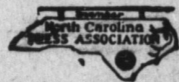




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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

Humphrey vs. Nixon vs. Wallace (Agnew vs. Muskie vs. LeMay)

One of the nation's less-exciting presidential political campaigns nears its end.

Indeed, had it not been for the entry of George Wallace into the arena as a "serious" candidate, the voters likely would have stayed home in droves. The platforms of the two major political parties, and, more important, the men who espouse these platforms, are considerably less than poles apart.

Vice-President Humbert Humphrey and ex-Vice-President Richard Nixon are former co-members of the Senate Club, both have served in the Number 2 role, and both are moderates in the political spectrum. The differences are in degree, both on the international and domestic issues and problems facing the nation today. Both are "hawks" as far as the Vietnam War is concerned, Nixon not quite as much as in 1954 when he urged us — then — to spell the defeated French, for which he was rapped on the knuckles by the boss, President Eisenhower. Mr. Humphrey is less a hawk, too, than a few months ago, but both candidates want "peace with honor".

This newspaper wrote a few kind remarks, if any, about Mr. Nixon in 1960 and couldn't have. The Charlotte Observer wrote in the spring that many don't like him but can't phrase why. The Herald knew the why of his antipathy, regarding Mr. Nixon as a crass opportunist of most insincere kind. This judgment has been dissipated since Nixon's smashing defeat by Pat Brown in the

1962 gubernatorial joust in California. In a way, in his own mind, it was Mr. Nixon's first defeat. Though his loss to President J. F. Kennedy was real enough, Nixon thought he lost to a fast count. Before that the Nixon record — from Duke Law school, to navy, to both branches of Congress, to the vice-presidency, was continuing success.

Mr. Wallace will poll a larger percentage of the vote than any splinter party candidate since Teddy Roosevelt in 1912 and perhaps more than Roosevelt. Wallace is the hawkier of the hawks on Vietnam. The bulk of his strength will be in the Southern states, but the key questions are: how many will he attain in the other areas of the 50 states and who will he hurt more?

Wallace is for law and order, for states rights and for plenty of "no strings" federal money returned to the states. Surely he will come to the banner of Mother Love and the Boy Scouts before the campaign ends.

In the choice of vice-presidential nominees, Mr. Humphrey's Senator Muskie is the clear standout. Governor Spiro Agnew has a pitiable and painful case of hoof-in-mouth disease and General LeMay is a general — as the late President Kennedy was quoted, an ideal man to lead a bomber run but not the man to decide when or where.

The nation would get more dynamic leadership from the Humphrey-Muskie team.

Whitener vs. Broyhill

The citizens of the 10th North Carolina Congressional district will return a Congressman to Washington Tuesday week and will return the losing opponent to civilian status.

Hindstight figures from prior elections, none of them quite comparable to the current re-districted situation, indicate a close race and the edge for Whitener.

The major "if" — and a big one — is the turnout of voters in Cleveland and Gaston counties, where Mr. Whitener, the Democrat seeking a seventh term, is homefolk. Mr. Broyhill's home county is Caldwell, a nominally closely divided county between Mr. Broyhill's Republicans and the Democrats. Here Mr. Whitener will show gains over the Broyhill opponents of 1964 and 1966. Mr. Broyhill seeks a fourth term.

Both men are personable, both have tended the needs of citizens of their districts well. On basis of a United States Chamber of Commerce rating, Mr. Whitener is 19 percentage points right of center, while Mr. Broyhill is 43 points to the right of center.

Mr. Broyhill's "zag" to starboard on domestic matters is too much.

This Tax Down

Come January 1, North Carolina employers will find at least one tax bill pared. It is the unemployment compensation tax, where the minimal rate will drop from .3 of one percent to .1 of one percent of the taxable payroll (up to \$3,000 of each employee's earnings).

This tax, paid solely by employers, provides unemployment compensation benefits to employees when there is no work available. As of June 1, employers' aggregate balance was \$3,315 million dollars. It was only a few years ago that the balance was a mere \$1.82 million dollars.

