

Condensed In Brief Form State And National News

Christmas Opening Next Wed.

—State News—

Wilmington, Nov. 26.—An attempt was made today to remove the cargo of sulphur from the 3653 ton S. S. Severance, which sank by the bow in the Cape Fear River Saturday after striking a fender piling of a bridge.

Removal of the cargo was expected to facilitate righting the boat. Operations were delayed yesterday pending the arrival of officials of the Diamond Steamship Corp. of Boston, which owns the boat, and underwriters.

Charlotte, Nov. 26.—Leo Sechrest of Statesville Road his wife and their five year old son, Alfred Leo, were injured yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock when a car in which they were riding was struck by Southern train No. 21 at a crossing in the Derita community near the home of P. J. Hunter.

Kings Mountain Prepares To Give Thanks

A quiet but city-wide observance of Thanksgiving, 1940, is scheduled in Kings Mountain Thursday with a general suspension of business making way for the holiday.

Virtually all business houses will be closed all day Thursday.

Kings Mountain schools will be closed at the end of the school day Wednesday, all white units to continue the holiday until Monday, December 2, according to Supt. B. N. Barnes.

Postmaster W. E. Blakely said the office will be closed and there will be no city deliveries or collections Thursday. Rural post deliveries will be made on schedule, however, the postmaster added, inasmuch as rural carriers observed the "Roosevelt Thanksgiving" Thursday, November 21.

Several of the Kings Mountain Churches are planning on having special Thanksgiving services tomorrow.

T. B. Seal Sale Begins Next Week

The double-barred cross is strikingly symbolical of the anti-tuberculous crusade in this country. As clearly defined as the two bars on the cross are the two main principles of tuberculosis control.

These two principles can be stated in a few words. First, find the person who has tuberculosis. Second, prevent the spread of the disease to others.

The two principles are far-reaching. Thus, one can see the extent of the fight facing the national Tuberculosis Association and its more than 1600 affiliated associations throughout the country. Christmas Seal dollars are the sole support of the fight that is being waged.

When buying Christmas Seals we are not giving our money to help anyone else. Christmas Seal dollars are not given to charity. They are money invested in health.

Sale of the Seals will begin here next Monday according to Mrs. Mack Gant, chairman. Seals will be mailed to a list of citizens and a house to house canvass will be made to increase the sale of the seals in Kings Mountain.

—National News—

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 26.—A discovery that the silver in a developed photographic film is not the dots which show as "grains" to the eye and to the microscope, but a lace-work of incredibly fine lines was announced today by Dr. C. E. K. Mees, director of research for the Eastman Kodak Co.

This discovery upsets all previous beliefs about the silver and points a possible way to get rid of the "graininess" which limits enlargement of photographs. Dr. Mees said the discovery is the most astonishing thing in photography in years.

STADIUM SPECIFICATIONS BEING MADE

Plans and specifications for the School Stadium as shown on the plat now on display in the Central Barber Shop are now being made by Engineer Rose of Shelby. The plans call for football bleachers, baseball grandstand, Field House, Concession Stand, and Ticket Office. This complete set of specifications are expected to be completed and delivered in Kings Mountain Friday.

As soon as this information is received plans will be made to finance the project.

Red Cross Goal Almost Reached

Officials of the Red Cross Roll Call announce that the goal of \$2,500 is short about \$475 and if any one who was not contacted would like to contribute to the funds that relieves suffering in Kings Mountain can do so by paying Mr. B. S. Neill, Treasurer, at the First National Bank. One member of the committee also asks that if anyone should like to increase their contribution so that the goal can be reached, to notify Mr. Neill.

Roll Call Chairman, B. S. Peeler, stated that total pledges to date amounts to \$2,133.59 with one more week to go. Several groups have not reported because the house-to-house canvass is still incomplete. This fund not only aids Red Cross nationally, but the larger part remains in Kings Mountain to aid citizens here.

