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CONGREGATIONAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The annual congregational meeting of Saint Matthews will be held this Friday evening, Jan. 8, at 7:00 in the Parish Building. Reports from congregational officers, organizations and the Pastor will be given. Three councilmen will be elected to fill vacancies made by terms expiring.

The three whose terms expires are J. E. Herndon, W. K. Mauney and A. E. Cline.

Several changes in the by-laws, already approved by the Council will be read for approval. Every member is requested to attend.

FARM INVENTORY SHOWS ANNUAL PROGRESS MADE

An annual inventory of farm property and equipment, together with a statement of liabilities, will show the farmer where he stands, said Dr. G. W. Forster, agricultural economist at State College.

The difference between the assets and liabilities represents the equity or net worth of the farmstead, he explained.

Inventories taken the first of each year will also show the progress made from year to year as the farm is built up and improved, and will show the depreciation of buildings and equipment, Dr. Forster added.

Often a farmer neglects his property and equipment because he does not realize how fast they are deteriorating.

Annual inventories will help focus his attention on the depreciation resulting from neglect, Dr. Forster pointed out, and will thus serve as a stimulus to taking better care of his property.

In case of losses by fire, a carefully prepared inventory will reveal the value of the assets destroyed. Such a record will be an aid in obtaining the proper adjustment from the insurance company, when the losses are covered by insurance.

An inventory already prepared is an aid in securing credit, Dr. Forster went on, as most bankers and other credit agencies require a statement of assets and liabilities and of the net gain or loss per year.

Moreover, he stated, an inventory is the starting point or basis for keeping farm accounts, and all good farmers keep accounts of their business.

ARE STUDYING LEGAL MATTERS

Shelby, Kings Mountain Program is Held Up.

(Cleveland Star)

Pending replies from Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell, of Raleigh and bond attorney R. L. Mitchell of New York, the county board of commissioners were today withholding action on the calling of a bond election which would furnish money to match a WPA grant of \$95,727 for a high school building in Shelby and a gymnasium and improvements on the Kings Mountain high school building.

A meeting Monday of school officials of Shelby and Kings Mountain, the county board of education and the commissioners, resulted in an agreement for all to work together and pursue the best possible policy.

TOWN HALL MOVES

City Clerk, Charles Dilling, and the Fire Department are now located in their temporary quarters in the Webb Building on Cherokee street.

The old Town Hall is being torn down to make room for the new brick Town Hall to be erected immediately.

The phone number at the temporary location is the same as the old one, being 196. Any business to be transacted with the Town, such as paying lights and water bills, and taxes, will now take place in the temporary location.

Over-Coddling In The Rearing Of Children Seen

Bedford, England, Jan. 5.—Danger of "over-fussing" children are stressed by Dr. G. K. Bowes, Bedford school medical officer in his annual report.

"Children of large families of bygone generation," he writes, "with an intense and real struggle for existence, acquired much in the way of character for which present conditions do not provide."

The only-child of the present age, Dr. Bowes suggests, is no healthier and possibly less happy than children of large families of the past, despite being medically supervised and treated with elaborate care.

"Many children, he adds, are over-coddled, over-protected, and probably over-doctored. Largely as a consequence, they seem in a great measure to be lacking in those qualities of self-reliance which were found more often in the harder conditions of life of the past."

RANCHERS OPEN WAR ON THIEVES

Cheyenne, Wis., Jan. 5.—Irate ranchers of the modern west have declared war on the 1936 variety of their oldest enemy—the cattle rustlers.

The "rope justice" of the old west is useless against the present day cattle thief who invades their ranges in high powered trucks and races to market with the stolen beer, often butchering it enroute.

So the ranchers will fight him with his own weapon—speed.

It was much easier in the "good old days" for ranchers to band together, round up the rustlers and deal out justice on the end of a rope—thus settling the matter once and for all.

Today, however, the west doesn't go in for such sudden justice. Besides, tracking a rubber tired truck capable of 60 miles an hour speed on a good highway, is a lot different from tracking several hundred cattle across the dusty prairie into some thieves in the days of old, were wont to hole up until things quieted down.

"We have to do something about it," said Russell Thory, secretary of the Wyoming Stock Growers association and chairman of a committee of the National Livestock association which recently was named to "wage war on cattle rustlers."

Thorp wants a compact among the catties from one state to another daho and Nevada have such an agreement, he said. Ranchers want it extended to cover Wyoming, Montana, the Dakotas, Colorado, Nebraska, alifornia, New Mexico and Texas.

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

National News

Rome, Jan. 5.—A seemingly priceless painting by Raphael has been discovered beneath a painting of St. Catherine in the Borgheese gallery, authorities said today.

The painting of Saint Catherine, attributed to the schools of Perugino or Ghirlandajo for 100 years, and so listed in the gallery catalogue, was subjected to X-ray photographs recently and the existence of the Raphael beneath it was disclosed.

Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, Jan. 5.—Diver Pete Wood of Brewer, searched the bottom of Sebec lake today for the bodies of a mother and son believed drowned when their car broke through thin ice. Mrs. Gertrude Wiles 63, and Carroll Wiles, 30, both of Dover-Foxcroft went to their camp at the lake Saturday for supper and have not been seen since.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Here are some of the pressing issues facing the 75th congress, which convenes tomorrow.

Legislation for shortening working hours and fixing minimum wages urged by President Roosevelt. Some administration leaders want a constitutional amendment.

Neutrality legislation, including emergency action to meet the block arms shipments to Spain, and permanent laws to replace the present act expiring May 1.

Farm tenancy laws to put more land under the ownership of the men who till it.

Relief appropriations to tide the nation's unemployed through the rest of this fiscal year and the next.

Monetary legislation extending the President's power — expiring January 30—to reduce the dollar's gold content.

Tariff legislation extending the President's power to negotiate reciprocal trade agreements after May 12.

Adrian, Mich., Jan. 5.—An explosion of a Wabash freight train locomotive killed three trainmen last night, here.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 4.—State prison officials waited apprehensively today to see if reports from 12 scattered roads camps would increase the record number of 13 convicts who failed to return to captivity after Christmas paroles.

Governor Bibb Graves granted Christmas paroles Dec. 17 to 494 of the best behaved long termers among Alabama's 5,000 state convicts on their promise to return before midnight, January 1.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The public debt has reached a new all time peak of \$34,407,864,000.

The daily treasury statement for December 30 disclosed today that \$50,000,000 of new borrowing last week pushed the debt \$37,000,000 over the previous record high established last June.

Tacoma, Washington, Jan. 5.—High ways of southwestern Washington were blocked by hundreds of armed men today in a spectacular police effort to capture two men suspected in the kidnapping of 10 year old Charles Mattson.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 6.—A visit by two southwest Washington men to kidnap investigation headquarters today revived speculation the abductors of 10 year old Charles Mattson may be hiding the boy near Shelton. The pair was identified as a Shelton business man and a resident of Hoodport, near Shelton in heavily timbered and sparsely populated area southwest of Tacoma.

London, Jan. 6.—Great Britain ordered a mass movement of 172,000 tons of warships in the Mediterranean today after requesting Germany and Italy to answer by Saturday her proposal to ban volunteers from the Spanish civil war.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Senator Wagner of New York was chosen by the democratic steering committee of the senate today to head the powerful senate banking committee.

Hartsville, S. C., Jan. 6.—A coroner's jury absolved William Taylor, Washington motorist, whose car struck and killed Lella Weatherford, 13, near here.

Atlanta, Jan. 6.—Moving swiftly to fulfill promises of change in police administration, Mayor William B. Hartfield today held the resignations of Chief of Police T. O. Sturdivant and Assistant Chief A. Lamar Poole.

State News

Raleigh, Jan. 5.—Choked streams went out of their banks in eastern North Carolina today, inundating low lands and menacing highway traffic. The United States weather bureau here predicted the Neuse and Roanoke rivers would reach floodstage late today or tomorrow.

The latter, already above flood level, is expected to reach 40 feet nine feet above flood stage, at Weldon, a flood advisory said.

Raleigh, Jan. 5.—A state retirement insurance and pension law for all state employees, including more than 23,000 school teachers, will be urged at the 1937 general assembly as part of its social security program, according to reports being heard here.

Goldboro, Jan. 5.—Phillip M. Moye, 30, negro, walking a foot-log over a shallow creek fell into water seven inches deep and drowned.

Statesville, Jan. 3.—There were 20 violent deaths in Iredell county during the year just ended, of which number automobiles lead with ten fatalities, a number equal to all the other causes put together.

A check over the records for this year 1936 reveals violent deaths in this county as follows: automobiles, 10; homicide, 3; suicide, 2; killed by train, 4; killed by fall into underpass, 1.

Dunn, Jan. 5.—An automobile crash a week ago, Deputy Marshal Henry A. Turlington said today, ended a 36 year old hunt for a boy who wrecked a train, killing three persons.

Turlington said the highway accident victim had been positively identified as the fugitive, Alvin Rastus Tart, alias Arthur Kivett.

The officer said Tart at the age of 18 tied a spike to a rail with a handkerchief to "see how flat the train would mash it."

The youth, Turlington said, admitted to friends that he was responsible for the train wreck, and then fled the community. No trace of him was found in the 36 intervening years.

The man the officer identified as Tart was killed in an automobile wreck at Ridgeland, S. C.

Sanford, Jan. 5.—County Agent E. O. McMahan is distributing checks for \$2,200 to Greenwood township farmers, the first payments in soil conservation benefits for 1936.

Elizabethton, Jan. 5.—The Cape Fear River, swollen by recent rains rose steadily today toward a predicted crest of 27 feet—five feet over flood stage — by tomorrow. A report by the U. S. weather bureau at Raleigh said the river would reach 33 feet at Fayetteville, but would remain within its banks.