The happy and direct indicator of this improving balance is the fact the big problem of employment security branch offices throughout North Carolina today is finding workers to fill job orders — not taking claims for unemployment insurance business. In New York — not North Carolina — a striking employee collects unemployment benefits, a direct cost to the struck employer and patently unfair. In other words, the striker is paid to strike by the one he's striking against.

North Carolina does subsidize pregnancy by paying non-working employees on that grounds. Put it down to something like a stork shower.

Scott vs. Gardner

"Linthead" Jack Stickley, Tooth dentist Reginald Hawkins and Legal Eagle Mel Broughton were scratched by the voters in the May primaries.

Let it be hoped and prayed the Hamburger Man, sometime absentee Congressman from the fourth North Carolina district, will be returned to his old job by Milkman Bob Scott.

The Democrats will continue in solid control of the General Assembly after the November 5 voting. Democratic Chairman Jim Johnston pledges party governmental responsibility in the unlikely event that Jim Gardner is elected governor. But the likelihood is that North Carolina would stagnate for the ensuing four years.

If Dick Nixon (see above) was a crass opportunist, Jim Gardner is worse. He even insults the people by inferring they can neither read nor write nor understand his say - anything - for - a - vote policy.

This guy Gardner, phew!

A Second Term

Mayor John Henry Moss was installed recently as chairman of the Cleveland County Organization of Governmental Officials, its short form name being CAGO.

It marks a second term at the helm for Kings Mountain's Mayor and is indicative of the good work he performed before. It was under his menage that the organization broadened to include representation from all incorporated communities of the county and the organization has been more effective since, with responsible and responsive membership from all sections of the county.

A best bow and good wishes to Mayor Moss and his work with CAGO.

To Vote You Must

A citizen must be registered on the county elections books if he is to vote. Registration books will close at the 28 county precincts Saturday.

Citizens not sure they are registered should check Saturday with their precinct registrar. Registration on the city books does not qualify for the upcoming general election.

Citizens who expect to be away on election day, November 5, should apply for absentee ballots IMMEDIATELY. Write or telephone Ralph Gilbert, Chairman, Cleveland County Elections Board, Shelby, phone 482-3401.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By MARTIN HARMON

A weekend with political overtones. . . .

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These Hebronite aren't too interested in politics and some fall to evidence much interest in any candidate. The head count here is 20, maximum rated capacity, including nine North Carolinians, five South Carolinians, and five Georgians and one hybrid, a Floridian radioman native of Connecticut.

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Needless to say, George Wallace would fare fairly well. There are four old-fashioned, dyed-in-the-wool Democrats who vote very quickly by marking the "X" for the straight ticket. All say they aren't concerned about particular personalities, but vote the "pore man's ticket". Jim, the "mad Rooslan" as he is now nicknamed, said he lost his bearings while living in Maryland some years ago and has been apologizing ever since.

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Until No. 20 arrived last week, the Nixonites were content to growl about LBJ's performance (few specifics), the war, high taxes, or some such.

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An articulate Nixon supporter, this Charlottean was a law school classmate of Senator Jack White. We busted inferred curfew and talked 'til midnight and we closed shop sure in our minds that the other was a candidate for a Section 8 — and said as much.

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Saturday in the metropolis of Boone, I visited Democrat headquarters, claimed the next-to-last Humphrey button available, as an eastern Tar Heel (for Wallace) claimed the last one of Scott's. There were also bumper stickers. Remembering my friend David Neill's dastardly act of 1952, I decided to repay by appending a Humphrey-Muskie sticker over Grandfather Mountain model on the front tag slot.

The director of the Hebron Establishment would not have approved. All the while my newfound Charlotte friend was up to the same mayhem. He visited Republican headquarters across the street and had decorated my bumper sticker with a Nixon-Agnew sticker. Fortunately, I discovered same before getting the bus on the public roads. That's what Dave, then my next-door neighbor, had done to me in '52 — had me driving to church with an "I Like Ike" advertising piece on the bumper. Of course, I was liking Ike all right, but not for President. After 24 hours, Dave could hold rein on himself no longer, and had to give me the horse laugh.

