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State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—

Four Oaks, July 18.—Coroner E. N. Booker has listed as "murder and suicide" the deaths yesterday here of Aaron Price, 21 year old Johnston County farmer, and his 18 year old bride of nine months.

The coroner said Price apparently shot his wife fatally and then sent a bullet through his own heart. They were found dead on a bed at their home by a neighbor.

New Bern, July 18.—Bill Barker of the U. S. Navy says he escaped by a hair becoming a member of the crew of the ill-fated submarine Squalis.

Just before the Squalis made its test dive off Portsmouth, N. H., Barker said, the training sub R-10 was ordered to transfer a fireman first class. Barke, said he and a mate, Casey of Florida, were the only ones of that rank. Barker got the appointment.

But before he could report to the Squalis commander, he received a promotion to machinist's mate. Casey then went to the Squalis.

He died with 25 others when the craft sank after an induction valve failed and parts were flooded.

Fayetteville, July 18.—Charles Emzie McDonald, 16, of near Fayetteville, drowned yesterday in a mill pond. Friends said he went swimming immediately after playing base ball, and they believed he was seized with cramps.

Raleigh, July 18.—Under the new relief law passed by Congress, persons who have been continuously on WPA projects for the last 18 months will be discharged in North Carolina.

State WPA Administrator G. C McGinnis estimated today the new law would effect 8,500 persons on the WPA payrolls in North Carolina The persons dropped wil not be able to get on the WPA waiting list for 30 days. During this period they must be recertified as in need by the Public Welfare Department.

Newland, July 18.—A living example of "live at home" farming: J. G. Phillips, 89 year old Ingalls farmer, told C. B. Baird, Avery county Farm Agent, that during his entire lifetime he had never bought a chicken, a sack of flour, or a pound of bacon, but had always provided them from his own farm so that he had them on his table or available in his pantry at any time.

Morganton, July 20.—The body of an unidentified woman, about 20 to 25 years old, was found near a country road in lower Burke county today under circumstances which led officers to be lieve she might have been a victim of foul play.

Ralph Tallent, 15 year old farm boy, came upon the body as he was walking on a narrow path leading into the road in what is known locally as the George Hildebrand school community shortly after mid night.

—National News—

San Francisco, July 18.—Defense lawyers were ready to resume cross examination of John L. Leech, former Communist Party organizer in Los Angeles, as the Harry Bridges deportation hearing entered its second week at the Angel Island Immigration Station today.

Bridges, Australian-born alien and West Coast CIO director, is accused of belonging to an organization advocating overthrow of the Government by force.

Washington, July 18.—The expanding navy listed today 101 warcraft and auxiliaries of all sizes as under construction, a record peacetime fleet which by official estimates will cost $1,000,000,000.

The monthly "progress" report, however, included ships on which not a rivet has been driven. In such cases, contracts have been let or the construction assigned to a navy yard and materials are being assembled.

Pittsburg, July 18.—Lions Club men — 15,000 strong from eight nations — moved into this flag-bedecked city today for their annual international fun frolic and convention, bringing with them eght real lions, a score of brass bands, several statesmen and plenty of pep.

Kansas City., July 18.—Theft at gunpoint of a police captain's automobile sent Missouri highway patrolmen into the search for Jack Russell, elusive Oklahoma fugitive sought throughout the Midwest for a slaying and two kidnapings.

The gunman entered a garage at 3816 Main Street early this morning and ordered Huron Cox, Negro attendant, to charge the battery of a car later identified by engine number as one stolen in Kenosha, Wis.

Hollywood, July 18.—Richard Lyon, four year ol dadopted son of Ben Lyon and Bebe Daniels of the films, suffered a cut lip in a automobile accident.

New York, July 18.—New York World's Fair officials agreed today to "consider" a demand by exhibitors and concessionaires for a reduction in the admission price from 75 to 50 cents, as a result of growing protests over light attendance.

While anxious to avoid any public interpretation of price slashing as a confession that the fair was a failure, officals indicated that cutting the admission charge might prove beneficial — as illustrated by the doubling of business at fair parking fields where the fee was cut from 50 to 25 cents.

Lovington, N. M., July 18.—The early Sunday morning killing of a white man placed three negroes in jail today, one accused of the slaying, and caused an exodus of the town's small negro population.

