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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die Proverbs 15:10.

Bond Votes Again

The General Assembly, which will not go down in history as one of the greatest North Carolina has known, finally passed its bond issue measures.

One of them provides that the citizens will vote on a \$50 million school construction bond issue, and on a \$22 million mental institution bond issue. The other measure provided for issuance of a \$14.5 million bond issue, without vote, for construction at other state institutions.

Some think the Assembly got it exactly backwards. The big need, these think, is for school and mental institution expansior and improvement. They think the state buildings (colleges, etc.) could wait two years.

Thus the citizens are not offered the opportunity to vote on the one least likely to succeed. They will contest at the polls over the other two.

Kings Mountain received something in excess of \$80,000 from the last \$50 million school bond issue, voted in 1949. It is not a large amount, but it would be that much toward the great building needs in evidence here. The mental institutions are crowded and it is unthinkable that any state as wealthy as North Carolina should have to maintain a waiting list for entrance to these institutions.

Both these issues will have a great amount of popular support, in spite of the financial distaste involved in putting the state, just a few years ago owing nothing, further into debt.

Another Winner

The Kings Mountain school band came home from Greensboro last week with another rating of "superior", highest attainable, and therefore the chief aim of musicians throughout the state.

The "superior" rating puts the Kings Mountain musicians in rather rarified atmosphere, for not too many individuals or organizations can attain this sought-after status.

Moulding a musical organization is no easy task, for either the moulders or the musicians themselves. Hours of patient work are invested, to the point that all sometimes wonder weather the hard work is justified.

After the deed, the answer is a very plain affirmative.

Congratulations are in order to Director Joe Hedden, Assistant H. H. Hauss, and the individual members of the band. A good band is a tradition here and it is a fine tradition to continue.

Saturday is the final day to register for the forthcoming city election. Those at all in doubt about whether they are registered should have their registrars check the pollbooks. It always happens. Someone comes up to the polls and finds himself unregistered. And it will happen on May 12, too.

Our congratulations to Jerry King, the newly elected master councillor of the Shelby Order of the Demolay, and to Susan Moss and Ann Mobley Dilling, who will represent Kings Mountain high school at annual Girls' State.

A best bow to Dr. Nathan H. Reed. who has been appointed a member of the county welfare board.

Doubling, The Rule

as a result of the new tax valuations just received from the county are uncomplaints. None is perfect, and Cole-Layer-Trumble would fall in the same

However, the big portion of those using the weeping towel are professionals at the business of claiming to pay too much of the tax burden, be it local, state, or federal. In truth, 99 percent of these claims will not stand up under close

badly the other night. His house, he said, was doubled at \$7,200, which was much too much, and particularly since was only \$6,000, A check of the figures revealed the complainant's house listed at \$5,200, and the fortunate neighbor's at \$8,600. Some slight variance in the actual figures, eh, what?

Generally speaking, a person, business firm, or other property owner who doesn't find his valuation figure doubled is in good shape, and should be for forthcoming years. In the past, he's undoubtedly been paying more than his

Still another fellow was complaining of paying a total of \$157 in county and city taxes last year. That's no great amount when it is considered he has two youngsters in school, and gets some other benefits, too, out of the two government entities.

The point of the whole business was to adopt a yardstick, applicable to all. Meantime, citizens should remember that doubling of the old valuation is quite general.

schools' art exhibit last week, and so were the "oh's" and "ah's". Many people who attended were quite surprised to learn what their youngsters had learned in the field of art and crafts. The schools are doing a good job, and they would do an even better job with the proper aid from the parents.

manager election, at least from the proponents' side. Unless some steam is put under the "for" side, it is going to be

Among those letting out painful cries doubtedly a few who have justifiable

For instance, one fellow was exorcised so-and-so's house, much more valuable.

Time will take care of the revaluation complaints, but the county commissioners will probably find their lot easier if they hold strictly to the recommendations of the appraising firm, after the promised re-checks on complaints. If the county commissioners arbitrarily take the bull by the horn and begin making cuts at random, they'll be in a mess. Everybody will have license to yell, and loudly, and they probably will.

