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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. St. Mark 14:38.

## **Bus Station When?**

Eugene Matthews

A careful look-see every day finds no activity on the West King Street property of Queen City Bus Company, unless the smouldering embers of the rottedout trunk of the big mulberry tree

But that occurred on Sunday and must have been purposely or accidentally set by persons with nothing better to do than to experiment with matches.

The calendar shows that mean weather is not too far off, and that the time in which Kings Mountain, a city of more than 7,000 population serving an area populated by an estimated 12,000 persons, has existed without a bus terminal is growing longer and longer.

The last day Kings Mountain bus patrons had cover while waiting for their buses was on February 16, 1950.

Queen City Coach Company representatives made tacit statements about starting dates on the construction of a Kings Mountain terminal, then as by past performance, disappeared into the atmosphere and thus far, have failed to reappear.

The city has been quite patient, perhaps too- patient, with the bus operators. Would it be time to pull out the meat cleaver again in the form of an official protest by the city to the Utilities Commission?

Certainly most citizens have reverted to a former attitude on the bus station matter. They'll believe Kings Mountain is to have a terminal when they see

## One-Two

William B. Umstead's formal announcement last week that he would be a candidate for governor came as no surprise to anyone who had been reading the papers for the past few months, for his potential candidacy had been well-chronicled.

At the same time, many citizens welcomed the news that the former U. S. Representative and Senator had finally and definitely put his hat into the ring. It is rather easy to predict that Mr. Umstead will run one-two in next spring's Democratic primary. Of course,

running second is insufficient in matters

It appears that Mr. Umstead will not be the favorite of Governor W. Kerr Scott. Other political rumor reports have advanced a number of possible candidates who lean closer to the governor's political thinking. Thus far, Capus Waynick has declined to run, and efforts to boom Judge Hubert Olive, of Lexington, have not produced unusual interest. Now the boom-effort is on for Dr.

commission. Regardless of the candidates, Mr. Umstead will be a foremost contender. He was finishin, strong in his losing race to the late Senator Broughton in 1948, and, it will be remembered, obtained a good majority in Baptist Cleveland

Henry Jordan, chairman of the highway

Politically, Mr. Umstead is regarded as a moderate between the two extremes of moss-backed conservatism and ultraliberalism. Personally, he is a man of character.

The school population continues to grow, a trend that is likely to continue. In Kings Mountain school district there is a present need for a new Negro school and a just-around-the-corner need for another elementary school. Available funds are not more than half sufficient.

## The New Drama

"Then Conquer We Must!", Bob Osborne's historical drama commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain, opens for a six-run performance Friday night. It is the newest of the outdoor dramas and different from the two major North Carolina shows, "Unto These Hills" and "The Lost Colony", in that it emphasizes the drama, plays down the allegory.

The Kings Mountain Little Theatre took on a big job when it decided to produce the drama, thereby acting on the common expression around Kings Mountain, "Why don't we capitalize on our natural historical asset?

Obviously, the Little Theatre hopes that the show will be sufficiently wellreceived this season to justify its continuance next year, and the next and the next, preferably for longer runs.

Full effort has been expended to make the first edition as professional as possible. Costumes have been rented from a veteran costume house. Much attention has been given to staging and lighting. The cast, all amateurs or with limited professional experience, has worked diligently to master lines and stage busi-

The results of a successful run could be many. Undoubtedly it would encourage the building of a hotel and/or motor courts to fill a void in the city's needed facilities. It would enhance the Kings Mountain National Military Park and Kings Mountain itself as a tourist mecca.

Advance sale of tickets has been good, and with good weather, the drama presentation should be quite successful.

Not only will Kings Mountain citizens be tickking to the Battleground amphitheatre, but also citizens from all over the two Carolinas and from other states as well.

A best bow to the Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library board for obtaining the services of Mrs. Charles G. Dilling as librarian, succeeding the late Mrs. Charles B. Campbell. A large segment of Kings Mountain citizens know the librarian as "Miss Willie", a very excellent former elementary teacher in the city schools. The policy of the library has been to devote much attention to children and Mrs. Dilling's past success in this direction will mean that the policy will continue to be implemented in most acceptable manner.

It is easy to guess that many citizens will want to share cost in the construction of curbs-and-gutters and sidewalks. Little work of this kind has been done since WPA days and, while not as im-. portant as a paved street in front of one's house, these installations are much to be desired and enhance property values. From the standpoint of street construction, the Herald understands that much less maintenance of paved streets is where the street is buttressed by concrete curb-and-gutter.

The action of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in condemning the practices of the Ku Klux Klan and other organizations which do not wish to identify their memberships is timely and in order. The rights of freedom of speech and freedom of assembly never was intended to apply to any person or group unwilling to accept responsibility for their ac-

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

Actual work on the Kings Mountain School Stadium WPA project has been temporarily de the Wesley Bible Class of Cen- Miss Phyllis Patterson left layed according to City Manager tral Methodist Church were en- Tuesday for Erskine College, H. L. Burdette.

