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## State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

### —National News—

Columbia, S. C., April 13.—Police Chief W. H. Rawlinson said today he had notified New York officers that two Columbia automobile salesmen were convinced Robert Irvin one-time insane asylum inmate being sought in New York's Gedeon murder case, had bought a car here April 1.

The salesmen, J. J. Hollis and E. L. Dickerson, saw a news picture of Irvin April 6, and reported that he resembled the man to whom they had sold a used car five days previously.

Washington, April 13.—Campaigns to enact wage and hour standards and to outlaw sit-down strikes appeared imminent today in the turbulent congressional aftermath to Supreme Court's validation of the Wagner labor relations act.

Conflicting predictions about the effect of the historic decisions on the judiciary reorganization bill also sustained suspense at the capitol.

Brunswick, Ga., April 13.—Twenty two persons were injured by the plunge of a Miami-New York motor bus into White Oak creek 20 miles south of Brunswick during a fog early today.

Rescued by White Oak boatmen, passengers said a woman they believed to be Mrs. Stewart of Charlotte, N. C., wife of a bus driver operating between Charlotte and Raleigh, was missing. She boarded the vehicle at Jacksonville, Fla.

The bus left the highway at 3:30 a. m., near a small bridge and turned upon its side in five feet of water.

Cleveland, April 13.—Tris Speaker, baseball immortal and former manager of the Cleveland Indians who suffered a fractured skull in a fall Sunday, remained in a critical condition today at Lakehurst hospital.

London, April 13.—Forty-seven Leicester Square, for more than 30 years the residence and studio of Sir Joshua Reynolds, first president of the Royal Academy of Arts, is doomed to the house-breaker's axe. It has not been materially altered since 1760.

Coffeetown, Miss., April 13.—John Ward, negro, was accused of a hero here today for saving the life of Mrs. James Coleman, invalid inmate of the Yalobusha county pauper's home in a fire which destroyed the institution Saturday night.

John Ross, an inmate died in the fire and several others were injured.

East Hartford, Conn., April 13.—Frank Hawks called upon his new speed plane today to carry him on a 2,600 mile round trip which will include a stop this afternoon at Miami Fla., and supper this evening in New York, N. J., on his way back to the home field here. Hawks said he ought to complete the trip, 1,304 miles each way, in 12 hours.

Columbus, Kas., April 13.—Mine union rivalry in the tristate lead and zinc mining district which resulted in the shooting of nine persons Sunday was investigated today as both factions stood their ground.

Members of the unaffiliated tristate metal, mine and smelter workers union returned to their jobs but their leader F. W. (Mike) Evans, predicted more strife.

### —State News—

Wilmington, April 13.—For five days a live mulberry tree in the yard at 107 Grace street has been emitting puffs of smoke.

Occupants of the premises first noticed the phenomenon Friday but attributed it to sun rays. Saturday, however, the smoke was visible when the sun was behind the house and has continued since.

The puffs came at about the same intervals that a person smokes a cigarette.

The same tree, which is flanked by an umbrella china and a flower shrub, gained notoriety last year when it developed three different forms of leaves.

Durham, April 13.—One man was killed and two Durhams were seriously injured in two accidents near here Sunday.

Charles Touchstone, 24 year old Hillsboro man, was fatally injured on the Durham-Hillsboro highway yesterday afternoon when a borrowed motorcycle he was riding got out of his control on a curve and crashed into an automobile driven by D. C. Williams, of Burlington. Mrs. Williams sustained minor cuts and bruises.

Burlington, April 13.—A lineman identified by Duke Power Company officials here as Edward King was almost instantly electrocuted this morning when he came in contact with a live wire while working with an electrical contracting crew out of Charlotte on a rural electrification project in the White Cross section of Orange county.

Fellow workers rushed King to a Burlington hospital but doctors reported that he must have died the instant the current passed through his body.

Wilmington, April 13.—Josephus Daniels, writing to accept an invitation to speak at the dedication of Wilmington's new post office May 29, revealed today he will visit the State on leave during the latter part of next month.

Southern Pines, April 13.—Damage caused by a fire which destroyed the Green Pines Casino, a night club near here, yesterday, was estimated today at \$8,000. The night club was owned by Harold Green of Bethlehem, N. H.

Winston-Salem, April 13.—Thomas Gray Livengood, 25, was killed, and two companions, Johnson Wall and Irvin Blakely, were seriously injured on a highway near here last night.

They were walking along a road to a filling station to get some gasoline for their stalled car and another automobile came along and hit them.

Raymond Smith, who officers said was the driver of the car, was held pending an investigation.

