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## PATROLMAN ENTERS SUIT AGAINST KEETER

Officer Claude Allen of Mecklenburg county has entered a suit against D. J. Keeter for \$29,000 seeking damages for personal injury when the Keeter car and the Allen motorcycle crashed on the Wilkinson boulevard about four weeks ago. Officer Allen charges that Mr. Keeter ran up on him from behind and smashed into his motorcycle, inflicting a fractured skull. At the time of the accident it was reported that Allen turned his motorcycle directly in front of the Keeter car without warning. Allen has had several injuries on the highway while on duty. It will be recalled that Mr. Keeter and members of his family were motoring to the beach one morning this summer when the accident occurred. It is understood that Mr. Keeter's car was insured.

## SCHOOL TO OPEN ON SEPT. 9TH

A full roster of teachers for the Kings Mountain public schools was announced this week by B. N. Barnes, superintendent. The schools will open Wednesday, Sept. 9. Football practice began Tuesday under the direction of Paul "Pete" Moss, former Duke university star. Some 30 candidates reported. Band practice was begun a week ago under the leadership of Paul Hendricks of Mocksville. The teachers will hold a business session on Tuesday, Sept. 8. Superintendent Barnes said the hundreds of Kings Mountain pupils will enter buildings this year which have been extensively repaired, painted and refinished. A new roof has been put on the East Kings Mountain school, and other improvements have been made on the surroundings of the units. The teachers for the coming year will be: High school: F. M. Biggerstaff, principal; Mrs. W. T. Weir, librarian; Mrs. W. J. Fikerson, home economics; Miss Janet Scoggins of Greenville, S. C., French; Miss Mary Mitchell of Bennettsville, S. C., English; Miss Bertie Paysour, of Dallas, mathematics; Miss Helen Crossland, of Bennettsville, S. C., commercial; Paul Hendricks of Mocksville, band and science; Paul Moss coach and history. Special teachers: Miss Sara Ham bright, expression; Miss Virginia Parsons, piano; Miss Mary Roddey, of Due West, S. C., public school music. Mrs. J. E. Thomson will be principal of the East Kings Mountain elementary unit and Mrs. Claude Rhyne of the West Kings Mountain school. Following will be the elementary teachers: Miss Hazel Settlyemyre, Miss Bessie Simonton, Miss Marjorie Ford, Miss Katherine Peele, Miss Daisy Lovelace, first grades; Miss Elizabeth McGill, Miss Carlye Ware, Mrs. P. T. Stokes, Mrs. Mary N. Williams, Miss Sara Allison, second grades; Miss Jettie Plonk, Miss O-zelle Kiser, Miss Fannie Ctrpenter, Miss Willie McGill, third grades. Miss Lucy Kiser, Mrs. W. J. Fikerson, Miss Marie Linberger, fourth grades; Mrs. Edna Coon, Miss Fay Mauney, Mrs. B. N. Barnes, Mrs. T. A. Pollock, fifth grades; Miss Paulella Adair, six; Miss Mitchell Williams, Miss Helen Logan, Miss Gussie Huffstetler, seventh grades.

## RECORDER'S COURT

The following cases were disposed of here in Recorder's Court yesterday afternoon: Louis Teeter was found not guilty of public drunkenness. W. C. Teeter was also found not guilty of violating the Prohibition Laws. Will Hardin charged with violating the Prohibition laws was called and failed. He was ordered arrested immediately. H. W. Mitchem was found not guilty of violating Prohibition laws. Matt Thomas was found guilty of violating the Prohibition laws and sentenced to two months suspended upon the payment of \$10.00 fine and cost. John Hunt was found guilty of assault and sentenced to one month suspended upon the payment of the cost. D. H. Coon was found not guilty of violating the prohibition laws. Roy Letterman charged with abandonment, non support, fornication and adultery, was found not guilty.

## BELK'S LADIES' SHOPPE OPENS FRIDAY

Kings Mountain can soon boast of an exclusive ladies shop, as Belk's Ladies' Shoppe opens for inspection Friday evening from 7 to 9 P. M. No sales will be made Friday evening but the new store will be ready for business Saturday morning. Mr. O. W. Myers, manager of Belk's extends a cordial invitation to all the ladies (and the men too, as they have to pay the bills), of Kings Mountain and surrounding territory to visit their new store where a complete selection of everything the ladies will be found. Mr. Myers and Mrs. D. Goforth have just returned from New York City where they especially to buy the latest fall styles for the new store. The addition of this new store is just another example that Kings Mountain is going forward and is The Best Town In The State.

