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AN ARMISTICE ON ONE BATTLEGROUND

VICTORY over Germany and Japan in 1945 were accompanied by celebrations. There were prayers, and thanksgiving that the slaughter had ceased, but above all there was an emotional rejoicing that the war was at an end.

The signing of the Korean armistice last night does not evoke a "VE" or "VJ" day mood. The victory achieved at Panmunjom by its unique nature, does not lend itself to exuberant expressions of relief.

Nonetheless a victory has been secured. We are not thinking of victory in the sense that the U. N. scored a net gain of some 1,500 square miles of strategic, if devastated, real estate, nor in the sense that enemy casualties were infinitely higher than those of the allies, nor because the destruction wrought upon the Reds was greater than that incurred in South Korea.

Rather, the victory of Korea lies in two facts that distinguish it from all others signed in recent years. First, the fact that it has, at least temporarily, averted an all-out war to unconditional surrender is a victory that takes on particular significance in an age when all-out war may well mean mutual and total annihilation.

These who advocate all-out war and clerical victory, despite their risks in this atomic age, ought to remember history's lesson—that preceding victories have not secured the peace in the past, but have often led to a new and more terrible war.

when it swept into Ethiopia, on Germany when it took over Austria. In his brief but moving address last night, the President aptly observed that an armistice on a single battlefield does not mean peace in the world. Even if genuine peace comes to Korea, the threat of Communist expansion remains. While aggression may seem unprofitable to the Reds now, circumstances could change to cause them to venture out again. For one thing, the U. N. alliance may founder. It is easier for allies to work together when their soldiers are fighting and dying together—the understanding and co-operation born of war will not be present in this trying post-armistice period. Then, too, the cessation of hostilities will lessen the pressure, at home and abroad, to maintain adequate defense forces.

Dealing with South Korea's President Rhee, as well as the Communists, will tax the patience and ingenuity of the U. N. negotiators in the forthcoming political conference. The rehabilitation of South Korea presents a challenge to all U. N. members. Problems that have heretofore been overshadowed by the military aspect may now be thrust to the foreground.

If, in the face of all these difficulties, the U. S. and its allies fight and put down their guard, then as surely as night follows day the Reds will rally fresh to fill the breach caused by a decrease in free world pressure. But if the allies stand together and stay strong, the Reds will likely stay put, and the allies can concentrate on increasing the Red's internal troubles. Throughout the trying days ahead, an appreciation of the nature of the victory in Korea and the continued efforts necessary to insure the permanence of peace will increase the likelihood that history will mark the Korean War as a milestone in the eternal fight against tyranny.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY

THE matter of trading with the enemy deserves thoughtful attention in view of charges, made by Senator McCarthy's investigating subcommittee, that trade is continuing, and even expanding, between Red China and U. N. countries that until today were fighting it.

Trade that provides an enemy or likely enemy with military equipment is naturally forbidden. However, it can be argued that in modern war practically all goods are strategic, valuable to the war effort. It is that all trade between the free world and China (as well as other Communist countries that would readily re-export goods to her) should have ceased.

This deduction immediately presents a problem inasmuch as this country trades in countries which require a greater proportion of imports, and thus foreign exchanges obtained through exports. In Britain, for example, the proportion of imports to total production is 28 per cent, while in the U. S. it is but 12 per cent.

The position of the European nations trading with China and other Communist countries is that the test which must be applied is "where does the balance of advantage lie?" Norway, for example, considers the export of lots of fish and a little aluminum to the Soviet bloc advantageous when she gets managers and steel in return.

Then, too, trade with the Communists is particularly attractive to non-American countries because that trade requires no scarce dollars. Tariffs erected by the U. S. and other free countries between each other don't help the situation. And, as we noted when the McCarthy subcommittee, judgment on the validity of the charges made must wait. It may be in order for the U. N. allies to review their trade policies with respect to the Communists.

It ought not to be forgotten, however, that while charges of trading with the enemy lend themselves to sensational headlines, the answer lies in making it possible for the free nations to trade more freely among themselves.

SEN. CHARLES TOBEY of New Hampshire was nearly 30 when he began his career as a public servant, but he has full measure from then on. Toby served successively as member and speaker of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, as the 27th president of the New Hampshire Senate, as Governor of his state, as U. S. Representative for three terms, and finally as U. S. Senator, from 1920 until his death last week.

