

Condensed In Brief Form State And National News

—State News—

Charlotte, May 21.—Paul Ewing, 32, of Belmont, died today at a hospital here of injuries received Sunday when struck by an automobile on Wilkinson boulevard near Crenshaw. Sheriff C. O. Robinson of Gaston county said no charges had been brought against William Winter of Charlotte whom he said was the driver of the car.

Charlotte, May 21.—The annual convention of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical association opened here today with Phil D. Gattis of Raleigh presiding.

Hickory, May 21.—George F. Mauney, seventy, of near Newton, died in a Hickory hospital at 7 p. m. Sunday of injuries received in an automobile collision on Highway 70 about four hundred feet west of the Conover city limits late Saturday.

Winston-Salem, May 21.—The Rev. F. M. Crosby of Hickory was elected commander of the North Carolina department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the department's annual convention here yesterday.

Charles F. Stowe Dies After Short Illness

Funeral services for Charles F. Stowe, age 66, were held at his late residence on last Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery. Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Stowe was a member, was in charge of the services.

Active pall-bearers were P. D. Herndon, Dan Bridges, Earl Black, A. H. Cornwell, N. F. McGill and S. O. Kirby. Honorary pall-bearers included J. R. Roberts, W. W. Parrish and the deacons of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Stowe was a native of the New Hope section of Gaston county. His family having long been prominently identified with the religious and social life of that community.

He came to Kings Mountain in young manhood and was for many years connected with the Cora Mill Store. In recent years he has operated a store near his home on the Kings Mountain - Cherryville highway.

His death followed a heart attack of the previous day and was a great shock to his friends and relatives.

He is survived by his widow and the following children: Mrs. J. A. Spivey, Charles and Houston Stowe of Kings Mountain, John Stowe of Greenville, S. C.

SOUTHERNAIRES AT EAST SCHOOLS

The Southernaire, Kings Mountain's superb string band that has been making a hit every place it has made an appearance will present another performance in East End School, Friday night. The show is being sponsored by the Boys' Club of Grace M. E. Church and the public is cordially invited to hear this outstanding quartette play.

—National News—

Washington, May 21.—Barely a fifth of the army's funds for the last decade were spent for new equipment and modernization, War Department statistics show.

Representative Bruce Barton, Rep. New York, says nobody cares what Congress is doing and that "mail has dropped five or ten percent of its former volume."

"All the mail we get now is from people who want us to get into war or to keep out of war," he told the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

Columbia, S. C., May 21.—A total peach production about equal to last year's was forecast today by Frank O. Black, Federal-State crop statistician.

Bowman, N. D., May 21.—An Oklahoma gunman who invaded the North Dakota Badlands for a \$1,000 holdup took in too much territory and today found himself in jail after a 34 mile running gunfight with the gunman who gave his name as Oscar Mills of Chickasha, Okla., admitted. Sheriff Joseph R. Hawks of Bowman County said, holding up the Breeder Exchange just before noon yesterday and fleeing with nearly \$1,000.

Washington, May 21.—Sharp changes in several phases of the New Deal program may be expected as the nation begins to flex its muscles for the national defense drive.

The War and Navy Departments find that some of the labor and contract law restrictions stand in the way of speed.

Gardiner, Mont., May 21.—A tooth ulcer caused Mrs. Anamae Scott to postpone her wedding day for a week — until next Saturday — but that was too late.

John Jones, her 24 year old fiance, was crushed to death Sunday in a mine at Silver City, Nev.

GERMAN POLICE DOG MAKES WAR ON HOGS

The attention of Paul Cole was recently attracted to his hog pen, something having attacked one of his hogs. He found a large German police dog with his teeth sunk deep into the sixty pound, short's back just behind the shoulders, tearing it too death. The dog held on. It could not be scolded off until Mr. Cole hit it hard with a board.

Quite recently, in the same neighborhood, Mr. Wray Williams lost a 250 pound hog the same way.

SATURDAY IS VOTING DAY

Voters will go to the polls Saturday to cast their ballots for their favorite candidates for Democratic nominations for Governor and County Commissioners. One Governor is to be selected from a field of seven candidates and three County Commissioners are to be selected from a group of seven.

Officials for East Kings Mountain Precinct, who will have charge of the voting at the Town Hall are: Arthur Crouse, D. Goforth, and Boyd Putnam, and for West Kings Mountain at the Cleveland Motor Co., L. W. Weeden, B. M. Hayes and W. A. Williams.

