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TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Beware of false prophets which come to your sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. St. Matthew 7:15

Worth It?

It is the natural, personal reaction of any average citizen, and more particularly citizens will boys in the service or shortly to go into service, to ask, "Is Korea worth it?"

They ask it after viewing the mounting report of casualties, which has now topped 40,000 men.

True, it is a high price for anything, certainly for Korea.

Yet Korea itself is hardly the endpoint. The end-point is that ever-elusive abstract called peace, which was only temporarily won by millions of men in World War II, other millions in World War I.

At the moment, it appears that our troops are going to be forced out of Korea, and an Associated Press reporter, just back from the front, adds the opinion that we will be forced out.

What, then, will be the gains of months of bloodshed in a land which the military leaders decried as a battleground in the first place?

The gain is already obvious. The people of this nation, and others around the globe, have been awakened to the need for strength to combat the newly active peace-destroying, aggressive force, directed from Moscow.

It is a high tragic price to pay, but the world hopes that these sacrifices will not be proved vain ones.

Still Worthwhile

Announcements of dividend payments to local building and loan association shareholders reminds that the personal policy of regular savings is still a mighty good one.

High prices and inflationary trends have disturbed and confused many people who look at the slow dollar increase on their savings accounts, compare the total with the price of a new car, a television set, or a new home, and think, "What's the use?"

This feeling is quite natural. For anyone knows that a hundred dollars isn't what it once was in terms of goods.

Yet people are still saving, and the recipients of the dividend payments cut a sizeable piece of financial pie.

The key to the situation would seem to be inflation of the amount saved. If a house costs twice as much today as it did ten years ago, then the proper method would be double the amount put into savings accounts.

It's hard to do, but it has always been easier to spend than to save. Like ignoring alcohol and holding the speedometer down to 55 miles per hour, success at saving calls for some personal willpow-

Our congratulations to the winners of the Christmas lighting contest, as well as to its sponsors, the two garden clubs. Our hope is that the sponsoring groups will continue this activity and will be able to expand it in future years.

Word is that tickets for the basketball show between the touring Carolina Clowns and a team of All-Stars, to be played here January 26, are going fast. The contest should be a sell-out, considering the interest being evidenced in it.

List your taxes and buy your city auto

Undercutting

General Dwight D. Eisenhower must have been somewhat embarrassed when he arrived in Paris last week to take over his new job as commander of the European Defense army.

His embarrassment was due to the tediously, legalistic mind of Senator Robert A. Taft, who wants to be president, and who had advanced a stern criticism of sending more troops to Europe-even in face of a pact agreed to by the United States and duly aproved by the United States Senate.

Mr. Taft is an isolationist, though the degree has varied with the years and the situations.

In effect, Mr. Taft would say that the United States has no power to reinforce the three divisions it already has in Germany, which is militarily, legally, and practically silly.

Mr. Taft's words cause alarm because of his important role as a veteran Senator, with all the power of longevity, and because of his leadership of one segment of the Republican party.

But the nation will not allow Senator Taft, nor his minority wing, to deter it from the policy of strengthening to meet possible attack.

France is a weakened nation. Many Frenchmen favor a policy of appeasement toward Russia, falsely reasoning that strenghtening of Western Hemisphere defenses might invite invasion by the Russians. Of course, it is primer-grade reasoning that, if there is danger of invasion, the thing to do is to prepare

The pronouncements of Senator Taft and the false reasoning of the French coincide in being a defeatist attitude.

That has not been the attitude which resulted in the emergence of this nation as the greatest on the globe.

Board Expansion

Action by the county board of commissioners, in instructing its attorney to prepare a bill to expand the board to five men and to adopt a district arrangement of election, was pleasing to majority of citizens in this portion of the coun-

By its action, the board followed through on a resolution of intention made last spring.

Just what the bill will call for in its final form is not yet known, but is will assuredly insure representation on the county board from Eastern Cleveland.

Election of commissioners by districts will insure representation from all sections, and should eliminate that source of complaint which constantly arises at each election season. Kings Mountain and the eastern portion of the county feels it should be represented, but must recognize that the same feeling is justified in other sections of the county.

From the standpoint of administration of the government, a five-man board, just as a three-man board, will be no better, nor worse, than the men themselves. But county affairs have generally been administered in good fashion, and there seems little reason to anticipate a

The big gain in the new system will be more political harmony for the whole county, and that will be worthwhile.

The county board is to be commended on its action.

YEARS AGG THIS WEEK

Items of news taken from the 1941 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Mr. W. K. Mauney, Jr. was e- The regular meeting of the lected foreman of the grand jury Tuesday afternoon bridge club in Shelby this week. Social and Personals Paul Neisler.

