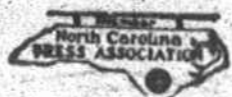


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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you. St. Luke 6:28.

Foreign Policy

There has been much sniping at Secretary of Defense Acheson, the personality, but, in its general sense, the nation is committed to the idea of the United States' effort to keep the peace through strength.

That, basically, is the foreign policy of the United States.

Senator Taft is in-and-out in his support of this policy, and Former President Herbert Hoover, indicative of his Quaker faith, would curtail our global efforts to maintain a balance of power with the Russians. But these men and their supporters are in the minority.

The personal attacks on Acheson seem to result more from his membership in the Democratic party and, perhaps, from his moustache, than to the policy he has formulated, with the exception of ceasing to send war material to the Chinese Nationalist government.

The convening of the new Congress may mean that the attacks on Acheson, for political reasons, may be stepped up. However, there is little likelihood of a change in policy. Southern Democrats, though at odds with the administration's domestic policy at frequent moments, are solid with respect to the foreign policy, as are many Republicans. The presence of John Foster Dulles in the State Department, plus possible return of Senator Vandenberg, who has been ill, will have the effect of overruling the Taft-Hoover supporters.

The big question will be whether the domestic policies of the nation, which must implement and complement the foreign policy, will be instituted with the force necessary to cope with the situation.

The administration has been most reluctant to institute price controls to deter inflation, and when it did crack down, did an injustice to auto manufacturers. Almost everyone assumed that the price roll-back order for automobiles would be followed immediately by freezing of prices of steel and labor, two big components of the automobile end-product.

The average citizen is quite well aware that the business-as-usual situation cannot exist with a \$45 billion budget for the armed forces.

If the administration and Congress don't know it, they are far behind the thinking of those they represent.

What will happen in Korea? General Ridgeway, new field commander, says the United States will not be kicked out of Korea. Yet, two weeks ago, there was a question as to how much additional manpower could be sent to Korea. Fact remains that the evacuation of the trapped units around the Manchurian border will go down in history as an epic military-naval maneuver. And one must assume General Ridgeway knows whereof he speaks.

Considering the possibility of war, plus the definite prospects that many products will be off-the-market for all but military use, it would seem to be advisable for the city administration to get a bill through the legislature granting it permission to set up a capital equipment fund, or a debt service sinking fund. Under present law, all balances at the end of a fiscal year go into the upcoming year's budget. The few cities who had the capital fund arrangement during World War II did not regret it.

Have your waste paper on the curb in front of your house, or on your doorstep on Sunday. The Jaycees will collect it.

10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

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

An application for the Kings Mountain School project has been filed with the Works Project Administration according to H. L. Burdette, City Manager. The stadium is to be constructed on the property at the foot of Mountain Street.

Informal Open House Christmas. Quite a number of the high school and college students called between the hours of eight 'till twelve.

The Junior Woman's Club will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday evening, January 6, at the home of Mrs. Eugene McCarter.

Mrs. H. S. Blackmer and Mrs. Booth Gillespie were charming hostesses when they entertained at the home of the former Mountain Street Saturday evening, the affair planned as a com-

pliment to husbands of Tuesday bridge club members.

One of the most outstanding events of the Christmas season for the younger set was the tea given by Miss Cora Herndon last Friday afternoon.

Miss Mary Beth and Joe Ford spent part of the holidays with their aunt in York, S. C.

Misses Martha Frances McGill and Nina Jackson were holiday guests of friends in Boone.

Mr. Humes Houston spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fouston of Page-

martin's medicine

By Martin Harmon

Containing bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment. To be taken weekly. Avoid over-dosage.

New Year Potporri

I am reluctant to write 1951 for, if the linotype department has as much trouble changing over as I do, it'll probably come out 1950. It usually takes me about six months to get in the habit of writing the new brand numerals.

