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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people. Psalm 105:1.

The New Draft

Prime effort of the return of the selective service system to the draft lottery is to take some uncertainty out, or put some certainty in, the system in order that a available-for-service registrant can know to some degree what to expect.

In spite of the considerable amounts of copy in newspapers concerning the new system, it remains somewhat complicated and therefore confusing.

The lady managing the Gaston selective service office told numerous callers Tuesday she awaited some circulations from Washington.

Under the old system, it appeared that there was a "snatch" policy on calling up men approaching the over-ripe draft age.

The birthday business should set it fairly well. Basically, the draftable ages 19 to 26 continue, but it has been indicated early age pools will be called up before the older groups. War remains a young man's business.

If the present rate of draft calls continue, it has been indicated men more lucky with birthdays can make civilian plans with no fear of disruption.

The new system is effective in January.

Hopefully, it will fulfill desired goals.

Max Hamrick

Resignation of Max Hamrick, veteran county public servant, who began as a deputy clerk of court, spent many years as auditor and tax supervisor, and finally filled the breach as acting county manager, will be regretted by his many friends.

They will miss his drawing flavor when doing business at the county courthouse.

Mr Hamrick is a quite knowledgeable man, and outstanding in the field of county government. He classes himself a conservative in fiscal matters and much credit is due him for the high credit rating the county enjoys.

The Herald always found Mr. Hamrick quick to provide needed information and frank, traits much appreciated.

PPG Growth

In something over ten years the Carolina plant of Pittsburgh Plate Glass company northwest of Shelby has expanded four times, now employs 1600 persons as compared with the opening 850.

Well, ten years ago, Pittsburgh needed the people and Cleveland County people needed jobs. Back then, there was an employment security here and claims for unemployment compensation were running 700-800 per week. This was exclusive of those being processed by the Shelby office. The Shelby Junior Chamber of Commerce staked out the highways and determined that 700 persons were leaving Shelby daily to commute to jobs in surrounding cities.

The county then took a step into a new direction of government. Via a bond issue of \$415,000 it supplied the funds for a water line to the PPG site. This was a clincher to bringing PPG here.

The success of both PPG and the people of Cleveland County on this transaction is shown by the record.

The ESC people are now harried in another direction. Can you find me some people, the industry folk ask.

Congratulations and best wishes to Don Jones, new chairman of the city's human relations committee, to Mrs. Junious Haywood and Kyle Smith, newly-named members, and to the other members who were re-appointed.

EPIC Decision

The city commission voted 5-0 last week to join Electric Power in Carolina cities in a feasibility study to determine whether the cities should band together with Rural Electrification cooperatives to build power generating facilities.

The sixth Kings Mountain commissioner, unable to be present wrote a letter of endorsement.

Kings Mountain has bought power for re-sale from Duke Power and its predecessor companies since 1908.

It is able to match or better Duke's retail rates and does.

Why the participation?

The city's position is that it should take a look and pay its share of the cost which will not be great, and would vary downward should more power-distributing cities join.

Power selling cities were incensed in 1965 when the power companies and REA coops were married by Governor Dan Moore to support legislation to establish ground rules on service in mutually served areas.

The power selling cities were not consulted by the Governor nor other participants, and the cities felt they had a stake in the business, too.

Chief issue was the matter of city limits extension. Who would serve the customers, the city or the utility or the REA coop?

Shelby, Gastonia and Kings Mountain, perhaps others, had only recently given the federal Hartwell Dam power facility short shrift when Hartwell's representatives sought to horn in on a Duke's business. Relations had been good between city and utility for more than half a century.

Shearon Harris, president of Carolina Power & Light Company, thinks the power-selling cities will never get a generating project off the ground. Perhaps he is right.

North Carolina's three big power producers, CP & L, Duke, and Virginia Electric & Power Company have done a mammoth job in the past 25 years in continuing to construct new facilities to keep ahead of power demand, but it required REA to get power service to the sparsely settled sections.

The unpleasantness of 1965 (continuing still) notwithstanding, it has been a basic premise of this newspaper that, where the utilities were keeping the lines hot, REA and now the cities, had little business in power generation.

Conversely, in areas where utilities are not doing the job, then public generation of power becomes a must.

But it's still not wrong for the cities to take a look at the prospects of creating some power of their own.

