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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory. Philippians 4:19.

Read It Again

Biblical students will confirm that re-reading of the Bible, whether for the second time or for the fiftieth, reveals insights of truth which had been missed in previous readings.

The same is true for the Constitution of the United States, this amazing, generic document which is the legal base for this nation's being.

How could the men of the late eighteenth century been as prescient?

After its initial enactment, the Constitution has been amended only 12 times in the intervening years, actually a net of ten, since a subsequent amendment nullified Number 18, the Volstead prohibition amendment, which President Herbert Hoover labeled "the noble experiment". It was, of course, an experiment that failed.

The Constitution is more than a legal base, it is this nation's base of democracy.

Sir Winston Churchill said in Parliament in 1956: there are those who contend that democracy is the worse form of government, to which I am inclined to agree, except that it has been far more successful than any other form yet tried.

The "Warren Supreme Court" (there are nine justices but the Chief Justice reaps the credits) has been much managed by many individuals. The Warren Court is not the first to be maligned, nor will it be the last. Yet the interpretative services of the Supreme Court through all the years have kept this venerable document up-to-date.

Read the Constitution again during Constitution week 1968.

Homelock Expand

Announcement by Carolina Throwing Company officials of a mammoth expansion which will increase productive capacity by about 90 percent is quite as good news as the recent announcements of decision of other firms to become industrial citizens of Kings Mountain.

Overtones are that local industry expansion may be even better.

The obvious inference is that the people on scene have found a happy climate in which to operate, from the standpoint of available experienced personnel, available trainable personnel, low-cost municipal services, and favorable ad valorem tax rates.

Since its founding a dozen years ago, Carolina Throwing Company has been expanding continually, a commendation to the management for its imagination and productive know-how.

Fair At Majority

Legal age in North Carolina remains 21, which means that the Bethware Fair, this year, is officially and legally a grown man.

Most folk have thought it grown up all the time, as, since the first fair 71 years ago, the annual event has proved one of the more enjoyable of the early fall season.

It is a community fair in fact as well as name, provides all the trappings necessary for good clean fun and without some others that should be left off anyway.

Congratulations to Dr. Cobia Dwight Goforth who recently earned his doctorate in zoology at the University of Tennessee.

The instant news lads of the television tube can attempt to crucify Chicago's Mayor Daley all they wish concerning his firm and/or strong arm (take your choice) means of maintaining law and order. The Chicago Mayor, early in the season promised exactly what was doled out. It is charged some innocents were brutalized which poses the question: why weren't they home instead of milling around with the hippies and yuppies?

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By MARTIN HARMON

Summertime is waning and a bit faster in the mountains where occasional clumps of trees are already taking on the riotous hues of autumn. It's mid-September.

September is summertime putting away some of her lush greenery and getting ready to depart the scene of her fruitful warmth... It is frost flowers showing along the roadsides and the goldenrods, with their fleecy canes bringing splashes of vivid color to hedgerow and fence corner... It is the nervous twittering of the birds in the shortened daylight, as they sense the days of their leave-taking are near... September is the time of ripening... It is fodder in the shock and the burley tobacco, cut and impaled on up-ended sticks, drying in the crisp air—like tiny pale tepees... It's golden pumpkins and red apples, great globs of purplish, frosty-looking weed blossoms and the warm breath of the motors leaving vapor trails in the cool of the morning... September is a fruitful span between hot days and growing things and fun in the sun and October's gaudy color and the frigid gales of winter-time... September is school again and summer residents taking their leave... It's the sound of katydids, raspingly telling of things to come and it's the first household heat when evening's shadows fall... September is a turning point and an open gate, a time of fulfillment and the tremulous cadence of the screech owl in the dead of night.

That description of waning summer in the mountains comes from a native who has watched and recorded the mutations of many Septembers in the Boone area. It is from the typewriter of my longtime friend Robert R. Rivers, Jr., editor of the Waukegan Democrat, a weekly newspaper of high quality which pre-dates the Kings Mountain Herald and its several predecessor forebears by one year. The Democrat was established in 1888.

For 45 years Robert C. Rivers, Sr., was the publisher. Now listed on the masthead is a third generation Rivers, Rachel, who is managing editor.

The building I knew which housed the Democrat nearly three decades ago has been doubled in size, but a typewriter desk sits at the exact spot I used many weeks to type news copy and headlines for the Blowing Rock paper. Today, though an electric typewriter graces the desk.

I dropped by the Democrat about noon closing time last Saturday and chatted briefly with Mr. Rivers. "Still newspapering, I guess?" Mr. Rivers' was more statement than question. "Oh, yes," I replied. "You know when you're holding a bear by the tail it's sometimes hard to turn loose." He laughed. "Bet there are times you want to."

The conversation turned to politics. My friend is true to his newspaper's name, both Democrat and democrat. No, he didn't go to Chicago, first time he'd missed a Democratic convention in 20 or more years. "I had press tickets, but it didn't suit to go. But I wasn't scared of getting killed."

