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**TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE**

Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life. Proverbs 4:23

**Side Beneficiary**

U. S. Congressman Basil L. Whitener, 10th district Democrat, says his tours of the eight-county district convince him that the presidential candidacy of George Wallace is sure to aid the Whitener re-election campaign.

The reason: Wallace is proving popular with many Tar Heel voters of all ages, grades and faiths and that the resulting increase in the vote total will aid Whitener in the campaign between him and U. S. Representative James T. Broyhill, the Lenoir Republican, to retain a Washington, D. C., address for the coming two years.

Mr. Whitener touched on the matter with the Herald as early as last December. He suggested editors in Cleveland County might do well to do "a little fussing" at their fellow citizens on their puny vote totals. He had a tape in his wallet to show what he meant.

While Cleveland in the 1964 race for governor was topping 9,000 votes, Caldwell (Broyhill's home diggings) was casting 20,000.

The disparity is even greater when it is realized that Caldwell's population approximates 50,000, while Cleveland's is 70,000.

It requires no atomic scientist to understand just exactly what Mr. Whitener meant in December and why he appreciates the help of the Alabamian in getting out the vote in Cleveland, Gaston, Avery, Alexander, Catawba, Burke, Caldwell and Watauga — the eight counties comprising the 10th Congressional district of North Carolina.

**A Magic Formula**

One of the most famous short stories ever written deals with a man who could not forget. A Norman peasant, Maitre Hauchecorne by name, is the central character in Guy de Maupassant's masterpiece, "A Piece of String."

Walking through a busy market place one day, the frugal old peasant saw a bit of twine on the ground. He stopped and picked it up. Later, he was accused of having found a wallet lost at that spot. He protested his innocence and exhibited the string, but was taken to the police station.

The next day, the lost wallet was found. But the peasant, unable to forget the insult, began to brood about it. He told all his friends about the incident.

Finally, the piece of string became an obsession. He neglected his farm to go about telling strangers how he was mistreated. Eventually, the old peasant died of a broken heart, mumbling to the last about "the piece of string."

Forgiveness, whether of major or minor injuries, helps most of all the person who practices it. Oliver Wendell Holmes, at 81, attributed his good health largely to peace of mind through the years. He never went to sleep, he said, with his mind filled with hatred for anyone, but forgave each day's wrongs that day. He said that forgiveness of each day's wrongs each day is a simple but magic formula for wholesome, zestful living.

The Terry Sanford vice presidential boomlet failed in the end to propel North Carolina's distinguished former governor onto Mr. Humphrey's ticket. But it echoed all around the convention hall and throughout all reaches of the Democratic party. In more tranquil days Mr. Sanford may be heard from again.

Twenty-First annual Bethware Community Fair opened yesterday on the grounds of Bethware school and continues through Saturday midnight. Admission is free to the grounds and exhibit halls which this year "are bigger and better than ever before" according to fair spokesmen. The variety of exhibits reflect the growth of the area. Today is "Kid's Day" at Bethware and Fair spokesmen were predicting record crowds. Attend the Fair.

**VP's Show Might**

Whether or not Hubert Humphrey's poor showing in the recent Gallup poll reflects the strength and weaknesses of vice-presidential choices or whether public opinion was stirred by events at the tumultuous Democratic convention have most certainly made for much conversation in the past few days and will continue through the next few weeks by both Democrats and Republicans.

In addition to the Gallup ratings, we were interested to note the Christian Science Monitor's recent findings that Nixon has gained 11 states since an earlier August 3 survey and is now seen to have the edge over Humphrey in 31 states with 372 electoral votes.

Nixon's lead in many of the states were described as "razor thin" and reporters judge that a new shift in the wind could blow the contest right back toward Humphrey . . . but this is not sufficient to let the "in" party relax by any means.

What makes the Monitor's findings acceptable is the manner in which assessments are made. Its writers with a "feel" for the political climate in their states — and with close attention given to local polls — make the appraisals on which the overall findings in this national survey are based.