Telephone rates go up again, an unpleasant thought at a time when many people are predicting economic disaster, if it doesn't come tomorrow, will certainly arrive day-after-tomorrow. The telephone bill has jumped considerably since the good old days, and everytime it jumps Uncle Sam gets an added piece of change via the excise tax. The GOP in Congress would make a lot of friends if this tax on a necessity of living were removed during their term in control.

Attendance was extra good at the city

Not much is being said about the city defeated.

YEARS AGO Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events WEEK taken from the 1943 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

City Council and the two for the In a ceremony characterized by Point this week School Board are uncontested charm and simplicity, Miss Doro-Ward 1; For council, W. K. Mau- thy Plonk of this place became ney, Ward 2, M. A. Ware; for the bride of Robert Edward Lew-School Board; Charles Thomas- is, Jr., of Lumberton, N. C. on son, Ward 3; L. W. Hamrick, for Easter Sunday afternoon at four School Board; C. G. White. Ward o'clock in Central Methodist 4. Charles S. Williams, W. M. Church. Gantt; Ward 5, J. H. Thomson,

Social And Personal Shelby, and Jack Ormand of Yates W. Connor on August 7, Kings Mouhtain and Traverler's 1942, at Chester, S. C. Rest, S. C. were united in marri- Mrs. Aubrey Mauney and Mrs. with his wife.

The only race in the city elec- age in a pretty ceremony Friday | Haywood Lynch are representing tion to be held Tuesday is in Ward afternoon at five o'clock in the the Senior Woman's Club at the 4 as the other four candidates for First Baptist Church in Shelby.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Sanders of route 2, announce the marriage of

meeting of the Federation in High

Pvt. James Everhart of Will Rogers Field is on a weeks visit at his home here.

Mrs. R. D. Goforth ig on a buying trip to New York City for Myers Dress Shoppe. Mr. and Mrs. Ertle Powers and

baby son spent the Easter holi-Miss Sarah Bess Ledford of their daughter, Sara Ruby to days with relatives in Lumberton, Pvt. Sam Hamrick of Camp Howe, Texas spent last week

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

Straw Hat Day

Friday has been decreed as Straw Hat Day in Kings Mountain by the president of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, J. C. Bridges, and all good males of the community should not let the day pass without visiting their haberdasher and donning a new model.

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The above recommendation goes for J. C. himself and other bareheads who have never become addicted to the habit of wearing a hat, Being an avid member of the Loyal Order of Hat Wearers, I must do all in my power to expand the mem-

On the original news story about the Straw Hat Day de cree, no mention was made that the decree applied solely to male members of the community's population. The womenfolk, of course, have been wearing straws since the first robin showed itself back in February. Men, always behind the ladyfolk, are now due to come along, as they customarily do.

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Kings Mountain's straw hat day comes a few days in advance of the national choice of mid-May for donning panamas and other straws. Being in the sunny Southland, summer just naturally comes earlier, and May 1 is the traditional throwaway-the-felt-day here.

From the recent attitude of the weatherman, the choice of days will be all right. Summer tried to break through last weekend, and, though the wind acted as if it thought March were still around, it otherwise appears that plenty of warmth will be on hand Friday to spur males to part with their fivespots in return for lighter, cooler headdress.

In support of the straw hat proclamation, I had fully intended to get the three mayoral candidates lined up for a photograph, each donning a new straw fedora, but like many plans this one stumped its toe several times. Candidate George Allen was quite agreeable, but before I even mentioned it, Mayor Still had jumped the gun and was already out with a 1953 sailor. Then the horrible thought occurred that Glee Bridges, like his son J. C., is a member of the No Hat cult. No sale there. Thus it goes, straw hat day will have to stay out of politics.

I understand that all the local department stores are wellfixed for the approaching season and that a man can get about any design and any flavor (vanilla, chocolate, burnt almond) he wants.

