

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

National News - Washington, Jan. 11. - President Roosevelt, it was learned authoritatively today, has decided tentatively on a Caribbean cruise starting about February 18.

Washington, Jan. 11. - The treasury awarded a \$41,388 contract today for a postoffice at Batesburg, S. C., to Clarence Morrison, Shelby, N. C.

Washington, Jan. 11. - Rep. Treadway (R-Miss.), opening a Republican attack on the administration's reciprocal trade treaties, predicted today that the present minority party's membership would be strong enough in 1940 to repeal the program.

Boston, Jan. 11. - After making good a promise to Gov. Leverett Saltonstall to allow movement of perishable goods, striking Greater Boston truck drivers refused today to submit their demands for increased pay and shorter hours to arbitration by the state board.

Miami, Fla., Jan. 11. - Thirty five airplanes ranging from big trimmotored ships to little "flivvers" took off from municipal airport today for Havana where an international air show was planned for this week.

Pittsburgh, Jan. 11. - In a muddy ditch along an abandoned roadway, Sam Mollise, 49 year old ex-convict was found slain today with 14 stab wounds in the shape of a heart on his chest. The victim also had been shot twice in the head and once in the heart.

Washington, Jan. 11. - President Roosevelt nominated Spruille Braden of New York today to be ambassador to Colombia. Braden now is minister to Colombia and his elevations follows elevation of the legation at Bogota to embassy rank.

Washington, Jan. 11. - How long Vice President Garner and his band of middle-of-the-roaders can keep the congressional democrats marching in step is becoming a question of increasing interest in the capital. Thus far, they have put up a good show of party unity, in spite of caustic mutterings by some of those in each of the two party factions.

San Francisco, Jan. 11. - Twenty-two years of imprisonment left no mark on Tom Mooney, so said today unless prison food wrecked his stomach.

State News - Raleigh, Jan. 11. - Dates were announced today for three events which bring thousands of farm people to Raleigh each year.

Raleigh, Jan. 11. - The traffic death rate in North Carolina decreased about 20 per cent in 1938 as compared with 1937, James S. Hurch, statistical engineer of the highway and public works commission reported today in a "semi-final" report.

College Station, Raleigh, Jan. 11. - An increase in the plantings of small peach orchards, especially in communities distant from the large trading center of the State, is noted by H. R. Niswonger, horticulturist of the State College Extension Service.

Raleigh, Jan. 11. - George W. Coan Jr., state WPA administrator, said today North Carolina's WPA rolls had been cut from an all-time peak of 58,000 the first week in December to approximately 51,000.

Raleigh, Jan. 11. - The North Carolina Education Association will move into its new \$65,000 home here within the next two weeks, Executive Secretary Jule B. Warren said today.

Work on the structure, located on West Morgan street on the site of the old Raleigh High School building, is nearing completion. The entire plant, including the lot, purchased from the Raleigh School Board, represents an investment of more than \$90,000.

Raleigh, Jan. 11. - Through Saturday sale of 1939 automobile licenses in North Carolina totaled 402,790, compared with 384,053 on the same date last year.

Guests of Cramerton Circle

The Business Womens Circle of the First Baptist church accepted an invitation to meet with a similar circle of the Cramerton Baptist church on last Monday evening.

Mrs. John L. Head, formerly of Kings Mountain and now a member of the Cramerton school faculty, is leader of the circle.

The regular missionary program was given and at the conclusion the two circles enjoyed a social hour together. Refreshments were served. Those attending from the Kings Mountain circle included Mrs. Bryn Hord leader, Mesdames Jim Willis, Mac Connor, D. M. Bridges, Walters, P. D. Herndon, Bill Souther, J. M. Khea, Meses Mitchell Williams, Daisy Lovelace, Paulella Adair, Fanny Carpenter, Victoria Hugres and Annie Roberts. Other guests included Mesdames L. M. Logan, A. G. Sargeant, Lula Woodward, D. F. Hord and Miss Helen Logan.

Lutheran Church Reports Good Year

Saint Matthews Lutheran Church at the annual congregational meeting held last year heard reports from all officers and auxiliary organizations that indicated progress during the past year. Each organization reported more members and a higher average attendance at meetings.

