

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

State News— Raleigh, Aug. 15.—Dudley Bagley, director of the State Rural Electrification Authority, predicted after conference in Washington, D. C., that rural electrification program would go steadily forward in our state despite failure of the Lending Spending bill to pass.

National News— Long Beach, N. Y., Aug. 15.—Five men, one of them armed with a machine gun, today robbed a bank messenger of approximately \$70,000 on the main street of this Summer resort town and apparently made a clean getaway.

Charles, S. C., Aug. 15.—Capt. W. R. Thomas of the Southern Railway police said a youth booked as Arthur Livingston, Jr. of a section north of Charleston had been placed under \$500 bond for a hearing before Magistrate John R. Stall of Six Mile on a charge of placing an obstruction on the rails.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 15.—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor said he expected to receive today a final report on negotiations between battling heads of theatrical unions and the Federation's Executive Council.

Thomas said Livingston was alleged to have placed on the track a pushcart that the train struck Saturday night. Little damage except wrecking the pushcart resulted.

Charleston, S. C., Aug. 15.—Rear Admiral William H. Allen, Charleston Navy Yard commandant, directed ceremonies at 4 P. M. today for the commissioning of the destroyer Sterret.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Beer-drinkers soon may be getting their beverage cut of silver-lined containers. Scientists of the Federal Bureau of Standards who have been seeking new uses for American silver disclosed this finding:

Winston-Salem Aug. 15.—Sheriff's officers sought today to learn circumstances of the injuries of David Jones, 35, of Walkertown, early Sunday morning. He was found beside a road near Walkertown and was brought to a hospital where he was treated.

When silver is applied as a film two-millionths of an inch thick on the inside of the cans, it not only is impervious to acids but it also helps to kill any bacteria present after beer or fruit cans have been sealed.

Burlington, Aug. 15.—Police arrested a Negro who, they said, posed as a crystal gazer government geologist and contended he could extract—for a token—buried treasure from almost any backyard.

Shanghai, Aug. 15.—A food shortage threatening to develop into hunger riots and famine became apparent in large parts of Japanese occupied China today—a by-product of more than two years of war.

They said he had found no backyard treasure troves but listed his extractions from backyard owners as follows: Two cows, one calf, eleven hens, three hogs twelve pieces of smokehouse meat and \$364.

Floods, drought, crippled transportation facilities and Japanese trade and military restrictions caused the shortage, which was evident here and in Shantung, Hopeh, Honan and Ahwei provinces.

Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 15.—Restrictions on gatherings of children under twelve years old imposed in Spartanburg and Union counties several weeks ago as a precaution against the spread of infantile paralysis, have been lifted.

Manila, Aug. 15.—The Manila Bulletin says a petition bearing 22,000 signatures and urging a Japanese boycott will be presented Francis B. Sayre when the newly appointed U. S. High Commissioner arrives in October.

Dr. A. H. Stevens, health officer announced the lifting of the ban in Union county.

To Attend Doubleheader

Fourteen Spartanburg County schools opened yesterday and others are expected to resume soon.

Several Kings Mountain baseball fans are planning to leave from Charlotte Saturday night on the Wheatie Special train for Washington, D. C., to witness the doubleheader baseball game to be played Sunday between Washington and Boston.

Greensboro, Aug. 15.—This city will honor its old timers—those who have lived here 50 years or longer—tonight at a mass meeting at the County Courthouse at which there will be exchange of greetings, reminiscing and speech making.

North Carolina players on the teams will be featured and several gifts will be presented the players by home supporters. A fine traveling bag will be presented Jake Early, Washington catcher, by friends from Kings Mountain, Jake's home town.

Clinton, Aug. 15.—Raymond and Henry Williams, negro brothers, were under sentence of death today for the 1938 Thanksgiving Day slaying of Nathan Reif, Harrisburg, Pa. peddler, but an appeal may stay the execution set by Superior Court Judge Clawson L. Williams for Oct. 6.

The bag is on display in the Kings Mountain Drug Store window. Local backers of Cacher Early contributed towards the purchase of the beautiful present. The special train will arrive back in Charlotte Monday morning.

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

An Answer Right Off the Ice By IRVIN S. COBB JUST before he started on that famous Arctic expedition of his which was crowned with success, the late Admiral Robert E. Perry boarded a train at New Orleans. He settled down in the smoking compartment to enjoy a cigar. Presently there entered a rather self-sufficient young



man who took the seat adjoining and, following a custom much in vogue on American railroad trains, proceeded to engage Perry in conversation. "Well," he began, "I'm on a long hard trip." "Yes? Is that so?" said Perry, politely. "Yes, I go clear through to Louisville. Traveling far yourself?" "Yes, a fair distance," said Perry. "Well, I bound clear through to Louisville, as I was saying. Pretty tiresome trip too—all the way through from New Orleans to Louisville." "Probably so," agreed Perry. "By the way," said the young chap, "You didn't tell me where you were going."