Lions Minstrel Is Roaring Success

"It was one of the best shows ever presented in Kings Mountain," or "it was really a \$100 show for only 25¢" were typical remarks heard after the Lions Club Minstrel which was presented last Friday night in the Central School Auditorium. Everyone who attended, and the number was very large, were high in their praises for each of the four attractions which made up the entire show.

First, the Minstrel, with Roger Grier as the Interlocutor, brought down the house with the witty jokes and songs. And next the Osborne Trio of Shelby, youthful song and dance artist entertained the large audience and held them spellbound with the difficult routine of the dances.

And next on the program was Kings Mountain's own string band, The Southernaire, who received a large applause for their "sweet" music and song. The Quartette was really one of the hits of the show.

And last, but not by any means, least was Toby Williams and his "College of Musical Knowledge" assisted by Lewis Cathey and his Orchestra from Gastonia. At the conclusion of the contest Professors Fred Stallworth and Paul McGinnis declared Virginia Hudspeth and Lily Ruddock the winners, and both were presented appropriate prizes, a block of ice and a live rooster.

Club Secretary Myron Rhine introduced the different acts and expressed appreciation for the club for the large attendance.

J. P. Thompson who had charge of the performance was given a rising vote of thanks at the regular meeting of the Lions Club Monday night, for his efforts in making the show successful.

Commencement Begins Sunday Night

Kings Mountain High School's graduating class, boasting 61 possibilities of graduation, will receive their diplomas Wednesday evening May 23, 1940, at 8:00 o'clock, according to "The Southerner," high school publication.

The program, according to the school paper, will be as follows:

Commencement Sermon Sunday Night May 26, 1940, 8:00 o'clock.
Speaker, Rev. R. N. Baird, Pastor, First A. R. P. Church.

Grammar School Graduating Exercises Tuesday night, May 28, 8:00 o'clock.

Address by Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr., Pastor Central Methodist Church. Presentation of Certificates by Superintendent B. N. Barnes. Presentation of Medals by Mr. C. G. White High School Graduating Exercises, May 29, 8:00 o'clock. Speaker, Dr. Hunter B. Blakely, President Queen Chloera College, Charlotte.

Presentation of diplomas, Dr. L. P. Baker, Chairman School Board. Presentation of Medals and Awards, Mr. D. M. Bridges, Principal of High School.

Lions Have Zone Meeting

The Kings Mountain Lions Club was host to visiting clubs from the zone composed of several counties of which Cleveland is one, at the Woman's Club Building Monday evening. Following the supper William Plank, Zone Chairman, introduced the visitors by Clubs. Past District Governor Robert Cook of Shelby introduced District Governor Dan Stewart of Asheville who praised William Plank for the fine work he had accomplished as Zone Chairman. Mr. Stewart made a very interesting and inspiring address on "Human Relationships."

Rev. H. C. Sprinkle presented an appeal from the Red Cross for funds to relieve suffering in the war-torn areas of Europe.

Blakely Named Postmaster

W. E. Blakely, postmaster in Kings Mountain for the past four years, has been nominated by President Roosevelt to succeed himself, according to an announcement from Washington.

Mr. Blakely was recently recommended for the position, which becomes an indefinitely-extended job with the new Civil Service rating, by Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle.

RED CROSS TO RAISE \$400 IN ONE DAY

MERCHANTS' DIRECTORS APPROVE CLOSING

Directors of the Kings Mountain Merchants' Association met Tuesday night in the Herald office and approved closing stores and business houses each Tuesday afternoon during June, July and August. President of the Association, Glee A. Bridges, presided, and the Directors approved the closing after it was reported that a big majority of the firms desired to have a half holiday each week during the summer months.

The closing will begin the first Tuesday in June, and continue for three months. Complete details will be published in the next issue of The Herald.

Wins Trip To Atlantic City

Mrs. E. W. Griffin, member of the Woman's Club, and State Safety Director for the Federation of Women's Clubs, received a wire yesterday morning from Milwaukee, informing her that she had been voted the best State Safety Director in the United States, by the Woman's Club Council now in session there. Mrs. Griffin was notified yesterday morning by the National Director, and informed that she had won the annual trip to Atlantic City awarded the State Safety Director who has done the most outstanding work for safety.

The exact date of the trip to Atlantic City has not been set, but Mrs. Griffin told the Herald that it would be sometime during the latter part of the summer when the General Federation of Women's Clubs meets in the New Jersey City.

The awarding of the trip to Mrs. Griffin is a distinct honor. Both to her and to the many women throughout the state who work with Mrs. Griffin in the interest of safety.

