

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—
Raleigh, Mar. 6.—The Motor Vehicle Division reported today that North Carolinians bought 3,677 new automobiles in February. This was \$74 more than were bought in February 1939.

Raleigh, Mar. 6.—The new chemical State College were dedicated today. Today was the 53rd anniversary of the General Assembly's ratification of the bill establishing the college.

Raleigh, Mar. 6.—The State is taxing the incomes of Federal employees for the first time this year and North Carolinians who live in Washington but maintain their legal residence in North Carolina must pay state income taxes, Assistant Attorney General T. Wade Bruton said today.

Greensboro, Mar. 6.—Demand for home construction in North Carolina in February, 1940, shows larger increase over February 1939.

Bek's Opens Boys' Dept.

Bek's Department Store now has a Boys' Department that would do justice to a town much larger than Kings Mountain. The new department will be under the supervision of Mrs. Adelaide Allen Hamrick, and she extends a cordial invitation to both boys and mothers to visit this new department that will carry at all times a most complete stock of boys' clothing.

Mr. Fred Stallworth, manager, says that if mothers and sons can not find exactly what they want in this new section he will make every effort to secure the item through the facilities of the great Bek organization.

Complete details of the opening will be found in a full page advertisement in this issue of The Herald.

N. Y. A. Tag Day

The N. Y. A. Sewing Room, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club is in need of funds to carry on the work they have been doing, which not only gives employment to these girls but also furnishes clothes to needy children in our town.

Saturday, March 16th, has been set as Tag Day by the Junior Woman's Club and the public is asked to respond to this call by buying tags from the girls who have them for sale and so help this worthy cause.

GRASS FIRE AT GRACE CHURCH

Firemen were called out Tuesday afternoon to extinguish a grass fire at the Grace Methodist church near the Phenix village. No damage was reported by Fire Chief Grady King.

—National News—
New York, March 6.—Archduke Otto Von Hapsburg, claimant of the ancient throne of Austria, believes a Central European Democratic Federation would follow a revolution in Germany, or an Allied victory in the present war.

Washington, Mar. 6.—After six months of the European war, American military men were in substantial agreement today that the conflict has reached a deadlock and that the way out is not in sight.

Florence, S. C., Mar. 6.—Improvement of the municipal airport will be complete this summer.

Settlemyre Presents Painting To K. M. H. S.

Mr. J. L. Settlemyre, Jr., young local artist, recently completed a painting, depicting a scene from "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner," which he presented to the Kings Mountain High School.

Mr. Settlemyre did the painting after a request from students of the school for one of his paintings to be hung permanently in the library of his alma mater. The painting is 44 by 48 inches, and will be framed and hung permanently within the near future.

The scene depicted is that part of the Coleridge poem in which the others sailors have hung the dead albatross around the neck of the Mariner, and shows, in vivid detail, the mighty bird swinging from a length of rope, leaning against the rail of the ship is a sailor who has died from thirst and the intense heat.

Mr. Settlemyre is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Settlemyre of West King street. He graduated from Kings Mountain High School in '33, and since that time has studied art in Washington and abroad, where his works were acclaimed by leading critics. He now maintains studios at the home of his parents.

BABY DERBY PRIZE WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT DIXIE THEATRE

The Baby Derby prize winners will be announced at the Dixie Theatre Wednesday night at about nine o'clock and checks will be presented to the parents who are present. The baby winning the first prize will be given the loving cup and crowned king or queen on the stage of the theatre after the prize checks have been presented.

Aged Woman Passes

Funeral services for Mrs. Addie Ormand Goforth, age 96, were held at Long Creek Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon, at 4:00 o'clock and interment made in the family plot in Ling Creek cemetery.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Kings Mountain, was in charge and was assisted by Rev. W. M. Wise of Gastonia, former pastor of El Bethel Methodist Church.

Pallbearers were Hugh Ormand, Boyd Harrelson, Thomas Eiters, Rufus Eiters, Leonard Gamble and Hunter Ware.

Mrs. Goforth's death early Saturday evening came as a relief from an illness of several years, during which time she had been confined to her bed. The principal cause of her illness were injuries received in a fall.

