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#### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Igain, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth it which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. Ezekiel 18:27.

#### The City Budget

In spite of a slash of \$53,215, the city's ess at the spending crystal ball for 53-54 is still a sizeable sum of \$427,-

Of course, it is not nearly high enough, m the point of view of the seeker afservices, the services depending on ether enough money comes in, and, course, it is still too high, from the int of view of the well-served who is erested, first and foremost, in cutting bills, service bills, and the other ls emanating from City Hall.

Actually, the tentative budget, which I most likely be adopted as is between w and July 28, is a fairly tight one 1 the estimates of income are pared the bone, on the advice of both the y clerk and city auditor. The idea is it it is hard enough to keep spending thin income anyway, and particularly rd when the estimates of income are

too high. impact of the power rate cut, promulted at varying moments for varying ounts last year, is fully seen now with cut in estimate of \$39,000. Another is in street assessments, logically, ce the law allows a taxpayer five ars to pay off the assessments.

While it appears that the projected tlay for sewer lines and water lines y be a bit puny, it is undoubtedly in minds of some of the board of comssioners, and publicly stated by Ma-Bridges, that the current administion will endeavor to secure bond isapproval for some of these basic

slightly more than ten percent of the dget is for capital outlay, or long-term sipment items which are considered re of investments than as operating conditures. The bigger this percente can grow the better.

Figures, generally, are pretty dull, d those in city budgets are not excep-

t should be stated, too, that budgets merely estimates, and can be exnded or contracted in direct proporn to the arrival of income by a simple olution of the board of commission-

But the budget figures look pretty ie, all in all, and are not likely to vary

ayment of semi-annual dividends by igs Mountain financial institutions ninds that a large number of Kings untain people are thrifty souls, sav-; weekly or monthly a portion of their ome, in order to make bigger purases later or to provide for the probial rainy day. The dividend paynts continue to grow each six months. e reports of the several institutions ould serve as a reminder to those who ve not yet developed the habit of regr savings that it is also better to be than never to start at all. Pennies Il count up to dollars.

Charles Blanton, the city's newest armacist and top scorer on the recent minations conducted by the State ard of Pharmacy, has brought honor only to himself, but to his family and his community, as a result of the earnhonor he has attained by scoring thest of all 1953 examinees.

for merchants and other eligibles, it time to buy privilege licenses. The nalty is five percent per month after y 31. Penalties are always superflus, it seems, when it is common knowige that the sure things of life are ath and taxes. Yet many make it a ictice to pay both taxes AND penal-

### Work Cut Out

The news that the nation went into the red by nine billion dollars for the fiscal year ended June 30 should have come as a great shock, or at least a source of alarmed dismay, to the citizens of the nation.

But outside of a few editorial indications of pain, there wasn't much outcry

Reducing the figures by tens, to get them in more understandable proportion, assume what would happen to the officers of a corporation who reported a record gross of \$650,000, yet also showed a loss of \$95,000. The percentage of loss on gross is 13 plus.

While a government does not operate like a business, and shouldn't from the customary profit-making aim, it should still be operated on businesslike principles and deficit-making is not one of them, particularly in the high key category of \$9.5 billion dollars.

Thus far the Eisenhower administration has shown moments of considerable improvement in this sorry business, principally via the heavy-handed method in which Secretary Wilson is causing pain among the free-riding military services. In other respects, there is some question as to whether the administration is really serious about a clean-up in waste and inefficiency.

Some administration should devise a method of putting on the brakes, after the appropriating season, when income is less than estimated, as was the instance this year by three billion dollars.

It will never be done though, as long as some members of Congress exhibit the same kind of density they showed in recent interrogations of the Secretary of the Treasury. As the Secretary said it, some Congressmen couldn't seem to understand that mere Congressional appropriating did not mean the money magically became available. First, the money has to get in the till before it can go out.

The Herald believes strongly that the merchants of the community would find it mutually advantageous to cooperate on opening and closing schedules, both as to hours and holidays. The situation in this respect has been gradually deteriorating for the past several years, and the leadership of the Merchants Association would be wise to devote some considerable effort to re-establishing a reasonable schedule which those of extreme view would find more readily acceptable as a middle ground of compromise. The finance houses have proved long ago that reasonale hours are easily maintained if all work together. Other types of business can do it too.

Recommended for October 3 are the bond issue votes which the good members of the 1953 General Assembly left to the people to decide, including \$50 millions for school construction and \$22 million for permanent improvements to the state's mental institutions. The legislators went ahead and took the rap for the other bond issue on construction for other state institutions. They recognized it had least a chance of passing. The most needy projects were left to the people to decide.

Another Kings Mountain citizen has also brought recognition to the community, through his election as president of the North Carolina Chiropody Association. A cordial bow to Dr. William Lawrence Mauney, who was elected to this office at the Winston-Salem convention last week.

