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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

The wicked are overthrown, and are not; but the house of the righteous shall stand. Proverbs 12:7

Amazing Document

The Constitution of the United States remains after 173 years one of the world's most amazing documents.

In it the founding fathers took precautions against the known traps and pitfalls they had experienced, yet made provisions for the basic law of change, which is the law of life.

The change route is the Bill of Rights, or amendments. Ten of these amendments were adopted before all the 13 colonies were willing to amalgamate. It is somewhat amazing that only twelve have been adopted since. One of these, the prohibition act has been repealed. Another, limiting a president to two terms, is not as popular as when it was adopted, with many disbenefits apparent. President Eisenhower is the first to work under the obvious handicap of being a four-year "lame-duck".

With the Constitution's provisions for frequent elections and obvious leanings toward the protective thesis of throwing the rascals out, it is a wonder to some students of government how the nation gets enough efficiency to operate. Yet it does.

The founding fathers must have known that man is weak, subject to the pitfalls of power prosperity, and that two or more heads are often better than one. The result was the three separate branches of government, legislative, judicial, and executive, a three-way hedge against dictatorship, a built-in check and balance system that has withstood the test of time.

It behooves all to study the Constitution and to know and practice its principles and guaranties of individual and collective freedom.

These principles have not been maintained because they were written on pieces of parchment, but because the people have put them into practice.

Campaign Notes

The political campaign is warming, and developments are sufficiently fast to make a lot of heads swim.

Here are just a few of the happenings in the past few days:

1) Dr. Norman Vincent Peale disavowed his "mistaken" association with the National "separation of church and state" group, an obvious anti-Kennedy organization.

2) A group of South Carolina Democrats organized into a Democrats-for-Nixon outfit.

3) Jesse Page, the Charlottean who claims to have once been a Democrat, found managing the campaign of Republican Bob Gavin too much work and resigned.

4) Jack Kennedy got a big welcome from North Carolina Democrats in a one-day, 700-mile tour of the Tar Heel state.

5) Dick Nixon shocked Midwest farmers with a plan to pay 'em in grain, not cash, for farm subsidies.

These developments alone are enough to indicate plenty of fun and fireworks between now and November 8.

Dr. Peale's comedown is interesting. He is an avowed and ardent Nixon supporter. But the Wall Street Journal reports his activities were causing rejoicing among big city Democrats, where reaction was adverse. Additionally, the Philadelphia Inquirer, endorsing Nixon and Lodge, simultaneously announced it was cancelling Dr. Peale's column. He wasn't hired as a political columnist, the Inquirer reasoned.

It's no wonder the Midwesterners sat in shocked silence when Mr. Nixon offered his new farm plan. These farmers have grain. It's a reminder that the problem of farm surpluses is tricky ground from the standpoint of vote-getting. As the candidate of the administration party, it's more tricky for Mr. Nixon.

There'll be many more developments in the relatively short time until voting day.

Congratulations to Otto (Toby) Williams, chairman, and to Nevette Hughes, vice-chairman, on their election to represent this township to the Cleveland County ASC committee.

More Money For Schools

Though only the most optimistic would expect the 1961 General Assembly to enact in a complete package all the recommendations for schools of the United Forces for Education, all can anticipate a decent percentage of the recommendations will become fact.

Education has been pinpointed more particularly in the past couple of years than in many previously. Terry Sanford, the Democratic nominee for Governor, is committed to the United Forces program and his opponent Republican Robert Gavin, though he backed off from a 50 percent teacher pay increase, remains committed to improvement of the state's schools within, as he says, limits of available funds.

Cloyd Philpott, Democratic nominee for lieutenant-governor, also is committed to the UFE program.

It can be safely guessed:

- 1) Teachers will get a pay raise.
- 2) Funds will be appropriated to enable the state to get full benefits from the federal government's matching funds under the National Defense Education act.

Other recommendations include a reduction in class size (now based on 30 pupils per class), five days annual cumulative sick leave for teachers, extension of work days for principals and teachers, and clerical assistance where needed.

All of these recommendations, it is doubted, will be taken.

One that should be the sick leave provision. Teaching is one of the few professions where the professionals work by the day. In other words, they're paid for days taught, rather than by the month, and substitutes are paid by the teachers themselves when sickness strikes. A five-day sick leave provision isn't much and fails to compare with sick leave allowances for other state employees, but it would be a start, at least.

Some folk are mystified when they hear a teacher has 35 to 36 or more pupils, acquainted as the public is with the 30-pupil per class formula. However, all numbers aren't divisible by 30, and grade populations vary with the birth rate, which some years is greater than others.

Biggest reason for optimism for supporters of increased appropriations for schools is the prospect of a state general fund surplus of more than \$40 million at next June 30.

