

H W E M of the E N K

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PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

Don't be foolish, Ken. If you do that it may cost you your life," a clergyman warned Rev. Thomas Ken (1637-1711). "After all, Charles II is king, for good or ill."

Ken stood his ground firmly. "I will not permit even the King of England to house his mistress beneath my roof," he said. "If His Majesty has the ignorance to suggest it, I have the arrogance to refuse him. A woman of ill repute ought not to be endured in the house of a clergyman, least of all in that of the King's Chaplain."

"But, Ken..." his friend objected. "Silence," Ken demanded. "Not for his kingdom will I comply with the King's commands."

To circumvent what he thought a most unreasonable request from Charles II, who asked Ken to let Nell Gwyn, the monarch's mistress, be a guest in his house while visiting in Winchester, England, where a sumptuous new palace was being erected, the clergyman hired a builder to make some repairs to the house. The first thing the employee did was to take off the roof, which relieved Ken of any responsibility for the notorious Nell's entertainment.

yourself this woman as your mistress and openly flaunting your immorality before the British people," Ken thundered from his pulpit. "But, Thomas," a fearful brother minister added, "don't forget what happened to John the Baptist. He lost his head!"

"And I will be willing to lose mine if it will bring Charles II to his senses," the fearless minister replied, without batting an eye.

The King knew in his heart that his Chaplain was right, so he hesitated to take any action against him. Once, on being asked where he was going as he left the court chamber, the King answered, "I must go hear Ken tell me my faults." His secret admiration was revealed when the Crown was about to appoint a successor to the late Bishop of Bath and Wales. Although many able men were suggested for the post, Charles II dismissed them all, saying, "Odds fish! Who shall have Bath and Wales, but little Ken who would not give poor Nellie a night's lodging!" So Rev. Thomas became Bishop Ken. His first act in his exalted position was to forego the customary and expensive consecration dinner. Instead, he gave the \$500 the banquet would have cost to his favorite charity. Eight days later, the King suffered a stroke, and called for Ken, who persuaded the dying ruler to renounce his mistress and ask the Queen's forgiveness before he died. The King consented, and died "in the faith."

The same devotion to principle which won him his bishopric lost it for him a few years later. Having sworn fealty to his new monarch, James II, he felt that in good conscience he could not take an oath of loyalty to William and Mary as long as James, whom he felt had been unjustly deposed, was alive. He gave up his office in 1691, making his home with friends in Wiltshire until his death.

It was in 1709 that Ken gathered together some of his poetic works that had been many years in the making, and, after extension revisions and corrections in some which had been printed as early as 1674 for his students in Winchester, had

Schedule Of Home Demonstration Clubs in County

- Monday, July 16 - Paint Fork - Mrs. Grover Gillis, hostess. Tuesday, July 17 - Little Pine - Mrs. Howard Payne, hostess. Wednesday, July 18 - Mars Hill - Mrs. Ellis Reese, hostess. Thursday, July 19 - Laurel - Mrs. Laura Cook, hostess. Friday, July 20 - Grapevine - Mrs. Kenneth Hensley, hostess.

Boston - During a game of "hide and seek," Francis Moran, 8, slid into a trash barrel. His companions couldn't find him until he tried to get out and couldn't. A Fire Department rescue squad had to cut the container open to free the boy.

them published in their final corrected form. At the close of three splendid hymns, entitled "Morning Hymn," "Evening Hymn" and "Midnight Hymn," he included his famous four-line poem in longmeter, now known familiarly as "The Doxology": Praise God from whom all blessing flow, Praise him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Both the author and composed of this hymn spent some time in prison. Ken was kept in the Tower of London with six other Bishops who refused to read the King's "Declaration of Indulgence" from their pulpits. The composer, Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561) was imprisoned in Switzerland for harmonizing several melodies of hymns against the express commands of Geneva's ruler, theologian John Calvin, who demanded that all hymns be sung in unison or not at all. Later Calvin interceded for him, and he was released, devoting his composing talents from that day on to melodies instead of harmonies. From his pen came the famous musical setting of Psalm 100, known, to this day, as "Old Hundred," which was first printed in the 1551 edition of "The Genevan Psalter," thus antedating Bishop Ken's words by almost a century and a half.

