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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God. III John 1:11.

### Water

A hot, dry summer, followed by a dry autumn has created water shortages in many areas of North Carolina. Rural citizens have been faced with wells which had gone dry, and a number of cities have had to ration use of this common necessity of life which, until there occurs a shortage, most folk take for granted.

The cities of Raleigh and Burlington have been heaviest hit during the dry spell, but even Asheville, in the usually verdant mountain area, has banned the washing of automobiles.

Kings Mountain, thus far, seems to be getting along all right, at least, there have been no statements of alarm from City Hall, though it has been several weeks since there was any overflow at the city lake.

Kings Mountain is currently blessed because in 1924 it had the same water troubles now being experienced by other communities. Even then, the administration which built the current water facilities at what was then considered huge cost, was accused of threatening the city with bankruptcy.

The adequacy of the city's water supply could be questionable in the future, and certainly by the time the bonds on the current plant are finally retired in

It will thus be interesting to read the reports and recommendations of the engineering company which is scheduled to present its survey of the water system in the near future.

The city should not wait until some future dry season forces the expansion of the system, meantime jeopardizing the health and welfare of the community, to anticipate future increased calls on its water distribution system.

# **Community Day**

Kings Mountain churchwomen join Friday in the observance of World Community day, in which they do their part with other churchwomen of the nation in giving tangible evidence of Christianity to other and less fortunate people of

This year, church women of the nation are colecting blankets to send to and privation. As important, international scholarships are to be provided in order to give a segment of other nations, at least, a glimpse of the thinking and ideals of this nation.

Most people agree that there would be no problem of keeping world peace if the people of the world could know each other as well as the people of, say, North Carolina, know the people of South Ca-

The barriers set up by nations to prevent free transit of people and ideas do not make for understanding and therefore for peace.

Kings Mountain church women de-serve the support of the community in their World Community Day contribution to understanding in a tension-filled

The theme of the observance is "Live Thy Faith", of which Kings Mountain women are giving tacit evidence.

Buy a broom or door-mat from the Lion who calls at your door this weekend or next. The proceeds mean a continuation of active employment for some sightless North Carolinian and money whereby the Kings Mountain Lions club can purchase glasses for some needy school child.

Kings Mountain's annual Woman's Club Floral Fair will be held Friday, and all citizens will want to attend this always-interesting event.

# Winnie Back

The return to power of Britain's great wartime Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, came 'as good news in the United States, where he was definitely the popular choice in an election in which his American friends could do nothing more than to serve as well-wish-

He returns to power at the age of 77 and as the first minister of a nation in economic trouble and in political trou-

Churchill was able to win, albeit with a small majority, without making rash promises or offering easy cure-alls for Britain's difficulties. He has said, "The situation is bad, but I have seen it worse." Certainly he has, for there was the long period from 1940 to 1942 when almost all the news regarding Britain's forces in World War II was bad.

Answering the charge leveled at him during the recent campaign that he was a "warmonger", Churchill countered with the promise that he would seek a top-level conference between Stalin, Truman and himself, in an effort, once again, to settle difficulties between Russia and the Western World.

Churchill may not be successful in this effort. The idea hasn't had a very warm welcome even in Washington, much less Moscow. But it will be remembered that Churchill had the personal courage to visit Moscow in the dark days of 1942 and give Stalin the bad news that there would be no Second Front in Europe in that year.

It is hard to over-estimate personality in politics, either on the local or world level. Such a conference, if held, might ease the world tensions, and could hardly do any harm. It can be assumed that Churchill enjoys Stalin's respect, if not

Churchill's vast prestige as the Brit-ish architect of victory in World War II cannot be underestimated. He may be unsuccessful in his comeback attempt to stabilize Britain and to ease world tensions, but most of the world's provinces are glad he's getting the opportunity.

# Research Referendum

Farmers of the state will vote Saturday to determine whether, for a threeyear period, a five-cents-per-ton assessment will be added to the price of seeds and fertilizers, with the proceeds of the assessment to be used for research.

The arguments in favor of the small assessment appear overwhelming, when review of the increase in agricultural production of North Carolina during the past ten years is considered.

Great strides have been made in this state and more are to be made. The research program, if suported, means that the strides will be longer and the

The agricultural research program includes both preventive work in anti-disease and pest catgories, and positive work in the development of new methods of farming, new varieties of seeds and plants, and other means of raising ever upward the changing figure known as "normal yield".

The vote should be favorable. It is good business to invest a small sum to learn ways and means of getting a greater harvest from the same amount of acreage.

Attend the final games of the Grammar Grade football season Monday night. The little fellows put on quite a spirited show.