In the August 3 survey, 22 states with 174 electoral votes were put in Nixon's column while Humphrey had the lead in 16 states and the District of Columbia with 238 electoral votes. Last week's survey found Nixon's spectacular lead leaving Humphrey ahead in 10 states and the District of Columbia with only 85 electoral votes.

This was the first opportunity Monitor had to pit the full tickets against each other: Nixon - Agnew against Humphrey-Muskie.

Other Monitor findings which will be of interest follow:  
Since August nine states with 167 electoral votes have dropped off the Humphrey list: Delaware, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, North Carolina, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Seven went to Nixon: Delaware, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Virginia and Pennsylvania; North Carolina to George C. Wallace; and Virginia into the toss-up category.

Humphrey gained three states with 14 electoral votes: Colorado and Hawaii from the toss-up category; Maine from Nixon.

Most significant is the move of the big-population, big-electoral-vote states into the Nixon category. In the new assessment, Nixon has California, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Texas — a sweep of the big states.

Wallace picked up one state, North Carolina, and now is seen ahead in five southern states with 52 electoral votes. As of last week, four states with 29 electoral votes are toss-up: Alaska, Arkansas (was Nixon), Connecticut, Virginia (was Humphrey). In August eight states (Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Hawaii, Illinois, Oregon, Texas and Washington) were in the toss-up category. Of these eight, only Alaska and Connecticut remain toss-ups. Colorado and Hawaii go to Humphrey while Nixon gets Illinois, Oregon, Texas and Washington.

It's significant in these latest results that Wallace seems to be gaining at the expense of Humphrey, not Nixon, while earlier his gains seemed to be hurting Republicans more than Democrats.  
But it's far too early to hand over the race to either party and, as The Herald stated last week . . . with Wallace in the race, the question of which other horse he forces into the rail adds to the interest and will increase the betting.  
Too, how each candidate wages his campaign could easily shift the race in either direction as could national and world events.

Season football tickets to four home games are on sale at the high school, which reminds that Friday night is the opener with the Mountaineers of Kings Mountain versus the Trojans of Chase high school. The duceats sell for \$5, KMHS Secretary Martha Houser reminds. On the sports pages this week is result of the initial game of the season Friday and the report of the Mountaineer win.

**MARTIN'S MEDICINE**

By MARTIN HARMON

Just 29 years ago, George Laycock and Martin Harmon, co-editors of the *Blowing Rocker*, a weekly published during the "season" (June-Labor Day) by C. V. Henkel, Jr., of Statesville, had closed the books on the 1939 business, presenting Publisher Henkel an operating statement detailing the best season the weekly had enjoyed.

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While our pay was hardly world-shaking it may not have been too bad for that day and time. George and I split a 15 percent commission on the advertising receipts and C. V. furnished a press car. The press had passes to everything which also helped immeasurably. I don't recall our weekly earnings, but my working summer at *Blowing Rocker* cost my father only \$55, which was undoubtedly a bargain compared to my loafing at home.

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It was a very educational summer and I learned much from my confrere Laycock (in the fifties Cleveland Hospital Administrator) who was ten years my elder and who had already done two stints as a Buick district manager, been to Europe for a summer, around the world on another trek, and done a year's special work in journalism at Chapel Hill.

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Both of us learned much from the natives, mountain folk who still see the whites of a stranger's eyeballs before they warm to him, from the mercantile community, which included at least three firms owned by Assyrians, and from the wealthy and well-to-do who proved to be just folk, like their fellows less well-endowed.

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Two favorite spots were Mayview Manor (Saturday night dances) and the Green Park Hotel club. There was The Bark, for late snacks, the Carolina Cafe for sizzling steaks.

