

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—

Raleigh, Sept. 22.—The motor vehicle bureau has released figures showing that August traffic deaths in North Carolina totalled 101, a new record for the month and a new high for the year.

Durham, Sept. 22.—Approximately 500 members of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics are expected to attend an adjourned meeting here tomorrow to settle a dispute over funeral benefits which threatened a split the State convention in August.

Raleigh, Sept. 22. 27 books by North Carolinians are being considered in competition for the Mayflower cup, Dr. C. C. Crittenden, secretary of the State Historical Commission, said today.

JAMES LEE HOPE DIES

Funeral services for James Lee Hope, 78, Kings Mountain textile worker, were held from his home Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Mr. Hope died early Monday morning after an illness of about a year.

Rev. A. F. Connor was in charge of services and interment was at Mountain Rest cemetery. Mr. Hope was for many years a member of the Wesleyan Methodist church.

Mr. Hope is survived by his wife and 15 children, all living in Kings Mountain. The six sons are Isaac, Will, George, Lewis, Calvin and Clayton Hope; the daughters are Miss Eulalie Hope, Miss Ella Hope, Mrs. A. B. Morrow, Mrs. R. H. Laughridge, Mrs. G. C. Henderson, Mrs. G. C. Bridges; the three step-children are Mrs. G. W. Stutts, Mrs. P. W. Stringfellow and Tracy Stewart. There are also 37 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Entertain Board of Stewards

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Fox entertained the stewards of Central Methodist church at dinner, Monday evening at the parsonage.

The table was covered with snowy linen and decorated with bowls of lovely flowers.

Covers were laid for sixteen and a bountiful dinner was served. After dinner the regular business meeting of the stewards was held with the chairman, I. B. Goforta, presiding.

—National News—

Greenville, Ala., Sept. 22.—Police Chief Gus Murphy will back Willie Lee Bogan against the field in any grownsness derby.

Chief Murphy said the young negro, flashlight in one hand and iron bar in the other, was found asleep beside a theater safe long after daylight yesterday.

The chief said Willie admitted that he broke into the theatre but just wasn't able to carry out his designs against the safe before the sandman sandbagged him.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Depleted municipal finances in many cities threatened today to stall the administration's new slum clearance and low cost housing program.

Housing experts from New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Cleveland told Secretary Ickes' federal housing conference yesterday that their municipalities would find it difficult to contribute to the development of local housing projects.

Rapid City, S. D., Sept. 22.—Dr. Paul D. Emerson, 59 senior soil scientist of the soil conservation service, died in a lonely canyon eight miles from here while attempting to stem the poison of a rattlesnake bite.

Fellow officials found the body slumped against his machine late yesterday. Around the left leg below the knee was a tourniquet. Dr. Emerson had applied in an effort to keep the poison from spreading from the bite from his ankle.

Orangeburg, S. C., Sept. 22.—The state neared the end of its evidence today in the trial of Mike Doyle Boltin, 25-year-old bakery worker, charged with murdering his young wife last May 24.

Sheriff George L. Reed testified yesterday that Boltin told him that Mrs. Boltin grabbed a pistol during a family fight and was shot with the weapon. The sheriff said this story was told him in jail a week after Boltin's arrest.

York, S. C., Sept. 22.—It's just one chalingang after another with Woodrow Wilson Shropshire, Mecklenburg county negro, who won notoriety some time ago during investigation of chalingang conditions in North Carolina, where he lost both feet while serving as a convict, at leggedly from freezing. He is now serving 60 days on the York county chalingang for going on a drunken tear in Fort Mill, where he walked the streets with a beer bottle in his hand, breathing profane defiance to everybody he met.

Washington, Sept. 22.—The National zoo closed its doors for the first time in 47 years, a dozen men worked all day, a big game hunter walked along with his rifle, a keeper stood by with a whip—and Jumbina, a 9,000 pound elephant, moved into a new pachyderm house.

The 26-year-old elephant traveled in an 11,000 pound oaken box. Calm in the face of it all, she lumbered over a wooden bridge and entered her cage peacefully.

Shelbyville, Ky., Sept. 22.—Brig. Gen. Henry H. Denhardt, due to go on trial again today on charges of murdering his fiancée, was shot to death here last night.

Tunis, Tunisia, Sept. 22.—The French government opened an inquiry today into a raid by Italian sailors and cadets on an antifascist headquarters in this French protectorate bordering on Italy's north African colony of Libya.

