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State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

National News

London, Mar. 10.—Great Britain's labor party made a new bid for national power today after consolidating its strength in the London county council elections.

A socialist program for the economic reorganization of Great Britain calling for control of finance, transportation, coal and power by the nation, was drawn up by the party's executive committee.

Tacoma, Wash., Mar. 10.—The kidnap-murder of 10 year old Charles Mattson is gaining a more permanent place daily on the list of America's great unsolved crimes.

The nation's ace manhunters seem stymied. Their chief hope now is that the killer may yet make a revealing misstep to spur their hunt.

Of the hundreds of suspects arrested in dozens of cities since the Tacoma boy's body was found 56 days ago, not a single man has been in any way definitely connected with the crime.

London, March 10.—A fruitless search was made at sea today for the body of Frank Vosper, British stage star and playwright, while those who reported his mysterious disappearance after a champagne party aboard the liner Paris argued over what had happened.

A French line official said if the body were found the company would be represented at the inquest but that if it were not found "the matter must end as far as we are concerned after the captain of the Paris had made his report to French authorities."

Charleston, S. C., March 10.—Allard B. Heyward, of Charleston, was back home today after a 7,000 mile solo canoe trip that took him through the Great Lakes, down the Mississippi, and through the Gulf of Mexico. He left here last April.

Washington, March 10.—A group of house democrats urged today continuation of federal work relief as an attack on unemployment.

"It must be a principle of American government that every citizen who is able and willing to work shall have work," said a statement signed by 16 democratic representatives.

St. Thomas, Ontario, March 10.—Fire Chief Jack Mitrela, protesting against the city council's refusal to grant him a car allowance, walked a mile to a fire—and got there in time to ride home on the engine.

San Francisco, March 10.—Residents of the San Francisco bay region were shaken from sleep by an earthquake at 2:32 A. M. Monday which knocked articles from shelves in east bay cities.

Police at Albany and the sheriff's office in Martinez said the movement there was the sharpest they had felt since the 1906 San Francisco disaster.

State News

Raleigh, March 10.—With adjournment set for March 18, the North Carolina general assembly started down the home stretch today and prepared to tackle the "revenue machinery bill, a proposed \$1,980,000 bond issue for improvements at state institutions, and the highway reorganization bill.

The highway bill, an administrative measure would divide the state into ten road districts, each of which would have a representative on the state board. The bill has already been passed by the house and is in the senate. The proposed bond issue and the machinery bill have not passed either house.

Asheville, March 10.—Sit-down strikers at Asheville Normal and Teachers college agreed conditionally today to go back to their classes.

Their decision was announced after the school administrative committee and faculty members agreed to give the 400 girl students a week's Easter holiday.

Raleigh, March 10.—Primary day in North Carolina will likely be changed from Saturday to Tuesday and the old "sundown to sundown" hours will probably give way to a 6 A. M. to 7 P. M. voting day.

These changes seem likely as a report of the senate election and election laws committee, headed by Senator Kelly Bennett, of Swain, voted late Friday afternoon. The committee slaughtered proposed absentee ballot reforms, but salvaged from the program of the state democratic executive committee day and hour changes, a new registration of voters throughout North Carolina and tightening of restrictions on markers at the polls.

Boone, March 10.—Coroner R. E. Kelly said today the death of Miss Virginia May South, 18 year old Appalachian State Teachers College junior who was found shot to death at her home here, was due to a self-inflicted pistol wound. Coroner Kelly said he did not plan an inquest. Miss South, the daughter of the clerk of Watauga County Superior Court, was found fatally wounded yesterday, a pistol lying nearby.

Henderson, March 10.—Andrew Knight was dead today after a fight at a filling station near Norlina last midnight during which Ted Terrell suffered severe cuts about the neck.

Terrell was placed under guard at a hospital here and attaches said his injuries were serious.

Raleigh, March 10.—J. Rant Hussey, 45, a resident of Raleigh, died instantly early today when struck by an automobile as he walked beside highway 401 two miles south of Raleigh.

Coroner L. M. Waring of Wake county investigated the death and ordered an inquest. Waring said a car driven by J. W. Bardoux of 11 Dixie Trail struck Hussey and that Bardoux claimed the man apparently stepped in front of the machine.

Temperance Sermons To Be Preached Sunday

Temperance sermons will be preached in three Kings Mountain churches Sunday March 14th at the morning services, M. A. Adams, of Rutherfordton, who is Director of Temperance Education of the United Dry Forces of North Carolina will speak at the First Baptist church. He will talk on "The present Liquor Situation and the Way Out."