Vocational Interest Program In High School

Four speakers have appeared in the Kings Mountain High School auditorium within the past week in the vocational interest program which has been in action in the school.

Last Friday two speakers spoke to boys and girls interested in their respective professions. The speakers were Dr. Glenn, of Gastonia, who spoke to 88 girls who are interested in nursing; and Supt. J. H. Grigg of the county school system who talked about teaching as a life work.

Monday Mr. Chas. Bryant, of the Bryant Electric Co., in Gastonia, spoke to the boys in school who are interested in electrical engineering.

Yesterday a large number of both boys and girls who are interested in stenography, accounting, and bookkeeping heard Mr. George Emory, who talked on that subject.

The vocational work, which is new in Kings Mountain School, is sponsored by the Vocational Department of the Kiwanis Club, with Mr. Paul M. Neisler acting as chairman.

It was announced that Mr. Neisler has been trying to secure Johnny Crowell for a talk on aviation.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

IT'S a sad fact that men do get kinda mean sometimes, just from driving automobiles. They snap back at their wives, instead of saying, "Why, thanks for the advice. By Jove, I never would have thought of slowing down for that chuck-hole if you hadn't mentioned it."

One man was doing his best, driving across the continent, but it wasn't so very good, I guess. Well, his wife and his wife's sister were talking about aviation, in the back seat.



"I can't understand," says the sister-in-law, "how it is that Lindbergh got across so easy, and this Grayson plans, with Mrs. Grayson and two good aviators, never could make it."

"That's easy," says the driver. "Lindbergh didn't have any advice from the back seat!"

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Everything is in readiness for the one-day drive to raise Kings Mountain's quota of \$400.00 in the Red Cross War Relief fund. Ladies will be in booths Saturday to receive the volunteer offering to relieve suffering in the shell-shattered low countries of Europe, and it is the desire of the committee that everyone have a part in raising this fund. If the fund is not raised by the free-will contribution, Saturday, the plans will have to be made to canvass every citizen until the money is raised.

The publicity committee of the War Relief Call, composed of Mrs. C. E. Neisler, B. S. Peeler, H. N. Barnes, Haywood E. Lynch and Rev. L. B. Hamm met in the Red Cross Office Monday afternoon and formulated plans of publicizing the call in Kings Mountain.

Kings Mountain's quota of \$400.00 will be a part of a total of \$10,000.00 sought by the Red Cross in the United States. Norman H. Davis, national Red Cross chairman, has declared that such a minimum estimate of the amount actually necessary to care for wounded soldiers and civilians in the war area.

Pointing out the dire need of Allied troops and peoples for the moment, the Chairman said that "as a civilized and humanitarian nation, it is the very least we can do to make contributions of all the money we can spare to ease the suffering both of the soldiers and the innocent bystanders in the nations overrun by Hitler's legions."

THE MAYOR ASKS OUR CO-OPERATION

"I want to appeal to the citizens of Kings Mountain to make a hearty response to the call of the American Red Cross for ten million dollars as a war relief fund to help the suffering and needy in the Allied Nations of Europe.

"We may well be thankful that we can help by just giving dollars instead of men and lives. Our money will be saving many who would otherwise perish because of starvation. Out of gratitude for peace in our own country and for our many blessings many of us are glad to share.

"Of that ten million dollars our town is asked to raise \$400. That is a small amount and yet will do much good work. Let our people unitedly put this over as we have the habit of doing all good and worthwhile causes.

"Our Chapter of Red Cross does not plan a canvass of the town by workers, but is asking our people to go to one of their booths stationed at various points in the city and give their money. Saturday, May 25th, these booths will be open all day. This is a worthy cause and I appeal to you to give it your loyal support.

"J. B. Thomasson, Mayor."

L. W. Hamrick, Chairman of the local Chapter of the Red Cross received the following telegram yesterday telling of the dire need for the funds:

"With several million men located in mortal combat on French and Belgian soil the relief needs of Belgian - French peoples are reaching staggering proportions. Already five million pitiful refugees are clogging every road into central southern France trying to escape bombing and strafing from airplanes. Our representatives in France report thousands dying by roadsides of wounds, fright and hunger. American Red Cross must rush relief of every kind if these innocent people are to be saved. We are expediting millions of dollars in money and supplies but we need more and bigger contributions to carry on. Cannot urge upon you too strongly need for prompt action if we are to befriend these sorely tried victims of brutal warfare. We count upon you to reach and oversubscribe your goal within shortest possible time. Every day's delay means hundreds may die because we have not brought them aid in this saddest hour.

"Norman H. Davis."

