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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Romans 8:6.

A Noble Effort

Eugene Matthews

The acceptance of contracts to serve as head coach at Kings Mountain high school by Art Weiner mark a change in the school's athletic policy, which, at times, has appeared to be weaker than many sports fans preferred.

Mr. Weiner, a former All-American football player and endowed with considerable basketball prowess, comes to Kings Mountain highly recommended by University of North Carolina officials. Needless to say, he will begin his work here with the confidence of the community. Tacit proof of that is shown by The Mountaineer Club's ability to raise, in one day, sufficient pledges of funds to meet his salary requirements.

There is, of course, no guarantee that Mr. Weiner will produce all-winning teams, nor that his teams will win any games. Feats of magic are performed only by the magicians.

At the same time, the decision of the school board to bring Mr. Weiner here is a noble effort and experiment, in answer to public demand. There has been criticism, much of it probably undeserved, of previous school administrations for not going all out to employ the coaching to produce winning teams.

The employment of Mr. Weiner effectively answers that criticism, and the results, of course, will depend largely on him. The Herald wishes him well and congratulates the school administration and the public-spirited citizens who made possible the Weiner contract.

Terminal Plans

Members of the city board of commissioners and others who saw the architect's plans for the Kings Mountain bus terminal, to be erected by Queen City Coach Company, are highly pleased with them and feel that the terminal will be adequate to serve Kings Mountain's many bus passengers for a number of years.

To the statement of Queen City's J. H. Quattlebaum that the station is not too expansive, the board members remarked that it would be much more commodious and satisfactory than the city has ever enjoyed.

The Herald, which editorially has raked Queen City considerably in the past for first, its refusal to erect a station, then its delay in getting along with the job, is glad that its editorial columns now can comment on Queen City activities in a commendatory and complimen-

Obviously, the Herald, like all citizens, is anxious to see work on the terminal begin. Even if the work begins on schedule the last week in August, it will be a race with the weatherman to save local passengers another mean, bitter winter in the cold and rain.

Now that the property appraisal firms have agreed to the county's counter-offer for a revaluation of properties for tax purposes, we trust that the county commissioners will not delay in authorizing signing of the necessary contracts. The inequities cropping up in one year can be considerable, and when they are multiplied by 20 and more, it can be easily seen that revaluation is needed. If the same measuring stick is used, the percentage value used for tax purposes makes little difference. Cleveland's board is sufficiently conservative to keep the county's tax burden at lowest possible levels.

Big Enough Today

Kings Mountain, from the standpoint of expansion of city services, is quite large enough today, perhaps too large if the ommissions in water and sewer service are used as the measuring rod.

The fact that an estimated half-million dollars is already required to put the city's sewage disposal system in shape and that additional monies are needed to extend water lines and to replace old corroded and over-loaded ones, plus the other needs of the city which include revamping of its electrical system, indicates that the Mayor's effort to stir up enthusiasm over expansion of the city limits must be chargeable to political maneuvering.

Outlying areas would be brought into the city and the citizens would be paying taxes without commensurate services, a situation already too prevalent.

The city has a moral obligation to provide the same services to all its citizens, and the services do not stop with the several already-mentioned basics.

There would exist, in addition, the dead-weight services of police and fire protection, of garbage collection, and

About the only benefit would be a small increase in next year's receipts on the Powell Bill gas tax rebate.

The Herald would suggest that the Mayor cease his activity along these lines. Park Yarn Mills Company, the Herald understands, is currently having its properties engineered, with the eventual expectation of installing its own water and sewer system in its 15-nouse village. With any immediate possibility of becoming in-city property it is easy to see that the directors of the company would forego this progressive, expensive step and would wait for the city to do the job and pay the bill.

Should the city ever catch up on its expansion of basic services, it is quite reasonable to expect that adjacent areas would want to come in, paying city taxes in return for those services. Such has happened in many other North Carolina communities.

However, the city must be several years and perhaps a million-plus dol-lars away from that happy state.

Ordering to army duty of Dr. Paul E. Hendricks creates a shortage in Kings Mountain's corps of general practioners. Some think it makes critical a shortage that already existed. It is a fact that when Dr. J. E. Anthony began practicing medicine here over 40 years ago, he was the fourth Kings Mountain physician. With Dr. Hendricks here, Kings Mountain still had four general practitioners. Now there are three. Obviously, the improvement in means of transportation, including roads and vehicles, and the building of Kings Mountain hospital, means that fewer doctors can see and treat quite adequately a greater number of persons. However, Dr. Hendricks' going to active duty means that the three Kings Mountain doctors will have to serve an average of almost 4,000 citi-

Our congratulations to Pfc. Tommy Baker, wizard builder of model airplanes, who recently broke his old record for jet model speed flying. The official accepted record for jet model speed is now 155.12 miles per hour, bettering the old Baker record of 148.09 miles per hour.

