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## A Lift For Today

★ They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.—Titus 1:16.

THE HYPOCRITE pays tribute to God that he may impose upon man.—Swift.

Cleanse our hearts of all that is displeasing to Thee, O Lord

## Stalemate

On Kojé Island, the Associated Press reports, General Boatner, the latest commander of that riot-ridden prisoner-of-war area, once again has proved "an Oriental truism centuries old—force rules".

General Boatner has succeeded, the dispatch continues, because he has "used the one language" understood by Orientals—force.

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The one language? the **only** language Orientals understand?

There is evidence to the contrary. There is evidence that the Oriental understands another and very different language; understands it, perhaps even better than the Occidental.

That evidence is the fact that all the great religions that teach the exact opposite of this "Oriental truism" originated and first flourished in the East.

And it was in the East, only a few years ago, that the doctrine that mind and spirit are more powerful than physical force was put to its most practical test. In that test, Gandhi made millions of Orientals in India understand this language so different from force—and won independence for India!

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For more than two years the United States has been speaking the language of force in Korea. What have we gained in two years' fighting?

Our announced purpose in sending American troops into that unhappy land was twofold: (a) to repel aggression; and (b) to create a united Korea that was free.

How well has force succeeded in Korea?

It is true we have made the Communists pay for their aggression. But we also have paid—in lives and in dollars. The latest American casualty total exceeds 110,000, and more than 19,000 of those are known dead. The dollar cost of the war in Korea is now estimated at 5 billions a year. At this great price, we have won—a military stalemate.

The second objective, a united, free, Korea, has been abandoned.

Thus a truce, if it should come, would leave things substantially as they were before the war.

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Yet who would say flatly that the Truman administration was wrong to send American troops into Korea? It is worth remembering that most Americans applauded Mr. Truman's decision at the time. And it is worth noting that none of this year's Presidential candidates went so far as to say he would stand idly by while the Kremlin took over one free nation after another.

Nor is the Presidential election in November likely to greatly change the situation; because the parties and the Presidential candidates, while they differ in emphasis and in proposed methods, agree that we must continue to arm—that we must win the war, cold or hot, at all costs. And while they disagree on the amount it is necessary to spend, in any case the sum to be spent for armament will be astronomical.

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The truce negotiations at Panmunjom now are in

their second year, apparently hopelessly deadlocked. And so, out of patience with the Communists' stalling, we are attempting to get a truce by military pressure, to force an involuntary agreement.

What kind of peace can grow out of such an agreement? Indeed, who has ever seriously believed that a truce, no matter how arrived at, would prove the prelude to genuine peace? Who has ever seriously believed that a truce would be more than a minor incident in the struggle between East and West?

Regardless of whether a truce is signed, all indications are that the struggle will go on—indeinitely. And that the United States will continue to pour its treasure into armaments. This year alone we propose to spend some 50 billions of dollars in preparation for war.

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General Eisenhower, and others, have suggested that a "military equilibrium" can be attained in about two years, and that spending then can taper off. That, of course, will be true if Russia is willing to permit a "military equilibrium". But is it reasonable to believe Russia would willingly allow us to achieve a military might that, as compared with hers, would assure us of security? If we were strong enough to feel secure from Russian attack, would Russia feel secure from us? Is it not reasonable to believe that the faster the United States arms, the more determined Russia will become that we shall not win the arms race?

Can there be any end to such a race?

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Thus we face the choice: Continued vast spending, until both our dollars and our natural resources are gone; or being military unprepared for a war that seems inevitable.

There is, of course, one terrible alternative.

Sooner or later, one nation or the other may be driven to desperation by the physical drain and the nervous strain of the arms race, and may start a war—as the only way to rid itself of the intolerable burden of rearmament.

Undoubtedly our military leaders have taken that

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## The Chimes

It is a beautiful thing Mrs. W. A. Rogers' has done.

The chimes she has given the Franklin Methodist church, as a memorial to her husband, will bring pleasure, through the years, to many.

And it seems especially appropriate that the memorial to Dr. Rogers should be something that, originating in Franklin, carries healing music out over this whole vicinity—just as Dr. Rogers' ministry of healing was to the whole section.

## More Power To 'Em!

Hats off to Franklin's Jaycees!

They've gone out and **done** what most of the rest of us have **talked about**. They are all set to open the swimming pool at the golf course.

If they did nothing else in 1952, they'd have proved their worth by this one constructive measure. But knowing the Jaycees, we suspect this is only the beginning.

## Razor-Sharp Comment

We respectfully pass along to the proper authorities a comment we overheard:

"Franklin's Indian Mound needs a shave!"

The way you and I can do most toward building a really great America is to help our neighbors right here at home build a really great Macon County.

More people might own homes if fewer people owned automobiles. It's all a question of what you want.

If all the church people really believed what they say they believe, the preacher could stop worrying about them and spend his time with the folks who need him—those outside the church.

American men: Buying half a dozen items, then asking the price of the lot. American women: Asking the price of a half a dozen items, then buying none of them.

## WHO'S ZOO—ON THE HIGHWAY



DON'T BE A ROAD HOG. Always give the other fellow his share of the road.

## Our American Civilization

Seeking to solve the problems growing out of racial differences by pretending there are no differences—and that therefore there is no problem.

Eating too much, sitting too much, riding too much; going to the doctor to learn if some over-active gland is responsible for all this fat around the middle.

## Letters

### ... AND IT'S THE PEOPLE

Editor, The Press:

Enclosed you will find our check in the amount of \$3 for another year's subscription to The Franklin Press.

