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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE
Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. Galatians 5:23

Mr. President

Since his inauguration last January, President Eisenhower has lived in a sort of never-never world, apparently, at first enjoying the honeymoon customarily accorded a new president, then, later, glad to get away from the busy whirlwind of Washington to the pleasant climes of Colorado in summer.

Most of the decision-making was being done by the cabinet officers and department heads, with Charles E. Wilson, Ezra Benson, Foster Dulles and Sinclair Weeks making the headlines.

Only last week, in the Harry Dexter White business, where Herb Brownell was carrying the ball, did Mr. Eisenhower step forward and let it be known that his new name is "Mr. President", in fact as well as title.

The result was some embarrassment to Mr. Brownell, the chief politician of the new administration, to headline-grabbing characters like Rep. Velde and Senator Jenner, but great increase of stature for President Eisenhower.

Former-President Truman, who was charged with "government by crony", undoubtedly was influenced by his friends, as was the late Franklin D. Roosevelt. But in the final analysis both Mr. Truman and Mr. Roosevelt made the big decisions on their own. And that is what the people expect of their president. A supine push-button operator is not the kind of president the American people want.

Impugning a former president served the short-term purpose of getting the heat off the agriculture secretary, Mr. Benson, but it had serious overtones which, as one commentator noted, may ruin the GOP. The people do not expect the Republican party to spend its time hashing over ghost business, Harry White having been dead since 1948, but they want the problems of the present given attention and the eyes kept looking ahead to the future.

Mr. Eisenhower, in his laudable call-down of his politics-happy associates has made a strike which will stand him in good stead, as he offers a constructive program in 1954. He will have the people behind him, on both sides of the fence, and that is what he needs. With the people, he can handle the operators.

As for the White matter, credit much maligned Lamar Caudle for perhaps the brightest statement of all. If the FBI had White on the suspect list, Caudle remarked, certainly the FBI didn't stop watching him, merely because he took on a new job.

Generally speaking, there won't be much objection to the city's change of plan for auto licenses, from metal tags which cost the city about 20 cents, to paper decals for which the city will fork over eight cents. The motorist will still find the tariff a buck. The trouble will come when the motorist begins applying the decal, a seemingly simple wetting down process, but one which is not always as easy as it looks, particularly on these fancy, full-vision curved windows popular these days in recent model cars. Perhaps the city will spend its additional profit by selling the stickers on an "installed" basis.

It appears the city is rather lucky that O. Max Gardner, Jr., had decided to discontinue his beef-growing and dairy operations. Mr. Gardner's help in supplying the city with an irrigation system for use in increasing the city's water supply was a most generous gesture and would have been even had he charged a fee for his equipment. The community is in his debt.

A best bow to Mrs. Fred Anthony, named Woman of the Year for the Bethware Home Demonstration club.

Welcome, Carlton

Purchase of Frieda Manufacturing Company, a Beaufort subsidiary, by Carlton Mills, Inc., of Cherryville, comes as good news, not only to the Crowder's Mountain community, but to Kings Mountain, which has always regarded the Crowder's Mountain mill, as it once was called, as a part of this industrial community, even though it lies within the confines of Gaston county.

The news is particularly good because the intention of the new owner is to resume production as quickly as the machinery is over-hauled and renovated.

The plant had been standing for several weeks and, in spite of the unemployment compensation cushion, prices of foods, clothing, autos and other consumer goods leave no great amount in the normal paycheck, let alone the unemployment compensation payment.

Carlton Mills, of course, is practically a home concern, its principal center being neighboring Cherryville, 13 miles distant, where the company has for many years enjoyed a reputation as a "running" mill and one which believes in good citizenship for industry, as well as for individuals.

There wasn't anything wrong with Beaufort's citizenship, for that matter, but it is fortunate for the neighborhood that Frieda, now Carlton, is transferred to capable, friendly, home ownership.

Buy Christmas Seals

It's time to buy Christmas seals for 1953. The Cleveland County Tuberculosis association seeks \$8,000 to continue its work in the local fight against a dread disease, which is not a great amount to spend in helping to eradicate this once-ravaging killer.

The nation-wide fight against tuberculosis is paying off, with incidence of the disease going down yearly. Most important is the work of the public x-ray machine which many times shows indications of trouble before the patient has any idea he's ill. This enables early attention, and, in almost all instances, a complete cure.