ATTRACTIVE HOME OF KINGS MOUNTAIN



The handsome brick home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neisler on the corner of Gaston and Ridge Streets is one of the finest in this section of the State. The massive columns on the front add greatly to the beauty of the residence. Photo by Hord Studio.

Football Practice Begins Next Wednesday

Former Kings Mountain Man Passes Coaches Cline Farthing and A. E. Smart are planning to arrive in town Monday, August 21, and will spend Monday and Tuesday getting equipment ready for the football season. All boys interested in making the football team should report for practice Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 23.

Funeral services for Charlie Stowe age 62, were held at the Ford and Douglas Mortuary, in Gastonia Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Dr. J. H. Henderlitz, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in charge assisted by Rev. Earl Armstrong and Rev. C. E. Brooks. Interment was made in Oakwood cemetery.

Mr. Stowe was a native of Spartanburg, S. C., a son of the late Capt. W. I. Stowe and Caroline Hunter Stowe. When quite young his family moved to Kings Mountain where they lived for many years and where he was a popular member of the young set in the nineties.

Mr. Stowe had been ill for some time, following injuries received in an automobile accident on the Kings Mountain-Gastonia highway, from which he never fully recovered.

For many years he was connected with one of Gastonia's leading grocery stores and was also with Matthews-Belk's and other business firms during his 42 years of residence in Gastonia.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lola Pierce Stowe and a sister, Mrs. S. A. Keever of Spartanburg, S. C. He leaves a large number of friends in Gastonia, Kings Mountain and elsewhere who mourn his passing.

A Sky-Line Drive-Way To The Battleground

White Kings Mountain citizens are always on the alert for business common to the community, its equally important to keep a weather eye for blessings from the sky.

The Battleground, while in South Carolina logically and geographically it seems to be more closely associated with Kings Mountain peak and the town proper and we should share a part of its expenditures there. As it stands North Carolina has only one, not too good road, leading into the National Park, from near Archdale, White S. C. will have several leading to and from the park.

The citizens of the town and of Cleveland County should begin at once to avail themselves of enough WPA money whiles its available, which will not be always, to build a wide, winding scenic or skyline drive way from the South and North Carolina state-line along the ridge north and connect with the Kings Mountain and York Road at some convenient point on the ridge with plenty of stone masonry delineated and associated with that period and feat. The CCC probably would connect up with an appropriate road on the S. C. side and give that section of the park best ridge drive way to the battleground proper. The approximate distance to the S. C. line is about three miles, lotte.

Masons To Meet in Shelby

E. L. Wethers, District Deputy of Masons of the 37th District visited Kings Mountain last week and conferred with local Masons regarding plans for a District meeting in Shelby, Tuesday Aug. 22. J. Edgar Allen, Grand Master of North Carolina, and John H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, will be distinguished guests. The meeting is announced to start at 8 P. M. in the Shelby Lodge Hall, and an interesting program is being arranged. A large number of local Masons are expected to attend.

W. P. Ledford Passes At Age Of 64

One Out Of Four Goes To Sunday School

According to a survey released by Mr. D. C. Mauney about 28 1/2% of the population of Kings Mountain attend Sunday School each week. From a report of the ten white churches there are 2,952 members, and 2,883 enrolled in the Sunday schools with an average attendance of 1,802. For the six colored churches a membership of 496 was reported with 176 enrolled in the Sunday schools with an average attendance of 136 each week. The grand total for the 16 churches follows: Church membership 3,448; Sunday School enrollment 3,059, and average attendance 1,928. The estimated population of Kings Mountain was set at 7,000 and considering the 2,000 below 12 years of age, it was found that seven out of ten are members of some church, and that three out of seven are Sunday School members, and that two out of seven attend Sunday School.

The interesting report shows further that in Kings Mountain there are approximately 1,600 adults not members of any church, and there are 4,000 people who are not members of any Sunday School, and 1,000 of these who are members do not attend regularly.

Oates Funeral This Afternoon

Funeral services for William C. Oates who died at the home of his son on Waco Road Wednesday morning will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Long Creek Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow in the cemetery nearby.

Mr. Oates recently suffered a heart attack, but his death Wednesday morning came as a shock to his many friends in Kings Mountain.

Mr. Oates was born in Cleveland County February 11, 1858. He is survived by one son, John Oates, of Kings Mountain, two sisters, Mrs. R. L. Lackey, of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. E. S. Froneburger of Bessemer City, and two brothers, Dr. George S. Oates of Rutherford and C. A. Oates of Kings Mountain.

Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will be in charge of the services. Pallbearers will be elders and deacons of the First Presbyterian Church.

Kings Mtn. Girls' Workshop Receives Praise

Girls employed in the NYA Workshop in Kings Mountain have made a good record for themselves and received unlimited and deserved praise for their work according to NYA officials here yesterday.