Burlington, Jan. 5.—A federal court order permitting the closed consolidated mill at Hopedale to borrow \$75,000 was expected to be followed by immediate re-opening of the textile plant.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THE kids sometimes get funny ideas about what the grown folks are trying to teach them. Kids



often bring home kinda twisted stories from Sunday school because they don't always understand the words and phrases they hear out of the Bible. There was a kid that was learning a lot about the Old Testament at Sunday School. He had heard about the Prodigal Son and was telling his mother the story when he got home. "The worst thing about it," he says, "was when the old man hurt his throat." "So?" says the mother. "I don't seem to remember about any throat trouble." "Yeah, but there was. The Dad, running out to meet the kid that came home, hurt his throat. See, it tells about it here in the book. I can prove it to you." And he pointed out in the story where it said that the father saw his son coming and run out and "fell on his neck."

(American News Features, Inc.)

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE OPEN FRIDAY

A branch of the North Carolina Employment Service will be open here Friday morning at the rear of the Town Office for the registering of all who desire to work on the projects soon to be started in Kings Mountain. Mr. Rutledge, who is in charge of the registration stated that it will be necessary for every one who has not registered within the last three months to register to qualify for a job. A special request is made to all skilled laborers to register.

It's A Boy

Dr. W. L. Ramsour Delivers Little Mr. 1937.

LITTLE BOY TO RECEIVE MANY PRIZES.

The winner of the first place in the race for the title of Little Mr. or Miss 1937 was declared last night to be Little Mr. Baby Goforth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bun Goforth, who arrived in Kings Mountain, the Best Town in the State, at 10:18 P. M., January 6th.

This little son will receive the many gifts offered last week by the progressive merchants of Kings Mountain. The mother before her marriage was Miss Martha Hord, Dr. W. L. Ramsour was attending physician.

Kings Mountain's baby derby winner had not been named last night. The newcomer was born at the home of his parents on the Shelby Road.

Kings Mountain's winner was several days later in making his appearance than the winners from Gastonia, Charlotte and Shelby. The three winners from these towns made their debut on January 1st.

Dr. C. W. Harper called earlier last night to report a baby he delivered on the York Road just across the South Carolina line.

The nine pound winner will be given the following prizes by the participating merchants:

Layette Basket, by D. F. Hord Furniture Co.

Squibb's Baby Set, by Summers Drug Co.

\$25.00 allowance on a new Ford by Plonk Motor Co.

\$1.00 month's payment on Kings Mountain Building and Loan stock.

His first pair of shoes from Belk's Department Store.

Shampoo and finger wave for the mother, from Vera's Beauty Shoppe.

Baby blanket by Keeter's Department Store.

A surprise from Griffin's Drug Store.

One year's subscription to the Kings Mountain Herald.

ONE SIDE PARKING ON CHEROKEE STREET

Cars will be allowed to park on only one side of Cherokee street. This will greatly relieve traffic congestion, as this is a rather narrow street. Signs have been put up by the Police Department to notify motorists of the change.

There was some discussion several months ago about widening Cherokee and opening it up to King street but most of the talk has died down lately.

Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

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

In view of the many trial balloons which have gone up from various quarters in recent months dealing with Constitutional amendments to enlarge the powers of the Federal government or legislative action to curb the powers of the Supreme Court, the indifference or coolness of members of Congress to the issue may have a deep underlying significance. The extent of this significance will become better known as Congress moves further into the session, as the Roosevelt program unfolds, or perhaps, as the Supreme Court hands down new decisions affecting legislation enacted in the last few years.

That most members of Congress were not taking seriously the proposals to alter the basic structure of the political system was evident, however, almost from the time that they began to return for the new session. One interesting sidelight

(Cont'd on back page)

Laughing Around the World

With IRVIN S. COBB

By Way of Compromise

By IRVIN S. COBB

UP IN Minnesota a railroad train killed a cow belonging to a Scandinavian homesteader. The tragedy having been reported at headquarters a claim-agent for the road was sent to the spot to make a settlement of damages with the owner of the slaughtered animal.



Now, the claim-agent was a plausible and persuasive person else he would not have been a claim-agent. Having sought out the Scandinavian and introduced himself by his official title, he proceeded to make out as strong a case in rebuttal as was possible under the circumstances, with the hope of course, of inducing the injured party to accept as moderate a sum as possible.

"Mr. Swanson," he said with a winning smile, "the company wants to be absolutely fair with you in this matter. We deeply regret that your cow should have met her death on our tracks. But, on the other hand, Mr. Swanson, from our side there are certain things to be considered: In the first place, that cow had no business straying on our right-of-way and you, as her owner, should not have permitted her to do so. Moreover, it is possible that her presence there might have caused a derailment of the locomotive which struck her and a serious wreck, perhaps involving loss of human life. Now, such being the case, and it being conceded that the cow was, in effect, a trespasser on our property, what do you think, as man to man, would be a fair basis of settlement as between you and the railroad company?"

For a space Mr. Swanson pondered on the argument of the claim-agent. Then, speaking slowly and weighing his words, he delivered himself of an ultimatum:

"I have poor Swede farmer," he said. "I shall give you two dollars."

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