

FRATERNAL CONGRESS
GREENSBORO, May 10—(P)—The annual business session and banquet of the North Carolina State Fraternal congress will be held here Monday. Principal speaker at the one-day session will be Farrar Newberry, president of the National Fraternal congress, who will be presented by Charles Hines of Greensboro, arrangements committee chairman.

RADIO MINISTERS MEET
KINSTON, May 10—(P)—Convention of the eastern division of the North Carolina conference of radio ministers will be held here at the Free Will Baptist church Tuesday.

Set a bottle of furniture polish in warm water a few minutes before using because warm polish penetrates the pores of wood faster.

Horne's Death Is Termed Unavoidable

GAFFNEY, S. C.—John Edward Horne, 28, former textile worker and former sailor, came to his death as the result of an "unavoidable accident" a coroner's jury declared after an inquest in the automobile-bicycle collision death of the young Cherokee man near his home April 21.

The verdict absolved G. W. Sprouse, 23, wounded overseas veteran who was visiting relatives in Paolet at the time, of blame in connection with the fatality which, witnesses said, occurred as Sprouse's car was in collision with the bicycle ridden by Horne. The latter died at a Columbia hospital last Tuesday of skull injuries suffered in the crash.

Share-The Cigarettes Plan Used At Durham

DURHAM, May 10—(P)—An acute absence of cigarettes doesn't frighten the main street USO here. The "haves" share with the "have-nots", so everybody's happy. The cigarette bowl is firmly established on the snack bar placarded by, "if you don't have a cigarette, take one. If you have cigarettes, put one in." Strangely enough, some fortunates do have an extra, so with the exception of the weekend drain, the bowl is well-stocked.

The success of this share-the-weed plan, which was reported to the USO regional meeting recently, may encourage other cities to follow Durham's example.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Ola M. H. Wall

RUTHERFORDTON.—Funeral services for Mrs. Ola Mae Holland Wall, 61, were held at High Shoals Baptist church Wednesday at 4. Rev. Fletcher McGinnis, pastor, was in charge, assisted by Dr. Zeno Wall of Shelby. She died at her home near Henrietta Saturday at midnight after a heart attack. She is survived by her husband, Gifton Wall, a daughter, a son, a sister and brother.

Around Capitol Square

Daily Star Bureau
Asso. Afternoon Dailies
By LYNN NISBET

CALM—State government personnel took a cue from Governor Cherry's radio speech and observed V-E day by staying at their desks or going about their regular duties, with many of them taking a few minutes off to slip into one of the several churches that flank capitol square for a few minutes of quiet worship. (It has been noted as significant of North Carolina's basic character that there are nine churches within two blocks of the state capitol, and that they represent all the major faiths—Baptist, Christian, Congregational, Episcopal Methodist, Presbyterian, Catholic; both white and colored congregations. It is impossible to look from any window in the capitol building and not be able to see a church.)

JOY—There was evidence of rejoicing and inward elation on the faces of many state workers, but no outward demonstration unless the close attention given to the radio sets that had been brought from home to most office buildings might be called "celebration."

FLAGS—The early morning was drear and rainy, so very few flags were put out either on office buildings or along Fayetteville street. Soon after the broadcasts of President Truman, Prime Minister Churchill and Governor Cherry the sun came out—and so did the flags. They were more noticeable because they flew at half mast. Numerous officials and clerks who were known as severe critics of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal expressed regret that he could not have lived to participate in the experiences of the day.

CURFEW—Pursuant to proclamation by Governor Cherry some days ago all retail outlets for alcoholic beverages were closed from 9 a.m. Tuesday to 9 p.m. Wednesday. The proclamation was widely acclaimed when issued, but was perhaps not necessary so far as ABC liquor stores in Raleigh were concerned.

SLACK—Tuesday was city election day in Raleigh and for more than a week signs had been posted notifying customers that ABC stores would be closed that day. The stores regularly close on Wednesday afternoons from May to September. Thus the curfew affected only the hours from ten to one Wednesday for ABC stores. Still there were fewer customers in the stores Monday afternoon than usual, although preliminary announcements had sufficiently warned of the full two-day closing.

INQUIRIES—The curfew proclamation brought a number of inquiries to the governor's office. Manufacturers and distributors of beer wanted to know if they were supposed to shut down all operations; several restaurants, cafes and smokestands called to ask if they had to close up entirely or if they could remain open to serve meals and sell other items of merchandise than beer and wine. All were advised that the executive proclamation covered only retail sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages and did not affect other operations. However, in some communities all stores and smokestands reported they would close for several hours if not all day.

SYMPHONY—At the governor's request North Carolina is joining in observing International Music Week May 7-14. The occasion is being used in several communities for inaugurating campaigns for support of the N. C. Symphony society, the organization that sponsors the "State Orchestra." The cause is worthy and under present plans all membership fees and other receipts go into the symphony society treasury, the solicitors or canvassers giving their time and energy. This is a vastly different situation from that proposed last fall when an out-of-state money raising agency was scheduled to get a big cut of all collections. Publicity on that deal initiated by the afternoon newspapers is credited (or blamed, as the case may be) with breaking up that arrangement.

