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#### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Ponder the path of thy feet and let all thy ways be established. Proverbs 4:26.

### Farm Bill Vete

President Eisenhower vetoed the hodge-podge farm bill, which contained a pay-off for virtually every farm interest and the President seemingly got by it very well in this area. The mid-west, of course, may write a different story.

However, the President did a little politicking of his own along the way. He talked about advance soil bank payments by July 1, invited Congress to pass the necessary legislation, and he had his farm man, Secretary Benson, up price supports for the current year, comparing to about a quarter-loaf in relation to the 90 percent parity props supplied in the ill-fated Congressional bill.

All the House members and one-third of the Senate seats are to be filled come November and the desire for votes runs strong in Washington. There will be other legislation just as sorry in this ses-

The Laurinburg Exchange points out that the great bulk of parity payments go to 100,000 large farming firms, while only a small portion goes to the remainder of five million farm families. One concern got a parity loan check last year for \$1,219,000. The product was wheat. That is big business. It is presumed this firm did some advance figuring and knew what it was doing. Barring drought or a freeze-out, growing wheat was a sure thing.

Soil bank doesn't make too happy a sound either, for the principle of paying people not to plant contravenes the basic laws of nature.

A major trouble in agriculture today is the manipulations of the State Department, perhaps even more than the red-tape filled, personnel clogged Agriculture department. Sell surplusses? Give surpluses away? State's Dulles yells "no", contending it will mess up relations with our allies.

It is the State Department which refuses to restrict importation of Japanese textiles which are made at 10 cents

Taking liberties with the law of supply and demand is difficult business and hardly possible of success.

Soil bank will become fact in this Congress and it may work in time, particularly the tree-planting piece of it. There is no foreseeable end to the need for trees - for lumber, for paper, for many

But if anyone has a key to the latch on the farm problem, he has yet to step

Registration books for the May primary open for the first time Saturday. All in-city citizens should be reminded that two sets of registration books are used in elections here. One set is the city books, used last spring, and providing a list of eligibles to help choose the mayor and board of city commissioners. This year's contests are township, county, district, state where the county registration books are used. Every voting day, somebody comes to the polls, finds he isn't registered. If in doubt, a check with the registrar should be made.

From last week's news account, it appears the hospital auxiliary organization is off to a good start. Much interest has been evidenced in all phases of the work of this group. Our best wishes to Mrs. P. G. Padgett, elected chairman, and to the several other officers and group chairmen.

Congratulations to Horace Brown, newly elected governor of the Kings Mountain Moose Lodge.

Congratulations to Dean Bridges, winner of the forensic championship in the division contest of the Western North Carolina High School Activities association.

## Ostrich Policy

It is political season, and, with a threeman race on for 11th district Congressman and other contests just around the corner, candidates are accepting regularly invitations to speak to civic clubs and other organizations.

However, the ground rules adopted by almost all civic clubs effectively censors the candidates, which is hardly Constitutional in the first place, and otherwise assures a certain dullness in the addresses which have a tendency to hurt the candidates and to bore the hearers.

A Jaycee remarked recently, "I heard both of them and both were lousy." He referred to two candidates who had graced the Jaycee platform.

Last Thursday night, Ralph Gardner prefaced his remarks to the Kiwanis Club by saying he would do his best to make a "non-political" speech. Jack White reported earlier that his man Basil Whitener had been strictly under wraps in a speech to a civic club in one of the neighboring communities.

The Herald refers, of course, to the rule, sometimes formal, sometimes informal, which majority of civic clubs invoke. It requires a candidate to lay off politics, stemming from the policy of all clubs to be non-partisan.

The Herald suggests that the policy is somewhat akin to that of the fabled ostrich, which supposedly buries his head in the sand when danger looms.

In the instance of the current Congressional contest, one of three men will represent the district in Washington. It is an important position. Thus it is important, too, that citizens get to know the candidates and to know what they think about the many pressing issues of the

In turn, the civic club members are going to choose at the ballot box, not en bloc, but individually.

Civic club rostrums, of course, would be no place to deal in personalities, nor invectives, but the candidates should get relieved from the "no politics" restric-

A Kiwanian remarked the other day, "We know the candidate is against sin and for motherhood, but that doesn't set forth the candidate's views on many another issue of the moment.'

Opening the club rostrum to all the several competitors in a particular contest should meet the civic clubs' "nonpartisan" test.

### **Teacher Commuting**

City district school trustees have voted to alter-for a one-year period-the rule requiring faculty members to maintain residence in Kings Mountain during the school term.

The rule had a worthy aim — encouragement of teachers to become a part of community — but like almost all rules certain exceptions appeared mandatory and, indeed, were made.

The school board is correct in encouraging in-city residence, even though e-liminating the mandatory requirement. Teachers who know the people of the community can do more effective work and can also do a most helpful public relations job for the school which they

The first basic test for any teacher is, "Can he teach?" implying as the question does both mastery of the subject matter, ability to impart it into sometimes unwilling juvenile crania, and effectiveness as a disciplinarian. Residence would fall several steps behind in relative importance.