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Grover C. Robbins, Sr., was the mayor, as well as business entrepreneur. He was a realtor, partner in the Yonahasse Theatre, lessor of *Blowing Rock* itself, a thriving concession. Jack Craft was leasing Mayview and Paul Moldenhaur the Green Park. The golf pro was George Blags, a Scot, and his pretty brunette daughter was named Renee.

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Wilj Arey, Jr., of Shelby, Rocket co-editor the previous summer, and Charlie Cannon, Jr., were jousting for the favor of Louise Craft. Among my best friends was Tom Gordon, younger brother of the late opera singer Norman Gordon. Norman performed in a full-house concert for a local charity fund. A friend of mine, now an ophthalmic surgeon of prominence threatened to jump off the Rock if the girl with whom he was smitten did not wed him. At 17 her interest was horses, and my friend thought better of his threat, leaving the blow-back business to the legend of the Indian girl of long ago, handkerchiefs and old hats.

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It was the summer that Grover Robbins, Jr., but entreprenering his father today with Hound Ears Club, Tweetsie and various and sundry other projects of size, was buzzing the Rock in his light plane, cracked her up, and walked out without a scratch.

It was the summer that Nan Jean Gantt, won the junior division of the movie talent scout show at the theatre.

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Arey won Miss Craft and, after years in Panama with the State Department, is now chief of the United States Travel Bureau. Young Cannon, a flyer, died in World War II. Tom Gordon has passed. Laycock manages a charitable foundation in Connecticut.

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Mayview Manor, purchased from the Broyhill family by Henderson Belk, has lain dormant for two seasons. The more venerable Green Park, purchased by the Broyhills is operating with a full head of steam. The Carl Mayes' *Blowing Rock* home is nearby.

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A summer in the *Blowing Rocker* — Boone area I found quite sufficient to give me a Typhoid Mary type virus in favor of these mountains which I do not want to lose, and could not if I wished.

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And I've long wanted to be in the area in the fall, which I am.

Convention Hate-In

**SHAME**



**Viewpoints of Other Editors**

**MONEY-SAVER**

A small unit of the federal government is setting an example of efficiency and economy which might well be a model for giant bureaucracies in Washington.

Over the past 10 years, the Passport Office has found ways to save \$13 million for the taxpayers, and has put into the Treasury \$86 million in fees for issuing and renewing 11,440,000 passports.

Frances G. Knight, director, attributes the record to "working smarter rather than harder, thinking forward rather than backward, and examining carefully operational details in our constant search for more economy."

Output per man-year of employment soared from 1,404 passports in 1955 to 3,190 last year. Over the same span of time, the cost of issuing a passport has been slashed from \$3.47 per book to \$2.77, despite rising prices of paper, printing and salaries.

Modern telecommunications equipment clears name checks by computers within seconds. And last year, the office turned back to the State Department \$90,000 saved by a reduction of 19 employees.

These achievements and others are reviewed in Miss Knight's yearly report to her fellow workers, who are encouraged — indeed, prodded — to suggest better ways of doing their job.

"We have made such phenomenal progress, thanks to each one of you," the director writes, "that it is getting increasingly difficult to reach new highs." Which must help account for the notable record of the Passport Office.

Miss Knight has taken her lumps for disagreeing with superiors on points of policy. When it comes to giving good service and saving tax money, we wish these were a thousand like her.

**FLOWER POWER**

Some people eat humble pie. Others — if they are Americans — eat crew. If you are a Frenchman you "eat the morsel" to spill the beans. But what caught our eye the other day was a news item to the effect that children in the Royal Borough of Sutton Coldfield in England ate roses.

So loaded is today's atmosphere with the psychedelic that our first reaction was to wonder whether this was not the latest in current youthful experiments with the risky — even the perverted. But we should have known better, since this was Sutton Coldfield.

After all, it is a royal borough — like Kensington. This special status was conferred upon it by Henry VIII who went hunting in Sutton Park — now a public park noted for its hollies. Mulrhead's Guide tells us, alas, that the park is "marred by the railway." But apparently neither the railway nor the proximity of industrial Birmingham has marred the instinct of Sutton's children for history.

