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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

For we walk by faith, not by sight. II Corinthians 5:7.

School Site Decision

On Friday night, July 6, 1962, the board of education purchased a site for a new area high school, culminating a movement which began April 20, 1959, more than three years ago, when Hill Lowery, chairman of the Bethware district committee, called to inquire whether the Kings Mountain district would consider again an area consolidation.

The school business has dominated the news since that date, with elections and litigation, then with differences in judgment as to site, both among the five board of education members and school district citizens, further road-blocking the course to fruition of the area high school dream.

The Herald has detected, in the brief interim since Friday night's decision, a calm after the long storm, in spite of the ardent differences in opinion many held on the site question which, unfortunately, and the Herald feels unjustifiably, took the form of bitterness, acrimony, impugning of motives and even character assassination.

The calm, furthermore, leads the Herald to believe that a majority of the approximately 12,000 citizens in the school district were more interested in proceeding with the building chore than in location of the site.

In the minority on the split 3-2 decision were Chairman Fred W. Plonk and Vice-Chairman H. O. Williams, with whom the Herald agreed in their basic judgment that the Phifer Road site, by comparison, would be more expensive to develop and more expensive in the long-term, with some desired features of the plant shorted due to development costs and the limitation on outlay.

As a loser, nothing new, the Herald isn't angry, guesses the losing board members aren't, and supposes that most citizens, now that the decision is made, feels the same way in giving support to the democratic process.

Money outlay ignored, there is no objection to the Phifer Road site, barring the near proximity of Bennett Brick & Tile Company, which, however, is not the most undesirable of industrial neighbors from the standpoint of either function or appearance.

With cash outlay, there are some potential long-term benefits from utilization of this site: among them:

- 1) A spur to development of the adjacent areas, with considerable added potential to expansion south and west.
- 2) Improvement of approaches, including both Phifer Road, currently in need of widening, and whatever new roads may be required to serve the school from the north and west.

3) Much heavier and quicker demand for cleaning the polluted Eason Creek, as recommended in the recently published Broad River Basin report by the state's stream sanitation committee. This creek, contaminated by a vastly over-loaded city sewage outfall, plus dye waste from two industrial plants, often emanates a highly unpleasant odor. It was one of the chief objections to the Phifer Road site.

Geographically, this site is suitable from the standpoint of present and future pupil population center and certainly the acreage should be sufficient to provide all the school plant this community will need for many years, barring growth of quite boom proportions.

The board of education is to be congratulated for its efforts to obtain all possible information before coming to final decision on the site. The geological drilling was well-advised (at the price of about \$800) for it showed there was much less rock on the Phifer Road site than its opponents had anticipated. In turn, this information should enable bidders to make firm bids on grading costs, usually a negotiable item when rock, if any, is encountered.

Let planning and construction proceed with all prudent haste.

Congratulations to W. A. Childers, who has been elected a director of the Carolinas Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors association.

Veterans' Pension

A bill in Congress would make all World War I veterans eligible for federal pensions provided their income, exclusive of all retirement pay, does not exceed a minimum figure.

This is all very nice, in fact numerous instances not needed, a vote-getting device for incumbents who seek re-election, but hardly very nice for the public treasury.

As has been aptly pointed out, pensions for World War II and Korean War veterans would follow, likely in quick and natural course, and here the vast numbers of veterans point in the direction of federal bankruptcy.

Very few veterans take the attitude that because they fought a war the nation is forever in their debt. After, all, these veterans are citizens and taxpayers, too.

Conversely, all veterans agree that the unlucky Buddy of World War I and his GI Joe counterpart of World War II and the Korean War who left the ranks with service connected disabilities and also those who become too incapacitated to earn a living should get special dispensation.

Blanket pensions would be no favor, in the long-run, to anyone, including the veterans.

Major Milestone

Not too long ago, it's been, that Home Savings & Loan association attained \$2 millions in assets and this figure was reached not too long after the assets total had reached \$1 million.

The Herald remarked on the occasion that the old adage, "The first million is the hardest," had proved quite apropos.

The new milestones have been reached with increasing speed. In May 1958, the association could boast \$3 millions. Shortly more than four years later, the association has reached the five-million mark.

The fact of increasing assets is important to the area in which the association operates, for it means that increasing mortgage loan funds are available for the building of homes, the association's prime function, as well as for building of churches, commercial buildings and other realty development.

There was a time, perhaps many of them since the association's founding, when the association had to sift its loans diligently and carefully, due to lack of available lending money. Many good loan requests had to be denied or deferred with the prospective borrower either delayed in his plans or forced to seek funds elsewhere.

Today, with over \$4 millions in loans outstanding, the regular discounting of these loans adds to a sizeable amount each month.

Concurrently, the sizeable reserves of the association provided added safety to the association's many shareholders.

