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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life. Proverbs 6:23.

It Might Work

Prior to June 25th, first day of the Korean war, it is quite doubtful that the United Nations Organization, post-World War II effort to eventually form a world federation, could have obtained a vote of confidence from the majority of the people of this nation and of many others.

The world had watched it, first hopefully, then resignedly, as Russia and her satellite nations appeared to be trying to sabotage every effort at world co-operation the majority wished to undertake, the satellites with their votes, Russia with her veto.

Today the feeling has changed to hopefulness again, as the world watches the developments in Korea and hopes that the call of Russia's Korean bet will find the Reds bluffing.

The Korean war is the first big test for the United Nations, and while America is well-aware that the major portion of the troops and materiel in action under the United Nations flag comes from the United States, there are other evidences — in addition to the signatures or more than 40 governments — that the war is a United Nations affair. The first good news for U. N. forces came over the past weekend, and among the accounts was the report of Australian planes bombing and strafing North Korean targets. The sight of the Australian planes made the weary U. S. troops most jubilant. The British have naval divisions in action, and any navy veteran who sailed in convoys with British warships during World War II, knows the comfortable feeling it is to see the British task force of ships with their wonderful names cruising along in the distance. The American soldier and sailor criticized the British during the last war for the British definition of cooperation "do it the British way," but the British were never accused of unwilingness to join the action.

If there is any real hope for world peace it is that it will come through a world federation of nations, in state statutes, with willingness of the minority to abide by the decisions of the majority, no matter how momentarily distasteful.

It took a Civil War to establish the policy in the United States and it is hardly possible that the Korean War will finally set it for the world.

But success for the U. N. forces in the Korean War is the first big test for the United Nations. If U. N. fails here, the chances for continuing world peace will be set back many years.

Our congratulations to the First National Bank on publication of its interesting and informative booklet "Fifty Years of Progress," which commemorates not only the 50th anniversary of the First National Bank, but a half-century of steady growth of the community.

The fact that Kings Mountain Building & Loan associations paid out more than $18,000 in semi-annual dividends at June 30th indicates that many citizens are taking advantage of the opportunities for savings offered by these two institutions. Persons who form the habit of saving small amounts in regular periods never cease to be amazed at how the small savings count up to large sums. In turn, the money is put to good use, helping neighbors build homes and other buildings. Budgeting expenditures is important, and it is the wise man or woman who budgets a portion of his earnings for savings.

Commendations are in order for President Truman and others of the administration for quickly obtaining an injunction against the striking rail union on the Rock Island railroad, which had continued to ignore the international situation in failing to call off its strike. It is a time for unity, not internal strife.

The 1950 Draft

Developments in Korea will determine just how much the selective service act will be used to increase the strength of the armed forces during the coming months.

Of course, the news that the draft will be operative — provided enlistments and volunteer requests for active duty by reservists do not provide sufficient men—was of keen interest to almost everyone.

First announcements indicated that not too many men will be called for duty in the armed forces, particularly if the North Korean invaders are repulsed. And some further feel that the action to make the draft operative was as much a diplomatic move is a military one, since it is another step in convincing Russia that this nation means business.

As usual, the flower of young manhood is most desirable for service and will be called up first.

Already, the parents of youth in the 19-26 age group are wondering if their boys will be summoned, and business and industrial firms are wondering what inroads will be made into their organizations — either by the draft or possible activation of national guard units and activation of reservists.

The Raleigh News and Observer gives pretty good advice on the subject. To the young men of draft age, it suggests, "Go on with what you are doing, whether working or studying, but do not forget the possibility that these plans may be interrupted."

Side-Walk Situation

Though the sun isn't too pleasant on hot summer days, bus riders aren't having as much difficulty with the side-walk bus station Kings Mountain now has as they will have in winter, when the sun does not warm too much, and when rainy, cold days are frequent.

The Herald is not aware of existing regulations governing carriers with respect to accommodations for passengers, but it suspects that the bus companies are breaking one city ordinance each time a bus passes through the community and makes a stop (as all do). This law is one which requires buses to load and unload in off-street areas.

