

## Condensed In Brief Form State And National News

### —State News—

High Point, Jan. 28.—Oscar Marion Andrews, 52, foreman of the finishing department at Triangle Hosiery mills for the last 12 years, died this morning of a bullet wound in the head, and County Coroner Wallace G. Freeman of Greensboro pronounced him a suicide.

Greenville, N. C., Jan. 28.—Recorder L. C. Skinner dismissed charges today against 21 men and women representing themselves to be members of the religious sect of Jehovah's Witnesses, who were arrested yesterday and Saturday by Greenville police.

The recorder said his decision was based upon a ruling of the U. S. Supreme Court, which held unconstitutional an ordinance similar to the one under which the arrests were made here.

Wilmington, Jan. 28.—Woodrow Wilson Melton, 29, son of Charles Melton of Masonboro sound was one of three U. S. marines killed yesterday in an automobile accident near San Diego, Calif., it was learned here today.

He was a native of Wilmington, joined the marine corps here in 1936 and had seen service at several marine posts in this country as well as in Hawaii and on the China coast.

Barium Springs, Jan. 28.—The awarding of contracts for the construction of a quadrangle of cottages at the Presbyterian orphan's home at Barium Springs were formally made here this afternoon by the finance committee of the Board of Regents, which delegated this authority to the finance committee at its September meeting.

The general contract for \$37,573 went to the Erwin Construction company of Catawba, and a combination plumbing and heating contract of \$9,400 was awarded to R. S. Barkley Plumbing and Heating Co. of Statesville. Walter W. Cook of Charlotte is the architect.

Whiteville, Jan. 28.—Solicitor D. V. Sinclair announced this morning at the opening of a two weeks term of criminal superior court here that the case of Willie F. Ward and Mrs. Edith Ward, who along with Roy Barton Simmons and W. Chess Ward are charged with conspiracy in an alleged \$43,000 insurance swindle, would be called to trial at 2:30 o'clock next Monday.

In addition to conspiracy charges, Mr. and Mrs. Ward are to be tried on charges of false pretense.

The charges grew out of the alleged fake drownings last May 11 of W. F. Ward in the waters of Little River inlet in Brunswick county. Subsequently, Mrs. Ward is accused of having collected \$43,000 insurance for the "death" of her husband.

Salisbury, Jan. 28.—A six year old boy from Rockwell accidentally killed his five year old sister this morning with a shot from a .22 calibre rifle, Dr. W. L. Tatum, county coroner, reported today.

Mary Redell Moose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Moose, was the victim. She died almost instantly after being shot thru the head by her brother, Wm. Pinckney Moose.

### —National News—

Chicago, Jan. 28.—The man that Chicago firemen would like most to get their hands on—a fire alarm bug—went back to work today, turning in 14 false alarms in two and one half hours.

Friday he pulled 19 false alarms in three and one half hours. Six companies answered the first box today, but only one engine was dispatched to the others. Streets were slippery with snow and life going was treacherous for the heavy trucks.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 28.—Seven hundred and fifty pupils at Babine Junior High school here marched in orderly lines out of the building shortly before noon today while a fire which eventually caused three alarms to be turned in, raged in the auditorium.

No child was injured and the teachers said there was no evidence of panic.

The fire broke out in the curtains of the auditorium stage and spread to the ceiling. Firemen had difficulty getting at the flames and hunk of plaster crashed about them as they handled the hoses.

The fire appeared to be under control at 12:15 p.m. and most of the damage was confined to the auditorium.

Kansas City, Jan. 28.—A huge naval reserve armory, its interior constructed to resemble that of a ship's was destroyed late today by fire that was believed caused by an overheated flue.

F. B. I. men and members of the police detail assigned to investigate subversive activities, however, began an investigation while the flames still were roaring through the ten year old frame and sheet metal structure.

Fort Bliss, Tex., Jan. 28.—Mountain climbing was placed on the list of "don'ts" at this post today.

Private Joe S. Steever, Arkansas national guard, climbed 7,100 foot Mount Franklin, was injured by a dislodged rock and then trapped on a narrow ledge. He lay there nearly 12 hours before rescuers, working in the beam of an antiaircraft searchlight, succeeded in lowering him with ropes.

Miami, Fla., Jan. 27.—Chief Immigration Officer W. B. Thomas said today permission to enter the United States had been denied Almore Vanin, 36, who described himself as a former lieutenant in the Italian aviation reserve.

Vanin said he had asked for a visitor's permit so he could see his wife, ill in Boston. He said he resigned his commission when he went back to Rome from this country last November. He planned to appeal to Washington.

### MAKES GOOD GRADE

Mr. Ladd Hamrick, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ladd Hamrick, made an excellent showing in his grades at Wake Forest College for his first semester, having a report of all A's or an average of 98 or better. Kings Mountain citizens extend congratulations to Ladd, Jr., and wish for him continued good work.

