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### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

A man's pride shall bring him low; but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.  
Proverbs 29:23.

### Recreation Matters

The members of the city board of commission, as well as those on the recreation commission, are in a quandary over the turn of events on the parking meter diversion efforts, and well they might be.

The city board, on its part, resolved in good faith in 1950 to make arrangements to divert the receipts for recreational purposes. Then in the light of the suit involving the City of Laurinburg, decided that a vote by the citizens would be the only sure method of determining to divert or not to divert. Other cities of the state, with the attorney general joining in, urged that Kings Mountain not endanger the diversion of other communities by having a vote, nor in truth, bring up possible question of whether parking meters themselves are legal.

The Herald's information, incidentally, is that the City of Laurinburg has withdrawn its appeal from the adverse judgment handed down in Superior Court.

Legal opinion that legislative permission is necessary before the city can even call a vote on the question may be perfectly correct. However, the Herald doubts to considerable degree that any set of judges, who must get elected and/or re-elected every now and again, would say to any people, "You can't spend your money as you like." They would quickly say, and have repeatedly, to city boards and officials that money is being spent illegally. But saying, after a "yes" or "no" election, that the people don't know what they want, with the results before them, would not be consistent with democracy as it is outlined in the respective Constitutions of the United States and of North Carolina. At the same time, it would not be amiss for the recreation commission here to go forward with the joint, and principal, phase of its program, which is obtaining funds by gifts from individuals and private business.

Obviously, the potential givers will want to know what plans the commission have for using the funds, and it is the Herald's guess that there would be no objection to spending for options on sites, engineering work and similar expenditures.

While the parking meter matter is an unpleasant problem of the moment, it does not form an insurmountable difficulty to the principal long-term goal.

### Motor Accidents

C. N. Gillette, veteran retired trucking company representative, boiled down a lot of public information for the Lions club last week on the causes and results of motor accidents.

His figure-supported statements underlined what most folk had assumed already.

Chief cause of highway accidents is driver error, with youngsters, imbued as youngsters in all ages have always been with devil-may-care daring, responsible for the highest percentage of motor vehicle wrecks.

All parents should have read, examined and digested his statement that "driving is a family affair, and parents should exert every influence to make careful drivers out of their children."

Strong measures at home, he said, could be much more effective than any law, or series of laws, any city, state or nation could ever put on the law books.

Write a check for the American Cancer Society's fund drive. It could save your life.

## 10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

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

City Manager H. L. Burdette stated Tuesday that he had been in contact with WPA officials in Charlotte recently in reference to the Kings Mountain School Stadium project.  
M. M. Packard, of Mooresboro, who has had considerable experience in the office of T. D. Rose, Shelby Engineer, is now in Kings Mountain revising the maps and plans of water and sewer system. Mr. Packard did considerable on the Kings Mountain Stadium Project, and he will follow through on the project until completion, according to H. L. Bur-

dette, City Manager.  
**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL**  
Mrs. John L. McGill entertained members of the executive committee of the First Presbyterian Union at her home on Gold Street Tuesday April 1, at a luncheon at high noon.  
Mrs. Hayne Blackmer was hostess to member of her bridge club at her home on West Mountain street Tuesday afternoon.  
Miss Elizabeth Plonk was a charming hostess on last Wednesday evening when she entertained at rook, complimenting Miss Norma Crook, whose mar-

riage takes place this week.  
Mrs. C. E. Warlick was dinner hostess Wednesday evening at Pine Knot honoring Mrs. Harry Warren who leaves soon with Mr. Warren for Houston, Texas, where they will make their home. Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Humes Houston, a recent bride were each presented gifts by the hostess.  
Misses Mary Julia Pollock, Margaret Ratterree and Dorothy Hoke, students at W. C. U. N. C. are spending the spring holidays at their respective homes in Kings Mountain.

### martin's medicine

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

### Hospital Addenda

Fortune smiled on Saturday and throughout the week for the hospital trustees and staff who were praying for sunshine for the dedication program and for the following open house. The sun beamed down, and several fair-faced citizens were showing a heavy red countenance Saturday afternoon for their first sunburns of 1951.

