

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—
Lumberton, May 16.—Three Robeson county Indians faced long prison terms today after conviction yesterday by a Hoke County jury of charges of conspiracy, second degree larceny and robbery with firearms in the death of Tom Moore, wealthy farmer, last January.
They were acquitted of murder charges in the Sunday morning verdict.

after reporting he was assaulted and robbed two weeks earlier.

Camden, S. C., May 16.—Police Chief Alva Rush said today three high school boys had been arrested in connection with alleged barrages of overripe fruit and eggs directed at parked automobiles during a church meeting several days ago.

Hartsville, S. C., May 16.—The body of Ernest W. Stokes, 22, was found yesterday in a deep ditch near his home. He had been missing since Wednesday night. Police Chief V. C. Emlore said there was nothing to indicate the youth met a violent death.

Kitty Hawk, May 16.—A fire swept through a newly built frame hotel and three cottages here early yesterday.

No one knew how the fire started. J. B. Anderson of Elizabeth City owned the hotel and two of the cottages. D. J. Overman of Wilson owned the other cottages.

A pickup truck and automobile, belonging to Anderson and son, were also destroyed.

Winston-Salem, May 16.—The defense continued to present its testimony today as the trial of W. T. Wilson, former mayor, charged with embezzling \$611.52 from the public guardian funds, was resumed in Superior Court.

Wilson, who testified in his own behalf Saturday, told the jury that the sum was taken as a reimbursement of funds he had lent to public guardian accounts under his care. Wilson's term as mayor expired last week.

Charlotte, May 16.—A celebration is being planned here May 20 to commemorate the signing of the Mecklenburg declaration of independence May 20, 1776.

Raleigh, May 16.—Floodlights for State College's handsome Memorial Tower will be installed within a week as a gift to the college from the current senior class. Prof. C. L. Mann, chairman of the Alumni Memorial Committee, has announced.

Eight lights of 500 watts each will be placed at the base of the tower, which is a memorial to State College men who served in the World War. The lights will cost the seniors between \$500 and \$600.

Knoxville, Tenn., May 17.—Southern Appalachian coal operators signed today a union shop contract with the United Mine Workers.
(The announcement was made jointly by L. C. Gunter, president of the operators' association, and William Turnbull, president of District 19, UMW.)

—National News—
Washington, May 16.—Public hearings by the House Committee investigating un-American activities probably will be held in Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, New York, Chicago, Birmingham and Washington after Congress adjourns.
Chairman Dies, Dem., Texas, said that exact dates had not been picked and that the list of cities was tentative.

Philadelphia, May 16.—Exhumation of the bodies of six suspected victims of an Eastern states murder for insurance ring was ordered today while police studied the possibility that an arson-bombing ring operated as a subsidiary to the wholesale slay for pay syndicate.
Seeking information for use when mass trials of the 24 persons begin next week. District Attorney Charles F. Kelley asked Coroner Charles H. Hersch to examine the bodies for traces of poison. Close relatives of five of the suspected victims are in police custody.

Ruffalo, N. Y., May 16.—Milkman Emil Riedel's ordinarily placid rounds were enlivened with an adventure at dawn today: He fought and subdued a deer in a customer's back yard.
"It looked at me with big brown eyes," he related, "and I glared back hoping to scare it away. Then it attacked me. I grabbed it by the antlers, and somehow it kicked me in the pants. I guess I was wounded in the arm, too."

Washington, May 15.—The army is getting ready to place record peace-time munitions orders totaling more than \$150,000,000.
Officials who outlined the project today said that by means of large contracts funds now available for new guns, ammunition, tanks and other war materials might go 15 per cent further.
A saving of delivery time, they explained, would result from mass rather than piecemeal orders.

San Francisco, May 16.—Development of a nerve surgery process which increased by 10 to 30 per cent the muscular activity of limbs partially damaged by infantile and some other forms of paralysis was announced today by the University of California Hospital.
The procedure consists of completely severing partially degenerated nerve trunk lines near the surface of the body so that the healthy nerve fibers within them may branch out and eventually connect with nerveless, paralyzed portions of a damaged muscle.

Washington, May 16.—Congressional advocates of business tax revision sought Administration support today for some compromise plan which would meet criticisms of present levies but avoid any reduction in Federal revenue.