UNTENABLE—The 1943 general assembly was the first legislature to recognize either the symphony or the state art society as a state ward, and the 1945 assembly renewed the appropriation. It was not considered good policy for a state-adopted agency to pay tribute to a private money collecting agency. (Parenthetically and incidentally, the same reasoning raises question about the motor vehicles department "farming out" to a motor club the issuance of automobile license plates.) Reports reaching Raleigh indicate the campaign in behalf of the symphony society is moving along splendidly under the voluntary sponsorship of local women's and music clubs.

DINNER—Date for the North Carolina "Jefferson Day" dinner has not been fixed, but it is expected to be held during the last two weeks in May. First scheduled for April 18, the affair was postponed because of the death of President Roosevelt. This is the annual Democratic party money-raising dinner, sometimes veyct "Jackson" or "Washington" or "Jefferson." There is still some doubt about the 1945 name. Suggestion has been made it be dedicated as a memorial to the late

Hospital Contracts Let In Lexington

LEXINGTON.—Bids aggregating \$277,000, including architect's fee, for the construction of the new community hospital here have been confirmed by the board of trustees of Davidson Hospital, Inc. Successful bidders met here Tuesday with architect and building committee to formally execute contracts.

R. H. Pinnix, of Gastonia, is awarded the general construction contract; George Robb, of High Point, the plumbing and heating; Starr Electric Co., of Greensboro, the electrical work, and OLS elevator concern, through its Greensboro representative, the self-operating electric elevator.

The cost of the new hospital, with equipment and nurses home, is now placed at \$364,000.

Mrs. B. B. Michael Dies In Lincolnton

LINCOLNTON.—Mrs. B. B. Michael, 46, died in a local hospital early Tuesday morning. She suffered a stroke during the night. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 4 o'clock at Asbury Methodist church near Lincolnton. Rev. A. A. Kyle officiated assisted by Rev. A. G. Stimpson of Charlotte, and burial was made in the church cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Michael are her husband; six daughters, Mrs. George McGee, Mrs. Steve Lemmond, Miss Maude Michael, Miss Pearl Michael, Miss Arvita Michael, and Miss Lena Michael, all of Lincolnton; her father, J. H. McAllister of Silver Springs, Md.; two sisters and five brothers.

President and called a "Roosevelt" dinner; another suggestion is that it be known as "Victory Day." One realist has offered the proposal it be called a "Truman Dinner." When that suggestion was met with the statement "you don't give memorial dinners to living persons," the sponsor replied "but you do give 'em testimonial dinners, and the President is going to need all the support he can get." By whatever name called and on whatever date held, the dinner will be a high spot in political life of the state this year.

SPEAKERS—Senator Joe Blythe, director of the dinner campaign, isn't exactly sure who will be the speakers. Originally Vice President Truman was billed, but his accession to the presidency knocked that out. Then National Chairman Bob Hannegan was expected, but his new job as postmaster general may possibly prevent attendance, though he is expected. Meantime, requests for seats, continue to come in every day.

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S. Sgt. Richard W. Mills Is Killed In France

STATESVILLE.—S/Sgt. Richard W. Mills, 23, son of R. W. Mills and the late Mrs. Margaret Fisher Mills of Statesville was killed February 11 while on duty in Nice, France. He had been in service ever since the mobilization of the National guard in 1940 and had been overseas since October, 1944. He has a brother in the navy in the Pacific, Eugene H. Mills, and another brother, Joe G. Mills, of Baltimore. Other survivors are Mrs. Gary L. Evans of Charlotte, Mrs. Ruper A. Gil-

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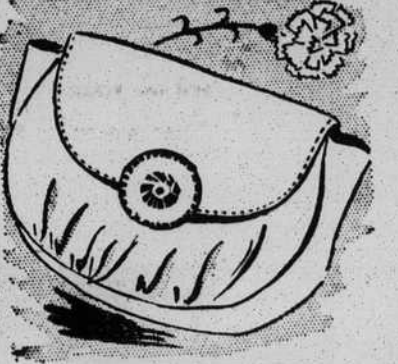


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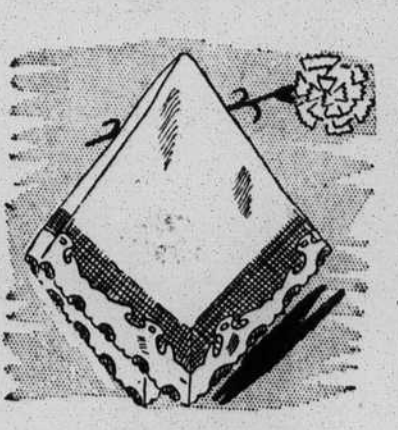
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