It would not be amiss to mention that the people of Kings Mountain, and Cleveland County, we suspect, are not taking advantage of the services of the x-ray machine as they should. Like most things which are free, the x-ray service isn't as appreciated as it might be. Everyone should get a chest x-ray once annually as a precautionary measure. A trip to the dentist often saves a tooth. A trip to the x-ray machine often saves a life.

Meantime, send in a check for Christmas seals.

Helping The Homeless

Next Thursday is Thanksgiving Day, an American holiday, observed since the days of the Puritans, at which time the nation pauses to give thanks for the good things that have been received during the past year.

Many churches, the Masonic order, and other organizations mark Thanksgiving as the day for special appeals for their orphanages, those wonderful institutions where children who have lost their parents get food, clothing, shelter, and education until they are grown men and women able to care for themselves.

Kings Mountain citizens have always done their part in these appeals for the parentless, and the year 1953 will be no exception.

Congratulations to the Lions club on obtaining Rex Enright, of the University of South Carolina, to fill the speaking engagement at the club's annual football banquet. Mr. Enright is a successful coach and a quick man with the quip, too.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE
By Martin Harmon

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

Every now and again some citizen will come across an old paper and send it to the Herald, which is most appreciated, since there are skips in the files from 1925 to 1934, and prior to 1913.

Thus we are indebted to Mrs. L. P. Baker for the latest contribution to Herald and community history, she having forwarded a copy of the Kings Mountain Herald, under date of February 13, 1930. The big reason Mrs. Baker saved this issue, she thinks, was the banner headline "HOOVER COMING TO KINGS MOUNTAIN", meaning of course that the then-president was going to do the honors at the mammoth sesquicentennial of the Battle of Kings Mountain. Major portion of the paper was devoted to the forthcoming event, down to the detail of Governor O. Max Gardner's persuasive letter of invitation, in which he pointed out that a Hoover ancestor came from North Carolina. It was also noted that the Kings Mountain sesqui-centennial program might be changed to a two-day affair, as, many will remember, it subsequently was.

But there was much else of major historical interest in the Herald of February 13, 1930, though it only contained six pages of six columns each. The issue read "Vol. 27, No. 7" indicating the Herald became the Herald in 1903, a half-century ago. Today, the Herald carries "Vol. 63", with 1930's Vol. 27. However, somebody during the past 23 years has traced the origin of Kings Mountain newspapers back to 1889 and adopted that date as the actual beginning.

Interesting history is contained in the "School News" department, which listed B. F. Ormand, Jr., (now with a Reverend in front of his name), as editor-in-chief. As it turned out, all B. F. had time to write was the basketball results, with some of the news good, and some bad. But the boys' high school team had defeated Shelby, which made the best reading. Though the charge of editorializing might have been lodged, all old-time sports fans, and almost all of the new models hereabout will understand this 1930 prose: "The Kings Mountain High School boys came back for revenge, after dropping their first game to Shelby early in the season, by defeating the Shelby boys, 34 to 23. The Kings Mountain boys gave Shelby a licking they'll never forget. Defeating Shelby is like conquering a giant. . . . The box on that giant victory listed Kings Mountain performers as D. Stowe, C. Stowe, Winchester, Capt. Jacob Mauney, Oates, and J. Matney. Jacob Mauney tallied 16 points, and I presume the C. Oates was Bus, while the C. Stowe was Charlie Frank. Of the others, I'm hazy.

But the box on the girls' game I know a little better and suppose they will not object to remembering a few past years too badly. They were S. (for Sara) Hambright, K. (for Kathryn) O'Farrell, S. (for Sarah) Ormand, N. (for Nell) Hord, Capt. B. (for Bertie) Wright, and M. (for Margaret) Plonk. That team had a winning streak underway at the time.

Among the other interesting items in the 1930 paper was a one-paragraph essay on the "Characteristics of a Good Citizen" over the signature of Albert Allran, a seventh grade English student.

Blakely Motor Company was bragging about its sales of Ford cars and trucks and, in an advertisement, listed H. W. Gamble and C. V. Alexander as recently satisfied customers. Otherwise, advertising lineage, in the winter of 1930, was a bit thin, though a couple of foreign firms were represented. Principal local advertiser in the issue was Home Building & Loan Association, showing a set of slightly more than \$300,000, just about one-fourth the total A. H. Patterson lists in his reports today.

