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State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—
Greensboro, July 28.—Officials said today approximately 2,000 firemen would attend the Golden Jubilee convention of the North Carolina Firemen's Association here Aug. 9-12.

Raleigh, July 28.—W. Z. Betts, assistant director of the division of Purchase and Contract, announced today that bids would be opened here Thursday for materials to be used in constructing \$30,000 prison camps at Whiteville, and Yanceyville.

Charlotte, July 27.—Henry R. Furr 59 year old farmer, was killed here today when a Southern passenger train hit his automobile.

The car was demolished and parts of it, together with vegetables and farm produce Furr had brought to Charlotte, were scattered along the tracks.

Winston-Salem, July 28.—Mayor W. T. Wilson today issued a proclamation designating July 28 to Aug 4 as "Tobacco Market Booster Week" urged citizens to participate.

Raleigh, July 28.—Talks by club members, a play and a puppet show occupied the attention of 950 Four-H club members here this morning at their annual short course.

Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey, wife of the governor, had been scheduled to speak but could not be present due to the death of a nephew at Shelby. She and the governor went to Shelby late yesterday.

Raleigh, July 28.—A special meeting of the State Democratic executive committee will be held in the hall of the house of representatives Friday night to elect a chairman to replace J. Wallace Winborne, of Marion, who resigned to take place on the Supreme Court.

R. Gregg Cherry of Gastonia, speaker of the 1937 house, is unopposed for Winborne's position.

Raleigh, July 28.—Governor's office attaches said today a one-man committee would be named to probe charges of inefficiency at the Agricultural and Technical College for negroes at Greensboro.

A group of alumni recently requested that Dr. M. C. S. Noble resign as chairman of the school's board of trustees, averring that courses had been unnecessarily curtailed and that improper physical examination of students resulted in cases of syphilis being reported on the campus.

Raleigh, July 28.—The Utilities Commission today set seven hearings on freight rates for the middle of August.

On August 18, four hearings will be held on applications of the Southern Freight Association, an organization of Southern railroads, for revisions in rates on cotton and cotton products.

August 19 two hearings dealing with general freight tariffs will be held on request of the Southern Freight Association and Southern Freight Tariff bureau.

August 20 the petition of motor carriers for revision of rates on cotton wadding, cotton yarn and jute yarn will be argued.

—National News—

Washington, July 27.—A nationwide campaign to collect delinquent social security taxes, revenue officials said today, has added 250,000 employees to the treasury's tax lists.

Washington, July 28.—The navy department announced today that continued efforts to refloat the light cruiser Omaha, aground off Castle Island in the Bahamas, still were unsuccessful. Officers said further efforts would be made to lighten the ship to increase her buoyancy.

Belfast, Northern Ireland, July 28.—Terrorists shattered the peace of Belfast and Ulster's Free state border with bombs, arson and gunfire today in hostile greeting to King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

Washington, July 28.—Secretary Roper today indicated the bureau of air commerce would grant the application of Jimmie Mattern for a permit to fly across the North Pole to Moscow.

Washington, July 28.—An unusual conference of Republican women leaders here on August 11 will provide the first opportunity for general discussion of the party's 1938 election campaign.

Chairman John Hamilton sent telegrams yesterday to all national committee women, inviting them to discuss the work of the women's division.

He has just returned from a European vacation to take active charge of campaign arrangements.

New York, July 28.—Tommy Farr the Welsh challenger, and Joe Louis were in their camps at Long Branch and Pompton Lakes, N. J., today ready to get down to serious training for their heavyweight title bout in the Yankee Stadium, August 26.

Louis and Farr formally signed for the bout in the offices of the New York State Athletic Commission yesterday.

The new champion will take things easy until Saturday when his first boxing session is scheduled. Farr, however, intends taking on a few sparring partners tomorrow.

Los Angeles, July 28.—Appeals of John Montague's many screen friends were being considered today by Gov. Frank Merriam pending an extradition hearing next week.

"I am giving consideration to the many communications from Mr. Montague's friends," the governor said, adding:

"It must be remembered, however that this is a semi-judicial proceeding, at least, and no question of sentiment is involved."

New York authorities are here to take the "Mystery Golfer" east to face charges he participated in the \$750 holdup of a Jay, N. Y., roadhouse seven years ago.

Washington, July 28.—Democratic leaders, fighting increased demands for early adjournment of Congress were endeavoring today to hold it in session long enough to enact the major parts of the administration program.