At the Morning Service Sunday the Pastor, Rev. L. Boyd Hammett, installed into office the newly elected councilmen. They are Messrs J. F. Aderholt, Earl Bumgardner, A. S. Kiser and L. C. Bettmar. These men succeed Messrs. J. O. Plonk, H. D. Ormand, C. Q. Rhyme and Dr. L. P. Baker. Mr. F. R. Summers was elected lay representative for the year with Mr. W. A. Riderhour as alternate.

The Church Council in regular meeting Monday evening elected officers of the Council and chairmen of committees as follows: chairman of the Council, W. A. Riderhour; Secretary, Paul Moeller; Assistant Secretary, Carl F. Mauney. Financial Secretary, J. C. Lackey; Treasurer, L. Arnold Kiser; Evangelism, W. K. Mauney; Parish Education Board, A. S. Kiser; Church Property, J. E. Herndon; Finance, F. R. Summers; Ushers, Earl Bumgardner; Altar Service, Mrs. J. E. Herndon; Communion Assistant, D. C. Mauney; Organist, Mrs. W. A. Riderhour. The other members of these committees will be announced at the Service Sunday Morning.

363 Garments Made By NYA

Since July 1, 1938, the N. Y. A. project sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club, has rendered invaluable service in providing clothes for school children and other work. At the beginning of the project only seven girls were employed, but the number has now increased to sixteen.

The NYA girls have also made clothing for the Red Cross, with material furnished by the Red Cross. Besides these things, the girls are taught needle-craft, basket making, and home making.

The funds for the project are furnished by the Junior Woman's Club, part of the money being raised by sponsoring a tag day sale, a Thanksgiving Party, and through private donations. Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, president of the Club has been one of the driving factors behind the move, and it's success has been largely due to her untiring efforts. Mrs. Pansy Fetzer, NYA County Supervisor, has also contributed much to the movement, and a great deal of the credit of the project for Kings Mountain belongs to her. Mrs. Paul McGinnis is the able project supervisor who is in charge of the local work.

The following is a list of clothing which has been made and distributed in Kings Mountain: 130 Dresses, 70 shirts, 63 Boys' underwear, 23 girls' underwear, 16 slips, 5 gowns, 5 blouses, 1 skirt, 4 shorts, 7 blankets (made from strips from Margrace), 10 vanity sets, 15 dresser scarfs, 15 mats, 65 doll dresses for firemen, which made a total of 363 garments besides the doll dresses.

Rites For Mrs. Stepp Held Tuesday

Funeral services were held at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Second Baptist church in Kings Mountain for Mrs. Clara Stepp, 28 who died at her home in Bessemer City Sunday. Interment was in Shyma cemetery near Cherryville. Mrs. Stepp is survived by her husband, a small daughter, Nellie; two brothers, Alvin and Walter Smith of Kings Mountain. Mrs. Stepp was before her marriage Miss Grace Estelle Smith. She had been in ill health for several years.

Plant Adopts Unique Plan For Employees

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 11. - (IPS). - A local employer (employing about 2,000 women) is going to make it possible for mothers to work and not have to worry about whether the children are being cared for properly during working hours. The employer is building an additional floor on his factory and it will be outfitted as a nursery. Nurses and doctors will be in attendance to care for the several hundred children of the employees.

Presbyterians Rally For Foreign Missions

The thirty-seven churches of Kings Mountain Presbytery will hold a Round-Table Discussion on Foreign Missions Sunday at 8:00 P. M. on January 17, from 8:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M. at the Wesleyan Mission Society in Kings Mountain. The discussion will be held in the Wesleyan Mission Society building. The discussion will be held in the Wesleyan Mission Society building. The discussion will be held in the Wesleyan Mission Society building.

The last eight days of this "Foreign Mission Season" are called "Week of Prayer and Self-Denial for Foreign Missions." Usually about \$125,000 is given to the Southern Presbyterian Foreign Mission work during that week. Recently, more than fifty Presbyterian Church leaders met in Nashville, Tenn., to discuss the crisis which now faces the Foreign Mission work of this denomination. At that meeting it was decided to try to raise at least \$250,000 to be used to:

- 1. Strengthen our missionary force.
2. Give their work a more adequate support.
3. Take care of personal losses of missionaries, and property losses in China.
4. Help lift the debt.
The Southern Presbyterian Church each year sets aside one month, called "Foreign Mission Season." This year the Season is January 1 to February 5. During this period special emphasis is placed on Foreign Mission work. The Study book for this year is "The Star in the East." It was written by Rev. C. Darby Fulton, D. D., the Executive Secretary of Foreign Missions for the Presbyterian Church. Dr. Fulton was born in Japan, his parents having been missionaries in Japan many years. After College in America, Dr. Fulton returned to Japan as a missionary. Later he was called back to the United States to the important position which he now holds in China and Japan. No one is better qualified to write a book about mission work in the Orient than Dr. Fulton. "The Star in the East" discusses the progress, the needs and the opportunities of mission work in China, Japan and Korea.