Some men buy two hats to start the season. They wear one "everyday", and have another they keep in the closet for "Sunday" or "nice". This is very practical, for it is not uncommon to get caught in the rain on the first day out. The result is definite parching or yellowing, which is not overly becoming. Others prefer to buy only one hat, wear it until it becomes too soiled, then pick up another at the mid-summer straw hat sales. This is all right, and protects the pocketbook, but it is sometimes hard to find a fit in the middle of

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Time was when the sailor was the real favorite. Now it's the panama. A couple of summers ago, when I returned to the sailor department, my mother-inlaw threatened to take her daughter back. The sailor straw. memory of the Roaring Twenties she wanted no further part of, "I just can't stand 'em," she

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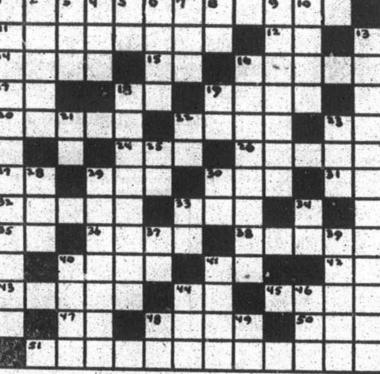
About the biggest advantage the sailor has over the moreconventional model is that it is a better driving hat. Speeding along the highway with windows open, a flapping panama brim can become very worrisome indeed. But the panama is lighter and, many say, much more comfortable.

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The name panama, of course, is a lift from the Central American country of the same name. According to the dictionary, a panama is a hat made of unexpanded leaves, closely plaited, of the screw pine, of Central America.

Friday's the day, men, so don't let ourselves be caught out-of-season.

CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon



General Interest

as a symbol
44—Indefinite article
45—Bough
47—Comparative suffix
48—To declare openly

51-State of shining

DOWN

1—A great number 2—One of Homer's great

epic stories
3—Feminine abbreviation for "saint"

4-Variation of the prefix

ACROSS

38—A fragrant oleoresin 40—A kind of fruit dis-1—To perceive wrongly
11—Further, remoter
12—Compass direction
14—Is situated
15—Latin connective tilled into a drink
41—Like
42—Feminine suffix
43—Something that serves

16-A standard of perfection
17—Chemical symbol for fantalum
18—Bone
19—Breeding horse
20—Language peculiar to

22-Part of a bridge 23-Part of verb "to be"

24—A distinctive doctrine 26—Relaxes 27—Behold 29-Beast of burden 30-Dance step

31-Spanish affirmative

32-Presses 33-Humor 35-Chemical symbol for

5—Two things of a kind (abbrev.) 6—Pastries 7-Decay 36-To scoff

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

Viewpoints of Other Editors

NORTH CAROLINA AS A LET HER PUPILS DOWN **VIOLENT STATE** SMITHFIELD HERALD

North Carolina leads all the tates in number of aggravated assaults per 100,000 inhabitants. In 1951 the murder rate in North Carolina was more than twice the rate for the United States.

The figures supporting these tatements are furnished by the latest University News Letter as based on reports from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

ing the peacefullness of his street. from the Attorney General of to be attended to. North Carolina. What is the source of the re-

in the statistical columns? ed, stands lower than this state, cannot be taken. and Mississippi is lower still in

states were a wilderness.

he crime column.

to violence in the so-called south- cross the yellow line". ern code of honor. Yet North Carolina's crime rate is ahead of all the southern states, even those supposed to be more romantic it to every pupil everywhere to and hot-headed than the conser have taken her medicine like a vative and prosy old North State. man and chalked out those lines! Evidently there are some hid-

ien factors here which we must earn more about. In our lead-Middle West?

it once demanded remedies.

sault and murder rate?

ELKIN TRIBUNE Looking through an exchange

Suffers patiently

10-Want 13-That may be grouped

Want
That may be a consequence or segregated
Repeats
Sette of being left out
19—Spanish affirmative
21—Pronoun
22—Abbreviated
afternoon

Possessive pronoun Sea vessel (abbrev.)

-Personal pronoun -Part of verb "to be"

travel (variation)

-Soon -Thoroughfare

48-Man's nickname

29-A kind of fish (pl.) 30-Greek letter

this morning, we ran across a news item which amused us no end, but which gave the feeling that a member of the teaching profession had let all of us graduate small-fry down!

