

LIONS CLUB FLOAT



One of the most attractive floats in the recent Centennial Parade, was the Kings Mountain Lions Club entree. The float was built by members of the club. (Photo by O. O. Jackson.)

R. N. Hines Resigns

R. N. Hines, who was employed as General Superintendent for the Town of Kings Mountain, July 1st, has resigned to accept a position with the Town of Edenton, N. C. Mr. Hines came to Kings Mountain about two months ago from Hertford, where he was in charge of the street and light departments.

Mr. Hines left Kings Mountain last week for Hertford with the idea of moving his family here, but after he arrived there he was offered another position. Mr. Hines' decision came in the form of the letter printed below to Mayor J. B. Thomasson.

Mayor Thomasson stated that the resignation would be accepted at the regular meeting of the Town Council to be held Monday night. Mayor Thomasson said, another man would be employed to succeed Mr. Hines just as soon as a man qualified for the position can be secured.

Mr. Hines' letter follows:
Mr. J. B. Thomasson, Mayor,
Kings Mountain, N. C.
Dear Mr. Thomasson:

After serious consideration I have decided to accept an offer made me by the Town of Edenton, and am now handing you my resignation, effective immediately.

This decision has been reached by the writer due to the fact that this is the home of myself and my wife, she having lost her father only a few months ago naturally hates to leave her mother, and I do not feel that I should be away from my family any great length of time, however, should you feel that my services are of value to you for a month or six weeks longer I would feel it a privilege should you wire me to that effect at my expense. The above facts being as they are I do not think I should be a part of the discussed changes unless you be informed of them first.

Hoping this will not inconvenience you too much, I am,
Yours truly,

R. N. Hines.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THE doctors often find out that there isn't any boil on a guy's liver when the patient acts funny and laxy. The poor sick man just is too laxy to work or he's discouraged or in love or something, and the doctor has a terrible time trying to think up pills that will cure him.

One guy was a great problem to the doctor. He was lying around, killing flies and telling how good he used to be. His wife called the doc, and there was months when the doctor sent him a prescription every week.



Finally the patient says to the doc, "Say, you know, I realize that what I need is something to make me mad, or something to make me get up and hustle. I just ain't got any ambition."

"I see," says the doc. "I'll send you something tomorrow."

And next day the doctor sent a bill for two hundred dollars, with a note on it saying, "Please pay this bill in thirty days or get yourself sued."

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Condensed In-Brief Form State And National News

State News

Whiteville, Sept. 9.—Miriam Bald last night in an automobile collision.

Raleigh, Sept. 9.—Roy Rose has escaped from the Moore county prison camp and Glenn Brown from the Macon county camp, the prison division reported today. Brown was serving 10 years for second degree murder in Watauga county. Rose was serving 30 days for hobnobbing in Lee county.

Dunn, Sept. 9.—Authorities today were investigating the death of Emmeline L. Emanuel, 66, negro woman, who was burned to death at her home near Wade early Sunday morning.

The house occupied by the woman and her son, Luther Emanuel, was burned to the ground Sunday morning between 4 and 5 o'clock. The son was spending the week-end in Dunn.

Raleigh, Sept. 9.—Adjutant General J. Van B. Metts today sent out formal orders for all North Carolina national guardsmen to mobilize at their home stations on Sept. 16 for a year's active duty.

All North Carolina guardsmen, with the exception of the small state detachment and the state staff are included in the mobilization. Both those on the active and inactive lists are affected.

General Metts, who acted as soon as he received formal order from President Roosevelt, said the guard is up to its allotted strength of 4,080 men and about 300 officers.

Whiteville, Sept. 9.—Joseph Anderson, alias Joseph Grainger, negro, was shot to death last night about 10 o'clock in "the alley," in the heart of Whiteville's business district.

Police today are seeking Willie Roe Coleman, negro, charged with shooting Anderson through the heart with a pistol.

Raleigh, Sept. 9.—Two scenic high ways—one winding into the Blue Ridge Mountain parkway and the other flung across Lake Mattamuskeet in eastern North Carolina—are to be built soon under a special construction program announced today by Governor Hoke.