The deceased was the widow of the late Beatty Goforth, whose family, have for many years been prominent in the church and community life of El Bethel. She was a daughter of the late Benjamin Ormand wife of Long Creek. Born of a family long identified with the Presbyterian Church, she retained her membership with Long Creek church until death and attended services there when able. She was also deeply interested in El Bethel Methodist church, near her home and encouraged members of her family who gave unsparingly of their time in the service of their church and of their Master.

Mrs. Goforth possessed an unusually sweet, kind disposition and was loved by her neighbors and friends.

Surviving are three sons Clarence and I. B. Goforth, of Kings Mountain, Ormand Goforth, of El Bethel; one daughter, Mrs. Shipp Falls, also of El Bethel. Seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, survive.

Mrs. Goforth's husband died 30 years ago. A daughter, Miss Violet Goforth, died during her mother's illness, and a grandson, Gilbert Falls, died last year.

Mens' Club Now Kiwanis Club

Baby Derby Curtain Will Drop Saturday Night

Attempted Hold-Up Here Monday Night

Kings Mountain was the scene of an attempted hold-up Monday night as Bill Byrd and Charles Childers, both of Gaffney, tried to force J. T. Colvard, with whom they had ridden from just below Gaffney, to let them drive his car.

Colvard, who had been in the power of the men since they passed through Grover, held the car in the road with one hand, turned off the switch with the other, and stopped the car with the brakes when Childers tried to turn the corner at the Bonnie siding to avoid the main part of town. He said that the men had taken over the car when he stopped just out of Grover, had pushed something into his side and told him that it was a gun.

When Colvard stopped the car here, he engaged in a fight with Childers, and held him captive until policemen Short and Jones arrived at the scene and arrested him. Byrd escaped, but was arrested Tuesday at the home of a relative in Gastonia. His whereabouts were learned after a visit by policemen to his family in Gaffney, and it was learned that he had relatives in Gastonia. The men had asked Colvard for a lift to Gastonia when he picked them up.

Colvard, who now lives in Asheville, formerly was a resident of Kings Mountain. He said that he intended to wreck the auto in town, here, but that when the men decided to turn at the Bonnie street, he knew that that was his only chance.

The case was not tried in Record court here, yesterday, as was intended, but will be tried in Shelby Friday morning.

Parents Requested To Check Baby's Record Card At Derby Office Fri- day, 10 P. M. To The Closing Hour Of The Baby Derby.

This will be the last Baby Derby story to appear before the big race comes to a close. It contains information vital to the parents, so we ask them to read every word. Read it carefully and do not handicap yourself because you read something too hastily and failed to learn something that might have helped you in the Derby.

In the first place you are requested to make your final subscription and coupon report not later than 10 p. m. Saturday, March 9—the closing day of the Baby Derby. The door of the Derby office will be locked promptly at 10 p. m. and no one will be permitted to enter after that time. Those who happen to be in the office at 10 p. m. may make their reports and then leave the office.

The final count will be made over the week-end and some time Monday the total mileage for each baby will be verified as to accuracy and the 30 cash prizes will be awarded according to standings. Parents, in making their reports, agree to abide by the last count as final.

Everyone is wondering "Who is going to win?" That question is going to be settled soon. Let us suppose your baby has been on the Honor Roll — perhaps never in any of the very high positions. Does that mean that your baby cannot win the first prize of \$200 in cash plus the loving cup? Of course not! Here is why that is so.

The weekly Honor Rolls represent the relative standings of babies based upon one week's business. There have been weeks when only a few hundred miles separated the leader on the Honor Roll and the baby in 10th or 15th place. That few hundred miles handicap fades into nothing when you remember that only 1 four-year extension of a 1-year old or new subscription secured any time during the first period up to February 24, counts 1020 miles! Just think of that! A 9-year extension counts 2820 miles.

If you are the parent of a baby in the race you probably know almost exactly the mileage credited to your baby. If you do, then figure what a difference 10 of the 4-year extensions would make in your baby's standing. Ten of these extensions counts for 10,200 miles plus a bonus of 4,000 miles, making 14,200 in all! TEN of the 9-year extensions give the BIG TOTAL of 37,200 miles.