But the sun and the hospital trustees were hardly the only smiles. Thousands of citizens, and this is not grandiose estimation, smiled too as they passed through Kings Mountain hospital to examine their new property. Many were amazed at the commodious arrangements and appointments. The exterior view of the hospital would not indicate all that awaited within. The medicine department, already enthusiastic, can also attest to some amazement. It had been several days before the opening since this department had been inside, and what the women-folk can do to a place with a cleaning apparatus, flowers and curtains remains a wonder of all ages.

Literally, thousands did visit and view the new hospital. Representatives of hospitalization insurance companies were on hand passing out information and their count showed that more than 5,000 persons visited the new plant during the Sunday afternoon open house alone.

By Monday morning, Kings Mountain hospital was a true "in action" hospital. Though the staff was somewhat worn from the busy weekend and though one nurse was happily reporting a return to nurses' oxfords from the foreign lands of high heels, all was business. Nurses were scurrying hither and yon making ready for Operation Number 1, and administrative officials were collecting materials for the record-keeping which is required, and necessary to, hospital operation.

There was no more interested visitor at Saturday's festivities than Dr. L. A. Crowell, the 83-year-old wizard from Lincoln. Dr. Crowell looks more like 53 than 83 and acts accordingly (or younger). He and Mrs. C. E. Neisler were schoolmates.

He is an anti-cigarette man of the first order, and campaigns against them effectively. "If I smoked those things," he deprecates, "I'd already have been six feet under. I tell a man to quit smoking and he ignores the advice. However, when I charge him \$10 for that advice he thinks he's got to take it to protect his investment."

Dr. Crowell, who operates a 47-employee private hospital, allows no smoking, by patient or visitors, within its doors. His favorite prescription is "one capsule of will power." Dr. Crowell delighted the dedication audience with the remark, "If all the people I've cut on will come to my funeral, I'll have a mighty big funeral."

Another who was enjoying the program marking the completion of a nine-year effort was Dr. J. E. Anthony. He wasn't doing a lot of talking but his eyes were smiling. Dr. Anthony, incidentally, issued an inspection invitation to his brother Dr. W. A. (Gus) Anthony, of Gastonia in this vein: "You better come over and see what a nice hospital looks like." Needless to say, Dr. Gus accepted the invitation.

Among the Sunday afternoon crowd was Dr. W. L. Hammeur with his family. They were giving attention to the nursery department and Dr. Bill allowed that the bassinets were of the proper size for his customers. Another Sunday afternoon visitor was Claude Hambright. He had just returned from the operating room with the remark, "When I see all those cutting tools I get pains all over."

Radio Station WORS carried virtually all of the dedicatory program which came through excellently. The show was on the air for 50 minutes, which surprised the hosts, for they had only counted on a 30-minute broadcast. When Townsman Arnold Kiser learned this, he said, "What . . . I relaxed after I thought we were off the radio." But Arnold's relaxation didn't damage the program at all.  
Senator Hoy was in fine fettle, both personally and oratorically, as usual. Considering the part he played in bringing the hospital to actuality and his abilities as one of the state and nation's most able speakers, it would have been out of order had he not been here.

### CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon

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### Historically Speaking

**ACROSS**  
1—Spanish discoverer of columbian  
6—Famous woman writer who dressed as a man  
11—Ancient Roman poet  
16—Ancient Egyptian god of the underworld  
18—American inventor  
22—Suffragette leader  
24—One of the ancient still existent (poes.)  
27—Syllable denoting mystical note  
28—Exclamation of joy  
30—Historical usage (abbrev.)  
31—Parental nickname  
32—City historically renowned for its cheese  
34—A vessel  
40—Ancient sun god  
42—Musical symbol for "very soft"  
43—Unit  
44—Prefix denoting "two"  
45—Everyone individually (abbrev.)  
47—Dictionary of Nationality (abbrev.)

**DOWN**  
2—Among  
3—Part of verb "to be"  
4—Either  
5—Three-toed sloth  
10—Perform  
12—Prefix denoting "joined"  
14—Verbal Elements (abbrev.)  
15—Food container  
17—Interior part of a country  
19—to incline  
20—Exclamation of surprise  
21—to pinch  
23—Famous British statesman  
25—to sleep  
26—Compass direction  
29—Ancient language  
33—Perform  
35—Close by (abbrev.)  
37—Citic drink  
38—A country, home of the ancient Incas  
42—Comparative suffix  
44—to recede  
46—Prefix denoting "against"  
50—Famous person  
51—Ancient city of the Chaldees  
53—Epitaph narrative (abbrev.)  
55—Radioactive element (abbrev.)  
56—One of the continents (abbrev.)  
58—Ancient Egyptian sun god (abbrev.)  
59—Spanish affirmative  
61—Breviate  
63—Chinese measure  
64—Chemical symbol for fluorine  
65—Bone

