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### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself: that where I am, there ye may be also. St. John 14:3.

### William Henry Belk

The death last week of William Henry Belk, pioneer merchandising genius, removes from North Carolina one of its elder foremost citizens.

Mr. Belk's success story is truly an interesting and exciting one, for he was a product of the South's bitter Reconstruction era who overcame the trials and tribulations of the period and who pyramided small savings from low earnings into a vast merchandising empire. Mr. Belk, indeed, traveled a long road from Union County.

Mr. Belk, in addition to his considerable attention to business, was always an active churchman.

A few years ago, when Dixon Presbyterian church was holding its first service, Mr. Belk was listed on the program as "merchant prince and Christian statesman". The Herald does not know whether this connotation was originated by Rev. P. D. Patrick, the pastor, but it was a unique description of Mr. Belk and a compliment of which any person would be proud.

Often men who meet with worldly success are prone to forget the more important spiritual aspects of living. Mr. Belk did not, and many would credit this factor as a pillar of his foundation in the exciting field of merchandising.

### How To Save

The chronic cry of almost everyone is: How can I save?

There are a multiplicity of "why not" answers, not too many of the other kind. High prices, bigger tax bites, payments on the television set, and many other statements of similar kind can show conclusively that none can save in the current economy.

It has always been thus, in good times and bad. About the only time it has been easy to save was during World War II, when the shelves of the merchandise mecca were not full and when durable goods and homes were off the market.

Now there seem to be too many ways to spend the income, or what's left of it after the tax man is served.

Recent annual meeting of the Kings Mountain Building & Loan association completed the annual gatherings of shareholders of the community's three financial institutions. All showed reports, at December 31, 1951, which indicated that many Kings Mountain people are dedicated to saving a portion of what they earn. The savings account columns of the three institutions totaled to no small item.

The answer for most persons is in small, regular savings, the type of savings that "are not missed", yet, over a period of time, begin to count up to a nice sum, both in the aggregate and individually.

A person who thinks he can't save a thing should have a talk with the officials of one of these firms. They will tell him how to save.

Announcement by Woodrow W. Jones, U. S. Congressman for the 11th North Carolina district that, if re-elected, he would continue to oppose the extravagance of the federal government and would use his influence to halt the ever-rising tax bill, is welcomed by his constituents and other North Carolinians. Actually, this policy by Mr. Jones will be a continuance of the policy he has practiced since he went to Washington to succeed the late A. L. Bufwinkle.

Our congratulations to Dan Huffstetler new president of the Kings Mountain Merchant association.

### 10 YEARS AGO Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events THIS WEEK taken from the 1942 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Kings Mountain received its biggest snow since January 1940 when flakes began to fall about 8 a. m. Tuesday morning which soon covered the ground.

L. G. Hord, Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank, has been appointed Explosive Ranger for the Kings Mountain area according to an announcement from the Department of Interior, Social and Personal.

Mrs. O. P. Lewis, nee Sara Kate Ormond was the inspiration

of a lovely party given by Mrs. Grady King at her home on West Mountain street Tuesday night.

Mrs. W. J. Wells, nee Miss Geneva Hudspeth, was the inspiration for a miscellaneous shower given in her honor by Miss Irene Gallant.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Benson spent the weekend in Kannapolis with their daughter, Mrs. Goodnight.

Charles Carpenter of Clemson college spent the weekend at

home. Miss Kathryn O'Farrell of Washington, D. C., has been visiting her parents, Capt. and Mrs. O. C. O'Farrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barber were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Henderson at Graycourt, S. C., during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cornwell and daughters, Margaret and Dorothy have returned from a trip to Miami and other points in Florida.

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## MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

### Fun With Cops

Sam Davis, the tin-and-roofing man, Bunny Abbott, the banker, and I were in a gas-station the other morning and, somehow or another, the conversation turned to law-and-order, with Sam remarking that he was too much of a coward to ever become a strong right arm of the law.

He then set forth to recount an experience which eliminated him forever as a constabulary prospect. It happened some years ago.

Sam was a pretty good friend of the Gastonia police chief, and dropped by his desk on a Saturday evening. Business was not brisk and they were having a pleasant conversation, until the chief remembered that he had to make a routine trip out to the edge of town. Sam was invited to go along.

As they cruised out toward the Luray (now Firestone) section, Sam relates, they saw a big mountain of a man weaving from side to side and having considerable difficulty keeping on the sidewalk as he walked, or rolled, along.

"Oh," says the chief, "it looks like we have a customer. I'm gonna stop, Sam. You get out and ask him if he wants to ride."

Sam agreed and accosted the man. He was bad drunk, but appreciative of the "ride". He got in the front seat, Sam in the back, and it was several blocks toward the police station before the inebriate got his bearings and recognized the blue-and-silver uniform of the chief for what it was.

"Where you taking me?", the drunk asked roughly.