## HOEY TO BE SPEAKER AT ANNUAL SCOUT WEEK BANQUET

Large Group Attended Piedmont Council Meeting in Gastonia Tuesday Evening.

W. K. Mauney, chairman of the Kings Mountain District of the Boy Scouts, announced that the Hon. Clyde R. Hoey would make the address at the annual banquet of Scouts and fathers to be held in the High School Cafeteria on Thursday, February 13th. The plans for the occasion are being made by a combined committee of the Scout leaders, the Boys and Girls Work Committee of the Kiwanis and a committee from the Lions Club.

The Thirty-first Anniversary of Scouting in America is being observed during the week of February 7 to the 13th. Each troop is planning to take a part. Windows will be decorated and Scouting demonstrations presented. During the week at the sound of short blasts of the city fire siren a general mobilization of all Scouts is planned to demonstrate their use as a civic service in an emergency.

The Annual Scout Union Service will be held at the Baptist Church February 16th, Sunday evening at 7:00. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Herman G. Fisher of the Lutheran Church.

At the banquet meeting of the Piedmont Council Tuesday evening at Headquarters in Gastonia all council officers were reelected except that Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, the retiring governor, was elected as vice-president from Cleveland County to succeed State Senator Ralph Gardner.

W. K. Mauney was reelected as chairman of organization of the council and B. N. Barnes as program chairman. Troop No. 7 of Kings Mountain was awarded the Troop Standard Ribbon for 1940. Troop No. 7 is at the Margrave Mill. Haskel D. Wilson is Scoutmaster.

Among those attending the banquet meeting from Kings Mountain were: W. K. Mauney, B. N. Barnes, Rev. H. G. Fisher, H. C. Wilson, Zeb Falls, J. E. Herndon, Laney C. Detmar, Jack Hullender, Carl W. Davidson, Bryan Ford, W. K. Mauney, Jr., J. E. Aderholdt, Rev. P. D. Patrick, Brogan's Moss, J. L. Settlemyer, Jr. and Aubrey Mauney.

The address of the occasion was delivered by Dr. Amos O. Squires, chief medical examiner of Westchester County, New York, and past physician of Sing Sing Prison. He spoke on why so much crime. Crime he said cost the United States annually fifteen billion dollars. He attributed this to a great disrespect for laws, world unrest and wars, the influence of drugs, the publication of crime news and the desire for publicity.

Dr. Squires stated that twenty-five percent of those in prison for felonies are psychopaths and that released from prison they would continue as criminals and that of these 17 percent were aliens and should be deported.

To combat this crime cost, Dr. Squires said, we must interest ourselves in character building agencies. The hope of the future is in the Boy Scout movement. Nine million boys are and have been influenced by Scouting.

Crime today he indicated is increasing 30 percent faster among women than among men and that we should give more attention to Girl Scouting.

To closed pointing out that we can contribute most by being pals to our own children. "It we maintain the right relationship as dads our children will hardly become anti-social."

### Two Small Fires Recently

Firemen have been called out twice within the past week to fires that did very little damage. The first fire was last Thursday afternoon about 3 p. m. when a pile of trash and grass caught fire in the back yard of H. L. Summitt's on Gaston street. No damage was reported. The second fire was Sunday morning about 9:30 at a house in the Cora Mill village. Only slight damage was done to the house from the fire that caught from a defective flue.

### ON HONOR LIST

Miss Ruth McGill was on the Honor List for making high grades on examination for Nurses to practice Nursing in the State. Miss McGill has been with the Aston Park Hospital, Asheville, until two weeks ago, when she went to Pinehurst, N. C., to take a better position with the Moore County Hospital there.

## Special Services At Presbyterian Church

There will be special services at the First Presbyterian Church Feb. 2-9. The Sunday morning message by the pastor will be on the theme: "Are We Bound For the Promised Land?" A quartette from Davidson College will be with us for this service. At the evening hour, 7:30, Rev. Coyte Hunter of our city, will use as his subject: "Needed, Visions."

Services Monday through Friday will be at 7:30 P. M.

Monday evening Rev. W. H. Johnston, pastor of Amity Presbyterian Church of Charlotte, and Stated Clerk of Mecklenburg Presbytery will preach. Tuesday evening motion pictures will be shown on the "Church at Work in Africa," and on Wednesday evening pictures on "For God, America and Mexico." On Thursday evening Rev. J. W. Hassell, D. D., pastor of Spindale Presbyterian Church, for many years a missionary to Japan, will preach and on Friday night will hear Rev. O. V. Armstrong, D. D., a veteran missionary from China, of Montreat, N. C.