Washington, July 18.—Revision of the Anti-Trust and Patent Laws was advocated today by the Federal Monopoly Committee, which declared that "the survival of the system of private property depends upon the re-stimulation of economic activity."

Laughing Around the World
With IRVIN S. COBB

Gunnery at Regular Intervals

By IRVIN S. COBB

SOME years ago a New York millionaire of varied matrimonial adventures had a falling out with two young persons of the chorus. The disagreement reached its climax at his apartments on an evening

when they called, bringing revolvers with them. Shortly thereafter he was removed to a hospital suffering from bullet wounds in his legs and the young ladies were taken to jail. They were indicted and tried. By reason of the prominence of the victim the trial was what is called a sensational trial. The newspapers were full of it and the defendants became, for the time being, celebrities.

Upon their release they were vouchsafed an opportunity to capitalize their notoriety. Under the title of "The Shooting Show Girls" they were taken on extended booking provided their act justified it. For the opening night's performance a capacity audience gathered but, in all charity, it must be stated that the featured act proved a disappointment.

Aside from the facts that neither of the stars could dance, or sing, or speak her lines, or wear her costumes effectively and that both of them suffered from stage-fright they did very well, considering.

On the following night, Jim Thornton, the old vaudeville comedian, was present to see them. He stood at the back of the house watching the scene on the stage with an inscrutable expression on his face. The manager ranged up alongside him:

"Well, Jim," he said, "what do you think of the girls, eh?"

Thornton cleared his throat impressively:

"If," he said, magisterially, "—if the young women desire a second week's engagement they must shoot him again!"

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Carolinians Dine Governor Hoey In Richmond

Wednesday evening, July 12, eighty five former North Carolinians, including several from Kings Mountain and Cleveland County, entertain d Governor Clyde R. Hoey at a banquet at the Hotel John Marshall in Richmond, Virginia. All those present at the banquet are now living in Virginia.

Governor Price of Virginia welcomed the audience of assembled Carolinians, while O. R. Cunningham presided at the dinner. Governor Hoey was introduced by Dr. J. M. Hall of Westbrook Sanatorium.

Mr. Leslie McGinnis, formerly of Kings Mountain, and Mr. Mark Rollins, formerly of Lawndale, conceived the idea of honoring the Governor. Mr. Rollins was chairman of the committee in charge, with Mr. McGinnis also serving on the committee. Mrs. Plato T. Durham was chairman of the ladies committee. Mr. McGinnis will be remembered in Kings Mountain as one of the organizers of the October 7 celebrations which were held here for many years.

In a letter to The Herald, Mr. McGinnis said: "We born North Carolinians and now residents of Virginia are proud of the "Old North State" and particularly proud of its honest and God-fearing governor, Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, and feel sure that the people of North Carolina and Cleveland County can well say to him, as in the parable of the "Ten Talents, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Governor Hoey, in his speech, told the assembly that "North Carolina is not an economic problem, even tho the South may be considered the No. 1 problem. In fact, North Carolina is busy supporting forty four of the other forty eight states in the Union." In this way he referred to the enormous amount of federal taxes which North Carolina pays, ranking fourth in taxes, with only New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois paying more.

Mr. McGinnis informed the Herald that Prof. Robt. Lee Durham, who was born and reared in Kings Mountain, came from Buena Vista, Va., with his daughter, to assist in honoring Governor Hoey at the dinner.

Several Richmond papers devoted considerable space to stories and pictures of the event.

Mayor Checks On Post Office During Washington Trip

Mayor J. B. Thomasson who returned last week from a business trip to Wasrington, D. C., reports that he conferred with Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle relative to the new Post Office for Kings Mountain. Major Bulwinkle called the procurement Department and they informed him trat the plans and specifications were 85 percent completed, and that they would be finished shortly. Then the Fourth Postmaster General was called and re stated that his office was "about ready to go" and that Kings Mountain would soon have their building started.

The two pieces of property at the corner of Piedmont Avenue and Mountain Street have already been secured. The Carpenter property has already been paid for and the Government has the deed, action is being taken immediately to secure the deed to the Hord property. This will take about 30 days and immediately thereafter bids will be advertised for the construction of the building which will cost including the property about $70,000.00.

Little Lou Ann Logan Wins In Beauty Contest

Friday night, July 14, at the Yonahlossee Theatre in Blowing Rock little Miss Lou Ann Logan of this city won the North Carolina state junior beauty contest. The winner was determined by a vote from a selection of pictures.

