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### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.  
Psalm 19: 1.

### Seeing Believing

As this is written, negotiations between the United Nations and North Korean-Chinese Communist representatives seeking an armistice in Korea, have resumed again.

Their resumption indicates that a stronger possibility of arranging a cease-fire exists, but few people in this nation, and, it is suspected, throughout the world will wager that the shooting will be halted.

The backing and filling of the North Korean-Chinese group operated during the first days to stop the negotiations and to give that group certain propaganda gains, proving once again that it's almost impossible to do business with men of no moral honesty.

This nation's leaders, remembering the quick break-up of the services following the Japanese surrender in 1945, have already used the press and radio to remind the citizenship of that wasteful and unfortunate circumstance. And certainly it would be pure folly to repeat that performance, regardless of the Korean outcome.

Trouble brews today in Iran, where the strong nationalistic government of Iran is expropriating the British-owned oil fields. Britain developed the oil fields years ago. The nationalists charge that Britain has been doing the expropriating and they mean to bring an end to it. However, two wrongs have never been known to make a right, and the fear of the free world is that Iran, without the technicians to operate the big wells, will turn to willing Russia for such aid as is needed in keeping the pumps flowing. Such a step would be the beginning of the end for Iran and would mean that Russia would have access to the oil she needs to fight a major war.

Thinking citizens of the world are united in hoping for a cease-fire in Korea, but they will recognize it as merely an armed truce, in spite of the current purring, dulcet tones of a Russian government which none accuses of changing its policy. Russia, a master at the business of expediency, is merely changing its methods.

Seeing, again, is believing.

Two reports on city matters, published recently, require little comment. It came as no surprise to anyone that many citizens are listing their property for taxes at incredibly low figures, nor that some tightening of office procedures was needed at City Hall. This paper has always preferred to pay local level taxes more than state and federal taxes. Taxes paid on the local level are spent close home and their expenditure should result in direct benefit to the individual and to the community, whereas taxes paid to higher levels of government frequently seem to be going down the drainpipes of bureaucracy and waste. Our understanding is that the suggestions of Ernst & Ernst, certified public accountants are to be followed to the letter, which, in turn, should make citizens less reluctant to pay city taxes and fees in the future. County officials might well take a look at Clarence Carpenter's report on the tax listing business. Mr. Carpenter, though he did not mention it in his report, found in his cross-checking numerous figuring errors in the county books which added to the county's valuation total.

Citizens of Number 4 Township are mighty pleased with the Kings Mountain hospital. Added evidence was the gift recently of a sum of money to the hospital by the Second Baptist church Vacation Bible school.

### 10 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

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

Plans are now being made for the greatest step forward in police protection in the history of Kings Mountain. Chief of Police Jimmy Burnes and City Manager H. L. Burdett have been jointly working for sometime to improve the service so that the citizens can secure an officer any hour of the day or night.

Kings Mountain's water plant which is said to be one of the best in North Carolina has recently undergone a complete

### painting and cleaning.

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Ladd Hamrick was hostess to members of the Study Club and invited guests Tuesday afternoon at her home.

Mrs. J. C. Nickels and Mrs. Joe Thomson were hostesses at three tables of bridge entertaining at the home of the latter Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGill of Columbia, S. C. visited relatives in Kings Mountain Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Mae Howie and Miss Ollie Harris are spending the week at Myrtle Beach.

Mrs. Carrie Wilkens of Mocksville is a guest at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. E. Neisler.

Nicholas Moss is one of the winners... students from North Carolina among the 4,500 enrolled in the Northwestern university summer session at Evanston, Ill.

## MARTIN'S MEDICINE

By Martin Harmon  
Ingredients: bits of news, wisdom, humor, and comment.  
Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but avoid overdosage.

### Experimenting

The Herald staff hopes that its readers will bear with it and take the insults of slightly varied appearance during the next few weeks. I use the word "insult" advisedly, for readers of newspapers, magazines and other periodicals have the habit of becoming attached to a particular style or format and sometimes they don't like it when the style is changed, or, at least, fiddled with. It doesn't matter too much sometimes whether the style changes are improvements or not, proving again that Old Man Habit is a strange and terrible creature.

The above paragraph is a start at answering the question that may have hit some readers' minds when they saw this piece itself, for here is where the experimenting starts. Today's piece is being set "eight-point indent", rather than "eight-point bold indent". Suggestion for it was made by our friend Mr. Galaini, introduced to readers of this department last week, who had remarked, "It's too black and smashes you right in the face." My reply was that it had to smash folk in the face to get them to read it, but when I was scanning the finished product Thursday night, it did look mighty black. There's no guarantee that it'll be continued this way, but the best way to find out how something looks is to see it.

Obviously, the experimenting is due to the addition of the new typesetting machine and its concurrent new type faces, which enables us to present the news and advertising in more pleasing variety.

