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State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—

Raleigh, April 1.—Three-quarter year automobile tags went on sale in North Carolina today as a check-up showed 414,372 pairs of plates were sold during the first quarter—35,285 more than had been sold on March 31, 1935.

Gastonia, April 1.—Through his next friend, J. G. Tino, Robert Tino, a minor, has instituted suit here for \$10,000 against Frank Mayes, Gastonia taxi driver, and William Davis, trading as the Arrow Taxicab Company. The suit is based on alleged injuries sustained by the boy in a recent accident.

Raleigh, April 1.—Notice of appeal was on file today in the case of J. W. Wilder, 38, of Greensboro, and M. E. Harris, 25, of Raleigh, after their conviction in city court on charges of taking wages on horse races.

Judge Wiley Barnes fine each defendant \$350. Wilder and Harris contended North Carolina laws do not forbid betting through an agency on horse races conducted elsewhere in the country.

Raleigh, April 1.—Sura E. Page, 31, former insurance salesman here, committed suicide today at his home near Apex. Coroner L. M. Waring said after an investigation of the death.

Page left a note in which he said he had planned for sometime to take his life due to ill health, had postponed the act because his wife was an expectant mother, and gave funeral directions. Mrs. Page was in an adjoining room, heard her husband shoot himself, and saw him fall to the floor.

Raleigh, April 1.—W. J. Swan, former Pamlico county banker, today gained an extension until midnight tonight before he must enter prison to serve a sentence of four years for bank law violations. The attorney general's office ruled a reprieve granted him by Governor Ehringhaus effected tonight instead of last night. Swan yesterday was refused a pardon.

Wilson, April 1.—This section checked up today on damage by a heavy hailstorm which struck yesterday.

Power service was disrupted and rain which followed the hail was so severe that some streets were flooded.

The hail stones were as large as bird eggs.

Asheboro, April 1.—Archie Safright, N. J. Moore and Eddie Cranford went on trial today in Randolph superior court, charged with the payroll robbery of the Leward mill at Worthville in January. Judge John J. Oglesby is presiding.

Washington, Gov. J. C. B. Ehringhaus conferred here today with the federal social security board regarding the social security program for North Carolina.

Following his conferences at the North Carolina chief executive continued to remain silent regarding the calling of a special session of the assembly to enact a state plan to enable the state to comply with the national program.

—National News—

Washington, April 1.—The weather bureau expressed the view today that the gulf coast would get better warning service this summer when the annual tropical disturbances "make up" at sea and start an uncertain course toward the mainland. W. R. Gregg, bureau chief, said an expanded service inaugurated last June would be continued with a new \$80,000 appropriation from congress.

Washington, April 1.—A compilation of statistics showing the comparative cost of electric power in New England and in other sections was suggested today by Representative J. Joseph Smith of Connecticut. His proposal followed distribution of letters from Florence, Ala., urging New England industries to transfer to that city. The letter's authors claimed lower power rates prevailed in the southern city than in the northeast.

Greenville, S. C., April 1.—The drive by Furman university and Greenville woman's college in a co-ordination program for \$300,000 closed last midnight but officials said today the results would not be known until late Friday.

The colleges were pledged to cancel all subscriptions unless the entire sum was raised but Dr. B. E. Geer, president of Furman, said last minute reports were pouring in today and complete figures were not available.

The two schools, operated coordinately since 1933, launched the drive to retire an indebtedness of both institutions and to prepare for an enlarged co-ordination program.

Berlin, April 1.—Adolf Hitler, in a memorandum to British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, proposed today negotiations covering a period of four months for what might be termed a new Locarno, replacing the pact broken by Germany.

During these negotiations, Der Fuehrer suggested, Germany, France and Belgium should accept control of their frontiers by a commission of one representative each from Great Britain, Italy and one neutral power.

Sumter, S. C., April 1.—Company officials today placed the damage fire caused to the Williams Furniture company plant here yesterday at \$500,000.

Six small dwellings near the plant and several million feet of timber in the lumber yard were also destroyed. A spark from an acetylene torch was thought to have caused the fire by setting off a small explosion.

Washington, April 1.—Representative A. L. Bulwinkle announced this morning that he has filed his official announcement with the state board of elections at Raleigh that he will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress in the tenth North Carolina congressional district to succeed himself.

Evansville, Ind., April 1.—The Ohio river flood crest reached this city today. A stage of 44.4 feet, approximately ten feet above flood stage, was recorded.

HERALD ADDS NEW FEATURES

In keeping with the policy of the Herald to give their readers a well-balanced paper four new features have been added. These features will appear every week and it is hoped that the many subscribers of the Herald will enjoy them.