B. J. King, operating the paper under lease at the time, had a good run of personal items, and reported, among other events, the return of Byron Keeter from a New York purchasing trip, the appendectomy of Master Fred Finger, and the return from Florida tours by Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Herndon, Mrs. H. T. Fulton, and several other citizens. A front-page item reported the loss by fire of the W. L. LeRicheux house on Candler street.

CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon

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- 1—American yellow blooming flower
 - 2—Combining form meaning "all"
 - 3—Be indispensed
 - 4—Cry of a sheep
 - 5—Most poisonous serpent (pl.)
 - 6—Tree known for its tough wood (poss.)
 - 7—Exclamation of inquiry
 - 8—Before
 - 9—Popular American blooming bush (poss.)
 - 10—Shortened bathrobe
 - 11—Preposition
 - 12—Chemical symbol for stannum
 - 13—A kind of dog (pl.)
 - 14—Ancient sun god
 - 15—Spanish affirmative
 - 16—Type Genus (abbrev.)
 - 17—Mystic Sanskrit word
 - 18—Above
 - 19—Man's nickname
 - 20—Chemical symbol for radium
 - 21—Approaches
- Flora and Fauna**
- 22—Small invertebrate animals, usually pests
 - 23—Compass direction
 - 24—Either
 - 25—Small deer
 - 26—Technical knowledge (abbrev.)
 - 27—Woody plant
 - 28—Large animals
 - 29—Indisposed
 - 30—Note of musical scale
 - 31—Shade trees
 - 32—Scanty
 - 33—Sweet-singing bird
 - 34—Large animal
 - 35—Large brilliantly-colored fish (pl.)
 - 36—Perform
 - 37—Tree of the honeysuckle family
 - 38—Compass direction
 - 39—Mythological bird
 - 40—A fatfish
 - 41—Anger
 - 42—Sweet-singing bird
 - 43—Member of a boys' organization (abbrev.)
 - 44—Serpents
 - 45—Popular tree with a popular fruit (pl.)
 - 46—Aquatic fur-bearing mammal
 - 47—Insect
 - 48—Possessed
- DOWN**
- 1—Every one individually (abbrev.)
 - 2—Lamprey
 - 3—Cousin of the moose
 - 4—Dance step
 - 5—High mountains
 - 6—Animal that lives upside down
 - 7—Reinforcing substance
 - 8—Personal pronoun
 - 9—A horse
 - 10—Suffix of ordinal numbers
 - 11—Regarding
 - 12—Elementary Orders (abbrev.)

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

Viewpoints of Other Editors

FATAL FASCINATION

"Why is it that so many well-educated people fall for communism?"

This question, which apparently puzzles many Americans, is often followed by the comment: "There must be something to communism if it attracts such people."

Actually communism does have an appeal to a certain type of intellect because it deals with human relationships in a way that stresses the "scientific."

The world today contains about two-billion people, each one a problem to himself and to the other 1,999,999,999. This makes for a certain amount of friction, even chaos, and the result is a state of affairs that is exasperating to some mentalities. Why can't we have a society in which people can be made to react like chains of molecules, or chemicals in a test tube? Communism, with its "dialectical materialism," promises just that.

The approach would be highly scientific. As in animal husbandry, breeding would be controlled so that the "state" would have the best stock for its purposes. The sick and the troublesome, especially those afflicted with individuality, would be segregated from orderly communistic society—as we see them segregated today in Siberian labor camps. There would be an orderly pattern to existence because the politicians who run the State would tolerate no ideas or action contrary to what they think best.

Missing from this Great Plan of the communists and their followers, however, are two significant factors—God, and the fact that man differs from other animals because God has given man a soul. Realistic communists recognize the danger from those two sources and act accordingly. Our so-called brilliant people, in their wisdom, consider them unimportant, mere superstitions which can be educated out of "the common man."

There is one other thing they overlook—the fact that man wants freedom—American Legion Magazine.

MANY UNHAPPY RETURNS

There will be no singing of "Happy Birthday", but the fact is that the present Federal income tax on individuals is 40 years old this month. Curiously, the income tax which became law on October 3, 1913, was simply part of a tariff statute, the Underwood Act.

In those early happy days of the tax, a single person was exempt from paying anything at all if his income was under \$3,000, and a married person was exempt if he earned under \$4,000. The rate was only one per cent on net incomes up to \$20,000, two per cent up to \$50,000, and so on up to a maximum of seven per cent on net incomes over \$50,000.