So, if you haven't already contributed, please do so at once, or if you would like to give more, all contributions will be kindly received by Mr. Neill.

A. W. Jones Dies

Mr. A. W. Jones, aged 82, died at his home here last Friday, only nine days after the death of his wife.

Funeral services and interment took place at Spencer Mountain Saturday afternoon.

Surviving are two sons, Frank Jones of Dallas, Arthur Jones of Lincolnton, one daughter, Mrs. W. A. Hawkins of Kings Mountain. Three step-children survive, Will Stroupe, Sam Stroupe and Mrs. Osie Gunnells all of Kings Mountain.

Mr. Jones is also survived by 29 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

NO. 1 ENROLLEE



Owen Albert Huffstickler, local taxi driver who will be the first man from the Kings Mountain Draft Board to enter the army on December 5th. Mr. Huffstickler, whose order number was 1,316 volunteered for service. The number one man is 29 years of age and is the son of Mr. Robert Huffstickler. He was in the U. S. Marines for about 2½ years, and was stationed in Panama and Haiti. He is a native of Kings Mountain and a young man of pleasing personality.

The other man, to make up the first quota of two, had not been selected yesterday in time for publication. The two men are to leave here by bus for Fort Bragg at 10:00 A.M. on December 5th.

Mrs. J. G. Hord Passes After Long Illness

Funeral services for Mrs. Carrie White Hord, age 63, prominent woman of Kings Mountain, were held Tuesday afternoon at Boyce Memorial Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, with the pastor, Dr. R. N. Baird, in charge. Assisting were Dr. W. M. Boyce, of Charlotte, a former pastor of Boyce Memorial and Dr. C. B. Williams of Pisgah. Interment was made in Mountain Rest Cemetery in the family plot. The grave and graves of other loved ones were covered with beautiful flowers, attesting love and sympathy of many friends of the bereft family and high regard for the deceased.

Pallbearers were Will Spencer, Otis Hord and Leroy McGill of Gastonia; J. T. Allen, of Cherryville; John McGill and George Hord, of Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Hord's death came Monday morning, after an illness of several months. Her condition had been extremely critical for several weeks.

A native of Smyrna, S. C., Mrs. Hord came to Kings Mountain, with her parents, the late William and Margaret McGill White, when she was five years of age and has since resided here.

Mrs. Hord was the widow of the late Dr. Jacob George Hord, a Cleveland County native and for many years one of the leading physicians of Kings Mountain.

In the early years of her life Mrs. Hord joined Boyce Memorial Church and during her adult life has been one of its leading members. She was a life member of the Missionary Society of the church and served for 15 years as leader of the Junior Missionary Society. She was a valued member and former president of the Kings Mountain Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, a member of the Thursday Afternoon Cook Club and Civic organizations.

Mrs. Hord was a devoted wife and mother and since the death of her husband several years ago, has shouldered the burden of the management of large real estate holdings.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Luther L. Anthony of Gastonia, Mrs. W. M. Craft of Gaffney, S. C., Miss Mary Frances Hord, a teacher in the Cherryville schools, Mrs. Jimmy Harris and Miss Maude Eunice Hord of Kings Mountain, one son, Jimmy E. Hord of Miami, Fla., a pilot with Eastern Airlines. Two sisters survive, Mrs. S. Elmer Spencer, of Gastonia, and Mrs. Lona McGill, of Kings Mountain.

Critically Ill

Mr. Henry L. Summitt continues critically ill at Duke Hospital, Durham, where he has been a patient for several weeks. The family were called to Durham Monday night and while he was slightly better Tuesday, he is still in a serious condition.



Pastor Called For Lutheran Church

At a congregational meeting Sunday morning St. Matthews Lutheran Church extended a call to Rev. Herman G. Fisher, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Macon, Georgia.

The Lutheran Church has been without a pastor since Rev. L. B. Hamm left in September to accept the pastorate of Macedonia Lutheran Church of Burlington, N. C. Each Sunday the morning services have been continued with supply ministers in the pulpit.

