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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. Proverbs 3:13.

Crop Insurance

More than \$450,000 has already been paid to Cleveland County farmers on their Federal Crop Insurance claims for lossage from the 1950 cotton crop...

This report is a reminder of the fact that insurance always comes in mighty handy when it is needed, and certainly Cleveland County farmers needed it after the boll weevil ravages of 1950.

The cost of this cotton crop insurance is not high, though the rate will probably be advanced for the 1951 season, in light of the recent experience rating.

Crop insurance has materially lightened the load for farmers of this area during the past year, and it is expected that the crop insurance salesmen will not have to do much persuading to obtain full participation of farmers for the forthcoming season.

Effective Language

This nation's revived military effort, to produce a sufficiently strong force to deter the Russian aggressor, is beginning more and more to make itself felt at the local level...

Kings Mountain is no exception, with more and more young men leaving via the draft or enlistment for service in the armed forces...

It may be said without fear of contradiction that the major portion of both the reservists and draftees would prefer to remain in civilian status and in civilian pursuits...

The hope in this nation is that the presentation of an effective force will keep Russia at bay and will limit, at least, the actual firing to the current fighting in Korea.

None knows what the result will be, but many hope that the effective show of force will do the job. Indeed, it does appear, in the light of history, that the show of force is the only method of halting agrardgment by those ever-recurring villains who covet the world.

Some hopefully construed the Stalin statement of a few weeks ago as a yelp of pain, in spite of its customary name-calling and propaganda line. Perhaps it was.

Certainly the Russia leadership could not ignore the re-establishment of bases by the United States Air Force in Africa, which would give the big bombers access to Russian territory.

One can only hope for the best and in the meantime prepare for all eventualities.

A best bow to Gilbert McKelvie, who won a top rating for trombone soloists at the recent district music contests.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

On Friday evening, March 14, Director Paul E. Hendricks will present the Kings Mountain High School Band in its annual formal concert at 7:45 p. m. in the Central school auditorium.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The marriage of Miss Eva Mae Suber of Kings Mountain and Humes Houston of Kings Mountain and Fort Jackson, Columbia, S. C., took place in a quiet ceremony last Saturday evening at Central Methodist church...

Items of news taken from the 1941 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

the bride's pastor, Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., officiating. The Woman's Club will meet Friday afternoon at 3:30 at the club building, Mrs. W. J. Fulker-son will discuss table appointments. Mesdames L. P. Baker, J. R. Davis and Mrs. Fuller McGill spent Tuesday in Charlotte.

martin's medicine

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

Old Readers

The title of today's piece might well be in quotes, "Old Readers," for the gentlemen qualifying for the namer, misnamer, or epithet as the case may be, are not necessarily too old, in spite of some instances of receding hairlines and thinning, greying locks.

I would never have had the temerity to mention such a subject had I not learned on Saturday evening past that several of my long-term friends qualified for this fraternity too, and, as almost everyone knows, misery loves company.

My reading habits have long been very foolish, from everybody's standpoint by my own. When I start to read an article, a book, or any other piece, I want to finish it in one sitting. This is obviously impossible when one hits an 800-page novel or a Saturday Evening Post serial, but I do my best. Somehow, almost all my sleeplessness hits in the morning, seldom in the evening.

I had found, since the days of the exit of my period of premarital bliss, that such habits are not particularly suited to building a happy home, for alas, the ladyfolks, after hot tiring afternoons over the skillet and the washboard, want to catch up on the day's news, discuss the forthcoming adventures of the week and generally to get some attention after the duties of the day.

The Saturday evening discussion, participated in by old ramblin' friends Thornton Harrill, Fred Finger, and Jim Anthony, revealed at least three conferees in the fraternity of "Old Readers," the name being taken from the epithet applied by the respective wives. Incidentally, the adoption of the name was taken without consort to committee meeting or to other kind of get-together, but was arrived at singly and expressed in varying degrees of insult, disdain and boredom.

Unfortunately for her (de-lightful for me), the wife, in the throes of that extra generosity everyone feels at Christmas time, purchased as her Santa Claus contribution to the head of the house the four-book set of Winston Churchill's report on World War II. Each are in excess of 700 pages, and Mr. Churchill being an excellent opera or other hair-raising, rollicking adventure story, with the unusual fact of actual truth. The statement that I am rapidly nearing the end of Number 3 will indicate that evening conversation at our house has been brief, to the point, and sometimes a little guttural during the past few weeks.

Each of my gentlemen friends reported similar traits. Thornton Harrill expressed it as well as any. "Well," he says, "things are different now. You work all day, come in tired, and it's mighty nice to sit back with a good book in a soft chair. Once upon a time, reading didn't appeal very much. You had to go up town and hang around the drug store, the pool room or the street corner. But that isn't necessary anymore."

I have what I think is a very good and logical home defense for my reading habits. My usual report is, "But a newsmen must keep informed." This didn't sink in as much as it should have from the start, and, with age, is now wearing less well. It may last on through the remainder of the Christmas gift, but I don't know whether I'll have the nerve to slip in Volume 5, still to be published.

