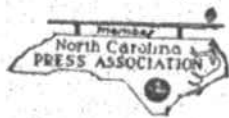




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### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ, I Corinthians 15:57.

## The Korean Fiasco

It is next to impossible for even the ally newspapers with their press coverage to comment intelligently on the Korean truce talks, the attitude of the South Koreans, and the other many-phased of that jumbled situation, or many reasons. One is that the complete information is not being received, and never has been, due to our own military censorship, which the services have employed. Another, of course, is the fight-to-the-death attitude of the Rhee government, and another is the North Koreans who have dragged out the talks for two years already.

It is even harder for the weekly press, without any direct information, to comment intelligently, but it is possible to report the man-in-the-street attitudes.

Principally, there are three groups: those who hope for peace at any price, because they have members of their families in Korea, or soon to be on the road; 2) those who regard the truce talks as a repetition of the British "peace in our time" concession to Hitler in 1938; and 3) those who are frankly refused between the two extreme views.

One citizen remarked a fortnight ago, when the truce signing appeared just around the corner, "With a 19-year-old son, I should be mighty happy about this thing, but I'm not." He felt that judgment day merely may be delayed.

The only gain, if any, is that the Communists do not have the whole of Korea, and the Rhee attitude underlines the struggle for power between the rears themselves.

It is the first war this nation has ever fought without aiming, at all times, for victory through the capture of areas of real estate and the destruction of the enemy. All evidence to date is that the attainment method is not very helpful in obtaining the ever-sought will-o-the-wisp known as peace.

## Dairy Week Again

The years slip by and North Carolina grows greener.

The green is apparent in a number of sections, on the landscape where the green and better pastures are being planted by the state's farmers, and in the so-called "long green", also known as cash, which dairy farmers and feeders are pocketing.

The last-mentioned green comes slow and it comes hard, for vast hours of labor are the lot of the dairy farmer, there is no surcease from twice-daily milking and milking, no laying by of old sows, as a farmer does a corn or cotton crop. Laying by is over by the time the milk moves around again.

But milk production has provided North Carolina with another cash crop, an all-or-nothing crop like cotton or rice, but one which produces cash each monthly check to the producer or wholesaler.

And the market for milk and milk products continues to grow. North Carolina has to depend less on other states for milk than she once did, but still the state imports butter, cheese, and milk.

leveland County is among those on the list of increasing milk producers, and it is good news for the county and for the individuals who make the milk.

## 10 YEARS AGO Items of news about Kings Mountain area people and events THIS WEEK taken from the 1943 files of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Jim Smith was awarded 50 hour service pin at the Red Cross work room Tuesday night. He was the first male worker to receive the award.  
According to H. L. Ruth, President of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association, local stores closed Monday, July 5th, in observance of July 4th which was on Sunday this year.  
Social and Personal  
Martha Lou Mauney, bride was honored by a luncheon by Miss Lib Isenhour of

Salisbury last Thursday.  
Mrs. Claude Rhyme is on a visit to relatives in New York City.  
Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Norman are vacationing in the mountains of Western North Carolina.  
Pfc. Menzell Phifer has been transferred from Chillothe, Mo., to Elgin, Fla.  
Miss Doris Rhea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Rhea, and Miss Margie Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Wilson, have accepted civil service jobs, and are now stationed at Arlington, Va.

Pfc. Eugene Goforth, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Goforth, recently graduated from the Ordnance Automotive School at Fort Sheridan, Ill.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Goforth, Ben, Jr. and Bobby Goforth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crenshaw in Belmont Sunday.  
Mrs. F. E. Finger is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Warren, the latter her daughter, in Houston, Texas.

## MARTIN'S MEDICINE

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

There is something resembling the fighter's parson of frontier days, or the 'praise the Lord and pass the ammunition' chaplain in Rev. Frank Pressly, the 'Due West, S. C.' ARP preacher and missionary.

This young missionary, who is just home for the first time from his first several-year tenure in Pakistan, has a most interesting background, navally speaking.

I was particularly interested, for I was supposed to know about Frank Pressly, if I did not know him personally. Somewhere in the haze of the past was the thought that Mr. Pressly and I were in the navy's 90-day wonder school together and that, later on, he got himself decorated for exceptional valor in the business of operating a PT-boat. But I was not sure on either count.

It was therefore with more than usual interest on Sabbath morning, as us ARP's say, that I chatted with the visiting minister-missionary after his good discourse on the business of evangelizing a land where Christians are both few and far between, and, in addition, an object of ridicule. The Pressly dictum on foreign missions: we must not be dismayed by the enormity of the task, nor by the words of detractors.

"Weren't you in PT boats," I asked after I had learned that he had bunked a deck (floor) above me in the good ship Furland Hall at the corner of 116th street and Morningside Drive in New York City. The reply was affirmative, I asked how, and here is the interesting story.

During our term of grinding to get to be officers and gentlemen by act of Congress, Commander John Bulkley, one of the first American heroes of World War II, who, with a squadron of six little PT boats did a rough job on major segments of the Japanese navy, visited the school to explain how he got his medals and, incidentally, to invite volunteers to a branch of the naval service that promised plenty of excitement, few comforts, and a short span of mortal existence. Commander Bulkley's tales were exciting to the point of raising goose pimples, and though he told them with that laughing half-seriousness which tantalizes, I never came close to holding up the volunteer's hand. Frank Pressly did, but says it was rather accidental.

"It happened," the minister says, "that I was section leader for the day, and the word was passed that all volunteers would be interviewed by a Lt. Hartley. I gave the section a pep talk on volunteering, but it didn't take. Not a one volunteered. Finally one guy in the rear line sneered, 'Why don't you volunteer?' This was not the desired result, but he was caught.

