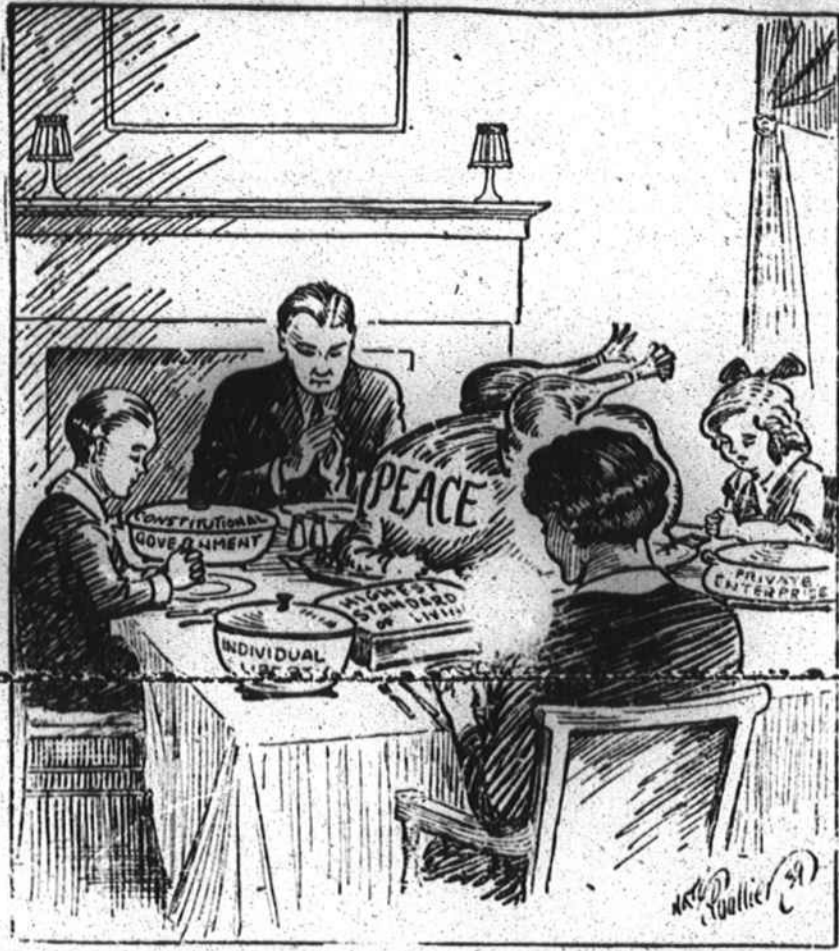


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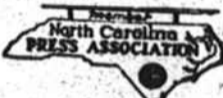
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KINGS MOUNTAIN INVITES YOU THIS CHRISTMAS

With street decorations about completed and window decorators for down-town stores busy shaping their displays, everything will be in readiness for the Christmas shopping season ahead of the formal opening in Kings Mountain, Tuesday, December 5.

As was the custom last year, the season will be ushered in with the turning on of the special lights which transform the business section into a thing of beauty through the holidays.

Visitors will get a preview of the beautifully lighted streets when the lights will be turned on the first time.

The city this year is prepared to welcome you to its beautiful decorations, its full stocks of choice merchandise in all its stores, and hopes you will visit and shop often in this trading center of The Best Town in the State.

The old "shop early" cry has doubtless become a bit tiresome to most shoppers, and particularly those who wait until the last minute to buy, but it may still be truthfully said that the persons who enjoy the Christmas season most are those who do their Christmas shopping early.

By buying your Christmas presents early and buying them in Kings Mountain you assure yourself of a very, very pleasant and happy Yuletide season.

MAYBE GEORGE WON'T

However outworn it may be, there's still a lot of truth in the old expression that some people are willing to just let George do it.

Take this Cotton Christmas idea advanced by the National Cotton Council. Just about everybody will agree that it is a fine thing and that it will help boost cotton consumption.

Mighty few folks in the Cotton Belt won't admit that cotton goods are better than ever before. Even fewer will tell you that dozens of fine cotton articles aren't suitable as Christmas presents.

Trouble is that there are some folks who claim they want to make this Christmas a Cotton Christmas and that they certainly do like these new cotton gifts. And then they go down town and buy every blessed thing under the sun but cotton presents.

These are the folks who want to "let George do it." Wonder if they ever stopped to think that maybe George won't do it.

George is no different from everybody else. He knows that when he buys cotton Christmas gifts he is actually putting money in his pocket and in those of other people of the Cotton Belt. But he sits back and waits for other Georges to do it.

Somewhat we never did have much faith in waiting for some-

Here and There . . .

Haywood E. Lynch

There is one man in Kings Mountain who still sleeps in an old-fashioned "night shirt" and shaves with a straight razor. He is none other than P. D. Herndon, the teller of good jokes.

