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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

. For the Lord giveth wisdoms out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. Proverbs BS

Slicing The Budget

Considerable play was given to Republican Congressional contention that from \$10 to \$15 billion could be sliced off the Kennedy budget request for \$99

The natural reaction to the contention, phrased by many including the President, was "Show me where." After all, even in a day when conversations concern billions rather than millions, there is considerable variance \$10 billion and \$15 billion, as between, say \$99 billion and \$89 billion.

The federal government, in contrast to that of North Carolina and its political children and counties and cities, has no legal requirement to keep its budget in balance, other than the hip-pocket restriction of maximum debt limit, which Congress, rather than the banker, has the power to increase.

It is quite likely the budget can be decreased, minus greatly delterious effects, though the result is not likely. Even the economy-minded have no particular taste for paring pet projects. National security claims the major portion, and then there's the \$10 billion interest bill — ten percent of the budget—that must be paid

Time was when Congress was genuinely economy-minded, and, as recently as the thirties, it was the practice of the executive to send forth an astronomical budget request with the planned hope that the parings would leave about the right amount of appropriations.

World War II changed that pattern and it is not now unusual for the Congress to furnish more funds, for some departments and programs, than the executive requests.

Defenders of bid spending contend that the nation is in much better relative shape today than in 1947, when the ratio of national debt to gross national product was much closer. Others argue than gross national product, with governmental expenditures representing about one-fifth the total, is a questionable test of fiscal soundess. True solidity, they reason, derives only from production or creation of goods.

No Featherbedding

The United States Supreme Court has ruled that employers, in this instance, the railroads, have the right to establish how many people they need on the job.

This ruling means that the nation's railroads are now in position legally to eliminate some 65,000 employees from jobs they haven't needed to fill for some years. In the railroad situation, deisel engines, which have replaced the old coal - fired engines, hardly require a fireman. Yet firemen have still been on the job.

If labor peace is to prevail for the railroads, many have observed, the railroads will endeavor to ease the changeover, either by making periodic employee cuts over several years, or by the device of not replacing the un-needed employees as they retire.

Some of the railroads, the money-makers, would have no difficulty following either policy. Others, hard-pressed for cash and continually fighting deficits, would.

In its ruling, the Supreme Court has done what it must if the nation is to retain any semblence of the free enterprise system which has majored in automation and mass production. The development of the steam engine produced an ment of the steam engine produced an industrial revolution, then there was Fulton's steamboat, the railroad, and production assembly lines for almost all products. The result has been more goods at less unit cost, the lower cost creating its own mass market.

The problem of less jobs for workers with no other skills is the continuing and practical one involved, particularly notable in recent years in coal mining, partial victim of the railroad switch to deisel engines and their roads of compet-

Tampering Unlikely

The State Senator from Richmond County would like to see his county removed from the eighth congressional district, set up in 1961, and represented by a familiar face in Washington in the person of Charles Raper Jonas, Republi-

But Senator James isn't finding much support.

Legislative veterans of the 1961 session remember the pains of the decennial re-districting, largely complicated by the presence of Congressman Jonas, then representing the tenth district, and the additional hard fact of the state's losing a representative. Adding one would have been much simpler.

As it was, the Democrats, either out of fear or fairness or both, left Mr. Jonas his major seat of strength, populous Mecklenburg county, and Mecklenburg sustained him handsomely. Meantime, the realignment was a considerable factor in the election of a second Republican to Congress, James Broyhill of the ninth district.

Rep. Alton Lennon infers he has enough work now handling the district he has, and the James plea finds little favorable response from other Congressmen, who would be either directly or inferentially effected.

Rep. Jonas doesn't care, as long as he has Mecklenburg, thinks un-re-carving might provide him and the Republican party some quite effective ammunition. And he's likely right.

Spring's Near

Spring has not yet sprung and it'll be some weeks before folk of this area will be in position to swap heating service for cooling, but the signs are beginning to appear.