The several type faces made available with installation of the new machine are

- This
  - This
  - This
  - This
  - \*This
  - \*This
  - \*This
  - \*And This
- Already in use on the Number 1 machine was
- This
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  - This
  - This
  - This
  - This
  - This
  - This
  - And This

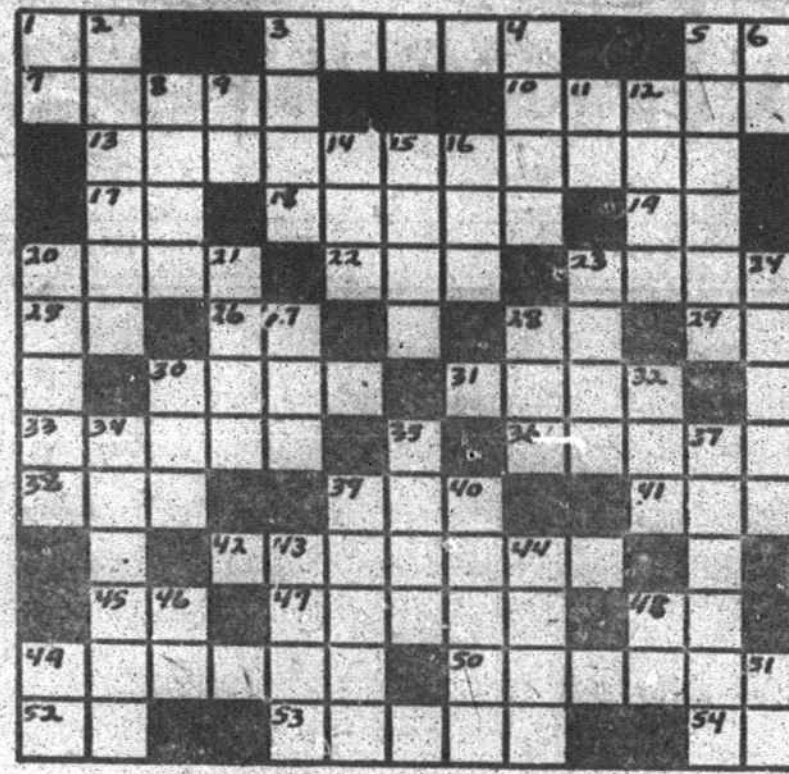
Thus the Herald now has available on the typesetting machines no less than 16 different faces of type, in addition to hand-set display type in sizes up to two-inch wood type, known to the newspaper trade as "war type". Readers probably noted some of the experimentation had already begun in last week's edition, some bringing joy, some disappointment, if not sorrow. We have already ruled out use of the Vogue series, a Sans Serif style, (note asterisks above) on the front page, for it doesn't mesh well with the black, bold type which predominates the regular news pages. But it looks mighty good for the society news headlines, for advertising beamed at lady purchasers, and for neat, clean job printing.

The popular favorite already is the minute six-point face which sharpens up the Herald's baseball box scores considerably. We should have the experimenting done within a couple of weeks, and, meantime, we'd like to have your comments on what you think of them. After all, our first purpose is to make the Herald as readable as possible and to send Doc Morrison and Nate Reed as little eyestrain business as possible.

Speaking of experimenting, Frank Summers is doing some experimenting this summer on the fun and frolic of the "soft life" of ROTC summer encampment at Fort Belvoir, Va. He wrote his family that his unit was now on eight-hour shifts... three per day.

Experimenting, supposedly, is often productive of good results, as witness the former luxuries, now necessities, of the automobile, the telephone, and wireless and radio. Many people, who have to move and move fast, now regard the airplane as a necessity, and who can say how long it will be

### CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon



### Entertainment For You

- ACROSS**
- 1—Perform
  - 2—Popular name for South American pleasure city
  - 3—Worthless coin
  - 4—Syllable applied to note of musical scale
  - 5—Verbos stage presentation
  - 6—Expect
  - 7—Popular name for radio's dispatcher of "platter chatter" (two words—plural)
  - 8—Part of verb "to be"
  - 9—Is desiring
  - 10—Latin connective
  - 11—What gamblers do with their money
  - 12—Working surface for exponents of the "grout-and-groan" art
  - 13—Employed
  - 14—Indefinite article
  - 15—Printer's measure
  - 16—Prefix signifying "not"
  - 17—Never!
  - 18—Break suddenly
  - 19—Motion of the roulette wheel
  - 20—Ball player's mistake
  - 21—One end of the boat
- DOWN**
- 1—College degree
  - 2—To establish by decree
  - 3—What a croquet likes to do to the chips
  - 4—Trees
  - 5—How to enjoy the radio
  - 6—Preposition
  - 7—Directs the sight
  - 8—Master of Science (abbrev.)
  - 9—Pronoun
  - 10—Affirmatives
  - 11—A kind of session for a kind of music
  - 12—Radio announcers are devotees of this kind of expression
  - 13—Catastrophic
  - 14—No-Trump (abbrev.)
  - 15—Participant in a game of speed
  - 16—A form of the game of lotto
  - 17—A single part
  - 18—The successful offense man in football does this to the ball carrier
  - 19—Blemish
  - 20—Increases the poker pot
  - 21—Disappointing sign displays for disappointed theatergoers
  - 22—A tennis barrier
  - 23—Opponents in a game
  - 24—To drench
  - 25—Created a disturbance
  - 26—Sleepy-time noise
  - 27—Employers
  - 28—Limited
  - 29—Woody plant
  - 30—Paternal nickname
  - 31—Newspaper announcement
  - 32—Large eastern U. S. state (abbrev.)
  - 33—Prefix denoting "again"

