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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. St. Matthew 13:44.

Cheer The Baptists!

The action of the Baptist state convention last week in deciding against acceptance of more than \$600,000 as the government's part in a proposed addition to the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem should go down as a landmark in

The Baptists conformed to their thesis and belief in keeping church matters and state matters completely separate, but they also did more.

Several weeks ago, J. Nat Hamrick, one of the four candidates for Congress from this district, declared in an address here that the nation must get away from the idea that the federal treasury is a grab-bag in which everyone must dip as deeply as possible. Mr. Hamrick didn't indicate just how the nation would get away from this practice, nor how he. if elected, would try to change the current trend. And perhaps his failure to be concreate was to be expected from a candidate who is doing his best to win friends and influence voters.

But the Baptists of North Carolina have taken a big step in charting a course away from the grab-bag. They have said, in effect, "We don't require subsidization for our work. We'll do it

Though the Baptists were primarily concerned with protecting the basic doctrine of their church and of the Constitution of the United States, they have also carved a path, which all citizens would do well to follow. The motto is, "Do it yourself," a somewhat foreign thesis to municipal, county and state governments, labor unions and some types of business organizations during the past two decades.

It is customary for the average American to be optimistic, and it begins to appear that the year 1950-as far as estimating census figures is concernedfinds no change in the American makeup. Most people thought they were being conservative when they estimated a 1950 population in Kings Mountain in excess of 8,000 persons. Now it appears that the city will do well to tally 7,000. At least, Kings Mountain is not an exception. Charlotte finds its estimate too ambitious, as does neighboring Shelby, and many other cities of the nation.

Registration for the forthcoming May 27th primary was quite brisk last Saturday, indicating much interest in the approaching election. Citizens are reminded that the books will be open this Saturday and again on Saturday, May 13, and that those who expect to vote must register prior to the closing of the books on the final registration day. Voting is a right, a privilege and a duty. A keener interest in government by citizens, expressing their feelings at the polls, would result in better government.

Our heartiest congratulations to Harvey Bumgardner, Kings Mountain student at State college, who won top honors in poultry judging while competing against representatives of eight other Southern schools, and a belated editorial hand-shake to George Tolleseon, another Kings Mountain student at State. who has been elected president of the State chapter of the honorary music

As was anticipated, Kings Mountain is responding liberally to the appeal for funds to fight cancer. If you have not given to this worthy fund, post a check today to Mrs. J. H. Arthur, chairman of the fund campaign.

Our congrai dations to Anita McGinnis, 1950 winner of the Baker reading medal, and to Jerry McCarter, 1950 winner of the Neisler Declamation medal.

Need For Blood

Local Red Cross leaders have issued an appeal for 250 Kings Mountain persons to give a pint of blood when the Red Cross Bloodmobile returns here on. May 9.

Goal of the visit is 100 pints of blood, and experience of the Red Cross indicates that 250 potential donors are needed to obtain the minimum goal. Some volunteers are ruled out due to various and sundry causes, such as low blood pressure, etc.

The worth of the Red Cross blood program has been proved time and time again in the saving of lives. Purpose of the Red Cross program is to have blood available when it is needed, not two hours after it is needed, for then it could be (and has been) too late.

Kings Mountain alone can cite many instances of life-saving through the Red Cross blood bank. The blood given is provided free of charge at all hospitals participating in the blood bank program -and all hospitals in this area participate.

Time For Action?

In event it had not been noticed, Kings Mountain citizens who depend on the buses for transportation are still hailing them along the route on a catch-as-youcan basis.

The waiting room is the sidewalk, which is not too bad on a spring morning or afternoon when sunshine is the order of the day, but which isn't too nice when the rain falls in torrents.

Shortly after the closing of the local temporary terminal, Queen City Coach Company, one of the operators through Kings Mountain, promised that every effort would be made to build a local terminal. Nothing has come of these promises, and, it appears, likely won't unless public pressure is applied to force action on the part of the bus companies.

The city board of commissioners would do well to study the actions of Shelby and Gastonia in their dealings with the bus companies to force construction of terminals worthy of the name in space, accommodations and san-

As mentioned in these columns before, past histohy indicates that the bus compansies understand the force play better than any other type of language.

Southern Bell Telephone Company has as yet made no official reply to the Kings Mountain complaint of favoritism regarding inter-city phone charges. It would seem that actions on the part of the civic clubs and service organizations might be in order. What Kings Mountain wants is fair play. If it is right for Southern Bell to make toll charges on calls from Kings Mountain to Shelby and from Kings Mountain to Bessemer City, then the same tolls should be chargeable from the other end. A second grade student could understand that.