## Gets "Kick" Out Of Bicycle Theft Squad

Atlanta, Aug. 31.—The job may not be as exciting as tracking down murderers but Detective Harry F. Williams gets a lot of satisfaction out of being the "bicycle theft squad" at the Atlanta force. Williams' post was created by the chief 10 months ago and since then he has recovered 500 stolen "bikes" and caught 100 thieves, most of whom received jail sentences.

## STERCHI HAS FULL TIME MAN HERE

Mr. E. C. McClain, local representative of the Sterchi Furniture Company of Shelby has moved to Kings Mountain and is now devoting all of his time to his company's business here. Mr. McClain has been working Kings Mountain for Sterchi's for the past six years, but part of his time was devoted to his company's business in Cherryville. Mr. McClain says that he has always liked Kings Mountain and is very glad that his work has been arranged so that he can make his home here.

## MARKER TO BE ERECTED

One of the markers being erected historical places in North Carolina by the State Department of Conservation and Development has been received in Kings Mountain and will shortly be put up at the corner of Mountain Street and Railroad Ave. The sign is about four feet square and has the following wording on both sides of it: Kings Mountain Battleground Scene of Decisive British Defeat Oct. 7th, 1780 Seven Miles South in S. C. National Park. The raised lettering is black on a silver background.

## CHANGE RESIDENCES

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blanton have moved from the Mrs. Harry Moore home on Gold street, to the Cooper Apartment on King street. Mr. Camp bell and family who have resided in the Dr. P. B. Stokes home on Gold street have moved into the home vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Blanton. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Plonk, formerly of Louisville, Ky. will occupy the Stokes home, it is understood.

## MEN'S CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

The Men's Club will have their next out-door supper this evening at 6:30 at Bethlehem Baptist church, about four miles southwest of Kings Mountain. A large number is expected to attend as this is nearing the end of the season for the out-door suppers.

## State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News— Raleigh, Sept. 2.—"Alcohol and habit-forming drugs" by Dr. Grant L. Dannelly, University of North Carolina professor, will be taught in sixth grades of the public schools this year. It was adopted by the State Board of Education, and will be published soon. The course was ordered by the 1935 Legislature. Raleigh, Sept. 2.—The electric chair at State prison, in use for the past 26 years, will probably be history Friday. Three men were scheduled to die in the chair Friday and their executions will mark the last crime expiations by electrocutions in North Carolina. All other persons in "death row" have been sentenced to die in the new lethal gas chamber. The 1935 General Assembly provided that capital crimes committed after June 1, 1935, would be punishable by death from gas. New Bern, Sept. 2.—George Isaac Hughes, 96 year old Confederate veteran who is the father of two young children, was ill at his home here today. Hughes recently returned from a visit to relatives in South Carolina. High Point, Sept. 2.—Mrs. Eliza J. Williams, 75, widow of Dr. J. R. Williams, was almost instantly killed last night when she was struck by an automobile about three miles from Glenola in Randolph county. State patrolmen who investigated the accident said she was struck by a car driven by William E. Cressy of Archdale as she was entering another car in front of her home. Randolph county officers said that as far as they knew the accident was unavoidable and no charges had been preferred. Greensboro, Sept. 2.—Internal revenue collections in North Carolina during the first two months of the current fiscal year were \$55,441,221.24—a gain of \$6,134,942.76 over the same period a year ago. Whiteville, Sept. 2.—Grace and Glenn Fowler, sisters in their teens who were reported victims of a night-riding band some months ago, pleaded guilty to charges of prostitution today and were sentenced to indeterminate periods in the women's farm colony near Kinston. Waynesville, Sept. 2.—Donald Henderson, 16, was held today on a charge of killing his father, William E. Henderson, 55, in a remote section of the county. The boy told officers he shot his father in self-defense when the elder Henderson tried to regain a pistol which had been taken from him earlier after he had threatened to kill his wife. Laurinburg, Aug. 31.—A coroner's jury exonerated Mark Buie, farmer for the fatal shooting yesterday morning of Isham Massey, negro. A verdict that the act was "in defense of Buie's home and family" was returned. The negro attempted to break into the Buie home, it was shown in the testimony.