They ate roses — the news report explained — because they had seen a rose-eating ceremony at the local headquarters of the Royal Fusiliers. Yes, once a year on the anniversary of the Battle of Minden (1759), officers of the regiment eat a rose. Very British, of course. But it seems to us to make those young people of Sutton Coldfield the very best (and certainly the most authentic) kind of flower children. — *Christian Science Monitor*.

**PERILS OF THE PIANO**

Under the muse of Chairman Mao's precept, "making the past serve the present and foreign things serve China," a young Chinese musician composed a piano accompaniment to a new proletarian opera "The Red Lantern." The work tells of the heroic struggles of a railworker's family during the Japanese invasion of World War II.

Now the piano has long been a favorite of the Chinese bourgeoisie, and in the Communist New China it has become a symbol of revisionism. Such antirevolutionary, reactionary forces as would keep alive alien, feudal, capitalist influences were charged with using the piano's sounding board for propagandizing.

When loyal musicians tried to act on Chairman Mao's call for a new musical literature in 1964, they first experimented with piano arrangements of revolutionary songs. The counterrevolutionaries panned them.

Then came the first hearing of the revolutionary symphony "Shachiapang" on National Day in 1965. By this time, the Communist clique, led by Mao lieutenant Comrade Chiang Ching (his wife), had stiffened its resolve and kept public applause from wilting.

In May, 1967, the first Peking opera aria with piano accompaniment was performed in Tien An Men Square, further liberating the piano for the sake of the workers and peasants. The battle with the revisionists was not over, however, as they were charged with condemning the instrument as "criminal" to discredit it.

And now the full flowering of the piano in Peking opera is being hailed as a "heavy blow dealt against the counter-revolutionary line in literature and art" — swelling to a climax a melodrama that seems as if it could have been viewed in a silent movie house. In the background, an old upright. — *Christian Science Monitor*.

**BIG LAND BRIDGE**

American railroads, in the grip of transformation, have openly embraced a new concept — that of forming a giant land bridge for containerized hauling of goods from the Orient to Europe and vice versa.

The new Penn Central is in the forefront of this, announcing that it already has set things up tentatively with the Santa Fe, and that it will also deal with any other railroad that can meet it in Chicago or St. Louis and carry the goods to container ports on the Pacific.

The Atlantic ports, according to Penn Central executive vice president Henry W. Large, include Philadelphia along with Boston, New York, Baltimore, and Norfolk. The advantages would be to the shipper, to the railroads and certainly to the national defense, agents of which are highly interested.

Envisioned is a five-day cross-continent haul, from port to port, on an 80-car train carrying 180 40-foot containers, or 320 20-foot containers. There would be a flat rate, and a savings in time and

**10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK**

Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events taken from the 1957 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

City football fans will have better seating accommodations, apparently by the opening conference home game with Cherrylee Sept. 19th. Waco Sportswear, Inc. was to make its first shipment of sweaters Wednesday.

**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL**

Mrs. Charles Alexander was elected recording secretary of the Credit Women's Breakfast club Wednesday at the group's regular meeting at Gastonia Elks club. Mrs. Howard B. Jackson was hostess Monday afternoon at her home to members of the Duplicate Bridge club.

**READING AROUND**

Australia has a national pastime as popular as tennis: Thousands of people listen daily by radio to the proceedings of its Parliament, which corresponds to our Congress.

If you wonder why such a feature over the air is popular, consider this: In Australia, you have to vote. By national law, interest in politics is enforced — so the radio audience merely reflects the interest of those who want to know what they're doing when they go to the polls. — *Dallas News*

subsequent costs. The military is already shipping by container wherever it can, mostly from Pacific ports. There are predictions that 60 percent of military cargo will move that way by 1975.

