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**TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE**

A soft answer turneth away wrath but grievous words stir up anger.  
Proverbs 15:1



**Stewart's Slants**

By  
**Gary Stewart**

**Is There Gold In These Hills?**

Is there some gold still in them 'thar hills around Kings Mountain? Many people think maybe there is. Several companies have been in the area recently getting permission to core drill land in the York Road areas and the old mountain ridge that runs from Kings Mountain to the Broad River in South Carolina. A new method of drilling doesn't bother the land, so most area residents have given permission to have their land tested. Gold was taken off Kings Mountain land at least once in the past. There are some old gold mine shafts on the Carl Mauney property off York Road and some on some land that once was owned by my grandfather, John Stewart, in the Dixon Community. One geologist working the area recently said the gold samples taken out of Kings Creek were purer than gold now being mined in Alaska. Only trouble is, there's not that much of it. A spokesman for one of the companies checking out the area said last week that his geologists are going to stop work for the next couple of months and analyze the samples they now have to see if it would be profitable to go any further. Meanwhile, many area residents are being asked to lease their land for gold mining, and some are seriously considering it.

**....Sorry Camera Work**

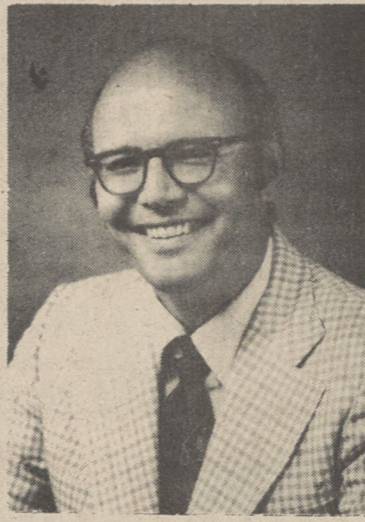
There has been much talk lately of the now dead "Season Ticket" promotion of ESPN and Raycom Sports on cable television. Out in the country where I live, there is no cable TV so I didn't have to worry about whether or not I'd pay \$64.95 extra to see 23 ACC basketball games. But, after watching Georgia Tech's triple overtime victory over Virginia the other night, if I did have cable TV, I certainly wouldn't pay extra to see a basketball game produced by Raycom Sports and Jefferson Pilot Teleproductions. The camera work in that ballgame was sorer than any I've ever seen. One could have gotten a lot more out of the game by turning his back to the TV screen and listening to Billy Packer's play by play. In the key moments of the overtime periods, and even on the final play of the game when Virginia's Othell Wilson was attempting a game-winning shot from downtown Atlanta, Raycom was showing instant replays of earlier plays. And Raycom and Jefferson brought us some very interesting nostril and arm pit shots when players were at the foul line shooting very important free throws in overtime. Personally, I'd rather see whether or not the shot was going to go in the basket than to see the expressions on the foul shooters' faces.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

- THURSDAY:**  
12:00 - Kings Mountain Rotary Club at Holiday Inn. 6:45 p.m. - Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club at Holiday Inn. Bobby Abrams, area supervisor for Catawba Nuclear Station, speaker.
- FRIDAY:**  
6:30 p.m. - Kings Mountain Christian Singles at the Holiday Inn. Travel slides to be shown by Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jolley. Singles 21 and over are invited to attend. Cost of meal is \$5.50.
- SATURDAY:**  
12:00-6 p.m. - "Shape Up" for Cystic Fibrosis Exercise-A-Thon at Cleveland Mall sponsored by the Kings Mountain Physical Fitness Program.
- SATURDAY:**  
7 P.M. - Bethlehem Baptist Church is honoring Rev. and Mrs. Sam Murphy and Rev. and Mrs. Neal Efrid at a reception in the Church Chapel.
- SATURDAY:**  
9 p.m. - 1 a.m. - American Legion Post 155 dance at the American Legion Building. Music by "Seth". Admission, \$10 per couple.
- SUNDAY:**  
7:30 a.m. - Baptist Men's Day at Macedonia Baptist Church begins with breakfast in the church fellowship hall.  
7 p.m. - Regular Fifth Sunday Night Singing at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church.

**The Doc's Still In**

No, Dr. Joseph Talley hasn't left Grover. He has been a practicing physician in our neighboring town since 1977 and has no plans to move. Grover is his home town and he loves it.