The new features added are: Will Rogers' Humorous Story, Laughing Around The World, by Irvin S. Cobb, Just Human, by Gene Carr, The Clancy Kids, by Percy L. Crosby who draws the famous comic character, Shippy.

Local Debaters Win And Lose

On Friday, March 27, the annual triangular debates were held. The results were as follows:

At Rutherfordton: The negative of Kings Mountain High School composed of Miss Eva Mae Suber and Mr. John Hicks, was over the Bessemer City High School affirmative, Miss Viola Walker and Miss Elizabeth Carson.

At Bessemer City: Our affirmative consisting of Miss Ruth Moss and Miss Kathleen Gaffney, lost to the Rutherfordton-Spindale High school negative upheld by Dudley Crawford and Miss Alice McElroy.

At Kings Mountain: Rutherfordton-Spindale High school affirmative Miss Virginia Killian and Miss C. L. Harris, defeated Bessemer City High School negative, Miss Lois Sexton and Mr. Avery Jenkins. The judges here were Mr. J. R. Day, Rev. Doyd Hamm and Mrs. W. K. Mauney.

The Rutherfordton-Spindale team will go to Chapel Hill to participate in the state debate contest.

J. S. P. MOTORS EXPANDS SERVICE DEPT.

Of interest to all car owners, and especially Ford owners, the J. S. P. Motors Service Department has recently undergone a complete change employing Mr. Geo. S. Hurst of Tampa, Fla., as service manager, with Mr. B. H. Wingate of Universal Motors, Philadelphia, Pa., Authorized Ford Dealer, who is a motor specialist of many years experience including Ford and Chevrolet factory training. With the addition of these expert mechanics, Mr. J. S. P. Carpenter says he is now in position to render all car owners expert and prompt service at normal prices and to offer used cars which have been thoroughly reconditioned. Within the last two weeks about twenty cars have been reconditioned and placed on the lot for sale.

Kings Mountain To Have Laundry

The City Laundry will open for business in Kings Mountain next Monday morning on Reilroad avenue near the Southern Depot. Messrs C. C. Blythe, E. L. Roper and A. R. Butler will be in charge and all are experienced in the laundry business.

Messrs Blythe and Roper are owners of the business. Mr. Blythe will be general manager; Mr. Roper route manager, and Mr. Butler, plant manager. All three men are from Hendersonville, N. C. where they were in the laundry business.

A complete laundry service will be offered the people of Kings Mountain and Mr. Blythe extends a cordial invitation to all the housewives of this section to try our services.

All the machinery has been installed and everything is in readiness for the opening next Monday. The phone number of the new concern is 97.

READING AND DECLAMATION CONTESTS HELD

The finals for the annual high school reading and declamation contests were held in the high school auditorium on Friday March 22.

The Pearl Fulton memorial medal was awarded to Miss Margaret Cooper for her interpretation of a one-act play, "A Wedding." Her competitors were Misses Jesse James, Othie White and Fairy Grace Patterson.

Martin L. Harmon was selected from his competitors to receive the Dr. Hord declamation medal. The judges chose George Plonk, who was not eligible, for the Hord medal, to represent us in Shelby to compete with others from this district for the Hord medal.

Miss Cooper will represent us Friday night in the finals for the county contest in Shelby.

Follow-up Services At Boyce Memorial

Monday, Wednesday and Friday Nights

Growing audiences are enjoying the series of services held by Rev. J. R. Love of Charlotte at the local A. R. Presbyterian church. His ministry is proving most helpful at the church and community. These services will conclude Sabbath night, three visiting ministers will appear in this pulpit this coming week. They will lead in devotional services following the special effort made this week. The program is designed to culminate in the Easter privilege.

Dr. W. P. Grier of Clover, minister in perhaps the largest pastorate in York County will preach Monday night at 7:30. Dr. Grier is well known by a large number of people here, he is generally recognized as a fine-spirited, richly endowed servant throughout his community and denomination.

The preacher for the Wednesday evening service is Rev. J. H. Marion Jr., of Rock Hill, pastor of the Oakland Avenue Church of that city. Mr. Marion left a record of brilliant achievements as a student at Erskine College, winning the South Carolina Oratorical Contest in 1924. Since his arrival in Rock Hill, he has been identified with Young People's work especially. The young people of the city are especially invited to hear this young leader, Mr. Marion recently declined an offer to become a member of the staff of the Presbyterian Publishing Company, located in Philadelphia.

Friday night the inimitable Dr. J. H. Pressly, for forty four years pastor of the First Church, Statesville will preach. Hear him on Good Friday night and you will have witnessed the crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth.

The citizenry of the community is cordially invited to all these services.