## MARSHALL CROWDER DIES

Marshall Crowder, age 49, died at his home in the Bonnie Mill village last Thursday, following a period of ill health. Funeral services were held at St. Matthews Lutheran church, Kings Mountain, at ten o'clock Saturday morning, with the Rev. L. Boyd Hamm, pastor in charge. Interment was made at St. Luke's cemetery, north of town. Mr. Crowder had been a faithful member of St. Matthews Lutheran Church, but was unable to attend regularly recently on account of ill health. He is survived by his widow and the following children: Elizabeth Hunter, Bonnie, Helen and Mrs. Lonnie Mae Randall, with Theodore Randall. He is also survived by a brother, Thomas Crowder of Kings Mountain. Mr. Crowder moved with his mother to Kings Mountain from Cherryville in early boyhood and most of his mature life has been spent in the Bonnie mill village. He was held in high esteem by his friends and acquaintances.

## HOME COMING AT BETHLEHEM

Home-Coming day will be observed at Bethlehem Baptist church Sunday, Sept. 6. The program follows: Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching by Rev. W. G. Camp at 11 o'clock. Social hour and dinner at 12:00. Song service begins at one o'clock conducted by Uncle Wade Humphries of Gaffney, S. C. The famous Majestic Quartet of Rock Hill, Pro Collins Quartet, Brick House Quartet of Gaffney, and many others will be present. All singers and quartets are invited to come and help in this great song service. Bring well filled baskets.

## WILDCAT VETERANS STATE REUNION

Plans for the North Carolina State Reunion of the 7,200 Veterans from this state who served with the Wildcat are progressing fine. The Reunion will open on Sunday Sept. 6, in Greensboro, with registrations at the O'Henry and King Cotton Hotels. An impressive memorial Service will be held at 3 p. m. and smoker at 8 p. m. Reception to the Ladies will be held at 6 p. m. Monday, Sept. 7, (Labor Day) a business session at 10 a. m.; luncheon at 1 p. m.; parade at 6 p. m. and dance at 8 p. m. will fill in the day. Every Veteran is cordially invited.

## HOME COMING AT BEULAH CHURCH

Home-Coming day will be observed at Beulah church on Sunday, September 6th. Rev. H. M. Robinson will preach at 11 o'clock. Music for the morning service will be furnished by the Lincoln choir. Mr. Shelby Rorer of Lincolnton will give the address at 2 o'clock. There will be special music during the afternoon. Public cordially invited.

## MECHANICAL COTTON PICKER MENACES TO SOUTH, EXPERTS SAY

Stoneville, Miss., Aug. 31.—Two farm experts who came here today to view a demonstration of a mechanical cotton picker predicted that success of the machine would threaten the south's agricultural balance and "spell the end of the small farmer. Oscar Johnston, government cotton specialist, forecast the doom of small-scale operations. A. F. Toler, his business associate on a 43,000-acre Mississippi plantation said "southern agriculture would be in a turmoil" if mechanized picking supplanted hand labor. Johnston came from Washington and joined State Agricultural leaders, planters and cotton ginners to examine the picker developed by John and Mack Rust of Memphis, Tenn. "If the machine is successful," Johnston said, "the immediate results on southern agriculture would be too big a question to answer, for there would be no point to small time farming. "The picker would be ideal for big planters but not for the small farmer who grows only four or five bales each season. He couldn't afford it for his acreage is too small. Johnston said it might be possible to coordinate the machine and hand labor on large-scale operations. He attended the demonstration as a "plain farmer" and said he would not report officially on his inspection. "I hope the machine won't work," said Toler, "because it would upset our present system and southern agriculture would be in a turmoil in the future. "It might be possible to coordi-

## SPECIAL SERVICES AT CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday will be observed at Central Methodist church as Home-Coming day both at the Sunday School hour and at 11 o'clock. Every member is urged to attend, all former members who can do so are expected to be present, and all friends of the church and its membership are cordially invited to come and enjoy the occasion. At the 7:30 service Sunday night Rev. H. F. Duncan, who is to preach in the meeting beginning Sunday and continue through the week, will be present to preach. The pastor urges all who can to be present. Sunday night, meet Rev. Mr. Duncan, and hear him preach his first sermon in the special meeting.

