

## State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

**National News**  
 Austin, Texas, Oct. 17.—Slim Rich and Gray Gallogly, 30, who learned to balance a tocap before he turned his hand to crime, pleaded with Texas Governor, W. Lee O'Daniel, today not to send him back to Georgia's penitentiary for life.  
 The fugitive, still showing traces of the polish that made him a social light in Atlanta before he went to prison 11 years ago, headed from the jail house to the Capitol building, feeling his plea for freedom might be heeded.

Orofino, Idaho, Oct. 17.—Robert Lee Caldwell, 25 and his 21 year old brother Clarence went deer hunting with three friends.  
 Clarence spotted a gray object in the brush. He fired.  
 Robert fell, wounded fatally. The gray object was his shirt.

Port Plain, N. Y., Oct. 17.—The Mohawk Indians turned to their historic council today—the first in the Mohawk Valley since 1788—to renew their plea for New York State lands they left 150 years ago.  
 Coming from the St. Regis Reservation along the Canadian border and garbed in full tribal dress, the high chiefs of the tribe sat at a council table with officials of the Mohawk Valley Towns Association.

**State News**  
 Forest City, Oct. 17.—The United Dry Forces of Rutherford County held their annual field day Sunday with a number of speakers. Their engagements at the various churches in the county at 11 o'clock.

Monroe, Oct. 17.—Reece Pressley, 55, well known Union county farmer was instantly killed shortly before midnight Sunday when struck by a car as he was walking on the Concord highway near Smith and Wilson gin.

Raleigh, Oct. 17.—There are 4357 persons and firms licensed to sell beer at retail in North Carolina, according to figures compiled by the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee.

Gaffney, S. C., Oct. 17.—W. C. Lamb of Gaffney was held here today in connection with the hit and run death of Hiram D. McElroy, 34, of near Gaffney, whose broken body was found on a highway Saturday night. Lamb is in the County Jail pending the outcome of an inquest which will be held tomorrow.

Mt. Holly, Oct. 17.—Melvon Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Johnston was honored last week in being elected president of the Day Students Association at Belmont

### Dies In Texas



### John F. White Dies Of Wreck Injuries

The Garland News, of Garland, Texas, in a recent issue carried the following account of the death of John F. White, former Kings Mountain man, whose tragic death occurred recently:  
 John Franklin White died Saturday morning from injuries received in an auto collision with a car driven by negroes between McKinney and Princeton, where he had been to wind up a hardware business which he had operated for the past twelve years. He suffered a fractured skull and other injuries and was unable to ever come home. Burial was in the K. P. cemetery Sunday afternoon. Rev. Mix of the Christian Church officiating. Mr. White was a life-long member of the Associate Reform Presbyterian church.

Born in Yorkville, S. C., Feb. 11, 1870 and received his education in the Kings Mountain Military College, where he won three medals: debating, military drill and mathematics. He taught school following graduation at the age of 16. At 19 years of age he came to Texas, engaging in the lumber business, coming to Garland in 1895. He married Lillian Cole, December 18, 1895. In 1896 he moved with his wife to Kings Mountain, N. C., and entered business, returning to Garland in 1910 when he organized the Garland Hardware Co., which he managed successfully for a number of years. He was closing his Princeton store in order to be closer with his family henceforth which desire was so abruptly terminated.

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## Tax Rate Reduced To \$1.60

### Ladd Hamrick Elected President Men's Club

L. W. Hamrick, prominent Kings Mountain Textile Executive, was elected President of the Business Men's Club last Thursday evening at the annual meeting held at the Hotel Kings Mountain. The nominating committee, composed of H. W. Gold, R. C. Gold, J. R. Gold, and R. C. Gold, made their report and upon motion of P. D. Herndon and seconded by Joe Thomson the complete list was unanimously accepted.

### President Men's Club



Ladd W. Hamrick, prominent Kings Mountain leader who was elected President of the Men's Club last Thursday evening.

