

Mountaineers Capture Three More Games

Rutherfordton Downed 9 to 3—Ballard Gets Home Run

The Kings Mountain baseball team defeated Rutherfordton for the second time last Friday by the score 9 to 3 to win their sixth Western Conference game. The game was a nip and tuck affair until the eighth inning when the Mountaineers went on a battling spree. The Mountaineers obtained three runs in the first inning with a single by Gibson, Ware, Cobb and a home run by Ballard. Rutherfordton scored three runs in the second to tie the score which remained 3 all until the eighth inning, when Ware led off with a single, brought Ware home, and Earley's single pushed Ballard and Cobb across the plate. In the last inning Gibson, Smith and George counted third base to tally 3 more.

The leading hitters for Rutherfordton were Maynor with 3 for 3; Green getting 3 for 4; Ware, Cobb, and George obtained three hits each, while Smith and Ballard got 2 each for the Mountaineers to lead the attack.

Rutherfordton 3 9 1
Kings Mountain 9 15 1

Batteries: George, Ballard, and Earley; B. Ligon and Sam Ligon.

Two base hits: Ware, Cobb, George, and Greene.

Three base hits: Ballard.

Home runs: Ballard and Ligon. Winning pitcher: Ballard.

Base on balls by: George 3, Ligon 2; Ballard 1.

Struck out by: George 3 in six innings; Ligon 5 in 9 innings; Ballard 6 in 3 innings.

Tri-High scored in the third and sixth to pull up with in one run of the Mountaineers and threatened to pass them, but a Mountaineer broke in the sixth and seventh in-

ing accounted for 3 more runs. Foley Cobb gets credit for his first win of the season with no losses. He pitched excellent ball allowing only two hits in six innings. Byers led the hitting for Tri-High with Earley and Ware proving best for Kings Mountain.

Tri-High 2 3 1
Kings Mountain 6 7 3

Batteries: Cobb, Ballard and Earley; Lrad and Greenway.

Three base hits: Ware.

The second game proved to be a more exciting affair in which the Mountaineers and visitors collected 13 hits and 10 hits respectively. Byers gave up 13 hits while George Floyd Smith hit his first home run of the season with two men on base to lead the attack. Ware, Cobb and Womack got two each. Arrowood, Rice, and Byers collected two each for the visitors. One of Arrowood's hits was a long fly over left field fence in the first inning. Foley Cobb relieved George in the eighth to strike out two men with the bases loaded to retire the side.

Tri-High 5 10 5
Kings Mountain 11 13 2

Batteries: George, Cobb, and Earley and Roper.

Two base hits: Ware. Home runs: Smith.

CHERRYVILLE HERE FRIDAY

Kings Mountain plays Coach Jack Kiser's strong nine Friday afternoon in the local ball park.

Highway Accidents Increase

North Carolina streets and highways ran red with blood of traffic accident victims last month, as the death toll showed an 81 per cent increase over that of last March, the Highway Safety Division reported this week.

Records of the division list 96 traffic deaths last month, against 53 for March, 1940. This is the greatest increase on record in this state. The traffic toll for the first three months of this year was 275 persons killed, against 188 killed in the same period last year, an increase of 46 per cent.

Fifty of the 100 counties, including Cleveland County, showed increases over the first quarter of last year. 23 counties, were not charged with a traffic death during the entire three-months period.

The worst counties included Columbus, which had 11 traffic deaths the first quarter of this year, against none for the same period last year; Wake County, with a death toll of 18 this year, against three last year; Rockingham, with six this year against one last year and Mecklenburg, with 15 this year against 12 last year.

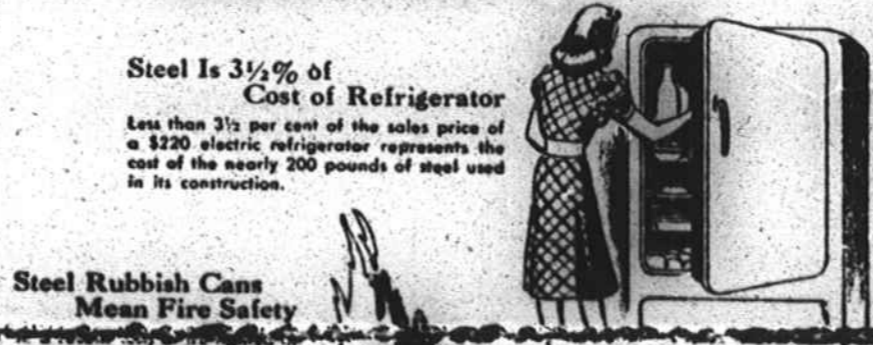
"These shocking figures challenge every citizen of our state and every agency having anything to do with accident prevention to devote more time, more thought and more hard work to the accident problem than ever before," declared Ronald Hocutt, director of the Highway Safety Division.