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

on their 18th birthdays, nee Miss Martha Lou Mauney. ighbors are asked to remind whose marriage was an event of ing men of this duty.

Social And Personal fr. and Mrs. Aubrey Mauney Wright, a bride of early summer. Ware and daughter. ertained with a cake-cutting Mr. S. C. Ratterree is visiting Pvt, Lloyd Kistler of Jackson, Tuesday, having as their South Hill, Va.

diss Selena Parton was hos plane, at a lovely party Tuesday Cpl. Billy Thornburg has re. in Kings Mountain after return-

sts the entire Fisher-Mauney | Pvt. R. A. Jolly who is stationiding party and close relatives ed in Austin, Texas, spent Sunday whose marriage took place at St.

loys are reminded by the local two tables of bridge and two of spending a ten day furlough with aft Board that they must reg. rook, honoring Mrs. C. P. Fisher, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Y. F

Pvt. Fred Ware of Fort Dix, N last week and Mrs. Charles J. spent several days recently Thomasson, Jr., nee Miss Lena with his mother, Mrs. Flossie

their home on Gaston Street Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Blalock in Miss. spent Wednesday here with friends.

Rev. and Mrs. C. P. Fisher at home. He made the trip by Matthews Lutheran Church last week have been visiting relatives ht when she ente tained with iturned to Camp Sieben, Aia, after ling from their wedding trip,

# MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

possible, but avoid

over dosage.

I hope all had a nice Independence Day holiday, were it Saturday or held over, as the moviemen say, to Monday.

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J. C. Bridges, who has a fancy, easy-to-work 300-year calendar he carries around in his pocket, had no great trouble figuring out the past and future years in which July 4 arrived, or arrives, on Satur-

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After he said 1942 was the last time such had occurred until this year, I reasoned that the closing problem could not have been a problem in 1942, with the country embroiled in war. Obviously, I thought to myself, everybody had to be patriotic and undoubtedly the town was shut down tight,

But another fellow had exactly the opposite idea. Oh, no, he opined, everything was going full blast in the war. Nothing would have, closed. Which view prevailed, I do not know. A search of the files, both before and after Saturday, July 4, 1942, reveals nothing. Perhaps some old Merchants Association minutes would relate the answer.

But I remember what I was doing on that particular day. It wasn't exactly a holiday, for I was at midshipman school and the good navy boys had to help put on a show. Then-Veep Hen Wallace, as the late H. Y. Belk called him, was the reviewing guest of supreme rank and it was the usual New York city parade, with the line of march about 70 blocks up Fifth Avenue.

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It was a very hot day, and, as mentioned previously, I was very lucky to be a clarinet tooter rather than a bass horn blower. And march we did. Sad part of the whole thing was that we had no nearby convening place for the trip back home. Our march over to the East River for a return trip by navy barge was longer than the parade route. Several midshipmen conked out from the heat.

That parade reminds me that about everything anyone ever did in the military service was probably good experience..... but that one time was and is enough.

Speaking of the military service reminds that the 3-D show "Fort Ti" was the real thing as far as "realistic" depth was concerned, I had read some of the blurb notices and they left a big question-mark sticking out. But I really did pummel the back of my seat when the blazing tomahawk came straight at me,

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Third Dimension, be it three-D, cinemascope or cinerama, whichever is perfected to be the best system, is going to be a big thing in returning movies to their old pinnacle at the top of the mass entertainment field. It may not be as great a development as the talkies, but it certainly ranks with technicolor. Remember Sylvia Sydney and Henry Fonda in the "Trail of the Lonesome Pine"? If I'm not mistaken, that was Number 1 for a fulllength technicolor film.

Third dimension is pretty good stuff.

In the July heat, air-conditioning salesmen should go to town. A number of business folk are weighing seriously the merits of the system as against the demerit (cost of installation).....and Aubrey Mauney has installed at Kings Mountain Manufacturing office the GE heat pump system, which heats in winter and cools in summer and supposedly extracts its heat, or lack of it, from the air .... electrically operated, the cost, Aubrey says, isn't too great, either initial or operational....they were complimenting Ben Jenkins, the farm management operator the other night, about keeping boll weevil down to ten percent infestation in his several cotton fields.....sounds like a lot of dusting.....but I helped check a field the other afternoon and didn't find a weevil in a pretty good area.

....Sam Hamrick doubted I knew what I was looking for, or recognized it when I saw it. G. C. Kelly, Craftspun Yarns topman, gets called both George and Clayton, I was dividing time between the two until I asked and learned he prefers the "George" .....

# CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon

Generalities.