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

### Other Editor's Viewpoints

#### THE STRENGTH

NEW YORK TIMES

Start west across America in July and you travel with corn and roses. You have the rare blue of chickory flowers, and the amazing bronze of rye fields coming to ripeness and harvest. Cherries are ripening. And hollyhocks are everywhere, even along the roadsides where they outgrow the grass and the ragweed and lift colorful faces to the sun.

The Midwest has had too much rain, and much of the corn is late and small, much of it uncultivated and lost among the weeds. But that is over toward the Big River, out in Corn Country itself.

Before you get there, you will have seen a part of the land that is lush and green and beautiful. Pennsylvania and Ohio look as though there had never been a better season.

Almost any July is lush, and to see this land then is to feel that there is no limit to its growth and its plenty. Even the trees seem, this year, to have put on twice as many leaves as they usually do. And every leaf seems to be a brighter green. Perhaps it is only July itself, but it is a wonderful sight, one that makes you believe in all good things that ever grew.

For this is a green land, a land of fertile soil and eager fields. One should go and see those fields, from time to time, even if only to rest the eye and reassure the heart. For there they are, year after year, season after season, out of sight of the cities, quietly renewing the strength of America. Seeing them now, one must know that the strength is there. But not an inevitable strength; a strength, rather that must be plowed and planted and tended and harvested each year. This is the growing season, and the growth is lush.

#### AN AMBITIOUS PROJECT

GASTONIA GAZETTE

From Kings Mountain last week came the announcement that the Little Theater is setting out to produce the historical drama, "Then Conquer We Must!"

Our neighbors from Cleveland county are ambitious folk, just as their forefathers were. We Gastonites will probably have a part in this production, too. That be reasonable enough, since some of our great grandfathers and great-great grandfathers carried a smoking squirrel rifle on the day history was being made at Kings Mountain during the revolution.

We are happy over the decision of the Kings Mountain Little Theater to undertake this project. It is rightfully their role to get things organized and start the ball rolling. And it will be partly our responsibility to help them make it a success.

The Battle of Kings Mountain stands out as one of the most important in American history. It was at Kings Mountain that the tide was turned in the Revolutionary War, leading to Cornwallis' defeats at other places in the South and his eventual surrender at Yorktown a year later. The Little Theater group at Kings Mountain has permission to put on the drama in the amphitheater near the battleground.

This will be an ideal setting, and the production should draw many people to the national park who have never been there, although living in this section most of their lives.

As things shape up now, the Little Theater will start their casting next Monday. Then, feeling their way along, they expect to be ready by September to start a run of about two weeks' duration. If that proves successful, they will start out next spring with plans to build a production as big as Manteo's "Lost Colony" and Cherokee's "Unto These Hills."

The drama should be interesting to history and thrilling to watch. History is always easier to learn when put to words and music.

Our Kings Mountain folk need every encouragement we can give them. They have a big job cut out. But they have a good drama, well written by Robert Osborne, and they have the spirit to put it across.

We wish them well.—L.E.

A strong demand exists in the Far East for cigarettes and tobacco from the United States, although tariffs, exchange difficulties, and other factors are having a limiting effect on the trade, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

### Pethel Graduated From Army School

FORT SLOCUM, N. Y.—Pvt. James Franklin Pethel, of Kannapolis, North Carolina, is one of 90 enlisted men enrolled in a class of Army chaplain assistants training here at the Chaplain school.

In addition to training professionally qualified clergymen for the military service, the Chaplain school offers a course for chaplain assistants to certain enlisted men. The main purpose of this course is to teach them to shoulder the responsibility of the technical and administrative functions of the chaplain's office in order to free the chaplain to give his entire time to his professional activities.

The chaplain assistants study such subjects as administration of a chaplain's office, music for

chaplain's assistants, religious facilities and supplies, funerals and burials, denominational coverage, motor maintenance and other relative subjects to religious military duties.

The course for Army chaplain assistants is running concurrently with a five-week course for Air Force chaplains. The present class includes 51 students, the majority of whom are reserve officers called to extended active duty with the Air Force.

The school moved to Fort Slocum just two-and-one-half months ago from Carlisle Barracks, Pa. This enlisted men's class is the first of its kind to be trained at the school's new location. It is the largest chaplain assistants class in the history of the school.

Graduation exercises were held on July 14th. Pvt. Pethel is to be stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

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