ANOTHER FIREMAN RECEIVES DIPLOMA

Kings Mountain Fire Department now has four graduates from the North Carolina Fire College, the fourth member to receive his diploma is Elmo Bridges who was given his award last week in Charlotte. Three other members namely: Ted Gamble, Paul Falls, and Hoyle McDaniel, attended the school and fire drills.

Fire Chief Grady King and Mayor J. B. Thomasson attended the dedication exercises of the Palmer Drill Tower. Mayor Thomasson also attended the banquet honoring the visiting mayors.

Kiwanis Present Better Livestock Program

(By Aubrey Mauney)

"Scrub cows and scrub people go together" declared Dr. J. P. LeMaster, head of the Dairy Department of Clemson College, in his address last Thursday evening to the Kiwanis Club and their guests at a dinner at the Woman's Club Building. He said that kind of people will not take care of their stock and will lose them. Pure bred stock was to be given good treatment.

"Rich people" said Dr. LeMaster, "Go into livestock for fun and you can have fun raising cattle, in raising beautiful stock and in breaking and records. If a millionaire can have fun in this business we farmers who must make a living can have fun." He pointed out that a cotton farmer spends only 117 days a year in raising cotton and he expects pay for a full year. Diversification has been taken by many to be raising some other plant such as corn, peas, tobacco, peanuts, etc. These plants compete with cotton for the land and take labor largely at the same time as cotton. But cattle raising and dairying require labor throughout the year and there is income throughout the year. Milk ing is a 365 days a year job.

Dr. LeMaster was presented by Mr. John L. Wilkins, county agent for Cleveland County. In his remarks he stated that he wanted to work with the farm people around Kings Mountain and was ready to do all that he could in our interest. He suggested livestock as a supplement to the farmers income from cotton and other crops. He said that he could think of nothing better.

The program was in charge of Arlo Kiser, chairman of Committee on Public Affairs. With Mr. Kiser on this committee are Glee A. Bridges, P. D. Herndon, R. L. Mauney, J. A. Neisler, B. S. Neill and C. S. Williams. Ladd Hamrick, president of the Kiwanis, in introducing the program of the occasion presented one of the objectives of the organization was to build a better farming and cattle raising community. All Kiwanians whether farmers or not he said are interested in farming. We would build a closer fellowship between our organization and all farmers, dairymen and cattle raisers.

Greetings from the club were brought to the guests by Plato Herndon. Mr. Kiser presented and read a sketch of the life activities of Mr. W. D. Anthony, pioneer farmer and dairymen, and of Mr. W. A. Ware, pioneer miller of Kings Mountain. Other special guests of the occasion were: Mr. Ray Mays-Bes, representative of the Carnation Milk Company, who urged that the farmers produce and sell milk to the Carnation company which is establishing a milk depot in Shelby; Maury Gaston, the county agent of Gaston county; Lee Thornton, assistant county agent of Cleveland county; AAA Committeemen of No. 4 Township in Cleveland county and Crowders Mountain Township in Gaston county, including Robert Robinson, Dane S. Rhine and C. L. Putnam; Prof. Morris and the 4-H Club Boys of the Bethware School; and about fifty of the leading farmers of the communities around Kings Mountain interested in cattle raising and dairying.

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Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

As the big totalitarian states of Europe continue the inhuman and methodical process of crushing the "neutral" nations under their iron heels, Americans are able to observe — at a distance — the "fifth column" technique in action.

Briefly, this technique involves the introduction of spies, saboteurs, artists, and sympathizers into a country with which your nation is not at war. This "fifth column" gradually establishes itself in positions where it can do the maximum amount of damage once the two countries in question go to war.

(There have been frequent occasions since when the phrase has been justifiably applied to happenings in troubled Europe. Washington is (Cont'd on Editorial page)

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

The Curfew in Nebraska

By IRVIN S. COBB

OF COURSE, in these days, when no community is so small or so obscure or so old-fashioned that it lacks service stations and jazz orchestras and schemes for a proposed Civic Center, this story no longer



could be made to apply in any American town. But I am reliably informed that in a previous decade it had a basis of fact behind it. As the tale runs, a man who had been born and reared in a remote Nebraska country seat moved to New York where he succeeded in business. Years later a friend from his former home came to see him. Naturally talk drifted back to childhood scenes and memories.

"I guess the old town hasn't changed much, has it Jim?" asked the New Yorker.

"Not much," said Jim. "She's pretty much the same."

"I presume they still blow the curfew whistle at nine o'clock every night just as they started to do shortly before we moved East?"

"Now, they had to quit that after a few months. It woke everybody up!"

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