Draw a liberal check for the Cancer

A best bow to Dr. John C. McGill. newly elected director of Kings Mountain Building & Loan association.

YEARS AGO Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events THIS WEEK taken from the 1946 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Kings Mountain high school their "Kiwani-Annes" on the oc. | morrow night from 8 to 10 o'-Southern Association of Secon- at 7 o'clock, dary Schools and Colleges re-

ceived here this week. Members of the Kings Moun-tain Kiwanis club will honor school students will be held to report that sales are good.

was rated superior in six fea- casion of the sixth anniversary clock in the high school cafeteria. tures of its nine-feature opera- of the founding of the civic club The theme will be a Mexican tion, according to a report of the at the annual ladies night ban- fiesta. evaluation committee of the quet at the high school cafeteria

Social and Personal The annual Junior-Senior ban-

Girl Scouts representing the four girl scout troops in Kings Mountain are selling Girl Scout MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

overdosage.

It is a better than even wager that the womenfolk's readership of the nation's front pages of newspapers escalated heavily last week as two major celebrities got hitched. In the middle of it, if anyone had dared to suggest it, I would have decried any idea that that sort of stuff would appear in this piece.

I saw so many pictures of the moustached prince ( I'm not much of a moustache man), I got bored to lears and even the glamour and glimmer seemed to be stripped off Grace Kelly.

When I heard about 450 yards of cloth in a wedding gown, I threw up my hands at such a seeming waste. Then I was reminded that a wedding (again) is one of the three big and usually final events in a person's life, and the only one the person knows about. The other events are birth and death.

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At any rate they are mar-ried and, I hope, will live happily ever after as did Cinderella and the handsome prince, not to mention Snow White and Sleping Beauty. Scarlett O'-Hara didn't do too well, though she did manage to wind up filthy rich.

The wedding of the other celebrity, Margaret Truman, was most decorous and, I thought, in immense good taste. The new Mrs. Daniel, recently-added with Zebulon, N. C., connections, merely the daughter of an ex-President, was able to carry her big moment off without all the pomp, circumstance and fanfare, which, the television man reported, Prince Rainier had to go through. Think men, of going through TWO ceremonies on successive days! I had a hard time making the singleton demanded in the United States. And the Prince showed the strain, too. He was squirming around, the camera revealed, like a man in most acute discomfort on the initial day's civil rites. Next day, he seemed more accustomed to the vow ordeal. At any rate, it was in the Prince's squirming that I felt a kindred spirit, and the objection to the moustache relented. Some waggish husbands would add, in the presence of menfolk only, that the Prince's squirming had just begun and would increase as the days and years go by. May be.

I also felt a bit of kindred spirit for Clifton Daniel, the New York Times newsman, who married Margaret Truman. Daniel preceded me and many others through the University's journalism school and was something of a hero in the department's faculty and student thinking by the time I first heard of him. He had a job. This was in the middle and middle-plus thirties, and anybody having a job was something of a somebody. And Daniel had a job which appeared to be supplying not only the meat and potatoes, but occasionally, it was opined, a new suit of clothes

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Oh, well, back to war, crime, tragedy, and politics, which is the regular diet of front pages these days. It reminds of the story about a Yankee paper during the Civil War, which ran a humorous story on the front page, because the editor figured the clientele had had such a run of bad news it needed, and badly, a change of diet. I forgot the paper, but it could have been the New York Times.

I served as chauffeur last Saturday for a trip to Greensboro and the state piano contest, and it was my first trip, via four lanes, to Greensboro. The new stretches of limited access U.S. 29 make a real dream road, leaving only Gas-tonia, Charlotte and Salisbury un-by-passed. And the Charlotte district commissioner of the highway department recently envisaged and cited the need for a six-lane boulevard to Kings Mountain . . . at any rate, the four-lane arrangement is most helpful, for we didn't have a single close brush with accident ash-heap all the way down and back. (I cross the fingers as I make that statement, for fear of future repri-

Saturday night we stopped at Hotel Albemarle and found the accommodations, service, and cuisine quite excellent as usual. When I called for room service next morning, old friend Bob Richards, the manager, answered jovially, "Little Wal-dorf." I've never had breakfast in bed at the Waldorf Astoria, the deluxe New York hotel, but I don't believe the Waldorf's scrambled eggs could have tasted any better.



## Viewpoints of Other Editors

CAPS ARE BACK

Here, for a change, are some pills live up to the prespectus, spring fashion tidings of interest they will undoubtedly be a sumto the male of the species: dress are being made again. All a little to be desired.