Traffic deaths in the 20-24 age group showed an even 100 percent increase, from 22 the first quarter of last year to 44 the first quarter of this year. Fatalities among children under ten years of age, also were up nearly 100 percent, from ten last year to 19 this year. Of the 275 persons killed, 211 were males.

Large increases were noted in the numbers of persons killed in railroad crossing crashes, bicycle accidents, pedestrian accidents, and in cars that struck fixed objects or ran off the roadway. The first quarter toll was as follows: Pedestrians 84 this year, 54 last year; railroad train, 24 this year, 15 last year; bicycle, 11 this year, 4 last year; fixed objects, 22 this year, 6 last year; overturned in roadway, 16 this year 17 last year; other non-collision accidents, 7 this year, 5 last year. Only 11 of the March fatalities occurred in cities of over 10,000 population. For the first quarter, only 36 persons were killed in the 28 cities, against 37 for the first quarter of 1940.

4 STEEL FACTS in one minute

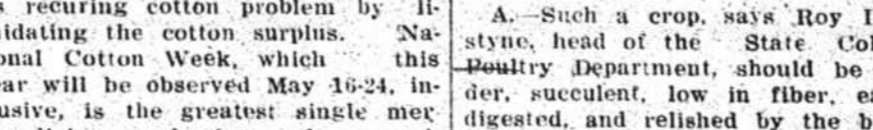
\$1,390,000,000 Worth of New Steel Mill Equipment
The steel industry's plans to spend \$282,000,000 for new equipment this year will raise such expenditures since 1925 to a total of \$1,390,000,000.



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National Cotton Week May 16-24

The United States can liquidate its recurring cotton problem by liquidating the cotton surplus. National Cotton Week, which this year will be observed May 16-24, inclusive, is the greatest single merchandising mechanism and, as such can prove of inestimable value in increasing domestic cotton consumption. In order to liquidate the cotton surplus, consumption at home must be substantially increased, even over present record figures.

National Cotton Week this year promises to win the participation of 150,000 retailers, as well as thousands of wholesalers, mills, converters, cutters-up, knitters and members of allied industries. All told, they will spend upwards of \$3,000,000 to make it the most powerful merchandising event ever staged in behalf of a single commodity. You can assure its success.

The press of the nation will find very handsome advertising appropriations allocated by some of their advertisers, both local and national to copy of which National Cotton Week is a part. The advertising mat services have serviced their thousands of clients with outstanding cotton advertising layouts and pages.

Naturally, the idea behind National Cotton Week is to sell cotton hence, the retail store is the spearhead of the entire effort. Store merchandise managers already have received Retail Information, a store bulletin published by The Cotton Textile Institute, jointly with the National Cotton Council. The bulletin contains specific merchandising suggestions, ideas for community wide observance of National Cotton Week and a report of editorial support by outstanding publications.

The Cotton Textile Institute, which represents the textile mills, and the National Cotton Council which represents the cotton growers, are engaged in a joint promotional effort to bring domestic cotton consumption to 10,000,000 bales a year. In 1940 it was 8 million bales—a record; during the 1940-41 crop year, it apparently will exceed 9,250,000 bales! Both organizations believe they serve the public interest because 14,000,000 American men, women and children depend on cotton for their livelihood and because the national welfare is affected by the welfare of cotton.

North Carolina's largest wheat production was in 1900 when 6,800,000 bushels were produced, reports the State Department of Agriculture

Farm Questions

Q.—What are the essentials of a desirable grazing crop for poultry?

A.—Such a crop, says Roy Dearstine, head of the State College Poultry Department, should be tender, succulent, low in fiber, easily digested, and relished by the birds. It must supply abundant grazing and remain tender over the greatest period of time, and the cost of production must be relatively low. Extension Circular No. 239, "Grazing Crops for Poultry," may be secured free from the Agricultural Editor, State College, Raleigh.

Q.—What is an easy method of providing shade for hogs during the warm months?

A.—In warm weather, shade is necessary for hogs. Where sows farrow and raise pigs on cultivated land, artificial shade must be furnished. A framework of posts will serve as a support for straw or brush to make a shady cover. Fertilizer bags sewed together and stretched on poles with two corners attached to the fence will provide shade.



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