Rev. W. M. Boyce of the A. R. P. Church will speak at his church and Rev. C. C. Parker of the Second Baptist will also preach a temperance sermon.

Mr. Joe Erwin, Charlotte Attorney will speak at Bethlehem Church, near Kings Mountain.

The sermons are to be delivered in cooperation of the United Dry Forces of North Carolina.

Troop One Scouts Starts New Year

Troop One Boy Scouts of America sponsored by the Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church, started their new charter year with a bang Monday night in the Troop Hut.

New patrols were formed with new leaders and new assistants. Mr. Carl Davidson has been re-elected by the sponsors as Scoutmaster and Mr. Jack Ormand as his assistant.

Troop One is the oldest troop in town and are very proud of their record thus far. Each boy pledged not only to live up to the record thus far set but also to endeavor to the best of his ability to improve on it. Troop One has produced six Eagle Scouts, three of which are now registered and in active service.

Eagle Scout Charles Thomasson was elected to the post of Senior Patrol Leader. The patrols with their leaders and members follow:

Paul Patrick, Patrols Leader, RATTLE SNAKE PATROL; Humes Houston, Assistant Patrol Leader; Bill Davis, Alvoyd Metcalf, Lester Watterson, Edward Blanton, Tommy Martin.

Jimmie Nickels, Patrol Leader, STAR PATROL; Buren Neill, Assistant Patrol Leader; Wood Rawles, Buddy Williams, Johnnie Houston, Drace Peeler, Clinton Jolly.

Lawrence Patrick, Patrol Leader, PANTHER PATROL; Bill Ruddock, Assistant Patrol Leader; Robert Fulton, George Thomasson, Hoppy Houston, Howard Gdtrey, Ben Long.

Kings Mtn. Furn. Co. Westinghouse Dealer

The Kings Mountain Furniture Co. has been appointed dealers for Westinghouse Electric Refrigerators according to an announcement to Mr. Harold Coggins, Manager. The Westinghouse is one of the best refrigerators on the market today, says Mr. Coggins, and the line was chosen after careful investigation of other makes.

The United States Government recently placed an order with Westinghouse for 16,897 refrigerators, after checking operating costs of other makes.

Several of the newest models refrigerators are now on display at the Kings Mountain Furniture Co. and Mr. Coggins extends a cordial invitation to everyone to see them.

MEETING OF ERSKINE ALUMNI

The monthly meeting of the Erskine Alumni was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blakely last Friday evening. Prof. L. C. Galloway, Head of the History Department of Erskine College, was the guest speaker of the evening. Prof. Galloway had for his topic, "Southern Shriners," and told most interestingly of the "Hermitage," home of Andrew Jackson and also told of the Life of Andrew Jackson.

During the social hour delicious refreshments were served by the following hostesses: Mrs. W. E. Blakely, Miss Janet Scoggins and Miss Mary Roddey Edwards.

Wins Fulton Medal

Giving a one-act play, "Smoke Screen," Mary Helen Hambright of the ninth grade was awarded first place in the reading contest of high school girls for the Pearl Fulton memorial medal last Thursday evening.

Mary Helen was also successful last Saturday in winning a place among the six girls to speak tomorrow evening at Shelby High School for the County Schoolmasters' medal.

Study Club To Start Canvas For Library Books

Members of the Study Club will begin next week on a drive to secure books for the Kings Mountain Public Library which recently opened. Mrs. P. D. Herndon, President, appointed the following committees to canvass the different streets named: Mountain Street: Mrs. N. F. McGill and Mrs. Carl Davidson.

Piedmont Avenue, Mrs. J. M. Rhea, Mrs. C. W. Harper, Mrs. W. K. Crook, Gold Street: Mrs. I. G. Patterson and Mrs. P. G. Ratterree.

King Street: Mrs. Chas. Thomasson and Mrs. J. R. Davis.

Gaston Street: Mrs. J. M. McGinnis and Mrs. O. W. Myers.

Railroad Avenue: Mrs. Paul Mauvey and Mrs. W. T. Weir.

The Library is in need of books, and everyone who has books they would like to donate are asked to have them ready when the club members stop by for them. All types of books are needed, and regardless of the condition of the books, as they can be repaired at little cost, and put in first class shape.

All books donated to the Library will be marked "Donated" and by whom donated.

The Library now has two copies of "Gone With The Wind," as Supt. B. N. Barnes had Mr. Lynch to order another copy at his expense. Several new books have been received this week, and 200 more have been ordered, and should be in within the next few days.