W. K. Mauney, prominent Tex. E. W. Griffin on last Friday night senior. Miss Patterson was actile Executive announced during with Mrs. O. O. Jackson and Mrs. companied to Due West by her the Chapel exercises at the open- Griffin as hostesses. ing of school recently that some a scholarship, valued at \$150 per West Mountain Street last Friday Rev. P. D. Patrick and Mrs. A. J. McGill. year at Lenoir-Rhyne College. Gloria Cornwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T Cornwell, was

Social and Personal Members of the Daughters of Jacksonville. tertained at the home of Mrs. Due West, S. C., where she is a

Mrs. J. M. Patterson entertain-

Miss Ottie "Pat" White with the First Presbyterian Church at awarded the scholarship for this a party of friends from Shelby Synod meeting in the Orphanage

Vernon Crosby joined them at

Howard McGill of Dallas, Texboy or girl from the graduating ed members of the Social Club as, has been visiting his parents,

> Rev. P. D. Patrick and Mr. Meek Ormand are representing spent last week in Florida. Mr. at Barium Springs, this week,

## MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By Martin Harmon

Ingredients: bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment. Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid overdosage.

## A New Look

Thousands of citizens of the two Carolinas (and maybe some others states too) must have thought their coffee tasted strange on Monday morning. I didn't, as I'd stopped over the morning edition of the CHARLOTTE OBSERVER in the process of swapping the pajama for the underwear. But my wife thought the coffe not quite

a-n-l Actually, the coffee was all right, but it was the "foremost newspaper of the Carolinas" which was different.

a-n-l In one-fell swoop, it appeared the CHARLOTTE OBSERVER, which had been the southern prototype of what TIME MAGAZINE calls "the good, grey New York Times", had gone plumb modern. No longer did the OB-SERVER look like the OBSERVER. It still carried the same name, but otherwise it was different. The OBSERVER had streamliened, with no formal warning at all. a-n-l

The reaction was and will be interesting. The coffee-maker at my house was pretty sure she didn't like it (women are less ready for change than men, except in fashions), Dodge dealer Warren Reynolds didn't think he liked it, and the medicinal director, though somewhat more conversant with typographical changes than the average layman, had to reserve judgment. The best that could be said is that the "new" Observer is interesting. I cast a strong vote for the new, easy-to-read body type.

Dewey Styers, the Observer's circulation representative here, will probably be able to give the best report, after a week or month-end's collection period. The change, of course, is designed to make Dewey's sales increase and to ease his collection problems. a-n-l

The change-over was Editor-Publisher Ralph Nicholson's first big move, though other newspaper folk had noted a number of nore minor changes since Mr. Nicholson had taken the helm of the good ship Observer.

a-n-l One of his first was, as one North Carolina editor wrote him, comparable to stepping in a spot where an angel would fear to tread. He had stripped Jo-Jo, an OBSERVER and Southern institution, of his weather phrophesying job, and relegated him to the simpler role of brightening the front-page by his whimsical appearance and pungent four-line verse. It wasn't many days until Jo-Jo was back in the weather business, even if on modified scale. The official data now appears in the left-hand dogear on the front page, but Jo-Jo thumbnail's it as "Partly Cloudy", "Fair", "Cooler", etc.

Actually, while it appeared that the Observer made a onefell-swoop change, some of the changing had been instituted gradually up to the day of the big changeover. The new headline type and style had been previously introduced on the pages devoted to the market reports and the business news. Also changed was the column head on the Lou Schnieder feature, using only the facephotographs, which became standard operating procedure on Monday morning (note the new-look likenesses of Wilton Garrison, Alton Blakeslee, and others). It would perhaps be assumed by the Observer that only its most conservative readers regularly scan the financial news and that, if the change didn't bring too many complaints, the full changeover, according to the accompanying announcement, was to make the Observer easier to read. And the paper staff must have been pretty sure of itself, for the cost was no small one. A font of body type mats must cost in the neighborhood of \$200, and the last I heard the observer had about 35 typesetting machines. Total figure \$7,000, not to mention the cost of mats for the head-

a-n-l
Though it was not mentioned, it also appears that the Observer is going to try to ease for its readers one hard-to-handle headache which bothers almost all newspapers, small and large. That is the problem of continuations. The HERALD usually continues it's too-long front-page stories on the back of the first section, figuring the reader will find it easier to whip over a section, rather, than to turn a page. One paper's continuation line reads 'See Number 1, page 4", with the continuations numerically labeled. Most newsman agree that the best way to solve the problem is to eliminate continuations, though this effort is a real problem for the news edi-

CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon

ACROSS

1-Financial-minded athlete 12—Baseball marker 13—The end of the line

for a race horse

14—The mark of "white-wash" on the scoreboard

16—Implement used by devoters of the devoters of the fairways

18—Musical symbol meaning "medium loud"

19—Exclamation denoting

triumph 20-Condition of failure in

20—Condition of failure in a bridge game
22—Spectator activity at the race track
23—The supreme triumph of a fisherman (pl.)
27—Dazzling Hockey (abbrev)
28—Roman 101
30—Toward
31—Spect of India (poss.)
33—What every sportsman plays to do
35—Wave length (abbrev)
37—District Attorney (abbrev)
38—A acception