Other officers elected were: First Vice-President, Postmaster W. E. Blakely, Second Vice-President, Harry Page, Secretary and Treasurer, Gilbert Ford, Corresponding Secretary, J. R. Davis, Directors, W. K. Mauney, P. M. Neisler and E. S. Peeler.

Out-going Secretary - Treasurer, B. S. Neill, made his annual report. Arnold Kiser who has ably served as President for the past year thanked the club members for their loyal support and cooperation.

President-Elect Hamrick made a short speech thanking the club members for the honor bestowed upon him. He invited members to be "kicker" so that the club may render a bigger service to Kings Mountain.

President Hamrick is Secretary and Treasurer of the Phenix Mills, and is one of Kings Mountain's most civic minded citizens. He has been very active in Red Cross and Boy Scout work and has been a loyal supporter of the School Band. Mr. Hamrick is also a member of the Town Council of Kings Mountain.

The Town Council in an important meeting Monday night slashed 27 cents per \$100 valuation from the tax rate reducing it to \$1.60. The figure last year was raised from the \$1.57 rate which had been in effect for several years to \$1.87, and the present reduction will be welcomed by taxpayers of Kings Mountain.

The budget for the coming year was approved at \$156,629 which represents a reduction of about \$2,000 under the budget last year. The reduction is a sum total of small amounts saved from different departments. The tax rate of \$1.60 is calculated to raise \$57,319 of the needed \$156,629 to operate the town. The difference, \$69,301 will be raised from other sources, mainly from water and light revenue and licenses.

The biggest item in the budget is for debt service which is almost half of the total spent by the town. The amount set aside for debt service is \$71,000 leaving \$84,000 for the operation of the local government.

The reduction of the tax rate is the second "present" to Kings Mountain citizens of the new administration. Several months ago a reduction which will amount to about \$5,000 per year to water and light customers was announced.

Members of the Council and Mayor J. B. Thomason are to be congratulated by taxpayers and citizens of Kings Mountain for their untiring efforts and study which made these reductions possible.

Several property owners appeared before the board in reference to damages along the new highway and overhead bridge but no action was taken by the board.

## College Boys And Girls Read The Herald

Kings Mountain boys and girls off at school are well informed on all questions relating to life "at home." Looking over the Herald in the morning, one finds practically all of the larger schools in North Carolina, and several others sprinkled all over the south, represented by subscribers.

It's common talk when two of the fellows meet on the campus at Greensboro, and begin with "Wasn't By George cute in the Herald today?" (Ed. note: Don't tell me they read that tripe). Or for a couple of the boys at Clemson or Carolina to greet each other with "Well, the Mountaineers did pretty good Friday." It is even suspected that Appalachian kids talk about who had a party and what so-and-so wore.

It is also understood that where there are more than one Kings Mountain student at one school, they subscribe jointly in many cases, therefore, there are actually more readers than there are subscribers.

Parents find it very convenient to subscribe to The Herald, not have to write the local happenings in letter form.