Club Home In Shelby Opened

One of the outstanding accomplishments of the Adult Schools of the county was the furnishing of a Model Home by the Home-Makers class of one of the Adult Schools, of Shelby. This house is to serve as a club home in the future.

It is comfortable furnished at a minimum cost and has proven that families of most modest means can furnish their homes comfortably and attractively.

Discarded rind furniture had been reconditioned some pieces made by hand and with the cooperation of Shelby merchants, the class was enabled to complete a most worthwhile project.

On last Saturday afternoon the class was "at home" to visitors. Around 175 inspected the rooms and drank tea.

Among Kings Mountain people who called were Mesdames E. W. Neal, C. W. Harper, O. E. Jackson, T. H. Pegram, Ben E. Goforth, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Olive and W. K. Mauney.

BANQUET AT WOMAN'S CLUB

Miss Bacon, of Charlotte, District Supervisor of Adult School Work and Miss Mills, of Raleigh, Supervisor of Nursery School, Work, among the highlights on the program at a banquet at the Woman's Club Saturday night. The banquet was sponsored by the Home-Makers class, of Adult Schools, under the direction of Mrs. E. B. Olive, County Supervisor and Mrs. C. E. Carpenter, one of the teachers.

Mr. W. K. Mauney, a member of the advisory board of Adult School Work, was master of ceremonies. The invocation was given by Rev. E. W. Fox pastor of Central Methodist church. Short talks were made by Mr. Horace Grigg, County Supt. of Education; Mr. B. N. Barnes, Supt. (Cont'd on back page)

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THERE was a woman at the grocery store giving the grocer a piece of her mind.



"See here," she says, "now I spoiled my dress on the paint on your door!"

"Oh, I'm sorry," says the grocer, "but I had a big sign there that said Fresh Paint. I reckon you didn't see it?"

"Sure I saw it. I been seeing a sign here that says Fresh Eggs for the past three years, too, but I never seen any truth in it. How can a lady believe what the signs say in a joint like this?"

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H. S. Honored By Western Conference

Kings Mountain High School feels honored in being selected to conduct here the spring forensic contests of the Western North Carolina Activity Association. These contests were held last year at Newton; and half of the events were won by Kings Mountain students, thus gaining for the local school the recognition of the entire district, which includes the counties from McDowell and Wilkes in the west to Gaston and Catawba on the east. Some of the other schools belonging to the conference are Morganton, Shelby, Lenoir, Cliff side, North Wilkesboro and Marion.

Supt. B. N. Barnes will be in charge of all arrangements for the contests, which will be held on April 16, afternoon and evening.

Legion Circus Tonight And Tomorrow Night

Everything is all set and ready for the "Big Show," the American Legion Circus, sponsored for the Junior Legion Baseball program to be staged at the High School tonight and tomorrow night.

Miss Helen Finley of the Amateur Theatre Guild, of Boston, who is directing the show, reports that the show promises to be one of her best, and will prove undoubtedly to be the biggest amateur production staged in this community.

A regular side show is put on during the course of the show and also the "big top" act attractions. The show itself is screamingly funny enough but with the added acts of side show and main tent attractions, the show is a knockout in hilarity. Amusing situations, and ridiculously funny incidents make this the comedy sensation of the year.

Ten H. S. Students In Coveted Honor

Those students to be taken into the Kings Mountain High School chapter National Honor Society last Friday morning were:

Senior: Clyde Putnam, Naomi Edens, Mary Boyce McGill, Margaret Phifer, Claudia Ware, Virginia Plonk, and Nelline Gault.

Juniors: James Ratterree, Nina Putnam and Esker Earp.

These boys and girls are especially honored in being charter members of the new organization.

An interesting and impressive program was given at the initiation ceremony, with high school students in full charge. Quite a number of patrons were present.

Greensboro Col. Glee Club Here Next Monday

The widely known Greensboro College Glee Club, under the direction of Walter Vassar, head of the voice department, will present a concert here next Monday, March 15, at 7:30 p. m. at the Central Methodist church. The personnel of the Glee Club includes about forty persons, thirty four of whom will make the trip to Kings Mountain. They will spend the night here and leave the next morning for Rutherfordton for another concert.

No admission will be charged for the concert, but an offering will be taken. Rev. E. W. Fox, Pastor of Central Methodist Church, extends a most hearty welcome to the people of Kings Mountain to attend this concert and hear some beautiful music both vocal and instrumental.

Richard Baker Wins Governor's Medal

For the third year in succession, Central High won out in the county declamation contest. At this event last Friday evening in Shelby, Richard Baker was awarded first place and will receive the medal given annually by the Hon. Clyde Hoey. His speech was President Roosevelt's second inaugural address.

