includes, besides the federal tax, no more than the privilege of shouting "Robber" at the men in blue when the occasion demands. Pop bottles have one intended use: to bottle pop.

The Board of Temperance clipboard reports a definite dry trend throughout the nation, referring, of course, to the elections over the nation when voters have refused to permit legal liquor stores in their communities. However, a glance at the revenue figures from sale of intoxicants would indicate the temperance trend is political, rather than actual.

Another best bow to Barbara Matthews and Peggy Mauney, who have been chosen to attend Girls' State, and belated ones to Connie Bennett, winner of the Baker reading medal, and to Kelly Weaver, winner of the Neisler declamation medal.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Poppy Day will be observed in Kings Mountain this year on Saturday, May 29, Mrs. Paul Mauney, chairman of the poppy committee of Otis D. Green Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary, has announced.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL
Miss Ruth Ford, bride-elect, was honored at a bridge party and kitchen shower given by Miss Elizabeth McGill, at her home on W. Mountain street on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. N. F. McGill was hostess at one of the loveliest parties of the season, when she entertained at

Liability Insurance

This may appear to be free advertising but it also serves the public interest.

Insurance agencies here last week called attention to the North Carolina law, which becomes effective July 1, virtually requiring that an auto owner carry liability insurance on his vehicle. Though an auto owner may continue to drive, without this insurance he is running the risk of finding himself in jail after an accident, and the type of driving found on the highways these days is hardly the kind to make any driver feel over-confident.

Liability insurance has always been a good investment, a must with thinking business men. Motorists who don't have it, should confer with their favorite insurance agency at once.

Living Here

Announcement last week by Craftspun Yarns, Inc., of a broad improvement program, both production-wise and for the recreational benefit of the employees is good news not only for employees of the mill but for the community as a whole.

On the production side, Craftspun is planning to put itself in shape to get maximum production at lowest cost, and at the same time is also going to spend large sums to make the lot of its employees more pleasant and enjoyable.

This policy is the direct opposite of the policy of some large companies which move into a community only for the purpose of removing all possible dollars. It is the difference between living in a community and just stopping over.

The community is glad to have Craftspun here, and happier still that Craftspun means to "live" in Kings Mountain.

Our congratulations to the ownership and management for its progressive policy.

With city politics out of the way, citizens can get themselves ready for what promises to be political battles royal next spring. The indication is that the Umstead-Broughton race for the United States Senate will be the kind that raises temperatures, and the indication is that there will be no paucity of gubernatorial aspirants, with two already formally announced and several more unofficially running.

Our best bow to Ben Bridges, who has been elected president of the Catawba college student body, and to Miss Emelyn Gillespie, who has been chosen for an important staff position on the Salem College annual.

Congratulations to the new members of the city board. They have the backing and well wishes of the community.

Buy a poppy Saturday.

Items of news taken from the 1937 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

bridge at the Woman's club on last Wednesday afternoon honoring Mrs. H. T. Fulton, Jr., a recent bride.

Miss Ruth Settlemyre and Miss Nell Ormand, June brides-elect, were the inspirations of a pretty party given by Misses Grace and Pauline Neisler on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Carl Davidson most delightfully entertained at bridge on Wednesday afternoon, having as honor guests, Mrs. Harold Runkel and Mrs. H. T. Fulton, Jr., recent brides; Miss Ruth Settlemyre and Miss Ruth Ford, brides-elect.

martin's medicine

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

Yes And No

While newspapers major in nouns and verbs (the brands which give you the action), and while authors dote on adjectives, no two words are more used in the English language, or in any other than the two little adverbs, "Yes," and "no." I wouldn't have known just what they are, but Dr. Webster supplied the information.

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From the dictionary man, I find that "no" is also an adjective in some usages, and, lo and behold, so I have used it already in the first sentence of today's medicinal an adverb, he says, and have no reason to doubt him. It is in the adverbial sense in which this discussion will continue.

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The readers, I hope, will not think I have embarked on a professorial expedition along King's English avenue. If so, read on, for we shall suddenly detour, even if the road is hole-pitted and dusty.

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These two little words are diametrical opposites and might be called a North and South pole combination, of which there are many examples, including pretty-ugly, wide-narrow, far-near, young-old, and yes, single-married.

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They are two mighty important words which have unquestionably greatly affected the course of history, and one can speculate with interest on what might have happened had the word used been changed to its opposite.