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Safety Campaign Needed CHARLOTTE Editors, The News: I read with interest a letter in your column regarding the high accident and death rate on the highways. Mr. Cowling seems to think that if the number of trucks were to be reduced, that would answer the problem of high mortality of motorists.

It is not agree with him, as from my observation the majority of the drivers in and around Charlotte violate most of the driving laws and regulations by speeding, cutting in and out of traffic, passing cars in No. Passing Zone, and general discourtesy and un-courtesy regarding either the safety of the other driver, or himself.

If the Charlotte News would start a Safety Driving Campaign to arouse public opinion, with daily articles in the paper, and make every effort to get them, we might in time make the streets and highways safer for motorists, and it might again be a pleasure to take the car out with the family for a day's outing.

It Can Be Done CHARLOTTE Editors, The News: In my times I have traveled in 38 states and 7 countries, but nowhere have I seen the efforts made for co-operation as seen in the Oakhurst and Sharon-Amity Community.

These good people have come forth with their labor and their money to help in the development of the best of our country. Every day you hear of juvenile delinquency but here you see something being done about it.

Another Church Resolution CHARLOTTE Editors, The News: Believing the teaching of the Bible in our public schools to be of definite moral, spiritual, and cultural value, and not in effect contributory to communism, we, the Session of the First Avenue Presbyterian Church join with the Men's Fellowship Club of this church in urging to congress to permit the use of our school buildings and schedules for the teaching of God's Word to the children of Charlotte.

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That's Funny — My Ticket Is For The Same Seat



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On Highway Commissioners CHARLOTTE Editors, The News: Referring to your editorial of July 24 where you refer to the Highway Commissioners as road builders, I don't think I need build on a Highway Commissioner. Suppose you let the public know just what the qualifications and duties

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round WASHINGTON Mrs. Claire Boothe Luce, new U. S. ambassador to Italy and the wife of the Time-Life publisher, has sent a scorching telegram to the State Department, in which she says that she is somewhat burned their fingers.

Newly Central Manuever WASHINGTON Without any fanfare, Robert R. Young, lone wolf of the railroad industry, has bought up 25 per cent of the New York Central Railroad and can now exercise most complete control that organization.

Most Trade Part About the Southwest The Southwest has come back with two facts: one they can surmount, one they cannot explain.

Crackpot Ideas Pay Off In 1953, politicians used to criticize the crackpot idea of Henry Wallace and Rexford Guy Tugwell. But the fact is that the soil conservation program which they hammered home has saved the old Dust Bowl area today.

New Red Bomber and Fighter Weaken Our Air Superiority

By JOSEPH ALSO? Arm, it can be seen that the Soviets are beginning to be serious competitors in the skies with their air power.

To the second of the foregoing concerning the MIG-15, it is equally unpleasant. To all intents and purposes, the United States is being forced to defend itself against the growing power of Soviet Strategic Air. As has just been revealed, the MIG-15 is a new type of fighter, and is not expected to destroy more than one-tenth of the personnel of the attackers, or the event of an air-atomic attack launched by night.

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What is important was always news, both the foregoing dry list of the MIG-15's specifications and the headlines in American newspapers. They have, at any rate, a rather limited meaning for the citizens of the United States.

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He Plans To Tour This Year, But Not In Ivan's Country

By ROBERT C. RUARK While searching for a cucumber sandwich and a wild-strawberry sundae, or imprisoned for questioning the validity of the savior at the Moscow trial, the American Back. Or imprisoned for asking the way to the men's room.

I AM OF touring most this year, but I do not think I will point the little blue demon in the direction of Russia unless she has a new face. I have experimented on whether you can get out, once you've got in.

For a number of weeks, I have been pondering this new generality of the Curtain Kids in flinging wide their doors—in a limited fashion, of course—in the direction of the United States. I have decided that I am not brave enough to be a test case. I voted Republican, but I am sure I have never belonged to a subversive organization. I work for all sorts of papers, but the pink-see don't follow could get himself lost.

As an auto tourist, I can get lost in any given city, or any given country, and I am responsible fellow strays from the designated, open to - foreigners route, and accidentally winds up in an atom foundry or a concentration camp? No good saying you're just lost. You're a 497, and you're stuck.

There was a time when the United States could send gunboats to spring its indignation over an alien who had allowed an ill omen to even spring one Bill Oatis took a couple of years. For the sake of the world, I am sure you've got to be a little bit more. I should hate to get myself shot

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