He continued that he was flunking engineering about every alternate week and figured they wouldn't want him anyway, but Lt. Hartley turned out to be a young man with forebears who had fought gallantly for the Confederacy. He thought anyone from south of the Mason-Dixon line would make a good PT-boater and wasted no time in sending Pressly to Comdr. Bulkley.

A lowly midshipman getting interviewed by a naval hero who had sunk Japanese shipping was hard on the nervous system, but the interview didn't last long. First, Bulkley, feet-on-desk and much different from the spit-and-polish school staff, handed the prospective recruit a slip which related the sad tale of Bulkley's original PT boat squadron. Of 113 officers and men, only 14 were around to tell their experiences. "You still want in?" Bulkley asked. Naturally, as Mr. Pressly expresses it, "I couldn't show yellow then." The reply was "yes, sir", and Bulkley's dismissing words were, "Sign your will."

When orders for the graduating recruits were finally cut, Ensign Pressly drew PT's and bore out the fine regard the lieutenant had held for the legendary bravery of the Old South. Pressly operated principally in the Mediterranean, around Bone and vicinity, while Rommel was giving the invading Allied Powers a rough time of it in North Africa.

From his war record, it would appear that Rev. Mr. Pressly has the kind of nerve and adventuresome spirit that would be required to evangelize the Pakistani.

He has had no correspondence with the navy, would like

## CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-49 and letters in some cells.

- ACROSS: 1-Author of "Idylls of the King" (pos.) 8-Pertaining to mariners (abb.) 9-Crain 10-Letter from Green 12-Eating place 13-Legendary Swiss hero 15-Permit 16-Sense of triumph by Caruso 20-Garden vegetable 21-By way of 22-Curious 24-Famous American playwright 26-Inventor of the incandescent lamp 28-Chemical symbol for aluminum 29-Roman numeral 30-Greek god of manly beauty 33-Most outstanding athlete of the century 35-Assistance 36-Hurried 37-Knock 40-Famous English chemist (pos.) 42-South American city 44-Birthplace of Shakespeare 46-Scottish inventor of steam engine 47-French author of "The Mysteries of Paris" 48-Unit 50-Time past 51-Discoverer of the X-ray (pos.)
- DOWN: 1-Former U.S. President 2-Mother of Cain 3-Negative 4-American university 5-Thoroughfare (abb.) 6-Snare 7-Par 8-Scottish "no" 11-Beverage 12-Famous ancient queen 14-Knight of King Arthur's Round Table 16-Lubrication 17-Close comrade 18-Fish eggs 19-Augment 21-Mexican revolutionist 23-One of the surgeons for whom a famous American territorial line was named 25-The self 27-Title of respect 31-Cover 32-Medical suffix 33-Easy 34-Possesses 38-Thoroughfare (abb.) 39-Issue freely 41-Small aperture 42-Shred 43-Japanese stat-ue-man 45-Combining form of "new" 46-Pallid 48-Over and touching 49-Latin abbreviation meaning "for example"

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

## Viewpoints of Other Editors

### SOLEMN FOLLY

Sometimes there seems no limit to the solemn foolishness that is proposed to and accepted by legislative bodies. They even attempt to put that ever-growing, ever-changing force — language — into a strait jacket.

The latest aberration of the law-makers is reported from Georgia where the lower house has set out to destroy the annoying, conjunctive excuse for ignorance or indecision — and/or. But unfortunately these would-be benefactors of the race have only compounded the crime by inventing the word "and/or" and solemnly decreeing that it have the meaning of either or both the small conjunctions.

Neither the lexicographers nor the users of language — the court of last resort — will welcome this "reform". It still leaves the choice of meaning to the reader — which may be convenient at times but is no whit less irresponsible and in some contexts definitely confusing. It is said that confusion as to the meaning of a character in the Japanese language caused several days' delay in Japan's surrender in 1945 and use of the atomic bomb.

Perhaps no damage would have been done — except to our ears! — if Hamlet had said, "To be and/or not to be?" Possibly no mix-up would have been caused if Paul Revere had said, "One if by land and/or two if by sea." But we are glad Jefferson didn't write, "All men are created free and/or equal". Also that the Georgia solons cannot rewrite the account of creation in Genesis to make it read, "And/or the evening and/or the morning".

### Rites Conducted For Romey Self

Funeral services for Romey O. Self, 69, resident of 1409 West Pine Street, Gastonia, were conducted Sunday at 2:30 p. m. from Fairview Baptist church in Gastonia.

Rev. W. G. Rhinehardt, pastor of the church, officiated and burial followed in the Gaston Memorial Park cemetery.

Mr. Self died in a Gastonia hospital Friday at 5:50 p. m. after an illness of several weeks.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Blanche Cox Self; four daughters, Nettie Marie, Rosemary, and Nancy Jo Self, all of the home, and Mrs. Helen Turner of Grover; one step-daughter, Mrs. Vera Kitchen Camp of Kings Mountain; one son, Willie Lee Self of Grover; three brothers, Fred G. Self of Jacksonville, Fla., Osey and Edgar Self both of Gaffney, S. C., three sisters, Mrs. Lloyd Ellis and Mrs. Tom Moss, both of Blacksburg, S. C., and Mrs. Bost Martin of Gaffney, S. C.; and fifteen grandchildren.

England has been ruled by six women — seven if you count the 10-day reign of Lady Jane Grey — since the Norman conquest, according to the American Peoples Encyclopedia. England's reigning queens have been: Mary Tudor, Elizabeth I, Mary, Anne, Victoria, and Elizabeth II.

to transfer to the chaplain corps, a post befitting his current profession. With a war record in PT's, a decoration, and missionary zeal, the navy might use him in the future to recruit for dangerous missions.

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