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One little brilliant girl accompanied her father into Democratic headquarters. As he helped himself to buttons, stickers and other paraphanelia of the season, I asked the young lady, "How are you going to vote?" "Like my Daddy," this smart seven-year-old replied.

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My wife, teaching fourth grade, is teaching her youngsters the election process, felt somewhat traitorous at coming home with nothing but Nixon materials (the pore Democrats were out there, too), and admitted to feeling strange even darkening the Nixon door.

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Sunday afternoon we visited the Billy Mauneys at their recently acquired Blowing Rock home, with its panoramic view of the beautiful John's River Valley. Billy had spent a Saturday's work insulating the water pipes and getting a cut-off valve on the outside spigots. The former owner, a British subject, had commuted for 20 years between Blowing Rock in the summers and the Bahamas in the winter and always cut off the whole system.

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The Mauneys bought the place lock, stock and barrel, including the bed lines. Rep. Mauney was particularly pleased with the bathroom serving the master bedroom, fixtures of which are in the continental motif.

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Bill is in that happy role of a candidate without opposition, has enjoyed the fall rally season.

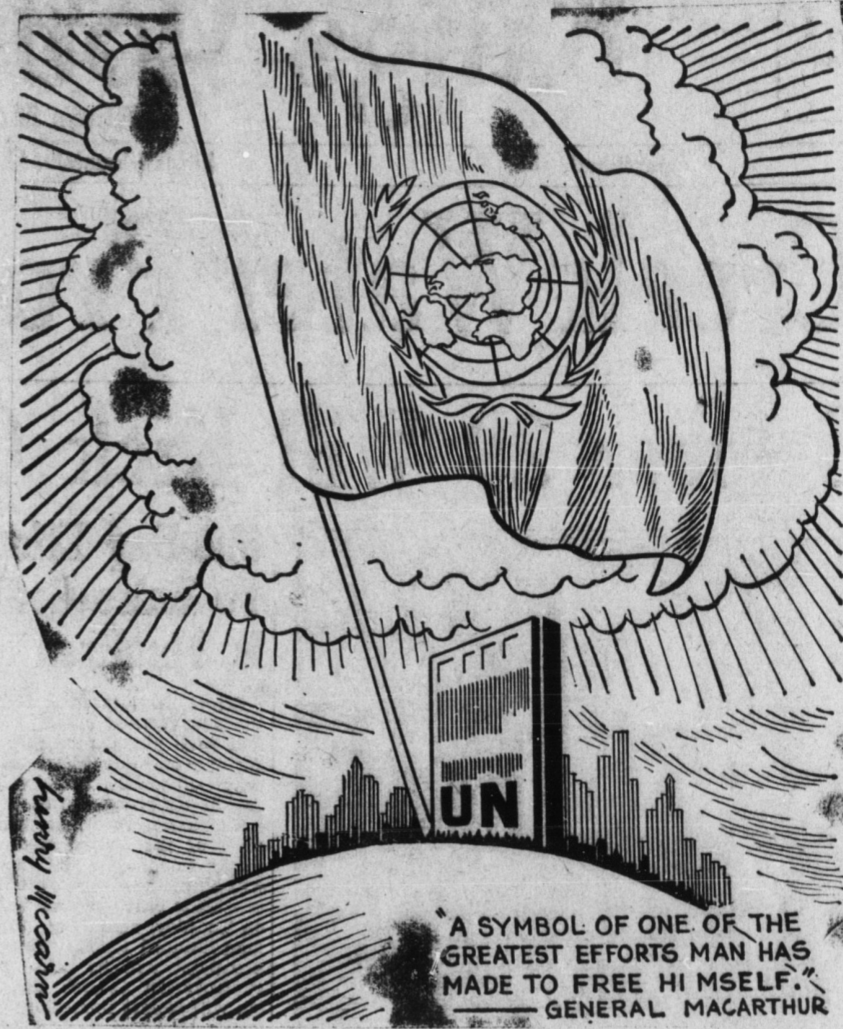
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Bob Maner, another of my Republican friends, wrote in optimistic terms about his ticket and I have called his bet that Jim Broyhill will get the margin over Basil Whitener in the West Kings Mountain box. No bank-breaking loss is in store for either, just a ten-cent shooter (soft drink).

