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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Hear the right, O Lord, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, that goeth out of feigned lips.
Psalm 17:1.

Let's Make It

Last week's United Fund campaign news was the best in recent weeks, though there was considerable work in store for campaign workers if the \$32,100 quota is to be attained.

Preliminary figures, with several firms yet to report, indicate that Kings Mountain's United Fund campaign for 1970 has been attained. Seventy-eight percent of the goal had been reported last week.

For the third year the Kings Mountain United Fund campaign has been conducted in a one-day drive, a fact which has won praise from the local organization state-wide.

There is every reason to believe this year's campaign can be brought to a successful conclusion.

Let's make it!

Christmas Cash Cheer

The postman will take good news in a few days to numerous Kings Mountain area citizens in the form of Christmas club checks from First Union National Bank.

The payment will mark completion of the bank's 19th annual Christmas club.

Many a person will be thankful he's done a bit of saving during the year for the Christmas celebration and will be even more thankful when January bills are being delivered by the mailman.

Youth Appreciation Week

The term "teenager" applies to any person between the ages of 12 and 20.

Yet there is an instance of reckless driving by young people we are prone to say "that's bunch of teenage drivers."

Juveniles are usually thought of as those persons who have not reached adulthood or attained the age of 21. Yet we have used the term juvenile delinquent so many times that juvenile has acquired a dubious connotation.

It is from the group who are now teenagers that our citizens and leaders of a few years have most come.

Statistics show that only five percent of the young people of the nation ever become involved with the law in any way. The other 95 percent go about their duties quietly, preparing themselves for the days of responsibility ahead. The five percent get more headlines in the newspapers because of the nature of their activities. But they comprise only 1 in 20.

All this is to say that this is Youth Appreciation Week, a week designated by the Kings Mountain Optimist club to honor truth, to give what they call "a pat on the back."

Education Week

This is American Education Week and local schools are co-sponsoring the observance. Open house programs are planned at the 10 plants in the district system and special radio programs on WKMT are calling attention to the observance.

The Educational Television Network has come out this season with "Sesame Street", and kids we know seem to love the program. Its primary reason for being is to teach pre-schoolers and it gives the child a chance to learn such things as the right and wrong ways of doing every day tasks and the alphabet and numerals. The Charlotte broadcast is on Channel 42 at 4 p.m. and is in color.

While you're visiting the school plants this week, take a visit to the Compact plant, home of Kings Mountain's first kindergarten program in the schools and the 60 pre-schoolers love it.

Good News

The long-awaited much-discussed Highway 74 bypass around Kings Mountain has been long needed, as witness the string of cars on Sunday afternoons during the mountain tourist season. Conversation with local highway commissioner Roy Dedmon Wednesday makes us believe the by-pass is a for-sure project at last. Commitment in the form of \$100,000 has been made for the project survey and Mr. Dedmon said the improvements should be completed "certainly during the Scott administration."

Hard Facts

Local law enforcement officials helped write this editorial.

Statistics, it is said, can be used to substantiate any fact. However, according to Sterling T. Tooker, president of The Travelers Insurance Companies, statistics cannot prove how many accidents have been prevented through safety education.

Writing in the 35th edition of his company's annual booklet of highway accident data, Mr. Tooker said, "Our rationale in 1931 was that if reasonable people know the truth about a problem, the truth will help them solve the problem. In 1969, 65 million booklets later, it is still our rationale.

"Ironically enough, this conviction cannot be based on hard statistics," he said. "Yet we know that hundreds of thousands of accidents have been prevented by drivers and pedestrians who have learned to drive and walk with safety. And the ever-mounting number of miles on many poorly engineered roads clogged by more and more cars and trucks and busses give us real reason to believe that these ghastly casualty totals could be much higher," he added.

"Alcoholocaust" is the title of the 1969 edition of The Travelers booklet. And for the first time it takes a long, hard look at the mixture of alcohol and gasoline. But the booklet does not contain statistics to support the title. Here's why:

The numbers and the classifications are distilled—no pun intended—from monthly reports furnished by state motor vehicle departments (a voluntary service gratefully acknowledged by The Travelers). Energetic and thorough research has nailed down drunk driving as a major accident cause, but absolute precision is still out of reach. A dead driver can't be asked to heel-and-toe or take a breath or blood test. The injured driver frequently needs swift emergency treatment. Technical examination for alcohol in his blood stream must come later when the aberrant ingredient has been diluted or has disappeared altogether.

The evidence is nevertheless overwhelming. Indeed, the U. S. Department of Transportation has issued a report to Congress which even die-hard statisticians agree is a definitive indictment of drink-then-drive offenders. This landmark study concludes that "the use of alcohol by drivers and pedestrians leads to some 25,000 deaths and a total of at least 800,000 crashes in the United States each year."