The public is cordially invited to these services.

### Robbers Bore Into Plonk's

The robber or robbers who bored their way into Plonk Bros. and Co. after midnight Tuesday gained very little or nothing for their trouble, according to Jimmy Burns, Chief of Police. The robbers gained entrance to the building by crawling under the building and boring a hole, size 12 by 14 inches in the floor. The safe which was not locked was found unopened when the store was opened for business Wednesday morning. Papers from the safe were scattered. No money had been left in the safe so the robbers loot was nil, as no merchandise was found missing from the stock.

Chief Burns is being assisted in the investigation by Officer Carl Short.

### Travel Pictures To Be Shown at Kiwanis Meeting

Kiwanians Gene Neisler and Harold Hunicutt will present a moving picture program of Mr. Neisler's world trip at the meeting this evening in the Woman's Club Building at 6:30. The pictures are very interesting, especially at a time when the map of the world is being changed, and a large number of members are expected to be present for the showing.

The Kiwanis Club met last week in Shelby with other clubs to hear Robert Lee Humber, who lived in Europe for 20 years. Mr. Humber told in a very vivid manner of the conditions that existed in the old world. The speaker declared he believed the only solution of the problem of preventing conflicts such as now rages in Europe to be a world federation of nations.

Over 300 were present for the meeting.

## Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THE Worst Joke I heard today was told to me by an Englishman. We were talking of the Eucharistic Congress they had in Chicago, and he told me the following story. There was horse buses, no motor buses, in the days when this happened. They stopped to take on passengers and the conductor went to the driver of the bus and he said, "Bill, I believe I got Cardinal Newman inside that bus."



"Well, why don't you ask him if it's him?" said Bill.  
"So I will, Bill. So I will."  
"Beggin' your pardon, Sir, but might you be Cardinal Newman, Sir?"  
"What the Hades has that got to do with it, you God-forsaken idiot? You blasted impertinent puppy, get back to the outside platform."  
"Oh, Bill!" he shouted out to the driver.  
"Yes, what is it?"  
"I was wrong. It is not 'Is Eminent, Judgin' by 'is speech.'"  
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### MAKE T. B. SALES RETURN

Mrs. Max Gantt, Chairman of the T. B. Sales Drive which was conducted before Christmas has issued an appeal to all who received seals by mail and have not remitted to please do so at once. Mrs. Gantt stated that her final report had to be made by February 10th, and it is necessary for all to pay up immediately.

### Members of National Honor Society

I. Ben Goforth, Jr., Miss Juanita McSwain, Miles and Ernest Mauney, members of the senior class of Kings Mountain High School were recently inducted into the Kings Mountain Chapter of the National Honor Society.

These pupils were chosen by the faculty of the high school, who consider principles of character, scholarship, leadership and service. Membership in the National Honor Society is the highest honor, the school can confer on a student.

Mr. Horace Eason of Shelby was the speaker chosen to address the high school pupils when they assembled in the auditorium for the impressive ceremony.

### Wife of Former Kings Mtn. Pastor Buried Sunday

Funeral services were held at Yackinville Sunday afternoon for Mrs. Victoria Haynes Vestal, age 81 widow of the late Rev. Miles H. Vestal, at one time pastor of Central Methodist Church, Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Vestal died in the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital at Elkin, Friday night from complications which developed after she sustained a fractured hip in a fall at her home.

Her late husband was a well-known minister and former president of the Western North Carolina Conference.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. E. V. Johnson of Yackinville, Mrs. V. Page Clark, of Southern Pines; four sons, Henry Vestal of Somerton, Arizona, Paul Vestal of North Wilkesboro, E. V. Vestal of Baltimore Md., Albert C. Vestal of Salisbury.

### Another Watch Found

Miss Sadie Huffstetter, who lives with Mrs. M. M. Carpenter, lost her watch in front of Keeter's on Wednesday, January 15. She was very much worried over the loss of her timepiece, and tried in vain to locate the missing watch. One week later, Miss Huffstetter placed a 30c classified ad in The Herald. Immediately after the paper was published, a Miss Price from Lenoir, who was visiting her brother here, read the ad. She had found the watch a week before and had been looking for the owner.

So again, The Herald brings the finder of a watch and the owner together.

### CHURCH YOUTH TO HAVE SOCIAL AT CLUB HOUSE

The Youth Division of Central Methodist Church will be host to members of young people's organizations of the other churches in the community at a fellowship and recreational hour in the Woman's Club Saturday evening, Feb. 1, at 7:30 o'clock. All young people fourteen to twenty-four years of age are cordially invited. Harold Hipps, of Gastonia, district director of young people's work, will be master of ceremonies and will direct a number of games and recreational events. Members of Grace Methodist Epworth League will be honor guests. Refreshments will be served.