Here's the list of college students who keep in touch with events in the Best Town in The State:  
 Charles Thomason and Bill Davis, Oak Ridge Military Institute, Oak Ridge, N. C.  
 Fred Wright and Virginia Logan, Appalachian State Teachers College, Boone, N. C.  
 Marjorie Rhea and Hazel Falls, Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C.  
 James Ratterree and Martin Harman, N. N. C., Chapel Hill, N. C.  
 Ray Kiser, State College, Raleigh, N. C.  
 Paul Neisler, Jr., McCally's Chattanooga, Tenn.  
 George Mauney, Lenoir Rhyne, Hickory, N. C.  
 Sue Ruddock, Dorothy Hoke, Martha Plonk, and Cora Herndon, W. C. U. N. C., Greensboro, N. C.  
 Mary Helen Hambricht, Southern Workshop, Asheville, N. C.  
 Jimmie Darracott, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.  
 Pauline Goforth, Flora McDonald College, Red Springs, N. C.  
 Charles T. Carpenter and Cecil Crook, Clemson College, Clemson, S. C.  
 Marriott Phifer, Erskine College, Due West, S. C.  
 Maude Plonk, Greensboro College, Greensboro, N. C.  
 Buren Neill, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.  
 Elizabeth Neill, Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C.  
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### Preaching Mission At Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church is conducting a Preaching Mission next week, beginning Sunday Evening October 22nd, at 7:00. Rev. Wynne C. Bollek, Pastor of Reformation Lutheran Church, Columbia, S. C., will be the visiting Minister. Rev. Bollek has held several such missions in Kings Mountain and is most pleasantly remembered. His messages will be profitable to all, christian and non-christians. The men of the Church Council are conducting five group prayer meetings this week. Wednesday Evening one will be held in the Church at 7:00. Thursday evening two will be held, one at the Mauney Mill Club House at 7:00, and the other at the home of Mr. Carl Ramsey. Friday evening two will be held, one at the home of Mr. Arthur Bennett and one at the home of Mr. Ray Cline. A cordial invitation is extended to all members and friends to attend all these prayer services.

There will be Services at the Church each evening beginning at 7:15, with a song service before the sermon. A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Kings Mountain to attend and take part in this effort to deepen the spiritual life and to win lost souls. Rev. Bollek always brings helpful messages in Gospel sermons.

The list of topics for the week's sermons follow:  
 Sunday night, "Facing Life's Issues," Monday, "Losing Jesus," Tuesday, "Second Rate Religion," Wednesday, "The Right Hand of Religion," Thursday, "Individual Worth," Friday, "Life Investments."

### Funeral Services For Mrs. Frank Roberts

Funeral services for Mrs. Frank Roberts, age 48, were held Tuesday afternoon at Macedonia Baptist church of which the deceased had been a faithful member. Interment followed in Mountain Rest cemetery. The pastor, Rev. A. V. Fredericks, was in charge and was assisted by Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of the Presbyterian church.

The pall bearers were Joe Thomson, Charles Moss, Eugene Neisler, Leo Mitchem, Harry Boheler, Delbert Byers, Will Parrish and E. L. Brackett.

Mrs. Roberts' death occurred early Monday morning at City Hospital, Gastonia following a ten days illness.

Since early girlhood Mrs. Roberts has been a member of the Baptist church. She was unassuming and gentle in disposition, a devoted wife and mother, interested in her friends and her church. Her untimely passing leaves a vacancy that will be deeply felt in her home, her church and her neighborhood.

Mrs. Roberts was before marriage Miss Georgie Summitt. She is survived by her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Floyd Jenkins; Misses Jeanette and Betty Lou Roberts, two sons, Thomas and Gene Roberts, one grand-daughter, all of Kings Mountain; three brothers, Henry Summitt, Branton Summitt, both of Kings Mountain, Gaither Summitt, of Gastonia; two sisters, Mrs. Gus Early and Mrs. Ben Ware, both of Kings Mountain.

## Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

### Down and Out for the Count

DR. JONES, a young physician with a growing practice, had been going night and day for the better part of the week. If it wasn't the stork busy in one part of the town it was the malaria microbe busy in another. But he kept up his round of visits until exhausted nature demanded a respite.

He staggered into his house in the evening completely fagged out, ate supper and tumbled into bed, telling his wife that, except upon



matter of life and death, he was not to be called. Almost before she had turned the light out he was snoring with whole-hearted enthusiasm.

At two o'clock in the morning she came to his bedside, shook him, pinched him, slapped him in the face with a wet washrag and finally roused him to a state of semi-consciousness. He must get up, she told him. Mrs. Smith, physically the biggest woman in town, had been seized with a heart attack at her home on the next street and he was wanted immediately.