Chairman Harrison, Dem., Miss., of the Senate Finance Committee and Doughton, Dem., N. C., of the House Ways and Means Committee, were reported to have a definite proposal for submission at a conference this afternoon with President Roosevelt and Secretary Morgenthau.

The "Frog Prince" Presented

The "Frog Prince," an operetta, was presented at Central School last Thursday evening under the direction of Miss Carlyle, head of the music department, assisted by grade teachers.

The following were the cast of characters:

King, Benny Conner; Queen, Louise Roberts; Princess, Jackie Falls; Leader of Peasants, Betty Falls; Gypsy Fortune Teller, Janet McGinnis; Frog, David Neill; Butler to the King, Billy Boyce.
The dolls were: Spanish, Jean Deese, Betty Jean Falls and Harry H. Hamrick; English, Jean Giff.

Miss Peggy Ann McKinney and Charles Blanton; Dutch, Joyce Falls, Margaret Williams and Hunter Warlick; French, Mary Ann Cruse, Patty Neisler and Tommy Thompson; English, Frances Summers, Charlotte Jenkins and Herman Mauney; Chinese, Jean Hord, Sara Catherine Falls and William Herndon; Russian, Madge Mitchem, Eleanor Myers and Dan Pressley; Italian, Louise Hamm, Jean Cash and Joe Neisler; Japanese, Betty Hayes, Mary Beth Logan, and Joe Sanders; American, Evelyn Edens, Dorothy Hope and Harold England.

Servants: Billy Gault, Jack Prince, Bobby Jean Cox, Ernest Jenkins, Sonny Peeler, Bobby Boyce, Tommy Baker, Jacob Keller, Otis Falls.

Peasants: Frances White, Patsy Webb, Frances Williams, Elizabeth Lynch, Lou Ann Herndon, Jacqueline Hord, Mildred May Goforth, William Mitchem, Sue Hamm, Betty Jean Cobb, Ernestine Maloney, Margie Barrett, Helen Hardin, Virginia Moss, Katie Conner, L. P. Stowe, Pecky Early Carolyn McDaniel, Huston Black, Clayton Kelly, Gene Davis, Donald Glass, Johnny Plonk.

Brother of J. K. Willis Dies Suddenly

W. C. Willis, 43 year old barber, brother to former Town Councilman J. K. Willis, died at four a. m. Tuesday at his home in Shelby. Cause of his sudden death was a heart attack, it was learned.

Mr. Willis had not complained of a heart ailment, but Monday afternoon told members of his family he was suffering from a headache.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. at the Pleasant Hill Methodist church in No. 10 Township where he was a member and the community in which he was born and reared. He was the son of the late David and Nancy Willis, and a member of one of the leading families of the upper part of the county.
The many friends of Mr. J. K. Willis extend their sympathy in his bereavement.

Smallpox Clinic

There will be a smallpox clinic at Central School on May 28 beginning at 9 o'clock.

All school children from the first through the 11th grades who have not had smallpox vaccine will be given an opportunity to take it at this time.

This clinic will be conducted by the County Health doctor and is sponsored by Central P. T. A. Every parent who is interested in the health and welfare of his child is urged to see that the children of Kings Mountain are protected from this disease.

This is given FREE by the County Health Department. Miss Willie McGill is chairman of Committee.

Town Commissioners Appointed

At a called meeting of the Town Council Thursday afternoon, the following Commissioners were appointed: streets, sidewalks and cemetery, C. E. Neisler, Jr., and H. Tom Fulton; water, lights and Fire Department, W. K. Mauney and L. W. Hamrick; and Mayor J. B. Thomason, Police Commissioner. With the exception of the Police Commissioner two members of the board serve jointly as commissioners.
The called meeting was the second one held since the new council was elected May 2nd.

MERCHANTS ASSN. TO MEET MONDAY

All members of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association are asked to be present Monday evening, 8 P. M., at the City Hall for an important meeting. The matter of closing the stores for one afternoon each decided.

London, May 17.—Negotiations for Soviet Russian adherence to the French-British front went forward today in a meeting of the British cabinet and a call by the Russian Ambassador at the foreign office.

THE WORLD OF TOMORROW (?)



Bible Class To Have Fish Fry

The Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church will have a fish supper Friday evening at 6:00 P. M. at the farm of Charlie Moss near Archdale. The Presbyterian Boy Scout troop will be invited guests.