"Some" and "at least" acknowledge that the D.O.T. study is not an exact recap either. The point, however, is sharp to all last-ditch apologists for irresponsible social drinkers or social drinkers-and-drivers themselves.

Get the message?

Hats off to members of the Kings Mountain Woman's club who staged a most successful 66th "Community Festival" Wednesday at the Woman's club. The large number of fairgoers praised the clubwomen for the delicious food as well as the handsome exhibits on display from young and old alike. It was a compliment to the talents of many people.

Congratulations to John Ballew, among three seniors from Cleveland County selected as candidates for a John Motley Morehead Scholarship—a full four-year scholarship to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

A best bow to Robert Suber, initiated by Phi Psi textile fraternity on the campus of Clemson University where he holds a fellowship in chemistry.

Attend the Kings Mountain Little Theatre's production of "The Curious Savage" Friday and Saturday evenings at Central school auditorium. This group is a hard-working organization, recently re-organized after an absence of several years.

Dangers Of LSD Are Explained

(Editor's Note: In this fast-paced, quick-changing world with information exploding all around, we hear much about narcotics and drug abuse. But what are the facts as science knows them today?

Everybody has a right and a personal "need-to-know." In this series of five articles based on scientific information from the National Institute of Mental Health, up-to-date facts are presented about LSD, marijuana, narcotics, pep pills, sleeping pills, and other abused, dangerous drugs.

Theories give you the fundamentals you need-to-know about drug abuse today.)

(First In A Series)

No drug has caused more controversy, with the possible exception of marijuana, than the strange compound known as LSD. Is LSD dangerous?

Definitely yes, says the National Institute of Mental Health, Federal agency focus of a new nationwide attack on the abuse of dangerous drugs and narcotics.

Hospital and other medical studies show that LSD can cause panic, paranoia, and accidental death.

Reactions to taking LSD range from severe mental derangement, to worry, panic, and depression. Days, weeks, even months after a dose of LSD has been taken, the things the user thought that he saw and felt may recur in his mind and make him fear he is going insane.

The physical effects LSD can produce are far from pretty.

Eye pupils dilate, hands and feet shake and tremble uncontrollably, palms turn cold and sweaty, the body shivers and turns chilly, goose pimples pop out, breathing is irregular. There is loss of appetite and nausea; and the pulse and heart rate rise, as does blood pressure.

LSD is short for lysergic acid diethylamide. A man-made chemical first produced in 1938, it was accidentally discovered in 1943 to produce bizarre effects on the mind when a Swiss chemist swallowed some LSD while working in his laboratory. He had strange sensations and felt as if he were flying.

Despite this soaring start, LSD was little explored in following years as far as definitive pharmacological studies in man were concerned. The weird compound lay around, studied by some drug researchers but ignored by most. Then the wave of far-out experience seekers washed up a few years ago.

LSD became the darling of the daring. It was claimed to give you great feelings and increase many capacities, like sex and creativity.

None of this has proved out. In fact, the reverse may be true. But many fables and fallacies like these have spread about LSD. The following facts come from research, not from fantasy and rumor.

Studies have shown that LSD is more likely to decrease sex interests than to increase them. Paintings, writings, and other works by LSD users fail to show greater talent; rather, the works are poorer when done "under the influence."

Worse, LSD is dangerous. It can cause panic (fear of losing one's mind), paranoia (suspicion that "they're after me"), mental derangement, and accidental death.

It has been called the most powerful drug in the world. No wonder: 25 micrograms is an amount almost invisible to the naked eye. Yet this amount will produce an effect in most people.

Classed as a hallucinogen and psychedelic—which mean mind-affecting or mind-altering—LSD is a member of a group of drugs which include other compounds like marijuana, peyote, mescaline, psilocybin, DMT, and STP.

Except for government-approved use for research, LSD is illegal in the United States.