A best bow to Jean Cash, winner of the 1950 Schoolmasters' medal, annually awarded to the high school girl of Cleveland county adjudged best in the art of reading. Here again, Kings Mountain has the habit of coming out on top. Miss Cash in the 18th winner from Kings Mountain high school in the past 23

The large crowd which attended the Kings Mountain concert of the Mauney Twins last week came away predicting with even more confidence that the Kings Mountain artists are well on their way to national prominence as duopianists in the concert field.

YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Items of news taken from the 1940 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle Woman's Auxiliary of the Pres- Mrs. Timmons Hord of Sherby of the tenth North Carolina dis- byterian church. trict, has recommended Postmas-SOCIAL AND PERSONAL ter W. E. Blakely for reappoint-

Mrs. Lawrence Lovell was hosment to the position which he has held for the past four years, ac- tess to members of the Home Arts Thursday afternoon. Lovely cording to a report from Wash. Club and a number of invited spring flowers were arranged a guests entertaining at the Wo-At the annual meeting of the man's Club on last Wednesday af

Kings Mountain Presbyterial Aux ternoon. iliary in Gastonia April 25th, a | Mrs. D. Goforth was the honora member of the local Kings ee at a most delightful surprise Mountain Auxiliary, Mrs. C. E. birthday party at her home on Neisler, was presented with the Monday night. Mrs. Floyd Payne sister, Mrs. Brooks Smith in Flor-Honorary Life Membership in the and Mrs. H. R. Parton assisted by ence, S. C.

were hostesses Mrs. L. C. Parsons entertained members of the Social Chrb at her home on East King Street last

bout the house. Mrs. S. A. Lee of Chester, S. C. is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ro bert D. Millen this week

Mrs. P. D. Patrick is visiting her

martin's medicine

be taken weekly. Avoid over-dosage.)

April found us on Sunday doing her best to prove her reputation as a "showering" month, in fact, did so well she carried over into the "flowering" month of May.

The preceding thunder which rumbled out of the west profore the rain got started.

By the time the preacher had pronounced the benediction. the rain was falling in torrents. It would have been a good time for congregational meetings in the several Kings Mountain churches. None would have begrudged the extra time for voting on church matters and hearing the minutes read.

There's nothing quite as refreshing as a spring rain, and Saturday's seemingly mid-summer heat made it even nicer. Saturday's temperature, incidentally, proved a considerable boon to certain phases of the men's wear business around town. Straw hats, short-sleeve sport shirts and the most thin britches in local stores were in considerable demand. Men react more immediately to the tempartures than the lady folk do. The ladies usually antici-pate the weather changes and buy before the menfelk, Thus, they buy winter suits and coats in the heat of August, spring dresses, suits and toppers in the ice of January, and summer stuff in the early, cool days of April,

The spring rain should make the cotton pop. and. we trust, not into the arms of Mr. Boll Weevil A report over the weekend indicated what most folk had figured anyway. The 1949-50 winter wasn't cold enough to kill out the pest which eats up cotton. Smart farmers, aware of the run on the dust to kill Mr. Bill Weevil last year, are already contracting for the stuff now. And there's a big jump in purchases of federal crop insurance on cotton, This coverage protects the original invest-ment of seed and fertilizer.

second primaries in June.

But I am straying from the subject of the original definition of rain, the real water from the skies which satisfies the thirst of soil, animals and man, and fills the rivers and oceans

The importance of water, accepted by the modern man as nothing more complicated than paying a water tap fee at City Hall, is indicated by the problems of New York, the world's lems of New York, the world's largest city, and of many lesser ones, including Winston-Salem and others in North Carolina. All winter, the water reserves furnishing New York have been dangerously low, and the city has even paid a company \$100 per day to try to produce rain. A guy in an airplane tries to produce rain by dropping dry produce rain by dropping dry ice in cloud formations. This

CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon By Martin Harmon (Containing bits of news, wis-

Spring Rains

There's nothing nicer than a refreshing spring rain and the Sunday rains were no exception. The earth was getting pretty dry, and dust clouds would rise of a pebble rolled across the land. But the first shower did come at an inopportune time for the ladies' new spring

vided some competition for the ministers of the city as they preached forth with their Sunday sermons, and I'm sure some had elecution problems. They had to pitch their voices stronger to combat the thunder, then, when the thunder rolled away, they felt they were shouting at the tops of their voices. But the thunder didn't last long, be-

The rain produced minor consternation for several of the ladies, for there were more prob-Iems than the new bonnets. There was Sunday dinner to think of, and folk living on the West side of town thought they had to beat a 2 o'clock power curtailment deadline. As it worked out, the rain defeated the electrical construction crew, too, I believe. One lady, a devotee of gas for cooking purposes, laughed that she had no worries. This brought threats of a visit for Sunday dinner.

A few umbrellas turned up, and impatience won out with others, which meant that most Kings Mountain churches were cleared by 12:15, As one would expect, the rain had stopped by 12:30 and the sun was breaking through to bring steam off Kings Mountain roofs.