Under the supervision of Mrs. Ethel McGinnis these girls are learning many useful things in homemaking and handicraft work. During the last pay period twelve girls have set an unusually fine record. They have quilted 17 quilts, made twenty quilt linings, pieced twenty quilt tops, made 24 slips, 6 dresses for school children, 18 suits underwear.

The Workshop is sponsored by the Junior Woman's club of Kings Mountain. It is located in the basement of the Kings Mountain High School and visitors are welcome at all times the shop is open.

Back To Sunday School Movement Started

Sunday School Superintendents and leaders have begun a movement to get as many new members in the different Sunday Schools of Kings Mountain as possible. The town-wide movement with all churches co-operating will begin next Sunday. An effort will be made to get every resident to join in with some School, with especial emphasis placed on the young folks.

One of the leaders of this drive said: "We want every child in Kings Mountain to go to some Sunday School every week, as it will mean so much in their future lives."

All superintendents are to meet this week and work out plans to be announced next Sunday at each of the schools. Vacation time is about over and now is an ideal time for this movement to be started and it is hoped that all citizens and Sunday School members will aid in this worthwhile undertaking.

William Cicero Ledford, age 64, passed away at his home on Waco Road, Wednesday afternoon after months of declining health. Funeral services will be held at the First Baptist Church this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, with Rev. A. G. Sargent, the pastor, in charge. Interment will be in the Patterson Grove cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be members of his Sunday School class. Honorary pallbearers will be the deacons of the church.

Mr. Ledford was a native of No. 10 township in Cleveland county, coming to Kings Mountain in 1896. He has been prominently identified with the First Baptist church, serving for many years as a deacon and as the beloved teacher of the Young Men's Bible class which offices he held at the time of his death.

He has been connected with various business firms in Kings Mountain for many years and last year with other members of his family, established a grocery store of his own at Midway. He was known for his honesty in his business dealings, his extreme kindness and thoughtfulness to his family and friends, his faithfulness and loyalty to his church and his love for his Master.

He is survived by his widow, who before marriage was Miss Ella Irene Gates, and nine children are follows: Mrs. F. C. Humphries, Mrs. Hullen, Mrs. Clarence Earl and Paul Ledford, Misses Annie and Grace Ledford, all of Kings Mountain; Roy Ledford of Richmond, Va., and Harry Ledford of Pittsburg, Pa. Twenty grand children survive.

He is also survived by his aged father, Webb Ledford, three brothers J. P. Ledford, L. F. Ledford and T. C. Ledford, all of Cleveland county; five sisters, Mrs. J. V. Proctor, Connelly Springs, Mrs. Julius Gates, Morganton, Mrs. J. Z. Mitchem, Shelby, Mrs. Chas. Bridges, Richmond Va., Mrs. J. R. Kee, Kings Mountain.

Vernon L. Hinson Passes

Mr. Vernon L. Hinson age 56, died suddenly at his home on Lackey street Tuesday morning at 1 o'clock his death attributed to a heart ailment.

Funeral services were conducted at his late residence Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. T. H. King, pastor of the Baptist Church, of Bessemer City, of which the deceased and family were members conducted the service and was assisted by Rev. C. C. Parker, pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Kings Mountain. Interment was made in the Bessemer City cemetery.

Mr. Hinson had been an employee of the Southern railroad for 15 years and the family made their home in Bessemer City prior to their coming to Kings Mountain.

Surviving are his widow, who before marriage was Miss Florence Allen, Misses Nellie and Ethel Hinson, Fred, Boyce and Curtis Hinson all of Kings Mountain, Clyde Hinson and Miss Eunice Hinson of Crumpton.

Also surviving two brothers, Frank of Statesville; and Carl of Burlington; two sisters, Miss Alice Hinson and Mrs. T. N. Mullis, both of Charlotte.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS THEY tell me that real good mothers don't fret about their kids like they used to. The doctors and nurses have been training the girls to take the baby kinda easy and not be jumping up and catching cold all night to see what he's bawling about. Lots of the women is catching on great.



An old-fashioned mother came in to visit a new-fashioned one that had a new kid, only five or six weeks old. "My goodness!" said the old-fashioned one. "I can't stand it to hear the poor little thing howl that way in his bed! He must be in pain." "Nopel! I'm not going to bother with him. He's just a lazy kid, and I'm not going to raise a lazy son if I can help it." "But he must be hurting, to howl like that." "Nops. He's just lying on a pin, and he's too lazy to roll over."

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

There is a sequel to the White House "ghost" story about the mythical businessman who supposedly told the President a business boon had been nipped in the bud by Senate refusal to grant him broad neutrality powers.

Furnishing the sequel is the corps of government economists, who endeavor to keep the President, and others, posted on the future business outlook.

Hardly had the White House ghost announcement died in the headlines when the economists came forth with their business condition prediction for the rest of the year. That prediction is that business will be better this fall and winter. That doesn't jibe with the crops hung on the business indices by the White House spokesmen.

In addition this ultra-optimistic prediction of the economic seers embarrasses the White House on another worthwhile undertaking. (Cont'd on Editorial page)