### Other Editor's Viewpoints

#### PRESS FREEDOM IN ARGENTINA

Sunday's news reports stated that Editor Alberto Gaines Paz, editor of La Prensa, Argentina's greatest newspaper, had fled to Uruguay for protection. He had previously been sentenced to jail for 15 years because he dared to say that government seizure of La Prensa, one of the world's greatest dailies, violated Argentina's constitution. If editors can be seized on such flimsy excuses in Argentina, they can be seized elsewhere. If a genuine open criticism of the government of Argentina can be held as contempt there, it can be held the same elsewhere, says one of our daily contemporaries. This same daily editor goes on to say:

We think in this country we are a long way from such high-handedness, and we suppose that we are. Yet editors were jailed in this country in its earlier days, and it might happen again. If Argentina loses the voice of freedom contained in La Prensa, then freedom has lost another one of its underpinnings. And in this day of ours when the Nazis have just finished writing one chapter on the attempted control of society and the Communists are seeking to write another, freedom needs all the support it can get. Let the Argentine Congress know that when it jails the editor of La Prensa, there will be a lot of free men in jail with him in spirit. Even the Argentine Congress cannot afford to lock up too many free men.

#### GOOD FOR WHOM?

(Raleigh News & Observer)  
Last week the House Committee on Propositions and Grievances would not have quite been complete. Joe Dixon offered to wages me a five-cent bottle of soda pop that the hospital would be full by Saturday night. I declined acceptance, in the interest of protecting my pocket-book.

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ances heard about the evils of the racetrack gambling in Carteret and Currituck counties; today it is scheduled to hear the "good" side from the friends of the racetracks.

There is one thing members of the committee should make sure they find out and that is precisely who benefits from what ever "good" may be shown to attach to the legalized gambling that takes place at those tracks. The gambling is undoubtedly "good" for the out-of-state owners, who take down their large profits. It may be argued that the gambling is also "good" for those persons employed at the tracks and for the taxpayers whose counties receive a relatively small portion of the profits.

It will be difficult to show any lasting "good" to either the employees or taxpayers. On the other hand, the evils testified to at the hearing last week are not only continuing, but are increasing with the passage of each year. And, if allowed to continue those evils will spread inevitably to other counties and other sections of the State.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture suggests that weeding of strawberry beds with geese is a practical method that some growers may use to cut costs and get the work done in the present emergency when wages are high and labor is scarce.

### Mother of Two Praises Hadacol

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Mrs. Elmer Hise, 3225 2nd Ave., Council Bluffs, Iowa, is a good mother, and like all good mothers she keeps a careful watch for the welfare of her two young children. And when little four-year-old Lucille Hise decided to do something about it, Mrs. Hise gave Lucille HADACOL because she had heard how much it was helping children who had poor appetites and stomach distress caused by deficiencies of Vitamins B<sub>1</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>, Iron and Nicotin. It helped her so much that now Mrs. Hise gives HADACOL to both of her children.

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### South Leads Nation In Livestock Trend

Led by Tar Heel farmers, the southern states are increasing their livestock numbers faster than any other section of the country.

This is pointed out by Jack Kelley, in charge of extension animal husbandry work at State College, who says the 16 South Atlantic and South Central states increased cattle numbers by slightly over two million head in 1950 for an 8 percent increase. North Carolina farmers did even better. They added 78,000 head of cattle to their herds to bring the total numbers as of January 1 to 788,000—an increase

of 11 percent from a year earlier. The average value per head for all cattle on Tar Heel farms as of January 1 was \$120, an increase of \$20.30 per head from January 1, 1950. The number of hogs on North Carolina farms increased 1 percent during the year, with the number estimated at 1,131,000 head at the beginning of this year. Total value of swine was \$64 million dollars, an increase of 18.6 percent. Sheep numbers also increased in the State during 1950. The total at the beginning of last year was 35,000, and at the beginning of 1951 it was more than 40,000. A large part of the increase was brought about by the purchase of Western ewes by the State Department of Agriculture.

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