"I'm taking you to City Hall," the chief replied. "You're drunk."

"Do you know who I am?" the drunk wanted to know.

"To the negative answer, the drunk continued, "I'm from the mountains of East Tennessee, and I'm the meanest man in the world and I don't mean no little piece of it. I mean in the whole wide world. And we're going to City Hall 'cause I wanta go, understand? You ain't taking me, we're going 'cause I wanta go."

"Sure, sure," the chief humored him.

All the time, Sam was crouched in the back seat scared half to death and with constant vision of the drunken passenger grabbing the chief, who was driving, around the neck and thereby wrecking the automobile.

But they arrived at the police station without incident. The guy was celled and booked. On his person was found more than \$3,000 in cash, and papers indicating that he was, in fact, from the area west of Murphy. Suspecting robbery, the Gastonia police called the sheriff of the Tennessee county. It brought the report that the money was undoubtedly the drunk's for he had just sold a farm. It also brought the report that the man, when sober, was the most mild, meek character in the vicinity, but, when drunk, was almost literally "the meanest man in the world".

After time had handled the sobriety problem, the man was most contrite, paid his fine in court, and looked up the chief to thank him for his kind treatment and for putting him in the back up. "Why, somebody might have taken all my money," the man said. "I don't cause you any trouble, did I?"

Sam says he never cruised with the policemen after that. I never did either but once. Jim Tarleton, one-time chief deputy to the Stanly county sheriff was a great joker, and still relished the incident whereby he nearly scared the daylight out of a newspaper photographer. He and his aides had taken the photographer off to the woods to get a picture of a liquor still. Just for the fun of it, Jim had arranged for part of the force to lose themselves temporarily, then to start firing their pistols in the underbrush near the still. Needless to say, the trick caused the desired results. The poor photographer turned white, then green, threw down his camera and took off like Blalock's bull.

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## CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon

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- ACROSS
- 1—Popular card game
  - 6—Type of game basket ball is
  - 11—Implements used in water sport
  - 12—Protection for the football player
  - 14—Plot of land surrounded by water
  - 15—Woman's Contest (abbrev.)
  - 16—Items needed for beginning the wagers in poker
  - 19—Printer's measure
  - 20—Tennis racketizer
  - 21—Latin abbreviation for "that is"
  - 23—Preposition
  - 24—Your worthy opponent
  - 25—Printer's measure
  - 27—Tennis signal
  - 29—Exclamation of grief
  - 30—"What the universe or ether does to any game"
  - 33—To pass a rope through (naut.)
  - 35—Complete direction
  - 36—Important part of a tennis racket
  - 39—Chief unit of measure
  - 40—Established a fine
  - 42—Famous garden
  - 43—An athletic hero
  - 46—Tooth
  - 48—Billiard shirt
  - 50—Military bodice
  - 52—Abbreviated Orient
  - 53—Flourishes for the cowboy
  - 55—Kind of advertising sign
  - 58—Negative
  - 59—To escape
  - 60—Famous American jockey (post.)
  - 61—Basket for carrying on a person's back
- DOWN
- 1—Participant in a popular indoor sport
  - 2—To vie in a contest of celebrity
  - 3—Chemical symbol for tridium
  - 4—Distinguished Service Order (abbr.)
  - 5—Fencing implements
  - 6—Mental impure
  - 7—Profit deriving "separation from"
  - 8—Bone
  - 9—Combining form meaning "oil"
  - 10—To delay in a card game
  - 13—Indefinite article
  - 17—Greek letter
  - 18—Shortened right
  - 21—Popular form of home entertainment
  - 24—Methods of scoring in a football game (two words)
  - 26—Pronoun
  - 28—Tree
  - 29—Pronoun
  - 31—Employ
  - 32—Chemical symbol for samarium
  - 33—Football bank position (abbrev.)
  - 34—To contest
  - 37—Wrestling holds
  - 38—Football position (two words)
  - 40—Colloquial term applied to a dud in sport (pl.)
  - 41—Measure of gain in football (abbrev.)
  - 42—English National Order (abbrev.)
  - 43—One who fashions a mist
  - 45—Fertile "ovee"
  - 47—Measure of area (pl.)
  - 49—To zig
  - 54—Latin river
  - 57—Chemical symbol for protactinium
  - 59—Fast sprinters (abbrev.)

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

### Viewpoints of Other Editors

#### PLEASEING THE PARKERS

(CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR)

One of the great failings of public law in the motor age has been its cumbersome and offensive handling of parking violations. Following an administrative rut, when the municipal government came to deal with overtime parking it apparently could think only of the machinery it had always used for mayhem, fraud, and armed robbery—namely, the criminal law.

Now a parking violator may be an inconsiderate nuisance and a chiseler against the rights of his fellow motorists, but he is scarcely a criminal acting with malice aforethought and felonious intent. To treat him as such naturally arouses his ire.