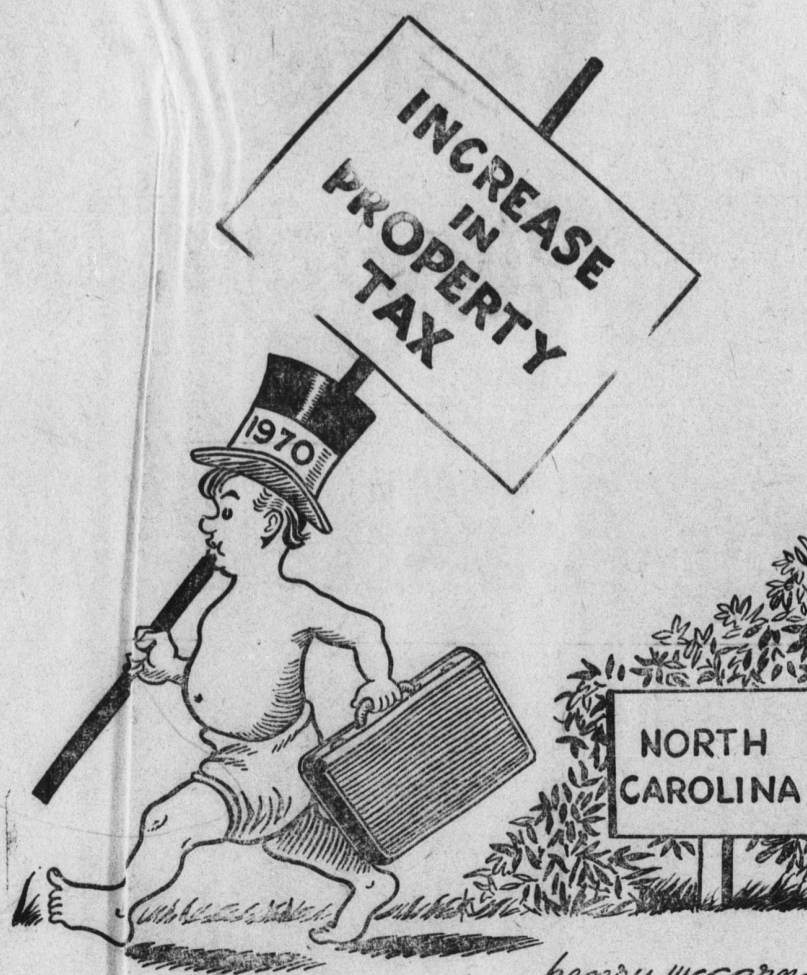
Because LSD is dangerous when not used for careful research under close medical supervision, it is closely regulated by Federal and State laws. These provide stiff penalties for illegal production, sale, other disposition, and, in some cases, for possession or use.

Because more knowledge is needed about this powerful compound, broad-scale research is underway to learn more about its chemistry, animal and human effects, whether it can have any medical or other real values.

This is another part of the national attack on abuse of narcotics and dangerous drugs of all kinds. On the educational side, newspapers, magazines, radio, and television are enlisting in the fight in a new campaign to provide everyone with accurate information.

For a free folder of facts about LSD, write: NIMH, Box 1080, Washington, D. C. 20013.

Sign of the Times



Henry McCann

Viewpoints of Other Editors

VOTING FOR 'OTES

Shortly before this week's election the New York City Council rushed through, and Mayor John Lindsay signed, a bill raising the minimum wage to \$50 for employees of firms doing business with the city. Anyone who thinks that the timing was coincidental is pretty credulous.

City officials stress that the coverage of the bill is more limited than that of the federal and state minimum wage laws, which set much lower pay floors, and in a sense that's true. Yet New York City, with its age-outlay, deals with thousands of businessmen, all of whom compete with other businesses for available labor, so the impact of this measure is surely broad.

The new law thus is subject to all the objections to minimum wage legislation, with the assumption that the workers' status can be raised by fiat. What happens instead is that companies, in order to stay in business, are forced to find ways to get along without their least-productive employees, either by rearranging methods or buying more efficient machinery.

In this case, in fact, no one knows just how wide the impact will be. As the Commerce & Industry Association of New York notes, no exceptions were made for employees of poverty training programs, the aged or disabled performing limited jobs, or part-time workers. The terminology of the law, coming even a definition of "contractor."

When Mayor Lindsay signed the bill he promised that some of these problems would be cleared up by later amendments, which seems a strange way to go about making laws. In the case of course, the politicians were not voting for common sense but, they hoped, for votes.

Wall Street Journal

WE LIKE 'ROS MARIE'

Modern governments always appear impelled to do what Canada is doing, and it seems a shame somehow. Ottawa is reportedly making an effort to shed the impression that it is a lily-white, picturesque, rural land. A report tells Canada to help the world of the idea that Canada is the land of Rose Marie, Marie Chappelle, the land of snow, Mounties, Eskimos, and not much else.

Surely, Canada could tell the world that this "much else" is false. But there perhaps one thing which Ottawa has not grasped. This is that so much of the rest of the world, caught up in all kinds of ad-wearying problems, the traditional vision of Canada is a restful, inviting one.

The bigger cities now, the farther slums spread the dirtier streets become, the faster traffic moves, the stuff polluted air gets, the tenser the grow, the sweeter it is to rest in the thought of a place which, while perhaps seeming a little old-fashioned, is nonetheless all the nicer therefor.