LIGHTING THE FUSE



The June Snow And July Freeze

This unusual event was in 1914. Madison, Yancey and Mitchell counties reported three inches of snow, I believe on June 2nd, and snow fell as far south as Atlanta, Ga. On July 6th of the same year the hail that fell in and west of Rock Hill, S. C., formed into ice and stayed on the ground for a week. Twenty seven cows were covered at different places by the hail drifts which were more than six feet deep. John T. Roddey of Rock Hill lost nine head. The hail was carried to the streams by the heavy rains that followed and fish were frozen and were gathered up along the streams the following day. Nevett Hughes who works at Bridges and Hamrick, was among those who gathered up the fish. Well, I understand most people who read what was published in the Herald in regard to this just laughed out loud and said, "what a lie."

Well, these absent-minded people don't remember when it rained last unless they got wet and like myself didn't have any dry clothes to put on when they got home. They would not know who the president was if he wasn't feeding them. If you would get out in front of your office and holler "July Freeze", and when some one came to see what the trouble was, give them a square meal or give the women folks a new dress and the men a drink, they no doubt, would remember this much longer but it would not be long before you would have to barricade yourself or climb a tree when you said, "July Freeze." If anyone doubts this above get a copy of the Rock Hill Herald of July 7th, 1914.

Next week I will tell you about Uncle Billie, the outstanding hero of the Civil War, a native of Cleveland county, who saved Richmond more than once during the War but played his trump card at the Second Battle of Manassas when he borrowed General Lee's sword and saved the day. This chapter in history would read like that of June 25th, 1876, when General George A. Custer's army was wiped out by Old Sitting Bull's army on Little Big Horn in Kansas. It would have been General Grant's last stand had Lee not asked Uncle Billie for his sword and requested that he stop the human slaughter and spare the remainder of the Union army which was fleeing for their lives.

W. G. Hughes.

Principal For Central School Is Named

Local Tennis Team Defeats Firestone

The Kings Mountain Tennis team composed of Skimp Stowe, Luther Cansler, Bus Oates, Grady Cansler, and L. M. Logan, Jr., played Firestone Tuesday night in Gastonia in the team's first out of town match.

The match was to have been a three out of five point match. Three single matches and two doubles. Kings Mountain won the three singles and one double match. And since the team had already won more than the necessary three out of five matches and the time was getting late the last doubles match was called off.

Here is the dope on the different matches. Skimp Stowe, the local No. One man after getting off to a rather shaky start, finally won over the Gastonia No. One man, Castle 1-6, 6-2, 8-6. Grady Cansler No. 2 man, Rankin No. Two man 4-6, 6-3, 6-2. Luther Cansler No. Three man had little trouble winning over Castle No. three man for Firestone, 6-3, 6-2. L. M. Logan, Jr., paired with Grady Cansler, won over Rankin and Brummer 6-1, 6-2. The local team plans to play the second match with Firestone in the next week or so.

In about two weeks the Kings Mountain Tennis Club plans to sponsor a City-wide tennis ranking contest. The club will give every player in the City that's interested in tennis a ranking number. That is the best player will be No. one; second best No. two, and so on down the line.

Now, here is the object. If a player is ranked, say as played No. 12, he may challenge not higher than two players above him for a match two out of three sets. In other words he can challenge No. 11 man or No. 10 man. If he challenges No. 10 man and defeats him he then becomes the No. 10 man, and the No. 10 man drops to No. 12. So that way every one has a chance to advance to higher position in the rankings.

The matches may be played any time suitable to the two players playing. A player may not challenge and play more than two players above him in any one week. He can play as many challengers below him that are eligible in the week to challenge him.

The positions as will be given will not be correct naturally as lots of the players have never played each other. But will be a starting list just to get the matches started. So, if a player is listed lower than he thinks he should just tighten up the old belt and thrash the living-daylights out of the fellow that is rated higher than you and climb up into your rightful position in the sun or cellar as the case may be.

Home Coming At Antioch Church

(By Vera Hardin)

Another year having rolled around the people of Antioch and surrounding communities are looking forward to the annual home-coming at Antioch Baptist church, located one and one-half miles east of Grover, N. C., the first Sunday in August. Everyone is invited, especially lovers of music. There will be addresses at 10 and 11 o'clock, while the afternoon will be devoted to singing with Elzie Stroup in charge.

The Rev. W. A. Hoffman began his pastorate the third Sunday. There will be preaching services every first and third Sunday, morning and evening.

Ware And Falls Sponsor Free Movie

"Wheels Across Africa", an interesting motion picture will be presented free at the Ware and Falls Motor Company tonight at 8:00 P. M. The public is cordially invited to see this picture which is not only entertaining but also educational. Mr. Hunter Ware had the pleasure of seeing the picture in Charlotte and secured it to be shown here.