Roanoke Rapids, April 13.—W. S. Taylor and Allen Joyner, negroes, died at a hospital here last night of injuries they received when struck by an automobile as they walked along a highway near Conway.

Patrolman J. O. Long of Roanoke Rapids said Leroy Chandler of Raleigh was driving the automobile. He stopped at the scene of the accident and rendered assistance, Long said. Chandler was quoted as saying the negroes stepped in front of his car.

### P. T. A. Discusses School Elections

At a meeting of the Central Parent-Teacher Association Tuesday evening, the leading topic of discussion was the coming school elections of Saturday, April 24th.

The first speaker, Mrs. O. W. Myers, expressed for the parents a desire that the high rating of the schools be maintained, insisting that we could not afford to lose our membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools or in the National Honor Society, which is such an incentive to pupils to do better work.

Mr. W. K. Mauney then presented the taxpayers' view point on the school proposals. Among the startling figures he revealed was the fact that North Carolina is third from the bottom of the forty eight states in the amount spent annually for schools, per child, but fifth from the top in the amount spent per person for automobiles. He concluded by pointing out that taxpayers could not afford to defeat the school issue considering the value to be received by voting the improvements.

Nellie Gault of the Senior class gave the student's point of view on the proposals. One thing she said was that a boy or girl cannot crowd nine months of mental growth into eight months any more than he could accomplish nine months of physical growth in eight months time by eating a little more each day. She concluded by showing that while the future of this generation depends upon what the town does for her boys and girls, in turn the future of the town depends upon the boys and girls themselves.

A great deal of interest in the coming elections was manifested by those present.

### MEN'S CLUB TO ENTERTAIN LADIES TONIGHT

Everything is in readiness for the annual Men's Club Ladies' Night to be held this evening at 7:30 at the Woman's Club Building. The program committee composed Messrs J. H. Thomson, P. D. Herndon and J. B. Keeter have been hard at work and have a very interesting and entertaining program lined up for the gala event.

Mr. Carl Goerch, Raleigh, Publisher, will be the main speaker. He will be introduced by Mr. W. H. McGinnis.

Prizes and favors will be given to the ladies and a most enjoyable time is looked forward to by all those planning to attend.

### Elimination Contest Held At West School

The elimination reading contest was held for West School pupils Wednesday morning in the school auditorium.

Twenty nine contestants were heard and the following three were selected by the judges to represent the school in the final contest for the medal. Florence Rhea, "Brother Takes A Bow," Mary Ruth Hicks, "Buying A Railroad Ticket," Louise Wright, "By the Sweat of Her Brow."

### "SAFETY SABBATH"

#### Mayor's Proclamation

"The appalling number of preventable accidents and deaths upon the highways of our community, State and Nation has become a menace of major concern to all the people. Our beautiful threads of travel, designed for pleasure and trade have been converted by the reckless driver and the careless, incompetent operator into lanes of horror. Daily the newspapers carry gory accounts of lost limbs and lives and of maimed and injured bodies.

On Sunday, April 18th, the Carolina Motor Club is sponsoring a Carolina-wide observance of SAFETY SABBATH. This date being selected upon the eve of Summer travel season in an effort to make the general public safety-conscious, as to decrease, if not eliminate, the terrible road tragedies incident to the seasonal increase in the use of automobiles.

I, therefore, proclaim April 18th, Safety Sabbath in this community, and do hereby urge the leaders of religious and civil life to fittingly observe with well-planned programs this date, and by precept and example to foster the ideal of consideration for the rights of others, to the end that the irreducible minimum in accidents and death may be accomplished.

The Ministers, the Sunday School Superintendents and the laymen can by a strong sermon, a prayer offered or a word spoken, join the program in encouraging a concentration of thought upon this problem.

Dated at Kings Mountain, N. C., this 12th day of April, 1937.

Signed: J. E. Herndon, Mayor.

## 10 More Candidates Announce This Week

### TOWN COUNCIL MEETS

The Town Council in a special meeting Tuesday night took under advisement the question of remuneration allowed for the collection of back taxes and assessments. Mayor J. E. Herndon has been in communication with the Attorney General of North Carolina about the fees allowed by law. This letter from the Attorney was discussed. Mayor Herndon stated the citizens can rest assured that the matter will be handled in a legal way, according to law. Mayor Herndon was to check with other authorities about this matter and report his findings to the Board at a later meeting.

### Social Security Brings Boom To Tattoo Artists

Chicago, April 13.—Sailors, stevedores and sideshow freaks no longer have a corner on the tattoo market.

Social security numbers have changed all that, the needle and ink entrepreneurs agreed today.