Legislators, like individuals, find it easier to spend when the cash is in the till.

Not Exorbitant

The second annual budget of Kings Mountain United Fund, at \$17,000, is not a great amount of money for a community of Kings Mountain's size. In fact, unusual for money-raising ventures of any type, whether charitable, governmental, or business-wise, the budget is less this year, by \$1,000, than a year ago.

This is another benefit of the United Fund type of operation.

The board of directors assumes the responsibility of checking the budget requests of several organizations and trims out any apparent "fat" before presenting the requests to the people in the form of solicitations for contributions.

Eight organizations are participating in this year's campaign, all of them rendering worthy functions in the Kings Mountain area.

The budget should be met, and the Herald believes it will be.

It would seem that Kings Mountain insurance agents, in their willingness to underwrite fire-fighting fees to the city, have removed any and all bars to the city's informing the state rating bureau that the former "protected suburban" areas adjacent to the city have blanket fire-fighting coverage. The insurance agents, whether or not successful in their efforts to maintain lower insurance rates in this area, deserve commendation. Agents' commissions would be greater with higher rates. However, as they have in the past, Kings Mountain agents work diligently to maintain lowest possible rates for their customers.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

Some Cleveland County Democrats got a good laugh at themselves Saturday.

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Schedule for the motorcade to the Charlotte rally for Jack Kennedy called for a join-up of Kings Mountain folk with the group gathering at Shelby for 1:15 p. m. at the Kings Mountain National Guard building. But time-squeezers found no evidence of Democrats, until they reached the outskirts of Gastonia and found the delegation parked on the highway.

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The Rutherford county motorcade had bailed the jack through Kings Mountain and the local folk thought it was the Cleveland group.

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County Chairman Virgil Weathers was hoping that each precinct would be represented at the rally and he got his wish from Number 4 Township.

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Among those present were Mrs. J. E. Lipford, county vice-chairman; Miss Margaret Kendrick; Hugh Ormand, West Kings Mountain chairman; Ollie Harris, East Kings Mountain chairman; County Commissioner and Mrs. Broadus Ellis, of Grover; Cameron Ware, Bethware chairman; Willard Boyles; Clarence Ledford; Hall Goforth; Dean Spearman; Mrs. Gene Timms; Mrs. Hunter Patterson; Mr. and Mrs. William Lawrence Plonk; the Charlie Dixons with No. 2 daughter; Mrs. J. H. Arthur; and Mayor Glee Bridges.

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Television is worthwhile, but it's still no substitute for personal appearances. There's something about a crowd that produces a spirit of enthusiasm which is otherwise missing.

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Part of the fun is seeing friends of past and present.

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I renewed acquaintance of 20 plus years, for instance, with Gladys Tillett Coddington, who, apparently, is following in her mother's footsteps as an ardent and hard-working North Carolina Democrat. Mrs. Coddington is in charge of ushering duties at the Charlotte rally. Her mother presented Candidate Kennedy.

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It was also a pleasure to sit with Faison Barnes, the former Kings Mountain lawyer, who's now plying his profession in Charlotte. Faison admits Charlotte is a hotbed of Republicanism, but he thinks the Democrats are beginning to work with vim and vigor and that inroads will be made prior to November 8.

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Most folk were amazed to find Candidate Kennedy looking fresh as a daisy, in spite of a morning tour which found him speaking at Greenville and Greensboro and air-parked over fogbound Asheville. Same could not be said for the press corps, many of whom looked as if they were pretty well fagged out.

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It was a Kennedy show and formalities were held to a minimum. However, biggest audience acclaim for the North Carolina dignitaries presented went to Terry Sanford, Democratic nominee for Governor, and to Dave Clark, who seeks again to unseat Rep. Charlie Jonas in the 10th Congressional district, which includes populous Mecklenburg county.

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Rally pick-ups: A couple of elderly ladies were talking to Arthur Smith of the Crackerjacks and wanting to know how he'd lost 70 pounds. . . . Paul Lemmons, the Shelby Star photographer, was staging a photo with the Democratic donkey, had a beautiful brunette usher in tow and was looking for "that good-looking blonde I saw a minute ago." He got later he'd found her and said his picture. . . . Jack Wood, the haberdasher, was functioning in his role as a member of the Kennedy committee. . . . Kennedy got a lot of cheering mileage during his 13-minute speech, particularly when he accused the GOP of seeking a love affair with the South "every four years" and when he asked rhetorically if anyone could cite any positive legislative proposals espoused by the Republican party. The crowd roared a long, loud "No."

Happy Landings!



Viewpoints of Other Editors

TIME TO BEGIN IS NOW

Now, at the beginning of the school year, is the time for parents and students to make their first move toward insuring a successful school term.