O. W. Myers is president of the Bible Class and Carl Davidson is Scoutmaster of the troop.

The committee in charge of the arrangements for the supper is composed of Messrs A. M. Royster, Boyce Ware and L. M. Godfrey.

ATTENDING FIREMEN'S SCHOOL IN WILMINGTON

Three members of the Kings Mountain Fire Department are attending the three-day session of N. C. State Firemen's School at Wilmington. The classes and drills began Tuesday and will continue through today. Firemen Elmo Bridges, Hoyte McDaniel and Paul Kirk Falls are the local members attending the school.

BANK TO BE CLOSED SATURDAY

The First National Bank will be closed Saturday, May 20th, in observance of Mecklenburg Independence Day which is a legal holiday. Merchants are asked to remember the closing and do their Saturday's banking on Friday.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story
By WILL ROGERS

RUSSIAN kids learn Russian easy enough. They must be awful smart kids. Even a grown-up American can't learn it, and I've always thought Americans were about the smartest folks in the world.
There was an American oil man that was planning to go over to Russia to get away from a subpoena or to look for oil or something, so he hired a professor from the University of Chicago to teach him Russian. He got the prof to live in his house, and he told him he should talk Russian to him as much as possible.



So the professor was having dinner with the family. All the time he was trying to give the oil man his money's worth by saying things in Russian. When he picked up his fork he named it in Russian, and had the oil man pronounce it after him, and the same way with the knife and the peas and the soup. Finally, while the professor was talking and eating at the same time, he put something in his mouth and just naturally exploded. Some of the food hit the picture of George Washington at the other end of the dining room, and the whole family started to wipe their faces with their napkins.
"Now, is that the Russian word for something, really, prof?" says the oil man. "I'm awfully afraid I'll never learn to pronounce that one."
The professor took a swallow of water, and then he says, "No, that was just the horseshit. It's a lot stronger than I thought."

Saturday Evening Ghost Invades K. M. H. S.

Blood stains in the sitting room. A handsome young ghost (only three hundred years old) that walks on Saturday evening, and pitches wool like Gable. And what handsome young ghost (Jimmy Darracott) couldn't make love when the object of the affection is Virgie Otis (Maude Plonk) a delectable bit of feminine pulchritude as one is wont to gaze upon?

What's it all about? It's the Senior Class play, and the title of this year's production is, as you've probably guessed, "The Saturday Evening Ghost," a light comedy in three acts, adapted for the stage by Tom Taggart, from a story by Oscar Wilde.

Aside from the above mentioned spots, there are two perfectly adorable little children (who said brats?) in the persons of Hazel Falls and Leon Wolfe, who, as usual, start the whole mess; Mr. Otis, (Hal Olive); Mrs. Otis (Mary Helen Hambrick); a synchical housekeeper (Jacquelyn Rawles); and an Englishman, who, keeping to tradition, thinks all Americans are slightly "off". And we do mean "off".

The setting is England, and the Ghost is English, and Charles Campbell turns in a very good performance as the aforementioned English man.

For three full acts of laughs and thrills, we suggest that you see "The Saturday Evening Ghost" Friday night at 8:00 o'clock in the Central School Auditorium. The play is presented by the Senior Class, and the cost of admission is 15c and 35c. The proceeds will be used to buy a gift for the school.

P. D. Herndon Conducts Men's Club Program

Questions pertaining to North Carolina were asked Men's Club members at their regular meeting last Thursday evening by program chairman P. D. Herndon. Most of the questions were answered but several were badly missed. For example, when asked the total value of North Carolina farm products the answers given was about \$2,000,000, which should have been \$22,000,000.

Others and the program committee were Dr. L. P. Baker and D. F. Ford.

LIONS CLUB TO PICNIC AT LAKE MONTONIA

The second regular meeting for May of the Lions Club will be in the form of a picnic at Lake Montonia with the wives and sweethearts of the members as guests. No special program has been arranged but Tall Twister Otis Falls is scheduled to get in some good work. The picnic is set for 7:00 o'clock.

MUSIC BY MALE QUARTET

A male quartet composed of A. B. Cobb of Kings Mountain, John Holler of High Shoals, Floy Moss and Jim Moss of Grover, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Fulton Sunday afternoon and entertained their guests. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Fulton, by singing a number of selections especially appropriate for Mothers Day.