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Commercial Appeal (Memphis)

TODAY'S HOPE FOR PEACE



Viewpoints of Other Editors

TIMELY, BUT OVERDUE

The award of the Nobel Prize for literature to novelist Yasunari Kawabata, the first Japanese to receive it, comes at a time when the chief world confrontation is between the Asian and Western cultures. In this it is timely.

But as Harvard University Professor and former Ambassador to Japan Edwin O. Reischauer points out, "The award was a long-overdue though happy sign of the West getting over its parochialism." Actually, Japan has had a thriving literary school throughout its modern era, which has seen it emerge as a political and economic power.

In all fairness, the West's parochialism has been in part due to the fewness of the translations of Japanese works. Also, Kawabata's and others' works are not "world novels"; that is, the Japanese artist tends to live apart from the mainstream of even his own land's political struggles and does not comment on them as such. He tends to live an ingrown life, in the tradition of other great Japanese writers as long ago as the 8th century.

What is significant about the award is its affirmation of the qualities of balance, poetic insight, and exquisite form in the great Oriental cultures. Of these, only Japan's is vital today. China, which had some writers of promise but a couple of decades ago, now has decimated its arts with the cultural revolution. And India's only strong writers are working in English, not an indigenous tongue.

This is not to say that "Oriental" and "Western" thought will ever totally merge. Differences are too basic. Monotheism and the emphasis on good and evil are not traits of Asian thinking. And the Asian notion of the absorption of identity into an overbrooding being is the exact opposite of the Christian belief in the permanence of the individual being.

Nonetheless, the sensitivity of the Asian artist is something all Westerners should value, and no finer master of such sensitivity can be found than Yasunari Kawabata.

Christian Science Monitor

TUSKEGEE POWER

Tuskegee, Ala., has long reflected the best of Negro aims and accomplishments. It was there that Booker T. Washington, one who publicly and privately did much for black people, started Tuskegee Institute and attracted white financial support.

Now in an age when militancy and separatism are often preached, the Negroes of Tuskegee, a majority in the town, have exercised their legitimate black voting power by re-electing a white mayor over a black opponent and by electing one white and four blacks to the city council.

Regardless of the politicians involved, it is encouraging to find that black voters who clearly have the power to elect a black mayor can vote for a white man. Let us hope that black and white voters all over the South and the nation will demonstrate such maturity and that bloc voting will be replaced by interracial divisions within the electorate on issues and the individual qualifications of candidates.

Commercial Appeal (Memphis)

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.

Peggy Black, Central high school senior, was chosen recently by her fellow classmates and senior sponsors to receive the Daughters of the American Revolution Citizenship award.

The annual Floral Fair attracted large crowds despite Wednesday's rainy weather. Mrs. W. M. Gantt copped the sweepstakes award for winning the most blue ribbons in the show.

SC JAIL AND PERSONAL Miss Melba Rebecca Falls and Robert Ray Seism were married Saturday in a 5 p.m. wedding in Patterson Grove Baptist church.

IMPERFECT INVENTORY

If your car won't start easily you've got a lot of company. Of 71,547,000 calls for help received last year by 820 motor clubs and 24,000 automotive service stations affiliated with the American Automobile Association 43 per cent involved battery, starter and ignition failures. This was a 20 per cent increase from the previous year.

Flat tires accounted for 14 million calls, or 20 per cent of the total. This was a 5.9 per cent decrease. Eleven and a half million cars got stuck in snow or mud or broke down so badly that they had to be towed to garages, but this large number was 28.6 per cent lower than that for 1966. Motorists who lost their keys, locked themselves outside their cars or broke them trying to unlock their car doors numbered only 667,000 in 1967, 22 percent fewer than the year before.

The figures indicate that the horseless carriage is far from troublefree even at this late date. But, whereas Grandpa had to get out and under, today's motorist has merely to call for help. He may have to walk to a telephone, however, and that is tough on legs accustomed to wheels.