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

of Kings Mountain Country Club, the Home Arts Club was held Inc. states that the stock certifi- at the home of Mrs. Jacob Coocates have been issued to mem- per Wednesday afternoon. bers who have paid up in full. Mrs. William Craig, Jr. and

Social and Personal Mrs. Paul Neisler honored her spent the past week in Leakshouse guest on Wednesday by ville.

jewelry store is now open to delightful hostess when she enthe public. Mr Still, the owner tertained at a bridge luncheon sited Mr. Jim Page near Chester and manager extends to all a at her home on East King Street last week. Mr. Page was on war Wednesday. Mr. J. E. Herndon, President A most delightful meeting of

small daughter, Peggy Wrenn

entertaining with a bridge lun- Mr. and Mrs. Allen Julian of Mrs. Lamont Benson and son, New York City are house guests Larry of Kannapolis.

Kings Mountain's newest credit, Mrs. Arnold Kiser was a most of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neisler. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Page vimaneuvers.

Mr. and Mrs Carl Mayes and children, Ann and Buddy have moved to Mayesville, N. C. where Mr. Mayes is connected with the Superior Stone Co.

Mrs. L. L. Benson will have as guests for the weekend; Mr. and Mrs. Loudermilk, Mr. and

# MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By Martin Harmon Ingredients: bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment.

**November Notes** 

an ancient dice game, Dr. Webster informs, in which the real artist could roll out five's and nine's with better than average regularity. I don't know whether the demise of the Roman calendar had anything to do with dice-throwing or not, but the game of "Novem" appears to be mighty similar to an interesting, sometimes expensive present-day game familarly known as "craps", "rolling the bones", etc. In the modern-day game, the medicinal gaming advisers relate, the magic numbers are seven and eleven. Thus "novem" has advanced two digits, just as November did on the calendar to become the eleventh month.

my biggest enemies.

val of cold, nasty weather and ber, my good neighbor Halbert Webb and I are not in the least reluctant to see October pass. October has, indeed, been a trying month, with disaster-filled Saturdays, which make it reasonable to assume the Hallowe'en goblins didn't wait until October 31 to spread their mayhem. In Halbert's instance, the Virginia goblins spoiled the Duke homecoming and made him regret a last-minute decision to attend. In my instance, I find it necessary to blame Harry Truman for getting the Baptists stirred up in such fashion. While I did not notice any pictures to prove it, I wouldn't be surprised if Dickie Davis sat on the speaker's stand with Harry at Winston-Salem. I did not pass by the Baptist-Methodist church corner Sabbath morning during church hour, but I would guess that there was no comparison as to which group won laurels for lusty

Both Halbert and I, of course,

Dotted Notations: The new like all winds, blew ers should benefit, too, if the tax reduction is passed on to the consumer . . . personally, I'm not interested at all in that

Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid overdosage.

Here we are again, with October past and the Year 1951 bearing down hard on Christ-The title of today's piece could well have substituted "comments" for "notes", at the start, but the aproaching arrival of Christmas reminds that certain arrangements must also be made with the banker, if the proper amount of Christmas cheer is to be spread around.

As usual, it seems impossible that five-sixths of a year has vanished, but it has. It was only yesterday that the New Year had arrived, that income tax day was near, that the weather was turning hot. Now it's heater time again.

November comes from the Latin word meaning nine. And, acording to our most reliable sources. November was the ninth month on the Roman calendar. When the Roman calendar was ditched, November became the eleventh month. which must have been somewhat confusing to those who lived in the day of the changeover. After all, look what grief and turmoil a fling of Daylight Saving Time causes.

"Novem" is also a name for

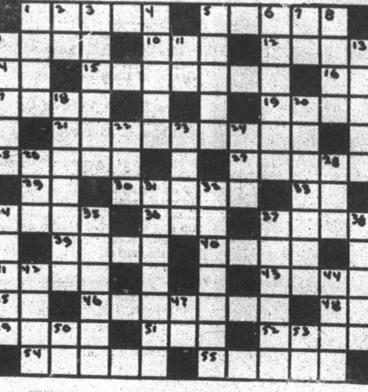
key month as the truth might be. Some Pilgrim put a ball lists of dead and injured. through a turkey's noggin on one of those early Thanksgiving days, and ever since Tom Turkey and his harems have had a difficult time navigating the month of November. Though the World Almanac and other medicinal sources of spot information offer no light on the subject, I suspect that turkey mortality remains highest in November, but other months are becoming more and more difficult. If I were president of the Turkey Life Insurance Society, I would rate the deep-freezer manufacturers as

In spite of the nearness of Christmas, the impending arrithe other difficulties of Novem-

can still live in hope. The last straw will likely have parted for one of us by 4:30 p. m., Saturday, November 24. That afternoon it's Carolina-Duke in Duke Stadium,

tax rates take their first bites out of paychecks and pay envelopes this weekend . . . but Consome benefits about . . . School Principal Rowell Lane, who looks after the money at athletic contest, won't have to be making out admission tax reports henceforth, estimates the change will enhance the school's athletic coffers and future equipment by about \$300 for the final two home football games alone . . . and snuff usparticular tax reduction . . . The British must have more sense than we do . . . they had a big election last week, but nobody stayed glued to the radio

# CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon



# This and That

36-Lifesaving Service

ACROSS

10—Garden utensil
12—Employer
14—Preposition
15—Turkish smoking
utensil (pl.)
16—Regal Orders (abbrev.)
17—Prefix denoting half
19—In writing, a foot consisting of a short
syllable followed by
a long one a long one 21—The science of wealth