Persons in all walks of life, they said, have taken to the social security numerals — indelibly inked on their epidermis — as a handy means of identification.

Women as well as men are going in for the fancy spread eagle tossing social security number from its beak, they said.

"Why, said Texas Jack, one member of the Chicago tattooing fraternity, as he shifted his celluloid design mack about a customer's chest, 'I have plenty of business now. A couple of years ago things looked bad for the tattooing profession. Today its in a boom, yep, I said a boom.'

One day last week, declared Texas Jack, who claims no cognomen—40 men from a large industrial plant come to his curtained booth in a South State street arcade to have the "eagle in three colors and social security numbers tattooed on their forearms.

"That made 45 for the day," he added, swirling his electric needle around the outline of a shield. "That makes my sixth today, and its only 11 a. m.

The design, "social security specials," the electric needle artists call them, offer the prospective customer a wide selection. You can have the eagle, with the ribbon for the number floating from its beak and an American flag in each claw, down to a simple frame of stars for your 400-10-4180 — or whatever it may be.

"More women being tattooed now than I ever saw," another tattooist, located in a loop barber shop, said. Even if short sleeves are the style and shorter skirts are coming back "It better than fingerprints, said Texas Jack. Anybody can read a number."

### Time To Vaccinate Dogs

It is again time to have all dogs vaccinated. All owners of dogs are reminded that dogs are being vaccinated against rabies at the rear of Griffin Drug Co. A receipt is issued which is refunded when taxes are paid. It is required by State Law to have every dog vaccinated every year. Mr. E. W. Griffin will be in charge of vaccinating the dogs.

### Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

IT'S hard to tell these modern daughters where to get off. They got ideas. As to what time in the



night they ought to come in from parties, that's a question that ain't ever been settled.

An old-fashioned dad met his daughter at the front door, so he could tell her what he thought right before her young man.

"See here, Ann," he says, "I'll not have this guy bringing you home at three o'clock in the morning."

"All right, Daddy-o," she says. "I'll fire him right now. There's plenty more nice fellows waiting around for a chance."

(American News Features, Inc.)

### Grady Rankin Lists \$306 Expenses Collected As Duke Power Lobbyist

Raleigh, April 13.—S. E. Henderson, registered as a legislative lobbyist for the Variety Stores during the 1937 general assembly, reported today to Secretary of State Thad Eure that he received a fee of \$1000 and \$607.47 as expense money for his work.

Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company reported it paid a \$1,200 fee and \$31.30 expenses to its legislative counsel, Fuller, Reade and Fuller of Durham, Harriss Newman of Wilmington reported receipt of \$1,250 for "actual expenses" for his work for the North Carolina Terminal Transportation Company.

R. D. Coleman, representing the Champion Fiber Company of Canton said his expenses of \$637.84 included "meals for self and friends" and also cigars, refreshments, etc.

Hunter Marshall, jr., reported \$215.25 expenses working for the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers Association of Charlotte and K. Grady Rankin listed \$306.75 working for the Duke Power Company of Charlotte. F. L. Johnson of Statesville, said he spent \$170 working for the State Bottlers Association.

The committee of manufacturers of Alamance county reported paying \$409 expense money to T. D. Cooper of Burlington, and C. W. Tilllett, jr., of Charlotte said he got \$513.93 for expenses working for the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co.

Several other reports listing small expense amounts or none at all were filed.

### Strikers Fined In Civil Case

Court Awards Judgment Against Sit-Down Strike Leaders.

Anderson, Ind., April 14.—(IPS).—The wave of unlawful plant seizures by sit-down strikers has received a severe setback by a ruling of Judge Charles E. Smith here.

In awarding a judgment of \$9,850 against labor leaders, union organizers and employes who participated in a sit-down strike at the Alexandria plant of the Aladdin Industries, Inc., Judge Smith found the strikers guilty of civil contempt. Payment of damages was suspended however, unless the strikers again violate a court order against occupancy of the factory.

Judge Smith assessed damages of \$5,000 against the strikers collectively and damages of \$1,000 each against three strike leaders. Other judgments ranging from \$25 to \$100 were assessed against sixty-one others.

### Forensic Contests Here Tomorrow

The public is invited to attend the annual forensic contests of the Western North Carolina Activity Association at Central High School auditorium Friday evening, April 16th, at 8:00 o'clock.

The various schools of the district will assemble at the local high school in the afternoon for preliminary contests. The speakers will then be eliminated down to two in each of the four events; so that there will be only eight speakers in the final contest Friday evening. The four contests are dramatic reading, reading of poetry, oratory, and declamation.