**DR. JOE TALLEY**

Some of the good doctor's patients have been ringing the telephones since last week's paper came out because of a garbled line in a story about an upcoming workshop in which Dr. Talley is to participate called "Three Threats To Life." Somewhere in that story it should have said that Dr. Talley is a former resident of Burlington, not a former resident of Grover. Burlington got in the story because of some material furnished by the sponsoring church.

We told Dr. Talley we'd be happy to re-run the story this week. Sometimes, however, running stories over (as all newspaper folks know) can create more havoc than leaving them alone. For the reader, it is very hard to explain how and why errors can crop up. For the editors, it means red faces. No editor likes to see errors in his newspaper. And our editors always caution reporters that birth, marriage and death are the three most important occurrences in a person's life. So get it right in the paper, they tell us.

"Three Threats To Life" is a workshop on dealing with serious illnesses. It will be held Feb. 3 and 4 at the First Baptist Church in Grover but pre-registration is required. To pre-register, send \$5, which includes cost of materials, refreshments and Saturday lunch, to First Baptist Church, PO Box 237, Grover, N.C. 28073 or for more information call 937-7193 or 937-9186.

Topics to be covered will include grief, facing death, the family's role and the diseases as they relate to theology. Dr. Talley will open the workshops on Friday night at 7 p.m. Feb. 3. As a family doctor in Grover, Dr. Talley said his interest is in the person's feelings about cancer, heart disease, etc. but that he will also talk about the technical side of the diseases in Grover language.

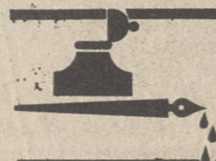
Other topics will be led by Rev. Bobby Gantt, pastor of the host church, Rev. Harold (Hutch) Hutchinson, pastor of Shiloh Presbyterian Church, Dr. Susan Miller, Director of Pastoral Counseling at Baptist Counseling Center in Charlotte, and Rev. Tom McNeal, Director of Pastoral Training at Baptist Counseling Center in Charlotte. Sessions on Saturday, Feb. 4, will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will close at 4 p.m.

Pastor Gantt said the Grover ministers got the idea for the workshop to help their local congregations. They became alarmed about the increasing fatal illnesses among members of their own congregations. They then invited the local physician and professional counselors to take part in the program and are opening the sessions to all interested persons.

The workshop leaders say the program should be beneficial to the entire community. Heart disease, cancer and stroke, are three life-threatening diseases which have touched many lives in our communities. How to cope with them and how to learn to live again after loss are timely topics we would all learn from.

**January Reminders**

City and county tax listing ends on Tuesday, Jan. 31, and citizens



**Letters To The Editor**

**Public Outcry Paid Off**

Dear Editor:

I was pleased to see your reply in the Herald today. I fully understand your policy of not printing unsigned letters and I will surely comply with it in any future correspondences with you or your paper. Since the original purpose of the letter had been fulfilled by your press time I don't think it will be necessary to sign the letter from the MAD FANS. Actually the 200 people I represented were high school and college aged students. We were very peeved at ESPN but now public outcries have paid off. Thank you very much.

Sincerely Yours,  
Gordon G. Holladay  
(Mad Fan)

**Employees Concerned**

Dear Sir,

We, as employees of Southern Bell would like the opportunity to express our opinion and concern regarding the "lifeline Service" proposal offered by our company.

We realize the need for a rate hike to be able to continue to exist without the revenue we once had, due to divestiture. However, we also realize that the increase will be a hardship on some of our customers particularly our senior citizens and disabled people which are on low and fixed income. Telephone service is practically essential to these customers, due to frequent illness and other emergencies. We feel the "Lifeline Service" should belong to these people.

It has been proposed, by our company, that this service be offered to "State Welfare" recipients. We disagree. We agree that there are some people receiving welfare which are indeed entitled to it, however, a lot of people receive benefits when the need is not justified.

Our Vice President, Jere Drummond, in a conversation with Brian Thompson with the WBTV News, stated that at this time the "minimal service at a reduced cost" was not proposed for our Social Security recipients.



**Lib Stewart**

are reminded to visit City Hall between now and then to avoid paying a penalty for late listing.

