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V.C.'s MOTHER HEARS NEWS

At No. 27 Moss Lane, Altrincham the flags go up.

It's the 47th birthday of Mrs. Houghton but she and her neighbours are celebrating the award of the V.C. to her son in faraway Korea - Private Bill Speakman. 12-year-old brother Bert is the proudest boy in all England. Among the Christmas cards is one from his big brother. Against a Chinese attack Bill's heroism was beyond praise, Mrs. Houghton reads in the official citation. Britain salutes a hero - and it's her son, Bill!