### Guest Speaker

The Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church will have as a guest speaker Sunday morning Mr. Paul Crane, born and reared in Korea, now a senior at Davidson College. A quartette from Davidson will come with him to furnish music during the Sunday School hour.

### Lions To Meet Tuesday

The regular, semi-monthly meeting of the Kings Mountain Lions Club will be held next Tuesday at 7:00 o'clock P. M. in the Woman's Club Building. Dr. H. C. Sprinkle, Jr. will be in charge of the program. He has secured Rev. H. G. Fisher, of St. Matthews Lutheran Church as speaker of the evening.

### ALL NIGHT PRAYER SERVICE

There will be an all-night prayer meeting Saturday night at the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Also Sunday night the Phillips Trio from Belmont will be at the service with special singing. Everyone is welcome to attend both services.

## Local Board Mails Out More Questionnaires

Questionnaires are being mailed this week to registrants whose order number is from 229 through 309 making a total of 71 mailed out from the local Draft Board, according to Mrs. Eugene Mathis, Clerk. After the blanks are filled in and returned, the registrants will be classified and the February quota will be selected. The group of enrollees or draftees will not leave Kings Mountain before Feb. 17th according to information received by the local board. The number to be sent in the next group is not known at this time.

The two colored draftees, Willie Roberts and James Durham, left here yesterday by bus for Ft. Bragg to report for a year's training.

William "Billy" Orr Weir, volunteered for service with the group of ten that left here January 21st.

Mrs. Mathis asked that all registrants who move or change addresses to please notify her office, so that the necessary changes may be made in her records. Several registrants have notified members of the Draft Board on the streets, which causes unnecessary bother to members of the board.

## Policeman Haynes Resigns

John A. Hanes, who has been a member of the Kings Mountain Police Department for the past two years has resigned, according to Chief of Police Jimmy Burns. Mr. Hanes' resignation has already been accepted. Melvin C. Hoover, of Raleigh, who has been a member of the State Bureau of Investigation for the past two years has already been hired to fill the vacancy of Mr. Hanes. Mr. Hoover, was with the Federal Bureau of Investigation for seven years and formerly a member of the High Point Detective Department for two years. The new officer who will begin active duty next Monday is a finger print expert. Mr. Hoover is 32 years old and is married and has two children.

Chief Burns said: "We are very fortunate in securing the services of an officer who has had such excellent training and experience, and I know the citizens will co-operate with the new officer."

### Radio Evangelist And Musicians To Be Here

Radio Evangelist W. Earl Armstrong of Gastonia, will bring two unusual musicians, Rev. J. L. Hughes and Rev. M. L. Mechtly, for a special one-night service at Central Methodist Church next Sunday at 7 p. m. The young ministers, who are assisting Mr. Armstrong in a series of services, play a number of instruments, including a saxophone, a saw, cow bells, and a set of tuned whiskey bottles. Mr. Armstrong will preach especially to younger people, but persons of all ages are cordially invited.

## Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

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

The astounding scope of the lend-lease plan may have taken some people's breath, but it certainly should make clear to the nation what it means for America to be the arsenal for democracy.

It means that this country is going to supply arms and munitions for nations all over the globe—not only the British Isles—to fight against dictatorship.

For the present at least this does not call for man-power in uniform but in overall running machines in plants and factories. And if these men are to give their all to producing defense goods, naturally some of them must stop working on things they have been making.

That industry recognizes the size of the job is apparent. Auto makers, for instance, have been working three months on plans to turn out airplane parts. Now they are talking about abandoning their annual automobile show. Even if they had to go a step farther and not develop new models for next year, that wouldn't

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## Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

### Suffering from a Relapse

By IRVIN S. COBB

TWO actors in New York sometimes carried their social inclinations to an extreme. To put the matter brutally, they occasionally had attacks of what were known in the vernacular as the "willies". While



recuperating from these seizures they customarily patronized the same sanitarium. Let us, for convenience's sake, call them A and B. It befell one day that A felt himself to be acutely in need of a period devoted to rest and restoration. As he approached the door of the sanitarium he met his friend B, rather white and drawn-looking just coming out.  
"Lo, old man," said A somewhat thickly, and with difficulty repressing a hiccup, "what mazzar wiz you? Same ol' complaint, eh?"  
"I'm all right now," said B, "but I've had an awful time. Never again for me—I'm through. You may think I'm a little bit shaky and nervous now, but you should have seen me last week before I began to get over it. Why, man, for ten days, little red lizards with green eyes and purple tails were crawling all over me."  
With his horrified eyes starting from his head, A aimed a tremulous forefinger at B's coat collar.  
"My God, man!" he cried, "you—you ain't well yet! There's one of 'em on you now!"

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