Tax listing is an annual chore that all persons owning real or personal property are required to do at this time of the year. There is no Saturday tax listing in Kings Mountain but Grover citizens are reminded that taxlisters will be in Grover this Saturday, Jan. 28th, from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Grover Rescue Squad.

Another reminder for January is that city automobile tags are on sale by the Kings Mountain Lions Club for \$1 at City Hall. Police Chief Jackie Barrett also reminds dog owners that city ordinances require that all dogs wear tags and these tags are available at the Kings Mountain Police Department.

**BON VOYAGE RECEPTION**

The congregation of Bethlehem Baptist Church will host a farewell reception for two families on Saturday evening at 7 p.m. in the Church Chapel.

Rev. and Mrs. Sam Murphy will be moving to Bessemer City soon and Rev. and Mrs. Neal Efrid will be moving to Rutherford County. Mr. Efrid has served the church as Minister of Education and his wife, Carolyn, has served as Minister of Music. Rev. Mr. Efrid has accepted a call to a pastorate in Rutherford County. Rev. Mr. Murphy has accepted the call of First Baptist Church in Bessemer City and he and his wife, Avery, and family will be moving there in February.

**Deadlines**

The Herald welcomes your letters to the editor, news articles and other information.

We ask that you follow these deadlines for submitting articles for the paper:

Social news for the "Styles" section, or Section B, should be submitted by 5 p.m. Mondays. These articles include weddings, engagements, birthdays, church news, club meetings, etc.

Classified and display advertisements, regular news items and sports should be submitted no later than 5 p.m. Tuesdays.

Stories that happen on Tuesday nights should be submitted by 10 a.m. Wednesdays.

If you have an item of interest, or know of someone or something that would make a good story, call us at 739-7496.

We, as employees, are the ones who have to face and deal with our customers on a day to day basis and we receive the response from them that Southern Bell doesn't care how divestiture is affecting them.

We have little or no say in the decision that our officials make, such is the case with a lot of large companies, but we feel we need to voice our opinion on this issue. We want to convey to our customers the fact that we are concerned and do care about what is going on, after all, we and our families are customers too.

Sincerely yours,  
Group of Concerned Employees

- Linda Millsaps
- Amelia Worthy
- Horace B. Thompson
- Donna C. McAllister
- Catherine Hatley
- Ava Fisher
- Renee H. Carter
- Penny Bynum
- Linda Allen
- Lee Ellen Jackson
- Helen Garrison
- Charlotte Huneycutt
- Carolyn Moore
- Barbara Clark
- Mary G. Grindstaff
- Charlotte Duncan
- Debbie Mullis
- Marlene Hinceman
- Jeardean Fullenwider
- Elizabeth Crowell
- Myra Burke
- Pat Simmons
- Cynthia Sox
- Mark Bradshaw

- Wilma Lanier
- Doris Ludwick
- Ellen Espinsa
- Rose Cook
- Wanda Huffstetler
- Margara C. Font
- Faye Ertzberger
- Dianne Melton
- Billy Alexander
- Ementress Marshall
- Kay Albright
- Teresa Hamm
- Sharon Black
- Gloria Lawrence
- Barbara Chisolm
- Refain Monroe
- Betty Hayes
- Jackie Stephenson
- Raye D. Brown
- Jo Litaker
- Shirley L. Gainey
- Madelyn McKnight
- Reba Bowe
- Elaine Gilland



**Peeps Into The Past**

(From the Jan. 29, 1953 edition of The Kings Mountain Herald)  
The Kings Mountain Herald was awarded third place for news reporting among weekly newspapers in North Carolina for 1952, according to results of the 1952 newspaper contests of the North Carolina Press Association announced Friday. It was the second time in three years the Herald was taken one of the prizes in the annual newspaper contests. In 1950, The Herald was awarded first place for editorials.

Mr. and Mrs. Ector Short entertained Friday night at their home on King Street at a birthday party honoring their daughter, Jewel, on her ninth birthday.

Kings Mountain High School Mountaineers dropped an overtime thriller to the Cherryville High School Ironmen last Friday at Cherryville 72-68 as the Cherryville sextet won the opener 76-59 to seep the Western TT loop twin bill.