Our guess is that one opening performance of "Then Conquer We Must," scheduled for September 21, will play to a capacity audience.

YEARS AGO Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events THIS WEEK taken from the 1941 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

The Kings Mountain School riss of Pikesville. system will open for the new

Social and Personal building honoring Misses Sara Jackson spent the weekend in stationed with the Signal Corp Justice of Charlotte, Nina Yelver- Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Manly Morehead was hos- went to Wrightsville to attend term Wednesday morning, Sept. ess to her Book Club and a num- the County Commissioners Con-3rd at 8:30 a. m. Daylight Sav- ber of invited guests Friday af vention. ing Time, according to Supt. B. ternoon at her home on Piedmont

Misses Florence and Majorie Atlanta Miss Dorothy Hoke entertained at a dance Sattertained at bridge Friday after. urday night from nine until noon at the home of her parents. twelve at the Woman's Club Corp. Eugene Goforth of Fort Vernon Crosby, who is now

and daughter, Annie Mobley,

John Hal Oliver of Lumberton Honoring Miss Mikie Barber of and Jimmy Rich Oliver of Marietthis week.

at Tampa, Florida, spent the ton of Fountain and Eloise Gar. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dilling weekend here with relatives.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By Martin Harmon Ingredients: bits of news. wisdom, humor, and comment. Directions: Take weekly, ij possible, but avoid overdosage.

Fair Game

The medicinal department resumes today on a theme it has previously considered. It results from another communication from sunny Italy, a letter from the young lady of "the unhappy little heart", who wrote us several weeks ago to get her bid in for an American lawyer husband.

Readers will recall that the medicinal department's search to make Loretta Santelli's heart happy resulted in only one finding. George Thomasson, soon to take the North Carolina Bar examinations, seemed to be the only legal eagle available in Kings Mountain. Incidentally, Miss Santelli was quite pleased with the recommendation and has further requested Lawyer Thomasson's address, which this department is more than happy to supply.

On the other hand, Miss Santelli writes that, since she is a lady lawyer and a lawyer is her preference for a husband, she will not confine her interests to this fleid alone. Though still preferring a lawyer, she writes, "But if you can help me in some other way, a doctor, an industrial, an engineer or something of this kind, I'll be very, very grateful to you."

It was a mystery, readers of the original piece will recall, concerning the addressing of the young lady's letter to the "Kingsmont Herald, Kingsmont, N. C.", and I speculated at the time that Miss Santelli must have known some Kings Mountain serviceman who made Taranto, Italy, during the course of his all-expensespaid overseas trip during World War II. But that isn't the way it was.

She writes: "Well, I am sorry to tell you that has happened in a very different way of which you thought and wrote. In fact I didn't know a serviceman of the last War II, but I found the name of the newspaper reading the American book the 'Bright Leafs' of Foster Fitzsimons. In that book there are nice descriptions of North Carolina and Kingsmont and often recurred the name of the HERALD and I don't know how has burned in my heart the idea to write to you, maybe a little sprite of my great fancy and the great admiration I has of America and its people has suggested me ...

1-g How far do these novels travel? Bright Leaf, incidentally, was a good one, and coincidentally, concerned the city of Durham, rather than Kings Mountain. The postoffice did a good job of delivering the original letter.

But to consider the title of today's piece, in connection with the expanded viewpoint of Miss Santelli, I suppose it would be the very courteous thing to survey the gentlemen of the city who might be considered fair game. While I have heard some ladies of our fair community complain that the marital game is limited this season due to wanton destruction by previous lady hunters, a quick perusal shows that a good marksman might still be successful. For the benefit of Miss Santelli (and any others), it is a great pleasure to list the following: B. S. Peeler, Jr., lumber dealer, Wilson Griffin, druggist, Dr. Bob Baker, dentist, Dick Cannady, banker, the aforementioned George Thomasson, Paul Walker, retailer, Dr. L. T. Anderson, chiropractor, Jack Sink and Howard Coble, teachers, Billy Gene Neisler, industrialist, Pride Ratterree, coach, and I. M. (Tootie) Allen, Jr., farmer. All are reachable at a plain Kings Mountain, N. C., address. Of course, there are many more, but, as the old popular song goes, they're either too young or too old.