Audit Of Kings Mtn. B. & L. Assn. Reveals Shortage

Shortage Covered By Bond

A shortage in the funds of the Kings Mountain Building & Loan Association of several thousand dollars has been found by the auditors who have during the past two weeks been at work on their records. The exact amount has not been announced but it is understood that the amount has accumulated over a period of years. It is unofficially reported the amount short is about \$8,200.00.

The Kings Mountain is the oldest building and loan association in our community. Mr. Wiley H. McGinnis is Secretary-Treasurer, and his son, J. M. Assistant. Under their management and the co-operation of a selected group of business men as directors this building and loan association has enjoyed a splendid growth and contributed much to the building of Kings Mountain.

The Assistant Secretary-Treasurer is bonded for several times the amount of the reported shortage and according to our information nothing has happened which puts any stockholder in any position to be concerned.

The responsibility for the shortage found has been admitted by Mr. J. M. McGinnis. Mr. McGinnis has faithfully worked with the auditors in checking the records and has shown no inclination to hide anything. As soon as the shortage was revealed he voluntarily gave himself up to Sheriff Raymond Cline in Shelby. Arrest was not made until Saturday and Mr. McGinnis is now under bond pending trial at the October term of Superior Court in Shelby.

Mr. McGinnis is recognized in the community as one of the leading young business men. He is a Notary Public and a leader in civic and church affairs. Mr. McGinnis has been a loyal member of the local Volunteer Fire Department since its organization.

The community can not but admire and commend Mr. McGinnis for his courage and straightforward manner in which he has faced the charges. He is to be commended especially for assuming the shortage rather than denying and endeavoring to destroy records. He admitted the shortage as soon as the auditor arrived in Kings Mountain to make a routine check.

The Herald has known of the shortage for some time but has purposely neglected to publish the information in the best interest of the stockholders.

The last financial statement published by the Kings Mountain Building & Loan Association showed assets and liabilities of \$291,146.73. This statement was at the close of the business December 31, 1936.

The directors of the organization have issued the following statement:

"For the information of the public in general we wish to state that a shortage has been discovered in the account of J. M. McGinnis, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer of the Kings Mountain Building and Loan Association, the amount of which has not been fully determined. The books are now being audited and a complete statement of the condition of the Building and Loan will be published later. All of the stockholders and friends of the institution can be assured that the Building and Loan is well protected with a surety bond and that no one will lose by the shortage.

"The Kings Mountain Building & Loan Association is one of the oldest institutions here of its kind and has served thousands of people and will continue to serve in the future as in the past. We hope that none will feel that their money in the Association is not safe or that they will lose anything by investing in it.

Respectfully,
A. E. Cline
J. C. Keller
Mack Connor
W. D. Weaver
M. L. Harmon
R. L. Mauney
Wiley H. McGinnis
J. C. Lackey
W. D. McDaniel."

ATTEND FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McGill and Jimmy McGill attended the Holcomb reunion at Senter Methodist Episcopal church, near Yadkinville, Sunday August 12th.

The family organization was effected through the efforts of Mrs. McGill thirteen years ago. Mrs. McGill was before marriage Miss Minnie Ruth Holcomb, of Mt. Airy.

Senter church where the reunion was held this year is 162 years old and was the place of worship of several generations of the Holcomb family.

Veteran Railroad Man Retires After 57 Years

Fourth District of State Federation Woman's Clubs To Meet In Shelby

The Fourth District Meeting of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs will be held in Shelby, Monday, October 11th at 10:00 A. M. in the Presbyterian church. The Club luncheon will be served in the Woman's Club House across the street from the church. All local club members are urged to attend this meeting, and help make it the best District meeting held in the State this year.

The Fourth District is making every effort to win the Silver Loving Cup given for the best attendance at District meetings. Make your plans to attend and help win this Cup. (Signed) Mrs. C. E. Alcock, Fourth District Reporter.

Mrs. E. W. Griffin, President Kings Mountain Woman's Club.

MEN'S CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

The first Men's Club Supper of the Fall season will be held this evening at the Woman's Club building at 6:30. This is the first supper to be held since the outdoor supper of the summer.

A very interesting program has been arranged by the program committee, composed of Mr. B. S. Neill and Dr. C. W. Harper. An open forum will be conducted with important topics pertaining to Kings Mountain being discussed. Rev. L. Boyd Hamm has been secured to act as chairman.

PLANS UNDERWAY FOR FLORAL FAIR

Plans are being made for the Floral Fair which is sponsored annually by the Woman's Club.

A list of prizes will be published soon and exact date of fair given. Members and others interested are asked to watch for further announcements.