Today, Thanksgiving, everyone should pause and really give thanks for what they have. Regardless of how you are there is something to be thankful for. Each Thanksgiving day I think of the old truism, "I worried that I had no shoes until I met a man who had no feet." Yes, each and everyone of us has many blessings to be thankful for. One of the biggest things I am thankful for is that I am a citizen of Kings Mountain, N. C., The Best Town in The State.

I haven't seen much of His Honor, The Mayor lately. I saw him last week and he had been sick, I hope he hasn't had a setback, he has done too good a job of running the business affairs of Kings Mountain to get sick on us.

Here's more praise for that Kings Mountain Band. Last week we carried remarks from the Greenville News and now we are happy to re-print extracts from the Greenville Piedmont which were furnished us by Mrs. Manly Morehead, whose son is a member of the band. The article follows:

"A Feature of Saturday's Game between N. C. State and Furman that should receive national publicity was the performance of the Kings Mountain band . . . Without a doubt it was the most remarkable organization to appear in this city in years and years and years. . . . It would be hard to believe if one hadn't seen it . . . Marching, double-quick, playing Sousa's famous marches, and never a sour note . . . Going through the most intricate formations . . . The band is almost unbelievable . . . Who is it's director . . . Who is director of music in the Kings Mountain schools? . . . Who makes it possible for that many young people to play as they do? . . . Who provides all those instruments? . . ."

State College Offers Data On Fertilizers

Two circulars containing detailed recommendations of approved fertilizers for tobacco and other crops grown in North Carolina are available free upon application to the Agronomy Department of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station at State College, announces Prof. C. B. Williams, head of the department.

One of the circulars, No. 116, contains information on approved fertilizers for all crops grown in the State, while the other, No. 118, gives in more detail recommendations for tobacco fertilizers exclusively.

"All of the recommendations are based upon the assembled judgment of field workers of the Department of Agronomy," Prof. Williams said. "They have a vital touch with the field fertilizer experimental work which has been conducted in the State, including demonstrations conducted by the State College Extension Service through county farm agents and cooperating farmers."

body else to do things. We know that if we all pitch in together and buy cotton gifts, we can make this a real Cotton Christmas. Let's get out and do it without waiting for George.

HOUSEKEEPER'S DAUGHTER

JOAN BENNETT ADOLPHE MENJOU

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE: Hilda, beautiful and warm-hearted housekeeper's daughter in the home of young Robert Randall, is greatly thrilled when Robert, at her suggestion, successfully applies for the job of assistant to Deakon Maxwe!

Chapter Four

Deakon and Ed were enraged at what they considered Robert's duplicity in getting the houseboat story and sending it in to the paper behind their backs.



"Lefty, why did you follow me? I told you I was through with your bunch."

Deakon. "But — but I don't understand!" "We don't understand, either." They showed him the paper with his story. Robert still didn't understand, couldn't imagine when or how he had sent in the story.

The Broadwayish-looking Floyd, he who had shared Gladys Fontaine's last hours with her at the houseboat, read Randall's scare-head story about the discovery of the houseboat and decided that something must be done about this Mr. Randall before he pursued his researches too far.

"Tell him, Lefty. Please. I want to tell him. . . he does . . . he's doing . . ."

can trust me, Lefty." She urged him toward the door. The thug hesitated, looking at her with genuine, simple-minded affection. "All right, honey." And he was gone.

At the Globe office Robert was a hero indeed. And the refulgence of the honors which editor Wilson heaped upon him was equalled only by the abysmal depths of scorn in which he now held Deakon and Ed for being scooped by an unlicked cub.

"Newspapermen!" Wilson screamed at them. "You ought to be selling 'em, not writing 'em! A little guy who's never been in a city room before shows you smart mugs up! A little guy with brains breaks a lead story — and what are you doing? Phooey!"