First Union Service At First Baptist

The first union service for the summer will be held at the First Baptist Church Sunday night at 8:00 o'clock. Rev. P. D. Patrick will preach. These services have been a blessing during past years and we are expecting the members of the churches to fully co-operate in these services.

School To Begin Sept. 1st.

Boys and girls of Kings Mountain have only one more month to romp and play before they will hear the school bells ringing calling them back to school. Supt. B. N. Barnes announced yesterday that the schools of Kings Mountain will open for the Fall term on Wednesday, Sept. 1st, at 8:30 A. M.

A general teachers meeting will be held the day before schools open which will be Tuesday, August 31st at 10 A. M.

Delinquent Counties Hold Up Blind Checks

Raleigh, July 28.—Dr. Roma S. Cheek, executive secretary of the State Blind Commission, said today the aid to the blind checks scheduled to be mailed this month may not be sent out unless seven counties send in their contributions for the program by Saturday.

Under the law, Dr. Cheek said, each county must participate and only 93 have sent in their contributions.

"If checks from the other counties are not forthcoming by Saturday, the entire State program will be held up," Doctor Cheek said. "The checks for July must be sent out by Saturday, as the July payments cannot be made in August."

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

No Intertin' Em Anyhow

By IRVIN S. COBB

A GENTLEMAN who resided in the heart of the Corn Belt paid his first visit to Chicago. With him came two friends. The three of them occupied one large room on a Loop hotel.



On the second day of sight-seeing the Corn Belter's feet gave out on him, as the saying is. After the soothing contact of ploughed ground and dirt road his soles ached terribly from so much pounding on cement and asphalt.

His companions to finish out the evening at a theatre, he went to the hotel and went to bed. When the other two arrived before midnight, they found the door of their room locked. They pounded on the panels until the sleeper awakened.

"Let us in, Zach!" said one of them impatiently.

"Get yourself in," he answered. "The key is outside there in the hall."

"How does it come to be outside when you're inside?" demanded one of them.

"Oh, after I got undressed I threw it over the transom so's you fellows could get in without no trouble. It must be layin' on the floor."

They found the key and admitted themselves. As they entered one of them asked:

"Say, Zach, what would you have done, locked in here this way if they'd been a fire?"

"Why I wouldn't have went."

(American News Features, Inc.)

773 Inches of Snakes Killed

The champion snake killers of the world must live in Kings Mountain. Messrs John Floyd and Allen Herndon killed 93 snakes in the yard of P. D. Herndon at the corner of Gaston and King streets Sunday morning. In killing the snake which measured 37 inches, Messrs Floyd and Herndon, cut it into, and out ran baby snakes all over the yard.

After the killing ceased, check-up was made to see actually how many snakes had been killed, and after a close count, which was supervised by Mr. P. D. Herndon, father of Allen, and brother-in-law of Floyd, it was found that 93 had been killed, one mother snake and 39 small ones.

The small snakes measured from 8 to 10 inches in length. If all the snakes had been placed end to end a total of 773 inches of snakes were slaughtered. The snakes were of the Garter variety and are said to be poisonous.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THEM floods we have every once in a while is terrible things. It's gettin' so that it's more important to stop floods than to stop



wars. Why, you could put on a fine show of a war for what our floods cost us every year!

In one of our southern states a little while ago a preacher was lookin' over the flooded land and it made him terrible sad. He says to a colored boy standin' near him, "This is awful. It makes me think of the deluge."

"Deluge? Deluge?" the colored fellow says, "Tee sorry, boss, but I don't know what that word means."

"Do you mean to say you haven't heard of the deluge where Noah gathered together all the animals in pairs and put them in the Ark and got away safely?"

"Well, no, I haven't, boss. You see, we ain't seen a paper down this way fo'nigh onto fo' years, and dose things jest natchally don't get to us."

(American News Features, Inc.)

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

Everybody has tucked away in his attic or cellar the equivalent of a wedding present from Aunt Lavinia, which is kept hidden until it's necessary to drag it out on parade. Well, Vice Presidents used to be like that. But "Cactus Jack" Garner of Texas is changing things.

Up to the time Garner ran for the Vice Presidency, the Speakership of the National House of Representatives, which he then held, used to be second in importance only to the Presidency. The Vice President was usually a quiet soul who did nothing much but preside over the Senate and get bored at the hours upon hours of debate.

Garner didn't like that kind of business. Right off the bat, he got himself invited to Cabinet meetings, not as a Cabinet officer but as spokesman of the legislative branch of the government. Unlike other Vice Presidents, he had no inferiority complex. He used to say that the man

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