Sponsor Brunswick Stew

The Men's Bible class of the Grover Presbyterian church will sponsor a Brunswick stew at Grover on Friday night, Sept. 24, from 6:00 to 9:00 o'clock. It will be served in the church basement for 50c a supper.

Mrs. Frances L. McCarter Dies Sunday Morning

Mrs. Frances L. McCarter, age 34, formerly of Kings Mountain, died Sunday morning at 7:30 in Gaston General Hospital, after a serious operation. The body was taken to Bowling Green, S. C., where she has lived for the past few years. Funeral services were held at Bethany church on York and Kings Mountain Highway at a 3:00 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Surviving are her husband, C. M. McCarter, four children, Henry, 12, Juanita 9, Glenn 7, and Sarah McCarter 4, and the following brothers and sister, Miss Carrie Guinn, Willham and Isaac Guinn, of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Jessie Gibson of Bowling Green, S. C.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THERE was a kid looking for a job, and he went around to the neighborhood butcher shop where



his family bought meat and asked for one. So the butcher talked to him for a while and said he could use a boy to run errands and such stuff. Then he asked the kid a lot of questions.

"Are you in the habit of telling lies?" the butcher says.
"Well, no, I ain't," says the kid.
"But I been talking to Mom about that. She said that anybody that worked for you would have to be an awful liar to keep up with you. Maybe I can't ever keep up, but I'm not dumb, and I'll learn fast if you give me the job."

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Captain H. N. Moss Now Watches The Trains Instead of Running Them.

It is a long time from the freezing cold day of December 23, 1879, to the warm summer day of June 22, 1937. To be exact, it is 57 years, 6 months and one day. This is a long span of time in anyone's life, but that is exactly the length of time, Captain H. N. Moss has served in a capable and efficient manner his chosen vocation—that of a railroad man.

Captain Moss lacked one month being seventeen years of age when he began his railroad career as a track laborer at Flowery Branch, Ga. Shortly after this he was promoted to Section foreman. As Captain Moss would stand by the tracks to let the trains pass he thought, "Some day I'll be running one of those trains." And sure enough this dream came true, as Captain Moss later became Conductor, in complete charge of the fastest crack passenger train on the main line of the double track Southern Railroad.

During Captain Moss' time of railroading he has seen the industry progress from the slow, wood burning type engines, single track, to the fast, double track, giant locomotives.

In May, 1889, Captain Moss was promoted to a passenger train conductor, the position he held until he retired in June of this year, a period of almost fifty years. For about twenty years of this time he was in charge of trains between Charlotte, N. C., and Washington, D. C., and the balance, he was conductor from Salisbury, N. C. to Atlanta, Ga.

With a twinkle in his eye Captain Moss remarked: "I can run a train all the way from Atlanta to Washington, just as good as anyone."

When Captain Moss retired he was second in line in point of service of the active conductors on the Charlotte Division of the Southern Railroad.

In April 1905 Captain Moss moved to Kings Mountain and since that time has made his home here.

Prior to the veteran Conductor's retirement he was Conductor on Trains Nos. 33 and 38, two of the fastest crack trains on the entire Southern System. Train No. 38 is an all-pullman train, and was formerly called the Crescent Limited. Captain Moss' schedule called for ten round trips a month which made a total of 6,080 miles traveled.

A man who has lived with trains for over fifty seven years naturally learns to love them, and Captain Moss is no exception to the rule. Mrs. Moss laughingly "told on" the Captain. She said if Captain Moss was in the rear of the house and heard a train whistle blow, he would run to the front door to watch the train pass.

Captain Moss has one of the best records of any conductor on the entire Southern Railway System. He has never had one of his trains in a serious wreck and has never had a passenger injured. When you take into consideration the thousands of miles Captain Moss has been in charge of trains, this is a record anyone could be justly proud of. Captain Moss said he had run for years at a time without having a cross word or any hard feelings with anyone. His creed has always been, "if you treat the other fellow all right he will be all right to you."

Captain Moss has an unusual memory. Most Conductors that handle lots of passengers have to resort to hat checks to keep the passengers and their destination straight, but Captain Moss did not bother with them. He knew his passengers and where they were going after he had "taken up" their tickets.