25—Expunge 27—Queried 29—Preposition -To be insubordinate -Chemical symbol fo 34-To send forth

DOWN

23—Spherical bodies
24—Adjective suffix
26—Edge
28—The self
31—Person entitled to vote
32—One's property (pl.)
34—To attempt
35—Arranged in the 35—Arranged in Isyers 37—Maken ready 38—Inquisitive (colloq.) 42—Birthplace of 50—Ancient sun god 53—Part of verb "to be"

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

# Viewpoints of Other Editors

NOW IT'S OFFICIAL

CONCORD TRIBUNE The coined word "teenicide"used to describe a certain type ary defines it:

ment of teen-age automobile dri- aid.

car. The evidence can also be licize the relief rolls. Once upon a time, November found in the columns of any North Carolina did not wait was turkey month, or exit-tur- newspaper—where the acounts of for enactment of the Jenner "ri-

that fits every case. ing course such as that taught in the Concord schools. There teenoperate a car in the safest manner but also the accelerating chance of accident when the safety margin is exceeded. The demonstrations should prove effec-

Only through education and enforcement wil lconditions be changed to the point that the dictionary publishers can mark "obsolete" after the definition of "tennicide".

all night to see whether a BBC Kaltenborn was going to choke . . it would have been no use, for the British count a while, then go to bed, then start a new day and count some more . , this is inconceivable in this country, where no lock would seem strong enough to protect the boxes . . .

Borrowed wisdom: Oddly enough it is less painful to remember the times we were wicked than the times we were rediculous.

#### RELIEF ROLLS REVEALED

TRANSYLVANIA TIMES When President Truman signof reckless automobile driving- ed the five and a half billion dolnow comes officially into the lan- lar tax increase bill Saturday, he guage. Funk & Wagnalls diction- expressed strong disapproval of the Jenner "rider," which now "Killing caused by recklessness, permits states to publicize rebravado and immature judge lief rolls without losing federal

This has been an issue before Evidence of the growth of the country for many years and Teenicide" is to be found in the at the recent conference of Govadded insurance which automo- ernors at Gatlinburg, Tenn., the bile owners must pay when the chief executives crawled all over car is driven by a person under Oscar Ewing, social security ad-25 years of age-even though ministrator, for cutting off fedthat person is by no means the eral relief money from Indiana only or principal driver of the when that state decided to pub-

automobile accidents pile up the der" to move to purge relief rolls The e is probably no one an sembly passed a law providing swer to the problem, and per- that relief clients having properhaps no combination of answers ty would be required after the first of this month to place a But one of the best of the pos- lien on it in the amount of relief sible solutions is the driver train- received. The result was a ten percent drop immediately in the agers are taught not only how to pect an even greater decline as a result of the Jenner "rider."

President Truman, who seems to have a genious for concocting silly objections to what he dislikes, said the Jenner provision "May well result in unwarrented publicity and personal indignity and unhappiness" among relief clients.

We are unable to see why a person deserving relief should obect to his identity being revealed but we can readily understand why a moocher would prefer to remain unknown. Implicit in the President's argument is the belief that deadbeats should be permitted to remain on the relief rolls. They vote, too, of course.

We heartily approve of the Jen-ner "rider." We feel that the man who puts up the money is entitled to know who gets it and for what

Burley tobacco yields for 1951 are estimated at 1,650 pounds per acre, compared with 1,700 pounds

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

507 South Davis Avenue

Richmond, Virginia sincerely trust you will keep it a live county weekly, for in my

humble opinion, the make-up of your paper and the complete coverage of the news of your town and community, makes it rank as one of the best county weeklies in North Carolina.

It was indeed a shock to learn of the death of my very good friend, John Plonk. John had a Am enclosing check to cover pleasing and friendly personality my subscription to the HERALD and I know that he was a friend, for the next two years. Could not indeed, to those who merited it, well do without it as it keeps me and one of the memories I will fully advised as to the move always carry with me is that of ment of my many Kings Moun counting John as one of my very tain friends, also to the wonder-best friends; and this goes for ful progress the town is making, several other Plonks as well.

Yours sincerely Leslie McGinnis

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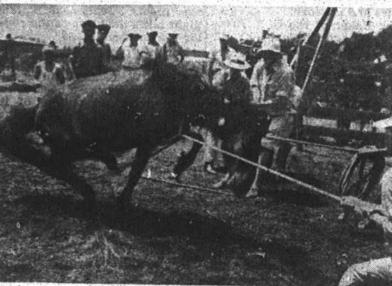
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# BANKS WILD PONIES

Over 300 years ago, a Spanish ship loaded with fine horses, was wrecked on North Carolina's Outer Banks. Today, on the lonely dunes, there still exist descendants of those horses. These ponies are rounded up once or twice a year to be sold as riders or pets. At one time, all the Outer Banks contained ponies. Now they are confined mostly to Coraooke Island and to Shakleford and Core Banks.

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