Needless to say, the reading discussion didn't require the whole evening and there were certain recollections of former joint escapades of younger days which, perhaps, took on added colorings with age, and, sub-consciously, were designed to impress the wives as to what gay and daring young men they had fortunately married. This subtle attack was not completely successful.

One wife, wistfully willing to swap her Old Reader for his former Lechivariash self, said, "I sure would have liked to have known this bunch then." To which another, perhaps better informed, replied, "don't think you missed much."

CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-60.

- ACROSS: 1-Uncomplicated, 2-To change into bone, 3-Flat surface of ground, 4-Bone, 5-The center, 6-Roman 900, 7-To destroy the letter of, 8-Aerial train (colloq), 9-alka noisily, 10-Pattern, 11-Variation of the prefix "re-", 12-Watery expanse, 13-Old America (abbrev), 14-Scarcity, 15-Yellowish, 16-Exclamation of satisfaction, 17-Printer's measure (pl), 18-Either, 19-Engaged with close attention, 20-Printer's measure, 21-Ocean-going vessel (abbrev), 22-Possessive pronoun, 23-Personal pronoun, 24-To graity, 25-Flat, thin slab, 26-Command used in guiding teams, 27-Musical instrument, 28-Playing cards, 29-Spanish gentleman, 30-Field of granular snow, 31-Hysteria, 32-To shred, 33-Like, 34-Chemical symbol for uranium, 35-Biblical patriarch, 36-Poetical valley, 37-Pastoral guardian, 38-Helper, 39-Auditory organ, 40-Poem, 41-Roman 1031, 42-Child bereaved of parents, 43-Man's name, 44-To confer knightood upon, 45-Material, 46-One who stitches, 47-Frozen rain, 48-To intertwine, 49-This, 50-Indefinite article, 51-Projection lower edge of a roof, 52-Proceed, 53-Sub-Voice (abbrev), 54-Chemical symbol for nitrogen, 55-Hollowed, 56-Girl's name, 57-Personal pronoun, 58-To talk glibly, 59-To sin, 60-Japanese sash, 61-Institution of learning of a roof changed into a beffer, 62-Unnumbered, 63-Blue, 64-Confined

See The Want Ad Section For This Week's Completed Puzzle

Other Editor's Viewpoints

THE VANISHING POLL TAX

(New York Times) The South Carolina law abolishing the poll tax in general elections, and the recent Anti-Poll Tax Act of the Tennessee Legislature, have reduced the number of Southern poll-tax states to five. The South Carolina act is a definite abolition. The poll-tax requirement affected primaries in the state only in that a certificate of eligibility to vote in the next general election was a prerequisite for participation. Now only simple registration for voting is required, along with party qualification and other tests. The Tennessee law provides that male voters must pay only the one dollar poll tax assessed against them in 1871, the year after the state Constitution was adopted.

Today the poll-tax states are Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas and Virginia. In the 1949 gubernatorial election Virginiaans voted on a series of constitutional amendments that would have abolished the poll tax (written into the state Constitution in 1902), but they were so involved with other qualifications of the franchise that they were rejected. Voters thought the cure worse than the disease. The 1950 Virginia General Assembly again failed to devise a clear-cut repeal resolution. Next year legislative advocates of poll-tax repeal will have another chance to cut the dross away from the simple question of abolishing a tax that has the effect of disfranchising large numbers of voters.

In overwhelmingly Democratic South Carolina nomination in the Democratic primary will still be equivalent to election in local contests. But with the abolition of the poll tax gradually the size of the electorate will be increased and there will be an awakening interest in public issues where there was apathy before. Issues arise and programs of state government are stimulated as the base of the franchise is broadened to include independent voters.

The poll tax is vanishing in the region below the Potomac and a corollary is the spread of political independence. If a two-party system has not arisen, there is a trend in that direction. The border states of Maryland and Kentucky are already two-party states. As much as 40 percent of the popular vote in Virginia has been counted in the Republican column in recent years. Tennessee has a rising Republican party. The South is taking a road toward political revitalization and one that will make it a larger force in national affairs.

INFLATION (Goldboro News-Argus)

A man who ran a small chicken ranch needed wheat for his chickens, so he offered to work for a farmer one day a week. The farmer paid him five dollars a day. He used the five dollars to buy wheat from the farmer at one dollar a bushel. Every day he worked he took home five bushels of wheat. One day the man said to the farmer, "I've got to have more money for my work; I want six dollars a day." "I know how it is," said the farmer, "but my expenses are going up, and I've got to have more money for my wheat. Starting today, wheat will cost you one dollar and twenty cents a bushel." The man worked one day a week for six dollars, and took

home five bushels of wheat for his earnings. After awhile the man made further demands for increasing wages, until he was getting ten dollars for his day's work, and the farmer's price for wheat rose until it was two dollars a bushel.

One day the man with the chicken ranch said to his wife, "Isn't it wonderful? I'm getting twice the wages I used to get!" And the farmer said to his wife, "Isn't it wonderful? I'm getting twice as much for my wheat as I used to get!"

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