Jonquils, oft-times a January visitor, are beginning to appear in delayed bloom, and a Crescent Hill resident heard a bird chirping the other day

In sunny Florida (which has had a chilling season, too), the Yankees have dropped their opening two exhibition games and Mickey Mantle, newcomer to the limited ranks of \$100,000 per annum performers, has strained a groin muscle. Stan Musial, at 42, and another \$100G operator, is the target of photographers, both in baseball mufti and the dress of the Florida vacationer.

With all these signs, can spring be far behind?

'Twill be a welcome arrival.

Rep. Jack Palmer, of Cleveland County, is co-author of a bill which would legalize local board of education jurisdiction over use of school cafeteria by civic groups and other non-school organizations. In fact, such use had been standard practice for years, until attor-ney-general's ruling last fall. Most comment is that such restriction should never have been on the law books, concurrent with indignation that taxpayer paid buildings should not be used by other groups when school utility has been

Mail a check for Easter seals to aid crippled children.

Congratulations to L E. (Josh) Hinnant, chairman, and the other citizens who gave of their time, imagination and energy in raising record contributions for the Heart association.

Congratulations to Robert O. South-well, who has been elected president of

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By MARTIN HARMON Ingredients: bits of news lom, humor, and comments. ctions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid overdosage.

Within the past few days I have received a couple of quite inter-esting birth announcements, the first from Bill and Betty Harmon Babb, to which there is some interesting background.

Last year, after hearing Re-publican Congressional Candidate Carroll M. Barringer make a poschool, I was chatting with the Babbs. As I frequently do with this branch of the Harmon clan, I suggested we must be cousins, if by present generations some-what refined out, though official linking has been lacking.

About this time Candidate Barringer, who had been shaking hands with others in the audience, was presented to us and I told him I was present as a reporter, not as a supporter, due to wearing a "D" rather than an "R" political label.

Mrs. Babb said firmly, "I don't know whether I want to claim kin with you or not!" Subsequently we teased each other again during the campaign at the Bethware Fair.

The recent birth announcement proclaiming "It's a Boy" announed the arrival of Kevini Harmon ounces, he having arrived on February 26, 1963. In Mrs. Babb's beautiful hand-writing was the added note "a future Republi-

I am deeply appreciative of the announcement and welcome young Kevin Harmon Babb as a future friendly antagonist.

The next clarion was a first-ofits kind for me. From Brockton, Mass., came news of the arrival of Steven John McKinley Grant, son of Gerald Edward and Nan Gantt Grant born February 7. This new citizen's vital statistics weren't supplied, but a handsome photograph of the lad was. It's a very excellent photo and I detect some resemblance to one of his namesake's, his late mater-nal grand-father, William McKin-ley Gantt.

Children are always interesting. Thus it was a pleasure to renew friendship with Barbara Harper, five-year-old daughter of Major and Mrs. Tom Harper, of Mountain Home, Idaho. Blond, blue-eyed Barbara is one of two cousins born in France the other being Jay Morris, now in Turkey. Barbara is quite a tease. It is my understanding that a child of Unation of their parents, or for the nation in which they were born. Barbara sang us several songs in her melodius contralto.

Frances McGill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John C. McGill is quite a literalist. An older young lady, Rita Bell, who had been attending a seminar on teen-age marriages mentioned it in Frances' presence. Said Frances seriously, "I don't want to get married while I'm a teen-ager." Rita explained that encouraging teenage weddings wasn't exactly the purpose of the seminar.

m-m

The kitchen clock at our house a few weeks ago developed undue celerity of 12 to 20 minutes, but only on Mondays. This was hard to understand, until it was reasoned that one youngster, who has much talent, but, like many voungsters, begrudges the time for lessons and practice, had learned that a switch of the clock hands in the proper direction would spare him a portion of the hated duty.

On an expedition to a concert with a carful of pupils, the clock manipulator present, my wife decided to tease him. She reported the Monday situation and asked of all if they could possibly fig-ure why the clock speeded up, but only on Mondays.

Frances reasoned, and thought quite logically if incor-rectly, "Maybe it's because you use less electricity on Sundays and there's some extra left over."