He struggled to his feet, threw a few garments on over his night-clothes, caught up his emergency kit and in a sort of walking trance made his way to the Smith residence. A frightened member of the household led him to the sick-room. There the patient lay, a great mountain of flesh, her features congested and her breath coming in laborious panting. Dr. Jones took her pulse and her temperature and examined her eyes, her lips and her tongue. Then he perched himself in a half-recumbent attitude upon the side of the bed, put his right ear against her left breast and said:

"Madam, will you kindly start counting very slowly? Now then, one-two-three and so on. Until I tell you to stop."

The next thing Dr. Jones knew was when a shaft of bright morning sunlight fell upon his face, and drowsily, he heard a faint, weak female voice saying:

"Nine-thousand-seven-hundred and one, nine-thousand-seven-hundred and two—"

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### Reformation Service In Kings Mt. High School

The Lutheran Churches of Lincoln Gaston and Cleveland Counties will hold a Reformation Service, celebrating the Protestant Reformation, Sunday Evening October 29th at 7:30.

The Reverend Martin Luther Stirewalt, D. D., professor at the Southern Lutheran Seminary, Columbia, S. C., will be the speaker for the occasion. Invitations have been extended to all of the down town Churches in our town to join with us in this Service. A combined choir consisting of members of other Lutheran choirs in these three counties will furnish the music. The Lutheran Ministers began such a service as this last year holding it in the High School in Cherryville.

Dr. Stirewalt is one of the outstanding Lutheran Ministers in the Southern Church and an able speaker. The public is invited to attend this Service.

### A CORRECTION

Due to an oversight one group of flowers for the Floral Fair was omitted from the list published in the last issue of The Herald. The groups omitted were: Best collection of daisy 'mums, and second best collection daisy 'mums. Best arrangement in, white, pink and yellow, three separate groups. Best miniature has been added to the list.

### SMALL FIRE

Firemen were called out Monday afternoon at about 2:45 to extinguish a burning haystack in front of the old jail house on City street. The haystack was located in the vacant lot just off Mountain street, and belonged to a Mr. Owens. No damage was reported.

## Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS  
 KIDS is getting too smart altogether these days. Seems like something ought to be done about it or else there won't be any need of having teachers any more.

In a school out in New Haven, Conn., the other day a teacher was testing the mental speed of her pupils. She would lay an object on



the table, cover it with her hand and call on Willie, saying, "Willie, what is this?" and the kid was supposed to answer pronto kinder.

Finally she called on Eddie and slipping a dime on the table she said, "Eddie, what is it?" and even before she could take her hand away, Eddie yelled, "HEADS!"

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### 29,500 Visit Kings Mtn. Park

Rock Hill, S. C. — A total of 29,500 visitors registered at Kings Mountain National Military Park in Western York County during the travel year closing Sept. 30, the office of the park superintendent said today.

The figure was the largest ever recorded at the park.

Those making calls at the park came in 7,050 vehicles and were from 41 of the 48 states in the union, from District of Columbia, Burma, Cuba, China; England, Peru; South Africa, Canada; France and Mexico.

North Carolina sent 14,259 visitors and South Carolina 10,363.

### BROTHER OF LOCAL MAN DIES

Funeral services for J. T. Cole, 72 prominent Albemarle citizen, were held Saturday morning from the First Street Methodist Church in Albemarle. Mr. Cole died Thursday morning after a serious illness of several years.

Among the survivors is J. F. Cole of Kings Mountain.

## Washington Snapshots

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

Washington always tries to keep in season, and this is the season for football. Washington's backfield appropriately is using football tactics to confuse the opposition.

In politics as in football, certain maxims are accepted. One is: "Razle in the backfield gets the other fellow's eye off the ball." Another is the old favorite: A good offense is the best defense.

Just to show how the razzle is working, here's a sample:

Benjamin Gitlow, former secretary, Earl Browder, present kingpin of the Communist party, and a number of other witnesses told the Dies committee that certain organizations were "fronts" for the Communists or outlets for radical propaganda. Among those enumerated was the American League for Peace and Democracy.

Now the League, without specifically denying these accusations, (Cont'd on Editorial page)