

# TODAY and TOMORROW

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**KING** . . . his rights I have a feeling that the great majority of Americans feel much more sympathetic with King Edward VIII of England in his clash with the British Government, than they do with Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin and his Cabinet. That is not only because the King made himself well known and popular on his two visits to this country when he was Prince of Wales, but because of what I think is the general American feeling that even a king's private life and matrimonial affairs are his own concern and those of nobody else.

As I read the news from England, the King's desire to marry Mrs. Simpson was merely seized upon as an excuse by the ministry to undertake to reassert the exclusive right of Parliament to govern the Empire, and to rebuke the King for what seemed to be interference in political affairs. The existing order of the British aristocracy is afraid of what might happen if the King showed too much sympathy for and interest in the troubles of the common people and the unemployed.

**CONSTITUTION** . . . unique The British Constitution is a curious thing. It is not written down anywhere. It is made up entirely of laws, customs and precedents. Its fundamental principle, however, is that Parliament constitutes the actual government of the nation and that the King must be guided by the advice of the Cabinet, which is composed of members of the House of Commons. Even the House of Lords has nothing to say about the government.

The latest amendment to the British Constitution was the adoption by the Commons of a resolution depriving the House of Lords of its previous veto power over enactments of the Commons. That was just before the war, when Lloyd George, as Premier, was fighting for his program of land taxation and greater security for labor, a program of which the Lords did not approve. King George V, acting on the advice of his Cabinet, threatened to create enough new Peers of the Realm to provide a majority for Lloyd George's program in the House of Lords. Under this threat the Lords capitulated.

There have been clashes between the King and Parliament many times in the past 300 years.

**ABDICATION** . . . James II One thing the King of England can always do if he disagrees with his ministers is to quit his job. One side or the other must resign, they cannot reconcile their difference. If the Cabinet resigns the King must call upon some other member of Parliament to form a new Cabinet. If he cannot get the support of a majority of Parliament, the next step is to call for a general election of a new Parliament. And if the new Parliament still stands out against the King, there isn't anything left for the King to do but either to come off his perch or resign.

James II chose to abdicate the throne of England rather than yield

## Want a Date, Gals?



**NEW YORK** . . . Ted Peckham, (above), who built a business here of supplying college boys as escorts to young women attending social functions, is now looking for new worlds to conquer. He sailed away this week to establish similar services in European cities.

to the dictation of Parliament. He did not formally resign, but threw the great seal of England into the Thames, got on a ship and went to the Continent. A great many good people of England still think that his descendants are the rightful monarchs of the nation.

**AMERICA** . . . George III America has figured in two constitutional crises in England. George III refused to take the advice of his Cabinet, which was to leave the American colonies alone, and by his stubbornness forced the Revolutionary War and lost the colonies. Now an American woman whom King Edward VIII wants to marry has precipitated the most serious English constitutional crises in more than 150 years.

Mrs. Simpson's ancestors fought the British in the Revolution.

**DIVORCE** . . . modern The only ground upon which the British Cabinet objected to the King's marrying Mrs. Simpson was not that she was a Commoner nor an American, but that she had been twice divorced. That fact, they felt, would impair the respect which they felt the peoples of the British Empire should feel for their queen; but when the King proposed to marry her in his capacity as Duke of Cornwall, and not as King, they said it could not be done. Anyone he married would have to be Queen.

Kings have been married before to divorcees, and at least one famous monarch, Henry VIII, divorced two or three of his own wives.

I think there is a good deal of hypocrisy about this divorce pretext. Certainly the post-war atmosphere in which King Edward has grown up takes a much more liberal attitude toward divorce than did the people of his Great Grandmother, Victoria's time.

## Lake Emory

By LUTHER ANDERSON  
**TO HAVE CHRISTMAS TREE**

The Sunday school at Ridgecrest church will have a Christmas tree, and also give a short program at 2 o'clock Christmas afternoon.

Mrs. Minnie Clouse, of Gastonia, visited her daughter, Mrs. D. Lee Crawford last week. Mrs. Clouse's five sons and one daughter were called here by the death of Zeb M. Clouse, another member of the family.

Mrs. Frank Sanders has returned from the hospital at Franklin. Her

friends are pleased to learn of her rapid recovery.