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All of which proves nothing, except that habit is a strange and wonderful institution. Now if all of the habits were good ones, the world would be a wonderful one indeed. The habit of going to church would be one good one, for instance, though it would cost the preachers a source of comment in their sermons. Discussing the advent of the New Year, the Lutheran minister in Asheville reminded his hearers Sunday that 62 of his flock hadn't darkened the church door for the whole of 1950. Obviously, their habit trend was running in reverse.

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Another bad habit the world has fallen into is the warring habit, and it must be charged to individuals since most governments reflect the feeling of the people they represent. I was particularly interested in a summation of the war history of the world which appeared in the recent issue of The State. Editor Carl Goerch had done some interesting research and beside almost every year from 1894 on, he could record a shooting war. The exceptions were 1901-1903, 1905-1910, 1912-1913, 1919-1926, 1929, 1935, and 1949. He lists no less than 24 shooting wars and revolutions during the 56-year span, some of them, of course, covering several years, as did the two World Wars.

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Some might suggest an international resolution not to make war, but as Tallulah Banthead remarked about resolutions on her radio show, "I just wait until midnight to start breaking 'em." The world would probably be the same.

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Kings Mountain folk have been shivering through the intermittent cold spells and mentally noting that spring will be more welcome in 1951 than in several years, but it's nothing to what Cpl. Joe Costner, stationed in Alaska is "enjoying". Cpl. Costner writes an interesting epistle on the weather situation in the vicinity of the North Pole. The temperature, he reports, is around 40 below and the wind howls around his quonset hut. But the men get along pretty well with 25 pounds of clothing on. "None is in any danger of freezing," Cpl. Costner says, "as long as he keeps his feet dry and a buddy along to tell him when his numb nose begins to show white spots on the end." This is an indication of approaching frost-bite, which is considered worse than a burn. Cpl. Costner works in the air defense control center. He found his biggest thrill in flying over Mt. McKinley and has learned that Eskimos really live in igloos, just like the fifth grade geography books say.

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Well, the Christmas holidays are over and the next general holidays will be at Easter (which, by the way, comes early this year), though the bankers will probably observe Washington, Lee, and Lincoln's birthdays. Wonder when they'll start taking Roosevelt's birthday too, or would that be too much to ask of a banker?

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Anyway we're into 1951, and, except for television and the atomic bomb, the world hasn't changed too much in the past ten years. Ten years ago it was 1941 and the peacetime draft was just being geared up. Young men were getting the famous "greetings" and draft boards were getting deferment requests. England had her back to the wall and was holding on until, as Winston Churchill wrote, "those who were half-blind were half-ready." But America was happy, with factories turning and people working, and, as this year, just about everyone welcomed the New Year with happy optimism.

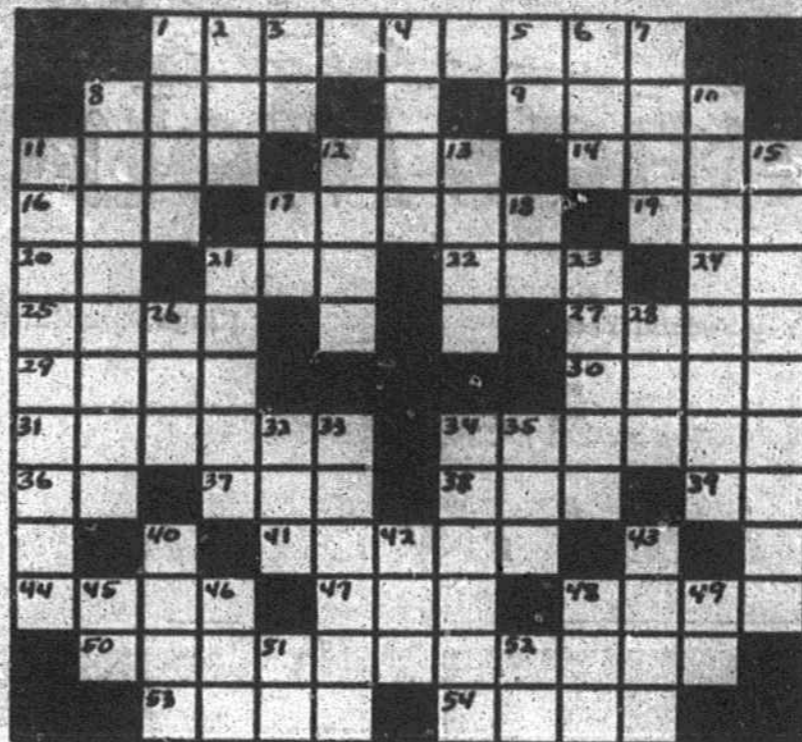
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Optimism is the saving grace of people anyway, and I've always felt there is great difference in the personal happiness of those who remark, "It could be worse," and those who say the statement with the same meaning, "It could be better."