It poses an interesting problem as to what to do, and the Herald would like to see incoming City Administrator M. K. Fuller go to work on the bus station matter as quickly as he arrives in the community. The job is a half-public, half-Chamber of Commerce one, but it is one which needs some attention.

Many local citizens were shocked when it was announced that Kings Mountain, temporarily, was to become a bus flag-stop, but even the most pessimistic hardly thought the condition would continue for as long as it has. And, at the moment, it doesn't appear very likely that Kings Mountain will have a bus terminal in the forseeable future — unless the city administration and civic groups put the push to the wheel.

The North Carolina Press association, meeting in Asheville last weekend, gave considerable time to the discussion of ways and means to lower the accident total in North Carolina. As Josh Horne, Rocky Mount publisher put it, "It seems pretty foolish to advertise the beauties and wonders of North Carolina as a tourist mecca, then scare the tourists away with news of record highway accident totals." The press, as a general policy, is advocating more stringent enforcement of existing traffic regulations and make some recommendations for new regulations for consideration by the 1951 General Assembly.

A best bow to Tommy and Phillip Baker, who recently continued to show mastery in the field of model plane building and flying.

martin's medicine

By Martin Harmon
(Containing bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment. To be taken weekly. Avoid over-dosage.)

Convention

By the time this appears in print it will have been just about a week to the minute that the lady of the house and I were checking in at Grove Park Inn at Asheville for the annual convention of the North Carolina Press association, annually a good one and this year (No. 78) no exception. But then all newspaper gatherings are good ones, for I am inclined to believe that newspaper folk enjoy talking shop more than any other group, be it merchant, banker, or any other.

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The program was good too and the sideline entertainment, a trip to Mount Mitchell over the new, yet unopened Parkway, and a visit to Cherokee for the "Unto These Hills" pageant, made a full three days, though we passed up the side trips. We felt like Harvey Laffoon, the Elkin publisher who remarked as a number of the group were leaving for Mount Mitchell, "I'm really up here to do some professional resting."

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Feature of the opening session was an address by Johnny McKnight, the Cleveland County Associated Press reporter who has recently returned from Italy and who is now taking a leave of absence to write a book about the Pope. The McKnight book should be a good one, as John is an excellent reporter, and since he is also a confirmed Protestant (Presbyterian, I believe) the book should have considerable appeal, not only to Catholics, but to Protestants as well. Among the many interesting observations Reporter McKnight related were his opinions that the European Recovery program has been a worthwhile investment and his view that the Voice of America propaganda broadcasts of the State Department are not quite as effective as some of the more enthusiastic supporters of the program think. McKnight bases his feelings on the fact that the standard of living behind the Iron Curtain and in European countries is not like it is in America, and that there is not too great a population of short-wave receiving sets in the occupied countries. But it is still an avenue, he feels, and any avenue to the Iron Curtain countries is better than none, McKnight thinks.

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On the following evening, General Robert Eichelberger did the honors, and I admit to some disappointment at the time in the content of his address. On second thought, I suppose the retired general did about as well as he could under the circumstances. Military men have to watch what they say, and I suppose the medicinal department expects too much. He did remind his audience of some interesting truths shown by history: (1) the American, when pushed, can become the world's toughest fighting man; (2) men alone are helpless without adequate materiel; (3) the American, customarily waiting for the aggressor to make the first move, always starts at a disadvantage. This move in the Red infiltration could well have started at many other points on the globe, the general pointed out. He expressed doubt that the Russians have the atomic bomb, at least in end-product form for war use, and said the Kremlin inner circle must ponder as their biggest problem the industrial potential of the United States, now that this government has shown it meant business by refusing to let the Reds take over South Korea. He further emphasized the strategic importance of Formosa. The general served in Siberia after World War I, was one of MacArthur's top men in World War II.