A town in Kansas has tried a different approach—and it works. The city of El Dorado maybe (there is something in a name) exacts a moderate penalty instead of a police court fine when a policeman spots a red flag flying on the parking meter he makes out a ticket on the back of a small envelope. The car owner can pay a fee of 25 cents for each overtime hour if he does so within 24 hours by dropping it in the envelope, in a special box. If he neglects to do this, the charge becomes \$1, or if he does not respond in 10 days a warrant is issued.

This makes the procedure more like the paying of taxes, where the delinquent pays a stiff interest rate but is not haled into court unless there is evidence of willful evasion of the law. Whatever the legal analogies, the El Dorado plan has evoked ready co-operation from motorists. And, what is more, the policemen like it because what with their none too happy lot, it has improved their popularity.

roads were slick, and, for once, the tables were unwittingly turned on Jim. He couldn't understand why I didn't want to drive over 45 miles an hour.

The poor man remained happy, however, until he was safely locked in the padded cell. Then he gave us a demonstration of how violent he might have been. Needless to say, I declined the invitation a couple days after to join the tour to Morganton.

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#### HIGH SCHOOL SMOKERS

(THE GASTONIA GAZETTE)

Youth to have its fling has rarely needed adult aid. That is why it seems the height of pampering folly for the educational authorities of Greenwich, Conn., seriously to consider permitting high school sophomores, juniors and seniors to smoke publicly during school hours on a reserved area of the school property. Part of the expansion, strengthening and discipline of the mind that education connotes should fit these boys and girls to wait until school is out.

The rule of no smoking by pupils on high school property is universal. There are, of course, those who "sneak" smokes. Greenwich probably will turn its back on this effort by children to be grownups. If not, its example is not likely to be followed elsewhere.

#### Lederle Announces New Drug For TB

PEARL RIVER, N. Y.—A new chemical compound for the treatment of tuberculosis has been developed by Lederle Laboratories.

The drug is related to niacin, a vitamin commonly found in milk and egg yolks.

Dr. J. H. Williams, Director of Research, said that the compound, Aldinamide pyrazinamide, has shown effectiveness not only against the usual strains which cause tuberculosis, but also against tubercule bacillus strains which have become resistant to streptomycin, the antibiotic most widely used for treating the disease.

Present indications are that this drug will have a place in the treatment of tuberculosis and will be particularly useful against tuberculosis which has become resistant to streptomycin. However,

## Tungsten Ore Being Mined In N. C.

TUNGSTEN.—Every hour of every day, one or more crews are working here to help Uncle Sam stockpile the mineral—indispensable in the atomic age—which gave this town its name.

Already the second-largest producer in the United States the Tungsten Mining Corporation is now building new facilities to double production before 1952 runs out.

The Company is currently working two shifts six days a week in this Vance County mine. It is bringing up 400 tons of ore a day. The crushing mill, where three shifts are on the job seven days a week, processes about 325 tons a day. The rest is stockpiled.

Just to look at it, the town of Tungsten, North Carolina, isn't impressive. The headframes at the two shafts, 4,000 feet apart, the crushing mill strung along a hillside, and a few small buildings—including one which houses the post office and a grocery store—make up the town. A total of 345 persons, including staff members work here.

But Tungsten, on a long ridge in this slightly rolling land near where the North Carolina Piedmont blends into the Coastal Plain, is a big spot on the map of the National Munition Board.

Again, as in World War II when working of the deposit here was started after foreign sources of tungsten were pinched off, vital from Vance County is pouring into America's increasing preparation.

Lederle officials point out that the disease organisms also build a resistance to Aldinamide after eight weeks and experiments to overcome this resistance are now underway.

This new drug is given orally, while streptomycin must be administered by injection.

## Tree Planter Liked By Farmers

Farmers and 4-H Club and FFA members in the Piedmont section are showing considerable interest in the use of mechanical planters, says George W. Smith, forestry specialist for the State Extension Service.

Smith says some 450 persons have attended a recent series of meetings at which use of the planters was demonstrated. The meetings were held in Mecklenburg, Union, Cabarrus, Iredell, Gaston, and Cleveland counties.

The planter which was shown is small, compact, and inexpensive. It can set pine seedlings at the rate of 2,000 (or two acres) per hour.

"This little machine may be the very thing needed to help cause landowners in these counties to reforest many thousands of acres of land now lying idle and unproductive," comments the specialist.

Drawn either by a light tractor or a jeep, the machine opens a narrow, deep trench into which the two riding attendants drop the seedlings. The apparatus then packs the soil tightly back into the trench firmly against the seedling roots.

To date, says Smith, three planters have been purchased by landowners who plan to make the machines available to other landowners on a custom basis.

edness effort. In slightly more than nine years of production, Tungsten Mining has produced concentrates containing more than 4,500,000 pounds of pure tungsten.

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