I trust the above gentlemen will have no objections to this free advertising, and I apologise for omitting several eligibles, some of whom are already trapped, if not gigged.

Actually, I can understand why some of the maidens and mamas have been complaining of a dearth of eligibles this season. It's not even leap year and several worthy gentlemen of once seemingly permanent bachelor status, have finally been winged by Cupid's Dart. I have been a little shell-shocked myself, for certain recent weddings have license to occur only in leap year. Ned Mc-Gill dropped off the list, as did Faison Barnes, and last week I had a wedding announcement from an old (well, about 42) diehard roommate of mine. There is also an unconfirmed rumor going the rounds that former citizen Mike Milam is about to take the leap. In the Milam instance, I had to apologize for

CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon

ACROSS

11—Plat surface 12—Popular name for popular musical instrument To dress a blade

18—Readows
19—Require
21—See eagle
23—To take from forcibly
25—Melody
27—Chemical symbol for

28—College degree 29—Omniscient Orders (abbrev)

— Personal pronoun

—One direction (abbrev)

—Church dignitary

1-To deal with Vexation

Part of any room

Animal container

English taverns

Decorative plant

Article of apparel

A rowdy (colloq)

Terminal

Viewpoints of Other Editors

BOUNTIFUL HARVEST NEW YORK TIMES

most encouraging. impact of this new harvest upon pays the piper calls the tune". prices over the next year. No one can accurately forecast now how prices will respond to the new supply, for much depends also upon demand factors. What does ing as much cotton from 160 seem clear, however, is that there acres as they did from 270 acres is no reason for any sharp in a quarter of a century ago. flationary upsurge in basic food prices in the next few months unless something extraordinary happens. The mere fact of this huge new supply should quiet apprehensions of any food shortage and prevent any frantic bidding up of prices.

Beef suplies, however, will apparently be less this year than next, since farmers are trying to build up their herds for greater 1952 production. Finally, there seems no reason for farmers to expect any catastrophic declines in prices resulting from this good harvest. There is every prospect that urban employment and incomes wil remain high, creating the effective demand needed to consume at high levels. Moreover, government support levels put floors under the variation we

can expect in many crop prices.

Last week the flow of welfare was abruptly halted.

The money for this aid comes from the federal government, he states, and the counties; and Washington shut off its lion's share, insofar as Indiana is concerned, because of a new Indiana law. The Indiana legislature has enacted a statute opening for public inspection the rolls of those receiving welfare funds. This flatly opposes a law pascalling my friendly informant



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

We shall have a bountiful harest this year, the second best in trator, said he had no choice our history, the Department of but to stop sending any federal Agriculture has just reported. But for the fact that several milthis might have been the largest may be wise to keep secret the narvest in our history Even so, identity of those receiving welour farmers expect to gather well fare grants. But such a policy over 3,000,000,000 bushels of corn, surely is in violation of a basic wheat, and record or near-record where his money goes-to whom crops of soybeans, tobacco, hay, it is paid, and for what. rice, cotton and other products. To be sure, all crops are not yet should give pause to the large

No commentary on this abundant harvest would be complete without paying tribute to the millions of men and women whose hard work has made it possible. The cotton growers in Dixie, those who raise corn and wheat in the Midwest, the sugar beet raisers in the irrigated valleys of California and the Rocky Mountains, the orchardists all over the country, these and others have labored strenuously and well for this culmination. Behind them are the scientists, the men who have created hybrid corn, rust-resistant wheat and other new and more bountiful varieties of food plants. In the picture, too, are those who have produced the innumerable kinds of farm machinery, insecticides and synthetic fertilizers which played so great a role in making this harvest possible. In this rich new 1951 harvest there should be abundant satisfaction and abundant honor for all who played a

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sed by congress requiring that these names not be made available to the public; and Oscar R. Ewing, federal security adminiswelfare money into Indiana.

This incident raises a question lion acres of crops in the midwest that has been in many minds. were destroyed by recent floods. From a sociological viewpoint, it almost 1,000,000,000 bushels of American concept; the detail, The Indiana case, incidentally,

harvested, but the outlook is number who believe it is possible to have federal aid to education Both consumers and farmers without federal control. It still are naturally concerned over the seems to be true that "he who

In recent years, American cotton growers have been harvest-

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