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None can foretell with any kind of certainty what 1951 will bring, but all the folk I know are willing to hang a

CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon



- ACROSS**
- 1—Oncetime English monarch
 - 8—Nickname applied to various ancient queens
 - 9—Defensive covering worn by medieval soldiers
 - 11—Pedestal
 - 12—Hawaiian food
 - 14—To step lightly
 - 17—Weapon carried by medieval knights
 - 19—Compass direction
 - 20—Chemical symbol for stannum
 - 21—To cease
 - 22—Terminate
 - 23—Court (abbrev.)
 - 25—Famous Swiss legendary hero
 - 27—Ancient Latin name for a wife
 - 28—Eskimo home (var.)
 - 30—Storage place for fodder
 - 31—Defenses
 - 34—Observing
 - 36—Legal Educators (abbrev.)
 - 37—To situate
 - 38—Spanish for city
- DOWN**
- 1—Otherwise
 - 2—Famed Confederate general
 - 3—Mythological maiden changed into a heifer
 - 4—Shakespeare's birthplace
 - 5—Printer's measure
 - 6—To make a kind of lace
 - 7—To employ
 - 8—Well-known Scottish-American philanthropist
 - 10—"The Great Emancipator" (post.)
 - 11—Oncetime French prison (post.)
 - 12—Tortured
 - 13—Frozen
- Looking into History**
- 15—Former capital city of Russia
 - 17—Chinese measure
 - 18—Printer's measure
 - 21—Passages in chimneys for conveying gases
 - 23—Oncetime great Italian actress (post.)
 - 26—Bachelor of Laws (abbrev.)
 - 28—Roman numeral
 - 29—French article
 - 33—Author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" (post.)
 - 34—A kind of old sailing vessel (pl.)
 - 35—Period of time
 - 40—American Revolutionary patriot hanged by the British as a spy
 - 42—Loyal Order of Romanists (abbrev.)
 - 43—Famed American explorer
 - 45—Exclamation
 - 46—Headress once effected by gentlemen
 - 48—See eagle
 - 49—Suffix forming adverbs from adjectives
 - 51—Very Old (abbrev.)
 - 52—Every one individually (abbrev.)

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

Other Editor's Viewpoints

LEADERSHIP BY AGREEMENT

(Stanly News and Press)

Many voices are being heard in our land today, and the policies that are being advocated are varied and many. The confusing part of the whole picture lies in the fact that men in high places are not in agreement. This is due in a large measure, to political party lines, but if there has ever been a time when politics should be forgotten, it is now. Mr. Truman and his advisers may as well realize now that it will not be possible for them to lead this country back into a peaceful era without the help of the Republican leaders. And Republican leaders may as well realize that they must show a spirit of cooperation, if the proper course is to be charted. In other words, it must be a matter of give-and-take in shaping our policies, both domestic and international.

Naturally, it would be better if we had a strong leader in the White House, backed up by a large majority in Congress, but this is not the case. Therefore, the only alternative is to have leadership through agreement. In that way, it will be possible to follow a set policy consistently and reduce to a minimum the discordant voices that confuse not only our own people but also our friends in foreign lands.

MORE THAN 1,000

(Raleigh News and Observer)

Fifty-eight municipalities in the United States last year adopted the city manager form of government and there are now more than 1,000 municipalities with that form of government, or twice as many as there were in 1940.

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