Raleigh, Sept. 9.—Chief Engineer W. Vance Baker estimated today that August rains and floods caused a loss of about \$2,500,000 by washing topsoil from secondary state highways. He still was not ready to estimate the entire damage, including the loss of between 500 and 600 bridges and the \$500,000 fill at Williamston.

Concord, Sept. 9.—Another homicide was catalogued on the record books of Cabarrus early Sunday morning when Johnny Morris, 21 year old negro died from gunshot wounds in the neck and Juddie Little, also colored, was arrested for the crime.

Kinston, Sept. 9.—The Hines Bros Lumber Co. plant, one of the largest of its kind in the state, was threatened tonight by a fire that caused about \$3,000 damage. Fire men and mill workers confined the blaze to the boiler building.

National News

Washington, Sept. 9.—John M. Tator announced today plans to construct 3100 miles of access roads at military reservations and to improve 75,000 miles of strategic high ways as part of the defense program.

The roads administration has on hand \$197,000,000 which can be spent for this purpose. The total cost of the program will be nearly twice that figure, however, as the States will be required to match the greater part of the Federal expenditure.

Detroit, Sept. 9.—A new American synthetic rubber made of oil refinery gas, a rubber that stretches better but bounces less than the natural, and does other amazing things, was announced to the American Chemical society here today by the Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey.

The rubber is odorless and tasteless. It is so pure it looks like fresh snow. It is made on a new chemical principle, indicating science will soon make many kinds of rubber instead of one.

Farmington, N. Y., Sept. 9.—After inspecting the Republic Aviation corporation plant today, William C. Knudsen, chairman of the National Defense Advisory commission, approved a \$9,000,000 expansion program to speed up the company's production of army pursuit planes.

W. Wallace Kellett, company president, said the new plant would be operating Jan. 1, 1941, and would increase production from one plane per day to four or more.

Knudsen flew from Washington with Maj. Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of staff of the U. S. Army.

New York, Sept. 9.—The International Association of Governmental Labor Officials conference was told today that "real progress toward higher child labor standards and awareness of the need for prevention of child labor," was made during the last year.

Beatrice McConnell of the U. S. children's bureau said that "viewing the child labor situation as a whole, we can take courage from the advances made, but we must continue to work."

Washington, Sept. 9.—The Senate finance committee virtually completed today its revision of the House-approved excess profits tax bill, with last-minute changes materially broadening exemptions in the measure.

Chairman Harrison, Democrat of Miss., announced that the committee would recess until Wednesday to give legislative experts time to draft the numerous amendments voted by the committee. He forecast that the measure would reach the Senate floor by Wednesday.

Washington, Sept. 9.—A possible hint that defense sites in Canada would be made available to the United States came today from Mayor Fiorella H. La Guardia of New York after a meeting of the Canadian-American joint defense board.

The chairman of the board's American section said he was not free to disclose what had been discussed but that the board's task was "to utilize the gifts of nature for the defense of our two countries."

THE HIT OF THE PARADE



Irvin Allen and his girl friend, Wash Layton, in their "Hoover Cart" created laughter from the throng-lined streets during the Centennial Parade. (Photo by O. O. Jackson.)

Country Club Lease Signed

The Kings Mountain Country Club will soon become a reality, as the lease for the property has already been signed and work on the golf course will begin in the near future, according to an announcement for J. E. Herndon, secretary of the club. The lease was signed by trustees for the R. S. Plonk Estate and Club President Hayne Blackmer and Secretary J. E. Herndon.

The charter of incorporation has already been granted by the State Corporation Commissioner and the papers have been recorded.

Some delay had been caused in securing the lease for the property as one of the trustees Mr. Hubert Plonk lived in Raleigh, and several conferences had to be held to complete the transaction which will mean a great deal to Kings Mountain and those who desire to play golf.

Plans now are to secure a few more acres adjoining the plonk property, which, according to experts, will give Kings Mountain one of the finest courses in this section of the State.

The non-profit corporation will issue stock to members at \$100 per share.

School Board Meets Again

Members of the Kings Mountain School Board have been busy lately holding meetings in reference to the opening of the school term. The Board met Tuesday night in Supt. B. N. Barnes' office in Central School with all members present.