Who can tell what initiated this cap renaissance? It is said to have started in the colleges, where the Juniper Joes are always thinking up some row. ways thinking up some new thing. Trim, close-fitting, short-defenses. Come the crocus and visored, and with no rear over the robin we'll no longer be able hang, the cap has overrun the campuses of the land and is invading commerce and industry. The "Ivy League," as the new style is called, has a rather gay design. Probably something more conservative will be devised for conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the learning to the conservative will be devised for the conservati the solid citizen. It is too much hammock. The plea that a writto hope for, that the financial dis- ing man needs moments to meditricts of our cities will soon be tate has long since worn out, and crowded at the noon hour with now we will be told just to rebankers and business executives member to take our pills. going forth for their crackers and milk in caps with zebra

What caused the cap to fall a happier thing would be a pill from favor? One theory is that tans while snoozing in the the public had come to identify shade.—Wall Street Journal. it as an article of gangster wear. Certainly caps were worn by all well-dressed movie thugs of the Twenties and early Thirties, but who copied whom? Never mind, the dress cap is proper wear again, and it has many merits. Hats get out of shape time to spare from his business easily. Moreover, just about the was about to leave without table, women start campaigning against it, demand to know WHEN the wearer is going to get while and was indeed next in line. a new one? A cap can baffle them a long time, even if it gets sat on now and then. Let us all lift our hats to the cap and throw the hats away as we welcome a new fad that makes sense.-The Providence Journal.

#### WHAT THE ILLINOIS VOTE SHOWS

The final returns in the Illinois primary apparently will show-that the Democrats and Republican parties polled almost the same number of votes. They will also show, on the basis of nearly complete returns, that President Eisenhower and former Gov. Stevenson ran an almost even race in preferential votes with a slight edge going to the President. Adlai Stevenson led in Demo-

cratic Chicago and Cook County by a vote of approximately 2 support in traditionally Republican downstate to make just about a dead heat of it.

of the Democratic primary vote. In 1952 the Republican total was approximately 1,400,000 while the ar even-Stephen basis.

won renomination, had a contest more, with State Treasurer Warren E. just as much reason for Republicans to go to the polls as for the Democrats to vote in the race for nomination for Governor, won by Cook County Treasurer

There was no question about the guilt of these "vermin" who would sell any sort of drug to a teen ager, yet the judge gave them one year each in prison Herbert Paschen. If Senator Estes Kefauver of

tial write-in vote it will not come out until the official canvass. On basis of unofficial returns, which do not show all the writeins, The Tennessee aspirant for
the Democratic presidential nomination received relatively few
write-ins. The Stevenson total,
matching that of the President
with all the latter's prestige,
gives a new impetus to the former Illinois Governor's cammaign

over the country, moribound cap plants are being bombarded with mises to help you get a suntan orders for a type of headgear without a sunburn. It builds up which had all but disappeared from the American noggin, except as an article of sportswear. first pleasant pink to mellow in-

We are sure that a healthy tan is a happy thing and we are all for pills that produce it. But

### BARBER SHOP RACKET

Saturday morning in a crowded Chapel Hill barber shop a man in a hurry came in to get a haircut. Since he didn't have much time a hat begins to get comfor sitting down when he saw his

> take mine when it comes up." This was all right with the bar-

ber, but not with the boy, who objected so strenuously (and so loudly) that the father left the shop, saying he would come back for his haircut some other day.

Another man waiting his turn said he was reminded of a barber shop racket he had as a boy.
"I discovered it by accident," he said, "when a man in a hurry offered me ten cents for my place in line. After that I'd go down to the barber shop almost every Saturday, and as often as not somebody wiuld buy my turn. Some days I made as much as thirty cents. That was a lot to a boy in those days.

"But the barbers didn't appreto 1, but the President won strong clate it. When they saw what I was doing, one of them went to my father and asked him to make me stop. Anothey thing No one can be sure what this about those days was that boys had to do what their parents told clear that the Republican vote them, so that was the end of my has fallen off markedly in terms little racket."—Joe Jones in the

Democratic total was slightly While a judge may be an indi-under 900,000. But this year it ap-vidualist of the first order, aspears that each party has cast suming that he has the right to something more than 700,000 on temper justice with mercy, even temper justice with mercy, even to the extent of completely for-This Republican decline must getting that justice has any part be explained in terms other than in the proceedings, it becomes in-that intra-party contests brought creasing evident that many a the Democratic voters to the judge needs to have his reason polls. Gov. Stratton, who has ing put on a sound basis once Over in Charlotte, two men

Wright, and Republican Secre- were caught red-handed selling tary of State Carpenter, who aldrugs illegally to truck drivers so won renomination, had a fight and teen agers. These drugs, from Alderman Nicholas J. Boh. varying in effect, were calculaing of Chicago. So there was ted to stimulate or produce sleep ust as much reason for Repub-

won by Cook County Treasurer them one year each in prison, the sentences being suspended nator Estes Kefauver of upon the payments of fines of see received any substan-\$500 and \$300.

We imagine they were back in their illegal business before sunset, and in less than a week which do not show all the write- had made enough money to pay

Minnesota, Wisconsin and now the same proportions as four Illinois make it plain that as of years ago.—The St. Louis Post-April 1956 the Republican appeal Dispatch.

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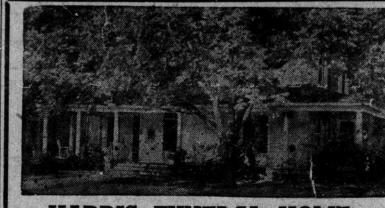
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