MEN'S CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

The Men's Club will have their first meeting of the year this evening at 8:30 at the Woman's club building. All members are reminded to be present as this meeting following the supper will be devoted to business discussions.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS
IF YOU got to teach a kid to be polite at the table, you are in for a tough time. The kid is almost sure to be happier if he ain't so



polite, and he don't mind letting you know it either. Now, Adolph was eating with company, and the company was the preacher, and there was all the rest of the family, too, and some ladies of the Aid Society. Well, Adolph had been told he gotta keep still and not talk unless somebody asked him a question. So Adolph kept acting awful excited during part of the meal, and nearly choked twice, and finally his mother says, "Well, what is it, Adolph?" "Oh, it's too late now," he says, "but I sure wanted you to ask me a question a minute ago. There was a big bug on the Reverend's lettuce, but he ate it all up now!" (American News Features, Inc.)

Merchants Association Formed Here

Mrs. Ratterree Named To Lead Tax Fight Here

Mrs. Peile Ratterree of Kings Mountain has been named to lead local women in the anti-tax drive of the National Consumers Tax Commission against "ill conceived taxes that increase the cost of living."

The commission is described as a non-political organization conducted in the best ways of the nation against hidden and direct taxes that add to the burden of the consumer. The drive is led in this state by Mrs. William T. Henshaw, of Waynesville, the commission's North Carolina state director.

"The commission is glad to have Mrs. Ratterree among the leaders of this needed movement," Mrs. Frazier said. "Already hundreds of units in many states are active in the educational drive on taxes that raise the cost of living for all of us."

"Most people pay hidden taxes without knowing it, and it's little wonder family budgets are strained when, for example, the commission's research department finds hidden taxes add 11 cents to a 29-cent purchase of meat, \$10 to every \$30 of rent, \$1.95 to a \$5 hat and \$1.56 to a \$4 pair of shoes." A series of study programs will be arranged for members through which to inform families here of their tax burden, Mrs. Frazier said.

Head of Industrial Commission To Speak Here

Mr. J. Dewey Dorsett, of Raleigh, Chairman of the North Carolina Industrial Commission will be the main speaker tomorrow night at the Central High School at the meeting of the Blue Ridge Safety Council. This is the first meeting to be held in Kings Mountain by the Council which is made up of five counties. The Blue Ridge Council is sponsored by the N. C. Industrial Commission, for the promotion of safety in all industrial plants.

The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 Friday Evening, Jan. 13th. A history of the Council will be presented by E. C. Shufford of Cliffside and different phases of safety will be discussed according to Mr. Charles Forney, Council Chairman, of Shelby.

All workers and managers of industrial plants are invited to be present at the meeting whether they are members of the Council or not. Mr. Forney is extremely anxious to have a large representation from Kings Mountain present as this meeting is being held here at the request of the N. C. Industrial Commission.

Bank Stockholders Re-Elect Officers

Stockholders of the First National Bank in the 38th annual meeting held Tuesday afternoon in the Directors' room of the bank re-elected all Directors and Officers with the addition of L. G. Hord as Assistant Cashier. The stockholders were well pleased with the progress and growth of the financial institution during the past year and were very optimistic about still further advancement for the coming year. Citizens of Kings Mountain are very fortunate in having such a strong, well managed bank in the Best Town in the State.

Officers are: D. M. Baker, President, R. L. Mauney, Vice-President, E. S. Neill, Cashier, and L. G. Hord, Assistant Cashier. Directors are: D. M. Baker, G. A. Bridges, W. K. Mauney, R. L. Mauney, P. M. Neisler, F. R. Summers, and M. A. Ware.