Supt. Barnes reported on the attendance for the fifth day of school the year compared with the same day last year. A total of 1,373 white children attended the fifth day of school this year compared with 1,407 last year which shows a decrease of 34 children. The colored school attendance was 299 for this year and 302 for last year, which is three less. Supt. Barnes stated the decrease was due to the act that there just are not as many children in school this year as last.

Supt. Barnes read a letter from the State Department of Public Instruction, stating that Kings Mountain High School had been given the 1-AA rating which is the highest possible to receive in the state.

School board members were well pleased with the organization of school activities for the coming year, and the number of pupils per teacher.

Members present for the meeting were, Chairman, Dr. L. P. Baker, and members A. H. Patterson, Glee Bridges, Glenn White and P. M. Neisler.

Lions To Have Booth At Fair

Kings Mountain visitors to the Cleveland County Fair will again this year be able to secure delicious country hom, fried chicken and other good things to eat from the Kings Mountain Lions Club Booth. The local club made a wonderful success of their booth last year and the Directors voted recently to have another one this year. The fair begins Sept. 24th and plans have already been made for the construction of the Lions booth and supplies have been bought. C. C. Edens will be in charge of the stand.

The Club will meet Tuesday evening at P. M. in the Womens Club Building and every Lion is asked to be present.

Funeral For Miss Bessie Ramseur Held Tuesday

Funeral services for Miss Bessie Ramseur, highly respected young woman of this place, were held at the Presbyterian Church Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock with Rev. P. D. Patrick, the pastor, in charge. Interment was made in the Long Creek cemetery in the family plot.

Pall-bearers were Joe Neisler, Harry Page, Frank Roberts, Myron Rhyme, W. J. Fulkerson and L. A. Davis.

Miss Ramseur had been a patient in the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte since last Thursday and had been ill only a few days. Her death occurred at two o'clock Monday afternoon and came as a great shock to her many relatives and friends.

Miss Ramseur was a young woman of exemplary Christian character. Since early childhood, she had been a faithful, devoted member of the Presbyterian Church and will be greatly missed from its circles of activity.

For a number of years Miss Ramseur has held an important position in the office of the Pauline Mills.

Surviving are her aged father, Lee Ramseur, a brother, Dr. W. L. Ramseur, and a sister, Miss Sara Ramseur.

Samuel Hamrick Buried Tuesday

Samuel Hamrick, 79, died at his home in the Bethware community at four o'clock Sunday afternoon after a year's illness.

Mr. Hamrick was born and reared in Cleveland county and was a member of the Baptist church since childhood.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at Union Baptist church with the Rev. D. F. Putnam in charge of the services.

Surviving are the widow, the former Miss Vina Padgett, whom Mr. Hamrick married 55 years ago; two sons, I. V. and W. B. Hamrick of Kings Mountain; eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

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

Events in Washington during the next few weeks may determine whether the nation is to switch from Americanism to Socialism, to totalitarianism, or some other alien form of government.

To the average reader, that may look like a startling overstatement. But the best minds in Washington, regardless of partisan political leanings, believe it is true.

The United States is preparing, economically as well as militarily, to defend itself against governments which are run by one man. The basic question, as Washington sees it, is whether a nation run by the people can be as efficient and effective as one which rests in the palm of a single man.

Some say the remedy for America is temporarily to vest unprecedented powers in the hands of the government, and particularly the President, whether he be Democrat, Republican, or Mugwump.

Others point to nations like France (Cont'd on back page)

Laughing Around the World

With IRVIN S. COBB

In Terms of Black and White

By IRVIN S. COBB

IN A South Carolina town a business man, beset by domestic and financial worries, had blown his brains out. Naturally, the tragedy, for the time being was the main topic of conversation.



A resident who knew the suicide slightly, was discussing the sad affair with his negro office servant.

"Joe," he said, "speaking of such things, I've been struck by a curious circumstance. To the best of my recollection, I never heard of a member of your race deliberately killing himself because of private troubles, and yet every day in the papers we see where white people have been taking their own lives. I wonder why this should be? You're a negro yourself, what are your theories on the subject?"

"Mista Barnwell," said Joe, "yere's de way it tis: A white man gets himself in a jam an' he can't seem to see no way out of it an' after awhile he grabs a pistol an' shoots hisself."

"A black man he gets snarled up in trouble de same way an' he sets down an' starts thinking—an' after 'while he goes to sleep!"

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