MEN'S CLUB HAS INTERESTING MEETING

Messrs C. G. White and Sage Fulton had charge of the program at the Men's Club supper last Thursday evening. Mr. White introduced a Mr. Angle of Shelby who made a very interesting address on the necessity of keeping the constitution of the United States intact. Mr. Angle stated that the constitution had stood the test of time and tribulation and that it would be much better and safer not to change it now.

Mr. J. R. Davis read a letter from Congressman Bulwinkle about a new Post Office for Kings Mountain. The letter stated that the post office in this district with the largest postal receipts would get the new Post Office. Mr. Davis reported that Belmont and Newton had larger receipts than Kings Mountain.

Mr. W. K. Mauney, "paternal Secretary," asked the men present to help boost the receipts of the local post office by buying all the stamps that they could possibly use, and for the Mill owners to buy their stamps here, and for everyone to buy stamps to pay small out-of-town bills. It was reported that the Neisler Mills buys stamps here for use in their New York Office.

Mr. Haywood E. Lynch made a report for the Library Committee. The Goodfellows Club of the Pine Mill were guests of the Club.

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE GOOD

The saying, "Some were wise and some were foolish," would not apply to students at Central High School on Wednesday, April first. No pranks of any kind were reported. According to records in the principal's office, the day's attendance was the best since the Christmas holidays. With upwards of 300 students enrolled in high school department, at most 98 per cent were present. Four home-rooms had perfect attendance, while the others averaged less than two absences each.

DOLLAR DAYS GO OVER BIG HERE

The annual spring Dollar Days which were held here last Friday, Saturday and Monday, were considered a big success by the participating merchants.

Most of the merchants reported that they had the biggest Saturday business of the whole year. Theatre tickets were given by most of the merchants and the Dixie and Imperial Theatre had a rushing business.

DR. KESTER DIES IN IN: WILMINGTON

Pastor of First Baptist Church Was King Mountain Native.

Wilmington, April 1.—Funeral services for Dr. J. Marcus Kester, 48, pastor of the First Baptist church here, who died in a hospital this morning after an illness of six weeks of pneumonia, will be held at the church Thursday afternoon at four o'clock.

The son of the late Margaret Byrd and John Kester, Dr. Kester was born at Kings Mountain April 26, 1887. After completing his preparatory education at Mars Hill college, he entered Wake Forest college and was graduated from there. Later he attended Newton Theological seminary at Newton Center, Mass., and studied at Oxford, England. His doctor of divinity degree was awarded by Wake Forest.

Before he assumed the pastorate of the First Baptist church here, he had served as educational secretary of the foreign missions board of the Southern Baptist convention at Richmond, Va., and two and a half years as pastor of church at Wilson, N. C.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Anna Elizabeth Jones; 10 children, three brothers, Clarence H., G. S. and G. W. Kester, all of Columbia S. C., and a sister, Mrs. G. A. Mauls by of Chattanooga, Tenn.

LEGION MEETS TUESDAY NIGHT

The American Legion will hold its April meeting Tuesday night April 7, at the Woman's Club building.

The program committee is composed of J. E. Herndon, chairman, N. F. McGill and Cline Barber. This is an important meeting and all Legionnaires are urged to be present.

LEGION MINSTREL TO SHOW AGAIN TONIGHT

The American Legion Minstrel which was given here last Friday night will be repeated tonight at 8 p. m. New features have been added including the Cline sisters of Shelby who are talented young dancers.

Traffic Light Installed And Two Wrecks Occur

Rock Hill, S. C., April 1.—For a long time officials here debated over whether to put up a few traffic lights.

Finally operation of one was begun as an experiment. A short while later, early one morning, a car crashed into a pole at the corner as its driver sought to avoid hitting another car that had crashed the light. The next morning there was another wreck at the corner.

The two wrecks were the only ones in the city since the light was started.

TROOP ONE MEETS

(Buren Neill, Jr., Scribe)
The meeting of Troop No. One met at the Scout Hut March 30 at 7:30 p. m. The meeting opened with the Scout Oath after which the roll was called and dues collected. In our business session we found that about 16 boys are going to Camp this summer. After the business for the troop, Mr. Davidson asked that all boys that were over 14 to stay so they could be about a three day hike. We went outside and played some games and came back into the Scout Hut and pledged allegiance to the flag.

1936 Baseball Opens Friday

Shelby Invades Mountaineers.

(By Martin Harmon)
Friday afternoon baseball, king of spring sport, and incidentally Kings Mountain's favorite, gets under way for the 1936 season, Bill Goodson's Shelby Lions furnishing the opposition.