Tax Exemptions

With Congressional primaries around the corner, Washington's anxious, 435 House members and a third of the Senators, naturally want to appear tax cut minded.

In the Senate, both Republicans and Democrats are vying for the honor of returning to tell their constituents, "We did it."

Meantime, President Nixon's aides are threatening a veto of proposals to raise personal income tax exemptions.

It would appear high time the \$600 exemption adopted long ago be increased.

The Mayor still needs addresses of Kings Mountain area servicemen serving overseas, and he needs them by Friday.

MARTIN'S MEDICINE

Ingredients: Bits of humor, wisdom, humor and comments. Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but a void overdosage.

It's motto is "The Southern Serves the South".

The Southern Railway, now grown to well over 10,000 miles of track — from Washington to New Orleans and snaking out through Illinois to St. Louis on the Mississippi — is this year celebrating its 75th anniversary.

On November 2, the Birmingham News published a special section devoted to the three-quarter century history of the Southern and many interesting reports are included.

One writer, Garland Reeves of the News staff, wrote of the rough times of 1924, as the nation strived to ready itself for the 20th century. Some of the copy reads like newspapers of today.

Item: In Birmingham Rube Barrow was just two years in his grave, shot while trying to escape. In Chicago 186 police fired on 200 persons in Haymarket Square in what some called a police riot.

Item: The year before a great panic had swept the country like tornadoes. President Grover Cleveland called out federal troops to end a Pullman strike led by Socialist Eugene V. Debs and Coxe's army of 200,000 unemployed marched on Washington.

Alabama temperers waxed hotter as now. Two law partners differed on choice for governor. They decided to settle the difference with dueling guns and only one partner was around to vote.

But the country was progressing too. As Reeves wrote it: "Goodbye, gaslight. Hello, electricity! Telephones were ringing and Henry Ford's noisy, ugly, persistent horseless carriages were beginning to appear like poor relations at a rich man's funeral."

Edison's kineoscope made its first public showing and a Justice nominee was rejected by the Senate.

There's an interesting story about the North Carolina Railroad, still owned by the state, and Governor John Motley Morehead's great efforts to get that great show on the road. The state was to supply two million when private investments reached a million, according to the bill passed by the House. But there was trouble in the senate. The vote was 22 to 22. Speaker Graves committed political suicide by voting "aye", counter to the wishes of his party and constituents.

General Joseph E. Johnston, the Confederate general, had considerable connection with railroads. After demolishing track and yards during the Battle of Atlanta, Johnston became president of the Alabama & Tennessee River road in 1886. President Cleveland appointed his commissioner of railroads in 1885. During his six years of service he served as pallbearer at the funerals of three former adversaries—President U. S. Grant, General George McClellan, and General William Tecumseh Sherman, his assistant at Atlanta. It was at Sherman's funeral that Johnston caught a cold which ended his own life.

Southern is a patchwork of many roads which the parent either owns or has controlling interest. During its 75 years, it has employed the services of seven men, all but one native Southerners, though some had some valuable Yankee connections, including Sam Spencer, who was receiver in bankruptcy for the Richmond & Danville and the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia. He started putting the complex together during that period and his membership on the board of a large New York banking firm helped mightily. Second was William Finley, who doubled track and earnings.

Fairfax Harrison, No. 3, wrote a book "The Legal History of the Lines of Railroad of Southern Railway Company," still the standard reference when title questions arise. Ernest E. Norris, president from 1937 to 1951, was labeled the South's Number 1 salesman, a booster of the region and a successful one. Harry A. DeButts was an experienced railroad man of 35 years when he took over the lines. And William Erosnan was too.

I met Mr. Erosnan and heard him speak at Gardner-Webb in the spring of '64. John Henry Moss had an appointment with him before the speaking and when a car approached and a tall figure emerged, John remarked, "That's him. You can almost see the fire coming out of his eye." John proved correct.

Graham Clayton is the current

WELCOME!

HI THERE!



Viewpoints of Other Editors

THE GLORY OF WORK

Bandleader Lawrence Welk, well known for his "champagne" music, believes "...A human being grows and prospers through the dignity of work. Rather than give a man money simply because he exists...let us educate him to the glory that can be found in work...and then bend every effort toward helping him find and hold a job."