Only 385,000 individuals filed returns the first year, compared with 53,000,000 in 1950 (the latest year for which detailed comparable data is available). In 1931, a married man who had a net income of \$10,000 and who had a wife and two children paid all of \$60 in Federal income taxes. Today he pays over \$1,900.

The income tax levied in 1913 was made possible by the ratification that year of the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution. The amendment had been

GOOD SENATORS DON'T

A prominent member of the United States Senate is fond of saying, as he did to a New Jersey audience a couple of nights ago, "You don't go skunk-hunting in striped trousers and a tall hat while waving a lace handkerchief." This picturesquely and typically irrelevant remark may or may not satisfy his listeners, but it may also raise some questions in their minds about other things you don't—or shouldn't—do.

You don't trifle with your country's security for purposes of self-glorification. You don't ignore the Constitution, specifically the First Amendment, in order to intimidate your opponents. You don't attempt to destroy reputations with groundless insinuations to score a political point, whether the victim is a candidate for high office of the opposing party or a nominee to high office of your own party. You don't prove yourself willing and eager to undermine the foundations of your Government's foreign policy by the most unrestrained and violent attack on our strongest and oldest allies. You don't attempt to wreck your country's propaganda program by holding a public carnival, especially when you know that needed reforms are being carefully and meticulously studied without fanfare by some of your most able colleagues. You don't let the Communists to erode your country's well-deserved reputation as the strong-hold of liberal democracy by doing everything in your power to make it appear to be a citadel of anti-liberalism, anti-intellectualism and reaction.

You don't publicize classified military documents in order to make a headline. You don't ignore your responsibilities as a public official by promoting mistrust, suspicion and disunity among your fellow-citizens. You don't forget that our beloved country will remain the hope of the free world, which is the only kind of world worth living in, as long as its people remain true to the liberal, democratic principles on which this Republic was founded.—New York Times.

TWO QUESTIONS

Two important questions of the moment are these:
(1) Are American farmers justified in asking for price supports at 90 per cent of parity if farmers will vote for proper production controls?
(2) Would not flexible price supports, ranging from 75 to 90 per cent of parity, say, be more effective in reducing farm production?

The Progressive Farmer has given valid answers to these questions in an article in its October issue. The article ought to be widely read, not only by farmers who certainly should understand the reasoning back of 90 per cent supports, but especially by the city folks of America who often express the mistaken idea that rigid price supports give an unfair economic advantage to agriculture.—Smithfield Herald

submitted to the states in 1909. Three state legislatures—Connecticut, Rhode Island and Utah—voted to reject it. In any event, whether or not it is true that life begins at 40, it seems safe to predict that the 40-year-old income tax has a long and robust life ahead.—Twin City Sentinel.

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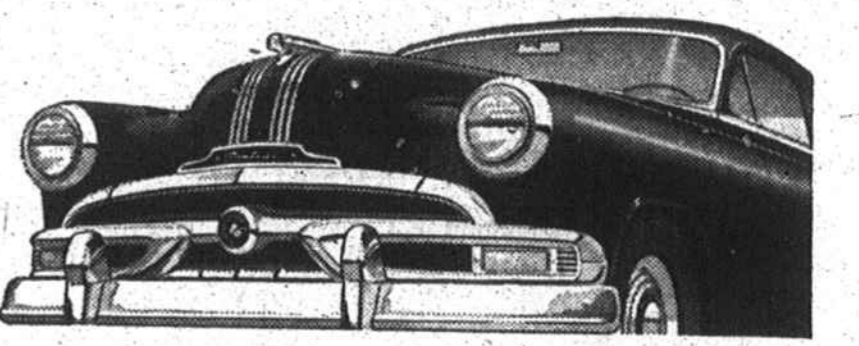
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10 YEARS AGO Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events
THIS WEEK taken from the 1943 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Fire early Thursday morning gutted the Eagle stores and completely razed the structure it occupied in the heart of the business section to cause damages estimated at from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Mrs. Madge P. Warlick has accepted the position with the local Ration Board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Mary Frances Gantt who has entered the service.

Social and Personal
Miss Mary Salena Parton became the bride of Thomas Laddshaw Trott of Kannapolis in a ceremony of beauty and charm in Central Methodist church last Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. Pfc. Gordon T. Whitesides has returned to Fort Jackson, S. C., after visiting here.

Mrs. J. C. Thomson and Mrs. Nell O. Thomson and daughter, Jane, spent the weekend in Greensboro with Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Thomson, former residents of Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Webb Spake of Gastonia was a Kings Mountain visitor over the weekend.