It is easy to see up-to-date. All a nation has to do is rush around madly, musing its problems and brag a little. It is much harder to seem quiet, and fetching. Canada succeeds in doing this. Please, don't try to disillusion us.

Christian Science Monitor to institute 1968 figures

EFFICIENCY IN MOSCOW

It is not surprising that "help wanted" signs have appeared in various Soviet cities lately. There's actually a labor shortage in the vast Soviet Union.

It's not just that the Soviet birthrate has lately been falling, so that appeals for larger families appear in the press. Nor is it just that the Soviet economy is expanding. Additionally there is the age-old impression that Soviet bureaucracy and rigid control from the top mean that manpower is wasted all over Soviet-land.

But we now note that Moscow is moving—at least bureaucratically—to improve labor use. A government decree, according to Business Week, will cut the industrial budget by two billion dollars, but most of the savings will have to come out of personnel. That sounds harsh but the Soviets also are endorsing the so-called "Shchekino experiment." This experiment, at a chemical plant outside Moscow, allows the plant manager to redistribute any savings, achieved through boosted production, to the workers as increased wages and bonuses. So there's incentive—to be efficient.

The Soviet decree also urges managers to mechanize, automate and use computers, and says there are too many layers in Soviet decision-making. In fact, Moscow is sounding just like an American management consultant efficiency-building firm. And it's about time.

Christian Science Monitor

VOTING RIGHTS NEED

After languishing in the House Rules Committee for three months, a bill to extend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 for another five years will apparently be freed shortly for committee debate. An amendment expected to be offered later from the floor, however, could profoundly reduce its area of application.

The 1965 Voting Rights Act prohibits literacy tests for registration and calls for federal supervision of elections in any state or county where less than 50 percent of the voting-age population was registered or voted in the 1964 national election. Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Virginia, and 39 of 100 counties in North Carolina have been affected under this formula.

The House bill, simply extending current provisions through Aug. 6, 1975, has been in the custody of Rules Committee chairman William Colmer of Mississippi since mid-July; upon urging by Rep. Emmanuel Celler hearings have been scheduled to begin Nov. 18, and Rep. Celler is hopeful the bill will reach the floor before year's end.

The expected floor amendment would substitute the use of 1968 election statistics for the 1964 figures. Increases in Negro registration and voting last year, brought about by the 1965 voting act, would free many of the above-named areas from federal supervision in coming elections, thereby allowing previous offenders to reimpose old, repressive regulations.

Employment of the most recent statistics to reflect current conditions is advisable to prevent the Voting Rights Act from becoming an anachronism, but care must be taken that updating its formula does not signal a weakening of its powers. The amendment

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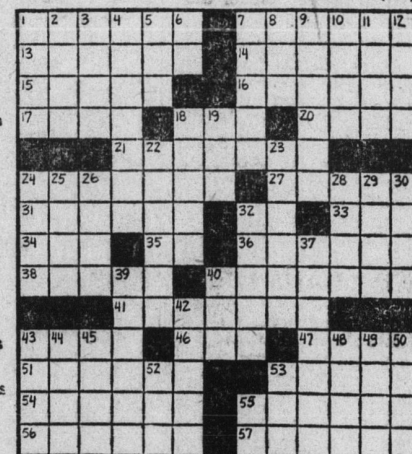
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1,7 Screen-radio personality
13 Gratify
14 Small area
15 Perception
16 Iterate
17 Royal Italian family name
18 Goblin
19 Changing
20 Domestic slave
21 Tell
24 Standard
27 Compound
31 Spanish fleet
32 Preposition
33 Chemical
34 Hawaiian
35 Editor (ab.)
36 Prickly plant
38 Auto body type
40 This is noted on both screen and radio
41 Fatty
42 Homicide
43 Neither
47 Dry
51 Skin disease
53 Shop
54 Obstinate
55 Teeter
56 Gainer
57 Fortifications
VERTICAL
1 Church recess
2 Rubber trees
3 Depression
4 Etruscan native
5 Compass point
6 Biblical pronoun
7 African tree
8 Native metal
9 Wigwags
10 Pencil digits
11 Enthusiastic ardor
12 Proportion
18 Mountain
19 Arrival (ab.)
22 Annex
23 Doctrines
24 Salts
25 Large plant
26 Among
28 Carry (coll.)
29 Measures of cloth
30 Scottish sheepfolds
32 Kind of rapt
37 Handled
39 Aix-la-Chapelle
40 Where soldier mail goes
42 Internal
43 Otherwise
44 Cosmic order
45 Senior (ab.)
46 Genus of shrubs
49 Mossadegh's domain
50 Morning moisture (pl.)
52 Night before an event
53 Observe
55 Senior (ab.)



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