Credit is due the officers and directors of this association, who, through the years, have managed the association well and progressively, through depression, war, recession and boom.

A. H. Patterson, first and longtime secretary, deserves much credit for this record, and Secretary Tom Tate is continuing the association's tradition of progressive management.

A best bow to Rance Henderson, Kings Mountain native, who has been awarded a scholarship for further study at Oregon College of Education.

Little Orphan Annie, of the comic strips onetime warned, "The goblins 'll getcha, if you don't watch out!" There's a new version these days: "The whammy'll getcha if you don't watch out!" Beware!

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

It's not very apparent yet, but summer has taken on the July look, first indication of tiredness as opposed to the lush verdancy of June, and, with the sun moving on its southerly declination again, the days are getting shorter.

Still, there's plenty of grass to mow.

The putt-putt of the motors of power lawn mowers is an almost daily noise in any neighborhood, modern sound engendered by bigger lawns and the American's desire for power-driven, labor-saving machinery. I have not, however, observed that pushing a power mower is any less tiring than the old-fashioned, lighter model.

Power mowers are an addition to the home safety hazards, too, and should be used with care. Striking a rock can unleash a piece of blade, propelled with might, which can maim and kill, and has. At least one Kings Mountain medical doctor, I understand, has declared a power mower at his house verboten, undoubtedly dictated by repair jobs he's done for victims.

Kays Gary noted in a recent column that Roaring Gap, the vacation spot in Alleghany County, is dedicated to providing peace and quiet for its summer residents and guests. No motor boats are allowed on the lake and, unless a boater is willing to row, or knows how to sail, he must utilize a boat powered with batteries, which eliminate the putt-putt.

It reminds that there's a battery-driven mower on the market, I am told by Kelly Bunch, which eliminates the putt-putt, the hazard of gas cans on the premises and the need for motor oil. After a mowing, the battery can be plugged into an ordinary light switch for re-charging and next morning she's ready to go again. For a fellow with a big lawn (or short wind), a rundown during the job would not be too bad, though front yard mowing would be the first item on the agenda.

Users of electric razors can add quiet to their domiciles, too, as there's now a battery-powered razor on the market, also re-chargeable in the same manner. Ask Humes Houston. He'll demonstrate one.

Kelly, incidentally, has a very good reason for being a lawn expert, his lawn covering three acres, which Kelly HAS mown quite efficiently. Next door lives Paul Mauney, who also has a king-sized grass area, and the young Bunch boys are commissioned to mow Paul's. Here lies the key to the Bunch lawn-mowing. The boys aren't allowed to work for Neighbor Paul for cash until their own is mown for -- well, the regular allowance.

I am a good mower but don't practice much.

I once did, but found that my schedule didn't always suit the demands of the manager of the house. Normally, of course, mowing day is Friday or Saturday to have the yard in trim for the Sabbath. However, when there are first-of-week entertainments, church circle, club or otherwise, the demand is for mowing immediately prior to the gathering hour. It's therefore better to employ a mower, I reason.

I am envious of the numerous gardeners who boast of their fine products, knowing full well that the advertised delicate flavors of fresh-from-the-garden produce are not myths. But I'm not envious enough, yet.

And Marvin Goforth confesses to a mistake in a two-row planting series of several different vegetables. How, he wants to know, did he get squash seed, a dish he finds just won't go down? Naturally, the squash is thriving and producing a bucketful daily.

And speaking of eating, Dr. W. L. Pressly advances a bit of personal and practical philosophy. Says he, "I never make a decision before breakfast."

Shopping Around By Rolfe



"Now waddle around and see how they feel!"

Viewpoints of Other Editors

PATTERN FOR SURRENDER

"Good news from Laos," trumpeted Mr. Khrushchev in his note to the President. "Very encouraging," Mr. Kennedy replied yesterday.

Thus the impression is left that something wonderful has occurred with the formation of a coalition government — "neutralist," Communist, and anti-Communist — in the Southeast Asian kingdom. In fact, Khrushchev says the Laotian "settlement" might well provide the pattern for solving other disputes that cause so much tension in the world.

Well, that pattern certainly would suit the Communists right down to a T. Basically the idea is to use military force or threats to get a coalition government in which Communists either hold or are in a good position to get key ministries. The complete take-over then becomes relatively easy. In varying forms it has worked in China, Czechoslovakia and elsewhere. Maybe somehow it won't happen in Laos, but few seasoned diplomats in the world would care to bet on it.

We realize the U. S. was up against it in Laos, and we sympathize with the President in having to deal with it. For many reasons it would probably have been impracticable for the U. S. to mount a full-scale military operation in Laos; rightly or wrongly, the Government decided the best that could be achieved was this dubious coalition.