## BOYCE MEMORIAL

Rev. W. M. Boyce, Pastor Bible School at 9:45. M. A. Ware, General Superintendent. Morning Worship at 11:00. The pastor will speak on: "The Established Church." Evening Service is at 8:00. The sermon subject is: "The Star-Counting and Heart-Healing Jehovah." Y. P. C. U. meets at 7:00 o'clock. Prayer Service each Wednesday evening at 7:30. Anyone is cordially invited to avail themselves of the services of this church. nate labor and the machine but there's one thing a machine can't do and that is chop cotton in the spring. We've got to keep our labor to do that work." E. C. Westbroow, Georgia cotton specialist, was not alarmed over the possible effect of the machine. "Of course," he said, "it is impossible to predict the ultimate result of mechanical cotton picking. It would be far reaching, but it might not displace tenant labor as much as some observers fear. I believe the two can be coordinated." Whether the device is economically superior to hand labor was to be this fall. The cotton picking ability of the machine, cost of operation and speed, will be compared with that of hand pickers over an entire season. The apparatus is powered by tractor and as it moves down the rows of cotton, 1300 moistened spindles rotate on a drum and the cotton is stripped from its bolls when it adheres to the moist spindles. The spindles revolve on the drum to a trough on the other side of the machine where the cotton is stripped off and blown through a funnel-shaped pipe into a hamper.

## Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON (Opinions Expressed in This Column Are Not Necessarily the Views of This Newspaper.) The political campaign is on with a vengeance. Both major parties' presidential candidates are taking advantage of opportunities to put themselves and their views before the country. President Roosevelt is making a tour of the drought stricken. Alfred M. Landon has made his initial stump speeches in the Eastern states. He plans more. As the campaign gets into high a new issue is building itself up for debate in Congress. It centers around the strike which has closed down the Post-Intelligencer and deprived Seattle, Washington, of its famous morning paper for the first time in 71 years. The Seattle strike was called, theoretically, because a photographer and a dramatic critic were discharged. The American Newspaper Guild (Cont'd on back page)

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**Will Rogers' Humorous Story** By WILL ROGERS YOU got to be careful when you give a new housekeeper directions how to cook. You can't leave out any detail. Now, Lucile's mother had told her a lot of details about making cakes and measuring, just before Lucile left on her honeymoon. She said, "Now, I've written about cupsful of flour and lard and such things here, in these recipes I'm giving you. Just you take any one of my old cups without a handle to use for measuring. Stick it into your trunk before you go." But she had a letter from Lucile like this: "And I've had an awful time about measuring. You told me to take one of your cups without a handle, and I forgot, but I've been trying to do the cooking exactly as you directed. In trying to break the handles off my cups, so as to use one for measuring, I broke six. So I've about decided to go ahead and use one with a handle on. Do you think it will make very much difference?" (American News Features, Inc.)

**Laughing Around the World** With IRVIN S. COBB **The Handiwork of the Amateur** By IRVIN S. COBB ALONG back about 1905, in the Dark Ages of automobiling, a veterinary surgeon in my town, whom I shall call for convenience, Dr. Wilkins, bought himself a second-hand car. It already was beginning to shake itself to pieces before it came into his possession. When the tires wore out the owner, who was by way of being a mechanical genius, equipped it with ordinary buggy-wheels. One day an automobile run to a nearby town was organized. Every proud proprietor of a car joined in. As the procession headed out past the corporate limits it was met by a farmer from the Massac Creek section on his way in to the warehouse with a wagonload of tobacco. His half-grown son rode with him. As the head of the column loomed through the dust of the farmer's two mules, unused to the sight of automobiles, showed signs of skittishness. The boy leaped from his seat and held the heads of the team, the mules finching and trembling as the cavalcade roared past. Seemingly, the last car had gone by. The youth was in the act of climbing back to his place alongside his father when in the distance there arose a terrific clattering sound and over the crest of the hill appeared Dr. Wilkins seated at the wheel of his machine and striving valiantly to overtake the tail of the vanished parade. The astounded agriculturist caught one good look at the approaching apparition. Then as he set the brakes harder than ever and tightened his grasp on the lines he called out to the boy: "Hold 'em, Wesley, for God's sake, hold 'em. Here comes a home-made one!" (American News Features, Inc.)