No wifure gack your possibilities for extensions. If you don't re- (Cont'd on back page)

Glee Bridges Files For Commissioner

G. A. Bridges, prominent Kings Mountain Hardware Dealer, filed yesterday afternoon as a candidate for County Commissioner in the coming Democratic primary. Street talk has had it for the past several weeks that Mr. Bridges would offer himself as a candidate for the county office. Mr. Bridges is a member of the Kings Mountain School Board from ward 5, and is a past president of the Business Men's Club. He is very active in civic affairs and is a member of the First Baptist Church.

The present incumbent from No. Four township, Irvin Allen, when told that Mr. Bridges had announced, stated that he did not have anything to say at the present time.

CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER



G. A. Bridges who filed yesterday afternoon for County Commissioner.

Winners Announced In K. M. Drug Contest

The winners of the misspelled word contest sponsored by the Kings Mountain Drug Co. during the February Birthday Sale, are first, Miss Sara Hambricht, and the next three tied for second place so duplicate prizes were awarded to Messdames W. E. Blakely, C. C. Oates, Joe Mauney. The above mentioned four ladies are the proud winners of the handsome and useful 22 piece set of aluminum. The correct number of misspelled words was 92; according to C. D. Blanton and J. L. McGill.

The two proprietors of the Kings Mountain Drug Co., the Rexall Store, were well pleased with the interest shown in the contest, and express their appreciation to each contestant.

Lions Club Meets This Evening

The first regular semi-monthly meeting of the Lions Club will be held this evening in the Mountain View House at 7 P. M. A most interesting program has been arranged according to Charles Thomasson, Program Chairman. A summary of the year's activities and accomplishments will be presented by different members of the club, and every member is invited to be present.

Dr. Blakely To Preach At First Presbyterian

Dr. Hunter Blakely, President of Queens College, Charlotte, N. C., will preach at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

Prior to coming to Charlotte Dr. Blakely was the beloved pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Staunton, Va., one of the largest and most influential churches in the Southern Presbyterian Church.

His decision to resign the pastorate and accept the presidency was the occasion of rejoicing by the Presbyterians of the Carolinas.

The College is making such strides under his leadership that he is already recognized as a great educator.

It is a pleasure to have Dr. Blakely in Kings Mountain. A great treat in store for all who avail themselves of the privilege of hearing him.

Local Jeweler Has Legion Cup For Best State Band

Bill Souther, local jeweler, received Tuesday morning the cup which The American Legion Post of Shelby will present to the best band in the annual Legion Contest at Rocky Mount next Monday.

The Kings Mountain Band, winner of the cup last year, will not take the trip to Rocky Mount to compete for the Cup. Mr. Ladd W. Hamrick, president of the Band-Parents association, told the Herald that due to the Greensboro trip, and the possibility of a trip to Florida, the Association considered it wise to omit the Rocky Mount trip. He added that it would also be unfair to the band members, themselves, since they have two home engagements next week.

Members of the Kings Mountain Business Men's Club voted at their meeting last Thursday evening to become a member of Kiwanis International. This decision was made after recommendation had been made by the committee appointed at a previous meeting to study different service clubs. The local club is being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Shelby.

The organization meeting of the new club will be held this evening at 6:30 in the Woman's Club Building. Mr. Warren D. Olson, Field Service Representative of Kiwanis International, has been in Kings Mountain for the past several days signing members up, and Mr. Olson will be present for the important meeting this evening. Charter Night will be held later and complete details will be published later.

With the addition of the Kiwanis Club, Kings Mountain now has two national service clubs, as a chapter of Lions International was installed here in 1938.

The Men's Club is the outgrowth of the Civitan Club which was organized here in 1927. And changed to the local club in 1932. The Men's Club has been a controlling factor in the growth and progress of Kings Mountain, as its members have always been ready and anxious to sponsor and contribute to any movement for the betterment of The Best Town in the State.