44-Affirmative vote ACROSS 1-Military procession 46—Pronoun 47—The sheltered side 49—Mystric Sanskrit word 50—Latin abbreviation for 5—To check 10—Public notice 11-Shellac ingredient 13-Preposition

50—Latin abbreviation for
"note well"

52—A speck
54—Lines (abb.)
55—Make wider
58—Chemical symbol for
ruthenium
60—"That is" (abb.)
61—Shoshonean Indian
62—Exclamation of inquire
64—Season 14-Negative 16-Chosen 16—Chosen 19—Division of the day 20—Doctrine 22—Chemical symbol for 23-Either 24—Small drink 25—Within 27—Noun suffix equivalent

to "ier"
29—Parent
30—Animal
33—Pointer
35—Southern U. 8.
state (abb.)
36—A paradise (pl.)
37—A couple (abb.)
38—Kind of meat
40—Auctions

-Chasten
-Ancient sun god
3-Citric drink
4-Lyrical poem
5-Performer
6-Free
7-Printer's mean
8-Composure
12-Type of electr

DOWN

-Adults
-Beast of burden
-Previously
8-Roar
9-Bovine
11-Exist
42-Planet
44-Love affair
45-Terminated
48-Aerial train
49-Either
51-Part of verb 51—Part of verb "to be"
53—Noun suffix denoting state of quality
55—Wager
56—Toward
57—Snare

18—Comparative suffix
19—Jumbled type
21—A marvel
24—Tested
26—Compass direction
28—Adversary
29—Musical note

31—Girl's name 32—Adults

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

## Viewpoints of Other Editors REST FOR A WARRIOR

NEW YORK TIMES

There is probably nothing in he world Winston Churchill iness has at last diminished his pect a warning. enormous energy.

form a Government. Now, just to work on legislatures. fate writes her decisions. The diplomatic illness is a fa-

that he is, could ever have a diplomatic illness or a diplomatic where, would name robbers to redelay will give time for new developments in the world situation. grafting methods. There may be a truce in Korea Cheek pointing out that the omiswhen the Big Three come at last sion to give the policy-buying if out of Moscow's apparent confusion a policy is soon to come, may be clearer. The arguments for or against a Big Four conference following the Big Three conference may become more explicit. History will not stop flowing because there is no conference. The tides of our affairs rise and fall whether great men are sick or tired or active, whether they meet or whether they go

need for speculation. There will keeps right after their racket unbe practically a unanimous hope til it is thoroughly scotched. here and throughout the democratic world for Mr. Churchill's early restoration to full health and vigor. The Prime Minister's friends say that he has "had no ed in being restored to active life respite for a long time." One can after being crippled in nearly imagine the indignation with every joint in my body and with which he would receive any sug- muscular soreness from head to gestion that the time for his re- foot, I had Rheumatoid Arthritis tirement had arrived. If he were and other forms of Rheumatism, doubtedly be the familiar "V" were set. for victory. He is that kind of Limited sapce prohibits telling man. He has lived through worse you more here, but if you will ordeals than that caused by the write me I will reply at once and atigue of office.

American per capita annual onsumption of milk dropped rom 824 pounds (based on fat solids) in 1939 to 695 pounds in 1952, a record low.

#### HOW NOT TO END THE INSURANCE RACKETS SMITHFIELD HERALD

Representative Clifton Blue of would rather do than go some Moore County is right in challengwhere on a ship, preferably a ing State Insurance Commissionbattleship. There is probably no er Waldo Cheek on Cheek's project dearer to his heart than strange way of ending one parfull agreement with the United ticularly foul racket by certain States and France and some kind health and accident companies. of settlement with Russia that Some of these companies have would lift from the world the aw been cancelling policies at the ful fear of war. When, therefore, very moment when they are he accepts the verdict of two phy- needed - that is, when sickness sicians that he must not go to or accident comes. In such cases Bermuda "for at least a month" the policy owner may find he has he world can be sure that wear no redress, and can't even ex-

Mr. Blue introduced a bill in The Bermuda conference ran the last legislature looking tonto difficulties from the very wards an end of this racket. The beginning. It might have taken bill was quietly strangled to place and been over by this time death by one of those processes f the French had been able to which the big interests know how

as the French have their Govern. But the issue would not stay nent, this new postponement be. down and Commissioner Chee comes inevitable. For another was obliged to take note of it. month, possibly for a longer But observe how he did it. He time, Bermuda will remain a named a committee to investiplayground and not a spot where gate the matter and recommend any needed changes. The committee was made up entirely of miliar thing, but it is impossible insurance men. Not one member to believe that Winston Churchill, lic interest or push action on

weariness. If there is any profit form robbery, or appoint grafters to suggest changes in current

public a voice or vote makes it look like a whitewash job. Even a suggested second committee to consist of public representatives might be soothing, but would not necessarily end the racket or even reform it.

Plainly, the racket ought to be stopped in its tracks, Irresponsible insurance companies ought not to be allowed to operate one moment in the state of North Carolina, They cast discredit on the whole insurance business, But as to one point there is no and we hope Representative Blue

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