It occurred to me that you might wonder why people like us, who moved from Miami to Franklin and stayed five years and then moved back to Miami, would still be wanting to read The Press. Yes, since moving back to Miami we have since been transferred to San Juan, Puerto Rico for three years.

My explanation is this:

Before moving to Franklin, I had been employed by Pan American World Airways. In various positions I held with that company it was necessary for me to travel quite extensively. My travels took me to all of the countries of Central America, all the islands in the Caribbean, all the countries in South America, except three; and several countries in Africa. In all, I traveled and visited in 35 different countries, also the Eastern half of our own country, from Maine to Florida, and a lot of the Central states.

The reason for elaborating on my travels is to point out that after all of that traveling, I visited Franklin, N. C., and liked it. Decided to move there and did.

During my short residence in Macon County I can safely say that I liked that part of the country better than any place that I have ever been or seen. Why? Because of the country itself, the mountains, streams and scenery in general; it is just naturally the prettiest part of North Carolina. Then another and probably most important reason for falling in love with Franklin is because we fell in love with the people there. I think Franklin and Macon County have the best people in the world, and that is what is going to make it one of these days.

Yes, we have a long vacation coming at the end of our assignment here, and where do you think we will spend it? Look out, Franklin, here we come!

GEORGE COOK.

San Juan, Puerto Rico

## STRICTLY

## PERSONAL

By WEIMAR JONES

Nothing is more attractive than a well-trained child. And, perhaps because of the sharp contrast, nothing is quite so unattractive as a spoiled, inconsiderate, loud-mouthed child.

One of the ironies of life is that it is the parents who are responsible for the latter type, but it is the child who must suffer for it.

The attitude of the child, of course, is what counts, rather than the words he uses to express that attitude; but all of us draw conclusions from words, and words that have an impertinent sound usually are assumed to come from an impertinent child.

That is why I am constantly surprised at the number of parents who permit, sometimes even encourage, insolent language on the part of their offspring. And at the even greater number of parents who make no positive effort to teach children to show respect for others, especially older persons.

I wonder at the fact that few parents today teach their children to use the terms "sir" and "ma'am"; who, in fact, teach them NOT to use such terms, but to say, instead, a flat "yes" or "no".

I am sure I am not alone when I say such answers are inclined to make me dislike the child, while I am immediately impressed by the one who uses the little niceties, such as "sir" and "ma'am".

—SP

In the same way, I do not like the impertinences of many newspapers today. Why is it considered so improper, so out-of-date, to refer to John H. Smith, after his full name has been given, as "Mr. Smith"? What is the great virtue of calling him simply "Smith"?

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## This Week With Macon County Agents

By Mrs. Florence S. Sherrill

Mrs. Carl Slagle, county foods and nutrition leader of home demonstration clubs, is given the agent's column this week in the interest of the corn meal enrichment program.

Mrs. Walter Pike, health chairman of the N. C. Federation of Home Demonstration clubs, is working with club members in every county to bring about enrichment of corn meal.

Surveys show that more than 50 per cent of North Carolina people eat corn meal and grits daily. For one-fourth to one-half, or an average of one-third, of the daily consumption of cereal products are made of corn. Approximately 90 per cent of the corn meal and grits used are not enriched in our state, therefore, our people are not receiving as much dietary benefit from the enrichment of wheat, flour, and bread as those in other areas of the country where little or no corn meal and grits are consumed.

In many states laws have been passed requiring the enrichment of wheat flour and bread and degermed corn meal and grits with vitamins, riboflavin, niacin, and thiamine, minerals, iron, and calcium. This enrichment is aimed at relieving some of the dietary deficiencies through foods that are generally taken daily by a majority of the people.

### Why Enrich?

Q. Why enrich corn meal?  
A. Vitamins and minerals added to corn meal make a good food more healthful. The same vitamins and minerals are used in enriched flour and bread.

Q. What are the vitamins and minerals added to enrich corn meal and how do they affect our health?

A. Niacin: helps prevent pellagra (other sources are meat and eggs). Thiamine: helps normal nerve function (other sources are pork, beans, peas, and milk). Riboflavin: helps keep eyes and mouth healthy (other sources are milk, meat and eggs). Iron: helps build red blood (other sources are green leafy vegetables and liver). Calcium: helps build strong bones and teeth (other sources are

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## Do You Remember?

(Looking backward through the files of The Press)

### 50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Mr. N. S. Thomas is having a building put up on the street just below the jail in which to put in machinery for the manufacture of locust pins.

Mr. Coley Guest returned home Friday from the west. He left with a crowd from this county several weeks ago, but thinks Macon county beats the west.

Material is being placed on the ground for extensive repairs on the Methodist church.

### 25 YEARS AGO

The first issue of the "Taukeetah Tattler", official organ of Taukeetah camp for girls near here, appeared last week.

The tasks of coping with the inter-state rum running industry grows increasingly difficult, as officers of this county will testify.

Recently a man was found milking eight cows and living not more than 10 miles from Franklin who did not know that there is a creamery here. He has been pouring out a great deal of his milk. A subscription to The Press a year ago would probably have saved this man at least \$100.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Dr. C. Sylvester Green, president of Coker college, Hartsville, S. C., who was elected governor of the 190th district of Rotary International at the recent convention in Toronto, Canada, spent several days in Franklin this week.

An economist is the guy with a Phi Beta key on one end of a chain and no watch on the other. (Frankie Macon).

Mrs. Lake Shope has returned home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. G. L. Arnold, of Jacksonville, Fla.