37-District and (abbrev )
38-A necessity for every smooth-running racing

2-Pertaining to the country
3-Battering ram of the great collegiate sport (abbrev.)
4-Alleviated 5-One of baseball's 6-At least six games of

Roman emperor
Presently
Person who chronicles
the deeds of athletes

DOWN

**Great Sport** 

40-Bows to athletie

43—Latin abbreviation meaning "in te well")
45—Belonging to
46—Legitimate Speeders (abbrev.)
48—Indoor aping sport
51—Numeral
52—Measure of area (pl.)
53—Item used in the old

shell game

55--Variation of the
prefix "e"

56--Born

58--Metallic element

59--Roman emperor

43—Latin abbreviation

tennis
7—To be indebted
8—Chemical symbol for
nickel
9—Equipped for warfare

21—To careen
24—Preposition
25—Incline the head
26—Thus
29—Roman numeral
34—Northern Lacrosse
(abbrev.)
36—Pastureland
39—Mythological maiden
41—Officer Commanding
42—A Spanish married
woman (abbrev.)
44—Exist
47—Sports term; meaning
to win every game of
a series
49—Enthusiasm
50—Baseball turf gripper
54—Printer's measure
56—Neither
57—Feminine suffix
60—Roman Orders
(abbrev.)
62—Extangation of pain (abbrev.)
62—Exclamation of pain
63—Chemical symbol for

10—Offensive threat in football (two words)
11—Fishermen are proverbially known as disciples of this man. (two words, poss.)
15—Exclamation of inquiry
17—Lead of the sport of cricket (poss.)
20—Implement used in a winter sport

winter sport
21—To careen
24—Preposition

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

## Viewpoints of Other Editors

ADULTS AT SCHOOL

NEW YORK TIMES September starts the school season for the children of the land. In a grudging fashion our youngsters give up their vacation pursuits to start the regulated round of classes which help them to become the knowledgeable citizens of the future. September is also the start of the school season for adults, with many universities, colleges and libraries offering hundreds of courses in the evening for our older citizenry.

ing added as new needs are made known to the administrators of these adult education programs. A representative list points up renewed interest in English, literature, foreign languages, science, social studies, psychology and philosophy. In addition there are new courses to help develop competence in interior decoration, writing, television, publishing,

GREENSBORO DAILY NEWS, I believe, has had more success with this effort than any other North Carolina daily. The Observer used only four continued stories on its Monday changeover paper.

The reaction will be interesting to follow, but habit is a wonderful institution and, within a month, most Observer readers would find that a reversion to the former style would be just as foreign as the Observer's "new look" was on Monday.

building attics, gardening and other skills too numerous to mention. Until recently education was thought to have ceased for most persons with the acquisition of a college degree, but that is no longer the case. The development of these adult programs has shown that persons are always eager to learn if a course they are interested in is offered.

Continuing education means continuing growth. Adult education is not a cure-all, but when adults go to school again their The variety of courses offered become easier to understand and individual and social problems

RAGS AMID RICHES LINCOLN TIMES

The vagaries of human nature continue to intrigue those who study the conduct of man but nowhere is there more mystery than in the few individuals who live wretched and poverty-stricken lives, possessing ample and abundant wealth.

Illustrating this strange behavior of individuals, we call attention to the fact that police in Jersey City recently found two elderly sisters, well up in the seventies, in their home. One was dead and the other unconscious but in a pitiful condition from malnutrition.

When police examined the contents of the fifth-floor apartment they uncovered strong boxes in closets and furniture. One contained gold pieces of \$8,000 and other gold certificates and cur rency. The two-day search uncovered \$61,725 in cash in the apart-

### **Hay Crop Reported** Lowest In 10 Years

lest tonnage produced in North of 1.09 tons. Carolina since 1941.

of September 1 is estimated at Mountain counties throughout 1,153,000 tons or an average yield most of the month of August. of 1.0 ton per acre. This is not Late summer hays such as clovthe lowest yield for the period but er-timothy and soybeans sufferment. Other indications were that

numerous mortgages. Apparently, they had more money than For some strange reason, they preferred to live as misers, hording themselves.

due to the fact that careage is the second smallest since 1941, total tonnage will be lower. Acreage in 1951 at 1.153,000 acres is 1.1 per-Based on reports from farmers cent greater than in 1950. The 1.0 is of September 1, the production ton yield forecast for this year of hays in 1951 will be the small is 180 pounds below the 1950 yield

Total production of all hays as on the dry side in Piedmont and Weather conditions continued ed from the August dry weather the sisters were the holders of and did not make the growth necessary for good tonnage.

Of course, the spring hay crops they could possibly, spend for and many of the summer hay comforts and necessides of life. crops had been harvested by September 1. Generally, weather has ing their wealth and even stary. been good for cutting and field curing of hay crops.

## HOLE NEWS

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