Mrs. R. H. Webb and Mrs. C. A. Dilling were hostesses at a tained a number of his friends at Dilling on last Thursday night, home on Gold Street last Sunday January 5, from 2 until 4 in the by Miss Cora Herndon who will

was held in the home of Mrs. Charles A. Goforth Jr., enter-

lovely party at the home of Mrs. a well appointed dinner at his tain. Mr. and Mrs. John Pinkney Bla. Mrs. Stanley Drake who has lock of the Bethiehem community been on a visit with her parents celebrated their golden wedding returned to her home in New anniversary Sunday afternoon York City and was accompanied

Master James Herndon, Robert and David Neill, Earl Myers and David Mauney attended a party given in Charlotte Saturday by Masters Bobbie and Billie Boyce, former residence of Kings Moun-

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Shuford of Forest City spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Smyre Williams.

Miss Fanny Carpenter returned by Miss Cora Herndon who will last week from a visit with her remain for an extended visit. sister and family in Council.

martin's medicine

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

News Pick-Ups

In spite of the title and the seriousness of most news ap-pearing in the journals of today, this isn't necessarily a serious piece. But several news reports of more or less recent days call for comment.

The death recently of Faysoux, the Magictan, the Gastonia hand-is-quicker-thanthe-eye artist must have called up memories of any number of Kings Mountain folk who hardly had a chance to miss watching the Gastonia Houdini at some time during his long career on the stage. His obituary in the Gastonia Ga-zette reported at length on one of his stunts, which supplies my most memorable memory of Faysoux.

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It was his personal hypnosis feat of driving an auto through city streets while blindfolded, and he did the act here one Saturday many years a g o. I was only eight or nine years old at the time and I suppose the merchants of the city had joined hands to promote the attraction. The act was staged on a Saturday afternoon, and, if the purpose was to draw a big crowd to Kings Mountain, it did so.

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It was a hot day, as I recall. and the proceedings began in front of what is now Victory Chevrolet Company. Faysoux stood on a platform and out-lined what he proposed to do. Later on, after the usual buildup, the act formally began. A wide-eyed unbeliever from the audience was invited to the platform and instructed to place two shiny half-dollars over the Faysoux eyes. If I am not mistaken, the half-dollars were held in place with strips of adhesive. After this, a black band was wrapped around the eyes, and then a couple more layers of cloth of some kind were added. As any fool could plainly see, Faysoux couldn't see. Then, with complete theatrical grace, the master mayician asked for complete quiet while he concentrated on cutting in his telepathic connections with his wife, who was to furnish the proper impulses via mental telepathy. In the course of probably ten minutes, Faysoux slumped over in a seeming unconscious trance. Placed under the steering wheel of the car, he roused up, stepped on the starter and wended his merry way through the traffic of the city streets. I never heard of any dented fenders. It was an amazing performance and one that Paysoux performed all over the country.

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Another piece of news which always gets country-wide in-terest is the annual selection of the "Liar of the Year" by the Burlington, Wisconsin, Liars Club. The interest results, I suppose, from the sympathetic ears of the many unamalgama-ted liars of the nation, of which there gre many, though less advertised than the Wisconsin confreres, and not yet organ-ized by the CIO or AFL.

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As an appreciative listener, if not a prospect for membership, I preferred the 1950 honorable mention selection to the first place choice. This is the one by Joe Flynn of Cleveland, Ohio. which the judges voted No. 2:

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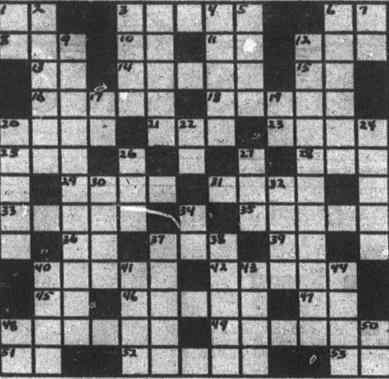
"One night," Flynn Hed. when I was firm, on the rail-road, we got orders to go into a sidetrack to let a passenger by.
We had a long drag, including
65 carloads of canaries, and
when we got the highball the
engineer just couldn't get roll-

engineer just couldn't get rolling—too much weight.

"I guess we would have been there yet if I hadn't solved the problem. Going back along the train I hung a lighted lantern in every one of these canary cars. The birds, thinking it was morning, flew off their perches. With the birds in the air we had enough weight off the wheels so that we could get going."

Speaking of Hars. I note that Craham Morrison, the high-voiced Lincoln county farm a-gent is planning to retire on July 1, Local banquet-goers will hope that Mr. Morrison, who has span many a laughproducing tale on the Kings Mountain banquet-circuit, will not retire from this field of his activity. I still contend that the test of an expert liar is to make his story possible, if not believ-able. Trainman Flynn and Farmer Morrison can fill the bill.