How about Cousin Hubert Horatio?

Pretty good, if he doesn't talk too much, he commented, adding, "You remember what I said 20 years ago? Not only did I remember, but I've told the story several hundred times. My wife and I married less than a week, were visiting with him and talking about the recent Philadelphia convention to which he had been a delegate. "I like Mr. Truman fine," I said, "but couldn't you folk have chosen a candidate more popular."

"I know what you mean," Mr. Rivers replied, "and I kinda had the same feeling until I got to Philadelphia. But you know, I can feel it coming on. About the first of October I'm going to be 'the hottest Truman supporter in Waukegan County.'"

He added that he had made "articular point in his Philadelphia talk to working people, the 'ab drivers who took him to 'Convention Hall and the waitresses in the restaurants. "Martin," he said, "the working people like Mr. Truman."

Delegate Rivers showed similar political prescience four years later. He was one of five North Carolina delegates (Kerr 'cott was another) who voted or nominated Adlai Stevenson on the first ballot. The rest of the delegation were wasting their votes on Senator Richard Russell of Georgia.

Politics in Waukegan County is hard-fought. It is a close county and neither Democrats nor Republicans give much quarter. And the incidence of the "independent" is infinitesimally small. In Waukegan, either you is or you ain't!

"He Just Looked At The Prices"



Henry McCarn

Viewpoints of Other Editors

THE CONSTITUTION

ED. NOTE—Mr. Thomasson is an attorney-at-law and judge of Kings Mountain Recorder's Court.

A little known fact to most of us is that the Constitution of the United States was adopted One Hundred and Eighty-One years ago Tuesday. I think that it is fitting that during these days of trial and tribulation in the United States, we should set aside the week of September 17-23 as Constitution Week so that we can all reflect on the meaning of the Constitution. To me, the Constitution is the backbone of American law. All of our Democratic processes are based on the Constitution; Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Religion, States Rights, and so forth.

In order to protect our Constitution, we should show proper respect for law and order. Violence and riots are an end result of disrespect for our Constitution and what it means. We don't have to go to the big cities either to find this disrespect.

The Supreme Court of the United States has done more than any other single body to undermine the Constitution. In their effort to protect the rights of individuals and criminals as in the Miranda and Gault cases, they have distorted the real meaning of our Constitution, and this process will continue until there is a change of personnel on the bench. I look forward to getting a weekly newsletter from Senator Sam Ervin, Jr. because he is one of the remaining stalwarts in defending and protecting the Constitution as its meaning was intended by our forefathers who adopted it on September 17, 1787.

We should read the Constitution for ourselves and see its true meaning and in doing so, we shall all gain a true perspective on the meaning of respect for law and order and devotion to God and our Country. America will continue to progress under our Constitution. Let us do what we can to guide it in the right direction.

George B. Thomasson

LIKE SCOUTS. PREACHERS HAVE TO BE PREPARED

Mail messages for Greensboro and Goldsboro often get mixed up. What is intended for Greensboro goes to Goldsboro and vice versa. The other Sunday First Presbyterian church of Goldsboro had arranged to have a visiting pastor come from Richmond for the morning service. The pastor, mistaking the city which wanted him, bought a plane ticket to Greensboro.

Arriving at the Guilford capital he asked someone at the airport desk to tell him how to get to the First Presbyterian church. The party did. And the visitor went to the church before he discovered he was in the wrong city. The minister telephoned First Presbyterian in Goldsboro and explained his predicament.

Fortunately the minister, son-in-law of Mrs. A. K. Robertson, the Rev. Jack Ware, of Fort Arthur, Texas, a Presbyterian minister, was in a pew at Goldsboro's First Presbyterian church waiting for the service to begin. The head usher touched him on the shoulder, whispered to him the details of the mix-up and asked him to fill the pulpit. The Rev. Mr. Ware agreed and went to the pulpit to begin the service.

Henry Belk in Goldsboro News-Argus

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.

The Wall Street Journal reported last week that Scranton Corporation, parent company of Craftsman Yarns of Kings Mountain, had announced purchase of the Mutual Broadcasting Company, Inc., a radio broadcasting network with 446 affiliate stations.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL Last Wednesday the September meeting of the House and Garden club was held at the home of Mrs. Jacob Cooper. Mrs. Paul Neisler, president, presided.

HORROR ON TELEVISION

Are there limits television reporting should observe, or has it the license of a Goya to depict the horrors of war? Films have been taken in Nigeria of a murder and a judicial execution. It is right to show them, with or without editing? The case for showing them is part of the general case for the truthful reporting, in any medium, of events as they happen. It is a good thing that people everywhere should be made aware of the nature of the wars that are in progress. It excites their concern and assists their judgment.

Television, because of the vivacity of its images, is an especially potent instrument for doing this. Its coverage of the Vietnam war, the occupation of Prague, and the Biafran conflict has undeniably and beneficially heightened its audience's understanding of these conflicts. Where death, suffering and the commission of atrocities occur they are part of the character of the conflict, and they ought to be made known.