The Oregonian

TIME FOR LOVING KINDNESS

We are grateful to Philip Larkin for bringing the poet and novelist Thomas Hardy to our thought again.

Unlike more famous poets with more enormous ambitions, Hardy aspired no higher than to have "some poem or group of poems" included in some volume like the Golden Treasury of Verse. This despite his fame as a novelist.

Mr. Larkin says of Hardy in "The Listener": "He's not a transcendental writer, he's not a Yeats, he's not an Elliot; his subjects are men, the life of men, time and the passing of time, love and the fading of love. . . there is almost every Hardy poem . . . there is a little spinal cord of thought and each has a little tune of its own, and this is something you can say of very few poets."

For Hardy, gentleness was all. In these times when raging emotions are mistaken for conviction in thought, his sensitivity to the small gestures of kindness and deference is worth recalling. As in his regret over a broken appointment:

Christian Science Monitor

Letter To Editor

I would like to reply to the letter by Mrs. Walter Kinley that was published in the Herald last week. It is so unfortunate when people have such letters published without first trying to ascertain the facts. In this case, Mrs. Kinley has condemned the coaching staff of our school without checking on what actually happened.

The coaches were quite aware of what had happened to the injured player. The "young boy", referred to by Mrs. Kinley, who came to the assistance of the injured player was the student trainer of the team. There are two of these young men who have attended clinics in Greensboro on athletic injuries for the past two summers and have had much instruction from the coaching staff on athletic injuries. It is their duty to check the players when they have superficial injuries and report to the coach. This injury happened to be a very common one in football, and the coaches were quite aware of what was happening.

The player was left on the sidelines during the half and for the remainder of the game at his own request. He wanted to see the rest of the game and treatment for the injury, ice and elevation of the leg, could be carried on here as well as in the dressing room. He also requested that he be left on the field at halftime to spare him the pain of moving to the dressing room and back again.

I know the deep personal interest that the coaching staff has for each of the players under their care. I know that if they do not know or understand the extent of an injury to one of these boys, they have a doctor standing by at each game who is immediately available for consultation. Mrs. Kinley's intimation that these men do not care for the total welfare of the young

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- Mrs. W. M. Bonds
- Mrs. Bertha Bright
- Mrs. Betsy Caldwell
- Mrs. Ernest Clemmer
- Mr. Arthur Cornwell
- Mr. John Gantt
- Mrs. Ida Hambricht
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Mrs. Loretta Wells, 800 Third St.

Mrs. L. B. Sprouse, P. O. Box 135

ADMITTED FRIDAY

Mrs. Mary Johnson, Rt. 1

Mrs. Jimmy Gann, 415 Bennett St.

Mrs. Carrie Goode, 809 N. Piedmont Ave.

Mrs. Roy Morrison, 333 Mid-pines

Mrs. Charles Sinclair, Rt. 2

Mrs. Clara Wright

ADMITTED SATURDAY

Mr. Shipp Falls, Rt. 3

Mrs. Lobby Joe Camp, Rt. 1

Mrs. Melvin Briggs, Rt. 2

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Mrs. Phillip Scates, Rt. 1, Bessemer City

Mrs. Samuel Stewart, Jr., 916 W. Holder Dr., Gastonia

Mr. Carl Wiggins, 13 Myrtle St., Gastonia

Patricia Hullender, 113 McGin-sters St.

Mrs. Amzie McClain, 314 Childers St.

Mrs. Earl Worcester, 317 Chestnut St.

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Mrs. Larry Smith, 504 Bridges Dr.

Mr. David Lawing, 113 Cleveland Ave.

Mr. Lawrence Allen, Box 104

Annexation School Topic

The board of education voted Monday night in favor of annexation of the high school property on Phifer road into the city limits, along with other property in the area.

Some residents reportedly are circulating a petition questioning annexation.

Supt. Donald Jones pointed out that by being inside the city, the school would receive fire and police protection, garbage collection and also lower rates on utilities. He said last month alone, a savings of \$80 on utilities would have been realized if the school had been inside the city.

men under their supervision is completely unjustified.

Thank you, J. C. Atkinson, Principal Kings Mountain High School

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