When asked to relate a few of his funny experiences Captain Moss said, "I'll tell you what I told the man on my train in Salisbury." "That morning when I reported for work, the dispatcher informed me a derailment had taken place down the road and it would be some time before my train could leave. I went through my train to check up, and one passenger was irritated about the train having to wait. He asked me when the train was going to leave, I told him about the derailment, but I did not know how long it would be before it would be cleared up. The passenger in a very loud manner answered, 'Humm, you certainly do not know your business.' I told the fellow he had found out more about me in two minutes than the Southern Railroad had in thirty-five years, that they thought I was a pretty good conductor, so please do not let them know what you know, as I am making a good living out of this work, and I would not have them to find out I do not know my business for anything in the world, so please do not

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Preparations For Cleveland County Fair Nears End

Shelby, Sept. 22.—Feverish activity on the grounds of the Cleveland county fair during the past few weeks has resulted in near-completion of an ambitious building program which will make the 14th annual Fair even larger than in the past.

Cleveland's exposition, famous throughout the state and south as "the largest county fair," will get underway on Tuesday, Sept. 28, on which day approximately 10,000 Cleveland school kids will go through the entrance gates on complimentary tickets.

The new building program, undertaken in an effort to relieve the crowded conditions of years past, will result in the following: new bleachers on the east end of the grandstand, seating 600 persons; a new and unique industrial and historical exhibit in the space under the bleachers; an entirely new lighting arrangement all over the grounds which will furnish modernistic and indirect lighting; a new stage for the free acts, twice as large as the former one; new roads and enlarged parking facilities; a new exhibit space for the swine department, three times as large as the former one; a greatly enlarged midway; and remodeling of the stock barn and poultry house.

The Jonny J. Jones Exposition will spread its 19 rides and 22 shows over the big midway in what will be the most elaborate exposition ever shown at a Cleveland County Fair.

Free attractions, given on the stage in front of the grandstand each evening will be furnished by the George A. Hamid Company, and will include such features as The Winter Garden Revue; "Jinx" Hooglan's Hippo-home Sensations; The Six Decardos Liddle Lamont, the funny Scotchman he Five Albanis; and Walden's Boxing Bear.

Special features will be the horse racing on the afternoons of Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; "Lucky" Lester and his Hell Drivers on Wednesday afternoon; and Professional Automobile Races, sanctioned by the A. A. A. under the direction of Ralph A. Hankinson on Saturday afternoon. These races will bring together some of the foremost dirt track drivers of America.

Dr. J. S. Dorton, who is secretary of both the Cleveland County Exposition, and the State Fair in Raleigh, said today "that practically all the 300-foot, two-floor exhibit hall had been taken. Individual, agricultural, school, community, and commercial booths are being arranged.

Officers of the fair include: A. E. Cline, president; George Blanton and J. L. Herndon, vice-presidents, and Dr. Dorton, secretary and treasurer.

Scouters To Meet Friday Evening

The first meeting in a series of six in a Scoutmasters Training Class will be held Friday evening at 6:30 at the Lake Montonia Cabin of W. K. Mauney.

At that time the leaders in Boy Scouting in the community will eat a chicken noodle supper being prepared for them by Mr. Mauney. The supper is a dutch treat arranged by the Scouters Club of which Aubrey Mauney is President.

All Scouters and leaders are invited. Those on the program for this meeting are H. C. Wilson, Scoutmaster of Phenix Troop, L. C. Detmar, Scoutmaster of Lutheran Troop Carl Davidson, Scoutmaster of Presbyterian Troop, and Rev. L. Boyd Hamm.

Washington Snapshots

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

An old, faithful friend of days gone by has returned to Washington. He is making a lot of folks run to cover and whimper: "I didn't do it; I did not do it." He is our old friend 'H. C. L.', less familiarly known as the High Cost of Living.

It wasn't so many years ago that he was a real political issue. But, so Washington's experts said, he went too far away. They tried to bring him back, and boy, have they succeeded!

It all started, of course, because the experts thought everybody's income was too low. So they raised the incomes of as many as they could, even though it meant paying them for staying idle and even

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SCHOOL DAYS

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Laughing Around the World
With IRVIN S. COBB

The Sitting-Down Championship
By IRVIN S. COBB

WHEN William Travers Jerome was District Attorney of New York he made a trip to Augusta to speak at the annual meeting of the Georgia Bar Association. General Peter Meldrim, a prominent Savannah



attorney, was acting as his host. He was pointing out to the visitor the assembled notables.
General Meldrim indicated a very important-looking person in a front seat of the audience.
"Mr. Jerome," he said, "I desire to call your attention to that gentleman yonder."
"Who is he?" asked Jerome.
"That, sir, is a man in whom the whole state takes pride. He is the only man in Georgia who can strut sitting down."

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