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What would have happened in 1492 if Columbus, facing frightened and mutinous men, had said "yes" instead of "no" to the pleas that he turn his ships back? What would have happened if Alexander Graham Bell had said, "No, I can't invent a telephone?" More, recently, what would have happened in 1938, if Chamberlain had said "No" instead of "Yes" at Munich?

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One can only speculate. It is probable that someone else besides Columbus would have discovered that we live on a round globe, that someone else would have invented the telephone, that Hitler would have continued to march to oblivion anyway. But one never knows.

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Of course, there are in-betweens in this "yes" and "no" stuff, often without any change in the words, but by varying the tone of voice. When a "Yes," which kinda strings out with a rising inflection (you've heard many of 'em), is spoken, it really means, "Yes, maybe," or sometimes it expresses incredulity, as "Is that true?" It's the same way with the South pole variety. A dragged-out "no", can have several meanings, such as "I don't think so," "perhaps not," or just "perhaps," with the indication that the final answer will be a final definite "no." The "perhaps" brand of "no" is not usually the kind used by Father when Junior wants to use the car at night. But Junior's subtle influence and tenacity of purpose of ten enough to change an unqualified "no" to a factual "yes", even though Pop can't remember when he said it.

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While I have the definite feeling that all persons should be careful with the use of "yes" and "no", saying either only when they mean them, I am also inclined to like people who give "yes" and "no" answers. People who do (and who possess the other attributes of good fellows are always more respected than those individuals who are afraid to exert their democratic right and prerogative of free speech, or those who major in the art of dissembling, the most artful form of lying. Dissembling, you know, is speaking facts yet all the while conveying a different impression.

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Since June is supposed to be the wedding bell month, there will soon be appearing in magazines, newspapers, and on bill boards advertising copy headlined "When she says yes....." Usually, they'll be talking about diamond rings. But these ads have a world of meaning other than commercial merchandise, I am told. Being a bachelor, I'm hardly qualified to discuss this phase of the subject.

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Yes, I'm finished.

The value of North Carolina's farms (land and buildings) in 1945

The first known turkey chain in North Carolina has been started in Chatham county.



FARM HOME WEEK SPEAKER
Dwight D. Eisenhower, Army Chief of Staff, has accepted an invitation to be a featured speaker at Farm and Home Week, to be held on the State College Campus, August 25-29 as a function of the Extension Service and co-operating farm organizations. The distinguished general will speak in Riddick Stadium, the evening of August 28, according to present plans.

Jaycee Directors Plan '47 Program

On Saturday, May 10, the officers and directors of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce met at the home of the President, J. M. Cooper, for the first business meeting of the new year.

The entire group was served a delicious chicken dinner by Mrs. J. M. Coopers and Mrs. George Houser. Various committee chairmen were named for announcement at the next general meeting of the club on Tuesday evening.

Legion Poppy Day To Be Held May 24

Tomorrow will be Poppy Day in Kings Mountain and throughout the United States, Mrs. Earl Tate, announced last week.

On that day everyone will be asked to wear a memorial poppy in honor of the dead of the two world wars and to make a contribution for the welfare of the disabled veterans, their families and the families of the dead.

Volunteers from the Auxiliary and young women's groups of the city will distribute the flowers on the streets throughout the day. Mrs. Bill Howard, poppy chairman of the auxiliary will be in general charge. Plans are being made to cover the city completely so that everyone will have an opportunity to honor the war dead and aid the living of the two conflicts.

Time Limit Extended To Join Army Reserve

Raleigh.—The time limit for joining the Organized Reserve Corps for both ex-enlisted men and officers of the army is June 30th, it was announced today by Col. Norman McNeill, Senior Instructor for ORC in North Carolina.

Men enlisting prior to that date, or six months from the date of discharge, whichever is later, will retain the rating or rank held at the time of discharge, Col. McNeill said. Enlistment in the Organized Reserve Corps can be made at any Army Recruiting Station. Certificate of discharge covering the last period of service is sufficient evidence of qualification for enlistment.

Any man enlisted in the Organized Reserve Corps will be assigned to a unit near his home, and attendance at all meetings is voluntary. It was stated.

Membership in the Enlisted Reserve Corps entitles the enlisted man to apply for a direct commission or Officer Candidate School, and service with the ORC is creditable for longevity pay purposes.

All discharged men with honorable service in the Army, Navy, Marines or Coast Guard are urged to join the Organized Reserve Corps before the expiration date for enlistment.

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