The school feels honored in being selected to hold these contests, and it is hoped that a large audience of our patrons will witness these contests.

### TULIP GARDEN OPEN TO VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Huffstetter who live on the Cherryville-Kings Mountain highway, a short distance from Kings Mountain, are extending an invitation to flower lovers to visit their tulip garden during the blooming season. Visitors to the Huffstetter garden last year were highly pleased over the wonderful display of blooms which is far surpassed this year, both in number and variety. The tulips are grown in neat, rock-bordered beds and are followed by gladioli and other later blooming flowers and in the fall, chrysanthemums and dahlias.

### One For Mayor, Nine For Council

Political business took a decided spurt upward this week with ten candidates throwing their hats into the ring for the Election to be held May 4th, to decide on a Mayor and five councilmen, and one member of the Kings Mountain School Board.

To date no one has filed for the School Board. Dr. L. P. Baker is the member of the board up for re-election at this time.

Mayor J. E. Herndon announced his candidacy for re-election. Mr. Herndon has served as Mayor of Kings Mountain for the past two terms, of two years each.

Three members of the present Council made their announcements this week. This makes four of the present Board running for re-election as R. C. Gold, present member, made his announcement several weeks ago. The present members who announced this week are, Jim Willis, John Mauney and C. E. Neisler, Jr. It is understood the other member of the present board, W. K. Mauney, will also run for re-election.

Others who are seeking places on the Council are: W. F. Rhodes, Neisler Mill Employee; Charles Campbell, Operator of the Bowling Alley, W. W. Parrish, Pauline Mill employee, Bright Ratterree, local business man; O. T. Hayes, employee of the Neisler Mill, and R. D. Goforth, Automobile Salesman.

With the ten candidates announced this week the total is now 14. H. Tom Fulton, Charles S. Williams, and George Allen had already announced for Mayor, and R. C. Gold for the Council.

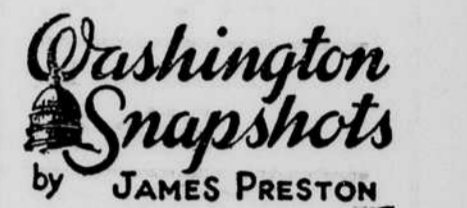
The voting on election day will be from 7:00 A. M. to 7:00 P. M. as the result of a new law passed by the 1937 Legislature. It is understood the election will be held at the Town Hall office.

### School Election Registration Books Closed

Registration books closed Saturday with a total of 557 registered. It take part in the two elections to be voted Saturday, April 24th. Saturday 17th will be challenge day.

Two important questions are to be decided by voters at the polls April 24th.

Only about 225 had registered last week. A last minute rush saw about 330 names added to the list of eligible voters.



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

Sit-down strikes may have proved an effective, if illegal, weapon, but many observers in Washington now see that they are proving a boomerang on John L. Lewis.

When the sit-down epidemic started, persons close to Lewis spread the word that he had not authorized them. They thought that would take the blame off him.

But the cumulative effect of repeated denials of responsibility for the sit-down strikes has been to show that Lewis has no control over his unions.

Thus, when the new wave of sit-downs broke out in General Motors plants, Lewis again sought to deny responsibility. And then General Motors pointed out 30 unauthorized interruptions of work after General Motors and the Automobile Workers Union signed their contract some weeks back.

Even some of Lewis' best friends in Congress are asking: "How can you expect an employer to bind him self to enforce a contract when the other signer won't?"

FLASH — As Walter Winchell would say. The Department of Agriculture has now embarked on a new project for the benefit of the apartment house dweller — the development of streamlining watermelon which will go into the average apartment refrigerator.

The Department's experiment station at Charleston, S. C., is trying to develop a new, smaller, succulent melon as a substitute for those which have to be sliced in two before they can be chilled in the refrigerator.

A year ago, the Department announced it was going to breed small (Cont'd on back page Section One)

### Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

#### How to Beat the System

By IRVIN S. COBB

"TINY MAXWELL is a sporting writer in Philadelphia. He is called 'Tiny' because he is about the size of a two-ton tractor. One afternoon he was officiating at a match between Georgetown, which, as



everybody knows, is a Catholic institution, and a team representing a Southern university. In an interval one of the Southern players limped up to Maxwell.

"Mr. Referee," he said, "I want to make a protest. There's one of those Georgetown men that seems to have a private grudge against me. Every time we two get in a scrimmage together he bites me. Yes sir, he just hauls off and bites me. I don't want to start any rough house stuff, but I'm getting good and tired of having that big Irishman biting me. What had I better do?"

"I should advise," said Tiny, "that you play him only on Fridays."

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