Junior-Senior Banquet Held Friday Night

The members of the Senior Class of the Kings Mountain High School and invited guests were entertained at a banquet in the school cafeteria last Friday evening; the gala affair featuring a portrayal of "Snow-White and Seven Dwarfs".

The banquet room was arranged with woodland greenery a rustic and other decorations in keeping with the theme.

The menu was as follows:
The Wicked Potion (Fruit Cocktail)
Sleepy's Special Doc's Delight (Baked Ham) (Tomato and Slaw) Grumpy's Choice (Cream Cheese Sandwich)
Dorothy's Salad Castle Rolls (Potato Salad) (Hot Rolls) Jewels From The Mine (Olives)
Happy's Mound Prince Nectar (Baked Apple) (Red Teal Dwarf's Favorite (Ice Cream and Cake)
Sleepy's Dish The Queen's Desire (Salted Nuts) (Punch)

Ladd Hamrick, Jr., president of the Junior Class, was toastmaster and gave the address of welcome. The program was as follows: Toast To Seniors, Mary Julia Pollock; Response of Seniors, Jones Fortune; The Wishing Well, Sybil Davis; To The Waitresses, D. F. Hord; Duet, I'm Wishing, Rachel Smith and Tamadge Frederick; Song To Seniors, Junior class; Song To Juniors, Senior class; Senior Superlatives; Billy Ruddock; Junior Superlatives, Charles Campbell.

After the banquet the young people and guests were entertained at a dance in the school gymnasium.

Special invited guests included members of the school board and their wives, grade mother and their husband teachers of the Junior and Senior classes, the Superintendent, principal, and their wives.
Mothers of the pupils of the Junior Class were in charge of the banquet.

House Destroyed By Fire

A residence owned by George Mauney and occupied by the family of W. O. Peeler was destroyed by fire here about 11 p. m. last Thursday night, with a loss, estimated by firemen, of approximately \$1,500.

Mr. and Mrs. Peeler with their six children barely escaped with their lives as the building was falling in when they were aroused. Origin of the fire was unknown, but was believed to be from a faulty flue.

The dwelling was located to the back of the Margraoe Mill and was not in the range of the Kings Mountain water supply so firemen were helpless.

ICE CREAM SUPPER AT PATTERSON GROVE

There will be an ice cream supper Saturday night May 20th at Patterson Grove sponsored by the Women's club of that community. The public is cordially invited to come out and eat ice cream and have a good time.

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

Real estate and the subject of government reorganization would seem to be as far apart as the poles, but not so in the National Capitol.

Washington, until a few years ago, had a comparatively steady population figure. In recent years, however, with the reation of new bureau after bureau in the government, the population has grown by leaps and bounds. Real estate has been at a premium and 2,000-unit apartment houses now stand on land that only a few years ago was Maryland or in short, Washington has been in the throes of an unprecedented real estate boom. And landlords have naturally wondered of late when — if over — this boom would end; when these so-called "temporary" bureaus of the administration would be closed and the thousands of clerks returned to their native communities.

Real estate men have not been too hopeful about the whole thing. They have been anticipating a time when administration expenses expenses would have to be reduced (Cont'd on Editorial page)

Laughing Around the World
With IRVIN S. COBB

A Wholesale Order

By IRVIN S. COBB

THE LATE Sam Davis, editor of the Carson Appeal was known as the Oracle of the Nevada sage-brush—and deserved the title. Once upon a time he was instructed by the San Francisco Examiner to meet Mme.



Sarah Bernhardt at Reno and bring her over the mountains of California on her first tour of the Western Slope.
Davis, aside from his journalistic abilities, was a most likable person. The great French actress became so fond of him, upon the occasion of their first meeting that thereafter she declined to be interviewed by any other newspaperman during her sojourn on the Coast. If she had anything to say for publication, he said it for her.
The day came when the train bearing her private car was about to start on the long journey back East. As the locomotive bell was ringing, she put her hands upon his shoulders, kissed him upon either cheek, and then squarely upon the mouth, remarking, as she did so:
"The right cheek for the Carson Appeal, the left for the Examiner, the lips, my friend, for yourself!"
"Madam," said Davis, without the slightest sign of bashfulness, "I also represent the Associated Press, which serves 250 papers west of the Mississippi River."