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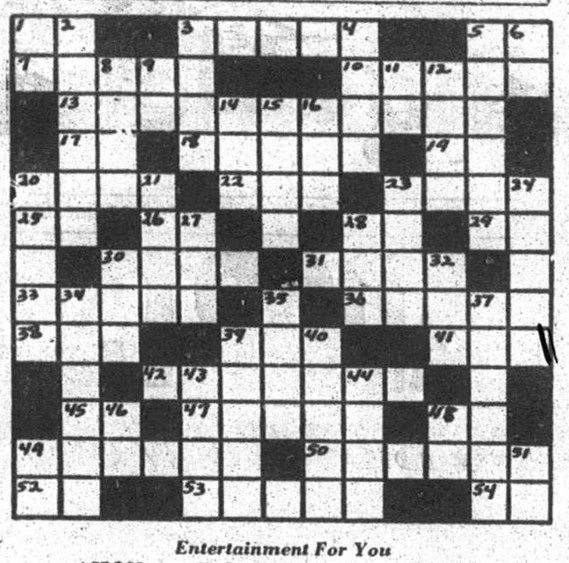
Half the fun of conventions is greeting old friends and making new ones. There was still some post-morteming going on about the Big Senate election, and I gathered the impression that the newsmen would vote again, if the opportunity offered, just as they did the first and second times, some for Graham some for Smith . . . not too much speculation yet on the gubernatorial campaign for 1952, but Bill Melia, programming chief of Station WWNC Asheville, says, "Watch Hodges," referring to Brandon Hodges, of Asheville, state treasurer . . . Claude Ramsey, the Citizens-Times' executive news editor, says his brother, D. Hilden Ramsey will not be a candidate . . . Curtis Russ, now publisher of the excellent Waynesville Mountaineer and a one-time Kings Mountain citizen when he published the Kings Mountain Times, was interested to learn that we had one copy of this paper . . . all his files were missing . . . at one session (which I missed) the publishers discussed advertising rates, with the obvious conclusions that local situations would govern . . . but Bill Barrett, of Mt. Holly and Belmont, whom I regard the top humorist of the North Carolina Press, officially closed out the discussion . . . "Let's not all be going back and raising rates at one time," Bill remarked. "Everyone will know we're just trying to pay for our keep while at Grove Park Inn." . . . Chanced into Nick Beadles, a school friend I hadn't seen in ten years in an Asheville drug store, to learn that he will teach economics at Wellesley, the swank girls school near Boston, next year . . . The medicinal family was accused a couple of times of going on a second honey-moon by staying at Grove Park . . . this was laughingly denied until the dinner music started, and it turned out that the piano player was he same one we'd heard on the post-wedding jaunt . . . good one too . . .

CROSSWORD - - - By A. C. Gordon



Entertainment For You

ACROSS

1—Perform
3—Most popular medium of home entertainment
5—Syllable applied to note of musical scale
7—Serious stage presentation
10—To expect
13—Popular name for radio's dispensers of "platter-chatter" (two words—plural)
17—Part of verb "to be"
18—Is deserving
19—Latin connective
20—What gamblers do with their money
22—Working surface for exponents of the "grunt-and-groan" art
23—Employed
25—Indefinite article
26—Printer's measure
28—Prefix signifying "not"
29—Never!
30—Break suddenly
31—Motion of the roulette wheel
33—Ball player's mistake
36—One end of the boat
38—Popular name for South American pleasure city
39—Worthless coin
41—It is (poetical)
42—Game borrowed from South America
45—Exist
47—Most popular American card game
48—Toward
49—Participant in a game
50—Enjoyer of one means of entertainment
52—Like
53—Thick
54—Prefix denoting "down"

DOWN

1—College degree
2—To establish by decree
3—What a croupier likes to do to the chips
4—Trees
5—How to enjoy the radio
6—Preposition
8—Directs the sight
9—Master of Science (abbrev.)
11—Pronoun
12—Affirmatives
14—A kind of session for a kind of music
15—Radio announcers are devotees of this kind of expression
16—Catastophic No-Trump (abbrev.)
20—Participant in a game of speed
21—A form of the game of lotto
23—A single part
24—The successful defense man in football does this to the ball carrier
27—Blemish
28—Increases the poker pot
30—Disappointed sign displayed for disappointed theater-goers
32—A tennis barrier
34—Opponents in a game
35—To drench
37—Created a disturbance
39—Sleepy-time noise
40—Employers
43—Imitated
44—Woody plant
46—Parental nickname
48—Newspaper announcement
49—Large eastern U. S. state (abbrev.)
51—Prefix denoting "again"

See The Want Ad Section For This Week's Completed Puzzle

Other Editor's Viewpoints . . . . .