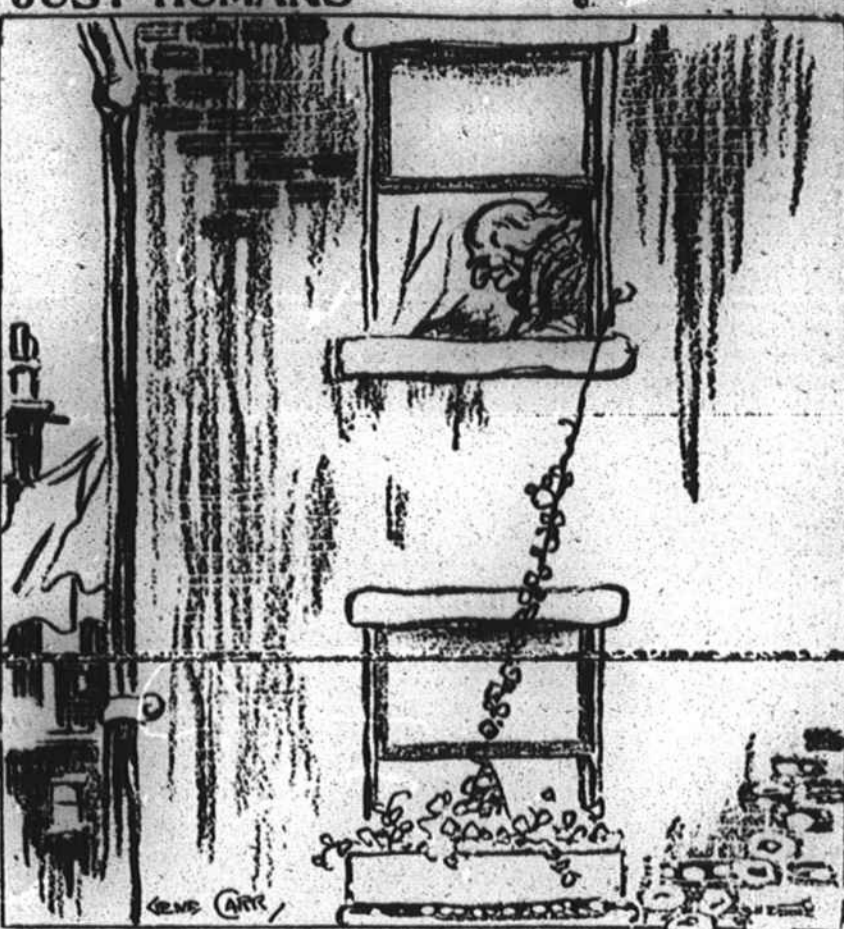
Deakon and his camera-carrying cronies, smarting bitterly under Wilson's tongue-lashing and his rank favoritism manifested toward Randall, went into action immediately to revenge themselves upon the bumptious boy.

Deakon's face. He inserted a damp finger inside his collar. "Who — who is this? Hello — hello!" But Ed had hung up; and he shook hands solemnly with Deakon before both burst into shouts of laughter as Randall dashed into Wilson's office.

"Right! And then cut your throat for an encore!" The perspiration stood out on Robert's face. He inserted a damp finger inside his collar. "Who — who is this? Hello — hello!" But Ed had hung up; and he shook hands solemnly with Deakon before both burst into shouts of laughter as Randall dashed into Wilson's office.

JUST HUMANS

By GENE CARR



Will It Get There in Time?

Washington Snapshots

(Cont'd from front page) 100 percent or the whole nation. (And at this 20 percent frequently produces too much.)

In Russia it takes 80 percent to feed 100 percent.

In Italy 55 percent feeds 100 percent.

In England-France 40 percent feeds 100 percent.

In Germany about 35 percent feeds 100 percent.

These figures have been compiled by a prominent Washington economist who points out that in considering the percent required to feed the whole, two factors must be remembered: the percent must include the number required to produce the actual food and also the number required to produce the cost of imports necessary to supplement domestic production.

In England the production percentage has gone up. While labor leaders probably hold a contrary view, economists argue that restrictions imposed by union labor regulations are the cause.

The production figures also indicate that Russia can give little aid to Germany.

Secretary Wallace is so opposed to American involvement in the European hostilities that he will not permit the war situation to be discussed in his office. This example is not followed by all in official life.

More than one person is remarking that of all domestic news stories that of the Dies-un-American investigation committee alone has remained on the front page since the start of the European War.

A check by Dies committee attaches shows that the committee received as much front page space as the world series.

Dies wants more money. The best bet here is that he will get more money because word reaching Washington clearly shows that Americanism is the onlyism the American want in government.

Public conception of the two-ocean navy is different from what naval experts want.

Naval plans do not contemplate two actual fleets; that is one for the Pacific and a separate fleet for the Atlantic. The naval men want one fleet sufficiently strong to meet any combination of fighting craft which might be brought against them in either ocean.

One big reason for one fleet is that a divided fleet often leads to disaster. Then too, the Navy is afraid of local pride and local fear. For example, with war going on in Europe the Atlantic coast states might raise an awful postscript against transfer of the Atlantic fleet to the Pacific if trouble developed there.

Take Czarist Russia. The Czar had a Far East fleet, a Baltic fleet and a Black Sea Fleet. But the Japs sank the Far East fleet before the Baltic fleet arrived and then sank the Baltic fleet when it showed up. The combined Far East and Baltic fleets most probably could have whipped the Japs.

In a recent case before the Supreme Court, the Chief Justice asked the general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board if there were any examples of actual domination by employers of unions after an independent union representation plan was revised. The Labor Board counsel said that there

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