This May is sure to be a ruiny month, though not necessarily in the sense of water falling from the skies. The rain will include a considerable amount of bombast and literature, from a whole host of office-seekers who are doing their best to pro-duce sufficient "rain" to sprout sufficient votes for May 27. The rain may not be over then, for several races are clogged enough with candidates to indicate strong possibilities of

to provide highways for ships, and a home for fish.

This and That

- 48 Symbol for silver ACROSS
- Southern state
 (abbrev)
 Type of electric current
 Before -Obstinate .
 -Decorative objects 14-Nautical for "below" 17-To be in the process
- Horse drawn vehicle of adjustment 18-An argument intended to deceive
- -Arboreal (abbrev)
 -Girl's name
 -One who records names Compass direction Meat and vegetables
- 65-A style of printed type (two words, posses - (poss)
 - Latin connective
 - Printer's measure
 - Archaic personal DOWN
- 2-Supports 3-Negative 31 - One thickness. 4- Pertaining to one of the British Isles folded over
- 5-Resting upon
 6-Doze
 7-A kind of jewelry stone 37—Correspondence -- Terminates
- afterthought : 38 - A tree 10 - Fruit of a tree 13 - Township (abbrev) (abbrev.)
 A thing made with
- To exist 6-Mythological maiden

meaning "for example" 64 - Spanish affirmative See The Want Ad Section For Tuis Week's Completed Puzzle

Other Editor's Viewpoints

MAY

(New York Times)

ome up from the South with a of sunshine on her face, aughter in her eyes, apple blossoms in her hair and a handful of fat lilac buds, And she should be singing the morning song of the robin, with a few grace notes from the oriole.

getting over their first red eager. hearted welcome. May the laughstem and and stre hemselves toward Decoration Day and full bloom. The dogwood will be spattering the woodland with creamy white, and the woodland itself will have that fresh, green warmth of new leaf in the undergrowth, all the viburnums and the spice bush opening

May is a little late this year, and a little hesitant. She has rudged north with a lazy April;

brought loud squawks from other New York state citizens. who felt New York city was trying to take their rain, and Albany citizens even called for a bill in the state legislature to prevent such tampering with rain clouds, But the New York city rain-producing company has not been able to spell success with a capital "S."

But someone has remarked that a man need not worry too much about the rain coming, or not coming. The point this philosopher says, is to be ready for it, for it will come in due

an April that had the shivers in those areas where April should be full of sunshine. You don't make Any reasonable May should a happy May out of snow flurries alternating with chill rain. But the season catches up, eventually, and May may be the time, this

19-Combining form mean-

21 -Latin abbreviation for

25 -- Compass direction 25 -- Greek letter 30 -- Fitted and qualified 32 -- Prefix denoting "again" 34 -- In the direction of

39 Unit of weight 41 Note of the musica

44 - A kind of rubber

58-Measure of length

62-Negative 63--Latin abbreviation

59-Old Legal Nomencla-ture (abbrev)

47-Either

50-A peasant

54- Nobleman

Enclosure (abbrev)

74-To weaken

Certainly the song of the suburban lawn mower is as clear a sign of spring as the warblers pausing to pass the time of year Out in the garden, peas should on their way north. And the flight e up and about their business, of sap flies in the outer areas is and scallions should be gather. as clear a sign of the season as ng strength. And the votaries the northward flight of the winter should be there, on their knees visitor from the sunburned o the earth, preparing for better beaches of the South. All these hings to come. Such as lettuce signs and portents are now visiand green beans. And in the flow- ble. May can come in with a clear er gardens the peonies will be conscience, and find a wholeing ter in her eyes continue



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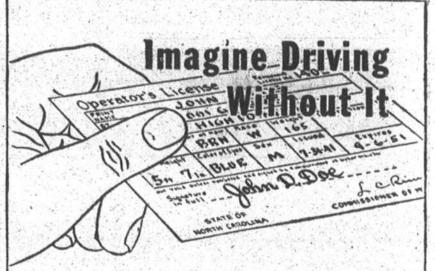
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To get a license to drive you must show that you know the safety rules of the road . . . and must have a satisfactory driving record free from arrests for serious traffic violations.

And, by the same token, to obtain a license in the beer industry a retailer must meet a number of strict qualifications. He must be financially responsible. He must not only have a "clean" record for obeying the law but must keep his record clean. If he does not maintain a clean, orderly establishment, or if he allows unruliness or sells to minors, he is violating the law. And his license is revoked accordingly.

Working with other police officers, the Malt Beverage Division of the North Carolina ABC Board carefully checks all retail beer outlets for any violation of the law. The beer industry is in hearty accord with this enforcement program... which helps the industry keep its best foot forward at all times in your community.

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