At the meeting Sunday morning there was no sermon. The meeting was in charge of W. K. Mauney, chairman of the Church Council and of the congregation.

Recommendations were read and adopted making the congregation a whole time pastorate. St. Luke's, a rural congregation, has been included in the parish. The new pastor will be requested for the time being to supply at St. Luke's at two afternoon services each month.

Talks were made by Mrs. J. E. Herndon on the program of the Children of the Church, by Misses Frances Prince and Helen Rameuser, of the Luther Leagues, by Mrs. F. R. Summers of the Woman's Missionary Society, by W. Arthur Bennett of the Brotherhood.

Aubrey Mauney reported as a delegate to the Conventions of the Lutheran Brotherhood and of the United Lutheran Church of America which met during October in Omaha Nebraska.

W. K. Mauney telephoned to Pastor Fisher Sunday evening to inform him of the call. As yet no word has come as to his decision.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THE Worst Joke I heard today was told to me by an Englishman. Being in England, one naturally does run on to them now and again. It's a Golf Story. It's a new Golf Story. At least it's not the one we have to listen to in America every day about the



two fellows meeting and talking about what they were around in, and finally what they were talking about was the score for the first hole.

"A small white Golf Ball rolled over the green, and was promptly picked up by Fido, the old Lady's pet dog. The next moment the Golfer came over the edge of the hill and began waving his arms and shouting to the dog, 'Put it down, Fido! Here comes the Gentleman and he will knock it for you again!'"

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The Kiwanis Honor City School Teachers

The Kiwanis Club honored the fifty-two teachers of the Kings Mountain public schools at a Thanks giving dinner Thursday evening at the Woman's Club. Favours were distributed to the lucky teachers. President Ladd Hamrick remarked on the significance of National Education Week and the value of our school teachers in our present civilization. He called attention to the cooperation of Kiwanis with education and presented Joe Lee Woodward, chairman of the Committee on Education, who was in charge of the program.

The teachers were greeted by C. Glenn White, of the school board. Mr. White said that this was his first time to face fifty-one teachers at the same time. He spoke of the motto of Kiwanis, "We Build," and the purposes of the organization. "It is in line of the purpose," he said, "that we encourage, cooperate and welcome the teachers. The response to the greeting was by Mrs. Josephine W. Weir of the High School faculty. Dinner music was by Miss Dorothy Carson, pianist of the Kiwanis and director of the Girls' Glee Club.

Kiwanian B. N. Barnes, Superintendent of the City schools, presented the teachers by schools — the Park-Grace School, the West school the East school and Central school.

Members of the Kiwanis, present were introduced by Mr. Woodward.

The speaker of the occasion, R. L. Patton, superintendent of Burke County schools, was presented by Kiwanian D. M. Bridges, principal of the High School. Mr. Patton was presented as the Will Rogers of the North Carolina school system. His address was well filled with humor and kept the group in extraordinary good humor with his wit and stories. Through it all he spoke on the very serious subject of "Fears that We Have." He talked of five fears that are inherent in all people: fear of accident and disease, fear of being not liked, fear of war, the fear of failure and fear of the unknown. He closed his address with three antiphones to overcome these fears: knowledge, courage and faith in our selves, fellowmen, country and God. He said that it was a privilege to be a teacher today to teach the privileges of being an American.

There will be no Kiwanis meeting this evening. To make up the attendance the members have been guests of the club at the Dixie Theatre at the regular shows during the week.

Lions To Meet Tuesday Night

The first regular semi-monthly meeting for December of the Lions Club will be held next Tuesday evening at 7 P. M. in the Woman's Club Building. Program committee for the meeting will be Roy Foster, L. M. Logan and M. H. Biser, and all members are urged to be present.

Citizens from Kings Mountain and adjoining territory will usher in the holiday season here next Wednesday evening with a mammoth community sing. Santa, that jolly old man from the north pole will be here with gifts for the children, and an overflow crowd is expected to be present for the gala event.

