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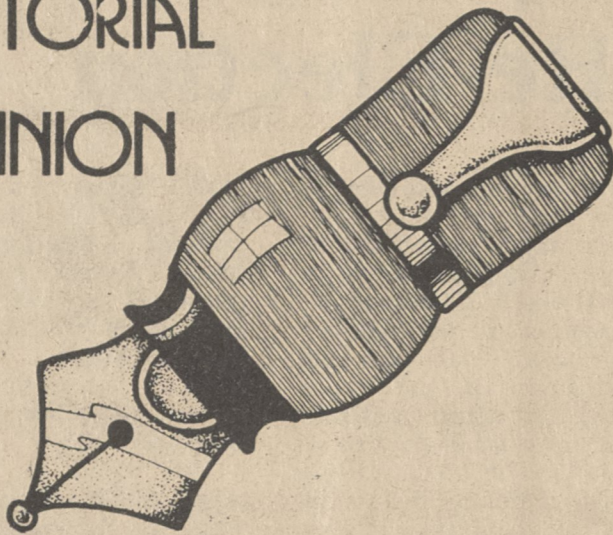
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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are as bold as a lion. Proverbs 22:1.

EDITORIAL OPINION



Tax Listing Time Again

It's time to list properties for taxes. Those who attend to the chore earliest will find the job easiest and shortest. Those who wait too late, or fail to list for taxes, will find the procrastination costly. List this month Mondays through Fridays at City Hall.

Attitude Of Hope For New Year

Kings Mountain citizens welcomed the New Year this week with an attitude of hope that the next few months will see an economic upturn spelling the end of the 1983 recession. As the new year is now underway, many citizens in this area are still without work and there are many without jobs in Cleveland County despite the fact that employment is down from 17 percent to below 10 in our area. A slump in textiles was apparent last year at this time in Kings Mountain but this holiday season has found more people working and some industries took only a brief holiday for Christmas and New Year's. This is good news and the best New Year's present many could expect.

Loose Leaves A No-No

Kings Mountain citizens are reminded that loose leaves are not to be placed on the curbside for pickup. Leaves must be placed on the front corner of the property nearest the street right-of-way. Any questions, contact Jim Downey, Superintendent of the Sanitation Department at 739-8136, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

LOOKING BACK

From the Jan. 5, 1961 edition of The Kings Mountain Herald. Home Savings & Loan Association is proceeding on plans to construct a new office building on East Mountain street on the site now occupied by Herndon apartments. The new owners of Craftspun Yarns, Inc. will modernize the plant extensively and hopes to be in full production by April 1. Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for a new award it will inaugurate this year. The Jaycees will honor Kings Mountain's Teenager of the Year.

Eileen Fulton, the former Margaret McLarty, offstage, appears in the film, "Girl of The Night", which plays at the Joy Theatre here Thursday and Friday. Miss Fulton is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James B. McLarty, former residents of Kings Mountain. Rev. McLarty is a former pastor of Central Methodist Church.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY: 6:45 p.m. - Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club at the Holiday Inn. Congressman Jim Martin, speaker. Guests invited. Call Dr. Grady Howard, Jr. for reservations.
7:30 p.m. - American Legion Auxiliary at the American Legion Building. Hostesses, Dot Houston and Clara Rhea.
8:30 p.m. - Men's Basketball Team of Bethlehem Baptist Church vs. Macedonia Team.
FRIDAY: 6:15 p.m. - Adult Choir Fellowship Supper at Bethlehem Baptist Church.
SATURDAY: 7:00 - Installation service for Fairview Lodge AF&AM at Masonic Hall.
SUNDAY: 7 p.m. - Joint meeting of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM and Order of Eastern Star at First Baptist Church.
MONDAY: 7 p.m. - Grover Town Board in the Council Room at City Hall in Grover.
7:30 p.m. - Gastonia District Lay Council in the Fellowship Hall of Central United Methodist Church.
7:30 - January meeting of the Board of City Commissioners at City Hall Council Chambers.

New Twist To Old Sayings

Katrina McCall, former employee of the Kings Mountain Herald and now the women's editor of the Press and Standard in Walterboro, S.C., recently asked for school children's thoughts on some old sayings.

She got these interesting replies:

If at first you don't succeed...
Give up.
Got outside and play.
Get your mama to do it.
Go back and read the directions.
Go home and sleep on it.
Never try again.
Be very nostalgic.
Forget it and let your wife do it.
Cheat.
Go to second base.
Go to college and major on that thing.
Tear it up and throw it away.

All that glitters...
Is owned by the rich.
Gets dusty fast.
Doesn't come from California.
Turns to dirt.
Fades away.
Will get tarnished.
Keeps me awake at night.
Comes out of the bubble-gum machine.
Is too expensive to worry about.

The early bird gets...
Sleepy faster.
Tired feet.
The bird bath.
The biggest worm.
His head cut off.
Chased by the cat.
Wet in the dew.
A spanken for getting up early.
Baggy eyes.
A headache.
The first peck.
Leftovers.
A choice of strawberry or chocolate worms.
All the cookies.
The crumbs.
Caffeine-free coffee.
Catches the sale.