Annual Red Cross Meeting This Evening

The annual meeting of the local Chapter of the Red Cross will be held this evening at 7:30 at the Woman's Club Building following the Men's Club meeting, according to D. S. Peeler, Chairman. Election of officers and other important business will be transacted and every member of the Red Cross is invited to attend. Mrs. Ruth Gamble, Executive Secretary, stated that some thought the annual meeting was for officers only, but everyone is cordially invited to be present.

A group of between sixty and seventy merchants of Kings Mountain met at the City Hall Tuesday night and voted unanimously to form a Merchants Association in the Best Town in the State. Mr. D. P. Hord presided at the meeting and a preliminary meeting will be held on a date yet to be determined. Mr. J. B. Keeter was elected first president of the Association, G. A. Bridges, vice-president, and D. P. Hord, secretary and treasurer.

Mr. C. W. Joyner, president of the Shelby Merchants Association, told the assembled merchants that he heartily endorsed the move, and stated that such an association was an asset to any town. Mr. Abernathy also of Shelby, made an interesting talk in which he discussed the benefits of an association.

President Keeter appointed three men to name the directors of the Association. After the meeting these three men chose the following men as directors to be approved: H. L. Sammit, E. W. Griffin, O. O. Jackson, F. B. Glass, D. F. Hord, Fuller McGill, Claude Hambricht and G. A. Bridges.

Another meeting is to be held Monday evening at 7:30 to approve these directors. All merchants are urged to attend this meeting.

Derby Warns Arms Race Influences Our Exports

New York, Jan. 11. - (IPS). - The armament race of European nations has been an important contributing factor in the increase of American exports to that Continent during the period the United States' Reciprocal Trade Agreement policy has been in effect. H. L. Derby, President of the American Cyanamid and Chemical Corp., New York, said here recently.

Correction

The Herald wishes to correct a mistake in regards to the account of Mr. W. E. Owen's death. The information at the time of his death was that they were T. W. instead of W. E. as obtained from his Navy discharge and his widow.

Mr. Owen was a man of many friends. The tribute of his many friends were spoken with flowers and the warm sympathy extended to his family.

Surviving are his widow, four sons, Russell, Elmer, Oscar and Charles, all of Kings Mountain, and one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Owen Ford, also of Kings Mountain.

C. E. Lucas of Swansee, S. C., was the driver of the car that crashed into the one driven by Mr. Owen. The Herald regrets the error of the initials of Mr. Owen.

Series of Sermons Start In This Issue

The members of the Ministerial Association, in cooperation with the Herald, begins in this issue a series of sermons to appear as a regular feature of the paper. The first of the series is written by Rev. L. Boyd Hammett, president of the Association.

For the succeeding weeks each minister will write a sermon to appear. The Herald is glad to be able to bring to the public this feature, and thus give the persons of Kings Mountain who are unable to attend regular service a chance to read a sermon by a local minister.

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

A new Congress, the 76th in the history of the Republic, is convening in Washington this week. And the big news about this event will not be in the headlines. Not because the editors (in fact, the editors) the news but because it is news too big to be headlined.

The story began to "break" (to use newspaper shop talk) about 163 years ago. And it has been a continuous story from that time to the present.

The real starting point was the Declaration of Independence. This led to the Revolutionary war. The Colonists were victorious. And the day, Cornwallis surrendered at York town, the American people became the first really free people in the present. (Cont'd on Editorial page)

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

A Growing Suspicion

By IRVIN S. COBB

FOR years Mrs. Grauman, wife of a wealthy retired shirt-waist manufacturer, had been ailing. Or anyhow, she thought she was ailing. She tried one specialist after another, patronized a succession of san-



tariums, took the cure here, there and elsewhere. Yet nothing seemed to help her. She remained a chronic complainer. The husband's patience sorely was tested. Also there was a constant drain upon his checkbook. Mr. Grauman didn't mind the latter so much. Always he had been a generous provider for his family. What secretly irked him was a conviction that the lady's trouble was more or less imaginary; an unspoken but none-the-less sincere belief that his money was being spent to gratify a neurotic's whim. Had Mr. Grauman known the words "malingering" and "hypocondriac" these undoubtedly were the words he would have applied to his own private diagnosis of the case. Nevertheless, the invalid, after long months of treatment, succumbed to her mysterious malady. She became no more. On the night before the funeral the mourning widower sat alone by the bier. For long hours he communed with himself. Finally he reached forth a caressing hand and softly patted the casket. "Well," he said, "maybe Mommer was sick!" (American News Features, Inc.)