What we mean is that in order to get the best out of school it is necessary to start work just as soon as school opens. The pupil who takes it easy for the first few weeks of school will soon get so far behind that he will have great difficulty in catching up.

As a rule, the first few days of a school year are taken up with reviewing the last word done the year before and introducing that which is to come during the year which is beginning. Some educators say that students, as a rule, lose some of their last year's progress during the summer vacation. This can be regained quickly, but special effort is necessary.

Parents are usually interested in the report card brought home by a son or daughter at the close of school. If the marks on that report card are not satisfactory, they immediately blame the teacher, blame the pupil, or some other factor in the situation. They suddenly think that little Johnnie or Susie is not getting a square deal at school.

But if these same parents had been interested in the children's schoolwork all during the year the chances are the marks on the final report would have been satisfactory. Alas, the marks indicate that there is a high degree of correlation between the students who do good work and the ones where parents manifest a keen interest in the educational progress being made by their children. Likewise, there is a relation between the number of children who fail to pass their work and the homes in which parents take no interest in their children's achievements.

Teachers have supervision of boys and girls only a few hours per day. Parents have them most of the remainder of the time. Teachers cannot do in those few hours all the teaching expected of them and give individual attention to each pupil in their classes. Most parents today have sufficient education to be able to assist and supervise their children's study, at least through the elementary grades. All parents can see to it that their children do the studying and homework assigned.

Some years ago it became quite unpopular to require homework of the students. The opinion has now changed somewhat with regard to homework, and more of it is being asked of pupils. They learn by doing and we believe homework serves a very useful purpose in our educational setup. It can link the parents with the children's schoolwork if the parents will take the proper interest in it.

Right now, at the beginning of the school year, is the time for parents to take the proper interest. Followed up throughout the year, this will almost insure satisfactory progress at the close of the year. — *Stanley News & Press.*

THE AGE OF WORRY, WORRY, WORRY

A famous physician recently said that about one-third of all the ailments which came to his attention originated in the mind, as a result of worry.

In the field of giving advice, perhaps the best advice one can give to those inclined to worry is "Stop Worrying." To emphasize the fruitlessness of worry, one should keep in mind the following things:

First, about 40 per cent of the things people worry about never happen. Second, another 30 per cent of the things we worry about have already happened and thus are beyond our control. Therefore, about 70 per cent of the things we worry about have already happened or will not happen, so the chances are — whenever you worry — that you are wasting your time and contributing to the deterioration of

LESSONS FROM THE STORM

Major storms may vary in intensity, direction, and duration, but the problems they pose for humanity follow a general pattern and lend themselves to eventual, if not exactly easy, solution.

Hurricane Donna's legacy does not consist solely of property damage. It includes also increased knowledge of how to cope with so-called natural disasters.

Reliability of the advance warning system has had a fresh test, and meteorologists have gathered new data that can be expected to enhance this valuable asset still further.

A demonstrated willingness of civic officials and private employers, as well as the public in general, to take these warnings seriously made possible a more orderly and timely preparation. Reduced damage is a clearly apparent dividend.

Admiration and gratitude is due to those thousands of workers at all levels of authority who stayed at vital tasks during and immediately after the storm's passage. Unusual pressure for utility, transportation, and other services frequently called forth the kind of heroic effort that earns medals and a nation's deep appreciation in time of emergency.

Families and businesses now embarked on a rebuilding effort deserve an immediate helping hand from more fortunate neighbors. After that, the long-range lessons of the storm should come up for thoughtful examination. Where could trouble have been avoided by more intelligent planning? Were new potential weaknesses uncovered? What mental preparation is most conducive to wise conduct before and during a warned-of disaster?

The answers will surely bear fruit both for the individual and the community as they face whatever future challenges may arise. — *Christian Science Monitor.*

your health.

Another 12 per cent of the things we worry about are imaginary, and a further 10 per cent of them are concerned with those who are well able to take care of themselves, and either do not need our worry, or do not want it.

This leaves only eight per cent of our worries which have any relation to reality, and while eight per cent of our worrying may be legitimate worrying, about things which will happen some 92 per cent of our worrying is wasted effort. — *The Elkin Tribune.*

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events taken from the 1950 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Six Kings Mountain textile plants reported wage increases this week. Thus a total of seven textile firms here have upped wages.

Letters were mailed last week to some 250 Kings Mountain sportsmen urging them to join the Mountaineer Club.

Social and Personal

One of the largest and loveliest parties of the week was given Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. W. Griffin, when she and her daughter, Mrs. R. S. Bargar, of Jamestown, N. Y., entertained with a drop-in party.

The Frances Ford Circle of the First Baptist church gathered at the home of Mrs. Will Weaver for their monthly meeting Wednesday afternoon.

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