Members of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association, sponsor of the annual event decided to have something different from the ordinary parade. So all boys, girls, mamas and papas are invited to practice up on Christmas songs and join in the singing that will be led by hundreds of voices under the joint direction of Misses Carolyn Carlisle and Dorothy Carson of the Kings Mountain School Faculty. Mr. Kenneth Crook will assist in the leading.

The big joyous singing event will take place immediately following the band parade which begins at 6 P. M. in front of Central School. The band will parade down Piedmont Avenue to Mountain Street, then down Mountain Street to Battleground Road then down Battleground Road to Gold Street where the musicians will turn around and retrace their steps to the Baptist Church corner where the singing will take place at 6:30.

Glee Clubs from the three Kings Mountain schools and from Dixon, Lethlehem, Park-Grace, Beth-Ware, and Patterson Grove have been invited to take part in the big musical event. Choirs from the Kings Mountain Churches will also lend their voices to the singing of the Christmas Carols and Songs.

Several members of the Band under the direction of Paul E. Hendricks will accompany the singers "Skimp" Stowe will have his loud speaker hooked up so that the directors may be heard as well as seen.

Proceeding the band parade Miss Carson will render a half hour chime concert from the Presbyterian Church.

Chief of Police Jimmy Burns and his department will be assisted by members of the Fire Department in regulating traffic and maintaining order. And now for the highlight of the entire occasion... the appearance of Santa Claus... that red-garmented gentleman from the frozen north, who has all the names of good little boys and girls. Upon the singers peel forth with the harmony of "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas" which is the tenth song on the list. Santa will make his appearance to the delight of the little folks of Kings Mountain and community.

Flood lights will be installed, copies of the songs will be printed, platform for the directors will be constructed, gifts for boys and girls will be bought, in fact every detail is being attended to to make this the biggest Christmas ever presented in Kings Mountain.

Following the singing, Santa will take his stand in the entrance of the old Presbyterian Church and all boys and girls of grammar school age and younger will file by and be presented a gift from Santa's own hands.

The Merchants Association is giving a \$5.00 cash prize to the merchant (Cont'd on Editorial page)

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

The post-election question of the freedom of the press is being brought toward a head much sooner than many people expected.

With the result of the election known for only 48 hours, both the President and one of his chief cabinet followers, Secretary Ickes, open the discussion.

Since the balloting is out of the way and the President says he will not seek a fourth term, it can be assumed that the issue is not being raised for partisan political purposes. Therefore, it cannot be partisan politics to report some of the discussions that are going on in Washington and elsewhere.

The first gun was fired by Secretary Ickes. He issued a statement asserting that only 23 percent of the newspapers supported President Roosevelt for re-election this year. He described this as a "perilous situation" and saw a need for "a truly free press." He invited the (Cont'd on back page)

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

Speed and Greater Speed

By IRVIN S. COBB

JOHN JONES spent several years in the Klondyke at the height of the gold rush when life was uncertain. Reports came back to his home in San Francisco that he had been shot—or shot at—by a bad



man in one of the mining camps. When he returned from the Alaskan wilds, a fellow Californian, meeting him on the street, asked for details regarding the affray.

"We heard down here that you had rather a close call," he said. "Tell me, just what happened?"

"Well," said Jones, "it was like this: In a saloon one night something I said or did gave offense to a professional gunman. Before I had time to explain that I meant no personal reflection upon him, he'd gone into action. He yanked a big 44 calibre pistol out of his holster and just as I turned to get away he cracked down on me at a distance of not more than ten feet. Before he could shoot the second time I was out of the door."

"Then he missed you," said his friend.

"No," said Jones, "he hit me right between the shoulders."

"You must have been pretty badly hurt then?"

"No, just a slight flesh wound."

"A flesh wound at that range? I don't understand why he didn't bore a hole clear through you."

"Well, you see," said Jones, "by the time that guy could pull the trigger I was traveling so fast that the bullet only went in about a quarter of an inch."

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