Mr. Welk also has a word to say on the effect of a guaranteed annual income on our children. He believes: "...A child raised in an atmosphere of defeat and apathy, and taught to expect that his every need will be taken care of whether he works or not, stands little chance of developing a strong character. His own natural eagerness to learn and to grow and to excel is cut off at the very beginning of his life, and he may never know the thrill of achievement on his own. A child who is encouraged early to earn extra pennies by shining shoes or selling newspapers or doing household tasks, stands a much better chance of achieving his goals than a child who is taught to do nothing."

These words of wisdom from a man of music and entertainment come as a refreshing break in the daily litany of security without effort that we hear on every side.

McDowell News

THE BELEAGUERED WOLF

Two species of American wolves — the eastern timber wolf and the Texas red wolf — are included in the U. S. Department of the Interior's list of endangered species of wildlife. According to an MGM documentary film about to be released, the present count of wolves in the United States, except for a scattered few struggling for existence here and there, is concentrated in two states — about 300 in Minnesota and about 5,000 in Alaska.

Considering these figures, we find cause for vigorous protest against what amounts to an extermination campaign in Alaska. A bounty of 50 a head is offered, and hunters are making use of airplanes in what they are pleased to call the sport of wolf hunting. At this rate, 5,000 wolves will not last long. This is the kind of reckless shortsightedness that has brought some species of wildlife to extinction in the past, and can do so again.

The forthcoming documentary, "The Wolf Men," scheduled on the NBC television network for November 18 at 7:30 p.m., seeks to reach those who have been all too uniform concerning this remarkable, intelligent — and fast vanishing — species of American wildlife.

Christian Science Monitor
SAVED, NOT PAVED

Even Los Angeles, with its profusion of freeways, has now decided that some things are more important on the scale of social values than moving traffic faster. The city council recently agreed that a six lane roadway should not be built through 575 acres of greenery known as Elysian park. City engineers insisted that the highway was essential. A group of concerned citizens thought preservation of the park was more essential. It took them eight years to convince city fathers that the park should be saved, not paved. A long fight but a great victory!

— Milwaukee Journal

man bossing the Southern, has a model train in his backyard running along 40 feet of track.

TO THINK ABOUT

We came across a story in an old third-grade reader the other day. It is so apropos to the evident activities of some of our national politicians we'd like to repeat it here and recommend its obvious moral to the whole of the United States Congress.

It seems there was once an old man and a boy who started to town one day, leading their donkey. They'd been on their way only a short time when they met a fellow citizen who told them it was ridiculous for both of them to be walking and leading the donkey. One of them should ride, he said. Bing eager to please, the old man put the boy on the donkey and they continued their journey.

Shortly afterwards, they met another citizen. This citizen was upset because the young boy was riding and the old man was walking. Still eager to please, the old man told the boy to get down. He then mounted and they continued their journey.

They met another citizen. This fellow was indignant that the old man was riding and the boy was walking. Ever willing to please, the old man had the boy dismounted and remounted himself. They continued their journey.

The next fellow they met was displeased that either of them should walk. He said they both ought to ride the donkey. Still hopeful of pleasing, the old man ordered the boy to join him on the donkey's back.

They hadn't gone much farther before they met a man who shamed both of them for riding the little donkey. Ever tractable, the old man and boy got off. They found a long pole, tied the donkey's feet together and ran the pole between them. They each shouldered an end of the pole and continued their journey, the poor donkey dangling from the pole upside down between them.

They came to a bridge, and in crossing the donkey became excited. In the ensuing commotion the pole slipped off their shoulders and donkey, pole and all, fell into the deep water and disappeared.

Said the old man: "This is what comes of trying to please everybody. We really pleased no one and lost our donkey in the bargain."

Think about it, gentlemen.
Forest City Courier

BROKEN GLASS



The accidental breakage of glass in the home can cause a serious cut if not removed quickly and properly. Use a broom and dustpan, a piece of cardboard or heavy gloves to pick up the big pieces. Do not use bare hands. Finally use a wad of cotton to pick up the very small chips. Always put broken glass in a cardboard container or in heavily wrapped newspaper for disposal and mark the package "Broken Glass." Never dump glass in a wastebasket or garbage can where it can injure others.

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