Richard had that morning won the Dr. J. G. Hord memorial medal, receiving first place in the local boys' contest.

Talk, But No Candidates For Town Election

There has been plenty of talk on the streets for the past several weeks, about the coming Town election to be held May 4th, but up to now, even though the election is only about seven weeks off, no candidates have filed for any of the offices to be filled. A Mayor, five members of the Town Council, and one member of the Town School Board are to be elected, the first Tuesday, following the first Monday in May, which is the 4th. Officers elected are installed the first Monday in June. Charles Dilling is Registrar for the election.

Almost every group on the streets are now discussing who will "run" for this office or that, and most of them predict, exactly "who" will be the winner in each race.

MAYOR'S RACE

The names most frequently mentioned in connection with the mayor's race are, Charles Williams, Textile Machinery Salesman; Tom Fulton, Undertaker; and George Allen, Magistrate. There has been some talk that Haywood E. Lynch, Editor of the Herald, will throw his hat into the ring for Mayor, while others thought he would run for the board. However, the first named three have had their names connected with the race for some time. Some of the Political Dopesters have it that Mayor J. E. Herndon will offer himself for re-election, while others have it that he will not run again, this being his second term in office.

R. C. Gold, present member of the Board has been mentioned as running for mayor.

COUNCIL RACE

It is generally thought the present board will offer themselves for re-election, maybe with the exception of one member.

Others mentioned in the "street talk" for the Council include W. W. Parrish, one of the foremen at the Pauline Mill, Ladd Hamrick, Mill Executive, B. F. Smith, local merchant, and Byron Keeter, of Keeter's Department Store.

Up to now there has been very little discussion as to candidates for the School Board.

The above information gathered by your reporter may be all wrong, but it is the done as talked on the streets. By the time election comes around a completely new slate may be out.

J. E. HERNDON MOVES OFFICE

J. E. Herndon moved his business office this week from the Willford building to larger quarters in the building formerly occupied by J. M. Rhea Wholesale Grocers, on Cherokee Street. The J. E. Herndon Co., dealers in Textile Waste, have expanded their business recently, and report that business is very good.

The new location will be used as an office and warehouse.

Washington Snapshots

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

Whatever else folks around Washington think about the proposal to pack the Supreme Court, most of them agree that the debate about it is turning into one of the best myth-debunkers in years.

At the very start, of course, support was sought for the plan on the basis that it was designed to help the farmers and the workers. The plain implication, and in fact the argument, was that the interests of the two groups were exactly the same.

No sooner had the debate really begun, however, than that myth was exploded into bits, to the horror of the Court bill's backers. First, labor unions announced their intention to apply all the pressure they could to win Congressional votes; second, the National Grange, leading farm organization, openly announced opposition to the bill, and other similar farm groups remained silent.

But to cap the climax, and to strengthen the farm organization's position, the American Federation of Labor announced its intention to unionize farm hands. That was a sad tactical mistake, for it showed

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Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

Perhaps It Had Started to Tick, Too

By IRVIN S. COBB

IN THE War the Fifteenth New York regiment, colored, of the National Guard, became the Three-hundred and fifteenth Infantry of the A. E. F. and saw considerable active service in front line trenches in northern France. Nearly all the commissioned officers were white.



One of them, a captain, who came home as a major, served for awhile as the bombing officer of the regiment. Under him he had a bombing-squad of enlisted men.

Behind the lines, before the regiment went up for actual hostilities, he assiduously drilled his squad in the art of throwing hand grenades. For practice the men were given dummy grenades. Religiously for hours every day they were schooled. Finally, a time came when the captain figured his outfit were ready to handle the genuine article. He lined them up, nervous and wide-eyed, and by way of a beginning handed to each man a genuine contact bomb loaded and ready for business. Then, following the ordained ritual, he started to sound the signals:

"At 'One' each man was to set the mechanism in his bomb. At 'Two' holding it in his right hand, he was to draw it back the full length of his arm. At 'Three' he was to fling it as far as he could in the direction where the enemies' trenches were supposed to be.

"All set men?" called out the captain. "Very well, then, make ready. Now let's go. One!"

Before he could utter the second command a small black private at the end of the line nearest to him flung his bomb as far as he could send it and it exploded, where it struck, sixty feet away, before his companions had released their missiles.

"Say, here you, what do you mean by throwing your bomb before the signal for doing so was given?" demanded the captain. "Haven't you learned anything all these months?"

"Cap'n," quavered the offender, "I bet natch'ly couldn't hold on no longer 'en what I did do. W'y, I would feel dat bomb swelling in my hand."

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