While at the state contest in Blowing Rock, Lou Ann received a screen test which is to be viewed by R. H. "Bob" Thompson, movie talent scout for National Cinema Productions. If the screen test proves a success; Lou Ann will be sent to Hollywood with an all-expense-paid trip.

Along witr Mayor G. C. Robbins of Blowing Rock and "Miss North Carolina of 1939," who was Miss Joyce Black of Burlington, "Little Miss North Carolina of 1939" led the ball which was given in honor of the lucky winners and all of the beauty contestants at the May View Manor Hotel.

ATTRACTIVE HOME OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

The attractive brick home of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Hord on Gaston street.

Local Negro Gets Neck Broken

Roy McClinton, local negro youth known as "Tocts", remained in a doubtful condition at Shelby hospital after a fight in the Shelby jail Sunday night. Details of the brawl in which several negroes participated, remained a mystery.

McClinton had been sentenced to two months about a month ago for shoplifting a bottle of Bayrum from a local dime store. McClinton has been a shine boy for local barber shops.

Dr. H. C. Thompson, attending physician, said that pressure had been removed from a broken vertebrae in McClinton's neck, leaving it somewhat easier, and that swelling had gone away. However, the negro is still paralyzed from the neck down, being able to move only his head.

Dr. Thompson said that he could do nothing but wait to see if the nerve tissues of the spine would regenerate. If they fail to do so, it will mean that the spinal cord has been severed. If this is the case, McClinton will remain paralyzed. Body resistence would be considerably lowered and any infection might cause death.

If the nerves do regenerate, showing that the spinal cord has not been severed, McClinton has a good chance to live, and will probably recover.

While the negro remains in a serious condition, officials are continuing an investigation to determine the cause of his injury.

It has been pretty definitely established that McClintin was injured in a brawl with other prisoners in he cell block. Dr. Z. P. Mitchell, on the third floor when it happened, reported that he heard a scuffle, and later a thud as one negro was thrown. He also said that he heard an argument before the fight.

McClinton told Dr. Thompson that another negro had thrown him over his shoulder into the cell bars.

LIONS CLUB MEETS

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Lions Club will be held this evening at 7:00 o'clock at the Mountain View House. Rev. W. M. Boyce, pastor of the A. R. P. Church will speak to the men on "Religious Education in the Public Schools."

ICE CREAM SUPPER

There will be an ice cream supper on the Old Mill Lawn Saturday night July 22, sponsored by the Friendship Club. Public is invited.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THERE'S nothing a kid enjoys much more than giving its dad a kind of a let-down. If the kid can make the old man look like thirty cents, why it's a successful day.

Mary came in to her dad's study and handed him a sheet of paper.

"See, I drawed the whole family of swallows," she says.

"But you must be cuckoo," the old man says. "There are no swallows on this sheet."

"'Course not," she says. "Don't you know that the swallows have all gone south for the winter?"

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Band Will Drill Friday

The weekly Kings Mountain Band Concert, which is conducted each Friday, has been changed to a drill at the Ball Park, and the time has changed to 7:00 P. M. instead of 8:30, the usual time.

In announcing this, officials said that they wanted to give the people of Kings Mountain an opportunity to see the "Best Band in the State" doing some of the several new formations which they have been working on since the last band drill.

Another feature of the drill will be the re-union of all former members of the band who are able to attend. All boys and girls who were in the Kings Mountain band before graduating from High School are asked to be present. Special seats will be reserved for these.

Officials of the band said that they were satisfied with attendance last Friday. Several cars from out of town were counted present. There were also three out-of-state autos: One each from South Carolina, Georgia, and Texas.

Kings Mountain Has Quiet Week-End

Kings Mountain Police took an almost-vacation over the week-end, having little trouble with either drunks, brawls, or et cetera. The biggest excitement of the week came Saturday night about 8:30, when Virgil Childers, negro, became dissatisfied with the exterior features of David Mitchell, also colored, and decided to change them.

Childers used a knife to do part of the work, cutting Mitchell's hand and making an ugly, but not dangerous wound. Not getting complete satisfaction from this, he went for his gun to compelte the job. The bullet either travelled too slowly, or Mitchell traveled too speedily, for when the scrap was over, and police on the scene, Mitchell was found to have a bullet cut on his shoulder. Both wounds were treated by a local doctor.