The case against showing films of the extremes of pain or savagery is of a different kind. Nor does it rest simply on a respect for people's susceptibilities. Public executions were discontinued in this country long before executions were discontinued. That was because they came to be regarded as spectacles pandering to sadistic or morbid curiosity. The same objection can be raised when television brings a public execution in verisimilitude into every home. ... Apart from the perversion which television films of such a kind can feed, there is the more straightforward consequence that repeated exposure to vicarious brutality and suffering may induce callousness.

It must remain a matter of judgment whether the showing of a particular film does more harm than good in particular circumstances. But there are two general rules of guidance to be observed. Details of suffering or brutality should never be shown beyond what is strictly necessary to illuminate the public concerning the character of the events reported. And never should television camera teams film events of this kind which appear in any way to be staged for their benefit, or influenced for the worse by their presence. The general tendency of television to modify the course of an event merely by its presence is well known. It is not impossible that this tendency could aggravate savageries it is sought to record.

The Times, (London)

A HALE TIME

The advent of fall is a bracing time. The mature colorations—reds and yellows and browns and oranges—begin to crown the long summer period of determined, arch-green growth.

The air is clear of vapor waves and haze exhalations. It is a time to ride in the country and collect vivid impressions to stay one through the visually dampening days of winter.

The ducks and geese and lesser birds—those that prefer not to stay far out of touch of summer—are already in their courtings to the South. Those humans with the patience to wait out the summer months for their vacations are being rewarded by engaging nature at her ripest moment.

But fall in the city is grand too. Restaurants too far to reach in hot weather now seem irresistible destinations for a lunch-hour walk. The hustle of the ride to and from work seems freer of the irritations of hotter weather. Yard chores are performed when almost any excuse to be outdoors is welcome.

all is a hale time, which does not allow for petty abridgements of vision. Welcome.

The Christian Science Monitor

OLD SOLDIER

The most cheerful story we've noticed in this period of largely uncheerful ones is the short item that General Dwight Eisenhower is making such favorable progress, following his seventh heart attack, that daily bulletins on his health will be discontinued. The General's indomitable courage is beginning to convince the nation that some old soldiers not only don't die but don't even fade away.

The Wall Street Journal

HAS ITS DRAWBACKS

The trouble with blowing one's own horn is that it seldom leaves any wind for climbing. — Construction Digest.

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

PATIENTS IN KINGS MOUNTAIN HOSPITAL AS OF NOON WEDNESDAY:

- Henry G. Bailey Nettie J. Benfield Claude P. Camp Ethel G. Cloninger Vennie L. Crawford Martin L. Harmon Minnie E. Herndon Anthony W. Holden Sidney D. Huffstetter Josie H. Queen Ida L. Smith Julius P. Stamey Garland R. Still Arthur E. Williams Bessie S. Wilson Cynthia T. Creighton Alice H. Hardy William F. Houser Mary K. Jordan David Lawing Florence Lynn Mary S. Myers Margaret F. McClure Opal E. Schrock James T. Sisk Shelby J. Smith Judy K. Tesseneer Cleo R. Van Dyke Virginia Wilson Jane E. Woods Clara B. Wright Mollie C. Goforth

ADMITTED THURSDAY Floyd R. Falls, Shelby Jonah B. Falls, Kings Mountain

ADMITTED FRIDAY Thomas A. Pollock, Kings Mountain Mary L. Barnes, Shelby John H. Mitchem, Kings Mountain Evelyn H. Moss, Kings Mountain

ADMITTED SATURDAY Zelma B. Hay, Bessemer City Mary G. Honeycutt, Forest City Doris Webb Pendleton, Gastonia Martha J. Wilson, Kings Mountain Trula S. Payseur, Bessemer City

ADMITTED SUNDAY Clara A. Anderson, Bessemer City Katie W. Boyce, Kings Mountain Pamela L. Goodson, Bessemer City Effie B. Sanders, Kings Mountain

ADMITTED MONDAY Elliott Hill, Kings Mountain Shirley A. Barrett, Kings Mountain Betty H. Beam, Cherryville Manning E. Carroll, Grover Louise L. Cole, Kings Mountain S. T. Geentry, Kings Mountain Dennis R. Ledbetter, Kings Mountain Williams H. Lewis, Kings Mountain Steven D. Williams, Shelby Mildred D. Painter, Gastonia Arnold Philbeck, Grover Gail A. Raby, Bessemer City Joyce L. Cook, Shelby Rebecca S. T. Laurent, Bessemer City

ADMITTED TUESDAY Gertrude Smith, Grover Blanche P. Turner, Gastonia Arthur Cooper, Belmont

Birth

Announcements

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Bolin, Kings Mountain, a girl, September 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bickley, Kings Mountain, a boy, September 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Rhodes, Bessemer City, a girl, September 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Anderson, Bessemer City, a girl, September 15.

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