But we hope no one in Washington is getting any ideas that the Laotian example actually should be followed in other critical areas such as Berlin. The mute voices of the enslaved tell us as plainly as possible that this is a pattern for surrender — Wall Street Journal.

LESSONS OF THE PRIMARIES

The California primary, in which former Vice President Richard Nixon defeated by Joe Shell, demonstrates that a majority of Republicans, at least in that state, reject the ultra conservatism of the extreme right wing of the party. The results in Utah, where United States Senator Wallace F. Bennett, also a middle-of-the-roader, was renominated over the opposition of right vinger J. Bracken Lee, suggest that the trend noticeable in California Republicanism is probably national.

In Texas, meanwhile, former Navy Secretary John Connally, a conservative Democrat, defeated Don Yarborough, a liberal Democrat in the party's primary.

If an overall lesson can be read into these results we would say they mean that Republicans are opposed to extreme conservatism and Democrats reject extreme liberalism. In other words, instead of a polarization in national politics, we have a moving toward the center, regardless of political affiliations. The American voter is speaking out in favor of middle-of-the-road policies.

The extremists of both wings obviously do not realize this. Thus in California and Utah, the defeated candidates are threatening to oppose the regular Republican nominee in the general election, a course which, if followed, is certain to result in a defeat for the Republican party. In New York state, the far right wing of the Republican Party has formed an ultra conservative party to oppose Governor Rockefeller and Senator Javits. If they exert any influence at all, it will be an influence benefitting the Democratic candidates whom they profess to detest most of all.

Warrensburg - Lake George News
 Social and Personal
 Miss Peggy Mauney entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Mauney on Wednesday morning with an informal party as a special courtesy to three brides-elect, Miss Pattie Neisler, Miss Betty Falls, Miss Peggy Arthur and Mrs. Bill Klein, recent bride and a newcomer to Kings Mountain.

Is Salvation Found Solely In The Church?

By Rev. Marion DuBose, Pastor Kings Mountain Baptist Church

By Rev. Marion DuBose, Pastor Kings Mountain Baptist Church. "Extra ecclesiam nulla salus." These are the famous words of Cyprian who lived in the third century. In our language the words are: "There is no salvation outside the church." Or, to put it another way, "The church is essential to salvation." There are a lot of people who do not agree with Cyprian.

Those who have never bothered to join a church number no less than 50 million in this country of ours. They may give various reasons for being out of the church but the main reason is they just do not feel it is important. Many of these have never given serious thought to their "salvation." Others claim there are many "good people outside the church."

And many who once joined a church do not take it very seriously. They attend only rarely, some not at all; they give no service to the church, they contribute only a token, if anything, to the financial support of the church. Many whose names are on the church roll are like the "lost coin" that Jesus spoke of in service to the church they are out of circulation.

While many of us do not hold to the principle, "There is no salvation outside the church" as a dogmatic text of our faith, as we think of it fully most of us agree that is true for a number of reasons: First, we know that we are saved by faith. "By grace are ye saved through faith," said Paul.

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved," he also said. Faith may come through the training in our homes, through association with believing friends, through personal study of the Bible in other ways. But those things are all creatures of the church. The church makes available to the world the various means of faith.

Second, the church provides fellowship to sustain one's faith. In fact, the church is the fellowship of believers. The Spirit of God is the power which, like a giant magnet, draws men to faith in Christ and to fellowship one with another. It is God's Spirit which gathers men into congregations. Refusal to participate in spiritual fellowship with others is caused by a feeling of self-sufficiency, independence and exclusiveness, all of which are manifestations of man's worst sin -- pride.

Third, the sincere Christian belongs to the church because he is interested in other people. He wants his influence to count for the Lord and participation in the church, a man can do bigger and better things for Christ -- such as build schools and hospitals, send missionaries "unto the uttermost parts of the earth," -- leave society with the Spirit of Christ, provide for the preaching of the gospel. Banded together, Christians can so much more effectively serve.

Certainly, one who loves Christ will not want salvation just for himself alone.

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SCHOOL IS OUT and the good ole summer time is in full swing in Cleveland County. Wonderful days for the teen-agers as they will be busy with plans for swimming parties, picnics and tennis games, and how they enjoy that chat with school pals. This is a good time to see for yourself what a difference an extension phone can make in your home. One in your teen-ogers bedroom, for instance, or perhaps one for the busy Mother in the kitchen. Many of the Mothers tell me that an extension is most enjoyable in the kitchen. Your family will be pleased with an extension -- Just call our Business Office.

MIGHTY MIDGETS... You've probably never heard of a "semiconductor" much less seen one. This tiny device is the heart of the transistor, used in this of the equipment which provides you with the world's best telephone service. Semiconductors come in various sizes; the one pictured is considered a big one! Some are so small, a magnifying glass is used to work with them!