Philadelphia has now only the beginnings of containerized berthing. If there ever was a warning to hurry the job along, the Penn Central's proposal has provided it. — *Philadelphia Bulletin*.

**KINGS MOUNTAIN Hospital Log**  
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3 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.  
Daily 10:30 To 11:30 a.m.

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- Henry Bailey
- Mrs. Ira Benfield
- Mrs. John Cloninger
- Mrs. Carrie Frye
- Mr. M. L. Harmon
- Mrs. Minnie Herdon
- Mr. Anthony Holden
- Mrs. Sidney Huffstetler
- Mrs. Grace Philbeck
- Mrs. Will Pryor
- Mr. William Roper
- Mrs. Fairy Sellers
- Mrs. Ida Smith
- Mr. Julius Stamey
- Mr. Garland Still
- Mr. Jack Anthony
- Mrs. Clarence Batchler
- Mrs. Eva Bridges
- Mrs. Mollie Goforth
- Mrs. William Houser
- Mrs. Buddy Jones
- Mrs. Mack Jordan
- Mrs. Florence Lynn
- Mrs. Mary Myers
- Mrs. Johney McClure
- Mrs. Frank Reynolds
- Mrs. Cleo Van Dyke
- Mrs. Loyd Woods
- Mrs. Clara Wright
- Mrs. Vennie Crawford

**ADMITTED THURSDAY**

Mrs. Glenn White, Bessemer City

**ADMITTED FRIDAY**

Mrs. John Queen, 1605 Shelby Road  
Mr. David Lawing, 113 Cleveland Ave.  
Mrs. John Morris, Rt. 1  
Miss Bessie Phillips, 709 Gantt St.  
Mr. James Sisk, Box 189  
Mr. Gene Wehant, Rt. 3  
Wayne Stewart, Rt. 1

**ADMITTED SATURDAY**

Mrs. Virgie Cole, 908 Grace St.  
Mrs. Henry Gilliland, Box 93

**ADMITTED SUNDAY**

Mr. Palmer Camp, Box 333, Grover  
Mrs. Carrie Stirwalt, Bessemer City  
Mr. James A. Smith, Grover  
Mrs. Thomas Hill, Rt. 1, Bessemer City  
Mr. Bobby Rhea, 410 ulton Rd.  
Mr. Charles Wilson, 308 Silver St.

**ADMITTED MONDAY**

Mrs. Calvin Crawford, 221 Brice St.  
Mrs. Bobby Bridges, 201 ulton Rd.  
Mrs. George Thornburg, Rt. 1, Grover  
Mr. William Peeler, 1070 Elam Rd.

**ADMITTED TUESDAY**

Mrs. Eunice Holcombe, 103 Myers St.  
Mrs. Essie Ledford, Rt. 1, Cherrylee  
Mrs. Jesse Reynolds, 620 S. Railroad Ave.  
Mrs. Peter Putnam, Rt. 2  
Mrs. Philip Carter, 319 Hill St.  
Ann Marie Crawford, 508 W. Gold St.  
Mrs. Etta Connor, 300 York Rd.  
Mrs. Leon Schrock, 1916 Lake Hill Rd., Baltimore  
Mrs. Bessie Wilson, Rt. 1  
Mrs. Horace Hardy, 109 Mountain View St., Gastonia  
Mrs. Pauline Kimbrell, 106 N. Dilling St.  
Mrs. James Brooks, 220 N. Weldon St., Gastonia  
Mrs. Eueal Smith, 1 Poplar Ct.  
Mrs. Joseph Tesseneer, Jr., 101 Myers St.

**FROM CONVENTION**

American Legion Post 155 Commander Carl Wiesener, Joe H. McDaniel, Jr., Ray Cline and Charles Dixon returned Tuesday after attending the 50th national convention of the American Legion in New Orleans, La. They represented American Legion Post 155.

**QUEEN MARY COURT**

Queen Mary's Court No. 5 will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m., according to announcement by Mrs. Roy Brown.

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