If Bourgeois and Ken had been no more than give the Church "The Doxology," believers the world over would rise up and call them blessed, because, in all hymnody, there is no loftier hymn of praise with which to open or close a service of worship or to acknowledge God's gifts when presenting an offering, than the four lines which they bequeathed as their finest legacy.

MARS HILL

We're glad to have Dr. and Mrs. John McLeod Jr., to come back home even though he is to have his office in Marshall.

Miss Patty Lou George was home from Winston-Salem over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sams and children of Winston-Salem made a few days' visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sams, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Caldwell, of Granite Falls, spent last weekend here with their son, Mr. Don Caldwell, and family.

Mrs. Geo. Bryan, who has been quite ill for the past few weeks, is improving.

Little Miss Lynn Cox, of Mooresville, has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. H. C. Cox, and other relatives here for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Griffin and little daughter, who recently moved to Columbia, S. C., came home for a week-end visit.

Mrs. Emmett Sams and little daughters have been visiting her sister at North Wilkesboro for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Bob Chapman, who is attending summer school at WCUNC, Greensboro, was home over the week end and brought back her two little daughters who had been at their aunt's near Greensboro for a week.

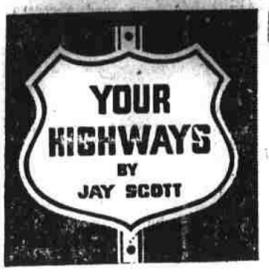
Miss Mildred Bingham, who has been on a trip to the West since commencement, has returned to the college.

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There should be safe bicycle paths in all cities so that executives could pedal to work," says Dr. Paul Dudley White, the heart specialist who treated President Eisenhower.

The U. S. Navy has declared war on traffic accidents by instituting a new safety campaign.

While Congress has been talking the past year about a Federal-aid highway program population has increased 2,800,000; motor vehicle registrations have gained 2,700,000 - and highway traffic is up 5.5 percent.



Motorists approaching New York City have a new attention getter in the four revolving beacons atop the 1472-foot-high Empire State Building. The beacons (shown above in artist's sketch) are powered by the brightest continuous source of man-made light in the world and can be seen by motorists as far as 80 miles from New York.

Safety standards for lap-type seat belts have been recommended by the Society of Automotive Engineers.

The removal of sirens from police cars in Chicago has resulted in fewer accidents for these vehicles... A traffic judge in Providence, R. I., makes traffic offenders read a newspaper editorial.

Today's NEUTRATION from The World's Most Widely Used Devotional Guide. The Upper Room. Read Acts 4:13-22. But as for thee, stand thou here by me. (Deuteronomy 5:31). During World War II, our Rotary Club operated a dormitory for service men. Club members served during the night in directing soldiers to beds.

One night, as I escorted one soldier to his bed, in the shadows I saw another soldier on his knees beside his cot. In a couple of hours I left the dormitory. That praying soldier left the following morning. I did not see him again; I never knew his name. He did not need a name to leave with me an unforgettable picture.

He was going overseas. Maybe he came back, maybe not. In memory, he still stands here by me. Christ was with him.

Today Christ is with us. He says to us, "But as for thee, stand thou here by me" - for peace, understanding between labor and management; higher moral standards; sound government; liquor control; better God that is real.

PRAYER We thank Thee, Father, for all those in the past who have stood fast. We thank Thee for those today, ministers and laymen alike, who have accepted Thy call to stand by Thee. Make us vessels useful in Thy service, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY "Stand thou here by me" is the greatest invitation, privilege, and opportunity man has ever heard. -Chapin D. Foster, Historian (Washington)

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