Opening the defense of the Western Conference Crown copped last year by Early, McSwain and company, the Mountaineers present a vast different lineup from last year's championship aggregation. Three-fourths of the regular infield are the only holdovers. "Creepy" Leonard will play third, Morrison will hold down short, and Mode is shifting from second to first. The other six positions are filled by last year's bench riders and new men. However the outlook is not as dismal as it seems. These new men have advanced rapidly, and Coach "Pete" now has a well balanced outfit. In fact, the pitching holds up, we shall find the Mountaineers again riding the crest.

The first string pitchers, Goforth and Bennett are capable, but there are no relief men. George Plonk, following in his brother's footsteps is developing into a nice catcher, and he is hitting beautiful line drives that are also reminiscent of the older Plonk.

Shelby, too, is weakened by graduation losses. However, a number of the new men are helping fill the gaps.

All sport fans in Kings Mountain know the intense rivalry between the Mountaineers and Shelby, and those who like scrappy, spirited play will see just that brand of ball if they attend the game Friday.

The second game is Tuesday, the Mountaineers entertaining the Newton Red Devils.

1936 Schedule.
April 3—Shelby—Here
April 7—Newton—Here
April 10—Cherryville—There
April 14—Forest City—Here
April 17—Shelby—There
April 24—Lenoir—Here
April 28—Cherryville—Here
May 1—Forest City—There
May 12—Newton—There
May 15—Lenoir—There.

WITHDRAWS RESIGNATION

Raleigh, April 1.—Thomas A. McNeill, ninth district solicitor, today notified Governor Ehringhaus he had withdrawn the resignation he submitted last winter. Bar associations of four counties had endorsed the 14 year record of the solicitor and had asked him to continue in office.

KINGS MTN. PARK GROUP PLANS VISIT TO CAPITOL

York, S. C., April 1.—The committee named by persons interested in the Kings Mountain national park to go to Washington and make an effort to expedite the development of the park will make the trip this week or next week, it was learned here today.

Solicitor W. G. Finly is chairman of the committee, the other members are L. F. Abernathy, Clover; J. W. Atkins, Gastonia, Wylie McGinnis, Kings Mountain.

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

Washington — (IPS)—Vehement arguments over basic questions of government and economics are resounding behind locked Congressional doors these days stimulated by the request for an additional \$1,500,000,000 appropriation for work relief.

Most of the members on Capitol Hill are painfully conscious of the fact that the deficit for the next fiscal year bids fair to exceed \$4,000,000,000. That would compare with the previous depression peak of \$3,989,000,000 for the 1934 fiscal year.

Daily, scores of letters descend upon the Congressmen, reminding them so strongly that they never can forget it, that the only way the \$36,000,000,000 deficit can be paid is through taxes, taxes, and more taxes. And in their study of the pending tax bill, the legislators are finding that the only way to get any real revenue is through levies on the low salaried wage earners, and it is difficult to postpone the levies until it is too late.

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

Why They Called Him Speedy

By IRVIN S. COBB

BERT SWOR, the minstrel man, is something more than a mere black-face comedian. He was born and reared in a Texas town and he probably knows as much about the true interpretation and, what is more, the true delineation of certain negro types as any



living man. He knows what most Northern-born men do not, that the essence of the Southern negro's humor usually is based on a gorgeous hyperbole, a natural instinct for exaggerated comparisons. Much of the material out of which he coins his laughs on the stage is based upon things he heard or saw when a boy down in Texas. One of his most popular wheezes is a faithful rendition of something which a colored man at Fort Worth said years ago. Two negroes were talking together. As Swor passed he gathered that the subject under discussion was the relative fleetness of foot of the pair. As he came within earshot of them he said: "You claims you is fast! You says you's so fast folks calls you speedy! Just how fast is you, nigger?" "I'll tell you how fast I is," said the other. "De room whar I sleeps nights is got jest one 'lectric light in it w'ich dat 'lectric light is forty feet from de baid. W'en I gets undressed I kin walk over to dat 'lectric light and turn it out and git back into baid and be all covered up befo' de room gits dark."

(American News Features)

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

YOU'VE heard a lot about dogs that are smart. And one of the commonest stories is about a dog that is so smart he can tell whether



a man is a crook or not. I don't know whether the story is ever true, but if it is we are missing a bet in not having some of these smart dogs on our juries. Anyhow there was a farmer in Ohio telling about his dog. "Shep was the smartest dog I ever had," he says. "He could just naturally tell a robber or a tramp or a loafer every time. He never hurt regular folks, but crooks and holdup guys didn't have a chance around here, he was so smart." "Well, you ought to be kept that dog," says his neighbor. "What happened to him?" "Oh, he was all right till he bit a stock salesman that was courting my daughter, and then we had to kill him."

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