The culprit, incidentally, conthan an overdose of embarrass-

Shopping Around



"Are you sure it's the last word in Early American?"

Viewpoints of Other Editors

WELFARE 'SUCCESS' CASE

"What happens to families who receive aid to dependent children payments from public welfare?" asks Mr. Average Citizen frequently. He knows that such payments cease when children reach their 18th birthday, without taxation. What, then, is the result of such Babb, weighing six pounds, 15 help during the crucial years when these needy children cannot support themselves and are de Galle as the leaders of Bri- by all the wrong methods. He time is bridged by that Master deprived of parental support be- tain, America, Italy, and West could have drawn crowds of fol-

> One girl, who received ADC payments because of the death of her father and the inability of than theirs. her mother to provide support, has made a remarkable record cluded presidency of the women's UN dues assessment. organization on the campus, membership in a scholastic soroity, membership in the social science club, and the pre-law club. She was voted the most outstanding student in the graduating class and was given an a-

During summers she had worked as a cook in a summer camp, waitress at a luncheonette, and

That was the beginning of a new adventure. Some months la- any powerful state. But should ter she took examinations for appointment to the Peace Corps and just before graduation she was notified of her selection.

ence in Washington.

This last summer she was in Washington to study for preparation for her assignment with the Peace Corps. In September has the option of declaring citi-zenship at age 21, either for the nation of their parents on for she left for Africa, where she will study of French, for in Togo, Africa, this the language spoken. She also studied the native Ewe language.

This girl, a Negro, stated, "I'm proud of my African heritage." She welcomes the opportunity to learn more about this great continent and the opportunity to for \$7.5 million. As the Califorteach there.

This is the story of an ADC child—a North Carolina Public Welfare "success" case, of which taxpayers can well be proud.

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BRITANNIA NOT SO

looking rather more like a beauty queen ruling the beach than that sturdy old party ruling the waves, Britons are entitled to look for higher meanings—although, in fact, little more than a whim of the artist is indicated. One school will, of course, in-small change. sist that the use of a slim 18. The Wall Street Journal year-old model merely symboizes fiscal truth. The pound has shrunk in value and size over the years; its matronly inhabitant should reduce accordingly.

Other, wth Polaris in mind, may discern an attempt to get more knots out of the old gel through streamlining her hull, narrowing her beam, raising her Plimroll line, and lightening her armor. Why else should she lose her trident shrunk to a sword?

But despite suspicions that Britannia hasn't got complete control of the waves from Holy Loch to Nassau, this explanation carries little more conviction than the first.

REPRESENTATION WITHOUT TAXATION

Once again France has refused operation. In that field Paris demands, in essence, representation Nazareth than it ever is for us.

not retort as sharply to President plishing his job of our salvation deprived of parental support to cause of the absence from the Germany. For his power to lowers (and many churches do home of one or both parents? | change de Galle's assertion of today) by bringing material the absolute supremacy of the prosperity, by doing false but can be his disciples (study and nation state over alliances and spectacular miracles, or by using follow him). Christianity provides international organization is less economic and political success. the opportunity every year at

The Congo fees in question are for herself. She was valedictor-ian of her high school class, reand a partial return of capital on ceived a college scholarship and, the UN Congo bonds. This year with a part-time job, was grad-uated last spring. Her honors in-an integral part of the regular

> from its total bill, Paris is expected to open the door for the Soviet Union and other Communist members also to refuse payment once again. This would place the world body back in the financial jeopardy it escaped only by mar-keting the Congo bonds.

At this stage of rudimentary clerk in a manufacturing firm. international cooperation no one Last year she was a delegate can realistically expect to see the to a student Peace Corps confer- will of a simple majority of nations prevail monetarily or militarily against the firm policies of the precedent set by Paris and Moscow for their different reasons, continue to erode the already minor dues collecting power of the UN, it may be necessary to consider at least partial penalties. Perhaps one such restriction would be withdrawal of a member's right to sit or vote on

Christian Science Monitor

A TRIVIAL MATTER

The Associated Press reports that the State of California is nians explain it, their state help ed finance Federal operations during the Cival War to keep the Confederates off the Overland Trail. Periodically for the past 90 years the state has been demanding payment, but so far to no avail.