All work and no play makes Jack...
Hard to get along with.
Break a lot of dates with Jill.
A rich man if he gets paid.
A car manufacturing robot.
Mean.
Look like a frog.
Apparently dumb because no smart person is gonna study all day.
Wierd.
Tired of working.
Jack's brains pop out.
Intelligent.
Have a dull day.
Cry his heart out.
A boring kid.
A dummy.
A mad little boy.
Stay up late.
Tired and gay.
Old and grey.
Insane.
A good employee.

People who live in glass houses...

Must be flashers.
Don't go around naked.
See a lot.
Never play baseball in their yard.
Have trouble finding the door.
Don't need mirrors.
Need lots of window cleaner.
Better take baths with their clothes on.
Love the public.
Get hot to trot.
Are over-exposed.
Have high repair bills.
Carry around BandAids.
Must be sunburned.
Are crazy.
Should undress in the basement.
Will never succeed.
Better not fall.
Do not eat earrings.
Don't have children.
Have a lot of peeping Toms.
Have a problem if they don't do windows.



Stewart's Slants

By
Gary Stewart

Too many cooks...
Spill the beans.
Still doesn't make school lunch better.
Make a sour pie.
Make a hot kitchen hotter.
Argue over who cooks best.
Make a lot of food.
Have messy food fights.
Burn up each others' hats.
Make the food ucky.
Spoil my appetite.
Keep people employed.
Make the dinner sick.
Eat the food they cook for people.
Get the kitchen crowded.
Make a sour dough.
Can cause a fire.
Burn the burgers.
Make a sweaty kitchen.
Beat the eggs until they cry.
Hate each other.
May be hazardous to your health.
Ruin your diet.

You can't teach an old dog...
To like new fleas.
To use a new tire.
To like new dog food.
To use Oil of Olay.
How to disco.
To beat up a new cat.
New potty places.
To change his life-style.
How to use a computer.
To play football.
To be a basketball coach.
Spanish.
Stupid tricks.
New hick-ups.
To go in a new house.
To eat watermelon.
Anything if he has arthritis.
How to boogie, beagle-style.

Weather Summary

December weather summary, compiled by Kenneth Kitzmiller:

	1983	1982
Tot. precip.	7.88"	4.54"
Max one day	1.80" (5th)	1.60" (11th)
Avg. precip.	.25"	.14"
Yr. to date	45.68"	41.11"
Max. temp.	68 (6th)	73 (3rd, 4th, 25th)
Min. temp.	1 (24th)	15 (12th)
Avg. temp.	49.6	46.8

1983 Weather In Review

Driest Month	September (.87")
Wettest Month	December (7.88")
Max. precip. one day	March 17 (2.06")
Avg. precip. per day	.125"
Avg. precip per month	3.81"
Total Snow	13.7"
Ice and sleet	4 days
Max. temp.	104 (Aug. 21)
Min. temp.	1 (December 24)
Temp. 90 or more	43 days
Temp 100 or more	7 days
Daytime temp.	5 days (Jan. 24, Dec. 24, 25, 26, 30)
not above 32	
Nighttime temp. 32 below	65 nights
Avg. temp.	59.9

New Year...New Start

By now enough of 1984 should have elapsed for a considerable dent to have been made in a whole raft of New Year's resolutions.

Resolutions are a happy device, particularly for parents who seek to instill in their offspring those happy habits of personal care and public performance which are designed to bring the youngsters the complimentary descriptions of "little lady" or "little gentleman" as the case may be.

Older folks, rightly or wrongly and perhaps by embarrassing former failing experience, tend to shy away from making many resolutions for fear of breaking them. Most of us tend to reply to that question, "Sure, the same set I had last year and the year before that."

We had a visiting preacher Sunday from Lake Charles, Louisiana, a nice young man who interspersed his serious remarks concerning the start of a brand new year with some humor in which he noted that the new year would bring the same old things, such as jobs, school, homework, the same teachers, same routine, and possibly the same husbands and wives, the latter remarks which drew laughs from the younger members of the church. Of course, the point he made was that the new year is an opportunity to practice what you've learned in the past 12 months of life and to see the potential for making all things new in 1984.

One reader said her number one resolution this year is the same she made in 1983, to stop smoking. She stopped for 26 days in January last year, then started back. She's trying again this year.

This is her first week without a cigarette. Rev. James W. Parks, pastor of David Baptist Church and writing a New Year's message in his recent church bulletin, said: "let's evaluate last year. Of the 16 waking hours a day, 365 days a year, 5, 840 hours last year, how did you spend your time? Figure nine hours a day at work five days a week (2340 hours). That leaves you 3,500 hours. Now figure an average of five hours per week for fixing stuff around the house, canning food, etc. That still leaves 3230 hours. Figure two



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weeks vacation, 14 days. That still leaves 3,006. Of course, you may subtract other things depending on your job, but you will average 2,500 hours a year with which to do what you want. You would spend just over one tenth of your time with your family and that would leave you 1,095 hours equal to 68½ days or over two months of waking time to use as you choose." The pastor says that appropriate new year's resolutions are to set priorities and allot a reasonable amount of time for each. He said this would help us manage time and stop letting time manage us and it would free some time for us to spend on things we count to be important. And we'll have an extra day. 1984 if also Leap Year.