Five new members were accepted last Thursday evening. The new members were: Fuller McGinn, W. M. Morehead, R. H. Webb, W. A. Williams and L. L. Benson.

The club voted thanks to Dr. J. E. Anthony for the delicious grapefruit served at the supper which had been shipped from his grove in Palm Harbor, Florida.

Local Man Building Private Airport

Kings Mountain, one-time possessor of a municipally owned landing field for airplanes, will soon boast of a real privately-owned airport.

Mr. Harold Hunnicutt, local air enthusiast, told the Herald yesterday morning that he has already surveyed his field, which will be two thousand feet long and one hundred fifty feet wide. This runway runs east and west, and according to Mr. Hunnicutt, will take advantage of the local weather conditions in taking off and landing.

The airport will be located on the Old Grover Road, just below the Margrace Mill. A temporary hangar is being constructed to accommodate Mr. Hunnicutt's plane, a three passenger Waco. The field will be in condition to use within two weeks, said Mr. Hunnicutt.

Bulwinkle Seeks Office Again

Major A. L. Bulwinkle, representative in the United States house of representatives from the tenth district, which includes Kings Mountain and Cleveland county, announced during the week-end that he will be a candidate to succeed himself.

Major Bulwinkle, first elected in 1920 and who has served all but one term since that time, had been expected to announce his candidacy, subject to the Democratic primary May 25.

The representative filed the required filing fee Saturday.

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

Washington is now playing around with another version of the idea of helping the farmer by increasing the cost of living. It has not made much of a hit with Congress so far.

The new plan centers around that most popular Washington weapon—a new tax. But recognizing that the word TAX is slightly unpopular now, the planners call it a "certificate plan."

"The way it would work is this: Each processor of a farm commodity would be required to buy a specified number of federal 'certificates' when he bought the farm goods. This 'certificate' tax money would in turn be passed along, less administrative expenses, to farmers who reduced production or otherwise co-operated with the Federal farm program.

Naturally the man who bought the 'certificate' would have to add their (Cont'd on Editorial page)

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

The Final Bang

By IRVIN S. COBB

IN order that the point of this story be made clear, a word or two of preliminary explanation is required. Arthur Hopkins, one of the most successful of the younger group of theatrical producers, is a



squarely built little man, not more than five feet, six inches in height and with rather an emphatic way of speaking. It is characteristic of him that once he had made up his mind to a thing, he acts upon his decision with dispatch; nor, when he expresses himself, is there ever any doubt as to his exact meaning.

Sometime ago, he put on rather an expensive play for a tryout before bringing it into New York. The production did not seem to go very well on the road. He ran through the figures of the box-office reports, as sent in by the road manager, and immediately wired the latter to cancel all further bookings, pay the members of the company the required two weeks' salary, and ship the scenery and the properties back to the storehouse. Naturally, Hopkins' action in so abruptly withdrawing the production became the subject of common gossip in the theatrical district.

A few days later, Wilton Lackaye was in the Lambs Club. An aspiring dramatist approached him.

"Say, Lackaye," he began, "maybe you can help me out. My latest comedy has just gone into rehearsal. It looks pretty good, too—everybody seems to like it; but we're shy a good tag line for the last act. You know how it helps, sometimes, if you bring the final curtain down with a wallop. I've racked my brain but I can't think of anything. I'm hoping maybe you can help me. If you've got time, I'll tell you briefly what the concluding scene is like and perhaps that'll give you an inspiration."

"I don't think you need to do all that," said Lackaye, softly. "If I get you, what you want is something short and snappy to close a new show with?"

"That's it."

"All right," said Lackaye, "here it is in two words: 'Arthur Hopkins'."

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THEY still have grass on the lawns in some parts of the world, even if everything has turned brown in the north. So maybe this happened in Florida or California, just last week.

A tramp came to the door and looked awful downcast.

"Lady, I'm hungry," he says.



"Gee, that's terrible," says the jolly housewife.

"I'd like to eat your grass. Just for a meal. You ain't no idea how hungry I am."

"Go to it," says the hard-boiled lady of the house. "But if you're as hungry as you say, and want the grass for a meal, you can chew it off and save time."