You see, when we were in school a great many years ago. and were rather bad about talking or creating a disturbance in class, our teacher would make us go to the blackboard and write "I must not talk." or "I must not Any inhabitant of North Caro- do this or that" anywhere from ina, loking around him and not- two hundred to five hundred times. This was punishment, estown, or community, must feel pecially on a spring day when astonished at these findings. Yet there was a baseball game to be they are backed up by reports played or some minnow fishing

We don't know how many teachers have saddled this type of peated crimes of violence for punishment upon the frail shoulwhich this state gets top ranking ders of their pupils, but we imagine it has been going on since One theory puts the blame on the teaching profession came into racial factors. Yet South Carolina, being. But now we find, in at where the races have often clash- least one case, what is dished out

According to the news story a teacher came before Magistrate Another theory blames the Jake Smith, of Chesapeake, Ohio, frontier spirit. But North Caro- on a traffic charge, and pleaded lina is among the oldest of the guilty. It so happened that the thirteen original colonies and had magistrate was once her pupil civilized communities when other in grammar school, so he gave her the choice: Five dollar fine A third theory finds a tendency or write 200 times, "I shall not

> The teacher paid the five dollars. Somehow, we think she owed

VILLAGE OPENED

Opening date of Oconaluftee ng colleges and universities we Indian Village at Cherokee was have sociologists who have been moved up to April 17 from May 1 trained to delve into just such in response to the heaviest early problems. Why shouldn't they be spring tourist traffic in Great mployed to get to the bottom of Smoky Mountains' history. The North Carolina's crime rate, and village, sponsored by the Cherotell us why this state has an as- kee Historical Association near sault record of 400.1 while Iowa, the "Unto These Hills" amphifor example, has a rating of only theatre, is an authentic reproduc-6.4. Are tempers that much worse tion of an Indian village of 200 in the Middle Atlantic than in the years ago. Tours are guided by Cherokees and take about an When in the course of the se- hour. Picture - takers find plenty cond world war it was revealed to shoot, both in color and black that this state had the highest re- and white. Admission is \$1 for jection rate among all drafted adults, 25c for children. Nearby men examined for health, the Fontana Village, largest North whole population was hocked and Carolina Great Smokies resort, reports spring business running Why shouldn't the state be about three weeks ahead of last equally shocked by its high as year, Smoky Mountain Tours Co., operating glass and roll-top sight seeing buses out of Asheville on Pastures should be four to five tours from one to seven days, benches tall before grazing. Early gan its spring operations early in grazing weakens the stand and April, Last year, Smoky Moun-encourages weeds. April Last year, Smoky Moun-tain buses carried 18,670 tourists.

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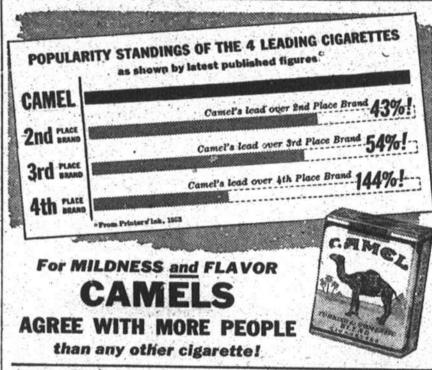
A new attraction at Pinehurst is tournament lawn bowling. The first annual Lawn Bowling tournament is scheduled for April 27-29, following the North and South

State flower, in bloom from coast best displays in the Piedmont and at the Mid-South resorts.

Some 583,809 bales of 1952-crop cotton was ginned in North Caro-Amateur Golf tournament, Try-lina last year, Robeson County on's Block House Hunt attracted produced 53,052 bales, Cleveland the largest gathering ever, The 49,494, Halifax 32,970, Northampend of April found dogwood, the ton 32,340 and Harnett 27,171.









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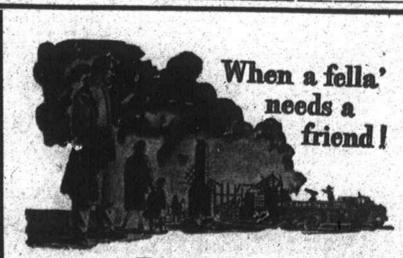
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