CROSSWORD . . . By A. C. Gordon



Down on the Farm 31-Gerden vegetable 33-Farm storage places 35-What rain makes farm

crops 36—Chemical symbol for

30 Chemical symbol tanialium
37 Beast of burden
39 Energized Straw (abrev.)
40 Organic portion of
42 To tanialize
45 Either

ACROSS

1 -- Exclamation of satisfaction 3 -- Farm diggers 6 -- Thoroughfare

5—Farm diggers
6—Thoroughlare
(abbrev.)
8—Cry of the sheep
(u—Edible Onions
(abbrev.)
11—Laughing exclamatis
12—To decay
13—National Guard
(abbrev.)
14—What all fruit must
do before it is edible
15—First note in Guido's
musical scale
16—Important farm
product
18—Ancient Greek market
place
20—A necessity

Ancient place

Anciestity for good farm products

To situate

Favorite horse food

Parr of a circle

29-Bone in the forearr

1-College degree 2-Aircraft shelter 4-Grain crop 5-Uttered mus

Either

Man's name

Man's nickname

Sowed on the farm

A large deer (poss.)

Bone 52-Harvesta DOWN

crops to insure soil
fertility
7—Name applied to
sickness from overdrinking
9—The science of farmin
12—The state or quality
of being of the
country (pl.)
17—Indefinite article
19—Old Orders (abbrev.)
20—To grow crops
22—Printer's measure
24—Domestic food animals
26—Those who are in
27—To plead
30—A soil consisting of a
frishle mixture
32—An expanse
34—Exists
37—Out of the way
38—To bring down with
the foot (war.)
40—Garden implements
41—Employer
43—Man's name
44—Paradise
48—Thus

then the land will not dry out so

quickly when the sap begins to

sects. Most any farmer will tell

you that there are fewer insects

true, there should be fewer in-

sects and less insect damage to

should prove a better one for

would mean much to the finan-

cial status of the cotton-produc-

ing areas, especially in view of

Dr. L. T. Anderson

Chiropractor

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

Other Editor's Viewpoints

WE DON'T WANT ANY (Elkin Tribune)

We think it wonderful that man can invent machines that for as a result of the cold winter can, in almost the twinkling of is the destruction of many inblems that it would take him, armed only with a pencil and ream of paper, days to do. But than after a mild one. That being we don't think such machines are going to become nearly as popular as the yo-yo and bubble gum growing crops this year. If that unless they make them do more be the case, and here's hoping it practical jobs around the house. turns out that way, the year 1951

For instance, we read somewhere that the Special Devices growing a cotton crop. And that Center of the Navy has developed new type of electronic brain that can give the answer to a problem involving 250 additions, 67 present high cotton prices. Any multiplications, 30 integrations way, we can hope the cold wea-and 20 aerodynamius funchions ther, which may prove a hardin less than 60 seconds. This ma. ship now, will pay dividends lanine is no doubt very useful to the navy, and it perhaps would prove a boon in filling out an income tax forn, but for just plain ordinary work around the house, we don't think it will amount to shucks.

What we need - and no one has as yet gotten around to inventing it - is a machine that will figure out how to keep down the cost of living and at the same time keep on friendly terms with the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker. And such a machine would also prove helpful in aiding Dad work out the arithmetic problems his children bring home from the sixth grade at school. Right off hand, we don't know of anyone around here who is especially bothered with any problems involving 250 additions, 67 multiplications, 30 integrations and 20 aerodynamic unctions.

No, we don't think such machines will ever become popular as a household gadget. And we're not sure that the ordinary run of the mill class of people are going to be too pleased that a machine has been developed that smarter than they are. Let a man use his brain on big problems and he gets a headache. But the worst hat could happen to a machine would be the replacement of a cog wheel or gear. And this means that the first you know, the machine will be looking down on man.

Machines are all right in their place, but when they get to high-hatting man himself, it's time to call a halt.

COLD WEATHER (Bladen Journal)

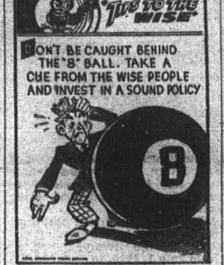
If the old saying that a hard, cold winter, with plenty of snow and ice, means a better crop year, then the 1951 should be a good one. The present winter has been one of the coldest so far this section has experienced in several years. It has indeed been far dif-ferent from recent winters, when farmers found it impossible to save their meat for lack of cold weather. It has not been hot enough to spoil meats since the first advent of cold weather early last fall.

Farmers generally will tell you that hard freezes and frozen ground has a good effect on farm lands, and that snow also is a help to that end, it serves to pulverize the earth, they say, and pulverize the earth, they say, and insures better crop conditions. The satisfall also has been more abundant this winter and that also is welcomed by farmers. It is more difficult to get a crop started in the spring when the rainfall is light during the previous winter. If there is sufficient raturall, or snow, during the winter to fill the earth with water

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