Little else happened, Chief Burns stating that it was "one of the quietest week-ends for sometime, with much fewer public drunks than usual."

Aged Citizen Passes

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon for Asbury Owens, 90 year old, well known farmer of Cleveland County. Mr. Owens lived with his son-in-law, Albert Warlic, between Kings Mountain and Cherryville.

Mr. Owens is survived by two sons John and Geore, and four daughters, Mrs. Maggie Lewis, who lives on the York highway, Mrs. Albert Warlick with whom he lived, Mitty, and Manad.

Interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Merchants Association Meets Friday Night

The Kings Mountain Merchants Association, Inc., will have an important meeting Friday night in the City Hall at 8:30. The time was set at 8:30 so that the meeting would not interfere with the Band concert earlier in the evening.

Mrs. C. L. Lowder, secretary of the Gastonia Merchants Association will be present and address to local organization.

SINGING CONVENTION

The Singing Convention will meet Sunday at Macedonia Baptist church The public is cordially invited.

Local Citizen Passes At Ripe Old Age

Joseph M. Wood, 84 years old, died after a lingering illness Tuesday afternoon. The death came at 3 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fannie Keener, route 2.

Mr. Wood was born in Caldwell county but had made his home in Cleveland and Gaston counties for the majority of his life. For a number of years he was overseer at the Margrace Mill. After his retirement about five years he had made his home with his daughter.

He was a widower, his wife having preceded him in death by a little more than a year.

Survivors include: five sons, Perry of Melay, Va., Robert of Waco, Mack of Kings Mountain, Horace of Kannapolis and Finley of Atlanta, Ga.; two daughters, Mrs. Keene, and Mrs. C. L. Ballard of Charlotte; and a number of grandchildren.

Funeral service will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Mo-Adensville Baptist Church in Gaston county. The services will be conducted by the Rev. J. N. Snow, former pastor of the church.

Burial will be in the church cemetery beside his late wife.

Town Council Meets

The Town Council in their regular semi-monthly meeting Monday night voted to hire John Eck, certified Public Accountant of Gastonia to make the annual audit. Tre fee to be paid Mr. Eck is not to exceed $250 and may be smaller if the time required to make the complete audit is not too long.

The meeting lasted about three hours with all members present.

Most of the time was taken in the discussion of the water and light rate reductions. Councilmen W. K. Mauney and Ladd Hamrick who are the water and light commissioners discussed rates they had studied, but no definite action was taken, but it is understood that the reduced rates will apply on July accounts.

A request from Haywood E. Lynch for a sewer line to be put on Oriental Avenue was referred to Commissioners Mauney and Hamrick.

Red Cross Workers Enjoy Dutch Treat

The directors and officers of the local Red Cross organization, with their wives and husbands enjoyed a Dutch steak supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Page, on Tuesday evening. Plans for the affair were made by Mesdames C. E. Neisler, Pride Ratterree, Pete Gamble and Harry Page and the crowd did justice to the out-of-door supper, consisting of steaks with all the trimmings.

Mr. Glee Bridges was named as chairman of Red Cross Roll Call for the coming year, with Rev. L. Boyd Hamm, pastor of the Lutheran church, as his assistant.

REV. E. W. FOX IMPROVING

Friends of Rev. E. W. Fox who is a patient in Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, will be interested to know that he is improving and will be carried to the home of his son-in-law, Dr. Rhyne, in Statesville, the latter part of the week where he will remain for sometime.

Washington Snapshots
by JAMES PRESTON

(Opinions Expressed in This Column Are Not Necessarily the Views of This Newspaper.)

If the Administration's new $3,88,000,000 lending-spending program fails to get Congressional approval before adjournment, it will be because the star in the castd idn't let the supporting cast in on the rehearsals. The supporting cast here is the Congress.

What happened is that the Administration had the program quietly drafted by Brain Trusters Corcoran and Cohen, and neither of them consulted Congressional leaders. In fact, the Congressional group was not even informed the bill was being written. So it was that the newspapermen covering the White House ksew all the details of the new program before Vice-President Garner, Speaker Bankhead or House Majority Leader Rayburn knew such a program existed.

So well did the drafters Corcoran and Cohen think of their program for spending nearly four billion more

(Cont'd on Editorial page)