## Watauga News TO GIVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

There will be a Christmas program given at Watauga church Christmas day, beginning at two o'clock in the afternoon. An interesting program is being planned and a large crowd is expected.

Mrs. Jessie Fairchild, of Spring City, Tenn., is here to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Brendle.

Miss Zora Hensley has returned to her home at Asheville after spending several days with her sister, Mrs. Thad Cloer.

Little Miss Evelyn Leatherman has returned to her home at Anderson, S. C., after spending several weeks with her grandparents, the Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Cloer.

Jess Keener and family were Saturday visitors at the home of J. M. Raby.

## Rabbit Creek News ORGANIZING W. M. U.

Mrs. Fanny Gibson, of Cowee, visited the Sunday school at Holly Springs Sunday, and is helping to organize a Woman's Missionary Society.

B. W. Justice has taken his crop of tobacco to market at Asheville, and is also visiting his daughter, Mrs. Weymer Young, of Hendersonville.

The 4-H club members here are very sorry to see Mr. Floyd Long move to Higdonville.

Miss Kathryn Ammons spent the week-end at her home here.

Miss Elenora Dalton spent the week-end with Miss Dimpsey Sweetman, of Franklin Route 1.

The B. Y. P. U. had an entertaining social Saturday, Dec. 12.



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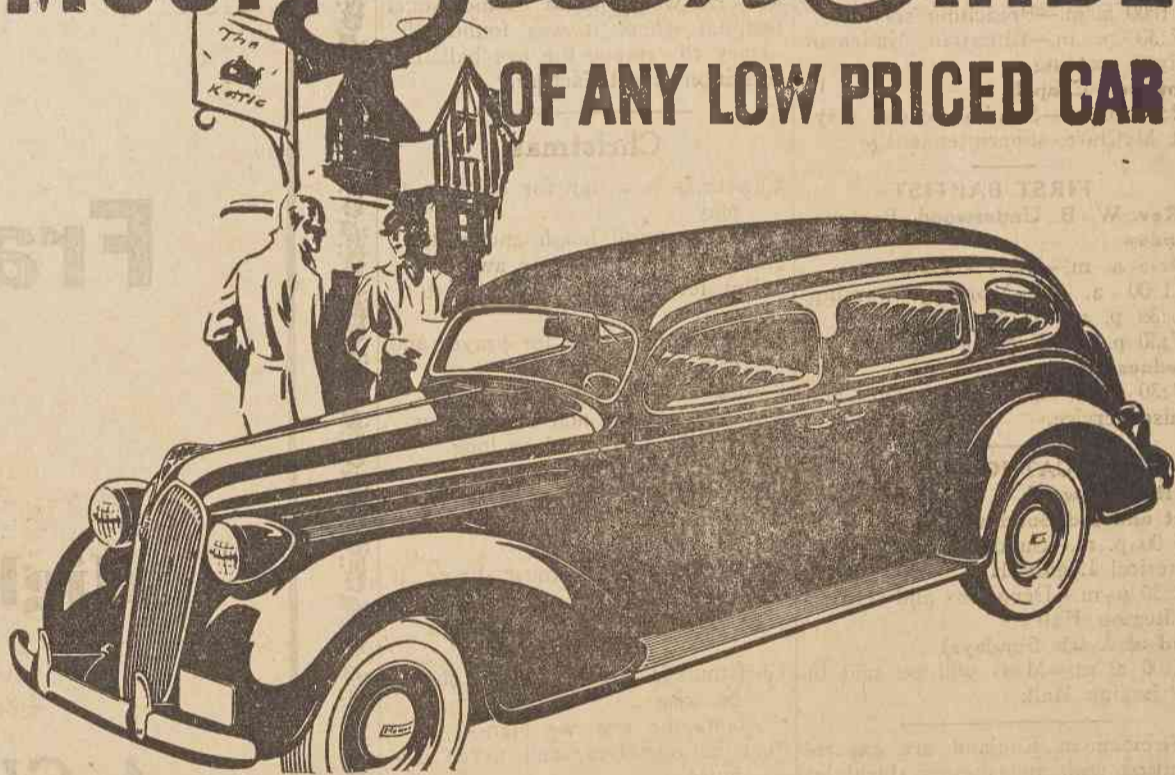
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