BOONDOGGLE IN RENO

(Asheville Citizen)

That $975,000 RFC loan to a Reno hotel which has as its only visible means of support a roaring gambling casino and the Nevada divorce racket strikes us, as it strikes Senator Douglas, as "extending the concept of the welfare state too far."

The Illinois senator, who is critical of the loan, is kidding it a little. We're serious.

While it is true that the RFC loan was made to bail out some private banks, nevertheless the Reno activity is the wrong kind of loan business for Uncle Sam. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation began in the days of Hoover to put business back on its feet. The operation was soundly conceived and for the most part wisely executed. But it looks as though the RFC in its years of overtipe maturity has engaged here and there in giant boondoggles.

The Fulbright committee which is investigating RFC activities at least leaves the impression that it would number the days of this once highly useful agency. For our money the Reno loan should cut the number down.

Where today there is opportunity for legitimate capital investment, capital generally is available. There is no possible comparison between the money markets of 1932 and 1950. Thus it is high time to consider whether the RFC has outlived its immediate usefulness as a pawnbroker for destitute business. It should be allowed to make a grateful exit until such a day—perish the thought! — as it is needed again to backstop a genuine business depression.

No marketing quotas will be proclaimed for the 1951 wheat crop, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Items of news taken from the 1940 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

A charter has been granted by the Secretary of State at Raleigh to Kings Mountain Country Club, Inc. The organization was authorized to operate and maintain a county club for the purpose of social and recreational activties. The corporation will be a non-profit organization.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Honoring Mrs. Wilson Crawford, a recent bride, Mrs. J. W. Crawford, Mrs. Harold Crawford and Miss Octavia Crawford were hosess at a lovely tea at the Crawford home at West Mountain street last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. W. K. Crook entertained at four tables of rook on Wednesday afternoon, complimenting her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. H. McGill of Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Carl Mauney was hostess at seven tables of bridge entertaining at her home on East King street Wednesday afternoon.

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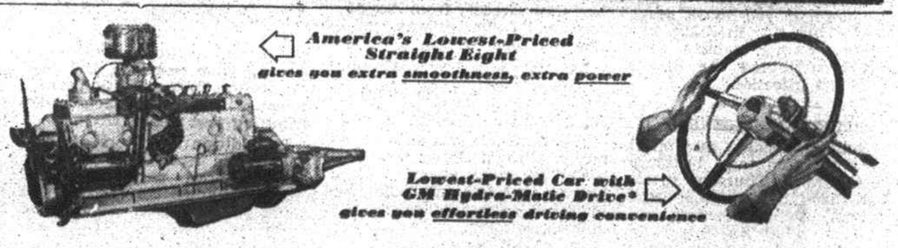

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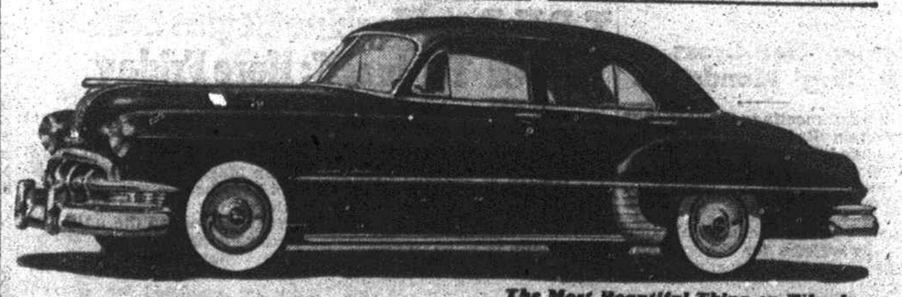
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