Now that Britannia has shown up on the new five pound note looking rather more like a hear what arroyed at the what arroyed are also somea whim of the artist is indicated. nia comes around talking about

> YEARS AGO THIS WEEK Items of news about King. Mountain area people and events taken from the 195 files of the Kings Mountair Herald...

Joe A. Neisler was elected presdent of the Kings Mountain Country club for 1953-54 at a meeting of the newly elected diectors of the club Wednesday af-

than the first.

The fact must be faced that probably what is chiefly involved here is Modernization and Progress. Britannia slimmed is sister to Shakespeare in modern English, and Tom Jones abridged for busy readers.

Next? Perhaps John Bull posed by Laurence Harvey. Or Boadicea done over by Slenderella.

The prospect is saddening, Let us hope that Bessie Braddock is about to lead a counterattack in Parliament.

Kings Mountain Little Theatre will present a religious ploy, "The Robe" at Central school auditorium Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the first of three performances. George W. Allen, who ran second in the torrid race for mayor in 1951, formally entered the 19-53 mayor's race Monday. SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. B. F. Beam entertained members of the La Fete Rook club Tuesday night.

Members of the Study club met Tuesday night with Mrs. J. H. Kings Mountain Little Theatre

The Life Ot The Resurrection

Trinity Episcopal Church By REV. THOMAS DROPPERS

Exactly a month from today ciples.

it will be Easter—the celebration of the Resurrection. For many of us it is the promise of immortal become more Christian but a ity and a vague assurance that life really should be beautiful, comfortable, and easy. The Resurrection seems to stand like an that the children of Israel stood advertisement saying that both in the wilderness after their dedeath and suffering no longer ex-ist. This is a lie! The Resurrect- the Red Sea. "And thou shalt reion declares that death and suf- member all the way which the fering are important! The Resur-

The Resurrection does not say commandments, or no." (Deutethat Christ has removed suffer- ronomy 8.2) ing and death but that he stands For forty days in the wilder-right with us through both. Too ness Christ fasted. He gave up we can live through them.

shares suffering and death with the sons of men. In the same way 28) to pay that part of its United Na-tions dues caused by the Congo and by our resisting temptation. The job of resisting temptation that the state of that most forty. The job of resisting temptation the strength of that meat forty was a far greater job for Jesus of days and frth nights unto Horeb

For forty days in the wilderness (Matthew 4.1-11) he wrest-Secretary-General U Thant can- led with the possibility of accomness behind him, he began to ourselves in his Name. beat the path to the Cross.

Therefore, for forty days before

Lord thy God led thee these forty rection was accomplished by means of the Crucifixon—the suffering and death of the Son of know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his

often we expect the Christian re- the comfortable things of this ligion to eliminate pain and lone life and disciplined himself. liness. It doesn't! It teaches us When his followers think of this, that these things are real and they think also of Moses. "And that by means of trust in Christ he was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he did Jesus Christ is at once man and neither eat bread, nor drink wa-God. Because of his Crucifixon ter. And he wrote upon the tables and Resurrection, the Son of Man the words of the covenant, the shares suffering and death with ten commandments." (Exodus 34.

we share in his Crucifixion and When Christians think of Resurrection in small ways by Christ's fast, they can think also the mount of God! (1 Kings 19.8)

People often excuse their weak discipleship because they can not go back 200 years and copy the Master and Lord. That space of sent with us now. If we really want to, we can copy him; we But by putting this devilish busi- this time to fast and discipline

By his fasting and temptation, Christ started on the way of the Easter, Christians turn their attention to Christ's Temptations we walk with him on that Way. in the Wilderness and to their By joining ourselves to him on own materialistic, spectacular, the Cross, we join him in the Rejoining ourselves to him on and "successful" ways in which surrection. Only by taking part In deducting the Congo costs they have been trying to carry in his Death, can we be part of out their own life as Christ's dis- his Life.

A Month Of High Winds

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